

student news

Robert Graves, a former Goodland resident who now lives in Herington, was named to the president's 4.0 honor roll for the fall 2005 semester at Coffeyville Community College. Placement on the president's honor roll requires a minimum of 14 hours of graded academic work. Graves is a student in the college's emergency medical technician program.

Kevin Rummel of Goodland, a student in internal medicine at the University of Kansas School of Medicine in Wichita will spend his residency at the University of Nebraska Affiliated Hospitals in Omaha, Neb. The National Resident Matching Program computer matched the university's medical students to residency programs, and they were announced Thursday, March 16, at a Matching Day ceremony. This year, 26,715 applicants competed for 21,659 residency positions.

birthdays

Nancy Dressman, who lived in Goodland 38 years before moving two years ago, is celebrating her 80th birthday Saturday, April 8, 2006. Send cards to her at 8500 Farley, Suite 513, Overland Park, Kan. 66212.

Erma Blume is celebrating her 80th birthday Tuesday, April 11, 2006. A card shower has been requested. Send cards to her at Box 473, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

activities

Tours of the 1907 Victorian House at 202 W. 13th are from 1-5 p.m. **Wednesday-Sunday.**

"Nifty '50s Photograph Collection" 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.** 4-H Creative Tables will be on display through Saturday. The High School and Junior High Art Show will be from Tuesday-Sunday, April 30.

The **Goodland Public Library** will have **story time** for 3-5-year-olds at 10 a.m. **Wednesdays** and **Thursdays.** **Born to Read** for children birth to age 3, accompanied by an adult, will be at 10 a.m. **Fridays.** **Prairie Piecemakers Quilt Guild** will meet at 6 p.m. the second **Thursday** of each month at "The Rock House," 326 E. 6th in Goodland. Call Cora House at 899-2619, Joan Reid at 890-7301 or Carol Tupper at 890-5955.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Sherman County is seeking mentors and children to mentor. Call 890-3665.

Diabetes Support Group meets at 7 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 first **Monday** of the month in the dome at Howard Johnson's. Any woman with cancer is welcome. Call Cheryl at 890-5528.

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

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.

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,

the calendar

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A **fish fry** will be held from 5-7 p.m. **tonight** at the United Methodist Church, 12th and Sherman.

The Sherman County Good Samaritan Center is having a **breakfast** of pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice from 6-10 a.m. **Saturday.** Proceeds go to the Relay for Life.

An **all you can eat pancake feed** will be from 7-11 a.m. **Saturday** at the National Guard Armory. Money will go toward a memorial for Derrick Lutters, who was killed in action on May 1, 2005, in Iraq.

Citywide cleanup is scheduled for **Saturday** and **highway entrance cleanup** for **Saturday, April 22,** as part of the Chamber of Commerce Beautification Committees, City Commission and County Commission's cleanup month. Businesses, organizations and families are encouraged to form teams of five or six and call Ken Clouse at 890-3641 to be assigned a cleanup route. Several teams are needed on each date. Participants will meet at 8:30 a.m. in the Northwest Kansas Technical College student union to receive final plans. Anyone not able to haul their own trash should have the items at the curb by 9 a.m. on Saturday. For help moving the items, call 890-3641, 890-7149 or 890-6692.

"Life — Are You Ready?" a teen maze for high school students, will be at 6 p.m. **Saturday** at the Goodland Elks Lodge, 1523 Arcade. Teens can register for prizes, enjoy free pizza and pop and learn the consequences of behavior and gain information on abstinence, pressures, contraceptives, tobacco, drugs and alcohol, legal consequences, sexually transmitted diseases, teen parenting and HIV/AIDS. Parents are also encouraged to attend, and there will be information for them too. Call (785) 460-8177.

Palm Sunday services will be at 9:30 a.m. **Sunday** at the Sonrise Christian Church, Ninth and Caldwell. The puppet teens will present a program during the worship service and at 6:30 p.m. at the Wheat Ridge Acres Retirement Community.

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week is **April 9-15.** It's the week to thank 911 dispatchers who answer calls for help.

SHARE sign up for the April distribution of food will be until

Monday at the Sherman County Health Department, the Regional Prevention Center or the Kanorado Senior Center. Pick up will be Saturday, April 22, for the April distribution.

