

homecoming

The family of Lance Corporal **Branden Tatman** is thrilled to welcome him home from his first tour in Iraq and invite everyone to join us from 3 to 5 p.m. on Saturday at Howard Johnson's for cookies and punch.

card shower

Leona Smith will be 100 years old on Tuesday. Her family is requesting a card shower be sent to her at the Good Samaritan Center, 208 W. 2nd Room 303, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

patient news

Leslie Watkins is receiving cancer treatment in Nebraska. He would appreciate cards and letters of encouragement. Cards may be sent to him in care of Kathie Wilson, 1320 Highland Drive, Ogallala, Neb. 69153.

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. 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

the calendar

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Lead-safe work practice training to be on **Tuesday and Wednesday, March 18 and 19** for contractors, landlords and others in home improvement or remodeling. For information call the Sherman County Economic Development Office at (785) 890-3743 or stop by 104 E. 10 for an application.

The **Team Captains Meeting for the Relay for Life** will meet at 6 p.m. on **Tuesday** at Western State Bank. This year's Relay will be Friday and Saturday, Aug. 15 and 16 at the Goodland High School Track.

The Shine on Sherman County Youth Committee and Sugar Hills is having a **Goodland Skate Park Breakfast** from 6:30 to 10:30 a.m. on **Saturday** at the Sugar Hills Golf Course. Tickets are \$5. The money will be used to build a Goodland Skate Park.

Prairie Land Food sign up will be until **Monday**, and pick up will be from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 29, at the Goodland Elks Lodge for the August distribution. Anyone who wants to see

what is in the packages can stop in on distribution day.

The Calvary Gospel Youth Group is having its **annual garage and bake sale** from 7 a.m. to noon on **Saturday, March 15**, at the Rock House, 6th and Caldwell. Proceeds go for Calvary Gospel Youth Groups' Youth for Mexico Mission Trip."

AARP Tax-Aide counseling, preparation, e-filing and teaching service will help you file your 2007 Tax Return on **Friday afternoons** through April 11 at Goodland Public Library, 8th and Broadway, or Senior Adult Center, 15th and Center. Call (785) 890-7245 for information.

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

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.

Church, Eighth and Arcade.

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 **5:30 p.m. the first Tuesday** 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 **Mon-**

day, Wednesday and Friday at the Goodland Activities Center. Call 890-7242.

Goodland Alcoholics Anonymous meets at **8 p.m. Monday**, closed meeting, **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.

Goodland AI-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.

Stratton "AA by the Book"

school calendar

Today: Gold Day. State basketball. North School spring pictures. 4 p.m., 4-H Days, Talent Nights - rehearsal. **Sunday:** Daylight Savings Time begins. Noon, Kansas Kids Sub District wrestling seeding meeting. **Monday:** Board of Education meeting. Family Community Career Leaders of America week. 5:30 p.m., Goodland Wrestling Club.

school menu

Today: Fish, hash browns, California blend vegetables, whole wheat roll, fruit cocktail and milk. **Monday:** Taco, lettuce, cheese, potato square, peaches and milk. **Tuesday:** Corn dog, seasoned potato wedges, baked beans, gelatin and milk.

senior menu

Today: Tuna and noodle casserole, corn, five cup salad, bread and cookie. **Monday:** Chicken and rice casserole, Spanish green beans, ambrosia fruit salad, bread and choice complement. **Tuesday:** Hamburger steak, au gratin potatoes, peas, bread and apricots.

obituary

Erma Lee Drennan

Erma Lee Drennan, 79, Goodland shoe store owner, died Monday, March 3, 2008, at Goodland Regional Medical Center.

She was born on Feb. 8, 1929, to Henry and Alvenia (Clark) Beauchamp at Texline, Texas. She joined the First Baptist Church in Des Moines, N.M., at the age of seven. Mrs. Drennan graduated from high school in Clayton, N.M.

On Sept. 17, 1950, she and Guy S. Drennan of Boise City, Okla., were married at her parents' home in Clayton. The couple lived in Topeka for five years before moving to Goodland. She worked for Bankwest for 34 years and after her husband's death on Sept. 6, 1991, she continued to

run the family business, Drennan's Shoes.

She belonged to the Southern Baptist Church.



Drennan

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; an infant daughter, Connie Lynn; and five brothers and five sisters.

Survivors include a son, Gary (Brenda) Drennan of Goodland; two grandsons; and three great grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 5, 2008, at Koons Chapel, 211 N. Main, in Goodland with Pastor J.W. Glidewell officiating and burial will be at 2 p.m. (Mountain Time) in the Wheelless Oklahoma Cemetery.

Couple to wed in Bartlesville church

Grant Alan Berning and Melissa Lynn Smithson plan to be married on Saturday, July 5, 2008, at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church in Bartlesville, Okla.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Sharon Smithson of Tulsa and Dr. John and Jayne Smithson of Bartlesville and granddaughter of Dr. John Smithson Sr. of Dewey, Okla., and Beatrice Wooldridge of Owensboro, Ky.

