

weather  
report

63°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 5:21 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 6:39 a.m.

• Sunset, 5:22 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 33 degrees

• Humidity 22 percent

• Sky mostly sunny

• Winds south 13 mph

• Barometer 29.82 inches

and falling

• Record High 72° (1967)

• Record Low -08° (1936)

Last 24 Hours\*

High 38°

Low 21°

Precipitation trace

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Partly cloudy; low 30; winds southwest 15-25 mph. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy; dry; high 60-65; winds northwest 20-30 mph; low 15-25.

Extended Forecast

Wednesday through Friday. Wednesday: chance of rain or snow; high 35-45; low 15-25. Thursday: dry; high 30s; low 15-25. Friday: chance of rain or snow; high 35-45; low 20s. (National Weather Service)

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\* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local  
markets



Noon

Wheat — \$2.36 bushel

Posted county price — \$2.30

Loan deficiency payment — 15¢

Corn — \$1.76 bushel

Posted county price — \$1.87

Loan deficiency payment — 12¢

Milo — \$2.72 hundredweight

Soybeans — \$4.25 bushel

Posted county price — \$4.30

Loan deficiency payment — 59¢

Millet — \$3.80 hundredweight

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$5.80 cwt.

Loan deficiency prnt. — \$3.80

Confection current — \$13/\$8 cwt.

Pinto beans — \$12 (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.

Tornadoes kill  
22 in Georgia

CAMILLA, Ga. — Tornadoes slashed through southwest Georgia early today, killing at least 22 people and injuring more than 100.

The Mitchell County town of Camilla appeared to be hardest hit, with a tornado cutting a five-mile path through a housing development south of town.

“It’s like somebody took a bulldozer and leveled it,” volunteer firefighter Mikie Newsome said. He and his father had watched a large dark funnel cloud dip down about three miles from their house near Camilla, about 200 miles south of Atlanta.

Fourteen people died in Mitchell County, said Liz McQueen, a Red Cross representative working at a temporary morgue in Camilla. Seven were confirmed dead in Grady County and one in Colquitt County. Search and rescue teams went into the area to look for more.

Peanuts creator Schulz  
dies as last strip in paper

SANTA ROSA, Calif. (AP) — Monte Schulz, eldest son of the “Peanuts” creator, saw his father’s spirits sag as the cartoonist was forced to give up his beloved comic strip.

For the son, it was no coincidence that Charles Schulz’s last strip featuring Snoopy and the gang was published on the very day the artist died.

“He just didn’t seem all that willing ... to fight the colon cancer,” Monte Schulz said.

The diagnosis came in November, and the cartoonist announced plans to retire his strip a month later.

The 77-year-old cartoonist died in his sleep Saturday at home with his wife, Jeannie. The exact cause of death wasn’t known. A public memorial service was tentatively set for Feb. 21 in

Santa Rosa, the artist’s adopted hometown.

In addition to his wife and son Monte, Schulz is survived by son Craig and three daughters, Meredith Hodges, Amy Johnson and Jill Schulz Transki; two stepchildren and 18 grandchildren.

Schulz’s final strip showed Snoopy at his typewriter and other “Peanuts” regulars along with a “Dear Friends” letter thanking readers for their support.

“I think maybe he decided that his true passion was in the strip, and when that was gone, it was over,” Monte Schulz said. “He had done what he had wanted to do, and that was it for him ...”

Year after year in “Peanuts,” the long-suffering Charlie Brown faced misfortune with a mild, “Good grief!” Tart-tongued Lucy handed out advice

at a nickel a pop. And Snoopy, Charlie Brown’s wise-but-weird beagle, re-fought World War I atop his doghouse.

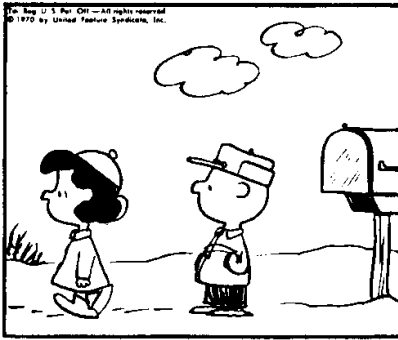
It was an intensely personal effort. While some cartoonists hire assistants, Schulz would have none of it, said Sergio Aragones, a longtime friend.

“He sat there and he drew,” he said.

Schulz was born in Minneapolis on Nov. 26, 1922, and was raised in St. Paul. He began studying art after he saw a “Do you like to draw?” ad. He was drafted into the Army in 1943 and sent to Europe, though he saw little combat.

After the war, his first feature, “Li’l Folks,” was developed for the St. Paul Pioneer Press in 1947.

In 1950, it was sold to a syndicate, and “Peanuts” made its official debut in seven newspapers on Oct. 2 of that



A favorite memory . . . Peanuts in History from Feb. 16, 1970

year. Eventually, it ran in more than 2,600 newspapers in 75 countries.

Only last Wednesday, Schulz spoke to local radio station about his retirement. He said he had had difficulty

speaking and seeing after suffering a series of strokes since November and couldn’t draw the way he used to.

“All of a sudden, one day, it’s taken. It’s gone. I can’t do it,” he said.

Blood drive set  
here for Tuesday

Topsiders are asked to respond to the call when the American Red Cross bloodmobile comes to Goodland from noon-6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 13th and Sherman.

“Busy schedules create problems for many blood donors,” said Dolly Irvin, blood drive chairman. “We hope those who are healthy enough will take time out to donate blood during the hectic and often inclement winter months. Every donation from our community helps to provide an adequate supply of blood to hospital patients in need.”

