

# Turkey won't be only thing stuffed on Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a few days away, and we certainly hope all of you enjoyed (and maybe still are enjoying) the turkey and trimmings.

The most often used phrase then, will be "Why on earth did I eat so much?!" It seems we are slow learners on that subject, and so the turkey isn't the only thing that gets stuffed.

But, the full feeling passes, and we can return to normal eating habits. And by Christmas, we should have forgotten all the resolutions from that dinner and be able to over-



## sally michael

• brewster beacon

eat once again.

Got a nice birthday call from my sister earlier today, and having her strong enough to sing "Happy Birthday" is a gift in itself. It's just been a little over a week since Roger

Bernice Holiman, passed away in Goodland on the 17th. She had been a resident at the Good Samaritan Center for most of this last year. Our condolences to the family on their loss.

and I visited her in the Hays hospital, and she has come a long way since then, believe me.

We were sorry to hear that former resident,

On Wednesday, the 18th, Curtis Musil was killed in an accident south of town, and this was also a shock to everyone. His funeral was on Saturday, Nov. 22, with burial in the Brewster Cemetery. We want Maurita to know that our sympathy is with her, as well as with Curt's daughters and their families.

Speaking earlier of birthday calls, I received one from a good friend, Kit Boudreau of Goodland, and she sounded so much stronger than the last time we talked. While we visited, Kit mentioned that she

will be spending the winter at Wheatridge Acres, and hopes to see her Brewster friends while she is there.

If you haven't stopped in the Craft Peddler, you are in for a treat when you do. Carolyn Richards and the ladies who work there have incorporated so much into that store. I don't want to say "crowded" because everything is displayed in a neat manner, and the ideas they can help you with are unlimited.

If there happens to be something that you are working with that you

need materials for, I will bet if Carolyn doesn't have it on hand, she would be able to get it for you. So, be sure to stop in and see the amazing items on hand.

There are some cards on hand at the Senior Center for all to stop in and write a short note or just sign for the service people who are on active duty. I have plenty of room for more names, and you definitely don't have to be a senior citizen to send your regards. It would be nice to have these kids know that they are thought about and appreciated.

# For the Cheese Board, '60s-style collectivism has worked

The Cheese Board first opened in 1967 in Berkeley, a product of that period in time.

Not only has the Cheese Board survived, but it has also expanded to include a cheese shop, bakery and pizzeria. True to the spirit of collectivism, every member is paid the same hourly wage with no formal hierarchy and has an equal vote in major decisions. The cookbook "The Cheese Board Collective Works" by the Cheese Board Collective is a result of that collaboration.

**Pecan Pear Muffins**  
Preparation time, including baking, is 45 minutes

1 egg



## pat schiefen

• postscript

1 egg yolk  
1/2 cup buttermilk  
1 cup sour cream or plain yogurt  
1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract  
2 1/4 cups unbleached flour  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/4 cup packed light brown sugar

1/2 cup (1 stick) cold unsalted butter, cut into 1 inch cubes  
1 cup diced dried pears  
1/3 cup coarsely chopped pecans  
Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Generously grease top and cups of a 12 cup muffin pan.

Whisk together in a medium bowl egg, egg yolk, buttermilk, sour cream and vanilla. Sift flour, baking soda and baking powder together into a large bowl. Add salt and sugar to the dry ingredients and stir with a wooden spoon until combined. Cut in butter until it is the size

of small peas. Mix in pears and pecans. Make a well in the center and pour in wet ingredients. Gently mix taking care to not overmix with a few strokes of the spoon.

Fill muffin cups until batter just peeks over top of the pan. Bake in the middle rack of the oven for 25 to 30 minutes until muffins are golden brown, firm and springy. Let cool in the pan for 10 minutes and out of the pan on a wire rack.

Makes 12 muffins.  
**Gingerbread**  
Preparation time, including baking, 1 1/4 hours  
1/2 cup (4 ounces) firmly packed candied ginger  
1/2 cup plus 3/4 cup sugar

2 eggs  
1 1/4 cups safflower or canola oil  
1 cup dark unsulfured molasses  
3 1/4 cups unbleached flour  
3/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon dry mustard  
1 teaspoon ground ginger  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
3/4 teaspoon salt  
1 1/2 teaspoon pepper  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease well 5 small (5 x 3) loaf pans.

Process candied ginger and 1/2 cup sugar in a food processor until ginger is finely chopped and incorporated into the sugar, about 1 minute. Set aside.

