

### weather report

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Thursday



#### Today

- Sunset, 6:25 p.m.
- Saturday**
- Sunrise, 6:48 a.m.
- Sunset, 6:23 p.m.

#### Midday Conditions

- Soil temperature 64 degrees
- Humidity 33 percent
- Sky sunny
- Winds northwest 8 mph.
- Barometer 29.83 inches and steady
- Record High today 95° (1947)
- Record Low today 23° (1932)

#### Last 24 Hours\*

- High Wednesday 83°
- Low Wednesday 45°
- Precipitation none
- This month none
- Year to date 13.26
- Below Normal 4.32 inches

#### The Topside Forecast

Today: Mostly sunny with a high near 89, a low around 57 and breezy with winds out of the south at 10-25 mph. Saturday: Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers after 3 p.m., a high near 83 and a low around 48.

#### Extended Forecast

Sunday: Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers, a high near 66 and a low around 41. Monday: high near 70, low 42. (National Weather Service) Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz. \* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

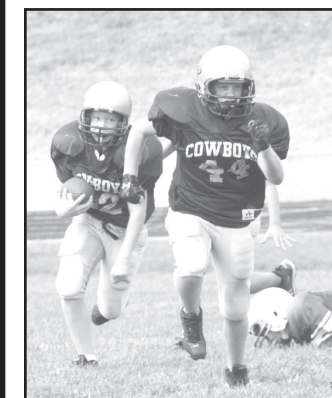
### local markets

#### Noon

- Wheat — \$8.46 bushel
- Posted county price — \$8.53
- Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
- Corn — \$3.04 bushel
- Posted county price — \$3.01
- Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
- Milo — \$2.88 bushel
- Soybeans — \$8 bushel
- Posted county price — \$8.23
- Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
- Millet — \$7 hundredweight
- Sunflowers
- Oil current crop — \$17.90 cwt.
- Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
- Pinto beans — \$25 (new crop)
- (Markets by Scoular Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

### inside today

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## Jr. Cowboys beat Norton

Tyler Gastineau, No. 32, ran the ball for the sixth grade Junior Cowboys while Garrett Taylor, No. 44, blocked. The sixth grade team beat Norton 26 to 0. See photo on Page 12.

# Concrete barricades come down

By Tom Betz

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The barricades are gone in front of the Conoco Travel Shoppe on Enterprise Road, but the sign saying "no truck traffic" remains in place after the city commission and the landowner reached a tentative agreement about how to make the strip a city street.

The city commission reached a consensus to work with Service Oil, the company that owns the private road that runs south of McDonalds to the intersection at 25th Street.

"Can we move the barricades tomorrow?" Commissioner Josh Dechant asked after both sides had tentatively agreed to a solution.

The barricades were moved on Tuesday to allow car traffic access along the private road.

Warren Sweat of Service Oil came to the meeting on Monday to update the commissioners on what he found out about the bids for rebuilding the street and talk to the city commissioners about finding a solution.

"Share and share alike," said Commissioner Annette Fairbanks. "We do half and you do half and dedicate it to the city."

Sweat said the price was more than he had been talking about with his people, but he said he thought it could be done.

The stretch of Enterprise south of McDonalds to the intersection has been a private road for more than 40 years, and Sweat said the barricades were put up this summer because the truck traffic along the road was tearing it up.



The street is open in front of the Conoco Travel Shoppe as the concrete barricades were removed on Tuesday after the city and Service Oil, who own the private road reached a tentative agreement to rebuild it with concrete

and dedicate it to the city. The no thru truck traffic sign remains in place to stop the semi-trucks from tearing up the road.

Photo by Ramona Sanders/The Goodland Star-News

In September Sweat had told the commissioners he would check with the two people who had bid on pouring the street in concrete. He said the one from Colby had decided he did not want to do the project, and Sweat said Miller Construction of Goodland said their

bid price was still good.

Dechant said the Miller estimate was \$62,034, and Sweat said that sounded right.

Commissioner Dave Daniels asked if the price included everything including the curb and gutter or just the concrete road.

Darin Neufeld, engineer from Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates, handed out a map of the property and the section of road in question.

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## One-year Adronics lease OK'd

By Tom Betz

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Responding to the lease and lease-purchase options from the city, Adronics asked for a one-year lease renewable at the end of each year and the city commission approved the lease at their meeting on Monday.

Karen Robinson, vice president of Adronics proposed the lease in an e-mail letter to Commissioner John Garcia and City Manager Wayne Hill received on Friday, Sept. 21.

