

card shower

The family of Frank and Virginia Blain are hosting an anniversary card shower for their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married Nov. 3, 1961, at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church at Goodland. He worked for Goodland Savings and Loan and Anchor Savings until his retirement. She was a homemaker, but also worked for the Sherman County Extension Office, as a seamstress for Schneider's and as a teacher's aide for the Goodland School District. In 1997 they moved to Lawrence, when they presently live. Cards may be sent to them at 1508 Fountain Drive, Lawrence, Kan. 66047.

activities

Tours of the 1907 Victorian House at 202 W. 13th are from **1 to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Monday.** Closed on Tuesday.

The **High Plains Museum**, 1717 Cherry Ave., is open from **9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday through Saturday and from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday.** Closed Tuesdays.

The **Carnegie Arts Center** is open from **10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday and 1 to 6 p.m. on Monday** at 120 W. 12th. The center is always in need of hosts and hostesses on Sundays. New monthly exhibits and you are invited to visit the gift shop.

The **Goodland Public Library** is open from **10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday** and from **10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.** For information call (785) 899-5461 or stop by the library.

The local **High Plains Constitutional Society** will meet the **first and third Tuesdays** of each month from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Rock House, 6th and Caldwell, Goodland.

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

The **Good Sam Family Support Council** meets at **7 p.m.** the second Thursday of every month at the Goodland Elks Lodge. Meetings are open to all interested people. For information call 890-3117 or 890-5936.

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 second Monday** of the month. Any woman with cancer is welcome. Call Cheryl at 890-5528 for more information.

Cancer Support Group meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Goodland Regional Medical in the large board room. Group open to any cancer patient, survivor, caregiver and family members. Call Tina Goodwin at (785) 890-6036.

The **Goodland Activities Center** has the following activities. Monday: 5:30 a.m. aerobics with Tena Tompkins and 5 p.m. taekwondo. Tuesday: 5:30 a.m., workout with Grady Bonsall. Wednesday: 5:30 a.m. aerobics with Tena Tompkins, 9:45 a.m. finding fitness class, 4 p.m. taekwondo classes and 5:30 p.m. aerobics with Lisa Malsom. Thursday: 5:30 a.m., workout with Grady Bonsall and 9:45 a.m. finding fitness class. Friday: 5:30 a.m. aerobics with Tena Tompkins and starting at 5 p.m. taekwondo classes. For information call 890-7242.

Weight Watchers meets at **5:30 p.m. for weigh in** and 6 p.m. for the meeting every **Tuesday** at the Right Combination Dance Studio, 902 W. Hwy. 24. For information call (785) 890-3285 or visit rightcombinationdance.com.

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 Pat T. at 890-3915 or Laura at 821-4277.

Goodland Al-Anon Serenity Seekers group meets at **8 p.m. on**

the calendar

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The **Sherman County Stock Car Racing Association** will meet at **1:30 p.m. on Saturday** at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 7th and Caldwell.

The **Goodland High School winter sports parent meeting** will be at **6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8**, in the high school auditorium. This meeting is for all parents who have a son or daughter wanting to participate in a winter sport. For parents that attended the fall sports parent meeting you will not need to attend the first portion of the meeting. Please be there by 7 p.m. to attend your son or daughter's individual sport meeting at the following locations; wrestling in the auditorium, boys basketball in the library and girls basketball in the cafeteria. Call Greg Ferguson at 890-5656 with questions.

Tickets for the Goodland High School production of "The Phantom of the Opera" are on sale now. Prices are \$6 for adults and \$4 for students. Show dates are 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 11; 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 12; and 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 13. Call 890-5656 for tickets.

Commodity Distribution for Sherman County residents will be at **1:30 p.m. on Monday** at First Christian Church, 8th and Arcade. Foods will include cranberry sauce, peaches, milk, cream corn, grapefruit juice, macaroni and peas. For information call Genesis (785) 890-2299.

The Goodland Regional Medical Center Auxiliary will have a **soup supper from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 12**, at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 12th and Sherman.

Your Neighbors Need You - Give a Can! The food drive challenge between Kansas and Nebraska **starts Monday and runs to Monday, Nov. 21.** Collection boxes for cans are at Walmart, Dollar General and the lobby of the Sherman County Courthouse. Cash donations may be left with the Sherman County Clerk or mailed to Genesis Food Bank, P.O. Box 313, Goodland, KS. 67735. Each dollar of cash donated will count as one can of food and money donations should

be marked for the food drive challenge so they can be counted in the contest against Nebraska.

The Brewster United Methodist Church, 210 Nebraska Ave., Brewster will have its **57th Annual Turkey Supper on Wednesday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.** (Mountain Time). A freewill offering for missions will be taken.

Jodie Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in Goodland from **1 to 2:15 p.m. on Thursday** 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.

