

**weather
report**

71°



noon Tuesday

Today

- Sunset, 8:07 p.m.
- Wednesday**
- Sunrise, 5:22 a.m.
- Sunset, 8:08 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil temperature 63 degrees
- Humidity 22 percent
- Sky clear and sunny
- Winds variable
- Barometer 30.00 inches and falling

- Record High today 106° (2002)
- Record Low today 36° (1951)

Last 24 Hours*

High Monday	78°
Low Monday	42°
Precipitation	none
This month	.84
Year to date	5.18

The Topside Forecast

Today: mostly sunny, high near 79, low around 45, winds north northeast 6-10 mph. Wednesday: partly cloudy, high near 76, low near 50, winds northeast 8-14 mph.

Extended Forecast

Thursday: partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 3 p.m., high near 85, low around 55, winds breezy from the south 15-36 mph. (National Weather Service) Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz. * Readings taken at 7 a.m.

**local
markets**

Noon

- Wheat — \$3.65 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$3.35
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
 - Corn — \$3.18 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$2.89
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
 - Milo — \$2.85 bushel
 - Soybeans — \$8.18 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$7.83
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
 - Millet — \$6.75 hundredweight
 - Sunflowers
 - Oil current crop — \$11.30 cwt.
 - NuSun — \$11.55 cwt.
 - Confection — \$16/\$9 cwt.
 - Pinto beans — \$15
- (Markets by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

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today**

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Cowboy finished fifth

Junior Bret Jarmin threw the javelin 173 feet 5 inches and placed fifth at the state Class 4A track meet in Wichita on Saturday. Jarmin also placed fifth at the state meet last year. Photos, story on Page 10.

Two killed in dust storms Saturday

By Greg Stover

The Goodland Star-News

Winds up to 90 m.p.h. and dust so thick one lawman reported he couldn't "see his hand in front of his face" dimmed the sky Saturday afternoon, killing the area's state senator and a Denver man in accidents on I-70.

The first wreck, about seven miles east of Goodland just after 5 p.m., killed a Denver man, while the other, about nine miles east of Oakley, killed state Sen. Stan Clark.

Sen. Clark died in the westbound lane of I-70 between mile post 84 and 85, about nine miles east of Oakley. The Kansas Highway Patrol said a Marten semi-trailer truck driven by Edward Williams, 36, Syracuse, N.Y., slowed down and was moving onto the right shoulder because of poor visibility just after 6 p.m. The driver reported hearing a collision ahead.

By Tuesday, troopers had decided that Clark's 1997 Chrysler four-door sedan, struck the trailer ahead before being hit by a following truck. The other semi, a CFI truck driven by Donald DeCarr of Yuma, Ariz., drove the Chrysler under the trailer of the first rig.

Clark was pronounced dead at the scene, and his body was taken to the Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home in Oakley. Neither semi driver was injured. All three drivers were wearing seat belts.

The first accident happened around 5:10 p.m. (Mountain Time) on the eastbound lane of I-70 about halfway between mile post 25 and 26, about eight miles east of Goodland and about two miles west of the Edson exit.

The Highway Patrol reported that a 2001 Cadillac four-door sedan driven by Pauline Stewart, 74, of Denver stopped in the left lane when dust obscured the road. Several other cars were stopped on both shoulders.

A semi-trailer rig driven by Edward Brown, 50, Commerce City, Colo., struck the Cadillac in the rear. Dead at the scene was Hubert Stewart, 72, a passenger in the sedan, who was taken to Koons Funeral Home. His brother, Herbert Stewart, 74, also a passenger in the

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A city worker pushed a fallen tree off to the west side of Main Avenue in front of the school district office Saturday afternoon. The

tree fell over during the wind storm, damaging the sidewalk and partly blocked Main for a short time.

Photo by Greg Stover/The Goodland Star-News

Funeral Thursday for state senator

State Sen. Stan W. Clark, 49, Oakley, was killed Saturday when his car was rear ended by a tractor-trailer truck on I-70 in a dust storm that reduced visibility to near zero.

Clark, an Oakley Republican, was driving west on I-70 about nine miles east of Oakley when his 1994 Chrysler was crushed between two tractor-trailer rigs.

