

# Weather changes lead to misplaced jackets

The outside temperature is about as changeable as it can possibly be in a given period. This is the kind of weather you leave home in a warm parka, and the next time you want it, it's where you left it on a day like today.

In the teens at 7 a.m. and in the 50s by 4 p.m. — that makes one lose track of his jackets. But it is nice to have these warm days to break up winter. Now wouldn't it be nicer to have some moisture to break up the drought?

I keep thinking we will be getting out of this dry period, but now it is getting really worrisome. There isn't any color to the landscape; it all looks dusty gray. I know how to change it; we probably would have to have some snow, and you all surely know how I feel about snow. But frankly, I do believe a good, level foot of snow would put smiles on all our faces.

Speaking about smiles, Judy and Larry Dunlap had them at Christ-



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mas when they were visited by family. Judy's sister, Sonja and Terry Brigman of Hutchinson, along with Sonja's girls Brenda and Steve Albright, Erika and Morgan of Lawrence and Gayla Fritts of Topeka, all joined Mark and Sonia Dunlap and Sarah Brooks of Portales, N.M., Mike and Kim Dunlap and Hailee, Brett and Garrett of Highland and Derek Thomas of Troy. Everyone enjoyed themselves and look forward to doing the same next year.

Mary Ruth and Marvin Garrett also enjoyed a house full. On Christmas Eve, Ron and Gloria Ribordy, Mike, Dawn, Avery and

Whitney Schultz of Brewster and Bruce, Wendy, Kylie and Ashton Schultz of Hutchinson all enjoyed the festivities of the evening, and then, lo and behold, Santa made an appearance.

Christmas day, the family enjoyed more togetherness at the home of John and Betty Schroeder of Levant.

On Jan. 4th, grandsons Brad and Andy Schultz of Oklahoma City and their friends were joined by Mike and Dawn and girls and Ron and Gloria for breakfast. So Mary Ruth has that special family glow that comes from these visits.

We were sorry to hear of the passing of Lureta Johnson of Colby, who was a good friend of Roger's folks. She taught many in the area the art of knitting and shared her

garden expertise with any who wanted some of her seeds and plants. I remember hearing Inace Parker talk about how Lureta taught her how to knit and what a patient lady she was.

Jonathan and Angela Moore of Lakin were in Brewster to visit Jonathan's grandparents, Marion and Colleen Crumrine, and to let their two sons, Seth and Keaton, have some grandpa and grandma time.

Their grandparents Joe and Colleen Moore were in Germany for the marriage of Jonathan's brother Matthew to a young lady from Germany. Following a short honeymoon, Matthew will be reassigned to the Middle East, so we have this young man and his new wife on our prayer list.

The senior center has been the sight of a few birthday parties lately. On Jan. 8th, several gathered for Lesa Jueneman's birthday and enjoyed cake and some cookies that were furnished by Bonnie Reid.

On Tuesday, it was Anita Horinek's belated birthday gathering which offered chocolate angel food cake (from scratch, yet!) baked by her mother Ceci Allen. So birthdays are well covered by the aerobic ladies.

That seems to be it for this week, but we do hope your year is getting off to a good start. One local lady was discussing all the things that have happened to her, and she was a little dubious when I told her the Lord doesn't give us any more than we can handle with his help.

So far, her daughter and son-in-law have had to move in with them, while their home is repaired from smoke damage caused by a minor fire. Then her basement was flooded due to the excessive laundry from washing smoky clothes.

And when her son was leaving to go back to college, he backed into her van. But she's still smiling, so surely we can do the same. See you next week.



Benedict and Holmes

## Couple to marry in March

Stacy Dawn Holmes and Daniel Paul Benedict of Custer, S.D., plan to marry Sunday, March 28, 2004, at the Custer Wesleyan Church.

Rick and Brenda Holmes of Goodland are the bride-elect's parents, and the Rev. Rowland and Marj Benedict of Custer, S.D., are the prospective groom's.

She is attending Hamilton College in Des Moines, Iowa. He graduated from Wesley Biblical Seminary in Jackson, Miss., and works for the Custer Wesleyan Church.

# All must take stand against drug sales and manufacture

"35 people arrested on drug charges" *The Goodland Star-News* Tuesday Jan. 13, 2004.

This type of front page news is becoming, unfortunately, increasingly common. We know it's out there; we know it's happening; but what do we do? "We" means everyone, parents, school officials, law enforcement, clergy and other concerned citizens.

We must take a stand and prepare children to put up their defenses against drug use. Illegal drug manufacturers and dealers DO NOT discriminate against who is purchasing their product, they are out to gain profit! Whether it is my child, yours or the next door neighbors!

Remember it is not a matter of if, but when, our children will use and what it can lead to. Not every child who drinks a beer or smokes marijuana will develop alcoholism or an addiction, but they do increase their chances.

Most kids who begin to use begin for simple reasons such as "I just wanted to know what it felt like;" "Everyone else is doing it;" or "I just wanted to get away from things."

In conversations with your child, steer the subject to drugs and why they're harmful. If we can ingrain this information in our children well



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• prevention center

before they are faced with making difficult choices, experts say they'll be more likely to avoid rather than use.

In fact, teenagers who say they've learned a lot about the risks of drugs from their parents are much less likely to try marijuana than those who say they've learned nothing from them.

