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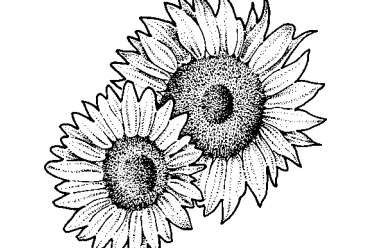
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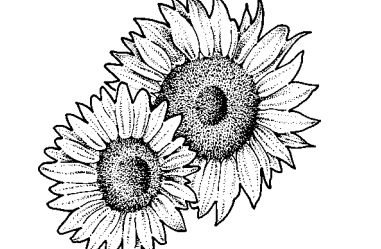


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Kiwanis Vice President Arlo Hansen (right) presented Denise (left) and Whitney Archer (middle) with a check for \$400. The Archers were representing the Elite 8, a Goodland girls Mid-America Youth Basketball team. The basketball team was among several groups that worked at the Kiwanis food booth at the Northwest Kansas District Free Fair. Since Hansen was in charge of this year's booth, he got to give out the checks at a luncheon last month.

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Kiwanis Club gives back to kids

Club hands out \$3,700 to helping groups

Double cheeseburgers were the specialty served up by several Goodland clubs and service groups at the Kiwanis shack at the Northwest Kansas District Free Fair.

"We sold 4,800 patties in one week," said Jeff Mason, club secretary of the Goodland branch of Kiwanis International.

Although they sold thousands of patties, he said the club is down for this year because of rainy cold weather on the night of the tractor pull and the night of the demolition derby.

The booth is where the club raises most of the money for projects, taking in an average \$14,000 every year.

"That money all goes back into the community," Mason said.

He said they give back to the groups that help at the hamburger shack and they offer



Kroskey



Grieve



Kizer



Mason

Kiwanis scholarships.

While a club member is always at the booth, much of the work force comes from the service groups. Mason said the club works mostly with youth in Goodland.

"We concentrate on kids in the community," he said.

For their help, the Kiwanis Club honored the groups by inviting them to lunch last month at one of their regular Tuesday meetings and handed out checks.

The Music Boosters, represented by President Connie Grieve, vocal teacher Randy Berls

and band teacher Tremon Kizer, got a check for \$1,600. Mason said boosters worked the booth almost every night during the fair from 5 p.m. to close.

Music students Andrea Grieve and Craig Mason thanked the Kiwanis for the opportunity to raise money for their group.

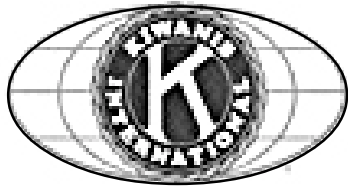
Representatives of Elite 8, Denise and Whitney Archer, accepted \$400 for their group. Elite 8 is a girls Mid-America Youth Basketball team.

The Goodland High School cheerleaders also worked the booth and got a check for \$400 at the luncheon.

Coach Shelly Angelos and cheerleader Megan Sheldon accepted the money on behalf of the group.

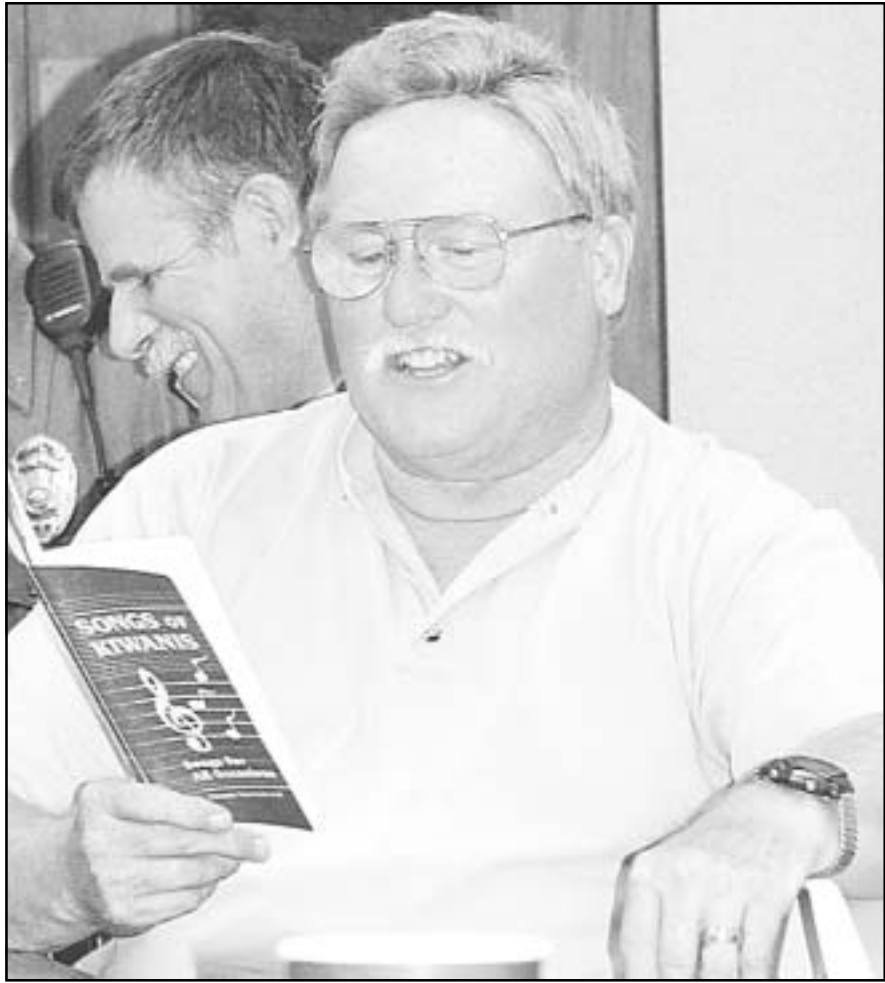
The Sherman County Sheriff's Department represented by Sheriff Doug Whitson, the Goodland Fire Department represented by Curtis Flax and the Goodland Police Department represented by Greg Krosky each got \$400 to spend on equipment.

Steve Duell accepted a \$100 check from the Kiwanis on behalf of the Fair Board.



Kiwanis start with a song


Bob Boyle (right), a member of the Goodland Kiwanis Club, sang his heart out at a luncheon to honor helpers at the Kiwanis hamburger shack. Jeff Mason, club secretary and song leader, said they always start their meetings with a round of songs from the official songbook. The club also held a drawing, with a percentage of the proceeds going to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sherman County. The 35-member club meets every Tuesday at noon at the student union building at the Northwest Kansas Technical College.



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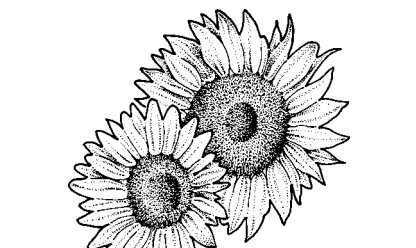
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