

Weather



National Weather Service
Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 27. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 61. South wind 5 to 15 mph.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 34. South wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 60. North wind 5 to 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 28. Blustery.

Thursday: A 50 percent chance of snow after 7 a.m. Cloudy, with a high near 33.

Thursday Night: A 50 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 19.

Friday: A 50 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 32.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 18.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 37.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 18.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 45.

Friday: High, 65; Low 30
 Saturday: High, 63; Low 33
 Sunday: High, 54; Low 20

Precip: Friday None
 Saturday None
 Sunday None
 Month: 0.38 inches
 Year: 14.44 inches
 Normal: 20.03 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset
 Tuesday 7:33 a.m. 5:26 p.m.
 Moon: waning, 96 percent
 Wednesday 7:34 a.m. 5:26 p.m.
 Moon: waning, 91 percent
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Watch out for that nail



EVAN BARNUM/Colby Free Press
 A blindfolded Craig Krages smashed styrofoam cups at his show Sunday while trying to avoid impaling himself on the cup with a nail inside it.

Street plan unveiled in Colby

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in south Colby. It called for traffic roundabouts at some intersections, including Country Club and Willow, along south Range and also at Country Club and Fourth Street, even though that intersection is not part of the study area. These ideas drew criticism from members of the crowd, mainly farmers who said it would be tough to haul equipment through a roundabout.

Kirkham Michael agreed to take suggestions from the public before coming up with its final draft, which the company originally said would be ready by late summer. The roundabouts were absent from the final plan, but the firm suggested adding one beneath Interstate 70 at the Range exit.

This time, the firm's plan included widening and extending streets, and adding stoplights, nine of them in the next 20 years. In June the representatives had suggested that Thielen, which runs west of Range behind McDonald's and the 24/7 Travel Shoppe, could be extended. The final plan calls for extending it out to the intersection of Willow and Range. Sewell Avenue could be extended south from Davis to Willow, the representatives said, and land could be set aside for cross streets running from Country Club Drive to Franklin Avenue. Right now, there is no way to get from one of those streets to the other anywhere between College and Willow.

One thing Kirkham Michael learned was that people have trouble getting farm equipment down Country Club. The representatives suggested widening the street from a two to three lanes, with a turn lane in the center, from College to Interstate 70. They said this would also

be a good opportunity to widen the bridge over I-70 on Country Club. Intersections could be added to that road every quarter of a mile north of the highway, and along Range north of Davis.

The firm has some ideas to make Range safer for bicyclists and pedestrians. The plan calls for a crosswalk on south Range at Davis for pedestrians, near Montana Mikes. The sidewalk along Range could be extended from Davis to Willow, and along Willow to Franklin, near Walmart.

Finally, Kirkham Michael concluded that Range will need traffic lights at four places: Willow just north of I-70, Horton south of the freeway, and the off and on ramps of the I-70 exit. The firm had two suggestions. The first was to add a traffic roundabout beneath the bridge where the interstate passes over Range. The other suggestion was a "single point urban interchange," where long on and off ramps from Interstate 70 would meet at a kind of four way intersection beneath the bridge.

City Manager Tyson McGreer said the City Council will discuss changing the speed limit along south Range to make it lower near the exit; right now it's 50 mph. This move, he said comes out of a traffic study the Transportation Department did of that area in connection with this project.

After the meeting, McGreer said that each part of the plan has its merits, and would lead to a "trickle down effect," easing up traffic in other areas. The representatives had mentioned that improving traffic on Country Club could ease problems on Range as that street gets busier over the years. The plan covers a long period, McGreer said, so the city can divided the work into smaller phases.

"Depending on the project, we may look to (the Department of Transportation)," he said.

Jeff Stewart, district engineer for the 18 counties of northwest Kansas, said the department did a special study of Range near the Interstate, and found that the safest speed could be either 45 or 50 mph, but that is up for the city to decide.

"My feeling was that the projects in the near term that would be priorities would be ones that would help local residents avoid that area (of Range by the Interstate)," Stewart said.

Kirkham Michael's plans for extending Theilen and Sewell, Stewart said, would do just that. But he pointed out the department, city and county still need to meet to decide on the which project to start first.

The department has "corridor management" money set aside for such projects, he said. Each year, about 15 cities and counties apply for \$6 million.

Paul Steele, chairman of the Thomas County Commission, sat next to Stewart at the meeting and talked with him about extending Sewell to alleviate traffic on Range.

"It seemed to me like it had some substance to it," Steele said.

He pointed out that one part of the study area that the county maintains is Country Club from Willow almost to College. A turning lane needs to be added at I-70 for people turning north onto Willow, he said, as Country Club is upgraded, he said. Steele's said his understanding is that these upgrades would be made in five to ten years, although he was not sure.

