

weather report



61°

10:30 a.m.
Wednesday

Today

• Sunset, 4:26 p.m.

Saturday

• Sunrise, 6:43 a.m.

• Sunset, 4:25 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil temperature 38 degrees

• Humidity 26 percent

• Sky mostly sunny

• Winds southwest 7 mph

• Barometer 30.23 inches

and falling

• Record High today 77° (1960)

• Record Low today -1° (1993)

Last 24 Hours*

High Tuesday 61°

Low Tuesday 20°

Precipitation none

This month 0.28

Year to date 18.89

Below normal 0.16 inches

The Topside Forecast

Today: Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of light rain, highs in the upper 50s, winds out of the northwest at 10 mph and a low around 30. Saturday: Sunny, windy with high in the lower 40s and low in the mid 20s.

Extended Forecast

Sunday: Sunny with the high in the lower 50s and the lower 30s. Monday: Mostly clear with a high in the upper 50s and a low around 30. Tuesday: Sunny with a high in the upper 40s.

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Feast remembers Thanksgiving

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Monday afternoon the excitement was almost palatable for the first graders at West Elementary School. This was the day the kids get to dress up as Indians and Pilgrims, eat all kinds of food and show their stuff to their parents and grandparents.

The four classes had made place mats, Indian headdresses and Pilgrim hats and collars in anticipation of the big event. Parents came through with the food including turkey, potatoes, gravy, fruit, vegetables and most importantly desserts of all kinds including brownies, cookies, pies and cake.

Before the important feasting teacher Kara Smith explained the meaning of the five pieces of candy corn that was at each child's placemat. She explained that the pilgrims were eating the equivalent of five kernels of corn before fall harvest. With the crops and help from the local Indians to know what other foods there were in the new land that they were settling the Pilgrims decided to have a feast celebrating the harvest and thanking God for the abundance.

The first kernel was for the beautiful fall colors and how nice the weather had been. The second kernel was for the friends setting beside each of the kids and the third kernel was for the friends of each student setting across from them. The fourth kernel was in gratitude of the men and women serving their country in the military. The last kernel was in Thanksgiving to God as each person understood him for the many bless-



John Courmerhl and Jerek Crow were two of the Indians at the Thanksgiving feast held on Monday afternoon at West Elementary

School. Parents cooked the feast but the kids brought the energy
Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

ings that each person has.

With the serious part of the feast over it was time to enjoy the food. Students were encouraged to take a little bit of different things to try and once they had finished their plate they could go back for refills. The adults patiently waited until all the kids had eaten and had refills. West Elementary Principal Verna Milnes came to talk to the students, give the occasional hug and enjoy some food.

Members of the Smith's first

grade class are Tucker Adams, Marcus Beltz, John Coumerilh, Alfredo Diaz, Kyan Ensign, Grant Fritz, Octavio Gonzalez, Chisum Goodwin, Alexis Hanevik, Garrett Helton, Josie Hill, Kristina Holub, Jasmine McIntyre, Alicia Pena, Janie Ramirez, Sara Riley, Jualyn Sharon and Allyson Sheldon.

Janice Pearson's class included Bentley Baehler, Adonica Daub, Rick DeHoyos, Rilynn Frazier, Gabriel Gagliardo, Makenna Hovis,

Angel Lazo, Nya Lopez, Maxmilion Quinlan, Brenda Rodriguez, Lexi Rubio, Claire Scheopner, Audrey Sheeley, Isaiah Shinette, Tristin Shoup, Maverick Spreser, Jonathon Sturm, Frank Tabor and Miranda Caden.

Members of Emily McQuitty's class are Harrison Bhend, Brennan Blake, Melanie Conda, Ashton Erhart, Mason Hernandez, Julian Lopez, Rebecca McIntyre, Sebastian Musgrave, Jordin Owens, Emilio Pena, Jaicin Ploshnick, Zoey Porter,

Angela Ramirez, Briana Rodriguez, Colin Showalter, Titus Smith, Kari Snethen, and Tilar Walls.

Katie Fulwider's class are Elisa Ayers-Hernandez, Kade Belden, Jonathan Brown, Natalie Chapin, Jason Colby, Jerek Crow, Lindsey Cure, Peyton Finley, Mehki Frederick, Grant Hines, Strid Loudon, Lexus McCord, Sarah McIntyre, Shadd Miller, Mya Nemechek, Connor Purvis, Hayden Terry, Dalton Vallejo and Caden Wright.

Santa comes to town on old firetruck

Kids of all ages lined Main Ave. on Saturday afternoon for the arrival of Santa Claus in a special parade organized by the Goodland Ambassadors.

The parade began at 17th and finished at the Goodland Activities Center at Eighth and Main where Santa went inside to visit with the many kids who waited in line to tell Santa what they wanted for Christmas and have their picture taken.

Linda Rumpel, president of the Goodland Ambassadors, said the group had received a special donation to be able to give prizes to the best of those who participated in the parade in several categories.

Rumpel said the judges were Marty Melia, Doug Gerber and Sharon Hall.

She said a winner was picked in each category and then an overall winner was determined.

Each of the category winners received \$25 with Wheat Ridge Acres winning in the community and commercial category, Big Brothers and Big Sisters winning in the non-profit, Xpressos winning in the school and Daniel Estes winning in the individual.

The overall winners were Big Brothers and Big Sisters who received \$100, second, Wheat Ridge Acres receiving \$75 and third, Holiday Cruisers (Bricktop Cruisers group) receiving \$50.

She said there was not an entry in the 4-H category and that \$25 will be donated to Genesis.

The Christmas Holiday season officially started with arrival of Santa Claus Saturday. The day was filled with craft shows, fun run and parade. Top photo is of the jolly old elf himself riding on an antique fire truck. Elves, a tree and packages were on the float by Wheat Ridge Acres in the bottom right photo. They won in the commercial, community category. Bryant Nemechek carried his daughter, Madison, on his shoulders as they watched the parade in the bottom left photo.

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local markets



10:30 a.m.

Wheat — \$6.11 bushel

Posted county price — \$6.16

Corn — \$5.75 bushel

Posted county price — \$5.84

Milo — \$5.43 bushel

Soybeans — \$10 bushel

Posted county price — \$10.88

Millet — \$11.50 hundredweight

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$29.25 cwt.

Confection — no bid

Pinto beans — \$28

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

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Runners participate

Part of the 20 runners that were in the inaugural Jingle Bell Fun run held by the Goodland Arts Council. See another photo and stor on Page 10.

