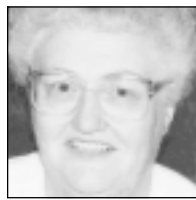


Seniors to meet in Grainfield, enjoyed high school band performance



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I will go to a meeting pertaining to the center with nine other seniors at Grainfield. They call it information day, discussing three or four issues of importance to all seniors.

I'm glad I'm not going alone, and I hope the weather holds out until we get back. Speaking of the senior center, the high school band came on Monday morning to give us a 30 minute program.

It was enjoyed by those in attendance, and I thank the kids for their effort. Come again, as the welcome mat is always out. Holiday greetings to the fine bunch of kids and their director, Deandra Wirth.

The technical college presented a fruit basket to the center. We truly appreciate the gift, and it will be enjoyed by all, as the cooks will make a fresh fruit salad for us to enjoy. Again, thanks to these groups for remembering the seniors.

My friend Lucille Nash got back from a trip to Dallas where her two kids and their families gathered for Thanks-

giving. The kids will be here for Christmas, so she's been busy getting her decorations up for Ryan to enjoy.

Helen Jones had some of her family visiting her recently at the Good Samaritan Center. Among the holiday visitors were her daughter and son-in-law, Betty and Larry Kear. They also visited Florence Farris, an aunt.

Heyde and Wilbur Tiede and Nancy, Gary, Dan, Laramie and Florence Farris attended a large family dinner in Winona for Thanksgiving.

A family dinner was held at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall on Thanksgiving for the family of Inez Bennett. After dinner, a surprise 88th birthday party was held for Inez. Belated birthday wishes to her.

Florence and Inez Bennett enjoyed the high school play. Florence has also enjoyed visits from Freda House, Nancy and Laramie Farris and J.J. Farris.

The birthday of Danny Farris was celebrated with a dinner hosted by his parents, Nancy and Gary. Some of Dan's friends and his grandparents, Heyde and Wilbur Tiede and Florence Farris attended on Nov. 10. Belated birthday greetings to him.

Florence attended the 80th birthday celebration on the Nov. 23 for Barbara Lovelace. There was a good attendance at the afternoon affair, and Barbara thanks all who came out for the day.

Inez Bennett had a birthday dinner on Nov. 21 in the evening for her granddaughter Debbie Martin. Other guests were Debbie's family and her parents, Avonell and Marty Spomer. Belated birthday wishes to her.

Another birthday that will be celebrated with a public reception will be

Garnet Haifleigh's 90th birthday on the 16th, the reception on Saturday, the 14th. Best wishes to her.

Other current birthdays are those of Dale Hilty and Danielle Silsbee on the eighth, Andrew House on the ninth, Lisa Wegener on the 10th and my grand niece Cristol Opdyke of Colorado on the 12th. Best wishes to these and any other.

There are no anniversaries to my knowledge, but I want to extend wishes to any who may be having one.

Nita Pinkham has moved to Hugoton to be closer to family, as she's been having some health problems. I wish her the best but miss her daily appearance at the center.

I see Rachel and Mitch Hixson will be or have already left Goodland for other endeavors. I'm sorry to see them go, but I wish them the best in their new location.

Several are ill and receiving medical attention, both here and in Denver. Ron Barkley is back in Denver for additional treatment. Locally, Denise

Hilty and John Schiefen have had to use the services here in Goodland. To these and all others, best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Deaths that touched the community include those of Dean Townsend and Terry Wolfrum. Sincere sympathy to their families and friends. It's tough to lose someone at any time, but it sure is harder at holiday times.

This time passing is something else. Here we are facing the middle of the month and about two weeks until Christmas. Last week was hectic, and this one seems to be shaping up like-

wise.

The kids got the remaining outdoor lights up on Sunday. I sure gets cold when the sun goes down. I finished the inside of the porch on Monday afternoon. I'm set for the grand old man to come and bring us a present of a wet, wet snow storm. The best gift we could get would be some needed moisture.

I'm sorry to see the destruction of Stucky's, but prayerful no injury or deaths were involved in the incident.

I see no other notes, so I will close for now and get this ready for the paper. Take care until next week.



