riends

announcement

Goodland Regional Medical Center is not allowing any children 12 and under to visit patients at this time because of the flu epidemic. All visitors must report to the nurses' station prior to visiting any patient. Hospital officials encourage everyone not having a need to make visits at this time to postpone their visits.

Hospital officials want to do their best to protect patients who do not already have the flu, as well as those who come into the medical center, and would appreciate everyone's cooperation.

birthday

Falster (E.F.) Johnson will be celebrating his 90th birthday Thursday, Jan. 1, 2004. Send him cards at 521 W. Eighth Apt 5, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

patient news

Eugene Elliott is in the hospital for cancer treatments. Send cards to him at Hays Medical Center, Room 324, 2220 Canterbury Dr., Hays, Kan. 67601.

Jan Zwetzig, columnist for *The* Goodland Star-News, arrived home Wednesday evening after two months of recuperating from an injury. Send cards and news to her at 416E. 10th, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

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. Sat**urday** 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. The Goodland Public Library will have story time for 4 and 5year-olds from **10-10:45 a.m.** Wednesdays and from 11-11:45 a.m. Thursdays. Story time for 3year-olds will be from **10-10:45** a.m. Thursdays. Born to Read for children birth to age 3 will be at **10** a.m. Fridays.

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 - 7:30 a.m.

the calendar

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The Sherman Theatre will be having holiday matinees at 1:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" will be shown this weekend. It is rated PG.

The Goodland Public Library will be offering the "Food for Fines" program during December. Any patron with an outstanding fine may bring in food for Genesis in exchange for the fine. Genesis needs Jell-o, pudding, cake mixes, cereal, pancake mix, peanut butter and canned goods.

Grant Junior High is now selling candy at half price. Stop by the junior high office or call 899-7561

The Peer Counselors at Goodland High School are sponsoring a stuffed animal drive. The animals will go to Goodland Regional Medical Center for children who come into the hospital. Clean, new or used stuffed animals can be dropped off at First National Bank, People's State Bank, Bankwest of Kansas, Western State Bank and Goodland High School until Feb. 1.

The Northwest Kansas Tech**nical College** is having **winter** commencement at 1:30 p.m. today in the Memorial Union. Former Goodland resident Gary

Gordier will give the address.

Armory. Call Troy Mannis at 890-3380, Bob Juleson at 821-1207 or Mike Hopper at 899-5199 to pre-register by Friday. Students under 12 must be accompanied by an adult, and students must attend all four days. There is no charge.

The Goodland Public Library will be closed Wednesday and Thursday for Christmas. The library will close at 3 p.m. on New Year's Eve and will be closed on New Year's Day. The library will be open regular hours during the rest of December.

The Goodland After-5 Club, associated with the Christian Business and Professional Women, will have its "A New Story Begins" dinner party from 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at the Butterfly Café at Renner Field. The speaker will be Judy Anderson of Wichita, and Karen Gillihan of Goodland will give a special feature. There is a charge for the meal. Call Lori Titus at 899-3828 or Carol Tupper at 890-5955 for reservations.

Jodi Tubbs of the Kansas **Commission on Veterans Af**fairs will no be traveling during

December. The office in Colby Hunter education course will will be closed from Dec. 8-Jan. 5. be from 6-9 p.m. Saturday- Hernext visit to Goodland will be **Tuesday**, at the National Guard from **1-2:15 p.m. Thursday**, **Jan**. 15, in the Assembly Room on the third floor of the courthouse to help veterans and dependents with claims. If there is a situation that needs immediate attention, veterans may call the American Legion in Wichita at 800-827-1000, ext. 6814, or the Veterans of Foreign Wars at 800-827-1000, ext. 6801.

school activities

Friday: C, JV, V basketball 3:45 p.m. in Quinter.

Saturday: Holiday Classic Wrestling Tournament in the Max Jones Fieldhouse.

Monday-Friday, Dec. 26: No school. Christmas vacation. school menu

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seniorcentermenu

Monday: Pork patty sandwich, Italian vegetables, apricots, bun and cookie. Tuesday: Chicken fajita salad, Jell-o with strawberries and bananas, chips and peach upside down cake with topping. Wednesday: Cook's choice entrée, tater tots, orange/pineapple salad, blueberry muffins and cookie. Thursday and Fri-

Dec. 24.

seum 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 day.

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. Family planning clinic 2 p.m. Scheduled appointments. Tuesday: Scheduled appointments. Wednesday: Scheduled appointments. Thursday and Friday: Office closed for Christmas.

Infants' and children's immunizations, physicals, fasting blood sugar, cholesterol and hemoglobin, family planning and toenail clip-**Central Time** each evening from ping available by appointment.

