

weather report

81°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 8:12 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:20 a.m.

• Sunset, 8:13 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 67 degrees

• Humidity 46 percent

• Sky clear

• Winds southwest 16 m.p.h.

• Barometer 29.77 inches

and steady

• Record High 102° (1952)

• Record Low 41° (1997)

Last 24 Hours*

High 77°

Low 42°

Precipitation none

N.W. Kansas Forecast

Today: Mostly cloudy becoming partly sunny with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the evening, high mid 80s, low upper 50s, winds north 15 m.p.h. Wednesday: mostly sunny with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, high lower 90s, low upper 50s.

Extended Forecast

Thursday: mostly cloudy with slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high mid 80s. Friday: partly cloudy with chance of showers and thunderstorms.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$3.11 bushel

New crop — \$2.93

Corn — \$2.38 bushel

Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢

Milo — \$2.11 bushel

Soybeans — \$5.83 bushel

Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢

Millet — \$6 hundredweight

New Crop — \$5

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$9.50 cwt.

New crop — \$9.85 cwt.

NuSun — \$9.85 cwt.

New crop — \$10.20 cwt.

Confection — \$17/\$7 cwt.

New crop — \$17/\$10 cwt.

Pinto beans — withdrawn

(Markets by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

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Trying to steer the way

Brian Reicks was taking his John Deere 44D for a spin Sunday afternoon and his son Landon, 2, was trying to help drive, but he could hardly see over the wheel. Reicks said he found the tractor in Kanorado and restored it. See Photo on Page 3.

New bricks coming

The Kansas Department of Transportation last week approved a grant to help Goodland replace the brick intersections of Main with 11th and 12th.

The city submitted an application for the project last fall. The department said it received 93 grant applications totaling over \$51 million.

Total cost of the 48 projects approved is \$23.5 million. A minimum of 30 percent of each project cost must come from the applicant.

City commissioners authorized City Manager Ron Pickman to accept the grant from the state at their meeting on May 19.

Pickman said the replacement of the bricks and replacing the base under the pavement will require a 30 percent match of \$123,000 from the city and the total project is estimated to cost about \$412,350. The state portion will be \$289,350.

The original request to the state included replacement of the storm sewer lines at the 12th Street intersection, but this was not approved by the state. Pickman said replacing the storm sewer lines would be an additional cost of \$60,000. The preliminary engineering on the project will also be paid by the city Pickman said.

The city has \$113,000 match money budgeted for this year, Pickman said, and the rest will have to be budgeted for next year.

The commissioners discussed the need to do the project and agreed that it was a grant they should not pass up. Finding the money will be tough with the city facing deep cuts from the state.

The intersection project is the only one approved in northwest Kansas.

Pickman said the project could be ready by next year, but it may take longer than that to be accomplished.

The city is hoping that when they get to the intersection at Main and 12th they can find the cause of the smell that continues to appear. Pickman said the city has flushed the drains at the intersection several times, but the smell returns.

The city has used the electronic scope on the storm drains, but has not been able to spot anything that might be causing the smell.

"I think it is an old line somewhere under the intersection that we have not been able to see," Pickman said. "We don't know what to expect when we take the old bricks out, and that is why we put in the contingency."

These projects are part of a federal program and include facilities for pedestrians and bicycles safety and education, purchase of scenic or historic sites, landscaping and beautification, historic preservation, rehabilitation of historic transportation buildings and conversion of abandoned railway lines to trails.

Learning to help kids



Sydney Marrs (above), niece of Megan Marrs, a Goodland High School student, painted rocks as part of the child care segment of Family and Consumer Sciences class. Bryan Lewis (below) helped Brenna Flax paint her rock, and Olivia Lovington and Bailee Guyer helped Lisbet Lazo (right) with red light-green light. Instructor Sarah Short said the class interacted and taught the children, concentrating on play, and observed the kids' motor skills and characteristics. The high school students invited children they knew to join the exercise.

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Amelia Earhart to appear at Stearman Fly-in

Vintage aircraft, hot air balloons and skydiving will be launched over Cheyenne County this weekend, and an Amelia Earhart impersonator will perform at the city park in St. Francis.

The 21st annual Stearman Fly-in will be Saturday and Sunday at the Cheyenne County Airport. Robert Grace of Grace Flying Service said hot air balloons will launch at sunrise on Saturday and Sunday, wind permitting. Skydiving demonstrations and Stearman flights will take place throughout the day, he said. The fly-in ends Sunday after lunch.

Stearman rides and tandem skydives will be available to the public, Grace said. A tandem skydive allows a novice passenger to share a parachute jump with an experienced skydiver. There may also be helicopter rides available as well.

Breakfast and lunch will be served both days at the airport. Scores of pilots fly in to enjoy the event, Grace said, arriving in all manner of aircraft, including warbirds and experimental aircraft.

Amelia Earhart impersonator Ann Birney will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday at the city park. Fly-in attendance for the event is free. Call 785-332-2251.



Stearman biplanes lined up on the airfield at St. Francis for the annual fly-in last June. The 21st annual fly-in will bring more of the World War II trainers to St. Francis on Saturday

and, weather permitting, there will be hot air balloons and skydiving along with the World War II fighter trainers.

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