



**Weather**

*National Weather Service*

**Tonight:** Clear, with a low around 51. South wind around 5 mph.

**Tuesday:** Sunny, with a high near 92. West wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Tuesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 54. Calm wind becoming west between 5 and 10 mph.

**Wednesday:** Sunny, with a high near 89. Northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

**Wednesday Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 54.

**Thursday:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 74.

**Thursday Night:** A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy and breezy, with a low around 52.

**Friday:** A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 69.

**Friday Night:** A 30 percent chance of rain and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 46.

**Saturday:** A chance of rain. Partly sunny, with a high near 61. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

**Saturday Night:** A 20 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 39.

**Sunday:** Partly sunny, with a high near 63.

Friday: High, 64; Low 42  
Saturday: High, 73; Low 41  
Sunday: High, 66; Low 33  
Precip: Friday None  
Saturday Trace  
Sunday None  
Month: 2.30 inches  
Year: 3.97 inches  
Normal: 3.98 inches  
(K-State Experiment Station)

**Sunrise and Sunset**  
Tuesday 6:54 a.m. 8:31 p.m.  
Moon: waxing, 10 percent  
Wednesday 6:52 a.m. 8:32 p.m.  
Moon: waxing, 16 percent  
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

# Founder signs his history

Dr. Richard Mosier wrote about college

Dr. Richard Mosier, founding president of Colby Community College, signed his book, “Against All Odds,” at the H.F. Davis Memorial Library on campus.

The book is a history of the founding of the college. Mosier was hired as the first president of the school in 1966, serving through 1972.

In the volume, Mosier reviews the successes and challenges of those years. The book is available for purchase at the library.

Mosier was at the library for the signing April 13.



DEBBIE SCHWANKE/Colby Community College

Dr. Richard Mosier, Tom Moorhous and Joe Mildrexler (from left, above) at a book signing at Colby Community College. Mildrexler began his career at the college in 1964 as a math teacher. He was interim dean of instruction from 1975 to 1977, dean of admissions and registrar from 1977 to 1979 and dean of community service from the fall of 1979 until his retirement in 2006. Moorhous is a history instructor.

# City pledges \$97,500 for playground

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approved giving the group \$97,500 for the next meeting.

In other business, the council:

- Approved a request from Shawn Larson to remove a tree between Smoffee’s and Ntronic on Franklin Avenue downtown. Armstrong said she believes the tree is in the city right of way. She said she got ahold of the tree board and they said they think it should be removed. She said the owner of Ntronic was OK with the tree being removed as well.
- Asked for changes to an agreement with the Colby Swim Club for the storage facility at the aquatic park. The council wanted to change the wording of a couple of items in the contract that says the city would be responsible for natural gas, water and sewer

in the building and look at it again at the next meeting.

Council members said they would like the club to bring back color options to make sure they match the buildings at the aquatic park as much as possible and check on getting shingles instead of a steel roof.

- Rejected a bid from Walters-Morgan Construction Inc. for the spill containment project at the power plant for \$281,000. Armstrong said the engineer’s estimate was \$216,820 and Kansas law says the city can’t enter into a contract for any work or improvement for a price exceeding the engineer’s estimate.
- Approved a blood-borne pathogens exposure control plan for city employees. Armstrong said they are required to train all city employees on the dangers of body fluids, and the city is required by the Department of Labor to allow only the head lifeguard, the manager and the assistant manager of the aquatic park to deal with biohazard situations.

- Reviewed information on the city manager’s job description. Armstrong said she contacted five cities about their city manager job descriptions and four of them did not have one. She said Colby doesn’t have one either, but her job duties are established by a state law. Council members noted that the Austin Peters Group, which the city hired to find a new manager, will help write a job description.
- Approved an ordinance amending the 2006 International Plumbing Code to add provisions from state law on backflow prevention for lawn irrigation systems. Building Official Rick Dickman said the code allows only three types to be used.

# Storm lashes East with snow; West to be warm

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Buffalo-based weather service meteorologist Sean Smith said the slow-moving storm could linger of the Northeast through today before moving out sometime Tuesday.

