

# Weather, sunset, traffic and smells provide variety on trip to Colorado

This column is a little late for a couple of reasons. First off, I went back to Colorado for my great niece's wedding on the 21st.

Friday's trip out was a mixed bag; first it was cool, then it warmed up. During the last couple of hours, the setting sun was a real blinder. I got behind a car whose driver slammed on her brakes each time she met a car.

The traffic was heavy, the sun a fireball and the horizon hazy due to harvesting fields. There was an aromatic stretch where there was a combination of "aromatic feed yards," freshly mowed hay (wonderful), smelly onions being harvested and, for a while, the fresh smell of evergreens. The last smell was again a feed lot outside of Greeley.

I had forgotten the smells of fall and harvest that I never paid much attention to when I lived back there. It cooled down during the night, and I heard the furnace kick on several times.

The day of Cathy and John's wedding was something else. There were almost two hours of picture-taking. I thought they would never get finished.



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They finally were done 45 minutes before the actual ceremony. Cathy's brothers Matt and Mike and Mike's wife Megan were all in the wedding party.

Everyone was on their own for lunch before the 1 p.m. ceremony. A reception followed in the fellowship hall and a barbecue and salad supper at the home of Patsy and Bob, Cathy's folks.

The wedding, while not large, was very attractive. Patsy made all the flowers used at the day's activities. Following the supper, we headed back to Fort Collins, and we all flopped. During that marathon picture-taking, they got a three generation picture of Martha, Patsy and Cathy.

Sunday morning, Martha, Bob and I went to the Lutheran Church. I left the church to head up the canyon. The traf-

fic was a fright. I guess everyone was going up to the high country to see the turning aspen.

The other lane was bumper to bumper with RVs, pickup campers, cars and other vehicles. It seemed they had seen the aspen and were coming down. The trees on the way up were changing to gold, orange and burgundy among the pines.

I got home, and Aaron was hard at work. He had completed all the repairs I had requested, and the house was painted, except the trim. He got the garage 3/4 of the way done when he ran out of paint.

He came back Monday morning to finish and get his pay. We had lunch together, and the rest of the afternoon, I took it easy. I started to put together the stuff I needed to go back to Goodland.

I got a good night's sleep, waking up to 36 degrees outside and 58 in the house. A fire soon had the place nice and comfortable. I finally got up, had a leisurely breakfast and a couple more

cups of coffee while watching a movie, "Dante's Peak," on the VCR. If you've never seen the movie, you are missing out on a good show.

I spent the evening meal at the home of friends Bob and Dolly. I got most of the stuff in the car and ready to leave in the morning. I must say the place looks nice, and we discussed a few things Aaron will do during the next few months and in the early spring.

The canyon is terribly dry, and rain is needed badly. One neighbor told me that they have been ordered to remove all traces of pumping out of what little water is in the river or get fined.

He said most of the older residents can never recall this happening before. They all have permits to use the water, but that makes no difference. Moisture is needed very badly, and I hope the high country gets a lot of snow this winter. Otherwise, come spring, the area reservoirs and rivers are going to be in bad shape.

It was 48 degrees when I left the canyon Tuesday morning. I did get the place closed up for the winter season. They are expecting a hard freeze in the

next week or so.

I got to Bob's to pick up some stamps he had gotten for me and pay him. I had planned to get home in the early afternoon but had a tire problem.

Bob took the car to his tire people, and they got me ready to head eastward after an almost two-hour delay. They actually took about an hour, but all the extra travel to town and back to Bob's house delayed me.

It was a good thing Bob spotted the problem, or Lord knows what might have happened on the way. My neighbor Lillian was beginning to think I wasn't coming in until Wednesday morning.

A young kid came along and helped me carry all the stuff into the house. He said he was wanting to earn some spending money.

I gave him some money, thanked him for helping me and said maybe some other time he could come back and help me.

Wednesday morning I was back at the center and then home to get started on washing all the dirty clothes. Guess who came to the door? That young man

from the evening before. Sorry, but I didn't have anything that needed to be done.

While looking at the back papers, I saw where Virginia Chatfield had passed away. I didn't know her that well, but I did know she loved to sew and make quilts with her friend Nila Been.

Sincere sympathy to her family. Her son Lyle is my mail man, and I want to express my sympathy to him, his two sisters and all of the other immediate family members.

One other death in the paper was that of Ola Tupper. Not knowing the lady, I nevertheless wish to express my condolences to her family.

May these families know that they will not be alone during the next few trying weeks as the Almighty will be with them.

Have neither birthdays nor anniversaries to report and no updates on any of the ill in the community. When you are gone for five days, it's hard to have any news.

On that note, I'll sign off until next week. Take care until then.

## about our friends

### calendar

**TNT Singles** will meet at **6:30 p.m.** tonight at Edward Hall. Bring finger food.

The Goodland Activities Center will host a local competition for **NFL Gatorade Punt, Pass and Kick at 9 a.m. on Saturday** at Cowboy Stadium. The competition is free and is open to boys and girls ages 8 to 15. Call the activities center at 899-7242.

