

# Brewster grad represents Kansas in Down Under Bowl

There's one young man who graduated from Brewster High School this year who has traveled a little farther than the rest. J.R. Baird, son of Bruce and Donita Baird, first started adding up the mileage when he accompanied his class on their senior trip, which took them to San Antonio, Texas, and other points south.

Some of us would think of that as quite a trip, and J.R. certainly enjoyed this trek with his former classmates.

He was home for a few days, and then new meaning was given to the word, 'trek.' He was driven to Kansas City, by his maternal grandparents, on June 10th.

From there, he flew to Phoenix, Arizona, to Los Angeles, California, and then took a 14 1/2 hour trip to Sydney, Australia.

The group, which included 18 football players and 14 adults, were on their



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way to represent Kansas in the Down Under Bowl. On arrival at Sydney, they toured the city and were able to see the famous Opera House and the Olympic Stadium, which was so important just a few years ago, and do some swimming.

After the brief stop over in Sydney, they had another flight that took them to Australia's Gold Coast and Surfer's Paradise. Seven days were spent in Surfer's Paradise, and this is where the team played two football games.

The first game was with South Da-

kota and the second team was North Dakota. So, these teams flew half way around the world, to play football with teams that were from less than a thousand miles apart.

J.R. was the leading tackler of the Kansas team, and the only break he got from playing in both games was when he had to have about seven stitches put in his chin after a really rough tackle.

His position was middle linebacker and offensive tackle, and he thinks it was a pretty great experience. The coaches of the team were Chris and Nancy Brindle of Tribune.

The purpose of the games was not so much for the wins, but for the introduction of football to the young people of Australia. These games have been go-



Baird

ing on for more than 15 years under the sponsorship of an Australian that wants to see the sport become a tradition in his country.

All 50 states send teams down, and the members are chosen by being named on an All State Team or being nominated by their coach. Players have to earn their own way, and J.R. worked at this from about December until the day he left. (That was a lot of lawns, wasn't it J.R.?)

Besides the games, J.R. says the highlights included a Kayak ride with four others, and one particular beach caught his breath with its beauty. He said it had snow white sand and water

as clear as he's ever seen. After leaving Australia, the group spent 3 days in Honolulu and enjoyed the sights there also.

What may surprise you is this is the largest football event outside of the United States. The games are still being played between other states and many other young men are seeing the sights that J.R. enjoyed.

He is very grateful that he had the opportunity to take part in this adventure, and it will be a life-long memory for him.

I kind of think that maybe one of these years, when he marries, he might have a spot with 'snow white sand and clear water' picked out for an ideal honeymoon.

But, that is far into the future, and now he just wants to remember the enjoyable events that have taken place in his life and looking forward to what's ahead. When his plane landed in Kansas City on the 17th of June he was awfully glad to see his mom and dad waiting for him.

I'll bet they were glad to see him too. If any opportunity were to come up to do more traveling, I'll bet J.R. could have his bag packed in a flash. It won't be long before he will be packing up for Hutchinson Community College, and he might meet some of those South or North Dakota players on the football field again.

Note: If anyone is wanting to have J.R. share his experiences, you will find him to be very articulate, well informed, and well mannered.

I found it a treat to get to know this young man a little better and to learn about this opportunity available to young men. There are similar programs for the basketball, track, and other sports.

## about our friends

### calendar

Ginny Young, whose artwork is on display at the Carnegie Arts Center, will teach a creative collage class from 6-9 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, July 29-31, at the center. Call the center at 899-6442 to enroll by Friday. Beginning to advanced students welcome. There is a fee.

The Sherman County 4-H Ambassadors are seeking nominations for this year's fair parade grand marshal. Submit a nomination with a brief note to the Sherman County Extension Office by Wednesday, July 24.

The Girl Scouts will have an all girls camp Wednesday-Saturday, July 24-27, at Steever Park. Day camp will be from 1-4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. Campout in tents will be from 3 p.m. Friday until the 10 a.m. ceremony Saturday. There is a charge, and adults must sign the children in. Call Jackie Buller at 899-6547, Lori Amthor at 7267 or Tracy Waugh at 7483 by Wednesday, July 17.

The Goodland Public Library is holding its annual book sale beginning Thursday-Saturday, July 25-27, and continuing until mid-August. Items for the sale include hardback and paperback books, magazines, puzzles, records and audio and video cassettes. The library is accepting donations for the sale.

SHARE sign up for the August distribution of food will be until Friday, Aug. 9, at the Sherman County Health Department, Harvest America, the Regional Prevention Center or the Kanorado Senior Center. Pick up will be from 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday, July 27, at 824 Main for the July distribution of low-cost food.

NFL flag football registration for first through sixth graders will be until Wednesday, July 31. Late registrations cannot be taken as equipment for the program will be ordered Thursday, Aug. 1. Play will begin Monday, Aug. 26. Each participant will receive an NFL jersey, flag belt and wristband.

