

Young artists display work

Goodland youths will have their work displayed at the Carnegie Arts Center this month. The 4-H Creative Tables entries were judged Saturday and will be on display until this Saturday at the center. The projects involve table settings, menu planning and cook-

ing. The tables and one food item were judged, and the tables remain on display. Grant Junior High and Goodland High School students will have their work displayed the rest of the month. The annual show will include items from the League Art

Show, with different art forms from sculpture and metal work to watercolors and pencil drawings. The center is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday. This month's sponsor is Snappy Snack.

Honor society induction set

The Northwest Kansas Technical College will induct new members into the National Technical Honor Society at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union Assembly Room. Goodland students selected for the society are Nicole Roeder, business technology, daughter of Lori Titus of Goodland and wife of Darin Roeder of Goodland; Savan-

nah Eisenbart, medical assistant, daughter of John and Jana Eisenbart of Goodland; John Studer, carpentry, son of Roger and Carmen Studer of Goodland and husband of Stacy Studer of Goodland; and Lisa Varney, medical assistant, wife of Bryan Varney of Goodland. To be eligible, students needed a grade average of 3.0 or above, good

academic standing, good attendance, eligibility for graduation in the current school year and faculty recommendation. Instructors may nominate up to 10 percent of the graduating class meeting the requirements. A student may accept or decline the nomination. A committee interviews each nominee the following week and make the selections.

When do crops need water the most?

The goal of farmers in northwest Kansas is to use available water as efficiently as possible to generate crop yields. Every crop has a certain growth period during which water stress can have a big effect on yields. In general, grain crops are more sensitive to water deficiencies during flowering and early seed formation than during vegetative and ripening phases. Limited irrigation should be timed to avoid water stress at these critical stages, said Loyd Stone, a Kansas State University soil physics professor. This will give the greatest yield benefit from a limited water resource. For corn, limited irrigation should



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limited irrigation initiated at mid- to late-pod set to lessen water stress during early- to mid-bean fill. Corn and soybean are the two crops most affected by water-critical growth periods. Corn yield is cut by water stress from near-tasseling through silking, typically mid- through late-July. Soybean yield is hurt most by water stress during bean fill, typically mid-August to mid-September. Farmers with less water, where the supply cannot be depended on in the critical times for corn and soybean, may want to grow other crops.

IRS offers help by phone, on web site

Numbers are crunching, calculators and tax software are busy, minds are frustrated. With the April 17 deadline looming, it's time to get out the booklets and forms, get out the pens and start filing. Whether you're waiting until the final week and need forms, have questions or filed weeks ago and are wondering where your refund is, the Internal Revenue Service offers free help by phone and on their web site, much of it available 24 hours a day. To ask questions about your tax return, call the "IRS Tax Help Line for Individuals," a customer service line at (800) 829-1040. The "IRS Tax Help for Businesses" line is (800) 829-4933, and the "IRS Tax Help for Hurricane Victims or Volunteers" is (866) 562-5227. To order forms and publications, call (800) TAX-FORM, (800) 829-3676. Copies of forms, publications and other information are available around-the-clock at the IRS Web site, www.irs.gov.

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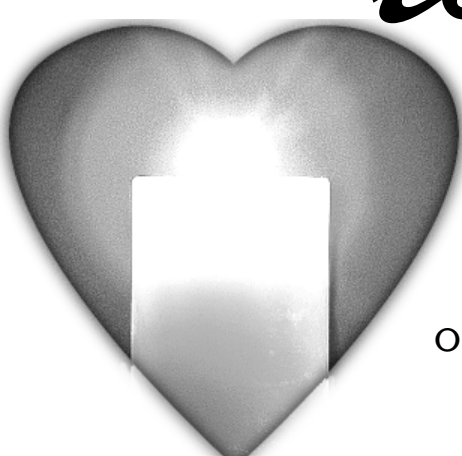


Loren Sheldon carried two used batteries turned in Saturday morning at the Sherman County Household Hazardous Waste collection. Kenny Griffith, rural fire chief and road and bridge employee, said the collections are smaller than they were the first year in 2002, but each collection brings in about 3,000 pounds. Helping Saturday were Daryl West, county noxious weed director, and Sam Zelfer, a road and bridge employee. Photo by Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

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