All types of blood are needed, but especially Type O, Irvin said. The most common of all types is O-positive, therefore, more patients are in need of it. In contrast, O-negative is a very rare type and can be given to almost any patient, regardless of their blood type. This can be help trauma patients in need of emergency blood transfusions.

Donors must be at least 17, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Bring photo identification. For information on donating blood, volunteering, or to schedule an appointment, call Irvin at (785) 899-2111.

Photo club plans  
seminar, new shoot

The Goodland Photography Club will be holding a workshop at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the basement of the Carnegie Arts Center for all those who enjoyed last summer’s “A Day in the Life of Sherman County” photo shoot contest.

Anyone interested in learning more about camera and photo techniques, or who wants to take pictures in the next round of shooting, should plan to attend. Please bring a manual or “point-and-shoot” 35mm camera.

There will be a 24-hour photo contest from midnight to midnight Wednesday, Feb. 23. Enrollment is limited to 60 people. Each participant will receive one roll of 24-exposure film, with

their choice of either color or black and white.

Twenty-four hours will be allowed to shoot the film in Sherman County and have it returned to the arts center. Subject matter is unlimited. The collected film will be processed and judged.

Another shooting day is planned for early summer. Selected photographs from both contest dates will be enlarged and displayed during the Flatlander Fall Festival in September. All winning photos will remain the property of the Goodland Arts Council.

The workshop and contest are open to all residents of Sherman County. There is no charge for participating. Some disposable point-and-shoot cameras will be available for children who wish to participate. Register at the arts center, 899-6442. This event is being sponsored by Rural Health Ventures and the club.

In connection with the contest, a workshop for fifth- and sixth-grade students will be held at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in the cafeteria at North Elementary. This is an opportunity for them to learn a new hobby, said Rebecca Downs, arts center director. Registration slips were handed out to each student and need to be returned today.

Sheriff asks  
for new car

Sheriff Doug Whitson is scheduled to present bids on a vehicle for the sheriff’s department Tuesday morning at the Sherman County commissioners’ regular weekly meeting.

Road and Bridge Director Curt Way will give options on the purchase, repair, or rental of a motor grader.

John Eisenbart, who has a contract with the county to haul trash to Garden City, will talk to the commission about an adjustment on fuel costs.

County Attorney Bonnie Selby is on the agenda to present the commissioners with the mutual aid agreements between area counties to provide assistance in the event of a disaster, if she has had time to prepare them.

Another matter will be a report from the county’s auditor, Mark Bauer, certified public accountant with Vonfeldt, Bauer, and Vonfeldt, about the organizations reporting the use of county money to the commission.

Kansas Blue Cross-Blue Shield Representative Charles Krull is scheduled to talk about the renewal of the county’s health insurance.

The meeting will begin at 8 a.m. in the commissioners’ meeting room.



Jedediah Snethen (center above) “drove” a car over a bridge during the fifth and sixth grade Bridge Fair Friday, while Kerek Mason (left) and Jeremy Hoffman (right) watched. The fair was held at North School by students of Norma Staker and Jona Neufeld, who built bridges as part of the Associated General Contractors Build-Up program. Neufeld is the science teacher for both classes, while Staker is the technology “coach.” Snethen (front at left) raised his bridge as classmate Aaron Duell prepared to show how a ship would fit under it. For the sixth-grade class, Snethen was an overall winner, while the other winners were Matt Rohr, Kaitlin Lee, and Kali Rietcheck. In the fifth grade, the overall winner was Stephanie Sheldon and others were John Mosbarger, Shandel Simon and Gena Overmiller.

By Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News

Two Columbine students found dead at shop

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — Two Columbine High students were found dead early today after a shooting at a sandwich shop about two blocks south of the school, still reeling from the worst school shooting in U.S. history.

Investigators could not offer a motive, but ruled out murder-suicide.

A woman who worked at the Subway shop was driving by just before 1 a.m. and noticed a light on inside. Since the business was supposed to be closed by 10 p.m., she stopped, went inside and found the bodies of a 15-year-old boy who worked there and a 16-year-old girl, Jefferson County sheriff’s spokesman Steve Davis said.

Davis said both victims, students at Columbine, suffered apparent gunshot

wounds, but could not say if the wounds were the cause of death. He did not know whether investigators had recovered a weapon.

Investigators were reviewing a videotape from a surveillance camera inside the restaurant but did not say what it showed.

The bodies of the victims were removed shortly after noon. Davis said autopsies would be done today or Tuesday.

The victims were identified as Nicholas Kunselman and Stephanie Hart, who were dating, according to Courtney Scott, an 18-year-old cousin of Hart’s.

Scott placed a heart-shaped bouquet of flowers with a banner reading, “I

love you,” outside the shop at midnight.

Her cousin was not at Columbine when two teen-age gunmen opened fire last year, she said. She thought Hart was at the Subway to see her boyfriend.

J.J. Hodack, a 22-year-old store employee, said Kunselman often was assigned to shut down the restaurant at closing time.

“Obviously, our boss trusted him. He’s a good worker,” he said.

Kunselman was likeable and outgoing, Hodack said, adding that they became instant friends.

Hodack said Hart often came by the store near closing time. He said it wasn’t unusual for employees to let friends or employees in after closing.

“I hope it was just a robbery,” Hodack said. “I’ve had way more than enough of this. This stuff needs to stop.”

The shop is in a small strip mall within sight of the school where two teen-age students killed 12 students and a teacher on April 20 and wounded more than two dozen others. The two, Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold, then committed suicide.

Columbine Principal Frank DeAngelis went to the scene early this morning and then went back to the school. DeAngelis would not comment. Classes were in session today.

Acquaintances of the victims, some crying, gathered nearby, where about one-third of the parking lot is cordoned off with yellow police tape.