

activities

Tours of the 1907 Victorian House at 202 W. 13th are from 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. "Kansas Quilts of Old" is on display from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at the High Plains Museum, 1717 Cherry Ave.

The Carnegie Arts Center is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday. The February display is elementary school art.

The Goodland Public Library will have story time for 4-year-olds at 10 a.m. Wednesdays and at 11 a.m. Thursdays. Story time for 3-year-olds will be at 10 a.m. Thursdays. Born to Read for children birth to age 3, accompanied by an adult, will be at 10 a.m. Fridays.

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

Century Families, for people whose family came to Sherman County more than 100 years ago, meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of the month at the Senior Center. For information, call 899-2835.

Aerobics Classes - 5:30 and 7:30 a.m. aerobics classes are offered Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Goodland Activities Center. Yoga is offered at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday. Call 890-7242.

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 890-3665.

Alcoholics Anonymous S.O.S. Group holds open meetings at 7 p.m. Monday at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Seventh and Senter, Burlington. Call Pamela at 719-346-7711 or Dave at 890-2858.

Goodland Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Monday, a closed meeting with Al-Anon, 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. For Al-Anon, call Cheryl at 890-3023.

The "Freedom Today" group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Tuesdays and 7 p.m. Saturdays at the Elks Lodge. These are open meetings. Call 890-8369.

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 Burlington. Call Debbie at 719-346-4612.

Goodland Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. the first Monday of the month at the Goodland Bible Church, 109 Willow.

Prairie Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of each month. Call Cora House at 899-6551, Joan Reid at 899-7301 or Carol Tupper at 890-5955.

the calendar

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The American Association of Retired Persons defensive driving course will be Tuesday and Wednesday, March 1 and 2, at Edwards Hall. Call Marie Edwards at 899-3323.

TNT Singles will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Edwards Hall for a soup supper, cards and games. Call 899-2733.

SHARE sign up for the March distribution of food will be until Monday, March 7, at the Sherman County Health Department, Harvest America, the Regional Prevention Center or the Kanorado Senior Center. Pick up will be Saturday, March 19, for the March distribution.

Severe Weather Awareness Week will be March 13-19. A tornado drill will be held at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 15. Each day that week, the National Weather Service Office in Goodland will send out a public information statement and play safety information on NOAA All-Haz-

ards Weather Radio on some aspect of severe weather. Topics will include watches and warnings, tornadoes, lightning, flooding, hail and high winds, as well as safety information.

A storm spotter training class will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 29, in the National Guard Armory. The class will last about 2 1/2 hours.

school calendar

Today: Black day. Seminar — AFS. Third grade music program 7 p.m. in the auditorium. "C" boys-JV-V basketball 3:45 p.m. at Lakin, dismiss lunch and 2:15, depart 12:30 and 2:30; cheerleaders dismiss 2:30. Reading Test 1 and 2.

Wednesday: Gold day. District spelling bee 1 p.m. in the auditorium. City/county recreation sports 7:30 p.m. in the Max Jones Fieldhouse and junior high gym. Reading Test 1 and 2.

Thursday: Black day. Seminar — DECA and FCS. 1A Regional Basketball Tournament in

the Max Jones Fieldhouse. Reading Test 3 and 4. KMEA State Conference.

Friday: Gold day. State wrestling. 1A Regional Basketball Tournament in the Max Jones Fieldhouse. Reading Test 3 and 4. KMEA State Conference.

Saturday: State wrestling. 1A Regional Basketball Tournament in the Max Jones Fieldhouse. KMEA State Conference.

school lunch menu

Wednesday: Creamed turkey over rice, cooked carrots, biscuit, cinnamon apple and milk. Thursday: Cooks' choice. Friday: Grilled cheese, tomato soup, celery and peanut butter, carrot cake and milk.

senior center menu

Wednesday: Ham, sweet potatoes, five-cup salad, bread and oatmeal cherry cookie. Thursday: Hamburger stew, orange juice, apricots, biscuit and choice compliment. Friday: Chef salad with meat on the side, citrus slices, crackers or bread and fruit crisp.

area events

Lazer Vaudeville will perform at 3 p.m. Central Time Sunday at the Colby High School auditorium.

