



Tristyn Krien

Birthday celebrated

Tristyn Deanne Krien celebrated her first birthday with a party in the park at Salina on Saturday afternoon. About 25 people joined her in the "princess theme" party which included birthday cake, hats and a pinata.

Tristyn's birth date is May 28. She is the daughter of Tyler Krien and Melissa Oursler, Salina.

Those attending besides her parents were her grandparents, Billy and Karen Krien, St. Francis, and David and Janet Oursler, Peabody. Some of the other's helping Tristyn celebrate were Troy Krien, Jessie and Jamie, Lincoln, Neb.; Kelly Allen, Clay Center; Todd Krien, St. Francis; Brian and Bridgette Rankin, Westmoreland; Kyle Allen, Manhattan; and Don and Jackie Schlittenhardt, Wichita.

Cousins hold reunion

The Ekberg first cousins gathering at the Country Steak Hut in Fort Morgan on May 30 found nine of the 17 surviving attending.

Those attending were Carolyn and Clifford Homm of Burlington; Helen Meeks of Holyoke, Bessie Dent of Wray; Christine Elbert of Aurora, Jim and Joan Ekberg of Red Feather Lake, Roger and

Ronda Schritter of Northglenn, Eldon and Pat Hesselius of Louisville, Harry Ekberg of Beecher Island, Carol Chapman of Beecher Island, Marilyn Buffet of Commerce City, Debbie Greenbank of Brighton, Vicki Ratzelf of Alomans, Jean David of Center, Fred and Shelly Klie of St. Francis, Leslie Carlholm of Imperial and Bonnie Jones of St. Francis.

Introducing

Maci Dawn Workman

Darren and Kodi Workman of St. Francis announce the birth of their daughter, Maci Dawn Workman, on May 16, 2009, at the Cheyenne County Hospital. She weighed 4 pounds, 10 ounces, and was 18-inches long.

Grandparents are Gerald and Dawn Lauer, St. Francis, and Steve and Tami Workman, St. Francis. Great-grandparents are Dan and Dottie Stang, St. Francis, Roger and Darlene Lauer, St. Francis, Charles Workman, St. Francis, Jack and Iona Maupin, Haigler, Neb.; Rube and Cheryl Ahrens, Arapahoe, Neb.; and Larry and Janice Schnabel, Trenton, Neb. Great-grandparents are Louise Sawyer, St. Francis and Iva Schnabel, Federal Heights, Colo.



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Brycen Derek Crow

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Derek and Stacy Crow announce the arrival of their 13th child, Brycen Derek Crow was born at 6:31 p.m. Monday, May 25, 2009, in the family home. He weighed 6 pounds 8 ounces and measured 20-inches long.

Derek is welcomed into the family by his oldest sister, Sara, brother-in-law, Josh Sowers and nieces, Eliana, Adrianna and Kalia, sister, Lindsay, brother-in-law Grant Slovek and nephews, Kaitin, Koen and Gavin, and the remaining brothers and sisters who are still in the home, Quinton, Karlissa, Zachary, Justus, Jaden, Molly, Brenna, Garrett, Gabriel and Judah.

Maternal grandparents are Diana and Rod Kinkelaar and maternal great-grandmother is Bobby Brane, all of Wichita.

Paternal grandparents are Ronny and Shirley Crow of Wichita, and

paternal great-grandmother is Dorothy Wilson of Attica.



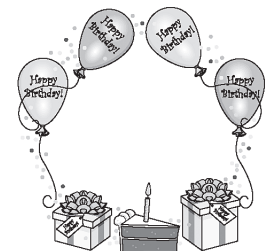
Kaylee Rae Doyle

Birthday honored

Kaylee Rae Doyle celebrated her first birthday on April 14. Kaylee is the daughter of Kris and Kelly Doyle and the sister of Trayton and Rylan Doyle.

She is the granddaughter to Ray and Pauletta Gerver of McCook, Neb., and the late Pam Gerver; and Wendy Doyle of Phoenix, Ariz. Her great-grandma is Patty Gerver of Bird City.

She celebrated the day with family and friends.



New scam revealed

There is another internet scam now showing up on computers.

Rowland Roelfs, who is appointed by the AARP to figure income tax, brought in a printout of a message he had received "supposedly" from the Internal Revenue Service. The subject line read "Get Tax Refund - \$869."

It read: "After the last annual calculations of your fiscal activity, we have determined that you are eligible to receive a tax refund of \$869. Please submit the tax refund request and allow us three to nine days in order to process it.

"A refund can be delayed for a variety of reasons. For example, submitting invalid records or applying after the deadline.

"To access your tax refund, please click here."

Mr. Roelfs said that the Internal Revenue Service doesn't contact people by the internet/e-mail. And, if the person "clicks here," they can lose their identity.

Sheriff Craig Van Allen said if anyone receives one of the messages, they should report it by calling the office at 785-332-8880.

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Land Protection Program deadline date extended

The Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program sign-up has been extended to June 12.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service is accepting applications for funding on a continuous basis for the Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program. The program is a voluntary program that helps farmers and ranchers keep their land in agriculture. The program provides matching funds to state, tribal, or local governments and non-governmental organizations with existing farm and ranch land protection programs to purchase conservation easements from landowners. In turn, landowners agree not to convert their land to non-agricultural uses and to develop and implement a conservation plan for any highly erodible land. Landowners retain rights to use the property for agriculture.

Landowners interested in the program will need to work with eligible entities (state, tribal, or local governments and non-governmental organizations). Eligible entities in Kansas must submit applications to the Natural Resources Conservation

Service State Office in Salina, on or before June 12 (extended from May 22), to receive consideration for funding in Fiscal Year 2009.

Applications will be evaluated to make sure both the entities and landowners meet eligibility requirements. Individual parcels will be evaluated for eligibility and quality; the highest quality parcels will be selected for funding. The ranking and selection of parcels will take place immediately after June 12. Ranking criteria can be obtained at the Kansas Natural Resources Conservation Service Web site www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/frpp/kansas_frpp.html.

For further information, contact Jeffrey L. Gross, Assistant State Conservationist for Water Resources, at 785-823-4550 or jeff.gross@ks.usda.gov.

More information about Natural Resources Conservation Service and other conservation programs is available on the Web site at www.nrcs.usda.gov or at your nearest Department of Agriculture Service Center.

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