

weather report

63°
at noon



Today

• Sunset, 5:04 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 6:55 a.m.
• Sunset, 5:05 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 35 degrees
- Humidity 22 percent
- Sky mostly cloudy
- Winds southwest 10 m.p.h.
- Barometer 29.90 inches and falling

• Record High 72° (1986)
• Record Low -10° (1979)

Last 24 Hours*

High 51°
Low 16°
Precipitation none

N.W. Kansas Forecast

Tonight: partly cloudy, low mid 20s, winds west 10-20 m.p.h. Friday: mostly sunny, high near 60, low near 30, winds northwest 5-10 m.p.h.

Extended Forecast

Saturday: partly sunny with 20 percent chance of snow or rain, high mid 60s, low 25-30. Sunday: mostly cloudy with chance of rain or snow, high mid 40s. Monday: mostly cloudy, high mid 30s, low upper teens. Tuesday: mostly cloudy, high lower 40s.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local markets

Noon

- Wheat — \$3.34 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$3.33
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
 - Corn — \$2.40 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$2.20
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
 - Milo — \$2.17 bushel
 - Soybeans — \$5.19 bushel
 - Posted county price — \$5.06
 - Loan deficiency pmt. — 0¢
 - Millet — \$10.00 bushel
 - Sunflowers
 - Oil current crop — \$9.45 cwt.
 - NuSun — \$10.45 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.

Clues sought in plant blast

KINSTON, N.C. — Investigators sought the help of eyewitnesses today for clues to the explosion and raging fire at a plastics factory that killed three people and injured 37.

Eleven people remained in critical condition, and officials said today that another was unaccounted for.

The explosion in a 40-foot-tall section of the West Pharmaceutical Services plant Wednesday sent flames and debris shooting into the air, touching off fires in the surrounding woods and shaking homes for miles. About 130 people were in the plant at the time.

Some of the injured were still in grave danger, with burns over up to 70 percent of their bodies. Ten were in critical condition at the North Carolina Jaycee Burn Center in Chapel Hill.

Clawson's location same since 1926

By Sharon Corcoran

The Goodland Daily News

Clawson Electric has been at the same location with the same name at least 77 years and has changed hands twice. The owner, Jack Sanderson, survived the two previous owners, working for both before buying the store.

Sanderson said the earliest information he has about the shop is that it was listed in the telephone book in 1926 at its current location, 110 E. 13th. George Clawson built the shop there, he said.

Sanderson said he and his wife Joyce bought the store in May of 1970 from George Clawson's son, Ward. Sanderson said he started working at the store for George Clawson the summer after he finished the fourth grade and continued there, buying the store when Ward Clawson was ready to retire.

The Sandersons continue to use the cash register that was made for the shop Feb. 16, 1931, have an old roll-top desk and have left the old signs up on the outside of the shop. Joyce said they have an interested buyer for the antiques but haven't wanted to part with them. She said they have kept things pretty much the same in the shop.

The big change we made, the Sandersons said, was starting to work on small engines (lawn mowers and snow blowers). That has really grown for us, they said.

Jack said he swept the floors when he started at the shop.

"He's still sweeping floors," Joyce said. "He never got promoted."

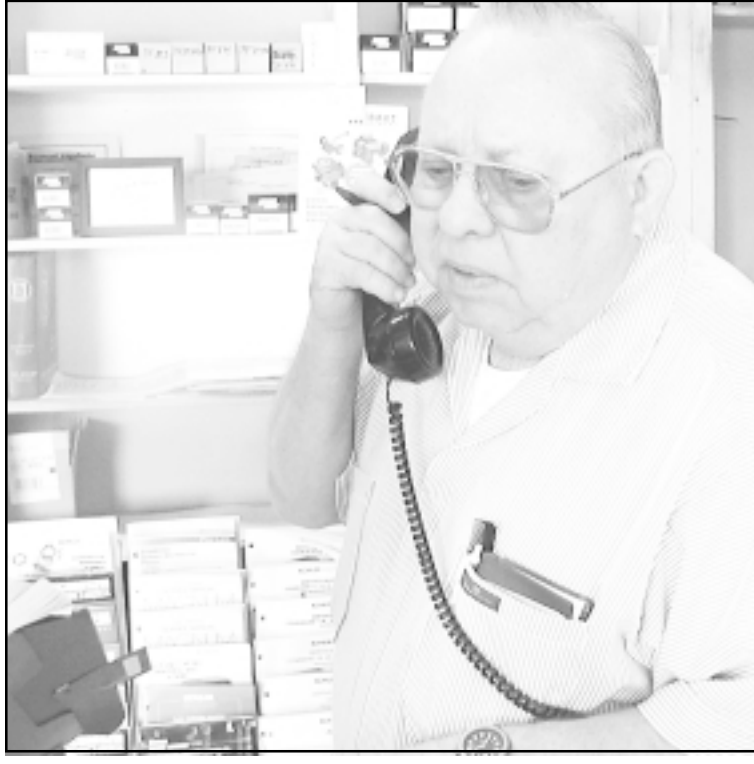
Jack said he stayed with the shop all his life because it's what he knows and that the only time he didn't work at Clawson's was the four years he was in the Air Force.

"I didn't know anything else," he said.

Sanderson said he worked on generators and started working on lawnmowers and snow blowers before he bought the store. But the store name has caused some confusion.

Though people often think they

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The front of Clawson's Electric (top) was photographed back when the Model-T was a regular visitor to the shop. A close inspection of the car shows a message encouraging the baseball team to "Beat Colby!" Tuesday afternoon, Joyce Sanderson (right) opened the old safe she and her husband bought years ago for the store. She said the safe was made for Alonzo Cullins, who used to own a lumber yard in Goodland. Jack Sanderson (above) talked on the phone with a customer Tuesday. The slow economy hasn't shut down the nearly 80-year-old business.

