

## weather report



**36°**

10 a.m.  
Monday

### Today

- Sunset, 4:26 p.m.
- Wednesday**
- Sunrise, 7:02 a.m.
- Sunset, 4:26 p.m.

### Midday Conditions

- Soil temperature 35 degrees
- Humidity 56 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds southwest 10 mph
- Barometer 29.71 inches and steady
- Record High today 76° (1979)
- Record Low today -15° (1924)

### Last 24 Hours\*

- High Sunday 39°
- Low Sunday 22°
- Precipitation trace
- This month .07
- Year to date 9.09
- Below Normal 10.36 inches

### The Topside Forecast

Today: Partly sunny with a 10 percent chance of snow after 5 a.m., a high near 46, winds out of the northwest at 5 to 15 mph and a low around 27. Wednesday: Cloudy with a 70 percent chance of snow, with a high near 27, winds windy out of the northeast at 20 to 40 mph and a low around 13.

### Extended Forecast

Thursday: Sunny with a high near 37 and a low around 18. Friday: Sunny with a high near 47 and a low around 17. Saturday: Sunny with a high near 43 and a low around 17.

(National Weather Service)

## Just passing through



This UH-58 Kiowa (left) and UH-60 Blackhawk were part of an army helicopter unit that made a pit stop in Goodland on Thursday. The choppers landed at Renner Field and the crews had lunch at the Butterfly Cafe. Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

## Goodland police ask for tips on vandals

The Goodland Police Department is looking for information on several acts of vandalism committed on the east side of town early Thursday morning.

The department received several reports of vandalism during the day. Houses along Arcade Ave. had their Christmas decorations damaged. At Goodland High School there was minor damage from several objects thrown at windows. At Northwest Kansas Technical College, several lights and a sign were damaged.

There were also reports of a door being dragged down the street by an unknown individual. An officer was dispatched but was unable to locate the individual.

Police believe the incidents happened between midnight and 6 a.m. Thursday.

Anyone with information on these crimes can contact the department at 890-4570 or the anonymous Crimestoppers hotline at 899-5665.

## Price of stamps rising at the start of the year

The price of stamps will be going up again at the end of next month as the U.S. Postal Service struggles with a financial crisis.

"They're going up the 27th of January," Oberlin Postmaster Phyllis Ziegelmeier said. "The first ounce will be 46 cents, but any additional ounces will remain at 20 cents."

The agency reported a \$15.9 billion loss for fiscal year 2012, as compared to \$5.1 billion last year. \$11.1 billion of that total loss was due to two payments to prefund retiree health benefits.

"Volume has continued to be down and we're still running on a deficit," Ziegelmeier said, "so hopefully we can figure out ways to increase revenue. We're always way busier during the holidays,

and package service is doing pretty good."

The rate for first-class letters will go up a penny, from 45 to 46 cents, beginning in January, according to the service's website. The charge for postcards will go from 33 cents to 34 cents. Most First-Class stamps are "forever" stamps, which were created to help consumers get through price changes. Because they are "forever," they can be used through any price changes.

Prices will increase for other mailing services, the service said, including standard mail (mostly advertising), periodicals such as newspapers and magazines, package services and extra services

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## City of Goodland to offer free pet licenses in January

The City of Goodland will have its annual free animal license day from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at city hall, 204 W. 11th Street.

City ordinances require all dogs and cats owned or kept within city

limits to be licensed, which are obtained from the city clerk.

City residents will be able to get a free license for their animal. They must provide written proof that the animal has current rabies vaccination.

## Helping the needy



Volunteers helped put together boxes of food for the Genesis food bank on Thursday. This year, Genesis took in enough food for 150 baskets, which will feed about 400 people, and enough toys for 150 children. Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

## local markets

### 10 a.m.

- Wheat — \$7.94 bushel
- Posted county price — \$7.93
- Corn — \$7.23 bushel
- Posted county price — \$7.22
- Milo — \$6.83 bushel
- Soybeans — \$14.11 bushel
- Posted county price — \$14.39
- Millet — \$14 hundredweight
- Sunflowers
- Oil current crop — \$24.70 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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## Wrestlers take third

The Goodland High School wrestling team took third place at the Holiday Classic tournament on Saturday.

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Historian Virgil Dean spoke to a crowd of about 25 people at reception for the opening of "The Way We Worked," a traveling Smithso-

nian exhibit now on display at the High Plains Museum. Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

## Smithsonian exhibit opens

The High Plains Museum opened its new Smithsonian traveling exhibit, "The Way We Worked" on Saturday. The museum will offer regular tours at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day as well as a number of events in conjunction with the Carnegie Arts Center and Goodland Public Library.

On Saturday, Dec. 22, and Saturday, Dec. 29, the museum, arts center and library will hold "Playing at Work" with work-related games at all three locations.

There will be a film series starting in January at the Sherman Theater. At 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 5, the film "Philosopher Kings" about university janitors will be shown with a discussion panel to follow. At 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, will be the film "Gathering Remnants."

The Sherman County Historical Society will hold its annual meeting at the library on Saturday, Jan. 19.

From 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26, will be a closing reception for the exhibit with a discussion panel on economic development.

At 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27, there will be a Goodland student film festival at the Theater.

