

about our friends

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.

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

Summer Classes — Colby Community College is offering summer classes over the interactive television network to northwest Kansas. **Topics in Applied Psychology** will be offered at **5:30 p.m. June 29-30** in Goodland.

Education Class — An adult education class, "Computer Basics," will be offered from **6-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays starting Tuesday, July 3**, at the Northwest Kansas Technical College. The 30-hour course will cover the basics of word processing, data bases, Internet and electronic mail and will be taught by Tina Perry, technical college instructor. To enroll, contact Richard Hoffman, technical college vice president, at 899-3641 (weekdays).

Benefit Barbecue — S&T Telephone will host a benefit barbecue to begin at **5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 4**, at the Sherman County fairgrounds during the Fourth of July celebration. The company will serve hamburgers, hot dogs and baked beans to the first 3,000 people. A free will offering will be taken with the proceeds to benefit the Handy House and Pioneer Park projects.

activities

TOPS Meetings — Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at **5:30 p.m. Mondays** in the small board room at the Goodland Regional Medical Center. Weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

Aerobics Classes — Morning aerobics classes are available at **5:30 a.m.** with Tina Tompkins, and at **7:45 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 **7:45 a.m. Tuesday**

and **Thursday** with Imel. For questions, call 899-7242.

Soccer Camp — The Goodland Activities Center will sponsor a British Soccer Camp for youth ages 4-14 from **8:30-11 a.m. June 25-29** at North School. For information or to register, come to the activities center at 808 Main or call 899-7242.

Carnegie Arts Center — Karen Robben of Salina will have her paintings of farm machinery and scenes on display through **Saturday, June 30**, at the Carnegie Arts Center in Goodland. The exhibit called "Reflections from the Farm" is sponsored by Jim Alcorn Shelter Insurance. 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 — Final registration is now being held 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.

senior center menu
Tuesday — Taco salad, cantaloupe, chips and brownie.
Wednesday — Potluck (Cooks at a meeting).
Thursday — Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, bread, birthday cake and applesauce.
Friday — Tuna salad sandwich, vegetable soup, watermelon, crackers and apricots.

medical fund

A fund has been established to help pay medical expenses for **Teagan Raile**, who was injured in a car accident. Contributions can be sent to or left at Western State Bank, 815 Center, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

society donations

The Sherman County Historical Society has purchased the Edythe Handy house. Your continued support is critical to the award of a 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.

uniforms needed

The Sherman County High School Alumni Association is needing old Goodland pep club uniforms from the 50s and early 70s for the school reunion assembly on Aug. 4. If you have any to loan, call Kathy Melia at 899-2309 (days).

tree fund donations

Many of the trees at the Goodland Cemetery have died and the cemetery board is trying to replace them. If you would like to help out, contributions for the Goodland Cemetery Memorial Tree Fund can be left at Koons or Bateman funeral homes or sent to the Goodland Cemetery Board, P.O. Box 59, Goodland, Kan. 67735. Donations may be made in memory of a loved one.

wheelchairs for use

The Senior Wheels USA Program offers electric wheelchairs to senior citizens (65 and up) and the permanently disabled at no cost to them if they qualify. The wheelchairs are for those who can't walk or use a manual wheelchair. If your need is for home use and you want to find out if you qualify, call Leon Johnson at (800) 246-6010.

hospital report

Goodland Regional Medical Center
Admitted on Friday: Rosanna Parker and Karen Rodriguez, both of Goodland. **Saturday:** Harlan Eli, Goodland. **Sunday:** Bobbi Jo Tesmer, Goodland; and Avayon Neel, Nampa, Idaho.

Dismissed on Friday: Sheila Bartrum, Flo Hinger and Samuel Valles, all of Goodland. **Saturday:** Myrna Carson, Rosanna Parker and Karen Rodriguez, all of Goodland. **Sunday:** Harlan Eli, Goodland.

Transferred: none.
Specialists for Tuesday: none.
Hospital weekly volunteer sched-

ule — **Tuesday** — Bonnie Daily, a.m.; Beulah McClung, p.m. **Wednesday** — Marj Crabb, courtesy; Hazel Tracy, a.m.; Chet Ross, p.m. **Thursday** — Betty Saint, a.m.; Velma Holste, p.m. **Friday** — Anne Mann, p.m.

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.

today in history

June 18, 1901 — "The people of the northeast part of the county will celebrate the Fourth of July at Clayton's grove. The program will include vocal and instrumental music, speeches by prominent speakers, a live bird shoot, foot, sack and horse races, fireworks and a grand ball at Maple Grove school house in the evening.

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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 Citizen's Medical Center in Colby. Anyone who has a desire to stop smoking is urged to attend. For information, call (785) 462-8152.

Boys Basketball Tournament — A basketball team tournament for fifth through twelfth grade boys will be held **Saturday, July 7, and Sunday, July 8**, at Bethany College in Lindsborg. Grade divisions are fifth and sixth, seventh and eighth, ninth and tenth, and eleventh and twelfth. **Sign-up deadline is Sunday, July 1.** To find out the cost or to register, call Coach Clair Oleen at (785) 227-3380, ext. 8176 or (785) 227-3279.