The future groom is the son of Mick and Stacia Berning of Hutchinson and the grandson of Keith and Evelyn Baker of Goodland, Larry

and Cheryl Varvel of Garnett and Ed and Kathy Berning of Leoti.

She graduated from Bartlesville High School in 1999, Oklahoma State University in 2003 with a bachelor in biology and the University of Oklahoma in 2006 with a masters of physical therapy. She works as a physical therapist at St. John's Outpatient Rehabilitation in Tulsa.

He graduated from Alva High School in 2003 and will graduate from Rogers State University with a Bachelor of Science in history and political science.

Baby boy joins brother at home

Jaxon Tyler Dominick was born at 1:07 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2008 to Kyla (Ontiveroz) and Todd Dominick of Hutchinson at the Hutchinson Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

His maternal grandparents are Abel and Ruth Ontiveroz and his great grandmother is Sylvia Hurst,

all of Goodland.

His paternal grandparents are Kathy and Joe Baker of Lansing and Mike Dominick of Lansing. His paternal great grandparents are Ruby Dominick of Lansing and Jim and Patricia Kreutzer of Leavenworth.

He is welcomed home by his brother Jordon Dominick who is 18 months old.

Classifieds work! 899-2338

Library has new books, discs to check out

The Goodland Public Library has received these new books and titles in February.

New titles are "A New Earth: Awakening to your Life's Purpose" by Eckhart Tolle, "90 Minutes in Heaven" by Don Piper, "Riding the Rails" by Errol Lincoln Ulys, "No Regrets" by Ann Rule, "The Boomer Century" by Richard Crocker, "Clapton; The Autobiography" by Eric Clapton, "Train Robber's Daughter the Melodramatic Life of Eva Evans," "Escape" by Carolyn Jessop, "Jesus Out to Sea" by James Lee Burke, "Sword Song" by Bernard Cornwell, "All the Pretty Girls" by J.T. Ellison, "The Appeal" by John Grisham, "Hell's Bay" by James W. Hall, "Firefly Lane" by Kristin Hannah, "Someday" by Karen Kingsbury, "Remember Me?" by Sophie Kinsella, "Sizzle and Burn" by Jayne Ann Krentz, "Where the Heart Leads" by Stephanie Laurens, "The Ice Child" by Elizabeth McGregor, "Fast Track" by Fern Michaels, "The First Patient" by Michael Palmer, "7th Heaven" by James Patterson, "The Virgin of Small Plains" by Nancy Pickard, "Change of Heart" by Jodi Picoult, "Light of the Moon" by Luanne Rice, "A Touch of Grace" by Lauraine Snelling, "Honor Thyself" by Danielle Steel, "Death of a Gentle Lady" by M.C. Beaton, "The Purrfect Murder" by Rita Mae Brown, "Dakota" by Martha Grimes, "Stranger in Paradise" by Robert B. Parker, "L.A. Outlaws" by T. Jefferson Parker, "Strangers in Death" by J.D. Robb and "Beverly Hills Dead" by Stuart Woods.

New large print books are "Mama Made the Difference" by T. D. Jakes, "A Time to Die" by Beverly Barton, "Fields of Gold" by Marie Bostwick, "Power Play" by Joseph Finder, "Protect and Defend" by Vince Flynn, "Lord John and the Hand of Devils" by Diana Gabaldon, "The Killing Ground" by Jack Higgins, "The Yada Yada Prayer Group" by Neta Jackson, "Duma Key" by Stephen King, "Touchstone" by Lurie R. King, "Between Sundays" by Karen Kingsbury, "Someday" by Karen Kingsbury, "Sizzle and Burn" by Jayne Ann Krentz, "Heart of Texas, Book 2" by Debbie Macomber, "Come Walk With Me" by Joan A. Medicott, "The First Patient" by Michael Palmer, "Mother" by L.A. Rentschler, "At Home in Mossy Creek" by Deborah Smith, "When Morning Comes" by Cindy Woodsmall, "The Case of the Tough-talking Turkey" by Claudia Bishop, "The Purrfect Murder" by Rita Mae Brown, "Grave Apparel" by Ellen Byerrum, "Hidden Falls" by Carla Danziger, "Dakota" by Martha Grimes, "Blonde Faith" by Walter Mosley, "Stranger in Paradise" by Robert B. Parker, "A Deadly Dealer" by J.B. Stanley and "Manhunters" by Elmer Kelton.

