

weather report

80°

at noon

Today

- Sunset, 8:17 p.m.

Tomorrow

- Sunrise, 5:24 a.m.
- Sunset, 8:17 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 72 degrees
- Humidity 55 percent
- Sky mostly cloudy
- Winds southwest at 20 mph
- Barometer 29.80 inches and falling
- Record High 105° (1933)
- Record Low 49° (1924)

Last 24 Hours*

High	85°
Low	54°
Precipitation	none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: partly cloudy, 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, low near 60, light and variable winds.

Thursday: mostly sunny, high 85 to 90, southeast wind at 5 to 15 mph.

Extended Forecast

Friday through Monday: dry, lows near 60, highs 95 to 100.

(National Weather Service)
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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.23 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.15
Loan deficiency payment — 30¢

Corn — \$1.73 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.79
Loan deficiency pmt. — 20¢

Milo — \$2.46 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$3.84 bushel
Posted county price — \$3.82
Loan deficiency payment — 1.07¢

Millet — \$4 hundredweight

Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$7.35 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$2.07
Oil new crop — \$7.50 cwt.
Confection current — \$17/10 cwt.

Pinto beans — \$13 (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.

More practice for new drivers

TOPEKA — A new law means Emily Malleck will have to spend more time behind the wheel with adult supervision before she can get her drivers license, but she says she doesn't mind.

As she inspected her new drivers permit, the 14-year-old said she thought a law going into effect Thursday is necessary "so no idiots start driving."

The new law requires a 16- or 17-year-old who wants to apply for an unrestricted drivers license to provide proof of 50 hours of adult-supervised driving practice, which includes drivers education.

A parent or guardian will have to sign an affidavit stating the teenager has fulfilled the requirement, which includes 10 hours of driving at night.

Emily's mother, Karen Malleck, said the law probably will result in safer roads and better drivers.

Finally, farmers get into fields

By Charlie Baker
The Goodland Daily News

Wheat harvest has begun, with the area's earliest reported load delivered at Collingwood Grain Inc. of Kanorado at 6 p.m. Tuesday by Jeff Henderson.

"The wheat look real good," said Glen Teels, who works at the elevator. "The moisture was 13.1, and the test weight was between 58 and 59 pounds."

He said they had estimated that the bushels per acre to be around 40 to 50.

Tom Stewart of Mueller Grain reported that at 6:20 p.m., Mike Rodgers brought in a load.

"The moisture was in the mid 13 range, and the test weight was 61 pounds," said Stewart. "The quality looked real good."

Frontier Equity Exchange in Goodland reported a load being delivered at 7:08 by Dallas Kuhlman. The wheat had a test weight of 59.4, and a moisture content of 14.

"It looks good," said Randy Schoenthaler. "He is still in the field cutting, so we won't know how good until we get more in."

Kanorado Co-op had not received any wheat as of 9 a.m. today.

Sherman County wheat farmers have dodged the weather bullet so far, as rain, hail and heavy winds moved across Cheyenne County around 7:45 a.m. today.



After several weather-related delays, Sherman County farmers were finally able to head to the fields and harvest their wheat Tuesday. Jerry and Brian Bauman had been in one of their fields west of Goodland around

The National Weather Service reported a line of severe weather moved across northcentral Cheyenne County southwest into Thomas and Rawlins counties.

The storm produced wind gust up to 60 mph, golf-ball size hail, and from 3/4 to 1 1/4 inches of rain.

The weather service also reported trees up to 10 inches in diameter be-

ing blown over six miles northeast of Bird City.

The service reported that Colby received .85 of an inch of rain in just 10 minutes from the storm.

The forecast is calling for a chance of scattered thunderstorms this afternoon and evening, some possibly severe, as warm, moist air flows up into the area from the south.

4 p.m. long enough to cut one load. Bauman reported the wheat had a moisture content of 13.7 but it was tough to cut because of the humidity.

Photo by Keith Lippoldt/The Goodland Daily News

Two new members join hospital board

By Tom Betz
The Goodland Daily News

The Sherman County commissioners today appointed two new faces to the hospital board and talked to Superintendent Marvin Selby about the possibility of the school district purchasing the old Medical Arts clinic.

In checking the Goodland Regional Medical Center board roster, County Clerk Janet Rumpel found that the three positions which were up for appointment were held by Dr. Robert McCullough, Pete Whalen and Dennis Shank. A fourth position was created with the resignation of Bonnie Selby, who may become county attorney.

After discussing the current board members and several who had indicated an interest in serving, commissioners decided to put all the names on a ballot and vote for four each. When Rumpel counted the three ballots, she found Dr. Greg Bongers and Steve Evert had three votes each while Shank and Whalen each had two votes.

