Weather

National Weather Service

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 33. South wind around 10 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 70. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming northeast in the afternoon.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 32. Calm wind becoming northwest around 5 mph after midnight.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 61. Northwest wind around 5 mph becoming southeast in the afternoon.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 32.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 59.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37.

Veterans Day: Mostly sunny, with a high near 59.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 36.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 52.

Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 30.

Wednesday: A slight chance of rain and snow showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 41. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Wednesday: High, 52; Low 23
Precip: Wednesday None
Month: 0.38 inches
Year: 14.44 inches
Normal: 20.03 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
Friday 7:20 a.m. 6:03 p.m.
Moon: waxing, 33 percent
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Council talks about tower

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do electrical work or cover any sudden catastrophe, he said, so the city should keep its insurance.

For Colby, the company would take over painting and maintenance for $139,152 a year for the first five years. After that, it would maintain the tower for $52,566 a year, Dugger said.

The company offers a one-year "evergreen agreement," he said, which the city could cancel at any time. The company would be bound to stay in the agreement as long as the city pays its bills.

Dugger explained some issues he found with Colby's 1.5 million-gallon tower after a visit in July. It will need a paint job, he said, which is often one of the most expensive costs for a water tower.

He said a cathode plate, designed to prevent corrosion of the metal tank, had been taken off several years ago, Dugger said, and someone did a poor job of sealing the holes where it had been attached.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment requires the overflow pipe of the water tower to be brought closer to the ground, he added, and a flapper gate to be installed over the end. The roof vent for the tower also needs to be replaced.

City Technology Director Mike Albers said the tower had been painted in the late 1990s or early 2000s. The cathode plates kept falling off the tower, he said.

The most important improvement Dugger suggested to the tower would be a water mixer inside the tank. In warm weather, Dugger said, cold well water pumped into the tower from the bottom just sits there while warmer water goes to the top. Cities often get abnormal sample reading at about this time of year, he said, when the water at the top starts to cool down and settle at the bottom.

McGreer later pointed out that the city will have to put a mixer in its standpipe by Interstate 70.

In other business, the council:

• Awarded a bid for a new generator for the city's communications tower to Bickner Electric for $18,068. Bickner was the only company to offer a bid for the type of generator the city specified when it asked for bids. Communications for ambulances, police, the sheriff, city and county crews and the Skywarn weather spotting service all run out of the tower.

• Authorized the mayor to sign an agreement between the city and Thomas County for hazardous materials response and rescue services, assuming the commissioners approve it. The agreement would run from Jan. 1 to the end of 2016.

• Approved a three-year agreement with Rural Fire District No. 3 so the city can run the equipment for the district. Fire Chief Bob McLemore said the district still has to approve the agreement.

• Agreed to have the Police Department seek bids to sell a 1995 Ford F-150 with transmission problems.

Mennonites can charity pork

By Mary Clarkin
Hutchinson News

HUTCHINSON (AP) – The pink labels wrapped around and glued to the pork-packed aluminum cans bore an address: Mennonite Central Committee, Akron, Pennsylvania, USA.

But it took men, women and children and a two-day meat-canning marathon in Reno County to start the canned meat on a journey that likely will end abroad.

In the last fiscal year, Mennonite Central Committee's meat shipments totaled 514,512 cans, benefiting people in need in the U.S. and a dozen foreign countries, the *Hutchinson News* reported (is.gd/24wfO0). The top five recipients were North Korea, Ukraine, Bosnia, Honduras and Nicaragua.

The 2013-14 meat-canning schedule started in October in Ohio and will conclude in April in Ontario, Canada.

In Kansas, hundreds of volunteers from such cities as Moundridge, Inman, Buhler, Newton, North Newton and Hillsboro, have helped can meat in recent weeks. The last stop before the canning equipment was hauled to Nebraska was a building behind Cedar Crest Amish Mennonite School, on Mills Avenue south of Pleasantview.

Community churches donated money to purchase pork, said Kevin Knepp, treasurer for the local Mennonite Central Committee canning committee.