In a medium bowl, combine eggs,

oil and molasses. In a large bowl, sift together flour, baking soda, mustard, ginger and cinnamon. Add salt, pepper, 3/4 cup sugar and ginger sugar to the dry ingredients and stir with a wooden spoon. Pour in the wet ingredients in a well in the center. Gently combine with a few strokes of a spoon.

Pour batter into pans. Place pans on the middle rack of the oven. Bake for 35 minutes. Rotate pans front to back and exchange positions of pans. Bake 10 minutes longer until loaves are firm and springy. Cool in the pans on a wire rack for 10 minutes, unmold and cool completely.

Makes 5 small loaves.

# St. Francis seniors enjoy 'earthquake' cake

Violet Cranmer brought a cake to the last birthday party at the St. Francis Senior Center. The "Chocolate Earthquake" cake was moist and made its own frosting.

"It is an easy cake to make and take," she said.

What made this cake special was she made it from a recipe from the *American Profile* magazine which is inserted in this newspaper each week.

"I always like reading the magazine and have cut out and made several of the recipes," Mrs. Cranmer said.

In case someone missed this

recipe, it is printed below:

**Chocolate Earthquake Cake**  
1 box German chocolate cake mix

1-3.5-ounce can sweetened flaked coconut  
1 cup chopped nuts  
1/4 cup margarine  
8 ounces cream cheese, softened  
1-16-ounce box powdered sugar  
Prepare cake batter according to package instruction. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Grease a 9-by-12-inch baking pan. Cover the bottom of the pan with the nuts and coconut. Pour cake batter on top.

Melt margarine in a bowl. Add the cream cheese and powdered sugar. Stir to blend. Spoon over unbaked batter and bake for 40 to 42 minutes.

You can't test for doneness with this sticky cake. The icing sinks to the bottom while baking and makes a gooey white ribbon throughout.

**Tips from the test kitchen**  
This messy cake is great to make with children. They can learn baking and measuring basics without worrying about presentation.

Try serving the dessert in a bowl with chocolate chips and whipped cream.

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SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS			
2003 mill levies by taxing unit--All levies listed below are taxes per \$1000 valuation			
Add the mill levies for each taxing district located within your tax unit to obtain the total levy for your tax unit. Tax units are indicated on your tax statement.			
TAX UNIT	2002 LEVY	2003 LEVY	DIFFERENCE
001-GOODLAND CITY-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, Goodland City)	141.502	146.124	+ 4.622
002-KANORADO CITY-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, Kanorado City, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	154.302	168.803	+ 14.501
040-GRANT TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD#1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
110-IOWA TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
111-IOWA TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #314, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	93.571	103.877	+ 10.306
112-IOWA TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #314, LCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	92.554	100.032	+ 7.478
080-ITASCA TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
060-LINCOLN TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
010-LLANOS TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.842	+ 7.966
011-LLANOS TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #314, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	93.571	104.528	+ 10.957
070-LOGAN TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
071-LOGAN TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
130-MCPHERSON TWP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	104.525	+ 9.649
020-SHERMANVILLE TWP.-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
021-SHERMANVILLE TWP.-(State, County, U.S.D. #314, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	93.571	103.877	+ 10.306
120-SMOKY TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
050-STATELINE TWP.-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.656	+ 7.780
100-UNION TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
101-UNION TOWNSHIP-(State, County, U.S.D. #314, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	93.571	103.877	+ 10.306
030-VOLTAIRE TWP.-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	102.191	+ 7.315
090-WASHINGTON TWP.-(State, County, U.S.D. #352, SCRFD #1, Reg. Library)	94.876	104.123	+ 9.247
EXAMPLE: Taxing Unit 001 is Goodland City			
STATE LEVY	1.500		
COUNTY LEVY	58.673		
U.S.D. #352	35.889		
GOODLAND CITY	50.062		
TOTAL	146.124		
			For individual taxing district levies, see other side of sheet.