Goodland Pizza Hut will **donate 20 percent of purchases** after 4 p.m. **Monday** to the Northwest Kansas Domestic and Sexual Violence Services Inc. Call (800) 794-4624.

An **Easter egg hunt** will be at 10:30 a.m. **Saturday, April 15,** at Gulick Park. It is sponsored by the Goodland Lions Club, S&T Communications, Wal-Mart, State Farm and the Lynn Hoelting family. Call Connie Grieve at 899-5957 in the evening.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sherman County is planning a **flamingo drop on Monday, April 17.** People can pay for insurance to prevent plastic flamingos from appearing in their yard or can pay for a flock to be dropped in someone else's yard. Call 890-3665.

Jodi Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in Goodland from 1-2:15 p.m. **Thursday, April 20,** in the Assembly Room on the third floor of the courthouse to help veterans and dependents with claims. Call the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

Kindergarten screening and enrollment registration will be from 8 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. **Thursday and Friday, April 20 and 21,** at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 222 W. 13th. It takes about one hour and is for all children who will be attending kindergarten this fall. Appointments are necessary. Call Roberta Pianalto, West Elementary secretary, 890-6163.

Full Circle, an Aging Expo, will be held **Thursday, April 27,** at the Goodland First Christian Church. The conference is for older adults, ages 55 and up, and their caregivers. **Early registration** needs to be in by **Wednesday, April 19.** Call the Sherman County Extension office at 899-4880, go to www.oznet.ksu.edu/nwao/Block2FoodNutritionSafety.htm or e-mail twatts@oznet.ksu.edu.

The Sherman County Good Samaritan Center is having its **annual volunteer salad supper** at 6 p.m. **Thursday, April 27,** at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 307 W. 13th. Call 890-7517 to R.S.V.P. by

call Cheryl at 890-3023.

The "Freedom Today" group of **Narcotics Anonymous** meets at 8-9 p.m. **Tuesdays, open; 8-9 p.m. Thursdays, closed; and 6:30-7:30 p.m. Saturdays, open,** at the Elks Lodge. 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.

The **Pride of the Prairie Orchestra** meets from 7:30-9 p.m. **Central Time on Mondays** at the **Colby High School Band Room.** The all-volunteer orchestra does not require auditions and is open to anyone from northwest Kansas and northeast Colorado. The music ranges from classical to popular. Call Dr. David Younger at 899-3421 or e-mail Gail56@hotmail.com.

area events

China's **Golden Dragon Acrobats** will perform at 3 p.m. **Central Time Sunday** in the Hoxie High School auditorium. The program features a mixture of acrobatics, dance, costumes and theatrical techniques. Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association season passes or can be paid at the door.

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) annual recognition night will be **Wednesday, April 19,** at the Colby American Legion. Ramblin' Andy Family

Band will perform at the **dance** from 7-9 p.m. **Central Time.** Free to all area senior citizens. Call 785-462-6744.

The 2006 **Sappa Valley Shoot-out** youth three-on-three basketball tournament will be **Saturday, April 22,** in the Decatur Community Junior and Senior High school gyms in **Oberlin.** Boys and girls in grades one through 12 are eligible to compete. T-shirts and medals will be awarded to winning teams in each age division, and second place teams will receive medals. Boys and girls will play in separate divisions. Entry fees are due to Sue Glodt by Wednesday, April 12. Entry forms have been distributed to area schools and are available at www.sappavalleyshootout.com. Call Glodt at (785) 475-8926 or Barbara Olson at 475-3602.

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.**

Monday: Scheduled appointments. **Tuesday:** Scheduled appointments. **Wednesday:** WIC in Colby. Scheduled appointments. **Thursday:** WIC in Colby. Sched-

Monday, April 24.

school calendar

Today: Gold day. State assessment testing window. Boys varsity golf 8 a.m. at Norton. Boys/girls varsity track 2 p.m. at Norton. Varsity baseball 3 p.m. vs. Colby. Varsity, junior varsity softball 3 p.m. at Colby.

