Weather

National Weather Service

Tonight: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 33. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light and variable in the evening.

Tuesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 46. Breezy, with a west wind 5 to 10 mph becoming north 15 to 25 mph in the afternoon.

Tuesday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 19. Blustery, with a north wind 20 to 25 mph.

Wednesday: Flurries likely after noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 21. Blustery, with a north wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Wednesday Night: A 40 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 7.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 17.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 5.

Friday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 17.

Friday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 3.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of snow. Partly sunny, with a high near 20.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 7.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of snow. Partly sunny, with a high near 22.

Wednesday: High, 58; Low 20
Thursday: High, 44; Low 16
Friday: High, 46; Low 17
Saturday: High, 65; Low 22
Sunday: High, 63; Low 23

Precip: Wednesday	None
Thursday	None
Friday	None
Saturday	None
Sunday	None
November:	0.38 inches
December:	None
Year:	14.44 inches
Normal:	20.65 inches

(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset

Tuesday 7:47 a.m. 5:21 p.m.
Moon: waxing, 1 percent
Wednesday 7:48 a.m. 5:21 p.m.
Moon: waxing, 5 percent
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Studio Friday to feature Colby College graduate

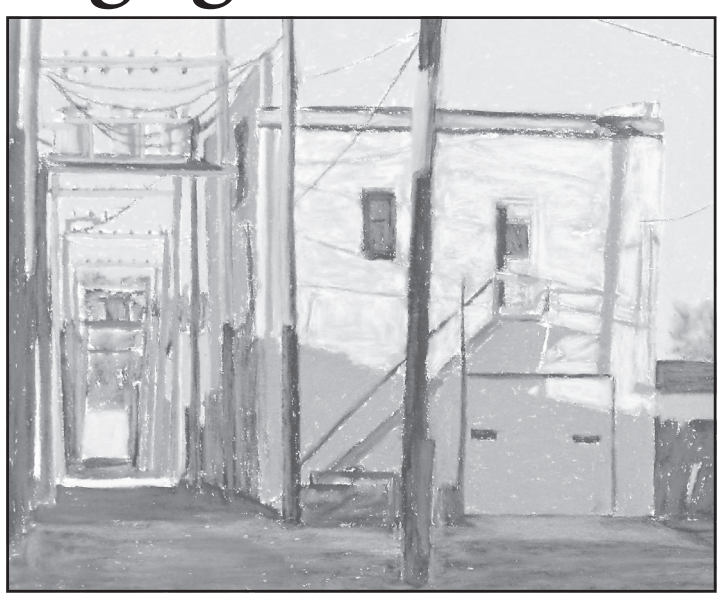
Colby Community College graduate Shela Reilley will be featured at Colby Community College's Studio Friday from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p.m. this week in rooms 502 and 503 of Ferguson Hall.

Area artists, including high school students, are invited to attend this free presentation of Reilley's works and methods. She will be giving presentations at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Reilley paints primarily in pastels, which provide intense colors. She does rural landscapes and mountain and urban scenes in a representational style with much liberty given to color combinations.

Reilley earned a bachelor's degree from Kansas State University in fashion design. Following graduation, she moved to New York, where she was a children's wear clothing designer and staff artist for London Fog, Gitano, Jordache and Simplicity. She moved from New York, married her husband Kelly, and after living in the San Francisco Bay area for two years, settled in Aurora, Colo.

"Today, I volunteer frequently at our two sons' school art rooms and teach adult art classes for the City of Aurora," said Reilley. "I've taken many art workshops and classes and have studied with Doug Dawson at the Denver Arts Students League. Though my favorite medium is pastels, I also enjoy other mediums, including oils."



This alley between Franklin and Lake is a familiar local scene featured in Shela Reilley's art work.

Reilley has received many awards, including Best of Show in the Gateway to the Rockies Art Show in 2000 and 2005. Four of her paintings were among the 150 selected by jurors Neil Patterson, Oil Painters of America president, and Kristin Hoerth, *Southwest Art* magazine editor-in-chief, for the 2011 Kansas Art Competition. These were included in the show, "State of the Art/Kansas, the Artistic Perspective." In 2012, she had two paintings accepted into the Paint America 2012 competition.

For more, go to www.shelareilley.com.

Studio Fridays are financed partly by the Thomas County Community Foundation.

For information or to receive a list of materials needed for those who wish to do pastels with Reilley, call art instructor Rebel Jay at (785) 269-7065.

Tax boost surprises owners

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ningham.

She said residential buildings on a farmstead could include the house and outbuildings used for personal reasons, such as a garage where cars are parked. Farm buildings include equipment sheds or seed storage, she said, even if those buildings are near the house.

Cunningham said the office isn't sure why the buildings were incorrectly categorized to begin with.

"Are we getting people paying their taxes under protest because of this change?" Commissioner Paul Steele asked at the meeting Tuesday.

Cunningham said she didn't think they had received many protests, saying that most taxpayers seem satisfied after they visit with Appraiser Bruce Webb.

Taxpayers can protest their tax bills by requesting a hearing, she said, but they must pay at least the first half of their taxes by the December deadline.

