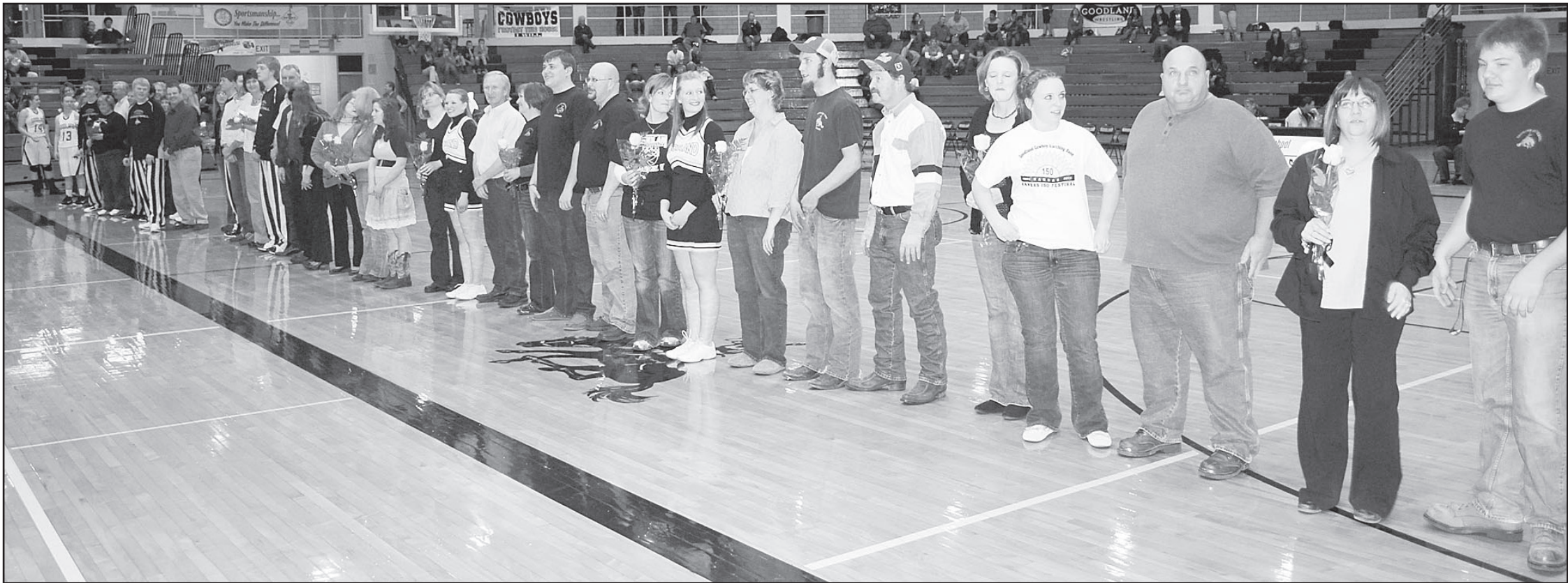


Senior night for basketball, band, cheerleaders



The parents of the senior girls and boys basketball players, pep band members and cheerleaders were recognized between the varsity girls and boys basketball games Friday night at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The basketball teams play tonight at Scott City and starting at 5:30 p.m. for the girls varsity team Friday at Max Jones Fieldhouse. Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

Local programs address needs of violence survivors

Topeka — A new report released today documents that local domestic violence programs are meeting the needs of survivors. “We are encouraged to find that local domestic violence programs are meeting the needs of the vast majority of those who seek their services,” said Dr. Anne Menard, executive director of the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence and co-author of the study. “This report affirms that local programs are having an important, positive impact but also that they need further support to respond more fully to what victims are looking for when they reach out for help.”

Meeting Survivors’ Needs through Non-Residential Domestic Violence Services and Supports: Results of a Multi-State Study was conducted by Menard in collaboration with Dr. Eleanor Lyon and Dr. Jill Bradshaw of the University of Connecticut School of Social Work with joint support from the U.S. Department of Justice and

the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Highlights of the study results include:

- After seeking and receiving help, 95 percent of survivors were more knowledgeable about planning for their safety and more hopeful about the future.
- More than three out of four of the nearly 1,500 domestic violence survivors who used support groups, counseling, supportive services and legal advocacy found these services to be “very helpful.” The vast majority of other survivors using these services found them to be “helpful.”
- There is a high correlation between services and supports “wanted” and those “received” suggesting that programs are meeting the needs of survivors in many areas; but there is room for improvement in meeting economic needs, legal advocacy needs and supports for children.

The study also found the state of the economy continues to have a negative ef-

fect on survivors. About 45 percent of the survivors reported experiencing financial difficulties, including many not being able to pay their bills. “A struggling economy does not create domestic violence but clearly can exacerbate the severity and frequency of abuse, thereby increasing the demand for services at the local level,” said Lyon. “While domestic violence programs are often themselves facing financial hardship, they are clearly creating positive changes in the lives of survivors and their children.”

The researchers collaborated with programs across four states — Alabama, Illinois, Massachusetts, and Washington — and with four culturally-specific national organizations and their associated programs.

