

weather report

76°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 6:55 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 6:30 a.m.
• Sunset, 6:54 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 69 degrees
• Humidity 35 percent
• Sky sunny
• Winds south 21-25 m.p.h.
• Barometer 30.10 inches and falling
• Record High 98° (1955)
• Record Low 34° (1965)

Last 24 Hours*

High 81°
Low 48°
Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: clear, low mid 50s, winds south 5-10 m.p.h. Tomorrow: sunny, high upper 80s, low upper 50s, winds south 5-10 m.p.h.

Extended Forecast

Wednesday: sunny and breezy, high lower 80s, low near 50. Thursday: clear, high mid 70s. Friday: mostly clear, high mid 70s, low lower 50s. Saturday and Sunday: clear, high lower 70s, low mid 40s.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

Wheat — \$4.24 bushel
Posted county price — \$4.21
Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
Corn — \$2.67 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.50
Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
Milo — \$2.42 hundredweight
Soybeans — \$4.96 bushel
Posted county price — \$5.13
Loan deficiency payment — 0¢
Millett — \$13.00 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$10.60 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
Confection current — \$15/\$7 cwt.
Pinto beans — \$25
(Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, 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.

Powell assures U.S. will move

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Colin Powell said today he is "absolutely sure" the United States is going to move ahead on a new Security Council resolution ensuring a tough U.N. stand against Iraq to force the country to accept weapons inspections.

Powell, meeting briefly with reporters at the United Nation, said he was very pleased with the response of the U.N. to President Bush's speech to the General Assembly last week.

Bush said today that the world doesn't need to know how close Saddam Hussein is to building a nuclear weapon before facing him down.

In a speech in Davenport, Iowa, Bush issued a fresh challenge to the United Nations to prove its relevancy by showing resolve against the Iraqi leader, who Bush tried to link to al-Qaida terrorists.

Seminar to teach service

Chamber sponsors class for businesses

By Doug Stephens

The Goodland Daily News

The Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce is hoping to help strengthen Goodland businesses by offering a seminar on customer service Tuesday at the Northwest Kansas Technical College.

The class, which runs from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Murray Building, will focus on why customer service is important, the importance of training employees and how to deal with difficult customers.

Ron Harding, president of the Chamber, said the Small Business Development Center out of Fort Hays State University will run the class.

The center is government funded, he said, and helps out businesses in this part of the state.

The Chamber hasn't sponsored a class like this in several years, Harding said, but he heard from businesses and consumers that this was a topic which needed addressed.

"A lot of businesses don't have a mechanism for training customer service," he said. "Even some that do a lot of training in that regard, like fast-food restaurants, will benefit from the seminar."

Harding said there are new companies in town since the last time this kind of class was offered, and new employees at a lot of the existing ones, so it was time to bring them back.

"These are very helpful," he said. "With the handouts they get, they can use this on an ongoing basis."

The Chamber is also sponsoring two other classes.

One on Tuesday, Oct. 22, will focus on customer service from the employee's standpoint, and on Tuesday, Nov. 19, companies can learn about marketing.

The development center offers all kinds of classes, Harding said.

If these three seminars are successful, he said, the Chamber of Commerce might sponsor some more classes next spring.

Those who attend the first three will be asked what they would like the next ones to be about, he said.

Harding said in past years people from St. Francis and Sharon Springs have attended the seminars.

"You can learn a lot at these," he said. "It is definitely worth the cost of attending."

Members of the Chamber can get in for \$25, while non-members will pay \$30. Harding says people are encouraged to pre-register, although they can just show up at the door.

There needs to be from 16 to 20 people at each class to cover costs, he said, and if enough people don't sign up, they might be canceled, although the class on Tuesday will go through no matter how many people sign up.

