

about our friends

calendar

Soul Control — A ministry series called "Soul Control" will be presented by the Rev. Brooks Bryan of Fairbury, Neb., at 7 p.m. tonight at the Word of Life Church, 223 E. 10th, Goodland. The series will combine worship, music, teaching and prayer for individual needs. The focus is on bringing the inner man under the control of the Holy Spirit, with Christ-likeness as the end goal. For information, call (785) 899-5532.

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.

Computer Class — A computer class will be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday at the Goodland Public Library. The class is open to anyone and will focus on basic Internet and E-mail use. Instructors are JoAnn Wahrman and Jackie Elliott. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted. A sign-up sheet is available at the library, however walk-ins are welcome.

Pancake Feed — The Goodland Lions are to have a pancake feed and broom sale from 6 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall in Goodland. The meal is all-you-can-eat and will consist of pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice. Tickets are available at the door or from club members.

Project Graduation 2001 — Parents of students in the class of 2001 are encouraged to attend a meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6, in the Goodland High School cafeteria to learn about financial details and committee needs for Project Graduation 2001. Please bring pictures of your child as a senior, as a baby or preschooler and in groups with classmates, plus a couple of your child's favorite recipes.

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 Imel. For questions, call 899-7242.

Carnegie Arts Center — Artwork by Goodland elementary students will be on exhibit through Friday, Feb. 23, at the Carnegie Arts Center in Goodland. One piece of artwork from each child in pre-kindergarten through sixth grade will be shown. The exhibit is sponsored by Doug and Jeanne Irvin and Brady and Jane Philbrick. 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.

Basketball Camp — Applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. Boys, ages 8-19, and girls, ages 10-19, can apply. Players are selected by invitation only. The Kansas camp location is in Atchison. College basketball scholarships are possible for players named to the All-American Team. For an evaluation form, call (704) 568-6801, anytime.

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.

photos needed

Photos are needed for a 2001 alumni reunion display to be put up next year at the High Plains Museum in Goodland. Any photos of Goodland classes or individuals will work and are needed, as soon as possible, so that work can begin on the display. For questions, stop by the museum or call 899-4595.

society donations

The Sherman County Historical Society has received positive response to

the proposed purchase of the Edythe Handy house. Your continued support is critical to the award of the grant request that is currently in progress. Tax-free pledges or donations may be made to the historical society at P.O. Box 684, Goodland, Kan. 67735 or by calling 899-6773.

alumni deadline

The deadline for alumni address labels to be turned in is Monday, Feb. 19. Alumni secretaries are asked to turn in updates by this date. The final deadline for the alumni directory will be Sunday, April 15. If you have questions, call Peggy Bahe at 899-5433.

support group

Anyone interested in forming a bipolar disorder support group, should call Virginia Tucker at 899-5696. The support group would be for the family and friends of those with the disorder, as well as the patients.

student news

Amos Alstrom, son of Terri and Eddie Anderson of Goodland, recently graduated from Fort Hays State University where he earned a bachelor of science degree in agri-business.

Alstrom was a 1996 graduate of Decatur Community High School at Oberlin and a 1998 graduate of Garden City Community College.

He was a member of the Delta Tau Alpha Honor Society at Fort Hays. He played football at Garden City from 1996-1998 and at Fort Hays in 1999.

Alstrom is pursuing a master's degree in business administration at Fort Hays.

school menu

Thursday — Tater tot casserole, mixed vegetables, hot rolls, strawberries and bananas and milk.

Friday — Pizza, lettuce salad, Jell-o with fruit and milk.

hospital report

Goodland Regional Medical Center Admitted on Tuesday: Marta Ketter, Goodland.

Dismissed on Tuesday: none.

Transferred: none

Specialists for Thursday: Dr. James Warren, cardiologist; Dr. Brian

Cole, cardiologist; Dr. Charles Ruggles, dermatologist.

Hospital weekly volunteer schedule — **Thursday** — Patty Gensil, courtesy; Mary Lou Franklin, a.m. **Friday** — Carmelita Clark, courtesy; Harriette Smith, p.m.

patient update

Brenda Fisher of Goodland is recuperating at her home after ear surgery in Wichita. Cards may be sent to her at 1624 Texas, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

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.

Found: Male black Labrador mix at 12th and Syracuse, and young female Rottweiler mix at 19th and Commerce.

today in history

Jan. 31, 1901 — G.F. Hodgkinson of Goodland has been dangerously ill for some time. He has dropsy complicated with heart difficulty. One day this week it was thought that he was dying, but he rallied and is somewhat better.

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area events

Tobacco Support Group — A tobacco quitters support group meets from 7-8 p.m. Central Time, every Wednesday in the cafeteria of Citizens' Medical Center in Colby. Anyone who has a desire to stop smoking is urged to attend. For information, call (785) 462-8152.

Livestock Workshop — A livestock and resource management workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Central Time, Thursday, Feb. 8 at the Ramada Inn in Colby. Information will be given on nutritional needs of cattle, post drought range management, inventorying ranch resources and possible solutions for profitable management. The cost includes lunch. For information or to register, contact Western Prairie Resource Conservation and Development at (785) 462-2602.