Typically, they purchase about 20,000 pounds of meat and volunteers work in three shifts - beginning at 5:30 a.m. - to complete the canning in two days. The operation began Monday and wrapped up Tuesday.

The boxes of cans will go to a Mennonite Central Committee warehouse in Harvey County, for eventual distribution to "wherever the need is greatest," Knepp said.

Ervin Stutzman can remember working on Mennonite Central Committee food programs as far back as the 1950s.

Stutzman spoke of the "fellowship" of those from various church communities brought together annually for meat canning.

Melvin Miller, another veteran of the meat-canning operation, pointed out the youth on the packaging line. That's where the younger ones start, he said.

This is the first time in years the local group has packed pork. More commonly, they can turkey.

Pork was 65 cents a pound cheaper than turkey, a "tremendous difference," Miller said, and enabling the local group to stretch their dollars farther.

"Muslim countries won't take any pork," Miller said, but Haiti, for example, will take the pork chunks.

The meat is inspected and passed by the Department of Agriculture. One can from each batch is held in reserve at the warehouse, monitored to see if the can bulges.

"Together We Can," proclaimed the sign displayed in the work area.

What they were doing and why was posted on the pink labels: "Food For Relief/In the name of Christ."

Voter law challenge goes to federal court

TOPEKA (AP) – A lawsuit challenging a Kansas law requiring voters to present a photo ID when casting a ballot has been moved from state to federal court.

The suit was filed in June by Wichita attorney Jim Lawing on behalf of two Overbrook residents who are challenging the constitutionality of the 2011 changes in the Kansas voting laws.

Secretary of State Kris Kobach says Tuesday that his office initiated the change of venue because Lawing's clients are raising federal voting law issues that were decided in a U.S. Supreme Court case out of Arizona.

The case has been assigned to federal Judge Kathryn Vratil. No hearing date has been set.

Critics have denounced the new voting laws as an attempt to suppress voter turnout among poor, minority and elderly voters.

Briefly

The deadline for Briefly is noon the day before. Items submitted in the morning will be set up for the following day, space available. The deadline for Monday's paper is noon Friday.

Church women selling holiday greenery

The Colby Presbyterian Women are selling fresh Christmas greenery – wreaths, garlands and centerpieces – as a fund raiser for their mission projects. Orders are due by Friday. For information or to order, contact the church at 462-6342 or JoAnne Sunderman at 460-2476. Delivery will be the first week of December.

Firemen selling tickets at Legion supper

The Colby Fire Department will be selling tickets for a Henry lever-action .22-caliber rifle at the Sons of the American Legion pheasant hunters' feed from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the post hall, 1850 W. Fourth. Cost of the feed is $15 for all you can eat, bull fries, fish and chicken strips. The drawing for the rifle will be Tuesday at Colby High during a soup supper for Brennen Ostmeyer's medical expenses. For information, call Traci Galli at 462-0450.

Trinity Lutheran craft bazaar this weekend

Trinity Lutheran Church's annual craft bazaar will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday in the church Fellowship Hall. The Lutheran Youth Fellowship will be selling 2014 Christian calendars, notepads, Dillons grocery cards, baked goods, turkeys for Thanksgiving and wooden "Jesus" plaques. There will also be lots of goodies. Stop by and get a head start on gifts for Christmas. Questions, call Linda Pabst at 462-3497.

Free lunch offered at church on Saturday

Once a Month Lunch will be served from 11:30 to 12:30 Saturday Saturday, at the First Presbyterian Church, 515 W. Fourth St. This free meal is always the second Saturday of each month. For questions, call the church at 462-6342.

Hunt breakfast will benefit Scout project

Hunters – and everyone else – are welcome to enjoy sausage gravy, biscuits and scrambled egg from 5:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Colby United Methodist Church, corner of Pine and Franklin. Donation will benefit an Eagle Scout project. For information, call Jan Barnum at 462-5892.

