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done this year. He said he's just not

satisfied and that he has some se-

rious reservations about the old

Mr. Nielsen said he would really

Mr. Kruse suggested local real

estate agents be asked if they know

of any land or building that would

Mr. Nielsen said there is a build-

ing near the National Guard Ar-

mory that's for sale. The building

is about the same price as the one

"That's another possibility," said Mr. Lang. "It's a newer building."

County Clerk Robert Wyatt said there is also a vacant lot south of

the American Legion that isn't on

the market, but the owner might be

like to get this in this year.

building.

be suitable.

downtown.

were going to be able to get this

they would be billed \$317 apiece. There are 10 students remaining in the class.

 Learned from Mr. Nielsen that he filled out an application for reimbursement for the first responder class from the state. He said he can get about \$2,300 back.

• Held a 10-minute closed session to discuss non-election personnel with Mr. Nielsen. No action was taken.

#### Nominations due September 20

The windbreak award considers windbreaks which provide protection for residences or other structures, areas, livestock, or fields.

courage and protect wildlife. Nominations can be made by

anyone in the county. Nomination forms can be picked up at the Windbreaks should be a minimum Norton County Extension Office or Norton County Conservation Wildlife habitat awards recog- District. The nominations should nize individuals for establishment be returned by Monday, Sept. 20.

of 3-years old.

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# County discusses insurance meeting

educate the employees, things should work out. She said she was glad that the employees started to

Mrs. Zimmerman said she and Ms. Spresser were both pleased with the meeting. She said she heard a lot of the employees say how glad they were the commissioners were including them in the decision making process. She said there are commissioners in other counties who don't discuss this kind of thing with their employees.

"If we want to keep them

care and they can't afford to have have some kind of approval from things go bad and get really expent the commissioners before doing sive. We also have to keep the tax this. payers happy.

"We need to come up with a approval will be from, who was happy medium here."

commissioners again on Sept. 13. hopefully with some hard figures. The county is also waiting on Blue Cross Blue Shield for their figures.

• Heard from Carol Harshbarger from the county appraiser's office. She said they have most of the rural addresses done for the new 911 happy,"said Commissioner Leroy mapping system and are about Lang, "we have to include them in ready to take them to the post ofthe discussion. This is their health fice. She said she would like to

Mr. Kruse asked where final

going to say "Ok, you're done." Ms. Harshbarger said she talked

Mr. Lang said he didn't want to pass anything until he found out who was in charge. Commissioner

said he thought the county was only responsible for getting a mapping system for emergency calls.



Nellie Shearer and Kathy Thibedeau, members of the Crimson Cuties of Norton, a chapter of the Red Hat Society, study the "Hats and Headdresses From Around the World" during the group's tour of the Hansen Museum. — Photo by Anise Gill

### 'Cuties' tour museum to see hats

The color of the day is always ber had a birthday that month and red and purple if you're a member of The Crimson Cuties of Norton, a chapter of the Red Hat

Saturday, 19 members of the local chapter met in Logan at the Trojan Cafe for lunch. Red hats and purple outfits were worn by all the members unless a mem- for a future outing.

then the role is reversed: purple hat the club. They are Janice Beale, and red outfit.

Members claim that part of the fun of going places en masse is the toured the "Hats and Headlooks and questions they receive dresses" display at the Dane G. from those around.

A tour of the mansions in Abilene is in the planning stages

Three new members joined Polly Bales and Joyce Howell. Following lunch the "Cuties"

Hansen Museum. To learn more about joining the

society, call Ruby Pflieger at 874-4766 or Anise Gill, 877-5170.

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in Norcatur.

#### Ball hero tells about playing at park naming (Continued from Page 3)

diagnosed with the disease that eventually took his life and his name. Itwas 1939, Mr. Aukersaid, and he saw Mr. Gehrig at a game and went

Lou Gehrig a few days before he was

overtogivehimtheusual greeting. Mr. Gehrig winced, he said, when he put his arm around his neck. "Lou was the kind of guy that

could lift you off the ground," he said, "but he was so weak." Mr. Auker said coming back to Norcatur, with a population then of

around 400, was always a humbling

Thefirsttimehereturnedhomewith his wife Mildred, Mr. Auker said, he remembers telling her: "Let's just act

like regular people, and not the big shots that we really are." He said they wanted to arrive late

not trumpets or drums greeted them bered him. as they drove into town.

a friend of the family named John Holland. They talked awhile, he said, un-

til Mr. Holland finally asked, "Where have you been? I haven't seen you all summer." As a baseball player's wife,

husband pitched affected her as much as it did him.

"I'd sit at the ballgames and al-

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the Big Six Conference Champion-

ship in 1930 as a pitcher.

and 1932 leading the Wildcats to

Hereceived first team All-America

He starred for Kansas State as a

defensive back/half-back on the

football field and was a letter win-

ner in 1929, 1930 and 1931 garner-

At the end of his college career he

honors in 1932 from the American

Baseball Coaches Association.

most die for him," she said, "but you have something wrong with them." had to be careful up in the stands with the other wives.

"I couldn't say 'Why don't they give him any runs?'," she said, "because I'd be sitting next to the second and third basemens' wives.

Even after he retired in 1942 and went into business with a bonded abrasive company, Mr. Aukersaid, people would sometimes recognize him.

That's how he met California Gov. Ronald Reagan for the second time.

Gov. Reagan spoke at a National Association of Manufacturers banquet while Mr. Auker was vice president of the group. During his speech, the future president recognized the former ball player and then spoke to him afterwards.

"I'll never forget you in the 1935 World Series," Gov. Reagan told to miss the band, but Mr. Auker said him, and then asked if he remem-

Mr. Reagan, then a sports an-The next day, he said, he took a nouncer, had interviewed Mr. Auker walk around town and bumped into before and after he pitched a winning game against the Chicago Cubs.

"The young announcer did such a good job," Mr. Auker said, "they made him the official announcer for the World Series. It was his first break in the entertainment world."

Mr. Auker said sometimes it's Mrs. Auker said, each game her hard to see the baseball buddies he remembers as young and athletic growing older.

"So many have died," he said, "or

When asked how he's managed to stay in good health, he said, "It's

good genes I guess, and being raised "I grew up strong out here facing

Ms. Spresser and Mrs. Zimmerman will meet with the to the postmaster, who said she was going to have the rural carriers check things out.

Kruse agreed.

County Attorney Doug Sebelius

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Instead, he chose to join the most popular sport of the era, baseball, and embarked on a ten-year major league career.

play football for the Chicago Bears

(\$500 per game).

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was. In other business, the commissioners: • Received two bids on a laptop

computer. The bids were from Mortensen Computers for \$1,393 and from Computer Pro for \$1,425. The commissioner went with the lower bid.

• Heard from Emergency Technician Ruth Schillig that three students dropped out of the first responders class. Mr. Nielsen said before class started, they had the students sign an agreement saying if they dropped out they would

willing to sell. "Both are better ideas than building it downtown," said Mr.

Mr. Nielsen said he would

check out these ideas and see what

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open up and ask questions.