

weather report

61°  
noon  
Monday



Today

- Sunset, 6:12 p.m.
- **Wednesday**
- Sunrise, 6:55 a.m.
- Sunset, 6:10 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil temperature 59 degrees
- Humidity 56 percent
- Sky partly cloudy
- Winds north 19-23 mph
- Barometer 30.04 inches and steady
- Record High today 94° (1975)
- Record Low today 20° (1917)

Last 24 Hours\*

High Sunday	65°
Low Sunday	45°
Precipitation	0.01
This month	0.17
Year to date	19.08
Above normal	1.29 inches

The Topside Forecast

Today: Mostly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers, a high near 63, winds out of the north at 10 to 15 mph becoming calm and a low around 35. Wednesday: Sunny with patchy frost before 9 a.m., a high near 66, winds calm becoming southerly at 5 mph and a low around 39.

Extended Forecast

Thursday: Sunny with a high near 78 and a low around 43. Friday: Sunny with a high near 81 and a low around 46. Saturday: Sunny with a high near 81 and a low around 45.

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local markets

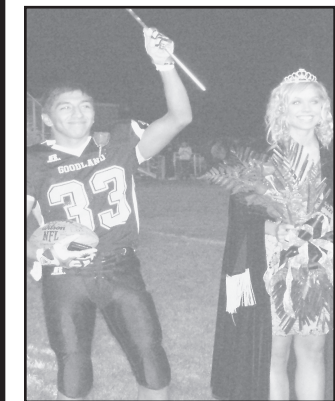


Noon

Wheat — \$6.12 bushel  
Posted county price — \$5.59  
Corn — \$4.96 bushel  
Posted county price — \$4.34  
Milo — \$4.81 bushel  
Soybeans — \$10.48 bushel  
Posted county price — \$9.67  
Millet — \$5 hundredweight  
Sunflowers  
Oil current crop — \$18.30 cwt.  
Confection — \$28/\$15 cwt.  
Pinto beans — \$32 (new crop)  
(Markets by Scoular Grain, Sun Opta, Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

inside today

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Cowboys beat Eagles

Cowboy Chris Bustillos was crowned Homecoming King and Jade Herl was crowned Homecoming Queen during halftime of the game on Friday. The Cowboys beat Colby 38-22. See photos, story on Page 8.



Turkey, fishing highlight hearing

The Kansas Wildlife and Parks Commission will conduct a public meeting at 1:30 p.m. and hearing at 7 p.m. on Thursday at the Goodland Elks Lodge.

The afternoon meeting of the commission will begin with overviews of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks' fiscal status, followed by a general discussion period on the following topics:

South Fork and St. Francis wildlife areas; the Arikaree Breaks; Lake Atwood renovation and fishing opportunities in northwest Kansas; chronic wasting disease update; Kansas Coalition for Children in Nature (kcncsoutdoors.com) — executive order;

Voluntary Public Access-Habitat Incentive Program ("Open Fields") — grant update; KAR 115-25-5, turkey — fall season, bag limit, and permits; KAR 115-25-7, antelope □ open season, bag limit, and permits; KAR 115-25-8, elk — open season, bag limit, and permits; and KAR 115-25-Series ° deer regulations.

The afternoon will include a workshop session discussion, in preparation for potential future regulatory action, of preliminary recommendations on the following topics:

Big game permanent regulations; and potential regulation changes to address

aquatic nuisance species (ANS) and ANS outreach efforts.

The commission will recess at 5 p.m., then reconvene at 7 p.m. at the same location for the evening public hearing on the following regulations:

KAR 115-25-6, turkey — spring season, bag limit, permits, and game tags; K.A.R. 115-2-3, camping and utilities fees; KAR 115-2-3a, cabin camping permit fees; KAR 115-2-1, amount of fees — hunting and fishing permit/license combination packages, multi-year youth licenses; KAR 115-7-1, fishing — legal equipment, methods of taking, and other provisions; K.A.R. 115-7-8,

bass fishing tournaments; K.A.R. 115-7-9, black bass fishing tournaments — weighing in not using tournament black bass pass; K.A.R. 115-18-20, tournament bass pass — requirements, restrictions, and pass duration; and KAR 115-25-14, fishing — creel limit, size limit, possession limit, and open season.

