

weather  
report

88°

noon  
Monday



Today

• Sunset, 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday

• Sunrise, 6:35 a.m.

• Sunset, 6:43 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil temperature 66 degrees

• Humidity 31 percent

• Sky clear and sunny

• Winds south 17-27 mph

• Barometer 29.79 inches

and falling

• Record High today 96° (1937)

• Record Low today 26° (1983)

Last 24 Hours\*

High Sunday 85°

Low Sunday 46°

Precipitation none

This month 0.14

Year to date 17.16

Above normal 0.25 inches

The Topside Forecast

Today: Mostly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, a high near 81, winds out of the east at 10 mph switching to the north and a low around 55. Wednesday: Partly sunny with a 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon, a high near 87, winds breezy out of the south at 20 to 30 mph and a low around 60.

Extended Forecast

Thursday and Friday: Partly sunny and breezy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, a high near 80 and a low around 52.

(National Weather Service)  
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\* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local  
markets



Noon

Wheat — \$6.25 bushel

Posted county price — \$6.22

Corn — \$4.49 bushel

Posted county price — \$4.49

Milo — \$4.34 bushel

Soybeans — \$9.70 bushel

Posted county price — \$9.74

Millet — \$5 hundredweight

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$17.30 cwt.

Confection — \$28/\$15 cwt.

Pinto beans — \$32 (new crop)

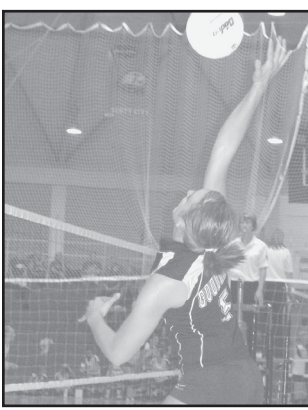
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Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean.

These may not be closing figures.)

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today

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Cowgirls  
finish second

Cowgirl Ashley Archer hit the volleyball over the net to score a point in the opening match against Wheatland Grinnell Saturday at Max Jones. The Cowgirls won the match. See story, photos on Page 10.



# County to help with cleanup

By Tom Betz

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City Manager Doug Gerber is excited about the citywide clean up planned for the first week of October, and asked the Sherman County commissioners on Monday for some help if possible.

Gerber said the city employees are planning to clean up the city the week of Oct. 4 to 8, and was asking for some help if possible. He said the main thing is trying to get thing separated so they would not get hassled at the transfer station.

“We tried to do that when we cleaned up a house on Cherry Ave.,” he said, “but felt like we got hassled at the transfer station for not having everything separated.”

Rich Simon, city public works director,

said the plan is to pick up anything and everything.

Commissioner Chuck Thomas asked if that included household hazardous waste.

Simon said that might be included in some of what they pickup, but not something the city is looking to pickup.

Commissioner Cynthia Strnad said maybe there is a way to open the household hazardous waste collection for the city during the week.

Gerber said the best plan is the city will not pick up household hazardous waste during the cleanup week.

Thomas asked about tires, and any tires on rims.

Simon said the city would pickup tires, and asked about the landfill fee.

“We would appreciate whatever you are inclined to do,” Gerber said.

“We made some personnel changes this morning,” Strnad said. “We will have to do some logistics to see where we can help.”

Simon said the city is hoping to get calls about large items like refrigerators or freezers that have to be drained of refrigerant ahead of time. He said they are talking to Northwest Tech about helping with those items. He said one thought is to pick those up and take them to the city shop so they could be emptied before being taken to the transfer station.

“We want to make it as easy as possible,” Gerber said. “We can keep track of the ones that need to be emptied.”

“We may not have the extra help,” Thomas said, “but we want to work with you.”

Strnad said the commissioners were going to try to be a bit more user friendly at the transfer station, and not going to weigh the household trash.

Gerber said letters have been sent to all the homeowners in town announcing the citywide clean up and saying the city would be starting on Monday, Oct. 4, and if the homeowner has stuff to be picked up it should be put out on the curb or the front yard and separated into piles of metal, construction and demolition and a separate pile for furniture items.

