

# about our friends

## calendar

**A lecture series, "How Does Your Garden Grow?"** by Master Gardeners will be at 7 p.m. Thursdays. Historical Cutting Garden will be this Thursday at the Handy House. Roses will be June 6, at the Sandy Whitby home. Vegetables will be June 13 at the Kay Melia home. Lectures are free to Goodland Arts Center members, but there is a charge for non-members. **Pre-register by calling 899-6442.**

The Goodland Arts Council and the school district are holding the **Summer Art Institute.** Enrollment forms are available at Carnegie Arts Center and must be turned in at least a week before the class begins. Classes are available for grades kindergarten through sixth, and adult classes are offered in the evening.

**SHARE sign up** for the June distribution of food will be until Friday, June 7, at the Sherman County Health Department, Harvest America, Regional Prevention Center and the Kanorado Senior Center. **Pick up** for June will be from 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday, June 22, at 824 Main for the June distribution of low-cost food.

The **Smoky Garden Archery Club** will have a shoot at 10 a.m. Sunday. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Call 899-5174 or 899-5358.

Jodi Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in Goodland from 1-2:15 p.m. Thursday, June 6, 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.

The **Goodland After-5 Club** will hold the "Let's Have a Talk Show" dinner party from 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, June 10, at the Butterfly Cafe at Renner Field. Maxine Sieleman, host of Breakfast at KWKY in DeMoines, Iowa, will be the speaker. Call Barb at 899-5580 or Lori at 899-3828 for reservations.

## activities

**"Prairie Past Times,"** a photographic history of entertainment in Sherman County, is on display from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at the High Plains Museum, 1717 Cherry Ave.

**Hanging by a Thread** will not meet during the summer. The next meeting will be from 7-9 p.m. the second Thursday of September at Wheat Ridge Acres.

The **Carnegie Arts Center** is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday. May's exhibit will be "Table Scapes," setting a table and standard for entertaining in Goodland. Community organizations will be setting tables.

**Born to Read** - The Goodland Public Library offers Story Time for chil-

dren 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. Wednesdays 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.

**Aerobics Classes - 7:45 a.m. morning** aerobics classes are offered daily at the Goodland Activities Center. Tena Tompkins leads a step aerobics class at 5:30 a.m. 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.**

Tours of the **1907 Victorian House** at 202 W. 13th are from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 1-6 p.m. Sunday.

Tours of the **Union One Room School, District 51**, north of the High Plains Museum on Cherry are from 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon-3 p.m. Sunday.

## area events

**Kansas Square Dance Callers and Dancers Association** will have their 51st annual convention Friday and Saturday, May 31 and June 1, at the Bicentennial Center in Salina. Call (785) 272-4332 or e-mail Jjrothrock@aol.com.

## school calendar

**Wednesday:** Teacher workday. High school boys basketball camp 7:30-9:30 p.m. Max Jones Fieldhouse. **Thursday:** High school boys basketball camp 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Max Jones Fieldhouse. **Sunday, June 2:** Junior olympic volleyball 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the junior high gym.

## senior center menu

**Wednesday:** Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, bread and mixed fruit. **Thursday:** Lasagna, green beans, tossed salad, bread and watermelon. **Friday:** Chicken salad, vegetable soup, Jell-o with mandarin oranges and pineapple, bread and peach cups.

## hospital report

**Goodland Regional Medical Center Admitted on Friday:** Viola Peck, Goodland.

**Admitted on Sunday:** Donna Corbett, Colby.

**Admitted on Monday:** Swing bed: Viola Peck, Goodland.

**Dismissed on Monday:** Viola Peck, Goodland; and Donna Corbett, Colby.

**Specialists for Wednesday:** Erik Ouderkerk, podiatrist.

## Volunteer Schedule: Tuesday:

Beulah McClung, p.m.

## health department

The Sherman County Health Department at 1622 Broadway is open from 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

**Wednesday:** WIC in Colby. Scheduled appointments. Blood pressures at Goodland Senior Center 9:30-11:30 a.m. **Thursday:** Scheduled appointments. **Friday:** Blood pressure and blood sugar screening 8 a.m.-noon. Walk-in clinic. Immunizations 1-4:30 p.m.

Children's physicals and family planning available by appointment. Sharps containers are available free of charge.

If you have questions, concerns or complaints about child care, call the health department.

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

## today in history

**May 28, 1902:** Acreage of sorghum is 9,811 compared to 4,874 in 1901, a gain of nearly 5,000 acres. Wheat and corn acres are about the same.

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

## 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 results in the arrest and/or conviction of those involved, you could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000. Goodland Area Crime Stoppers is a nonprofit organization formed by citizens against crime.

## family shelter

The Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides services day or night to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Weekly support groups are available for women and children. For information or help, call (800) 794-4624.

## 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.

# obituaries

Lawrence H. Larson, 77, former City of Goodland employee, died Friday, May 24, 2002, at Hays Medical Center.



Larson

He was born July 30, 1924, in rural Sherman County, the son of Edna Elizabeth "Betty" (Thomas) and Samuel Harrison "Harry" Larson. He graduated from Edson High School in 1942.

