

weather report

81°
at noon



Today

- Sunset, 7:37 p.m.
- Tomorrow
- Sunrise, 6:05 a.m.
- Sunset, 7:35 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 75 degrees
- Humidity 52 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds southeast at 12
- Barometer 30.11 inches and falling
- Record High 104° (1987)
- Record Low 47° (1950)

Last 24 Hours*

High 88°
Low 56°
Precipitation .09 inch

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: mostly cloudy, a 30 percent of thunderstorms, low 60 to 65, south winds 5 to 15 mph.
Saturday: partly sunny, high near 90, southeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Extended Forecast

Sunday through Tuesday: chance of thunderstorms, lows near 60, highs near 90 to 95.
(National Weather Service)
Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz.
* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets



Noon

Wheat — \$2.23 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.19
Loan deficiency payment — .26¢
Corn — \$1.60 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.68
Loan deficiency pmt. — .31¢
Milo — \$2.50 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$4.06 bushel
Posted county price — \$3.99
Loan deficiency payment — .90¢
Millet — \$4 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$6.85 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$2.87
Oil new crop — \$6.75 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.

Two rescued as hopes dim

ISTANBUL — Rescuers pulled two children barely alive out of the rubble of Turkey's devastating earthquake today, while the government admitted that the lack of water and sweltering heat made chances of survival slim for the up to 35,000 people still believed trapped under debris.
The death toll surged to 10,059 dead, and more than 45,000 were injured, the government said.
People trapped in such situations usually die of dehydration after 72 hours. But hope was not gone yet.
Hungarian specialists with sniffer dogs pinpointed the spot where a little girl was trapped after emergency workers heard a voice under a collapsed house in the hard-hit Izmit region.
After five hours of digging, the girl was pulled out, frail, thin and barely moving, to cheers from the gathered crowd.

Legislature may require evolution education

TOPEKA (AP) — House Appropriations Chairman David Adkins says he's considering legislation requiring high school students entering state universities to have studied the theory of evolution.

"This may be a back-door way for the Legislature to create a requirement," Adkins, R-Leawood, said Thursday. "I'm not saying it's the best idea, but it's an idea."

In the fall of 2001, a new admissions policy takes effect at the six Board of Regents universities. It encourages students to take a set of specific courses, including English, mathematics, social studies, natural sciences and computer technology.

If high school students finish the courses with a 2.0 grade-point average on a 4.0-point scale, they are eligible for admission to any state university.

Adkins said he wants to add a requirement "to complete a science curriculum that includes the teaching of evolution."

He said the Legislature can't dictate to the Board of Regents what should be taught on the campuses, but his proposal addresses only admission requirements.

"We do have the ability to determine the standards by which students will be qualified for admission to a regents university," Adkins said. "The Legislature could consider it as a way to protect the academic viability of Kansas students."

Last week, the state Board of Education approved new science testing standards and gave local school boards more leeway to decide what to teach about how humans and other animals evolved. Old guidelines said students should learn evolution before they graduate from high school.

The new standards will be used to develop statewide tests given students in spring 2001. Supporters say the change doesn't mean teaching of evolution will be banned in Kansas schools.

Board Chairwoman Linda Holloway of Shawnee was not available for comment Thursday. She left a message on her answering machine that she would be out of town until Monday.

Adkins' proposal drew immediate support from House Education Chairman Ralph Tanner, whose committee would handle such legislation.

"That is fine with me ... I would sign

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Music teacher to be hired Monday night

The Goodland School Board is expected to approve the hiring of a music instructor, and hear about the loss of another faculty member, at its regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the district office.

Superintendent Marvin Selby said the district has hired Paul Garrison, who has a doctorate in music, as an instrumental music instructor. Garrison has been director of the music program for the Durant, Okla., Methodist Church.

"We feel fortunate to get him," said Selby.

He said that Sharon Halligan, facilitator of the gifted program, had resigned this week. Selby said that the district has some people who could possibly fill the position, but that it might be a tough time to be hiring someone.

He will update the board on the building project at Max Jones Fieldhouse and will also have information about fall enrollment.

Karla Murray, technology director for the district, will outline the technology plan for the school year.

Casey Campbell will speak to the board about a proposed project to earn his Eagle Scout rank.

