

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE Last Thursday

3:39 a.m. - Caller reported subjects taking items without paying.
 4:26 a.m. - Driving under the influence report filed for above complaint.
 7:21 a.m. - Two vehicles needed to get moved for snow removal.
 8:07 a.m. - Vehicle slide off in the 1100 block S. Franklin.
 8:18 a.m. - Helped subject get vehicle out of drift in the 1100 block of S. Franklin.
 11:20 a.m. - Helped subject with stalled vehicle in the 1900 block of S. Range.
 11:33 a.m. - Caller reported someone broke off side mirror on vehicle.
 12:01 p.m. - Accident at the north entrance to 1255 S. Range.
 1:31 p.m. - All OK with two semis stuck in the 400 block of N. Mission Ridge.
 2:31 p.m. - Subject drove into snow bank at Franklin and Webster. Provided assistance; all OK.
 2:50 p.m. - Caller reported two dogs on flatbed pickup in parking lot. Not found.
 3:38 p.m. - Caller reported semi in roadway near Fourth and Country Club. All OK, semi removed.
 4:29 p.m. - Caller reported employee not showing up for work. Welfare check; everything OK.
 9:19 p.m. - Caller reported domestic disturbance.

Friday

4:08 a.m. - Suspicious subject: clerk called requesting officer to remove subject from business. Took to motel.
 10:22 a.m. - Helped Highway Patrol on slide off at eastbound I-70 mile 54.9.
 12:10 p.m. - Helped ambulance crew on call.
 12:19 p.m. - All OK; spoke to subjects about transient in parking lot.
 1:46 p.m. - Provided traffic control for two vehicles that had dead batteries.
 2:55 p.m. - Report filed for accident.
 3:50 p.m. - Checked on transient.
 3:58 p.m. - Caller reported dog at large. Owner contacted.
 9:15 p.m. - Caller reported semi in ditch on Horton. Semi removed from roadway.

Saturday

3:26 a.m. - Business called requesting subject be removed from property. Not found.
 3:56 a.m. - Caller reported loud talking from apartment. Spoke with subject.
 10:32 a.m. - Received four 911 disconnects. Spoke to parent who will handle matter with child.
 10:37 a.m. - Caller thinks a subject living in Colby may be involved in a credit card scam. Provided information to reporting party.
 11:53 a.m. - Helped sheriff's office on traffic stop.
 2:48 p.m. - Dog at large turned over to Colby Animal Clinic.
 11:10 p.m. - Noise complaint: caller advised of party. Report filed.

Sunday

12:40 a.m. - Narcotics Violation report filed.
 1:31 a.m. - Stolen vehicle report filed on vehicle taken from residence.
 8:56 a.m. - Helped ambulance crew on call.
 10:56 a.m. - Provided information

to subject on weather and road conditions.

12:30 p.m. - Assisted subject with vehicle out of fuel.
 2:25 p.m. - Kansas Information Center hit: caller advised male subject possibly wanted. Report filed.
 3:54 p.m. - Caller reported two juveniles possibly shooting off fireworks. Not found.
 4:22 p.m. - Caller reported vehicle blocking alley. Legally parked.
 6:17 p.m. - Civil standby. Report filed.
 9:04 p.m. - Assisted other agency.
 11:50 p.m. - Helped motorist.

Monday

10:52 a.m. - Caller reported tracks in snow appeared to show child running barefoot. All OK, wore toe-shaped running shoes.
 11:01 a.m. - Civil stand-by.

Tuesday

12:41 a.m. - Caller reported a man sitting in lobby then left walking northbound. Not found.
 1 a.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle parked between businesses running with subjects inside. Everything OK, employee.
 1:03 a.m. - Caller reported office broken into.
 7:26 a.m. - Caller reported two dogs at large. Not found.
 9:41 a.m. - Driving while suspended report filed on traffic stop.
 11:27 a.m. - Dog at large taken to Colby Animal Clinic.
 12:49 p.m. - Warrant arrest assistance to Community Corrections.

