

weather report

82°

at noon

Today

• Sunset, 6:31 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 6:44 a.m.
• Sunset, 6:30 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 68 degrees
• Humidity 30 percent
• Sky clear
• Winds south 15
• Barometer 30.19 inches
and falling
• Record High 93° (1938)
• Record Low 30° (1999)

Last 24 Hours*

High 82°
Low 53°
Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: mostly clear, low 55, wind southwest 10-20. Tomorrow: sunny, high 90, low 45, wind north 10-20.

Extended Forecast

Wednesday through Thursday: partly cloudy, high 60s, low 30s.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.47 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.49
Corn — \$1.86 bushel
Posted county price — \$1.81
Loan deficiency pmt. — 18¢
Milo — \$1.66 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$3.82 bushel
Posted county price — \$3.89
Loan deficiency payment — 1.03
Millet — \$3.50 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$6.95 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — \$2.24
Confection current — \$13/\$6 cwt.
Pinto beans — \$20
(Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Frontier Equity Co-op and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

afternoon wire

Late news from the Associated Press

1 p.m.

Court rejects trial request

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court rejected arguments Monday that FBI blunders should give Oklahoma City bombing co-defendant Terry Nichols the chance for a new trial.

The court, without comment, turned down Nichols' request for reconsideration of his case in light of the revelation last spring that the FBI had failed to turn over thousands of pages of bombing investigation materials to defense lawyers for Nichols and convicted bomber Timothy McVeigh.

Nichols, who lived in Herington at the time of the bombing, claimed the mishandled document incident supports his assertion that government lawyers failed to turn over material that could have helped him during his 1997 trial.

Nichols argued that lower courts did not do enough.

New war start of tensions?

Terrorism attacks could make waves

By Deb Riechmann

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Like the opening shot in billiards that sends the balls ricocheting in directions unknown, America's war on terrorism could have unintended consequences far and wide.

U.S. policy-makers are aware that as they take their best shot against terrorism, they could set in motion problems of a different sort.

The risk of bolstering Islamic radicals, perhaps giving them enough power to overthrow moderate governments in the Arab world, is among the most apparent consequences and helps explain why the Bush administration is picking its way so carefully in responding to the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

Instability in Pakistan, which has supported the hardline Taliban regime in Afghanistan but also is cooperating with the United States, is a particular danger.

A takeover by fundamentalist Islamic factions there could be calamitous, said Jim Steinberg, deputy national security adviser for President Clinton.

"You'd have an armed Islamic nuclear state," he said. "That would be a very serious unintended consequence."

Secretary of State Colin Powell has expressed confidence Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf can manage the domestic consequences of helping Americans. And, he said: "I have no concerns about their nuclear programs."

The gathering U.S. military response has already sent Afghans fleeing to borders that have been sealed off by neighboring states, and food shortages

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Officials set new fee at \$32/ton

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

With the opening of the new landfill in sight, the Sherman County Commissioners approved a \$32-per-ton tipping fee for trash haulers at their meeting Thursday.

Curt Way, county public works director, said things are moving along at the new landfill and he expects it to be open the middle of October. He said the fence is up, and the county has final approval from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to begin operations.

"We have to pump the sump and let it dry a little before we begin," Way said. "We expect to have one truck arrive this week, and we should be ready to roll in the next two weeks."

The commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. Tuesday for their first meeting of October to review bids on two pickups for road and bridge, and Ron Dautel has asked to talk about problems with the sewer ponds at the Northern Sun plant west of Goodland.

The tipping fee will be charged to those businesses who haul trash to the landfill, which includes the City of Goodland and Kevin Butts, a local trash hauler.

Butts was at the meeting and said he was concerned about the fee because it will have to be passed on to his customers and didn't know what that would do to his business.

Commissioners Kevin Rasure and Mitch Tiede said they understood that the cost would have to be passed on, but that the county didn't have much choice because of the cost of operating the new landfill. The commissioners said the

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Having fall fun at Flatlander Fest



Demi Mitchek, 1, got comfortable with "Sophie," a 2-year-old Yorkshire terrier, before she showed her at the Scruffy Dog Contest on Saturday.

It was Sophie's and Demi's first show. Patty Eckhardt, Demi's godmother, held Sophie. Photo by Rachel Miscall/The Goodland Daily News

Newcomer breaks into dog show world

By Rachel Miscall

The Goodland Daily News

Sophie's stylist rubbed mousse on her head, face and back, rattling and scrunching the hair to give Sophie the same wild look her opponents would have.

