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# weather report

### **Today**

- Sunset, 8:13 p.m.
- **Tomorrow**
- Sunrise, 5:20 a.m.
- Sunset, 8:13 p.m.

### **Midday Conditions**

- Soil Temperature 64 degrees
- Humidity 65 percent
- Sky mostly cloudy
- Winds east a 7 mph. • Barometer 30.13 inches
- and steady • Record High 100° (1953)
- Record Low 42° (1975)

### Last 24 Hours\*

High Low 2.91 inches Precipitation Month 3.11 inches, plus 1.97 Year 10.42 inches, plus 2.51

### **Northwest Kansas Forecast**

Tonight: Flash flood watch. Thunderstorms, some severe. Heavy rain possible, 70 chance of rain. Wind northeast 5-15 mph. Low 50-55.

Saturday: Mostly cloudy, high near 75, scattered thunderstorms, 40 percent chance of rain, winds southeast 10-20 mph.

### **Extended Forecast**

Sunday to Tuesday: Highs 80-85, lows near 50, thunderstorms possible. (National Weather Service)



#### Noon Wheat — \$2.31 bushel Posted county price — \$2.26

Loan deficiency payment — 19¢ Corn — \$1.69 bushel Posted county price — \$1.89 Loan deficiency pmt. — 10¢ Milo — \$2.56 hundredweight Soybeans — \$4.05 bushel Posted county price — \$4.04 Loan deficiency payment — 85¢ Millet — \$4 hundredweight Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$7.75 cwt. Loan deficiency pmt. — \$1.96 Oil new crop — \$8.05 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

from the Associated Press



### **Peacekeepers** slow to move

BLACE, Macedonia - NATO troops along the border in Macedonia were waiting today to enter neighboring Kosovo after Yugoslav forces began leaving in trucks, armored cars and buses.

Entry of the first peacekeepers, originally expected early today, has been pushed back, possibly as much as 24 hours.

British paratroopers, the spearhead of the international force that will eventually number 50,000, camped along the border, ready to move at first light. As dawn broke, they showed no sign of movement.

NATO and Yugoslav liaison officers were conferring early today, trying to coordinate movements in a complicated plan that calls for peacekeepers to move into designated areas as soon as Serb forces pull out. The Daily Telegraph, reported some contributing nations were not ready.

# Storm floods streets, flattens wheat

By Charlie Baker

Goodland Daily News

Thunderstorms swept through Sherman County in the middle of the night, downing wheat, filling floodways with mounds of hail and flooding some streets in Goodland.

Wind gusts up to 70 mph, heavy rains and golfball-size hail took their toll. The National Weather Service office reported 3.72 inches of rain. Two miles south of Goodland the total was 2.58 inches, while 19 miles southwest of town, the measurement was only 1.41 inches.

There were reports of high water over county roads and flooding at the gravel pit north of town along K-27. The Goodland Police Department reported some flooding in town, and had to close some intersections until the high water receded.

The department reported rescuing stranded motorists at the intersection of Clark Avenue and 17th Streets about 2 a.m. Their cars had stalled in

ers had to evacuate the people. The intersection Ruleton. They said the high winds and golf-ballwas barricaded until the water receded.

The Goodland Daily News office had water coming in the front door as storm drains backed up on Main Street. The east leg of the Cherry Street wye was still closed this morning.

Reports of crop damage, especially to fast-ripening wheat and young corn, were widespread. The weather service reported hail ranging up to 1/34 inch size in Ruleton, with drifts up to three feet deep. There was a three-mile-wide by fourmile-long swatch of flattened crops.

In Goodland, hail was reported to be about 1 1/4inches in size.

There were no reports of property damage to the police or sheriff's departments, but, insurance agents were out of their offices all morning assessing damage in the area.

Steve and Colleen Duell reported nearly 5

water which was over 2 feet deep, and the offic- inches of rain at their home seven miles north of traveled into Kansas, passing north of Kanorado sized hail damaged everything.

"The west side of our house is dented bad," she said. "There are piles of hail, our trees are stripped of leaves, and it mowed down our wheat and stripped our corn."

Danny and Charlene Mangus reported heavy damage from the severe storm at their home 16 miles west and about 2 miles north of Goodland.

"Our grass is covered with hail," she said. The Manguses reported foot and a half drifts of

hail in their yard. "It looks like it snowed," she said. "We have no crops left. Even our pine trees have lost their

The weather service tracked the storm, which started building west of Golden in suburban west Denver and moved through eastern Colorado. It moved through Kit Carson County, Colo., and

and Ruleton.

In the Colby area, flooding was reported along several streams, with water flowing over Franklin Avenue south of downtown. The Northwest Kansas Research-Extension Center reported 3.55 inches between about 2 and 3 a.m.

Fike Park, where the annual Rod Run will be held this weekend, was filled with water. East of town, on U.S. 83 near the Nine Mile intersection. a northbound semitrailer truck slid into the ditch when the driver pulled onto the muddy shoulder

The truck fell over onto it's side. Friday, crews from the company, Merit Distributing, were unloading the trailer so it could be righted by a tow

Weather observers compared the conditions to a tropical storm, not quite at the hurricane level. with gusts up to 75 mph reported in the Burlington

## **Schools** may offer cyberclasses

Offering classes for students to take at home is an idea the Goodland School Board will be discussing at its meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the district office.