Each year's property tax-levy rates, by political subdivision, are available at thomascountyks.com/OnlineUtilitiesLinks/tabid/10273/Default.aspx.

County wages up 3 percent

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crease when she was first hired. Later, the commissioners looked back through the minutes from that meeting and discovered she was supposed to have been given $1,000 a year, not $1,000 a month.

Based on this discovery, they modified their earlier motion to give Arasmith $1,000 per year to $37,000.

The commissioners declined to make any official decisions on how they plan to handle merit raise requests next year.

"It would be my position that we only authorize those (merit raises) for expiration of (an employee's) probationary period," said Baughn.

The other commissioners did not comment and no motion was passed on the issue.

In other business, the commissioners

- Approved accounts payable of $147,443 for most county departments, plus $14,119 for the road and bridge department and $4,441 for the noxious weed department, and monthly payroll of $268,218.
- Went into a closed session to discuss nonelected personnel. No action was taken after this session.
- Said they are looking for someone to fill Baughn's position on the Resource Conservation and Development district board. Baughn said he has been unable to attend many meetings because of scheduling conflicts.

The commissioners' next meeting is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. Monday, Dec. 9, in the commission's chambers on the main floor of the courthouse.

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.

Library will take food to pay your fines

The Pioneer Memorial Library will have its annual Christmas "Foods for Fines" campaign from Sunday to Monday, Dec. 23. Bring canned or packaged food to pay your fines. For information, call the library at 460-4470.

Donations to group will support food aid

Help support the Genesis-Thomas County food bank and the Food 4 Kids backpack program. Drop off your donations from 3 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday 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.

College concert to be Tuesday evening

Colby Community College's free annual winter concert will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Cultural Arts Center, featuring the Concert Choir, Sunflower Singers, Jazz Band and Concert Band. On Tuesday, Dec. 10, private voice students at the college will perform at 4 p.m. in the Cultural Arts Center for their final. The public is invited. For information, contact vocal instructor Randy Berls at 460-5520 or instrumental music director Tony Schroer at 460-5519.

Golden Plains plans soup supper Tuesday

Golden Plains Elementary School will hold its annual soup supper from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Selden Community Building, serving homemade chicken-noodle soup, chili and desserts right before the annual Christmas concert at 7 p.m. at the school. Donations will be accepted for the playground and outdoor wildlife learning site. For questions, call the school at (785) 386-4560.

Harvest of Holidays at library Wednesday

Harvest of Holidays, "Rise to the Occasion – Breads and Friends!", will be at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Pioneer Memorial Library. There is a $5 fee to pay for supplies and taste testing, payable at the door. Call the Thomas County Extension office at 460-4582 by noon Monday, Dec. 2, to ensure we have enough supplies. Each cook will go home with their own Walnut Twist yeast bread, ready to bake. For information, call Diann Gerstner at 460-4582.

Red Cross schedules blood drive at college

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday at the Student Union of Colby Community College. Call (800) 733-2767 or go to www.redcrossblood.org to make an appointment, but walk-ins are welcome.

Santa's Workshop lets kids shop

The Thomas County Community Foundation's Santa's Workshop will be open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Preschool through fourth graders are invited to shop for their families. Suggested donation is $4 per gift; each child can buy up to four. Proceeds will go for grants in Thomas County. For information, call Executive Director Melinda Olson at 460-9152.

Nativity sets on display at church 'Nativi-Tea'

Come and view over 300 nativity sets on display and enjoy a cup of hot cider and a cookie at the First Presbyterian Church's Nativi-Tea from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call 462-6342 with questions.

Legion cooking up chili, soup for Sunday

Come for soup at the America Legion, 1850 W. Fourth, after the Colby Light Parade Sunday. Warm up with chicken-noodle soup or chili, with proceeds going to Santa City. For information, call Tracy Galli, 462-0450.

Cookie walk at Methodist Church on Sunday

The United Methodist Women will have a cookie walk from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at the Colby United Methodist Church. Cookies and candy will be sold by the pound; all money will be used for mission projects. For information, call Kathy Calliham at 462-2081.

Holiday Home Tour will be Sunday

The Holiday Home Tour from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday will raise money for Kappa Upsilon to support causes throughout Colby and the surrounding area. The tour will feature four Colby homes. Tickets $10 are, available at Plum Creek, Donelan Jewelry and Just Peachy. For questions, call Lana Johnson at 462-3727.

