

weather report

61°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 6:57 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 6:29 a.m.

• Sunset, 6:55 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 66 degrees
- Humidity 67 percent
- Sky mostly cloudy
- Winds southeast at 20 mph
- Barometer 30.21 inches and falling

• Record High 99° (1955)

• Record Low 34° (1951)

Last 24 Hours*

High 72°

Low 42°

Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: mostly cloudy, 40 percent chance of thunderstorms, low in the upper 40s, southeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

Tomorrow: mostly cloudy, 50 percent chance of thunderstorms, low near 50, high near 70, southeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Extended Forecast

Friday through Saturday: dry, lows near 45, highs near 80.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

Recycling begins on K-27

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

Signs are going up at the Caruso bridge on old U.S. 24 three miles west of Goodland, and demolition of the old structure is expected to begin by the end of this week, Sherman County Public Works Director Curt Way told the county commissioners Tuesday.

The bridge replacement is expected to take about 90 working days, and while the road is closed, traffic will have to use Eighth Street to County Road 14.

Commissioner Gary Townsend said it was good that the county was able to get the bypass chip sealed before the project begins, but thinks the timing is not the greatest because of the beginning of the fall harvest.

Way said Dustrol, the Wichita-area contractor which is doing the county's resurfacing work, is bringing its equipment in for the hot in-place recycling of K-27 north of town this week. (The firm began work north of the airport this morning.)

Way and Sheriff Doug Whitson were at the meeting to discuss the current practice of having the county shop do all the oil changes on county vehicles. Way said there are times when it is difficult to have a road and bridge employee take the time to do an oil change and also that it is more expensive than going to a service station.

Commissioner Kenny Davis asked what it costs to have the county do an oil change versus one of the private shops.

Way said the county has been charging \$30 for each oil change based on a chart established several years ago which includes the oil, filter and the labor. Both Way and Sheriff Whitson

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Getting good height on a return



Teneile Lovelace (foreground) prepares to return the ball to Scott City in the Cowgirl's victory Tuesday night at Max Jones Fieldhouse. Goodland lost the first game 11-15, but won the next two 15-10, and 15-2.

They also beat Lakin and Leoti each in two. For a story and another photo, see Page 8.

Photo by Charlie Baker/The Goodland Daily News

Hurricane Floyd moves along Atlantic coast

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (AP) — More coastal residents fled inland today as Hurricane Floyd — somewhat weakened but still fearsome — thrashed along the southern Atlantic coast, pounding beaches with heavy surf and ripping down tree limbs and power lines.

Myrtle Beach and Jacksonville, Fla., were virtual ghost towns today, and traffic jams clogged highways around Wilmington, N.C. North Carolina's Outer Banks were ordered evacuated today for the second time this month.

"We hope and pray for the best," North Carolina Gov. Jim Hunt said. "But this looks real mean."

Thousands of Florida residents were without power, but that state escaped the worst as Floyd swung northward.

The storm weakened slightly today to a Category 3 storm, with sustained wind blowing at 125 mph instead of the peak of nearly 155 mph when it battered

the Bahamas. The enormous storm spread rain along the coast from Florida to Connecticut, and heavy surf advisories were posted as far north as Massachusetts' Cape Cod.

Landfall was forecast late tonight or early Thursday somewhere in the area of Myrtle Beach and Wilmington, N.C. From there, the storm was expected to weaken but make life miserable all the way up the coast toward Canada's New Brunswick.

More than 2 million people had been told to leave coastal sections of Florida, Georgia and South Carolina on Tuesday, and many more people joined the exodus today in North Carolina.

A citywide curfew was set for 3 p.m. today in Myrtle Beach, spokesman Mark Kruea said. Violators would get a warning, then a ticket, and would be arrested if they still disobeyed, he said.

"We don't need to be worrying about them and we don't need them out in the

weather," Kruea said.

In Beaufort County, at South Carolina's southern tip, about 90 percent of the nearly 120,000 residents had cleared out, emergency operations officials estimated. "It's like a tomb out here now," said Bud Boyne, the county's emergency operations center spokesman.

Jacksonville, Fla., a city of 1 million, also looked deserted today with funnel clouds visible and dark clouds circling overhead. Surf crashed onto city streets in Jacksonville Beach and nearby Flagler County closed a seaside highway because of waves.

Officials in North Carolina issued an evacuation order today for the barrier islands outside Wilmington. Dare County up the coast issued a mandatory evacuation order for the Outer Banks, the fragile islands that were battered by Hurricane Dennis last week.

