

# about our friends

## calendar

Jodi Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in Goodland from **1-2:15 p.m. Thursday** in the Assembly Room on the third floor of the courthouse to help veterans and dependents with claims. Call the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

**"Financial Exploitation of the Elderly,"** a free program sponsored by High Plains Mental Health, will be from **1:30-3:30 p.m. Thursday** at the Goodland Public Library.

The **Goodland Women of Faith** will meet from **9:30-11 a.m. Saturday** at Wheat Ridge Acres. Connie Morris, author of "From the Darkness, One Woman's Rise to Nobility," will be a guest. Donations will be accepted.

The **Goodland After-5 Club** affiliated with the Christian Business and Professional Women will hold a "Liberty and Justice for All" dinner party from **7-8:30 p.m. Monday** at the Butterfly Cafe/Renner Field. Marcia Graves will share a mother's story of her son's escape from the World Trade Center. For **reservations** call Barb at 899-5580 or Lori at 899-3828. There is a charge for dinner.

**Goodland High School and Grant Junior High bands** will perform at **7 p.m. Tuesday, March 12**, in the high school auditorium. Donations will be accepted to pay for their trip to the Alamo Bowl.

A **Hunter Education Course** will be held from **6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, and Thursday, March 21 and at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 23**. To register, call Troy Mannis at 899-3380 or Mike Hopper at 899-5199.

**SHARE** pick up will be from **9 to 10 a.m. Saturday, March 23**, at 824 Main for the March distribution of low-cost food.

## activities

**"Prairie Past Times,"** a photographic history of entertainment in Sherman County, is on display at the High Plains Museum, 1717 Cherry Ave. **Born to Read** — The **Goodland Public Library** offers **Story Time** for children under 3 from 5-5:30 p.m. on the **second and fourth Tuesday**

evening, and from 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**, for people whose family came to Sherman County more than 100 years ago, meets at **7 p.m. the second Monday** of the month at the Senior Center. For information, call 899-2835.

The **Goodland Development Corp.** meets at **6:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday** at Bowladium Lanes. Call 899-2342 or 899-6200 for information.

**Aerobics Classes** — **7:45 a.m. morning aerobics classes** are offered daily at the Goodland Activities Center. Tena Tompkins leads a **step aerobic class at 5:30 a.m.** Monday, Wednesday and Friday. On Tuesday and Thursday, a less intense class is offered. Call 899-7242.

**Goodland Activities Center** will have third-sixth grade boys **basketball at 6-8 p.m. Thursdays** through Thursday, March 7. The third-fifth grade girls will play from **6:30-7:30 p.m. Mondays** through Monday, March 11.

**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. Students will play games, create crafts and share snacks with preschool children at 3:30 p.m. in the home economics room or cafeteria.

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

**Water Testing** — The Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group does free well evaluation, including testing for bacteria and nitrates. To schedule an evaluation or discuss environmental concerns, call the Sherman County Health Department at 899-4888.

The **Carnegie Arts Center** is open from **10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday** through **Friday** and from **1-4 p.m. Saturday**, and from 10-10:30 a.m. every **Friday**.

**Sunday and Monday.** Paintings by Phyllis Liljegren Newson will be on display through **April 5.**

## school calendar

**Wednesday:** Black Day. Seminar — Math Assessment Test for sophomores and Science Olympiad. City/county recreation sports 7:30 p.m. in the Max Jones Fieldhouse. **Thursday:** Gold Day. Seminar — Math Assessment Test for sophomores and G-Club/GAA. City/County recreation sports 7 p.m. high school gym. **Friday:** Black Day. Sample lesson plans with QAR to Sharon Hall. **Saturday:** State basketball. 4-H Days in auditorium and classrooms. **Sunday:** Junior Olympics volleyball 1-3:30 p.m. in the junior high gym. Ambassador fund raiser for X-Pressos 1-4 p.m. in auditorium and library. Dana Murray's team 2-5 p.m. in the high school gym.

## school lunch menu

**Wednesday:** Roast beef, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, hot roll, apple half and milk. **Thursday:** Pigs in a blanket, french fries, baked beans, Jell-O and milk. **Friday:** Cooks' choice.

