

**weather
report**

25°
at noon



Today

- Sunset, 4:43 p.m.
- Tomorrow**
- Sunrise, 7:06 a.m.
- Sunset, 4:44 p.m.

Middy Conditions

- Soil Temperature 32 degrees
- Humidity 50 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds calm
- Barometer 30.25 inches and falling

- Record High 74° (1990)
- Record Low -14° (1962)

Last 24 Hours*

High 40°
Low 17°
Precipitation none

N.W. Kansas Forecast

Tonight: mostly cloudy, low mid teens, winds southeast 10 m.p.h.
Saturday: mostly cloudy, high upper 30s, low upper teens, winds south 5-10 m.p.h.

Extended Forecast

Sunday: mostly sunny, high lower 50s, low mid 20s. Monday: partly cloudy, high upper 40s. Tuesday: partly cloudy, high upper 40s, low lower 20s. Wednesday: partly cloudy, high lower 40s, low near 20. Thursday: partly cloudy, high upper 30s, low upper teens. (National Weather Service)
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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

**local
markets**

Noon

Wheat — \$3.35 bushel
Posted county price — \$3.44
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
Corn — \$2.40 bushel
Posted county price — \$2.29
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
Milo — \$2.17 bushel
Soybeans — \$5.15 bushel
Posted county price — \$5.27
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
Millet — \$10.00 hundredweight
Sunflowers
Oil current crop — \$9.95 cwt.
NuSun — \$11.00 cwt.
Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
Confection — \$17/\$7 cwt.
Pinto beans — \$15
(Markets 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.

**N. Korea drops
nuclear treaty**

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea, warning of a “Third World War,” withdrew from the global treaty that bars it from making nuclear weapons but said today it was willing to talk to Washington to end the escalating crisis.

The U.S. condemned North Korea’s move, calling it “another step in its confrontation approach to the international community.”

President Bush talked by phone today with Chinese President Jiang Zemin, who voiced disappointment with North Korea’s decision. South Korea called the nuclear stand-off a matter of “life and death.”

International Atomic Energy Agency head Mohamed El-Baradei said in Washington that North Korea had to take the first step to ease the crisis by renouncing its nuclear program.

Trash forum Monday

Discussions about having the county take over the city trash collection have reached a place where The Sherman County Economic Development Council will present the pros and cons at a public forum at 6 p.m. on Monday at the high school auditorium.

The development council has been working with the city and county to have the county take over the city’s trash collection to keep trash flowing to the new county landfill. The city had been talking to a Colorado firm which would haul the trash out of state, leaving the landfill with little business.

Development Council Chairman Royal Reid said the forum will cover the options and costs of this plan. The presentation will be done by the development council members.

Written questions will be taken from the audience.

Sherman County commissioners and city commissioners are expected to attend.

County reimposes trash fees

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

Last year the Sherman County commissioners lifted the collection of fees on construction and demolition material until the end of the year as a good will gesture, but Tuesday they looked at reimposing the fees.

County Commissioner Mitch Tiede and Kevin Rasure both said they felt it was a good idea to reimpose the fees since the lifting was a temporary gesture of good will.

Looking at the resolution the commissioners passed last year they decided they wanted to try to make it fair for everyone.

Commissioner Chuck Frankenfild said it should be the same for everybody if there is a break or that nobody should get a break.

The wording of the resolution says that homeowners are exempt from charges while contractors and businesses were to be charged. The fees are mainly on concrete and mixed loads of construction debris.

Curt Way, county public works manager, said the transfer station is making people separate the loads, and that most people are complying so that burnable wood is put in one place, metal in another and the concrete in a third.

Way said everyone pays on any tires brought to the transfer station, and on what is termed “clean” rubble including concrete, bricks and cement blocks. The charge on these is \$11 a ton which covers the cost of having the material crushed.

Much of the discussion was about how to handle the process of keeping track of the amount brought in by an individual, contractor or business. Way said there is a computer system at the transfer station that is keeping track of the amount brought in by anyone, and that the information is used to bill the contractors and businesses.

The commissioners discussed giving everyone a break on the first two tons brought in each month. Way said that could be handled by the computer system and that when bills were prepared each account would be given a 2-ton credit.

A question was raised about homeowners and it was suggested that under the new resolution they would have the same exemption of 2-tons, but that anything over that would be subject to the fee.

Way said that when the fees were collected in 2001 a total of 2,075 tons was taken in and that raised \$9,294. He said a little of that is in

Filling Mother Hubbard’s cupboard



Brad Koza, (right), Wal-Mart manager, showed pre-school students from West Elementary School, where store employees crush the boxes before sending the cardboard to be recycled during a tour Thursday. Students are from right to left Luke Avila, Phillip Carver and Brock Butts. Nona Mason, (above) pre-school teacher, showed the students where to find supplies to take care of a dog during the tour. Students are from left to right Luke Avila, Laura Entwistle, Shelby Johnson and Kaileigh Sloan. Johnson, Avila and Entwistle (above right) looked at pet supplies during the tour. Mason and Peggy Blake, paraprofessional, said they have been teaching the students the nursery rhyme “Old Mother Hubbard,” in which she went to the cupboard to get her poor dog a bone but the cupboard was bare. The students have been learning to count, learning colors and sizes and having memory lessons and doing crafts with dog themes. The tour of Wal-Mart taught the children how they can fill Mother Hubbard’s cupboard.

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New businesses combination of efforts

By Sharon Corcoran

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An unusual family car was turned into a limousine service, and a mother of teenagers picked up a basket of gourmet treats to stay busy while the kids were at school, bringing two new businesses to Goodland.

Mark Wing said he bought a limousine to transport his family and then decided he could make money with the car.

“I always felt a limo was safer than a mini van,” he said. “Then I thought I may as well make money,” adding, “I bought the hat for the company.”

Thus, Imperial Limousine Services was born. Wing said he started the business two months ago and has provided excitement at a few birthday parties and classy transportation for New Year’s party-goers.

“Kids especially enjoy it,” he said, “but everyone gets a thrill out of it.”

Wing looks forward to providing the limo for weddings and bridal parties at an hourly or a half hour rate and providing specials for the high school prom.

His wife, Laura Wing, started Wing Dings, a traveling gourmet treat basket, in September. Wing said she goes from business to business with her basket and has sold treats in Kentucky and Colorado, has shipped stuff to Texas and has a distributor who travels to other northwest Kansas cities, including Norton, Colby and Oakley.

Though she wanted something part-time, Wing said, to keep her busy while the kids were in school, Wing Dings has turned into a full-



Mark Wing held the door to the limousine for his wife Laura as she got out with her basket of gourmet treats.

Photo by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Daily News

time job. And she’s working on expanding it.

In order to go nationwide with her goodies, Wing said she is having a web site constructed to sell the treats, which include chocolates,

nuts, candies, sugarless items, coffees, cocoas and buffalo jerky.

The couple also delivers *The Denver Post* in Goodland and Colby; he was a salesman and hardware manager at Shores Brothers before be-

ing laid off; and she sold insurance at State Farm before quitting to stay home with the children, Destiny, 17, Ashley, 15 and Tiffany, 13.

The family has lived in Goodland for seven years.