

today in history

Feb. 28, 1903: Dr. Gulick Drew the Piano — The Andrews piano was raffled off Saturday night, and Dr. Gulick was the lucky man. The winning ticket was No. 82. Two hundred chances were sold, running in an arithmetic series of one to 200, aggregating \$201.

March 1, 1903: Heart Trouble Causes Death — Mrs. William Walker Jr. had been on a trip to Topeka and Kansas City. She was on her way home and stopped off at Norton to make a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Bower. The visit was done and apparently in good health; she was walking to the depot to take the No. 5 to Goodland, when she seized with a violent pain in her heart. Mr. Bower, who was walking with her, took her back to his home, where she died within half an hour after the attack came. Mr. Walker was summoned but arrived by train in Norton too late to see Mrs. Walker in life.

“Mrs. Walker is dead,” was the chilling sentence that disturbed the quiet of Goodland as soon as the fact was known. The people, not wanting to believe it, could scarcely realize that death had laid its uncouth hand upon a woman of such physical excellence and especially upon one who had earned for herself their respect and admiration.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker came to Eustis, Sherman County, in 1886, where Mr. Walker was associated with William Ennis. Mr. Walker was postmaster, serving the first term in Eustis and the second in Goodland with Mrs. Walker serving as his deputy, and only last January retired from the office of sheriff, having served in that capacity three years.

Mrs. Walker was 41 years old. She was married at Manchester, Iowa, to William Walker Feb. 17, 1881, 22 years ago the day of the funeral. Her home life was sweet and tranquil. She was the idol of her husband, and conjugal felicity sat high enthroned. Besides her husband and a daughter, Laurene, a sweet girl of 14, the deceased leaves only a sister, who lives in Texas.

At the time of her death, Mrs. Walker was past department president and the present department inspector of the Women’s Relief Corps. and state oracle of the Royal Neighbors of America. Her official duties necessitated considerable travel over the state, and she came in contact and won the friendship of many prominent women in the state. Her uniform courtesy and kindness kindled itself in every heart. Her successes were the successes of the town in which she lived, and verily she will be missed.

March 2, 1903: Best Crop Prospect in Years — The biggest snow in years is falling. It began Monday and has continued. The ground is

the calendar

calendar

The first archery shoot of the Smoky Garden Archery Club will be at **10 a.m. Sunday**.

The **Denver A Cappella Project** will perform at **2 p.m. Sunday** in the high school auditorium. Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association season passes or can be paid at the door.

Registration for spring soccer is due at the Goodland Activities Center **Sunday**. The non-competitive Mini-Kicker League for 5-7 year olds will play from 5:15-6:15 Wednesdays, and the games for first through sixth graders will play on Monday, Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings.

Stan Clark and Jim Morrison will be available for a question and answer session from **11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Monday** at the Opera House Plaza, 1002 Main, conference room. The event is hosted by the plaza and the Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce.

Ash Wednesday service with imposition of ashes will be at **7 a.m. Wednesday** at the St. Paul’s Episcopal Church with Father Jerry Jones officiating.

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

“Holy Spirit, Fill Us” is the theme of the **World Day of Prayer**. A service will be at **2 p.m. next Friday** at the First Baptist Church, Fifth and Center. Donations will be spent on women’s projects internationally and in the United States and will support the work of the World Day of Prayer International Committee.

The **Boy Scouts** will have a **chili feed** from **11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, March 8**, at the Meth-

odist Church Fellowship Hall. Chili, vegetable soup, beverages and dessert will be served.

“**Forty-five Minutes From Broadway**,” a mini-musical will be presented at a **dinner theater at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 8, and Monday, March 10**, and at a **dessert matinee at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 9**, at the Goodland Elks Lodge. Tickets are on sale at the Carnegie Arts Center, 120 W. 12th. Call 899-6442.

The Goodland Federated Music Club is sponsoring **Nick Parker’s senior piano recital at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 16**, at the United Methodist Church. Parker is a senior piano major at Fort Hays State University and the son of Lauren and GERALYN Parker. A reception will follow the recital.

SHARE sign up for the March distribution of food will be until **Monday, March 17**, at the Sherman County Health Department, Harvest America, the Regional Prevention Center or the Kanorado Senior Center. **Pick up** will be **Saturday, March 29**, for the March distribution.

school activities

Saturday: State wrestling at Wichita. I A regional basketball 5 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse, two games. DECA state conference at Overland Park through Monday, March 3.

Sunday: Open gym 1-3 p.m. in the Max Jones Fieldhouse. Junior Olympic volleyball 1-3:30 p.m. in the junior high gym. Taylor’s basketball team practice 5-6:30 p.m. in the high school gym. Western Plains Arts Association 2 p.m. in the auditorium.

Monday: State DECA conference at Overland Park. First day of practice for spring sports. Sub-state basketball.

Tuesday: Gold day. Seminar — sophomores take state math test. Sub-state basketball.