Sharps containers are available free. 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.

hospital volunteers

Monday: Helen Hughes, courtesy, and N. Finley, a.m. **Tuesday:** Anita Coleman, a.m., and Beulah McClung, p.m. Friday: Carol Jolly,

alateen

A former Alateen member and an Al-Anon member have formed an Alateen support group that will meet from 6-7 p.m. on Mondays at 1275 W. Sixth in Colby. The group is for relatives and friends of alcoholics and is open to anyone 19 years old or under. Call 785-462-8152 or 462-6101.

preschool

Sherman County Head Start is a free preschool for eligible three and four year olds. The preschool is accepting applications for the 2003-04 school year. The federally funded program is targeted to families who meet certain economic guidelines and provides hearing, vision, dental and educational screenings. Nutritious meals are served, and parents are encouraged to get involved in their children's education

Families interested in having their child in the program should call Julie Dautel or Carrie Starns at 899-2552 or go to Sherman County Head Start, 823 W. 11th.

crimestoppers

If you have information about any crime, call the Goodland Area Crime Stoppers "Look Line" at 899-5665. Your call will be confidential and you will not be asked your name. If the information results in the arrest and/or conviction of those involved, you could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000. Goodland Area Crime Stoppers is a nonprofit organization formed by citizens against crime.

family shelter

The Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides services day or night to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Weekly support groups are available for women and children. For information or help, call (800) 794-4624.

obituary

Gloria Query

Gloria Lee Query, 60, Topeka, a Goodland native, died Sunday, Dec. 14, 2003, at Midland Hospice House.

She was born Oct. 20, 1943, in Goodland, the daughter of Ward O. and Muriel Mae McCall Bear. She formerly was married to Bryan L. Query of Albuquerque, N.M.

Query attended airline school and received medical training at Fort Hays State University. She was a skilled professional in many aspects of the medical field and worked for Dr. Nystrom and then Dr. Sampat for over 30 years.

She was a member of the Crestview United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, Brynt Query of Topeka; a daughter, Bryndalyn (Richard) Hines of Topeka; two sisters, Jani Hawks of Powder Springs, Ga., and Peggy Wicks of Colby; an aunt, Lora Lee Strain of Gardner; and a granddaughter.

Services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2003, at the church. Burial was at 3 p.m. Thursday at the Brewster Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Midland Hospice House, 200 SW Frazier Circle, Topeka, Kan. 66606 or to the American Lung Association, 4300 SW Drury Ln., Topeka, Kan. 66604.

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, Topeka, is in charge of the arrangements. On-line condolences can be sent to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

club news

The picnic planned for the month of September was blown out, but the Redwood Club made up for the fun missed by gathering at the Goodland Bible Church recreation room in October.

New member Evelyn Berry was the featured speaker of the day, as she displayed her hat collection, with each hat representing a portion of her life story.

Each member wore a hat and gave a brief history of it at roll call. Door prizes and refreshments were provided by the hostess, Kathryn Kuhlman.

The November meeting was held in the social room at Gambino's with Beulah McClung as the hostess. The special roll call was each member wearing her apron and telling a story about it.

Speaker Ruth Ross read "My Mother's Checkered Apron" and displayed a wonderful apron collection with stories to match.

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 or Linda at 399-2353. For Al-Anon, class is offered. Call 890-7242.

TOPS Meetings - Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 5:30 p.m. Myofascial Pain Support Group **Mondays** at North Elementary School. Weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

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

Alcoholics Anonymous S.O.S. Group meets at noon Tuesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. Wednesday and at 7 p.m. Friday at the First Christian Church, Eighth and Arcade. The group also meets at 7 p.m. Monday in the cafeteria in the basement at the Kit Carson County Hospital in Burlington. Call Pamela at 719-346-7711. Laura at 785-890-5417 or Dave at 890-2858.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday and Saturday at 1013 Center. Saturday is an open meeting with Al-Anon,

the same room. Al-Anon also meets at 8 p.m. on Monday in a different room. For Alcoholics Anonymous, call Rob at 890-3023 call Chervl at 890-3023.

Fibromyalgia and Chronic meets from **6:30-8:30 p.m. the** third Wednesday of every month in the Emergency Medical Services building, 257 15th St., in Burlington. Call Debbie at 719-346-4612.

Goodland Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) meets from 6:30-8 p.m. on the first Monday of the month at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 220 W. 13th.

area events

The Bird City Immanuel Lutheran Church will be decorating sidewalks around the church with luminaries for Christmas. Each luminary will have the name of a soldier killed in Iraq, and they will be displayed from **6-9 p.m.**

day: Closed for Christmas. aerobics classes are offered daily at families of alcoholics, meeting in **Thursday, Dec. 18-Wednesday**,

Admission to the Prairie Mu-

from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Central Time Monday-Friday and 1-5 p.m. Satur-

Sherman County's share of state taxes went up \$1,882

By Evelyn Ward

Sherman County Historical Society December 19, 1903: State Asks Taxes — The amount which Sherman county must raise as state tax for the tax year of 1903 is \$7,925, an increase over 1902 of \$1,882.