New on compact disc are "An Inconvenient Book" by Glenn Beck, "Blaze" by Richard Bachman, "Last Man Standing" by David Baldacci, "The Venetian Betrayal" by Steve Berry, "The Three Shirt Deal" by Stephen J. Cannell, "Mountain Laurel" by Jude Deveraux, "The Appeal" by John Grisham, "The Killing Ground" by Jack Higgins, "Duma Key" by Stephen King, "Someday" by Karen Kingsbury, "Sizzle and Burn" by Jayne Ann Krentz, "Robert Ludlum's The Paris Option" by Robert Ludlum, "The First Patient," "Bleeding Kansas" by Sara Paretsky, "7th Heaven" by James Patterson, "Light of the Moon" by Luanne Rice, "Everlasting" by Kathleen E. Woodiwiss, "Beverly Hills Dead" by Stuart Woods, "Dakota" by Martha Grimes, "Stranger in Paradise" by Robert B. Parker, "L.A. Outlaws" by T. Jefferson Parker, "Strangers in Death" by J.D. Robb, "Star Wars: Legacy of the Force: Fury" by Aaron Allston, "Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie" by David Lubar, "Shooter" by Walter Dean Myers, "Airborn" by Kenneth Oppel and "Eldest" by Christopher Paolini.

THANK YOU

The family of Lawrence House, Jr. wishes to express their appreciation to everyone for their acts of kindness in our time of loss.

We extend our sincere Thank You.

Alta Mae, Larry and Jim House and families
Larry and Phyllis Dickey and family

THANK YOU FRIENDS

We would like to take this time to give many Thanks to all of our friends and family who were there for us at the time of Wendy's accident with Olivia and Cooper. Thank you to Deb Martin who took time off of work to keep Olivia. Thank you to Brian and Michelle Owens for taking care of our animals. Thank you to the gals at USD 352 who covered for Sherri. Thank you for the many phone calls offering help, concerns, and prayers. Thank you to those for the many acts of kindness. Thank you most of all to our God, who listened to your prayers and has blessed Wendy, Olivia and Cooper with life to continue on a Great Journey.

Sincerely,
The families of:
Syd and Sherri Keith (Goodland)
Kevin and Wendy Oller (Hutchinson)
Jim and Deb Oller (Sterling)

Leon Albin Liljegren

Leon Albin Liljegren, 91, formerly of Goodland, died Sunday, Jan. 13, 2008, at Bethany Home in Lindsborg.

Mr. Liljegren was born June 19, 1916 in Gowrie, Iowa. He was the son of Albin and Sigrid (Julander) Liljegren. He married Eunice Lind, of Harcourt, Iowa, on February 18, 1940, at Zion Lutheran Church, Gowrie.

Following the death of his father, Leon and his brothers continued the family business, Liljegren Decorating Company, a paint and wallpaper store, until he entered World War II in March, 1944. He served in the Navy on the U.S.S. Alaska as Range Finder, the "nest" was his post. He was honorably discharged December 24, 1945.

Leon, his wife, Eunice and three children, moved to Goodland in 1950 where they built the first Dairy Queen Store in Northwest Kansas. They owned and operated the D.Q. for 22 years (1950 - 1972) during which time they provided many young people with their "first jobs." The Liljegrens were best known as Mr. and Mrs. "L" or Mr. and Mrs. "DQ" by employees and patrons alike.

In the early 1950s, to supplement the family income, Leon began part time work at the Post Office. He retired from his full-time position with the U.S. Postal Service in 1979.

Upon his retirement from the Dairy Queen and the post office, Leon revived his early passion as a craftsman. He purchased and refurbished several old homes in Goodland, providing charming and affordable housing for many people in the community. He also rebuilt and refinished antique furniture pieces and using recycled woods created many pieces of his own design.

Leon was a member of the American Legion serving as Post Commander in Gowrie, Iowa, and an active member of the Goodland Post. He was also a member of Kiwanis of Goodland and the Lions Club of Goodland and Lindsborg. He and Eunice were active in the Community Concert Series in Goodland and together shared a love of music through their solo and duet contributions in church choir and various community events. He and his family were members of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Goodland, where he was involved, as a leader and member, in various groups and activities support-



ing the church.

In August 2001, Leon moved with Eunice to Lindsborg where they had longtime family ties and where they continued their commitment to church and community.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Warren Liljegren and Wayne Liljegren, both of Des Moines, Iowa, and Harris Liljegren of Tribuna.

Leon is survived by his wife Eunice of Lindsborg; two sons, Lonny (Elizabeth) Liljegren of Lindsborg and Craig (Jane) Liljegren of Tulsa, Okla.; one daughter, Phyllis Liljegren Newson of Lindsborg; three grandsons, Scott (Allison) Liljegren, Jeffrey (Kerri) Liljegren and Scott (Shirley) Newson; two great-granddaughters, Jennifer Newson and Jessica Newson; one great-grandson, Austin Newson.

Funeral services were held Thursday, January 17, 2008, at Bethany Lutheran Church, Lindsborg and Saturday, January 19, 2008, at Zion Lutheran Church, Gowrie, Iowa. Burial was in Gowrie Township Cemetery, Gowrie.

The family has requested memorials be given to Emmanuel Lutheran Church, of Goodland, Bethany Lutheran Church of Lindsborg, Bethany Home of Lindsborg or Hospice of Kansas in McPherson.

This reprint of the obituary for Leon Liljegren has been requested by his family. They wish to gratefully acknowledge and thank friends and family for remembrances received in response to the initial article printed in January, 2008.

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