It was the day of the big contest.

She had to look her scruffiest.

The stylist tied red, white and blue ribbons around Sophie's neck, using scissors to curl the end of the ribbons, and a white cotton band hung over her furry chest.

In hindsight, the accessories may have been a mistake. A judge would later say Sophie was "too cute" to win.

The 2-year-old Yorkshire terrier was one of 34 dogs to enter the 8th annual Scruffy Dog Contest at the

Flatlander Fall Festival on Saturday.

The event, put on by the Northwest Animal Shelter and KLOE, KKCI, KWGB Radio, gives pet owners a chance to show off their pride and joy.

The contest isn't only for scruffy dogs, as there are nine categories, including "most talented," "best personality" and "a face only a mother can love." A big crowd always gathers to cheer as the canines stroll — or sometimes run — across the stage, leap through hoops, sit, stay, roll over, play dead or just look cute.

It was Sophie's first contest, and her owner, Patty Eckhardt, said it took about five minutes to get the little dog ready for the big show. She said she only breaks out the mousse for very special events.

"It's to bring out the scruffiness,"

she said.

It was also the first dog show for Demi Mitchek — the 1-year-old who led Sophie across the stage — and she was a little nervous.

"We're trying to get her showmanship skills down," said Eckhardt, Mitchek's godmother. "Being that Demi is scared of Sophie, it might be a little shaky."

At least they both looked the part. Demi was dressed in red, white and blue and had a white cotton band around her wrist that matched the one around Sophie's neck.

"We thought it was appropriate," Eckhardt said, as she and Demi's mother, Becky, tried to get the little girl and the dog acquainted.

As the group watched toy poodles, chihuahuas, terriers and a great dane

strut in front of the judges, they sized up the competition and dreamed about Sophie's future.

"I think she's got them beat," Eckhardt said. "They aren't looking as rough as she is."

Not only does Sophie have the look, she said, but she has a winning attitude.

"She's pretty serious about it," Eckhardt said. "Maybe she'll do the fair next. She'll be on the dog show circuit then."

With a little experience, she said, Sophie could start raking in the cash.

"She could make enough money for some of her wares," Eckhardt said.

Including the mousse, she added, Sophie's outfit cost about \$5 to put

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First chili cook-off brews competition

Carol

Stewart of

the First

National

Bank stirred

the winning

chili at the

first annual

chili cook-

off at the

Fall

Flatlander

Festival on

Saturday.

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By Sharon Corcoran

The Goodland Daily News

As the rod run and the bike show turned eyes Saturday, and vendors served food and goods along Main, a hot competition was brewing at the chili cook-off in front of Elliott's Furniture at the Fall Flatlander Festival.

Two teams of women faced a team of men, including the husband of one of the woman competitors. Jamie Baker joined Carol McClure, Gudrun McClure and Deana Amack on the Jalapeno Jookers while her husband Charlie helped Jim Alcorn and Russ Withers on the A&W team.

But the winner was the First National Bank team of Sherida Shoff, Carol Stewart and Sara Hill. The ladies said they did not have any secret ingredients, but must have cumin in their chili and a lot of chili powder.

"If we tell you our secret ingredients," Alcorn and Withers said in unison, "they wouldn't be a secret anymore!"

Fresh vegetables and fresh soaked beans, they said, make their chili the best, and everyone on the team contributed to the ingredients used.

Three kinds of meat pork, elk and beef, Gudrun McClure said, are important ingredients for chili. But the team's secret ingredient, Carol McClure said, is cocoa.

"It is best known as 'Chocolate Chili,'" she said.

The chili began simmering at 8:30 a.m. and was judged at 12:30 p.m. by Schyler Goodwin of the Goodland Development Corp. and Bankwest; Steve Price, a locomotive engineer for Kyle Railroad; and Bill Wagoner, an advertising representative for The Goodland Daily News. The bowls were marked with numbers with the cooks knowing which number belonged to their team, but the judges being kept in the dark for fairness.

The judges were taken inside to taste, judge, deliberate and drink lots of water out of the presence of the cooks. Giving much thought to the decision, they agreed on a winner, a second place and third.

When the dust had cleared the spiciest chili of the three, made by the First National team, won with second going to the "Chocolate Chili" and third to the A&W guys.