

# PINOCHLE

**BY JAKE DURHAM**

It was a light hearted group that gathered for the March Pinochle tournament as it was the first day of spring and there was even talk of rain.

As round one got underway, it was obvious from the beginning that there was going to be no holds barred and the 800 point game was on everyone's mind.

As round one came to a close, the Graham County Champs, Billy Keiswetter and Eldon Billips, took the lead.

The no-nonsense team of June Jolly and Margaret Magers made their move on round two but couldn't unseat Billips and Keiswetter, who said the future was in their hands.

However, as round three came to a close, the team of Arnold and Dorothy Zillinger took the honors but Magers and Jolly moved into the lead.

As the halfway mark approached everyone was trying to move up the ladder to be in contention for the second half.

The Brothers Gallentine took the honors on round four but the score board still had Magers and Jolly in the lead at the halfway mark with Billips and Keiswetter in second place, Dave Sheley and Jack Mechsner were in a tie for third with the team of Donna Millan and Barbara McKie and rounding out the top five was the team of Coy Christy and John Hildebrand.

Everyone was busy during the break planning their next move.

As round five got underway everyone seemed charged up.

Those low on the board were determined to move up which was evident by everyone's maximum bidding.

As round five closed, Billips and Keiswetter took the honors for the first double of the evening and once again found themselves in the lead.

The team of Darren McMullen and Jason Amlong took the honors on round six and moved up a notch

but Billips and Keiswetter were still in the number one spot on the board.

The crucial make or break seventh round had teams on the low end pulling out all the stoppers while those on top were being careful.

The team of Jake and Jordan Durham, getting some good meld, took the honors on round seven. At the break before the final round, Billips and Keiswetter had a 40-point lead over their nearest rival.

There was a lot of gritting of teeth as the bidders hung on to the last before giving up and there was a lot of moaning by those who were depending on luck to make their extended bids and as the final scores were posted, the lead changed several times.

McMullen and Amlong took the honors for their double of the evening on round eight and even though Billips and Keiswetter scored their lowest round of the evening, they managed to cap the victory with a 10-point margin.

There was some question as just how humble the victors accepted their accolades, but they had smiles for everyone and there was no question that it had been a fun evening.

Top ten teams in order were: 1. Eldon Billips and Bill Keiswetter; 2. Coy Christy and John Hildebrand; 3. Wade Ambrosier and Jerry Darling; 4. June Jolly and Margaret Magers; 5. Jake and Jordan Durham; 6. Darren McMullen and Jason Amlong.; 7. Doug and Brett Gallentine; 8. Joyce Sumner and Eleanor Jensen; 9. Dee and Thelma Bushnell; 10. Donna Millan and Barbara McKie. Winning score by Billips and Keiswetter was 757 points.

Teams not previously mentioned were: Julia Roeder and Larry Harman; Bill Glennemeier and Rodney Stapp; Stan Miller and Larry Smith; Lynn and CJ Thiele.

The next tournament will be Sunday. So sign in early to reserve a line on the board.



**NORTON FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
The Rev. Lew Van Der Wege, Pastor  
804 W. Wilberforce, Norton 877-2196

SATURDAY — 7 a.m. United Methodist Men  
SUNDAY — 8 a.m. Early Service  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
3 p.m. Scholarship Committee  
5 p.m. Sr. UMYF  
7 p.m. Bridge Service  
MONDAY — 6:30 p.m. First Place  
WEDNESDAY — 9:30 a.m. Thrift Shop In Odds 'n Ins Room  
4 p.m. Children's Choir  
6:30 p.m. Pastor/Staff Relations  
7 p.m. Chancel Choir  
7:30 p.m. Here 'n There  
8:15 p.m. Bell Choir  
THURSDAY — 6 p.m. Bridge Band Rehearsal

**EDMOND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Lew Van Der Wege, Pastor  
SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Worship Service

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Georgia Briery, Senior Warden  
102 E. Waverly, Norton  
SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Christian Education  
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Celebrant Fr. Jerry Jones; Lay Reader, Georgia Briery  
11:30 a.m. Coffee Host, Temples/Hoovers  
3-4 p.m. God's Pantry, Alberta Slaby

