

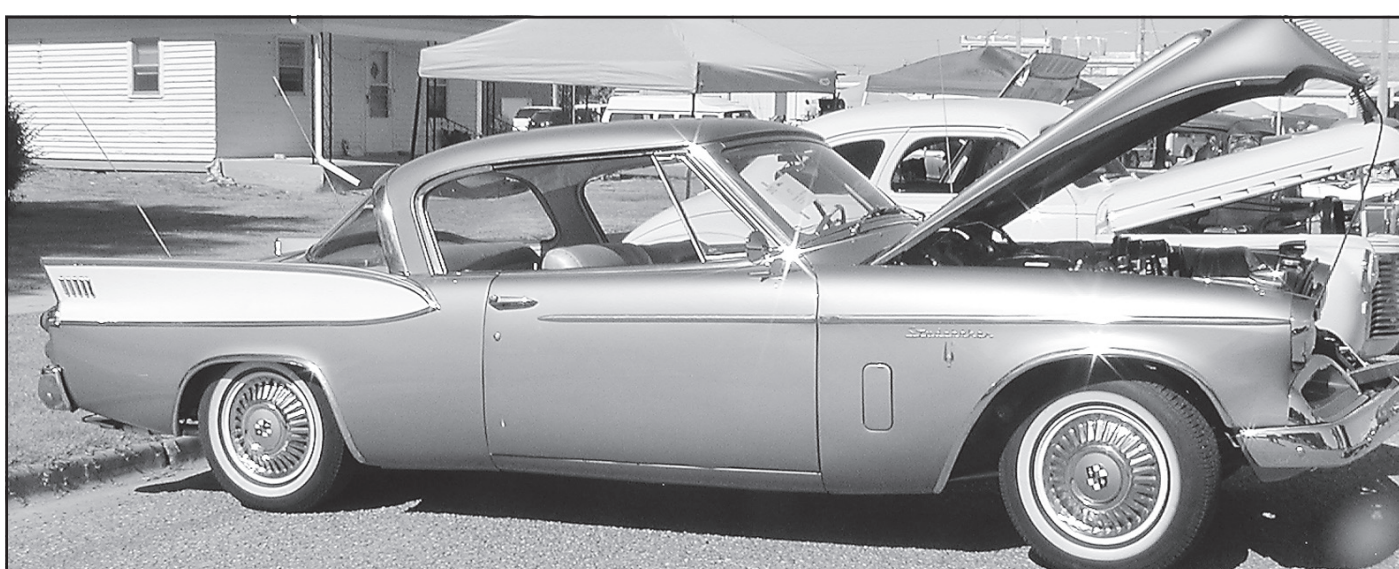
Weather Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 63. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.
Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 90. South wind between 5 and 15 mph.
Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. South wind between 5 and 15 mph.
Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 97. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southwest.
Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 70.
Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 97.
Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 68.
Monday: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 93.
Monday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 69.
Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 95.
Tuesday Night: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68.
Wednesday: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 93.

Wednesday: High, 88; Low 63
 Precip: Wednesday 0.55 inches
 Month: 1.48 inches
 Year: 8.63 inches
 Normal: 13.61 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
 Friday 6:25 a.m. 9:13 p.m.
 Saturday 6:25 a.m. 9:13 p.m.
 Sunday 6:26 a.m. 9:13 p.m.
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)
Colby Water Use
 Wednesday 1,979,000 gal.
 (Colby Public Works)

Tribute to the classics



This classic Studebaker was just one of many old cars and motorcycles shown at the Hoxie Rod Run on June 25. The event also included drag races, games, a barbecue dinner and a raffle.

KATHRYN BALLARD/Colby Free Press

Governor says Medicaid cuts possible

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doesn't deserve credit for the nearly 3,200 private sector jobs created since he took office. "I am amused that Governor Sam Brownback has released a 'progress report' that claims his first six months in office have been a success," said Senate

Minority Leader Anthony Hensley, a Topeka Democrat. "If this is his idea of progress, then his administration is a cruise ship in search of an iceberg."

Overhauling Medicaid is a major initiative for Brownback's administration because the program's costs, now approaching \$2.8 billion, have increased 48

percent over the past eight years, stressing the state's budget.

The initiative is headed by Lt. Gov. Jeff Colyer, a surgeon. The administration had its first town hall meeting on Medicaid last month in Topeka, and others were scheduled this week in Wichita and Dodge City, with a fourth planned in August in the Kansas City area.