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 and you will not be asked your name. 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. The Goodland Area Crime Stoppers is a nonprofit organization.

obituary

Judy M. Wagoner

Judy M. Wagoner, 48, Shawnee, a former Goodland resident, died Friday, June 15, 2001, at her home.

She was born April 29, 1953, at Laramie, Wyo., the daughter of Evelyn J. (Lohr) and Eugene G. Davis.

In 1971, she graduated from Burlington High School at Burlington, Colo. Later, she graduated from Northeastern Junior College at Sterling, Colo., and cosmetology school at Greeley, Colo.

She and Melvin Wagoner of Oakley were married June 25, 1976, at Colby. The couple lived in Goodland until 1986. Then they lived in Colorado Springs for 10 years before moving to Shawnee in 1996.

She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and was a member of PEO, chapter ID.

Mrs. Wagoner was devoted to her



Judy Wagoner

husband, children, family and friends. She was anxiously awaiting the birth of her first grandchild.

Her funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Goodland with Pastor Scott Grimshaw officiating.

Burial will follow in the Goodland Cemetery.

Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. today at Koons Chapel in Goodland and before the funeral Tuesday at the church.

Survivors include her husband of Shawnee; two daughters, Nicole Dawn Wagoner of Shawnee and Heather Diane Fix (Ron) of Colorado Springs; her parents of Burlington, Colo.; a sister, Janie Eves (David) of Littleton, Colo.; a brother, Donnie Davis (Debbie) of Burlington, Colo.; her mother-in-law, Toni Whitson, of Oakley; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society, Hospice of Kansas City, Kan., or the Sisters Servants of Mary at Kansas City, Kan., and left at Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

matters of record

Goodland Police Report

June 6 — At 6 p.m., Marshall Carson was a victim of battery and disorderly conduct at 910 W. 17th.

June 7 — At 4:05 p.m., Amador M. Pena Jr. was arrested for pedestrian under the influence of alcohol and consumption of liquor in a public place in the 100 block of Main.

At 10:45 a.m., Presto Convenience Store, 2417 Commerce Road, reported a gas skip, \$18.

June 9 — At 12:40 p.m., Bryce M. Bahe reported that 60 CDs were taken from his vehicle between 8 and 9 a.m. on Feb. 27, while it was parked at 1029 Cherry.

At 8:33 p.m., Martin Olivias was arrested for driving under the influ-

ence, transporting an open container, no driver's license and an improper turn at 13th and Main.

June 10 — At 1:50 a.m., Michael W. Abbey and Dax L. Hayden were victims of battery and disorderly conduct at 1602 Main.

At 8:55 a.m., Wendy's, 2219 Enterprise, reported that \$543 in cash was taken between 1:15 and 7:30 a.m. on June 10.

Goodland Accident

Feb. 4 — At 7 p.m., it was reported that an unknown vehicle hit an '81 Chevrolet pickup, registered to C.D. Stithem, on the driver's side, while it was parked in the 300 block of E. 13th.

Three firefighters killed by blast while battling blaze

NEW YORK (AP) — Three firefighters battling a blaze at a hardware store were killed when an explosion left them buried beneath the rubble of the building's roof and brick facade.

The force of the blast Sunday threw some firefighters across the street, and churchgoers attending services next door were pitched from their seats. At least 48 rescue workers and two civilians were injured.

"There were firemen lying underneath a wall of bricks," said Cleavon Wills, 27, who was playing keyboard at the Lighthouse Church. "They were unconscious and bloody and their raincoats were torn."

One firefighter was in critical condition and another was in serious condition early this morning. Most of the injured were treated at hospitals and released.

The fire, reported about 2:20 p.m., was still burning early today. Smoldering debris and the possibility of additional explosive materials persuaded fire officials to take a cautious approach.

About 20 minutes after firefighters arrived, propane tanks and paint stored in the basement exploded, taking firefighters by surprise, officials said. The cause of the fire was under investigation early today.

"What was a quiet Sunday turned into a terrible tragedy very quickly," fire Commissioner Thomas Von Essen said.

Firefighters Harry Ford, 50, and John Downing, 40, were outside the building opening windows to ventilate it when the explosion occurred. They were crushed to death when the roof and facade tumbled onto them.

Firefighter Brian Fahey, 46, was inside the store. He fell into the burning basement and was trapped for hours,

officials said. Dozens of firefighters, some wielding pick axes and chain saws, cut through the rubble but Fahey died before they could reach him.

Ford, a father of three, was a 27-year veteran who was decorated nine times for bravery. Downing was an 11-year veteran and father of two. Fahey, a father of three, was a 14-year veteran.

Firefighter Joseph Vosilla, 41, was listed in critical condition early today. A visibly shaken Mayor Rudolph Giuliani noted the tragic circumstances during a hospital press conference.

"I can't think of a more tragic Father's Day," he said.

Residents within several blocks of the store were evacuated from their homes as more than 350 firefighters and 70 rescue units were called to the scene.

