



Clarinet players Lea Shores (above left), Jillian Parker and Kylie Buller contributed to the holiday music that the Goodland High School singers and instrumentalists played at a concert on Monday at the high school auditorium. Halli Stone (left front), Marissa Acuff and Sarah Borneman, some of the members of Les Chantes, in their sparkly dresses added to the festive sounds.  
Photos by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News



# Sounds of the season treat concert goers on Monday

By Pat Schiefen

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Parents and friends heard sounds of the Christmas season at a concert by vocal and instrumental students at Goodland High School on Monday night at the high school auditorium.

Performing were the concert band, Black

and Gold Choir, mixed chorale, jazz band, X-Pressos, Les Chantes and mass choir.

The concert band played "The English Christmas," "I Wonder as I Wander" and "Jingle Bells."

The Black and Gold Choir sang "Christmas Day is on its Way."

"The mixed chorale was a new vocal

group this year," said vocal director Randy Berls.

They sang "Winter Wonderland" and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" with Tiffany Wing and Kerek Mason handling solos.

Les Chantes, the woman's choir, sang "Jingle Bell Rock" and "Home on That

Rock."

The X-Pressos sang "Slow Dancin' in the Snow" and "The First Noel" with no accompaniment.

Jazz band played "Jingle Bells," "Cinnamon Kisses," "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" and "The Christmas Song."

Director Deanne Spanier said, "Cinna-

mon Kisses" was popular in 1959.

It featured a keyboard solo played by Jillian Parker.

The mass choir sang "Beautiful" with a solo by Dallas Price and "Angels We Have Heard on High" with brass band accompaniment by Andrew Pettibone, Devin Mangus, Jared Hall and Josh Cech.

# City gives enough money to animal shelter to get them to spring

By Tom Betz

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The financial plight of the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter brought an offer of \$2,500 on Monday from the City Commission to keep the program going while the city studies its options.

"With this and the donations we are getting it will get us through to spring," said Sandy Rogers, president of the shelter board. "We are very grateful for anything. We go from month to month and from fund raiser to fund raiser."

"We are talking about humane treatment for the animals. We are an animal shelter, and we do not want

to be a kill shelter."

City Manager Wayne Hill said he had gotten together with City Clerk Mary Volk to see what money might be available this year.

"There are some discretionary funds," Hill said. "In general operating, you have about \$15,000 and there is another with \$14,000."

"I would suggest you could give the animal shelter the full \$5,000 they asked for, and look at it when you do budget in July."

Mayor Rick Billinger said that money was sort of an emergency fund, and was not sure the city should do an additional \$5,000 at this time.

"Did we figure out what it would cost the city if the animal shelter closes down?" Commissioner Annette Fairbanks asked.

"If you take the worst option, it would be about \$3,000 a year," said Commissioner John Garcia. "That is based on the 75 animals to be euthanized."

City Commissioner Dave Daniels said the shelter's volunteers want to keep the dogs alive and feed them.

"Before this organization started, what did we do?" Daniels asked. "Did we keep them for a number of days before they were euthanized?"

Billinger said he thought the city

kept the dogs for about five days.

"I think if we could help them a little now, and then maybe in the spring," Billinger said, "and then talk about it when we do the budget."

"Maybe we could give them \$2,500 now and then look at it in March."

Fairbanks said she agreed. City Manager Wayne Hill said he'd be glad to set up a meeting with the shelter board.

"I think we need to do more of an in-depth look to see what it is costing the city," Daniels said. "I know it sounds harsh, but it might be cheaper to euthanized the dogs and save the taxpayers some money."

"I think we need to look at what is being done," Fairbanks said. "I think five days may be too short to find out who might own a dog, but keeping a dog alive for years is too much."

"I would like to know more about what is involved," Garcia said. "I understand we are shipping dogs off to other places, and wonder what the cost is of that."

"I think the animal shelter is saving the city a considerable amount of money," Billinger said. "I agree we need to look at the program to see if we are getting the best results for our money."

City Commissioner Josh

Dechant asked how much money was in the discretionary funds at the beginning of the year. Volk said each had \$20,000 in the budget.

Fairbanks made a motion to give the animal shelter \$2,500 out of the discretionary money, which passed unanimously.

Police Chief Ray Smee told the commission that the city pays a monthly fee of \$400 to the clinic to rent the space for the Prairieland Animal Clinic to rent space for the pound, plus \$25 each for euthanizing small dogs and wild cats, and \$40 for large dogs. Asked how many dogs are put down, Smee said it is about two a month.

