

weather report

85°
at noon



Today

• Sunset, 7:13 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 6:20 a.m.
• Sunset, 7:11 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 75 degrees
• Humidity 30.08 percent
• Sky clear
• Winds south 13 m.p.h.
• Barometer 30.08 inches and falling

• Record High 104° (1931)
• Record Low 40° (1961)

Last 24 Hours*

High 93°
Low 65°
Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: mostly clear, low upper 60s, winds south 10-15 m.p.h. Tomorrow: mostly sunny, high mid 90s, low lower 60s, winds south 15-35 m.p.h.

Extended Forecast

Saturday: sunny, high lower 90s, low upper 50s. Sunday: mostly clear, high upper 80s. Monday: partly cloudy with slight chance of showers, high mid 80s, low upper 50s.

(National Weather Service)
Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz.
* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$4.15 bushel
Posted county price — \$4.13
Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
Corn — \$2.67 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.53
Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
Milo — \$2.42 bushel
Soybeans — \$4.81 bushel
Posted county price — \$5.09
Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
Millet — \$14.00 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$11.00 cwt.
Oil new crop — \$10.65 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
Confection current — \$15/\$7 cwt.

Pinto beans — \$25
(Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

afternoon wire

Late news from the Associated Press

1 p.m.

Afghan leader nearly killed

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — President Hamid Karzai survived an assassination attempt today by an Afghan security guard who fired on his convoy, and a large explosion in the capital killed at least 10 people. Afghan officials blamed Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network for both attacks.

The Afghan president's American bodyguards opened fire in response to the shooting in Kandahar, and three people were killed, including one who was wearing an Afghan military uniform. Their bullet-riddled bodies could be seen outside the grounds of the mansion in a pool of blood.

In Washington, a Pentagon official said an American bodyguard in Karzai's security detail was wounded but that he didn't know how serious it was. "Terrorists are behind both attacks," said Afghan Foreign Minister Abdullah.

Junk Parade desperate for entries

By Rachel Miscall

The Goodland Daily News

The second Junk Parade and a concert after the event may be canceled unless at least 20 individuals, businesses or organizations register floats Friday.

The first parade was a huge success last year, marching 74,400 pounds of trash down Main Avenue and across town to the county dump, and attracting hundreds of spectators. The idea was to clean up Goodland before the annual Flatlander Fall Festival in late September.

Schyler Goodwin, parade organizer, said people just aren't as excited this year.

"It was such a success," he said, "and this year nobody seems to care."

The deadline to register a float is Friday, and Goodwin said only one organization, the Lion's Club, has entered and no one has asked for a registration form, which are available at Bankwest. So far, he said, he's only received one \$25 donation from Culligan Soft Water and about four people have volunteered to help.

Goodwin said he will cancel the parade and events unless he receives at least 20 registrations by the end of Friday.

The parade is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 14, and the Mad Cows, a local band, had agreed to put on a free concert in Steever Park after the event. Goodwin was planning to hold a barbecue during the concert to raise money for the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter and Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Sherman County.

If the parade is canceled, he said, the concert and barbecue will be, too.

"The whole thing was to have the parade," he said, "and then celebrate our success."

Goodwin said if enough people register floats, he'll put on the parade, which includes children's costume and bike decorating contests and prizes for the best floats.

"I'd rather not cancel it," he said. Goodwin, a Sherman County native

Trashy art still a go at center

Although the second Junk Parade could be canceled Friday, the Carnegie Arts Center is still planning to hold its "Junk Art Show," which was scheduled in conjunction with the parade.

The parade is scheduled for the morning of Saturday, Sept. 14, with a free concert after the event. Both could be canceled, but Tina Goodwin, arts center director, said the art show will go on.

Entries, which must be made from trash, were supposed to be in by Sept. 1, but Goodwin said the center will accept the junk creations up to the day of the show. She said the center has received a few neat pieces of trashy artwork and people are planning to bring in more.

The entries, which will be displayed at the center, will be judged on Sept. 14 and awards will be given out at a ceremony at 2 p.m.

Goodwin said she might make the competition a regular thing.

"I'd like to do it every year," she said. "I think it's kind of fun."



S. Goodwin

who moved back from Denver, said he's disappointed and frustrated with the lack of involvement in Goodland.

He formed the Goodland Development Corp. last year and the Junk Parade was the group's first big project. The group disbanded earlier this year because, Goodwin said, only three to four members were active.

"Two or three people can't do it all," he said. "In a community of 5,000 people, no one stepped up."

Goodwin said he'd be happy to turn over the Junk Parade to someone who wants to keep it up, but if he cancels it, he won't do it again.

"I won't do a Junk Parade ever again," he said. "I'm just tired of doing things people don't support."



Chris Best (left) and Phil Erickson filled the old wading pool at Steever Park with sand to get it ready to pour concrete for a concert stage.

Photo by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Daily News

Parade prompts stage at park

By Doug Stephens

The Goodland Daily News

Planning for the second Junk Parade has prompted the city to build a stage over the old youth pool at Steever Park, something that's been planned since the pool closed two years ago, whether the parade goes on or not.