Local TV Listings

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Tuesday Evening — December 3, 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	Trophy	What Would You Do?		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	Shipping	Shipping	Shipping	Shipping	Storage	Storage
AMC	Men in Black				Bad Boys					Men Black
ANIM	Frozen Planet		Frozen Planet		Frozen Planet		Frozen Planet		Frozen Planet	
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.		Housewives/Atl.		Shahs of Sunset		Happens	Shahs of Sunset		Atlanta
CMT	CMT Artists of the Year 2013			Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	CMT Artis
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		AC 360 Later		11th hour	ICYMI	Piers Morgan Live	
COMEDY	Key	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Sneak Pk.	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Sneak Pk.
DISC	Moonshiners: Outlaw		Moonshiners		Porter Ridge		Moonshiners		Porter Ridge	
DISN	Beethoven-Adv			Mickey	Jessie	Dog	ANT Farm	Shake It	Good Luck	Good Luck
E!	Giuliana & Bill		Tia & Tamera		Total Divas		Chelsea	E! News		Chelsea
ESPN	College Basketball			College Basketball				SportCtr	SportsCenter	
ESPN2	College Basketball			College Basketball				Olbermann		Olbermann
FAM	Scrooged				Nat'l-Christmas				Three Days	
FOOD	Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped	
FX	Real Steel				Sons of Anarchy			Sons of Anarchy		
HGTV	Income Property		Income Property		Hunters	Hunt Intl	House Hunters Reno		Income Property	
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Christmas	Pawn	The Real Story		Pawn	Pawn
LIFE	Christmas Angel				Accidental-Chr.				Christmas Angel	
MTV	Awkward.	Awkward.	Awkward.	Awkward.	Snooki	Awkward.	Girl Code	Awkward.	Snooki	Cryo
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SCI	Naked Vegas		Naked Vegas		Naked Vegas		Naked Vegas		Naked Vegas	
SPIKE	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	White Heat				The Roaring Twenties				The Big Heat	
TLC	Little People, World		Little People, World		Couple	Couple	Little People, World		Couple	Couple
TNT	Bones		Boston's Finest		Marshal Law: Texas		Boston's Finest		Marshal Law: Texas	
TOON	Uncle Gra	Steven	Regular	Adventure	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen
TRAV	Bizarre Foods		Baggage B	Dig Wars	Gem Hunt		Lost Survivors		Baggage B	Dig Wars
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Cleveland	King	King	King
USA	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Law & Order: SVU	
VH1	Chrissy	Chrissy	Love & Hip Hop		New Jack City				Breakin'-Rules	
WGN	Men of Honor					How I Met	How I Met	Rules	Rules	Parks
Premium Channels										
HBO	Meet the Fockers		Beautiful Creatures				Treme		Ja'mie	Tyson
MAX	Rambo II	Snake Eyes			Parental Guidance					
SHOW	Masters of Sex		Homeland		Masters of Sex		Homeland		Girls Gone Dead	

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Wednesday Evening — December 4, 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	Rockefeller Ctr.		Saturday Night Live				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 Dynasty		Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.
AMC	Shooter						Four Brothers			
ANIM	Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot	
BRAVO	Real Housewives		Top Chef		Top Chef		Happens	Top Chef		Top Chef
CMT	Rudy						Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		AC 360 Later		11th hour	ICYMI	Piers Morgan Live	
COMEDY	Key	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Key	Daily	Colbert	South Pk	Key
DISC	Yukon Men		Yukon Men: Revealed		Bear Grylls:		Yukon Men: Revealed		Bear Grylls:	
DISN	Christmas Carol				ANT Farm	Good Luck	Dog	Jessie	Stevens	Kim Poss
E!	Kardas	Kardashian			The Soup	Burning L	Chelsea	E! News		Chelsea
ESPN	College Basketball		College Basketball				SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	College Basketball		College Basketball				Olbermann		Olbermann	
FAM	Nat'l-Christmas				Deck the Halls				Very Brady	
FOOD	Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant Stakeout		Restaurant: Im.		On the Rocks		Restaurant Stakeout	
FX	Iron Man 2				Amer. Horror		Amer. Horror		Amer. Horror	
HGTV	Property Brothers		Buying and Selling		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Property Brothers		Buying and Selling	
American Profile // CELEBRATING THE AMERICAN SPIRIT //										
HIST	American Pickers		American Pickers		Bible Secrets		America Unearthed		American Pickers	
LIFE	Kristin's Past				All About Eve				Kristin's Past	
MTV	Girl Code	Girl Code	Snooki	Snooki	Girl Code	Ke$ha	Big Tips	Awkward.	Awkward.	Awkward.
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SCI	Haunted Highway		Haunted Highway		Killer Contact		Haunted Highway		Killer Contact	
SPIKE	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail	Jail
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan		Pete Holm	Conan
TCM	Flying Down to Rio				The Gay Divorcee				Roberta	
TLC	Half-Ton Killer		Transformed		Hoard-Buried		Transformed		Hoard-Buried	
TNT	Red		Mob City				Mob City			
TOON	Annoying	Total	Regular	Adventure	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen
TRAV	Bizarre Foods		Sturgis Raw		Sturgis		Mud People		Sturgis Raw	
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Kirstie		Kirstie		King	King
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam
VH1	Wild Wild West				Love & Hip Hop		Chrissy	Wild Wild West		
WGN	Rules	Rules	Rules	Rules	WGN News at Nine		How I Met	Rules	Rules	Parks
Premium Channels										
HBO	Battleship		State of Play		Treme		Sarah Silverman: We		Getting	Sports
MAX	Strike Back: Origins		The Man With the Iron Fists			Rock of Ages				
SHOW	Homeland		Inside the NFL		60 Minutes Sports		Inside the NFL		60 Minutes Sports	

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