"You never know what the traffic will be like on that road," he said. "In the next year, things could change."

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.

Latter-Day Saints plan holiday dinner

The Colby Branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons) will have a community Thanksgiving/Christmas dinner at 6 p.m. Wednesday at the chapel, 1145 S. Franklin. Come and bring a friend; everyone is welcome. For information, call Maxine Nelson at 462-3571.

Food for Thought begins with author

The Prairie Museum's *Food for Thought* program, held at noon on the third Thursday of every month from November to March, will kick off for the season with a presentation by author Albert Hardon of Atwood this week. For information, go to www.prairiemuseum.org.

Reception to bid Chamber director farewell

A farewell reception for Thomas County Area Chamber of Commerce Director Holly Whitaker is planned from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday at the Sleep Inn Convention Center, 2075 Sewell Ave. She and her husband Adam are moving to his home country, England, where he has accepted a transfer with Shelbourne-Reynolds. She has been Chamber director for 7 1/2 years. For information, call the Chamber office at 460-3401.

Creation expert to speak at banquet

The "Partners for the Future" banquet at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Heartland Christian School will feature Brian Young, director of the Creation Instruction Association. Tickets are \$15 including dinner, music and the speaker. Call Deena Bandy at 460-6419 for information.

Help Genesis with holiday food baskets

Genesis needs nonperishable food items and money to fill baskets. Bring donations to the office, 350 S. Range (open Wednesdays), Leroy's Printing downtown or participating churches. Checks may be sent to Genesis, Box 214, Colby, Kan., 67701. For information, call Leisa Hansen at 460-2710.

Free dinner set for Saturday at church

You're invited to a free Joyful Blessings Thanksgiving Dinner from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at the First Baptist Church, 615 W. Webster. Everyone is invited, so bring a friend. For information, call Radonda Buford at 462-2804.

Methodist youth plan Thanksgiving dinner

The Senior High Youth of the Colby United Methodist Church invite everyone to their Thanksgiving turkey dinner from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday. Join them for a dinner of turkey or ham with all the trimmings. All donations will go to support mission and ministry. For information, call Lisa Wilson at 460-2761.

No trash pickup on Thanksgiving, day after

Colby residential trash pickup for Thanksgiving on Thursday, Nov. 28, will be done Wednesday Nov. 27. Residential trash for Friday, Nov. 29, will be picked up on Monday, Dec. 2. The commercial truck will run on Saturday Nov. 30, but not that Thursday or Friday. For information, call Director Omar Weber at the Public Works Department, 460-4420.

City plans to offer e-billing for utilities

The City of Colby will offer electronic billing for utilities starting Dec. 1 bill. To sign up, send an e-mail to utilitystatement@cityofcolby.com. Add this address to your "contacts," as the city will send you a confirmation e-mail, along with a sign-up form needed for the files. For information, call Jo Strange at 460-4410.

Donations to group will support food aid

Help support the Genesis-Thomas County food bank and the Food 4 Kids backpack program. Drop off donations from 3 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3, at the Thomas County Office Complex to support the "Community Can" food challenge, sponsored by the Women of K-State at the Northwest Research-Extension Center. For questions, call Becky Darling at 462-6281.

Santa's Workshop offers kids chance to shop

The Thomas County Community Foundation's Santa's Workshop will be open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7. Kids in preschool through fourth grade are invited to shop for their families with the help of our friendly elves. Suggested donation is \$4 per gift, and each child can buy up to four. Proceeds will be used for grants in Thomas County. For information, call Executive Director Melinda Olson at 460-9152.

LOCAL TV Listings

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Tuesday Evening November 19, 2013

