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Last week we sent a bouquet to Scouts Canada for pitching-in by picking garbage on the highway. We should have thanked them for picking garbage at the graveyard and golf course. The Scouts did this as part of their Citizenship Badge. They did pick garbage on the highways but were contracted by the Department of Highways to do so. The Scouts were contracted to pick garbage on 14 miles of highway, six miles on Highway 35 and three miles on Highway 49 at the junction, also five miles east on Highway 5. Money raised from this endeavor will go towards the costs of their trip this summer to the National Scout Jamboree at Kananaskis. A pat on the back is well deserved, Scouts!

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A bouquet goes to the organizers and the 65 volunteers who made the Zone 5 Special Olympics at Wadena last Saturday possible, and a huge success. The joy the athletes received from the opportunity to compete was evident all day, but especially at the evening awards ceremony where they proudly accepted their trophies and enthusiastically congratulated each other.

There is no doubt that these people are the most appreciative to be found, and are sincerely overwhelmed by anything that is done to make their day or their life more enjoyable. That in itself said "thanks" a thousand times over to the volunteers who likely went home feeling fully rewarded, and a little more humble.

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The 1993-94 kindergarten pre-registration and orientation day will be held at the Wadena Elementary School on Tues., May 25.

Students eligible for kindergarten in the fall of 1993 must be five years old by November 1, 1993. It will be necessary to present the child's birth certificate to complete the registration forms.

Students with surnames beginning A to K will register at 9 a.m. and those beginning L to Z will register at 1 p.m. Both sessions will be held in Room 1 and will last 2 1/2 hours.

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The Wadena & District Chamber of Commerce will conduct a membership blitz this week (May 14 to 21). Each member will receive a receipt, membership sticker and business directories. Additional directories will also be available. Members are encouraged to have their fees ready for pickup.

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Residents are reminded that the deadline for the Wadena & District Chamber of Commerce 1993 Citizen of the Year nominations is noon Saturday, May 29. Forms may be dropped off at Wadena News or mailed to the Chamber of Commerce, Box 962, Wadena. The 1993 categories include citizen of the year and junior (18 and under) citizen.

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The purchase by Wadena Kinettes of 10 bundles of shingles for the CN station museum roof repair has helped push the project to the halfway mark. It is expected that this work will be completed by opening date, June 6. The interior is receiving a face-lifting and volunteers continue to do endless hours of fix-up. A caboose from Paddockwood will be arriving in the near future.

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Other than dandelions, there is not much growing. Evening temperatures are continuing to drop below freezing. Not much, but enough to form ice on barrels and cook tender plants.

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Solstice, the Quill Plains Arts Council Wadena show, will be here on Sunday, May 30. Player sickness postponed the April 24 production.

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Monday, May 24 is Victoria Day so next week's issue of *The News* will be a day late. We urge all correspondents and advertisers to have their copy to us as early as possible. Have a safe and enjoyable weekend!