

anniversaries

Merle and Donna (Collins) Armstrong of Edson will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Friday, April 25. The couple was married April 25, 1953, at Fort Carson in Colorado Springs.

Their children and spouses will host an open house from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Goodland United Methodist Church, 12th and Sherman. They request no gifts.

The children and spouses are Vickie and Bennie Haremza, Brenda and Cody Lingo, Scott Armstrong and Mike and Karen Armstrong. The Armstrong's have 11 grandchildren.

birthdays

Tauscher Bretz is celebrating his 80th birthday Sunday, April 27. His family wishes to honor him with a card shower. Send cards to HCR 2, Box 8, Wallace, Kan. 67761.

Anna Belle Long, a former Goodland resident, is celebrating her 80th birthday Friday, May 2. Her family wishes to honor her with a card shower. Send cards to 656 Dillon Way, Aurora, Colo. 80011.

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, and artifacts from the 50s, 60s and 70s are 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**. Goodland High School and Grant Junior High art will be on display from Sunday until Wednesday, April 30.

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 calendar

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"Life's Tapestries," a lesson on preserving quilts and vintage garments, will be **9 a.m. Wednesday** in the courthouse assembly room.

TNT Singles will meet at **6:30 p.m. Thursday** at Edwards Hall for an evening of cards and games. Call 899-2733.

The **Promenade Square Dance Club** will have a **biscuit and sausage gravy breakfast** from **7 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday** at Edwards Dance Hall, 2431 Walnut. Call 899-3323.

The **Goodland Women of Faith Spring Fling** will be from **9:30-11 a.m. Saturday, April 26**, at the First Baptist Church, Fifth and Center. Bring a breakfast item. Donations will be accepted for the guest speaker. Call Marilyn Heffner at 899-5584.

The **City/County Recreation/Kiwanis Relays** kindergarten-sixth track meet will begin at **9 a.m. Saturday** at the high school track behind the technical college.

SHARE sign up for the May distribution of food will be until **Monday, May 19**, at the Sherman County Health Department, Harvest America, the Regional Prevention Center or the Kanorado Senior Center. **Pick up** will be from **10:45-11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 26**, for the April distribution.

Sherman County **4-H Camp**

will be going to Rock Springs Ranch for four days, Tuesday-Friday, June 3-6. Youths ages 7-12 are eligible to attend and do not have to be 4-H members. Counselors from ages 14-16 are needed; applications can be pickup up at the Extension Office. A \$10 non-refundable **registration fee is due by Tuesday, April 29**, and the rest of the fee will be due before leaving for camp. Call 899-4880.

The **Sherman County Good Samaritan annual volunteer salad supper** will be at **6 p.m. Thursday, May 1**, at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

The **Smoky Gardens Archery Club** will have a **shoot at 10 a.m. Sunday, May 4**, on the range east of the city shop by the railroad tracks. Call Chuck Engel at 899-5174 or Bill McKnight at 899-5358.

school activities

Wednesday: Black day.
Thursday: Gold day. Seminar — FCCLA. Tennis 2 p.m. here.

Friday: Black day. Track 2 p.m. at Holcomb, dismiss 10 a.m., depart 10:15. Softball 3 p.m. at Colby, dismiss 12:30, depart 1. DECA national conference through Wednesday, April 30, at Orlando, Fla. KLOE home and garden show 4-8 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse.

Saturday: KLOE home and garden show 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse.

Sunday: Taylor's basketball team practice 5-6:30 p.m. in the high school gym. KLOE home and garden show 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse.

school lunch menu

Wednesday: Potato bar, chili and cheese, broccoli and cheese, relish cup, cherry kolache and milk. **Thursday:** Tator tot casserole, green beans, hot roll, spiced pear and milk. **Friday:** Macaroni and cheese, hot dog bits, vegetable, hot roll, dessert and milk.

senior center menu

Wednesday: Paprika chicken, baked potato, five-cup salad, dinner roll and pudding with blueberries. **Thursday:** Baked spaghetti, corn, carrot raisin salad, garlic bread and apricots. **Friday:** Philly steak sandwich, macaroni and cheese, peas, bun and peaches.

technical college

Friday: National certified electronics technician exams. Electronics technology advisory committee meeting. Technical college to host the "After Hours" event in the Memorial Union.

