about our friends

calendar

The Red Cross will hold a blood drive from noon to 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Goodland United Methodist Church. Donors must be at least 17, in good health and must bring a picture

An organizational meeting for a needlework club will be held from 7-9 p.m. Thursday at Wheatridge Acres. Anyone interested in needle projects — quilt, needlepoint, crochet or knit — of any level of expertise is invited, even those just interested in learning a craft. Carol Tupper will talk about her stained glass quilt. Others with hand-made items are invited to bring them.

The Goodland Elks Lodge is accepting applications for its 2002-2003 "Most Valuable Student" contest. Applications may be made by high school seniors who are U.S. citizens. Forms are available from high school guidance counselors or from the Goodland Elks Lodge. Deadline is **Friday.** Call Zona Price at 899-6251 or write to Box 146, Goodland, Kan., 67735 for information.

Colby Community College will enroll for its outreach program in Goodland through Wednesday, Jan. 16. Call (888) 634-9350 for informa-

The Kansas Commission on Veterans'Affairs will send Jody Tubbs to the Sherman County Courthouse from 1-2:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, in Assembly Room on the third floor. She will help veterans and their dependents with claims work. Veterans who are unable to make it may contact the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

The City of Goodland is offering free dog licenses from **8 a.m.-5 p.m.** Friday, Jan. 18, at the City Administration Building, 204 W. 11th Street. The city requires that all dogs be licensed. Free licenses will be available from the city clerk for citizens of Goodland who own or keep a dog and provide written proof that the animal has a current rabies vaccination.

for the January distribution of low-cost February. food.

activities

Born to Read — The Goodland Public Library offers Story Time for children under 3 from 5-5:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday evening, and 10-10:30 a.m. every Friday.

Emotions Anonymous — meets at 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the Goodland Regional Medical Center board room.

Century Families — meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of the month at the Senior Center. For information, call 899-2835

Aerobics Classes — 7:45 a.m. morning aerobics classes are offered daily at the Goodland Activities Center. Marilyn Imel leads a step aerobic class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. On Tuesday and Thursday, a less intense class is offered. Call 899-7242 **TOPS Meetings** — Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at **5:30 p.m.** Mondays in the small board room at Goodland Regional Medical Center. Weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

Family, Career, and Community Leaders of Goodland High School holds Little Brothers and Little Sisters the third Thursday of every month. High school students will play games, create crafts, and share snacks with pre-school children at 3:30 p.m. in the home economics room or cafeteria.

House Tours — Tours of the 1907 Victorian "Handy House" at 202 W. 13th are from 1-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays.

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. To schedule an evaluation or discuss environmental concerns, call the Sherman County Health Department at (785) 899-4888

The Carnegie Arts Center will be closed in January. The center will be Chopstick tuna casserole, spinach/ open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday cheese salad, pears, bread and oat-SHARE pick up will be from 9 to 10 through Friday and from 1-4 p.m. meal/raisin bar.

a.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, at 824 Main Saturday, Sunday and Monday in hospital report

school calendar

Tuesday: Gold Day. AFS Seminar. Varsity, junior varsity and "C" team basketball against Lakin 3:45 p.m. at Max Jones Fieldhouse and junior high gym. Faculty meeting. Wednesday: Black Day. DECA/Science Olympiad Seminar. City/County Recreation sports at 7:30 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse. Thursday: Gold Day. FCCLA Seminar. City/County Recreation sports at 7:30 p.m. at the high school gym. Varsity wrestlers depart at 3 p.m. for Basehor-Linwood (near Lawrence). Friday: Black Day. End of second nine weeks/first semester. Varsity, junior varsity and "C" team basketball against Atwood 3:45 p.m. Max Jones Fieldhouse and junior high gym. Varsity wrestling, noon at Basehor-Linwood. Mini-cheerleader night at basketball games. Saturday: Junior varsity wrestling 8:30 a.m. at Hays, depart 5:30 a.m. Fifth grade basketball Max Jones Fieldhouse and high school gym 10-11 a.m. DECA Western Region Practice Conference here. Varsity wrestling at Basehor-Linwood.

