

Putt-r-ing in the State Library Stacks

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While no one yelled “fore” in the library, a rousing game of putt putt golf took place on October 19th in the State Library. A putt putt tournament to benefit the United Way was held in the State Library - the theme was “Puttering in the Stacks – a Fun-raiser.”

The committee used the Kansas Sampler Foundation’s 8 Wonders of Kansas <http://www.8wonders.org/index.htm> as a guide, choosing those that we thought would fit into a miniature golf course. Please go to the website to vote for your favorite Kansas Wonders.

Contestants putt through a dryer chute into a Solo cup which represented the Big Well in Greensburg; a plastic Halloween pumpkin wrapped in twine became the Ball of Twine in Cawker City with a cardboard ramp added. Bent hula hoops symbolized the suspension bridges for the Keeper of the Plains. A series of book ends and law books provided the obstacles for the 9th hole and wonder -- Kansas libraries!



*Peter Haxson watches
as Ruth Appelhanz
putts in the stacks.*



Each hole had additional obstacles from the Dewey Decimal collection associated with that particular Kansas Wonder. *Prairie Birds* by Paul A. Johnsgard provided a bank shot on Hole #4, the Cheyenne Bottoms and “A Botanic Garden for the Nation” harbored a rubber snake on Hole #7, the Garden of Eden.

After a round of golf, contestants could rehash their scores in the Clubhouse where root beer and cookies were served. Forty to fifty games were played during the event and the general reaction to the event was that it was “delightful” and “too cool.”

More photos from the event can be viewed at: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/slk-photos/sets/>



This was a tough one!

*Anne Damme's son
Dylan watches Eric
Gustafson putt.*



Ruth Appelhanz (l.) and Rita Troxel enjoy refreshments after a tough game of golf.