calendar

Veterans' Affairs — Jody Tubbs of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs will be available to assist veterans and their dependents with claims work from 1-2:15 p.m. Thursday in the assembly room on the third floor of the Goodland courthouse. If you miss her, you may call the Colby office any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

Star Party — The Northwest Kansas Astronomical Society will have a star party, an educational family event, on **Friday and Saturday** at Ron and Bonnie Thompson's farm. There is a registration fee, but you don't need a telescope to attend. Anyone who attends will receive August, September and October editions of Astronomy magazine. To sign up, call the Thompsons at 899-2053.

Railroad Reunion — The 23rd Annual Rock Island Railroad Reunion will begin with a potluck dinner at noon Sunday at the Senior Adult Center, 208 W. 15th, Goodland. All former Rock Island employees, families and guests are invited and encouraged to attend. Please bring a covered dish and table service. Feel free to bring any Rock Island memorabilia you may want to display and enjoy an afternoon of renewing friendships and recalling times gone by.

Holiness Festival — A Holiness Harvest Festival with Terry and Janice Edwards will be held at 10:50 a.m. Sunday and at 7 p.m. Sunday-Wednesday at the Church of the Nazarene, 305 Caldwell, Goodland. Bring a friend and plan to experience

Bike-A-Thon — The St. Jude Bike-A-Thon to raise money for cancer research will be held either from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday or from 9 a.m.-noon on **Saturday, Oct. 7,** in Goodland, due to a Special Olympics event going on Saturday in Colby. There will also be a donation and information table set up at the Flatlander's Festival on Saturday, Sept. 30. For questions, call Aletha or Kendall Morris at 899-3830.

Nurse Aide Class — A Nurse Aide class will begin **Tuesday** at the Good Samaritan Center in Goodland. The class will be taught by Shirley Pearson and is worth five college credits. It is offered by Colby Community College. For information or to enroll, call Mary Herbel at (785) 462-3984, ext. 286.

Singles Group — The Thursday Night Together Christian singles group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, **Sept. 28** at the Weather Service Office, 920 E. Armory Road, Goodland. Anyone who is interested may attend. For questions, call 899-2733.

activities

TOPS Meeting — Take Off Pounds at North School. Weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

Aerobics Classes — Morning aerowith Tina Tompkins, and at 8 a.m. with Marilyn Imel, Monday, Wednesday, and **Friday** at the Goodland Activities Center. A senior aerobics class for those who desire a less strenuous workout will be at 8 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday with Marilyn Imel. For questions, call 899-7242.

Girl Scouts — A come and go Girl Scout registration will be held from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday at the United Methodist Church in Goodland.

Youth Bowling — Parents are invited to a youth bowling league meet ing at **2 p.m. Saturday** at Bowladium Lanes. Children ages 7 to 18 are welcome to join the league.

CarnegieArts Center — Forty-five photos from this year's "A Day in the Life of Sherman County," photography contests will be on display at the Carnegie Arts Center through **Sunday**, Oct. 1. The photos are of a variety of people at work or play and of buildings, landmarks and landscapes in Sherman County. Don't miss this display of local talent. The arts center is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Water Testing — A representative of the Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group will be available for a free well evaluation including testing well water for bacteria and nitrates. If you would like to schedule an evaluation or have other environmental concerns, call the Sherman County Health Department at (785) 899-4888.

support group

The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group of Burlington, Colo., would like to help. The group meets at 9:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month. For questions or personal support, call Della Helzer at 899-2585.

books for sale

The High Plains Museum in Goodland has received Sherman County Marriage Record books compiled and donated by Marguerite Dupsky. They contain all the marriages of the first six books on file at the courthouse plus some on record in the county clerk's office and the city office. The books cover the years from 1886 to 1923. They can be bought at the

donations needed

Donations for the new swimming pool in Goodland may be left at the Goodland city office or Chamber of Commerce office. Checks should be made out to Steever Water Park.

Also, donations for the Van Gogh sunflower project may be left with any board member of the Sunflowers USA Sensibly meets at 5:30 p.m. Mondays Association or at the Goodland Chamber of Commerce office.

