

Ladies worked hard on turkey supper, served nearly 300

Those that made it to the United Methodist Women Turkey Supper have had no complaints about the meal, believe me. There may have been some who felt like they ate too much, but what else is new? The ladies worked very hard and served nearly 300 diners.

Bud Parker of Denver was here for a few days last week and will be back again in a week or so. When Inace fell on Oct. 30, she received a hairline fracture of her hip, so she will be in the hospital for a few days.

Following her release, she may spend some time at Lantern Park getting her strength back. Needless to say, we miss her a whole bunch at the senior center and look forward to the time she is back to her old self, and we know "Babe" misses her a whole bunch too. Merle and Sandy Parker have been making sure that Inace's buddy doesn't get too lonely, but I know there is no lap quite like Inace's for that cat to sit on.

The weather is rather up and down but seems to be pretty nice again for a few days. The news about the eastern states sure makes us thankful we didn't have the storms they did. In fact, after what those people have gone through in Tennessee, Ohio and Alabama, it doesn't seem right for us to complain at all, does it?

Our prayers are with all those who have lost loved ones, homes, vehicles and jobs. Losing a loved one is as bad as it gets, but losing a warm and secure home in this time of the year is also a big loss.



sally michael

• brewster beacon

I remember hearing a message that when we buy our Thanksgiving dinner, wouldn't it be great to share the same amount with others that are less fortunate?

I know there are several who make it a point to ask those that have no where to go for Thanksgiving dinner to join their families. This is wonderful, and it would be wonderful too if we can send some of our abundance to one of the families who lost everything.

Such giving can be done through the Genesis program or through most churches, so remember those who have lost so much.

I think in my last column, I mentioned that it would be nice to not have the negative political ads. It was a nice thought, but short-lived, as there was an ad on a little while ago carping about something that needs to be taken care of the next election. As was popular with teens a few years ago, "Oh, Barf!"

I visited with one of the nurses on duty at the Logan County Hospital when the school for the deaf had the bus accident, and she said the kudos and appreciative notes have poured in from family and friends of the students who were hurt.

In fact, the director of nursing and the hospital administrator were going to be special guests of the school for a ceremony. All of those hurt are improving daily, and that is the thanks that the hospital wants most.

Coleen Crumrine says she and Cue enjoyed a trip to Lakin to visit their daughter and husband, Carlene and Joe Moore, and grandson and family, Jonathan, Angela and Seth Moore on Sunday, Nov. 3. Jonathan and Angela are going to be parents again any time, so Seth will have a little brother or sister maybe for Thanksgiving, or at least for Christmas.

Betty Wolfe wants all the gents in the area to come to the Heritage Center and check out the new tool room. I was in the museum awhile back, and I can guarantee Betty worked hard on it.

Betty works very hard on everything she takes on. She has researched the history of the local country schools, which seem to have been quite numerous.

Roger has shared some of his experiences in the different country schools, and it seems that they were mainly good fun and good for learning for those who attended.

Being a city girl, I missed out on the adventures in the outhouses or witnessing the potbellied stove pranks I've heard so many alumni of these one-room school houses talk about.

At any rate, I've never heard anyone who attended one of these schools say he wasn't happy with the experiences of their country schools.

Some of the schools that Betty mentioned in her historical stroll were Prairie Gem, Garden Plains, Muldrow, Pleasant Home, New Hope, Fairview and Lone Star. The one that she highlighted for this go around is Union Valley.

It was located approximately 2 1/2 miles south and one mile west of Brewster in Sherman County. The school was started Jan. 5, 1887. Records are sketchy all the way through, but some of the names that showed up on the class roll were Alma, John, Lena and Anna Gardels; Dave, Kate, Louie and Lucy Sunday; Ellen and John Fenno; Rex Jacobs; and Zella, Lem, Glen and Alvin Fulwider.

A few of the teachers were Kittie McArthur, Jennie Shirley, Lizzie Ackerman, James Stirling and Clara May Harris.

In the "Union Valley Notes," copied from the *Brewster Hustler* of Jan. 15, 1909, it stated: "Little Ruth Noe started school at Union Valley last Monday. Miss Anna King was the teacher, and attendance at the school was irregular owing to the severity of the weather. The thermometer registered -10 degrees many days."

In fact, the notes continued on Jan. 22, 1901: "the roads were like glaciers in the mornings and lakes in the evening. Louie Sunday and Chester Oliver were able to attend the spelling

match on Friday."

The notes continued on Feb. 5, when several of the young folks attended the literary program at Brewster the previous Friday night. John Gardels and his sister, Miss Lena, spent Sunday night of that week with Pluma and Wyman Petty.

