

# On the Beat

## COLBY POLICE

**Friday**  
 5:11 a.m. – Noise complaint: caller reported subject grinding. Spoke with subjects.  
 8:45 a.m. – Removed tree limbs from the northbound lanes in the 900 block of S. Range.  
 8:47 a.m. – Caller reported two subjects acting suspicious. All OK.  
 10:14 a.m. – Caller wanted information on scooters.  
 10:18 a.m. – Posted four trailers for tow away in the 100 block of N. Grant, 600 block of N. School and 700 block of N. School.  
 10:45 a.m. – Caller reported bicycle left by shop building for last three days. Report filed.  
 11:06 a.m. – Subject called with questions about how old a child must be to stay home alone. Provided information.  
 3:25 p.m. – Lost tag. Report filed.  
 3:32 p.m. – Criminal threat: subject came to station about threat. Report filed.  
 4:07 p.m. – Caller reported unwanted male in her home. Report filed. Three officers and two deputies responded.  
 4:51 p.m. – Caller reported bicycle left by Gambino's Pizza for a week. No report.  
 7:10 p.m. – Clerk called about someone using counterfeit bills. Report filed.  
 7:52 p.m. – Checked on motorist at Walmart.  
 7:55 p.m. – Provided assistance with bark collar.

**Saturday**  
 11:28 a.m. – Subjects came to station, advised friend was missing. Spoke to reporting parties; all OK; was located.  
 11:38 a.m. – Owner of business called to report a man in his shop building without permission. Reporting party then advised to disregard; knew the man.  
 12:41 p.m. – Protective custody: 911 caller claimed a woman was trying to kill him. Report filed.  
 2:47 p.m. – Caller wanted officer to locate subject. Found subject; all OK.  
 8:47 p.m. – Provided directions at Oasis to subject for movie theater.  
 10:05 p.m. – Caller reported barking dogs. Unable to locate – not barking.  
 10:33 p.m. – Provided assistance to Highway Patrol on traffic stop.  
 11:22 p.m. – Caller reported eight bags of unknown substance.

**Sunday**  
 1:30 a.m. – Caller requested an ambulance at the fairground campervan lot. Ambulance crew paged.  
 2:09 a.m. – Clerk called about a domestic going on in a room. No report.  
 2:47 a.m. – Caller reported male subject taking her money in reference to call at 2:09. No report, subject spoken to.  
 4:45 a.m. – Caller requested assistance behind the B-Hive looking for his vehicle keys.  
 7:30 a.m. – Criminal threat report filed on incident that occurred Saturday.  
 8:59 a.m. – Caller reported neighbor fell and needed help getting up. Provided assistance.  
 10:08 a.m. – Caller reported wanted information on motorized scooters. Spoke to reporting party.  
 11:25 a.m. – Owner of motel reported possible domestic battery in room. Report filed.  
 11:38 a.m. – Disorderly conduct: Subjects called, advising they were being threatened by each other. Report filed.  
 12:43 p.m. – Posted tow away for expired/illegal tag on vehicle.  
 12:54 p.m. – Posted tow away notice for expired tag on vehicle.  
 3:02 p.m. – Caller reported window broken out of vehicle. Report filed.  
 7:19 p.m. – Caller reported flowers left, possible violation of stalking order. All OK, no report.  
 9:37 p.m. – Fight at the races, pit area. Two officers responded.

**Monday**  
 12:48 a.m. – Caller reported lights on in trailer after eviction notice was served. Found an open door, trailer cleared.  
 9:02 a.m. – Caller reported two dogs at large. Caught, contacted owner to retrieve.  
 9:05 a.m. – Criminal damage to property: Manager came to station with recovered damaged door. Report filed.  
 9:21 a.m. – Caller advised the two dogs from earlier complaint were still loose. Report filed for shooting one of the dogs for repeated aggression.  
 9:28 a.m. – Caller reported while walking earlier was bitten by dog from calls at 9:02 and 9:21. Issued notice to appear for owner and took dog to Colby Animal Clinic.  
 11:11 a.m. – Caller reported subject driving erratically southbound on Franklin, then eastbound on College Drive.

11:25 a.m. – Caller reported subject was throwing items around residence. Report filed.  
 1:19 p.m. – Caller reported seeing a woman trying to kick her child inside store and in parking lot. Report filed.  
 9:21 p.m. – Caller reported dog at large in the area of south Lincoln. Not found.

**Tuesday**  
 1:25 a.m. – Security check at the Heartland School.  
 1:26 a.m. – Open door. Management contacted.  
 2:05 a.m. – Open door.  
 2:33 a.m. – Security checks to business in the 1900 block of S. Range. Everything OK.  
 2:38 a.m. – Caller reported a semi hauling unknown equipment coming from a dirt road onto K-25 southbound. Everything OK, owner spraying early.  
 9:44 a.m. – Welfare check.  
 1:06 p.m. – Checked on motorist on eastbound on-ramp off I-70.  
 1:15 p.m. – Waved down by truck on South Country Club; directions provided.  
 8:54 p.m. – Report filed on incident.

**THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF**  
**Friday**  
 3:44 a.m. – Booked Tricia Beth Graves.  
 6:30 a.m. – Booked Aaron Nichols.  
 8:28 a.m. – Provided five vehicle identification number inspections for MC Auto Outlet.  
 9:54 a.m. – Caller reported damage to building door and picnic tables at Gem City Park. Report filed.  
 11:25 a.m. – Released Graves.  
 4:27 p.m. – Booked Shanail Stewart.  
 4:52 p.m. – Released Stewart.  
 5:06 p.m. – Booked Demetric White.

