and History will be exhibiting the work of artist Shela Reilley during November and December. Favoring the rich and vibrant colors afforded by pastels, her exhibit will focus primarily on northwest Kansas scenes.

Although she calls Colorado home today, Reilley was born and raised in northwest Kansas. She graduated from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in fashion design and worked as a children's wear clothing designer and graphic artist in New York City for London Fog. After five years in New York, she married and moved to the San Francisco Bay area for two years before moving to Colorado.

She has won numerous awards for her artwork, including several Best of Show awards in the Gateways to the Rockies Show. She is a featured artist Kansas," juried by Neil Patterson, president of Oil Painters of

The Prairie Museum of Art America, and Kristen Hoerth, editor-in-chief of Southwest Art magazine.

> She teaches art classes through the Bicentennial Art Center in Aurora, and will be offering a pastel workshop in Colby Saturday through the High Plains Art Club.

> Reilley is passionate about painting and loves the colors, textures, shapes and atmosphere of the Midwestern landscape. She makes frequent trips to Kansas to collect reference for her works and savors the big skies, open space and evening shadow patterns to be found here.

The exhibit will be at the Prairie Museum, 1905 S. Franklin Ave., beginning on Tuesday and running through the end of December. Winter hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. on weekends. There is no charge to view in the book "State of the Art: the exhibit. Call 460-4590 for information.



LORI MILLER/Golden Plains Elementary Isiah Schwarz held a bucket as some of the second grade boys husked black walnuts to prepare them for burial. They had to 777 finalized adoptions in Kansas; peel and stomp the nuts before they were ready to be buried

Golden Plains second grade takes time out to get 'nutty'

By Morgan Walz

Golden Plains High School

On Oct. 15, the Sheridan County Conservation District representatives came to visit the Golden Plains second graders and help them prepare black walnut seeds and acorns for burial in phase one of an annual project known as Nut Day. The seeds have to winter in the ground to maintain a normal temperature, so the second graders buried them in screen cages, along with sand and water.

Dalton Bice said, "It was fun

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peeling the husks off the nuts." Landen Vogler commented on his favorite part of the experience, "It was fun to watch them bury the

Hailee Bingham added, "My favorite part was stomping the nuts!"

They plan to dig them up and plant them in the spring for phase two, in which those that have sprouted are planted in a cup and either taken home or planted on the school grounds.

The Conservation District provides the nuts.

Markets

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start off November in the library Today is the first of November. It now means that the holiday sea-

son is upon us – yay! This Sunday we turn our clocks

back an hour and Tuesday we Wednesday, patrons of the com-

munity come to *Booked for Lunch* and hear Tom Peyton speak on two books: "Seven Miracles That Saved America: Why They Matter and Why We Should Have Hope" and "The Miracle of Freedom: Seven Tipping Points That Saved the World," both by coauthors Chris Stewart and Ted Stewart. Thursday, you can come and play trivia at the library and win fun prizes. Friday, you can go to the high school's theater performance. Saturday morning, I hope, you get to stay home and read some of the books we discuss in this and other

The first book is "Rapture," by J.R. Ward, book four of the Fallen Angels series. "Rapture" is considered science fiction literature. The best-selling author sets this book up with great suspense. Protagonist and news reporter Mels Carmichael has just been released from the hospital emergency room. Narrowly avoiding killing a pedestrian in the road she did not see, she finds out where he is and goes to see him in the hospital

This person is none other than



Melany Wilks

Book reviews and trivia night

•Library Links

Matthias, a wicked demon in book two of the series. However, in this book Matthias awakens in a hospital room, hurt and in pain. He does not know where he came from or when he came from. Right now, he has this woman in his hospital room apologizing for almost killing him, in fact crying about it. In walks a nurse who declares

she is going to help Matthias. He knows she is pure evil and comes from another time. Mels leaves the room in the midst of their interaction, but not before she had left her business card on his table next to the bed. Mels has no idea what she has just involved herself in, but she will soon find out. The second book is "Into the

Woods: Tales from the Hollows and Beyond," by Kim Harrison. This book takes many of the writings of Harrison and brings the collection and novellas together into a very well-written novel. If you have loved many of the other books she has written, then you will love this one.

