

birthday

Dixie L. Chatfield will celebrate her 80th birthday with an open house from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 19, 2007, at the Sherman County Good Samaritan Center.

activities

Tours of the 1907 Victorian House at 202 W. 13th are from 1 to 5 p.m. **Wednesday through Monday.**

The **High Plains Museum**, 1717 Cherry Ave., is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.** A temporary exhibit of women's hats is on display.

The **Carnegie Arts Center** is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Tuesday through Friday and from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday** at 120 W. 12th. Butterfly paintings by Marlene Carpenter of Colby will be displayed in May.

The **Goodland Public Library** holding **story hour** for 4 and 5-year-olds at 10 a.m. **Wednesdays** and 3 and 4-year-olds **Thursdays, both from 10 to 11 a.m. Born to Read** for children birth to age 3, accompanied by an adult, will be 10 to 10:30 a.m. **Fridays.** Marcy Melia, children's librarian, is in charge of story hour and can be reached at 899-5461.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Sherman County is seeking mentors and children to mentor. Call 890-3665.

Goodland Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. the first **Monday of the month** at the First Christian Church, Eighth and Arcade.

Diabetes Support Group meets at 4 p.m. the last **Tuesday** of each month in the large board room at Goodland Regional Medical Center. Patients, family and friends meet each month for a speaker and educational program. Call Sarah Linton at 890-6044.

Breast Cancer Support Group meets at 5 p.m. the first **Monday** of the month in the dome at Howard Johnson's. Any woman with cancer is welcome. Call Cheryl at 890-5528.

Emotions Anonymous meets at 7:30 p.m. **Wednesdays** at the Goodland Regional Medical Center board room.

Aerobics Classes - 5:30 and 7:30 a.m. aerobics classes are offered **Monday, Wednesday and Friday** at the Goodland Activities Center. Yoga is offered at **8:30 a.m. Wednesday.** Call 890-7242.

TOPS Meetings - Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 5:30 p.m. **Tuesdays** at North Elementary School. Weigh-ins at 5 p.m. A new group may be started and meet at a different time. Call Norma Mullen, area captain, at (785) 689-4362.

Alcoholics Anonymous S.O.S. Group holds open meetings at 7 p.m. **Monday** at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Seventh and Senter, Burlington. Call Pamela at 719-346-7711 or Dave at 890-2858.

Goodland Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. **Monday,** a closed meeting with Al-Anon, **Wednesday,** the book meeting, and **Saturday,** an open meeting, at 1013 Center. For Alcoholics Anonymous, call Rob at 890-3023 or Linda at 399-2353. For Al-Anon, call Cheryl at 890-3023.

The "Freedom Today" group of **Narcotics Anonymous** meets at 8 p.m. **Tuesdays and 7 p.m. Saturdays** at the Goodland Elks Lodge. Call 890-8369.

Fibromyalgia and Chronic Myofascial Pain Support Group meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. the **third Wednesday** of every month in the Emergency Medical Services

the calendar

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The **American Red Cross** will hold a **blood drive** from **noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday** at the First United Methodist Church, 12th and Sherman. Call (800) GIVE LIFE to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins also welcome.

Jodi Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in Goodland from **1 to 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. Tubbs will be in Goodland on the first and third Thursday of each month.

A **lifeguard training class** will be from **5 to 8 p.m. Friday** and from **9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday** at the Howard Johnson Hotel pool. The class is open to anyone 15 or older and includes the updated lifeguard training and first aid class as well as Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Automated External Defibrillator training. There is a charge for the course. Call Lulu Jones at (719) 346-4684 or Larissa Coon at (785) 890-7433 to register or to set up a

time to challenge any of these courses to re-certify.

Prairie Land Food (formerly SHARE) sign up for the June distribution of food will be until Monday, June 11, at the Sherman County Health Department. **Pick up** will be from **10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday** at the Goodland Elks Lodge for the May distribution. Anyone who wants to see what is in the packages can stop in.

The **First Baptist Church** will have **children's and adults' services at 9:30 and regular church services at 10:30 a.m. Sundays at Bateman Funeral Home**, 11th and Broadway, while moving from Fifth and Center to 12th and Main.

school menu

Wednesday: Hoagie sandwich, lettuce, pickle, tomato, french fries, baked beans, Jell-o with fruit and milk. **Thursday:** Burrito, lettuce, cheese, refried beans, peaches and milk. **Friday:** Corn dog, tri-tator, pickle spear, half orange and milk.

school calendar

Today: Gold day. Varsity baseball-regional tournament. Varsity softball-regional tournament. Retiree reception 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Black day. Last day of school for seniors. Varsity baseball-regional tournament. Varsity softball-regional tournament.

