

weather report

89°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 8:07 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:40 a.m.
• Sunset, 8:06 p.m.

Middy Conditions

• Soil Temperature 71 degrees
• Humidity 44 percent
• Sky mostly sunny
• Winds south 10 mph
• Barometer 29.98 inches
and falling

• Record High 110° (1940)
• Record Low 54° (1950)

Last 24 Hours*

High 89°
Low 63°
Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Mostly clear, low 60,
winds light. Tomorrow: Mostly sunny,
high 85-90, low 60, winds east 5-15
mph.

Extended Forecast

Wednesday: chance of thunder-
storms, high 90-95, low 60. Thurs-
day and Friday: high 90s, low 60s.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.37 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.22
Loan deficiency payment — 23¢
Corn — \$1.55 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.53
Loan deficiency pmt. — 46¢
Milo — \$2.04 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$3.77 bushel
Posted county price — \$4.09
Loan deficiency payment — 81¢
Millet — \$5.00 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$5.70 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$4.08
Confection current — \$13/\$7 cwt.
Pinto beans — \$12 (new crop)

(Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigo
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.

Bush has yet to pick vice

WASHINGTON — Former
Defense Secretary Dick Cheney
has told business associates there
is a good chance he will get the job
as George W. Bush's running
mate, but Bush aides caution that
the likely Republican presidential
nominee could still make "a sur-
prise pick."

With the GOP nominating con-
vention in Philadelphia opening in
a week, Texas Gov. Bush expects
to announce his decision soon.

Cheney, former Sen. John
Danforth of Missouri and perhaps
others are on Bush's short list, said
Republican officials.

In seclusion at his Texas ranch,
Bush tentatively planned to intro-
duce his running mate Tuesday.

Bush's silence on a day he had
promised to decide prompted
aides to caution. "Nobody has a
lock on the job," said a senior GOP
official.

Army band plays up thunderstorm

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

The Kansas Army National Guard Band played up a storm Thursday evening, performing for a crowd of over 100 at the Goodland High School auditorium while a thunderstorm dumped nearly an inch and a half of rain on the city.

The concert had been planned for Chambers Park, but weather predic- tions forced the move indoors. As the band played their opening number, "Salute to Kansas," a march by John Philip Sousa, the winds began to blow and the first drops of rain prompted people to close the north windows.

Through most of the concert, the thunderstorm kept up a lively accom- paniment to the rousing music with rain drops sheeting off the windows and lightning flashes punctuating the melo- dies like a strobe light. The conductor, Chief Warrant Officer Steven Evans, a music teacher from Spring Hill, said the band would take credit for the rain, but shouldn't be held responsible for any hail.

"It has rained everywhere we have played," he said, "but this is the first time we could say we played up a storm."

Goodland High School band direc- tor Tom Miles was guest conductor for one song, "March Grandioso" by Roland Seitz.

Later in the program, all those who had served in any branch of the service were recognized as the band played a medley of the service anthems.

Explaining an army band was more than just a marching band or a concert band, Conductor Evans turned the pro- gram over to the sub-groups of the band for a portion of the concert.

Those included "The Kansas Breeze," a jazz combo, a brass en-

semble, a woodwind chamber quintet, "The Regiment," a rock band and the "Kansas Jazz" band. Each played a se- lection to demonstrate the versatility of the members.

During a break, Evans presented Becky Downs, director of the Good- land Arts Center, a certificate of appre- ciation for the center for sponsoring the program. Downs thanked Evans and the band for their performance, and said the only downside to moving the con- cert to the high school was they had to cancel the ice cream.

Capt. Paul Gonzales, commander of the Goodland Kansas Army National Guard unit, presented awards to Sher- iff Doug Whitson and Northwest Kan- sas Technical School instructor Glenn Chase for their support as employers of guardsmen here.

The musical selections of the band covered a wide variety of types, and included a number of traditional patri- otic marches, and a salute to those who served and died in Vietnam called "Black Granite," which was written and conducted by Sergeant First Class Robert Ball, a music teacher from Overland Park, and a member of the band.

Other selections included "God Bless America," by Irvin Berlin; "Rus- sian Sailors' Dance" by Reinhold Moritsevich Gliere; "Music for a Festi- val," by Gordon Jacob; and more Sousa favorites, "Semper Fidelis," "The Thunderer," and as the finale, "Stars and Stripes Forever."