The stage isn't anything fancy, City Manager Ron Pickman said. The city just filled in the old wading pool with cement last week and smoothed the top, he said.

The parade is planned for Saturday, Sept. 14, with a concert afterwards by the Mad Cows, a local music group, although it might not happen. Schyler Goodwin, organizer of the event, said unless 20 people sign up floats by Friday, the parade and concert will be canceled.

Goodwin asked the city commission for permission to use a park and they

chose Steever Park, where there was room for a crowd, but not really a place for a band to set up, Pickman said.

"We had planned to put in a stage at Steever ever since the pool first closed," Pickman said. "This just gave us a boost to get it done."

If the Junk Parade comes off, the Mad Cows would be only the first of a long list of groups Pickman hopes to see use the stage.

The high school holds a Concert in the Park every year at Gulick Park, and Pickman said the new stage would be perfect for that event.

"There's a nice setup over at Gulick," he said, "but there's not really a good place for the band to set up."

There will be electrical hookups for performances, but Pickman said he isn't sure who will pay for the charges.

"It's something the commission will have to decide," Pickman said. "It will

be metered, and we will keep track of how much is used. I imagine for some public performances, the city might not mind paying for it, but for private groups there might be a rate they'll have to pay."

He said the city would have paid the charges for the concert after the Junk Parade, but it will have to come up with a policy for other events.

"This is something we don't want to give control of away," he said.

Eventually the city plans to build walls around the stage and create an amphitheater, Pickman said, like the ones in St. Francis and other cities.

"We are trying to find a place where people can play music if they want to, but still direct the sound away from residential areas," he said. "An amphitheater would do that. We want to make it attractive for groups, and hopefully it will be well used."

City lets businesses build higher fences

By Doug Stephens

The Goodland Daily News

Businesses can now put up an eight foot fence around their property if they can convince the City Planning Commission it's a good idea.

Buildings in commercial and zoned districts were allowed to have fences only four feet high in front and six feet in the back, but the Goodland City Commission passed an ordinance Tuesday to allow the planning commission to decide on a case-by-case basis whether to allow fences up to eight feet tall.

The planning commission published a notice in *The Goodland Daily News* saying a hearing would be held on the change, but nobody showed up, said Jerry Nemechek, city building inspector.

The city commission discussed whether the fences should be limited to chain-link or wood planks, but decided to allow either and passed the change. It will allow businesses along K-27 and Business U.S. 24 to put up security fences around their lots, Nemechek said.

The ordinance also clarified where front and back yards are located on a property. The front yard starts at the building line on a developed lot, and 60

feet from the center of the street on an undeveloped lot.

In other business, the commission:

• Declared Wednesday, Sept. 11 "A Day to Remember."

• Received a check for \$1,023 raised by the princes and princesses from the Sunflower Festival. The money was raised to install a recycling pump for the fountain at Chambers Park.

• Read a letter from the Sherman County commissioners thanking the city for donating utility poles for the fairgrounds.

• Talked about putting a bond issue on the November ballot, asking Goodland residents what streets should be fixed, and how much should be spent doing it.

• Asked for an update on negotiations with U.S. Waste, the Colorado Springs company that wants to take over the city's trash service. City Manager Ron Pickman said the company should call him today to set up a time to get together. Commissioner Rick Billinger said he did not like the firm's proposal, and wished the city and county could work together better so there would be no problems with the service.

• Learned about the Kansas League of Municipalities annual meeting on Saturday, Oct. 12, in Wichita.

Pit stop



About 12 bikers and a firetruck pulled into the old Appletrail Truck Stop parking lot this morning in Goodland for a gas stop. Up to 2,000 bikers are riding I-70 on the way from San Diego to New York and Washington in America's Ride 2002, raising money for the World Trade Center Miracles Foundation. They will spend the night in Manhattan.

Photo by Doug Stephens/The Goodland Daily News

Don't worry, be happy, live longer

By Charley Gillespie

Associated Press Writer

Doctor's orders: Don't worry, be happy.

Keeping a positive attitude about aging can extend life by seven and half years, which is longer than gains made by not smoking or exercising regularly, a study finds.

"People's perception of aging predicted the length of their survival," said

Dr. Suzanne Kunkel, director of the Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University and co-author of the study.

"It illustrates the mind-body connection. Even if we cannot control what happens to us, we can control how we define it."

The findings about attitude and survival rates were made by analyzing and matching data collected since 1975 about 660 people age 50 or older in

Oxford, Ohio, with data from the National Death Index.

Kunkel began the research in the small southwest Ohio town as a graduate student and has helped maintain the database for more than two decades.

Researchers at Miami and Yale universities looked at how the 338 men and 322 women responded to several ques-

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Fall sports starts

The fall sports season is kicking off today with the Goodland High School golf, cross country and tennis teams competing in their first events and the Grant Junior High football and volleyball teams playing Colby.

The Cowboy football team

jumps into the fray Friday, and the season is on.

Find pictures, stories and schedules of all Goodland and Brewster High teams in the Fall Sports Preview section in today's edition of *The Goodland Daily News*.