Thursday: Gold day. Varsity baseball-regional. Varsity softball-regional. Northwest Kansas Technical College graduation practice 1:15 p.m. X-Presso Guest Night 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Friday: Black day. Northwest Kansas Technical College graduation 1 p.m. in the Max Jones Fieldhouse. Right Combination Dance Studio 1 p.m. in the auditorium. Varsity track 2 p.m.-regional track meet at Clearwater.

Saturday: Baccalaureate 11 a.m. in the high school auditorium. Goodland High School graduation 2 p.m. Right Combination Dance Studio 4 p.m.

seniorcenter menu

Wednesday: Tuna salad sandwich, vegetable soup, mandarin oranges, bread and crackers and cookie. **Thursday:** Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, pears, bread and birthday cake. **Friday:** Chicken and vegetable casserole, fruit cup No. 1, biscuits and pudding.

building, 257 15th St., in Burlington. Call Debbie at 719-346-4612.

area events

Admission to the **Prairie Museum of Art and History** will be free from **noon to 4 p.m. Mountain Time Sundays** at 1905 S. Franklin in Colby. The museum is also open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time Monday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday.

health department

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

Wednesday: WIC in Colby. Scheduled appointments. **Thursday:** WIC in Colby. Scheduled appointments. **Friday:** Scheduled appointments.

Benefits for Seniors, including Medicare and application for Patients Assistance Drug Program. Blood pressures; infants', children's and adult's immunizations; health assessments for Kan Be Healthy, daycare and school entry; fasting blood sugar and hemoglobin; family planning; and toenail clipping available by appointment. Sharps containers are available free. Call 890-4888.

If you have questions, concerns or complaints about child care, call the health department.

Water Testing — The Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group does well evaluations, including testing for bacteria and nitrates. To schedule an evaluation or discuss environmental concerns, call the Health Department at 890-4888.

hospital volunteers

Gift shop hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; a.m. and p.m. volunteers are in the gift shop.

Wednesday: Shirley Hayden, a.m.; Shelby Miller, p.m.; and Mazie Sutton, courtesy. **Thursday:** Jessie Owens, a.m.; Jan Lambert, p.m.; and Emma VanVleet, courtesy. **Friday:** Fern Hawks, a.m., and Sutton, courtesy.

cell phone drive

Save a Life-Give a Phone collects used cell phones and refurbishes

them to provide 911 access for domestic violence victims locally and nationwide, including all YWCA Domestic Violence Shelters. Phones are also provided to the elderly and others in need of an emergency cell phone. The group has a drop-off point at American Communications, 726 W. Business U.S. 24. Call Jeannie Topliff at 899-2426 or Candice at 866-448-2366.

thrift store

Anyone wanting to donate to the Goodland Churches Thrift Shop should call 899-2007 to arrange to meet by the door in the alley and take donations directly from the car to the warehouse.

The store needs zippered bags like those bedding and curtains are sold in, seal-a-meal bags or any bags that can be heat-sealed, and jewelry gift boxes.

alateen

A former Alateen member and an Al-Anon member have formed an Alateen support group that will meet from 6 to 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.

tiny-k

Tiny-k Early Intervention Services, formerly the Early Intervention Networks, promotes development among infants and toddlers with special needs. The Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center in Oakley provides these services free of charge to children in this area.

Services include speech, developmental, vision and hearing screenings to all children and physical/occupational therapy and developmental training to children who qualify. Call 785-672-3125, ext. 115.

preschool

Sherman County Head Start is a free preschool for eligible 3 and 4 year olds. 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 in Hays has changed its name to Northwest Kansas Domestic and Sexual Violence Services and provides help day or night to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Weekly support groups are available in Hays. **Support group for women's** domestic violence victims/survivors is from **3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Central Time on Wednesdays;** a **men's** domestic violence victims/survivors support group from **noon to 1 p.m. Central Time Tuesdays;** and a **youth support group is available by appointment.** A sexual violence victims/survivors support group in Hays and a domestic violence support group to meet in Colby are being formed. If interested in joining or for information or help, call (800) 794-4624. For time and location of youth support group, ask for Donna Munsch.

tree donations

Many trees at the Goodland Cemetery have died and the cemetery board is trying to replace them. Contributions for the Goodland Cemetery Memorial Tree Fund can be left at Koons or Bateman funeral homes or sent to the Goodland Cemetery Board, Box 59, Goodland, Kan. 67735. Donations may be made in memory of a loved one.

obituary

Martha Louise Thorpe

Martha Louise Thorpe, 70, Hoxie, formerly of Goodland, died Saturday, May 12, 2007, at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb.

She was born June 25, 1936, at Sikeston, Mo., the daughter of Raymond and Ruby (Fitzpatrick) Hargrave. She married Dwight "Bud" Perrey. They divorced, and she married Dr. Raymond Thorpe on Sept. 15, 1975, at Salina. She moved to Hoxie and helped him at his chiropractic clinic until her death.

Survivors include her husband; her step-father, Ben Middleton of Booneville, Miss.; a son, Dr.