Veterans honored at Gospel Show

Pickin' on the Plains will present a Hometown Gospel Show tribute to veterans at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Frahm Theatre at Colby Community College with the McLemores, Gary Wiggins, the Jeff Wagoner Family, the Bugbee Sisters, Lisa Schroeder and Family, Leon Woofter, Pat Ziegelmeier, Jay Stewart and Friends, the Perry and Terry Baird and Prairie Rose Harmony. Tickets are $10 at the door; children under 12 free with an adult. Veterans admitted free. For information, call the Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau at 460-7643.

Landfill to close Monday for Veterans Day

The Thomas County Landfill will be closed Monday for Veterans Day. For questions, call Larry Jumper at 462-8139.

Prairie Land group offers budget food

Make your grocery budget go farther with food packages from Prairie Land Food. Buy regular food packages and special November packages like the Thanksgiving meal deal, with ham, turkey and more. Order must be place by Monday at State Farm Insurance, 462-7525, or with Alberta Cameroon at 443-3239 or Carol Raile at 443-3089.

Colby Grade School plans soup supper

Come to the Colby High School commons from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday for a soup supper and silent auction benefit sponsored by Colby Grade School for Jason and Leann Ostmeyer. Their 20-month-old son Brennen is fighting rhabdomyosarcoma, a rare form of cancer. The winner of a rifle from the Colby Fire Department will be announced. For information about the rifle, call Fire Chief Bob McLemore 443-6065. Questions about the soup supper, call the school office at 460-5100.

Sign up now for holiday food basket

Genesis-Thomas County Food Bank plans to distribute holiday baskets for Thomas County families. If you'd like a basket, pick up a form at the office, 350 S. Range, Suite 13, from 10 a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays, the Pioneer Memorial Library, Thomas County Health Department and the state Department for Children and Families, or call 460-7930 and leave a message.

LOCAL TV Listings

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Saturday Evening — November 9, 2013

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	College Football							Local		
KBSL/CBS	College Football						Local			
KSNK/NBC	Miss Universe				Saturday Night Live		Local	Saturday Night Live		
KSAS/FOX	College Football					Local	Animation Domination		Local	
Cable Channels										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Flipping Vegas		Flipping Vegas		Storage	Storage
AMC	X-Men					Catwoman				Christine
ANIM	Too Cute!		Pit Bulls-Parole		Pit Bulls-Parole		Pit Bulls-Parole		Pit Bulls-Parole	
BRAVO	40-Year-Old Vir						40-Year-Old Vir			
CMT	Shanghai Knights		Dog and Beth		Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.
CNN	Pandora's Promise		Anthony Bourd.		Anthony Bourd.		Inside Man		Anthony Bourd.	
COMEDY	Grandma's Boy				Scott Pilgrim					Tosh.0
DISC	Fast N' Loud		Fast N' Loud		Fast N' Loud		Fast N' Loud		Fast N' Loud	
DISN	The Game Plan				Lab Rats	Kickin' I	Jessie	Dog	Shake It	Good Luck
E!	13 Going on 30				The Back-up Plan					Kardas
ESPN	College Football				College Football					
ESPN2	College Football				Score	College Football				
FAM	Dirty Dancing		Grease					Grease 2		
FOOD	Cupcake Wars		Food's 20th Birthday		All-Star Family Cook		Restaurant Divided		Food's 20th Birthday	
FX	Iron Man 2					Spider-Man 2				
HGTV	Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Hunters	Hunt Intl	Love It or List It	
AmericanProfile // CELEBRATING THE AMERICAN SPIRIT //										
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn
LIFE	Country Christmas				Christmas Angel				Country Christmas	
MTV	Step Up					Step Up 2 St.				You Got
NICK	Sam & Cat	Hathaways	Thunder	Thunder	Instant	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Lake Placid 3		Bering Sea Beast				Robocroc			
SPIKE	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	The Departed					
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Trust Me	Just Friends		
TCM	Gold Diggers of 1933				Reformer-Red.				Cornered	
TLC	Untold Stories of ER		Untold Stories of ER		Untold Stories of ER		Untold Stories of ER		Untold Stories of ER	
TNT	The Longest Yard		Rush Hour 3				Talladega Nights:			
TOON	Firehouse Dog		King/Hill	Cleveland	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Cleveland	Boondocks	Bleach	Naruto
TRAV	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures	
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
USA	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	White Collar		Law & Order: SVU	
VH1	Diary-Black					Behind the Music		Behind the Music		Hip Hop
WGN	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		How I Met	Rules	Rules	Parks
Premium Channels										
HBO	Taken 2			Boxing						24/7
MAX	Ocean's Twelve		Strike Back: Origins		Life of Pi				Strike Back: Origins	
SHOW	On the Road				Masters of Sex		Masters of Sex		Masters of Sex	

