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FRIDAY

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50¢

weather report

71°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 7:58 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:28 a.m.

• Sunset, 7:59 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 55 degrees
• Humidity 47 percent
• Sky Sunny
• Winds southeast 15 to 18 mph
• Barometer 30.14 inches
and falling

• Record High 97° (1925)

• Record Low 35° (1945)

Last 24 Hours*

High 68°
Low 44°
Precipitation .16 of an inch

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Skies will remain mostly clear, with southeast winds 10-15 mph, low around 55. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, highs in the low 80s.

Extended Forecast

Sunday through Tuesday: Chance of thunderstorms all three days, highs in the high 70s to low 80s, lows around 50.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.20 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.17
Loan deficiency payment — 28¢
Corn — \$1.71 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.84
Loan deficiency pmt. — 15¢
Milo — \$2.58 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$3.97 bushel
Posted county price — \$3.94
Loan deficiency payment — 95¢
Millet — \$4 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$7.65 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$1.76
Oil new crop — \$7.90 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.

Gun control up to House

WASHINGTON — Propelled by high school shootings, the congressional debate over gun control shifts to a new battleground, the House, following a contentious vote in the Senate that approved locks on all new handguns and imposed tougher restrictions on gun show sales.

But even before the Senate passed the new gun rules Thursday as part of a major juvenile crime bill, there already was a clash in the House — over when to bring the issue to the floor.

House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., offered to bring a bill to crack down on violence by kids to the floor in the second week of June, after the Judiciary Committee holds hearings. On the floor, he left open the possibility of proposing gun restrictions, but warned that the House might not buy everything passed by the Senate.

Goodland High graduates to march Saturday



Jeff Darnauer, valedictorian

Saturday, for the 102nd time, Goodland will mark the graduation of its senior class from high school.

Graduation will be at 2 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse. A baccalaureate service will be at noon at the school auditorium.

Giving the commencement speech will be Gaylene Shank, who was born and raised in Goodland, and is now a math teacher at Goodland High School.

Her first seven years as a student were spent in a one-room schoolhouse south of Ruleton. She graduated from Sherman Community High in 1964, and later earned her bachelor's degree from Fort Hays State University and a

master's from Kansas State.

She taught at several schools in Kansas, returning to Goodland in 1982. She was the data processing coordinator for the high school and junior high for seven years, and in 1990 she returned to the classroom, teaching math at the high school. She was selected as the 1998 Sherman County High School Alumni Association's Outstanding Educator.

Her topic will be, "What you learn after you know it all is what counts."

There will be music by the high school vocal group, the X-pressos, and the school band.

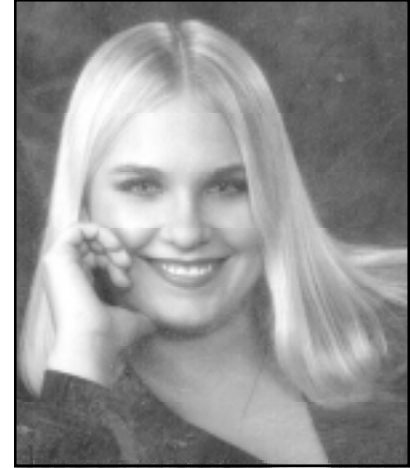
Jeff Darnauer, student council presi-

dent, will lead a ceremony in which exchange students present a flag of their homeland and receive an American flag.

Barb Whisler will present the Outstanding Educator award from the Alumni Association. This year's candidates are Sharon Hall, Mike Quilling and Jack Walker. The association will also present a Special Educator award this year.

There will be speeches by this year's valedictorian and salutatorian, Darnauer and Melinda Schwasinger.

Vice Principal Dick Liess will present the awards to outstanding students.



M. Schwasinger, salutatorian

Coach finds job in Wyo.

Wrestling coach leaving Cowboys for another school

Goodland High wrestling coach Eddie Clark is leaving to take a job in Wyoming.

Official action to accept the resignation will be on the agenda at Monday's school board meeting, set for 7 p.m. at the district office. Reached today at his home, Clark said he has accepted a job at Star Valley High School in Afton, Wyo.

"It is a better position, at better pay, and is a real opportunity for me and my family," Clark said. "It will allow my wife to stay home and raise our son, and that was a real deciding factor."

A successful coach who has taken many Cowboy wrestlers to state since coming to Goodland, including 12 this year, Clark became controversial when a group of parents pushed to have him fired as coach last month. The school board voted 4-2 with one abstention to keep him in the job on April 26 after a tension-filled meeting with both his supporters and detractors attending.