The board will give an oral evaluation of the superintendent.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, Sept. 13, at the district office.

In honor of a Cowboy supporter



Dale Murphy (standing) and Kenny Bennetts from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Chuck Lutters, head of maintenance for the Goodland School District, finished the concrete this morning for flagpole memorial for Harley W. Whisnant. "Harley ran the color guard for 40 years," said Murphy. He said the veterans have been caring for the flag at the school since 1953. Lutters said, "I hope that people understand and appreciate the dedication of the VFW and color guard, and all they do."

Photo by Charlie Baker/The Goodland Daily News

Selby stands out as new county attorney

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News

Among all the men, Bonnie Selby stands out as the only woman lawyer in Goodland. Now she has the distinction of being the first female Sherman County attorney.

Selby actually started in that position on July 17, when she became the assistant county attorney after Mike Irvin resigned to take a job as city manager in St. Mary's. On July 29 her name was officially submitted to the governor by the Sherman County Republican Central Committee, but Selby's certificate of appointment didn't arrive from Topeka until Thursday afternoon.

Before taking on her new job, Selby had talked with Irvin about sharing the responsibilities of county attorney. Irvin would have done the management and she would have done the prosecution. But that plan never became a reality, because of Irvin's resignation earlier this summer.

In her new job, she is focused mainly on the prosecution of county cases, although she has met with the county commissioners to give them legal advice.

So far, she has had no trials or preliminary hearings. Most of the court work has been on cases that were pending. Selby said she has filed charges in a few cases, but nothing has come to a preliminary hearing stage yet.

Rather than immediately filing charges in every case, Selby said, her idea is to try to look for alternative ways of solving situations.

"So that it's better for everyone involved, rather than focusing on a negative aspect," she said.

With someone who has gotten into trouble, she said, she can try it that way for awhile, and if it doesn't work, then she can always fall back on harsher methods.

Though Selby has been living in Goodland for the past five years, she is not new to this area. Her parents, Clayton and Reba Raile, were natives of St. Francis. Selby lived in Goodland when she was about 2 years old, moving here from Baltimore, where she was born. She attended kindergarten and first grade here before moving to Wray, Colo.

Selby's family later moved from Wray to Colby and eventually



County Attorney Bonnie Selby has been working on her new office. She said she has painted, brought in some plants, plaques, and posters to make it more comfortable, since she will be spending so much time there.

Photo by Charlie Baker/The Goodland Daily News.

Scottsbluff, Neb., where she graduated from high school. She then went on to graduate from Kansas State University in Manhattan. After college, Selby got married, moved to Colby and raised a family. She has two grown sons.

It was after her sons were raised that she went to law school. First she went to Colby Community College for her associate's degree, then Fort Hays State University for second undergraduate degree. From Hays she went on to the

Washburn University Law School in Topeka, and received her juris doctorate in 1990, after attending the law school for two and a half years.

In her spare time, which she doesn't have as much of these days, Selby said she enjoys reading and playing golf and tennis. Basically, she likes outdoor things.

Selby said she loves to read.

"Specifically not law books," she said. "John Grisham is good. A little

lighter reading is good."

Golf is something that she and her husband, Marvin, superintendent of schools in Goodland, enjoy doing together, but tennis is her favorite pastime. She played in early mornings with several women from Goodland, for the past few years, but said she has had to give it up lately because of being so busy.

She has been reorganizing the county attorney's office at the courthouse. She said that everyone has their own managerial style.

"It's just in the last week or two, it's coming together," Selby said.

Before becoming county attorney, Selby had a law practice which she operated out of her home, and she continues to do so. She said she does mediation, bankruptcy cases and work for some of her long-term clients. But of course, she cannot handle any cases which would be in conflict with the county attorney's office.

About the county attorney's job, Selby said, "it's self-satisfying."

City pool closes Sunday

Because of a lack of life guards, most of whom have gone back to school, the Goodland municipal pool will close for the season after Sunday.

The pool will be open from 1:30 to 5:30 and will have evening swim from 6:30-8:30 on Saturday and 1:30-5:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Dennis Daise, director of City-County Recreation, said the pool temperature is averaging between 76-78 degrees, even without heat from the city power plant, and that is just about right.