

Goodland poet remembers dragging Main

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Memories of dragging Main, and of her husband and children over the years, fill a book of poems written by a 1959 graduate of Goodland High School.

"I wrote this book for my children," Karen Jean Snyder wrote in the preface to the slender volume, "because I wanted to leave them with things I meant to say but lacked the words and wisdom when they were sitting on my lap, when they were growing up and when trouble and sorrow came into their lives."

The former Karen Jean Hull now lives in Gilroy, Calif., the heart of a garlic-growing area south of San Jose. She and husband John have nine children John, Tami, Chad, Shawn, Shane, Andrea, Melinda,

Jonathan and Annette. Her book is called "When I Cannot."

Snyder said her parents, Floyd and Ruby Hull, owned Hull's Bakery on Main Avenue. Her brother Duane Hull and his wife Harvene still live in Goodland. Hull's daughter Rachael and her husband Kurt Zupko have bought the family home on Sherman Avenue.

"It's really neat to be able to go into the house we were raised in," Snyder said. "My Dad's bakery was the only bakery in town and was a block up from the movie theater."

Snyder said she and her siblings, June Marie, Rex, Duane and Marcia, and their father all attended the all-school reunion in 1996. Their father died three days after returning to California. One sister, Lynn, could not make it. Snyder also was here for the reunion last

year.

"It's a great thing to go to," she said.

In a poem called "Reminisce," she talks of dragging Main, going to Walgreens for a root beer float and Steiner's Drive Inn for a pork tenderloin on two buns.

"I remember all that stuff that was in there," said her brother.

Reminisce
*Days of childhood thought forgotten
Came rushing back to me
While driving through the streets of town
In garlic country*

*There it was parked at the curb
In all its majesty
A 1950 Pontiac
What a beautiful sight to see
Pea green, the original color*

*With chrome stripes down its back
A sun visor adorns the windshield
More class than a new Cadillac*

*I close my eyes and took a trip
To a place like no other
Back to Sherman Street,
Goodland, Kansas
Back where dinner was called supper*

*Suddenly I'm in my backyard
With cherry trees all in bloom
I press my face to a window
And peer into my room*

*The porch swing reminds me
Of locusts singing in the night
And lilac blossoms with its fragrance
Always brought me much delight*

*Take a drive down Main Street
And reminisce with me
There on the left you'll see the sign
It reads Hull's Bakery*

*Down on the next right hand corner
Is a place called Walgreen Drug
Where groves of kids flock after school
To sip floats from a Root Beer mug*

*Drive on down Main and flip a U
Be sure not to delay
The hometown theatres showing
East of Eden for its Saturday matinee*

*Continue on and make a turn
To eat at Steiners Drive-In*

*Pork tenderloin on two buns
And a double malt almost seem a sin*

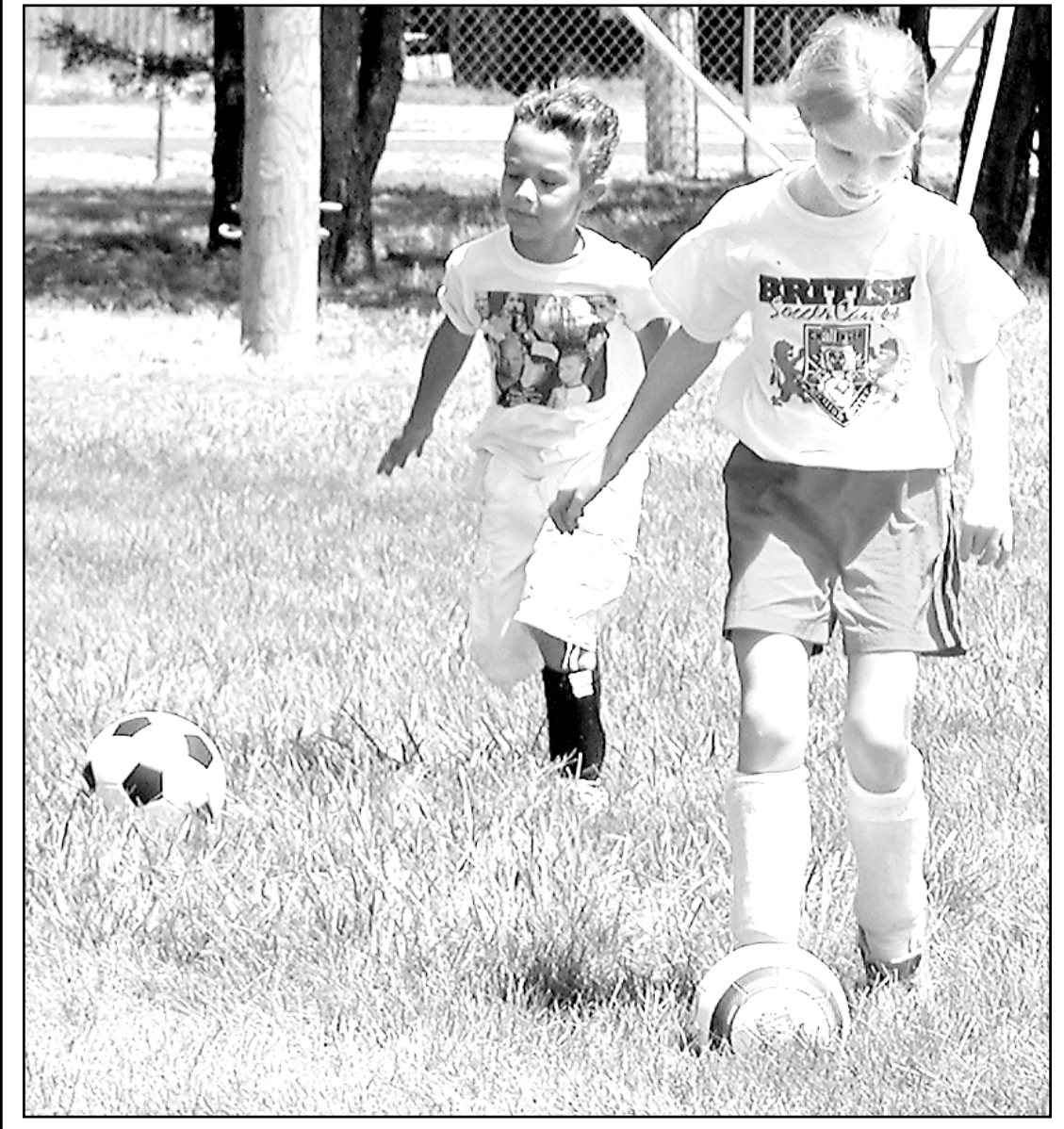
*Back to 1515 Sherman Street
The best is still to come
The house with Mom and Dad inside
Is what made this place my home*

