

National Weather Service Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a
low around 56 . Northeast wind 5 Thursday: A 30 percent Thance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 85 . Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph . Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and
thunderstorms before 1 am hunderstorms before 1 am.
Mostly cloudy, with a low around Mostly cloudy, with a low around
60 . East wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south a atter midnight.
Friday: Mostly sunny, with a Friday: Mostly sunny, with a
high near 86. Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph .
Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 60 . Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thun-
derstorms. Mostly sunny with derstorms. Mostly sunny, with a
high near 86. high near 86.
Saturday Night: A 30 per-
cent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 59 . Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. 78 . Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunder-
storms. Partly cloudy, with a low storms. Partly cloudy, with a low
around 53. Monday: Monday: A 30 percent
chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 73 .
Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 50 . Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 7
Monday: High, 93; Low 49 Tuesday: High, 98; Low 57

Precip: Monday None $\begin{array}{lc}\text { Tuesday } & \text { None } \\ \text { Month: } & 0.56 \text { inches }\end{array}$ | Moar: | $\begin{array}{l}0.56 \text { inches } \\ \\ 2\end{array}$ |
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| Normal: |  |
| 7.21 inches |  | State Experiment Station) Sunrise and Sunset

Thursday $6: 29$ a.m. $8: 52$ p. Thursday $\quad 6: 29$ a.m. $8: 52$ p.m
Moon: waxing, 36 percent
(U.S. Naval Observatory) M. $\begin{aligned} & \text { (U. Naval Observatory } \\ & \text { Colby Water Use }\end{aligned}$ Friday to Sunday $1,954,000 \mathrm{gal}$.
(average)


## School board amends budget

From "BOARD," Page
reported for Athletic Direc

Larry Gabel. He said Michael Schiferl placed sixth at a reBrowne was sixth in a league golf meet and almost qualified was first and the boys sixth in a league track meet, and there
will be state championships for track, baseball and softball nex
week.
Colby was second in the overall Great Western Activi-
ties Conference league standings this year, he said. The high for girls' and boys' basketball. Gabel said later the baseball team lost 4-9 to Goodland that night and the softball team beat Ulysses 11-0. The girls were to
play Goodland at Ulysses this afternoon and could go onto the finals tonight.

Lance Krannawitter said there tal meeting, using the program dergarteners May 3 and 56 are enrolled so far. The fifth grade ing about a day of driving time. transition sessions have finished The school finished testing for
up, he said, and he thanked the the year, he said. The last voup, he said, and he thanked the the year, he said. The last vo-
Parent Teacher Organization for cal music performance will be providing lunch as part of teach- Thursday and the last band performance will be Monday, both in the grade school auditorium. - High School Principal Jeff Wallingford said about 70 students went to a state music con-
cert in Wichita, where the kids earned what it would take to place at a state meet. He said here was a pops concert on May
and a forensics meet in May 4 and a forensics meet in May 4, Colby made it to the semi-final ound. May 8 was the seniors' last day, and they all met their requirements and walked on Sunday, Wallingford said, although, "there was a couple of
them that were sweating at the them that were sweating at the