On a motion from Commissioner Kenny Davis, seconded by Commissioner Chuck Frankenfeld, Whalen was appointed to fill the two-year unexpired term left by Selby. Then on a motion by Commissioner Gary Townsend and seconded by Frankenfeld, Dr. Bongers,

Evert and Shank were appointed to three-year terms.

Superintendent Selby approached the commissioners about the possible purchase of the clinic, which he said could be remodeled into a pre-school for the school district.

Selby said he had talked to the school board about the plan during a closed session on Monday, but the board members had several questions which were unanswered. He asked the commissioners if there was any asbestos in the building and if there was a warranty on the roof.

The commissioners suggested that the real estate agent Terry Richardson be contacted to get the information together, as he has the listing.

Selby said the school board was considering a 10-year lease/purchase with payments of about \$20,000 per year for the property.

"I have talked to the city about the zoning and was told there was no problem with having a school at this location," Selby said. "I have been in contact with an architect from Topeka, who is willing to come look at the building, but he wants to see the blueprints, and I have been contacting people about getting those as well as the other questions."



With the research help of intern Holly Wright, the High Plains Museum has opened a new exhibit, called "Goodland Baseball in the 1940s and 1950s." The display contains several items dating back to the glory days of Goodland semi-professional baseball.

Photo by Keith Lippoldt/The Goodland Daily News

Museum reliving baseball's past

Billy Martin just one of several major leaguers to play in Goodland

By Keith Lippoldt
The Goodland Daily News

Some spring cleaning has led to the creation of a display depicting America's summer game at the High Plains Museum.

Several weeks ago, workers at the museum found a photo on top of a display case that sparked intrigue about the subjects. After just a few weeks of research, the museum is now home to the temporary display, "Goodland Baseball in the 1940s and 1950s."

Summer intern Holly Wright, a graduate student from Wichita State University, was assigned the duty of tracking down as much information that she could and creating the display.

Originally hired to scan photos into the museum computer system, Wright immediately formed a network of local people and went to work.

"It was extremely hard to find information," Wright said. "We had to contact local people that were involved, or that knew somebody that was involved, with Goodland baseball at that time. We only had four newspaper articles to go by and a local history book."

"I am kind of disappointed with the number of artifacts that we found," Wright said. "I know that there is more stuff out there."

Goodland has a rich baseball history that dates back to that era. Former New York Yankee player and manager Billy Martin was just one of several players brought to play for the semi-pro Goodland Tigers. Other future Major League players who were on the Goodland roster included Lennie Green, Zack Monroe and Carol Hardy.

Other items being exhibited are trophies won by the Tigers in 1949 as National Baseball Congress District Champions and one from 1954 when

the Goodland team, then sponsored by C.E. Kleine, won the Colorado District Championship.

Also being presented is a uniform believed to belong to Herb Shimeall, photographs of the Tigers and Goodland Cubs, a baseball used in a Cubs game in 1949, plus other items. And young Martin and other major leaguers appear in the team photos.

Wright, a native of Mound City and a history major, said she enjoyed researching the project but plans a career in archives.

"It was a lot of fun," she said, "and it was a nice break from scanning all those photos."

The Goodland baseball exhibit will be open for about two months and then put back into storage.

The museum, Sherman County Historical Society and the Sherman County convention and Visitors Bureau plan a reception for former players from that era on Sunday, Aug. 15. If you were a member of a team in that era or know of anybody who is, contact the Convention Bureau at 899-3515.

If you have information or artifacts from this exciting baseball era in Goodland, contact High Plains Museum Director Linda Holton at 899-4595.



Holly Wright

Armadillos by morning? Creatures moving into state

WICHITA (AP) — The trend is a little like the original beach party classic, "Where the Boys Are."

In the 1960 movie, four young women went to Fort Lauderdale during spring break to meet boys.

In the case of armadillos, the gals have followed the guys to Kansas. The creatures, which are migrating northward from Mexico and Texas, of course, are reproducing in their new Sunflower state digs.

Because armadillos produce quadruplets every time they give birth, there's potential for a sizable population of this relatively new resident to Kansas, experts say.

Once considered a rare, even bizarre, sight in Kansas, armadillos are being spotted more and more frequently — most often as road kill.

The creatures, which resemble possums in flak jackets, are perhaps the most recognizable of wildlife mi-

grating northward into Kansas.

Global warming probably has helped the armadillo expand its natural range north from Mexico and Texas, Gress said. A series of unusually mild winters over the past 10 years first pushed male armadillos to venture north. Now, females have joined them, and the animals are reproducing in Kansas.

If you encounter an armadillo, watch out for its claws. They have little, tiny peg-like teeth, and they're not likely to hurt you with those, but their claws are like razor blades.

"Where you see armadillos, it's not going to be long until you see roadrunners," Distler said, describing the long-legged bird often seen in Texas and New Mexico. "We have already had reports of roadrunners in Cowley and Sumner counties, and I suspect they'll be moving up here, too."