



Rachel Taylor arranged some of her crystal in the china cabinet at the Four Sisters Bed and Breakfast Wednesday. Though she collects antiques, Taylor bought a new china cabinet because she found one that was a perfect match for the trim in the house.

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Bed and breakfast to open in Goodland

By Sharon Corcoran

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Hardwood floors, wide wood trim, chandeliers and antiques set the tone for a relaxing stay in a new bed and breakfast with a history.

Rachel Taylor, Mona Carver, Violet Phillips and Gloria Douglas have planned the grand opening of Four Sisters Bed and Breakfast at 1204 Center for 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. The ribbon-cutting will be at 4 p.m. today.

All of the sisters live in Goodland except Taylor, who lives and works in Denver.

The four will serve coffee, tea and desserts at the ribbon cutting and samples from their breakfast menu at the grand opening. The breakfast menu will include your basic bacon, eggs and toast, Carver said, and crepes and quiches.

There will also be a special Sunday Brunch menu, Taylor said, and a biscuit and gravy special the sisters may call "Grandpa's Special" because they used to make it for their grandfather whenever he visited.

Besides the bed and breakfast, Carver said, they may take reservations from clubs to have afternoon meetings in one of the front rooms. They will serve coffee, tea and pastries.

The sisters may also purchase scripts for "Mystery Weekends" in which the guests will be characters in a murder mystery.

Taylor said she bought the house two years ago and came out from Denver once a month to remodel it. She said she had planned to have it for her retirement house. Having worked for Sprint for the last 21 years, Taylor said, she is planning to retire in four years to nine years.

About a year ago, she said, she realized that the house had been empty for a year, and it was starting to show. Taylor said she thought about renting the house but didn't like that idea.

The idea to make it a bed and breakfast just popped into her head, she said, and the four sisters and their brother, Russell Lamb, have been remodeling the bed and breakfast ever since.

The sisters have also had help from Mona's husband, Jim; Violet's husband, Ed; and Gloria's husband, Tim.

"It has been a family affair," Taylor said.

The lobby/living room is furnished with a tan leather couch and love seat and features a fireplace and part of Taylor's collection of lamps.

Doorways from the living room lead to a dining area and a sitting room. From the sitting room, a winding staircase, with hefty, carved banisters leads to the upstairs.

Upstairs, there are three bedrooms for rent, the rose room, the violet room and a room with a mountain cabin look. The rose room has a four-post bed and a Victorian feel, and the violet room has quilts and a country appeal.

Outside, the sisters have planted flowers and started work on a water garden, Taylor said. There will also be bistro tables outside for guests to sit and enjoy the gardens.

Taylor said she would like to eventually restore the house to the way it was when originally built if she can find pictures of the house from then. She said she believes the house had a wrap around porch like the one at the 1902 Victorian house two blocks away.

The fireplace in the living room is like one at the Victorian House, Carver said, and the houses may have been built by the same person.

Taylor and Carver said they have done a lot of research on the history of the house. One former resident, Carver said, was John Chambers who planted trees in Chambers Park. He lived next door, she said, and carried buckets of water down to the park to water the trees.

A Mrs. Brown lived in the house, Carver said, and after her husband died, she and Chambers started dating. That's how he came to live in the house. The house had been used as a bed and breakfast before, as Chambers used to rent the attic to school girls, Carver said, the upstairs to teachers and the basement to boys. He slept on the bench in the window in the dining room, she said.

The sisters themselves have a history in Goodland. Taylor said the four sisters are granddaughters of Dr. Russell Taylor, who was a chiropractor in Goodland for many years.

Aside from Rachel, the sisters have lived their whole lives in Goodland.

about our friends

calendar

A lecture series, "How Does Your Garden Grow?" by Master Gardeners will be at **7 p.m. Thursdays**. Roses will be **next Thursday** 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 next Friday** 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.

The **Goodland Arts Council** will host a **reception** from **1-3 p.m. Sunday** at the Carnegie Arts Center to open the June gallery exhibit. Stained glass panels by James L. "Rusty" Stout will be on display at the center beginning Sunday and continuing through June 28.

The **Red Cross blood drive** will be from **noon-5:30 p.m. Wednesday** at the Catholic Church at 12th and Sherman. **Call 899-5933** to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins also welcome.

Girl Scouts will sell **movie passes** at the matinee at **1:30 p.m. Wednesday**. Passes may also be purchased by calling Jackie Buller at 899-6547 or at Bowladium Lanes.

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

City/County Recreation is accepting registration for summer tennis lessons until **Friday, June 7**. Forms can be picked up at the city office.

Constance Morgan, author of "Stand, Walk, Run Free," will have a **book signing starting at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 8**, at the Goodland Public Library. She grew up in Goodland during the early '40s after the Depression and during World War II.

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.

The **American Cancer Society Sherman County Relay for Life** will be at **7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23**, at the Sherman County Fairgrounds. **Call Michelle Shoff at 899-3676** to register a team. Help fight cancer and be involved in a fun community event.