1:12 p.m. - Helped Economic Development.
 2:12 p.m. - Funeral block.
 2:44 p.m. - Helped at Colby Grade School with drill.
 3:35 p.m. - Criminal threat report filed.
 3:48 p.m. - Dog at large turned over to Animal Clinic.
 5:53 p.m. - Caller requested information in reference to rental agreement. Spoke with subjects.
 6:17 p.m. - Helped ambulance crew.
 8:24 p.m. - Report filed for damage to trash can.
 11:35 p.m. - Driving under the influence report filed on traffic stop.

Wednesday

5:17 p.m. - Accident with pole at Walmart parking lot.
 9:34 p.m. - Business requested subject be removed from property. Subject removed.

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Last Thursday

4:38 a.m. - Booked Devon K. Shapland.
 4:59 a.m. - Released Shapland.
 9:50 a.m. - Helped stalled motorist in the 600 block of W. Horton.
 9:57 a.m. - Helped stalled semi-trailer in the 600 block of W. Horton.
 11:24 a.m. - All OK, had help coming in reference to stalled car at Nine Mile Corner.
 9:19 p.m. - Helped Colby police on domestic disturbance call at Quality Inn.

Friday

2:21 a.m. - Booked Bridget Marie Mills.
 7:44 a.m. - Released Mills.
 8:39 a.m. - Provided vehicle identification number inspection for Denny's Repair.
 10:54 a.m. - Pickup parked in

roadway on S. Franklin. All OK, man was using cell phone; asked him to move into parking lot.

2:55 p.m. - Helped Colby police with auto accident.
 9:01 p.m. - Caller reported two cars racing on N. Franklin from Eighth St. No contact.

Saturday

8:52 a.m. - Released Richard Daniel Mills.
 7:20 p.m. - Booked Santana Angel June Barnett.

Sunday

1:16 a.m. - Booked Heath Antholz.
 1:37 a.m. - Released Antholz.
 1:50 a.m. - Driving under the influence report filed on traffic stop at Second and Franklin.
 1:52 a.m. - Booked Derek Ridenour.

2:10 a.m. - Released Ridenour.
 2:26 a.m. - Booked Sannatan-nea Cole.
 2:44 a.m. - Released Cole.
 3:03 a.m. - Booked Ryan Tietz.
 3:48 a.m. - Domestic disturbance: 911 caller needed help.
 4:31 a.m. - Driving under the influence report filed on traffic stop.

5:33 a.m. - Slide off at east-bound I-70 mile 47 1/2, provided assistance.
 6:29 a.m. - Booked Donald L. Cranston.
 10:50 a.m. - Released Barnett.
 2 p.m. - All OK with vehicle driving slowly on westbound I-70; fuel pump problem.
 2:30 p.m. - Caller advised neighbor's horses out on his land; destroyed four hay bales. Report filed.

3:12 p.m. - Booked Michael Jordan Ackerman.
 3:51 p.m. - Released Ackerman.
 8 p.m. - Protection from abuse order violation report filed.
 9:26 p.m. - Booked Skylar Kay Justice.

Monday

3:10 a.m. - Helped Highway Patrol with accident on I-70.
 8:32 a.m. - 911 caller was stuck in snow at Taft and Veteran's Memorial Drive. Provided assistance.
 10:42 a.m. - Served warrant on William Andrew Shank.
 10:58 a.m. - Criminal trespass report filed on incident at 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

2:41 p.m. - Criminal damage to property: caller advised damage to vehicle windows. Report filed.
 2:52 p.m. - Served warrant on Cranston.
 3:07 p.m. - Served warrant on Justice.
 3:12 p.m. - Served warrant on Tietz.
 3:47 p.m. - Released Cranston.
 5:51 p.m. - Released Justice.
 7:34 p.m. - Released Tietz.
 11:20 p.m. - Booked Anthony M. Vollmar.

Tuesday

1:17 a.m. - Booked Anthony J. Gosselin.
 9:40 a.m. - Walk through at Brewster School.
 10:20 a.m. - Booked Tyler Lee Robinson.
 10:48 a.m. - Released Robinson.
 1:53 p.m. - Took prisoner to Colby Medical Services.
 2:04 p.m. - Booked Clinton Harrison Burt.
 2:11 p.m. - Released Burt.
 2:28 p.m. - Booked Jimmy Stevenson.

