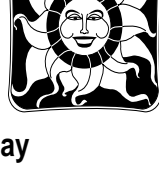


**weather report**

**97°**

at noon



**Today**

• Sunset, 8:11 p.m.

**Tomorrow**

• Sunrise, 5:35 a.m.  
• Sunset, 8:11 p.m.

**Midday Conditions**

- Soil Temperature 84 degrees
- Humidity 20 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds south 10 mpg
- Barometer 30.03 inches and falling

**Last 24 Hours\***

High 97°  
Low 64°  
Precipitation —

**Northwest Kansas Forecast**

Tonight: Clear, low upper 60s, south wind around 15 mph. Tomorrow: sunny, high 100-105, south wind 10-15 mph, low upper 60s.

**Extended Forecast**

Saturday: Clear, high near 100, becoming cloudy at night, low upper 60s. Sunday through Wednesday, partly cloudy, chance of thunderstorms, highs 90s on Sunday and Monday, highs upper 80s Tuesday and Wednesday.

(National Weather Service)

Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400.MHZ.

\* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

**local markets**

**Noon**

- Wheat — \$3.36 bushel
- Posted county price — \$3.30
- Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
- Corn — \$2.12 bushel
- Posted county price — \$2.07
- Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
- Milo — \$1.78 hundredweight
- Soybeans — \$5.13 bushel
- Posted county price — \$5.32
- Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
- Millet — \$4.75 hundredweight
- Sunflowers
- Oil current crop — \$11.75 cwt.
- Posted county price — \$11.00
- Nu Sun — \$11.90
- Confection current — inquire
- Pinto beans — \$27 (new crop)

**afternoon wire**

Late news from the Associated Press

**1 p.m.**

**Search on for girls' abductor**

STANTON, Calif. — As authorities searched for the man who snatched and murdered 5-year-old Samantha Rynnion, the sheriff issued a warning to the suspect: "Don't sleep, don't eat, because we're coming after you."

Orange County Sheriff Mike Carona said Wednesday that Samantha, whose body had been dumped in a ravine 50 miles from her home, was likely the victim of a serial rapist and serial killer.

The Sheriff's Department released a sketch and description of the kidnapper based on the account of a 5-year-old playmate who was with Samantha when she was kidnapped.

FBI agent Richard Garcia said the girl was able to identify speech patterns, and as a result, investigators believe the man is a Hispanic American. He was described as having slicked-back black hair.

## Officials may change parking limit

By Doug Stephens

The Goodland Daily News

Goodland City commissioners talked about easing parking restrictions on motorhomes Monday, but decided to look at the options before changing the law.

The commission passed a law last year which banned parking trailers, semi-trailers and recreational vehicles on city streets for more than two hours at a time.

Goodland resident Ron Barkley has showed up at several meetings to ask the commissioners to repeal the part about motor homes, and the city has gotten letters from the Family Motor Coach Association and one of Barkley's relatives saying that the ordinance is too restrictive.

The commissioners have looked at restrictions in other cities. In Hays and Hutchinson the limit is 48 hours, they said, and Salina allows no parking after dark.

Commissioner Rick Billinger said he thought two hours was too short a time, and he asked that the city write up an ordinance which would let recreational vehicles park on city streets for 48 hours.

City Manager Ron Pickman passed out a proposed ordinance written by Perry Warren, the city attorney.

Warren's idea was that people could get a permit from the police once a year to park on the street for 48 hours.

Billinger said he would like to allow 48 hours, but without having to get a permit. He made a

motion to approve motor home parking for 48 hours, and letting trailers sit for 24 hours. Commissioner Chuck Lutters initially seconded the motion, but withdrew it after discussion.

The commissioners talked about how hard it was to enforce the two-hour rule, and most agreed it would be just as hard with 48 hours. Pickman said the law had to be more specific if the commissioners wanted it to be obeyed.

"Are we talking about 48 hours in a week, a month, a year?" Pickman asked. "If the law is too vague or too lax, the police will have no way to enforce it, and they won't."

