

Weather Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms...

Thursday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 98. Windy, with a south wind between 20 and 30 mph...

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. Windy, with a south wind between 20 and 30 mph...

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 86. South wind 10 to 15 mph becoming north.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 58.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 88.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 63.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 93. Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. Friday: High, 74; Low 50. Saturday: High, 74; Low 54.

Legislature begins redistricting

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GOP-dominated Legislature and Republican Gov. Bill Graves in 2002, but the Republican majorities were smaller. "I recognize that this is, inherently, a partisan process and go into that with expectations that Democrats are probably not going to get their way, but we'll try to work together with them as best we can," Davis said.

Governor's arts commission veto starts national debate on art funding

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councils or dramatically cut funding have been pursued in several states, including New Hampshire, Texas and Washington, but Kansas is the first where such an effort has come to fruition.

TOPEKA - Gov. Sam Brownback pushed Kansas into a national debate over the scope of government by making his state the first to shut down its arts agency and eliminate funding for arts programs, leading one group Tuesday to call the state "a huge outlier" in how it treats the arts.

An effort today by the House to override the veto failed to get the 2/3 majority necessary. The chief executive officer of Americans for the Arts, based in Washington, said Brownback's decision last week to veto the entire Kansas Arts Commission budget goes against "a half-century understanding" in the U.S. that government has a role in promoting the arts.

"It's a huge outlier," Robert Lynch, CEO of Americans for the Arts, said during an interview with the Associated Press. "It's the only such decision made this year or in the past 50 years."

Some fiscal conservatives contend Americans, concerned about spending, are rethinking whether taxpayer dollars should support the arts. Alan Cobb, director of state operations for the small-government group Americans for Prosperity, said criticism of Brownback's actions is overheated.

"If this happened across the country, we will still have great art museums and symphony orchestras," Cobb said. "We can't do everything, so let's figure out what we really need to do, and what are we good at."

Proposals to eliminate state GOP-dominated Legislature and Republican Gov. Bill Graves in 2002, but the Republican majorities were smaller.

Hundreds flock to pool for opening

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The hectic wind didn't stop the pool's popularity, Brooks said, but it did manage to make morning cleanings a bit more difficult. The Colby Recreation Department plans to start swimming lessons soon and a triathlon is going to be added to the pool's already busy schedule.

Exports fueling growth in Midwest economy

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) - A survey in nine Midwestern and Plains states suggests that exports are helping fuel regional economic growth. A report released Wednesday says the Business Conditions Index for the Mid-America region rose in May, to 60.2 from 57.7 in April.

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