He served in the Army from 1944-1946. He married Elaine (Peter) on Aug. 10, 1950. He farmed through 1973 then worked for the city before retiring in 1999.

He attended the Goodland Calvary Gospel Church and was a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a project leader in swine for 4-H.

Preceding him in death were his parents. Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Joyce (Ed) Lofland of Goodland; a sister, Velma Cooper of Goodland; and four grandsons.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 29, 2002, at the church. Burial will follow in the Goodland Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m. to-

day at Koons Chapel.

Memorials may be made to the Lawrence Larson Memorial in care of the funeral home at 211 N. Main, Goodland, Kan. 67735-1555.

## Curtis L. Taylor

Curtis L. Taylor, 58, died Tuesday, May 7, 2002, at his home in Peoria, Ariz.

He was born February 24, 1944, in Goodland, the son of Lloyd and Dorothy Taylor. He attended elementary and high school in Trenton, Neb., and Brewster. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Kansas State University. He studied towards his doctorate at Arizona State University.

He served the federal government for many years. He was instrumental in providing invaluable training for our nation's air crew members over a 29-year career.

He managed and developed F-15 and F-16 courseware. He also served as the command's courseware quality assurance evaluator for several years. His career culminated as the Detachment 1 Air Crew Training Devices Requirements Manager at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz.

He is survived by his parents, of Escondido, Calif.; a son, Rusty of Phoenix, Ariz.; and a daughter, Rhonda Taylor, Tucson, Ariz.

A memorial service was held Saturday at the Heritage Funeral Chapel, 6830 W. Thunderbird Road, Phoenix, Ariz. Condolences may be sent to his parents at 1740 Judith Place, Escondido, Calif., 92026.

## Craig Paul Dutro

Craig Paul Dutro, 5, grandson of Larry and Joyce Moore of Goodland, died Sunday, May 26, 2002, at Tri-County Hospital in Lexington, Neb., from a genetic disease.

He was born May 11, 1997, in Grand Island, Neb., to Darrel and Leah (Moore) Dutro.

Other survivors include his parents of Lexington; grandparents, Beth Moore of Reynolds, Neb., and Darrel and Carol Dutro of Karval, Colo.; and great-grandparents, Willard and Dorothy Moore of Bird City, Catherine Dutro of Karval and Kathryn Asp of Wayward, Wis.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 29, 2002, at the Lexington First Christian Church with Pastor Kyron C. BeDunnah officiating. The casket will be open prior to the services. Burial will be at the Greenwood Cemetery in Lexington.

Memorials may be made to the Dutro family in care of the Reynolds-Love Funeral Home, 106 W. Eighth, Lexington, Neb. 68850.

# Graduation a special time

I heard the most negative statement the other day, and it's one we all use at times. Someone said, "Well, another month is about to pass into oblivion."

Wouldn't it be terrible if that were true? I know some days are not as exciting as others, but surely, in a whole month, there is something that has happened that made us think it is good to be alive.

Without this month, think of all the kids and grandkids that didn't get to graduate or the moms that wouldn't have gotten a call or visit on Mother's Day.

I know we can all make more of our lives than we do, but time is too precious to "pass into oblivion."

Speaking of time and graduations, (sneaky, huh!) Betty Wolfe, our local curator of the Heritage Center Museum and Library, found some interesting material in the May 16, 1935, issue of *The Brewster Courier*.

That class had quite a few standouts, not only in the people, but in the events that took place. There were 16 boys and two girls in the senior class that year.

Six of the students had begun their schooling together in the first primary class of the building that still houses our students. They were the 13th graduating class of Brewster High School.

Eight of the boys were first-string football players and two were second-string. Both of the girls from this class were first team basketball players.

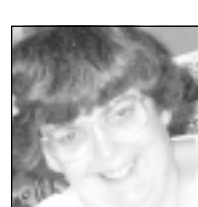
Members of this class were: Ernest Andrews, Bob Baird, John Brooks, George Coffey, James Forbes, Thomas Freeman, Nina Van Meter, Duane Horney, Wallace Hurlbut, Ralph Jones, Marie Hilton, LaVelle Michael, Virgil Parker, Thelbert Ryan, Glenn Shalz, Bert Strait, Hubert Ulrey and Elmer Winslow.

Bob Baird, George Coffey, LaVelle Michael and Nina Van Meter Hansen are the living members. George, Bob and LaVelle were honored at the Homecoming Parade of 2000, whose theme was appropriately, "Walking Down Memory Lane." They were co-grand marshals of the parade.

A few of the highlights from their graduation was the processional, played by Mrs. Nort (Zelda) Mullender. Invocation was given by the Rev. Bieber.

The Senior Boys Quartet sang two songs, "I Passed By Your Window," and "Absent." LaVelle Michael sang "In the Luxemburg Gardens."

Valedictorian of the class was Thomas Freeman and Salutatorian was Glenn Shalz. The Class History was read by Marie Hilton. R.N. Hunter, School Board President, handed out diplomas, and the graduation ended with a rendition of "Song of the Jolly Roger."



