

Family

“GROW” workshop to be offered at K-State

MANHATTAN — Due to popular demand, the Girls Researching Our World project, also known as GROW, at Kansas State University will once again be host to “Engineers and Scientists to the Rescue.”

The workshop, which focuses on natural disasters and the opportunity to help put people’s lives back together, will be offered 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at K-State.

“We had such an overwhelming response to this workshop last month that we wanted to give those young women on the waiting list an opportunity to take part in the experience as well,” said Susan Arnold Christian, GROW program coordinator.

Open to all sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade girls, the workshop will feature small groups, chaperoned by K-State students, performing hands-on activities based on grade level and where

they are from. Each activity will emphasize the experience of being part of a rescue team solving such problems as ridding homes and buildings of dangerous molds, organizing food and supplies distribution, setting up communication systems and more.

Registration is \$10 and includes all supplies and lunch. Teachers are invited to attend with their students to observe activities, which will take place at various locations on the K-State campus.

For questions, call (785) 532-6152 or visit the program’s Web site at: <http://www.k-state.edu/grow>

Editor’s note: This project is funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation and is designed to introduce middle-school girls to science, technology, engineering and mathematical fields.

Moran plans listening tour

Congressman Jerry Moran (R-Hays) will be in Oakley at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 24, as part of his 10th annual listening tour, which started in December.

Although Moran will visit 69 counties in the First District, Thomas County was not one of the stops on his “From Hope to Paradise” tour covering more than a total of 5,000 miles.

The location for his Oakley visit has not been determined; however Moran also plans to stop in Goodland at noon, Friday, Jan. 27, in the student union of the Northwest Kansas Technical College, 1207 Harrison St.

In addition to Oakley and Goodland, Moran is planning a visit to Norton and Decatur counties at noon at 2:30 p.m., Monday, Feb. 6, respectively.

In Norton, Moran will meet with

Rotarians at the Town and Country Kitchen, East Highway 36 and in Oberlin’s downtown area.

“The annual tour gives me a chance to meet directly with Kansans and hear their thoughts and concerns,” Moran said recently. “This input helps me to do a better job representing Kansans in Congress.”

Moran said as with all his annual listening tours, he wants to learn about the issues important to Kansans.

“The variety of stops this year allows me to meet with a range of community members, including downtown business owners and civic leaders,” he said.

Moran’s Web site is: www.house.gov/morank01.

The site will provide up-to-date information on tour stops scheduled.

Babies

Sidra Magena Downing

Travis and Tammy Downing of Colby announce the birth of their daughter, Sidra Magena Downing on Saturday, Jan. 9, 2006 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Sidra weighed 6 and 1/2 pounds and is

18.5 inches long. Grandparents are Christy and Delbert Harvey of Quinter, Sharon and Joe Ibanez of Grainfield and Debbie and David Downing of Phoenix, Ariz.

Wyatt Ethan Higerd

Jonathan and Nathalie Higerd of Gem announce the birth of their son, Wyatt Ethan Higerd, on Friday, Dec. 23, 2005 at St. Catherine’s Hospital in Garden City. Wyatt weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Robert and Diane Staats of Garden City and

Larry and Kathy Higerd of Gem. Great-grandmother is Elizabeth Schaffer of Garden City and the late Ambrose Wessel, and Frank Staats of Buffalo, Mo., and the late Gloria Staats.

great-grandmother Elnora Remmich and the late Howard Remmich of Norfolk, Neb.

Reunion

The USS Maddox Destroyer Association reunion (DD-168, DD-622 and DD-731) will be held June 21-25 in Portland, Ore.

Anyone who served on the ship should contact Ken Chestnut, 6844 Clara Lee Ave., San Diego, Calif., 92120, or call or e-mail (619) 582-1238 or maddoxman@cox.net.

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Game day planned at senior center

Senior Center

Come have a good time Wednesday, Jan. 18 as the board games will come out at the Senior Progress Center, 165 Fike Park.

Neat ones such as Trivial Pursuit, Clue, Yhatzee, Monopoly, Checkers, Whatzit and Dominoes among others. Please join us at 11 a.m. It’s sure to be fun.

There are plenty of other activities scheduled at the center for the week of Jan. 16-20, including a paint class at 9 a.m. Monday with Fritz Ostmeyer. Exercise will be at 9 a.m.

Tuesday and it’s also Black Day,

wear anything black. Board Game Day will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday. Thursday exercise is at 9 a.m., and it’s also Red Day. Wear red for lunch. Exercise is at 9 a.m. Friday and it’s also Denim Day, wear denim.

The Thomas County Nutrition Center in Colby wishes to invite those 60 and older and their guests to attend daily luncheons in Colby Monday through Friday. Reservations may be made by calling (785)

460-2901 the day before. Home delivery is also available for those unable to attend due to social or physical disabilities. We also invite those working who would like to pick up a meal.

Those meals are available at noon to be picked up. For individuals 60 and over a contribution of \$2.50 per meal is requested. We also invite those under 60 years of age to attend or pick up a meal at a cost of \$4.50 per meal.

The menu for the next week includes: Monday - lasagna, Italian blend veggies, Mandarin oranges,

bread sticks, pudding. Tuesday - Philly steak sandwich, seasoned carrots, tater tots, bread or bun, pineapple chunks.

Wednesday - chicken noodle soup, spinach cheese salad, rosy pears, crackers, fruit crisp. Thursday - roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, applesauce gelatin, bread, birthday cake.

Friday - turkey pot pie, winter mix veggies, biscuit, peaches.

The building is also available for rental for events.

For information or lunch reservations, call 460-2901.

The Thomas County Public Van is owned by the county but is scheduled and dispatched by the Senior Progress Center.

The van is not a taxi service. It will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.

It must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance of its use and be ready at least 30 minutes in advance of appointment.

Sometimes there are four to six calls per time frame.

Calls for the van need to be made between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday.

Shakespeare Club sponsors student

Shakespeare Club met Saturday, Dec. 10 at the beautifully decorated home of Verna Wiens. The meeting was called to order by vice-president Jeane Thyfault.

Eight members answered roll call by “Something I love about Shakespeare Club.”

Phyllis Elliott, treasurer, reported sending \$75 to sponsor a student at Hugh O’Brien Youth Leadership camp. Our new student will be Lissa

Mazanec.

Shakespeare received a thank you from Caitlin Henry for sponsoring her to the camp this last year. Shakespeare co-sponsors these students with Pi-Gamma.

Ruth Lowenthal gave a program on “What Our Shakespeare Sisters Were Reading in 1907.” The Bible and the classics by Shakespeare, Dickens and Kipling were some listed.

Ruth also had the birth dates of all the Shakespeare members, and gave the books that were best sellers that year. This was a delightful program and lead to much discussion by the group.

Verna and co-hostess Aimie Kendrick served delicious cranberry cheesecake and pumpkin cake.

The next meeting will be with Ruth Lowenthal Jan. 13.

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