

Citizens selected for ‘vision retreat’

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split up to discuss goals based on ideas that were gathered at the community conversation.

Members attending the retreat were nominated from the four corners of what Woodbury calls “the public square”: business, education, health and human services and government.

Business nominees include Brian Freeman, Goodland Grind and Gallery; Lincoln Wilson, owner of Howard Johnson’s (chairman of Convention and Visitors Bureau board); Mike Cochran, Cochran Farm Supply; Marjie Schnabel, Snappy Snack; Alan Townsend, a farmer and director of Bankwest of Kansas; Ken Klemm, Buffalo Guys; Jessica Cole, Cole Family Farms; Jerry Fairbanks, First National Bank and Goodland Industrial Development; Darin Neufeld, Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates; Brian Linin, Frontier Equity Co-op and Goodland Chamber president; Bill Stoick, Super 8 Motel, Convention and Visitors Bureau board member; Jeff Deeds, a farmer and state fair board member; Tom Betz, editor of *The Goodland Star-News*; and Amy Sederstrom, Truck and Tractor Repair, a school board member and board member of the Sherman County Farm Bureau. Gerald Franklin, an Edson farmer, was named an alternate.

The education nominees include Jackie Elliott, high school math teacher; Harvey Swager, high school principal; Sarah Short, Family Career and Community Leaders of America advisor; Jan Wilson, West Elementary teacher; Ron Barkley, a retired teacher and KLOE radio host; Wendy Wellmann, community prevention consultant from the Northwest Regional Prevention Center; Shelly Angelos, Goodland school superintendent; Ken Clouse, president of the Northwest Kansas Technical College; Marvin Selby, retired

school superintendent; Jim Mull, principal of North Elementary; Connie Livengood, high school biology teacher; and two or three students to be selected by the schools. Jonathan Dansel, high school football coach and teacher, alternate.

From the Health/Human Service section, the nominees include Travis Blake, pastor of the First Baptist Church; Brenda McCants, hospital patient services; Dale Shields, hospital director of human resources; Dr. Travis Daise, Goodland Family Health Clinic; Jay Jolly, hospital administrator; Steve Raines, pastor of Calvary Gospel Church; Dana Belshe, Sunflower Extension District agent; Jana Eisenbart, nurse practitioner from Pioneer Health; Donna Price, convention bureau director; Jack Lucas, hospital physical therapist; Wayne Aten, retired businessman and Goodland Rotary member; and Brad Shields, Wilkens Truck and Tractor and head of the home-owned carnival. Mary Pat Bowman, director of Golden West Skills Center, alternate.

From the government sector, John Garcia, city commissioner (Garcia’s Home Furnishing and Appliances); Mayor Rick Billinger (Nationwide Homes, Nationwide Village); Tiffani McMinn, economic development director; Dave Daniels, city commissioner (rental houses); Josh Dechant, city commissioner (Bankwest); Kevin Rasure, county commissioner (Rasure Lumber Do It Center); Annette Fairbanks, city commissioner (Tee-ters Abstract and Title); Chuck Thomas, county commissioner (Edson farmer); Kevin Butts, sheriff; Mitch Tiede, county commissioner (Tiede Terracing); Iris Scheopner, county treasurer; Mike Campbell, regional director of the U.S. Farm Services Agency; and Dwayne Chaney, Western Prairie Resource Conservation and Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture. Wayne Hill, city manager, alternate.

County agrees to support museum

By Tom Betz

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The Sherman County commissioners agreed Tuesday to help with the maintenance costs for a new building for the High Plains Museum.

Curator Linda Holton and Tiffani McMinn, county economic development director, talked to the commissioners about plans for a new museum.

“We want to fill you in on what is happening with the museum,” Holton said as she handed out copies of comments visitors have written about the museum.

“The museum is a nice showcase for the county history,” she said. “The problem is we are completely out of space after 47 years.

“We started looking for another place, but did not find anything suitable. We held focus group meetings with people to see what we needed in a new building,

“We hired an architect, the one who built the tourist information center, and have things ready to go do the fund raising.”

“We will have to show potential funders how the project is going to be sustained,” McMinn said. “We have to keep the doors open. We are not here to ask you to help build the museum, but to ask if the city and county could help keep the museum open. We are not asking you to build it, but to have an annual budget.”

McMinn said they were not asking for a specific amount, and are not asking for the county to do it all. She said she and Holton had asked the city commission for permission to talk to the county about making the museum more of a joint program.

“We have to know if this is something you would be willing to do,” she said.



Construction on the new K-27 south of Goodland continued this week with crews from Sporer Land Development of Oakley hauling dirt around the new curve north of the Smoky Hill River bridge. The road will be paved in the spring, but dirt work will continue until the ground freezes, said Eric Oelschlager, area engineer for the Kansas Department of Transportation.

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K-27 south paving will wait until spring

The \$14.5 million dollar construction project on K-27 south of Goodland is running ahead of schedule, but recent rain pushed back the start of paving to next spring.

