

Students clean up



Goodland High School students cleaned up people's yards for one of their community projects for the year all day Wednesday. Teacher Connie Livengood (center left), Tiffany Skinner (left) and Keith Ray raked leaves at a home on Arcade. Nearby Andrea Roeder (above left), Jennifer Rome and Ashley Archer also raked. A City of Goodland truck waited nearby to haul yard waste to the county transfer station.

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Auctions mark the passing of generation by sisters

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Two auctions by five sisters have marked the passing of their parents. The auctions were held in September for the estate of Madelyn and Ed Danills. The sisters were Jane Philbrick and Marlene Whiteker of Goodland, Vera Kay McKee of Georgetown, Texas, Jackie Zion of Elbert, Colo. and Vickie Halbleib of Oakley.

Ed Danills was born in 1911 in Seattle, Wash. and he moved with his parents to Sherman County in

1932. His wife was born in 1919 in a German settlement north of Bethune, Colo.

Ed started collecting guns before he was married when he bought two rifles from an uncle in 1931. He started seriously collecting in 1958.

Philbrick said her parents loved to go to gun shows and bought guns from all over. Many of the guns her father collected were never fired. Philbrick said he loved Stevens rifles. The Stevens Arms Company eventually became part of the Sav-

age Gun Company.

The sisters said their dad didn't have just a few guns but over a hundred different ones. They said he had Colts, Winchesters, Savages and Stevens. Most of the guns were modern pistols and rifles but he has at least one black powder gun.

Most of the unfired ones were collectors or commemorative editions. Those additions usually have special engraving and inlays on the barrels and stocks.

A lot of times they have antiques at the gun shows and that is how her

parents got into antiques, Philbrick said. Philbrick and Whiteker both said their dad asked all five of the girls what they would like to collect. Whiteker said that she at first picked up ginger jars for her. Philbrick said her first choice was salt and pepper shakers.

The girls laughed when they said they eventually would try to pick something for their parents to look for that was not easily found. Their youngest sister, Vickie's last pick was pie birds. They said their parents did not get them one or two

but a dozen.

Mom and Dad didn't have lots of antiques but they had some nice pieces, said Philbrick. They had two big Victorian Eastlake bedroom sets, a nice buffet and china hutch.

The sisters said their mother liked glass dishes especially custard glass. Custard glass is kind of a yellowish whitish glass. It is no longer in production because uranium salts were used in its production.

Most pieces were accent pieces such as compotes, fruit dishes, spooners and butter dishes. They

were produced in the late 1800s by several makers.

Their parents gave each of them a set with Whiteker getting an unusual blue set. Philbrick said.

They said their mother didn't use her antique dishes much but their dad wanted them to use theirs. Among the last things they got were cloisonne.

Both sisters thought their parents loved the hunt almost more than the finding.

Mock election planned Tuesday

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forum at the fair in August the committee had set up a ballot box to give people a chance to record their opinion.

He said the committee was a bit disappointed in the response getting a total of 87 people to record their vote in that week.

"That is only 2.4 percent of the registered voters (3,570)," he said. "Of those 58 said YES (67 percent) and 21 were NO (24 percent). We

had eight who did not sign and those were not officially counted (7 were YES and 1 NO) he said.

Linton said the committee hopes to get a larger percentage of the citizens to come to the GAC to vote. He said unlike the ballots at the fair the people will not be asked to sign the ballot, but will be asked to sign in to let the committee know who voted and make sure people don't vote more than once.

"We really hope more people come to the GAC to let us know

what they think about the issue of voting at-large for county commissioners," Linton said. "If a majority want the chance to vote it will have to go back to the legislature in Topeka in January. If the people vote against the issue we expect the commissioners to follow the wishes of the voters."

Tech college president to retire

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unsung hero. JoAnn has been a full partner to me in our service to the college."

Major accomplishments Clouse likes to reflect on over the eight years include: The North Central Association/Higher Learning Commission accreditation that was acquired last year. The 11,000

square foot addition to the Diesel Technology facility. The addition of three new programs: Computer Graphics, Heating and Cooling and Respiratory Therapy. The construction of phase one of student Village III housing. Inception of and opening a college library.

Area Board Chairman Rob Loftin said Clouse's leadership at the

college will be missed and, "we have been fortunate to have had his knowledge and passion for the past eight years. The board thanks him for his many contributions to the college."

Loftin said the board will begin the process of seeking his replacement by July through an extensive search.

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