

card showers

Norma Schlepp has moved to a new assisted living home in Haviland. She would enjoy Christmas cards from her friends in Goodland. Her new address is 321 N. Main #7, Haviland, Kan. 67059.

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. The center is always in need of host and hostesses from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sundays. Once again the center will have its Christmas Shop selling Christmas ornaments, woodwork, paintings, jewelry, organic doggie treats made by local artists. New are original satin ornaments with feather nut florals, AlBo glass ornaments, original Santa icicle ornaments and homemade goodies. Also available are locally authored books and CD's, hand-crocheted afghans, hand-knitted baby clothes, original jewelry, pottery and cards.

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 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.

the calendar

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The free **Holiday Matinees at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday** will be "Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer" at the Sherman Theatre, 1203 Main.

senior menu

Today: Ham, sweet potatoes, cranberry apple salad, roll and cake. **Wednesday:** Sausage pat-

ties, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed fruit, roll and birthday cake. **Thursday and Friday:** Christmas. **Monday:** Wieners with kraut, mashed potatoes, apricots, bread and pudding. **Tuesday:** Chili, cook's choice vegetable, orange pineapple salad, crackers and cinnamon roll. **Wednesday:** Chicken and rice casserole, California blend vegetables, pears,

bread and cherry cobbler.

school menu

Today: Hot dog, French fries, beets, fruit and milk. **Wednesday to Friday, Jan. 2:** No school.

school calendar

Today: End of second nine weeks. **Wednesday to Thursday, Jan. 1:** No school.

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 Al-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.

Bird City Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at **6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) on Fridays** at the Senior Center on 4th Street. **Narcotics Anonymous** meets at **6:30 (Mountain Time) on Tuesdays** at the Senior Center. Call (785) 734-2734 for more information.

Stratton "AA by the Book" Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at **7 p.m. Thursdays** for a beginners open meeting. Families and young people welcome. Call (719) 348-5398 for men and (719) 346-8553 for women. On U.S. Highway 24 go to Statton and it is the second house on the left, 513 Iola Street.

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

area events

Prairie Museum of Art and History, 1905 S. Franklin, in Colby is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

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. They are accepting donations 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.

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.

Blood pressures; infants', children's and adult's immunizations; health assessments for Kan Be Healthy, daycare and school entry; fasting blood sugar and hemoglobin; and family planning available by appointment. Sharps containers are available free. Call 890-4888. WIC program available.

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.

Today: Emma VanVleet, courtesy. **Wednesday:** Mazie Sutton, courtesy. **Friday:** Sutton, courtesy. **Monday:** Fern Heckman, a.m. and Sutton, courtesy. **Tuesday:** VanVleet, courtesy. **Wednesday:** 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.

thrift store

Anyone wanting to donate to the Goodland Churches Thrift Shop should call 899-2007.

early head start

Early Head Start is a state funded program for income eligible families with prenatal mothers and children up to three. Families participate in a variety of educational activities and receive free medical and dental care.

Services include special needs of children with disabilities. If you have a family member with a special problem, such as drug or alcohol abuse, job loss or other family crisis, your family can qualify. Call 785-672-3125, ext. 187.

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 Carrie Starns at 890-2552 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 Domestic and Sexual Violence Services 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. In the Colby area, call (785) 443-1130 ask for Becky. For time and location of youth support group, ask for Jennifer Follis.

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.

animal shelter

Lost a pet? Call the Goodland Police Department at 890-4570. Interested in adopting a pet? Call the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter at 821-4142 or 821-4146.

matters of record

District Traffic

The following fines have been paid in the Sherman County District Court. All ages are at the time of the fine.

Sept. 3: Glenn L. Larson, 63, Madras, Ore., \$175 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations.

Sept. 11: Calvin D. Schmitt, 16, Wallace, \$135 for unlawful parking.

Sept. 12: Erika M. Buciorosales, 25, Thornton, Colo., \$135 for speeding, 85/70.

Sept. 15: Peterson Sorimle, 28, Enid, Okla., \$375 for driving while license suspended or revoked.

Spencer T. Waller, 48, Hooksett, N.H., \$175 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations, no Unified Carrier registration.

obituaries

Russell R. Goodwin

Russell R. Goodwin, 89, Flagler, Colo., father of Curtis (Tina) Goodwin, died Thursday, Dec. 11, 2008, at Kit Carson Memorial Hospital of Burlington.

He was born on Dec. 7, 1919, to Van H. and Minta D. (Thompson) Goodwin in Flagler. He was the fourth of six boys.

Mr. Goodwin attended school at Flagler, at Second Central and in 1938 graduated from Seibert High School of Siebert. He later studied accounting through La Salle Extension University.