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. Cancer survivors are invited to walk the first lap to celebrate their victory. They will receive a free T-shirt to wear while walking if they call to register and give their shirt size.

### activities

Tours of the 1907 Victorian House at 202 W. 13th are from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 1-4 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. "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.

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. July's exhibit is work by Ginny Young of Ulysses.

Born to Read - The Goodland Pub-

lic Library offers Story Time for children under 3 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 is at 5 p.m.

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.

Goodland Women of Faith monthly celebrations are taking a break for the summer and will meet again in September.

### area events

Lake Atwood 10-mile run will begin at 7 a.m. Sunday, July 21, with cash prizes. Call Bob Creighton at (785) 626-3295, write to Box 46, Atwood, Kan. 67730 or visit www.recordbook.com.

Pickin' on the Plains Music Festival will be Friday-Sunday, July 19-21, at Bourquin's Campground in Colby. Call (800) 611-8835 days or (785) 462-7373 evenings and weekends.

The Citizens Medical Center Auxiliary is holding a water garden tour from 2-5 p.m. Central Time Sunday, July 21, in Colby. Tickets and tour booklets are available at the hospital gift shop, Goodheart Landscaping and at Colby banks.

Thomas County Emergency Medical Services is hosting the Nine-Run-Run 10K and 5K runs and the Nine-Ride-Ride 53K bike ride at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, to raise money for equipment for the ambulances. There is also a 2K fun run/walk. Call (785) 462-4585 for entry forms.

Golden Plains High School, Rexford, Selden, Menlo and Gem Alumni Reunion will be Friday-Sunday, Aug. 30-Sept. 1. Parade is at 11 a.m. Saturday. Vendors, parade entrants and musicians wanted. Call-785-687-3340 or 785-687-2255.

### senior center menu

Tuesday: Oven fried chicken, potato salad, watermelon, bread and crisp rice bar. Wednesday: Liver and onions, creamed corn, cottage cheese salad, bread and peaches. Thursday: Taco salad, cantaloupe, chips and birthday cake. Friday: Roast pork, steamed cabbage, carrots and onions, orange/pineapple salad, bread and cookie.

### hospital report

Goodland Regional Medical Center

Admitted on Friday: David Kravca, Goodland.

Dismissed on Sunday: Lora Indorf, Goodland.

Specialists for Tuesday: none.

Volunteer schedule: Tuesday: Bonnie Daily, a.m., and Beulah McClung, p.m. Wednesday: Chet Ross, p.m. Thursday: Betty Saint, a.m., and Velma Holste, p.m. Friday: Fern Hawks, a.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.

Tuesday: Scheduled appointments. Wednesday: WIC in Sharon Springs. Appointments and voucher pickup. Family planning clinic 1:30-5:30 p.m. Scheduled appointments. Thursday: WIC in Goodland. Scheduled appointments. Blood pressures at Sparks and Handy Towers 9-10:30 a.m. Friday: Toenail trimming clinic. Scheduled appointments. Immunizations 1-4:30 p.m.

Children's physicals, immunizations, family planning and toenail clipping available by appointment. Sharps containers are available free of charge. Call 899-4888.

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

July 15, 1902: Ad: Cut out this ad and take it to Ennis drug store for a box of Champerlains Stomach and Liver Pills. Price 25 cents. Wm. Ennis. 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

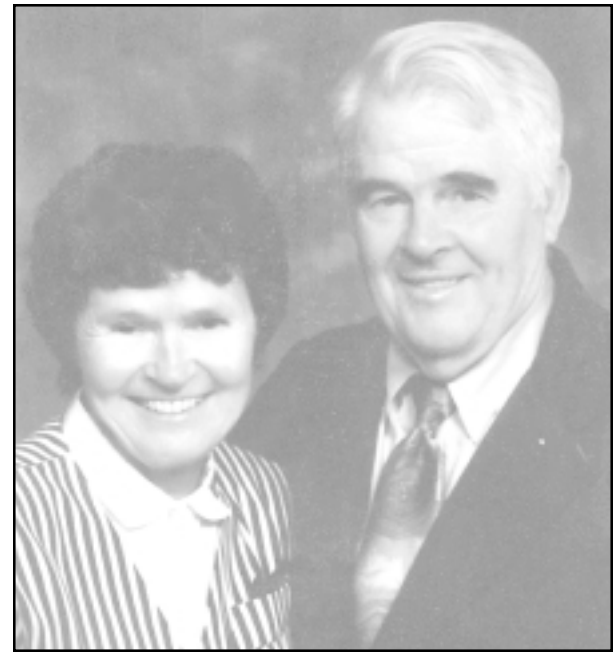
Many trees at the Goodland Cemetery have died and the cemetery board is trying to replace them. Contributions for the Goodland Cemetery Memorial Tree Fund can be left at Koons or Bateman funeral homes or sent to the Goodland Cemetery Board, Box 59, Goodland, Kan. 67735. Donations may be made in memory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



Glenna and Waldo Jarmin in 1952



The Jarmins today

## Couple to celebrate 50 years wed

Waldo and Glenna (Richards) Jarmin married Aug. 26, 1952, in Osceola, Neb. They will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at an open

house from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, at the Goodland United Methodist Church at 12th and Sherman. Osceola (Larry) Heinrich, Tina "Clem" (Ron)

Roeder, Jeanette (Billy) Jones, Mike (Shawn) Jarmin, Ann (Tim) Bailey and Barb (Dustin) Bedore are the couple's children.

