

# OBITUARIES

## Jane E. Boxler

Sept. 24, 1947 - Feb. 15, 2005

Jane E. Boxler, 57, died Tuesday at the Andbe Home in Norton.

Ms. Boxler was born Sept. 24, 1947, in Norton, the daughter of Peter John and Aileen (Brunson) Boxler. She was raised in Norton until 1955 and then moved to Jefferson, Wis., where she attended the St. Coletta School, making it her home for 41 years. She moved back to Norton in 1996.

She worked in the kitchen and laundry at St. Coletta School.

Ms. Boxler was a member of the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Norton. She liked to do latch hook and art work, and she enjoyed people.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Survivors include her mother Aileen, of Norton; a brother Jon and Bonnie Boxler, Norton; a nephew Stephen and Tiffany Boxler, Norton; a niece, Erika Boxler, Norton; and a great-nephew, Connor Boxler, Norton.

Graveside services were held on Thursday at the Norton Cemetery with Father Vincent Thu Laing officiating. Casket bearers were Jon Boxler, Stephen Boxler, Dean Esslinger, Glen Wiltfong, Melvin Luft and Lanny Davis.

In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to the Jane Boxler Memorial Fund. Contributions may be sent in care of Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan. 67749.

# Good stuff happens at club

By BEVERLY KINDLER

Everyone was "seeing red" at the meeting of the Mid-Century Federated Club, held Thursday. The theme for the evening was "Let's... Go Red" as all members were to wear something red.

The program included papers presented on National Wear Red Day and the Red Hat Society.

National Wear Red Day was Feb. 4 with the goal of raising awareness that heart disease is the number one killer of women. It is also to empower women to take charge of their heart health and live longer, stronger, healthier life. The symbol for this day is a red dress.

Members learned about the founding of the Red Hat Society with Sue Ellen Cooper gave a friend a copy of the poem, "Warning" by Jenny Joseph, and a red hat as a gift for her 50th birthday.

She continued to give similar birthday gifts to friends. Soon, they donned their red hats with purple attire and went to tea. The first chapter of the Red Hat Society was formed in 1997. Today there are over 300,000 Red Hatters in the U.S., Canada and in foreign countries.

Wilda Bowman and Claire Ann Eppinger shared their experiences as members of the local Red Hat Society group.

During the business meeting, President Jean White said the annual report had been submitted. It showed that members of the Mid-Century Club had volunteered 4,573 hours during 2004 as they assisted with community programs and projects.



Members of the Mid-Century Federated Study Club, left to right, Claire Ann Eppinger, Maxine Wiltfong and Carolyn Higgason, admire several of the pillowcases made as a community project for an organization called "Benjamin Smiles". Benjamin was a little boy who died from cancer several years ago, but the pillow his mother had made for him had brought him such comfort that the idea was conceived to make pillows and pillowcases for other sick children. These pillows will be sent to Ronald McDonald House in Wichita.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

A project for this year is the Benjamin Smiles pillowcases. Mary Beth Boyd reported that members of the club made 14 pillowcases and provided money to purchase

pillows. These will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Wichita.

Guests for the evening were Elaine Nelson, New Mexico;

Linda Ferguson, Ohio; and Carolyn Plotts, Norcatour.

Vida Perrill was co-hostess for the meeting, which was held at the Boyd home.

## Reegan Grace Laughlin

Feb. 15, 2005 - Feb. 15, 2005

Reegan Grace Laughlin, the infant daughter of Colleen and Todd Laughlin of Tallahassee, Fla., died Tuesday.

She was born Feb. 15, 2005. She was the great-granddaughter of Harold Laughlin, Norton.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather, James B. Laughlin.

Survivors include her parents Coleen and Todd; a sister McKenna Elizabeth Laughlin, Tallahassee; grandparents, Eileen Buser and Robert

Buser, St. Petersburg, Trudy and Art Avirom, Tallahassee, and Faye Laughlin, Lake City, Fla.; and great-grandparents Irma T. Stone, Jacksonville, Fla.; and Harold Laughlin, Norton.

Funeral services and burial was held today at Culley's Meadow Wood Memorial Park in Tallahassee.

A memorial has been established at Trinity United Methodist Church, Box 1086, Tallahassee, Fla. 32302.

## Francis R. Strayer

Feb. 2, 1915 - Feb. 16, 2005

Francis Ray Strayer, 90, died Wednesday at the Andbe Home in Norton.

Mr. Strayer was born Feb. 2, 1915, on the family farm north of Reager, the son of Norman and Laura Elizabeth (Ward) Strayer.

He attended the Hardscrabble Rural Grade School and Norcatour High School. He worked on his parent's farm until World War II. He served in the U.S. Army from March 1941 until Dec. 1945, in Alaska on the Alcan Highway, in Europe — France, Belgium and Germany — and in the Philippine Islands.

At the time of his discharge, he held the rank of Sergeant Tech. Following the war, he worked for Foster Lumber Co. and Newbury Lumber Co. both in Norton.

He was a member of the Maple Grove Church of the Brethren, Harmonson-Redd American Legion

Post and Past Commander, and the Wieland Post Veterans of Foreign Wars. His hobbies included coin collecting and building a miniature circus, which he donated to the Norton County Museum.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers Carl and Guy; two sisters Ferne Strayer and Ivalee Ervin; two brothers-in-law Ray Ervin and Jess Taylor; and a sister-in-law Ruby Strayer, wife of Carl.

