

birthday the calendar

Willard Hartley will be celebrating his 89th birthday Saturday, Jan. 10, 2004. His family is requesting a card shower. Send him cards at 309 Willow Rd., Goodland, Kan. 67735.

patient news

Viola Jacobs has been moved to Oklahoma City for continued rehabilitation. Cards can be sent to her at Extended Stay America, in care of Elmer Jacobs, 2720 NW Expressway, Room 141, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73112.

student news

Trina D. Haggadone, Goodland, graduated from the University of Nebraska at Kearney's graduate college with a Master of Arts in education in school principalship K-6 in December.

Christie M. Holzwarth, St. Francis, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in biology from the University's College of Natural and Social Sciences.

activities

TOPS Meetings - Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at **5:30 p.m. Mondays** at North Elementary School. Weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Sherman County is seeking mentors and children to mentor. Call 899-3665.

Alcoholics Anonymous S.O.S. Group meets at **7 p.m. Monday** in the cafeteria in the basement at the Kit Carson County Hospital in Burlington. Call Pamela at 719-346-7711, Laura at 785-890-5417 or Dave at 890-2858.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at **8 p.m. Monday-Thursday and Saturday** at 1013 Center. Saturday is an open meeting with Al-Anon,

calendar

The **Peer Counselors at Goodland High School** are sponsoring a **stuffed animal drive**. The animals will go to Goodland Regional Medical Center for children who come into the hospital. Clean, new or used stuffed animals can be dropped off at First National Bank, People's State Bank, Bankwest of Kansas, Western State Bank and Goodland High School **until Feb. 1**.

Colby Community College outreach enrollment will be from **1-4:30 p.m. today** in the Northwest Kansas Technical College Murray Center and from 6-7 p.m. tonight in the Goodland High School cafeteria. Call 785-462-4692.

Colby Community College outreach enrollment will be from **6-7 p.m. Central Time Wednesday** in the **Brewster School** conference room.

The Red Cross **Goodland blood drive** will be from **noon-6 p.m. Wednesday** at the Northwest Kansas Technical College. Call 800-448-3543 or visit www.redcross.org. Donors will receive

free T-shirts.

TNT Singles will meet at **6:30 p.m. Thursday** at Edwards Hall for cards and games. Bring finger food. Call 899-2733.

Prairie Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at **7:00 p.m. Thursday** at the Rock House, 326 E. Sixth. The club will be working on a chenille quilt for the January meeting and will begin a "Block of the Month" in January. Call Cora House at 899-6551, Joan Reid at 899-7301 or Carol Tupper at 890-5955.

Free dog licenses will be available from **8 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday** at the City of Goodland administration building, 204 W. 11th. To obtain a free license, provide written proof that the animal has current rabies vaccination.

The **High Plains Roosters Pheasants Forever** is having its **annual family banquet at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10**, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Social hour begins at 5 p.m. There is a charge.

The **Goodland After-5 Club**, associated with the Christian Business and Professional Women, will have its "A New

Story Begins" dinner party from 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at the Butterfly Café at Renner Field. The speaker will be Judy Anderson of Wichita, and Karen Gillihan of Goodland will give a special feature. There is a charge for the meal. Call Lori Titus at 899-3828 or Carol Tupper at 890-5955 for reservations.

Jodi Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in Goodland from **1-2:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15**, in the Assembly Room on the third floor of the courthouse to help veterans and dependents with claims. Due to budget cuts, she will only come to Goodland on the third Thursday of each month. Call the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

school menu

Wednesday: Chili cheeseburger, french fries, relishes, choice of fruit and milk. **Thursday:** Turkey and noodles, mashed potatoes, peas, hot roll, apple crisp and milk. **Friday:** Barbecue rib sandwich, cheesy potatoes, green beans, chocolate cake and milk.

families of alcoholics, meeting in the same room. **Al-Anon also meets at 8 p.m. on Monday** in a different room. For Alcoholics Anonymous, call Rob at 890-3023 or Linda at 399-2353. For Al-Anon, call Cheryl at 890-3023.

Fibromyalgia and Chronic Myofascial Pain Support Group meets from **6:30-8:30 p.m. the third Wednesday** of every month in the Emergency Medical Services building, 257 15th St., in Bur-

lington. Call Debbie at 719-346-4612.

Goodland Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) meets from **6:30-8 p.m. on the first Monday of the month** at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 220 W. 13th.

Prairie Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at **7 p.m. the second Thursday** of each month. This Thursday, the club will meet at the Rock House, 326 E. Sixth. The club will be working on a chenille quilt

for the January meeting and will begin a "Block of the Month" in January. Call Cora House at 899-6551, Joan Reid at 899-7301 or Carol Tupper at 890-5955.

area events

The **Seem-To-Be Players**, a professional troupe of actors, playwrights, directors, teachers and musicians, **will present "Tales of Tom Sawyer"** by Mark Twain, as adapted by Artistic Director Ric

obituaries

Phillip Jackson

Phillip Reid Jackson, 84, Atwood, a retired house painter, died Thursday, Jan. 1, 2004, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

He was born March 20, 1919, at Vona, Colo., the first child of Pryor Reid and Pauline Dorthia Sophia (Rather) Jackson. He grew up in Phillipsburg, lived for a brief time in Florida and finally settled in Atwood.