Jared James and Sumar Jan Scheck

Couple wed in Victoria

Sumar Jan Rhea of Goodland and Jared James Scheck of Victoria married Saturday, April 27, 2002, at the St. Fedilis Catholic Church (the Cathedral of the Plains) in Victoria in a double ring ceremony with Father David Gottschalk officiating.

Violet & Ed Phillips of Goodland are her parents, and Jim & Becky Scheck of Victoria are his.

The bride, wearing a white satin gown with delicately beaded Schiffi lace, a heart-shaped back accented with pearl drops and a cathedral length train, was given in marriage by her father. She carried roses of deep red with white roses in a cascading bouquet.

Sascha Robben of Hays, best friend, was the matron of honor. Kellie Winston of Manhattan (originally from Goodland), best friend; Gloria Douglas from Goodland, aunt; and Lacey Hansen from Arlington, Texas, cousin were the bridesmaids. The bridesmaids wore sleeveless satin ball gowns that were apple in color.

Cory Hammerschmidt of Victoria, best friend, was the best man. Travis Dinges of Victoria, best friend; Bob Sanders of Victoria, cousin; and Mike Frankenfeld of Denver, best friend were groomsmen. They wore traditional tuxes with deep red vests.

Andy Phillips, brother of bride; Jason Scheck, brother of groom; Justin Scheck, brother of groom; and Wade Schmidtberger, cousin of the groom, were ushers.

Gladys Pfeifer, organist; and Becky Scheck, mother of groom, Tessa Scheck sister-in-law of groom, and Pam Scheck, aunt of groom, vocalists provided music for the ceremony. "From This Moment," "I Cross My Heart," and "You and I" were sung during the seating of parents and grandparents.

"Canon in D" was played for the entrance; "Wedding Song" was played for the wedding rite; and "Ave Maria" is a blessing sang by Becky Scheck, mother of groom. "Recessional Trumpet Voluntary" was played by the organist for the final blessing.

Brandon and Amber Douglas, cousins of the bride, were candle lighters.

A reception was held at the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Victoria. Family members of bride and groom served roast beef, chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, corn and green beans and dinner rolls.

The bride and groom both graduated from the communications technology program at the Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland. She works for S & T Communications in Goodland as a customer service representative, and he is an owner/operator for V&E Xpress.

Harry Potter & The Chamber of Secrets	
(PG): Scary moments; some creature violence; mild language	
Nightly 7:00	

about our friends

calendar

Any northwest Kansas high school student interested in playing baseball in the spring needs to attend the meeting at 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Goodland High School cafeteria. Parents are encouraged to come also.

TNT Singles will have a progressive supper at 3:30 p.m. Thursday starting at Lois Sieck's house. Car pool at Edwards Hall leaving at 3. Call 899-2733.

Rotary will have its annual Topside Tip-off pancake feed from 6:30 a.m.-noon Saturday at the high school cafeteria. Pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee will be served.

The Emmanuel Lutheran Church will have a holiday bake sale at 9 a.m. Saturday. There will be mix and match cookie tables and many other items.

The Gamma Rho Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi is holding a fund-raiser with the proceeds going to the Topside Tots Daycare and will hold a drawing Tuesday, Jan. 7, to give away two baby afghans to two winners. The afghans are on display at Western State Bank until Monday, Dec. 16.

The Christmas Senior Citizen's Dinner will begin with entertainment at 11 a.m. and lunch at noon Wednesday, Dec. 18, at Goodland High School. Enter through the south doors on 13th Street. Call 899-5656 if you need transportation or to have a meal delivered. The members of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, National Honor Society and Girls' Athletic Association will be hosts and hostesses.

Jodi Tubbs of the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs will be in Goodland from 1-2:15 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, 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 Sherman Theatre is having free holiday matinees at 1:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. "Like Mike" will be this weekend; and "Ice Age" will be Dec. 21 and 22.

The Goodland Public Library will be offering the "Food for Fines" program during the month of December. Anyone with an outstanding fine at the library may bring in a food item for Genesis in exchange for the fine. Items needed include Jell-o, pudding, cake mixes, pancake mix, cereal, peanut butter or any canned goods.

SHARE sign up for the January distribution of food will be until Monday, Jan. 13, at the Sherman County Health Department, Harvest America, the Regional Prevention Center or the Kanorado Senior Center. Pick up will be Saturday, Dec. 21, for the December distribution.