Time will be set aside in both the afternoon and evening sessions for public comment on topics not on the agenda.

If necessary, the commission will recess on Thursday and reconvene at the same location at 9 a.m. on Friday to complete unfinished business.

College conference planned

Northwest Tech is planning a second Rural School and Community Development Conference for Friday, Oct. 22.

"How can I make a difference? A question we all ask; but it is possible for us to positively impact our communities," said College President Dr. Ed Mills. "Join other educators, local, regional and state leaders as we explore opportunities to invest in the future of our communities."

The conference will feature guest speakers Patrick J. Carr, so-author of "Hollowing Out the Middle," and Cinda Baxter, founder of the "3/50 Project."

The conference will begin at 8 a.m. at the Student Union building on campus.

Patrick Carr is Associate Professor of Sociology at Rutgers University, and is an Associate Member of the MacArthur Foundation's Research Network on Transitions to Adulthood.

He earned his Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Chicago in 1998, and his research interests include communities and crime, informal social control, youth violence, and the transition to adulthood.

He is the co-author, along with Maria J. Kefalas of "Hollowing Out the Middle: The Rural Brain Drain and What it Means for America" (2009, Beacon Press), and author of "Clean Streets: Controlling Crime, Maintaining Order and Building Community Activism" (2005, NYU Press).

He has published articles in several journals including the American Journal of Sociology, Criminology, Sociological Forum and the Journal of Community Psychology. He is co-editor along with Mary C. Waters, Jennifer Holdaway and Maria J. Kefalas of "Coming of Age in America," a book based on a comparative in-depth study of young adults funded by the Network on Transitions to Adulthood.

When asked "Hey Cinda, what do you do?" the response is simple: "I hand Superman capes to small business owners, then teach them to fly."

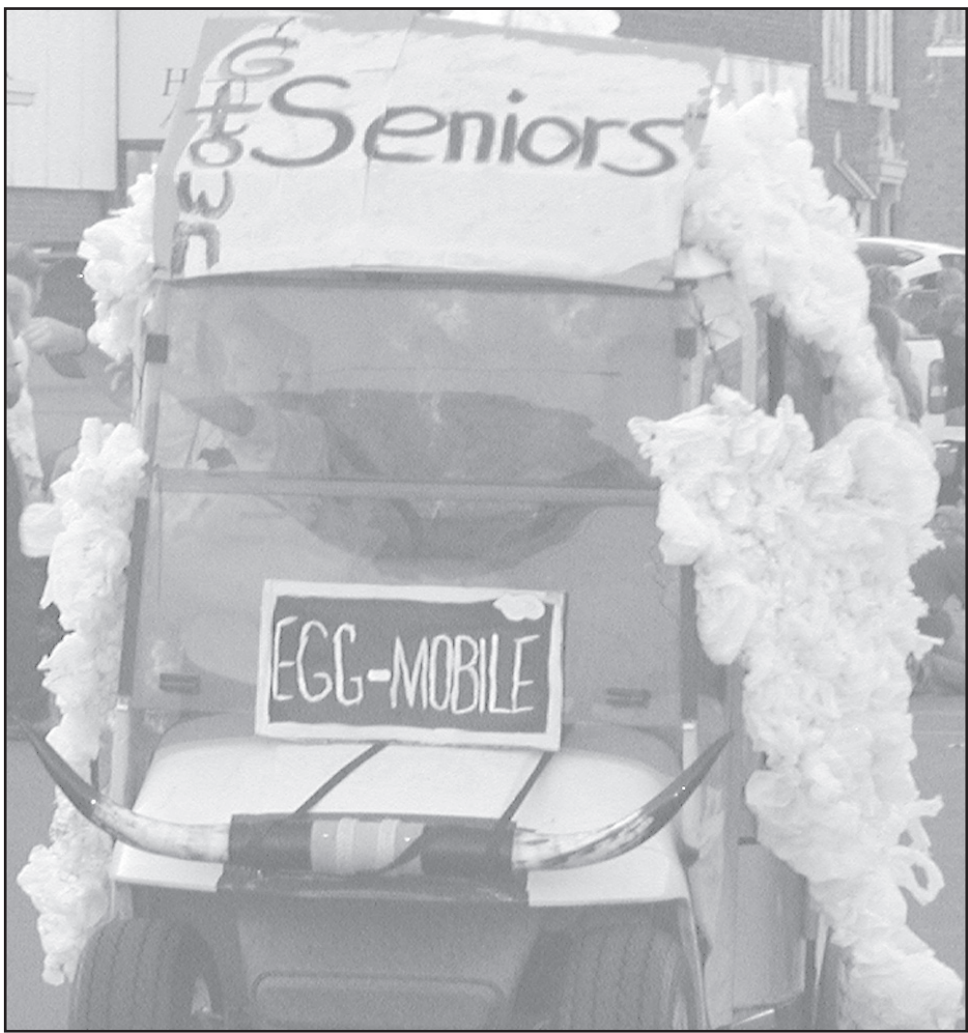
More aptly put, Baxter is a retail consultant and professional speaker (Always Upward) whose mission is



