

**weather
report**

**78°
at noon**



Today

- Sunset, 5:53 p.m.
- Tomorrow**
- Sunrise, 7:09 a.m.
- Sunset, 5:52 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 55 degrees
- Humidity 12 percent
- Sky sunny
- Winds calm
- Barometer 30.12 inches and falling
- Record High 87° (1922)
- Record Low 20° (1936)

Last 24 Hours*

High	74°
Low	36°
Precipitation	none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: clear, low near 40, southwest winds 5 to 15 mph.
Wednesday: sunny, high near 75, east winds 5 to 15 mph.

Extended Forecast

Thursday through Saturday: dry, lows near 30, highs in the 60s.
(National Weather Service)
Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400.MHz.
* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

**local
markets**



Noon

- Wheat — \$2.07 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$2.09
 - Loan deficiency payment — 36¢
 - Corn — \$1.52 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$1.60
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — 39¢
 - Milo — \$2.21 hundredweight
 - Soybeans — \$3.92 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$3.91
 - Loan deficiency payment — 98¢
 - Millet — \$3.80 hundredweight
 - Sunflowers
 - Oil current crop — \$5.85 cwt.
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — \$3.79
 - Oil new crop — \$5.85 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.

**Work begins
at crash site**

MINA, S.D. — Investigators returned today to the site where a jet carrying golf champion Payne Stewart nose-dived into a field, taking samples of victims' remains but cautioning there would be no quick explanation why the plane flew pilotless for 1,400 miles.

Five others also were killed. A six-member National Transportation Safety Board team walked through the crash site Monday evening, hours after the Learjet crashed, and returned to the task today. They thought they had found the cockpit voice recorder, but they were wrong, board Vice Chairman Robert Francis said.

"It looks the aircraft was pretty much vertical when it hit the ground," he said. "The ground is soft, and it went in fairly deep. It's going to be a challenge, with the wreckage and sorting out what's there."

Balloons spread drug-free message

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News

Students and teachers at Grant Junior High are celebrating Red Ribbon Week, which encourages students to stay drug-free, through Friday by doing special activities each day.

The week officially started on Saturday. Monday was "Wear Red Day." A balloon launch was staged around 1 p.m. Each student wrote an anti-drug message and signed their name on an index card, which included the school's name and address, and attached it to red or white balloons. The balloons were printed with drug-free messages.

Cris Lovington, from the Regional Prevention Center in Goodland, spoke at a short assembly before the balloon release, explaining to the students what Red Ribbon Week was about. It was started after a young drug agent was brutally killed, she said. The red ribbons signify the promise to keep the United States drug free.

On Tuesday, the students planned to wear sunglasses for "Shade Out Drugs

Day." Wednesday, they can wear crazy socks for "Sock It to Drugs Day," Thursday is "Stomp Out Drugs Day," when they can wear boots or unique shoes. On Friday, students can wear a favorite hat for "Put a Cap on Drugs Day."

In addition, students were given red wrist bands that have been numbered on the inside. A daily drawing will be held during study hall to give away T-shirts with an anti-drug message on them, candy certificates or movie passes.

Serious talk about drugs is taking place this week during the students' home room time, and teachers are encouraged to incorporate anti-drug messages into classroom discussions this week.

"It is my hope... that we can demonstrate to our students that they have the strength within themselves to produce change and overcome negative situation, said counselor Sally Bruce." We need to be sending the message to them that they can successfully deal with challenges encountered every day."

Jazz band livens up school board meeting

By Charlie Baker

The Goodland Daily News

The Goodland School Board got jazzed up before they got down to business Monday.

The board meet in the band room at the high school to be entertained by the high school jazz band, directed by Tom Miles.

The band played "Tonight," "Funky Turtle," "I Remember Clifford," "Satin Doll," "Sunday Morning" and "L-O-V-E."

The jazz band has four students who have been chosen to play in the district jazz band concert Nov. 7 at Fort Hays State University.

Anna Hare, Scot Johnson, Nick Parker, and Darin Richardson were selected to participate in the concert, Miles said, after the students sent in audition tapes.

There were 44 tapes entered from across the district. The jazz band director from Fort Hays State chose 18 students to perform.

The students who participate in the district concert are then eligible to audition for the state jazz concert.

After the concert, the board moved to the cafeteria for its business meeting.

Brian Staats, a certified public accountant with Adams, Brown, Beran, and Ball, from Hays, presented his audit of the district's 1998-1999 fiscal report.

Staats said that the district administration and staff has done a good job with the budget and records.

Board President Dick Short asked if there was anything missing, and Staats replied he was not aware of anything that was worrisome or missing in the entire report.

Jerry Fairbanks, a Goodland parent, asked the board to consider starting a girls fast pitch softball team in the spring at Goodland High School.

Fairbanks pointed out that track is the only sport designated for girls in the spring. A girl may go out for a spot on the boys' golf or tennis teams, but they must compete with the boys, he said.

He added that because of the history of the Girls Fast Pitch Association League in Goodland, there are many talented and experienced girls ready to play on a school team.

Fairbanks said that he had talked with

No school Friday

The Goodland School Board voted unanimously to cancel classes Friday, so parents and fans could watch the Cowgirl volleyball team play in the state tournament in Salina.

The girls' first game will be at 7:30 a.m. Friday. Superintendent Marvin Selby said that some parents might want to attend the football game Thursday at Scott City, then go directly to Salina.

Board members pointed out that Friday was to be a half-day teacher work day anyway.



David Livengood, a 7th grader at Grant Junior High, carried a bunch of balloons for Red Ribbon Week, to distribute to students in his homeroom class.

Photo by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News



Seventh and eighth graders at Grant Junior High released their balloons with the student's name and anti-drug messages on them on Monday in celebration of Red Ribbon Week at the school. Organizers hope to receive return messages from where the balloons finally land. With the prevailing winds Monday the balloons headed southeast.

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