

Genesis gains new leadership

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many others help put the Christmas boxes together.

Someone has to list all of the families that need help by number, not name, she said, and number the boxes to fill with food. The Christmas program is run in conjunction with the Kiwanis Toys for Tots program, she said. Toys are put into black bags so they can give them to the family at the same time as the food and the kids won't see them.

Most toys are donated, she said, but some people donate money to buy toys. Little kids usually get three gifts, she said, and older ones, up to age 13, at least one.

The biggest difference between Genesis and the Salvation Army, Mrs. Pfau said, is that Genesis can only help Sherman County families, while the Salvation Army can help people traveling through.

Both are supported by donations, though, she said. The Salvation Army gets its money from the volunteers ringing the bell at Christmas time and from those who respond to the flyers sent out in bank statements.

The agency gave money and 65 book bags to the Goodland schools this year, she said, and to the after-school program at Central Elementary.

Genesis donated school supplies, Mr. Pfau said; people bought them and put them in a bin at Wal-Mart. The store gave a sizable cash donation to Genesis last year, he said,

adding that he suspects the store also donated a lot of the supplies.

The organizations don't give out cash, Mrs. Pfau said. They pay a pharmacy for prescriptions, have an account for gas and pay for utilities directly to the city or the gas company.

There are limits on what they can pay, she said, which has been a problem when people wait too long to ask for help. Some wait until their utilities are disconnected to call, she said, and the organizations don't pay reconnect fees. The gas company, Aquila, can't, by law, shut off people's utilities during the winter when it's cold, she said, but as soon as it's warm, they can. Sometimes people wait, she said, and owe for several months, and Genesis can't pay that much.

The food bank is Genesis's main program, she said; people need food, and the need in Sherman County has been great.

"We have a well-stocked pantry," Mr. Pfau said. "When we run out of something, we put it in the church bulletins and people bring it in."

The Catholic Church collects paper goods and brings them in, Mrs. Pfau said, so Genesis can give paper towels, toilet paper and facial tissues in the grocery baskets.

Genesis is nondenominational, Mr. Pfau said, and people from all Goodland churches help. The group also manages distribution of government commodities, he said, with the Haydens as principle coordinators.



Mel and Linda Pfau

Food bank plans drive for Christmas baskets

The Genesis food bank has been collecting turkeys to give to families in need for Thanksgiving and will soon have a food drive for the Christmas baskets.

"We have about 40 turkeys already," said coordinator Linda Pfau, "and will buy hams as well."

The Sherman County 4-H clubs and the Boy Scouts will pick up food for the drive, she said. People can put their donations out on their porch by 9 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1,

and it will be picked up and sorted for delivery on the 15th.

Businesses can buy a box for a family, she said, and there will be a note with the food saying who donated it. For those who want to do that, she said, Genesis tells them how much it costs for a basket of whatever size family they want to help.

For anyone who needs help, she said, the Genesis Help Line is 890-2299.

Maintenance company steps into history

By SSgt. Mark W. Reasoner
Goodland Armory

The armories of the 170th Maintenance Company, Kansas Army National Guard, took another step into the history books in October.

The 170th, which deployed to the Middle East during the first Gulf War, has been notified that it has been scheduled for a tour in the Middle East in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom this fall.

What is new about this assignment is the fact that the unit will be one of the first to be trained under

the new Army Force Generation Model, which has been created to meet the needs and demands from the increased operations tempo of the on-going global war against terrorism.

In the past, units were mobilized for about three months of active-duty training conducted at a regular Army post before deployment overseas. The new model allows National Guard and Reserve units to train to meet deployment standards during normal drill weekends.

The 170th trained Oct. 16-18 at a

makeshift Forward Operating Base at Fort Riley.

If the training is properly documented and attended, the unit is validated for deployment overseas. This saves time, effort and resources and allows National Guard and Reserve soldiers to continue working for their employers until they leave.

The training at Fort Riley involved a Standard Rules of Engagement briefing by the state Judge Advocate General office, the Army Physical Fitness test, maintenance on the M2 .50-caliber machine-gun, MK-19 40mm grenade launcher, M249 squad automatic weapon, M16A2 rifle, Biometrics and M40 protective mask, Suicide Aware-

ness and Prevention, and General Orders 1 and 1B of the 1st Division, among other classes and subjects.

Representatives on hand for the training included Battalion Commander (and a former Commander of the 170th) Lt. Col. Tony Divish and Battalion Command Sgt. Major (and a former First Sergeant of the 170th) Manuel Rubio.

During the After Action Report for the weekend's activities, Lt. Col. Divish presented Sgt. Lyndon Ellis with a battalion coin for the highest score on the Army Physical Fitness Test from the company. The test is made up of three strength endurance tests: pushups, sit-ups and the two mile run. Sgt. Ellis earned a score of 299 out of a possible 300.

