

patient news

The family of Doug Loomis is requesting cards be sent to him at Rose Medical Center, Intensive Care Unit Room 10, 4567 E. 9th, Denver, Colo. 80220. He has been there for three months following heart surgery.

missing

A dark calico cat got away from the owner at the American Best Value Inn about 8 p.m. Tuesday. The owner was not able to find the cat. Robert Chapman said it was his father's cat, and it is a female named "Missy" that has been declawed and had a collar with a bell on it. If found call (785) 821-9171.

elks blue star flags

If you have a son or daughter or grandson or granddaughter serving in the military the Goodland Elks Lodge would like to present to you a Blue Star Flag for your window or door. Call secretary of the lodge Zona Price at (785) 890-6251 or write to the lodge at Box 146, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

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, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday.

The Carnegie Arts Center is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday at 120 W. 12th. Carriage rides are available on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and cost \$5. The center is always in need of host and hostesses from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sundays. The display for November will be Indian art and artifacts. Marilyn Cooper of WindWoman and Gerald Paxton with his collection of Indian arrowheads. It will run through Friday, Sunday, Nov. 30. For information call (785) 890-6442. From 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 23, a forum on Indian art and artifacts by Cooper, Paxton and Dan Busse. Busse will give an update on an archeological dig near Edson.

The Goodland Public Library is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Story hour for preschool children ages 3 to 5 is Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. or Wednesdays 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. or Thursdays 10 to 11 a.m. Born to Read for children ages 0 to 3 is on Fridays 10 to 10:30 a.m. Children need to be accompanied by a parent or caregiver for the Born to Read group. For information call Marcy Melia at (785) 899-5461.

Prairie Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Wheatridge Acres in Goodland. The

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The Sherman County Stock Car Association will end its season with an annual meeting at 7 p.m. today at the 4-H building.

Jodie Tubbs of the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs will be in Goodland from 1 to 2:15 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, 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.

Prairie Land Food distribution is from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Goodland Elks Lodge back door. Anyone interested in seeing the food may stop in on distribution day. For information call 899-3631 or 890-3083.

There will be a breakfast for the Goodland Skate Park from 6:30 to 10 a.m. on Saturday at the Rock House, 5th and Caldwell. They will serve sausage, eggs, pancakes, juice, coffee or milk. It is \$5 per ticket. Sponsored by Shine on Sherman County Youth Committee. For information call 899-3482, 821-2993, 899-6454, 890-6153, 899-9213 and 899-6318.

A Senior Health Insurance Counselor of Kansas will be at the Goodland Public Library on Monday, Dec. 1, to Friday, Dec. 5, to help Medicare patients enroll in a new drug plan. Call (785) 890-5908 or (785) 821-1626 to set up an appointment.

The Annual Christmas Home Tour and Open House by the Carnegie Arts Center will be from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7. Homes

on tour will be Brian and Victoria Freeman, Gregory and Dannie Sorwell and J.D. and Jan Wilson. There will also be an open house and bake sale at the center. Tickets are \$15 and \$12 for members.

The Community Thanksgiving Worship Service will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at the First Christian Church, 711 Arcade, with Father Norbert Dlabal preaching. Bring a dessert to share at fellowship time following the service. Sponsored by Goodland Ministerial Alliance.

senior menu

Today: Ham and beans, orange pineapple salad, cornbread and cook's choice. Wednesday: Sloppy joes, tater tots, seasoned carrots, bun and fruit cup. Thursday: Chicken fajita pasta salad, rosy pears, tortilla chips and fruit cobbler. Friday: Hamburger steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, bread and gelatin with mixed fruit. Monday: Baked spaghetti, tossed salad, corn, garlic bread and fruit. Tuesday: Chicken and noodles, pea salad, gelatin with oranges and pineapple, muffin and pudding.

school menu

Today: Sloppy joe, potato wedge, baby carrots, rosy applesauce and milk. Wednesday: Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, California blend vegetables, whole wheat roll, fruited gelatin and milk. Thursday: Burrito, lettuce and cheese, potato square, fruit cup and milk. Friday: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, crackers, relishes, mandarin oranges and pineapple and milk. Monday: Macaroni and cheese with meat, peas, whole wheat roll, grapes and milk. Tuesday: Corn dog, French fries, pickle spear,

Piecemakers will have open sewing from 8 to 11 a.m. on the fourth Saturday of the month at Wheatridge. For information call Cora House at 899-2619, Joan Reid at 890-7301.