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	S.H.I.E.L.D.	Goldbergs	David Blaine: Real or Magic	Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline				
KBSL/CBS	NCIS	NCIS: Los Angeles	Person of Interest	Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson				
KSNK/NBC	The Biggest Loser	The Voice	Chicago Fire	Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon				
KSAS/FOX	Dads	Brooklyn	New Girl	Mindy	Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Hoggers	Hoggers	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage
AMC	Ghost						Coyote Ugly			
ANIM	Blue Planet: Seas	Great Barrier			Blue Planet: Seas	Great Barrier				
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.	Atlanta Social	Shahs of Sunset		Happens	Shahs of Sunset	Atlanta			
CMT	Die Hard				Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.		
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan Live	AC 360 Later		E. B. OutFront	Piers Morgan Live				
COMEDY	Work.	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Brickie.	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Brickie.	
DISC	Moonshiners: Outlaw	Moonshiners			Porter Ri	Porter Ri	Moonshiners	Porter Ri	Porter Ri	
DISN	Liv-Mad.	Jessie	ANT Farm	Good Luck	Shake It	Good Luck	ANT Farm	Jessie	Good Luck	Good Luck
E!	Giuliana & Bill	Tia & Tamera			Total Divas	Chelsea	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	
ESPN	College Basketball				SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	College Football				Olbermann		Olbermann		Olbermann	
FAM	Ravenswood	Up			The 700 Club		Ravenswood			
FOOD	Chopped				Chopped		Chopped		Chopped	
FX	Hall Pass				Sons of Anarchy		Sons of Anarchy			
HGTV	Income Property	Income Property			Hunters	Hunt Intl	House Hunters Reno	Income Property		
HIST	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	Top Gear		American Pickers		American	American	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars
LIFE	Abby's Dance				Abby's Dance		Chasing Nashville		Abby's Dance	
MTV	Teen Mom 3				Snooki	Snooki	Snooki	Awkward.	Snooki	Awkward.
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SCI	Top 20 Countdown	Face Off: Naked			Naked Vegas		Face Off: Naked		Naked Vegas	
SPIKE	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve	Criss Angel BeLiEve
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Trust Me	Conan		Pete Holm	Conan
TCM	The Maltese Falcon				Mildred Pierce				Soylent Green	
TLC	Little People, World	Little People, World			Treehouse Masters		Little People, World		Treehouse Masters	
TNT	Castle				Castle		Boston's Finest		Boston's Finest	
TOON	Uncle Gra	Adventure	Regular	Adventure	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen
TRAV	Bizarre Foods	Baggage B	Baggage B		Gem Hunt		Lost Survivors		Baggage B	Baggage B
TV LAND	Andy Griffith Show	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	The King of Queens			
USA	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Law & Order: SVU	
VH1	Black Ink Crew	Love & Hip Hop			8 Mile				Death	
WGN	The Matrix				How I Met	Rules	Rules	Rules	Parks	
Premium Channels										
HBO	Mike Tyson: Undisputed Truth	Eastbound	REAL Sports Gumbel	Boardwalk Empire	Hello	Wrath				
MAX	Tombstone		Me, Myself & Irene		Depavity	Strike				
SHOW	Out Sight	Killing Them Softly	Masters of Sex	Homeland	Halloween: Res					

Wednesday Evening November 20, 2013

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Middle	Back in	Mod Fam	Super Fun	Nashville		Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline	
KBSL/CBS	Survivor		Criminal Minds		CSI: Crime Scene		Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson	
KSNK/NBC	Revolution		Law & Order: SVU		Dateline NBC		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon	
KSAS/FOX	The X Factor				Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.
AMC	Coyote Ugly		Men in Black				Men in Black			
ANIM	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
BRAVO	Real Housewives		Top Chef		Top Chef		Happens	Top Chef	Top Chef	
CMT	Ghostbusters						Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan Live	AC 360 Later		E. B. OutFront		Piers Morgan Live		Piers Morgan Live	
COMEDY	Key	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Key	Daily	Colbert	South Pk	Key
DISC	Dual Survival		Yukon Men: Revealed		Bear Grylls:		Yukon Men: Revealed		Bear Grylls:	
DISN	Liv-Mad.	Hannah Montana			Jessie		Good Luck	Dog	Hannah	Jonas
E!	Kardashian		Total Divas		The Soup		Burning L	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea
ESPN	NBA Basketball		NBA Basketball						SportsCenter	
ESPN2	College Football						SportsCenter		Olbermann	
FAM	Up		WALL-E				The 700 Club		Pixar Short Films	
FOOD	Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant: Im.		On the Rocks		Restaurant: Im.	
FX	Taken				Amer. Horror		Amer. Horror		Amer. Horror	
HGTV	Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Hunters		Hunt Intl		Property Brothers	

AmericanProfile

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HIST	American Pickers	American Pickers	Bible Secrets	American Jungle	American Pickers
LIFE	Crazy for Christmas		Christmas Crash		Crazy for Christmas
MTV	Girl Code	Girl Code	Girl Code	Girl Code	Ke\$ha
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se
SCI	Paranormal Witness	Paranormal Witness	Ghost Mine		Paranormal Witness
SPIKE	Scream 4			Shark Night 3D	Scream 4
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan
TCM	Mister 880		Judgment-Nur.		Pete Holm
TLC	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Buying Nu
TNT	Castle		Castle		Hawaii Five-0
TOON	Gumball	Total	Regular	Adventure	Cleveland
TRAV	Bizarre Foods		Extreme Yachts		Bizarre Foods
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Cleveland
USA	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	G.I. Joe: Cobra		White Collar
VH1	8 Mile				Liar Liar
WGN	Rules	Rules	Rules	Rules	WGN News at Nine
Premium Channels					
HBO	Taken 2		24/7	Boardwalk Empire	Real Time, Bill
MAX	Strike Back: Origins		Gangster Squad		The Island
SHOW	Against the Tide		Inside the NFL	Homeland	Inside the NFL