The city staff is saying if there are large items like freezers, air conditioners and refrigerators that need to be emptied of refrigerant people can call the city at 890-4500.

## Smoky Hills getting base ready on K-27



Smoky Hills workers prepared a new base on the west side of K-27 from the Walmart entrance to the north intersection. Smoky Hills put some asphalt milling down to be part of the base, and will add to the base to bring it up to grade and the next step will be to mix in some fly ash. Once the base is leveled to grade, expected to be by next week the 10-inch slab of concrete can be poured. The project is expected to be completed by the end of October.

Photo by Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

## Three firms picked to give school proposals

By Pat Schiefen

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The Goodland School Board at its Monday night meeting picked the top three Request for Proposals of the five submitted by architectural firms on the renovation of North Elementary School. Picked to be interviewed were PBA Architects, P.A. out of Wichita; ARCHI+ETC. LLC of Lincoln, Neb.; and Hutton Architecture Studio of Denver.

Superintendent Angelos said that the board would need to allow two hours for the interviews.

Hutton indicated that they were available only on Monday, Sept. 27, for a presentation and interview by the board. The board set their interview from 4 to 6 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 27.

It was decided by the board to have the other two interviews at 8 to 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 1

p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 22.

Superintendent Angelos told the board that the reference checks and site visits if needed would need to be done before the interviews.

Goodland High School Activities Director Greg Ferguson said he is expecting a great year. He said they had had their first cross country meet, golf meet and volleyball quads.

West Elementary Principal Jim Mull said he was getting used to all of the little students. He said they are working on ironing out the problems with dropping off and picking up of students at the school. He said they had 120 for breakfast and 250 for lunch not including Head Start.

Grant Junior High Principal Steve Raymer said it was great to have the students from Paraguay. He said they have hit a few bumps with having the sixth grade at Grant but generally he said it was going not too bad at all.

Central Elementary School Principal Harvey Swager said they really liked the slushie machine in the cafeteria. He said they had over 100 at breakfast and have started their reading groups. Swager said they are working with the parking and students crossing the streets to keep everyone safe.

Goodland High School Principal Sharon Gregory said she has been working with Northwest Tech to set up dual credit classes for the high school. They are working on the process now so they can implement them next fall. She said the college is continuing to work on articulation agreements so the credits will transfer. She said they had 70 for breakfast and over 120 for lunch.

Professional Development and Curriculum

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## Grocery opening may be in April

By Tom Betz

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Soil samples were to be taken this week to complete the required tests and work on the outside of the Ed Wolak Building are to begin soon said the owner of Village Markets.

Sam Mancini, store chain owner, said Thursday the contractor was supposed to be out last week to do the soil samples, but they had not been done and were planned to be done this week.

He said he is working on finalizing the contracts to get the project going. His plan is to do the outside work on the building this fall and do the inside work over the winter with an opening in April.

He said the outside work would be a new entrance and curb work for the drive-up. He said the parking lot would probably be done in the spring before the store opens.

“I am not pleased with our plan at this time,” Mancini said. “I was not expecting everything to be done, but hope to get things moving in the next two weeks. This will be the prime project for the general contractor coming out in the spring.”

Village Markets currently owns eight grocery stores with locations in St. Francis, eastern Colorado and southwestern Nebraska.

The Goodland store would possibly employ 10 people full time and 20 on a part time basis, said Mancini. He said he likes to hire local people and train them. The store manager would probably be transferred to Goodland, he said.

The city has worked on an incentive package to support the project and the Sherman County Economic Development Council earmarked \$25,000 to help with signage for the store.

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FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY SEPT. 24 TO 26

**FUN TIME FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY**

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Second Annual Valve Cover Races

16th Annual Northwest Kansas Bike Show

Flatlander action begins on Friday afternoon, and swings into full action Saturday morning and through Sunday.