“Originally, we planned on paving the first three miles of the new roadway by mid-October said Eric Oelschlager, area engineer for the Kansas Department of Transporta-

tion, “but the wet weather we had a couple weeks ago changed all those plans, so we’ll wait until the construction season next year to begin the paving in earnest.”

When complete, he said, the new roadway will have 12-foot driving lanes with three foot paved shoulders and three foot turf shoulders – all on a new alignment located east of the existing roadway. The current

section of K-27 has no shoulders.

Western Engineering, of Lincoln, Neb., is the prime contractor on the project. Subcontractor Sporer Land Development of Oakley is doing the dirt work and excavation.

“The dirt work will continue into the winter months, until the ground freezes,” said Mathew Withington, an engineering associate with the department. “Seven box drainage

structures have been constructed on the north end of the 12.6-mile ...

Kirk Barnes Construction of Valentine, Neb., will finish pouring the last of 11 box structures this winter he said.

“They will return next fall to finish extending some of those boxes,” said Withington. Lebein Seeding of Lincoln has done some temporary seeding along the project as well.

Letters could help get veterans’ clinic

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medicine from Denver, she said, but it took phone calls from Rep. Jerry Moran’s office to get the VA to allow him to go there. Otherwise, she said, they would have had to switch his paperwork from Wichita to Denver, and he wouldn’t be able to go to the satellite clinic in Hays.

Still, McCants said, he had

waited from Sept. 19 to Oct. 3 for the medicine.

“It’s frustrating for us in health care trying to figure out how to serve our patients,” she said.

The government divides regions at the state line, said Administrator Jay Jolly, making it hard for patients in our area, who see doctors in Kansas and Colorado.

“I get tired of the health care maze,” McCants said. “How many patients are we going to lose?”

Jolly said he couldn’t understand why the VA wouldn’t approve the outreach clinic.

“We’re not asking them to build a building,” he said. “We have the infrastructure; we’re just asking to be able to use it.”

The hospital wants to be sure area veterans can get medical care without the inconvenience and expense of going to Wichita or Denver, McCants said, and to get care in a timely manner.

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Goodland Wrestling Club SIGN-UP



Our high school wrestling team has experienced great success through the years. These high school placings reflect the time and effort that these wrestlers put in during their participation in the USA Kid’s Wrestling program. The Goodland Kid’s Wrestling Club would like to invite you and your youngsters, grades K-6, to join the success of our future GHS wrestlers. **We will be holding our annual ‘sign-up’ meeting on November 13, 2006, at North Elementary, at 6:30 p.m.** You will need to purchase a USA card for \$30 and view the ‘At Risk’ video before practices begin on December 27, 2006. Please bring a copy of your birth certificate, if this is your

first sign-up, with you. We will be signing up for the first 2 tournaments that night as well. We will have our ‘old’ uniforms on display at the sign-up and end of year meetings only. These uniforms may be purchased for \$5 each piece. **For details please contact Terry Bahe at 890-6393 or 821-2844.**

Crossword Puzzle

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CLUES ACROSS

- Patty Hearst’s captors
- Produced again
- New England river
- Take in solid food
- A very handsome young man
- ___ Bator, capital of Mongolia
- Bootblack’s investment
- A British peer
- A branch of Islam
- Mysteriously
- His and ___
- Stray
- Having the unity destroyed
- Derived from ammonia
- Egyptian god of air
- Droop
- One who carries a message
- Big man on campus
- Growing outward
- Kernels grown on a cob
- Restores to freshness
- A digital tape recording of sound
- Leg joint
- Wipe out
- Stars
- Radioactivity unit
- Ardour
- In a way, secured
- S. China seaport
- Pueblo storage or cooking vessel
- Subdue by superior force
- An association of people with similar interests
- Keyboard instruments
- Humbug
- Affirmative votes
- Violent denunciation
- Fringe-toed lizard

CLUES DOWN

- ___ ion: studio recording
- Loloish
- Egyptian sun god
- Blade
- Ancient Tokyo
- Actress, Gretchen ___
- Black cuckoo genus
- Roman god of the underworld
- Town in Surrey, England
- Litigator
- Jai ___, sport
- Astronomer Sagan
- Sole
- Adds value
- One of the Great Lakes
- Scrapes or shaves off
- Baseball player Musial
- ___, denotes past
- Sword with a curved blade (Br. var.)
- Hard red wheat
- Indian city
- Good Gosh!
- A thick plaid blanket or short coat
- Metal shackles
- “10” star Bo ___
- Sea eagles
- Climbing pepper vine
- ___ Gallery
- No longer are
- Anno Domini
- With many branches
- Take into one’s family
- Inca plant
- One who provides assistance
- Cher’s son Elijah
- Chemistry workrooms
- Philippine island
- Ancient Asian country
- Federal job safety law
- Seven (Roman numeral)
- Sound receptacle
- Ribonucleic acid
- The fruit of any leguminous plant

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