*Now we've come full circle
And it's time to bring an end
Climb back in the 50 Pontiac
And we'll begin to descend*

*Always take time to remember
Take time to Reminisce
For the treasures you will find there
Are like receiving an angel's kiss*

"My poems are all little stories," Snyder said. "I enjoyed writing it."

Learning soccer



Two of about 15 kids age 5 to 7 attending the British Soccer Camp put on by the Goodland Activities Center learned how to dribble the ball around noon on Wednesday at the North Elementary School playground. This is the third year for the camp, coached this session by Andrew Mitchum from Birmingham. Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

Teen loses control of pickup

A 14-year-old Goodland boy lost control of a pickup he was driving around 6 p.m. on Tuesday northwest of town, apparently escaping serious injury as it ran into the ditch and rolled.

Sheriff Kevin Butts said Kayler Rietcheck, son of David and Lori Rietcheck, was driving north on County Road 17 near Road 67, about three miles north and two miles west of Goodland. He apparently lost control of the 1999 Ford Ranger, which went into the ditch and rolled once.

The sheriff said Rietcheck was up and out of the vehicle when officers got there. He was taken to Goodland Regional Medical Center by ambulance. The youth was wearing a seat belt, the sheriff said, and remained in the vehicle as it rolled.

Sheriff Butts said he couldn't tell from the report whether the youth had a driver's license. No ticket was issued.

matters of record

District Traffic
The following fines were paid in the Sherman County District Court:

June 15 — Tanya J. Schiffler, \$165 for speeding.
Jason V. Starks, \$132 for speeding.
Heidi A. Steenbergen, \$126 for speeding.

June 16 — Richard A. Baptist, \$165 for speeding.
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Wilma J. Choate, \$144 for speeding.
Magda Escamilla, \$174 for speeding.
Colin R. Jensen, \$126 for speeding.
Nicholas P. Latriano, \$126 for speeding.
Thad H. Turner Jr., \$132 for speeding.

Market to open

If home-grown tomatoes and vegetables are on your menu, the Goodland Farmer's Market will open at 9 a.m. Saturday at the old rest stop a few blocks east of Cherry Avenue on Business U.S. 24.

The market will be open Saturday mornings from 9 to 11 a.m. through October with seasonal produce including tomatoes, cucumbers, green beans, onions, potatoes, corn, dill and baked goods and eggs.

Sellers include Threse Armstrong, Nick Evert, Carol Gatshall, Gerry Nett and Colleen Rall. For information, call Evert at (785) 899-5809.

corrections

A statement in a story on Page 1 of the Tuesday, July 24, edition of *The Goodland Star-News*, "Thieves Betrayed by a Tire Track," following statements made by Northwest Kansas Technical College President Ken Clouse was not properly attributed. The sentence, "Things are still going on," he said. "I don't want to upset any fruit baskets," was made by theft victim Brent Cook of Edson, not by Clouse.

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An article on the Community Page in the Tuesday, July 24, edition

of *The Goodland Star-News* said the Shrine Bowl's West team coach, Jason Kenny, is the son of Dale and Sharon Kenny of Goodland. He is the son of Stan and Dolores Kenny of Goodland. He is retired and she is a photo lab technician at Wal-Mart. This was a reporting error.

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