Area/State

Making a pizza



Weather

National Weather Service Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 27. West wind 5 to 15 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 55. Northwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 22. North wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 39. Windy, with a southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming north 20 to 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 16. Blustery. Martin Luther King Day: Sunny, with a high near 41. Monday Night: Mostly clear,

with a low around 23. Tuesday: Sunny, with a high

near 53 Tuesday Night: Mostly clear,

with a low around 23. Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 55.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 29.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 49. Breezy.

Thursday: High, 55; Low 21 Precip: Thursday Month: 0.10 inches

0.10 inches Year: Normal: 0.42 inches (K-State Experiment Station) **Sunrise and Sunset**

8:01 a.m. 5:50 p.m. Moon: waxing, 57 percent 8:00 a.m. 5:51 p.m. Moon: waxing, 66 percent 8:00 a.m. 5:52 p.m. Moon: waxing, 75 percent (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Flu eases in areas of U.S.

By Marilynn Marchione

Nine more children or teens have died of the flu, bringing the nation's total this flu season to 29, health officials reported today.

In a typical season, about 100 children die of the flu, so it is not known whether this year will be better or worse than usual.

So far, half of confirmed flu cases are in people 65 and older, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported.

This year's season is earlier than normal and the dominant flu strain is one that tends to make people sicker. The flu is widespread in all states but Tennessee and Hawaii and is starting to ease in some areas, the CDC said.

Health officials say it's not too late to get a flu shot to help protect against the flu. Vaccinations are recommended for anyone 6 months or older.

Last week, the CDC said the flu again surpassed an "epidemic" threshold, based on monitoring of deaths from flu and a frequent complication, pneumonia. The flu epidemic happens every year and officials say this year's vaccine is a good match for strains that are going around.

The government doesn't keep a running tally of adult deaths from the flu, but estimates that it kills about 24,000 people most years.

Jared Pete Gile

APPEARING

Saturday, Jan. 19th 9:00 p.m. Meadow Lake **Golf Course**



SAM DIETER/Colby Free Press

Gracie Griffin spread the sauce for a cheese pizza with the help of her mother, Emily, Sunday afternoon in the 4-H building. About 28 members of the Colby Kids Wrestling Club and their siblings made a total of 504 pizzas Sunday for a team fund raiser.

County commissioners oppose ferret releases

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return from medical leave last year.

"The agreement has not yet been funded, but funding could come from monies already appropriated," the e-mail said, "but it's likely that additional funds will have to be approved by Con-

"This agreement would supersede state statutes by protecting prairie dogs in the 'Safe Harbors' areas where the ferrets would be released, making control of prairie dogs the responsibility of the state and federal entities, and restricting local government from controlling prairie dogs.

"Individual landowners would voluntarily sign an agreement with state and federal entities. The draft seems to suggest several drawbacks and limit the landowners' options, i.e. no oil, gas or wind production. The implementation of the act would jeopardize decades of work and thousands if not millions of tax dollars spent trying to control prairie dogs."

The e-mail, signed by Mike J. Friesen, was addressed mostly to county weed-control directors, highway supervisors and others. It urged comsociation of Kansas.

As a farmer and property owner in the county, Linda Sowers expressed concerns with the agree-

"They want to introduce the black-footed ferret in Midwest areas," she said, "but then we couldn't

prairie dogs. And, it would also restrict landowners' rights to have oil wells or wind mills on their

"We already have enough trouble with prairie dogs, don't we, Byron?" asked Schrock.

"Pretty soon we'll have to take up a collection jar to pay for (the extermination of prairie dogs)," added Linda Sowers. "It already costs us about \$5,000 to control them."

"This is an unfunded federal mandate that restricts personal rights," said Commissioner Mike Baughn. "I just can't go for something like that."

The e-mail said others wishing to express an opinion should e-mail the service at ferretsha@ fws.gov and by contacting Sen. Pat Roberts, Sen. Jerry Moran or Rep. Tim Huelskamp.

