

Weather



National Weather Service
Tonight: Showers, mainly before 3 a.m. Low around 47. North wind 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90 percent.

Thursday: A 30 percent chance of showers, mainly before 7 a.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 71. Northeast wind 5 to 15 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light and variable in the evening.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 74. Calm wind becoming south around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Friday Night: Clear, with a low around 45.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 79.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 51.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 83.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 55.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 64.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 47.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 71.

Monday: High, 93; Low 50
Tuesday: High, 98; Low 60
Precip: Monday None
Tuesday None
Month: 0.31 inches
Year: 10.48 inches
Normal: 17.78 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
Thursday 7:24 a.m. 7:55 p.m.
Moon: waning, 7 percent
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Truck convoy finishes sixth year

From “CONVOY,” Page 1

“We were down there, and Joe was like, ‘We’re going to have one in Colby next year,’” she said, “and that’s how it got started.”

Since then, she added, the convoy has been growing every year.

Spectators walked through the parking lot to check out participants’ vehicles. An auction was held and prizes given out near a tent where people had gathered for lunch.

Jane said later that about 250 meals were given out at the donation-optional lunch, and even more walked through the parking lot. They came from as far away as Garden City, Colorado and eastern Nebraska.

Like many committee members and other volunteers, Jane said, she treats the convoy as a family event. As she took a moment to eat, she listed relatives in attendance.

Her sister, Mary Pate, has come out from McCook all six years to take pictures. Also in the crowd were three of her children. Her grandson, Aaron Luckert, was one of those running the torch ahead of the convoy as it finished the parade.

She said was grateful to all participants, committee members and sponsors.

Her favorite part of the convoy, she said, was “having everybody here to celebrate our Special Olympics athletes.”

Among those were Kevin Smith, who left from his home in Goodland that morning to watch the convoy.

Smith’s two sons drove both his trucks out from Goodland on the west leg of the convoy.

“They had two little guys, two brothers,” Smith said, one riding in each truck. “It’s a highlight for them.”

Smith entered both his trucks in the show,

but he was not concerned with how he did. He said he missed a truck show in Kasson, Minn., to be here.

The pleasure the athletes get from riding in the trucks is one of the best parts of the convoy, he added.

He is proud of the support the event gives to the Special Olympics, which sponsors Olympic-style games and other programs for developmentally disabled people.

“Part of it is you know where it goes, to provide them with the funds for Special Olympics and make it happen for them,” he said. “I just hope they can continue and hope the businesses in Colby continue to show them the warm welcome they showed them this year.”

Preparing for next year’s convoy is already on Jane’s mind.

“We start working on it probably two hours from now,” she said.

Leader steals \$16,300 from Cub Scouts

From “SCOUTS,” Page 1

stroyed Cub Scouts in Colby,” said Mary Zerr, who took over as Cubmaster of the pack in May.

During Schuette’s time with the pack, he acted as both the Cubmaster and treasurer for the pack, she said. He used the Scouts’ money to pay his taxes and help buy himself a new house, among other personal expenses, she said.

“He wrote checks for personal expenses out of the Cub Scout check book,” Zerr said. “He got the bills, he had the check book, he did it all.”

Court records described the

thefts as having taken place between Feb. 1, 2008, and Aug. 11, 2011.

Jan Barnum, a Cubmaster before Schuette, helped dig through the pack’s finances during the investigation and now serves as an independent auditor for the pack, checking the books and accounts.

“I would have never guessed that Gary would have done this,” Barnum said, “I don’t know what drove him to do this.”

She said that the other adults involved with the pack only learned about the thefts months after the 2010 popcorn sale. By then, she said, the council still had not been paid for the popcorn

and started to investigate.

Don Sheppard, executive director for the council, drove to Colby in July 2011 to look into the finances.

“I drove out once; we didn’t get a connection made with this leader,” Sheppard said.

He added that within a day, Schuette had been dismissed and a police report had been filed “immediately.”