Wednesday: Black Day.

now wet to a considerable depth. Everywhere in the county, the grass is under at least a foot of heavy snow. That Sherman County is absolutely a cattle country and nothing more is hardly true. There are some residents who still declare that agriculture will always be a factor in this county. Farmers that have turned their backs on the county will soon repent. Where on earth can they go and realize greater profits on limited means than here.

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student news

Schyler Goodwin of Goodland

was accepted to Washburn University School of Law for Fall of 2003. Goodwin is the community development officer at Bankwest of Kansas in Goodland and has helped to start several Goodland organizations, including the Economic Development Council, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sherman County, the Goodland Community Foundation and the grant writer program for the city, county and school board.

business news

Randy Schoenthaler is the assistant vice president at the Goodland Peoples State Bank. He has 12 years of agribusiness experience and 11 years of lending experience.

Seminar — sophomores take state math test. City/county recreation sports 7:30 p.m. in the Max Jones Fieldhouse and the junior high gym.

Thursday: Gold day. Seminar — sophomores take state math test. Sub-state basketball at Colby. City/county recreation sports 7:30 p.m. in the high school gym.

Friday: Black day. Sub-state basketball at Colby. 4-H days 4-9 p.m. in the auditorium, library and classrooms.

Saturday, March 8: Sub-state basketball at Colby.

Sunday, March 9: Open gym 1-3 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse. Junior olympic volleyball 1-3:30 p.m. in the junior high gym. Taylor’s basketball team 5-6:30 p.m. in the high school gym.

school lunch menu

Monday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, biscuit, orange half and milk. **Tuesday:** Cheeseburger, french fries, lettuce, tomato, onion, baked beans, pudding and milk. **Wednesday:** Fish, buttered potatoes, peas, dinner roll, frosted apple and milk. **Thursday:** Roast beef gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli blend, dinner roll, apple crisp and milk. **Friday:** Cheese pizza, lettuce salad, corn, fruit cup and milk.

senior center menu

Monday: Ground beef stroganoff, California mixed vegetables, beets, noodles or rice and apricots. **Tuesday:** Meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, peas, roll and ambrosia fruit salad. **Wednesday:** Lemon baked fish, hash brown casserole, steamed broccoli, bread and applesauce gelatin. **Thursday:** Ham and beans, coleslaw with pineapple and carrots, corn bread and cook’s fruit choice. **Friday:** Mac and cheese with tuna, salad or smokies, Italian mixed vegetables, bread and mixed fruit.

Schoenthaler has worked for the Farm Credit System; the Farm Service Agency, formerly Farmers Home Administration; and in a commercial bank. He will work with all types of lending but will specialize in agriculture lending.

Cara Daise, chief executive officer and cashier; **Shelly Thompson**, assistant cashier; and **Schyler D. Goodwin**, community development officer, at Bankwest of Kansas in Goodland, completed the 2003 Bank Compliance School, which was held Sunday-Friday, Jan. 26-31, in Topeka.

The school teaches compliance and audit personnel how to best assist their banks in complying with

federal and state regulations.

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**. Elementary School Art Show will be on display at the center in February and the first week of March.

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.

Goodland Women of Faith will not meet until the Spring Fling in April. Watch for upcoming information.

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

area events

Colby Community College will offer **certification courses for social service designees and activities directors** beginning Monday, March 3. The courses will be from **8 a.m.-5 p.m. Central Time on March 3, 10, 18, 19, 24 and 31 and April 7 and 14** in the Robert Burnett Memorial Student Union. Four college credits and one certificate will be awarded for six classes. Call Mary Herbel at 785-462-3984, ext. 286.

The **deadline to apply for the nursing department at Colby Community College** is **Saturday, March 15**. Students can attend the first year of the program in Norton or in Colby and can take the exam to be a licensed practical nurse af-

ter the first year. Students wanting to complete the two-year program to take the registered nurse licensing exam, must complete the program in Colby. Call Tracey Stark, director of nursing, at 785-462-3984, ext. 322, or Jean Ann Wilson in Norton at 785-877-2735.

The election for the **Kansas Silver Haired Legislature** will be Tuesday, March 18, at area nutrition centers. Call the Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging at 800-432-7422.

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.

Citizens Medical Center in Colby is participating in the Health Careers Foundation **Scholarship Loan Program** for the 2003-04 school year. Interested students need to **pick up applications** at the center **by Friday, March 28, and turn them in by Tuesday, April 1**. Fields of study include dietetic, medical records/transcription, medical technology, nursing, occupational therapy, pharmacy, physical therapy, radiology, respiratory therapy and speech pathology.

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:** Technical college 9-10:30 a.m. **Wednesday:** WIC in Goodland. Scheduled appointments. 9 a.m. blood pressures at Wheat Ridge Acres. **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:** Scheduled appointments.

Cholesterol screening clinic will be Thursday and Friday, March 13 and 14. Call for an appointment.