In other business, commissioners:

 Opened two sealed bids for a four-wheeler for the Road and Bridge Department. Commissioners approved a proposal from Colby Ag Center to trade a 2009 Yamaha Grizzly 550 EPS valued at \$6,075 for a 2013 Yamaha Grizzly 550 worth \$8,950. The department will pay the \$2,875 dif-

The other bid was submitted by the Great Outmissioners to object to the agreement by writing doors of Atwood, which priced the county's trade-Kansas senators and Congressman Huelskamp. in at \$2,900. The company gave two options. The Reached later, Friesen said he is the Meade Coun-remaining balance to be paid after trading for a ty weed control supervisor and public relations 2013 Bombardier Outlander 650 DPS at \$6,699 chair for the County Weed Control Directors As- or a \$5,799 payment after trading for a 2013 Bombardier Outlander 500 DPS.

- Gave Health Department Director Kasiah Rothchild permission to sell two file cabinets, a four-drawer unit for \$30 and a five-drawer unit
- Accepted the resignation of Shawn Fromholtz use poison, the most effective way to get rid of as clerk of Morgan Township.

Alaskan archaeology topic of presentation

Dr. Linda Davis-Stephens will give a presentation on Alaskan archaeology for the High Plains Chapter of the Kansas Anthropological Association at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the Prairie Museum of Art and History in Colby. Updates on upcoming association events will be announced and a short business meeting will follow. The program is free and open to the public. For information, contact Ann Miner at 462-6399.

College auditioning acts for talent show

The Student Government Association at Colby Community College plans a community talent show at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at the Cultural Arts Center on campus as part of Homecoming Week. Auditions will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at the center. Entry forms are available at the college bookstore, the admissions office and the student affairs office. Prizes will be awarded to the winners; there is no charge to participate. For information or to schedule an audition, call Brittney Squire at 460-5495 or Gunnar Hays at (785) 202-1218.

Rotary cooking soup at ball games Tuesday

The Colby Rotary Club plans a soup supper from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday during the Colby-Goodland basketball games at the Community Building. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 3 to 7, with children under 3 free. Come support the club and its many civic projects. For information, call Gary Adrian at 460-2931.

Extension offering free class on fungicide

Wednesday at the 4-H Building in Colby. K-State disease pathologists Doug Jardine and Erick DeWolf will discuss fungicide use on corn and wheat: When to spray, what to spray and will it pay? A minimum of 10 people must register by Monday. For information or to register, call Jody McCain at the Extension office, 460-4582.

Thomas County Extension plans a free fungicide school at 2:30 p.m.

Pets ready for adoption at Animal Clinic

Looking for a pet? Colby Animal Clinic has two dogs available for adoption: a 7-month-old female purebred red heeler and a 4-year-old female blue heeler. Lost or strayed animals are often brought to the clinic. Call or stop by 810 E. Fourth St. All animals have current shots, and costs are minimal. For questions, call 460-8621.

Soup fellowship to raise money for treatment A soup-and-dessert fellowship will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 27, at the Brewster United Methodist Church, 202 Nebraska Ave. A "we care" offering will be taken to help April Albritton with her cancer treatments. For information, call Bonnie Reid, (785) 694-2775.

Community Foundation to serve pulled pork The Thomas County Community Foundation will be having a pulled-

pork meal starting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the Colby Community Building in conjunction with the Colby High-Ulysses basketball games. Donations will go to the foundation. For information, contact Melinda Olson at 460-9152.

Fifth graders to give musical at school

The Colby Grade School fifth graders will present a free musical, "Destination America," featuring songs from different American genres and "Give Us a Home," commissioned for the Colby Public Schools, at 2 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the grade school auditorium. For information, call music teacher Jennifer Koel at 460-5100, ext. 1104.

Red Cross plans blood drive here this month The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from noon to 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 29, and 7:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at the National Guard Armory, 470 S. Range Ave. Call (800) RED CROSS or go to www.redcrossblood.org to make an appointment, but walk-ins are welcome. All blood types are needed. Bring a blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification. Anyone who is 17, weighs at least 110 pounds and is in generally good health may be eligible to donate.

Conservation District to hold annual meeting

The Thomas County Conservation District will hold its annual meeting at noon on Wednesday, Feb. 13, at the Colby Country Club. Chili and chicken noodle soup and cinnamon rolls will be served in a "come as you are" appreciation lunch. Make reservations by Wednesday, Jan. 30, at 462-7482. Kansas Bankers Association Awards will be given out for soil conservation and windbreak establishment. An election will be held for one supervisor and the district will report on the year's financial activity. For information, call Manager Debbie Potter at 462-7482.

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