

about our friends

calendar

Tootsie Roll Drive — Members of the Goodland Knights of Columbus will be handing out tootsie rolls for donations on **Saturday** at Alco, Wal-Mart and around Goodland. The money raised will be used to help mentally retarded citizens with 75 percent to be used locally and 25 percent to go towards the Special Olympics Basketball Tournament to be held in Hays.

Dinner Theater — “Mark Twain in the Garden of Eden” will be presented during a dinner theater at **6 p.m. Saturday** and a dessert bar matinee at **2 p.m. Sunday** at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall in Goodland. Tickets may be purchased at Aten’s or Mr. Jim’s or by calling 899-3631.

Flu Shot Clinics — People who are 65 or older and their spouses may receive flu shots from **1:30-4 p.m. Monday** at the Goodland Senior Center, while those of any age may get flu shots from **9-11:30 a.m. Tuesday** at the Kanorado Senior Center. A walk-in clinic for the general public will be held from **4:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25** at the Sherman County Health Department office.

Leadership Reception — A public reception will be held from **6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17** at Wheat Ridge Acres to honor those members selected to participate in the Leadership Sherman County program for 2000-2001. The leadership board invites the community to attend and meet the new class members.

Alcohol Education Class — “Prime for Life: Under 21,” an alcohol education class for minors who have been charged with minor in consumption, minor in possession or transporting an open container, will be offered from **3:45-5:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17, Tuesday, Oct. 24, Wednesday, Oct. 25, and Monday, Oct. 30** at the Regional Prevention Center, 1701 Main, Goodland. The fee is \$50 per person. For questions or to sign-up, call Cris Lovington at (785) 899-3388.

Hunting Course — A free three-day hunter education course will be held from **6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18 and Thursday, Oct. 19 and from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21** at the 4-H Building in Goodland. It is open to all Kansas residents, but students under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Participants need to pre-register at the Bullet Hole, 1402 Main, Goodland, and must attend all three days. For information, call Jim Robinson at 899-5199 or Troy Mannis at 899-3380.

Gardening Program — “Putting Your Beds to Bed” is the name of a lunch and learn program to be presented by Christy Rasure from **noon-1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19** in the assembly room at the Goodland courthouse. Bring a sack lunch and learn what you need to do in your garden this fall to help insure a successful one next

spring. To register, call the extension office at 899-4880 by Oct. 16.

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 contact the Colby office any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

Singles Group — The Thursday Night Together Christian singles group will have a costume party at **6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26** at Marie Edwards dance hall in Goodland. Bring finger food. There will be lots of prizes and fun. For questions, call 899-2733.

activities

TOPS Meeting — Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at **5:30 p.m. Mondays** at North School. Weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

Museum Exhibit — An unusual 75-piece coffee mug collection owned by Roxie Yonkey will be on temporary display at the High Plains Museum in Goodland. The museum’s hours are from **9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday**.

Carnegie Arts Center — An exhibit of jewelry, ceramics, furniture, metalsmithing and textiles will be on display through **Friday, Nov. 3** at the Carnegie Arts Center in Goodland. The show will include 33 works done by 17 artists, 10 of which live and work in Kansas. The pieces are a cross between art and craft as they show ways that contemporary craft relates to social, political and personal issues. Group tours and after-hours meetings are welcome. If interested, call the center at 899-6442. The exhibit is sponsored by Western State Bank and Wal-Mart. Gallery hours are from **10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday**.

grants available

This fall the Topside of Kansas 24-Hour Relay Challenge will give \$2,500 in mini-grants to anyone in the north-west Kansas area who does preventative activities for youth. Applications are available at the Goodland High School counseling office or if you need one sent to you, call Rhonda Williams at (785) 899-5656 or Charlotte Linsner at (785) 899-2582. Applications must be postmarked no later than **Friday, Oct. 20**. Mail them to Topside of Kansas 24-Hour Relay Challenge Mini-Grant Program, c/o Charlotte Linsner, 214 E. 17th, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

school menu

Monday — Burrito with chili, shredded cheese and lettuce, tri-taters, ice cream bar and milk.

Tuesday — Beef gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, whole wheat roll, apple

salad and milk.

Wednesday — Cooks’ choice.

Thursday — Hoagie sandwich, lettuce and tomato, chips, whipped Jell-o with fruit and milk.

Friday — Tacos, shredded lettuce and cheese, potato square, cake and milk.

hospital report

Goodland Regional Medical Center Admitted: Thursday, Patricia McCoy, Goodland; Wilma Burk, Brewster; and Rebecca Wilson, St. Francis.

Dismissed: Thursday, none.

Transferred: none.

Specialists for Monday: Dr. James Holmes, orthopedics; Dr. Jeffrey D. Huston, gastroenterology.

Hospital weekly volunteer schedule — Monday — none. **Tuesday** — Sharon Jensen, courtesy; Bonnie Daily, a.m.; Beulah McClung, p.m. **Wednesday** — Marj Crabb, courtesy; Hazel Tracy, a.m.; Chet Ross, p.m. **Thursday** — Berneice Thompson, courtesy; Betty Saint, a.m.; Velma Holste, p.m. **Friday** — Helen Hughes, courtesy; Fern Hawks, a.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.