On June 17, 1937, he married Irene Agnes Rummel in a ceremony performed by Judge Bird at his parents' home in Atwood. The couple made their first home in Cope, Colo.

Jackson was in the Navy from December 1943 to December 1945. He served aboard the USS Natrona and was able to attend ship reunions in recent years. Enlisting as a Seaman apprentice, he was promoted to Hospital Apprentice 2nd Class, Hospital Apprentice 1st Class and Pharmacists Mate 3rd Class. His citations and awards includes the American Theater Ribbon, the Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with two stars, the Philippine Liberation ribbon with one star, the Victory Medal and the Domain of the Golden Dragon, Jan. 22, 1945.

Jackson was proud to be a de-

scendant of a long line of military men, including his fourth great-grandfather Thomas Burk, who was raised by President James Madison's family and was commissioned a captain of the Fincastle Militia in Virginia in 1775 and served in the Revolutionary War.

His second great-grandfather Joseph Rollin Prentice served in the Civil War in 1862, and for volunteering to ride back into enemy fire and rescue his commanding officer, he received the Medal of Honor, now on display at the National War Monument at Stones River, Tenn. Mr. Jackson made a trip to Stones River to view the monument and be recognized as a descendant.

He was a member of the Atwood American Legion, the Atwood Odd Fellows, the Rebekah Lodge and the Colby Canton.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife; a brother, Walter; a sister, Wilma; a son, Phillip Eugene Jackson; a son-in-law, Andrew Schmid; two grandchildren, Brian Andrew Schmid and Monica Sue Russell; and two great-grandchildren, Toby and Tanner Racette.

Survivors include three sons, Douglas (Kathy) Jackson of Brewster, David Jackson of Kansas and James (Alice) Jackson of Downs;

four daughters, Mary Ellen Schmid of Hays, Phyllis (Richard) Janousek of Colby, Joan Wells of Burlington and Doris (Eugene) Schoenberger of Brewster; a daughter-in-law, Donna (Roy) Eckstrom of Palmer, Neb.; two sisters, Mildred (Jack) Siglinger of Phillipsburg and Lucille (Lloyd) White of Colby; a sister-in-law, Yoko Hatton of Cypress, Calif.; his sister Wilma Rockenbach's family of Ellis County; 26 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Services were scheduled for 9 a.m. Mountain Time today, Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2004, at the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Atwood with Pastor James Larson officiating. Burial was to follow in the Atwood Fairview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in care of Williams Funeral Home, 109 N. Second, Atwood, Kan. 67730.

Visitation was from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday and Monday at the funeral home and Tuesday morning before the service.

Kerri Bevington

Kerri Ann (Aschenbrenner) Bevington, 27, of Brewster, died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2003 at her home south of Brewster, in Sherman

County.

A funeral Mass was set for 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 5, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby, with Father Dana Clark officiating. Burial followed in the Brewster Cemetery.

Visitation was from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, where a vigil and rosary were to begin at 7 p.m. Sunday. The casket remained closed.

Mrs. Bevington is survived by a son, Michael Austin Peterson, and a daughter, Taylor Paige Peterson, of the home; a brother T.J. Aschenbrenner of Brewster; two sisters, Candy Bryant of Quinter and Amanda Roulier of Brewster; here parents Thomas and Juanita Aschenbrenner of Brewster, and her paternal grandmother, Theresia Aschenbrenner of Brewster.

She was born July 25, 1976, in Goodland. She was a clerk at the Kit Carson County courthouse in Burlington, Colo.

Memorials are suggested for her children's education. Donations maybe left at the funeral home or the Brewster Bank.

Syble Kanzler

Syble Rae Kanzler, 92, formerly of Limon, Colo., died Sunday, Dec.

Averill, at **3 p.m. Central Time Sunday, Jan. 11**, at the **Oakley High School** auditorium. Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association passes or can be paid at the door.

United Methodist Youthville will host a **foster care viewing party from 6:30-8 p.m. Central Time Thursday, Jan. 15**, at the **Colby United Methodist Church**. The party will include refreshments and a video at 7 p.m., showing the organization's critical need of foster parents for teenagers and children with special needs. Call 800-560-4226, ext. 194.

A **meeting to move the Republican River Riparian Project forward** will be at **9 a.m. Mountain Time Thursday, Jan. 15**, at the Fish Hatchery west of **Wray, Colo.** The project is to promote cooperation among the states of Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska to properly manage the riparian area of the river and its tributaries. Lunch will be provided, and the afternoon session will included a tour of the headwaters of the river. Call 785-462-2602 to RSVP.