The former Cubmaster was an articulate spokesman for Scouting and often gave programs on what the Scouts were doing. He generally appeared in a full Scout uniform at those times. Pack 140 meets at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby.

Colby native lectures at college here

From “COLLEGE,” Page 1

Despite his prediction that Obama will retain the presidency, Hansen said he thinks that the Republicans will take over the Senate. This will leave Obama without a clear message from voters to advance his policies, but it will also give Republicans a share of the responsibility if anything goes wrong.

If Romney wins, he said, Democrats might try to block any progress that he tries to make, in the same way that many feel Republicans have done to Obama.

Not everyone in the audience agreed with Hansen.

Ethan Schwarz, Oakley, a freshman at the college, made the opposite prediction after the lecture.

“I think Romney will be president,” Schwarz said. “There is polarization, but I believe that it has turned more Democrats into moderate Republicans.”

Although he didn’t buy any of Hansen’s predictions, many of the graphs made an impression on Schwarz, who was surprised by Hansen’s claims about polarization.

“I didn’t think it was quite that bad now,” he said.

Jerri and Francis Landry, Colby, also don’t believe that Obama will win and also hope that he won’t.

“I don’t think anybody can predict it exactly right,” Francis said. “I don’t think anybody knows.”

Francis said he views Hansen as a Democrat, but he and his wife were impressed by

the research that he’d done.

“I think he leaned that way a little, but he was knowledgeable,” he said.

Although he would not say who he hopes will win this November, Hansen was not worried about voicing his predictions here.

“No more than I was worried in 2004 when I was giving a talk in Chicago and I was saying that George Bush would be elected,” he said after the lecture.

He repeated his belief that the need for co-operation will bring people together despite their political feelings, adding that people will continue to participate in the political process.

“It’s funny to hear people talk about how this is turning people off from politics,” he said.

U.S. ambassador, three others killed in consulate attack

From “ATTACK,” Page 1

A Libyan doctor who treated Stevens said he died of severe asphyxiation, apparently from smoke. In a sign of the chaos of during the attack, Stevens was brought alone by Libyans to the Benghazi Medical Center with

no other Americans, and no one at the facility knew who he was, the doctor, Ziad Abu Zeid, told the Associated Press.

Stevens was practically dead when he arrived close to 1 a.m. today, but “we tried to revive him for an hour and a half but with no success,” Abu Zeid said.

The ambassador had bleeding in his stomach because of the asphyxiation but no other injuries, he said.

President Barack Obama ordered increased security to protect American diplomatic personnel around the world. Hours before the Benghazi attack,

Egyptians angry over the film protested at the U.S. Embassy in Cairo, climbing its walls and tearing down an American flag, which they replaced briefly with a black, Islamist flag.

Libya’s interim president, Mohammed el-Megarif, apologized to the United States for

the attack, which he described as “cowardly.” Speaking to reporters, he offered his condolences on the death of the four Americans and vowed to bring the culprits to justice and maintain his country’s close relations with the United States.

Briefly

Fund raiser planned for 16-year-old with cancer

Celebrate a 16-year-old’s strength and her fight against brain cancer from 4:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday at the Colby Community Building. Ticket proceeds from the meal, bake sale and dance will help Alisa Finley and her family with expenses. Advance admission is \$10 for adults and \$7 for kids. At the door, it will be \$15 for adults and \$12 for kids. Call Shania Shanahan at (720) 940-3872. Donations can be made at Bankwest under “Robert Finley, special account.”

Coalition invites guests for a free lunch

Everyone is invited to come learn about the Thomas County Healthy Communities Coalition at the group’s first Friend Day from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday in the south room of El Dos de Oros, 1950 S. Range, Colby, inside the Quality Inn. All first-time and invited guests eat free. Call coordinator Jarrod Spencer at (785) 460-4596 for information.