This is the result of an increased state levy by the state board of equalization, and it is estimated that it will bring a surplus of \$500,000 of idle money to lay in Topeka banks upon which State Treasurer Kelly, it is charged, will derive a handsome benefit from interest on the deposits.

But the estimate of the state treasurer and the auditor altered not, like the laws of Medes and Persians, and the counties will therefore have to touch the pockets of the people to the required amount.

The increase in this county from \$6,043 in 1902 to \$7,925 in 1903, is certainly no small item, and at once surrounds itself with interrogation. The total valuation of taxable property in Sherman county is \$2,545,815, and with a levy of six mills in this county to raise, if all collected, \$9,274.

The county treasurer has already sent in \$4,500 of state taxes. There

today in history

Sherman County for \$7,925 in is a surplus of \$1,500 state tax in the product to the highest point possible county treasury collected last year to sale and consumption, but the from property delinquent for taxes. capitalists who are controlling the ing The Mail — William Jupe, for nine years the carrier of the mails and are placing no self limitation between the depot and the post office at this place without missing a rights and welfare of the great mass train, has surrendered his contract of people. to the government because of the niggardly amount he is paid for the service.

the trains and is paid the magnificent sum of \$10 a month. Mr. Jupe next month, the Kansas authorities will quit the work the first of the vear.

December 21,1903: Enforcement Of Anti Trust Law Against Packing Houses — Gov. Bailey Says It is Time for Beef Trust Investigation — Cattlemen at Mercy of Combination That Fixes Both the Buying and Selling Price — That the greed of the beef trust is slowly but surely forcing itself upon the public indulgence to an extent where reaction and remedial measures will be put in motion seems almost certain.

It is always the intention of combinations to force the price of their



December 20, 1903: Quit Carry- cattle market have apparently forgot the principle they started with upon their actions touching the

If the decision of the Kansas supreme court upholding the validity of the antitrust law enacted by the He has to make six trips daily to legislature of 1899 is sustained by the United States Supreme court will use the law as a wedge for prying into the affairs of the alleged packing house trust.

> Gov. Bailey has received a number of complaints from Kansas cattlemen directed against the way they have been handled by the packing house combination.

The governor has always been an extensive cattle feeder, but on his

farm in Nemaha county he has only 100 head of cattle fattened this winter. He has no hope for the future of the cattle industry in Kansas unless some means can be found breaking the combination among the packing houses.

December 22, 1903: Engine 666 Broke Record — The run made by engine 666, Engineer George Fuller, from Limon to Goodland, a distance of 107 miles, broke all previous records when that engine pulled passenger train No. 42 into Goodland on schedule time, having made up 45 minutes and covering the 107 miles in 105 minutes.

From Genoa to Goodland, 97 miles, the speed averaged something more than a mile a minute.

"It is not necessary to say that I did any exceptional engineering in breaking the record with this 'greyhound," said Engineer Fuller, "The speed is in her, that's all, and she is capable of striking a gait somewhere around the one hundred mile mark.

MEMBER

When I hooked on to the train, it was 45 minutes late, and we rolled into Goodland on time. That's clipping off every mile one fourth faster than the schedule time."

This engine was brought out here two weeks ago to test its speed on a long level run. It is built more for speed than heavy draft work, the spokes in the drive wheels being much more reduced in size in comparison with other locomotives, and of steel.

The flanges are very thin, and the gear of the drivers with the steam chest very high.

Hence it follows that while the 666 can develop remarkable speed made the 2004 officers Elaine when not overloaded or climbing grades, it can be used with economy in a level country and given medium draft.

From weekly issues of The Goodland News, provided by the Sherman County Historical Society. Since the paper was published weekly, some items were arbitrarily assigned a date.

She presented each member with a gingerbread lady in an apron magnet.

Her door prizes were dough ladies with aprons, which was a great follow-up of Gertrude Carroll's humorous recitation, "The Demise of the Pillsbury Dough Boy."

The club voted to present \$25 to the Good Samaritan Center van fund in honor of member Eva Briney, who is a resident of the home.

A letter from former member Martha Helms, written to Naomi Wade, was read to the group.

A motion and unanimous vote Schwendener, president; Arleta Musil, vice president; Phyllis Daniels, treasurer; and Loraine Fenner, secretary.

A total of \$45 and food items were collected for Genesis.

The next meeting will be the annual Christmas lunch on Thursday, Dec. 18, with a gift exchange and stories told of Christmas time.

We will be closing our lobby and drive-up at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, December 24.

Merry Christmas from **First National Bank**



Bird City, Colby, Goodland, Kirk, Oberlin, Quinter, FDIC Sharon Springs & St. Francis