Bottom photos by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Daily News



Free health fair at Activity Center Saturday

By Michelle L. Hawkins

The Goodland Daily News

The Sherman County Health Fair will be held Saturday at the Goodland Activities Center starting at 8 a.m. and continuing until 11 a.m. This event offers screenings and activities for all ages.

Health screening and many tests are offered free of charge. One of the services provided by the fair is colorectal screening kits that can be taken home. This screening helps detect colon cancer.

Taking tests such as these can determine problems, often early enough to be treated. One testimony of the health fair came from Bill Wagoner of Goodland. Wagoner participated in the health fair last year and through the screening process, colon cancer was found.

"I hadn't gone to the health fair in years," he said.

Wagoner said he had seen the

health fair advertised in the newspaper and on the morning of the fair, drove by the activities center, saw the van and was reminded of the fair and went on in.

"I knew there was a problem, but I hadn't done anything about it," he said.

Wagoner took home the colorectal screening kit and took the test over a period of three days. After completing the test, he took it to the Sherman County Health Department. Within four days he received a call telling him there were abnormalities with the test and to make an appointment with a physician.

Within a month of the health fair, Wagoner was having his first surgery for the cancer. Not knowing how long he could have gone without going to a regular doctor for the problem, Wagoner is thankful the free screening detected the cancer early enough to be treated.

Wagoner encourages everyone to participate in the health fair.

"The price is right, don't be a fool and wait as long as I did."

Early blood screening tests were done a couple of weeks ago at the hospital in preparation for the health fair. This year 368 people participated in early blood screening tests and they will be able to get results on Saturday. Goodland Activities Center administrator Donna Terry said doctors will be on hand Saturday to discuss blood tests with participants.

Last year, Terry said over 250 people participated in the health fair, although around 320 did blood tests prior to the health fair.

"The health fair isn't just about blood work," Terry said. "There are many screenings for people to do."

Other free screenings will include blood pressure, oxygen saturation, height and weight, osteoporosis,

and scoliosis and posture. Terry says it is important to have young people screened for scoliosis and posture and encouraged parents to bring their children.

The Toppside Lions Club will be performing free vision and hearing screening. Vial of Life containers will be given out as well to participants. People can put vital health, medical and prescription information in these vials and they can be used by doctors when a person is unable to give them information in an emergency.

New to the health fair will be Ident-A-Kid. The Goodland Police Department will be offering this service the day of the fair. Any child under 18 who is accompanied by an adult will be fingerprinted. A digital photo will be taken and put on the card, which is returned to the parent for safekeeping. These cards can be helpful if a child is missing or abducted.

Terry said for the first time, a supervised child care area will be provided to allow parents to participate in the screening and not have to worry about their kids. Children can participate in the screenings that are available to them and then play games and do activities while their parents are finishing.

She said many exhibitors will be at the fair with information on topics including breast cancer and Walk Kansas, an exercise program which encourages people to organize groups and over a course of six weeks, to walk the same mileage they would have if they had walked across the state.

"We are pleased at what we are able to offer the community," said Terry. "We are not trying to take the place of a doctor, but offering people spot checks for early detection."

For questions, call Terry at 899-7242.

Counselor submits resignation

By Michelle L. Hawkins

The Goodland Daily News

During the Monday meeting of Goodland's Board of Education, a 10-minute and a 30-minute executive session were held to discuss personnel and negotiations.

After the closed sessions, action was taken to approve the resignation of Sally Bruce and to hire Nick Everett. Bruce is the counselor at Grant Junior High and her resignation will be effective at the end of this school year. Everett was hired as a paraprofessional for the junior high.

In other business, the board:

- Listened to a presentation by Amanda Angelos, Student Council president at Goodland High School.

Angelos told the board each year

Student Council helps to organize back to school activities in September; dances such as Homecoming, SnoBall and Morp; orientation for incoming students from eighth grade; and report surveys to the Site Council.

There are 23 elected students in Student Council and seven clubs/organizations involved in Student Council.

"We try to become the voice of the student body," said Angelos.

- Approved financial reports and bills.

• Agreed to allow an early graduation request of Megan Ford, pending her completion of graduation requirements. High School principal Harvey Swager said he supported her early graduation at the

end of the fall semester of next year, but she would not be eligible to participate in school activities such as prom and other dances. Ford will still be allowed to walk the stage at graduation with her class.

• Mike Campbell gave the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center report. He said last Thursday he and several others visited the facility in Oakley.

The alternative school offered by the Service Center has students from all over the area and are anticipating students from Goodland as well.

"The kids attending it are wanting to be there," Campbell said. "It is working well for those kids."

The next regular school board meeting will be 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 10.

Deputies issue bulletin about suspicious car, men

By Michelle L. Hawkins

The Goodland Daily News

The Sherman County Sheriff's office has circulated a news bulletin and deputies are looking for a suspicious vehicle which is reportedly occupied by two Hispanics, trying to lure children into their car.

Deputy Burton Pianalto said today officers were notified of two separate incidents over the week-ends of Jan. 11-12 and Jan. 18-19 in the Kanorado area. Officers are looking for an older brown compact car which has green license

plates, possibly from Colorado.

Reports say the men in the car were approaching children, who were walking, and trying to get them into the car.

"Train your kids not to talk to strangers," said Pianalto. "If someone approaches them they need to tell their parents and their parents need to contact the police or the sheriff's office."

Anyone who has further information about the car or its drivers should contact the Sherman County Sheriff's Office at 899-4835.