

### open house

**Vida Young** will turn 100 on her birthday of January 1, 2013. Friends and family are hosting an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 29, 2012, at the Good Samaritan Center, 208 W. Second, Goodland. Cards may be sent to her there.

### patient news

**Taylor Finley** has been moved to a rehab hospital. Cards and letters can be sent to him at Craig Rehab Hospital, Room 216A, 3425 South Clarkson Street, Englewood, Colo. 80113.

### genesis and salvation army

**Genesis and Salvation Army** are available year round to help those in need. Please call 785-890-2299 to speak to a volunteer.

### 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 5 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.

**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 Norma at 890-6629 for more information.

**The Goodland Activities Center** has the daily activities. For information call 890-7242. Memberships options for everyone including day passes for \$5. Visit goodland-gac.com or stop by 808 Main.

**Aerobics** with Tena Thompkins at 5:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. **Aerobics** with Lisa Malsom at 5:30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday. **High Impact Workouts** with Grady Bonsall at 5:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. **Taekwondo** with Wayne Luckert on Tuesday at 5 to 5:30 p.m. Tigers, 5:30 to 7 Karate Kids and 5:30 to 7 p.m. adult. Wednesdays 5 to 5:30 p.m. Tigers, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Karate Kids and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. adults.

**Weight Watchers** meets at **5:30 p.m.** for weigh in and 6 p.m. for the meeting every **Tuesday** at the

## the calendar

### calendar

"Playing at Work" - work related games will be played on **Saturday** at the High Plains Museum, Carnegie Arts Center and the Goodland Public Library.

Jodie Tubbs of the **Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs** will be in **Goodland from 1 to 2:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 3**, 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.

**Prairie Land Food** sign up will be until **Monday, Jan. 14**. Distribution is 1 to 2 p.m. on

Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Knights of Columbus, 7th and Caldwell, or at the Bernadine Johnson residence, located at 704 Walnut. For information call 821-1827, 821-1275, or 890-3793 or order online at [www.prairielandfood.com](http://www.prairielandfood.com). The Prairie Pak will have ground beef, ham steak, chicken thighs, tilapia, meat balls and seasonal fresh fruits and vegetables. The specials are salmon filets; boneless pork chops; breakfast box with breakfast bites, French toast sticks, hash browns and bacon; pizzas; and chicken wings.

**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.

### senior menu

**Today:** Closed. **Wednesday:** Hamburger, tater tots or triangles, peas, bun and apricots. **Thursday:** Cook's choice entree, au gratin potatoes, seasoned carrots, bread and applesauce. **Friday:** Tuna and noodles, winter mix vegetables, mixed fruit, bread and cookie. **Monday:** Swiss steak, has brown casserole, beets, bread and pears.

### school menu

**Today to Jan. 7:** No school winter break.

### school calendar

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# Controlling volunteer trees

Though trees are a vital part of our landscapes, there are situations where volunteer trees need to be controlled. This is often a case of the wrong plant in the wrong place. If the tree is a desirable species, you may want to consider transplanting in the spring. If it is not, active control measures would be in order.

Most trees resprout after cutting though some don't. Cutting those that don't resprout is an effective control method. For example, eastern red cedar is a very common species that will not resprout after cutting.

Those that do resprout include siberian elm, hackberry, osage orange (hedgeball), oak, ash, aspen, cottonwood, maple, sycamore, willow and many more. These trees will either need to be dug out or the cut stump treated with herbicide after cutting.

Note that when we say volunteer trees, we mean those that come from seed rather than suckers that come from the roots of an existing tree. The recommendations given in the remainder of this article are designed to kill these volunteer trees. Using herbicides on suckers will damage and very possibly kill the original tree. Trees that commonly produce suckers include tree of heaven, honey locust, black locust, hackberry, western soapberry, cottonwood, aspen, poplar, willow and box elder. It is also possible for larger trees of the same species to be root-grafted.

Even though root-grafted trees are not suckers, they do share materials between the individual root systems and therefore herbicides

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used to treat one tree can be passed to its neighbor.

Let's say we have a tree we want to control that is a volunteer and there are no other trees of the same species close enough to be root-grafted that we do not wish to harm. What do we do? If the tree is any size, you probably do not want to dig it out, that leaves using a herbicide on the cut stump. Basal treatments are also possible but that is beyond the scope of this article. First decide what herbicide to use.

Triclopyr and glyphosate are the herbicides most commonly available to homeowners. Triclopyr is found in many brush killers and glyphosate is found in Roundup as well as numerous other products. Read the label before purchasing to make sure that a cut stump treatment is listed.

