



WORKINPROGRESS—Members of the county crew were busy drudging out Keller Pond as the banks had filled in. The sludge will be taken to the old landfill. *Herald staff photo by Karen Krien*

Deep funding cuts affect organization

Developmental Services makes deep cuts due to funding reductions. In the last two years, developmental Services of Northwest Kansas, Inc., along with other Kansas service providers for people with developmental disabilities, have had to make significant reductions to its workforce, as well as, dramatic cuts to the services they provide. In 1009, the service restructured services for people with developmental disabilities across northwest Kansas due to a funding shortfall and rising costs which eliminated 14

positions, affecting 20 staff. In July of 2009, a cut of \$496,000 was handed down to the developmental service which meant additional erosion, including closures, consolidation, service terminations and job loss. An additional 25 staff positions were affected. In the most recent round of cuts, Governor Parkinson's announced budget allotments equated to yet another \$665,000 loss in revenue for the Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas for this fiscal year, the period January to June, 2010. The service was required to scramble once again to balance

an already depleted budget. "The Developmental Service of Northwest Kansas has worked hard to remain fiscally responsible and to be good stewards of the system making changes that minimize the negative impact on the individuals we serve and on our staff. With the latest round of cuts, we are dangerously close to compromising the services that we are called to carry out," said Jerry Michaud, the services' president. Repercussions from this most recent round of finding reductions includes the elimination of 16 additional positions, reduction in hours for several other positions throughout our northwest Kansas region and once again increases in caseloads for its Service coordinators. The staff is being stretched further and further to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities in northwest Kansas. Unfortunately, even after the service has implemented these

latest cuts, the organization remains short of reconciling the "\$665,000 budget reduction. "We know our work is not finished and we will need to continue our planning efforts. We will continue to consider our limited, options, those internal as well as external to respond to the chronic funding shortfalls in our system," said Mr. Michaud. These are distressing times for everyone, especially for people with developmental disabilities and their families. We sincerely hope that our State Legislators will take the necessary measures to reverse the damage cast upon the community service system; a system which relies heavily on the financial commitment of our great state to its citizens with disabilities. Mission driven, non-profit providers like Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas were established to meet the needs of our most valuable citizens."

Club Clips

United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women held their first meeting of 2010 at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall on Feb. 3, with 15 members present. Officers for the 2010 year are Marsha Zimbelman, president; Carol Rogers, treasurer and Donna Zimbelman, secretary. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Zimbelman presented programs on mission outreaches combining the Prayer and Self Denial with the Annual

Pledge Service. These offerings are used in ministry to disadvantaged women and children in areas of the United States as well as overseas. Following the program, refreshments carrying out a Valentine theme, were served by Ellen Raile. The next meeting will be April 7 at 2 p.m. at the United Methodist Church. Betty Loudon and Hazel Douthit will have the program. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Knifty Knitters

The Knifty Knitters met Monday, Feb. 8, at Meme's house. Once again Kattie entertained the group with a new Knifty Knitters song. Projects were measured so members could work on patterns. The Knitters had popcorn for snacks and worked really hard for the first hour, then played games

and helped write the newspaper report. The Knitters listened to kids tunes and sang and laughed a lot. School reports were given by all. This year's projects are all coming along well. Cassie, Kattie, Mandi and Kailey

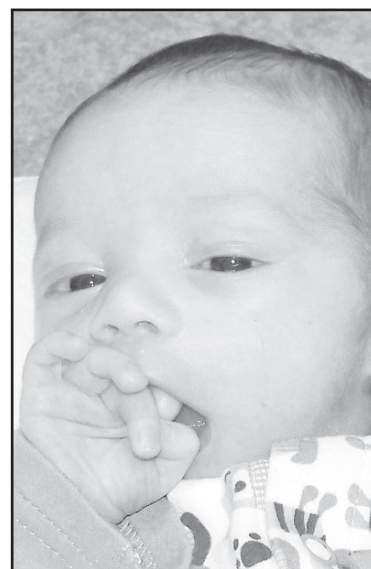
Scholarship available for family members

The board of directors of Farm Credit of Western Kansas ACA is pleased to announce the continuation of the Farm Credit Scholarship program. Each year, Farm Credit chooses one student to receive a \$500 per year scholarship which is renewable for up to four years of post-secondary education. Eligible applicants are area high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of Farm Credit Western of

Kansas members. Interested applicants should contact their high school counselor or Cathy Hawk at the Farm Credit Office in Colby (785-462-6714) for an application or visit their website at www.farmcreditkansas.com. Applications are due by Feb. 15. The office is located in Colby and can be reached by calling 1-800-657-6048.

Introducing

Brady Mac Engelland
Brady Mac Engelland, son of Brett and Lori Engelland, Nickerson, was born Jan. 16, 2010, at Promise Regional Medical Center in Hutchinson. He weighed 5 pounds, 15 ounces and was 18-inches long. His grandparents are Dale and Sherry Weeks, St. Francis, Lynn and Nancy Houtman, Harrison, Ark., and Bruce and Sharon Engelland, Nickerson. Great-grandparents are Bud Houtman, and Norris and Doris Anderson, St. Francis; Bill and Pat Weeks, Hoxie; and Carroll and Delpha Engelland, Hutchinson.