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 5:30 p.m. the second

Monday of the month. Any woman with cancer is welcome. Call Cheryl at 890-5528 for more information.

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

Aerobics Classes - 5:30 a.m. aerobics classes are offered Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Goodland Activities Center. 5:30 p.m. aerobics classes are offered Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Call 890-7242. The center is open from 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and 1-5 p.m. Sundays.

Goodland Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Monday, closed meeting, 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.

Goodland AI-Anon Serenity

Seekers group meets at 5:30 on Wednesdays at 1013 Center. For information call Cheryl at 890-3023.

The "Freedom Today" group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Tuesdays and 8 p.m. Fridays at 1013 Center. Call 890-8369.

area events

Hays Medical Center, Hays, will host its Fifth Annual Multidisciplinary Practice Conference on Evidence-Based Practice: Strategies to Improve Healthcare from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Mountain Time) on Monday at the Memorial Union Black and Gold Room at Fort Hays State University, Hays. The program is designed for continuing education credit for nurses, respiratory therapists and athletic trainers. Fee for the program is \$50. For information call (800) 248-0073.

High Plains Mental Health Center is having free seminars on "Solving the Disability Puzzle" which will review the complex and confusing application process for Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income. The seminars will be at 10 a.m. on Monday at High Plains Branch Office, 723 Main, Goodland; 1 p.m. (Mountain Time) on Monday at

Colby Community Building, 285 E. 5th, Colby; and at 8 a.m. (Mountain Time) on Tuesday at Norton County Hospital Conference Room, 102 East Holme Street, Norton.

memorial field

The Goodland Baseball Club is planning to install sod and a sprinkler system for the infield at Memorial Field. The group also is interested in planting a windbreak around the field.

The group is accepting donation for this project. For questions, call Roxann Kling at (785) 899-5011, John Dautel at 899-3444, Gary Smith at 899-6166 or any other Goodland Baseball Club member.

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.

Today: Faye Paxton, a.m. and Emma VanVleet, courtesy. Wednesday: Leora Jones, a.m. and Mazie Sutton, courtesy. Thursday: Jessie Owens, a.m. and VanVleet, courtesy. Friday: Paxton, a.m. and Sutton, courtesy. Monday: Lisa Malsom, a.m. and Sutton, courtesy. Tuesday: Debbie Lucas, a.m. and VanVleet, courtesy.

obituary

William H. Abercrombie

William H. Abercrombie, 88, Canon City, Colo., 1939 graduate of Sherman County Community High School, died Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008, at Colorado State Veterans Nursing Home in Florence, Colo. He was born on Sept. 12, 1920, to Oliver H. and Lettie (Stone-Taylor) Abercrombie. Mr. Abercrombie was a pilot in the Army Air Corp from 1942 to 1946. In 1946 upon his return to Goodland he married Peggy Simmering. He was a rancher at Westcliff, Colo. and a driver for J.C. Penney in Denver.

In 1984 he married Margaret Draper of Denver and the couple lived in Canon City.

Mr. Abercrombie loved to hunt and fish. Recently he received a

60-year membership pin from the Goodland Masonic Lodge.

Preceding him in death were his parents, his first wife and a daughter, Sherry Coble.

