Robert Walters, Teresa Bentzinger, Helen McDaniel and Ruth Morton (from left) baked cookies at Wheat Ridge Acres Retirement Community to send to troops in Iraq. Photo from Cynthia Pletcher

### Senior citizens busy with trips, activities

Residents at Wheat Ridge Acres patriotic piano music by Marla Week, going on field trips, had musical performances and a Flag Day ceremony and baked cookies for service men and women in

The residents celebrated Naof June with children from the summer library program reading fish stories and playing fishing games with them.

They took field trips to the Goodland Public Library to view bridge displays by elementary students, to the Good Samaritan Center for a Flag Day ceremony and to the Stearman Fly-in at St. Francis.

Plains Museum and the Carnegie Arts Center this month.

They have enjoyed toe-tapping music by the Swinging Seniors and the center at 899-0100.

Retirement Community have Harrison and are looking forward to been celebrating National Fishing performances by the Akers Family from Weskan and the Free Evangelical Church youth group and continued Sunday services by area churches, as well as Thursday morning Bible study.

Bernie Weishapl's wood-turning tional Fishing Week the first week display and Lisa and Shayna Varney's presentation on the mili-

> tary were appreciated. Residents took on a cookie-baking project and mailed three boxes of assorted cookies to service men

and women in Iraq. A Goodland Cub Scout Troop honored the residents with a Flag Day ceremony on Thursday. To celebrate the first day of summer, the They also plan to go to the High residents will kick back and enjoy a little fun at a "beach party."

> Anyone interested in volunteering at the center is welcome. Call

## Daylight hours at peak this week

things done around the yard but

might be a little short of sleep hours.

As Knapp's news story said, "Imag-

ine having enough light to play ball

the dark most of the time.

But in the winter you would be in

Knapp's Weather Wonders audio

reports are available on the K-State

Research and Extension's Kansas

Radio Network Web site at http://

www.oznet.ksu.edu/radio/

wxwonders.htm. More information

about Kansas' climate and weather

is available on the Kansas Weather

Data Library web site: http://

Dana Belshe is agricultural

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We are about at the peak of summer daylight hours. According to State of Kansas Climatologist Mary Knapp, Thursday, June 21, marks this year's summer solstice.

The summer solstice is the point in the earth's orbit at which the planet's axis of rotation is most directly pointed toward the sun. This produces the season when the Northern Hemisphere enjoys the most hours of daylight.

Knapp administers the Kansas Weather Data Library at Kansas State University. In a news story, she said that on the 21st Kansas will see almost 15 hours of daylight. As you move north, you get closer to the Arctic Circle and the days of summer get longer.

In the northern-most latitudes, the solstice marks the middle of the "White Nights," when twilight conditions persist and darkness is never complete from June 10 through July

That means, in those northern places, this time of year you would



at midnight."

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