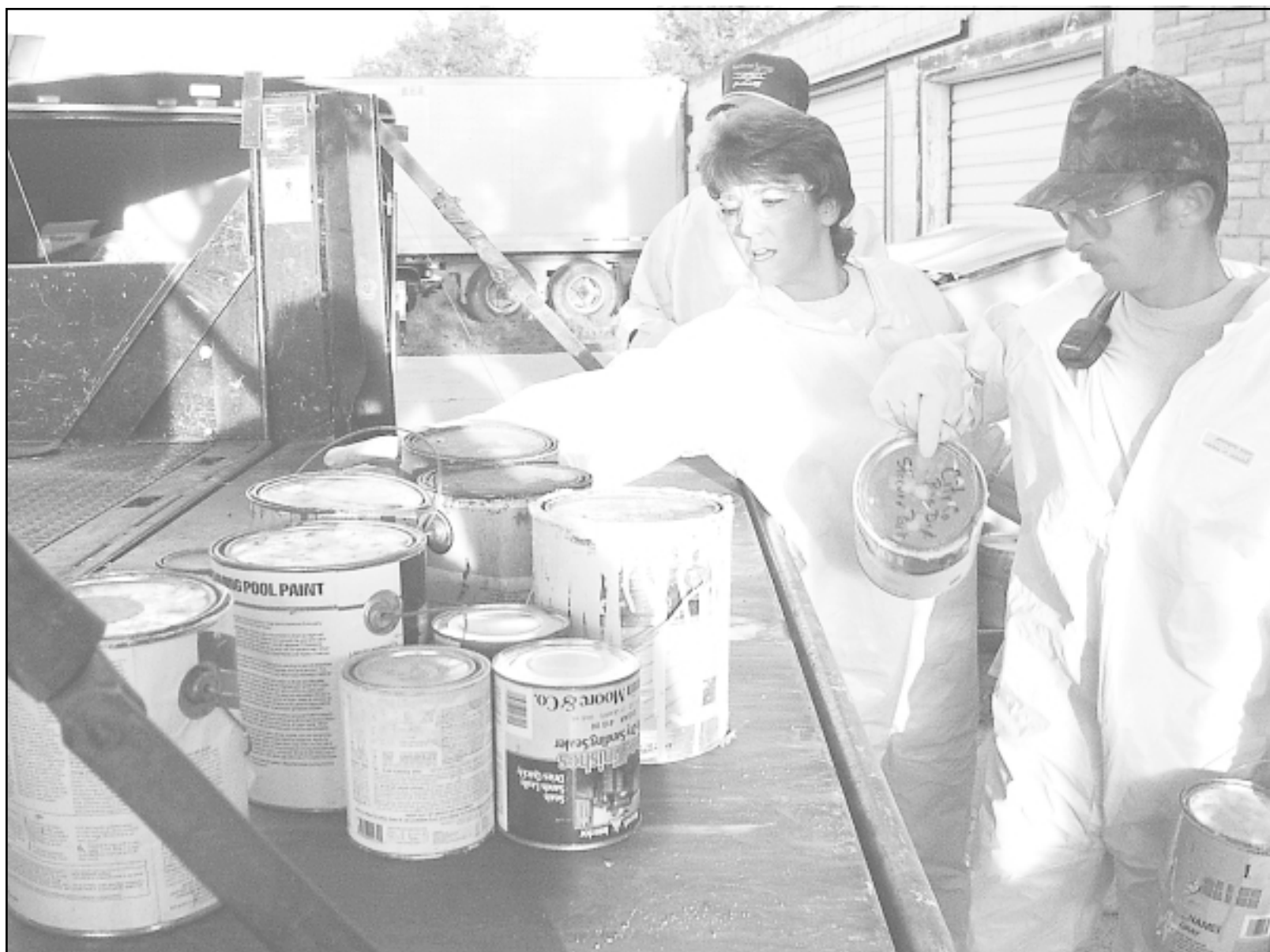
Harding said 10 people had pre-registered on Friday.

"This one will be just to get our feet wet," he said. "We're going to test the waters and see how people like it."

