

Weather



National Weather Service
Tonight: Clear, with a low around 41. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 81. South wind 5 to 10 mph.
Saturday Night: Clear, with a low around 49. South wind 5 to 10 mph.
Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 91. South wind 5 to 10 mph.
Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 53.
Monday: Partly sunny, with a high near 69.
Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 47.
Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 77.
Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 51.
Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 83.
Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49.
Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 76.

Thursday: High, 68; Low 40
Precip: Thursday None
Month: 0.61 inches
Year: 10.78 inches
Normal: 17.78 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
Saturday 7:26 a.m. 7:52 p.m.
New Moon at 9:11 p.m.
Sunday 7:27 a.m. 7:50 p.m.
Moont: waxing, 1 percent
Monday 7:28 a.m. 7:49 p.m.
Moon: waxing, 4 percent
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

State board delays ballot decision

By John Hanna Associated Press

TOPEKA – Kansas election officials said Thursday that they want more information before deciding whether to remove President Barack Obama from the state’s November ballot.

The all-Republican State Objections Board heard arguments Thursday on a claim from a Manhattan, Kan., resident that Obama is not eligible to be president because his father was from Kenya. The resident, Joe Montgomery, also questions whether Obama has a valid birth certificate.

The notion that Obama was born anywhere other than in Hawaii has long been discredited, and the White House released his long-form birth certificate last year. Hawaii officials also have repeatedly confirmed his citizenship. His mother was a Kansas native.

The state board is led by Secretary of State Kris Kobach, an ardent voter ID proponent who during his successful 2010 campaign suggested Obama should produce his long-form birth certificate to quell doubts about his status. The board’s other members are

Attorney General Derek Schmidt and Lt. Gov. Jeff Colyer.

The board, which would have the final say on the ballot absent a court challenge, plans to meet again Monday and may rule then. Time to make changes is running out, however, as ballots to overseas military personnel must be mailed before the end of September.

Kobach said the delay shouldn’t be interpreted as the board giving credence to claims that Obama isn’t eligible, but as a signal it wants to build a more complete record. He noted that the board doesn’t have any document certifying the authenticity of the copy of Obama’s birth certificate that is available online.

“We have to take our responsibilities seriously,” he said. “Taking it seriously means that we make a decision with all of the evidence that can be obtained before we decide it.”

But Kansas Democratic Party Chairwoman Joan Wagon called the delay “lunacy.”

“This is absurd and insulting,” she said. “This issue has been resolved – there is no issue.”

Montgomery, 51, said Thursday that he

has been researching issues surrounding Obama’s eligibility for the past four years. The same arguments Montgomery made have circulated widely on the Internet and among so-called birthers, who doubt Obama’s citizenship.

“I’m here to uphold the rule of law and the Constitution of the United States,” Montgomery said after his objection was considered. “Somebody has to do it.”

Schmidt and Kobach, a former University of Missouri-Kansas City law professor, disagreed. Kobach said Montgomery was “trying to read too much in these very old decisions.”

But the board said Thursday it wants certified documents from Hawaii. Kobach plans to have his staff contact officials in Arizona and Mississippi, which also have looked into such issues. Hawaii sent Arizona official verification of Obama’s birth records.

Kobach said it will be difficult for Montgomery to prevail, particularly because Kansas has a high legal standard for removing a candidate from the ballot.

But he said, “I don’t think it’s a frivolous objection.”

New Sacred Heart principal has passion

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She said her first agenda at the school was to switch their computer systems from PCs to Macs, a goal she had while Everett was principal, but never came to fruition.

“Now, we have Macs and iPads in the classrooms with donations and money that was set aside for teachers,” she said. “They are education-friendly

and teachers seem to really like the new technology.”

Krejci said in addition to upgrading the school’s computers, she also plans to continue working on making the school “the best that it can be” and increasing enrollment.

“We have smaller class sizes, which allows for more one-on-one time with the teacher,” she said. “This helps kids who struggle to learn, and it helps

with behavior, too.”

Teachers eat with the students, she said, unlike the public schools. The setting is informal and gives the teachers the chance to talk to their students outside of the classroom.

“Lunch is more like eating with family,” she said.

“Catholic schools can also teach the whole child, both spiritually and academically,” Krejci added. “We’re allowed to

talk about faith, and its helpful for behavior problems, too.”

Krejci said that although she has none of her own, she loves kids and spends most summers with her 8-year-old niece Madison of Aurora. Madison says her aunt is “way better than her babysitter”. Krejci enjoyed Madison’s company at her home in Colby from May to the end of July this summer.

Anonymous donor gives to art program

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a lot of focus on 21st century skills that allow students to be successful in their future. These skills are critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration and communication.

“All of these skills are addressed all the time in our art classrooms.”

Over 70 people attended the event, which raised over \$2,500 for the arts subcategory. Tax-deductible contributions can be mailed to the foundation at 350 S. Range,

Suite 14, Colby, Kan., 67701. In the memo section, indicate the donation is for the “CPS, Art Subcategory” to ensure the donation is applied to the correct fund.

