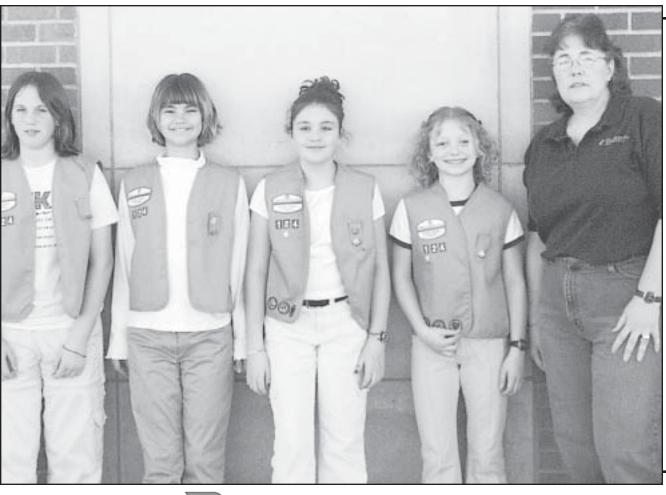
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The Young American women learning values and making friendships to last a lifetime.

GIRL SCOUT PROMISE



Junior Girl Scout Troop #124

Pictured left to right: Sarah Trembly - daughter of Carol Trembly, Christina Schoenrogge - daughter of Craig & Juciara Schoenrogge, Aubree Schlepp - daughter of Spencer & Lisa Schlepp, Mikaela Grace - daughter of Robert & Debbie Grace, leader Lisa Schlepp, not pictured - leader Debbie Grace

The Junior Girl Scout Troop #124 has been an active group of girls this year. The troop consists of 3 fifth graders, Mikaela Grace, Aubree Schlepp and Sarah Trembly and 2 fourth graders, Alexis Garcia and Christina Schoenrogge. The group started off the new scouting year with choosing to earn their Court Sports badge. This was accomplished after a competitive round of basketball and a trip to see the Lady Indians play Sharon Springs in volleyball.

They then decided some fun was in order and traveled to Denver to see Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus at the Pepsi Center. They all agreed that the clowns were fantastic and also the motorcycle act within the sphere. After a fun dinner at Red Robin the group journeyed back to St. Francis.

The girls chose to complete their Bronze Award this year, which has been quite an undertaking. This is the highest award that can be earned in Junior Girl Scouts. They have completed 75% of the required elements and should be done by the end of the school year. The girls decided to build a treasure chest for the St. Francis Clinic, and fill it with goodies for children of all ages who visit the clinic. They will stain, assemble, line the treasure chest.

The girls will also construct some of the toys to be used for infants. They have already chosen the remainder of the toys to be purchased for the treasure chest. The money earned from Girl Scout cookie sales will purchase the supplies for this Bronze Award. Some of the activities that the girls have done to fulfill this award project is holiday decorations for the hospital, mentoring younger children through dance and church. They also were the color guard at the local Soil Conservation banquet in February. The girls once again will be working on brightening up the cross on the hillside west of town.

The girls had a successful cookie and magazine drive this year and have earned enough money to travel to Denver, Colo. to attend a Nuggets game, the Museum of Nature and Science, and go ice skating. This will be their first overnight trip as Junior Girl Scouts.

Although three of the girls will be moving to Cadettes next year, they are excited about their accomplishments in Junior Girl Scouts. The satisfaction and pride they have felt in working on the Bronze Award will help them in their future scouting activities.



Brownie Troop #76

Pictured left to right: Krissy Harris - daughter of Kriss Harris and Deb Harris, Sarah Whitmore daughter of Jerry & Lila Whitmore, Mickey Geihsler - daughter of Reid & Chay Kriegh, Randee Grover - daughter of Shannon & Raquel Grover, Aly Schlepp - daughter of Spencer & Lisa Schlepp, Bailey Merklin - daughter of Steve Merklin and Natasha Wilson, not pictured Kathryn McDanel daughter of Bobby & Tina McDanel, leaders Lila Whitmore and Dee Wilson.

Brownie Scout Troop 76 has had a busy at their Christmas party, Try-Its were awarded. ear so far. There are seven girls, grades 1-3 The girls had earned Movers, Science in Action People Around the World and Point-Click & Go. in the troop. The Troop has finished selling cookies and cel-On October 30 the troop had a Halloween sleep over at the Scout Hut with 15 girls. To earn ebrating Girl Scout Week and are planning a Try-lts, the girls did craft items and games, then 3-day trip to Colorado Springs in early June.





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Daisy Troop #198

Pictured back row, left to right: Journey Lee - daughter of Brandon & Tenille Lee, Emily Elfers - daughter of Roy & Linda Elfers, Sydney Sundstrom - daughter of Garrett & Angie Sundstrom; front row: Carol Eve Harris - daughter of Kriss Harris and Deb Harris, Hannah Stafford - daughter of Mike & Michelle Stafford, Kylie Sherlock - daughter of Gilbert & Cindy Sherlock, Breanna Charnoff - daughter of Walter & Brande Charnoff, not pictured, leaders Brande Charnoff and Tenille Lee.

Daisy Troop 198 has been enjoying a fun and exciting year.

The girls met as a group for the first time in September with a total of seven 5-to 6-year-old girls. Troop leaders are Brande Charnoff and Tenille Lee.

Included in this fun group of girls is: Journey Lee, Emily Elfers, Sydney Sundstrom, CarolEve Harris, Hannah Stafford, Kylie Sherlock and Breanna Charnoff.

In November, the girls had their Investiture Ceremony where they were officially joined into Daisy Scouts. During this time, the girls received their Daisy apron and first Daisy patch. The patch symbolizes successful memorization of the Girl Scout Promise. The girls have since earned several more patches and will con-

tinue to work on these throughout the year. Through this process, the girls are learning to work well with others, respect others and offer help to those in need.

Feb. 21 was an exciting day for the Daisy girls. They ventured out at 6:30 a.m. for a swimming party in Hays. Several Daisy troops from northwest Kansas attended the party. For this, the girls earned a swim patch.

After lunch, they met at the Sunflower Council where the girls participated in activities that will help them earn their Bridging patch. They also earned a "Thinking Day" patch.

The Bridging Ceremony will be held at the end of the scouting year to promote the troops to Brownies.

"We are all having a great time and look forward to the activities ahead," said co-leader Ms. Lee.

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