

card shower

The family of **Wilma Criswell** is requesting a card shower for her 80th birthday on Thursday, Feb. 9. Cards may be sent to 823 Texas, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

student news

**Danielle Pettibone** of Goodland made Wichita State University dean's honor roll for fall 2011 semester.

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, 1 to 4 p.m. on 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.

**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 **3 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, 5 p.m. taekwondo and 5:30 p.m. group exercise with Lisa Malsom. Tuesday: 5:30 a.m., workout with Grady Bonsall. Wednesday: 5:30 a.m. aerobics with Tena Tompkins, 9:30 a.m. low impact class with Sarah King, 4 p.m. taekwondo classes and 5:30 p.m. aerobics with Lisa Malsom. Thursday: 5:30 a.m., workout with Grady Bonsall. Friday: 5:30 a.m. aerobics with Tena Tompkins, 9:30 a.m. low impact exercise group with Sarah King and starting at 5 p.m. taekwondo classes. For information call 890-7242. Certified personal traing offered with Kyla Sheldon. Memberships options for everyone including day passes for \$5. Visit goodlandgac.com or stop by 808 Main.

**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**, 1013 Center. If you drink alcohol, that's your business. If you want to stop, we can help. Call 821-3826 pr 728-7491.

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

the calendar

calendar

**Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m.** students will learn to do texture painting at the **Saturday Art Classes** at the Carnegie Arts Center, 120 W. 12. Heather Spinney will be the instructor. The cost is \$3 per student.

**Prairie Land Food sign up will be until Monday.** Distribution is 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Knights of Columbus, 7th and Caldwell. For information call 821-1827, 821-1275, 821-0120 or 728-7196 or order online at www.prairielandfood.com. The Prairie Pak will have fish sticks, ground beef, ham steak, bacon, chicken thighs, cheese, fruits and vegetables. The specials are the variety box with ham steaks, turkey medallions, ground beef, chicken breast tenderloins, pork roast, California blend vegetables and strawberries; Lenten special with popcorn shrimp, tilapia, haddock, and pollock; pizza grillers and pork chop special. The choice items are a boneless turkey breast and marble chip cupcakes.

**2012 Project Graduation** will have a fundraiser at Pizza Hut on **Thursday**. Pizza Hut will be donating 20 percent of the day's sales to help the senior class have a fun and successful party. Project Graduation is alcohol and drug free.

Students will create unusual animals with texture painting at the **Saturday Art Classes from 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 18**, at Carnegie Arts Center, 120 W. 12. Heather Spinney will be the instructor and the cost is \$3 per student.

A class on **Succession Planning** will take place at **5 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 23**, at Northwest Tech College. For information call Economic Development Director

Michael Solomon at 890-4500.

The **Pride of the Prairie Orchestra** will present "These are a Few of My Favorite Things" at **2:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) on Sunday, Feb. 26**, at the Frahm Theatre/Cultural Arts Center on the Colby Community College Campus. The concert will feature mezzo-soprano Bonnie Cameron and will be conducted by Beverly Rucker.

**AARP Tax-Aide** counseling, preparation, e-filing and teaching service will help you file your 2011 Tax Return from **1 to 4 p.m. Friday afternoons** at Goodland Public Library, 8th and Broadway. Call for an appointment at (785) 821-1827 or (785) 890-2287. Will also do walk ins. The service is also at the Colby Community College Library from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday. For information call (785) 821-1827.

**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. 3:45 c team basketball at Ulysses. 5:30 girls varsity and junior varsity basketball at Ulysses. 7 p.m. boys varsity basketball at Ulysses. 5:30 p.m. varsity wrestling at Oakley. **Saturday:** X-Pressos Valentine Banquet. 8 a.m. ACT test. **Monday:** Black day. 3:30 p.m. boys eight grade basketball at Colby. 3:30 p.m. seventh grade boys basketball against Colby at Junior High Gym. National Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Week. 7 p.m. board of education meeting at the Administration Building. **Tuesday:** Gold day. 3:45 c team basketball at Atwood. 5:30 p.m. girls varsity

and junior varsity basketball at Atwood. 7 p.m. varsity boys basketball at Atwood. 4 p.m. West Site Council. National Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Week.