## Justice investigates IRS targeting

By Stephen Ohlemacher $\qquad$

## ty. This report failed that test.

The agency started targeting groups with "Tea Party," 'Patriots" or "9/12 Project" in their applications for tax exempt status in March 2010, the
inspector general's report said. By August 2010 it inspector general's report said. By August 2010, it
was part of the written criteria used to flag groups was part of the written criteria used to flag groups for additional scrutiny.
Lois Lerner, who heads the IRS division that oversees tax exempt organizations, had been briefed on the matter in June 2011. She ordered
the initial tea party criteria to be scrapped but it the initial tea party criteria to be scrapped, but it
later evolved to include groups that promoted the ater evolved to include groups that promoted the
Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The practice was ended in May 2012, the report said. IRS agents were trying to determine whether
the political activities of such groups disqualithe political activities of such groups disquali-
fied them for tax exempt status. These groups fied them for tax exempt status. These groups promoting social welfare. Unlike other charitable groups, they can engage in political activity. But
politics cannot be their primary mission.
It is up to the IRS to make the determinatio But by using improper criteria, the IRS targeted some groups, even though there were no indicasome groups, even though there were no indica-
tions that they engaged in significant political activities, the report said. Other non-tea party groups that had significant political activities were not screened, the report said.
"The criteria developed by the Determinations Unit gives the appearance that the IRS is not impartial in conducting its mission," the report said.
The additional screening resulted in long deThe additional screening resulted in long de-
lays as IRS agents asked intrusive, sometimes inappropriate questions, or merely let applications appropriate questions, or merely let applications
languish, the report said. Inappropriate questions included requests for lists of donors and the political affiliation of officers.
"Unfortunately, the report raises more questions than it answers," said House Oversight Committee Chairman Darrell Issa, R-Calif. "What we do know for sure is that the IRS personnel respon-
sible for granting tax sible for granting tax exemptions systematically targeted conservative groups for extra scrutiny,
and that officials in Washington, D.C., were aware of this practice, even while publicly claiming that it never happened."
The IRS on Friday apologized for singling out
WASHINGTON - The Justice Department is
opening a criminal investigation of the Internal
Revenue Service just as another probe concludes
that lax management enabled agents to improper-
ly target tea party groups for extra scrutiny when
they applied for tax exempt status.
Attorney General Eric Holder said he ordered
the Federal Bureau of Investigation to investigate
Friday - the day the IRS publicly acknowledged
that it had singled out conservative groups.
"Those (actions) were, I think, as everyone can
agree, if not criminal, they were certainly outra-
geous and unacceptable," Holder said. "But we
are examining the facts to see if there were crimi-
nal violations."
Holder was scheduled to testify today before
the House Judiciary Committee.
House Speaker John Boenher told reporters
Wednesday, "My question is, who's going to jail
over this scandal?",
Three congressional committees already are
investigating the IRS for singling out tea party
and other conservative groups during the 2010
congressional elections and the 2012 presidential
election. But Holder's announcement would take
the matter to another level if investigators are able
to prove that laws were broken.
Ineffective management at the IRS allowed
agents to improperly target tea party groups for
more than 18 months, said a report released Tues-
day by the Treasury inspector general for tax ad-
ministration. The report lays much of the blame
on IRS supervisors in Washington who oversaw
a group of specialists in Cincinnati who screened
applications for tax exempt status.
It does not indicate that Washington initiated
the targeting of conservative groups. But it does
say a top supervisor in Washington did not ade-
quately supervise agents in the field even after she
learned the agents were acting improperly.
"The report's findings are intolerable and inex-
cusable," President Barack Obama said in a state-
ment. "The federal government must conduct it-
self in a way that's worthy of the public's trust,
and that's especially true for the IRS. The IRS
must apply the law in a fair and impartial way,
and its employees must act with utmost integri-

## Briefly

The deadline for Briefly is noon the day before. Items submitted in morning will be set
paper is noon Friday.

## Sweet Thunder to sign up softball teams

 for information and registration at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Colby United Methodist Church. Any girl ages 9 to 16 is welcome to sign up and July Girls need a photocopy of their birth certificates and insurance information. For information or to volunteer to coach, call Alan Sager 443-1625 or Debbie Zerr at 462-7489.
## Library to have book sale this week

Thu Po Poer Memorial Library is having a book sale from 9 a.m Thursday through Saturday. Librarian Melany Wilks says, "We hav beginning the first day, with videotapes four for $\$ 1$ and regular adult fictio

## Museum camp registration open for all

## Registration for the Prairie Museum's free Night at the Museum camp

 from Monday to Friday, June 10 to 14, is going on now through Monday historical figures and then create a short performance. Adults are welcom oo. Call Ann Miner at 460-4590 for information or to register.
## Fishing Derby Saturday at Villa High Pond

 The fifth annual free Kids Fishing Derby sponsored by CoCommunity College and the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks e from 9 a to noon Saturday at Villa High Pond, which will be stock with channel catfish. There is no charge, but an enrollment form must participate. Children under

Baptist Church invites everyone to free lunch free meal from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church on the corner
$462-2804$.

## Family singers to be at Wesleyan Church

The Glen and Deanna Anderson family will give a concert at 10:45 a
Sunday for the Colby Wesleyan Church. The couple has seven childr ages 8 to 24 who sing and play with them in southern gospel style. Th public is invited to hear this group, which has been featured on Christi
radio KGCR. For information, call Pastor Gene Rothfuss at 462-8391.

## Scholarships open to women in county

The Colby Branch of the American Association of University vomen who will be juniors or seniors in college this fall. Applicatio deadline is Saturday, June 1. Fick up a form at the Pioneer Memori Library
3890.

Aquatic Park selling season passes early
2 to 7 p.m. Monday to next Wednesday. Cost is $\$ 160$ family, $\$ 65$ sing for reactivation if available, as this will save time and paperwork. information call Stacy Jasper at 460-4440

## College Adult Education offers 'bridge' class

ffer Adult Education Deparment at Colby Community College win refresher instruction in math, reading and study skills, from 9 am. p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from Monday to Thursday, May 3 The Adult Education Center is on the lower level of the college library. To enroll or for in

## Red Cross plans blood drives here

Thursday, May 23, and 7:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, May 24, at the Colby Community Building. The Colby drive is sponsored by the Kansas Por Association, which will provide pork sandwiches. Walk-in donors
welcome, but appointments are available by calling (800) RED CROSS


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