Pickman said the attorney put permits into the proposed law so he could keep track of who was allowed to park and where. Otherwise it would be

hard to prosecute, Pickman said.

"He recommended if we don't use permits, that the ordinance be repealed," Pickman said.

The commissioners said they needed to look at all the options before deciding.

Commissioner Dean Blume suggested the city adopt a "sunup to sundown" rule. Motor homes could park on the street during daylight, but would have to move when it starts getting dark.

"With this plan, there would be no problem figuring out if they are parked legally or not," Blume said. "If it's dark, they get a ticket."

Commissioner Curtis Hurd said people have told him they like the law the way it is.

"If we change to 48," Hurd said, "next week someone will be wanting 72."

## Painted face



Jace Mosburger, 11, got his face painted by Rebecca Gattshall, a Goodland High School senior, during a camp hosted by 4-H'ers today at the Sherman County fairgrounds. About 25 kids got to make differ-

ent craft projects, pet horses, pigs and a llama, and shoot rockets made from plastic bottles. This afternoon the kids were to talk with police officers, firefighters and paramedics.

Photo by Doug Stephens/The Goodland Daily News

## Group to look for leader

### New council starts search for director

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

The Sherman County commissioners approved a resolution creating the Sherman County Economic Development Council on Tuesday morning, and the new board didn't waste any time beginning the search for a full-time director.

The council board met Tuesday afternoon at Wheat Ridge Acres to discuss the next steps and to talk to grant writer Penny Nemechek about possible grants for operating assistance and special projects.

Board chairman Royal Reid said the main thing is to get the process moving to hire a person to carry out the economic development program the citizens are expecting.

"We have been tied up getting the resolution out of the way," said Patty Eckhardt, the secretary. "We need to define what we want in the person we hire, and decide where we are going."

The group's goal is to bring new business to town to improve the economy in Sherman County, increase population and convince younger people to stay here.

Reid said they should not overlook any local opportunities and mentioned doing something to work with the agriculture products available. He said one idea would be to do something along the line of bird seed.

Several board members mentioned there is a bird seed factory in Bird City, and the owner might be interested in putting a satellite production site in Sherman County.

"This is why we need a director so he can make the contacts and follow the leads," said Kim Bohme, treasurer.

Board member Larry Harper said it would be good to find people in Sherman County who are looking to open a business or have an idea for a business.

Nemechek said she had found a couple of programs that might have money available to aid the economic

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## Voters need to register by Monday

TOPEKA — Secretary of State Ron Thornburgh is reminding Kansans that they have until Monday to register to vote in the Aug. 6 primary.

Registration forms are available from county election officials and from the secretary of state's Internet site, <http://www.kssos.org>.

Forms also are available in Spanish.

## County offers list for grants

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

Sherman County commissioners Tuesday gave grant writer Penny Nemechek a list of five projects they consider priorities for finding money.

Nemechek, who started her job on July 1, said she is learning a lot. She said the first proposal she did was for the school district.

"I wanted to get one out quickly and the school district had a grant for upgrading the elementary school library's science technology," Nemechek said. "The Goodland School District fit into a list of 20 rural districts the grant is aimed at, so there is a good chance Goodland will receive up to \$25,000."

She said the grant would buy new computers for the libraries at the elementary schools and improve their science materials.

The city has given her a partial list of priorities, and Nemechek said she was gathering material on specific areas.

Commissioner Kevin Rasure said he had a partial list, with mortar work on the courthouse being his top priority.

The list included removal of asbestos at the historic Southwestern Bell building, a building for the rural fire department trucks, noxious weed operations and handling household hazardous waste storage and paint recycling.

Other areas were economic develop-

ment grants, several road and bridge projects and the landfill.

Nemechek asked about the mortar project, and Rasure took her on a tour of the outside of the courthouse to point out areas where the mortar needs to be replaced. He said the county had talked to the Ginn Brothers about doing the work.

