

card shower

Claire Marie and Raymond Fisen will be celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary on Friday, Jan. 11. The family is requesting a card shower to Box 142, Stamford, Neb. 68977.

patient news

Joan Finders is in the hospital in Littleton and would like to receive cards from her friends. Her address is Life Care of Littleton, Room 106A, 1500 W. Mineral Ave., Littleton, Colo. 80120.

activities

Tours of the 1907 Victorian House at 202 W. 13th are from 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Monday. The High Plains Museum, 1717 Cherry Ave., is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. The Carnegie Arts Center is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 120 W. 12th. The Goodland Public Library is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Story Hour on Wednesdays will be a group at 10 to 11 a.m. and one at 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday group will meet at 10 to 11 a.m. These groups are for children ages three to five. On Friday's we will have Born to Read for infants and toddlers ages zero to three, accompanied by a parent or caregiver. For questions call Marcy Melia at 899-5461.

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

Goodland Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of the month at the First Christian Church, Eighth and Arcade.

The Sherman County Alzheimers and Dementia support group will meet 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Good Samaritan Society, 208 W. 2nd.

Diabetes Support Group meets at 4 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 p.m. the first Monday of the month. Any woman with cancer is welcome. Call Cheryl at 890-5528 for more information.

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

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

TOPS Meetings - Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays at North Elementary School. Weigh-in is at 5 p.m. A new group may be started and meet at a different time. Call Norma Mullen, area captain, at (785) 689-4362.

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, closed meeting, Wednesday, the book meeting, and Saturday, an

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TNT Singles will meet at **5:30 p.m. Thursday at Edwards Hall** for food, cards and fun. Call 899-3323.

Prairie Land Food pick up will be from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. **Saturday, Jan. 19**, at the Goodland Elks Lodge. Anyone who wants to see what is in the packages can stop in on distribution day.

The **Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter still has 2008 calendars** for sale at \$15. (785) 899-3502 evenings.

Jodie Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in Goodland from **1 to 2:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17**, 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. Tubbs will be in Goodland on the first and third Thursday of each month.

A come-and-go evening **flu clinic** will be from **5 to 6 p.m. Today** at the **Goodland Family Health Center**, 106 Willow Road. Call 890-6075.

The **First Baptist Church** will have **children's and adults' services at 9:30 and regular church services at 10:30 a.m.**

Sundays at Bateman Funeral Home, 11th and Broadway, while moving from Fifth and Center to 12th and Main.

school calendar

Today: Black Day. 4 p.m., West Site Council meeting. 3:30 p.m., Eighth-grade basketball at Burlington. 3:30 p.m., Seventh-grade basketball against Burlington. 5:30 p.m., junior varsity basketball against Quinter. 7 p.m., varsity basketball against Quinter. **Wednesday:** Gold Day. Elementary Bank Day. 4 p.m., Central Site Council. 8:30 a.m., Northwest Kansas League meeting at Colby. 6 p.m., Northwest Kansas Technical College enrollment. **Thursday:** Black Day. 3:30 p.m., Seventh- and Eighth-grade basketball at Oberlin. **Friday:** Gold Day. End of Second nine weeks. 3:45 p.m., varsity, junior varsity, C-team basketball against Atwood. Family, Community and Career Leaders of America Flag Ceremony and Money Grab. **Saturday:** 9 a.m., varsity wrestling at Oberlin. 8:30 a.m., junior varsity wrestling at Hays Junior Prairie Classic Wrestling. 7 p.m., American Field Service evening. **Monday:** No school, teacher professional day. 7 p.m., Goodland School Board meeting. 3:45 p.m.,

varsity, junior varsity and C team basketball against Scott City.

school menu

Today: Barbecue rib sandwich, tator tots, pickle spear, half an orange and milk. **Wednesday:** Chili, crackers, cinnamon roll, peaches and milk. **Thursday:** Chicken nuggets, savory rice, broccoli, whole wheat roll, mandarin oranges and pineapple and milk. **Friday:** Macaroni and cheese, beets, muffin, half a banana and milk. **Monday:** No school. **Tuesday:** Pigs in a blanket, seasoned potato wedges, baked beans, pears and milk.

senior menu

Today: Hamburger stew, gelatin with carrots and crushed pineapple, biscuit or bread and cherry crisp. **Wednesday:** Ham, apple sassy sweet potatoes, wax beans, bread and cook's choice fruit. **Thursday:** Bierock casserole, cheesy cauliflower, strawberries and bananas, cook's choice complement. **Friday:** Swiss steak, baked potato, corn, bread and peaches. **Monday:** Hamburger pattie, baked beans, cole slaw with carrots, bun and plums. **Tuesday:** Chicken dressing casserole, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetable, bread and applesauce.

open meeting, at 1013 Center. For Alcoholics Anonymous, call Rob at 890-3023 or Linda at 399-2353.