Saturday: Touchstone Electric Car Race 8 a.m. at Kansas State University-Salina. ACT Test 8 a.m. Boys varsity golf 8:30 a.m.-Oberlin Invitational Golf Tournament.

Sunday: FCCLA State Leadership Showcase in Wichita.

Monday: FCCLA State Leadership Showcase. Boys/girls freshman and sophomore track. School board meeting 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Gold day. Seminar — AFS. FCCLA State Leadership Showcase. Boys varsity golf 1 p.m.-Goodland Invitational. Boys varsity tennis noon at Larned. Varsity baseball 3 p.m. vs. Ulysses. West Site Council 4 p.m. First grade music program 7 p.m.

Wednesday: Black day. Central Site Council meeting 4 p.m.

Thursday: Gold day. Seminar — DECA and FCS. Leave for KT Woodman 11:10 a.m. High school cheerleader tryouts. Large state music contest at Colby.

Friday, April 14: Good Friday. State assessment testing window. Boys/girls varsity track-KT Woodman track meet.

school menu

Monday: Taco, potato square, lettuce, fruit cup and milk. **Tuesday:** Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, crackers, 1/2 apple with peanut butter and milk. **Wednesday:** Chicken parmesan, lettuce salad, corn, garlic bread, pudding and milk. **Thursday:** Ham, scalloped potatoes, peas, wheat rolls, strawberry Jell-o and milk. **Friday:** Good Friday. No school.

senior center menu

Monday: Polish sausage with kraut, mashed potatoes, lyonnaise carrots, bread and plums. **Tuesday:** Taco salad, tropical fruit salad, chips and peach cobbler. **Wednesday:** Salisbury steak with mushrooms, mashed potatoes, peas, dinner roll and Jell-o with pears. **Thursday:** Harvest turkey soup, four-fruit compote, crackers and cinnamon roll. **Friday:** Baked fish with tartar sauce, creamed corn, coleslaw with carrots, bread and mixed fruit.

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The health department still has flu vaccine.

Assistance is available with comparing prescription drug plans and enrolling in Medicare Part D. Call for an appointment.

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

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 890-4888.

hospital volunteers

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

Monday: Fern Heckman, a.m., and Mazie Sutton, courtesy. **Tuesday:** Toni Hoss, a.m. **Wednesday:** Leora Jones, a.m.; Beulah McClung, p.m.; and Sutton, courtesy. **Thursday:** Jessie Owens, a.m., and Kaitlin Lee, 3:30 p.m. **Friday:** Faye Paxton, a.m., and Sutton, courtesy.

April wedding planned

Wes Bowen of Goodland and Michelle Hoover of Greenleaf plan to marry Saturday, April 29, 2006, at Seven Dolors Catholic Church in Manhattan. Father Joseph Popelca will officiate.

Dale and Linda Bowen of Goodland are his parents, and Richard and Marie Hoover of Greenleaf are hers. Cecilia Ottley of Hoxie is his grandmother.

The prospective groom graduated from Goodland High School in 1996 and attended Kansas State University. He earned a Doctorate of Pharmacy from the University of Kansas, graduating in 2002, and is

May ceremony scheduled

Linda Charron and Brian Rumpel, both of Goodland, plan to marry Saturday, May 27, 2006, at the First Christian Church with Pastor Ted Amos officiating.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Frances Musalek of Goodland, and the prospective groom is the son of Alan and Janet Rumpel of Goodland.

Both graduated from Goodland

Couple to tie knot on July 15

Tim Wilkening of rural Sherman County and Samantha Pearson of Burlington plan to marry Saturday, July 15, 2006, in Burlington.

A reception will follow in Kanorado.

The bride-elect is a teacher for the Burlington School District, and the prospective groom is a farmer.

obituaries

Millard Wayne Sparks

Millard Wayne Sparks, 83, Cheyenne Wells, Colo., grandfather of D.J. Sparks of Goodland, died Saturday, April 1, 2006, at the Keefe Memorial Hospital in Cheyenne Wells.

