

weather report

95°
at noon



Today

• Sunset, 8:17 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:25 a.m.
• Sunset, 8:17 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 71 degrees
- Humidity 29 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds south at 5 mph
- Barometer 29.71 inches and falling
- Record High 104° (1921)
- Record Low 46° (1924)

Last 24 Hours*

High 80°
Low 57°
Precipitation —

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: partly cloudy, 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, low near 65, south winds 15 to 25 mph.
Tomorrow: partly sunny and windy, high near 95, south winds 20 to 30 mph.

Extended Forecast

Sunday: dry, high near 100.
Monday: chance of thunderstorms, low near 60, high in the 90s.
(National Weather Service)
Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz.
* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets



Noon

- Wheat — \$2.13 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$2.07
 - Loan deficiency payment — 38¢
 - Corn — \$1.58 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$1.71
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — 28¢
 - Milo — \$2.20 hundredweight
 - Soybeans — \$3.65 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$3.87
 - Loan deficiency payment — 1.02¢
 - Millet — \$4 hundredweight
 - Sunflowers
 - Oil current crop — \$7.30 cwt.
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — \$2.21
 - Oil new crop — \$7.40 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. These may not be closing figures.)

afternoon wire

Late news from the Associated Press
1 p.m.

Panel chosen for road system

TOPEKA — Gov. Bill Graves appointed nine Kansans to serve on a panel to help select projects to improve the state's transportation system.
The group, called the Economic Development Review Panel, will review the economic development potential of proposed projects.
On Thursday, Graves appointed James M. AuBuchon, of Pittsburg; Mary Birch, of Overland Park; Sheryl Dick, of Garden City; Don A. Hill, of Emporia; John G. Montgomery, of Junction City; John L. Rolfe, of Wichita; Lt. Gov. Gary Sherrer, of Topeka; Billie Jo Smart, of Washington; and Lavern D. Squier, of Hays. Sherrer will serve as the panel's chairman.
The 10-year, \$12.9 billion transportation plan enacted this year includes \$1.05 billion for new roads and highway interchanges and bypasses.

Goodland prepared for Fourth weekend

Freedom Fest the main event of busy Fourth

By Keith Lippoldt
The Goodland Daily News

Organizers of the Freedom Fest, Goodland's Fourth of July celebration, say people have really gotten behind the event.

"The response has been fantastic," said Jo Simmons of the Goodland Chamber of Commerce. "People are wanting to make this a worthwhile event."

Fantastic may be an understatement. Donations are nearing the \$6,500 goal, the entertainment lineup could go on for more than three hours and out-of-town inquiries are coming in daily from Salina, Hays and Wichita.

In years past, the main attraction has been the fireworks display put on by a hometown boy, Joe Diaz. This year, besides a new show that is being billed as the largest between Salina and Denver, attractions will include the carnival rides between 6:30 and 9:30, entertainment and a free watermelon feed sponsored by the Goodland Rotary Club at 8 p.m.

Actually the biggest show boundaries may be wider because Simmons was told that the Salina show would last just 22 minutes this year.

The new electronically-fired fireworks show in Goodland will begin at dark and will last about an hour.

The show has a retail value of \$20,000 but since Diaz owns Tri-State Fireworks, he offered the show at wholesale cost.

"We were wanting to present a bigger display than we had before," Simmons said. "Joe gave us the opportunity. He came to us with the offer."

Simmons said people who have never donated before are giving generously and some clubs and organizations have doubled what they have given in the past.

Donations are still being taken; if you are interested, call the Chamber at 899-7130.

Ron Harding, executive director of the Goodland Chamber of Commerce, suggests that people come early and stay late.

"Bring your blankets and chairs, a picnic dinner, and enjoy the show."



Members from the Rotary Club assembled the Kiddie Jeep and Helicopter ride for the Freedom Fest at the fairgrounds this weekend. Volunteers (from left) Jesse Craft, Lou Spinney, Wayne Aten, Larry Keirns, and

Damon Finely (back) were putting the ride together that is being used this year for the first time.

Photo by Charlie Baker/The Goodland Daily News

Lots of events set for holiday weekend

Here are some activities scheduled for the Fourth of July weekend in Goodland:

The Goodland Flag Golf Tournament will be held from 8 a.m.- 1 p.m. on Saturday at the Sugar Hills Country Club. The tournament is open to members only and the entry fee is \$10. For information, call the club at 899-2785.

An American Legion baseball tournament will start at 9 a.m. Sunday at Steever Park. The teams involved are Ellis, Goodland, St. Francis and Yuma, Colo.

The Freedom Fest fireworks show will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday at the Sherman County Fairgrounds with a free watermelon feed, live entertainment, carnival rides, and a fireworks display.

The lineup for the Freedom Fest entertainers is made up of all local talent. The show begins at 6:30 with Tamara Mouchette. At 7, Stoney Wilson and Karen Cartright will take the stage followed at 7:30 by Amanda Moore and Tim Renner. Beginning at 8, Jane Boys and Co. will be performing with Andra Townsend scheduled for 8:30. The final act of the evening will be Julie Mann at 9.

Swimming will be a choice, as the pool will be open Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Many businesses open Monday

By Charlie Baker
The Goodland Daily News

The weather report for the holiday weekend calls for hot and dry weather, which may make for a perfect summer holiday for most of us.