Goodland Al-Anon Serenity Seekers group meets at 5:30 on Wednesdays at 1013 Center. For information 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 Goodland Elks Lodge. Call 890-8369.

Fibromyalgia and Chronic Myofascial Pain Support Group meets from 6:30 to 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.

area events

Prairie Museum of Art and History, 1905 S. Franklin, in Colby is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

health department

The Sherman County Health Department at 1622 Broadway is open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Benefits for Seniors, including Medicare and application for Patients Assistance Drug Program. 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. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; a.m. and p.m. volunteers are in the gift shop.

Today: Anita Coleman, a.m., Faye Paxton, p.m. and Mazie Sutton, courtesy. **Wednesday:** Leora Jones, a.m., Paxton, p.m. and Sutton, courtesy. **Thursday:** Jessie Owens, a.m. and Emma VanVleet, courtesy. **Friday:** Avis Alcorn, a.m. and Sutton, courtesy. **Monday:** Fern Heckman, a.m. and Sutton, courtesy.

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, 726 W. Business U.S. 24. Call Jeannie Topliff at 899-2426 or Candice at 866-448-2366.

thrif store

Anyone wanting to donate to the Goodland Churches Thrift Shop should call 899-2007 to arrange to meet by the door in the alley and take donations directly from the car to the warehouse.

The store needs zippered bags like those bedding and curtains are sold in, seal-a-meal bags or any bags that can be heat-sealed, and jewelry gift boxes.

alateen

A former Alateen member and an Al-Anon member have formed an Alateen support group that will meet from 6 to 7 p.m. on Mondays at 1275 W. Sixth in Colby. The group is

for relatives and friends of alcoholics and is open to anyone 19 years old or under. Call 785-462-8152 or 462-6101.

tiny-k

Tiny-k Early Intervention Services, formerly the Early Intervention Networks, promotes development among infants and toddlers with special needs. The Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center in Oakley provides these services free of charge to children in this area.

Services include speech, developmental, vision and hearing screenings to all children and physical/occupational therapy and developmental training to children who qualify. Call 785-672-3125, ext. 115.

preschool

Sherman County Head Start is a free preschool for eligible 3 and 4 year olds. The federally funded program is targeted to families who meet certain economic guidelines and provides hearing, vision, dental and educational screenings. Nutritious meals are served, and parents are encouraged to get involved in their children's education. Families interested in having their child in the program should call Carrie Starns at 890-2552 or go to Sherman County Head Start, 823 W. 11th.

crimestoppers

If you have information about any crime, call the Goodland Area Crime Stoppers "Look Line" at 899-5665. Your call will be confidential and you will not be asked your name.

If the information results in the arrest and/or conviction of those involved, you could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000. Goodland Area Crime Stoppers is a nonprofit organization formed by citizens against crime.

obituaries

Stanley Ernest Criswell

Stanley Ernest Criswell, 80, a retired Goodland appliance repairman, died Thursday, Jan. 3, 2008, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

He was born March 27, 1927, to Lotus H. and Stella M. (Harmon) Criswell at Texhoma, Okla., and graduated from Eads High School in Eads, Colo. Mr. Criswell served in the U.S. Army from 1945 to 1947.

He and Wilma L. Thomas were married on Feb. 8, 1948, at Eads, and the family moved to Goodland in the summer of 1966.

Mr. Criswell was known in the area as "Stan the Sears Repairman." He loved flying, being with his family, fishing, gardening and woodworking.

He was a member of the Goodland Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Preceding him in death were his parents; an infant son, Douglas;

two brothers LaVerne and Vance Criswell; and a sister, Mildred.

Survivors include his wife, of the home, two sons, Steven (Joyce)

Criswell and Anthony Criswell, and two daughters, Eileen (Ronald) Dautel and Darla (Timothy) Lee, all of Goodland; two brothers, Lotus Criswell Jr. of Idaho Springs, Colo., and Arthur Criswell of Colorado Springs; a sister, Viola Carlock of Swink, Colo.; 13 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 1:30 today, Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2008, at the Koons Chapel, 211 N. Main, Goodland, with Pastor Kasey Crosby officiating.

Visitation was to be from 3 to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 7, 2008, at the funeral home.

Contributions may be left at the funeral home for the Stan Criswell Memorial.



Criswell

Elizabeth Theresa Harden

Elizabeth Theresa Harden, 84, Oberlin, a former Goodland homemaker and farmer, died Sunday, Jan. 6, 2008, at McCook Community Hospital in Nebraska.

She was born Sept. 25, 1923, to John and Theresa (Toth) Kompus on a farm northwest of Herndon. She graduated from Herndon High School in 1941 and went to business college in Denver.

