# Unusual storms blew through, bringing rain

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Colby Free Press kbottrell@nwkansas.com Several unusual storms blew through northwest Kansas this morning, bringing rain and base-

The storms continued the weekend trend by mostly missing Goodland, but causing mayhem in the surrounding area. Goodland got some rain Friday and Saturday.

rado, the first passing through Springs, the top of a grain bin was was blown over into a power pole, of the tree trunk at least 50 yards to Thomas County to the north. After southern Thomas County at 7 a.m. before following a path northeast and several irrigation pivots were along U.S. 83. A second storm blown over. passed over Brewster and Levant at 10:15 a.m. A third storm passed into thunderstorm warnings in Thomas Kansas to the south toward Garden County as the storms passed over-City before turning north.

National Weather Service spotters The storms moved through from County. The storm also produced inches was reported north of Leoti.

The service issued several severe

Friday's storm passed over Colby reported 4.25-inch hail in Wallace at 10 p.m., dropping about less than County and 2.75-inch in Sheridan 1/5 inch of rain. Hail up to 1 1/2

southwest to northeast out of Colo- damaging winds. South of Sharon Near Tribune, a semi-trailer rig building. The strike threw pieces blown off, trees were uprooted which then fell on the truck. Several other power poles were knocked over wind.

> On Saturday, a thunderstorm came through in the evening, dumping about a quarter inch of rain in Thomas County. The storm brought with it intense lighting late at night. One burst split open a 50-year-old small leaf linden tree near the Colby School District administration

the south.

The storm also produced 3/4 inch hail near Goodland and Tribune as well as winds up to 60 mph. A tornado was reported at 7:40 p.m. 11 miles southwest of Gove.

Things were much worse in Colorado. Funnel clouds and at least one slight chance of showers Tuesday tornado were reported near Cheyenne Wells, with accompanying hail up to 4 inches.

A Sunday evening storm missed dropping 1 3/4-inch hail in Yuma County, Colo., it proceeded into Nebraska, where it spawned at least two tornados near Benkelman and

McCook. The weather service is predicting more thunderstorms tonight with a morning.

## Work never goes away



The mowing crew kept working on the very wet and windy Monday morning at the intersection of K-27 and Caldwell. Goodland got heavy rains and winds Monday.

Photo by Sheila Smith The Goodland Star-News

## Loans target women, disadvantaged farmers

and members of minority groups who want to purchase or operate a family-sized farm said Patricia Eckhardt, farm loan manager of the USDA Farm Service Agency for Cheyenne, Sherman, and Wallace

"Each year, the Farm Service Agency earmarks a portion of its farm loan funding for socially disadvantaged applicants, people who have been subjected to racial, ethnic or gender inequality without regard to their individual qualities,"

Socially disadvantaged applicants may be women, African Americans, American Indians, Hispanics, Asian and Pacific Islanders and Alaskan Natives.

Eckhardt said while money is earmarked for loans to socially disadvantaged applicants, loan approval is neither automatic nor guaranteed.

"Socially disadvantaged applicants must meet the same eligibility

#### corrections

In the story of the "Junior golfers took six first places at St. Francis tourney" on Page 10 of the Friday, June 17, edition of The Goodland Star-News it was reported the Dillon Gilmag had a score of 58. He had a score of 49. This was due to incorrect information given to the

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citizens; have a satisfactory history of meeting credit obligations; have sufficient education, training or experience managing or operating a farm; possess legal capacity to incur loans to purchase livestock, equipdebt; and, be unable to obtain credit

The agency can make direct loans to applicants who are unable to get commercial credit or provide loan

guarantees to commercial lenders. by any lending institution subject to Federal or state supervision (banks,

Money is available for women criteria as other applicants," Eck-savings and loans, and units of the ownership loan terms are up to 40 hardt said. Applicants must be U.S Farm Credit System). FSA typically guarantees 90 or 95 percent of the loan against any loss that might be

incurred if the loan fails. Applicants can use operating ment, feed, seed or pay other business related expenses. Operating loans are usually repaid in one to

seven years. Ownership loans provide capital to purchase or enlarge a farm, Guaranteed loans may be made construct or improve buildings, promote soil and water conservation and pay closing costs. Direct Loan Program.

years while guaranteed loan terms

are established by the lender. Qualified applicants receive information and assistance to develop sound management practices, analyze problems and utilize available resources essential for successful farming operations to cope with the changing agricultural environ-

In Fiscal Year 2010, Kansas obligated \$2,152,970 for a total of 75 loans to qualified farmers under the Socially Disadvantaged Persons

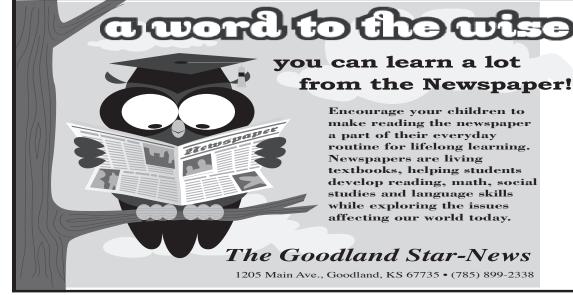
For more information, contact "We obligated \$20,952,114 for a total of 286 loans to qualified farm- your local Farm Service Agency at ers under the Beginning Farmer the county USDA Service Center Program," Eckhardt said.



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