Brady Mac Engelland

PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

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APPLIANCES - FURNITURE - HOUSEHOLD - GLASSWARE

Gibson Upright Deep freezer; Crosley 7 cu. Ft. Chest Type Deep freezer; Pacemaster SX Pro Soft Step Treadmill; Cookshack Smoker Oven, Model 008, on Stand; 8 bags Royal Oak Natural Wood Charcoal; (2) Love Seats, Beige; (2) Twin Beds w/ frames & headboards; (3) Curio Cabinets w/ Glass Shelves, lighted; (4) Oak End Tables; Queen Bedroom Set: Bed, Chest of Drawers, Dresser; (2) Elec. Hospital Beds; Desk; Couch; Rocker & Rocker Recliner; Dresser w/ Mirror; Queen Mattress, box springs, frame, headboard; Daybed; Overstuffed Chair; Kenmore Microwave; Equiflow Food Dehydrator; Mitsubishi 32" Color TV on Stand; Lots of Entertaining Serving Items; Magazine Rack; TV Console; Office Chair; Lane Cedar Chest; Rocker & Overstuffed Chair, beige; Salt Rock Lamp; (4) Floor Lamps (7) Tables Lamps; (2) Card tables w/ 3 chairs; Large Aquarium; Carpet & Pad; Large Stone Stand; Cookbooks; Wicker Chair; Bar Stool; (2) Hunter Humidifiers; Kosta Boda Sweden Candle Holders; Table Linens; (2) Post office box Banks, #634, #165; Apple Peeler; Tree Root Display; Mamma Ro Italy Sauces & Cups; Music Boxes; Copper Pot India; (2) Large Red Hurricane Globes; Several Longaberger Baskets; Noble Excellence Dinnerware; Crystal Dishes & Vases; Several Brass Bells, Switzerland; (2) 10", (3) 6" Vornado Fans; Bird Feeders; Kodak 475 Movie Deck; Imperial Noodle Machine; Cuisinart Mini Prep Processor; (4) Rose Bud Vases; (8) Tumblers; (10) Margarita Glasses; Pfalzgraft Coffee Server; Chatal Saute 3 qt. Casserole w/ Lid; Several Chafing Dishes w/ Burners; Chatal Chafing Dishes w/ Burner; Round Bread Baker; Martini Shaker; Coffee Press; Pyrex, Casserole Dishes & Pie Pans; Vacuum Containers; Serving Trays; Round Cutting Block; 10 Bodum Tea Cups w/ Cork; Several Ramekins; Jerky Cannon; BBQ Accessories; Hallmark Items; Brass Décor Items; Pie Slicers

SHOP TOOLS - LAWN & GARDEN - MISC.

Walker Riding Mower w/ Grass handling system, 40" cut, 448 hrs., 0 Turning Radius, Always Shedded; Pour-Kraft Dual Action Sander; Tree Saw; Rockwell Table Saw w/ 7" Blade; Craftsman 1 1/4 hp router w/ table; Ventamatic Maxx Portable Air Circulator; Chicago Elec. Tile Saw, Model 30020; 16" Delta Variable Scroll Saw on Stand; Dewalt 7730 Radial Arm Saw, 10" Blade on Stand; Spurs; Tool Belts; Misc. Fishing Equipment; Soldering Gun; Battery Charger; Tuff Trax Cart; TR High Torque Kawasaki Trimmer Mower; Stihl HS 45 Gas Hedge Trimmer; Wagoner 2000 Power Painter; Hammers & Screwdrivers; Makita Finishing Sander; C-Clamps; (3) Igloo Coolers; Several Lunch Box Coolers; Floor Jack; Fertilizer Spreader; Featherlite XT200 Weed eater; Levels, Trimmers; Extension Cords; Shovels, Pitch Forks, Trimmers, Ice Tongs; Drafter Tools; 14, Shade Screen; Tiki Torches; (2) Hand Sprayers; (6) Bags Green Master Fertilizer; (3) Bags Grubex

GAMES - TOYS

500-600 MatchBox Toys, some new in Box; Dart Board; Ceramic Chess Set; Lionel Train w/ Track & Controller; Match Box Farm Set; Misc. Fisher Price Toys; JD 6600 Combine; Model Toys, Adams Road Grader; Model Toys, Dump Wagon; JD 7520, 4WD Tractor; 1370 Case Tractor; Misc. Wagons & Trailers; Lots of Legos; No. 8.5 All Electric Erector Set; (2) Sets of Zometool Building Sets; (2) Master Sets of Blocks & Marbles; 300 or More Ty Collectible Beanie Babies; VCR tapes; Misc. Games; Harry Potter Books & Tapes; Harry Potter Dobby Statue; Stamps & Coins; Kodak Carousel Projector; Lots of Books; Teaching Aids

SEASONAL ITEMS

Broadman Santa; Santa Chiminea; Lots of Christmas Decorations; Boyds Bear Teddy Bear; Crystal Christmas Tree; Christmas Puzzles; Waechersbach Christmas ware; 12 Red Charger Plates; Many Christmas Lights; 40" Christmas Wreath; Large Wood Santa; (4) Large Elec. Pumpkins

ANTIQUES

4 gal. Western Crock; (2) Childs Oak Chairs; Wooden Ice Cream Freezer; (2) Kerosene Lanterns; (2) Milk Pails; 20 qt. Cream Can; 8 qt. Sausage Stuffer; Glass Washboard; Old Phone; Old Scale; Granite Pots; Wooden Trunk; Tin Toys; Kerosene Heater; Cream Can; (2) Old Tricycles; Old High Chair

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