school menu

**West Elementary School**  
**Today:** Breakfast - donuts, cereal, juice and milk. Lunch - ham and cheese wraps, shredded lettuce, grape tomatoes, banana and milk. **Monday:** Breakfast - french toast and strawberries and milk. Lunch - Pizza, corn, peaches and milk. **Tuesday:** Breakfast - scrambled eggs with cheese, cereal, fruit and milk. Lunch - chicken sandwich, green beans, half an orange, Valentine dessert and milk.

**Grant Junior High**  
**Today:** Breakfast - biscuit and gravy, fruit, juice, cereal and milk. Lunch - corn dog, french fries, rosy applesauce and milk.

**Goodland High School**  
**Today:** Breakfast - scrambled eggs, toast, cereal, juice or fruit and milk. Lunch - corn dog, french fries, salad bar, rosy applesauce and milk.

senior menu

**Today:** Polish sausage with kraut, mashed potatoes, peas, bread and gelatin with fruit. **Monday:** Hamburger vegetable soup, cook's choice fruit, crackers and brownie. **Tuesday:** Salisbury steak, scalloped potatoes, winter mix vegetables, bread and plums. **Wednesday:** Chicken enchilada casserole, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, bread and Mandarin oranges. **Thursday:** Roast beef slice, mashed potatoes with gravy, apricots, bread and birthday cake. **Friday:** Barbecue meat balls, potato salad, corn, dinner roll and pears.

(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. Filies 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

The monthly lunch meeting of the **Western Kansas Human Resource Management Association** will be at 10:30 a.m. (Mountain Time) Wednesday at El Dos de Oros, 1950 S. Range, Colby. Rn Alexander, of the Colby Police Department will speak on drugs in the workplace. The meeting will end at noon (Mountain Time). Please RSVP to jmm@mitteninc.com or call (785) 672-3062 x22 by 11 a.m. (Mountain Time) Tuesday.

**USS Maddox Destroyer Association** (DD731, DD622 and DD168) will have its reunion Aug. 16 to 19. For information contact Dennis Stokhaug, 571 W. 14562 Hidden Creek Ct. Muskego, Wis. 53150 or (262) 679-9409 or email maddox64@aol.com.

**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.

thrift 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; health assessments for Kan Be Healthy, daycare and school entry; fasting blood sugar and hemoglobin; and family planning available by appointment. Sharps containers are available free. WIC program available. Call 890-4888 or go to www.sherman.kansas.com.

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.

early head start

Early Head Start is a state funded program for income eligible families with prenatal mothers and children up to age three. Families participate in a variety of educational activities and receive free medical and dental care.

Services include special needs of children with disabilities. If you have a family member with a special problem, such as drug or alcohol abuse, job loss or other family crisis, your family can qualify. Call 785-672-3125, ext. 187.

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

obituaries

Richard D. Elston

Richard D. Elston, 81, Hays, former owner of No Pest Inc., died Monday, Feb. 6, 2012, at Hays Medical Center.

He was born Feb. 6, 1931, to Lester and Lois (Harris) Elston in Kirksville, Mo.

On Dec. 19, 1954, he and Norvella Deaver were married in Fowler, The couple moved to Hays in 1957, while he was working for Welex, later Haliburton Oil. He also worked for Linenberger Construction before opening in 1984 No Pest Inc.

Mr. Elston was a U.S. Army veteran, a member of the North Oak Community Church, the Fowler American Legion, a past 4-H leader, a member of the Kansas Pest Association and the National Pest Association.

Preceding him in death were his parents; three brothers, Orville Elston, Don Elston and Walter Elston;

a sister, Mildren Mitten.

Survivors include his wife of the home; a daughter, Deana (Kim) Rupp of Hays; two sisters, Berniece Smith of Kirksville, Mo. and Lucille Doyle of Benedict; and two grandchildren.