A total of 90 domestic violence programs distributed the survey to survivors who had two or more contacts with them over a nine-month period from April to December 2010.

All participating programs provide services to women and men. While only four percent of the survivors participating were male, they identified similar needs and short-term outcomes as females.

This new data is in accord with the 2007 Kansas study, Domestic Violence Victim Services Awareness, Use and Satisfaction Report, conducted by the Docking Institute of Public Affairs at Fort Hays State University, which found that:

- About 91 percent of victims in Kansas indicate that their situation improved after receiving domestic violence services
- About 86 percent of victims indicate that the amount of violence decreased after receiving domestic violence services.
- Three areas in which Kansas women felt domestic violence services helped them most included: helping them to be ready to make changes to improve their situation (92.3 percent), feeling safer because of help received (91.3 percent) and using

skills learned to improve her situation (91.1 percent).

A copy of the 2007 Docking Report may be found at www.fhsu.edu/docking/ reports.

“The depth and breadth of services provided by Kansas programs and by programs across the nation is astounding,” says Joyce Grover, KCSDV executive director.

“It is rewarding to know survivors are receiving quality services and the kind of services they need, even in the face of the large numbers of survivors programs are serving.”

A copy of the data released today including Study Executive Summary, Full Report, Fact Sheet and other materials can be found on VAWnet.org, the NRCDV’s online resource center, at www.vawnet.org/research/MeetingSurvivorsNeeds.

Shot information available from state

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment has updated the School and Child Care Immunization Information for the 2012-13 school year at www.kdheks.gov/immunize/schoolInfo.htm. The information provided on the website is based on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommendations and the consensus of the Governor’s Child Health Advisory Committee Immunization Work Group.

Changes for the 2012-13 school are minimal. Each required vaccination increased by one grade level. Vaccination requirements such as Hepatitis B have been phased in over the past years. The 2012-13 school year will be the first year that all students will be required to have a complete three-dose Hepatitis B vaccination series.

“Vaccines are vital to keeping Kansas students healthy so they can have an optimal learning experi-

ence,” said Robert Moser, M.D., state health officer. “Efforts by child care providers and schools have been central to the success of public health efforts in eliminating vaccine preventable diseases.”

For information about the immunization program, go to www.kdheks.gov/immunize/.

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Health screenings to be held at church

Residents living in and around Goodland can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke or bone fracture. Our Lady of Perpetual Help will host Life Line Screening on Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 307 West 13th Street in Goodland.

Four key points every person needs to know:

- Stroke is the third leading cause of death and a leading cause of permanent disability
- 80 percent of stroke victims had no apparent warning signs prior to their stroke
- Preventive ultrasound screenings can help you avoid a stroke
- Screenings are fast, non-invasive, painless, affordable and

convenient

Screenings identify potential cardiovascular conditions such as blocked arteries and irregular heart rhythm, abdominal aortic aneurysms, and hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women.

Packages start at \$159. All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call (877) 237-1287 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

Logan museum to show mural, photos

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum, 110 W. Main, Logan, will have “The State of Kansas Historical Mural” by Dennis Schiel and “Maxwell Berry’s Wildflower Photography” on display from Friday, March 16 to Sunday, April 15.

“The State of Kansas Historical Mural” by Dennis Schiel will consist of 10 three by four foot panels. Each panel will contain historical subjects that pertain to the panel’s coverage area. This mural will have over 300 Historical subjects covering the People, Animals, Landscape, Trails, Railroads, and Historical Sites from the State of Kansas. The State’s history will be painted over a background map of Kansas.

Dennis Schiel’s ultimate goal was to have painted a State Mural

with historical content second to none. “If one picture says a thousand words, I can’t imagine the number of words created with this Mural.”

Dr. Maxwell Berry’s Wildflower Photography, which he donated in the mid-seventies, consists of over 100 framed photographs. This collection has shown periodically in the past and we are please once again to share this exhibit with the public.

Museum hours are Monday through Friday 8 to 11 a.m. and noon to 3 p.m. (Mountain Time), Saturday 8 to 11 a.m. and noon to 4 p.m. (Mountain Time), Sunday and holidays noon to 4 p.m. (Mountain Time). The museum is handicapped accessible and there is no admission fee. For information call Shirley at (785) 689-4846 or visit hansenmuseum.org.

Patient Support Programs at Goodland Regional Medical Center

Tuesday, Feb. 28—Diabetes 101: Session 1—4-5 p.m. MST
Type I & Type II will be defined, similarities and differences between the two types discussed along with treatment strategies and demonstration of techniques for checking blood glucose & keeping records. Presented by KUMC Center for Telemedicine & Telehealth.

Wednesday, Feb. 29—Zebras Don’t Get Ulcers; Why Do We? - 2-3 p.m. MST
Stress can often feel like riding an emotional roller coaster. This cutting-edge program shares current research in area of stress, role stress plays on physical well-being & practical, resilient ways to manager it. Presented by Turning Points.

Wednesday, March 28—Jin Shin Jyutsu—Building the Immune System—2-3 p.m. MST
Jin Shin Jyutsu, the ancient art of balancing life energy in the body can help strengthen the immune system. Presented by Turning Points.

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