# Churches holding Christmas services

By Pat Schiefen

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Goodland churches plan services celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ for Christmas Eve on Sunday night, and most will have regular services for the fourth Sunday of Advent on Sunday morning.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 307 W. 13th, plans Christmas Eve services at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday and a midnight Mass in Spanish. A Christmas Day Mass will at 10:30 a.m. Monday.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 13th and Sherman, plans Christmas Eve candle light services with communion at 4 p.m. with Pastor Glenn Eisenhagen.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 13th and Center, will have a 5 p.m. children's service and an 11 p.m. Christmas Eve midnight Mass. Christmas Day Mass will be at 10 a.m.

The First Christian Church (Disciples of

Christ), 8th and Arcade, will have a Christmas Eve service at 5:30 p.m.

The Sonrise Christian Church, 9th and Caldwell, will have a Christmas Eve Service at 6 p.m.

The First United Methodist Church, 13th and Sherman, plans a Christmas Eve service at 5:30 p.m.

The Church of the Nazarene, 3rd and Caldwell, will have a come-and-go communion service from 5 to 6 p.m. Sunday evening.

The First Baptist Church, 5th and Center, will have a Christmas Eve service at 6:30 p.m. Christmas morning services will be on Sunday following fellowship starting at 10 a.m. with donuts, hot chocolate and coffee.

The Goodland Bible Church, 109 Willow Road, will have its regular services at 10:45 on Sunday.

Harvest Evangelical Free Church, 104 Business U.S. 24, will have a Christmas Eve service at 4 p.m.

The church page of *The Goodland Star-News* has a list of the regular services of area churches in Friday's edition.

## correction

Two high students who participated in the honor band at the Kansas Music Educators conference in Hays on Saturday, Dec. 9, were not included in an article on in the Friday, Dec. 15, issue of *The Goodland Star-News*: Renae Reasoner, who played alto sax, and Devin Mangus, trumpet. This was due to a reporter error.

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Nancy Ann Sigrist Shores

November 22, 1933 -  
December 22, 1986

Mom,  
You are remembered on  
this day and every other.  
Love,  
Brenda

<p><b>Dec. 22 - Jan. 4</b></p> <p><b>CHARLOTTE'S WEB</b></p> <p><b>G</b></p>	<p>Bring this AD to the theatre for \$1 OFF on a large popcorn &amp; 2 med. drinks</p> <p>EXP. 12/31/07</p>	<p>Nightly 7:00 Closed Christmas Eve Movie Bucks Make Great Gifts!</p> <p>www.goodlandnet.com/movies</p> <p><b>Sherman</b> 1203 Main - Phone 899-6103</p>	<p><b>Free Movie! Saturday &amp; Sunday 1:30</b> <b>December 23-24</b> <b>Robots (PG)</b></p> <p>Sponsored by: Bankwest, Bowman's Heating &amp; Air Conditioning, Cochran Farm Supply, Topside Office Products, Wendy's, and The Sherman Theatre.-</p>
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## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

The KUHRT RANCH HISTORIC DISTRICT will receive sealed bids for the KUHRT RANCH HISTORIC BARN RESTORATION at KUHRT RANCH, 2735 Road 75, Edson, KS 67733 until 3:30 p.m. MST, Thursday, January 11, 2007. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately after the specified closing time.

Major items of work include: 340 cubic yards of Rock Excavation, 219 cubic yards of compacted fill, 300 feet of 8" Stem Wall with Stucco Finish, 16 Concrete Piers, 3104 square feet of 4" Concrete Floor, Reconstruct 9 Wooden Doors, Reconstruct 23 Wooden Windows, Paint 700 square feet of Lap Siding & Eaves, Paint 6000 square feet of Metal Tile Roofing, Paint 3000 square feet of Asbestos Siding, Install 14 Cable Anchoring Systems, Lifting and Resetting the Wood structure, Perimeter foundation drainage system, and various other appurtenant work.

This facility is located within the Kuhrt Ranch Historic District and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. All work performed on this facility will be in accordance with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Any and all changes to these documents or the work contained herein must be approved in writing by the Owner, Engineer, and the State Historic Preservation Officer.

Bidding Documents may be obtained by contacting EBH Engineering at (785) 899-7019.

Owner reserves the right to waive irregularities and to reject bids

# "Lending a Helping Hand"



In times of medical emergencies, we all want the fastest medical care possible. However, if the emergency transport vehicle isn't reliable, time lost may be the difference between life and death.

The Northwest Kansas Medical Foundation is requesting financial assistance via their 2006 Caring Kind campaign to help with the purchase of a "Life Line" ambulance to be used in the Tri-State Area.

This is your opportunity to show your support with a tax-deductible gift to the NW Kansas Area Medical Foundation on behalf of a new ambulance!



**Northwest Kansas Area Medical Foundation**  
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