school lunch menu

Tuesday: Roast beef, gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli normandy, hot roll, cake and milk. Wednesday: Sloppy joe on bun, tater tots, pickle spear, pears and milk. Thursday: Chicken nuggets, savory rice, carrots, fruit crisp and milk. **Friday:** Macaroni and cheese with ham, green beans, hot roll, frosted apple and milk.

senior center menu

Tuesday: Meat loaf, baked potato, peaches, bread and ice cream. Wednesday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, bread and applesauce gelatin. Thursday: Pasta, beef & tomato, corn, mixed fruit/ banana, bread and raspberry-filled coffee cake. Friday:

Goodland Regional Medical Center Admitted on Friday: none. Dismissed on Friday: Harold John-

son, Goodland. Admitted on Saturday: Betty Webb and Gertrude Renner, both of Goodland.

Dismissed on Saturday: Pauline Renner, Goodland.

Admitted on Sunday: none. Dismissed on Sunday: none.

Specialists for Tuesday: Darrel Werth, urologist.

Hospital Volunteer Schedule: Tuesday: Bonnie Daily, a.m., Beulah McClung, p.m. Wednesday: Helen Armstrong, a.m.; Irene Kehlbeck, courtesy, Opal Callahan, p.m. Thursday: Jessie Owens, a.m. Friday: Fern Heckman, a.m.; Carmelita Clark, courtesy.

away from home

Ruth Morton is spending the winter in Mississippi with family and has been injured in an automobile accident. She would appreciate hearing from Goodland friends, in care of Dan Sloan, 6838 Awini St., Diamondhead, Miss. 39525.

today in history

Jan. 7, 1902: A joint installment was held of the officers of the Grand Army of the Republic and The Woman's Relief Corps.

From The Goodland News; provided by the Sherman County Historical Society.

area events

Dr. Don Udell will hold a foundation workshop from Tuesday to Thursday, Jan. 15 to 17, in the conference room at the Thomas County Office Complex, 350 S. Range, Colby. Call Western Prairie Resource Conservation and Development at 785-462-2602 for information

The Hays Art Council is seeking entries for its Five-State Photogra**phy Exhibition.** Entry forms are due Friday, Jan. 25, and entries at the gallery by Tuesday, Jan. 29. Call Brenda Meder at (785) 625-7522 or write to 112 E. 11th St., Hays, Kan., 67601 for information.

The Northwest Kansas Area Health Education Center will offer Trauma Care Basics from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28, at 303 Main, Atwood, and The Trying Trio: Stress, cal Center. Depression, and Suicide, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at Harry J. and Ida Z. (Walcott) Keister 221 W. First, St. Francis. To register, call (785) 628-6128.

crimestoppers

If you have 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 involved, you could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000. The Goodland Area Crime Stoppers is a nonprofit organization formed by citizens against crime.

child care issues

If you have questions, concerns or complaints about child care in Sherman County, call the county health department office at (785) 899-4888.

tree donations

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

animal shelter

Lost a pet? Call the Goodland Police Department at 899-4570. Interested in adopting a pet? Call the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter at 899-6464.

wheelchairs

The Senior Wheels USA Program offers electric wheelchairs to senior citizens (65 and up) and the permanently disabled at no cost. 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.

obituary

Mildred Schmidt

Mildred Eliza (Keister) Schmidt, 88. a Sherman Community High School graduate and former Goodland resident, died Saturday at the Hays Medi-

She was born Aug. 13, 1913, to in Sargent, Neb. Her foster mother was Minerva Skovold.

She graduated from high school in Goodland in 1933 and married Clarence W. Schmidt on June 22 of that year in Goodland.

She lived in Fairbury, Neb., Goodland, Stockton and Hays after her husband's death in 1942.

She was a restaurant cook for over 30 years.

She received the Senior Companions 25-years-of-service award at the annual banquet at Fort Hays State University on July 26, 2001.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Alice M. Drees; a son, Richard Gary Schmidt; her parents and foster mother; two brothers, Asa and Daniel Keister; three sisters, Greta Koger, Amelia Bentz and Lula Mills; and two grandchildren.