The Sherman County Historical Society is having a **garage sale and bake sale from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday** at the Handy House Breezeway, 202 W. 13th.

**SHARE sign up** for the October distribution of food will be until **Friday, Oct. 11**, at the Sherman County Health Department, Harvest America, the Regional Prevention Center or the Kanorado Senior Center. **Pick up** will be **Saturday** for the September distribution.

The **Calvary Gospel Church** is hosting a friend day at **10:30 a.m. Sunday**. After the service, there will be a free barbecue at Gullick Park. Saxophonist Greg Winn will perform, and there will be games for all.

**Gymnastics** will again be offered at the **Goodland Activities Center beginning Saturday, Oct. 5**. Classes will be on Saturday morning for ages 4 through high school. **Register** at the center by **Tuesday, Oct. 1**.

**Grace Fellowship Church**, 104 E. Hwy. 24, will have a **Bible study at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2**, covering creation to Christ. The lessons follow God's pattern of progressively revealing Himself and His plan of redemption within the context of history.

Jodi Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in Goodland from **1-2:15 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3**, 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.

**Hospice Harvest Dinner and Auction** will begin with the social hour at **5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5**, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The silent auction will start during the social hour, dinner will be at 6:30, and the live auction will follow dinner. Proceeds will benefit Hospice Services Inc. of Sherman County. To donate items for the auction, call Lance or Melissa Fulton at 899-3549 or Hospice Services at 899-5788.

The **American Legion** will host a **meeting for veterans and their families** wanting to learn more about Veterans Administration benefits at **3:20 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7**, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 824 Main.

**"Discover Creation!" seminar** will be from **6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Oct. 8-10**, in the Goodland High School auditorium. Discover answers to questions about creation, evolution and science and a hope for your life. A children's program is included for ages 5-10. Contact Pastor Charlie Busch of the Pleasant Home Church at 785-694-2242.

Goodland High School has changed **Homecoming to Friday, Oct. 11**, for the Oberlin football game.

The **Goodland After-5 Club**, affiliated with Christian Business and Professional Women invites all ladies to their **"Silent Auction" dinner party from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14**, at the Butterfly Cafe at Renner Field. John Hansen, Stone Croft missionary, will be the special speaker. There is a charge for dinner. Call Barb at 899-5580 or Lori at 899-3828 for reservations.

**"When Good People Do Bad Things at Work,"** is the program to be held from **10 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18**, at the Goodland Regional Medical Center. It is approved for four hours of

continuing education credit and is designed for nurse practitioners, registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, social workers and Allied Health Professionals. Call 785-628-6128 to register.

The **Ladies Auxiliary** to the Veterans of Foreign Wars October meeting will begin with a **potluck at 6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 24**. Connie Miller, the 9th District president, will do the official inspection at the 7 p.m. meeting.

The **Sunflower Quilt Show Committee** is planning its 2003 annual quilt show. Call the chamber of commerce at 899-7130 with ideas or to help plan the show. The first **organizational meeting will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13**, in the chamber boardroom.

### activities

**Tours of the 1907 Victorian House** at 202 W. 13th are from **1-5 p.m. Wednesday-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 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**. Bronze sculptures by Greg Todd will be on display through Friday, Oct. 4.

**Born to Read** will be at **10 a.m. Fridays and Story time** will be at **10 and 11 a.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays** at the Goodland Public Library. Call 899-5461.

**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.** 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.

**Hanging by a Thread** will meet from **7-9 p.m. the second Thursday of the month** at Wheat Ridge Acres.

**Goodland Women of Faith** monthly celebrations will be from 9:30-11 a.m. **the third Saturday of the month** at Wheat Ridge Acres. Baby-sitting provided.

### area events

The **Ol' Depot**, a crafts and collectibles shop, is sponsoring the **"Down-by-the-Station Celebration" at 9 a.m. Central Time Saturday** at the depot on Lake Road in Atwood.

Kiddy barrel rides around the lake, adult and kid team tractor pull games, outdoor concessions, carnival games and a flea market are planned.

To reserve a vendor space, call (785) 626-3568 after 6 p.m. or (785) 322-5533 before 6 p.m. Spaces must be reserved by **today**.

The **"America's Band,"** the United States Air Force Concert Band and the **Singing Sergeants** will perform at **7:30 p.m. Central Time Tuesday, Oct. 8**, at the Colby Community Building. Free tickets are available from Pat Ziegelmeier, Western Plains Arts Association Director, Colby Community College, 1255 S. Range, Colby, Kan. 67701.

**"Geriatric Nutrition from A-Z: Creating Positive Outcomes,"** is the program to be held from **10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9**, at the Cheyenne County Clinic in St. Francis. It is approved for four hours of continuing education credit and is designed for nurse practitioners, registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, social workers, physical therapists, physical therapy assistants, dietitians, dietary managers and nursing home administrators. Call 785-628-6128 to register.