Students would have the option of enrolling into a class taught by a teacher over the Internet. The teacher, who might be anywhere in Kansas, would send lessons over the Internet. The student would do the reading,

answer all questions, and send them back on-line. They could send questions via e-mail, exams would be faxed back and forth. The board also will discuss plans for a memorial to Orval Franklin, who re-

cently left about \$30,000 from his estate to the school district. Superintendent Marvin Selby will update the board on the progress at Max

Jones Fieldhouse. Steel for the roof is scheduled to be delivered Tuesday. Enrollment figures, and their affect on the budget are on the agenda, along with discussion of the interest in the property that was Foster Lumber at 119

The next regular board meeting will be 7 p.m. Monday, June 28.

### Colby plans weekend fun for Rod Run

By Tom Dreiling

E. 12th St.

Colby Free Press Dozens of vintage cars will cruise into Colby today for the Sixth Annual Colby Rod Run, which starts tonight and concludes Sunday.

Carrying the theme, "Colby...Cruise to the Past," the run will get underway with a "cruise-in" and early registration at the A&W and State Farm Insurance on East 4th. Radio personality Paul Heskett will provide a "blast from the past" by spinning favorite oldies. The 'cruise-in" is slated from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Central Time (6:30-8:30 Mountain Time).

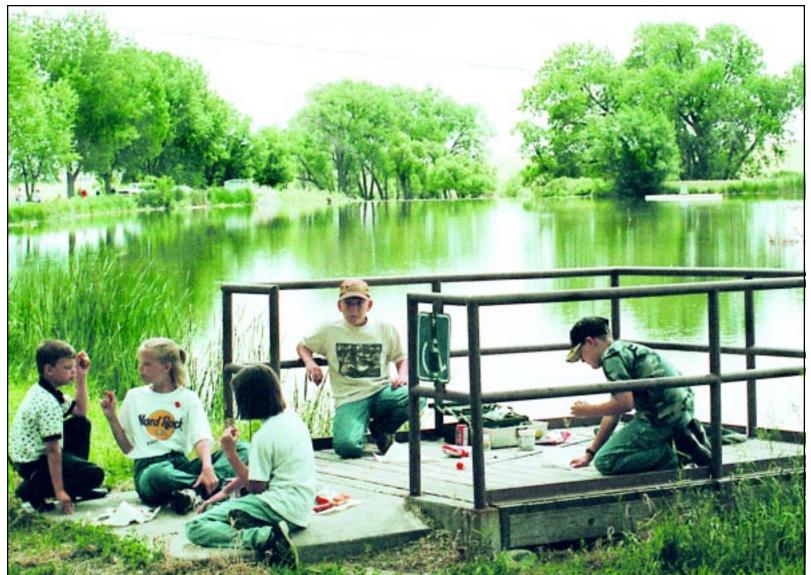
Saturday will be a full day, with events getting underway at 9 a.m. Central Time (8 a.m. Mountain Time) in Fike Park downtown with the Show & Shine and registration. Vendors will be in place by 10 a.m. Central Time, with food and merchandise, and then Heskett will again play oldies.

A horseshoe tournament and fun walk are on Saturday afternoon's schedule, and organizers say that shuttles will be available for shopping trips. A dinner-dance is scheduled Saturday evening for registered participants. A Poker Run for \$500 in cash prizes

will get underway at 10 a.m. Sunday Central Time, followed at noon by the awards presentation, all at Fike Park.

Many door prizes and 22 awards will be presented, in addition to class awards for the '50s, '60s and '70s. Individuals and businesses sponsoring the various award categories will have an opportunity to judge the cars and present the awards, providing the public with a chance to view the cars selected as winners by the judges and participants.

### A SHOCKING LESSON





## Kids bite on hot dogs while fish get worms

The fish were biting Thursday morning at Smoky Gardens, much to the delight of about 30 Goodland youngsters at a 4-H fishing clinic. Lynn Davignon, area fish biologist from the Kansas Department of

Wildlife and Parks, was on hand to talk about fishing, and to help Sherman County 4-H leaders and junior leaders get their lines in the water. Youngsters 7 to 11 learned to cast and bait hooks, and some even

caught a fish. Jace Mosbarger, 8, (left) held his first bluegill, but he was glad to put it back. His junior leader, Deanne Livengood, let him wipe his hands on her pant leg as she put a new worm on his hook.

After several hours of fishing, the kids relaxed (above) with hot dogs, chips and sodas. After lunch, Davignon and his helpers took a shock boat (below) out and using electrical current netted a variety of fish as the audience walked along the shore. Davignon showed the kids the types of fish found in the lake, then the group headed back to Goodland. Each of those participating received a small tackle kit courtesy of the department. Photos by Tom Betz / Goodland Daily News

