

weather
report

86°

at noon

Today

• Sunset, 7:57 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:50 a.m.

• Sunset, 7:56 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 81 degrees
- Humidity 44 percent
- Sky partly cloudy
- Winds southeast 7 mph
- Barometer 30.07 inches and falling
- Record High 110° (1947)
- Record Low 47° (1974)

Last 24 Hours*

High 94°
Low 63°
Precipitation 0.01 inch

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Partly cloudy, chance of thunderstorms, low mid 60s, winds 5-15 mph. Tomorrow: Mostly sunny, high 100-105, low 60-65, winds northwest 5-15 mph.

Extended Forecast

Sunday: chance of thunderstorms, high 90-95, low 60-65. Monday: dry, high 85-90, low 60s. Tuesday: chance of thunderstorms, high 90-95, low 60-65.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local
markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.29 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.08
Loan deficiency payment — 37¢
Corn — \$1.49 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.47
Loan deficiency pmt. — 52¢
Milo — \$1.94 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$3.61 bushel
Posted county price — \$3.80
Loan deficiency payment — \$1.10
Millet — \$5.00 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$5.60 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$4.06
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.

Candidates
off to battle

PHILADELPHIA — Opening a 95-day countdown to the election, Republicans George W. Bush and Dick Cheney charged side by side to Midwest battleground states Friday, pledging to “use these good times for great goals” if they succeed in winning the White House.

“We’re in for a tough campaign, but we know it and we’re ready,” Bush told party leaders at a rally the morning after the thunderous conclusion to the Republican convention that nominated him.

Later, at an airport departure rally, Bush thanked cheering supporters for their hospitality.

“We leave this city of brotherly love energized and united and focused on victory,” Bush said before he and Cheney left for Pittsburgh on a plane emblazoned with their names in giant letters.



Members
do pre-fair
activities

Dillon Trachsel, 8, (above) was one of dozens of members who gathered to clean the 4-H building at the fairgrounds Friday morning for the Northwest Kansas District Free Fair, which starts Monday. They spent hours scrubbing, sweeping, dusting and making repairs. Trachsel's job was to clean display cases. The night before, many of the same 4-Hers were at the Sherman Theatre putting on a fashion show for their parents. Rebecca Parton (left) strutted across the stage in an evening dress, while Chelsie Gausman (below) waited for her turn to model her new hat. The children either bought or made their outfits.

Photos by Rachel Miscall
The Goodland Daily News

4-H teaches kids fashion sense

By Rachel Miscall

The Goodland Daily News

Dressed in gowns, shorts, dresses, suits and hats, 4-Hers marched into the Sherman Theatre on Friday for the annual 4-H Public Style Revue.

After strutting their stuff on stage for an hour, the buymanship and clothing construction winners were awarded their ribbons and everyone walked out of the movie house looking more like fashion models than kids.

But the show has a serious purpose, said Roxanne Burda, Sherman County extension agent. Kids need to learn how to dress.

Showing up to a job interview dressed in jeans, a T-shirt and flip-flops isn't going to help you land a job. And it's not just knowing the type of clothes to wear, but knowing what colors and fabrics go together. A plaid tie and baby-blue, butterfly-collar, denim sports coat aren't going to impress an employer—or anyone of the



opposite sex, for that matter.

That's why Burda says the 4-H buymanship and clothing construction competitions—which are part of the Northwest Kansas District Free Fair—are important for the kids who participate.

“They are actually learning some very important life skills,” said the

agent, whose job is to organize projects and provide information related to Family and Consumer Sciences. “It's an opportunity for them to learn how to buy nice garments without spending a bunch of money.”

She said a sense of fashion will help

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Taxes won't rise
despite projects

By Dana Sulsberger

The Goodland Daily News

Despite the Steever Waterpark project and road and airport repairs scheduled for next year, Goodland city property tax rates will hold the line in the 2001 budget.

While taxpayers will not pay a higher mill levy on their property next year, the city expects to bring in \$17,394 over this year's projected property tax income because property valuation has risen in the city.