The audience will view tricks with laser beams, a neon cowboy kicking up a luminescent rope-spinning display and escape from a straight jacket by a member of the audience. There will also be traditional vaudeville acts of juggling, acrobatics and comedy. Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association season tickets or can be paid at the door. The first 15 minutes of the program are in black light, and no latecomers will be admitted during that segment.

The Wallace County Ministerial Association is holding an auction at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 19, at the an airport hangar on U.S. 40 west of Sharon Springs to raise money for victims of the tsunami in southeast Asia. The association is accepting donations of household items, furniture, vehicles, athletic equipment and repairable appliances. Senior citizens and others who can't get their items to the sale can call 785-852-4057 for pickup the day before the sale. Any assistance is welcome whether in services, donations, time or money. Auctioneer David Lehman of D & S Auctions is donating his time, and Jim Bussen of Bussen Aerial Spraying is donating use of the hangar. Money raised will go to Brand New Images Inc., a mission organization that will be sending a representative to Asia to deliver it and to help orphans who are in danger of being sold into slavery.

Admission to the Prairie Museum of Art and History will be free from 1-5 p.m. Central Time Sundays at 1905 S. Franklin in Colby. The museum is also open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Central Time Monday-Friday and 1-5 p.m. Saturday.

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 St. Francis. Scheduled appointments. Blood pressures 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Goodland Senior Center. Thursday: WIC in Goodland. Scheduled appointments. Friday: Scheduled appointments.

Blood pressures; infants', children's and adult's immunizations; health assessments for Kan Be Healthy, daycare and school entry; fasting blood sugar, cholesterol and hemoglobin; family planning; and toenail clipping available by appointment. Sharps containers are available free. Call 899-4888.

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 899-4888.

The group charges a \$50 letter of intent fee (similar to a permit) which is good for one year. It is required on the installation or modification of all septic systems in the protection group's area.

The group will continue to offer free testing to private individuals. However, if you are selling, purchasing or refinancing any property that requires an inspection, the group will charge a \$90 inspection fee. The inspection includes site evaluations on well and septic systems and testing the water. The group will also charge a \$25 fee for child care and foster care inspections.

hospital volunteers

The gift shop hours are 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.; a.m. and p.m. volunteers are in the gift shop.

Wednesday: Shirley Hayden, a.m., and Mazie Sutton, courtesy. Thursday: Faye Paxton, a.m. Friday: Carol Jolly, a.m., and Mazie Sutton, courtesy.

tax help

The American Association of Retired Persons is giving free, volunteer-run tax counseling and preparation. The service will be available 1-4 p.m. Fridays at the Goodland Public Library and Goodland Senior Center or call for an appointment. The service can answer most of the tax issues faced by middle and low-income taxpayers and give special attention to those age 60 and over.

farm services

Farmers in Sherman, Cheyenne and Wallace counties who suffered crop or livestock losses because of natural disasters can apply for U.S. Farm Service Agency emergency loans. The farm service office at 210 W. 10th in Goodland is open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Call 899-3070. Applications for loans will be accepted until Wednesday, April 20.

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, 813 Main. Call Jeannie Topliff at 899-2426 or Candice 866-448-2366.

obituary

Elmer Query

Elmer Query, 87, Goodland, died Saturday, Feb. 19, 2005, at the

Goodland Regional Medical Center. Services are pending with Koons Funeral Home in Goodland.

Goodland fourth at Science Olympiad

The Goodland High Science Olympiad team competed in Hays on Thursday, Feb. 10, scoring two first-place individual finishes and taking fourth overall.

"I am very pleased with the effort to the team," said Dennis Fredrichs, technology and physics teacher and Science Olympiad advisor. "They are a young team with five returning members from last year and 10 first-year members."

Andrew Pettibone and Sarah Borneman finished first in forestry, and Kali Reitcheck and Brett Lalicker finished first in tower building.

David Livengood, Drew Wilkens and Lalicker were second in experimental design. Aaron Duell and Derek Fenner finished second in Mission Possible.

Reitcheck and Borneman were third in forensics. Molly Witzel and Lea Shores were third in disease detection, and Witzel and Wilkens were third remote sensing. And David Livengood and Wilkens placed third in physics lab.

