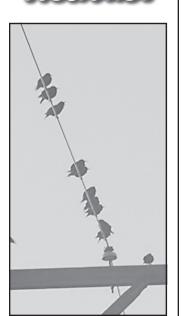
### **Area/State**



National Weather Service Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 40. West wind around 5 mph.

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 69. Northwest wind 5 to 15

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 40. North wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 73. Northwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 41. Thursday: Sunny, with a high

near 72. Thursday Night: Mostly

clear, with a low around 39.

Friday Sunny, with a high

Friday: Night Partly cloudy, with a low around 40.

Saturday Mostly sunny, with a high near 58.

Saturday Night: A slight chance of rain and snow showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 37. Chance of precipita-

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 57.

tion is 20%.

Friday: High, 38; Low 19 Saturday: High, 52; Low 23 Sunday: High, 66; Low 32 Precip: Friday None Saturday None

None Sunday Month: 0.78 inches 1.69 inches Year: Normal: 19.29 inches (K-State Experiment Station)

8:11 a.m. 6:45 p.m. Tuesday Moon: waning, 99 percent Wednesday 8:12 a.m. 6:43 p.m. Moon: waning, 97 percent (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Sunrise and Sunset

## Weather Candidate says sheriff is next step

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up to the head jailer position, he attended a 12-week course at the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center in Hutchinson starting in November 2003 to become a sheriff's deputy. He later worked at the police department, first a dispatcher and then as an officer in 2008.

Rodriguez said many aspects of police work are overlooked. Many people show up to the academy with impressions of the job formed from watching movies.

The year and a half he spent as a police dispatcher also gave him an appreciation for that job, which he said many people cannot handle.

"A lot of people show up and think it's just answering phones," he said. "They don't know it's real police work."

He had been a city officer for two and half years before resigning in 2011 after an incident when he hit a parking block in the Walmart parking lot with a city-owned car while on a call.

Tired from working overtime, he said, he thought he saw something run in front of his car even though the Walmart security footage did not show anything.

He said former city manager Carolyn Armstrong told him she did not believe his

"I'm not the type of person who likes to out, "are not necessarily the same thing." be called a liar," Rodriguez said.

Rodriguez has since been working for Dave Bixenman Construction, but says, "I was made to serve the public."

He admitted that he does not know how to write a budget – the only aspect of the job he finds intimidating - but said Taylor did not have any experience in that area either when he took over. Along with working as head jailer, his administrative skills and as a night manager at outlet stores and the Manhattan Mercury.

When asked about the jail, which county officials would like to replace or remodel, Rodriguez said the building should be improved or replaced.

'When I started in that building in 2002, it needed massive renovation," he said. "That was 10 years ago."

He said he would have a deputy on duty from 2 a.m. to 8 a.m. – a shift that's not normally covered now.

He said that could help stop crimes in rural areas such as theft of copper and farm equipment.

"Crime is deterred when people know they could run into a deputy," he added.

He conceded that budget could be an is-

"What I've always believed is right and what I'd be able to do as sheriff," he pointed who thinks that way," he said.

Identity theft and high-tech crimes could become a bigger problem in the near future, Rodriguez said, along with the daily battles the sheriff's office already faces against drug traffic and criminals moving along Interstate 70.

Rodriguez said the deputies should have more interaction with the police department and should be involved more in community activities, particularly with kids.

"It's not just putting bad people in jail," he said. "It's showing your leadership to the rest of the community."

Rodriguez said he thinks that Taylor ran

for sheriff for the wrong reasons in 2008, wanting to replace former Sheriff Mike Baughn, who had fired Taylor during the campaign. He said he disagrees with the sheriff's

leadership style, and feels there should be a better perception of law enforcement among the public. A lot of problems within the sheriff's of-

fice and the community, he said, could be remedied with simple face time.

Rodriguez said he could not answer the question of whether he deserves to be sheriff, but said he loves being a law enforcement officer.

"I think Thomas County needs a leader

#### Early voting available at clerk's office

Have you decided how your going to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 6? If so, and you'd like to vote early, stop by the Thomas County clerk's office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, or from 8 a.m. to noon next Monday. The office will close at noon that day so employees can run final roster books and set up the polling site for the election. Bring your photo ID. For questions, call County Clerk Shelly Harms at 460-4500.

#### County commissioners set meeting Wednesday

Thomas County commissioners will hold their end-of-the month meeting at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the basement break room at the courthouse since early voting will be going on in their room. The regular meeting on Monday, Nov. 19, has been moved to the afternoon of Thursday, Nov. 15, to coincide with canvassing the vote from the Tuesday, Nov. 6, election. For questions, call the county clerk's office at (785) 460-4500.

#### **Health Department to** offer walk-in flu clinics

The Thomas County Health Department plans walk-in flu clinics Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 8, at the department's office at 350 S. Range, and from 11 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, Nov. 6, at the Senior Progress Center. Cost is \$25, or bring a copy of your insurance card. Please remember to complete and print a consent form from the thomascountyks. com website beforehand. For information, call the department at 460-4596.