Infants’ and children’s immunizations, physicals, fasting blood sugar, cholesterol 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 the Health Department at 899-4888.

mone testosterone. From 1998 to 1999, there was a significant increase in anabolic steroid abuse among middle-schoolers.

The use of illegal drugs is increasing, especially among young teens. The average age of first marijuana use is 14, and alcohol use can start before age 12. The use of marijuana and alcohol in high school has become common.

Drug use is associated with a variety of negative consequences, including increased risk of serious drug use later in life, school failure and poor judgment, which may put teens at risk for accidents, violence, unplanned and unsafe sex and suicide. If you would like more specific details about any or all of these drugs call me at 899-3848 (Last week I gave the wrong number; I’m sorry.) or come by 109 W. 11th.

Any chemical that effects the body is a drug, but foods are not drugs

A drug is any chemical that produces a therapeutic or non-therapeutic effect in the body. Chemicals, on the other hand, are a broad class of substances, including drugs, that may or may not produce noticeable effects in the body. Many chemicals, such as tin, lead and gold, have harmful effects on the body, especially in high doses. Most foods are not drugs.

Alcohol is a drug, not a food, in spite of the calories it provides. Nicotine is a chemical found in tobacco that is also a drug. Illegal drugs include dangerous chemicals that have only toxic actions, for example, inhalants.

Teenagers may be involved with legal or illegal drugs in various ways. Experimentation with drugs during adolescence is common. Unfortunately, teenagers often don’t see the link between their ac-



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tions today and the consequences tomorrow. They also have a tendency to feel indestructible and immune to the problems that others experience.

Using alcohol and tobacco at a young age increases the risk of using other drugs later. Some teens will experiment and stop, or continue to use occasionally, without significant problems. Others will develop a dependency, moving on to more dangerous drugs and causing significant harm to themselves and possibly others.

Teenagers at risk for developing serious alcohol and drug problems include those with a family history of substance abuse, those who are depressed, those who have low self-esteem and those who feel like they don’t fit in or are out of the mainstream.

Teenagers abuse a variety of drugs besides alcohol, both legal and illegal:

- Tobacco: Teens who smoke are three times more likely than non-smokers to use alcohol, and eight times more likely to use marijuana.
- Prescribed medications (such as Ritalin and OxyContin).
- Inhalants: Known by such street names as huffing, sniffing and wanging, the dangerous habit of getting high by inhaling the fumes of common household products is estimated to claim the lives of more than a thousand children each year.

Many other young people, including some first-time users, are left with serious respiratory problems and permanent brain damage.

- Over-the-counter: cough, cold, sleep and diet medications, such as Coricidin.

• Marijuana: About one half of people in the United States have used marijuana, many are currently using it and some will require treatment for marijuana abuse and dependence.

- Stimulants: The possible long-term effects include tolerance and dependence, violence and aggression and malnutrition due to the suppression of appetite.
- Club drugs: This term refers to drugs being used by teens and young adults at all-night dance parties such as “raves” or “trances,” dance clubs, and bars. MDMA (Ecstasy), GHB, Rohypnol (Rohies), ketamine, methamphetamine and LSD are some of the club or party drugs gaining popularity.

Because some club drugs are colorless, tasteless, and odorless, they

can be added unobtrusively to beverages by individuals who want to intoxicate or sedate others. In recent years, there has been an increase in reports of club drugs used to commit sexual assaults.

- Depressants: These are drugs used medicinally to relieve anxiety, irritability and tension. There is a high potential for abuse and, combined with alcohol, effects are heightened and risks are multiplied.
- Heroin: Several sources indicate an increase in new, young users across the country who are being lured by inexpensive, high-purity heroin that can be sniffed or smoked instead of injected. Heroin has also been appearing in more affluent communities.
- Steroids: Anabolic steroids are a group of powerful compounds closely related to the male sex hor-

Five Goodland students play piano at state contest

Eight Goodland students played at the Regional Piano Contest Saturday, Feb. 8, at Fort Hays State University, and five of those went on to the state contest Saturday.

Three of the students at state earned I ratings, the highest.

Goodland had the most students participating of any northwest Kansas school in Hays, said Randy Berls, music director at Grant Junior High and Goodland High School, and the most students of any school at the state contest.

Students receiving I ratings in Hays were Amanda Hoffman, Emily Langness, Craig Mason, May Davis and Tiffany Thomas.

They qualified to compete on the state level.

Langness and Davis received I ratings at state. Hoffman and Thomas received II’s, and Mason received a III. The lowest rating given was a V.

Timothy Kafka, Grace Langness and Samantha Philbrick received II ratings at the regional contest.

The Goodland Ambassadors had a send off for the students going to state, and the Goodland Kiwanis Club gave each student \$20 for meals. Piano teachers for the students are GERALYN Parker of Goodland and Pat Ziegelmeier of Colby.

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