Clark, who served a decade in the Senate, was considered a leader of conservative Republicans and a potential candidate for Senate president later this year.

He was known for his quiet, modest demeanor and for his simple dress — a collarless white shirt and dark coat — in keeping with the beliefs of the Dunkard Brethren Church.

Sen. Janis Lee, D-Kensington, called Clark, "just a very good man."

"He was a very good person, very dedicated, and he took his job as a

senator very seriously," she said.

House Speaker Doug Mays, R-Topeka, said Clark was quiet and bright and "obviously loved his family."

"I would say he was one of the kindest members of the Legislature," Mays said. "He was a very spiritual man."

Clark was appointed to represent the northwest corner of the state in 1994 after Sheila Frahm was elected lieutenant governor. He won a full four-year term in 1996, then re-election in 2000.

The Dunkard Brethren embrace a life of simplicity, eschewing television, for example. During a 1995 interview, Clark said he became acquainted with the church while taking wedding pictures. He operated a commercial photography studio in Oakley.

"I got the opportunity of attending a number of churches, and I really enjoyed the people," said Clark, who

converted in 1989. "There's a closeness of family. There are all kinds of family get-togethers all the time."

Clark was born Dec. 9, 1954, in Oakley, the son of Bob J. and Edith L. (Suter) Clark. On Feb. 11, 1990, he married Ruth Flory of Sturgis, Mich., at Defiance, Ohio.

Clark operated Pyramid Studio in Oakley. He was chairman of the Senate Utilities Committee and the joint Information Technology Committee; a member of the Agriculture, Financial Institutions and Insurance, Rules and Regulations, Assessment and Taxation and Election and Ethics committees; and was vice chair of the Kansas Agriculture Added-Value Center.

He was a supporter of the National Federation of Independent Businesses, chairman of the Oakley Board of Zoning Appeals, vice chair of the Oakley Planning Commission, president of the Oakley Area Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the Oakley Pride Committee and president of the Fick Fossil Museum board.

He was a member of the Dunkard

Brethren Church in Quinter and the Hudson Essex Terraplane Club.

Preceding him in death were his grandparents, Chester Clark, Anna Clark, John Suter, Ida Suter and Marie Suter.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Will P. Clark of the home; his parents of Oakley; two brothers, Drake (Janice) Clark of Wallace and Ron (Pat) Clark of Oakley; and two sisters, Susan (Dan) Brabec of Manhattan and Mary (Jay) Ochs of Oakley.

Services will be at 10 a.m. (Mountain Time) Thursday, at the Oakley High School auditorium, 118 W. Seventh, with Gordon Jamison officiating. Burial will follow in the Oakley Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 1-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home and from 9-10:30 a.m. Thursday at the auditorium.

Memorials may be made to the Gideons International, the Will Clark Education Fund or the Wild West Historical Foundation in care of the funeral home, 217 Freeman, Box 221, Oakley, Kan. 67748.

Summer fun begins



One of the early visitors on opening day to Goodland's Steaver Water Park was the first person down the water slide Saturday afternoon.

Photo by Greg Stover/The Goodland Star-News

Candidate filing deadline close

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There may be at least one more candidate for county office. Crystal Wright, of the county clerk's office, has started a petition as a Republican candidate for county treasurer.

Treasurer Shelby Miller is not running for re-election.

The deadline for candidates for the party primaries for county and state offices is noon June 10, next

Thursday. That also applies for the vacant seat for state Senate.

Janet Rumpel, Sherman County clerk and election officer, says time is getting short for candidates to get their paperwork and filing fees in.

As of Tuesday morning, there were 3,983 voters registered in Sherman County.

Rumpel says voters who have not voted in Sherman County must bring a form of identification that

lists their name and current address, such as a driver's license or utility bill, to register. She said this applies to about 800 voters in the county.

This rule also applies to voters who have been registered for years but never actually voted, Rumpel said, and to former residents who moved away and later came back to Sherman County who have not voted since.

Folding with care



Webelo Scout Seth Stramel, son of Richard and Monica Stramel of Goodland, folded one of the full-sized flags used to commemorate Memorial Day at the cemetery. Boy Scouts helped members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars put up the flags early Monday and take them down in the evening. The flags were taken to the VFW Hall for folding and storage.

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