The current budget requires SRS to find savings of more than \$40 million, including \$1 million in administrative expenses. Siedlecki announced last week that his department would cut its number of county offices from 42 to 33 and consolidate six administrative regions into four.

The other offices being closed are in Coffeyville, Fort Scott, Garnett, Lyndon, Marysville, McPherson, Pratt and Wellington.

Brownback noted that the state had 106 SRS offices — one more than it has counties — as late as 2004 and that Democratic Gov.

Kathleen Sebelius began several rounds of office closings.

"We're trying to push a lot of that service onto the Internet, doing it electronically," Brownback said. "Some people have easier access to computers than others, so we recognize that's a difficulty."

The governor and Siedlecki said SRS is closing its Lawrence office because it was relatively close to other offices in communities linked by four-lane highways. Also, they said, SRS spends about \$300,000 a year on the Lawrence office, allowing it to achieve significant savings by shutting it down.

Siedlecki said the department is willing to consider bringing employees once or multiple times a week to Lawrence.

But Brownback said, "You'd probably have to close down four or five other offices if you didn't close the Lawrence office."

Leaders meet today to end debt stalemate

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama sat down with leaders of Congress at a crucial deficit-reduction negotiating session Thursday as the White House signaled a willingness to reduce costs for major benefit programs like Social Security and Medicare while Republicans indicated they might consider steps to raise revenue.

Obama met with the leaders of both parties around a table in the Cabinet Room as they struggled to reach a deal on raising the government's debt limit with less than four weeks remaining before the government faces the prospect of a first-ever default on U.S. financial obligations.

"I think there will be a spirit of trying to get results here," House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, R-Va., said early Thursday.

While discussions on trimming the costs of entitlement programs had centered on Medicare, the health care program for older Americans, the White House is revisiting a proposal raised earlier in the negotiations to change the inflation measurement used to calculate Social Security cost-of-living adjustments, thus reducing increases.

House Speaker John Boehner told reporters before leaving for the White House that proposals to reform the tax code are "under discussion" as part of budget talks with Obama, but the Ohio Republican promised that any such plans won't "raise taxes on the American people."

The White House signaled Wednesday that the president is aiming for deficit reduction.

New bank to open later this month

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"We feel good about the Colby community," said Whitham, "and plan to provide a good-sized bank for western Kansas. We try to be personal and loans will be locally handled and not by some banking board off in a

city far away." The bank is family-owned and holds a five-star rating by Bauer Financial, a reporting company that analyzes banks and credit unions in the United States. The rating indicates the bank is a strong and safe institution to do business with.

Colby water usage hits peak on June 29

From "WATER," Page 1

and cleaning the streets and they clean the wells to make sure they're working properly.

The city also asks residents to do some basic conservation such as washing only full loads of laundry, taking shorter showers and making sure faucets aren't left running.

If water use goes above 4 million gallons a day for three days, the city is put under a water warning. The city will stop watering lawns and washing vehicles and prepare standby wells in case extra water is needed.

Residents would go on an odd/even watering schedule,

with odd-numbered addresses allowed to water lawns on odd-numbered days and even addresses allowed to water on even days. Car washing would be allowed before 10 a.m. and after 7 p.m. The city would also charge more for extra water use.

If water usage exceeds 4.5 million gallons a day, the city would be put under a water emergency. The city would have to seek water from other towns or the state and outdoor water use would be banned.

Water use for each day is reported at the bottom of the weather column on Page 2 of the Colby Free Press.

Briefly

American Legion group to serve steak on Friday

The Sons of the American Legion will have a Steak Night from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the post, 1850 W. Fourth St. The group will serve rib eyes, potatoes, vegetables, rolls and dessert for \$12. For information, call Tracey at 462-0450.

Middle school team to hold football camp

The Colby Middle School seventh and eighth grade football teams will have a free team camp from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Monday to next Thursday at the practice field north of the Thomas County Fairgrounds. For information, call Todd Murdock at 462-7997.

Department has food to distribute on Monday

The United States Department of Agriculture will distribute extra commodities from 1 to 2 p.m. Monday at the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program office in the Senior Progress Center. Commodities are given according to income guidelines and distribution is first-come, first-served. Participants are asked to not arrive before 12:30 p.m. Commodities include grape juice, pears, beef stew, cereal, dehydrated potatoes and applesauce. For information, call the program office at 462-6744.