The Sunday storm caused plenty of disruptions. Major League Baseball postponed games in Boston, New York and Washington. The scheduled arrival of the space shuttle Enterprise in New York City was pushed back, and an Earth Day celebration at a park in Virginia Beach, Va., was canceled.

The rainfall was a welcome in parts of the Northeast, which is below normal for this time of year.

“We’re down 7 or 8 inches,”

weather service forecaster Charlie Foley said. “This won’t completely wipe out the deficit but it will certainly help.”

Officials said the rain should go a long way toward alleviating drought conditions, which have helped spark several major brush fires in recent weeks.

Even Lake Champlain on the Vermont-New York border, normally close to flood stage this time of year because of rain and snowmelt, is near a record low. Just a year ago, it approached its highest level on record.

Another unseasonable nor’easter last year just before Hal-

loween dumped up to 2 feet of wet, heavy snow that snapped tree limbs and power lines, and knocked out power to more than 3 million customers in the Northeast. In Connecticut, it broke a state record for the number of power company customers left in the dark by a single storm.

# Senior volunteers honored at banquet here

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Close to 200 volunteers and guests attended from Thomas, Logan, Phillips and Sheridan counties, all in the Northwest Kansas program.

Colby Community College sponsors the program. College board chairman Kenton Krehbiel, along with Mayor Gary Adrian, presented appreciation gifts to all volunteers. Social science and business students helped with the evening’s activities.

Following the banquet and presentations, guests danced to the Ramblin’ Andy Band from Hill City.

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program is a nonprofit organization which receives money through the Corporation for National and Community Service. It helps senior citizens 55 and older who want to volunteer in their community. For information, contact Withington at the office in Colby, (785) 462-6744 or Box 803, Colby, Kan., 67701.

# Briefly

## Vehicle, license offices to be down May 1 to 8

It won’t be possible to get a Kansas vehicle license, title, driver’s license or identification card from Tuesday, May 1, through Tuesday, May 8, while the computer system at the Kansas Department of Revenue in Topeka is shut down for upgrades. Anyone needing a license, title or renewal should get it from a state or county office by Monday, April 30. For information, call Thomas County Clerk Donita Applebury at 460-4520.

## Firm to explain software for tracking abatements

At a public webinar at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Thomas County Office Complex, representatives of Computer Information Concepts will explain the firm’s software to track Neighborhood Revitalization Plan projects. For information, call Christy Rocca, director of the Thomas County Economic Development Alliance, at 460-4511.

## City to show ‘Energy Quest’ video this week

The City of Colby will preview the “Energy Quest USA” segment which features the “Take Charge Challenge.” Colby participated in at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the council chambers at City Hall. Everyone is invited. The full program will be shown on Smoky Hills Public Television at 5 p.m. Saturday, May 5, and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 6. For questions, call the city office at 460-4410.

## Free session to teach home energy efficiency

Midwest Energy, the Kansas Utility Alliance and the City of Colby will hold a free training session on home energy efficiency from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, including lunch, at the Colby Community College Student Union, Room 108. The speaker will be Doug Rye, host of “The Home Remedies” radio program. To register, call Kay Unruh at (785) 625-1474 or kunruh@mwenergy.com by Wednesday.

## Dealership, pipeline grilling dogs for ‘811’

Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline and Colby Implement will hold a “Dog Day” from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at Colby Implement, 405 W. Horton Ave., grilling hotdogs to promote National 811 Safe Digging Awareness Month. 811 and Southern Star Central gifts will be distributed. For information, call Jared Hamilton at 443-2017.

## A few spaces left for ‘Art of Marriage’

A few places remain for an “Art of Marriage” weekend conference Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5, at the Colby Borean Church, 1000 S. Franklin. Theme of the six-session video event is “Getting to the Heart of God’s Design.” Sessions will begin at 7 p.m. Friday and continue from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Cost is \$25 person, including books and lunch. For information or to register, call the church at (785) 460-2763, Jim and Shelly Myers at 462-9665 or Lynn and Tammy Higerd at 460-3152.