She and Ralph Wolfram married on Jan. 25, 1945, and the couple lived on a farm southeast of Herndon. He died on July 20, 1961.

On March 8, 1969, she and Lloyd Harden married and the couple lived north of Goodland. They grew wheat and milo and raised the first Limousin cattle in the area. They enjoyed polka dancing and traveling.

She love baking, sewing and gardening. She was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and its women's guild and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary.

Preceding her in death were her parents; five brothers, Albert, John,

Francis, George and Emery Kompus; two sisters, Luella Solko and Wilma Tongish; and three sisters-in-law, Mable Humes, Arlene Ecker and Ruth Ketterl.

Survivors include her husband of the home; a son, Jerry (Sharon) Wolfram of Herndon; three daughters, Joyce Lea (Jerry) Brown of Murrieta, Calif., Jeanette Adams of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Roxanna (Gery) Jankovits of Rochester Hills, Mich.; a stepson, Monte (Lavon) Harden of Sioux City, Iowa; a stepdaughter, Marilyn Harden of Hays; six grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008, at the church, with Father Norbert Dlabal presiding and burial at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Herndon.

A vigil and rosary will begin at 6:30 p.m. tonight, Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2008, at the Koons Chapel, 211 N. Main.

Memorials may be left at the funeral home for the Cedar Living Center of Oberlin.

Thomas Edward Blackhurst

Thomas Edward Blackhurst, 68, Kanorado, died Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2007, at his home.

He was born Sept. 3, 1938 to James Herbert and Edna (Young) Blackhurst in Des Moines, Iowa, the youngest of seven children. He graduated in 1956 from Urbandale, High School in Des Moines and earned a Bachelor of Arts in history in 1960 from Drake University there.

He and Betty Ann Larsen married December 23, 1970, in Glenwood Springs, Colo. His hobbies included fishing, hunting and archeology. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a son, Mark Blackhurst on July 4, 2006; a sister, Bonnie Wilcox; and a brother, Bill Blackhurst.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; three sons, Mike Blackhurst of Anchorage, Alaska, T.J. (Sara) Blackhurst of Rye, Colo.; and Carl (Amber) Blackhurst of Sitka, Alaska; a daughter, Kathy (Curtis) Cox of Orem, Utah; a brother, Jim Blackhurst of Florida; three sisters, Beverly Scott of Wheatridge, Colo., Donna Winger of Marrionette, Wis., and Marilyn Hughes of Phoenix, Ariz.; four grandsons; and two granddaughters.

Services were at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 7, 2008, at the Love Funeral Home, 377 15th, Burlington, with burial in Alamosa, Colo., on Tuesday, Jan. 8.

Memorials may be sent to the Tom Blackhurst Memorial Fund at the Bank of Burlington, 410 14th Street, Burlington, Colo. 80807.

Couple to celebrate 35th anniversary

John and Diana Presley will be celebrating their 35th wedding anniversary Sunday. They were married on Jan. 6, 1973, in Brewster.

Diana is the daughter of John and Betty Schroeder of Brewster. John is the son of Glenn and the late Ruby Presley of Bella Vista, Ark.

The couple have lived in Dodge City for 30 years. Currently, John is an advertising sales representative for High Plains Journal in Dodge City. Diana is employed by Gechter

Accounting in Dodge City.

They have two children, Jeremy and Ashley. Jeremy and his wife Janie live in Wichita and Ashley and her husband Brock live in Roeland Park.

Cards can be sent to John and Diana Presley at 2517 Thompson Ave., Dodge City, Kan., 67801.

Texas couple had son in November

Jackson Thomas Taylor was born Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2007, at Baylor Medical Center in Grapevine, Texas, to Ben and Lesley Taylor of Grapevine.

He weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 20 1/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Bob and Marilyn Hellerud of Junction City and great-grandparents are

Bill and Beth Helm of Junction City and the late Thomas and Isabelle Hellerud of Goodland.

Paternal grandparents are Jim and Pam Taylor of Cedar Falls, Iowa, and great-grandparents are Jessie Taylor of Mexico, Mo., and Marilyn Williams of Knoxville, Tenn.

THANK YOU!

The family of Keith Frodin would like to thank everyone who brought food, sent cards, flowers, memorials, and all the prayers that helped us through our time of sorrow. Thank you to the friends who came by to visit Keith when he was sick. You made his last days brighter. To each of you who came by after his passing, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We have so many special friends and family. We appreciate all of your acts of kindness, support and help. May God bless each of you.

****Lois Anne, Carolyn, Patty, Brenda, Karin, Marta, Les and families****

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Submitted by Jessica Johnson, reporter



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* Jim Carpenter*

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