The **TALK book discussion** will be at **6:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Goodland Public Library**, 812 Broadway. Discussion leader Jane M. Holwerda of Dodge City Community College will lead the group on "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time." For information call (785) 899-5461.

Prairie Land Food sign up will be **until Monday.** Distribution is 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 19, at the Knights of Columbus, 7th and Caldwell. For information call 821-1827 or 821-1275 or order online at www.prairielandfood.com. The Prairie Pak will have lean ground beef, turkey and pork breakfast sausage patties, chicken breast tenderloins, breaded fish portions, smoked sausage, sweet potatoes, onions, potatoes, carrots, celery, oranges and apples. The specials are a Holiday Dinner Pak which includes a 10 to 14 lb. turkey, sweet potatoes, potatoes, onions, carrots, celery, oranges, apples and a pumpkin pie. Second special is Thanksgiving full meal deal includes a 6 to 7 lb whole roster chicken, homemade mashed potatoes, homemade mac/cheese, sweet corn, strawberries, biscuits and an apple crumb pie, third special is Black Forest boneless ham, and the fourth special is Big hen house which is a 10 pound box of boneless/skinless breaded chicken breast filets.

The **Goodland Fall Clean-up** done by the Goodland High School will be **8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9**, mainly for

the elderly. To be on the schedule call 890-5656. They cannot pick up tires, large appliances, hazardous wastes or tree branches larger than four feet in length.

The **Goodland Masonic Fish Fry** will be from **4 to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 19**, at the hall, 519 Center. For tickets call Ken Baum 890-7364 or Wayne Aten 899-3177.

The annual open enrollment for Plan D of Medicare has changed to Saturday until Wednesday, Dec. 7. **Senior Health Insurance Counselors of Kansas** will be at the Goodland Public Library. For appointments call (785) 890-5908, (785) 821-1626 or (785) 399-8019.

Tuesday Flicks are at **1:30 p.m.** at the **Goodland Public Library**, 812 Broadway. Call the library for the title of the movie at 899-5461.

school calendar

Today: Gold day. **Wednesday:** Black day. 3:45 p.m. Professional development committee meeting.

Thursday: Gold day. **Friday:** Black day. **Saturday:** 9 a.m. junior high wrestling at Hugoton Invitational. Kansas Music Educators Association junior high honor concert band/choir in Hays. **Monday:** Gold day. 3 p.m. junior wrestling at Colby. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America wiffleball tournament. Fall athletic buffer week.

Tuesday: Black day. 4 p.m. West Site Council. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America wiffleball tournament. Fall athletic buffer week.

senior menu

Today: Pasta beef and tomato casserole, corn, tossed salad, bread and pineapple. **Wednesday:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, bread and peaches. **Thursday:** Harvest turkey soup, gelatin with mixed fruit, crackers and brownies. **Friday:** Meat balls in gravy, parslid potatoes, pea salad, bread and plums. **Monday:** Pioneer girl goulash, Italian blend vegetables, corn, bread and cook's choice fruit. **Tuesday:** Pork roast, steamed cabbage, carrots and onions, tropical fruit, bread and cookie.

Mondays at 1013 Center. Contact Cheryl at (785) 890-3023, Shelly at (785) 890-3915 or Twila at (785) 332-2078 for more information.

Goodland Adult Children of Alcoholics meets at **6 p.m. on Fridays** at First Christian Church, 711 Arcade. For information call Alice or Marilyn at 890-5914 or 821-2862.

The Incognito Group. If alcohol has made your life unmanageable and you find yourself powerless. Our group meets at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in Goodland. Talking about it is the first step. Call for our meeting place (303) 905-3817, (785) 728-7022 and (785) 728-2120. Leave a message and number and we will get back to you.

The "Freedom Today" group of **Narcotics Anonymous** meets at **8 p.m. Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Fridays and 8 p.m. on Sundays** at 1013 Center. Call 890-8369.

Bird City Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at **6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) on Fridays** at the Senior Center on 4th Street. **Narcotics Anonymous** meets at **6:30 (Mountain Time) on Tuesdays** at the Senior Center. Call (785) 734-2734 for more information.

Stratton "AA by the Book" Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at **7 p.m. Thursdays** for a beginners open meeting. Families and young people welcome. Call (719) 348-5398 for men and (719) 346-8553 for women. On U.S. Highway 24 go to Statton and it is the second house

on the left, 513 Iola Street.

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, 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.

blue star banners

Do you have a son or daughter, grandson or granddaughter serving in the active duty military service? The Goodland Elks Lodge 1528 would like to present you with a "blue star banner" for your window to show your pride! Please call the secretary at the Goodland Elks Lodge 1528 at (785) 890-6251 to visit with her about this.

thrif store

Anyone wanting to donate to the Goodland Churches Thrift Shop, 1002 Main, should call 890-2007. The store is open 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. on Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

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.