## obituary

### Marian K. Berndt

Marian K. Berndt, 59, of St. Francis, mother of Mary Vinar of Goodland, died Thursday, July 11, 2002, at the Wray (Colo.) Community Hospital.

She was born Aug. 13, 1942, in Grass Valley, Calif., the daughter of Joseph and Ella (Neilson) Griggs. She married Ron Ramos in California, and they lived in California, Alaska and Hawaii. She married Kenneth Berndt

on July 7, 1979, and the couple lived in Lake Lillian, Minn. They moved to Kansas in 1984. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her husband; four other daughters, JoAnne (Steve) Marquardt of Spicer, Minn., Michelle Berndt of St. Paul, Minn., Melissa (Rick) Dallenbah of Morgan, Minn., and Amy Berndt of St. Francis; two sons, Ron (Jenni) Ramos of Lake, Mich., and Jon (Tammy) Berndt of

Rockfort, Minn.; a brother, Joseph (Shirley) Griggs of Nevada City, Calif.; a sister, Jean (Bob) Fridley of El Macero, Calif.; and 11 grandchildren.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 16, 2002, at the Bateman Funeral Home in Goodland with Pastor Loren Strait officiating.

Memorials may be left at the funeral home at Box 278, Goodland, Kan. 67735. The family will decide their use later.

## matters of record

### Goodland Police

June 25 - Phillip M. Thompson reported \$250 criminal damage to his front door at 111 Center.

June 26 - K.C. Video reported a burglary, theft and \$240 criminal damage to a door, dead bolt, safe and file cabinet. \$600 cash was taken.

June 27 - Zebulun Smith reported battery, criminal damage and aggravated battery, and Shannon Butler reported criminal damage as \$150 damage was done to a door and frame at 1611 Kansas and \$300 damage was done to a 1980 Chevy van.

Ryan Cochran reported the theft of a \$50 beer keg tap at 1505 Center.

Thomas Hellerud reported the burglary and theft of four tires and rims valued at \$800 at 1618 Caldwell.

Leeandra Johnson reported \$100 criminal damage to two tires on a 1995 Pontiac at 200 Caldwell.

Bobbie McGhee reported \$20 criminal damage to the mail box at 301 Broadway.

June 28 - Christopher E. Emerson, 18, was charged with minor in possession; Chad Roberson, 26, was charged with urinating in public, furnishing alcohol to a minor and trafficking an open container; and Jasmyn A. Enfield, 19, was charged with minor in possession and trafficking an open container at 1000 Main.

June 29 - Marshall Carson re-

ported battery and \$550 criminal damage to the windshield and trim on the bumper of a vehicle at 17th and Colorado.

Brandon R. Gordon was arrested for battery and disorderly conduct against Marshall Carson and for minor in possession and possession of drug paraphernalia at 16th and Main.

K.C. Video reported an attempted robbery. Nothing was taken.

June 30 - Trent S. Able, 22, of Dubois, Wyo., was arrested for driving under the influence at Hwy. 27 and 2160 Commerce Rd.

Marshall Carson was arrested for assault and disorderly conduct against Brandon R. Gordon at 13th and Main.

Joshua W. Schultz was arrested for battery against Kenberlea D. Vanderveen and disorderly conduct at 1525 Broadway.

Phillip M. Thompson reported \$160 criminal damage to two tires at 111 Center.

July 2 - Maria Medrano reported a burglary and \$150 criminal damage

to a window at 1511 Colorado.

Phillip M. Thompson reported \$200 criminal damage to three windows at 111 Center.

July 3 - Short 'N' Sons reported the theft of two headlights and brackets, total value of \$250, from a truck at 1016 W. Hwy. 24.

Patrick M. Walters reported the theft of jewelry, video tapes and household items, total value of \$980, from 1016 Sherman.

Phillip M. Thompson reported \$25 criminal damage as a brake line was cut on a 1997 Ford truck at 111 Center.

July 4 - Sara L. Bollig and Daniel W. Hartwell were charged with battery and disorderly conduct against each other at 240 Walnut.

Phillip M. Thompson reported assault and battery at 111 Center.

July 5 - Casie D. Brock and Sinclair of Goodland reported an aggravated robbery, theft and aggravated assault at 2320 Commerce Rd. Cash, cigarettes and gas were taken at gun point. Suspects arrested in Burlington.

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