## Local representative reports on issues discussed at meeting

Carol Redding of St. Francis, with modifications. Cheyenne County, participated as Convention Center in Topeka for senior citizens. from Sept. 29 through Oct. 1.

is a body of individuals, aged 60 or older, elected by their peers to develop bills and resolutions that and their families each year during their legislative session.

and heard testimony on several bills and resolutions during their session this year.

The bills and resolutions covered a variety of topics including:

• Silver Haired Legislature Bill number 2601: An act concerning the Grandparents as Caregivers

- 2602: A resolution urging the a member at the annual session legislature of the State of Kansas of the Silver Haired Legislature, to provide an affordable and held at the Ramada Hotel and accessible transportation system
- 2603: An Act concerning the The Silver Haired Legislature state long-term care ombudsman; establishing the position of veterans' ombudsman.
- 2604: A Resolution urging are of interest to Kansas elders the Kansas Legislature to enact an legislation similar to 2008 SB 217 or 2008 HB Bill 2244 during The 2009 session introduced the 2010 regular session to help combat predatory payday lending practices and to enact similar legislation to regulate or prohibit income tax refund advance lending practices that adversely affect elderly and other residents of Kansas.

• 2605: An Act relating to 368-7326.

mandatory reinstatement of certain insurance policies in case of mental incapacity of the insured.

• 260 7: A Resolution urging the Legislature of the State of Kansas to continue providing retirement benefits under Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) and continuing the funding of of KPERS toward actuarially recommended amount.

For information regarding the Kansas Silver Haired Legislature, to: www.agingkansas.org/ Advocacy Legislation/Legislative/ silver/silverhairlegi.htm

You can e-mail the Silver Haired Legislature at Silver Haired. Legislature@aging.ks.gov or contact them by phone at (785)



DIRECTOR OF NURSES, Tammy Rogg, RN out of Goodland, is going over some of the services being offered by ResCare HomeCare. Certified nurses aides standing are left, Rachel Schmidt, Tiffani Graham and Hailey Frewen. Seated in Mary Pevler, licensed practical nurse in St. Francis.

Times staff photo by Karen Krien

# **Nationally-owned business** hires several local people

By Karen Krien

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ResCare HomeCare is at work in Cheyenne County. The staff is helping seniors and those recovering from illness and injury. They also work with people with physical disabilities who require personal assistance.

The nationally-owned business with a branch in Goodland has hired local people to serve Cheyenne County Mary Pevler, licensed practical nurse; and certified nurses Aides, Hailey Frewen, Tiffani Graham, Rachel Schmidt and Amanda Stinemetz. director of nurses is Tammy Fogg, registered nurse, of Goodland.

The agency is licensed in Cheyenne, Sherman, Rawlins, Wallace and Thomas Kansas counties and is also able to serve those living in rural homes.

"ResCare is a provider under various state-funded programs and clients do not necessarily need to be homebound," said Mrs. Fogg.

The goal of the staff is helping residents live life on their own

"ResCare recognizes the quality medical services available in Cheyenne County and we do not intend to take away from services already available but add to the community", said Ms. Pevler. Among the services offered is

meal planning and preparation, light housekeeping, running errands, shopping, transporting clients to medical and/or lab appointments and offering professional nursing. "Whether you or a loved

is recovering from illness, injury or surgery, living with a chronic disability or dealing with the natural process of aging, our dedicated employees at ResCare are here to help," said Ms. Pevler.

The staff, she said, is available 24 hours a day, seven days a

"We pride ourselves in hiring well-trained local people in your community," she said.

ResCare also offers Rest

internet connection discreetly- visit with the client through the placed camera and sensing devices internet connection. which are placed in a client's home. Tele-caregivers, working clients suffering with dementia from a state-of-the-art network or Alzheimer's diease", Ms. support and response center in Pevler said. "It gives the client Lafayette, Ind., can monitor the home, engage the client in their safety and security. a two-way communication as well as provide the client with HomeCare agencies employing watchful support. If the client 44,000 throughout the United should have an emergency staff States. For more information, in Indiana pages the local nurses contact Mrs. Fogg at 785-728and they call on the client. 7198.

Assured, which is a broadband Family members are also able to

"This is especially helpful with independence while safeguarding

There are 175 ResCare

### Group performs music Sunday afternoon Sterling Silver, KC Connection

By Karen Krien karen.k@nwkansas.com

Family-rated fun will be the entertainment when the Sweet Adelines perform at 4 p.m. on Sunday afternoon at the St. Francis Community High School auditorium. Presented by On Stage, Inc., the funds raised will be used to produce a children's theater in 2011.

The Sunday program will be featuring three special judges, Simon (Jeff Beims), Paula (Leisha Hilt), and Larry, the Cable Guy (Hoagie Carmichael), along with master of ceremonies, Ryan (David Morrow). They will be giving their critiques and constructive criticism to the many acts to perform.

American Idol television show tickets are advised. (the Windsong Chorus version).

favorites including Hurray for Hollywood, Walk Down That

Lonesome Road and This is the

afternoon. There will be a special recognition of John and Elaine

and The Scottsbluff Sweeties will

be joined by the hilarious mixed

turns in the musical comedy and

the audience is sure to enjoy the

There are a few twists and

quartet, The Roommates.

Kite and Teresa Porter, who have given many hours of organization and help to previous productions. On Stage is hoping everyone will support them in this event which will hopefully make it possible

to sponsor a Children's Theater Workshop in the summer of 2011. Tickets are on sale at Bankwest, First National Bank and Western State Bank or from any On Stage The show is a slightly-bent board member. Tickets will also be version of today's popular available at the door but advanced

For further information, contact The chorus will sing many Neala Carmichael, St. Francis, director of the Windsong Chorus, at 332-8996, or Dara Carmichael, president of On Stage at Bankwest, Moment. Three popular quartets,

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Video Kingdom, St. Francis network, Verizon has the largest

What a surprise! Colleen Oklahoma City, Okla., stop by Shrader came home for the Saturday afternoon on their way weekend and surprised her to Hot Springs, S.D. to visit grandma, Edna Reosener, for her 80th birthday.

Verizon Wireless beginning Oct.

the leading wireless providers

Bandel, owner.

Edna's other granddaughter, Danelle Rush and family from and Grant joined them.

announced Monday, that they customer base at over 80 million prompted turn-by-turn navigation will be an authorized retailer for customers. Verizon, Mr. Bandel said, is

VIDEO KINGDOM, as of Sunday, will be the retailer for Verizon Wireless. Terry Bandel, owner, and

Diane Hesser unpack the many items for customers. An open hose is planned for the future. Loof for

St. Francis business connects

• with leading wireless provider

business for nearly 20 years, we we can offer these products to parents including chaperone and are thrilled to represent one of customers.

Many of the unique handsets in the United States," said Terry and features offered by Verizon, he said, aren't available from In addition to having America's other carriers. Some of those

Danelle's dad and mom, Larry

Roy, Karen Shrader, Colleen

and Cathy Atkins.

system on the handset. • V-Cast Music with Rhapsody an industry leader in innovative and V-Cast Video on Demand. "After being in the wireless handsets and services. Now, • Verizon safeguards for busy

VZ Navigator, a voice

- Backup assistant so customers lose their important never
- Innovative handsets like the LG EnV, Blackberry Storm and Blackberry Tour.

Video Kingdom is expanding the wireless center within the store and urge everyone to come in to see all the new products and services available from Verizon

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