‘Kids a Cookin’ classes to start this week

Fall sessions of Kids-a-Cookin’, a hands-on food preparation and nutrition class for third through fifth graders, will be held Thursdays this week and Oct. 11 and Nov. 15. Sessions will start right after school, about 3:45 p.m., at the Colby Community Building and sponsored by Thomas County Extension. Sign up by calling the Colby Recreation Department, 460-4440.

Brewster church to hold gospel concert

The Armouraires Quartet, a Southern gospel group, will sing at the Brewster United Methodist Church, 202 Nebraska Ave., at 6 p.m. Saturday. An offering will be taken, and a fellowship time with coffee and cookies will follow. For information, call Pastor Mike Baughn at (785) 694-2278.

Berean men’s group to start up Tuesday

The Colby Berean Church Men’s Fraternity will meet this year from 6 to 7 a.m. Tuesdays beginning next week at the church. The group, open to men 18 and older, will focus this year on “making life a great adventure.” Cost of the workbook is \$15. For information, call Todd Murdock at 462-7997.

State officials to explain new health plans here

State officials will be in Colby for a meeting to explain KanCare on Monday, Sept. 24, one of eight to be held across the state to provide details about the transition from the old Medicaid program and HealthWave. The session for clients will begin at 6 p.m. at the Cultural Arts Center at Colby Community College. For information, call Miranda Steele at (785) 296-5795.

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| Thursday Evening September 13, 2012 | | | | | | | | | |
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| | 7:00 | 7:30 | 8:00 | 8:30 | 9:00 | 9:30 | 10:00 | 10:30 | 11:00 11:30 |
| KAKE/ABC | Wipeout | | Grey's Anatomy | | Scandal | | Local | Nightline | Jimmy Kimmel Live |
| KBSL/CBS | Big Bang | Two Men | Big Brother | | Person of Interest | | Local | Late Show Letterman | Ferguson |
| KSNK/NBC | | | | | Rock Center | | Local | Tonight Show w/Leno | J. Fallon |
| KSAS/FOX | The X Factor | | Glee | | Local | | | | |
| Cable Channels | | | | | | | | | |
| A & E | The First 48 | | The First 48 | | The First 48 | | The First 48 | | The First 48 |
| AMC | The Green Mile | | | | The Green Mile | | | | |
| ANIM | River Monsters | | Great Barrier Reef | | River Monsters | | Great Barrier Reef | | |
| BRAVO | Housewives/NJ | | The Real Housewives of Miami | | Real Housewives | | Happens | | Real Housewives |
| CMT | Reba | Reba | Cowboys Cheerleaders | | Cheer | | | | Extreme Makeover |
| CNN | Anderson Cooper 360 | | Piers Morgan Tonight | | Anderson Cooper 360 | | E. B. OutFront | | Piers Morgan Tonight |
| COMEDY | Chappelle | South Pk | Futurama | Futurama | Futurama | Daily | Colbert | Tosh.0 | Daily |
| DISC | Property Wars | | Auction | | Auction | | Texas Car Wars | | Auction |
| DISN | ANT Farm | Jessie | Austin | Good Luck | Phineas | Phineas | Vampire | Austin | Wizards |
| E! | The Soup | Khloe | Jonas | Jonas | Jonas | Chelsea | Chelse | | |
| ESPN | College Football | | | | | | SportsCenter | | SportsCenter |
| ESPN2 | World/Poker | | World/Poker | | Boxing | | | | NFL Live |
| FAM | Alice | Prince-Persia | | | | | The 700 Club | Prince | Prince |
| FOOD | Chopped | | Chopped | | Extreme Chef | | Food Truck Race | | Chopped |
| FX | How I Met | How I Met | Two Men | Two Men | Wilfred | Louie | Biased | Louie | Wilfred |
| HGTV | Buying and Selling | | You Live in What? | | Hunters | Hunt Intl | Abroad | Hunt Intl | You Live in What? |
| HIST | Pawn | Pawn | Pawn | Pawn | Cnt. Cars | Cnt. Cars | Top Gear | | Pawn |
| LIFE | Project Runway | | Project Runway | | Project Runway | | | | Project Runway |
| MTV | Snooki | Snooki | Snooki | Snooki | Snooki | Awkward. | The Inbet | Snooki | Awkward. |
| NICK | Full Hse. | Full Hse. | The Nanny | The Nanny | The Nanny | The Nanny | Friends | Friends | Friends |
| SCI | Face Off | | Face Off | | Face Off | | Stigmata | | |
| SPIKE | iMPACT Wrestling | | | | Unleashed | | | | Ways Die |
| TBS | Fam. Guy | Fam. Guy | Big Bang | Big Bang | Sullivan | Big Bang | Conan | | Sullivan |
| TCM | Bird | Do-Re-Mi | Court | Dirty | Lover | Submarine | Dizzy | He Did | Wife |
| TLC | Say Yes | Say Yes | Four Weddings | | Say Yes:The Big Day | | Four Weddings | | Say Yes:The Big Day |
| TNT | The Mentalist | | The Mentalist | | The Mentalist | | CSI: NY | | CSI: NY |
| TOON | MAD | Regular | King/Hill | King/Hill | Amer. Dad | Amer. Dad | Fam. Guy | Fam. Guy | Childrens |
| TRAV | Trip Hntr | Trip Hntr | Trip Flip | Trip Flip | Mysteries-Museum | Mysteries-Museum | Trip Flip | Trip Flip | Trip Flip |
| TV LAND | Cosby | Cosby | Raymond | Raymond | King | King | King | King | King |
| USA | NCIS | | NCIS | | NCIS | | Covert Affairs | | It's Complicated |
| VH1 | Music | T.I.-Tiny | Something: Art | | T.I.-Tiny | | Basketball | Wives LA | Something |
| WGN | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | WGN News at Nine | | 30 Rock | 30 Rock | Rules |
| Premium Channels | | | | | | | | | |
| HBO | Hop | | Wall Street: Money | | | | Taxicab Confessions | | Paul |
| MAX | Hangover | Caddyshack | | | Cowboys & Aliens | | | | Zane |
| SHOW | Shakespeare High | | Tanner Hall | | | | Gigolos | Polyamory | Gigolos |