At the meeting Monday, the board will also discuss copy machine bids, and consider a health insurance recommendation for the upcoming school year.

Superintendent Marvin Selby will report on graduation and the building project

Janice Pearson and Deb Bantam will give a report on West School activities, and Mary Porterfield and her students will give a report on the second year of the International Educational Technology Project with the World Bank.

Karla Murray will present a report on the status of the district technology and recommendations for the upcoming year.

The board will appoint a representative to the Northwest Kansas Technical School advisory board for the 1999-2000 school year.

The Clark resignation and several contract approvals will be considered under the personnel item.

Board members will also receive an update on the status of negotiations between the district and the Goodland National Education Association.

The next regular school board meeting will be 7 p.m. Monday, June 14, at the district office, 1312 Main.

A proper send-off for state



State-bound tennis players Jim Griffith (second from left) and Matt Mentzer (middle), plus Coach Jerry McKee (front right) and Assistant Coach Wallace Hansen received a send off from the Goodland Am-

bassadors Thursday afternoon. The Cowboy doubles squad left for Hesston to compete today and Saturday in the Class 4A state tournament.

Photo by Keith Lippoldt/Goodland Daily News

Becoming an 'associate'



Grant Junior High eighth grade science teacher Terry Daise was honored as the Teacher of the Year by Wal-Mart in a ceremony this morning. Daise, a teacher in Goodland for 10 years, is one of 2,500 honored across the country. Daise was presented with a Wal-Mart vest by Grant students Alissa Shields and Deanna Bowman, and a \$500 grant check to be used however he chooses for the school.

Photo by Keith Lippoldt/Goodland Daily News

Lawyer get acting ag post

TOPEKA (AP) — Gov. Bill Graves announced Thursday he has appointed Mary Jane Stattelmann of Topeka as acting secretary of the state Department of Agriculture.

Stattelmann, 37, presently the department's chief counsel and assistant secretary, has served in the agency since July 1995. She was the department's chief attorney for two years, and was given the additional duties of assistant secretary in 1997.

Stattelmann succeeds Allie Devine, who resigned earlier this month to spend more time with her young children, until a new permanent secretary is named. The Governor's Advisory Board on Agriculture is soliciting applications until June 4 for the position. It will recommend three to Graves.

Stattelmann is a native of Kingman who formerly lived in Wamego, and has bachelor's and law degrees from Washburn University. She also has been an assistant attorney general and has worked for Kansas Farm Bureau.

275 students get advice on life, diplomas from tech school

It was a packed fieldhouse Wednesday night for the 35th Northwest Kansas Technical School graduation.

As the students filed in, Rita Ihrig played "Pomp and Circumstance" on the piano. Director Larry Keirns thanked everyone for being at the commencement exercises.

Commencement speaker Jerry Martin of Amarillo, Texas, challenged the 275 students with his speech entitled "The Seven Attributes of a Successful Person."

"Keep your faith in your God active," he said, "keep your family as the priority in life, be a team

player, take advantage of all the additional training and education you can, be regular and on time in your work habits, abstain from abusing drugs and alcohol and keep your financial affairs in order.

"I hope you can use these guidelines for life that I have used over the years and that they will benefit you as much as they have me. You have climbed a mountain of life and firmly planted your flag on the peak. Let this be the beginning of you planting flags on many, many more mountains as you go through life."

Before the students were presented their diplo-

mas, the 13 Departmental Students of the Year, nominated by their fellow classmates, were introduced. Then from among that group, the 1999 Student of the Year, Matt Monasmith, St. Francis, in the Truck and Tractor Diesel department, was announced.

Keirns introduced state officials in attendance: Sen. Stan Clark, Rep. Jim Morrison, Rep. John Faber and I.B. "Sonny" Rundell, representing the state Board of Education.

Outstanding Service Awards were given to three retiring teachers, who Director Larry Keirns said, "have proven to be great assets for technical

education over the years." They were Pat McMahon, who taught in the Technical Drafting/Engineering Technology department for 31 years; Robert "Oly" Johnson, who taught for 28 years in the Truck and Tractor Diesel Mechanics department; and George Adelgren, who has reached retirement age and will retire in July after eight years of teaching in the Carpentry department.

Two employees who have been with the school for 25 years were recognized, Gary Barricklow in the Truck and Tractor Diesel Mechanics department, and Etta Mae Keirns, manager of the on-campus bookstore. Both received gold watches