goodland_ The Star-News / Tuesday, September 6, 2011 $\,3$ Weed mowing going well commissioners told

By Tom Betz

nt.betz@nwkansas.com The top half of the county has been mowed the Sherman County commissioners heard on Wednes-

Butch Vandiver, public works manager, said about the time he was talking to the commissioners the last five miles in the top half of the county were being mowed, and Darrell Schrader had already moved to the south half.

He said they had been working three mowers and he was having one mow the Smoky Garden area for the holiday and then work to the west.

He said the mowers are cutting some crops planted out in the right complete and bridge No. 24 was to of way. The mowers are taking 15 feet of the 30 foot right of way, he said. They are mowing out the and that bridge is now an off-system intersections, and he said most of bridge. He said he would like perthe school bus routes have been mowed.

days a week and 12 hours a day, and you can get a lot of roads mowed for the county's cost. that way.

He said they got rid of three loads of metal to Brent Flanders and got Road 32 between old U.S.24 and paid \$8,066. The going rate was the railroad tracks. He said it is an \$120 a ton, he said, and these were old wooden narrow bridge 23 feet baled loads.

The bridge up north is nearly be the next one, but Vandiver said the state changed the guidelines mission to pursue a grant for the bridge on an 80 percent to 20 percent The mowers have been going six match. He said it may be possible to get some federal money to help pay

> He said it would not start until 2013. The bridge is on County wide.

When asked if the bridge would last, Vandiver said it would probably

last, but it is out of compliance. In other business the commis-

sioners: • Heard a request from Marshall Hatfield about doing some soft metal recycling at the transfer station. Hatfield said he would like to get the soft metals-aluminum, copper, brass and stainless steel - out of the

waste stream on a regular basis. Hatfield said he would be willing to pay to recover the metals.

Commissioner Larry Enfield said it sounded like a good plan, but felt the county should open it to bid.

that was a good idea.

The commissioners decided to place an ad to accept bids for the three miles of town and no swine recycling of soft metals and for the bids to be opened on Tuesday, Sept. 13

 County Attorney Bonnie Selby said she had responded to a request from Attorney Jerry Fairbanks who is working with eight banks and the potential new owners of the Goodland Energy Center.

She said the request was to know saying there are no zoning restricif the county had any zoning restrictions in the area of the energy center. She said the county does not have

Commissioner Max Linin agreed any zoning rules in the county. The only restrictions the county has by resolution are no fireworks within production within three miles.

The request for letter was from Kennedy Funding, Inc of Hackensack, N.J. and she said these were the people Fairbanks had brought to meet the commissioners during their budget work session the week before.

Selby said she will send a letter tions.

Supper time?



High Plains Museum to host traveling exhibit

The High Plains Museum was host the Smithsonian Institution's traveling exhibition, "The Way We Worked.'

"The Way We Worked" explores the stories of America's workers and invites us to consider how the workplace and workforce have programming which includes a film changed over time. Through photographs from the National Archives, audio and video clips, and hands-on cil received a record number of components, Kansans will discover how, together, our work makes America.

The tour is part of the Kansas Humanities Council's 2012 – 2013 state tour. The exhibit will be at the High Plains Museum Dec. 15, 2012 to Jan. 27, 2013.

The High Plains Museum is lo- were selected because of their comselected as one of six in the state to cated near downtown Goodland and features exhibits of local history. The High Plains Museum under the direction of Karen Anderson is working with the Carnegie Arts Center and the Goodland Public Library to offer a wide range of series and a ride-along program.

"The Kansas Humanities Counapplications – 36 in all – from museums, public libraries and art centers across the state. It was difficult to narrow the selection to six finalists with so many really strong applications," said Julie Mulvihill, executive director of the Kansas Humanities Council."Our six finalists

pelling local 'work stories' and their innovative exhibition and program plans to use the Smithsonian exhibition as a springboard to explore. preserve and share these stories in their communities."

