

weather
report

50°

at noon



Today

- Sunset, 5:49 p.m.
- Tomorrow**
- Sunrise, 7:13 a.m.
- Sunset, 5:48 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 53 degrees
- Humidity 68 percent
- Sky cloudy
- Winds north at 12 mph
- Barometer 29.92 inches and rising
- Record High 88° (1950)
- Record Low 13° (1991)

Last 24 Hours*

High	60°
Low	25°
Precipitation	none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: partly cloudy, low near 30, north winds 15 to 25 mph.
Saturday: mostly sunny, high near 55, northwest winds 15 to 25 mph.

Extended Forecast

Sunday: dry, low near 20, high near 70.
Monday: dry, low near 35, high near 70..

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local
markets



Noon

Wheat — \$2.11 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.06
Loan deficiency payment — 39¢
Corn — \$1.52 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.57
Loan deficiency prmt. — 42¢
Milo — \$2.21 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$3.93 bushel
Posted county price — \$3.87
Loan deficiency payment — 1.02¢
Millet — \$3.80 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$5.80 cwt.
Loan deficiency prmt. — \$3.85
Oil new crop — \$5.80 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.

Clinton wants records closed

WASHINGTON — President Clinton today proposed regulations to keep electronic medical records from the prying eyes of employers, marketers and others, and urged Congress to take further steps to safeguard patients' most sensitive information.

"Please help protect American families from new abuses of their privacy," Clinton said during an Oval Office ceremony. "Every American has a right to know his or her medical records are protected at all times from falling into the wrong hands."

Clinton's proposal would apply to all electronic medical records and to all health plans. He said the technology has been wrongfully exploited by employers and marketing firms with a scrutiny like that of Big Brother in George Orwell's futuristic novel, "1984."

Goodland being invaded by unidentified characters



Josh Doke, Edson, (right) and Spencer Windell, Kanorado, dressed up as an old man and woman for the Halloween party at Central Elementary school on Thursday. Jordan Albers (back) paraded for viewers in a pumpkin outfit. The boys are all fourth graders. Nick Sopris, a fourth grader at Central School, was dressed as a nerd for the Hallow-

een parade. Third and fourth graders paraded through the school and outside for interested viewers. The Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary annual Halloween costume contest will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Sherman Theatre.

Photos by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News



Cowgirls into finals!

By Charlie Baker

The Goodland Daily News

The second seed Goodland Cowgirls volleyball team is going to the finals in the state 4A tournament, and will face the first seed, Carbondale-Santa Fe Trail, in the semi-final match at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

The Cowgirls started the day by beating Towanda-Circle 15-8, 15-9. The Cowgirls then faced Rose Hill, who were the sixth seed in the tournament with a record of 21-11.

Goodland was up 8-1 in the first game before Rose Hill came back to beat Goodland 15-13. The Cowgirls then lost the second game 15-6.

Goodland faced Sabetha as their final opponent of the day, who were the third seed of the tournament with a record of 28-5.

The Cowgirls won the first game 15-10. Sabetha would not give up, coming back to beat Goodland 15-8 in the second game.

The third game was a close battle until the end, with the Cowgirls winning 15-12, and advancing to the finals tomorrow.

Goodland will go as the second place winner from pool II, and will face the first place team from pool I.

Goodland will have to beat Carbondale-Santa Fe Trail, the first seed in the tournament with a record of 38-1, to make it to the championship match.

Rose Hill, the first place winner from pool II, will face Osawatomie, who were seeded fourth in the tournament with a record of 30-6.

The two winners will face each other in the championship match, and the two losing teams will play for the third place distinction.

The Cowgirls will play at 9 a.m. on court A of the Bicentennial Center in Salina.

City awarded grant for van

The City of Goodland has received word the state has approved a matching grant for a new van to replace the current vehicle which is used for public transportation within the city.

City Clerk Mary Volk said the commissioners will be asked to accept the grant at Monday's regular meeting. She said the grant was from 1998, and the city's portion of the cost would be about \$8,000. The total cost of the van is expected to be about \$36,000.

The van is used mainly for senior citizen transportation, but Volk said it is available for anyone within the city.

The commissioners will consider approval of the annual contract with the Library Board and Sherman County. Volk said the city annually has a contract which allows all Sherman County citizens to use the library. The city levies money for operating the library, and Sherman County pays \$12,000 on behalf of the county citizens.

Commissioners will consider a resolution which says the city has com-

pleted the purchase of the right of way and moving of the utilities for the Cherry Street project. Volk said the city has completed this portion of this project which is expected to be let for bid by the Kansas Department of Transportation early next year.

John Bateman has asked the city to rezone the vacant lots behind Bateman Funeral Home at the corner of 12th Street and Broadway from commercial to residential, and the commissioners will consider an ordinance for this rezoning.

