WEEKEND

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weather report Thursday

Today

Sunset, 6:45 p.m.

Saturday

 Sunrise, 6:53 a.m. Sunset, 6:43 p.m.

**Midday Conditions** 

#### Soil temperature 62 degrees

- Humidity 35 percent
- Sky sunny
- Winds south 8 mph
- Barometer 30.14 inches and falling
- Record High today 96° (1937) Record Low today 26° (1983)
  - Last 24 Hours\*

High Wednesday

Low Wednesday Precipitation This month .30

8.46 Year to date Below Normal 8.50 inches The Topside Forecast

Today: Sunny with a high near 80, winds out of the north at 10 to 15 mph and a low around 46. Saturday: Sunny with a high near 72, winds out of the east at 5 to 10 mph and a low around 44.

#### **Extended Forecast**

Sunday: Sunny with a high near 73 and a low around 49. Monday: Mostly sunny with a high near 81 and a low around 55. Tuesday: Mostly sunny with a high near 81 and a low around 56.

(National Weather Service)

10 a.m.

Posted county price — \$8.50

Posted county price — \$7.54

Posted county price — \$16.25 Millet — \$14 hundredweight

Oil current crop — \$28.40 cwt. Confection — no bid

(Markets by Scoular Grain, Sun Opta, Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean.

These may not be closing figures.)

Wheat — \$8.51 bushel

Corn — \$7.34 bushel

Milo — \$6.97 bushel

Sunflowers

Pinto beans — \$28

inside

today

and views

Soybeans — \$15.62 bushel

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### Video shines light on school lunches The video alleges that school lunches pro- Let's Move! campaign against childhood obe- tricts can do about the federal guidelines. By Kevin Bottrell

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A parody video critical of new federal school lunch guidelines has gone viral, getting more than 28,000 views in four days and bringing new scrutiny down on the meal

"We Are Hungry," produced by Wallace County students and teachers, is a parody version of the 2011 song "We Are Young" by Fun. It was uploaded to YouTube.com on Monday. At press time, the video had 28,788 views with 391 likes and 15 dislikes. The lyrics were written by English teacher Linda O'Connor and the video stars current and former Wallace County students.

vide inadequate calories for active children, sity. It was approved unanimously by the U.S. quoting "A Guide to Eating for Sports" from kidshealth.org - a website run by the Nemours Center for Children's Health Media – as saying that active teenagers need "between 2,000 and 5,000 calories a day to meet energy and growth needs." Federal guidelines passed in 2010, which have been phasing in over the past two years, have limited school meal programs to 650 calories for kindergarten through fifth grade, 700 for sixth through eighth grades and 850 for high school.

The requirements come from the Healthy. Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010, championed by First Lady Michelle Obama as part of the

Senate and passed 264-157 in the House.

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The act gives the U.S. Department of Agriculture the authority to set new standards for food sold during the school day.

Goodland School Superintendent Bill Biermann said the main change from previous schools years is that the schools are required to provide less protein, so the portion sizes for meat have been reduced, and less bread. Those smaller portions are made up for with fruit and vegetables. The regulations also say districts can only offer fat-free or low-fat

Biermann there's very little school dis-

The guidelines have to be followed if the schools want to get federal reimbursements for their meal programs. Schools are paid per school per meal, as long as they meet the federal guidelines, based on a three-year audit cycle.

"We could pay for it all," he said, "but taxpayers would have to foot the bill."

The district is obligated to provide the meal program to the 53 percent of students on free and reduced lunch, he said, and it cannot discriminate in what it does offer. Biermann also said the district cannot offer different meals

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## New LED lights go up



The City of Goodland has installed new LED lights at the intersections on Main Street. Part of the new lights are new crosswalk signs that have a countdown to when the lights turn yellow. Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

# Law enforcement to get new repeater

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Sherman County and the City of Goodland are planning to put up a new radio repeater west of town to help law enforcement have better radio coverage in Goodland and

Police Chief Cliff Couch had brought the request to the Sherman County Commissioners on Sept. 11. Radio coverage can be spotty some places in town, he said, especially in buildings. Many of the old buildings have thick walls and thick foundations, resulting in dead spots. Currently, the county has a repeater at Edson. Sheriff Kevin Butts said

his department has poor coverage in Kanorado and suggested a repeater west of town could help both de-Arepresentative from S&T Com-

west of town would improve coverage, but it would still not be 100 percent in town. To use the single repeater, the

munications said a single repeater

police and sheriff will have to be on the same frequency. The groups decided to seek bids

for a 100-watt repeater to be installed west of town, likely on the NSI building. The repeater will

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# Police looking for man over domestic complaint

Police are looking for a Goodland man who may have threatened a lice Department, Sherman County woman in her home on Saturday.

gun at her.

Law enforcement officers began looking for Wood and located his car around the corner from his home. They also saw the curtains move as partment if they have information if the house was occupied.

Officers from the Goodland Po-Sheriff's Office, Kansas Highway The Goodland Police issued a Patrol and Kansas Department of release saying that on Saturday, the Wildlife surrounded the house and police received a complaint from attempted to contact Wood. The the woman that her ex-boyfriend, officers were given permission to Ben Wood, had attempted to force search the house by Wood's roomhis way into her home and waved a mate, but they were unable to locate him.

> A warrant is being sought for Wood's arrest. Citizens are asked to contact the Goodland Police Deon his whereabouts.

# Health Department recommends vaccinations

The Sherman County Health fades with time, so adults who have Department is urging people to get not received a Tdap should get one a Tdap shot (tetanus and pertussis combination). The Kansas Department of Health and Education said there have been 220 confirmed cases of whooping cough or pertussis reported this year. The cases have of the interval since the last Td was been in the eastern part of the state but as mobile as people are vaccination is being recommended.

cough cases for 2009 to 2011 is 40.

Whooping cough is a highly contagious respiratory disease. It is known for uncontrollable, violent coughing which often makes it hard to breathe. After fits of many coughs, someone with pertussis often needs to take deep breathes less of age, should receive a single which results in a "whooping" sound. Most infants need to be hospitalized. When adults contract the disease they cough and cough and the cough persists for weeks resulting in discomfort and possibly lost wages, said Sherman County Health Department Nurse Nancy Prevatt.

She said the best way to prevent with a Tdap shot. Vaccine protection for pertussis, tetanus and diphtheria department bills all insurances.

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices has issued the following recommendation:

- Tdap can be given regardless
- Adolescents and adults who have not received a dose of Tdap, The average number of whooping or for whom vaccine status is unknown, should receive a one-time dose of Tdap.
  - Children ages seven to 10 who are not fully immunized against pertussis should receive a one-time dose of Tdap.
  - All healthcare workers, regarddose of Tdap.
  - All pregnant women who have not previously received Tdap should receive a one-time dose after 20 weeks gestation or immediately postpartum. (consult your health care provider for their recommen-

To set up an immunization call whooping cough is to get vaccinated the Sherman County Health Department call (785) 890-4888. The

# Moving the ball forward



The young Cowboys football teams played against the Hays Gamblers on Saturday at Cowboy Stadium. The third and fourth grade team (pictured) won 20-12 while the fifth and sixth grade team lost 50-0. Next action will be on Saturday at Oakley. The third and fourth grade team will play at

8:30 a.m. (Mountain Time) and the fifth and sixth grade team will play at noon. Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

## Golf teams win Monday The Goodland High

School girls varsity golf team sent golfers to two tournaments at Colby and Russell on Monday.

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