For information, call Olson at (785) 460-9152.

County continues the search for a new appraiser

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county.

Still, the commissioners tabled the vote to approve the agreement until their next meeting, due to several concerns. Steele thought the study should include some of the streets west of Range, such as along Thielen Avenue. During the meeting he contacted the state, and later said he got an e-mail with new documentation including these streets.

Christiansen and Berens both voiced concerns about a provision in the plan, which would allow the state to cancel the contract if funding concerns came up.

Berens said if this happened, a third of the state’s share of these costs would have to be covered by the county.

“We wanted to make it clear that if the state pulled out, then the county could pull out,” Berens said after the meeting.

The last order of business for the meeting was to receive an annual report Jerry Michaud, president of Developmental Services for Northwest Kansas. The

report stated that the county provided \$77,500 for these services in 2011.

Michaud voiced concern about funding and over changes that are in the works for developmental services. He said 15 people in developmental services in Northwest Kansas receive their care through the Working Healthy program.

He believes that KanCare, which takes effect at the start of 2013, will cause this program to operate under the direction of several private managed care companies.

“We don’t envision that it will go away,” he said later, “but the case managers that have been working with the people with disabilities, we don’t know how that will be affected.”

Five case managers in developmental services spend part of their time working with these 15 beneficiaries, he said.

Michaud was also concerned about a request by the state to all governmental departments to reduce their 2014 budgets 10 percent. He told the commissioners that he’s already been trimming

his budget for several years and doesn’t know what else to cut.

Also discussed at the meeting:

- Landfill Supervisor Larry Jumper delivered the landfill report of waste added to the landfill so far this year.
- The report put landfill waste for August an average of 17.47 tons of waste per day, up from the yearly average of 15.93 tons per day. A total of 3,892 tons have been added to the landfill so far this year.
- Jumper also helped plan a Christmas party for county employees, getting the members to agree to try to schedule the party on Saturday, Dec. 15, at the American Legion.
- Harms mentioned several letters between the state and Pestinger Beverage Company in which the county was involved. Christy Rocca, director for the county’s Economic Development Alliance, said the company applied for a tax exemption offered to retail and wholesale businesses in May. The county sent additional tax information to the state on Aug. 31.
- The commission will send

members to several regional and statewide meetings. It was agreed that Christiansen would go as a voting delegate to a meeting for Kansas Workers Risk Compensation for Counties from Nov. 3 to 5. This group works with insurance matters. Steele will serve as an alternate.

Both will go to the Kansas Legislative Policy Group meeting Oct. 4 and 5 in Norton. This groups helps Kansas counties lobby in the state legislature. Christiansen will only go to this meeting on Oct. 5.

Steele will also attend the Western Prairie Resource Conservation and Development meeting on Oct. 10 in Oberlin. This is a non-profit organization

which tries to help improve economic, social and environmental conditions in Northwest Kansas.

- A report from the Weed Department explained work done in August. Spraying was done in Rovohl and East Hale Townships and 10 weed surveys were conducted for the state.
- The County Health Administrator’s report stated that there was a noticeable increase in requests for nursing visits for the 2012-2013 school year. The report said that both nurses were working full-time.
- The commission approved its accounts payable warrant register and Aug. 31 minutes.

Protests against Islam film spread

By Aya Batrawy and Lee Keath The Associated Press

CAIRO (AP) – Angry demonstrations against an anti-Islam film spread to their widest extent yet around the Middle East and other Muslim countries today. Protesters smashed into the German Embassy in the Sudanese capital and set part of it on fire and climbed the walls of the U.S. Embassy in Tunis, waving an Islamist banner.

One protester was killed in the northern Lebanese city of Tripoli in clashes with security forces, after a crowd of protesters set fire to a KFC and an Arby’s restaurant. Protesters hurled stones and glass at police in a furious melee that left 25 people wounded, 18 of them police.

Protests were held in cities from Tunisia to Pakistan after weekly Friday Muslim prayers, where many clerics in their mosque sermons called on congregations to defend their faith, denouncing obscure movie produced in the United States that denigrated the Prophet Muhammad.

The numbers were not huge – in most places, only a few hundred took to the streets, mostly ultraconservative Islamists – but the mood was often furious. The spread of protests comes after attacks earlier this week on the U.S. Embassies in Cairo and the Yemeni capital Sanaa and on a U.S. consulate in Libya, where the ambassador and three other Americans were killed.

After standing aside earlier this week in the face of protesters, security forces in Yemen and Egypt fired tear gas and clashed with protesters Friday to keep them away from U.S. embassies.

Ahead of the expected wave of protests on Fri-

day – a tradition day for rallies in the Islamic world – U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton delivered an explicit denunciation of the anti-Muhammad video, aiming to pre-empt further turmoil at its embassies and consulates. The movie, called “Innocence of Muslims,” ridicules the Prophet Muhammad, portraying him as a fraud, a womanizer and a child molester.