Survivors include his wife of the home; two sons, Harry Lee (Diane) Abercrombie of Tuttle, Okla. and Glen D. (Cheryl) Abercrombie of Arvada, Colo.; two step-daughters, Char (John) Bacon of Denver and Debbie (Dan) Rohrer of Penrose, Colo.; two sisters, Olive Taylor and Marilyn Wenger, both of Goodland; and three grandchildren.

Services will be held in Canon City with later interment in the Goodland Cemetery, handled by Bateman Funeral Home.

Marie Elizabeth Johnson

Longtime Sherman County, Kansas, resident and farm wife Marie Elizabeth Johnson, 91, passed away Saturday, November 8, 2008, at the Good Samaritan Society—Sherman County in Goodland. She had been a resident there for the past three years.

Marie was born on December 2, 1916, in Burlington, Colorado, the daughter of Albert and Mary (Wilmoth) Guthrie. Marie was the granddaughter of Clementina Guthrie. Marie was educated in the Burlington schools and graduated from high school in 1934. She was active in sports and was a gifted musician.

On March 25, 1935, she and Roy Johnson of Kanorado, Kansas were married, and she became the step-mother of Marilyn and Leo. She adapted to farm life and raising a family. She became active in church work; Farm Extension, in which she received numerous awards in appreciation for her years of work; and 4-H. A gifted pianist, she used her talents in many ways. She enjoyed her membership at the Kanorado United Methodist Church, Senior Citizens Center in Kanorado, Sorosis, Federated Women's Service club, Goodland Federated Music Club, Lions Club, sewing club, china painting club, and writing a column of Kanorado news for fifty years for The Burlington Record. In the mid-1990s, she was proud to be the Grand Marshall of the Sherman County Fair Parade. As a huge supporter of many young people in this area, she encouraged them to pursue their education. Some of her greatest joys were working with young people, either in teaching Sunday School or



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encouraging them to enter their art work at the Sherman County Fair.

A woman of great energy, she excelled at volunteer work and sharing her organizational skills, from planning Mother-Daughter banquets to baking the pies for an event. She loved her church and the community and she worked hard and with loyalty to show her concern for others. An excellent bookkeeper, she was a partner with her husband Roy in managing the farm.

Preceding her in death was her husband Roy, who died July 5, 1993; her parents; three brothers, Al Guthrie, Gene Guthrie, and Robert Guthrie, and one sister, Pauline Cox.

Surviving family includes her step-children Marilyn Stoddard and her husband John of Englewood, Colorado; and Dr. Leo F. Johnson and his wife Dorothy of Westwood, Massachusetts. Also mourning her passing are her grandchildren James Stoddard and his wife

Marcy of Aurora, Colorado; Lt. Col. Bruce Robin Stoddard and his wife Julie of Tucson, Arizona; Barbara Stoddard and her husband Jim Reaka of Denver, Colorado; Timothy Johnson of Norwood, Massachusetts; and five great-grandchildren Micah, Erik, and Rachel Stoddard; and Jeremy and Jon Reaka; brother Glen Dale Guthrie of Colorado Springs, Colorado; and numerous nieces and nephews. She will be missed by friends and associates, who appreciated her sense of humor, hard work ethic and energy for living a good life.

Here are the words of belief that Marie, along with her husband Roy, shared from "A Farmer's Creed": "I believe many of the best things in life are indeed free: the splendor of a sunrise or a sunset, the rapture of wide-open spaces, the exhilarating sight of your land greening each spring. I believe true happiness comes from watching your crops ripen in the field, your children grow tall in the sun, your whole family feel the pride that springs from their shared experience."

The funeral will be Saturday, November 15 at 10:00 a.m. MT, at Koons Chapel in Goodland, with Pastor Leonard Cox officiating. Burial will follow in the Goodland Cemetery. Friends may share their respects on Friday, from 3:00 until 6:00 p.m. MT, at Koons Chapel.

Memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be designated to the Kanorado United Methodist Church or to the Good Samaritan Society—Sherman County, and may be left at or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 North Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555.

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