

weather report

69°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 7:52 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:33 a.m.

• Sunset, 7:53 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 58 degrees
- Humidity 63 percent
- Sky Mostly cloudy
- Winds southeast at 12 to 20 mph
- Barometer 29.73 inches and falling

• Record High 94° (1941)

• Record Low 27° (1953)

Last 24 Hours*

High 76°

Low 41°

Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, low about 50, south winds 10-20 mph.

Tomorrow: Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms, high near 80, south winds 10-20 mph.

Extended Forecast

Saturday through Tuesday: A chance of thunderstorms, highs in the 80s, lows 50 to 55

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets



Noon

Wheat — \$2.24 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.26
Loan deficiency payment — 19¢
Corn — \$1.74 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.88
Loan deficiency pmt. — 11¢
Milo — \$2.64 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$4.04 bushel
Posted county price — \$3.96
Loan deficiency payment — 93¢
Millet — \$4 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$7.95 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$1.31
Oil new crop — \$8.20 cwt.
Confection current — \$17/\$10 cwt.
Pinto beans — \$12 (new crop)
(Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and Prairie Pea and Bean.)

afternoon wire

Late news from the Associated Press

1 p.m.

NATO bomb 'kills citizens'

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia—NATO warplanes dropped cluster bombs on a convoy of ethnic Albanian refugees in Kosovo early today, killing as many as 100 civilians, state-controlled media claimed.

NATO said it was investigating the report and could make no immediate comment. The State Department urged skepticism on Serb reports that blamed the allies for the attack until the facts are known.

Tank-killing Apache helicopters flown by U.S. pilots held a live-fire exercise today along the Kosovo-Albania border, meanwhile, and First Lady Hillary Clinton visited a refugee camp in Macedonia.

Reporters taken by Serb authorities to the village, Korisa, saw dozens of charred bodies and wrecked tractors.

Closing the top



Workers from Pitt-DeMoyné completed the top of the 80-foot-tall water tower on the southeast edge of town Wednesday afternoon.

Photo By Charlie Baker/Goodland Daily News

Good Sam staff, Gracie, trying to make life good

By Charlie Baker

Goodland Daily News

Goodland's Good Samaritan Center is trying to do something about three problems which experts say plague nursing home residents: loneliness, helplessness and boredom. One of their secret weapons is Gracie.

Grace, or Gracie to many of the residents, is Rob Cotter's dog. Cotter, the center's social worker, has been bringing Grace to the home for about a month. She make rounds, and the residents and staff love her.

"She is so good, we really look forward to seeing her," said Ruby Lance, a resident. "She comes in and visits, never stays to long, she is never a nuisance. We just love Gracie."

Cotter says that Grace can sense when someone is feeling down or sick, and will check on them more often than usual. He said that to his knowledge there has been only one complaint, a resident who said, "dogs don't belong in a nursing home!"

The center marked National Nursing Home Week today by raising new American and Good Samaritan Society flags.

Providing for people who need long-term care can be tough, society officials say. The physical and medical needs may be obvious, but Good Samaritan tries to focus on emotional needs as well.

Residents are people who have lived productive lives. They have lived in beautiful homes, raised families and built communities. Not being able to care for themselves is an attack on their dignity. Placed in a cold, sterile environment, many people lose their hope and determination.

The center says it is trying to change that. To begin with, the home does not look like what you might expect. Halls are carpeted, using a short pile carpet that allows the resi-



Gracie, a social worker in her own right, got some of the attention she so loves from her owner, Rob Cotter, Good Samaritan Center social worker, and resident Mary Alice Steever in the day room of the center.

Photo by Charlie Baker/Goodland Daily News

dents in wheel chairs to get around easily and adds a soft, warm appearance to the facility. The walls are papered and have a border above the handrails. This border does more than just look nice, said Administrator Paul Rainbolt, it gives the residents a perspective of where the handrail is located.

In the day room, there is a decorative theme that runs through everything from the carpet and furniture to the drapes. There are several live plants and a large aviary with several species of song birds.

City commissioners to talk trash

What to do about people who put the wrong kind of trash in city dumpsters will be on the agenda for city commissioners when they assemble at 5 p.m. Monday.

One item of unfinished business that the commissioners will be discussing deals with the disposal of waste from residences. The city currently places community dumpsters on each block, one for trash and another for yard waste.

The problem is, people put the wrong waste into the dumpsters, which creates a problem at the landfill.

In new business, the Heritage Preservation Alliance has asked for a grant from the city totalling \$3,400.

The commission will also act on a special use permit requested by Rick and Jane Reitz for a computer repair and consultation business in their home on Washington.

City Manager Ron Pickman will discuss the city's stance on the road improvement project on old U.S. 24. Pickman has sent a letter to the county commission asking about plans for repairing and chip sealing two quarter-mile sections of road inside the city limits, and plans to meet with county commissioners on Tuesday.