Donations for the new baseball field bics classes are available at **5:30 a.m.** may be sent to Scott Weber, president of the Goodland Baseball Commission, at 202 N. Main, Goodland, Kan. 67735, or left at the Sherman County Star or the Goodland Chamber of Commerce office.

school menu

Thursday — Nacho supreme, refried beans, corn, brownie and milk.

Friday — Corn dogs, french fries, relish tray, strawberries and bananas

hospital report

Goodland Regional Medical Center Admitted: Tuesday, Isabelle Hellerud, Henrietta Homm and Mary Alice Watkins, all of Goodland; and Sandee Langdon, Sharon Springs.

Dismissed: Tuesday, Louise Fixsen and Betty Rust, both of Goodland; and Pius Heier, Oakley.

Transferred: none.

Specialists for Thursday: Dr. Karl Chambers, rheumatology; Dr. Brian Cole, cardiology; Dr. Charles Ruggles, dermatology; Dr. James Warren, car-

Hospital weekly volunteer sched-— Thursday — Martha Gunderson, courtesy; Betty Saint, a.m.; Velma Holste, p.m. Friday -Anne Mann, p.m.

patient updates

Larry Bohl, Goodland, is in a hospital in Texas for extensive medical treatment. Cards can be sent to: Larry Bohl, c/o M.D. Anderson, P.O. Box 300206, 1515 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, Texas 77230-4095

Leo Hatcher, Goodland, has been transferred to Denver. He will be there for several weeks. He and Connie would appreciate your prayers. Cards can be sent to: Porter Adventist Hospital, 2525 S. Downing Street, Denver, Colo. 80210.

today in history

In 1886, Sherman County was organized and Gov. Martin declared Eustis as the temporary county seat. From the Sherman County Histori-

cal Society calendar

animal shelter

Have you lost a pet? Call the Goodland Police Department at 899-

Are you interested in adopting a pet? Call the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter at 899-6464.

area events

Tobacco Support Group — A tobacco quitters support group will meet



from **7-8 p.m.**, Central Time, every Wednesday in the cafeteria of Citizens' Medical Center in Colby. Anyone who wants to quit or has quit using tobacco is urged to attend. For information, call (785) 462-8152.

Food Served — The Atwood junior class will sell hamburgers, hot dogs and bratwurst before the Atwood/ Goodland football game. Serving starts at 6 p.m., Central Time, Friday at the Vo-Ag shop.

College Rodeo — The 4th Annual National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association Rodeo will be held this weekend in Colby. Performances will be at 7:30 p.m., Central Time, Friday and Saturday and at 1:30 p.m., Central

Time, Sunday at the Thomas County Fairgrounds in Colby. Over 400 contestants will compete in nine major college rodeo events. Tickets may be purchased at the gate or advance tickets are available at Vanderbilt's, the Sports Shoppe, and the Colby Community College bookstore.

crimestoppers

If you have any information about any crime, call the Goodland Area Crime Stoppers "Look Line" at 899-5665. Your call will be confidential. If the information you give results in the arrest and/or conviction of those persons involved, you could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000.

Friends may call from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Bateman Funeral Home in Sharon Springs.

Nolan O. Maupin

Nolan O. Maupin, 73, Sharon

Springs, died Monday, Sept. 18, 2000,

Funeral services will be at 10:30

a.m. Friday at the United Methodist

Church in Sharon Springs with Pastor

Paul McNall and Pastor Bill Winters

Burial will follow in the Sharon

Memorial contributions may be left at Bateman Funeral Home in Sharon Springs or Goodland.

obituary

Craig Alan Mann

Craig Alan Mann was born to Darrell and Sharon Mann, October 10, 1956. He left us Tuesday the 19th of September,

2000. We will hold a memorial service on Saturday, September 23, at 1:30 PM MT at Chambers Park at 13th and Sherman in Goodland. Father Frank Gold and Reverend Paul Barker will



officiate. Please dress comfortably-Craig wanted that—and bring a jacket or umbrella if needed. Memorials may be given to the Craig Mann Children's Education Fund and left at Koons Chapel.