After high school he worked with his father farming until enlisting in the Army in March 1943. He was a member of the 541st Parachute Infantry Regiment. During his training he met and married Jamie D. Cantrell of Sparta Tenn. His regiment was shipped overseas as replacements for the 11th Airborne, 187th Para-glider Infantry Regiment. They went to the Philippines, then Okinawa and then into Japan. After the war the couple returned to Flagler where they made their home for 53 years.

Mr. Goodwin worked with his father and brothers in Goodwin and Sons Trucking for a few years and then became the General Manager of Flagler Equity Co-op where he worked until he retired after 34 years.

In Flagler he was on the town council, mayor, school board, hous-

ing board and 20 years as a volunteer fireman. He was the treasurer for 40 years for the Flagler Lions Club. He was president of the Colorado State Cooperative Council and served on the Board of Wichita Bank of Cooperatives.

As a member of the First Congregational Church he was on the Board of Trustees. After retirement he played nine holes of golf every morning of the week for many years. Mr. Goodwin was a contributing builder of the golf bard at the Flagler Golf Course. He continued to golf until he was forced by his health to give it up in March 2005.

In June 1999 the couple moved to Goodland to be near family.

Preceding him in death was his parents and five brothers.

Survivors include his wife of the home; a daughter, Peggy (Art) Long of Palm Harbor, Fla.; another son, Terry Goodwin of Stratton, Colo.; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and three sisters-in-law.

Services were on Monday, Dec. 15, 2008, at the church in Flagler with Paster Bob Strauch officiating and burial in the Flagler Cemetery.

Memorials to the church in Flagler may be sent to High Plains Bank, Flagler, Colo. 80815.

Arrangements were handled by the Love Funeral Home of Burlington.

Dale Rice

Dale Rice, 67, Moundridge, former Goodland resident, died Saturday, Dec. 20, 2008, at Mercy Hospital in Moundridge.

He was born on July 27, 1941, to Leo and Irma (Richardson) Rice in Goodland. Mr. Rice graduated from Sherman County Community High School in 1959.

On Sept. 14, 1973, he married Rhonda Long in Goodland.

Mr. Rice was a farmer. Preceding him in death were his parents.

Survivors include his wife of the home, two sons, Chris (Tina) Rice of Cuba and Randy (Sara) Rice of Moundridge; two daughters, Peggy (Mark) Payne of St. Joseph, Mo.

Tal C. Schneider

Tal C. Schneider, 53, Fairfax, Va., 1972 Goodland High School graduate, lost his battle with cancer on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2008, in Fairfax.

He was born on Dec. 27, 1954, to Cecil John and Wanda (Smith) Schneider in Goodland and attended schools there. Mr. Schneider went to college at Kansas University and Arizona University.

Mr. Schneider was a member of the First Christian Church of Goodland.

Preceding him in death were his grandfather, Harry Smith and his grandparents, William and Katie Schneider.

Survivors include his parents of Goodland; companion, Carol Damon of Fairfax, Va., a brother,

and Karen Rice (James) Ratzlaff of Moundridge; a brother, Mike Rice of Wamego; two sisters, Carolee Schritter of Hutchinson and Elaine Brown of Rixeyville, Va.; and 11 grandchildren.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. (Mountain Time) on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2008 at the First United Methodist Church, 1200 E. Kansas Ave., McPherson.

There was no visitation as he was cremated.

Memorials to Camp Lakeside, Scott City; the church in McPherson or Memorial Home of Moundridge may be sent to Moundridge Funeral Home, 115 E. Cole, Moundridge, Kan. 67107.

Dorothy Hirsch

Dorothy Hirsch, 103, Cortez, Colo., longtime Goodland resident, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2008.

She was the wife of the late Dr.

N.F. Hirsch, Goodland dentist. Services are pending and Koons Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Survivors include his parents of Goodland; companion, Carol Damon of Fairfax, Va., a brother,

Justin Burrus, Colby, has received his third degree black belt in taekwon-do.

Burrus is the assistant teacher for Wayne Luckert, Brewster, who teaches classes with about 30 students on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Goodland Activities Center.

Burrus had been in the martial arts classes about six years, his instructor said, and has been helping teach for about three.

To get to the level of third degree black belt, Burrus tested at master Corinna Black's American Taekwon-do Association School in Lakewood, Colo.

Take time to sharpen your tools

There once was a very good lumberjack who could chop down a forest faster than any one. As time passed, his axe dulled and he had to work longer and harder to chop down a forest. A wise man asked him, "Why don't you sharpen your axe?" To which the lumberjack replied, "I don't have time!"

I don't know how many times I heard this growing up, but my dad made sure it was always on my mind. As we're in this economic slow-down, take some time to

jamie morphew



business tips

sharpen your axe.

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thrive.

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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from All of Us to All of You!

To all our patients and friends - On behalf of all of us at VisionSource of Colby, Goodland, & Burlington we wish you God's richest blessings this Christmas season and peace, love & health in the new year.

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