The third book is "Dark Storm,"

by Christine Feehan. This is book 23 in the Carpathian novels. In this R.L. Stine. If this author's name book Dax reappears from years of evolution within a volcano. His lutely correct. He used to write for and the world's nemesis also arrive; he is known in other books as Mitro Daratrazanoff. A new character, Riley Parker, is written new adult book. into the book. Parker is a relative of Mitro. However, Mitro forgot that part of their lives and killed her in a previous book. This book proves to have interesting twists and continues to be dark and full of drama.

Another book we are adding is "People of the Black Sun," by Kathleen O'Neal Gear and W. Michael Gear. This is the fourth and final book in the *People of the* Longhouse series. Though this is considered historical fiction, to me it reads a lot like fantasy. It is about lives of people a long way from our times.

In this book, main character, Dekanawida is watching as his prophetic words begin to come to pass one by one. He needs to see the People of the Mountain to come together and work to save the world as they know and love it from destruction. Before this happens, however, he must convince Baji and Hiyawento to work with him to thwart Chief Atotarho's ambition to subjugate five nations

A fifth book is "Red Rain," by sounds familiar, you are absochildren in the Fear Street series and numerous titles in the Goosebumps series. Now he is tackling a

Lea Harmon Sutter is a writer of Arabejila, who was the lover and blogger. She has decided she will push fate and go to the island of Cape Le Chat Noir, considered haunted. In the last 24 hours she has experienced some weird and frightening events.

A hurricane has left many dead on the island and a rain storm the color of blood blowing onto her. She meets twin boys who captivate and intrigue her. Are they angels, or is it the effects of the rain that create such an aura?

As the season gets to be stormy. if you find you cannot make it into the library to renew an item remember that if you have set up your library account online, you can renew an item in the comfort of your home.

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See you in the library!

November proclaimed adoption month; many in Kansas need permanent homes

Bringing attention to the 389 up from 761 in 2011, and 721 in Kansas: children in the state who need permanent families, Gov. Sam Brownback on Friday signed a proclamation declaring November Kansas Adoption Month

Gov. Brownback said even though the number of finalized adoptions has risen sharply in the last two years, there are still many children who need loving forever

"Adoption is a beautiful example of the power of family to change the course of a child's life," Brownback said. "All children deserve to grow up with parents who love them and are committed to them."

In fiscal year 2012, there were

Solomon Valley 4-H Club

swered roll call with their favorite she was a 4-H member.

2010. From July through September this year, there have been 144 adoptions finalized. Children available for adoption

through the state of Kansas come from varied backgrounds, circumstances, races and ethnicities. While some have specific medi-

cal, physical or emotional issues requiring special care, many do not. Some have brothers or sisters and want to stay together as part of a new family.

There are approximately 900 children in Kansas who are technically available for adoption but many of them have a foster parent or relative who plans to adopt them. About 389 children do not.

Other facts about adoption in

Recreation was led by Dana

• The adoption process through the state costs little or nothing.

• Kansas adoption is legally secure – children are not eligible for adoption unless the courts have terminated parental rights.

• Children adopted after age 16 5430.

from foster care are eligible for free tuition at any state university, community college or vocational

• People interested in a Kansas adoption should go to www. adoptkskids.org or call (877) 457-

Assistance available for livestock water needs

to remind ranchers that cost share committee must ensure that the funds are available to help provide extent of the need is severe enough emergency water to livestock for to necessitate federal assistance. those affected by drought in all Participants can receive cost-Kansas counties except Republic. share assistance of up to 75 per-

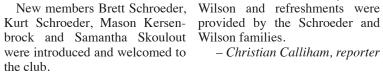
producers in need of assistance.

Producers may make a request local Farm Service Agency. The program is being implemented to assist in providing access to water

The Farm Service Agency wants severe drought. The local county

Emergency Conservation Pro- cent of the cost for temporary gram sign up began Oct. 15 and measures and 50 percent of the will continue through Thursday, cost for permanent measures for Nov. 15. Kansas has received a approved emergency conservation \$6.1 million allocation to help practices. Examples of approved practices are constructing and deepening wells, installing pipe to by filing an application at their another source of water because the primary source is inadequate or hauling water for livestock.

For information contact the lobecause of an extended period of cal office at 462-7671.



The Solomon Valley 4-H Club talk about the clothing and buy-

met Oct. 8. Nineteen members an- manship projects she did when

brock and Samantha Skoulout were introduced and welcomed to the club Trey Stramel demonstrated how

Halloween treat.

to decorate cupcakes.

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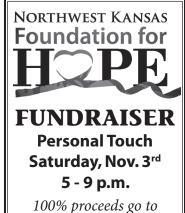
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