City meeting

In a meeting at 5 p.m. today at 204 W. 11th, the Goodland City Commission plans to:

- Discuss the Sherman County Community Foundation with Schyler Goodwin.
- Go into a closed session to talk about buying real estate.
- Talk about building a driveway at the Carnegie Arts Center.
- Review a home occupation permit for the Four Sisters Bed & Breakfast at 1204 Center.
- Go over an ordinance dealing with public right-of-ways.
- Appoint delegates to the annual League of Municipalities of Kansas meeting.



Crystal Linsner, William McKnight and Rural Fire Chief Kenny Griffith (above) grabbed cans of paint off a truck Saturday morning at the household hazardous waste collection. Griffith (below) opened a can of oil

based paint to add to the bulk barrel at the waste collection. One of the typical piles of material brought to the collection Saturday (top) includes household insecticides, oil, wood finish and a variety of chemicals.

Photos by Tom Betz / The Goodland Daily News

First waste collection big success

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

Even before the doors opened Saturday morning, people were pulling up to drop off old paint cans, cleaning supplies and insecticides at the Sherman County Household Hazardous Waste facility at 1820 Cherry Street.

Crystal Linsner, the director of the project, said it was a very successful day. She took the collection trailer back to Hays this morning.

She said 13 volunteers helped by bringing the materials in from the pickups and cars and then helping to separate the paints and unknown materials.

A lot of what came in was paint of all kinds, Linsner said.

There were a number of spray cans, both paint and insecticides.

Much of the oil-based paint was

opened and poured into a barrel to be hauled to Hays. The latex that was usable was poured into special buckets, and may be recycled in the future.

There were a number of cans that were rusted and without labels which were checked and many were collected and poured into a barrel to be hauled away.

The total amount of what was collected will be known when Linsner returns from Hays. She is to review the collection with the commissioners during their regular meeting Tuesday.

Among the volunteers were Sheriff Doug Whitson, Rural Fire Chief Kenny Griffith, Randy Raile, William McKnight and Rich Simon of the City of Goodland.

The cans of paint were weighed before being poured into the bulk barrel so there would be a record of how much material was collected.

Goodland paper owners add Norton to chain

After 32 years as publishers, Dick and Mary Beth Boyd today announced the sale of the Norton Daily Telegram to Steve and Cynthia Haynes of Oberlin, co-owners of Nor'West Newspapers and Haynes Publishing Co.

The firm operates five northwest Kansas newspapers, *The Oberlin Herald*, *The Saint Francis Herald* and the

Bird City Times, all weekly publications, and the dailies *Colby Free Press* and *The Goodland Daily News*.

"Mary Beth and I sincerely thank our employees, our advertisers, our subscribers, our many news sources and everyone else in Norton and surrounding communities for assisting us in publishing the Norton Daily Telegram for

the past 32 years," said Dick Boyd. "The support of all you fine people has made it almost like one big family for us."

"We know that you will continue to support the Telegram and the new owners, Steve and Cynthia Haynes, who have a long, successful history of owning and operating newspapers in Kan-

sas and Colorado."

The Hayneses, both native Kansans and University of Kansas graduates, moved to Oberlin in 1993 to take over the Oberlin, St. Francis and Bird City papers. The couple bought the Goodland and Colby papers in 1997, and Steve Haynes has been acting publisher of *The Goodland Daily News*.

Review of waste collection tops county agenda

The Sherman County commissioners on Tuesday will review results of the household hazardous waste collection held Saturday with Crystal Linsner, director of the hazardous waste program.

There was a steady stream of people bringing cans of paint and all sorts of

other things to the collection Saturday morning.

The commissioners asked that Margaret Russell, who operates the transfer station, and Curt Way, county public works director, attend the meeting to discuss the collection. The commissioners want to make sure everyone

understands the county's no tolerance policy, and make sure it is being handled fairly.

The commissioners will discuss new flooring for the Good Samaritan Center with Phil Samuelson, the director.

Schyler Goodwin is to appear to talk about the Sherman County Community

Foundation.

The commissioners will review the elevator bills and a survey report.

They are to sign a fairground lease with Jack Elliott.

The commissioners meet at 8 a.m. in the commission room on the main floor of the Sherman County courthouse.