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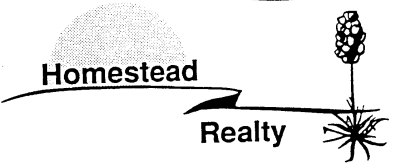
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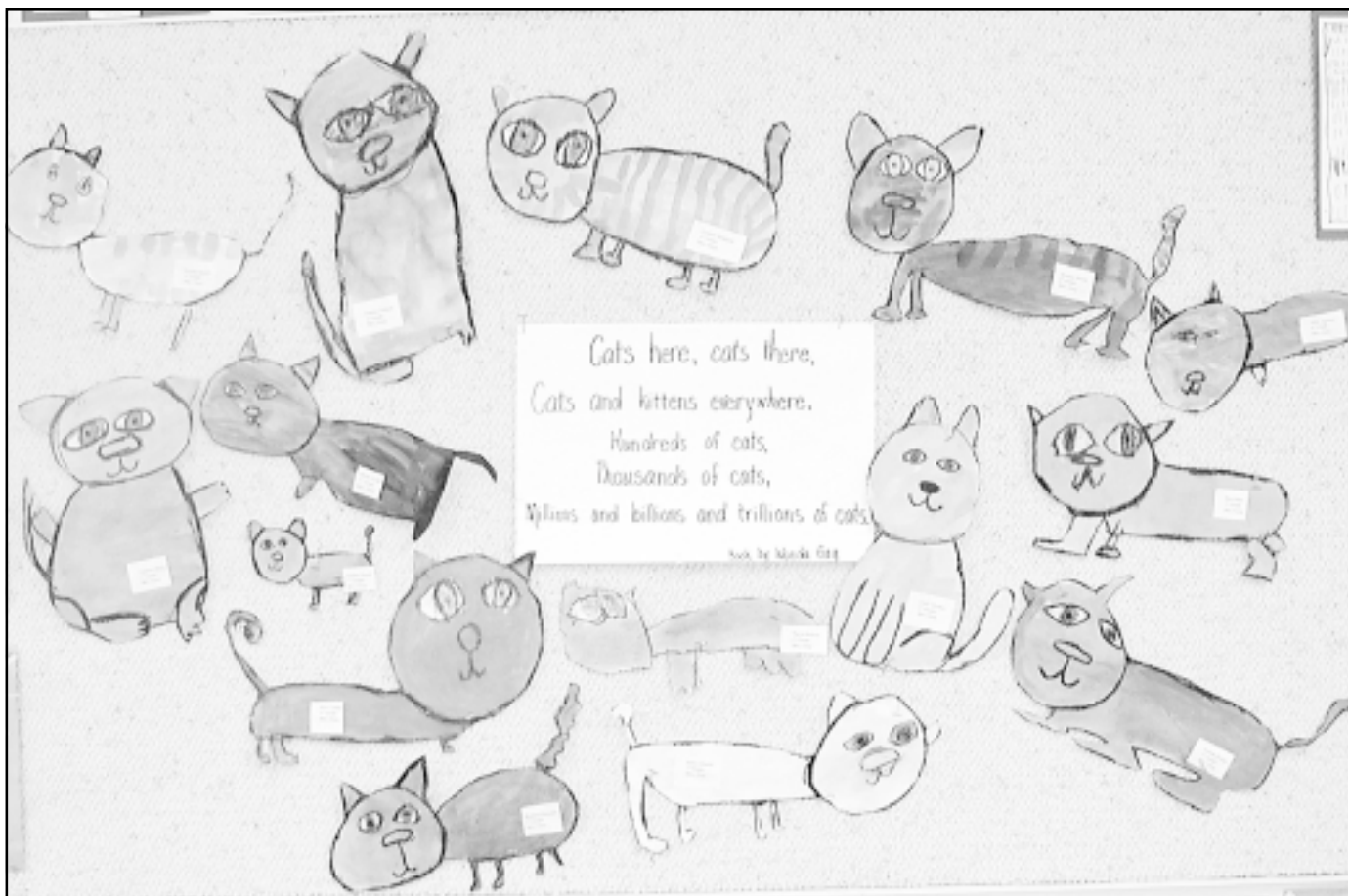
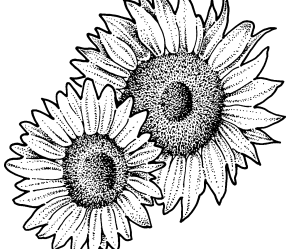
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Students in Marianne Gray's first grade contributed their artistic talent to the display, "Cats Here, Cats Their, Cats and Kittens Everywhere," which is on display at the Carnegie Arts Center.