The meeting will begin at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

City and county to get together on Old U.S. 24

By Tom Betz

Goodland Daily News

City and county commissioners plan to sit down Tuesday and try to hash out a plan for repairing all of Old U.S. 24, including two short stretches in the city.

The county hopes to start a resurfacing program for the road this summer, using money from a county-wide quarter-cent sales tax approved by voters. However, the city and county have never come to an agreement on fixing the city-owned sections, about a quarter of a mile on the east side of town and a quarter mile on the west.

The county board also will review plans for monitoring wells at the old landfill when commissioners meet at 8 a.m. Tuesday.

Chairman Gary Townsend said he expects Public Works Superintendent Curt Way to have a cost estimate on repairing the quarter-mile of city road which connects Business U.S. 24 to Old U.S. 24 on the east edge of the Goodland.

City Manager Ron Pickman told Commissioner Townsend this morning that he, and possibly some of the city commissioners, would attend the meeting Tuesday to discuss the issue. Townsend said the city representatives would either be at the meeting at 8 a.m. or will come at 10:30 a.m. when there is an opening on the agenda.

Discussion of the city portions of old U.S. 24 were brought back to the county last week in a letter from Pickman suggesting that the county should repair and chip seal the two city-owned portions of the road on both ends of the city.

The commissioners asked Way to develop a cost estimate for these. The county commissioners have been

agreeable to chip sealing the sections of road, but have indicated they felt the city should do initial repairs on the eastern section before the county could chip seal it. That stretch is rough and broken.

Also at the meeting, Way and County Attorney Mike Irvin will present a plan from an engineering firm, Terranex, which responds to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's insistence that an additional monitoring well be drilled at the old county landfill to check for underground contamination.

Also Terranex, which is the consulting firm from Denver the county hired to help with locating and establishing a new county landfill, has sent the commissioners some options to consider about how to establish the pits at the new site.

Goodland Regional Medical Center Administrator Jim Chaddic and Finance Director Andy Laue will talk to the commissioners about the recently completed hospital audit.

Continued funding for the Northwest Kansas Family Shelter will be discussed by Charlotte Linsner. The commissioners put funding for the shelter in the 1999 budget, and Linsner is expected to give them an update and discuss future needs.

Sheriff Doug Whitson will be talking to the commissioners about the latest information on a proposal to use a satellite connection to network the communications and dispatch site in the city administration building with the sheriff's office.

The commissioners next meeting will be 8 a.m. Friday, May 28, in the commission room of the courthouse.

G-Club athletes learn of success

By Keith Lippoldt

Goodland Daily News

Talk of trust, loyalty, dedication, commitment and success echoed through the Elks Lodge hall last night at the G-Club annual banquet.

Dr. Ted Kessinger, head football coach at Bethany College in Lindsborg, entertained and inspired the Cowboy lettermen and the rest of the crowd with a talk on success.

Success is something Kessinger knows very well. Preparing for his 24th season at Bethany, the coach has lead the Terrible Swedes to more than 180 victories and 14 conference championships. He estimates his teams have been nationally ranked in 18 of those seasons.

"I have been fortunate to have been blessed with some great players and some great young men," Kessinger said. "You can win with good athletes, but you are successful with good people."

For a full house of Cowboy student athletes, parents and friends, Kessinger talked with humor and philosophy about the four key ingredients needed for a person to be truly successful.

The first of the four, he said, is loyalty.

"The greatest characteristic a person can have is loyalty," he said. "Successful people have a great degree of loyalty. It is a very significant factor."

Parents are loyal to their children, teachers to their students and a coach to his players, Kessinger said.

His second ingredient for success is belief in yourself. If you raise your self confidence to a high enough level, he said, you can accomplish anything.

"You have to have confidence in

yourself," Kessinger said. "Every day, you need to look at yourself and look at all the good qualities that you possess. Have confidence that you can do it."

The coach said that success is not just measured by trophies, plaques and awards. Real success, he said, is knowing you did the best you could do.

"Everyone has had to overcome some obstacles," Kessinger said. "It is not an easy ride to the top. Everyone that has had some success has been knocked down along the way."

"The third factor is when you get knocked down, you get right back up."

Kessinger advised that when you get down, remember

Christopher Reeves, Jim Abbott, Shelly Mann and Babe Didrickson Zaharias, all people who have overcome tremendous obstacles in their lifetimes.

"Don't worry about the bad times," he said. "They will get better. Tough times don't last. Tough people do."

Using an examples of World War II fighter pilots, the coach said that commitment was the fourth factor of a successful person.

"These pilots weren't necessarily flying for the Stars and Stripes," he said. "The main reason they gave for continually returning to the air was that they could not let their buddies down. That is commitment."

After each game, Kessinger leads his team in a saying before leaving the field.

"Good. Better. Best.

Never let it rest,

Until your good is better, and your better is your best."



Dr. Ted Kessinger talks about success.