The Kansas Humanities Council sponsors the 2012 - 2013 Kansas Tour of "The Way We Worked" in partnership with the Smithsonian Institution. Other host communities include: Coronado Quivira Museum, Lyons; Stevens County Library, Hugoton; National Orphan Train Complex, Concordia; Lumberyard Art Center, Baldwin City; and the Miners Hall Museum, Franklin.

Organization seeks volunteers to train for taxes

Yes YOU can....make a difference, give something back, stay engaged, meet new friends and join a team that really cares. Overused clichés? Perhaps, but they ring true for the right volunteer organization.

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organization member or retiree to participate. We do need volunteers who have basic computer skills and the personal drive necessary to learn and become proficient with new tax return preparation software, said Edie Loughmiller, volunteer district coordinator from Dodge City..

AARP Tax-Aide volunteers receive free tax training and are re- 35,000AARPTax-Aide volunteers

Volunteers do not need to be an communities of Goodland, Hoxie, Jennings, Saint Francis and Sharon Springs, Loughmiller said.

"Each year, our volunteers in these communities help hundreds of taxpayers prepare and file their returns," he said. "We could help many more with additional volunteers in this area of our state."

The dedicated team of more than

For more information and links Kansas Tax-Aide web site at www.

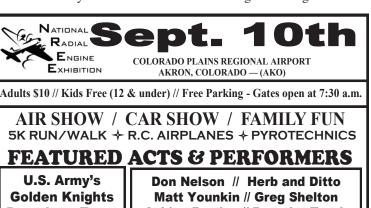
One of the many turkey vultures that nest and fly over Goodland during the summer months. The vultures leave in the fall and return in the spring.

Photo by Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

Goodland man to retire in fall

Dave Hovis of Goodland, KS, will retire from his position of equipment operator senior with the tain Time) on Thursday at the At-Kansas Department of Transportation on Saturday, Oct. 1. He has Street/East Highway 36, Atwood. worked over 28 years for the state.

wood sub-area shop, 801 Grant Hovis began working for the state



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A retirement party is being in 1983 as an equipment operator I planned from noon to 2 p.m. (Moun- on the Goodland sub-area crew.

His plans include traveling, mowing and fishing.



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Kansas AARP District 11 is par- KStaxaide.com. unteers to help serve at sites in the

Alzheimer's walk in Hays planned for October weekend

The Hays Walk to End Alzheim- cacy opportunities, clinical trial 7333 or jenny.shipman@alz.org starting at 10 a.m. at Gross Memorial Coliseum.

People interested in helping raise money to help cure Alzheimer's are encouraged to get a team together or sign up as individuals to join the effort. To start or join a team go tot alz. org/walk or call (785) 625-8040.

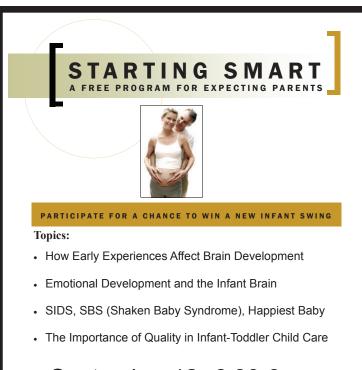
In 2010, the walk nationally contributed more than \$42.2 million raised by participants for care, support and research efforts for those impacted by Alzheimer's.

Walk to End Alzheimer's participants will be able to learn more about Alzheimer's disease, advo-

er's is planned for Saturday, Oct. 1, enrollment and support programs and services. Each walker will join in a meaningful tribute ceremony to honor those affected by Alzheimer's disease.

> Gross Memorial Coliseum and the walk begins at 10 a.m. Call or e-mail Jenny Shipman at the Central and Western Kan. office at (316) 267-

The Alzheimer's Association is the world's leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. The mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease Registration will be at 9:30 a.m. at through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.



September 12 • 6:30-9 pm

Goodland Regional Medical Center • Large Board Room For more information/registration contact Tina Goodwin, 785-890-6036

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Elisa from Italy, 16 yrs. Likes to play tennis, swim, loves to dance Elisa hopes to play American softball and 'slang' while in the USA



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