Library schedules book discussion

Jane M. Holwerda of Dodge City Community College will lead a discussion of "The Grapes of Wrath" by John Steinbeck at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2, sponsored by the St. Francis Public Library.

This final book in a three-part "Westering" series is a powerful novel about a family, forced by the Great Depression, to leave Oklahoma and head west to California – America's dream land.

The series is sponsored by the Kansas Humanities Council, a nonprofit cultural organization, as part of its Talk About Literature in Kansas program. The Council's resource center is furnishing the books and discussion leaders for the Garden City Kansas literature series.

Holwerda is a professor of English at Dodge City Community College. She earned her Ph.D. in American Studies from Saint Louis University. Holwerda joined

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the Kansas Humanities Council's Talk About Literature in Kansas program as a discussion leader in 2008.

To check out books and for more information about the reading series, contact the library at 332-3292.

MEETING

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Sen. Ostmeyer, a member of the redistricting committee, said in a June interview he would not like to see his district grow, but acknowledged he may have to absorb some territory. He speculated either Philips County or Rush County could be added to bring the 40th up to ideal size.

Ideal size for a House district is 22,716. The 121st District, held down by first-term Rep. Rick Billinger of Goodland, sits at 19,113, about 3,600 below the target. The district includes Sherman, Thomas, Sheridan and Graham counties.

Rep. Ward Cassidy's 120th District, which includes Cheyenne, Rawlins, Decatur, Norton and Phillips counties, sits at 19,855,

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We are glad to be in St Francis, they said, noting that the Millikens and Gillilands have been amazing and helped them a great deal in their transition.

We want to become more involved in the community, they said, and we are looking forward to meeting everyone.

The Thadani's have two dogs and a cat. When not at work, they enjoy sporting events, activities about 2,860 people under the norm

Sen. Ostmeyer said Don Hineman's 118th District - which includes Wallace, Logan, Wichita, Gove, Lane, Trego and Rush counties and part of Ness - could be affected since its counties are sparsely populated and continued to lose people over the past 10 years.

Rep. Hineman said it's inevitable that western Kansas districts will get larger because almost all are short on population. His is almost 4,000 people under ideal size. One or more western Kansas districts could be eliminated entirely, he said, and the seats given to eastern Kansas, where the population has been growing.

"It will be very difficult for the committee, or anyone for that matter, to draw a map that doesn't reduce the representation of western Kansas, but still keeps us within 5 percent of ideal," he said.

Rep. Hineman said he was concerned over the outcome of redistricting. He and his fellow western Kansas legislators talk about that concern with the committee, he said, but the committee has to follow the law to even out the districts.

"The real solution would be to get more people out here," he said, "but nobody's figured out how to do that."

The committee will come up with a redistricting proposal to



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REPRESENTATIVES HELPED set the new Cheylin Wellness Center sign on Monday morning. Work has begun at the site of the new facility. Pictured front, left to right, are: Cathy Domsch, Laurie Leonard, Bruce Bolen; back, Sherry Carmichael, Tina Sager, Lincoln Pochop, Kale Schields, Nick Ketzner and Amy Hendricks..

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Wellness center going up in Bird City

The future home of the Cheylin Wellness Center is now official. Just as the sun was rising on Monday morning Rod Klepper met officials from; Century II Community Foundation, Cheylin Recreation Commission and Cheylin School District 103 to plant a sign on the vacant lot north of the Cheylin elementary school.

II Development Century Foundation has pledged \$20,000 toward the building funds. Representatives present were: Kathy Domsch, the executive director, Rod Young, president, and Roseanna Underwood and Sheri Carmichael, board members.

Cheylin Recreation Commission pledged another \$20,000. Representatives present were: Tina Sager, secretary, Lincoln Pochop, and Laurie Leonard, board members.

Cheylin Schools (Capital Outlay-Building Fund) are adding \$20,000. School representatives present were: Bruce Bolen,

\$5,000 and issued a challenge to with community volunteers. other businesses to do the same. Those who wish to participate be made to Century II Develop-

Bird City Dairy pledged tion carpentry classes, along teers can contact Mr. Klepper at The basic construction will be and have limited finances can ment Foundation. done by the Cheylin construc- donate materials or time. Volun-

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Junior high Indians finish winning season versus Cowboys

By Nathan Fiala

nfiala@nwkansas.com The Junior High Indians football team played the Goodland Cowboys at home on Monday, winning the game 42-18 and finishing the season with a winning record of 4-3.

This was a fun game to finish off the season, Coach Kyle Buffington said. We knew going into this game we could either come out of it with a winning season or a losing season and we played our best game of the year to come out on top.

sion. In the second quarter, Brunk recovered a fumble and ran it in for six points and Rogers scored two on the conversion. Then Clay Cassaw had a big 80-yard touchdown run. Brunk scored again in and became better competitors as the third quarter and JR Landenberger scored a touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Goodland had some talented kids that made a couple of big plays to it takes to become successful. get on the board but otherwise we





outside, as well as traveling.

Club Clip ·

Pleasant Hill 4-H Club October

The regular meeting of the Pleasant Hill 4-H Club was held Oct. 5 at the St. Francis Grade School.

President Laura Brunk called the meeting to order. Emileigh Dinkel led the 4-H Pledge and Reagan Beims led the Pledge of Allegience. Reagan Beims led the club in singing "Grimy Gopher Guts." Roll call was taken and 18 members were present. Jandy Dunn read the minutes from the previous meeting. Travis Rogers gave the treasurer's report. The bierock committee reported that orders are to be turned in to Tye by Nov. 4. The halloween Committee reported the club will meet to trick-or-treat at 5:30. The fun day committee has ideas to vote on. The window display committee reported that they will have the display up the week of the achievement banquet. Tammy Grice gave the 4-H Council report and stated that the achievement banquet will be held Nov. 6 and KAP and officer books are due Oct. 17.

Caleb Todd and Cutter and Colton Neitzel gave project talks.

The meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were served by the Beims family.

Jude Faulkender, reporter



submit to the Legislature in January. If approved, the new districts will take effect for the 2012 election.

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superintendent, Nick Ketzner, school board member, Kale Shields, athletic director, and Amy Hendricks, teacher.

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