Goodland sophomore gets leadership award

Goodland High sophomore Amanda Hoffman, daughter of Richard and Lyn Hoffman, has been named the school's 2001 Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Award recipient for the year.

She will attend the Kansas North Leadership Seminar at Kansas State University in Manhattan, June 1-3, all expenses paid. Hoffman was chosen from 13 Goodland High applicants. Sharon Palmquist is sponsor for the program at the school.

"If I could do one thing for my community, state, country and world, it would be to make each person feel like they are someone," Hoffman said.

Hoffman was named a McDonald's Millennium Dreamer last year and received a silver medal at the national Family, Careers, and Community Leaders of America competition as part of Goodland High's parliamentary procedure team. She was in five state competitions, including the parliamentary procedure team, and instrumental and vocal music, receiving a I rating at state in piano. She also plays the bassoon, saxophone, bells and keyboard.

She serves as secretary of the leadership group, and is a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, drum majorette for the high school band, a member of the Jazz Band, performed

in the musical, is a basketball manager and joins in her church youth group. She also received training in the leadership group's program "Stop the Violence — Students Taking on Prevention."

One boy and one girl from each state are chosen to attend the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Award World Leadership Congress held at George Washington University in Washington in July.

"I personally believe that Amanda has a good chance of winning the Kansas seminar," said Mary Karspeck, chair for the program for Thetis, a Goodland women's group.

The O'Brian program recognizes leadership potential in high school sophomores. The founder, actor Hugh O'Brian, says that the purpose of the seminars is to teach youths how to think — not what to think.

State seminars are run by volunteers. The state committee consists of members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Kansas, of which Thetis is a part, Kiwanis, Rotary, the Parent-Teacher Association, Amvets and other organizations.

In Goodland, Thetis has promoted the program for 18 years. Financial support is provided by Goodland Kiwanis, Goodland Rotary and Thetis.



Hoffman

DECA students compete at regional conference

Goodland High School DECA students attended the Western Region Conference held Jan. 13 in Great Bend, scoring one first place and several other honors in competitions.

DECA advisor Rich Schwasinger took about 20 students to the contest, where they competed in written tests and role plays.

The test had 100 general marketing questions on it chosen by the national DECA office in Reston, Va.

In the role plays, the students were given a business situation where they had to play either an employee or a manager.

The region conference prepares students for state competition.

"This is a practice for them," Schwasinger said, "to see what that (state competition) would be like."

In the first event which was the general marketing exam, Tiffany Schwasinger won first place, Destiny Wing won fourth, Trista Lalicker won fifth and Randi Gray won ninth.

For the second event, retail merchandising role play-management,

Laura Rice took third place, Wing took eighth, and Schwasinger took ninth.

The third event, retail merchandising role play-employee, Wing won sixth place and Schwasinger tenth.

In the overall placing, Schwasinger was fourth, Wing fifth and Rice eighth.

"This is the best that we have done at our region conference, probably ever," Mr. Schwasinger said.

The students are now preparing for state competition March 3-6 in Overland Park. Schwasinger said there will probably be 20 students going to it. In addition to written tests and role plays, the students can do written projects or run for a state office.

"That's where our big success is at," Schwasinger said, "in the written projects we do."

Schwasinger said Tiffany Schwasinger and Destiny Wing are running for state DECA offices. To be eligible, they had to have a 2.5 grade point average and take a leadership test that was sent in to be graded. After that they will campaign.

Entrepreneur offers alternative fuel

TOPEKA — Put a little magnesium and zinc in a can. Add equal parts water and alcohol and let nature take its course.

It's a recipe for hydrogen production that a Great Bend entrepreneur says could give the nation a clean efficient alternative to fossil fuels.

Steve Thomas outlined his patented processes Tuesday for the Senate Utilities Committee, complete with a combustion demonstration.

Known as hydronics energy technologies, the process releases hydrogen from water and alcohol. The liquid reacts with electrons from a powder of metals, such as magnesium and zinc.

"This is a very, very efficient hydrogen producer," Thomas said as a 2-foot bright orange flame burned from a can on a table.

The demonstration came as legislators grapple with high natural gas prices. As an alternative to fossil fuels, hydrogen could provide a cleaner, cheaper source of power.

Thomas said hydrogen is a more efficient fuel, producing more than three times the British thermal units, or BTU,

of natural gas. One pound of hydrogen creates 154,000 BTU, while an equal amount of coal creates 12,000 BTU. Hydrogen can be produced safely using hydronics on the back of a tractor-trailer or a fixed tank at a plant, he said. Run a pipe from the supply to turbines, with little modification of equipment.

Condolences sent to Brewster siblings who lost mother

Our condolences this week go to Doris Schoenberger and Doug Jackson and their respective families. Their mother, Irene Jackson of Atwood, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 20. Funeral services were held Tuesday.

With the price of heating going up so much, it just makes a person almost ill to see all the natural gas burning in Hutchinson. I hope they are able to contain the leak soon and not because of the wasted fuel. That has to be awfully hard on those people in Hutchinson to live with that kind of



sally michael

• brewster beacon

problem. Roger and I lived there when we were first married and I've always thought it was a neat little city.

