

weather report

88°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 6:14 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 6:55 a.m.

• Sunset, 6:13 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 60 degrees
- Humidity 13 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds north at 14 mph
- Barometer 30.01 inches and falling
- Record High 94° (1975)
- Record Low 25° (1986)

Last 24 Hours*

High 85°
Low 13°
Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: partly cloudy, low near 40, north winds 10 to 20 mph.

Wednesday: partly cloudy, high near 70, northeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Extended Forecast

Thursday: dry, low near 45, high near 80.

Friday: dry, low near 45, high near 65.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

- Wheat — \$2.08 bushel
Posted county price — \$2
Loan deficiency payment — .45¢
 - Corn — \$1.51 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.48
Loan deficiency pmt. — .51¢
 - Milo — \$2.20 hundredweight
 - Soybeans — \$4.24 bushel
Posted county price — \$4.03
Loan deficiency payment — .86¢
 - Millet — \$3.80 hundredweight
 - Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$6.15 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$3.64
Oil new crop — \$6.15 cwt.
Confection current — \$9 cwt.
 - Pinto beans — \$15 (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.

Dutchmen win a Nobel

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Dutch scientists Gerardus 't Hooft and Martinus J.G. Veltman won the 1999 Nobel Prize for physics today for their theoretical work on the structure and motion of subatomic particles.

The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences said the two men had "placed particle physics theory on a firmer mathematical foundation." It was the fifth time the physics prize had been awarded in the field of particle physics.

"They have in particular shown how the theory may be used for precise calculations of physical quantities," results that have been confirmed in accelerator laboratories in Europe and the United States, the academy said.

"This is the entire framework we (particle physicists) use when calculating. We'll get finite answers," a colleague said.

Group seeks place for big 'Sunflowers'

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

A group has been organized to support the project to bring the huge replica of Van Gogh's "Sunflowers" to Goodland as one of seven in the world, and a representative asked the city commission Monday to consider a long-term lease of a site for the project.

Darin Neufeld told the commission the group, Sunflowers U.S.A., has been organized to support community projects and the Van Gogh painting sculpture is the first effort the group has chosen to get behind.

The project was suggested last spring when the Chamber of Commerce was approached by an artist from Canada who is trying to create seven of the art pieces around the world. The first was done in Canada, one in Australia is nearing completion and the next is scheduled to begin in South Africa in the next few months, Neufeld said.

Along with the painting, which would rest on a 30-foot-by-35-foot easel, Neufeld said there would also be a gift shop selling international merchandise.

While Neufeld said the group has been orga-

nized, they have a long way to go to bring the project to fruition. His purpose was to alert the city about the effort, and to ask consideration later for leasing a site where the easel and painting could be erected.

One possible site suggested would mesh with a plan to relocate the High Plains Museum out to city property on Cherry Street near Business U.S. 24.

"I have no problem with granting a lease for a site," said Commissioner Curtis Hurd. "I just don't want to inherit (the sculpture)."

Neufeld said that would not be a problem, be-

cause the contract would be for a lease of at least 25 years, and the artist would be responsible for keeping the painting in shape for at least 10 years.

"He has said there would be a 25-year warranty on the painting, and that if it were to be removed for some reason, the property would revert to the city," Neufeld said.

The cost of the painting and easel is estimated to be \$130,000 and Neufeld said the group would be applying for grants and corporate sponsorship. If successful in raising the money, Neufeld said, the project could begin next summer.

Ready to jump and jive



The Jumping Juniors were caught laying down on the job Friday. The group provided entertainment during halftime at Friday's homecoming game, and jumped around on the sidelines during the game. Photo by Tom Betz/The Goodland Daily News

Fieldhouse could get better sound reduction

By Charlie Baker

The Goodland Daily News

The Max Jones Fieldhouse addition may end up with a better sound reducing ceiling than the district contracted for, Architect Glen Strait told the Goodland School Board on Monday.

At a meeting Monday night at the district office, Strait presented plans to remedy the noise problem in the new gymnasium caused by the wrong material being sent.