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They then arranged their Senior Sneak, to the State Lake at Scott City, accompanied by Supt. J.C. McArthur.

Now, for current graduation news. Those that attended the high school graduation last week were very pleased that Dave Evert gave such an inspirational message to those that are heading out and beyond the Brewster school system.

Some of the names from the class of '35 bring a nod of recognition, not only from those in Brewster, but all the surrounding area. We hope the same in future years for the graduates of this class.

Also, Russell and Daryl Ann Jorgensen are proud to announce their daughter, Jill Jorgensen-Stewart, graduated from Kansas University Medical School, in Lawrence last week, and they were happy to be able to attend the ceremonies.

Jill will be doing her residency at Salina Regional Medical Center and will commute on weekends to spend time with her husband, Justin Stewart, at their home south of Quinter. Congratulations, Jill!

Now, as of Thursday, May 23rd, school is out for summer vacation, so watch out for the kids in the streets. All of these youngsters are so anxious to be able to play or ride bikes, and after a long winter in the classroom they might take a while to remember to watch out for cars.

I'm writing this on Friday morning, and, believe it or not, the snow is about to take over the raindrops. But, my oh my, is it ever appreciated!

Of course, we do have our prayers going up for tonight's temperatures. We had a good 1/2 inch in our gauge, and more coming, so the amount is great.

On Wednesday evening, Cue and Coleen Crumrine were pleased to have his cousin, Wesley and Dixie Moore,

## matters of record

**District Traffic**  
April 25 - Raquel G. Gonzalez, 33, Burlington, was fined \$114 for speeding, 70/55; and \$20 for no child restraint.

Ronald D. Mitchell, 44, Kansas City, was fined \$203 for speeding in a construction zone, 77/60; and \$120 for passing in a posted no passing zone.

April 26 - Roy W. Gray, 42, Cheyenne, Wyo., was fined \$354 for driving while suspended and \$60 for equipment offenses.

James K. Parks, 31, Charleston, W. Va., was fined \$354 for driving while suspended and \$72 for speeding, 87/70.

# Youths struggle to find their values

Values and youth — do they have them? Of course they do, though sometimes it may not seem like it because they are trying to find their own values apart from those held by their families.

This however doesn't necessarily mean conflict, but it can mean a testing of boundaries.

Almost every day brings a battle of wills. Sometimes there are bedtimes, parties, curfews, language, or rules; sometimes the battles are over the family's or community's beliefs. Adults' standards for behavior are often ignored, questioned or defied.

This may begin conflicts about right and wrong. They are not always used to making difficult choices and may have a hard time understanding "shades of gray."

A simple "yes" or "no" is much easier for them to take than a "maybe," which just leaves them confused.

Most youth like to experiment with different attitudes, beliefs, and emotions.

They are often interested in the religious beliefs of others but have a hard time understanding how anybody different can believe "something that dumb."

They also begin to realize that there is a world out there that is not like their own. Because they are questioning everything about themselves, they also question things that in earlier years they accepted as true.

They are looking for love as advertised on television, beauty as seen in teen magazines, and justice which is available to everyone else, but not to them and certainly not their families.

They are getting better at seeing the world more critically, but they often are not able to be objective; they still see everything through the filter of their own personalities and their immediate needs.

When advertising agencies want to address specific groups to sell products, they make a strong effort to learn about preferences of the "target population" in terms of graphics, music,



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social activities, credible spokespersons, and ethnic culture. It is wise for us to take the same approach in trying to reach teenagers.

There is a lot of talk about "at-risk" children. Instead we need to focus on children who come from high risk environments.

These are often the children of poverty, children who come from families that do not support growth in self-esteem, children who live in physical danger, and children who experience little or no success in school.

These youth often have no sense of a positive future. They become involved with alcohol and other drugs, have children of their own, experience difficulty with the legal system, and carry a sad, hopeless existence into another generation.

More than 20 percent (nearly 12.5 million) of all American children (43 percent of African American and 40 percent of Hispanic/Latino children) live at or below the poverty level.

Children living in extreme poverty and deprivation are more likely to become enmeshed in delinquent behavior and alcohol and other drug abuse. But alcohol and other drug use is not limited to those who live in poverty, and more white youth drink, smoke, and take other drugs than African American or Latino youth.

Some 6.6 million children under the age of 18 live in homes with an alcoholic parent.

More than one million adolescent

girls become pregnant annually; half of these mothers never complete high school.

Fifty-four percent of American children in female-headed families with no husband present (6,700,000 children) live at or below the poverty level; this includes 45 percent of white children, 67 percent African American children and 72 percent Hispanic/Latino children in such families.

It stands to reason that children from such backgrounds are not likely to be inspired to avoid alcohol or other drug use by the same messages that reach the more affluent.

When a child, in the midst of poverty, sees that the drug culture has made some people rich and apparently happy or that alcohol and other drug use appears to numb adults to realities of a difficult, threatening environment, it may be hard for them to believe that refusing alcohol and other drugs will make their lives better.

Even those who intellectually reject alcohol or drug use may find it hard to resist the models in the home or community.

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