On April 9, the school prepared a literary program for the close of the school term. Walter Strain visited the Sunday twins on Sunday. He later married Lucy.

The paper on May 7, 1909, said Union Valley closed a very successful school. The program was a credit to both teachers and pupils. The graduates of Union Valley in 1909 were Lena Gardels and Chester Oliver.

Their graduation was held in the Goodland Opera House on July 1, 1909. On June 16, Miss Anna King and Norman Brooks were married. They are the paternal grandparents of Colleen Rall.

Thanks, Betty, for the reminiscence. Many names were forefathers and mothers of today's families were mentioned, and Betty has much information on these grandparents or great-grandparents.

You know, our ancestors are neat people to learn about and to learn from. One of these days, we'll be the ancestors that our kids will hopefully want to know a little about. I hope we leave some good things, don't you? See you next time.

matters of record

District Traffic

Oct. 16 — Jessica Mosness, 17, of Burlington was fined \$137 for speeding, 88/70.

Derek P. Hines, 27, of Goodland was fined \$134 for 2,400 pounds over on axles.

Oct. 17 — Nicole R. Thomas, 23, of Kanorado was fined \$131 for speeding, 87/70.

Bradley E. Swartz, 56, of Goodland was fined \$239 for speeding, 85/55.

Michael P. Callicrate, 51, of St. Francis was fined \$221 for speeding, 83/55.

Branson W. Gilley, 14, of Brewster was fined \$239 for speeding, 95/65, and \$10 for no seat belt.

Oct. 18 — Daniel L. Siruta, 46, of Brewster was fined \$143 for speeding, 74/55.

Oct. 21 — Donald L. Newell, 41, of Goodland was fined \$143 for speeding, 74/55, and \$10 for no seat belt.

Blayne W. Bahe, 16, of Goodland was fined \$101 for speeding, 67/55, and \$10 for no seat belt.

Robert L. Grosshans, 54, of Burlington was fined \$113 for speeding, 69/55.

Kenneth L. Thomas, 66, of Burlington was fined \$119 for speeding, 70/55.

Oct. 22 — Candie S. Cruz, 28, of Goodland was fined \$60 for failure to yield.

Israel D. Nipps, 27, of St. Francis was fined \$119 for speeding, 80/65.

Alonzo P. Olivias, 24, of Goodland was fined \$153 for speeding in a construction zone, 72/60, and \$120 for expired drivers license.

Melody M. Abbott, 33, of Goodland was fined \$159 for permitting a minor to drive.

Tashaya R. Abbott, 12, of Goodland was fined \$119 for driving without a license.

David E. Witzel, 28, of Burlington was fined \$107 for speeding, 68/55, and \$10 no seat belt.

Oct. 24 — Amanda Jo Adams, 21, of Goodland was fined \$131 for speeding, 72/55.

Philip A. Saviolidis, 42, of Castle Rock, Colo., was fined \$239 for failure to move left.

William L. Korbek, 37, of Burlington was fined \$149 for speeding, 75/55.

Oct. 28 — James W. Pinola, 19, of Cobb, Calif., was fined \$221 for speeding, 98/70, and \$250 for no proof of insurance.

Stephen L. Stumph, 61, of West Bountiful, Utah, was fined \$212 for speeding, 97/70.

Oct. 30 — Korey D. Schulte, 16, of Goodland was fined \$10 for no seat belt.

Oct. 31 — James E. Johnson, 46, of Goodland was fined \$119 for speeding, 70/55.

Kite Realty

Offers FOR SALE

FOUR QUARTER SECTIONS of Sherman County Cropland

- Tract 1: SE/4** 22-7-39
4 miles north and 2 1/2 miles east of Goodland
- Tract 2: NE/4** 32-7-38
2 1/2 miles north and 6 1/2 miles east of Goodland
- Tract 3: SW/4** 33-7-38
2 miles north and 7 miles east of Goodland
- Tract 4: NE/4** 21-8-37
4 1/2 miles east of Edson on Hwy. 24



Kite Realty

Elaine Raile Kite, Broker
107 W. Washington
P.O. Box 575

St. Francis, KS 67756-0575
Telephone: (785)332-3252 (Office)
Residence: (785)332-3186 (Residence)
Fax: (785) 332-3325
Email: thekitesl@hotmail.com



TACO JOHN'S

A WHOLE LOT OF MEXICAN.®



NOW OPENING Monday November 18th in Goodland

Open from 10:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. 7 days a week



Kendall Cooper - Owner/Manager
Haley Jarmin - Manager



2304 Commerce Rd • Goodland, Ks • 899-3733