

## weather report

**86°**

noon Monday

### Today

•Sunset, 8:17 p.m.

### Wednesday

•Sunrise, 5:21 a.m.

•Sunset, 8:17 p.m.

### Middy Conditions

- Soil temperature 77 degrees
- Humidity 51 percent
- Sky clear and sunny
- Winds southwest 12-17 mph.
- Barometer 30.17 inches and falling
- Record High today 105° (1936)
- Record Low today 45° (1951)

### Last 24 Hours\*

High Sunday	91°
Low Sunday	69°
Precipitation	none
This month	2.07
Year to date	7.72
Normal	9.13

### The Topside Forecast

Today: Mostly sunny and hot, high around 97, low near 66, winds south 8-14 mph. Wednesday: Sunny, hot and breezy, high near 99, low around 65, winds south 11-32 mph.

### Extended Forecast

Thursday: Mostly sunny and hot, high near 97, low around 62. Friday: Mostly sunny, high around 93, low near 61. Saturday: Mostly sunny, high around 93, low around 62. Sunday: Mostly sunny, high near 91.

(National Weather Service)

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\* Readings compiled at midnight.

## local markets

### Noon

Wheat — \$3.08 bushel  
Posted county price — \$2.93  
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢  
Corn — \$2.07 bushel  
Posted county price — \$1.97  
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢  
Milo — \$1.70 bushel  
Soybeans — \$6.63 bushel  
Posted county price — \$6.67  
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢  
Millet — \$5 hundredweight  
Sunflowers  
Oil current crop — \$9.70 cwt.  
NuSun — \$10.70 cwt.  
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢  
Confection — Ask  
Pinto beans — \$25  
(Markets by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

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## K-18 team wins, 18-3

Goodland K-18 First baseman T.J. Hawkins (kneeling) tossed the ball back to the pitcher after a pick-off attempt during the top of the third inning against St. Francis on Thursday. Goodland won the game, 18-3. Photos, story on Page 12.

# Dig wraps up at state's oldest site

By Tom Betz

*The Goodland Star-News*

The trowels have been put away for another year, and the volunteer archeologists are returning to their homes and jobs.

Artifacts from the site near Kanorado have been dated back to 12,200 years ago, and artifacts gathered this year might push that back closer to 14,000 years when the evidence is sifted, making these the oldest evidence of humans on the High Plains and possibly in all of North America.

"We can certainly say this is the oldest site in Kansas you have worked on," said Dr. Steve Holen of the Denver Museum of Nature and Science at a "resumé," or recap, session Saturday evening. "We found enough evidence to say there is a Folsom component and a Clovis component at this site."

"We will take all the specimens back to Denver for analysis, and I



Clovis age tool found Friday.



Nancy Arendt, a volunteer archeologist from Colby, carefully scraped dirt away from the mammoth vertebra she found Saturday at one of the sites near Kanorado. Arendt returned Sunday to finish excavating the bone.

Photos by Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

will work with Dr. Rolfe Mandel to put together a report which should be done by next spring."

Holen said the Kanorado site is

the first Clovis site in the state and the second Folsom site. Early native Americans, known as paleoindians, roamed the High Plains thousands

of years ago, and some of the earliest were called Folsom for the fluted points they made about 10,000 years ago.

Clovis paleoindians were on the High Plains well before the Folsom, and evidence collected at Kanorado is pushing that date back towards 14,000 years ago. Points made by these tribes were before the invention of the bow and arrow.

"I am your No. 1 fan," Holen said, thanking the volunteers from the Kansas Anthropological Association for their help. "I was apprehensive about bringing this large number of people to a site where we were not expecting to find lots of large specimens. I was told not to worry because a lot of you simply like to get out and dig."

"I can say I was impressed with your work, and feel you found what we had hoped for at all three sites."

On Saturday, the last day of official digging, a mammoth vertebra was found at one site near Kanorado by Nancy Arendt of Colby. More tools and flakes were found at the other two sites. In all, Holen said about nine stone tools were found and many flakes, plus a number of bones and bone fragments from camel, bison and mammoth.

Holen said finding the tools and flakes shows that people traveled through the High Plains following the mammoth and bison herds as

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# Water park opens with big crowd, splash

By Kathryn Burke

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First a timid toe, then a calf, a thigh, the waist and then—SPLASH—the Steever Water Park pool was officially opened at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Kids of all ages lined up outside of the chain-link fence to get a prime position to dive in. Park officials said 166 people showed up for opening day.

Leaks under the pools and work on the drain lines under the splash pool had kept the park from opening so far this summer.

The park is still partly surrounded by a construction site, which is fenced to keep kids out. The former kiddie pool at the 4-year-old water park is now just a muddy hole. Signs say pool officials will have zero tolerance for kids going near the fence or construction areas.

The pool opening attracted young and old, with some adults taking a dip with the kids.

Scores of lifeguards kept an eye on the water as kids lined up to use the diving board. Other swimmers played on the water slides or in the shallow end of the pool.

The main pool area and the slides are now open from 1 to 5:30 p.m. daily. There will be night swim from



6 to 8 p.m. on Friday and Sunday, and an adult swim from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from noon to 1 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Ticket prices will be the same as last year, with kids 5 and under free; kids 6-12 \$2; and adults \$3. Fridays will feature \$1 admission. Coupons are available for multiple use beginning at 25 for \$20.

The three two-week swim-lesson sessions started Monday morning.



Ashlee Roeder signed her name as one of the first in a long line of swimmers at Steever Water Park on Saturday. Another raced down the water slide into the splash pool.

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# Kids learn compass reading, first aid, shooting

By Sharon Corcoran

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Shotgun blasts filled the air, buffalo burgers filled the stomachs and sunlight filled the eyes.

Despite storms Friday night, Saturday couldn't have been a more beautiful day to be outdoors, and 56 youths showed up at Bellamy Farms to take advantage of the weather and to learn about outdoor sports.

The 47 boys and eight girls at the Youth Skills Day learned about basic first aid, compass and map reading, shotguns and muzzle loading, firing shotguns, bow hunting, trapping and game calling.

Instructors Troy Mannis and Bob Juleson said they have been teaching hunter safety, and Mannis has helped with the annual Youth Skills Day the last four years in Colby. They wanted to have one here, Mannis said, and he ended up having plenty of help and a perfect day for the event.

"The weather's perfect," Mannis said. "We couldn't get a better day."

Mannis said he was happy with the number of kids who showed up and the amount of help he got from sponsors and adults.

The event wouldn't have come off without everyone helping, Mannis

said. Randy Bellamy provided the place for no charge, Mannis said, and only asked that everyone clean up after themselves.

About 10 instructors volunteered; people and businesses donated money, food and other necessary items; and there were six leaders, one for each group of kids.

"I had people call me wanting to help," Mannis said.

And he had so many kids wanting to come that he had to turn some away. Mannis said they were aiming to have 50 kids but ended up with more.

Besides Sherman County, students came from Winona, Brewster and Sharon Springs, and some came from farther away. Mannis' nephew, Chase Toft, came from Colorado. A youngster from Texas who was visiting family went to the event. Steve Duell, who brought his grill and cooking skills, brought Peter Lutter of Washington, D.C., who was visiting his grandfather, Carroll Mogge, in Ruleton.

Each group went to a different skill section and they rotated when the lesson was done, with each lesson lasting about an hour.

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Richard Walters (left) and Dan Zerr taught Jesse Cooper, son of Kendall and Jacque Cooper, to fire a shotgun at the Youth Skills Day on Saturday, June 11. Photo by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Star-News