Evans told the crowd it was impor- tant to help the guard unit strive to at- tain a 100 percent manning level, and suggested there were sons, grandsons, friends or even the clerk at the con- venience store who might find it benefi- cial to check out the advantages of the Kansas Army National Guard.



Members of the clarinet section of the Kansas Army National Guard band played up a storm Thursday while thunder rolled outside the Goodland High School auditorium. Photo by Tom Betz / The Goodland Daily News

Former clerk filed for treasurer, but won't run

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News

The race for the Sherman County treasurer's job may not be much of a contest, as Democratic candidate Deedi Hoss says she isn't running anymore.

Hoss, who was running against in- cumbent Shelby Miller for the position, said when she filed that the job was an option for her. Since then, she said, she has taken a job an assistant manager at Wendy's in Goodland.

"I have recently been offered a posi- tion that I couldn't turn down," Hoss



said. "This position is in my chosen field of study and has been very reward-

ing to me. I am therefore de- clining to run an active cam- paign for this office."

Her name will still be on the Aug. 1 ballot, because she can't get it off at this point. She said she would like to thank the citizens of Sher- man County for their encour- agement and support to run for the office of county treas- urer.

Miller, 61, also a Democrat, is seek- ing reelection as county treasurer after



Shelby Miller

19 years in that position. Her slogan is, "It's still Miller time."

Miller said she did not wish to comment on Hoss, who formerly worked in her office as a clerk.

The treasurer was born in Bird City and lived there six years before moving to Goodland. Miller graduated from Goodland High School and went to one year of college at Kan- sas State University.

She said people should vote for her because she has experience.

"I would like another term," Miller said. "I would do my best."

Miller said she wouldn't change any- thing if she is reelected.

"It's business as usual," she said.

As for campaigning, Miller said she will do a couple of newspaper ads and send out door hangers.

Miller's husband, Dee, who is retired from the Federal Aviation Administra- tion, now farms some ground in Sher- man and Cheyenne counties.

Candidate feels for taxpayers

By Dana Sulsberger

The Goodland Daily News

Judy Siruta, running as a Republican for county clerk, says she would like to represent the taxpayer.

When asked why people should vote for her, she said the county is run with the taxpayer's money and she knows personally the sweat and tears that goes into each dollar taken for taxes.

She said she would like to encourage more cooperation between county government and the departments. In her campaign so far, Siruta said, she has distributed brochures.

Siruta was born in Benkelman, Neb.,



Judy Siruta

but has lived 18 years in the northeast- ern part of Sherman County.

Before that, she has owned and man- aged Metro Travel, a travel agency in Colorado for almost 30 years. She served as a spokesperson during the construction of Denver Inter- national Airport for the travel and tourism industry. She also served as secretary of a Kansas Motorcoach com- mittee in Topeka.

She and her husband Ken- neth have six children and six grandchildren.

Siruta attended Fort Hays State Uni- versity before marriage and Panhandle A & M after marriage.

Clerk wants to stay in office

By Dana Sulsberger

The Goodland Daily News

Janet Rumpel, who is running for reelection as county clerk as a Repub- lican, says she should be reelected be- cause of her experience.

"I have the knowledge of what it takes to do this job," said Rumpel, adding that she worked under the former county clerk before she was appointed to the job in 1989.

When asked what she would change with her next term, she said she would like to see more people familiar with what the clerk's office does and what services the



Janet Rumpel

Rumpel, 49, was born in Russell, but has lived in Sherman County 31 years.

She is involved in the Kansas County Clerks Association, the Northwest Kansas County Clerks Association, the

Kansas County Clerks manual committee and the scholarship committee.

She was a member of the Prairies Finance Council for three years, and is currently serving on the state County Clerks Association Election Committee.

She and her husband Alan have two sons, Scott Rumpel, 26, and Brian Rumpel, 24. She is a gradu- ate of Northwest Kansas Technical School with a degree in data process- ing and business and accounting.



A storm hit Sherman County Saturday afternoon, dropping hail from 1 to 1 1/2 inches in diameter. The farther west the more hail fell and the larger it was. The Sugar Hills Country Club golf course (above), three miles west of town, received heavier hail than in town. Some crops were damaged. I heard from several farmers there was severe damage, said Dennis Taylor of Frontier Equity Exchange, but I haven't had a chance to look. South of Goodland there were reports of baseball-sized hail. Photo by Marty Melia