

## weather report

76°

noon Thursday

### Today

• Sunset, 7:28 p.m.

### Thursday

• Sunrise, 6:10 a.m.

• Sunset, 7:27 p.m.

### Midday Conditions

- Soil temperature 71 degrees
- Humidity 73 percent
- Sky partly cloudy
- Winds north 7 mph.
- Barometer 30.05 inches and falling
- Record High today 106° (1926)
- Record Low today 47° (1958)

### Last 24 Hours\*

High Wednesday	84°
Low Wednesday	59°
Precipitation	.02
This month	2.22
Year to date	11.97
Normal	15.94

### The Topside Forecast

Today: Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon, areas of fog before 10 a.m., high near 84, low near 60, winds north 10 mph. Saturday: Mostly sunny, high around 90, low around 59, winds southwest 6-10 mph.

### Extended Forecast

Sunday: Mostly sunny, high around 89, low around 58. Monday: Mostly sunny, high near 91, low near 59. Tuesday: Mostly sunny, high near 93, low around 58.

(National Weather Service)

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\* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

# Carousel celebrates 100 years

By Kathryn Burke

The Goodland Star-News

A hundred years of history spun 'round and 'round at a centennial birthday party for the Kit Carson County Carousel in Burlington on Saturday.

Young and old alike lined up to ride the dog, horses, giraffes, zebras, camels and more for free from 1 to 8 p.m.

The fun started at noon with a free pork barbecue sponsored by Midwest Farms, *The Burlington Record* and the Route Steakhouse.

Party goers were adorned with hats, whistles and balloons to celebrate the birthday.

The Golden Eagle Brass Band with conductor John R. Williams started up at 2 p.m. and played throughout the afternoon.

The celebration included proclamations from the carousel association honoring the historical ride. It was topped off with birthday cake and ice cream.

The carousel is the sixth of 74 manufactured by the Philadelphia Toboggan Co., built in 1905 for Elitch Gardens in Denver.

Kit Carson County commissioners bought the carousel in 1928 for \$1,200, including delivery to Burlington, after Elitch's bought a newer one.

The carnival ride has been fully restored, including the Wurlitzer Monster organ inside. It still has original paint on both the scenery panels in the middle of the carousel and on the animals.

The birthday party gave participants a chance to ride all 46 of the hand-carved animals. The animals are set up in three rows and the carousel moves counter-clockwise. Many of the horses are fitted with real horse hair tails and the deer have real antlers.

The carousel has four chariots for those who want to ride, but don't want to straddle an animal.

Today, the Burlington attraction



Guests to the Kit Carson County Carousel in Burlington celebrated its 100th birthday with a spin Saturday.

Photo by Kathryn Burke/The Goodland Star-News



is a National Historic Site and is designated as a National Historic Landmark.

Kit Carson County and the carousel

association are working on a museum to display the history and restoration of the carousel, set to open in late spring.

## local markets

### Noon

Wheat — \$3.04 bushel	Posted county price — \$3.06
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢	
Corn — \$1.69 bushel	Posted county price — \$1.73
Loan deficiency pmt. — 21¢	
Milo — \$1.40 bushel	Posted county price — \$5.49
Soybeans — \$5.07 bushel	Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
Millet — \$6.50 hundredweight	Confection — Ask
Sunflowers	
Oil current crop — \$9.70 cwt.	
NuSun — \$10.70 cwt.	
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢	
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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## Volleyball gets prepared

Senior Megan Rubio bumped the ball back to a teammate during a Cowgirl volleyball practice Monday night at Max Jones. Photos on Page 10a.



Staff and teachers of the Goodland School District listened to Gov. Kathleen Sebelius at a meeting Tuesday.

Photo by Kathryn Burke/The Goodland Star-News

# Gov. thanks teachers for their work

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Teachers, administrators and staff in the Goodland School District stood to applaud Gov. Kathleen Sebelius at a meeting at the high school cafeteria Tuesday afternoon.

The group gathered on the day before school started for a special welcome back.

Superintendent Marvin Selby introduced the governor, joking that the district always tries to have a special guest to kick off the year.

Sebelius started by thanking teachers for their work.

"Thank you," she said. "Thank you for what you do every day."

The governor said she has experience with education, since her parents and grandparents were teachers. Later, she said, she experienced education as a student and through her two children.

Sebelius said having good schools in Kansas is the best way to keep existing jobs and bring in new ones.

In her travels across the state this summer, she said, most of the people

she has spoken with want to be sure there are good schools in every community.

High School Assistant Principal Steve Raymer told the governor he appreciated her work in Topeka.

"I just want to thank you for taking a stance for education," he said.

Radio personality Curtis Duncan asked Sebelius if — in light of the recent school funding conflicts in the state — she expects another fight next year.

"I think there are a couple of positive signs on the horizon," Sebelius answered, adding many legislators came across party lines to get money for education passed this summer.

The governor mentioned the importance of making health care affordable to Kansans before heading out to a tour of the Goodland Regional Medical Center.

The crowd rose again to applaud the governor as she left and then teachers hurried back to school to prepare for the district's open house.

The governor toured the hospital before leaving town.

# Council bails out Chamber

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Star-News

A reorganization plan to keep the Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce going was presented to the Sherman County Economic Development Council at a special meeting Tuesday morning at Western State Bank.

The council agreed to loan the Chamber \$8,000 to help pay some of the more than \$19,000 in bills it owes. Council members voted 5-3 to approve the loan with Chairman John Garcia saying he would not vote unless it was a tie.

The Chamber plans to eliminate its paid director and leave its rented office space to join the council at 1208 Main. It plans to ask members for \$7,500 in contributions to help pay off the old bills. The council approved a motion to offer the Chamber a home and to pay the utilities and phone bill through the end of the year to help get the organization back on its feet.

With the loan from the council and donations from the Chamber members, the outstanding bills would be cut down to \$4,900, which the Chamber will ask creditors to defer until they can raise more money next year.

Garcia opened the meeting saying the purpose was to find a resolution to the Chamber's situation. Chamber board members were present, plus Dale Neill from the Sherman County Convention and Visitors Bureau board.

Chamber President Donna Swager said Brian Linin and Ken Clouse would present the reorganization plan. Copies were handed out to all members of the council and the Chamber board.

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