### Vet-Tech students offer dog, cat washing

The Student Veterinary Technician Association at Colby Community College will hold a pet wash from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Ag/Vet Tech Building. Animals must have proof of vaccinations. Dogs must have DHP and rabies vaccinations. Cats must have FVRCP and rabies vaccinations. Cost to wash and groom dogs ranges from \$8 to \$14. A brush-out for cats is \$5 and a bath is \$10. To schedule an appointment, call 460-5462.

#### Class will teach about diabetes, healthy eating

Citizens Medical Center will continue a monthly series of free classes on diabetes, "Journey for Control," from 3:30 to 5 p.m. every Monday in November in the hospital conference room. The topic will be how to manage diabetes. plan meals better and answers questions using a "fun, interactive" learning style. Register by calling Jeanene Brown at the hospital's education department,

#### (785) 460-4850. **Brewster Senior Center**

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For the first day of hunting season, the Brewster Senior Center plans a biscuitand-sausage-gravy breakfast from 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 10. Hunters and everyone else welcome. For information, call Betty Baird at (785) 694-2645.

### Incumbent touts experience as big asset that you take ... I'm not a per- increased about \$64,500 and ment shares offices with the

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didate.'

Experience, he said, has a major impact on his confidence.

"I've probably received more education through experience than I have in the actual classroom," he said. "The different situations I've been in allow me to be very open minded with people....

From being the public face of the department, to traffic stops and criminal investigations, Taylor said, the position of sheriff continues to evolve. He credits his staff for the way the office

"We are fortunate to have Sheri Staab, who's been over there for 15 years...," the sheriff said, "and Undersheriff Marc Finley, he works as two people would work and is very knowledgeable.

'The last four years have been very successful in a lot of areas of you.' because of the people I work with. I don't look at it as, 'I'm elected sheriff, but ... we work as a team.

"But also, there's a stiff oath the sheriff's budget has been ment Center, where the depart-

takes and some bad choices, but I've tried to learn from them and not repeat them. You've got to the people of Kansas and Thomas County.'

One of his biggest accomplishments as sheriff, he said, he attributes in large part to his

In 2009, he said, he and his department were able to recover millions of dollars worth of farm equipment for people here and throughout five states.

"Being able to return a lot of expensive property to the owners opened the eyes in law enforcement and to other people," he said. "We had this big burglary ring going on and it taught us that you can never overlook what is going on right in front

During his next term, Taylor said, if re-elected, he hopes to the boss;' sure, I may be the increase the staff, hopefully add-

fect person, and I've made mis- the jail budget about \$50,000 to Colby Police. accommodate these additional employees.

"We have one of the bighave compassion, honesty and gest budgets in the county," integrity, and I've been proud to he added, "and I think it says wear the uniform and represent something for everyone at the sheriff's office that I put in for that amount. (The commissioners) see that we do maintain a tight lid on the budget, but if we can get some more people down it and the (jail) work site will be Safety of his employees has

been a major goal of Taylor's, he said. The declining condition of the jail and their increased caseload have put security and safety at the forefront of his mind.

"Jails are meant to separate the bad from the good," he said. "The number of people we house have increased, so you have security issues for people needs to be improved."

Taylor has been working with ing a couple more jailers and (a officials to expand and improve forward to serving the public for couple of) road officers. He said the jail and the Law Enforce- another term.

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cating) the public on the costs of taking prisoners to other towns

"I think that if we keep (edu-

and security issues," he said, "people will know it is needed. People have relatives who work "We need to find a way to

get money and make it happen. I know money is a big issue; it costs a lot of money (to expand there, citizens will benefit from or build a new facility), but if we do it right the first time, people down the road won't have to worry about it again, like we are staring at right now." Taylor said it's come to his at-

tention that people may be concerned about his health. "I'm 69," he said. "I'll be 70

if I'm sworn in again ... but I can still hold my own and I can shoot well. If I ever get to the stage where I can't protect another officer or another citizen, who work there ... and that part I'll be sure to say 'enough is enough."

However, he said, that time commissioners and other county has not come, and he's looking

## Candidate says he won't run in township race

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ten in during the primary election. The write-ins are Scott Collett, Levant, East Hale; Vernon Roerner, Gem, Lacey;

and Mark Anderson, Menlo, Smith. All of these candidates are incumbents and James Fellhoelter, Oakley, South vohl; Thomas McCarty, Rexford, Smith;

except for Collett in East Hale, who has Randall. been on the board previously.

Six write-ins were added to the ballot Heier, Colby, Morgan. Township trustee candidates who filed after the primary: Dale (A.D.) Deaver, before the primary are Lyman Bear, Levant, East Hale; Kenneth Kammer, bents except for Heier in Morgan. Brewster, Barrett; John Steiger, Menlo; Brewster, West Hale; Jonathan Higerd, Lonnie Wilson, Colby, North Randall; Gem, Lacey; John Schroeder, Colby, Ro-

Bert Stramel, Colby, Summers; and Larry

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