Property valuations are done by the county appraiser, taking into account real estate values and new buildings to the city. Then the city sets a budget, and the actual tax levy citizens will have to pay is figured from that.

The city mill levy actually will decrease by .2 of a mill, said Mary Volk, city clerk.

“Essentially it is staying the same,” she said. “A decrease that small doesn't amount to much.”

The City Commission will vote on the proposed budget at its next meeting at 5 p.m. Monday.

Steever Waterpark will add \$312,900 for the 2001 budget alone. The city will have to pay \$211,213,570 for the entire project.

The large project led to a \$116,233 increase in the amount budgeted in the general fund for 2001 over the \$2,678,203 that was actually spent this year.

Revenue from the water park next year estimated at \$45,000, will probably cover the cost of running the pool, employees and repairs, said City Manager Ron Pickman. He said the park may not ever make enough to pay for construction.

Included in the budget for the coming year are estimated payments on repairs that need to be done at the airport. Those include a plan to relocate the runway by closing 700 feet of the northwest end and adding 700 feet to the southeast end to keep aircraft away from traffic on North Caldwell.

Also included are plans to replace lights, extend the taxiway, and buy new snow removal equipment. The work is part of a grant being submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration for the upcoming year.

The city needs a 10 percent match to the \$2 million grant, said Pickman, which means they have to have the money budgeted up front before the

Officials
will vote
on budget

The Goodland City Commission plan to approve the 2001 budget at the regular meeting Monday.

The commission drafted the budget at a workshop two weeks ago. Monday, members will hold a public hearing on the budget.

Sunflower Electric representatives will meet with the commission to talk about purchasing “firm” power, said City Manager Ron Pickman. Right now the city doesn't have firm or uninterrupted power, which means if the company decides the power is needed elsewhere they can take it away.

“In the past, the cost was too high to get firm power,” said Pickman. “I think we are at a point now where we may be able to work something out with them.”

The commission will discuss ordinances to new statewide city code on traffic regulations and public offenses.

The city will look at modifications to the current tree and hedge fence regulations. The new tree regulation will say branches must be 14 feet from the street and 12 feet from the sidewalk for safety and visibility, said Pickman.

The hedge wall rule currently says a hedge wall can't go over the sidewalk. If the new law is adopted, it will add streets and alleys.

A vote will be taken on special-use permits for Bob and Mary Harkins, 815 Walnut Ave. for a home crafts business, Stuart and Kerry Basset at 1420 Walnut Ave. for a daycare center, and Shawn Jarmin, 724 Arcade Ave. for a dog grooming business.

federal administration will pay for the repairs.

In the special highway fund,

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I-70 eastbound lanes
will open on Monday

Traffic is expected to be turned on to the new eastbound lanes of I-70 between Goodland and Edson on Monday as the construction project winds down.

Donna Benning, project engineer for Kansas Department of Transportation from Atwood, said Koss Construction is completing the final phase of the job, with seeding and completion of the installation of the guard rails.

She said traffic is expected to turned

on to the eastbound lanes so there will not be any more head-to-head traffic.

However, the westbound lanes will continue to be one lane until permanent striping can be completed. Full use of both lanes is expected by the end of the week.

This completes the replacement of 10 miles of I-70 from Goodland to Edson, which has taken about two construction seasons.

Parade helper becomes
grand marshal at fair

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News

For years, Kenneth Dautel, 75, helped line up floats in the Sherman County fair parade, but this year, he will be riding one as grand marshal for the event.

Dautel, a retired auctioneer, said he was surprised to be chosen.

“I think it's a great honor,” he said.

He said he is looking forward to riding in the parade for a change, his wife Merna with him.

Dautel moved to rural Goodland in 1931, when he was 5. He grew up two miles south of where he and his wife

live today, five miles east of Goodland.

He graduated from the old Edson High

School and served in the U.S. Army for a little over two years. He recalled that after he came back to the United States, he rode from Fort Leavenworth to Goodland on a milk train.

He and Merna Berry were married in March 1947. They ran a gas station and lived in Edson then late in 1948, they moved to his parents' farm.

He worked Monday through Friday for five sale barns in Goodland, Colby, Colorado Springs, Denver and

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