Colby doctor to speak

Dr. LaDonna Regier will present "Women's Health in Ghana" at 7 p.m. Monday at Trinity Lutheran Church, 855 E. Fifth St. Regier has been practicing in Ghana in western Africa for the past six months. She will share her experiences treating the varied diseases that effect the women of Ghana. Due to some of the content, children under 12 years old should not attend. For information, call the church at 462-3497.

City to start sealing street cracks soon

The City of Colby will be sealing streets beginning at 8 a.m. Tuesday to next Thursday. Streets scheduled for Tuesday are Golden and Plains Avenues and the Experiment Station Road from First Street to Fourth Street. Streets scheduled for Wednesday are on Ninth Street from Thompson Avenue to Lane Avenue and on Thompson Avenue from Ninth Street to Brookside Drive. Streets scheduled for next Thursday are Lynn Street and 10th Street from Thompson Avenue to Country Club Drive. Have vehicles off the street by 8 a.m. or they will be towed. For information, call Chris Bieker at (785) 460-4420.

Picnic in the Park with Sappa Strings

Picnic in the Park begins at noon on Wednesdays at Fike Park. The entertainment for Wednesday will be the Sappa Strings. The event is sponsored by the Colby/Thomas County Chamber of Commerce, Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Colby Free Press. In case of bad weather, listen to KXXX/KRDQ. For information, call the chamber at 460-3401.

American Profile
 We Celebrate Hometown Life
 Stories from hometowns just like yours. Look for us each week in this paper.

Saturday Evening July 9, 2011										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Game Show	Expedition Imp.	Rookie Blue	Local						
KBSL/CBS	CHAOS	48 Hours Mystery	48 Hours Mystery	Local						
KSNK/NBC	Minute to Win It	Law Order: CI	Law & Order: SVU	Local	Saturday Night Live					
KSAS/FOX	Cops	Cops	Fam. Guy	Cleveland	Local	Fringe	Fame	Local		
Cable Channels										
A & E	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders
AMC	The Enforcer	Dogs 101	Death Wish 4	Dogs 101	Dogs 101	Dogs 101	Death Wish V: Face			
ANIM	Dogs 101	Resident Evil	Resident Evil	Resident Evil	Resident Evil	Resident Evil	Resident Evil	Resident Evil	Resident Evil	Resident Evil
CMT	Larry the Cable Guy	Ron White: Call Me Tater	Salad	True Blue: Ten Years	Comedy					
CNN	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight
COMEDY	Just Friends	Chris Rock: Never Scared	Bad Santa							
DISC	Dino Gangs	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters
DISN	Vampire	Vampire	Vampire	Vampire	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Good Luck	ANT Farm
EI	It Could Happn	Kardas	Kardas	The Soup	Chelsea	After Lat	Ice-Coco			
ESPN	NFL's Greatest Games	Baseball Tonight	Baseball Tonight	SportsCenter	Baseball Tonight	Baseball Tonight	Baseball Tonight	Baseball Tonight	Baseball Tonight	Baseball Tonight
ESPN2	MLL Lacrosse	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing	E:60	Sup. Bowl	Sup. Bowl	Sup. Bowl	Sup. Bowl	Sup. Bowl	Sup. Bowl
FAM	Harry Potter	Jurassic Park	Jurassic Park	Jurassic Park	Jurassic Park	Jurassic Park	Jurassic Park	Jurassic Park	Jurassic Park	Jurassic Park
FOOD	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped	Chopped
FX	Pineapple Express	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Archer	Archer	Louie	Louie
HGTV	HGTV'd	Secrets	Room Cr.	Color	House	House	Hunters	Hunters	Room Cr.	Color