It will dry the wheat, though, and keep farmers cutting in the fields, so they and the grain elevators will be working all weekend.

Because the Fourth of July is a Sunday, the holiday will be observed by many on Monday. Banks will be closed, and there will be no mail delivery. State, federal, city and county offices also will be closed.

The Goodland Daily News will not publish a paper on Monday, and the office will be closed.

If you need picnic supplies or gas, the Cowboy Loop, Coastal, and McB's will all be open normal hours on Monday usual hours. Jubilee and Wal-Mart will be open usual hours over the weekend and Monday.

Gibson's will be open, including their pharmacy, as will the pharmacy at the Medical Arts Clinic. Alco will be open their regular hours.

If you want to rent a video at Pied Piper to watch on the Fourth, you will have to rent it on Saturday. They will be closed on Sunday, but open on Monday.

The city pool will be open both Sunday and

Monday to cool off hot kids, but the High Plains Museum will be closed. The city library also will be closed.

For those planing on catching up on some yard work over the long weekend, the county transfer station will be open Saturday and Sunday, but closed on Monday.

Goodland Yost Farm Supply, Rasure Lumber, and Orscheln will be open on Monday. J. C. Penneys will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday and Monday.

The Elks and Moose will both be open on Monday, and the liquor stores will be open Monday with regular hours.

For those that don't want to cook over the holiday, Safari Steak and Seafood House, Crazy R's, Gambino's and Pizza Hut will be open regular hours. Anthony's will be closed Sunday and Monday, and the China Garden will be closed Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

The bowling alley will be open Monday, but closed on Sunday.

Some road will be closed during the fireworks show on Sunday for safety reasons. Armory Road from Main east to Caldwell, and Caldwell from Armory south to Toelkes Road will be closed shortly before the show and will be reopened following the display.

St. Francis police looking for man who tried to lure girls

The St. Francis Police Department is asking for help looking for a man who has tried at least three times to lure young girls into his car for a ride into the country.

Police Chief Randy Millburn is asking

people to watch for the man, who has attempted to lure young girls into his car to ride with him to a remote location. He approached the girls in St. Francis and offered to pay them for their assistance.

"So far, we have had three incidents of this nature and parents of young children need to be concerned," said the chief. "Currently, we are working with numerous agencies and jurisdictions on the investigation."

The suspect is described as a white man in his late 40s or early 50s, dark hair with some gray, medium height and build and is said to have a deep voice. He generally wears a ball cap, sunglasses and a multi-colored shirt.

He was driving a silverish, golden-colored Nissan Maxima sedan with no plates.

Anyone with information in regards to these incidents, the suspect, the vehicle or any other crime is encouraged to call either their local law enforcement agency or Chief Millburn in St. Francis at (785) 332-3330.

Keeping guard



Motorist traveling north on Caldwell have probably noticed the scarecrow in the cornfield on the west side of the road. The field belongs to John and Kelly Hendrich. "We thought we would put it out to scare away the hail," said Kelly. "So far, it seems to have worked."

Photo by Charlie Baker/The Goodland Daily News

City to hear pool report

With temperatures expected to soar into triple digits the next few days, a report on the projected new city pool could be a welcome relief to city commissioners in their meeting Tuesday.

A committee was organized and assigned the task of finding out what a new swimming pool would cost replacing the current city pool. Findings are in and a report will be given.

The commissioners will consider an ordinance changing payment of court cost money to the state because of changes made in state law.

The new law requires the city to give \$1 of these costs to the state. Court costs are currently \$36. This change will not affect the cost, just the way it is dispersed.

The commission will meet at 5 p.m. in city hall.

Board reorganizing today

The Goodland School Board is hoping to do some house cleaning with an auction later in the month, and a proposal to sell off old student desks, lockers, and miscellaneous items is on the agenda for the board at its annual reorganization meeting at 6 p.m. tonight at the district office.

The board will say farewell to outgoing member Ron Schilling and welcome to newcomer Eric Gray.

There are various routine adoptions that the board will approve so they can begin their work for the new school year, such as approve the meeting times, appoint members to committees, and approve the calendar. Most of the committees already have members.

"We hope to have a short and sweet meeting and get what we need done quickly," he added.

Entire tech class hired as interns

By Janet Craft
The Goodland Daily News

An entire class of 39 students from the Northwest Kansas Technical School has been hired by Nortel Networks to do an internship in Los Angeles for the summer.

Larry Keirns, director of the school, said they went to work for the Richardson, Texas, based firm on May 1. The students are taking out old cellular phone sites and installing new ones.

One of the requirements of the Communications Technology program at

the school is to work in a telephone business for two months or the equivalent of 320 hours as an internship. But the students are making such good money, Keirns said, that some of them have chosen to stay until the end of August.

The class is scheduled to start classes again in September and will complete their training the last week of April.

Keirns said the company has had an educational and industry partnership with the school since 1988. They have hired students as interns and graduates as permanent workers.

"The students are doing so well in Los Angeles," said Keirns. "I got a call from the supervisor that he is wanting to hire a portion of the next class to go to Los Angeles and continue the work that the first group started."

Gary Smith, supervisor for the job, told Keirns that the students had got into the rhythm of the work and were putting in lots of hours.

Nortel is paying all travel and lodging expenses for the students and supplying them with pickups to drive and laptop computers during the work program.