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| HIST | American Pickers | American Pickers | American Pickers | American Pickers | American Pickers |
| LIFE | Amer. Most Wanted | Amer. Most Wanted | Amer. Most Wanted | Picked Off | Amer. Most Wanted |
| MTV | Top 10 | Ridic. | Ridic. | Gridiron Gang | |
| NICK | Victoriot | Victoriot | The Nanny | The Nanny | Friends |
| SCI | WWE SmackDown! | | Lost Girl | Alphas | Lost Girl |
| SPIKE | The Ultimate Fighter | The Ultimate Fighter | | | Gangland |
| TBS | Payne | Payne | Worse | Worse | The Replacements |
| TCM | The Virgin Queen | | | Young Bess | |
| TLC | Say Yes | Say Yes | Say Yes | Say Yes | Gown |
| TNT | Runaway Jury | | | The Firm | |
| TOON | Dragons | Level Up | King/Hill | King/Hill | Amer. Dad |
| TRAV | Ghost Adventures | Ghost Adventures | The Dead Files | Raymond | Raymond |
| TV LAND | Cosby | Cosby | Raymond | Raymond | King |
| USA | Law & Order: SVU | Law & Order: SVU | Law & Order: SVU | CSI: Crime Scene | CSI: Crime Scene |
| VH1 | 40 Funniest Fails | 40 Funniest Fails | Mean Girls | | Drama |
| WGN | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | How I Met | WGN News at Nine |
| Premium Channels | | | | | |
| HBO | 24/7 | Very Harold & Kumar 3D | | Real Time/Bill Maher | Real Time/Bill Maher |
| MAX | The A-Team | | | Strike Back | Skin-Max |
| SHOW | The Mechanic | | Blitz | | Inside the NFL |