

weather report

82°

10:30 a.m.
Monday



Today

• Sunset, 6:58 p.m.

Wednesday

• Sunrise, 6:59 a.m.

• Sunset, 6:57 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil temperature 67 degrees
- Humidity 26 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds northwest 20 mph
- Barometer 30.09 inches and steady

• Record High today 98° (2000)
• Record Low today 34° (1974)

Last 24 Hours*

- High Sunday 87°
- Low Sunday 49°
- Precipitation none
- This month .01
- Year to date 16.08
- Below Normal .25 inches

The Topside Forecast

Today: Partly sunny with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms at night, a high near 79, winds out of the north at 5 to 10 mph and a low around 52. Wednesday: Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, a high near 67, winds out of the east at 5 to 15 mph and a low around 45.

Extended Forecast

Thursday: Cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers, a high near 57 and a low around 46. Friday: Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms.

(National Weather Service)
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local markets

10:30 a.m.

- Wheat — \$7.30 bushel
- Posted county price — \$7.76
- Corn — \$7.19 bushel
- Posted county price — \$7.21
- Milo — \$6.81 bushel
- Soybeans — \$13.03 bushel
- Posted county price — \$13.28
- Millet — \$5 hundredweight
- Sunflowers
- Oil current crop — \$32.40 cwt.
- Confection — no bid
- Pinto beans — \$28

(Markets by Scoular Grain, Sun Opta, Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

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Students compete

Goodland Taekwondo student Jackson Daise competed in Forms at the Battle for the Mountaintop in Littleton, Colo. See photos, story on Page 11.



House burns as training exercise

By Tom Betz

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The neighborhood around 1516 Grand Ave., was the scene of high activity as the Goodland Volunteer Fire held fire training exercises Saturday morning before burning the home to the ground.

Fire Chief Brian James said he had agreed to use the house, owned by Angel Morgan, as a training program after it was cleaned out and the shingles removed. He said getting the shingles off is a big deal because a lot of the old shingles are asbestos.

The firemen and fire trucks arrived about 8 a.m. and began by running a five-inch hose from a hydrant on the corner at 16th and Grand.

Chief James gathered all the firemen once the basic lines had been laid and said they would do at least two live fire exercises before setting the house on fire.

He said there were three new Goodland volunteers there who got to be part of the attack group on the live fire exercises.

Rural Fire Chief Troy Mannis said he had three new firemen who were part of the live fire exercises.



See FIRE, Page 5 Water spraying to protect surrounding houses creates a rainbow as the house at 1516 Grand burns to the ground in training exercise.



Goodland Fire Chief Brian James gathered all the volunteer firemen around for a briefing before the exercises began Saturday morning. The volunteers did three live fire exercises before the house was burned down.



A hose team keeps watch on a fire in the addition on the south side of the house as the third live fire exercise. When this one was doused with water the main house was set on fire to burn to the ground.

Photos by Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

More changes to Flatlander Festival programs

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Time changes have been the big thing for the 25th Flatlander Festival to be held Friday, Sept. 23, Saturday, Sept. 24 and Sunday, Sept. 25, but Thursday more changes were announced in the program by Brent Wood, festival chairman.

Earlier Wood had announced the street portion of the Flatlander Festival on Saturday would begin at 9 a.m. and run to 3 p.m. He said this would be better for the participants and

vendors as other programs usually start at 3 p.m. and the races start at 4:30 p.m.

Thursday Wood said he had been told the truck and tractor pull would not happen on Saturday afternoon. He said the pullers had been rained out in Benkelman, Neb., and had rescheduled that pull for the same time as the Flatlander Festival.

A second change is the chili cook-off has been cancelled for this year. He said he was told the group could not find enough sponsors. He said someone had wanted to organize the

cook-off, but felt there was not enough time left to do a good job. Wood said they will hope to get it going for next year's festival.

Wood said he had been contacted by a laser tag group from St. Francis who are planning to have a booth on Main on Saturday. He said the group will have some target practice at the booth, and plan to hold a demonstration at Chambers Park after 3 p.m.

Another change is the Flatlander 5k run/walk fun run time has been moved to 7:30 a.m. The 5k is sponsored by the Goodland

Activities Center and registration information is available from the center or online at goodlandgac.com. The phone number is (785) 890-7242.

Wood said things are moving along for the other parts of the festival and said he expects about 50 vendors to be on Main located between the 25th annual car show under the direction of th Brick Top Cruisers Car Club.

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People gather at Lutters flagpole for memorial service

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A crowd of about 30 people gathered Sunday evening at sunset to hold a memorial service for those killed in the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

Roy Palmer, student at Northwest Kansas Technical College, and a U.S. Navy veteran, organized the service and has been organizing a Northwest Tech Vets club on campus.

The crowd gathered around the flagpole in front of the armory to listen to some thoughts about the events 10 years ago and reflect on what it has meant for the country.

Speaking first was Mayor John Garcia who said he was pleased to be asked to say a few words. He said it had been an special day in American history, and it was good to remember those who died in those attacks.

"We are a different nation," he said echoing the words of President Bush shortly after the attacks. "a



A crowd of about 30 gathered at the Derrick Lutters Memorial Building for a special memorial service for Sept. 11, 2001.

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