Most often the undiluted product is applied to the stump immediately after cutting. A paint brush is often used for the application though some people will dip their pruning shears in the products immediately before cutting. Regardless, it is important that the stump is treated immediately or at least within 5 minutes. Note that a paint brush with foam rather than bristles is less likely to drip.

Trees do not need to be actively growing to be controlled. Actually this time of year is a very good time to treat as long as applications are not made when the temperature is below freezing.

Harvest Evangelical Free Church, 521 E. Hwy. 24. For information call (785) 890-6423.

**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 Family Group** 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. Our group meets at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Friday at the First Christian Church, 711 Arcade. Goodland West entrance. Talking about it is the first step. (785) 728-7022 and (785) 501-8282.

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

**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. On exhibit during the month of October is a selection of works from the art department at Colby Community College. The pieces in the show,

created by art instructor Rebel Jay and her students from several art classes, utilize a variety of media including acrylics, chalk, clay, paper and found objects.

### thrift store

The Goodland Churches Thrift Shop, 1002 Main, is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. Donations welcome. For information call 890-2007.

### 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](http://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 and provides hearing, vision, dental and educational screenings. Parents are encouraged to get involved in their children's education. For information call 890-2552.

### 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.

The police department can also be called at 890-4570.

### family shelter

The Northwest Kansas Domestic and Sexual Violence Services provides help day or night to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Weekly support groups are available in Hays. Support group for women's domestic violence victims/survivors is from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Central Time on Wednesdays; a men's domestic violence victims/survivors support group from noon to 1 p.m. Central Time Tuesdays; and a youth support group is available by appointment. A sexual violence victims/survivors support group in Hays and a domestic violence support group to meet in Colby are being formed. If interested in joining or for information or help, call (800) 794-4624. In the Colby area, call (785) 443-1130.

### animal shelter

Lost a pet? Call 890-4575 or go to [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com) and be sure to enter the Goodland zip code 67735. You can also call the Goodland Police Department at 890-4570 or Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter at 899-4398. Interested in adopting a pet? Call the animal shelter or go to the website [www.nwkasgoodland.webs.com](http://www.nwkasgoodland.webs.com).

## matters of record

**Sherman County Bastille** The following people were booked into the Sherman County Bastille:

**Nov. 16:** Juan Ramirez-Cortez, 20, Goodland, arrested by city police for battery and disorderly conduct.

Terry Carpenter, 51, Goodland, arrested by city police on warrant other jurisdiction for sexual assault of a child, incest.

**Nov. 19:** Joanna Osbanm 21, Goodland, arrested by sheriff's deputy on arrest and detain for probation violation.

Omar Salazar, 20, Goodland, arrested by sheriff's deputy on arrest and detain for probation violation.

**Nov. 22:** William Testerman, 37, Adrin Mo., arrested by state trooper on warrant arrest for other

jurisdiction. **Nov. 24:** James Wilson, 34, Kanorado, arrested by sheriff's deputy for driving under influence.

Tyson Owing, 33, Colby, arrested by Thomas county sheriff's deputy for arrest and detain for probation violation.

Kenneth Ferguson, 33, Stockton, arrested by Thomas county sheriff's deputy for theft.

Tyler Williams, 19, LaCrose, arrested by Thomas county sheriff's deputy for theft.

**Nov. 26:** Ivan Goodman, 31, Utica, arrested by sheriff's deputy for failure to appear.

Erica Sutherland, 23, Goodland, arrested by sheriff's deputy for sale or distribution of hallucinogenic drugs and arrange sale or purchase with a communication device.

Braden Lucas, 21, Goodland, arrested by sheriff's deputy for sale or distribution of hallucinogenic drugs and no drug tax stamp.

**Nov. 28:** Derrek Sandoval, 18, Rexford, arrested by Thomas county sheriff's deputy for probation violation.

Damen Siruta, 24, Goodland, arrested by Thomas county sheriff's deputy for probation violation.

Skykler Dubois, 20, Arvada, Colo., arrested by state trooper for driving under influence - D, possession of hallucinogenic drugs and possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to inject etc.

**Nov. 29:** Artemio Cruz, 33, Chicago, Ill., arrested by state trooper for failure to stop at injury accident and fail to report.

**Dec. 1:** Heriberto Vargas, 36,

Wray, Colo., arrested by state trooper for driving under influence, no vehicle insurance and false identification.

**Dec. 2:** Isreal Negrete, 23, St. Francis, arrested by city police for battery

**Dec. 3:** Luis Diaz, 48, Colorado Springs, 48 hour jury entry.

**Dec. 5:** David Curry, 54, Goodland, arrested by state trooper for driving while suspended, speeding and no seat belt.

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- Friday, December 28
- 3-6 p.m. (Come & Go)
- Hospital Main Lobby

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