NOTE: FOR 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, AND 2003, SB41 ALLOWS FOR AN EXEMPTION OF \$20,000 ON THE MARKET VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. THIS EXEMPTION ONLY APPLIES TO THE 20.000 MILLS ON THE GENERAL LEVY FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

TAX LEVIES -- 2003 -- SHERMAN COUNTY			
Total County Valuation - \$ 55,904,885 - Rate on each \$1000 Valuation			
DISTRICT	2002 LEVY	2003 LEVY	DIFFERENCE
STATE:	1.500	1.500	.000
COUNTY:	51.503	58.673	+ 7.170
CITIES:			
GOODLAND	49.985	50.062	+ .077
KANORADO	59.426	66.147	+ 6.721
TOWNSHIPS:			
LLANOS	.000	.651	+ .651
MCPHERSON	.000	2.334	+ 2.334
STATELINE	.000	.465	+ .465
WASHINGTON	.000	1.932	+ 1.932
SCHOOLS:			
U.S.D. #352	38.514	35.889	- 2.625
U.S.D. #314	37.209	37.575	+ .366
FIRE DISTRICTS:			
SHERMAN CO. RFD#1	2.513	5.164	+ 2.651
LOGAN CO. RFD#1	1.496	1.319	-.177
LIBRARIES:			
N.W. KS. REGIONAL	.846	.965	+ .119
STATE AND COUNTY VALUATION	\$ 55,904,885		
STATE LEVIES: (ST100)	PER K.S.A.	LEVY	
State General Fund		.600	
Educational Building	76-6001	.600	
State Institutional Building	76-6004	.300	
TOTAL		1.500	
COUNTY LEVIES: (CO200)	PER K.S.A.	LEVY	
General	79-1946	13.850	
Road and Bridge	79-1946	15.286	
Noxious Weed	2-1318	.786	
County Health	65-204	.471	
Conservation District	2-1907b	.304	
Extension	2-610	1.744	
Election	25-2201a	.294	
Historical Society	19-2651	.200	
Appraiser's Cost	19-436	1.856	
Program for the Elderly	12-1680	.918	
Free Fair	2-132	.407	
Soldier's Memorial Park	19-2803e	.394	
Cemetery	19-3105	.775	
City-County Recreation	19-2803e	.500	
Library	12-1230	.238	
County Hospital Maintenance	19-4606	4.155	
Tort Liability	75-6101	.061	
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	14.057	
Community College Tuition	71-301	.561	
Bond & Interest	10-113	1.816	
TOTAL		58.673	
CITIES:			
GOODLAND (CO01) Valuation \$ 23,283,947	PER K.S.A.	LEVY	
General	12-101a	21.387	
Bond and Interest	10-113	5.361	
Library	12-1230	4.225	
Employee Benefits-City	12-16,102	18.718	
Employee Benefits-Library	12-16,102	.371	
TOTAL		50.062	
KANORADO (CO02) Valuation \$ 511,744	PER K.S.A.	LEVY	
General	12-101a	50.715	
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	15.432	
TOTAL		66.147	
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS:			
U.S.D. #352 (SD352) Valuation \$ 52,830,482	PER K.S.A.	LEVY	
General	72-6431	20.000	
Supplemental General	72-6435	11.889	
Capital Outlay	72-8801	4.000	
TOTAL		35.889	
U.S.D. #314 (SD314TH) Valuation \$ 3,074,403	PER K.S.A.	LEVY	
General	72-6431	20.000	
Supplemental General	72-6435	12.573	
Capital Outlay	72-8801	4.000	
Recreation	12-1927	1.002	
TOTAL		37.575	
FIRE DISTRICTS:			
SHERMAN COUNTY	PER K.S.A.	LEVY	
RURAL FIRE #1 (FO17) Valuation \$ 32,604,016			
General	19-3610	5.164	
LOGAN COUNTY			
RURAL FIRE #1 (FO16LG) Valuation \$ 16,922			
General	19-3610	1.319	
LIBRARIES:			
NORTHWEST KANSAS	PER K.S.A.	LEVY	
REGIONAL (RL018NT) Valuation \$ 32,620,938			
General	79-1952 et seq.	.944	
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	.021	
TOTAL		.965	
TOWNSHIPS:			
LLANOS (Gen. Fund) 79-1962 Val. \$1,599,339		.651	
MCPHERSON (Gen. Fund) 79-1962 Val. \$1,499,559		2.334	
STATELINE (Gen. Fund) 79-1962 Val. \$2,582,484		.465	
WASHINGTON (Gen. Fund) 79-1962 Val. \$1,553,040		1.932	
I, Janet R. Rumpel, Sherman County Clerk, do hereby certify that this levy sheet is a complete list of the 2003 tax levies on all tangible property in Sherman County, as well as the assessed valuation for each District. Copies of the budgets are available in my office.			
Janet R. Rumpel Sherman County Clerk			

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