**Saturday**  
 1:44 a.m. – Driving under the influence report filed for traffic stop at Hill and Plains.  
 2:25 a.m. – Booked Matthew Mondero.  
 5 a.m. – Released Angela Cook.  
 8:22 a.m. – Helped ambulance crews on call at County Rds. Z and 25.  
 10:14 a.m. – Report of subject burning trash in a barrel in violation of burn ban. Spoke to subject.  
 2:06 p.m. – Helped Highway Patrol and rescue squad on accident on eastbound I-70.

2:57 p.m. – Released James Edward Cecil.  
 9:22 p.m. – Caller reported hearing gunshots at U.S. 24 and County Rd. 21. Spoke with subjects.  
 9:37 p.m. – Caller reported stranded motorist at U.S. 24 and County Rds. 24 and 25. Unable to locate.

**Sunday**  
 12:46 a.m. – Transported subject for Citizens Medical Center to a Salina facility.  
 6:30 a.m. – Released Aaron L. Nichols.  
 9:01 a.m. – Caller reported cattle on roadway in the 700 block of Old U.S. 24. Contacted owner.  
 12:27 p.m. – Booked Ramsey Motuai Taviumi.  
 12:40 p.m. – Released Taviumi.  
 1:01 p.m. – Booked Elias Elijo Luna Jr.  
 1:07 p.m. – Released Luna.  
 1:12 p.m. – Helped highway patrolman on traffic stop on eastbound I-70.  
 1:38 p.m. – Booked Timothy Allen Johnson.  
 2:05 p.m. – Helped subject with stalled vehicle on westbound I-70.  
 9:37 p.m. – Fight at the races, pit area. Report filed.  
 11:31 p.m. – Booked Terry L. Selbe.  
 11:35 p.m. – Released Selbe.

**Monday**  
 12:48 a.m. – Caller reported neighbor's dog barking.  
 1:43 a.m. – Released Matthew J. Mondero.  
 8:18 a.m. – Caller reported pickup struck side of residence at Colby Trailer Village. Report filed.  
 8:35 a.m. – Caller reported semis speeding westbound in the 2100 block of County Rd. R. Unable to locate.  
 8:43 a.m. – Caller reported two cattle out on roadway at Veteran's Memorial Drive and County Rd. 21. Got back into pasture.  
 12:29 p.m. – Provided three vehicle identification number inspections for Colby Dodge.  
 2:54 p.m. – Provided vehicle identification number inspections for Motor Town.

**Tuesday**  
 12:43 p.m. – Criminal damage report filed on incident in jail.  
 1:26 p.m. – Removed tire debris from roadway at Nine Mile Corner on U.S. 24.  
 9:46 p.m. – Caller reported accident in the 100 block of E. Veterans.

# Farmers urged to assess drought-damaged crops

As drought conditions continue worsening across the state, the Kansas Department of Agriculture urged farmers and ranchers to meet immediately with their crop insurance appraisers to determine how best to manage their drought-damaged crops.

In order to help producers, the Topeka regional office for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Risk Management Agency has issued repeated updates for farmers whose crops have been damaged statewide by the drought.

On Wednesday, Governor Sam Brownback declared a drought emergency in all 105 Kansas counties. This allows for emergency use of water from Corps of Engineers reservoirs and state fishing lakes in those counties.

Most of the counties have been declared federal disaster areas and approved for emergency haying and grazing of acres enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program.

Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Dale Rodman said the department is working with its state and federal partners to give farmers and ranchers the resources to cope with the drought.

"As I travel across the state and see firsthand the impacts of the drought and hear from farmers and ranchers about the challenges they

are facing, it is clear this drought is having significant, devastating impacts on Kansas agriculture," Rodman said.

"In the past, crop insurance rules on drought-damaged crops have been confusing for producers. Rather than dealing with unclear, bureaucratic red tape, farmers and ranchers need to spend their time caring for their crops and livestock. In order to improve crop insurance delivery on drought-damaged crops, my agency has worked with RMA to address and clarify the rules to assure farmers and ranchers have a clear and concise set of rules to follow."

The updated information defines steps producers must take if they put their spring-planted crops to another use, including diverting or shutting off irrigation. The agency said that farmers should immediately talk with their appraisers before they do this.

Additionally, the agency clarified that when a policyholder chooses to divert water, recommendations that doing so is the most appropriate action can be based on conditions in the local area, not a specific farming operation. The agency noted that the area extension or a local Natural Resources Conservation Service office can make that recommendation for the sample area.

# Kansas State University adds pet food to its ag curriculum

Officials at Kansas State University say the expansion of the Feed Science and Management program to include pet food production will help add value to agricultural products.

Dirk Maier, head of the university's Grain Science and Industry department, announced the appointment of Greg Aldrich as Research Associate Professor and Pet Food Program Coordinator.

"Bringing Greg on board is the next step to expanding the reach of our Feed Science and Management program," Maier said.

Initially Aldrich will be responsible for establishing a first of its kind interdisciplinary pet food research program.

Aldrich is a graduate of Kansas State and an industry consultant

from Topeka with extensive pet food production experience.

"Many of the parts for a great pet food research and teaching program are already here at Kansas State," Aldrich said. "I look forward to establishing a vibrant research program and to helping establish Kansas State as the leader in this vital and growing area of our economy."

"Adding pet food research expands the opportunities for adding value to agricultural products from Kansas," said Ernie Minton, associate director of research for K-State Research and Extension.

For information about the program and specific course offerings, call (785) 532-4051 or go to [www.grains.ksu.edu](http://www.grains.ksu.edu).

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