Saturday: Endowment association meeting. Endowment association and area board of control dinner. Area board of control meeting.

7:30-11 a.m. Central Time and a benefit auction at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the Rawlins County 4-H Building. The proceeds will go toward school band uniforms, the Area Community Enrichment Foundation and PolioPlus. To see a list of auction items, visit www.decisionweather.com or www.atwoodkansas.com.

The **Northwest Tumbleweed Chorus** will present Dixieland Harmony from **3-7 p.m. Central Time Saturday at the Colby Community College Cultural Arts Center**. Chorus members from the Goodland area include John Collett, Kenneth Corke, and Curtis McKenrick.

The **Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging** is having **training** for Client Assessment, Referral and Evaluation assessors from **8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Central Time**

Wednesday, May 14, in the board room on the second floor of the Sunflower Electric Building, 301 W. 13th, in Hays. Register by phone by calling Dick Brown at 1-800-432-7422.

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.

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: WIC in Atwood. Scheduled appointments. Voucher pickup 11 a.m.-1 p.m. **Tuesday:** Technical college 9-10 a.m. **Wednesday:** Blood pressures at the Goodland Senior Center 9:30-11:30 a.m. **Thursday:** Cholesterol screening 7 a.m. Appointments necessary. WIC in Colby. Scheduled appointments. **Friday:** Scheduled appointments.

Cholesterol screening Thursday. Call 899-4888 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.

farm services

Dennis R. Mote, county executive director of the U.S. Farm Service Agency, said there is a new yield provision for producers enrolling in the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program.

If a producer qualifies, the farm services county committee could use Loan Deficiency Payment records or assign a yield for crops based on three similar farms in the area. Producers already enrolled must file a request by Tuesday, April 1, to have the committee use the records or assign a yield instead of using the 75 percent yield plug.

Kumm, became disconnected while switching in the yards here Friday morning about 2 o'clock, and the accident resulted in the derailling of two empty box cars and one ballast car.

The yard crew worked all day Friday to get the cars back on their tracks and place them on the car repair track.

The engine had to be "killed" and put in the round house for repairs. The accident is the more unaccountable from the fact the engine had just come out of the shops after overhaul.

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obituaries

Don Cooper

Don C. Cooper, 77, a Sherman County farmer, died Monday, April 21, 2003, at the Good Samaritan Village in St. Francis.

He was born April 2, 1926, in northeastern Sherman County, the son of Esthel (Butler) and Frank R. Cooper. He attended Shermanville School.

On June 5, 1969, he married Faye Eklund Sprague in Denver. He spent all his life close to the area where he was born and was a dry land farmer and raised cattle for many years.

When sugar beet farming was popular in the area, he and his wife owned and operated a trucking business that specialized in hauling and re-hauling the crop in the area. Poor health in the last 10 years severely limited his activities.

Preceding him in death were his parents and one brother, Raymond L. Cooper.

Survivors include his wife; three step-sons, Michael (Sandra) Sprague, Steven (Beverly) Sprague and Karl (Danis) Sprague; a niece, Lana Bollig of Goodland; a nephew, Larry (Marcia) Madison of Wisconsin; and nine step-grandchildren.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 24, 2003, at Koons Chapel in Goodland with Brent Flanders officiating. Burial followed in the Goodland Cemetery.

Visitation was from 3-7 p.m. Wednesday and before the service Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Don C. Cooper Memorial in care of the funeral home at 211 N. Main, Goodland, Kan. 67735-1555.

Millie Enfield

Milda Enfield, 80, a Goodland homemaker, died Thursday, April 17, 2003, at her home.

She was born Feb. 23, 1923, in Bird City, the daughter of Orris and Gertrud (Campbell) Harris. She grew up in Bird City and graduated from high school there. She then attended Fort Hays Kansas State Teachers College for two years.

On Sept. 11, 1949, she married Albert "Bud" Enfield in Bird City. The family farmed south of Kanorado. In 1991, they moved to Goodland.