Planning for Success, a beginning farmer/rancher program, will begin at **9:30 a.m., Central Time Thursday, Jan. 29**, at the City Limits convention center in **Colby**. Fred and Jeanne Schields, Sherman County producers, will present "Tenant/Landlord Relationships" at 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided. **Send registration** to the Thomas County Extension Office, 350 S. Range, Suite 16, Colby, Kan. 67701 **by Tuesday, Jan. 20**.

The **2004 Ag Profitability Conference** will begin at **9:15 a.m. Central Time Thursday, Feb. 5**, at the City Limits Convention Center in **Colby**. There is a registration fee. Registration is due by Thursday,

Jan. 29. Contact Dana Belshe at 899-4880.

health department

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

Wednesday: WIC in Goodland. Scheduled appointments. Blood pressures 9-11 a.m. at Wheat Ridge. **Thursday:** Office closed 8-9 a.m. for a staff meeting. WIC in Goodland. Scheduled appointments and voucher pickup. **Friday:** Scheduled appointments.

hospital volunteers

Wednesday: M. Schippert, a.m. **Thursday:** Jessie Owens, a.m. **Friday:** Virginia Bell, p.m.

colby college

Colby Community College will offer spring classes over the interactive television network. Classes available in Goodland are:

Introduction to Ethics will have a receiving site in Goodland and will meet from **3-4:30 p.m. Mountain Time on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning this Wednesday**.

Interpersonal Communications will originate in Goodland and will meet from **5:30-8:30 Mountain Time on Wednesdays beginning this week**.

English Composition II will originate in Goodland and will meet from **6-9 p.m. Mountain Time on Tuesdays beginning Jan. 20**.

American Government will have a receiving site in Goodland and will meet from **5:30-8:30 Mountain Time beginning Jan. 22**.

Spanish Composition and Conversation will originate in Goodland and will meet from **6-9 p.m. Mountain Time Mondays beginning Jan. 26**.

Brewster ends year on sad note with a mother murdered

It is hard to end the year on a sad note, and when it seems that things are happening too fast, it really is hard to anticipate the beginning of a new year. But we must hang on to the hope that the year ahead will have some happy times, just as the year just past had.

We get caught up in the world events and the weather, the lack of moisture, and then all at once there is a tragedy that takes our breath away. That is what I felt when I read the sad news of the death of a young woman that I watched grow up from almost her first day.

Kerrie Aschenbrenner Bevington used to live next door to us, and I



sally michael

• brewster beacon

would see her playing in the yard, pretending to be a ballet dancer or cheerleader or whatever else she had dreams of becoming.

Recently, I have watched her daughter and son play with their cousins and observed how much like their mother they are.

Words are empty sometimes

this daughter, sister, and most of all, young mother.

Another sadness is the loss of a long-time resident, a friend and a veteran. Bill Medford died at his home Christmas Eve after an extended illness. He was an avid supporter of the local sports events, and all of the kids for many years knew

when sadness is so near. But to Tom and Juanita and Kerrie's sisters and brother, Roger and I extend our heartfelt sympathy on the loss of

He knew all the players and was proud of the teams when they did well but was understanding when things didn't seem to go just right. To Helen, Pam and all those who knew Bill the best, we send our condolences.

It is almost like two bright lights have been dimmed in this town, and I know there will be a darkness for a while. While that happens, we will just have to believe that their light will be shining in the hearts of those who knew them.

If you have ever written any articles or such, you know it isn't easy to go from such sad stories into light-hearted news, and I believe I will just sign off now for this week, except to wish each of you a blessed new year and a safe one. See you next time.

Special note: the Brewster Heritage Center will begin its annual meeting at noon Saturday, Jan. 10, at Hunter Hall. A potluck meal will be served first with turkey, ham and drinks furnished by the heritage center. The Red Barn Gang from Rexford will provide fun and lively music. Join in the fun and fellowship Saturday, Jan. 10.

Larsen of Nipomo, Calif.; a brother, Charles M. (Doris) Johnson of Phoenix, Ariz.; a sister, Marie (Richard) Kuehl of Grants Pass, Ore.; a half sister, Dorothy of Yuma, Colo.; 39 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 2003, at the Love Funeral Home Chapel in Limon. Burial followed in the Walks Camp Cemetery north of Limon. Visitation was from 1-4 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the family in care of the funeral home at 225 F Ave., Limon, Colo. 80828.

Curtis Rust

Curtis W. Rust, 70, Irving, Texas, a Goodland native and retired postal carrier, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2003, at an Irving hospital.

He was born Aug. 4, 1933, in Goodland, the son of William and Esther Taylor Rust. He retired in 2000 after 15 years as a postal carrier in north Dallas.

Rust was a 1958 graduate of Kansas State University and an Air Force veteran of World War II and Korea. He served in France and Germany during World War II.

Survivors include a son, Dean Rust, and two daughters, Anne Rust and Barbara Rust of Irving; a sister, Frances Horst of Jackson, Mo.; a brother, David Rust of Garden City; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Irving.

A Smoky Garden Memorial Fund
In Memory of
Emil Brazda
has been established.
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