Dwight Perrey Jr. of Chattanooga, Tenn.; a brother, Raymond Hargrave of Watauga, Texas; and a sister, Patricia Hamblin of Booneville.

Services will be at 9 a.m. (Mountain Time) Wednesday, May 16, 2007, at the Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home in Hoxie, with burial in the Hoxie Cemetery.

Visitation was scheduled from noon to 7 p.m. Monday and from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Greensburg Tornado Fund in care of the funeral home, 1024 Sheridan Ave., Hoxie, Kan. 67740.

lincoln larks news

"Liquid Assets: The value of fluids to your health" was the lesson given at noon Thursday, May 3, in the assembly room at the courthouse.

Three Lincoln Larks Family, Community and Education Club members and two others, along with presenter Melinda Daily, were treated to pizza and bread sticks. Everyone drank water.

Melinda gave the lesson on the importance of water to your body. What is:

- The most abundant compound in your body?
- Utilized by every system in your body?
- The most important nutrient?

The correct answer to all is "water." You should drink six to eight glasses of water a day, 8 ounces in each glass.

Bottled water is the fastest growing drink choice in the United States. Bottled water contains no caffeine, no calories and no sugar. It is convenient to carry and has a better taste than tap water because of the blend of minerals and method of processing.

Beware: Bottled water is more expensive than tap water.

In closing, Melinda told the group, remember the greatest assets you have at your disposal are liquid

assets. Plenty of water and nutritious fluids, consistent deposits of liquid assets, can contribute to large dividends of good health.

The Lincoln Larks made plans to attend recognition days at Bird City.

Recognition Days

Colleen Duell, Nila Been and Arbutus Topliff attended recognition days at Bird City Wednesday, May 9.

The morning opened with a snack bar and then moved to the sanctuary for welcome awards and introductions. A salad luncheon was provided.

For the main program, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dorsch of Bird City showed and talked about their quilts.

They had several quilts from 1870, like the log cabin, grandmother's garden and crazy piece quilts. Many were sewn together by hand and beautifully hand-quilted. Mr. Dorsch also showed his satin baby quilt.

The couple have gone to sales, antique shops and had several quilts given to them. Many were family heirlooms. It was an interesting show. Door prizes were flowers used on the luncheon tables.

It was moved to adjourn to meet in Hoxie in 2008.

Submitted by Arbutus Topliff.

Visitor asks city to lower brick price

By Tom Betz

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A visitor asked the Goodland City Commission on Monday to consider lowering the price of used paver bricks ripped out of streets, and the commissioners said they would think it over but did not change the price.

Kevin Hall, owner of Moonlight Entertainment, said he felt 25 cents a piece was a little expensive as they are now.

"You have to dig through the dirt to get what you want," Hall said. "I think it would be better to lower the price. I think you would move a lot more if the price was about 20 cents."

City Manager Wayne Hill said the commission had agreed to discount the price to 17 cents for someone who wanted to buy 100,000 bricks.

Hall said it would be great to buy the bricks by the semi load.

City Commissioner Josh Dechant asked Hill how many calls the city receives about buying brick.

"We have calls every day for bricks," Hill replied.

Hall said the piled brick was more like dirt than bricks right now.

Hill said the company that bought the 100,000 bricks hand stacked them and it took four days.

Commissioner Dave Daniels said he wondered how those who had

already bought bricks at the current price would feel about lowering it.

"Have we got a lot of bricks?" asked Commissioner Annette Fairbanks.

Darin Neufeld, engineer from Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates, who is handling the city street projects, said it is a large pile. He said there were about 60,000 in each of the eight intersections the city replaced, plus the two full blocks of bricks from the 17th Street project.

"We would be glad to buy more at 20 cents," Hall said.

Daniels said the commission could look at the number of requests and consider a suggestion from Hill to create a sliding scale, depending on the number of bricks purchased.

"We could crush the bricks and spread them in the alleys," said Rich Simon, public works director, "if you are going to give them away."

Dechant asked Hall how many bricks he wanted.

"We need 5,000 now and another 5,000 in a couple of weeks," Hall said.

Hill said the city has more bricks, and that when the best one are gone, there will be plenty to crush up for use in the alleys.

"We have sold a lot at 25 cents each," Hill said, "and we have a lot of calls."

Shine on Sherman plans forum Monday, June 4

By Sharon Corcoran

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The Sherman County Convention and Visitors Bureau voted Tuesday to spend \$40 on an American flag to help with Shine on Sherman County's efforts to beautify Goodland with flags downtown on holidays.

Action teams will report to the

community at a Shine on Sherman County forum from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Monday, June 4, said Director Donna Price, giving people a snapshot of who they are and what they have been doing. A roundtable forum will allow people to ask questions.

Among the committees, Price said, are health, government ser-

vices, youth groups and community beautification.

The youth groups are planning a skate park, she said, and the beautification committee wants to get American flags to put up on Main Street.

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