

weather report

89°

at noon

Today

• Sunset, 8:05 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:43 a.m.

• Sunset, 8:04 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 81 degrees

• Humidity 40 percent

• Sky mostly sunny

• Winds east 7 mph

• Barometer 30.03 inches

and steady

• Record High 104° (1931)

• Record Low 51° (1950)

Last 24 Hours\*

High 95°

Low 64°

Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Partly cloudy, 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, low 60s, winds southeast 5-15 mph. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy, 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, high 80-85, low 60-65, northeast 10-20 mph.

Extended Forecast

Saturday: chance of thunderstorms, high mid 80s, low 60-65. Sunday and Monday: dry, high mid 80s, low 55-65.

(National Weather Service)

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\* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.37 bushel

Posted county price — \$2.16

Loan deficiency payment — 29¢

Corn — \$1.51 bushel

Posted county price — \$1.47

Loan deficiency pmt. — 52¢

Milo — \$1.98 hundredweight

Soybeans — \$3.73 bushel

Posted county price — \$3.59

Loan deficiency payment — 95¢

Millet — \$5.00 hundredweight

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$5.65 cwt.

Loan deficiency pmt. — \$4.08

Confection current — \$13/\$7 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.

Judge closes ‘Napster’ site

SAN FRANCISCO—It didn’t take long for the first howls of dissent over a federal court order that will likely shut down Napster Inc.’s wildly popular on-line song-sharing service at midnight Friday.

“What’s next ... shut down the free Internet?” one music fan wrote in a Napster chat room. Another, with the user name UnrEvil, wrote of record companies: “I’m never going to buy or listen to their music.”

Chief U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel granted the preliminary injunction Wednesday at the request of the Recording Industry Association of America, which sued Napster in December for copyright infringement.

The judge said Napster had the capability to police the unauthorized trade of copyrighted music through its system, but failed to do so.

# Senator attacks opponent’s support

By Rachel Miscall

The Goodland Daily News

The 40th District state Senate race came to a boil today as Sen. Stan Clark lashed out at a flier mailed by statewide supporters of his opponent.

The flier, mailed by two powerful statewide groups, is “very misleading and does not represent my views,” said Sen. Clark, “nor the best interests of our future.”

Sen. Clark, an Oakley Republican who has been in office for six years, said the flier says he does not support

schools and votes against bills that would give northwest Kansas districts more money. He says that’s not true, and the information the flier gives to support the statements is untrue.

Steve Mangan, a Tribune farmer who is seeking the 40th District seat against Clark in the Republican primary, said he has never seen the flier and was not part of gathering information for it. It was paid for by teacher and livestock groups who have been among Manan’s principal backers.

“I didn’t know about the flier,”



Sen. Stan Clark



Steve Mangan

Mangan, a Republican, said, “It was not run through our campaign and we have

no control over what’s put out there.”

He said the committees that paid for the fliers do not want Sen. Clark to remain in office because their members do not agree with his ideas.

“These two associations feel that their members’ philosophies do not line up with Clark’s philosophy,” he said.

The flier, which was paid for by the Kansas National Education Association Political Action Committee and the Kansas Livestock Association Political Action Committee, states, “Be Informed, Know the candidates’ posi-

tions.”

The return mailing address is, “The Kansas Livestock Association PAC, 6031 S. W. 37th, Topeka, KS. 66614.”

With the picture of a school building separating the text, the flier says in bold letters, “Steve Mangan’s priorities on education support our northwest Kansas schools.”

Next to that it says, again in bold letters, “Clark voted against supporting our northwest Kansas schools.”

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## Men held in cutting, gun threat

Police arrested a Goodland man late Tuesday night for allegedly threatening two other men with a gun during an argument over a women the men dated.

Officers were called out again early the next morning to the New Trail Motel, at the junction of I-70 and K-27, where a Oklahoma man allegedly stabbed a co-worker from Wichita.