The material that was sent was not perforated. The smooth surface actually reflects the sound waves rather than absorbing them. Vulcraft, the company that manufactured the steel deck, has admitted sending the wrong material and will have to pay for any extra costs.

Strait assured the board that the solution will not cost the district any extra money, but will cost additional time. The situation is complicated because of the timing of the project. If the district decided to have the wrong ceiling panels removed, sent back to the manufacturer, and then waited for the correct material to be sent and installed, he said, it would cause a significant delay in the completion of the building.

Strait said he has tried to find a solution that will meet or exceed the original acoustic specifications, but will not cause too much of a delay.

His proposal is to install 250 acoustical baffles mounted to the bottom of the steel roof. The baffles have a greater sound absorbing quality than the original perforated deck, but will only cover a portion of the ceiling.

overall performance of the proposed system because there are many aspects that affect it.

The board voted to give Superintendent Marvin Selby authority to accept any proposal that Strait Associates offers, as long as it meets or exceeds the original acoustic specifications in the plans for the fieldhouse.

Strait said that he is very pleased with the other work going on at the addition.

"We are ending up with pretty darn good block work," he said. "It really looks good."

The board voted to continue the Capital Outlay property tax levy, which was set to expire this year. The resolution allows the district to raise up to 4 mills in property taxes for up to five years.

Selby said the state has removed the four mill cap, and district could raise the

tax to any level, however, he suggested that the board keep the 4 mill limit.

North elementary Principal Steve Raymer said they have scheduled to bring Ronald McDonald in to present his "Amazing Thinking Machine" program on Nov. 8, to tell kids about the dangers of drugs.

Raymer said Paul Nelson, owner of

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Starting work on senior complex



Bill Branch, Castle Rock, Colo., ran the backhoe at the construction site of Wheatridge Acres last week as work began on the assisted-living center. The project is being built by Goodland Assisted Living, L.L.C. Photo by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News

Players party off the team

By Charlie Baker

The Goodland Daily News

The Goodland High football team will be short five players this week after police broke up a party Saturday night and arrested several minors with alcohol.

Police Chief Ray Smeed said officers were called to a disturbance at a Goodland residence and discovered the minors drinking. The juveniles were held until their parents could take custody.

The county attorney's office said they have not received the report from the officer yet, and that no charges have been filed at this point.

Five of the juveniles were on the football team, Superintendent Marvin Selby told the Goodland School Board on Monday. Two of the five caught had been involved in an alleged shoplifting incident last month, said Principal Harvey Swager. Because they had been disciplined once already this season, those two have been thrown off from the team.

Mr. Swager said another of the students involved has not been in any previous trouble, and is eligible to return after being disciplined. However, his parents have decided to not allow the player to return to the team.

The other two, both junior varsity players, may return to the team if they admit their involvement, and accept the school's alcohol policy procedure, Swager said. That means they will have to sit out the next game, and also attending alcohol counseling.

There were other students at the party, and they will also have to fulfill the alcohol policy procedure, Swager said, as well as face any charges the county attorney may file.

Army rules in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif and his Cabinet have been dismissed, army-controlled television said today. Troops took control of airports and government buildings throughout the country.

A message scrolled across the television screen announcing that Sharif's government had been ousted. It said Gen. Pervaiz Musharraf, who had been fired hours before by Sharif, would address the nation in a broadcast speech.

In reaction to Musharraf's dismissal, troops quickly seized television and radio stations across the country, temporarily halting transmissions, and took over major airports.

Troops cordoned off Sharif in his residency in Islamabad, took over the houses of several other top ministers and seized other government buildings. Sharif fired Musharraf while the military leader was on a visit to Sri Lanka. Soon afterward, army personnel moved rapidly through the capital, seizing important buildings and putting state-run television off the air.

Musharraf flew back to Pakistan later in the day and was met by a large contingent of soldiers at the airport in the southern city of Karachi. He was seen leaving the airport, which was also closed by the military, accompanied by several jeeps filled with soldiers.

Musharraf was in the southern city of Karachi preparing to deliver his speech, the army information office said.