

FRED MAGLEY presents Teddy bears to the health depart-

Teddy bears given for health program

Once again the St. Francis Ma-valuable to your child's future," said sonic Lodge presented 10 Teddy bears and brain game books to the Cheyenne County Health Department's Maternal & Child Health program.

Home Visitor, will be giving the newborns a Teddy bear during the home visit. The Teddy Foundation is a non-profit corporation founded by Kansas Masons to promote education and increase public awareness regarding the importance of early childhood development.

"Spending quality time with your newborn infant is not only gratifying but new studies show that it is by both organizations.

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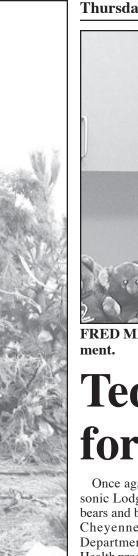
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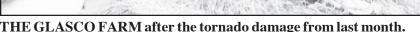
Hybrids

Mrs. Keeker.

An infant's brain from birth to age 3 years, develops one thousand trillion brain connections, much like the storage space in a computer. The Rita Keeker, the Healthy Start child's natural environment contributes to the brain's development.

> Which of these brain connections will be reinforced and retained or not used and lost can, depend upon how much nurturing and stimulation the child's caregivers provide. A common goal of promoting successful growth of both a physical and emotional healthy child in the first 24 to 36 months of life is shared





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Organization to help tornado victims

On March 28, the Bird City area each of the families to allow them to was devastated by a tornado that staved on the ground for several miles and destroyed the homes of John and Maria Kamla, Edward and Pyllis Carson, Nick and Heidi Ketzner and Lynn and Candy Glasco.

At that time, Mike Antholz, Grand Knight of the local Knights of Columbus Council, contacted the state Emergency Disaster Assistance Program chairman and through the program, set up accounts at the local grocery store for Help Catholic Church in Goodland.

Ludell, KS

of Columbus Emergency Disaster Knights of Columbus on April 16 by \$575 for a total of \$2,300. Assistance Program.

Along with that assistance Knights of Columbus Councils from District 54 which include Colby, Goodland, Sharon Springs and St.Francis/Bird City, went together and collected donations for the families, along with the St. Francis Catholic Church in St. Francis and the Our Lady of Perpetual

These donations were presented to Dick Parnell of Colby. Mr. Parnell is receive \$200 worth of groceries that the four families prior to the monthly the deputy for this district and prewould be paid through the Knights meeting of the St. Francis/Bird City sented each family with a check for

> Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Sherman, & Logan Counties



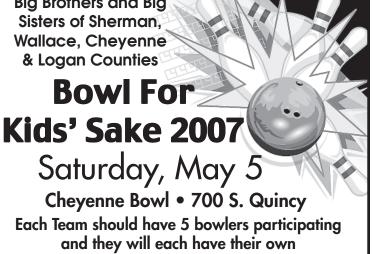
and they will each have their own pledge sheet to collect pledges.

There are different time slots available for teams to sign up. If interested in getting a team together, call Meghann Antholz • 785-332-8989 or the Goodland office at 785-890-3665.

> The Bowling is FREE & Beverages will be provided to the bowlers.

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he told them.

Ron Wente, President, Golden Belt Bank

In discussing options with his doctor and cardiac

specialist, he was given the option of going elsewhere

"This is my home. I am proud that we have a quality

regional hospital here and I want my surgery done here,"

"During my surgery, the information beforehand,

Hays Medical Center gives excellent, excellent care."

the procedures, the rehab afterwards, was excellent.

for his surgery but wouldn't even consider it.

When oral medication no longer controlled his diabetes, Ron Wente consulted with his doctor about changing to insulin injections. He began a series of diagnostic tests related to his diabetes and overall health.

One of the diagnostic tests was for sleep apnea, a condition in which air passages become blocked causing breathing to stop repeatedly during sleep and impacting the amount of oxygen and rest the body receives. Wente learned that the lack of proper rest can affect the heart and - in the ensuing testing process - discovered serious cardiac problems.

"I had blockage in four arteries and so that lead to quadruple bypass surgery."

Preparation for his surgery was thorough and informative.

"I had never been through surgery, except when I was a young kid."

the procedure. "Knowing exactly what's going to happen, what all

Wente reviewed a videotape that walked him through

the procedures are, what the rehab is, everything you are going to be going through, then there's no surprises. You know what's coming."

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