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Sunday Evening — November 10, 2013

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Once Upon a Time		Revenge		Betrayal		Local			
KBSL/CBS	60 Min.	The Amazing Race		The Good Wife		The Mentalist		Local		
KSNK/NBC	Football	NFL Football						Local	Dateline NBC	
KSAS/FOX	Simpsons	Burgers	Fam. Guy	Amer. Dad	Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Governor	Governor	Governor	Governor	Duck D.	Duck D.
AMC	The Walking Dead		The Walking Dead		Talking Dead		The Walking Dead		Comic Men	Walk:Dead
ANIM	Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot	
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.		Thicker Than Water		Housewives/Atl.		Happens	Fashion	Housewives/Atl.	
CMT	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.
CNN	Anthony Bourd.		Anthony Bourd.		CNN Special		Anthony Bourd.		Anthony Bourd.	
COMEDY	Grandma's Boy		Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Brickle.	Key	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama
DISC	Last Frontier		Alaska: The Last Fro		Buying Al	Buying Al	Alaska: The Last Fro		Buying Al	Buying Al
DISN	Liv-Mad.	Austin	Shake It	Jessie	Dog	Good Luck	Shake It	ANT Farm	Good Luck	Good Luck
E!	Kardashian		Kardashian		Total Divas		Kardashian		Total Divas	
ESPN	SportCtr	Countdown	MLS Soccer				SportsCenter			SportCtr
ESPN2	NHRA Drag Racing				NASCAR Now		This Is Sportscenter		ESPN FC	
FAM	The Blind Side						Ravenswood		J. Osteen	J. Meyer
FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Restaurant Express		Iron Chef America		Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant Express	
FX	Real Steel						Spider-Man 3			
HGTV	Cousins Undercover		Property Brothers		House Hunters Reno		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Property Brothers	
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	Ax Men		American Jungle		Top Gear		Pawn	Pawn
LIFE	Dear Santa				Witches of East End		Witches of East End		Dear Santa	
MTV	2013 EMA's			Snooki	Snooki	Snooki	2013 EMA's			
NICK	See Dad	Instant	SpongeBob				Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Terminator 3		Ghost Rider					Naked Vegas		Naked Veg
SPIKE	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Yes Man			
TCM	High Plains Drifter				Monte Walsh				Eastern	Go West
TLC	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Alaskan Women Lookin		Medium	Medium	Alaskan Women Lookin	
TNT	Clash of the Titans					Clash of the Titans				Term 2
TOON	Steven	Teen	Amer. Dad	Cleveland	Fam. Guy	Burgers	Fam. Guy	China, IL	Event	Venture
TRAV	Monumental Mysteries		Mysteries-Museum		America Declassified		Mysteries-Museum		Mysteries-Museum	
TV LAND	Roseanne	Roseanne	Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden	King	King
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Covert Affairs		Law & Order: SVU	
VH1	The Temptations						Love & Hip Hop		Chrissy	Black Ink
WGN	Funniest Home Videos		How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	Get Shorty			
Premium Channels										
HBO	Taken 2		Boardwalk Empire		Eastbound	Hello	Boardwalk Empire		Eastbound	Hello
MAX	Island	Big Momma's House 2			Broken City					
SHOW	Masters of Sex		Homeland		Masters of Sex		Homeland		Masters of Sex	

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