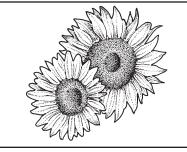
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Goodland Elks dinner honors

vets, law officers, members

The Goodland Elks presented a Blue Star Banner, honored area law enforcement and honored 50-year members at a special dinner held on Dec.1.

Zona Price, lodge secretary, said this year the Goodland Elks had a smaller number of people respond for the Blue Star Banner that shows the family has an active-duty military person in their family.

She said the Elks had seven respond, but nearly all were unable to attend a special ceremony and one was able to attend the special dinner to be presented her banner.

Lavonne Bring, mother of Robert Bring, III, who is serving in the U.S. Army in Ankara, Turkey was at the dinner and presented a Blue Star Banner to display in her window by Exalted Ruler Robin Deeds.

Six other banners were mailed out other families with active-duty sons or grandsons in Bethune and Stratton, Colorado, and St. Francis, Price said.

This is the 10th year for the Goodland Elks Blue Star Banner project, and a total of 169 banners have been given to area families.

Appreciation Dinner

The 13th Annual Goodland Elks Appreciation Dinner honored personnel from Law Enforcement including the Goodland Police Department, area Sheriff Departments, area Kansas Highway Patrol, Dispatchers and the area game warden.

This year 90 people attended the special dinner at the lodge.

Honored Elks members

The Goodland Elks honored members who reached their 50-year membership mark this past year. The 50-year recipients Bill Daise, Larry Keirns, Curtis Hurd and Allen Pizel were presented their award by Elks Grand Trustee and Goodland Elk member Walt Linthacum and Exalted Ruler Deeds.

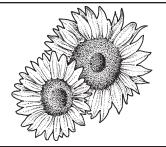


Lavonne Bring was presented a Blue Star Banner by Goodland Elks Exalted Ruler Robin Deeds, to display in her window for her son Robert who is in the U.S. Army in Ankara, Turkey.





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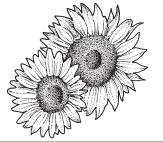
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In the photo, left to right: Mike Hopper, Game Warden; Joe Green, KS Highway Patrol; Asa Stiles, Sherman Co. Deputy Sheriff; Darcy Weis, 911 Dispatch; Robin Deeds, Goodland Elks #1528 Exalted Ruler; Burton Pianalto, County Investigator; Cliff Couch, Chief of Police, City of Goodland; and Larry Townsend, Wallace County Sheriff.



The Goodland Elks 50-year recipients included Bill Daise, Larry Keirns, Curtis Hurd and Allen Pizel. The awards were presented award by Elks Grand Trustee and Goodland Elk member Walt Linthacum (left) and Exalted Ruler Deeds (right).









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