Goodland Police Chief Raymond Smee will talk to the commissioners about starting a Law Enforcement Explorer Post. The Boy Scout troop would allow young people to learn about law enforcement as a career choice, the chief said.

The Goodland City Commission meets at 5 p.m. in the commission room upstairs in the Administration Building, 204 W. 11th.

Leaders split over keeping primary

By John Hanna

Associated Press Writer

TOPEKA (AP) — Legislative leaders are divided over whether they want the state to spend \$1.6 million on a presidential primary when Kansas faces budget problems.

If legislators don't appropriate the money and the election is held as scheduled April 4, counties would pay the costs. Canceling the primary would force both the Democratic and Republican parties to have caucuses at their own expense.

Some state officials question whether the money could be better spent in a tight budget, especially because Kansas' primary is relatively late.

"In the scheme of things, when we look at the state budget, my question is, is this something we can afford to do?" Senate Minority Leader Anthony Hensley, D-Topeka, said Thursday.

But some legislators see the primary as worth the cost.

"The \$1.6 million is a small price to pay for people having an opportunity

to express their opinions about who's going to be sitting in the highest office in the land," said Senate President Dick Bond, R-Overland Park.

The state finished its 1999 fiscal year on June 30 with \$73.4 million less than expected. Gov. Bill Graves already has proposed more than \$43 million in cuts to the current budget, and his administration expects to consider deeper cuts for the state's 2001 budget year, which begins July 1, 2000.

Although Secretary of State Ron Thornburgh's office is preparing for the primary, Graves has not decided whether to put the money for it in his proposed budget.

Sen. Dave Kerr, R-Hutchinson, chairman of the Senate budget committee, is not ready to commit to canceling the primary, but he said, "It's worthy of discussion because it is expensive."

"I'm not for meaningless expenditures," he said.

House Speaker Robin Jennison, R-Healy, said he prefers having presidential caucuses but thinks if the state can-

cel its primary next year, it will lessen its chances of influencing the presidential nominating process.

And House Minority Leader Jim Garner, D-Coffeyville, said, "Democracy is a good thing."

The Legislature appropriated money for the only other Kansas primaries in 1980 and 1992, on the theory that the state scheduled the election and should not force counties to pay for it. Legislators still don't like the idea of burdening counties with the costs — and facing the political heat for doing so in an election year.

In 1996, Kansas canceled its scheduled presidential primary to save money because at the time there seemed little doubt that President Clinton would be re-nominated by Democrats and Bob Dole would be nominated by the GOP.

Instead, the parties caucused, as they had in the past. Typically, only a few thousand Kansans participate. More than 373,000 Kansans voted in the 1992 primary election.

Letter to abolitionist highlights collection

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — As abolitionist John Brown sat in jail awaiting execution in 1859, he received a letter from Mahalia Doyle, a settler who had begged him to spare her youngest son's life during the violence of "Bleeding Kansas" four years earlier.

Brown let her son live, but his band killed her husband and two of their older sons, and it was those killings that she re-

called in detail.

With Brown sentenced to hang for treason for his failed raid on the federal arsenal at Harper's Ferry, Mrs. Doyle told him how happy she was he had been stopped in his "fiendish career." If the son Brown had spared could have his wish, she said, he would tie the noose around Brown's neck.

The letter is part of the collection of the

I-70 ramps open Saturday

The south ramps to I-70 at the west Goodland exit (17) are expected to open Saturday said Kansas Department of Transportation Construction Engineer Donna Binning of Atwood.

"Due to the construction progress along the Interstate, we expect to have everything open to unrestricted, four-lane traffic by Saturday, Nov. 6," Binning said.

Next spring, work will resume on I-70 eastbound, "So people should anticipate head-to-head traffic along approximately six miles stretch east of Goodland as the contractor completes this concrete construction phase," said

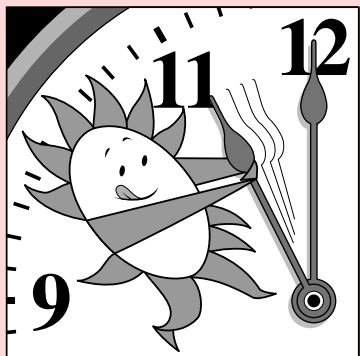
Chriss McDiffett, district engineer.

Koss Construction is the prime contractor on this Interstate 70 project.

The spot replacement project from Goodland to the state line should be completed by today, Binning said. In the spring, a slurry seal will be applied to the main surface and a different type seal on the shoulders. Permanent pavement markers will also be installed.

"All this work is intended to maintain the roadway for traffic and preserve the highway surface until a major reconstruction can be scheduled," Binning said.

Fall back time!



Daylight Savings time ends at 2 a.m. Sunday. Remember to change your clocks on Saturday to avoid being late on Sunday morning.