Goodland soldiers train for duty next year in Iraq

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duty for about three months of training at a regular Army post before going overseas. The new model allows units to train during normal drill weekends and their annual training at a regular Army post, now extended from two to three weeks.

The Army says the new system will help meet the needs and demands from the continuing war against terrorism, with American units in Iraq, Afghanistan, Europe, Korea and elsewhere.

Each unit is reviewed for accuracy and completion during the annual training period, Reasoner said. If the training is properly documented and attended, the unit is validated for deployment overseas.

The 170th comprises about 120 men and women under the command of 1st Lt. Wesley O. Topple. The unit, which has armories in Goodland, Colby, Russell and headquarters in Norton, last went to the Middle East during the first Gulf War.

The western Kansas soldiers trained Tuesday through Thursday, Oct. 16-18, at Fort Riley. Battalion, brigade and state headquarters staff kept a close eye on the soldiers' progress, Reasoner said.

The week included a briefing on Standard Rules of Engagement by the state Judge Advocate General's office, the Army Physical Fitness test, maintenance on major weapons, suicide awareness and prevention and General Orders 1 and 1B of the 1st Infantry Division, among other topics.

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Brewster All-Star Booster Club

Calendar for Nov. 13 - Nov. 19

Wednesday - 1 p.m., administrators meeting. 10 a.m., Western Kansas Liberty League vocal clinic at Sharon Springs. 6:30 p.m., concert.

Thursday - 3 p.m., junior high basketball preseason tournament.

Friday - High school football state playoffs. 10 a.m., junior high basketball preseason tournament.

Saturday - Buffer Week. Basketball officials clinic at Brewster

Monday - 2:30 p.m., high school scholars bowl at Grainfield. 7 p.m., board of education meeting.

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Wiring the new shop



Marty Johnson, owner of Marty's Electric, worked on the wiring in the expansion at Herl Chevrolet Buick the last week of October. Owner Jay Herl said the business will probably be using the new addition by January.

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Crossword Puzzle

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- CLUES ACROSS**
- Racing wheels
 - A domed or vaulted recess
 - Doctors' group
 - Alder genus
 - Small donkey
 - Sport Utility ____
 - Mayflower religion
 - Macao monetary unit
 - Language Arts Sites
 - Expressed pleasure
 - To thwart
 - Cracker
 - ____h Tzu: lion dog
 - Winged goddess of the dawn
 - Aglow
 - Powders
 - Santa ____: 92702
 - Marks with a pen
 - Best picture 1954
 - Arthur ____, Wimbledon champion
 - Defensive nuclear weapon
 - Any habitation at a high altitude
 - A Spanish river
 - ____bo: Latin dance
 - Master of Sacred Theology
 - Follower
 - Gets up from a prone position
 - Schussed
 - Wild ox of the Malay Archipelago
 - Come to pass
 - Lived in Damascus
 - Volcanic mountain in Japan
 - White person, Hawaiian slang
 - A light informal meal
 - Common skin cyst
 - French river
 - Song
- CLUES DOWN**
- Cellist Yo-Yo
 - Any high mountain
 - Large African antelope
 - Gruff and ill-humored
 - Diminishes
 - Word plays
 - ____ Lanka: Ceylon
 - US tax collector
 - Language of Mogadishu
 - A genus of Indriidae
 - Someone who is highly skilled
 - Positive pole
 - Blue eyed cat
 - Three singers who perform together
 - Clothing of a distinctive style
 - Tai Long
 - Cultivation of land
 - Mentally healthy
 - Daminozide
 - Greek portico
 - Food made from milk curd
 - Cash machine
 - Scandinavian language
 - Used along with purls
 - Main axis of a plant
 - An article of commerce
 - ____iginal: indigenous people
 - Food scarcities
 - Siddhartha
 - The common people
 - Canadian musician Van Gaalen
 - Exclamation of disbelief
 - An edict of the Russian tsar
 - Wisconsin town
 - Plants of the genus Cassia
 - An account of events
 - Swiss river
 - ____ars: back teeth
 - Auditory organ
 - Star Trek genre: ____ fi
 - Cathode

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Goodland Kiwanis

Hoop Shoot

6:15 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 15

Goodland Activities Center

For children in grades third through sixth.

Please bring one adult partner.

The winning hoop shoot pair in eight categories will receive a free turkey (approximately 15-20 pounds) compliments of Goodland Wal-Mart Super Center and Goodland Kiwanis Club. Winners will have until Dec. 23 to redeem their coupons. All kids participating will get a \$2 certificate for Goodland Dairy Queen.