

weather report

48°
noon
Monday



Today

• Sunset, 7:31 p.m.

Wednesday

• Sunrise, 5:59 a.m.

• Sunset, 7:32 p.m.

MIDDAY CONDITIONS

• Soil temperature 47 degrees

• Humidity 76 percent

• Sky cloudy

• Winds southeast 12 mph

• Barometer 29.76 inches

and falling

• Record High today 87° (2001)

• Record Low today 18° (1953)

Last 24 Hours*

High Sunday 78°

Low Sunday 31°

Precipitation trace

This month 0.67

Year to date 2.29

Below normal 0.48 inches

The Topside Forecast

Today: Cloudy with a 60 percent chance of showers, a high near 54, winds breezy out of the north at 15 to 30 mph and a low around 34. Wednesday: Partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of rain before midnight and then snow and rain showers, a high near 57 and a low around 33.

Extended Forecast

Thursday: Partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms at night, a high near 66 and a low around 40. Friday: Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of rain, a high near 62 and a low around 35.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.



Spring storm buries cars in huge drifts

A spring snow storm blew through northwest Kansas on Thursday bringing needed moisture, but leaving a number of cars and trucks buried in deep snow drifts.

The storm caused a number of slide offs on I-70 west of town and the Interstate was closed for several hours before the road was cleared. At one time three semi trailers were blocking part of the east bound lanes about milepost 6.

A number of power poles were blown down and Ruleton and some rural areas were without power as Midwest En-

ergy mobilized crews to repair the lines.

One of the worst place for drifts and stuck vehicles was on County Road 65 across from T-Bone Feeders (above) where more than a half dozen were buried including a county dump truck with plow blade and a wrecker. The drivers were rescued and brought into town and graders worked Friday morning to open the road and help get the vehicles out.

The storm dropped about 3.3 inches of snow with .52 inches of moisture for Goodland.

Photos by Tony Pacelli



local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$7.67 bushel

Posted county price — \$7.62

Corn — \$6.74 bushel

Posted county price — \$7.14

Milo — \$6.61 bushel

Soybeans — \$12.08 bushel

Posted county price — \$12.52

Millet — \$5 hundredweight

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$31.25 cwt.

Confection — no bid

Pinto beans — \$18 (new crop)

(Markets by Scouler Grain, Sun Opta, Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

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Promenade at fieldhouse

Jeremy Mills (right) was one of the Goodland High School attendees of the prom and gathered at Max Jones Fieldhouse Saturday for the annual promenade. See photos, story on Page 9.

Legislators speak at TEA Party rally

By Tom Betz

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State legislators from northwest Kansas spoke to the crowd of about 35 at the third annual TEA Party rally held Saturday afternoon at Gulick Park.

Rep. Rick Billinger and Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer spoke about what has been happening in the state Legislature during the current session, and what they see happening in the future.

Ken Klemm, organizer for the High Plains Constitutional Society, thanked those who attended and announced that Secretary of State Kris Kobash plans to be in Goodland for a special Flag Day Rally on June 14. Klemm said the location for the rally would be announced later.

Klemm said Congressman Tim Huleskamp will be in Goodland at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 28 at the Goodland Public Library to meet with people and talk about what is going on in Washington.

Klemm opened the rally with a prayer, Colton Klemm led the Pledge of Allegiance and Laurie Klemm led the crowd in singing the National Anthem.

Klemm spoke about the debt situation and said the country could not continue to increase the debt and urged people to tell Congress not to raise the debt ceiling. He said the only way to force a change is to stop the spending and that would create situation where people have to save and find ways to reduce the debt.

He said for a long term change the country has to return to a balance of power between the states and



A crowd of about 35 attended the TEA Party rally held Saturday afternoon at Gulick Park. This was the third annual rally, and Rep. Rick Billinger and Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer were speakers along with

Ken Klemm, organizer of the High Plains Constitutional Society. Klemm was the opening speaker and gave an opening prayer. Photo by Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

federal government.

He said the first step is to repeal the 17th amendment that allows for public election of senators. Klemm said it would be better to follow the original Constitution where senators were elected by state legislatures.

Second he said the country needs to repeal the 16th amendment that created the income tax and go back to having the federal government get their money from the states.

His third point was to disband the Federal Reserve and go back to a

metal backed currency.

He said individuals should go to church, be honest, take care of yourself and get involved. He said the best example of what he was talking about is the Boys Scouts of America oath and scout law.

Scouts Jacob Stasser and Levi Klemm recited these for the audience.

Editor's note: for more on the TEA Party rally check out the videos on The Goodland Star-News Facebook page.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt planned for Thursday

Hot dog feed, fun, games after egg hunt

The annual community Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 5 p.m. on Thursday at the Northwest Tech Student Union with a hot dog feed and additional fun and games from the Goodland Take Charge Challenge. The Kiwanis Circle K college student club

has organized the Easter Egg Hunt and plans to have four age groups collecting eggs. The first will be infants to 3 years old; the second is pre-kindergarten to kindergarten; third will be first and second graders; and the fourth will be third and fourth graders.

The Easter Energy Bunny will be greeting the children, and special bags from the Goodland Take Charge Challenge will be

handed out.

A hot dog feed, activities, programs and games will follow the egg hunt. There will be a special drawing for a \$500 voucher for an energy star appliance from a local business.

The programs will include a Do It Yourself demonstration about how to make simple energy efficient upgrades to homes. Those

attending can learn about the benefits of a Whole House Audit.

The Goodland Take Charge Challenge is part of a nine-month competition with four other towns in northwest Kansas to improve energy efficiency and the winning town will win \$100,000 to be used for an energy improvement program in the town.