Survivors include a brother, Ralph and Evelyn Strayer, Atwood; a sister, Gladys Taylor, Salina; and a sister-in-law, Ruby Strayer, Norton.

Funeral services were held this morning at Enfield Funeral Home in Norton, with Jeff Nielsen officiating. Burial was at Norton Cemetery.

All arrangements were made by Enfield Funeral Home.

# PUBLIC RECORD

## Jail Log

Feb. 11 — Spencer Stevens, Almena, serving 48 hours, released Feb. 13.

Feb. 13 — Bobby W. Smith, Norton, held for Thomas Co., released Feb. 14.

## Municipal Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the Norton Municipal Court. Traffic and criminal cases are given to the paper when the fines are paid.

### Traffic

Feb. 3 — Eric Bell, Norton, speeding 40 mph in a 30 mph zone, fine \$30, court cost \$56.

Feb. 3 — Donovan W. Harrington, Norton, age restriction violation, 30-day driver license suspension and fine of \$15, court cost \$56.

Feb. 10 — Melissa Bowman, Norton, speeding 51 in a 35 mph zone, fine \$66, court cost \$56.

Feb. 10 — Roxylea Rummel, Phillipsburg, illegal tag, fine \$20, court cost \$56.

### Criminal

Feb. 3 — Michael Murphy, Norton, dog running at large and failure to register dog, fine \$25,

court cost \$56.

Feb. 10 — Mary A. Fisher, Norton, dog running at large, fine \$25, court cost \$56.

## District Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the District Court clerk at the Norton County Courthouse. Traffic, criminal and wildlife parks cases are given to the paper when the fines are paid. Limited action and small claim cases are reported only after the defendant is served.

### Traffic

Feb. 11 — Shannan R. Hall, Castle Rock, Colo., Speeding 74 in a 55 mph construction zone, fine \$168, court cost \$60.

Feb. 15 — Michael A. Ohmstede, Denver, speeding 70 in a 55 mph construction zone, fine \$120, court cost \$60.

Feb. 15 — David B. Scott, Hutchinson, speeding 80 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$60, court cost \$60.

Feb. 15 — Mary M. Belton, Norton, speeding 78 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$48, court cost \$60.

Feb. 16 — Eric M. Lind, Topeka, speeding 88 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$117, court cost \$60.

### Limited Action

Jan. 27 — Pizza Management versus Daniel L. Eagleburger, Norton, check for \$24.42, plus court cost and fees.

Jan. 27 — Quizno's versus Shelly Harshbarger, Norton, check for \$30.58, plus court cost and fees.

Jan. 27 — J & R Liquor versus Zane D. Smith, Norton, seven checks for a total of \$279.05, plus court cost and fees.

Jan. 27 — Jamboree Foods versus Zane D. Smith, Norton, two

checks for a total of \$101.56, plus court cost and fees.

### Marriage

Jan. 21 — David Allen Black, Norton, and Christina Nicole Holbert, Norton.

## Bankruptcies

Feb. 13 — Candace Renee Stevens and John Spencer Stevens, Almena, liabilities \$85,614, assets \$53,320.

# READERS

Mail can reach SPC Joshua Otter at Btry E 161st FA (TA), LSA Anaconda, APO AE 09391.

— SOMETHING NEWSATURDAY EVENINGS at Norton American Legion! Steak, seafood or order from the menu. 6-9 p.m. Members and guests. This replaces our Saturday

# MARKETS

At close of business Feb. 17

|                   |        |
|-------------------|--------|
| Wheat .....       | \$3.04 |
| White Wheat ..... | \$3.02 |
| Milo .....        | \$2.85 |
| Corn .....        | \$1.82 |
| Soybeans .....    | \$5.02 |

night buffet. 2/18

The Duplicate Bridge Club met Wednesday evening at the Norton Manor for its regular weekly session with three tables present. Winners were first, Sam and Bonnie Manning; and second, Leone Purton and Dewaine Stapp.

Weddings, funerals, engagements, and births. You'll find it all in...

THE NORTON TELEGRAM

# DEATH NOTICE

## Cyrus Hall McCormack

Former Norton resident Cyrus Hall McCormack, 73, died on Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005, at the Memorial Hospital in Medesto,

Calif.

Mr. McCormack is the brother of Maxine Carr of Norton.

*Congratulations*

to  
**Drs. Aaron and Sarah White**  
at  
**Norton Animal Health Center, Inc.**

*Welcome to the Business Community*

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**FIRST SECURITY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY**

201 E. Main — Norton, Kansas  
MEMBER ED.I.C.

**Grand Opening**  
and **Open House** at

**Norton Animal Health Center, LTD**  
**Wednesday, February 23**

— Come and Go —

*Ribbon Cutting — 3 p.m.*



Enjoy Cake, Tea and Coffee with  
**Drs. Aaron and Sarah White,**  
**Jim, Maritta and Shannon**

801 W. Holme, Norton, Kansas  
Phone: (785) 877-2411

Don't Forget to Order Your

Club Birthday Calendar  
Deadline March 1

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