

about our friends

calendar

Leadership Reception — A public reception will be held from **6:30-7:30 p.m. tonight** 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.

Hunting Course — A free three-day hunter education course will be held from **6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday** and from **8 a.m.-? Saturday** 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 899-4380.

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** 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.

SHARE — The pickup of low cost food in exchange for volunteer work will be from **9-10 a.m. Saturday** at 824 Main in Goodland.

Flu Shot Clinics — People who are 65 or older and their spouses may receive flu shots from **1:30-4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 23** at the Goodland Senior Center. A walk-in clinic for the general public of all ages will be held from **4:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25** at the Sherman County Health Department office.

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.

Aerobics Classes — Morning aerobics classes are available at **5:30 a.m.** with 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.

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.

grants available

This fall the Topside of Kansas 24-Hour Relay Challenge will give \$2,500 in mini-grants to anyone in the northwest 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**. Mail them to Topside of Kansas 24-Hour Relay Challenge Mini-Grant Program, c/o Charlotte Linsner, 214 E. 17th, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

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 museum.

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 Association or at the Goodland Chamber of Commerce office.

Donations for the new baseball field 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.

books being sold

The Sherman County Historical Society has transcribed a diary written

by J.B. Moore, a Sherman County settler who came here in 1886. Moore kept a day-to-day diary from the time he arrived in the county until close to the end of his life. The diary covers the years from 1886-1894 and tells about the settlement of the county and Moore's life from his perspective. The diary is being sold at Knott Just Books and the High Plains Museum store.

school menu

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: Monday, Myrna Carson and Robert L. Cotton, both of Goodland; and Eileen Cech, Sharon Springs.
Dismissed: Monday, none.
Transferred: none.
Specialists for Wednesday: Dr. Michael Barber, cardiology; Dr. Allen Wicks, pulmonology; Dr. Rhonda Williams, psychology.

club news

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary
The Goodland Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary met in regular session on Sept. 28. The meeting was preceded by a potluck supper in honor of guests, Connie Miller, Ninth District junior vice president; Elsie Cook; Ruth Moore and June Henderson, all of St. Francis.

Marilyn Colby, senior vice president, opened the meeting. President Deb Snethen took over later. The minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was accepted. The bills were approved to be paid. Buddy poppies were purchased for \$45. A thank you was read from the National Home for a \$100 donation made to the Howard VanderClute Memorial Ride. Recognition was given at the Sept. 15 football game for POW/MIA Recognition Day. Various members also sent electronic cards to other members in recognition of this day.

We were reminded to get out and vote and to take someone with us to the polls in November. The district coffee tour will host some of the candidates at various stops to hear their opinions on veterans' issues. The coffee tour is Oct. 27-29. It will stop in Goodland at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 28. Members have already made 40 Christmas ponies as cheer gifts for Veterans Administration hospitals. Anyone that would like to help with the project, contact Hazel Tracy. The aux-

Hospital weekly volunteer schedule — **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.

today in history

In 1923, it was reported that W.R. Walker died of a heart attack on Oct. 16, while he fought a fire started by a tractor in a field south of Goodland.

From the Sherman County Historical Society calendar

animal shelter

Have you lost a pet? Call the Goodland Police Department at 899-4570.

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

kanorado chronology

By Dixie Hooker

Kanorado Correspondent

Useless facts: A cockroach will live nine days without its head before it starves to death.

Sherry Wilkerson hosted a Candlelite party at the Senior Center on Saturday, Oct. 14. Her cousin, Marlene Swayne of McPherson, set up gorgeous items for all those who had been invited. Her turnout went well. Sherry served iced tea, coffee and cookies for all the attendees. If anyone would like to see a book of these items, get a hold of Sherry.

Things my mother taught me: My mother taught me about envy. "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do!"

A fairly new web page is now on the net about what goes into raising a wheat crop from plowing to harvest. It's called "Adopt a Wheat Field." Every so often they take pictures of the field in question and then tell you about (keeping a diary if you will) what each of these photos shows and represents. The site is oznet.KSU.edu/pr-aawf/. The wheat field is on an agronomy farm north of Manhattan. The K-State research and extension department offers the web site. Manhattan's a good name from back east, right? I think the people who have put up this web site should run a newspaper article or ad in the New York Times and the Boston Globe. Do you suppose people there even know there is a Manhattan, Kansas? I got to thinking about this because of my oldest son's first year of college in Massachusetts. I assumed people from back east knew as much about us, as we did about them. He told a few little tidbits of what his roommate's parents and others he got acquainted with would ask him. I was amazed.

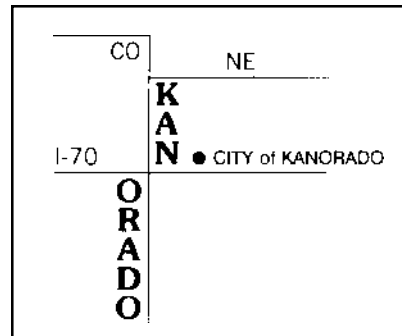
For instance, when he was asked what his father did for a living, he replied, "He's a farmer." "Farmer?" they said. "Oh, does he sell vegetables at a little roadside stand on the highway?" "Well, uh, no," he answered. Then he would try to explain the crops his father raised and what he did. They just couldn't imagine such a thing and then they got worried about pesticides. This was rather funny, as they probably use more pesticides on their lawns.

I never dreamed they could be so

matters of record

Real Estate Transfers
Sherman County Sheriff Doug Whitson to Bankwest of Kansas, Lots 1 through 12, in Block 58, of the Original Town of Goodland.

Harold F. Wise to Lela M. and Pius G. Heier, the north five feet of Lot 14 and all of Lot 15, in Block 4, of the Eastridge Addition No. 1 to Goodland.



naïve. We are not naïve about them. Go figure that. My son majored in computer science, but some of his courses varied. In one class a professor, with his back to the class (while writing on a chalkboard) asked the class how many acres were in a quarter? After a few seconds, when no one had answered, my son answered the question. The professor, without turning around, said, "Oh, we must have an engineering student in class." A classmate then asked my son how he knew the answer to that.

Most of us here in the land of Oz, stay abreast of the U.S. and world news. I cannot imagine people of those areas, not realizing what goes on here, even simple things. So, instead of advertising this web site here, it should be done there, don't you think?

One fall a couple of years ago, several of my son's friends came to our house and stayed a couple of days. One boy came earlier than the others and went with my son to pick some sweet corn for supper. This kid was amazed at how he got the corn. When the other boys arrived, he told them how he took it right off the stalk! They all loaded up in the car and went to the fields. Pictures were taken, inside and outside of the combines, tractors and other equipment.

Later, conversation over this country abounded around the dinner table. As I said, I was amazed. Ha! I think this might be one reason we have so much trouble with politicians. They must know nothing of this area, either. So my suggestion is to get this web site advertised in those newspapers back east.

Life teachings: I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love a human touch like holding hands, a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back-age 85. I've learned I still have a lot to learn-age 92.

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