## senior center menu

**Wednesday:** Ham and beans, citrus salad, cornbread and cherry crisp. **Thursday:** Meat loaf, baked potato, asparagus, bread and pineapple. **Friday:** Macaroni and cheese, tuna salad sandwich or little smokies, stewed tomatoes, bread and cinnamon apples.

## hospital report

**Goodland Regional Medical Center Admitted on Monday:** Shelby Palmgren, Goodland.

**Dismissed on Monday:** Marguerite Dupsky and Lela Heier, both of Goodland.

**Specialists for Wednesday:** John C. Faul, psychiatrist, and Steven J. Gulevich, neurologist.

**Hospital Volunteer Schedule:** **Wednesday:** Carmelita Clark, courtesy; Margie Richards, p.m. **Thursday:** Mary Lou Franklin, a.m.; Patty Gensil, courtesy. **Friday:** Fern Hawks, a.m.; Ruth Morton, courtesy; Virginia Bell, p.m.

## health department

The Sherman County Health De-

partment at 1622 Broadway is open from **8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.**

**Wednesday:** WIC in Goodland 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4:30 p.m. Appointments only. **Thursday:** Office closed 8-9 a.m. for a staff meeting. WIC in Goodland 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Appointments and voucher pickup. **Friday:** Walk-in blood pressure and blood sugar screening 8 a.m.-noon. Immunizations 1-4 p.m.

Children's physicals and family planning available by appointment.

## today in history

**March 5, 1902:** Brewster Items: Elden Chance is back in town, this time with a horse and buggy. Girls, there is a Chance for you!

## club news

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Lowell Coleman Post 1133 met on February 28, 2002, at the Post home, President Marilyn Colby called the meeting to order. Twelve members were present.

The current membership stands at 245, which means we are 100 percent in membership.

Committee chairmen gave the following reports. National Home: Valentine's and birthday cards were sent. A certificate was presented to the Auxiliary in thanks for their contribution to the Health and happiness fund. Denim shirts and sweatshirts are available for sale promoting the National Home.

Legislative: Members were encouraged to continue to write their congressmen about veterans' issues. The VFW had members in Washington D.C. this past week visiting with congressmen about the veterans' legislative issues.

Hospital/Rehabilitation: Sympathy and get well cards have been sent to members. The VA at Leavenworth could use stamps, socks, t-shirts and comfort items. The Wichita hospital is also in need of all sizes of socks and t-shirts.

Youth: David Russell from Goodland has been named the Kansas VFW Eagle Scout of the year. Department endowment scholarships are being

judged. The local scholarship application is due Monday, April 1. This year there will be two sections of the "Run Across Kansas." The north route will start in St. Francis and in Topeka over Memorial Day weekend. The south route starts in Tribune and ends in Topeka.

## area event

The **Burlington Wrestling Club** will be holding a **Pee Wee/Junior Tournament on Saturday** at the Burlington High School gym. Weigh-in will be from 6-7 p.m. Friday or 7:30-8:30 a.m. Saturday. Call Doug Duell at the Burlington Middle School (719) 346-5440 or at home (719) 346-8210 or Bobby Rhoades at (719) 346-7350.

## child care issues

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



Bergman and Stewart

## Couple to marry

Jami Elizabeth Bergman and Andrew Blake Stewart plan to marry Saturday, July 13, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Esbon.

Her parents are John and Sharon Bergman of Lebanon, Kan. His are Thomas and Carol Stewart of Goodland.

Her grandparents are Clarence and Betty Zabel of Smith Center. His grandmother is Bonnie Sollner of Smith Center.

Bergman graduated from Smith Center High School in 1998 and from Kansas City Kansas Community College in 2000 with a degree in mortuary science.

Stewart graduated from Smith Center High School in 1998. He a cadet at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. He will graduate and receive his officer's commission in May 2002.

## Couple plans June wedding

Megan Rene Steinert, Lyons, and Kevin Charles Rippe, St. Francis, are planning to marry Saturday, June 1, at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Lyons.

Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Steinert of Lyons. His are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rippe of Ludell.

She graduated from Lyons High School in 1998 and attended Wichita State University. She is an English para-educator in the Lyons schools.

Rippe graduated from Herndon High School in 1995 and from Fort Hays State University in 1999. He is an agronomist for Servi-Tech in Sherman and Cheyenne counties.