LOCAL

TV Listings

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Tuesday Evening												April 24, 2012												
	7:00		7:30		8:00		8:30		9:00		9:30		10:00		10:30		11:00		11:30					
KAKE/ABC	Last Man		Cougar		Dancing With Stars		Private Practice		Local		Nightline		Jimmy Kimmel Live											
KBSL/CBS	NCIS				NCIS: Los Angeles				Unforgettable				Local		Late Show Letterman		Late							
KSNK/NBC	The Biggest Loser				The Voice				Fashion Star				Local		Tonight Show w/Leno		Late							
KSAS/FOX	Glee				New Girl		New Girl		Local															
Cable Channels																								
A & E	Storage		Storage		Storage		Storage		Storage		Storage		Storage		Storage		Storage		Storage					
AMC	O Brother, Where Art										O Brother, Where Art													
ANIM	Wild Russia				Frozen Planet				Wild Russia				Frozen Planet											
BRAVO	Housewives/OC				Housewives/OC				Housewives/OC				Happens				Housewives/OC				Atlanta			
CMT	Young Guns II				Young Guns				Young Guns				Happens				Housewives/OC				Young-Il			
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360				Piers Morgan Tonight				Anderson Cooper 360				E. B. OutFront				Piers Morgan Tonight							
COMEDY	Work.		South Pk		Tosh.0		Tosh.0		Tosh.0		Tosh.0		Colbert		Tosh.0		Work.							
DISC	Deadliest Catch				Deadliest Catch				Deadliest Catch				Deadliest Catch				Deadliest Catch							
DISN	ANT Farm		Another Cinderella Story		Jessie		Austin		Wizards		Good Luck		Wizards		Wizards									
E!	Ice-Coco		Ice-Coco		Along Came Polly				Chelsea				E! News		Chelsea									
ESPN	NFL Live				SportsCenter Special				SportsCenter Special				SportsCenter				SportsCenter							
ESPN2	Bowling				E:60				Baseball Tonight				NFL Live				Baseball Tonight							
FAM	Jumanji				Richie Rich				The 700 Club				Prince				Prince							
FOOD	Cupcake Wars				Chopped				Chopped				Chopped				Chopped							
FX	Dear John				Dear John				Dear John				The Animal											
HGTV	Celebs		Million		White Room				Hunters				Hunt Intl		Million Dollar		White Room							
HIST	Pawn		Pawn		Swamp People				Top Shot				Top Shot		Pawn		Pawn							
LIFE	Dance Moms: Miami				Dance Moms: Miami				Love for Sail				The Client List				Dance Moms: Miami							
MTV	Jersey Shore				Jersey Shore				16 and Pregnant				Savage U		16 and Pregnant		True Life							
NICK	George		George		George		G. Lopez		George		George		Friends		Friends		Friends		Friends					
SCI	Fact or Faked				Fact or Faked				Dream Machines				Fact or Faked				Dream Machines							
SPIKE	DEA				Big Easy		Big Easy		Big Easy		Big Easy		Repo		Repo		DEA							
TBS	Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang		Conan		Office		Office							
TCM	The Way We Were										Funny Girl													
TLC	Say Yes		Say Yes		Extreme Cheapskates				Couple		Couple		Say Yes		Say Yes		Extreme Cheapskates							
TNT	NBA Basketball										NBA Basketball													
TOON	Level Up		Adventure		King/Hill		King/Hill		Amer. Dad		Amer. Dad		Fam. Guy		Fam. Guy		Chicken		Boondocks					
TRAV	Mysteries-Museum				Mysteries-Museum				Off Limits				Off Limits		Mysteries-Museum									
TV LAND	Home Imp.				Home Imp.		Raymond		Raymond		Raymond		Divorced		Cleveland		King		King					
USA	Law & Order: SVU				Law & Order: SVU				Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		CSI: Crime Scene		CSI: Crime Scene		CSI: Crime Scene							
VH1	Mob Wives				Tough Love				Consign		Consign		Basketball Wives		La La		La La							
WGN	How I Met		How I Met		How I Met		How I Met		MLB Baseball															
Premium Channels																								
HBO	Water for Elephants								24/7		Veep		Game of Thrones				Gervais		Bridesmds					
MAX	The Town								Little Fockers				Depravity				Nightmare-Elm							
SHOW	The Borgias				The Big C		Nurse		The Borgias				The Big C		Nurse		Blue Valentine							