We don't need to fear that by introducing the topic of drugs, we're "putting ideas" into children's heads, any more than talking about traffic safety might make them want to jump in front of a car. We're letting them know about potential dangers in their environment so that when they're confronted with them, they'll know what to do.

Children in late elementary school need to be warned specifically about not using inhalants. There are a number of common household substances that some young people of this age will try inhaling. Parents must be encouraged

to warn their children that even one instance of inhaling can lead to severe brain damage or even death.

Parents should also use some of their good conversation time with children and adolescents to make it clear that they don't want them to use marijuana. Parents should state clearly to their pre-teens and teens that they would be very disappointed if they started using marijuana.

Parents may also want to explain that marijuana use interferes with young people's concentration, memory, and motor skills, and that it interferes with motivation, leads to poor school performance, and can cause users to disappoint the people most important to them. All of this can be communicated in a loving way: "I love you and I want the best for you, so I hope you won't try marijuana."

If you hear something you don't like (perhaps a friend smokes marijuana or your child confesses to trying beer at a party), it is important not to react in any way that cuts off further discussion. If he seems defensive or assures you that he

## matters of record

### Goodland Police

The following crimes have been reported to the Goodland Police Department:

**January 6** — Clifford W. Jackson, Jr. was arrested at 790 D'Lauro Dr. on a warrant from Phillips County.

Allen L. Ryan reported a burglary at 615 W. 13th St. and the theft of drill bits, valued at \$100. He reported an estimated \$215 in criminal damage to a door, frame and lock hasp.

**January 7** — Randall L. Hilgers was arrested at Syracuse Ave. and 17th St. for driving under the influence of alcohol. Kalyln L. Roth was arrested, same location, for being a minor in possession of alcohol.

Gretchen A. Moreno was arrested at 1117 Kansas Ave. on a warrant from Barton County.

Matthew Rivera was arrested at 1609 Clark Ave. on a warrant from municipal court and criminal use of weapons (carrying a switchblade knife). He was charged in municipal court.

Luke Warren was arrested at 323 Clark Ave. on a bench warrant from municipal court for failure to comply.

**January 8** — Isabel V. Salinas was arrested at Syracuse Ave. and 17th St. on a bench warrant from municipal court for failure to comply.

Raquel Perez was arrested at Syracuse Ave. and 17th St. on a bench warrant from municipal court for failure to comply.

### Real Estate

The following real estate transactions were reported by the Sherman County Register of Deeds:

Sharon R. Nagel quit claims to Sharon R. Nagel, trustee of the Sharon Nagel Revocable Trust, undivided interest in the E/2 of the E/2 of Sec. 21, T10, R42; and undivided interest in the E/2 of the SW/4 of Sec. 22, T10, R42.

Marilyn I. and Larry Bohl to Ruby Ann Mason Lots 30 and 31, Block 12, First Addition to the City of Goodland.

Bradley L. and Dana Jo Schield, also known as Bradley L. and Dana Jo Shields, to John and Carol Sanders all of grantor's right to the

minerals in, on or under the S/2 of Sec. 32, T7S, R39W.

Bradley L. and Dana Jo Schield to John and Carol Sanders a tract in the SE/4 of Sec. 32, T7S, R39W.

Kenneth L. Siruta to Kenneth L. Siruta and Marshall D. Siruta, trustees of the Kenneth L. Siruta Trust a tract in the NW/4 of Sec. 30, T8S, R39W.

James D. and Jamie C. Oss quit claim to Western State Bank Lots 7, 8, 9 and the N/2 of 10, Block 39, Second Addition to the City of Goodland.

Neil D. and Roberta K. Normandin to Roberta K. Normandin Lots 14 and 15 and the W/2 of 16 in Block 55, Original Town of Goodland.

Bradley L. and Dana Jo Schield

to John and Carol Sanders a tract in the SE/4 of Sec. 32, T7S, R39W.

Leslie R. Minner quit claims to Curtis T. Minner Lots 4 and 5, Block 3, Third Addition to the City of Goodland.

Chad and Mary Vinar to Patrick C. Burke and Kathryn Gurfinkel Lot 5, Block 5, Kohler First Addition to the City of Goodland.

Jeanne L. Harding Trust, Jeanne Harding, trustee, and Don Harding, trustee by Jeanne L. Harding as his power of attorney, to Jeanne L. and Don Harding Sec. 2, T8, R41W.

Jeanne L. and Don Harding by his power of attorney, Jeanne L. Harding, to Ronald K. Harding and LaDonna R. Frerichs Sec. 24, T8, R41W; and Lots 4 and 5, Block 13, First Addition to the City of Goodland.

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210 E. 6th	408 W. 11th (Sold)	624 E. 11th (U/C)
1506 Center	1509 Cherry	824 E. 6th
322 W. 16th (Sold)	802 E. 5th	810 Beaver
719 Sherman	407 W. 12th	<b>Lots</b>
1311 Clark	312 Washington	Westmoor Acres
417 Broadway	7170 Cty Rd. 24 (U/C)	Toelkes and Clark
2810 Commerce -Lot 22	324 W. 12th	1609 Caldwell
904 Cherry (U/C)	1525 Center	Toelkes and Broadway
1515 Sherman (U/C)	912 Main (Commercial)	524 W. 14th
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