Traffic ground to a halt in massive

jams on Interstate 40 and other highways leading inland from Wilmington, where heavy rain flooded streets.

A tornado touched down in a rural area north of Wilmington today without causing damage.

Three years ago, Hurricane Fran caused about \$6 billion in damage when it blew ashore at Wilmington and raced along Interstate 40 into Raleigh.

Although Floyd stayed off Florida's Atlantic coast during the night, parts of the state were raked by gusts to 76 mph at Cape Canaveral and 69 mph in Daytona Beach. Snapped tree limbs and power lines left more than 100,000 people without electricity today. A weather buoy more than 20 miles off Cape Canaveral measured a 54-foot wave as Floyd's eye passed over during the night.

Some 350 miles northeast of Jacksonville, eight people abandoned a sinking tugboat today, but it was not

clear if the weather was directly responsible for the ship taking on water. "Floyd did not help the situation," said Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer John Ware in Miami.

No significant damage was reported at the Kennedy Space Center. The complex was deserted except for 102 volunteers who stayed to ride out Floyd, which NASA feared could destroy launch pads and the hangars where the space shuttles are kept.

At 11 a.m. EDT, the storm's center was about 165 miles east-southeast of Jacksonville, or 260 miles south of Myrtle Beach, S.C. Floyd was moving north-northwest near 14 mph, and a turn to the north and increase in forward speed was expected later today.

A hurricane warning remained in effect from Titusville, Fla., near Cape Canaveral at the midpoint of Florida's

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Art selections on display for Flatlander silent auction

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News

As part of the Flatlander Fall Festival, the Goodland Arts Council is having a silent art auction to raise money for its programs and workshops.

Eighteen paintings donated to the council by Dr. Kenneth Austin are on display at Aten Department Store, Col-lage Ltd., Elliott's Furniture, Mr. Jim's His Shop and the old Schneider's building.

Each painting has a display number. Bidders must go to the Carnegie Arts Center to register their bid. No bids will be handled by stores displaying the art.

In addition, photographs of the paintings will be available at the Arts Center. Bids may be placed from now until 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25. There is no minimum bid, and there is no limit to how often bids may be placed. A person may bid as high and as often as he or she wishes.

The center, 120 W. 12th, is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 1-4 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.



Kathryn Craft looked at one of the 18 paintings which are in a silent auction to raise money for the Goodland Arts Council. This painting, on display at the old Schneider's building, was done by Carolyn Long.

Photo by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News

The highest bidders on each painting will be announced at 2 p.m. on Sept. 25 at the Goodland Arts Council's table on Main Street during the festival. Winners will be notified and may come to the Arts Center to claim their artwork(s). The center will be open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on the day of the festival.

Nearly all the paintings were done by former and present Goodland residents. The artists include Steve Peters, Sky Keith, Velma Pancake, Doug Huscher, Venita Webb, Randy Parks, Terry Peters, Rick Peters, Margaretha Tettero, Alan Kruse, Carolyn Long, Art Yearout and Kenny Sanderson.

Rebecca Downs, director-in-training at the center, said the council is trying to have more workshops during the fall and winter.

They are planning a stepping-stone mosaic class and a watercolor class, taught by Elwyn Vatcher, a local artist and council board member. They would also like to have another photography contest, as the first one was very successful, said Downs.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.21 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.28
Loan deficiency payment — .17¢
Corn — \$1.62 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.63
Loan deficiency pmt. — .36¢
Milo — \$2.27 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$4.04 bushel
Posted county price — \$4.22
Loan deficiency payment — .67¢
Millett — \$3.80 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$6.45 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$2.91
Oil new crop — \$6.45 cwt.
Confection current — ask
Pinto beans — \$18 (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.

Gunfire echoes heard in capital

DILI, Indonesia — Houses burned and sporadic gunfire echoed in East Timor's capital today, while violent pro-Indonesian militiamen appeared to be retreating ahead of a U.N. peacekeeping force that could arrive within days.

Tens of thousands of refugees waited for airdrops of food, expected to begin Thursday. Hundreds of families were forced from their homes in Dili, the provincial capital, by army-backed militias and don't have access to proper food or clean water.

"Dili is empty now. There are only ghosts of massacres," East Timorese rebel leader Jose Alexandre "Xanana" Gusmao said in Jakarta, the Indonesian capital. Gusmao, expected to be the first president of an independent East Timor, is living in the British Embassy in Jakarta until it is safe to return home.