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MIDWEEK

Tuesday, Mar. 27,

2012

weather report **75°** 10:30 a.m. Monday

Today Sunset, 7:06 p.m. Wednesday • Sunrise, 6:37 a.m. • Sunset, 7:07 p.m.

Midday Conditions

Soil temperature 53 degrees

- Humidity 30 percent Sky partly cloudy
- Winds south 20-25 mph
- Barometer 29.83 inches
- and steady

Record High today 87° (1988)

• Record Low today -3° (1931)

Last 24 Hours*	
High Sunday	71°
Low Sunday	41 °
Precipitation	none
This month	0.60
Year to date	1.11
Below normal	0.57 inche

The Topside Forecast Today: Sunny with a high near 72. winds out of the north at 5 to 10 mph switching to the south and a low around 38. Wednesday: Sunny with a high near 72, a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms and patchy fog after midnight, winds calm switching to the southeast at 5 to 10 mph and a low around 44.

Extended Forecast Thursday: Mostly sunny with a high near 74 and a low around 47. Saturday: Sunny with a high near 74 and a low around 48. (National Weather Service) Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz.



City takes over business park land

By Kevin Bottrell

kbottrell@nwkansas.com As a first step toward rebranding the Goodland Industrial Park, the city commission accepted the deed for the remaining land at its meeting last week.

City Manager Doug Gerber and Economic Development Director Michael Solomon had suggested the city take ownership of the land at a meeting in February. They plan to rebrand the park as the Goodland Business Park and find different ways to market it to potential developers and businesses.

were any outstanding taxes on the land. City Economic Development Corp. Attorney Jerry Fairbanks said there weren't any to his knowledge,

Mayor John Garcia asked if Gerber was planning to rezone the park. Currently it is zones I-2, or heavy industrial. Gerber said that will be up to the commission, but the plans haven't gotten that far yet. The staff will be spending time evaluating what kinds of businesses the city wants to attract before making any alterations to the park.

The commission voted unanimously in fa-

Commissioner Bill Finley asked if there vor of accepting the deed from the Goodland them on the idea by putting forward things

The commission also lent its approval to revitalizing the Chamber of Commerce. Gerber said there isn't a formal agreement yet, but the current plan is to have Solomon put in part of his time to get the Chamber up and running again.

Garcia said he'd taken a few days off and met with potential chamber members. Many are interested, but had concerns over fees and whether or not the new chamber could deliver where the old one failed. Garcia said he sold like collaborate advertising, regular events to highlight businesses and reinstating the annual banquet.

Gerber said that at some point once the chamber gets re-established, it should compensate the city for Solomon's time. Garcia agreed, saying it should be allowed a year to get established and raise money, then the issue could be revisited. That way Solomon and the city would better know how much time he's

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Boy Scouts serve soup

The Goodland Boy Scouts had their annual chili feed on Saturday. The leaders (above) were in charge of the chili and vegetable soup in big electric roasters. Soup was put into bowls members of the scout troop brought out to people sitting at the tables set up in the Goodland United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall (left). Diners also were served tea. coffee or Kool-Aid and fruit cobbler or cake for dessert. The money is used for camping supplies and other projects. Photo by Pat Schiefen The Goodland Star-News

The funds raised by Relay for Life help fund

the ongoing research all across the country in-

cluding the Midwest Cancer Alliance of which

Goodland Regional Medical Center is a part. An-

other major role of the funds raised locally is to

provide patient services to patients and survivors

in communities where ever the disease strikes.

Party to replace treasurer Thursday

The Sherman County Republican Committee will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday to pick a new county treasurer.

Treasurer Iris Scheopner resigned last week.

Anyone interested can declare their candidacy at the meeting. Each candidate will have three minutes to speak, after which they will have to have a nomination and a second by Republican Committee members.

Chairperson Jeannie Schields said that it is a good idea for anyone interested to let her know ahead of time, that way they can begin campaigning. She said that a list of committee members is available at the county clerk's office, which a candidate could use to start asking for support. Schields can be reached at 899-5851 or 821-1446.

The replacement will serve until the end of her term. Scheopner was up for election this year, so whomever is selected by the committee will have to file in this year's election if they are interested.



Wheat - \$6.60 bushel Posted county price — \$6.39 Corn — \$6.24 bushel Posted county price — \$6.31 Milo — \$6 bushel Soybeans — \$12.46 bushel Posted county price - \$12.84 Millet — \$11.50 hundredweight Sunflowers Oil current crop — \$26.30 cwt. Confection - no bid Pinto beans — \$28 (Markets by Scoular Grain, Sun Opta, Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)





Wrestlers

go to state

The Goodland Kids Wrestling Club sent seven wrestlers to the state competition on Saturday and Sunday in Topeka. A send-off ceremony was put on Thursday by the Goodland Ambassadors.

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burn ban after rain

After getting anywhere from 55 to 73 hundredths of an inch of rain last week, the Sherman County Commissioners have temporarily lifted the ban on controlled burns.

The commissioners met briefly Thursday afternoon to lift the ban. They had put the ban in place several weeks ago in response to nearly a month with no significant mois-

Several small storms passed over the county Wednesday and Thursday morning, dropping some much-needed moisture. On Friday many county residents were out See RELAY, Page 5 burning grass or trash.

Relay for Life to have planning meeting Thursday

contact Stacy Brashear at 821-5578. Anyone who

would like to included in the survivor lap should call the Goodland Star-News at 899-2338.

The American Cancer Society has a long his-

tory in its fight against all forms of childhood and

adult cancer. Relays are held throughout the U.S.

and in several other countries to help fund the

society's battle to find cures for the disease and

to help treat and support the millions of cancer

Anyone interested in forming a team should patients in the world.

It's time once again to start thinking about how to help in the fight against cancer. The 2012 Sherman County Relay for Life will be July 13 and the organization will have a planning meeting at 5:15 on Thursday at Gambinos. Everyone is welcome to attend.

American Cancer Society Community Staff Person Lisa Nelson will be there to answer questions and help formulate the Plans for the 2012 Relay.

Fish get fried at Brewster fund raiser

By Christina Beringer

colby.society@nwkansas.com The Brewster Grocery Store held its annual benefit fish fry on Saturday at the Brewster United Methodist Church.

Board member and volunteer Rae Stewart said this was the third year for the fund-raising event, which helps keeps the lights on and the doors open at the town's only grocery.

"The first year we had the fish fry, it helped get us way out of debt and back into the black," she said. "The second year, we were able to use the proceeds to replace some equipment and even had a little bit left over.

"This year, we hope to raise about \$4,000. It's our biggest fund raiser of the year, and we host the fish fry in addition to other, smaller fund raisers that take place about once a

Fun in the sun

Everyone was enjoying the spring weather on Friday especially the kids. The kids enjoyed a ride on the merry-go-round at Gulick Park on Saturday afternoon. The warm weather has encouraged flowering trees and bulbs to bloom.

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