### school activities

**Friday:** Seminar — FCCLA. Varsity football 6:30 p.m. Atwood, depart 3:45. AFS Walk 11:30 a.m. **Saturday:** JV-varsity volleyball quad 9 a.m. at Scott City, depart 6 a.m. Punt, pass and kick 9-11 a.m. at football field. USD #352 benefit breakfast 5-11 a.m. in the cafeteria. **Sunday:** USD #352 benefit breakfast 5-10 a.m. in cafeteria.

### school lunch menu

**Friday:** Toasted cheese sandwich, tator tots, green beans, frosted bananas and milk.

### senior center menu

**Friday:** Turkey roast, sweet pota-



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### hospital report

**Goodland Regional Medical Center Dismissed on Wednesday:** Jennifer Hanevik, Kanorado; Vera Murray, Lakin; and Janice Wilkinson, Geraldine Brown and Betty Clark, Goodland.

**Specialists for Friday:** Alfred Carr, ears, nose, throat.

**Volunteerschedule: Friday:** Carol Jolly, 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.

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

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

**Sept. 26, 1902:** Members of the 'steel gang' laying rails near Edson got mad drunk at Cullin's Saloon. A peace maker in the riot was horribly stabbed in the neck, maybe fatally.

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

### food drive

Harvest America Corporation, 212 E. 17th, needs non-perishable food, personal hygiene items and household supplies to distribute to low income, elderly and disabled people in Sherman County. Harvest America is also looking for a freezer. Bring donations to the office on Mondays or call 899-3878 for pick up.

### blue star flag

The Goodland Elks Lodge is starting the **Blue Star Flag Program** to honor those serving in the armed forces now in the war against terrorism. Area families are invited to **send information about sons, daughters or spouses currently on active duty in the armed forces**.

Mail information to Zona Price, Secretary; Goodland Elks #1528; Box 146; Goodland, Kan. 67735. Include the name of the active serviceman/ woman, branch of service, rank, current base or ship and the relationship to family here.

After this information has been obtained, blue star flags/banners will be ordered to be presented to the family and a public function will be planned for the presentation.

This program was used during World War II as a way to honor the men and women serving at that time.

### homesteading

Lauren Spain, Katelyn Law and Samantha Payton, seventh graders at Hutchinson Middle School, are **looking for information about homesteading in Kansas** for their National History Day project. If you have any pictures, stories, deeds or information about your family's homestead, the girls may be contacted at friends@usd-308.com or Hutchinson Middle School 8, 200 W. 14th, Hutchinson, Kan. 67501.

### reunion

The Jefferson County Historical Society will host a **Rock Island Railroad employees' reunion at 11:30 a.m. Sunday** at the historic Rock Island Depot in **Fairbury, Neb.**

Restoration of the depot was recently completed, and it is now a railroad museum which is open for tours from 1-5 p.m.

A steak dinner will served for the reunion for a charge. Call 402-729-5131 for reservations.

### 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.

## Youths win awards for livestock exhibits

Six Sherman County youths won awards for their livestock exhibits at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show Friday through Monday at the Kansas Coliseum in Wichita, and one sold his steer at the Auction of Champions.

John Mosbarger of Goodland sold his 1,294-pound Maine-Anjou steer to Brad Julius of Derby for \$7.34 per pound. The steer was the reserve grand champion market steer.

Jace Mosbarger had the champion

Maine-Anjou breeding heifer and took fifth place in Junior Beef Showmanship. Chance Schilling of Edson had the reserve champion Limousin breeding heifer, and Clay Schilling had the champion Limousin breeding heifer and was third in class 32 with a Maine-Anjou breeding heifer.

Garrett Taylor of Goodland was fourth in class 10 with a crossbred market barrow and 14th in class 11 with a crossbred market barrow.

Ryan Taylor of Goodland was 10th in class 15 with a crossbred market barrow and 13th in class 13 with a crossbred market barrow.

In the livestock show, 652 4-H and Future Farmers of America members from 89 Kansas counties exhibited 1,189 head of livestock.

Before the auction, the livestock show awarded \$15,750 in scholarships to 15 exhibitors. Scholarships ranged from \$500 to \$2,500.

and while they are easy to find, they aren't cheap. Krafft admits he has over \$50,000 in the car, which he says is a good investment.

"These older cars don't go down in value," he said. "Every year they'll be worth more and more."

The only parts of the car not original are the engine and the transmission, he said, which he replaced for more power.

"All you have to do is put your foot on the gas and it is ready to haul," he said. "It's a great ride."

Since replacing the odometer, the car lover has put just over 73 miles on it,

most of them at the Ottawa show. Part of the show included a parade down the main streets, something Krafft would like to see in the Goodland show.

"It would really be something if we could go down Main," he said. "It would give people a better opportunity to see the cars."

This is the second car he has rebuilt, and now that he's finished, he says he's considering doing another one. But that doesn't mean he's going to give up this one.

"I'm keeping this one," he said. "I hope to leave it to my grandkids one day."



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