Services were at 10 a.m. (Mountain Time) on Friday, Feb. 10, 2012, at the North Oak Community Church, 3000 Oak Street, Hays, with military honors following by the Hays American Legion.

Visitation was from 5:30 to 7 p.m. (Mountain Time) Thursday, Feb. 9, 2012, at the Hays Memorial Chapel Funeral Home, 1906 Pine Street, Hays and on Friday, Feb. 10, 2012, until time of the service at the church.

Memorials to North Oak Community Church, the Thomas More Society or to Hospice of Hays Medical Center may be sent to the funeral home.

Leonard Calkins

Leonard Calkins, 77, former school janitor, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2012.

Services are pending with Bate-

man Funeral Home, 211 E. 11, Goodland.

A full obituary will follow.

Restaurant wants to make memories

By Ron Wilson

Director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University

The black-and-white photo hangs on the wall. It shows a young girl, maybe four years old, with a big smile, sitting at her grandmother's kitchen table. Maybe that scene was a foreshadowing of something yet to come. Today, the young woman pictured in that photo is operating an eating place of her own in rural Kansas.

Kim Coslett and her husband Kirt are owners of the Kaleo Café in Halstead. They are natives, having grown up in the area. Kim is from Sedgwick, north of Wichita. She is trained as a nurse.

Kim and Kirt worked for a year at a hunting preserve in the Adirondack Mountains of New York and then chose to move back to Kansas. Kim became a licensed nurse in Halstead and eventually the family settled there. Kirt, has his own roofing company, Coslett Roofing. They have four children.

"We love the town, we love the people here," Kim said. She is also a talented musician, singing and playing in a couple of gospel and country music groups. When the nearby Prairie Rose Chuckwagon Supper held auditions for a singing group, Kim was not going to apply, but her aunt insisted that she do so. Kim not only passed the audition, she got the job. Today she sings with the Prairie Rose Rangers as well as the Kim Coslett Band.

In addition, Kim had long wanted to have a restaurant. She worked on the idea for years and was within an eyelash of renting space to open a restaurant in a neighboring community before she reconsidered.

Then she was approached about some downtown space in her hometown of Halstead. A woman was closing her art shop and gift gallery.

"I felt like it was the Lord at work, because it opened up at just the right time," Kim said. She rented and remodeled the space and opened the Kaleo Café in April 2011.

Why the name Kaleo? "We heard it at church," Kim said. "Our minister used the word in his sermon one day. He explained that Kaleo was

Greek, meaning 'to be called' or 'to invite.' I feel like I am called to do this, and we want to invite people to join us," Kim said.

So the Kaleo Café opened in the rural community of Halstead, population 1,880 people. Now, that's rural. The restaurant is artfully decorated in attractive colors, with glass vases and lighting for attractive accents above a corrugated tin wall.

The menu is upscale, featuring paninis, sandwiches and wraps, flat bread pizza, soups, salads, baked goods, and great desserts. One can find everything from turkey avocado wrap to citrus lime salad to lemon basil orzo, but there is also a kids' menu.

The restaurant is already expanding into a space next door. This will include a private dining room which will be available for rentals. Kim is already doing a lot of catering and is looking to host more birthday and tea parties for kids. As one might guess, music is featured in the restaurant each week on Friday nights.

The tables in the restaurant are classics which were found at an antique shop in Marion. They have laminate tops and stainless steel legs such as one might have found in grandmother's kitchen. In fact, on one wall of the restaurant is a photo of Kim as a smiling young four-year-old, sitting at her grandmother's table.

She wants to encourage more of those memories of happy dinner times.

"I want to invite people to bring in pictures of them having various eating experiences," Kim said. "We'll post those in the restaurant and have a drawing for a free gift certificate."

Kim has found her niche. "I've always liked to cook, I've always liked to entertain and have people around," Kim said. "I'm a people pleaser."

It's time to leave the Kaleo Café, where a black-and-white photo hangs on the wall showing a happy young girl in her grandmother's kitchen. We salute Kim Coslett for making a difference by opening this restaurant and inviting even more people to the dinner table.

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