LOCAL TV Listings
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Sunday Evening July 10, 2011										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Extreme Makeover	Primetime					Local			
KBSL/CBS	Big Brother	Undercover Boss	CSI: Miami	Local						
KSNK/NBC	America's Got Talent	The Marriage Ref	Local	Dateline NBC						
KSAS/FOX	Simpsons	Cleveland	Fam. Guy	Amer. Dad	Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	The Glades	The Glades	Criminal Minds					
AMC	Batman Begins	Batman Returns	Batman Returns	Batman Returns	Batman Returns	Batman Returns	Batman Returns	Batman Returns	Batman Returns	Batman Returns
ANIM	Whale Wars	Swamp Wars	Finding Bigfoot	Finding Bigfoot	Swamp Wars					
BRAVO	Housewives/NJ	Housewives/NJ	Housewives/NJ	Happens	Housewives/NJ	Happens	Happens	Happens	Happens	Happens
CMT	Ron White: Call Me Tater	Salad	True Blue: Ten Years	Fried	Fried	Fried	Fried	Fried	Fried	Fried
CNN	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Newsroom	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Presents
COMEDY	Just Friends	Jeff Dunham	Tosh.0	South Pk	Ugly Amer	Futurama	Jon	Scary 4		
DISC	Secret Service	Seal Team 6	Killing bin Laden	Killing bin Laden	Killing bin Laden	Killing bin Laden	Killing bin Laden	Killing bin Laden	Killing bin Laden	Killing bin Laden
DISN	Good Luck	Shake It	Random	ANT Farm	Shake It	Shake It	Good Luck	Good Luck	Wizards	Wizards
EI	Ice-Coco	Kardas	Kardas	Kardas	Kardas	Ice-Coco	The Soup	Chelsea	Kardas	Ice-Coco
ESPN	MLB Baseball	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter
ESPN2	Minor Baseball	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing	NHRA Drag Racing
FAM	Harry Potter	Harry Potter-Phoenix	Harry Potter-Phoenix	Harry Potter-Phoenix	Harry Potter-Phoenix	Harry Potter-Phoenix	Harry Potter-Phoenix	Harry Potter-Phoenix	Harry Potter-Phoenix	Harry Potter-Phoenix
FOOD	Challenge	Food Network Star	Tough Coo	Diners	Extreme Chef	Food Network Star	Food Network Star	Food Network Star	Food Network Star	Food Network Star
FX	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Mr. & Mrs. Smith
HGTV	Holmes	Holmes	Holmes Inspection	House	Hunters	HGTV'd	Income	Holmes Inspection	Holmes Inspection	Holmes Inspection
HIST	Ice Road Truckers	Ice Road Truckers	Swamp People	Modern Marvels	Ice Road Truckers	Ice Road Truckers	Ice Road Truckers	Ice Road Truckers	Ice Road Truckers	Ice Road Truckers
LIFE	The 19th Wife	Drop Dead Diva	The Protector	Drop Dead Diva	The Protector	Drop Dead Diva	The Protector	Drop Dead Diva	The Protector	Drop Dead Diva
MTV	True Life	Teen Wolf	Teen Mom	The Challenge	Pranked	Pranked	Pranked	Pranked	Pranked	Pranked
NICK	My Wife	My Wife	Lopez	Lopez	70s Show	70s Show	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny
SCI	Indiana Jones	Nat'l Treasure	Hollywood	Hollywood	Hollywood	Hollywood	Hollywood	Hollywood	Hollywood	Hollywood
SPIKE	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Sheets	3 Sheets	Eight Legged Freaks	Eight Legged Freaks
TBS	Married Too?	Married Too?	Married Too?	Married Too?	Married Too?	Married Too?	Married Too?	Married Too?	Married Too?	Married Too?
TCM	Mr. Smith Goes	Louisiana Purchase	Don Juan							
TLC	Hoard-Buried	Hoard-Buried	Sex, Lies, and Power	Hoard-Buried	Sex, Lies, and Power	Hoard-Buried	Sex, Lies, and Power	Hoard-Buried	Sex, Lies, and Power	Hoard-Buried
TNT	Forrest Gump	Leverage	Falling Skies	Leverage	Falling Skies	Leverage	Falling Skies	Leverage	Falling Skies	Leverage
TOON	Gumball	Looney	Delocated	Childrens	King-Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Robot Chicken		
TRAV	Man, Food	Man, Food	Man v Fd	Man v Fd	Man, Food	Man, Food	Diner Paradise	Man v Fd	Man v Fd	Man v Fd
TV LAND	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	In Plain Sight	White Collar	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU
VH1	Mob Wives	Celebrity Rehab	Famous Food	Mob Wives	Celebrity Rehab	Famous Food	Mob Wives	Celebrity Rehab	Famous Food	Celebrity Rehab
WGN	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	News/Nine	Replay	Monk	Monk	Monk	Monk
Premium Channels										
HBO	Boardwalk Empire	True Blood	Curb	Entourage	True Blood	Curb	Maher	Maher	Maher	Maher
MAX	Waterworld	Happy Gilmore	Machete	No Way Out	Femme	Femme	Femme	Femme	Femme	Femme
SHOW	Knowing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing