

**weather report**

**64°**  
at noon



**Today**

• Sunset, 8:15 p.m.

**Tomorrow**

• Sunrise, 5:20 a.m.  
• Sunset, 8:16 p.m.

**Midday Conditions**

- Soil Temperature 63 degrees
- Humidity 48 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds south at 20 to 30 mph
- Barometer 30.24 inches and falling
- Record High 102° (1939)
- Record Low 41° (1945)

**Last 24 Hours\***

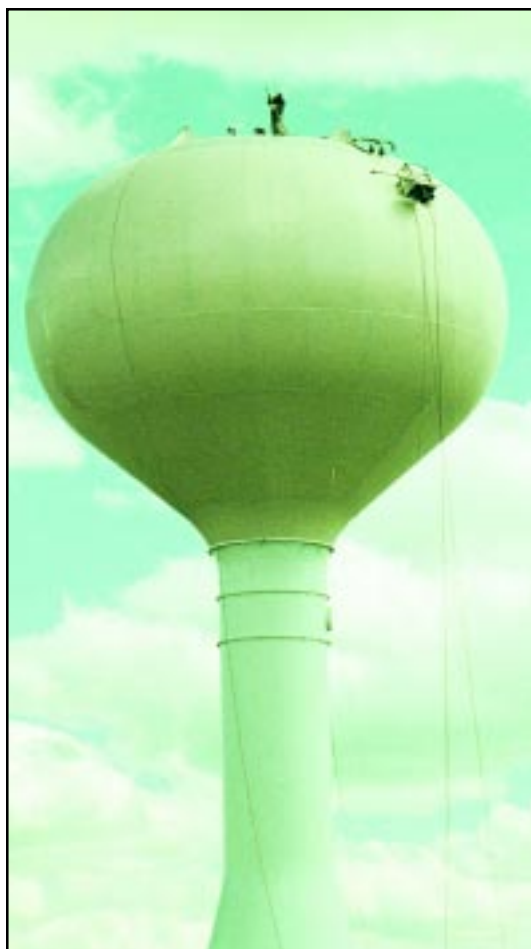
High	68°
Low	49°
Precipitation	trace

**Northwest Kansas Forecast**

Tonight: partly cloudy, 40 percent chance of thunderstorms, low in the mid 50s, winds south 15 to 20 mph. Tomorrow: partly sunny, 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, high near 80, south winds at 15 to 20 mph.

**Extended Forecast**

Saturday through Sunday: mostly dry, lows 50 to 60, highs 80 to 85. (National Weather Service)  
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\* Readings taken at 7 a.m.



**It's lonesome on top**

Workers from the painting crew of Larson Tank of Badger Minn. put a primer coat on the water tank at Centennial Park Wednesday. Supervisor Mike Postel said they hope to finish putting the light gray final coat on by the end of the month if the weather doesn't interfere. "The lettering will take almost as long as painting the color coat," said Postel. The company will use a triangular stencil to apply the maroon color Goodland city logo.

Photos by Keith Lippoldt and Charlie Baker/  
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**Koss earns second half of I-70 bid**

By Tom Betz

*The Goodland Daily News*  
Bids on three highway projects for Sherman county were opened yesterday in Topeka, and the biggest winner was Koss Construction Co., Topeka, as the low bidder on the second half of the I-70 project between Edson and Goodland.

Koss has completed more than half of the rebuilding of the westbound lanes, and now will be in a position to continue the project with the rebuilding of the eastbound lanes.

According to Kansas Department of Transportation officials Koss was the apparent low bidder at \$11,398,834.

The recycling of K-27 north of Goodland to the Sherman/Cheyenne County line was another project in the bid opening, and Dustrol of Towanda, was the apparent low bidder at \$284,003.

The K-27 project is expected to improve the condition of the road, but is actually a temporary fix as the section of highway is scheduled to be replaced in 2001.

Dustrol is the same company that will be doing the hot in-place recycling of old hwy 24 on the east end of Sherman County this summer as phase one of the countywide project. Sherman County Public Works Director Curt Way said the hwy 24 project should begin the last of July, and expects Dustrol will do the K-27 project after completing the county project.

"One of the representatives from Dustrol was here last week and said they thought there was a chance they would get the state project, and said they expected to be in Sherman County about July 26 to begin the old hwy 24 project," Way said.

The third project is a special slurry sealing of I-70 from the Colorado/Kansas state line east to Goodland. The apparent low bidder for this project was Beachner Construction Company of St. Paul with a bid of \$2,622,545.

Koss construction was the apparent low bidder on the second half of the I-70 project from Goodland east to Edson.

State highway department officials said the contracts have not been officially approved, but expects approval to be done within a week.

**local markets**

**Noon**

- Wheat — \$2.29 bushel
  - Posted county price — \$2.18
  - Loan deficiency payment — 27¢
  - Corn — \$1.69 bushel
  - Posted county price — \$1.84
  - Loan deficiency pmt. — 15¢
  - Milo — \$2.55 hundredweight
  - Soybeans — \$3.98 bushel
  - Posted county price — \$3.99
  - Loan deficiency payment — 90¢
  - Millet — \$4 hundredweight
  - Sunflowers
  - Oil current crop — \$7.45 cwt.
  - Loan deficiency pmt. — \$1.96
  - Oil new crop — \$7.70 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.

**Wife arrested in Hearst case**

ST. PAUL, Minn. — In more than a decade of community theater work, the reviewers were almost always kind to Sara Jane Olson.

One singled her out as the strongest performer in a 1990 production of "King Lear." Another praised her "vibrant" performance in "All's Well That Ends Well."

The critics had no idea what an actress she was. If the FBI is right, Sara Jane Olson — a 52-year-old mother of three with a doctor husband in an ivy-covered home in an upscale neighborhood — is really Kathleen Ann Soliah, a member of the Symbionese Liberation Army, the band of 1970s radicals who kidnapped Patricia Hearst.

Agents arrested the fugitive Wednesday after receiving tips from viewers of "America's Most Wanted," which featured her in a recent broadcast.

**Leadership members focused on serving**

By Charlie Baker

*The Goodland Daily News*

Giving people the knowledge and confidence to serve their community is what Leadership Sherman County is all about.

Leadership Sherman County is a program that grew out of an idea started in 1987 called Strategic Planning of the County. That program explored ways to develop interested persons into leaders for various positions.

The current program started in 1997. Each year there are 10 applicants chosen to participate. Applicants come from being nominated or by nominating themselves.

The group meets about once a month in a classroom situation to learn about government and community affairs. There is also instruction in working with people with varying personalities.

"We want to create a pool of people who are informed about our community and county," said Donna Pickman, a board member and also a founder of the program.

"We want to help people feel more comfortable and knowledgeable so they will volunteer."

After two years the graduates are adding up. The alumni also participate occasionally, often hosting dinners and activities other than the regularly scheduled meetings.

"The goal of the program, said Jeff Deeds, board president, "is to develop citizens who are concerned about our

**Lawsuit filed against school**

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — A Kansas City, Kan., high school student has filed a sexual harassment lawsuit against her school, a move made possible by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The lawsuit, filed Monday by a 15-year-old girl, is one of the first in Kansas since the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in May that public schools can be held liable for damages if officials ignore complaints of student-on-student sexual harassment.

The lawsuit names Harmon High School and the Kansas City, Kan., school board as defendants and seeks more than \$75,000 in damages.

It alleges that during an outdoor physical education class, two students dragged the girl into a closet, fondled her and tried to remove her clothes.

The girl's parents reported the incident to police that day.

schools, churches, and the many other groups that make our community a better place."

"Diversity of the class is essential for the success of the program," said Larry McCants, a founder and supporter of the program.

Once applicants are selected for the year long course, they must pay a \$200 tuition. This covers seven or eight sessions, meals during those sessions, and a 3 day trip to Topeka to visit the state legislature.

"We were fortunate this last year to

meet with the governor for about 20 minutes," said Deeds.

The sessions throughout the year include an education day, agriculture day, medical services day, economic development day, and a city/county day that includes emphasis on law enforcement.

There are also classes on cooperation and understanding your and other's personality traits.

The group is not specifically directed toward politics, said Deeds. "There are many organizations that operate in the county that need volunteers."

According to McCants there is not a shortage of volunteers. The big advantage of the program is having volunteers that are prepared to serve.

Current officers are Deeds, president; Dana Belshe, vice-president; Bryce Cole, secretary; John Baker, treasurer; and board members John Garcia, Lynn Hoelting, and Donna Pickman.

If anyone is interested in nominating others or themselves, or if you would like more information, contact Dana Belshe at 899-4880.

**A call from the Lord keeps Crow performing**

By Janet Craft

*The Goodland Daily News*

He lined up his stuffed animals and sang to them when he was five years old. He just wanted to sing. Joshua Crow, 23, comes from Custer, S.D. and he's a Southern Country Gospel singer-songwriter.

Even though he started singing when he was young, he didn't start writing songs until he was 15.

"The songs just started coming, one right after the other," said Joshua.

Joshua felt that God had called him to sing. That he was to minister to people through music.

So far, he has produced three albums with ten songs on each. Twenty-seven of those songs he has written himself. Joshua wrote five songs for his Christmas album in one afternoon. The majority of his songs are about Jesus. His father said that Joshua won't release an album until things are right between him and the Lord.

At his high school graduation, Joshua got up on stage and sang the song, "Two Best Friends," which is the song that is dearest to his heart and is about his mom and dad.

"No one knew that I wrote it. It was a surprise," Joshua said.

Right after graduation, Joshua went to Nashville, Tenn., to try to get a recording contract, but things didn't work out. So instead of having a contract with some recording company, "he has a contract with God," his father said.

Today, Joshua owns his own label, publishing company and recording company and distributes his own music.

To begin with, Joshua started out on his own. He did a three month tour in

Wisconsin in 1996. He did concerts in churches there, but the time schedules for the churches, just didn't seem to work out for him.

When he came home, Joshua talked to his father, who was close to being able to retire from his job, about going out with him. His father took the matter to God in prayer and in January of 1997, his family came along.

Joshua travels with his family doing his music ministry. His father, Dakota Bob, is his promoter, manager and producer. His mom, Becky and sister, Sarah, 18, sing backup for him. His younger brother, Jonathan, just joined the group four weeks ago, to be a part of the ministry. They are trying to promote family values in the marketplace. "Everybody works as a team," Jonathan said.

In February of 1997, Joshua began singing his music in the marketplace. He has done free concerts in Wal-Mart stores, Houchen's grocery stores, Pamida Discount stores, Sam's Clubs, and various other grocery stores.

"Jesus has called His bride out to the hedges, highways and byways to compel the lost to come in and that Jesus' ministry was in the marketplaces of this world," said Joshua.

The family has covered 12 states in three and a half years, including Kansas and Colorado. Their goal is to try to reach most of the other states.

Joshua didn't have a favorite singer, when he was young. People are his inspiration.

"Joshua reaches out and touches kids like you can't believe," said his father.

After Jesus, Joshua's dog, Cuddles, who is now 6 years old, is his love. He has had the dog, since it was a pup.



Joshua Crow was performing for customers at the Gibson's Discount Store in Goodland, yesterday. He and his family have toured various states to bring the message of the gospel to the marketplace.

Photo by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News

You can hear Joshua for yourself, as he will be singing from 1-8 p.m. today at the Goodland Gibson's Store.