Homecoming parade, rally pump up crowd

Thursday Main Ave. was lined with people to watch the Annual Goodland High School Homecoming Parade. The Jumpin' Juniors (above) prepared for their special performance at the rally. Because of the rain on Friday the Jumpin' Juniors will be featured at halftime of the game against Norton. The egg mobile (right) was part of the Homecoming Parade. When the egg mobile would stop a chick would hop out and run around the cart. The parade lead by a Veterans of Foreign Wars color guard included the high school marching band, candidates for Homecoming King and Queen, former Homecoming candidates and queens, senior parents, the Jumpin' Juniors, the honored class of 1960, members of the football team, volleyball team, golf team, floats by the Family, Community and Career Leaders of America and the Goodland Swim Team. The parade started at Eighth Street and went to 13th and turned east to go to Cowboy Stadium.

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Dialysis clinic project budget report delayed

By Tom Betz

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Progress is being made on the dialysis clinic program the hospital board was told at their board meeting, but the final budget figures were not ready and have been delayed until October.

Administrator Jay Jolly said he hoped to have the budget for the dialysis clinic ready for the September meeting, but he had received the pharmaceutical number too late to have the draft ready for the board meeting.

We are getting the cost estimates corralled, he said, and will continue to plug along. We need to be sure the figures being presented are all based on the same volume as far as patient load can be judged.

He said he would have the budget figures for the dialysis clinic ready for the October board meeting.

Jolly said he has been trying to find a date for Attorney Ron Vignery to come and talk to the board. He said Vignery is suggesting Tuesday, Oct. 26, the day after the next board meeting.

"Between his schedule and ours we have had trouble finding a date," Jolly said, "and if this one doesn't work we will keep trying. I will send out an e-mail on that and you can check your schedules and let me know if that works. He sort of shot that date at me off the top of his at a meeting we were at and neither one of us had our calendars. We can come up with more choices if that one doesn't work."

In preparation for a joint conference with the medical staff Jolly said he asked the medical surgery nursing department and the physicians to sit down and discuss the patient volumes and the in patient program. He said this was to begin an ongoing discussion of the

inpatient program and some of the things the hospital staff can do to maintain the patient numbers. The numbers have been in decline for a number of years and part of that is the industry. As we look at some of the other challenges on the horizon with health reform and shrinking reimbursements in general I think that is a very important program for them to get on the same page about and if there are any items they work out between them that is just good discussion from all perspectives. It enhances patient safety it enhances communication and familiarity and we will continue those discussions.

He said part of the discussion was aimed at the budget preparations for 2011.

"We really need an understanding of where we think that patient volume is going and they are in the best position to give us some insights into the numbers of the inpatient census," he

said. "That was one of the things we have had going on in the past month and I think discussion will focus on a lot of big program areas we need to evaluate in the context of what we think is going to happen with budget. I am talking federal and state budgets and all of those kind of things."

He said Brenda McCants, board chairman and he were at the Kansas Hospital Association's northwest meeting and got an earful of information about various things that are coming up now.

He said part of it has to do with the information system and all the incentives part of has to do with new regulatory proposals that might be completely off the wall, but we may be living with them. He said physician supervision is a big issue for the hospital.

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