"It sounded like a charge when they detonate a building to demolish it," said Wills. "I thought the whole building had collapsed."

The hardware store, the Long Island General Supply Co., is on the first floor of the two-story building in Queens, with apartments above it.

Neighborhood resident Spiro Colovos, 55, said he heard a large explosion, ran to the scene and saw firefighters administering CPR to their colleagues.

"They looked like they were in terrible shape," he said.

New practices urged to keep karnal bunt disease at bay

Karnal bunt disease has never been found in Kansas, and like wheat growers statewide, a Kansas State University scientist wants to keep it that way.

"By now, I suspect that everybody has heard that there is an outbreak of Karnal bunt in Texas," said Bob Bowden, plant pathologist with K-State Research and Extension.

The fungal disease typically causes minimal yield loss and is no threat to the health of humans or animals, but it can impart a fishy odor to the grain.

With harvesting equipment moving north out of Texas, Kansas growers are urged to take steps to ensure that any equipment entering their farms is free of residue that could infect their fields.

Bowden is recommending a new "Best Management Practice" for wheat producers who use custom cutters or custom seed cleaners.

"All combines, grain trucks, and trailers coming from out of state should be thoroughly cleaned before entering Kansas wheat fields," Bowden said. "This is a strong recommendation, not a legal requirement. However, it benefits growers in other ways too, as it



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the disease was found in wheat in two Texas counties, Throckmorton and Young.

To satisfy certification requirements, cleaning must adhere to USDA-approved methods.

Three Wichita companies have mobile, high-pressure hot water washers and steam cleaners that meet federak standards. Telephone numbers for the companies may be obtained from the Kansas Department of Agriculture in Topeka, temporary harvest offices operated by the Kansas Department of Human Resources or any county extension office.

Another procedure is to use a low-pressure, high-volume water treatment, Bowden said. These steps will not result in certification, but they should prevent the disease from moving into a field. An empty combine can still hold several bushels of grain and chaff, as well as weed seeds, dust, insects and diseases, so a thorough cleaning is important, he said.

"The goal is to remove all of the grain and debris to avoid contaminating the next field," Bowden said.

Bowden and Vernon Schaffer, director of the K-State Foundation Seed program, have the following suggestions for cleaning a combine:

- Do a preliminary cleaning before you leave the old field. Clean off the feeder house and reel, open the trap doors and run the machine until the loose grain is all out.
- Select an area for cleaning with access to water.
- Remove the header and clean it separately.
- Park on pavement where waste grain can be swept up and disposed of properly. You might want to tilt the combine to help drain the horizontal augers.
- Open all access doors, traps, and elevators and remove the sieves.
- Run the machine until the loose grain is all out.
- Use a garden hose and nozzle to dislodge debris. Start at the front and clean in the direction that grain flows through the machine. That way, if you need to run the machine to shake debris loose, you won't re-contaminate an area you've already cleaned.
- If possible, remove the concaves and wash the cylinder area. On some machines, the concaves will be difficult to remove. Try using the water to thoroughly flush them in place. Continue cleaning toward the back of the machine.
- Clean the grain tank and unloading augers.
- Run the machine again to shake any remaining grain loose.
- Don't forget to look underneath and clean debris and grain that collects on the undercarriage.
- Dispose of waste grain, weed seeds and debris in a landfill or bury it deeply.

will help prevent the introduction of weed seeds such as cheat, rye, goat grass, and Italian rye grass into the field.

What's at stake is Kansas' market share of wheat exports. About half of all wheat grown in Kansas every year is exported. Approximately 80 countries restrict the import of U.S. wheat grown in areas where the disease is found.

There are two procedures custom harvesters can use to prevent the disease from entering the state, he said.

First, Kansas Department of Agriculture inspectors are available to supervise and certify harvest equipment cleaning for custom cutters coming from a newly-established Karnal bunt quarantine area in Texas. In late May,

Threat delays warship investigation

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI and Navy investigators in Yemen looking into the bombing of the warship USS Cole were pulled out of the country because of a security threat, an FBI official said today.

"There was a specific and credible threat that called for removal from the country," said FBI spokesman Bill Carter. The investigation teams were pulled out Sunday.

President Bush, speaking to reporters before meeting with Secretary of State Colin Powell, declined comment. "Once we finish our investigation, our government would be willing to discuss that," he said.

The move follows a June 9 State Department warning of an increased threat of terrorism against Americans and U.S. interests in Yemen. The de-

partment authorized non-emergency embassy staff and their families to leave the country and urged Americans to postpone trips to Yemen.

The USS Cole was refueling in the Yemeni port of Aden when a small harbor skiff pulled alongside it and detonated explosives that killed 17 sailors, injured 39 and nearly sank the ship.

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4-h club news

Prairie Dale 4-H Club
The Prairie Dale 4-H Club went on their annual club tour for their June meeting.

The group of 10 members, two leaders and many parents met on June 10. They toured five farms and all the members present told about their 4-H projects.

After the tour, club members went to the swimming pool to cool down.