

Moisture level over the top

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had fallen, which nears the record of 7.38 inches of fall season rain set in 1965.

The total for November was up to 1.89 inches, which is 1.23 inches above the monthly norm.

"If we had no more rain for the rest of November," Killingsworth said, "it would be the second wettest (fall) on record."

Daily records have already been broken in November, with 1.08 inches falling on Nov. 10, 1.06

inches above the record for that day. On Nov. 18, Goodland broke another record with 0.44 of an inch of rain over the record of 0.38 of an inch for the day.

"It's definitely unusual to get two record-breaking days in one month," he said, "especially in November."

Although the rain is good, he said, the area is still categorized in the "severe" range for drought.

Killingsworth said the rain is in part due to a moderate El Niño winter forecast by the Climate Prediction Center. He said when an El Niño, a

pattern of currents in the Pacific Ocean, is in place, winter should be wetter and warmer than normal. Water in the Pacific, he said, is warmer and that is affecting the weather here.

"If the pattern continues," he said, "we'll get more rain."

So far, the Weather Service is predicting a chance for rain or snow today with temperatures around normal, in the mid 40s. He said they expect rain or snow on Saturday and Sunday, but temperatures are expected to drop into the mid 30s for the weekend.

College announces new program

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High school juniors and seniors from a 150-mile radius are invited to the expo, Purvis said, and there were demonstrations in every department. Since respiratory therapy will be new this fall, she said, nothing has been started in the department. Therapists from the hospital and Lincare will show prospective students what the job of a respiratory therapist involves and what education is needed.

"We believe that will be a good program for us," Purvis said. "Graduates can stay here."

There are a lot of patients in this area on oxygen, Purvis said; jobs

will be available at hospitals and possibly nursing homes, and there is a respiratory therapy equipment company in Colby.

The Kansas Department of Education estimates, she said, in its book "Top 10 Health Care Opportunities in Kansas," that by 2006 the state will need 2,780 respiratory therapists, and there will be 140 new job openings each year. The hourly wage will average \$14, she said.

And western Kansas has what is needed for students to gain the education to be respiratory therapists. The college may work with hospitals in St. Francis, Oberlin and other area towns, Purvis said. During the

second year of the program, students will be on campus two days a week, and the rest of their time will be in a clinical setting.

Students who live in western Kansas won't necessarily need to relocate to attend the program, she said; they can drive to Goodland twice a week for class and spend their clinical time at the hospital where they live.

With the difficult economic times, Purvis said, the college is doing its best to provide opportunities for students and to better itself and its programs.

"Enrollment's down," she said. "We're doing all we can to keep the college before the public."

Expo gives students ideas about future careers

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on training. Not many schools provide that, he said, and having that format will help the college grow.

"How do you teach cosmetology on the Internet?" he asked. "How do you teach auto mechanics on the Internet?"

Everything the college does can't be taught on-line, he said; it requires hands-on training.

Economic development needs this college, Morrison said, adding that putting money into education

is a good investment.

Not only is this the best technical college in the state, College President Ken Clouse said, but no community can work without the tech-

nical experts to make things run.

Present for the luncheon were State Sen. Ruth Clark and Rep. Ralph Ostmeyer, who will soon replace Clark in the Senate.

Thank you!

The Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the following people for their support and help with the Light Parade and Santa's Arrival to Goodland: The Goodland City Police Department, The Goodland/Sherman County Fire Department, The Sherman County Sheriff's Department, Justin Bentzinger, all the parade participants, the Goodland Star News, Carolyn Applegate, Rhonda Sieck, Donna Swager for donating most of the Christmas decorations for Santa's hut, The Goodland Ambassadors for serving our refreshments, and the whole community of Goodland for supporting our new ideas, and last but not least Thank you to Santa, Mrs. Claus, and his two elves for stopping by to help us welcome the holiday season. We appreciate all of you!

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Handy House newly decorated



David Branda and Marge Rogers of the Sherman County Historical Society hung Christmas decorations on the balcony at the Ennis-Handy House last week, being careful not to damage the new gingerbread trim added recently to restore more of the original appearance of the house. Photo by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Star-News



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Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Loser to Clinton in 1996

5. Pack down

9. October birthstone

13. German autos

15. Creme-filled cookie

16. Tibetan priest

17. FAT CAT

19. The ___ Scott Decision of 1857

20. Miss the mark

21. Was sorry about

22. Past pudgy

23. Rigging rope

25. Anti-fur gp.

27. Young newt

28. Treatment for muscular pain, maybe

32. Country's Haggard

35. Cop on the beat

36. Oscar winner Jannings

37. Director De Palma

38. Loser to Bush in 2000

39. Speaker of the House, 1977-87

41. "Bullitt" director Peter

42. Shop VIPs

43. Word after "dot"

44. Take the bait

45. Classic Fords

49. Coveted prize

52. Give a darn

53. PC key

54. Track shape

55. HEP CAT

58. Dosage unit

59. "Yikes!"

More Katz

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DOWN

1. Wooden peg

2. "Carmen" or "Aida"

3. Find out

4. Right-angle bend

5. ___ with (treated casually)

6. Rangers shortstop, familiarly

7. Chess pieces

8. "The Raven" author

9. ONE O'CAT

10. Remove the rind from

11. Iowa State city

12. Load with cargo

14. Attack from the air

18. Injured

22. Director Preminger

24. FRAIDY CAT

25. Part of a bloom

26. Yield as profit

28. Flags down, as a cab

29. Zillions

30. A ___ technicality

31. Chief exec.

32. Stengel's "amazn" team

33. Give off

34. Ready for harvesting

35. Lion family

37. Ernie's "Sesame Street" pal

40. Hammer's target

41. Alpine tunes

43. Fortune 500 abbr.

45. Miata maker

46. Arrange in tiers

47. Coeur d'___, Idaho

48. Camel's backbreaker, proverbially

49. "Uh-uh"

50. "Metamorphoses" author

51. Lacking tread

52. Antidrug honcho

55. Jacuzzi nozzle

56. Turkish title

57. Help out

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Cardiologist	Vijay Sabbarao, M.D.	December 9
Dermatologist	Charles Ruggles, M.D.	December 16
Dietitian	Sarah Linton, RD, LD	Monday thru Friday
Ear, Nose and Throat	Alfred N. Carr, M.D.	December 3, 10 & 17
Endocrinologist	Gerald Poticha, M.D.	December 9, 10 & 23
Gastroenterologist	Jeffrey D. Huston, M.D.	December 13
Gynecology	Laura Rokosz, M.D.	December 2 & 23
Neurologist	Steven J. Gulevich, M.D.	December 1, 3, 10 & 39
Obstetrics/Gynecology	David Forschner, M.D.	January 19
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Orthopedist	Edward Parks, M.D.	December 27
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Pediatric Cardiologist	Warren Toews, M.D.	December 1
Psychiatrist	John C. Faul, M.D.	December 1, 3 & 17
Podiatrist	Erik Ouderkirk, D.P.M.	December 8 & 22
Pulmonologist	Ken Weisiger, M.D.	December 9
Pulmonologist	Val Linquist, M.D.	December 17
Radiologists	Professional Radiology Services	Week Days
Rheumatologist	Karl Chambers, M.D.	December 16
Speech Therapy	Lisa Paxton	Thursdays
Substance Abuse Dir	Fred Waters, CADC III	Mondays
Urologist	Darrell D. Werth, M.D.	January 4
Urologist	Carl T. Newman, M.D.	December 7
Urologist	Kevin R. McDonald, M.D.	January 18
Urologist	Wallace Michael Curry, M.D.	December 21