She is survived by a daughter, Venita A. Sanders, of Richmond, Va.; a brother, Harry Gaylord Keister, of Paradise, Calif.; a foster brother, Frank Skovold of Marysville, Wash.; a son-in-law, James H. Drees of Hays; a daughter-in-law, Judith Naylor, McPherson; 10 grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Central Time Tuesday at the Main Street Christian Church in Stockton, with the Rev. Roger Neff officiating.

Burial will be in the Stockton Cemetery

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Central Time Monday and from 9-11 a.m. Tuesday at the Smith-Moore-Overlease Funeral Home in Stockton and from 11:30 a.m. to service time at the church.

Memorials may be made to the Senior Companion Program, 600 Park St., Hays, Kan. 67601.



New year starts without a bang

The New Year came in without much of a bang (thank you, Lord), and we are all hoping this year will be a time of peace, growth and achievement.

I have a lot of goals that I would like to accomplish, but I had several last year, too. Seems like planning is something I'm good at, but following through still needs a little work. Does

We had a very nice Christmas, and it sounds like the ones I've talked with Horney, a few days before Christmas, friends. all fared well, too. There was lots of traveling for some, and others just stayed home and greeted their family and friends. We went to Hays, as planned, and enjoyed a few days with Beth, David, Nathaniel and Corinne Ziegler, our daughter and family. And, on Christmas Day, Barry, Kim, Rebekah and Andrew Michael, of Salina, all joined us, in Hays. It seems a little difficult to get all of us together, at one time, so it's great to be able to enjoy two families. It also makes the memories and pictures taken at Thanksgiving extra special, when we had all 5 of our kids at the table again, plus in-laws and grandkids.



"Baby" with her, don't you? Just kidding, folks.

to Carmelita, and invite her to stop by Roger and I visited with Brian the Center, sometime and visit her old

ley, and Jessica and (Lester Prairie, Minn.) and Lyle Clark, of Goodland, and Nick Hoover, of Hays. I would like to say "Hi"

Gilley, Branson Gil- Prescott, Az.; Kenneth and Norma Kammer, Ethan and Brittany, and Andrew Ruffolo, Nadine Kammer, of Brewster. Lucille wants to thank her friends and family. and also, Carmelita for the cards, flowers, and the other gifts she received. In the "Better late, than never category, we send our greetings for a great year ahead for this nice lady.

We received word this morning, that Violet Brown, former Brewster resident, passed away, in Pants Valley, Oklahoma. Violet would have cel we know her family will miss her. We received a Christmas letter from her, and it sounded like she was enjoying herself, which makes us glad. On Saturday, at 10:30 AM, there will be a short service, at the United Methodist Church, in Brewster, with burial to follow. Violet's family is in our thoughts and prayers, as we know she will be missed.

Mike and Marla Harrison

Couple to celebrate wedding anniversary

wedding anniversary Tuesday.

They were married in the Em-Nebraska, they moved to Sherman them a happy anniversary.

Mike and Marla Harrison of County where they live now. They Goodland will celebrate their 25th own M&MTruck and Trailer Sales and farm in Sherman County.

They have two sons, Mark and manuel Lutheran Church Jan. 8, Bradley, both of Goodland, who 1977. After living a short time in along with family and friends, wish

Tampa youth steals plane, crashes into skyscraper

skyscraper had no known terrorist ties despite a note he wrote expressing sympathy for Osama bin Laden, authorities say.

"He expressed support for what happened on 9-11, including support for bin Laden," Police Chief Bennie Holder said. "Charles Bishop was a troubled young man — he acted alone without help from anyone else."

Bishop deliberately flew the singleengine Cessna 172R into the 42-story Bank of America Plaza in downtown Tampa on Saturday night, Holder said Sunday. Bishop was the only fatality.

A short, handwritten note found amid the wreckage detailed Bishop's sentiments but didn't shed light on why he chose that building, investigators said.

Grief counselors were sent to Bishop's high school today but as of midmorning no students had turned out to talk about his suicide, said Ron Stone, a spokesman for Pinellas County School District. The school was closed to reporters.

National Transportation Safety a wonderful kid, an honor student."