# Senior center closed during storm to protect older people

Here we are into March already following a very stormy beginning on Friday. We didn't have meals at the center as the rule is: when the school shuts down, so does the center.

The week before, we stayed open on Monday, and it wasn't a very wise decision. This last Friday turned out to be less than announced, thus one should never try to out-guess Mother Nature. When one is dealing with older people, their safety is upper most in decision-making.

I've got a few birthdays to report, some a little belated. Belle Montgomery had her 93rd in late February, and the family was wondering if some late cards might be in order. She has had major health problems these past few months but is doing somewhat better. Her address is: 1039 Sunrise Blvd., Waterloo, Iowa 50701.

Birthday wishes to her daughter Pat O'Brien, who too has had major problems. Belated cards would be nice for her at: P.O. Box 228, El Dorado, Kan. 67042.

Two other belated ones are for Al Lindsten and my brother-in-law Bob. Current birthdays are for John Schiefen, grand niece Natsaha Opydyke, Margaret Bowker, Nathan Brady, Antoinette Kashka, Emily Warren and Denise Hilty. My mistakes are related to my making a new 2002 calendar, and apparently I missed a couple of weeks in the transfer.

The World Day of Prayer was postponed to Tuesday, March 5, at 2 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church due to the wind/snow on Friday. Hope the change will not keep you from attend-



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ing on the 5th. It's always tough when you have to postpone and reschedule meetings. See you there if possible.

The community is again mourning the loss of loved ones. I was greeted with the news of the death of Clara Scheopner over the weekend. I know her condition was very guarded when they flew her to Denver on Thursday. One always hopes that trip will produce good results.

She was an almost everyday attendee at the senior center. She and husband Clarence have been active in the center from the very beginning.

It is going to seem strange to see Clarence without her at his side. To the whole Scheopner family, I would like to express my sincere sympathy and remind them that the Almighty will be with them during and beyond these next few days, weeks and months ahead.

One other death really reminded me of the fragile life we all live with. I've known Linda Chase for sometime as she was the one who always drew blood from me at the medical arts clinic.

Whenever I got there, the conversation always turned to what project she was currently working on. Oh how she loved to do counted cross stitch! And she did a beautiful job.

She always carried her satchel that contained a couple or more of her started patterns. During any free time, she put in a few stitches and created a great piece. Those of her friends and

co-workers who received one of her pieces were very lucky. At the funeral home, these people put up a number of her projects in tribute to her. I was very touched as some were those I had seen her working on. To her husband Glenn and daughter Virginia and other family and friends my deepest sympathy on Linda's death.

Two other families have said their final farewells to a family member, Loretta Dreiling and Ron Gruewald. I didn't know either of these people personally, but never the less, I can somewhat feel their grief and losses. When one has lost a loved one, the death of someone else stirs up some feelings you had to deal with yourself. My sincere sympathy to all of these families. May they all know and feel the healing, loving hand of the Almighty during these trying times.

Where's the police department when they are needed? was a question asked by one gentleman about the continued U-turns on Main Street, at the post office and the bank and other streets, for that matter. He was very angry that morning as some lady almost hit him at the bank.

He said he was leaving the parking

when she came from the west and flipped to park on the south side of the bank. He said he had checked traffic coming from the east, seeing none, he started out when out of the corner of his eye he saw this car right behind him. He got stopped, and she hopped out of her car and went into the bank without a word about the close encounter that had just occurred.

I don't have any answers, but he's steamed up with the continuance of these U-turns. Any solutions? I know there are posted signs, and the police can't be everywhere at the same time, but they apparently mean nothing to some people.

"I sincerely hope this question can come to a safe solution before someone gets seriously injured or even

killed," was his comment.

I didn't mean to get on a soap box, but he wanted me to do this, and I told him I'd do it once, no more. The problem and solution is up to the community and local city commissioners. Thanks for listening.

Best wishes to all who are having medical problems as there seems to be many. Not wanting to miss anyone, I'll just give a blanket get-well wish to these people.

No other notes on the desk, so will close for now and do it again next week, God willing and the creek doesn't rise. Take care.

## BOY SCOUT TROOP 142

# Chili Feed



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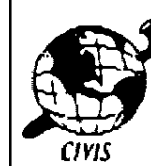
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