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Elementary students and teachers recognized in Carnegie Arts Center's February display

By Sharon Corcoran
The Goodland Star-News

The Carnegie Arts Center walls are covered with crayon, watercolor and construction paper art work from hundreds of talented youngsters who attend the three elementary schools in Goodland. The display started Sunday, Feb. 2, and will run through Friday, March 7.

Included are the state of Kansas with the state seal, bird, flower and tree colored in crayon or marker by fifth graders; finger-painting from one kindergarten class and construction paper renditions of President Abraham Lincoln by another class of kindergartners; self portraits; winter scenes and first graders' renditions of the Van Gogh sunflower painting.

Patriotic watercolor and construction paper works adorn the walls around the many faces of Lincoln, and red, white and

blue star and heart wind chimes hang across the display.

Two displays feature cats — "These Little Kittens Found Their Mittens," by Nona Mason's early childhood class and "Cats Here, Cats There, Cats and Kittens Everywhere," by Marianne Gray's first grade.

Students in Marilyn Sowers' third grade class cut half of a picture out of a magazine, pasted it on a piece of paper and drew the other half next to it. Second graders in Kara Smith's class painted penguins in the snow, and Vonda Palmer's kindergarten class finger-painted underwater scenes.

Sixth graders made self portraits and wrote a little about themselves around their heads. Fifth graders made construction paper flowers and pasted them "in" construction paper pots.

Some students even brought in projects

they did at home. Several third and sixth grade students brought in "recycled" art; Sixth Grader Tanner O'Harah has a sculpture of a dinosaur head on display; and another sixth grader, Samantha Erickson, has a dog etched in glass on display.

All of the teachers at the elementary schools have taught art to the students in their classes since May of 2000 when the art teacher, Judy Hayden, became a sixth grade teacher. School Superintendent Marvin Selby said the school's budget motivated the change.

Tina Goodwin, director of the arts center, said most of the teachers brought art from their classrooms to be displayed. Art is displayed by students in the following classes:

From Central Elementary: Rebecca Musil, fourth; Susan Jensen, third; Marilyn Sowers, third; Deb Bantam, third, Donna Whitmore, third; Phyllis Zielke, fourth; and Virginia Palmgren, fourth.

From West Elementary: Janet Davis, first; Nona Mason, early childhood; Jan Wilson, second; Pat Thompson, first; Pat Pickett, second; Lynette McLean, first; Susan McCall, second; Marianne Gray, first; and Kara Smith, second.


From North Elementary: De Burkett, fifth; Vonda Palmer, kindergarten; Judy Hayden, sixth; Linda McKee, sixth; Pam Hardy, sixth; Myron Tedford, fifth; and Karen Stone, kindergarten.

The arts center depends on sponsors to stay open, Goodwin said, and usually has one or two businesses sponsor each display. Dairy Queen and the Whalen family, Goodland Medical Arts Pharmacy and The Prints and the Paper sponsored the elementary art display.

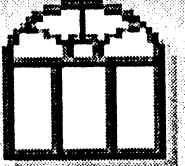


Audrey Titus and Hervey Fuentes, students in Susan Jensen's third grade class, looked at the sculpture of a dinosaur head displayed at the arts center (above). Shelbi Herl's self portrait was one of those displayed from Pam Hardy's sixth grade class (right).





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