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The 15-year- Board investigator Butch Wilson said old who crashed a small plane into a it appears Bishop had full control of the plane after he stole it from the Clearwater flight school where he was taking lessons.

> No one in the building was injured. The building reopened today, except for two law offices that got hit directly. Holder said there is no indication Bishop targeted the building or "had any intention of harming anyone else."

> In Palm Harbor, police unrolled yellow crime scene tape Sunday outside the apartment complex where Bishop lived with his mother, while detectives and FBI agents interviewed family members.

> Neighbors said the boy kept to himself, and investigators for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement said he spent much time alone in his room. Investigators seized computers from the home.

> Investigators said Bishop had no history of mental problems and did not appear to be using illegal drugs.

> In a phone interview from Florida, Bishop's grandmother, Karen Johnson, told the Boston Herald: "He was

Inace Parker was whisked off to Denver, by her son, Bud, and enjoyed the holiday with Bud and family, as well as her daughter and family, Norma Jean and Max Hammond, also of Denver. She returned to Brewster, on Wednesday, and said "Baby," her cat, wouldn't have anything to do with her. I think Inace had better start taking

and he was going to be heading for a skiing visit, with his family, for a few days. They should be back home, now, and we hope they all had a good time. Sounds like they are enthusiastic about this winter sport, so they probably will be going every chance they get.

Carmelita and Lyle Clark, of Goodland, had an early Christmas dinner on December 22nd. Carmelita's children attending included Joe and Marla Giarratano (Phoenix, Ariz.), Rod and Susan Gilley (Brewster) and Tim and Pam Gilley (Broomfield, Colo.). Carmelita's grandchildren attending included: Rebecca Gilley and husband, Bill Wedde (Broomfield, Colo.) Barbara Gilley, and friend, Nick Hoover (Hays) and Branson Gilley, (Brewster). In addition to a wonderful meal, the family enjoyed a gift exchange, hosted by Santa himself, who looked suspiciously like Rod Gilley.

Christmas Day was celebrated at the Rod and Susan Gilley residence, in Brewster. Guests included Barbara

Speaking of saying "Hi" to friends, Roger and I ran into Anita Roulier, in ebrated her 90th birthday, in July, and Colby, on Monday. She informed us that she is now living in the Amber Waves Complex, and enjoying the new lifestyle, very much. She said she doesn't have to worry about snow shoveling, yard work, or all the other home-owning chores, plus, she can visit with many friendly neighbors. It was good to see her, and we hope she will also stop in the center and visit, whenever possible, too. Of course, we really can't call snow shoveling a chore, this winter, thus far, can we? That worries some, and delights some, but all of us realize we could use some moisture soon.

Lucille Smith was the honored guest, on her 90th Birthday, December 9, 2001, at the home of her niece, LaVona Rand, in Goodland. The dinner and special celebration was attended by family members: Daryl and Keely Loyd, Dylan and Dara, of St. Francis; Warren and Lou Brown, of

That's it for this week. I'm sure things will start returning to a normal pace, and the weeks will go back to having just one Sunday in them. I thought that was just me, but many have said they are having a hard time knowing what day it is because any day that everything is closed up seems like Sunday.

I think we could all get used to having the holidays every week, but I don't think the Congress has that in their "pork barrel" when they return to work. Have a good week, everyone!

Hostage missionaries' friends pray and fast

WICHITA (AP) - Gracia Burnham's friends have always done something big for her birthday, and this year is no different.

But this time there are no plans for a party, just prayers — prayers they hope will bring the hostage missionary and her husband, Martin, home.

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Philippines since May.

As friends wait hopefully for the Burnhams' rescue or release, they've decided to organize a prayer and fast campaign for the Wichita couple. The campaign will run from Mon-

contact local churches to spread the word.

In a news release, Burnham's friends Ryff said. But, she added, they are called for the faithful to pray and fast during the 10-day period.

If the Burnhams remain captive on Philippines to plead their case.

Kathy Ryff, one of the organizers.

The couple's family is "worn out," encouraged by the recent visit by Rep. Todd Tiahrt, R-Kan., to the





