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## **Sicl Scouling: IT'S A GROWTH EXPERIENCE!**



DAISIES - Cassidy Busse, Christina Stafford, Sierra Robbins, Audrey Meyer.



Hi there!!

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We are the St. Francis Daisy Girl Scout Troop! The Daisy troop consists of four kindergarten girls, Sierra Robbins, Christina Stafford, Cassidy Busse and Audrey Meyer. There are three leaders, Lounie Erskin, Liz Lusanez and Kary Meyer. The original leader, Lori Gohl, moved, but not before she got the group off to a great start!

The Daisies have been busy this year with various projects. Learning the Girl Scout Pomise and what it stands for was the first line of business. After they had that tackled, they got down to the busy work.

They have had a tea party where the girls dressed up, they planted flowers, went caroling at Christmas, went swimming in Colby's indoor pool, made valentines and Christmas decoration.

Whew! They thought they had done a little bit of everything.

Upcoming activities include a bowling party, nature walk, game day and, of course, a day camp this summer.

New next year will be the addition of first grade to the troop. So, any girl in first grade next year, along with next year's kindergarten class will join to make one troop. This additional year will give them a little more time to earn some additional badges and, of course, more time to learn all that Girl Scouting has to offer.

"We welcome any kindergarten-aged girl from St. Francis or Bird City to come join us," Mrs. Meyer said

For questions, call her at 785-332-3988.



BROWNIES - Back row: Natalie Rogers, assistant leader; Deb Gohl, leader; front row: Sophie White, Zoe Sundstrom, Jessica Confer, Jacey Jones, Jenna Confer, Makayla Rogers. Not pictured: Hanna Bracelin, Maddie Faylor, Kensley Krien, Matthisen Witzel and Shelby Wolff.



Brownie Troop started the year with a registration pool party and ate ice cream sundaes.

They have already earned several badges and plan on earning several more before next year.

The annual overnighter was held in January at the United Methodist Church. The girls cooked spaghetti and green beans and made a fresh fruit salad. The theme was "Rock-n-Roll." They made T-shirts and several musical instruments, including a guitar, single string swing and a tambourine. They sang and danced, too.

The swimming party was attended by a few girls and they enjoyed spending time with the Daisies

at that event.

In December, the troop went caroling with all the troops and enjoyed a pizza party afterwards.

They are planning on adopting a garden area at the Good Samaritan Village and hope they can keep it bright and beautiful all year long.

Brownies are Hanna Bracelin, Jenna Confer, Jessica Confer, Maddie Faylor, Jacey Jones, Kensley Krien, Makayla Rogers, Zoe Sundstrom, Sophie White, Matthisen Witzel, Shelby Wolff. Their leader is Deb Gohl and Natalie Rogers is the assistant leader.



There are 10 girls in the Junior Girl Scout troop. Most of them are in the fourth grade with one being in the fifth.

Some of the activities the scouts have enjoyed this year include celebrating Juliet Low's birthday, having a Halloween party, working on the Music Fan Badge and caroling at the Good Samaritan Village.

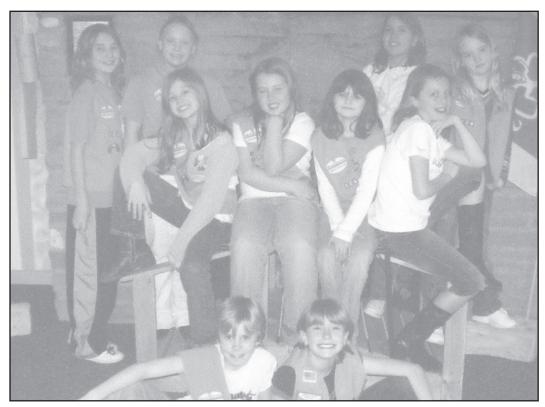
Their leader, Debbie Harris, said the girls wanted to learn camera skills. They then made an album with the pictures they had captured. They went swimming in Colby.

Casa Bonita.

The girls are working on organizing and planninng a Sock Hop for the troops within the St. Francis area.

The girls and their leader think it has been a great year and much of it has been due to the fact that people supported the scouts in their activities and through cookie sales.

Junior Scouts are: Kylie Sherlock, CarolEve Harris, Hannah Wolff, Sydney Sundstrom, Hannah Stafford, Kayla Reed, Journey Lee, Emily Elfers, McKenzie Taylor, McKayla Taylor.



In March, the scouts went to Denver to see Tenille Lee is the assistant leader. Disney on Ice. They also enjoyed eating at



JUNIOR SCOUTS: Back row: Kylie Sherlock, CarolEve Harris, Kayla Reed, Journey Lee; middle row: Hannah Wolfe, Sydney Sundstrom, Hannah Stafford, Emily Elfers; front row: McKenzie Taylor, McKayla Taylor



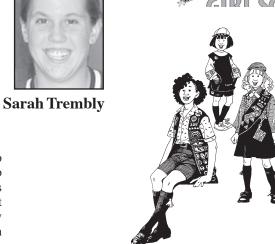


Aubree Schlepp

There are two groups of Cadette Scouts This year the older Cadettes, Aubree Schlepp and Sarah Trembly, are continuing to finish up the Silver Award which will be completed this

year. Only a few more requirements to meet and they will begin the actual project. They have narrowed it down to two activities which will involve the community and they will have more information at a later date.

They will be taking a trip this summer to done on the Silver Award. Cookie sales were difficult this year due to the Oberlin basketball tournament. The girls are really trying hard to juggle school, extra-curricular activities, church and Girl Scouts, however, they will continue to achieve the goals they have set as



a troop, with the community's support.

The Cadettes added a new assistant leader Christy Denver to relax after all the hard work they have Flemming this year and she is excited to work with the girls. Their leader is Lisa Schlepp.

> The younger group of Cadettes have gone through many changes and activities since last March! Last summer they completed phase II of the three-part campout, leading to the final phase of camping at Rocky

## **Nariah Hamilton**

the experience!







**Krissy Harris** 

Mountain National Park. The girls set up all tents for

sleeping, planned all meals, hiked within the park, built

campfires and sang songs while they ate their s'mores,

and even had a bear in their camp, the last part was quite

This group also completed their Bronze Award by

creating and presenting an Interenet Safety demonstra-

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**Bailey Merklin** 

which will help them with future community projects. This group has now become Cadettes and will be beginning to work on their Silver Award.

The girls in this group are Nariah Hamilton, Krissy Harris, Bailey Merklin, and Aly Schlepp. The Leaders of this troop are Natasha Culwell, Tiffany Hamilton, and Debbie Harris.

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