Mrs. Enfield was a member of the Burlington Bethel Assembly Church and enjoyed gardening, interior decorating and clothes designing. She was a Sunday school teacher and loved to sing and listen to music.

Preceding her in death were her parents and a sister, Murveen Gilbert.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Brent (Tony) Enfield of Derby; a daughter, Valorie Enfield of Burlington; two grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services were at 10 a.m. Monday, April 21, 2003, at the Bateman Funeral Home in Goodland. The Rev. Mark Vanderput of Minnesota officiated. Burial followed in the Goodland Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to "Operation Blessing" at CBN, 977 Centerville Turnpike, Virginia Beach, Va. 23463 or in care of the funeral home at Box 278, Goodland, Kan. 67735.



Cooper

Goodland needed more houses for railroad employees

By Evelyn Ward

Sherman County Historical Society **April 25, 1903:** Business Men to Relieve Sore Need of Houses for Railroad Men — Goodland is to have more houses and more people.

The citizens of the town are going to furnish the first and the Rock Island Railroad company the second.

That was the understanding of all the businessmen of Goodland and the officials of the Rock Island of this division at a meeting in the Leonard Real Estate office.

The railroad has found it very difficult to maintain the necessary force of men because of the sore need of houses and accommodations for the employees. Mr. Abbott

today in history

of the Rock Island stated that "we have to turn work away at this point, continually on account of this shortage as employees become discouraged and leave the service at this point, which if was done here would help the town and add to the business revenues."

Millisack, Ennis, Calvert, Murphy, Leonard and many others responded with their views on the question.

To facilitate matters and to bring the purpose of the meeting to working order, a commercial club was organized to arrange funding and its

disbursement, and it is expected that Goodland will soon go on a building enterprise of no means proportions.

Everyone has felt for a long time that something must be done to relieve this stress in the residence portion of the city, and it looks now as though the question is to be solved.

The houses will have to be put up by individuals, but since rent is so high and the probability of continual occupancy so probable, the investment would seem to be somewhat inviting.

Goodland Police

The following crimes have been reported to the Goodland Police Department:

April 6 — Safari Steakhouse, Samuel Mitchek and Nathaniel Jenkins reported battery, criminal damage and disorderly conduct. A glass window and a door, total value of \$500, were damaged at 1523 Arcade.

Erica L. Austin and Lumont Medrano reported battery, disorderly conduct and drug possession at 16th and Broadway. Charges are pending for possession of drug paraphernalia.

April 7 — Fred Studer reported the theft of \$30 worth of firewood

at 408 W. Hwy. 24.

Paul Trowbridge reported a burglary and the theft of two speakers, a jacket and a sweatshirt, total value of \$160, from a vehicle at 509 Caldwell.

April 8 — Miller's Electronics reported the theft of two radio shack speakers, with a value of \$8, at 616 W. Hwy. 24.

April 9 — Mark Pianalto and Michael W. Williams were arrested at 1415 Broadway for the theft of a \$1,000 computer from the school district. The computer was recovered.

Mark E. Pianalto and Michael W. Williams were arrested for possession of marijuana within 1,000 feet

was hit by an unknown vehicle at 2325 Enterprise Rd.

April 8 — Darla Wolcott reported her 2001 Dodge was hit in the back right corner while parked at an unknown location.

April 9 — Curtis G. Flax failed to stop his 1998 Ford pickup at the intersection of 11th and Kansas and hit the driver's side of a 1993 Chevy driven by Robert L. Reed.

Randall O. Tupper was backing a 1997 GMC out of a parking space at Wal-Mart and hit the rear passenger door of a 1997 Buick driven by Norma J. Petty, who was also backing out of a parking space.

April 12 — Loraine M. Albers was backing a 1999 Ford out of the driveway at 304 W. Ninth and hit a parked 2002 Oldsmobile owned by James R. Stewart in the 300 block of W. Ninth.

April 18 — An unknown vehicle hit a parked 1994 Isuzu owned by Deloris G. Spiker at Wal-Mart.

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