Blood pressures; infants', children's and adults' immunizations;

obituaries

Ethel Marie Russell

Ethel Marie Russell, 84, former City of Goodland billing clerk, died Friday, Oct. 28, 2011 at Good Samaritan Society - Sherman County at Goodland.

She was born Oct. 17, 1927, to Lillie A. (Melstrom) and Edwin A. Rhoads. She grew up on the family farm northeast of Goodland.

In 1946 she graduated from Sherman Community High School and then went to the Barnes Business College at Denver.

On Jan. 9, 1949, she and Roy N. Russell, Jr. were married in Pennington Gap, Va. After their marriage the couple lived in Germany and several others U.S. states as a military family. Following Roy's retirement from the Air Force in 1969, they settled in Goodland.

Mrs. Russell retired from the City of Goodland after 20 years.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Order of Eastern Star and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. Mrs. Russell was an avid bowler and bowled for many years in local leagues. She enjoyed traveling around the country and overseas. Her hobbies included

cooking, ceramic art and playing cards.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; a son, Roy E. Russell; a son-in-law, Roger Tittle; and two sisters, Juanita Shahan and Adelaide Rockwell.

Survivors include two daughters, Margaret Russell of Goodland and Melissa Tittle of Loveland, Colo.; two sons, Curtis (Kathy) Russell of Goodland and Steve (Alicia) Russell of Sheridan, Wyo.; four sisters, Iva Lee (Dale) Stephens and Lucille McCall, both of Goodland, Nora (Bill) Mock of Brighton, Colo. and Doris (Darwin) Venden of Loveland, Colo.; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2011, at Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main.

Goodland with Pastor Travis Blake officiating and burial in the Goodland Cemetery.

Visitation was from 3 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2011, at Koons Chapel.

Memorials to Hospice Services - Sherman County may be left at Koons Funeral Home.

Pauline Helton Spiker

Pauline Helton Spiker, 66, Las Vegas, Nev., former employee at Goodland Regional Medical Center, died Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2011 at her daughter's home in north Las Vegas.

She was born March 31, 1944, to Ben Helton and Lavetta Orr at Canon City, Colo. When she was four her family moved to Edson. She graduated from Edson High School in 1962 and attended cosmetology school at McCook, Neb. She worked for many years as an admissions clerk at the Goodland Medical Center.

In November 1963 she and Donald Spiker were married at Goodland. The couple moved to Aurora, Colo., then Wichita and back to Goodland. The couple divorced and she moved in with her mother, Lavetta Helton Orr, to care for her for the remainder of her mother's life. She eventually moved to Greene, Iowa, to be near her daughter, and lived there until this past June. She

then moved out to Las Vegas to live with her daughter.

Preceding her in death were her parents and two sisters, Lois McClain and Lenora Somers, all of Goodland.

Survivors include her daughter, Tracey Spiker of Las Vegas; her sister, Carol (Ron) Lisowski of Las Vegas; a brother, Kenneth (Sherry) Helton of St. Francis; a brother-in-law, Don McClain of Goodland; two uncles; an aunt; and two grandsons.

Services were 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011, at Bateman Funeral Home, 211 E. 11, Goodland and burial in the Goodland Cemetery.

Visitation was from noon to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011, at the funeral home.

Memorials may be sent to the funeral home to be sent by her family to selected animal charities as Mrs. Spiker was an avid animal lover.

Jess Lee Williams

Jess Lee Williams, 92, retired St. Francis mechanic, died Thursday, Oct. 27, 2011, at Cheyenne County Hospital at St. Francis.

He was born Oct. 27, 2011 to Thomas Orville Williams and Edna Louetta Nester in Cheyenne County. Mr. Williams grew up on a farm southwest of St. Francis now the site of St. Francis Feeders.

On July 29, 1944, he and Frances Bernice Walter were married. The couple started their life together on the farm and then moved to St. Francis where he was employed by Danielson's Hardware. Later he went to work for Fred Bowers as a mechanic. In 1955, the couple purchased the business and changed the name to Jess' Auto Service.

In 1962 they bought the property south of the shop where they built a home.

Mr. Williams enjoyed playing golf, stock car racing, fishing and

trap shooting. He also enjoyed building furniture. Every family member has some item in their home built by him.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife of 67 years who died on Sept. 25, 2011; a brother, Neil C. Williams; and two sisters, Lucille Mahaney and Hollie Bruns.

Survivors include two daughters, Bonnie (Gary) Cooper and Judy (Alvin) Hilt, both of St. Francis; a son, Tom Williams of Atwood; a sister, Hollis Scott of Loveland, Colo.; eight grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Services were Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011 at the United Methodist Church of St. Francis with the Rev. Warren Cico officiating and burial in the St. Francis Cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by Knodel Funeral Home, 202 S. Benton, St. Francis.

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