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General Information

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2016 Heritage Dinner

Tabor Mennonite Church

Saturday, March 19, at 6:30 p.m.

Photo by Andrea Miller



Special Entertainment: The Sunflower Trio

Kenneth Rodgers · Rebecca Schloneger · Matthew Schloneger
in a program celebrating Kansas for
Tenor, Violin, and Piano.

Ticket price: \$50 per person

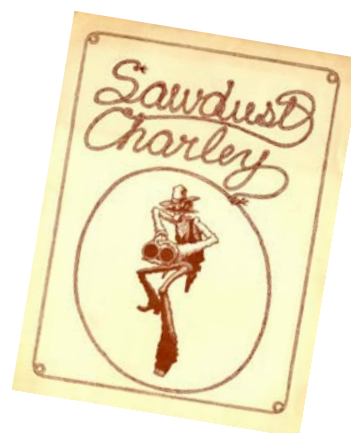
Will you be attending the Heritage Dinner for the first time?

Only \$25 per person (Ages 12 and under: \$5)

Please call the museum at 620-367-8200 by Monday, March 14 to reserve your tickets.



This event is a fundraiser for the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum



Sawdust Charley

By: John Speer

Sawdust Charley tore up the flat lands in the '70s, injecting towns throughout the mid-west with their original country rock. Formed by members Jamey Ratzlaff, Harry Dobbin, Doug Webb, Mike Ehrke, and Johnnie Dondlinger in 1976, Sawdust Charley became a hit on KFDI FM and within weeks the band was featured in the weekly top 40-Country hit list as KFDI's most requested band. For several years, Sawdust Charley had been developing a strong local following, but with the added exposure of FM radio air play the band's popularity skyrocketed. The first KFDI sponsored concert resulted in more than 800 fans descending on the small Keg Ballroom in Colwich, Ks—a facility that seated slightly more than 125 people. Before the doors opened, the line extended completely around the building.

The majority of Sawdust Charley's playlist was comprised of original material. Song writing responsibilities were handled by virtually every member of the band. This variety of songwriting styles and vocal treatments gave the group a versatility few other acts could rival. Taking great pride in its musicianship, well-crafted harmonies, strong-rhythm section, and song arranging ability, the final product was often well beyond the songwriter's greatest expectations.

The band worked with KFDI FM on many special promotions, as well as self-booking, and working with the Great Plains Booking Agency in Lawrence, Ks. Maintaining a strong local fan base while simultaneously developing a regional following meant many weeks on the road, and the band spent the waning years of the decade logging countless miles playing roadhouses, bars and ballrooms all around Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska. It was not uncommon for many die-hard Wichita fans to travel several hundred miles to attend the band's out-of-town gigs. In addition to the regular road work, Sawdust Charley opened for such luminaries as Asleep at the Wheel, The Earl Scruggs Review and the Ozark Mountain Daredevils.

For Sawdust Charley, hometown gigs were viewed as precious holidays and the band never failed to pack local clubs and bars, including numerous capacity crowds at the 2,100 seat Cotillion Ballroom. Searching for a recording contract, the band relocated to southern California in 1978, where they won the talent show at the Palomino, and performed at the Troubadour in Los Angeles.

During its ill-fated west coast stay, the band played around California, Oregon and Wyoming, and even performed at the prestigious Million Dollar Cowboy bar in Jackson Hole.

Road weary, disillusioned and facing a rapidly changing musical demographic, Sawdust Charley decided to hang up their spurs in 1979.

Since hanging up their spurs a few members have performed small gigs including a gig during Threshing Days last year. Two of the members are no longer around but their legacy will always be remembered because in January 2016 Sawdust Charley was announced as an inductee for the Kansas Music Hall of Fame! The induction ceremony will be held on March 5th in Lawrence, KS .

FARM FAMILY EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM

Do you know what to do if you're the first person on the scene of a farm accident involving your spouse or neighbor? The Goessel First Responders, along with Marion Co. EMS, are presenting a program on just that. Everyone interested in learning the most important action to take if you're every first on scene are invited to join us on March 31 at 7:00 at the Community Room in the Goessel Civic Center.

More information will be available as the date approaches or call James Voth at 367-8491 if you have questions.



The Branding Iron Café is back! It reopened February 8th under new management. We will still be serving the basic regular menu items with additional items and specials coming soon. Fish strips, fried pickles, waffle fries, mini corn dogs, and a kids menu have been added this week.

Current hours are:

Monday—Thursday: 11:00-1:00/ 5:00-7:00

Friday: 5:00-7:00

Saturday: 11:00-1:30/ 4:30-7:00



Stop in and eat some good food and support your community. Give us your input. We are open to suggestions, ideas, and criticism.



The Town & Country Garden Club will be meeting on March 24th. We will be going on a field trip to Sheila's Garden Market in Galva. We will carpool from Bethesda parking lot at 6:30pm.

For more information contact Luanne Soukup at 367-2410. Everyone is welcome to attend the Garden Club meetings.

Consumer Confidence Report

All community public water supply systems are required by federal and state regulations to provide their customers with an annual water quality report. You can view the City of Goessel Consumer Confidence Report covering the calendar year 2015 at www.goesselks.com or you can pick up a copy at the city office during business hours located at 101 S. Cedar.



Monthly Summary for February 2016



	Actual	Normal	Departure
High	52°	47°	
Low	31°	24°	
Average	42°	35°	+7°

March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>HS Girls BB— Sub-State</i> <i>Model United Nations</i>	2 <i>FFA Livestock Contest @ Kiowa 9:00 AM</i>	3 <i>HS Boys BB—Sub- State</i>	4 <i>HS Girls BB— Sub-State</i> <i>Pop & Treats @ The Goessel Station</i>	5 <i>FFA Livestock Judging @ Newton 9AM</i> <i>Sub-State BB TBA</i>
6	7 <i>FFA District Selection Day @ Newton 9AM</i> <i>Redwheel Sales End</i>	8 <i>No School JH/HS Only</i> <i>WSL JH Music Festival @ Goessel</i>	9 <i>HS Boys BB—State @ Emporia</i>	10 <i>HS Girls BB—State @ Emporia</i>	11 <i>State BB @ Emporia</i> <i>No School— Inservice</i>	12 <i>State BB @ Emporia</i>
13 	14 <i>BOE Meeting 7:00 PM</i>	15-17 <i>Spring Break - NO SCHOOL</i>			18  <i>FFA Leader Lab @ Junction City 5:00 PM</i>	19 <i>Heritage Dinner 6:30 PM</i>
20	21 <i>City Council Meeting 7:00 PM</i>	22 <i>Redwheel Pickup</i>	23	24	25 <i>Good Friday</i> <i>No School</i>	26 
27 	28 <i>HS BB Awards Night 6:30PM</i> <i>JH Quiz Bowl @ White City 4PM</i>	29	30 <i>FFA—CDE's @ Buhler 9:00 AM</i>	31 <i>School Spring Pictures</i>	<p>City Office will be closed March 16-18 for a clerks conference.</p> <p>City Office & Shop will be closed March 29-30 for KRWA conference.</p>	