First, Goodland Police arrested Davis Brinkerhoff, 23, at 10:25 p.m. Tuesday night for pointing a gun at James Baxter, 22, and Randy Decker, 24, who both live at 1605 Clark Avenue.

The police report said the incident stemmed from an argument over a mutual girlfriend between Brinkerhoff and one or both of the victims.

At 1:55 a.m. Wednesday morning, David McKinney, 30, Spiro, Okla., was arrested for stabbing James Powers, 35, Wichita, at the motel. Police reports said the incident stemmed from an argument between the men who work for an independent asphalt company that is in Goodland.

Police Chief Ray Smee said the men are not part of the crew that is doing repair work on I-70.

Chief Smee said Powers went to the Goodland Regional Medical Center, where he was treated.

Charges had not been filed Thursday on either case, but Brinkerhoff and McKinney were being held in the Sherman County Bastille.

## Judge overruled

TOPEKA (AP)—A state judge overstepped his authority by ordering the release of 71 Wichita municipal prisoners jailed for not paying fines, the Kansas Supreme Court said Wednesday.

At issue was whether Sedgwick County District Judge Paul Buchanan had jurisdiction to order the prisoners’ release on city charges in July 1998. In an opinion by Justice Bob Abbott, the court said he lacked that authority.

## Wheeling down



Riding a ramp, Frank Flores, 10, (left), Sarita Flores, 8, (center), and Ana Ledesma, 10, (right) sat on their skateboards Wednesday night while wheeling down a cement incline in front of Emmanuel Lutheran

Church in Goodland. Frank and Sarita are brother and sister, and Ledesma is a friend of theirs.

Photo by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News

# City warns of nitrate but replaces well

By Dana Sulsberger

The Goodland Daily News

The water in one of Goodland’s city wells is still contaminated by nitrate, a chemical harmful to babies, but the city hopes a replacement well about to come on line will provide clean, safe water.

In the meantime, the city has sent a notice to all water users warning of the danger as required by federal law. The city has known about the contamination

for several years.

The problem is in well No. 2, in Gulick Park behind the Sherman County courthouse. The well will be replaced as part of the city’s water improvement project, said City Manager Ron Pickman. The replacement well was drilled last month as part of the project before the contaminants were discovered in the old well.

It is hard to say, said Pickman,

whether the new well is also contaminated until test pumping is done on the well. The new well should be completed some time this month.

“It is difficult to locate where the contamination is coming from,” he said, “but we are looking into it now.”

Nitrate is used in fertilizers and is found in sewage and waste from humans and animals. Contamination can come from agricultural sources, includ-

ing feed lots and fertilizer, from lawn fertilizer or from sewage. It is especially harmful to children less than a year old because their digestive tracts contain bacteria which will turn the nitrate into nitrite. Nitrite then enters the blood and prevents the carry of oxygen.

Older children and adults naturally will produce an acid to kill of the bac-

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## A beautiful end to the day



Goodland was blessed with a beautiful sunset Tuesday night. This photo was taken a few miles south of town on K-27.

Photo by Rachel Miscall/The Goodland Daily News

## Food drive ‘a phoney’

Pat Jordan, coordinator of the Genesis Emergency Help organization, said a young man is knocking on doors in Goodland asking people to donate food for the Genesis food bank.

The problem is, Jordan said, the organization is not collecting food and doesn’t know who the young man is.

“The kid is telling people he’s collecting for Genesis,” she said, “but it’s not for us.

“We always have a big food drive around Christmas, but we’re not collecting for that now.”

Jordan said a woman who lives in the Rosewood Addition in northern Goodland called her after the young man knocked on her door. She was the only person who called, Jordan said, but she’s “a very reliable source.”

“I wanted to get the word out to the community,” she said. “If he is hungry, he can come here and we will feed him. I don’t like this underhanded method.”

She said she called the Goodland Police about the incident, and they said they would check on it.

Police Chief Ray Smee said Thursday that he hadn’t heard about the call, but there had been no legal action.