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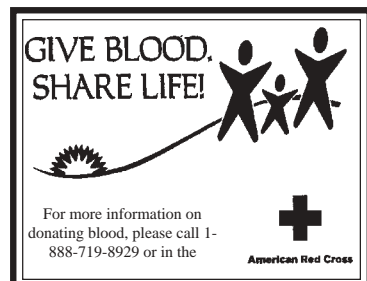
State ADAC director Chuck Banks and Kent Calwell of Hays visited with the Colby Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council director Nina Carpenter during a recent tour of the facility. The purpose for their visit was to look over the facility at 1523 W. 4th St., which was purchased using money and assistance from government sources.

Berean Church offers school

Vacation Bible School will be held at the Colby Berean Church June 7-11. The theme of this year's school is "Construction, I.N.C.: In the Name of Christ." Activities include singing, crafts, games and daily Bible lessons. The Bible lessons will focus on God building His church "Kid by Kid" and "Brick by Brick."

Bible School activities begin each day at 8:45 a.m. and ends at 11:45 a.m. Children from four years of age through fifth grade (by Fall 2004) are invited to attend. Children may either register at the door or

pre-register by contacting Rev. Fran Harwerth at (785) 460-3076. Please call if transportation is needed for children to attend. Colby Berean Church is located at 1000 S. Franklin in Colby.



Overseas voting ballots available

TOPEKA — Kansas Secretary of State Ron Thornburgh and Major General Tod M. Bunting, Kansas Adjutant General, kicked off an initiative called "Operation Vote."

"Through this partnership with Adjutant General Bunting, we have taken the first step to ensure all Kansas military men and women stationed overseas receive the proper application to obtain an absentee ballot for the upcoming primary and general elections, said Thornburgh.

While Kansans are serving on the front lines all over the world, we need to guarantee access to the voting process and this program will ensure that access, he said.

"I'm delighted to participate with the Secretary of State on a program that will ensure that Guard members have an opportunity to vote," said Bunting.

"It is important that they be afforded the chance to exercise this right while serving our country."

The Secretary of State's office will provide an application, instructions and a listing of addresses for

county election officers to military men and women.

In order to receive an absentee ballot the application will need to be returned to the county election officer of the individual's home county. The application can be returned by mail or fax and upon receipt of the application by the county election officer a ballot will be sent out.

Student News

Brewster graduate travels to New York City

HAYS — Twenty-five students from Fort Hays State University's Marketing and Management Club recently traveled to New York City and among them was a Brewster High School graduate.

Jay Reid, who is a senior at Fort Hays, along with the other students was introduced to opportunities in both marketing and manufacturing and had the opportunity to visit

Macy's and area landmarks such as Madison Square Garden, the United Nations, Rockefeller Center and the World Trade Center site.

Rexford youth graduates from McPherson College

Andrew Johnson of Rexford graduated with an associate in technology degree in auto restoration technology from McPherson College on May 23. He was one of 72 students receiving a degree.

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