The city and county offices will be closed Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 24 and 25, for Christmas. Tuesday's trash will be hauled on Monday, and Wednesday's trash will be hauled on Thursday.

The city offices will be closed Wednesday, Jan. 1, for New Year's day, and the county offices will be closed Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. Tuesday's trash will be hauled on Monday, and Wednesday's trash will be hauled on Thursday.

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. Anna Seeber Shaw's watercolors, gouache and pastels will be on display until Nov. 30. The December show will be watercolors, acrylics, oils, woods and metals by local artists and will be displayed from Sunday through Dec. 31.

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 at the Good Samaritan Center. Enter the east door on Center Ave. 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. There will be no December meeting.

Goodland Women of Faith will not meet in December. Resuming in January, the monthly celebrations will be from 9:30-11 a.m. the second Saturday of the month at Wheat Ridge Acres. Baby-sitting provided.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Sherman County is seeking mentors and children to mentor. Call 899-3665.

area events

The Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging is sponsoring an information day for senior citizens from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Central Time Thursday at the Grainfield American Legion. Speakers will talk about stroke and heart attacks, taxes and the SHARE program. Harriet Berg will lead singing of Christmas carols. Bring a holiday treat to share at the Christmas tea table.

Cal and Cindy Turner of C.C. Turner Music Ministries will have a concert at 3 and 7 p.m. Central Time Saturday, Dec. 14, at the St. Francis First Christian Church, 118 E. Webster. There will be a new lighting system, and prizes will be given away during the concert. Admission is free.

The Duttons Christmas Show will be at 3 p.m. Central Time Sunday, Dec. 15, at the Colby High School auditorium. The siblings are skilled on violins, banjos, mandolins, guitars and a myriad of other instruments and sing solos and harmony, yodel and dance.

The Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging board and advisory council will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, in the Black and Gold Room at Fort Hays State University. Call 800-432-7422.

A workshop, "Ethanol: Fueling Opportunities in Kansas" will be from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Central Time Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Topeka. There will be a reception from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday. Reservations must be made before Jan. 1 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, 1717 SW Topeka Blvd., Topeka, Kan. 66612. Call (785) 431-7200.

The McCook Optimist Club's 11th annual MAC Attack Youth Basketball Tournament will be Saturday and

Sunday, March 29 and 30, for fourth, seventh and eighth grade boys and girls and Saturday and Sunday, April 5 and 6, for fifth and sixth grade boys and girls. Entries must be received by Monday, March 10. Call event chairman Bob Elder at 308-345-4296 or the club president Craig Olsen at 308-345-1575.

Admission to the Prairie Museum of Art and History will be free from 1-5 p.m. Central Time Sundays at 1905 S. Franklin in Colby. The museum is also open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Central Time Monday-Friday and 1-5 p.m. Saturday.

school activities

Thursday: Gold day. Seminar — DECA. Topside Tip-Off basketball tournament, Goodland girls versus Holyoke 6 p.m. and Goodland boys versus Holyoke 8 p.m. "C" teams basketball 6:30 p.m. at Benkelman, Neb., depart 4:30. JV-V wrestling versus Atwood 5:30 p.m. at the Edson gym.

Friday: Black day. Topside Tip-off basketball tournament. Goodland girls 6 p.m., boys 8 p.m. Skip-It Jump Team performance 1:45 in the high school gym for elementary school students. Saturday: Topside Tip-off basketball tournament. ACT test 8 a.m. here. Varsity wrestling 9:30 a.m. at Burlington, depart 6:15. Sunday: Junior olympics volleyball 1-3:30 p.m. in the junior high gym. Open gym 1-3 p.m. in Max Jones Fieldhouse.

school lunch menu

Thursday: Beef fungus, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, hot roll, applausea Jell-o and milk. Friday: Ham and beans, corn bread, carrot and celery sticks, pineapple and mandarin orange salad and milk.

senior center menu

Thursday: Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, bread and mandarin oranges. Friday: Stew, banana, crackers, spice cookies with cranberry.

health department

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

Thursday: WIC in Colby. Voucher pick-up and scheduled appointments. Friday: Scheduled appointments.

Children's physicals, immunizations, fasting blood sugar and hemoglobin, 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

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