Bob Simmons, Goodland, came home from Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs on Wednesday. He is now recuperating at home.

Justin Selby, formerly of Goodland and the son of Pat and Phil Willig, will undergo kidney transplant surgery on **Monday**. He will receive a kidney from his aunt, Jo Ann Scotton, formerly of Wray, Colo. Selby will be in the hospital for at least a week and would appreciate cards and phone calls after surgery. Flowers are not allowed in his room and will be forwarded to his home. Send mail to Justin Selby, St. Luke’s Hospital-North 3, 4401 Wornall Road, Kansas City, Mo. 64111 or call (816) 932-2082.

today in history

In 1885, the first snow of the disastrous winter of 1885-86 was reported.

From the Sherman County Historical Society calendar



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Youth need to hear from parents

Let’s Talk...Many parents want to talk with their youngsters about important issues like sexuality, drugs and alcohol, but are unsure how to approach such sensitive topics.

Research shows that when parents discuss these topics with their children and answer their questions and concerns, the young people are more likely to wait longer before their first sexual encounter and they are also more likely to use protection to guard themselves against sexually-transmitted diseases and unwanted pregnancies if they do become sexually active. They also are more capable of using an aggressive “no” to alcohol and other drugs.

When our children were little we had this way of using a simple “no” to things we knew would cause them harm. That was pretty much it, and they would usually find something safe to pass their time and have fun. This person who at one time long ago like a fairy tale, always used phrases like “I love you mommy and daddy,” “yes, mommy and daddy” and gave us hugs and kisses nonstop.

But then down the line somewhere, somehow they reached an age, the teens, where they went or are going through some kind of metamorphosis. They seem to be from out of this world. Everything and anything upsets them. They don’t agree with anything and of course they know it all. That certain “no” we used to say, no longer works.



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• prevention center

Instead it stirs up mixed emotions for both the parents and the teen. Sometimes most of us probably feel like we have lost that little person who made the end of the day better no matter how bad it was.

Yeah, the terrible twos were bad, but I think the terrible teens are far worse. Though things may seem like they will never get better, my friends who have been through the teen years with their kids, say it does. For my sanity sake I hope they’re right!

Talking with our kids about alcohol and other drugs, sex and other sensitive subjects after they have hit the teens is like allowing our kids to drive alone before they’ve learned how to drive. Sooner or later they will “crash.” It doesn’t mean that after they have learned to drive they won’t have an accident, but they can prevent injuries or death by taking precautions such as using their seat belts and obeying the traffic laws.

Sex, alcohol and other drugs also require precautions and our kids need to know them.

We all love our kids no matter how terrible their actions may be. And some days when their friends aren’t around and they don’t mind being “uncool” for a little while, a strange

thing happens. That little person who hugged and kissed you nonstop suddenly appears.

No, we didn’t lose our little person, he or she lurks in there somewhere ready to come out once in awhile when they need that mommy or daddy who they also remember. But at other times they just need and want our love and support by our actions and not our reactions.

I don’t think there will ever be a “cure” for the terrible teens because it is a natural part of life. But I do have to say that I appreciate my parents now more than ever and I am truly sorry for everything and anything I ever put them through when I was a teen! Our kids will be parents of teens someday and will go through what we have and hopefully we will be around to support them and be grateful that we made it this far and kept half of our sanity!

If you would like any information with the facts about sensitive subjects give me a call at (785) 899-3848 or come by the Regional Prevention Center office at 1701 Main in Goodland.

matters of record

Goodland Accidents

Oct. 4 — At 8:23 a.m., Alvin L. Rust, driving an ’82 Chevrolet truck, was eastbound on Highway 24, when Jarod R. Smades, driving a ’72 Chevrolet truck, emerged from a driveway onto the road. Rust tried to avoid the Smades vehicle, but hit it.

Oct. 5 — At 6:55 a.m., Richard E. Vandike, driving a ’92 Geo, was southbound in a construction zone on K-27 near I-70 and hit a concrete barricade owned by Smith Sand and Gravel Co. of Garden City.

At 7:45 a.m., Jenna Anderson, driving an ’85 Toyota, backed out a parking space at 12th and Cherry and hit a parked ’80 Oldsmobile, owned by Tamara Bahe.

At 2:25 p.m., Andrew Petrilli, driv-

ing a ’95 Ford U-haul, didn’t see a utility pole at 14th and Walnut and hit it. He then left the scene.

At 7 p.m., George N. York, driving a ’92 Chevrolet, failed to yield to a ’98 Kenworth, driven by Larry D. Collier, at exit 17 on K-27. York hit Collier’s vehicle in the side.

Oct. 6 — At 11:45 a.m., Daniel M. Zuniga, driving a ’93 Chevrolet pickup, was westbound on Sixth, but didn’t see a ’98 Chevrolet pickup,

driven by Roland H. Hoffman, which was northbound on Center. Both drivers said they didn’t see each other as they entered the intersection at Sixth and Center and collided.

Goodland Police Report

Oct. 6 — Bird City/Goodland Oil Co., 1802 Sandy Road, reported that two 55-gallon hydraulic oil drums were taken sometime between Aug. 25 and Sept. 22, \$583.

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