Matt Rohr and Duell were fourth in practical data gathering; Rohr and Fenner were fourth in chemical identification; Grant Wilkens and Andrew Pettibone were fourth in bottle rocket; and Fenner and Rohr were fourth in chemistry lab.

Other team members are Jared Hall, Josh Cech and Levi Coon.

Ness City took first place, Hill City second and Hays third. Thirty teams from five regionals qualified for state, out of 70 high schools that competed. About 42 percent from each regional advance to state.

Girl Scouts to learn about other cultures' food

Goodland Girl Scouts will learn all about food with World Thinking Day today.

Jackie Buller, Scout service unit manager, said the national day was set up to teach Scouts about foods from different cultures, how food contributes to health and the problem of world hunger.

Buller said she will include a lesson about the day in the next troop meeting on Thursday, describing what foods are healthy and explain hunger.

She will include some facts provided by a Girl Scout national press release including:

- Poverty is the principal cause of

hunger

- Famine and wars cause about 10 percent of hunger deaths
- It is estimated that 24,000 people die from hunger and hunger-related causes every day.

Through World Thinking day, the Girl Scouts are encouraged to think about international connections with youth in other countries and consider supporting the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund, named for the founder of the Girl Scout movement. The fund helps support Scouts willing to travel abroad to build international connections among youth and spread friendship.

Soil tests can help gardeners avoid wasting money on fertilizer

Most gardeners think that soil tests are done only to find out what nutrients are deficient.

However, it is just as important to know if you have adequate levels of nutrients so that you don't add unneeded fertilizer.

The most basic soil test checks pH and the levels of phosphorus and potassium.

Most of the lawn and garden soil tests that come out of our lab show more than adequate levels of both phosphorus and potassium.

If those nutrients are not needed, applying them is a waste of money and can be source of pollution. In extreme cases, excess phosphorus can interfere with the uptake of micronutrients. So, if you haven't taken a soil test in several years, take one this spring.

Begin by taking a representative sample from several locations in the

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garden or lawn about six to eight inches deep. Mix the samples together in a clean container and select about one cup of soil.

Bring your sample to the Extension office, on the top floor of the Sherman County Courthouse. The office will send the sample in to have tests done at the Kansas State soil-testing laboratory for a small charge.

A soil test determines fertility problems, not other conditions that may exist, such as poor drainage, poor soil structure, soil borne diseases or insects, chemical contaminants or damage, or shade with root competition from other plants.

All of these conditions may reduce plant performance but cannot be evaluated by a soil test.

Trial for killing Daniel Berry was put off

By Evelyn Ward

Sherman County Historical Society February 22, 1905: DEWEY CASE CONTINUED — Trial for Killing Daniel Berry to be Held at Norton in May — The case of Chauncey Dewey, W.J. McBride and Clyde Wilson for killing Daniel Berry, was called for trial in Judge Geiger's court at Norton last Wednesday, and continued until the May term of district court.

These three men were tried a year ago for the killing of Burchard B. Berry, a son of Daniel Berry, and were acquitted.

The verdict of acquittal was extremely unpopular among the people who were acquainted with facts brought out in trial. This in face of the fact that Burchard's case was the weakest one for the state, to

today in history

say nothing of the killing of his aged father who was unarmed and defenseless.

It has been remarked time and again that the state showed poor judgment in not trying the accused men on charge of killing Daniel Berry.

February 23, 1905: Wanted: A few more pupils for piano and voice culture — Mrs. Signoria. Gardner.

February 24, 1905: Favors Experiment Stations — State Agricultural College Takes Up Albright's Idea — The State Agricultural college, at Manhattan, has issued an article in which it favors experiment stations, a plan by which the farm

department of the college might undertake some experiments with the county poor farms in different parts of the state.

Mr. E.W. Albright, one of the students of the short course, whose home is near Brewster in Sherman County, has presented a plan to introduce a bill in the present legislature, authorizing the counties to undertake experiments.

The county experiment station has already been partially introduced in Iowa, although in that state no act has been passed by the legislature. It is very desirable that experiments be undertaken in different parts of the state in testing the

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