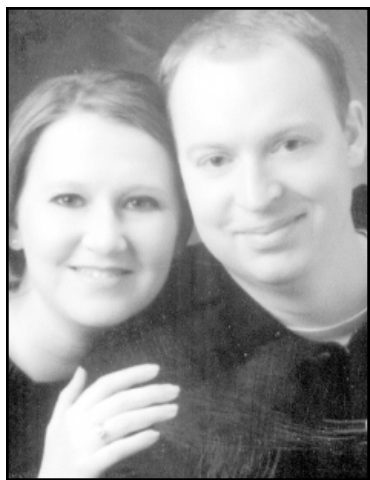
He was born Aug. 20, 1922, in Firstview, Colo., the son of Murrell and Neva Sparks. As a youth, he was a member of a family band called the What Nots that played for weddings and barn dances.

On June 26, 1948, he married Virginia Neargarder in Piqua, Ohio. He served in the Navy for two years and two months.

Sparks was a charter and life member of the Cheyenne Wells Veterans of Foreign Wars and held offices in the local post as well as the district. He was a Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus and held numerous offices.

Other survivors include his wife; five daughters, Linda (Bob) Velten of Denver, Cheryl (Rick) Schulte of Sterling, Colo., Deb Sparks of Boise, Idaho; Donna (Joe) Plummer of Moscow, Idaho; and Terri (Jerry) Buethe of Tescott; two sons, Wayne (Val) Sparks of Amarillo, Texas, formerly of Goodland, and Steve Sparks of Nampa, Idaho; a sister; and six other grandchildren.

Services were planned for Thursday morning, April 6, 2006, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Cheyenne Wells with Father James



Hoover and Bowen

a pharmacist at Mercy Regional Health Center in Manhattan.

The bride-elect graduated from Washington, Kan., High School in 1996. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from K-State in 2001 and is a human resources coordinator at the hospital.



Rumpel and Charron

High School and the Northwest Kansas Technical College. She is office manager at Yost Farm Supply, and he is a service technician.



Wilkening and Pearson

Ponce officiating. Inurnment was to be in Fairview Cemetery in Cheyenne Wells with full military honors.

Love Funeral Home in Cheyenne Wells handled the arrangements.

Velma L. Dewey

Velma L. Dewey, 55, Hays, a Goodland native, died Sunday, April 2, 2006, in Wichita.

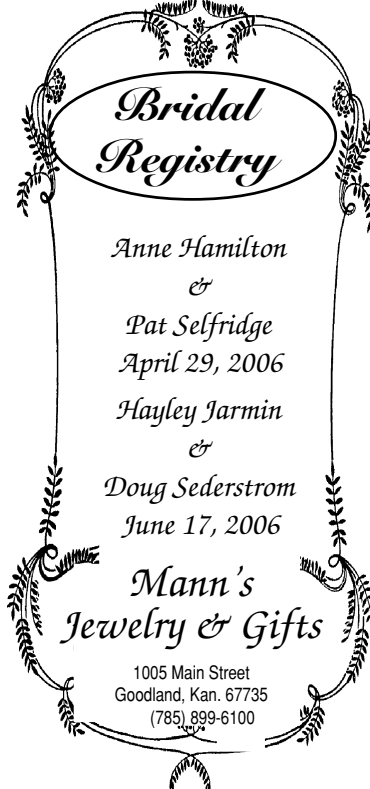
She was born Velma L. Beckner on March 5, 1951, in Goodland. She was a housekeeper for area motels.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Roy Dewey, in 2001.

Survivors include three sons, Terry Mersch of Minneapolis, David Mersch, address unknown, and Danny Mersch of Bennington; a daughter, Donna Cain of Salina; three brothers, Stanley Beckner of Salina, David Beckner of Kanorado, and Jerry Beckner of Bakersfield, Calif.; two sisters, Virginia Balentine of Winona and Carleda Davis of Arizona; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 3 p.m. Mountain Time today, Friday, April 4, 2006, at the Brewster Cemetery.

Cremation followed visitation Tuesday at Ryan Mortuary in Salina. Condolences can be sent at www.ryanmortuary.com.



WE'VE MOVED!

Come see our new office!
We will be in our new location as of
Monday, April 3rd.



1020 Main
Goodland

You are invited to
The Good Samaritan Center
for breakfast of pancakes, sausage,
coffee & juice on Saturday April, 8,
2006 from 6-10 am.

Free will offering – all proceeds will go to
the Relay for Life