He knew from the beginning he was to be a farmer. He spent all his years, including the last year of his life, doing just that. He had a heart too big for the ground, so he brought three wonderful children in to fill his life and dreams. Chad came first in 1978, in perfect farm gear. He had a mind full of ideas and knowledge of every piece of machinery his dad owned. He loved his dad so much that the love of that land was soon in his own heart. Then came Erica in 1983, his perfect princess, all blonde and beautiful with a smile to melt her daddy's heart. Her love may not be for the land, but her joyous way of gathering friends into our home has given us so many happy memories. And Aaron in 1985, oh Aaron, you'd go off with your daddy in that big tractor, holding your blanket, so early in the morning. I always thought, he won't last out there for long. Craig will have to bring him back to the house. But you'd bounce and asleep, Mom, and we're both fine."

You were born with that same love in

Somewhere along the way, on April Fool's Day, 1989, Craig and I had our first date. On August 12, 1989, he took me, Julie King, to be his wife and share this adventure with him. Those kids became ours the day we were married and the day we moved into our home together.

We lived in Ruleton, Kansas, together for two and a half years before deciding we had outgrown our much loved home. We bought an old house, with a lot of history, which Craig and I felt could be a Sharon Mann—parents; Anne place for our kids to come home to. This old house holds Craig in every roomif you know Craig—you'll know what I

In August of 1999, Craig was diagnosed with a rare lymphoma that grew like a monster inside him. From the moment we knew we were in for a hard fight, he had strength and faith. He never gave up. No matter what they threw at him, or what they had to do to him, he never complained. We shared ninety-one days living together in a hospital room at St. Joseph's Hospital where we found another family. We even had our marriage vows blessed in the chapel there by one

of our new, very dear friends. By Thanksgiving we had been given the news we had prayed for. It's gonego home and enjoy your family. That changed in early March when the lymphoma was back. More chemo, more radiation, and a stem cell transplant at Presbyterian/St. Luke's Hospital. Then another very long stay away from our kids and home. We didn't get the results we had prayed for, but we didn't give up. We flew to Houston's M.D. Anderson, but unfortunately they had the same news for us. We wanted to be home, so that's where we came. We revisited our doctors at Rocky Mountain Cancer Center and were to start more chemo that may have alleviated some of Craig's worst discomforts. But that wasn't to be, and Monday night, after his first whole day of pain, he rested in our bed until I needed help. He went to sleep at Goodland Regional snuggle on the floor with that blanket Medical Center around 6 a.m. Tuesday and soon Dad would call me, "He's morning. And the pain freed him to go much, The View is nice, and I'm dolive with the Lord and till His fields and ing just fine." Ashley Rice

fish in His streams.

officiating.

Springs Cemetery.

obituary

Craig fought until his last breath, with all of us beside him. He will always be the strength that gets us through. Craig is preceded in death by his grandfather, Orville Mann, and grandparents Leonard and Marie Stephens. Many are left with aching in our hearts and praise for the miracle we had when he was released of his pain: Julie Mann—wife of Craig; Chad, Erica and Aaron Mann-children of Craig and Julie; Darrell and Mann-grandmother; Bud and Mildred King—Craig's other parents; Brad and Sue Mann, Anne, Jared, and Stuart; Dana and John Murray, Abby, Emily, David, and Matthew; Joni and Barry Guyer, Bailee and Bryan; Dick and Jane King; Rich and Diane King, Casey and Cameron; Kelly and Fred Kaemerer, Madison and Nicholas; Brad and Kristi King, Ashley and Josie; Sue (King) and Doug Keirnes, Annie and Linnea; Debbie (King) and Barry Hinkhouse, Matt, Jenny, Chris, Kaley, Samantha, Kate and Michael. Many other lives were touched by Craig and live in our hearts including many aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and 'adopted" family members. Craig loved with his whole heart and that's how he loved all of you.

When somebody dies, a cloud turns into an angel and flies up to tell God to put another flower on a pillow. A bird gives the message back to the world and sings a silent prayer that makes the rain cry... People disappear, but they never really go away. The spirits up there put the sun to bed, wake up the grass, and spin to earth in dizzy circles. Sometimes you can see them dancing in a cloud during the daytime when they're supposed to be sleeping. They paint the rainbows and also the sunsets and make waves splash and tug at the tide. They toss shooting stars and listen to wishes. And when they sing windsongs, they whisper to us, "Don't miss me too

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