There has been lots of basketball playing in the past few weeks. Brewster's Bulldog team came away

from the Dodge City Tournament of Champions with fourth place. The first game was with Derby and they lost by 3 points. Then the Bulldogs won the next two

games against Medicine Lodge and Dodge City. But the real winners were the Bulldogs for taking the Sportsmanship Award. This is not a small trophy in any way. The ability to win something like that takes more talent than placing first. It definitely takes patience and wisdom. Therefore, congratulations Bulldogs on winning this special award. Also, we want to congratulate Bobby Tubbs for the Special Academic Award and Jay Reid for the Most Inspirational Player Award. Isn't that a nice reflection on the Bulldogs to show these bigger schools how they should act?

Duane and Ruth Jones spent last Monday and part of Tuesday in Hays. Duane kept his doctor appointments and he thinks he passed their tests with flying colors.

Dewey Nelle Classi and her husband, Joe, ran grocery stores in Brewster for the better part of three decades and raised their family in Brewster. Joe died in 1974 and Dewey Nelle passed away this past week in a convalescence home in Montrose, Colo. We send our sympathies to the Classi families on their loss. Dewey Nelle will be inurned at 10:30 a.m., Central Time, Friday in the Brewster Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Central Time, Friday at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Brewster.

The first meeting of this year for the Brewster United Methodist Women will be at 7 p.m., Central Time, on Wednesday at the home of Nadine Kammer. This will be our Quiet Day Service for "A Call to Prayer and Self-

Denial." The theme for this year's program is "Seeding the Harvest in the Seed Time." Roll call will be "What Seeds Will I Plant in 2001?" From now until Wednesday you need to be seeding toward your prayer and self-denial offering that will be taken as a part of this special service.

The Girl Scouts will be selling cookies until Friday. Anyone who wants to buy some, but hasn't been contacted, should call leaders Lisa Trow at (785) 899-6148 or Brandy Woodrow at (785) 694-2689.

Gus Miller passed away on Sunday in Colby. He was the husband of Violet (Bear) Miller of Colby. Services will be held Thursday in Colby.

The Beta Club is collecting clean sheets or similar material to be given to the Veterans' Administration Hospital and made into rag rugs. These items may be dropped off at the Brewster Senior Center until Thursday, Feb. 15.

Wednesday was a beautiful afternoon and the snow melted pretty good. But, these weather forecasters keep coming in and telling us that we are in for a big snow. Unfortunately, Joyce Crabtree, Barb Springsteen, Inace Parker and I have plans for going to Goodland on Thursday. I'm going to take the Senior Center van for a checkup and then I think we'll go shopping for the television and VCR that Harriet Parker's memorial fund is to be used for.

Once we get the television, it sounds like we are in for a facelift, thanks to the Prairie Gem 4-H Club. It will be nice to have things perked up a bit and then maybe we can get started on the carpet replacement. Then won't we have a nice place in here. Not that it's a bad place now. Come on in and give us the pleasure of your company.

That's it for now. Stay tuned next week and read about our shopping experiences. I'm sure we'll have a good time. See you next time.

club news

Lincoln Larks Club

At their January meeting, members of the Lincoln Larks Family and Community Education Club discussed decorating the doors of Sherman County Good Samaritan Center residents for February.

Four members of the club met on Jan. 22 for their monthly meeting.

The Health Fair 2001 will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, at the Goodland Activities Center. Health fair workers from the club will be Arbutus Topliff, Virginia Chatfield and Colleen Duell.

Members will place Valentine decorations on the doors of residents at the Good Samaritan Center for the month of February. A thank you for a contribution was received from the Sherman County Historical Society for the purpose of buying the Handy house.

A lesson on "Cooking for One or Two," was presented by Peggy Roe, family and consumer science agent for Rawlins and Decatur counties, on Jan. 22 in the assembly room of the Goodland courthouse.

Tips for cooking for one or two is a big idea these days! Busy cooks are constantly searching for ways to save time and money when buying, storing and preparing food. Members learned ways to reduce recipes, resize items for freezing and storing, use problem left-

overs and plan meals a day or two ahead of time.

Nutrition and using the Pyramid food guide are important. Guide sheets for storage time in the cupboard and refrigerator were given out.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 6, with Nila Been as hostess.

Business and Professional Women's Club

The Goodland Business and Professional Women's Club heard a prayer for the new year at their January meeting.

Seven members were present at the supper meeting held on Jan. 8 at Ray's Cafe. The meeting was opened by President Nina Mersch. The club collect was recited. It was followed by the flag salute.

A motion carried to approve the minutes of last month's meeting.

Roll call was answered with "What Did You Do For Christmas?"

The program was given by Esther Studer. She read "A Prayer for the New Year" by Edgar A. Guest.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mary Schippert and seconded by Shaunna Anderson.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 5, at Myrtle Murphy's home. It will be a Valentine exchange. We'll look for you then.

Mary Schippert, secretary

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