“The United States government had absolutely nothing to do with this video,” she said before a meeting with the foreign minister of Morocco at the State Department. “We absolutely reject its content and message.”

Nonetheless, protests in several places attempted to move on American diplomatic missions – and other Western countries were pulled into the dispute.

Several thousand demonstrators protested outside the US embassy in Tunis and battled with security forces, throwing stones as police fired volleys of tear gas and shot in the air. Some protesters scaled the embassy wall and stood on top of it, planting a black flag with the Islamic profession of faith, “There is no god but Allah and Muhammad is his prophet.”

Police chased them off the wall and took the flag down.

In Sudan, a prominent sheik on state radio urged protesters to march on the German Embassy to protest alleged anti-Muslim graffiti on mosques in Berlin and then to the U.S. Embassy to protest the film.

Soon after, several hundred Sudanese stormed into the German Embassy, burning a car parked behind its gates and setting fire to trash cans.

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. on 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.”

Brewster church to hold gospel concert Saturday

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.

Gem plans potluck for 125th anniversary

The City of Gem plans to celebrate its 125th anniversary with a community potluck at 1 p.m. Sunday at the Gem Community Building. The city will provide pork sandwiches and hot dogs. Bring a side dish or desserts. Anyone with a Gem affiliation is welcome. For information, call Mayor Phyllis Ziegelmeier at 462-7816 or 443-0784.

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.

Commodities to be given out here Sept. 24

U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities will be distributed from 1 to 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, at the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program office in the Senior Progress Center in Fike Park. Distribution is first come, first-served, but you may send a signed permission slip with another person. Bring a sack or box. Expected commodities include cereal, potatoes, pears, carrots, peaches, vegetable soup and noodles. For questions, call the office at 462-6744.

LOCAL TV Listings

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Monday Evening				September 17, 2012						
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	CMA Music Festival						Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KBSL/CBS	How I Met	How I Met	2 Broke Girls		Hawaii Five-0		Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson	
KSNK/NBC	The Voice						Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon	
KSAS/FOX	Bones		The Mob Doctor			Local				
Cable Channels										
A & E	Hoarders		Hoarders		Intervention		Intervention		Hoarders	
AMC	Apollo 13						Mission to Mars			
ANIM	Law on the Border		Off Hook	Off Hook	Off Hook	Off Hook	Law on the Border	Off Hook	Off Hook	
BRAVO	Housewives/NJ		Housewives/NYC		Gallery Girls		Happens	Housewives/NYC		Jersey
CMT	Reba	Reba	Cheer		Cheer		Cowboys Cheerleaders			
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360		E. B. OutFront	Piers Morgan Tonight		
COMEDY	Daily	South Pk	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Daily	Colbert	Futurama	Daily
DISC	American Chopper		American Chopper		Fast N' Loud		Texas Car Wars		American Chopper	
DISN	Good Luck/Geek Charming				Phineas		Jessie	Vampire	Wizards	Wizards
E!	Julie & Julia						Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	
ESPN	Countdown/NFL Football						SportsCenter			
ESPN2	Poker		World/Poker		Baseball Tonight		SportCtr	Football	Baseball Tonight	
FAM	Switched at Birth		Nanny McPhee				The 700 Club		Prince	Prince
FOOD	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
FX	Spider-Man 3						Spider-Man 3			
HGTV	Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Power Broker	Love It or List It		
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	American Pickers		Pawn	Pawn	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	Pawn	Pawn
LIFE	Bride Wars				Made of Honor		Bride Wars			
MTV	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	The Inbet	WakeBros	Guy Code	Ridic.	The Inbet
NICK	Victorlou	Victorlou	My Wife	My Wife	George	George	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Alphas		Warehouse 13		Alphas		Warehouse 13		Alphas	
SPIKE	Without a Paddle		Without a Paddle		Here Come/		Repo		Repo	Repo
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Conan	Office		Office
TCM	White Cargo				H.M. Pulham, Esq.		Northern Pursuit			
TLC	Here Come/	Here Come/	Here Come/	Here Come/	Here Come/	Medium	Here Come/	Here Come/	Here Come/	Here Come/
TNT	Major Crimes		Major Crimes		Perception		Major Crimes		Perception	
TOON	Regular	Annoying	King/Hill	King/Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua
TRAV	No Reservation		No Reservation		No Reservation		Hotel Impossible		No Reservation	
TV LAND	Cosby	Cosby	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King
USA	WWWE Monday Night RAW									
VH1	Basketball Wives LA		T.I.-Tiny	Basketball Wives LA	T.I.-Tiny		Basketball Wives LA	T.I.-Tiny	Basketbal	
WGN	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		WGN News at Nine		30 Rock	30 Rock	Rules	Rules
Premium Channels										
HBO	Real Time/Bill Maher		Water for Elephants				The Debt			
MAX	Troy	Along Came Polly			Point Break		Strike Back			
SHOW	Lara Croft-Life				Weeds		Weeds	The Messenger		

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