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 The house has been used as a gh

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**. June's exhibit will be stained glass panels by Goodland native James L. "Rusty" Stout.

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. 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-ins 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** at the Bicentennial Center in Salina. Call (785) 272-4332 or e-mail Jjrothrock@aol.com.

Annie Keil, former cheerleader for the L.A. Lakers, will be the guest presenter at a **cheer leading clinic** held from **9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, June 10 and 11**, at Atwood High School. Junior and senior high girls may attend. There is a charge for the clinic. Call Patty Horinek at (785) 626-8065 to register.

senior center menu

Monday: Ham, sweet potatoes, pineapple, dinner roll, tapioca and cranberry juice. **Tuesday:** Meat loaf, baked potato, green beans, bread and pears. **Wednesday:** Bierock casserole, mixed vegetables, bread and ambrosia salad. **Thursday:** Mom's turkey casserole, spinach salad, blushing applesauce, bun and cookie. **Friday:** Taco salad, tropical fruit salad, chips and blueberry cobbler.

hospital report

Goodland Regional Medical Center Admitted on Thursday: Virgil Biggs.

Dismissed on Thursday: Norelia Ordonez.

Specialists for Monday: Theodore Clarke, orthopedist.

Volunteer schedule: Monday: Mary Schippert, a.m.; Mazie Sutton, courtesy; and Wilma Huxman, p.m. **Tuesday:** Beulah McClung, p.m. **Wednesday:** Carmelita Clark, courtesy, and Margie Richards, p.m. **Thursday:** Mary Lou Franklin, a.m.,

and Patty Gensil, courtesy. **Friday:** Fern Heckman, a.m.; Carmelita Clark, courtesy; and Jan Lambertz, 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**.

Monday: Scheduled appointments. **Tuesday:** Scheduled appointments. **Wednesday:** WIC in Goodland. Scheduled appointments. **Thursday:** Office closed 8-9 a.m. for a staff meeting. WIC in Goodland 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. voucher pickup and 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. Toenail trimming will be available soon. Call 899-4880.

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 31, 1902: LaBlanche vicinity has not been favored with recent rains. The grass has dried up, but as of this writing, it is drizzling.

June 1, 1902: The John Bray's left to live in California. Mr. Bray was in the Civil War. He pioneered in Sherman County 22 years ago, the first settler, a highly esteemed citizen.

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.

Internet tonight!
Call 899-2338.

obituaries

Norma D. Topliff

Norma Dean Topliff, 75, a housewife, died Thursday, May 30, 2002, at the Goodland Regional Medical Center. She had been a patient for over a month.

She was born Sept. 6, 1926, the daughter of Allen T. and Ruby V. (Rice) Kear. She attended school in Goodland.

She worked at Virtues Department Store, which used to be where Jacques's Hallmark is now. She married Gale G. Topliff on Aug. 28, 1951, in Goodland. The couple lived on a farm southwest of Goodland where they raised Black Angus cattle.

She was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and enjoyed oil painting and Dixie Land Jazz music. Preceding her in death was her husband, her parents and three brothers, Gene, Darrell and Victor.

Survivors include two brothers, Maurice Kear and Alan Ryan of Goodland.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2002, at Bateman Funeral Home with Pastor Leonard Cox officiating. Burial will follow in the Goodland Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday, June 3, 2002, at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Goodland Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary in care of the funeral home at Box 278, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

Red Cross moving, having sale

The American Red Cross in Goodland is holding a moving sale.

The organization has been in its location at 923 1/2 Main for 10 years, Coordinator Roberta Bretz said, and has accumulated a lot of stuff over the years.

Some of the items have been used in the office, she said, and some of the rest has just been stored, but everything for sale has been donated at one time or another. The sale includes a television, computer keyboards, printers and software, cooking sheets, paint and fluorescent light bulbs.

People can look at the items at the Red Cross building from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and Friday. On Thursday, hours are extended to 4 p.m.

The sale will be for an indefinite time period, Bretz said, until a new location is found. The money raised will be used by the Red Cross for its local programs.

"This seemed like a good time to get rid of some of the stuff we didn't think we would need," Bretz said.

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New Farm Bill Requires Immediate Analysis

Farm Bill Advisory Meeting

Did you know ...

- The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 changes some options and payments for this year.
- Decisions will have to be made soon regarding base and yield updates.
- You may no longer be structured to receive full payment.
- Sign-ups and decisions will have to be made in 2002 that cannot be changed for the first six years of this bill.

What can you expect from the new farm bill? Nationally recognized FSA expert Wayne Myers will discuss the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act

of 2002, from its impact on American agriculture in the international market to specific action plans for agri-business people. This is a meeting not to be missed.

Cost: \$75 per person
Refreshments will be served.

In Burlington, Colorado

Date: May 29, 2002
Time: 7 - 8:30 p.m.
Place: Burlington High School Auditorium
380 Mike Lounge Dr.
Call (719) 346-7343
or (800) 303-3241 to reserve your seat.

In Garden City, Kansas

Date: June 3, 2002
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