She said she would begin working on the list of projects with the top priority being the courthouse mortar, and asked the commissioners to let her know when they have other ideas. She said she would keep the commissioners informed and let them know if she finds other grants the county could take advantage of.

## Couple from Colorado wreck car on way to family reunion

By Rachel Miscall

The Goodland Daily News

A Greeley, Colo., couple were on their way to a family reunion in Russell this morning, when they lost control of their car on a gravel road about 15 miles northeast of Goodland and it flipped over onto its top.

Lloyd and Sylvia Libsack, both 70, only had minor injuries and decided not to be taken to the hospital, but were wondering how they were going to get to Russell, as their car was totaled in the accident.

Lloyd Libsack said his wife was driving their 1977 Cadillac south on County Road 28 near the intersection with County Road 77 about 9:15 a.m. The couple had just crossed a bridge and were coming up on a turn, and Sylvia admitted she was driving a little fast.

She said she lost control and the car swerved to the right, hit a ravine next

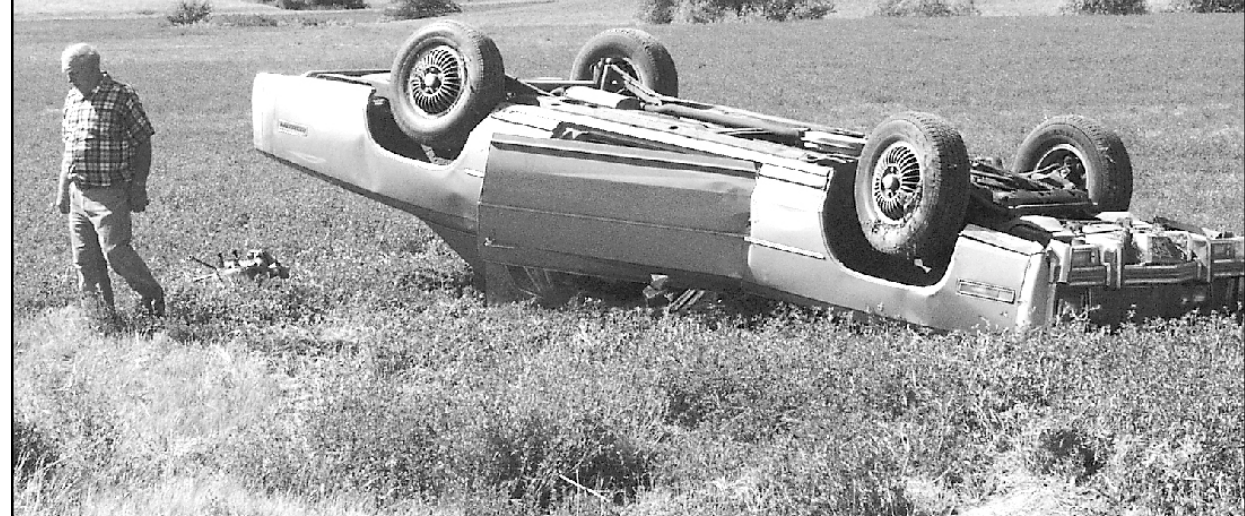
to the road and flipped over. The car was on its top and facing north in a field west of the road. Lloyd said a county worker saw the accident and called for help.

A farmer in Greeley, Lloyd said he and his wife were driving back roads to look at the condition of crops in Kansas. He said they had driven through Wray, Colo., and Bird City and were on their way to I-70.

Hot, dry weather has burned up most of the corn crop in Colorado, Lloyd said, but he saw some healthy-looking corn fields in this county.

He said the accident wasn't too scary because the car never became airborne. It seemed to happen slowly, he said, noting that if the car had become airborne he and Sylvia would probably be more seriously injured.

The next step, Lloyd said, was to find a tow truck and a way to get his wife to her family reunion.



Lloyd Libsack, a Colorado farmer, removed items from his car this morning after it flipped over on a gravel road about 15 miles northeast of Goodland.

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