Legislators to visit Colby; leadership classes wind up

Will March come in like a lamb or a lion? We can only hope weather will not adversely affect any of the many events planned for March.

I attended a successful Tourism Day on the Hill in Topeka. We heard from many agency heads including Secretary Robin Jennison from the Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism.

We also had the opportunity to visit with Sen. Ralph Ostmeier and Rep. Ward Cassidy. They will both be in Colby on Saturday in Room 106 of the Student Union at Colby Community College. Everyone is welcome to meet with them from 10 to 11 a.m.

I will be attending the We Kan conference Tuesday and Wednesday, March 12 and 13, in Salina. This is sponsored by the Kansas Sampler Foundation, which promotes tourism and economic development for rural Kansas communities.

The final session of 2013 Youth Leadership Thomas County was held Wednesday at the Colby Fire Department. The 10 sophomores participated in a "teach back" demonstrating what they had learned. They will be finishing their class project, purchasing physical education equipment for the schools of Thomas County, in the near future.

A celebration for the Adult Leadership Thomas County class was held Jan. 30 at City Limits Convention Center. The seven participants and spouses enjoyed dinner with Leadership Thomas County Board members. Class members then reminisced, shared how they are using the skills they learned and received certificates.

Western Plains Arts Association is bringing three programs to northwestern Kansas during March. The Marvelous Wonderettes will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Cultural Arts Center in Colby. They will be performing music of the '50s and '60s. The U.S. Navy Sea Chanters will also be performing at 7:30 p.m. next Thursday at Colby High School. You may obtain free tickets by sending a self-addressed envelope to Pat Ziegelmeier at the college. Finally, Michael Fitzsimmons will be performing at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 10, at Sharon Springs High School. He will present "Drums of the World" featuring rare instruments from all over.

Annual events return which are popular. The Gun, Coin and Collectible show will be Saturday and Sunday, March 9 and 10, at the Community Building. The show opens at 9 a.m. both days.

The Home, Garden and Better Living show will be Friday through Sunday, March 22 to 24, also



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at the Community Building. There is no admission charge and it is a great opportunity to get into the mood for spring and summer.

Pioneer Memorial Library is presenting their annual murder mystery and dinner Saturday. The mys-

tery "To Wake the Dead" is being presented. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the library, but they are limited.

The American Association of University Women are sponsoring author Dale Bryan on Wednesday at Booked for Lunch at the library.

Make your St. Patrick's weekend a special one by attending the pub party at City Limits on Saturday, March 16. Green hour will be held from 7 to 8 p.m., with a D.J., dancing and special appetizers. Mama's Boys will take the stage at 8:30 p.m., playing country music from the '70s and '80s. This party is being brought to you by the Pickin' on the Plains Bluegrass Festival Committee. Tickets are available at the Chamber Office, City Limits or at the door.

The American Legion is planning their birthday party on Sunday, March 17. Everyone is welcome to the potluck supper at 5 p.m. at the post. Ice cream and cake will also be served. A fish fry is also planned from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for Saturday, March 9, at the Legion. All are welcome.

The Prairie Museum of Art and History will be holding two Food for Thought events during March. Angela Bates from Nicodemus will present her program at noon Friday. This is rescheduled. Joan Northern from the Solomon Valley Highway 24 Heritage will present "Converting Pasture Paths to Public Roads" at noon Thursday, March 21.


Bowling for Kids Sake will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 23. This is sponsored by Big Brothers-Big Sisters.

The middle and high school vocal concert will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the high school.


A storm spotter class is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Community Building. This class is free and open to anyone interested in High Plains weather. It is sponsored by the National Weather Service and Thomas County Emergency Management.

March is a very busy month ending with Easter Day on Sunday, March 31. We wish all of you a very happy March and Easter.

Leilani Thomas is director of the Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau, a long-time civic volunteer and a passionate observer of the tourism industry.



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