She said that she and Troy Robinson had considered the options proposed by the city, and proposed a one-year lease at \$1,500 per month, renewable each year.

"We look forward to continuing to build our relationship with the city of Goodland and its residents," Robinson wrote.

"I am fine with that," Mayor Rick Billinger said. "It is reasonable."

Commissioner Annette Fairbanks said the only difference she could see was the city was asking for a three to five-year lease.

Billinger said with the one-year lease if Adronics decides to buy the building they would not have built up any equity.

Commissioner Josh Dechant said he was fine with the one-year lease, but wanted to know if there would be a 60-day notice to renew.

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## Scruffy contest draws poodles, mutts

By Sharon Corcoran

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There were tea cup poodles, a standard poodle, basset hounds, mutts, a black dog in a Harley Davidson jacket and even a "wiener" dog in a hot dog suit, led by a "ham" burger owner in a cheeseburger suit.

Among the dogs were "Snickers" and "Skittles," even a little "Cinnamon" at the Flatlander Festival's Scruffy Dog Contest. KLOE's Andrew Melia kept things lively as the master of ceremonies, while the judges tried to decide who was the most talented, who had the best personality, who had a face only a mother could love (among the dogs, not the owners) and who was the scruffiest.

A basset hound named Snickers was followed by another basset named Skittles — "I think this is Snickers' cousin," Melia said.

Jessica Johnson led her teacup poodle Misty around the ring, and Jade Artzer led a Shitzu poodle named Cinnamon past the judges. Elijah Bohl wore a cheeseburger on his head, and his dog Benny was in a wiener suit until a scuffle among the dogs broke the costume's strap.

People of all ages led, carried and dragged dogs around the ring before the judges chose the winners. Anne Bowen had the smallest, Ziggy, a Chihuahua, and Pat Allaman the most talented, a schnauzer named Dink, adopted from the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter.

Best personality went to a Lhasoapso/Bichon Frise named Suzie, owned by David Wood, 4, son of Brent and Jennifer Wood. David shared the spotlight with his brother Andrew, 5. The largest Red, a standard poodle owned by Shellie Terry, led by her daughter Sophie.

The face only a mother could love went to George, a dachshund/yorkie mix owned by Amber Helderman, led by Shaina. George was adopted from the animal shelter.

The cutest adult dog (1 year and older) was Heath Sanderson's Pom a Poo Petey, and the cutest puppy was a basset hound named Skittles, led by Michaela Fitzgibbons. Skittles is owned by Greg Whittington and wore a blue dress and did tricks for the judges. Judges' choice was Talison Crosby's mutt Tucker, and the scruffy dog winner was Anne Melton's dog Sammy, a petit basset griffon vendeen.



Anne Melton led her dog Sammy, a petit basset griffon vendeen, around the ring after Sammy was chosen as the winner of the Scruffy Dog Contest Saturday at the Flatlander Fall Festival.

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## Contest showcases local talent

By Ramona C. Sanders

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Two young boys won the judges' hearts with a dance-basketball routine, and a teenage boy serenaded the audience with his own original compositions at the Flatlander Fall Festival Talent contest on Saturday.

Aaron Coash, 4, and Austin Coash, 8, won second in the pre-teen category with their dance-basketball routine, and Britt Zweygardt, 16, won second in the teen category for singing his own songs.

First-place winners in each of the three categories — adult, teen, and pre-teen — received \$100. Second-place winners were awarded \$75, and the third-place prize was \$50.

The winners were announced Sunday during the festival picnic held at Chambers Park.

Festival committee member and

contest organizer Richard Johnson said the brand-new talent contest was the result of the committee "trying different things." And based on the enthusiasm of the audience, Johnson said the festival plans to continue holding the contest.

"It was a neat, neat contest," said Johnson, who is a musician and owner of the Madd Hatter Music Store. "It worked out really well."

**Adult:** First place — Shad Brouillette and Second place — Sarah Thompson

**Teen (ages 13-19):** First place — Tanner and Riley O'Harrah; Second place — Britt Zweygardt; and Third place — Kade Sheldon

**Pre-teen (12 and under):** First place — Demi Mitchek and Second place — Aaron and Austin Coash  
**Honorable Mention:** Matt Isley; Christine Boll and C.J. Lewallen



Tanner and Riley O'Harrah won first place in the teen (age 13-19) category of the talent contest.

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Demi Mitchek