**COMMUNITY FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**  
Pastor Terry Laughlin  
e-mail: laughlin@ruraltel.net  
313 W. Lincoln  
SATURDAY — 7 a.m. Men's Prayer at the church  
SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Christian Education  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
6 p.m. Royal Rangers  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. "Created For His Glory" Bible Study

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Father Vincent Thu Laing  
877-2234  
stfanci@ruraltel.net  
108 S. Wabash, Norton  
Mass Schedule  
Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Monday 8 a.m.  
Tuesday No Mass  
Wednesday 8 a.m.  
Thursday 8 a.m. Mass  
Friday 8 a.m.  
Saturday 7 p.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
4 p.m. Saturday, 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment  
TUESDAY — 7 p.m. Bingo  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. SYF (K-8)  
First Friday of the Month — Adoration following Morning Mass  
First Saturday of the Month — 8 a.m. Marion Devotions  
K of C Third Monday of Month at 7:30 p.m.

**NORTON MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE**  
Hospital chaplain, Monday through Sunday, Cummings  
Sunday Services, 2 p.m. Andbe Home; 3 p.m., Norton Manor, Nielsen  
APRIL 21 — Noon meeting at Town and Country

**PRAIRIE VIEW REFORMED CHURCH**  
The Rev. Jeffrey Van Der Weele  
410 Holland, Prairie View  
973-2794  
SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Morning Worship Services.  
10 a.m. Sunday School  
7 p.m. Services at Prairie View Reformed Church  
7:30 p.m. Consistory  
WEDNESDAY — 6:30 p.m. Pioneers Class  
7 p.m. Youth Group at Luctor Christian Reformed Church

**LUCTOR CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
2 miles east and 3 miles north of Prairie View  
The Rev. Jeffrey Van Der Weele  
973-2794  
SUNDAY — 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
7 p.m. Combined worship services at Prairie View Reformed Services  
WEDNESDAY — 6:30 p.m. Pioneers at Prairie View Reformed Church  
7 p.m. Youth Group at Luctor Christian Reformed Church

**REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Pastor Timm O. Meyer  
e-mail: timmomeyer@ruraltel.net  
805 W. Holme, Norton 877-3138  
SUNDAY — 9:05 a.m. "Goodness From the Good Shepherd" Radio Broadcast, KQNK 106.7 FM & 1530 AM  
10 a.m. Worship Service  
11:15 a.m. Sunday School  
12:25 p.m. Potluck/Fellowship Meal  
1:15 p.m. Quarterly Voters Meeting  
MONDAY — 6 p.m. Confirmation at Alma  
7:45 p.m. Worship at Alma  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study  
SATURDAY — 10 a.m. Family Retreat at Kearney, Neb.

**NORTON CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Jeff Nielsen, Minister  
Cody Shepherd, Youth Minister  
e-mail: ncc\_office@sbcglobal.net  
208 N. Kansas, 877-2871  
SUNDAY — 8 a.m. Early Church, Mike Lewis preaching  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:40 a.m. Worship Service, Mike Lewis preaching  
Noon, Evangelism Committee potluck with Mike Lewis  
2 p.m. Andbe Home service  
3 p.m. Manor service  
4:30 p.m. Bible Bowl  
No Jr./Sr. High Youth Group  
6 p.m. Potluck sponsored by Harmony class, 411 class and Sunday School teachers  
7 p.m. Revival Services with Mike Lewis  
MONDAY — 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, all men invited to hear Mike Lewis  
6 p.m. Potluck supper  
7 p.m. Revival Service  
WEDNESDAY — 9 a.m. Prayer and Fellowship  
6 p.m. AWANA supper  
6:25 p.m. AWANA  
6:30 p.m. Bible Bowl  
7 p.m. Upper Room Prayer Time  
NEXT SATURDAY — 8 a.m. Camp work day  
Bible Bowl at Manhattan Christian College

**FIRST CHURCH OF GOD**  
Pastor Terrill Worthington  
1010 Churchhill Dr.  
877-2181  
SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Time of Prayer (Adults)  
9:30 a.m. Time of Prayer (Children in kitchen)  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
6 p.m. Choir Practice  
7 p.m. Evening Service  
WEDNESDAY — 6 p.m. 3D at Parsonage  
7 p.m. Adult Bible Study, King's Kids, Jr. High and High School Worship  
8 p.m. Committee Meetings, Team Practice  
2nd THURSDAY of each month — 7 p.m. Women of the Church of God  
3rd SATURDAY of each month — 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast

**NORTON SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
105 S. Case Street  
Pastor Marion Miller  
SATURDAY SERVICES — 9:45 a.m. Church Services  
10:45 a.m. Sabbath School

**LONG ISLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
The Rev. Shelly Cox  
554 Washington, 854-7626  
SUNDAY — 11 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Morning Worship  
FIRST SUNDAY — 12 noon Fellowship Dinner  
1 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting  
FIRST WEDNESDAY — 2 p.m. United Methodist Women's Meeting in Fall, Winter and Spring

**NORTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Pastor Charles Ross  
112 S. Archer, 877-5214  
SUNDAY — 11 a.m. Worship Service  
6 p.m. Evening Service  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Mid-Week Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

**LIVING HOPE FELLOWSHIP**  
One mile south of Norton at corner of PDRA road  
Pastor Jerry Cummings  
877-2426  
SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Worship and Praise Service.  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Youth and Children's Programs  
7 p.m. Adult Home Bible Study  
THURSDAY — 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
Phillipsburg Branch  
Noel Krouse, Bishop  
620 7th Street  
SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Sacrament meeting  
11:15 a.m. Sunday School

5:15 p.m. Choir  
THURSDAY — 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (Deines)

**CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ALMENA**  
Kirk Kasson, Pastor  
e-mail: congo@ruraltel.net  
SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Church Services  
4:30 p.m. Membership Classes  
7 p.m. TFC  
MONDAY — 3:30 p.m. Good News  
TUESDAY — 7:15 a.m. Teen Women's Discipleship  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Kirk and Kim's Small Group  
7:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship  
THURSDAY — 7:15 a.m. Teen Men's Discipleship

**ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, LOGAN**  
Father Allen Scheer  
SUNDAY — 8:30 a.m. Mass  
MONDAY — 5:30 p.m. Mass

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF LOGAN**  
Pastor Troy Buss  
SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Church services  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study

**CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Pastor Kathy Aeillo  
669-2554  
SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Church School  
11 a.m. Worship Service

**LENORA CHURCH OF GOD**  
SUNDAY — 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
404 N. York Avenue, Oberlin  
SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Worship  
10:45 a.m. Fellowship and Educational Hour  
Holy Communion, first and third Sundays  
7:30 p.m. Congregation Council second Wednesday

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105 S. Case Street  
Pastor Marion Miller  
SATURDAY SERVICES — 9:45 a.m. Church Services  
10:45 a.m. Sabbath School

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SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Sacrament meeting  
11:15 a.m. Sunday School

11:15 a.m. Primary  
12:05 a.m. Priesthood meeting  
12:05 a.m. Relief Society  
Visitors welcome.

**LOGAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Shelly Cox  
303 W. Church, 689-4350  
SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Worship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
9:15 a.m. Fifth Sunday song service  
FIRST & THIRD WEDNESDAYS — 6:30 p.m. UMYF  
SECOND WEDNESDAY — 1:30 p.m. United Methodist Women  
THIRD WEDNESDAY — 7:30 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting

**UNITED PARISH OF LENORA**  
The Rev. Jack Kersenbrock  
140 E. Iowa, 567-4420  
SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Worship Services

**LYLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Carol Woodmansee  
SUNDAY — 8:00 a.m. Worship Service

**MAPLE GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN**  
9 miles west  
4 1/2 miles north of Norton  
Pastor Leon Neher  
SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Worship Service  
4th Tuesday, Women's Fellowship  
3rd Sunday, Noon, carry-in dinner

**ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH, NEW ALMELO**  
stjoseph@ruraltel.net  
Father Vincent Thu Laing  
Pastoral Administrator, Stan Chapin  
Sunday — 8:30 a.m. Mass  
Friday and Monday 8 a.m. Scripture Communion Service  
Weekday Mass Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

**ALMENA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Pastor Kathy Aeillo  
669-2554  
SUNDAY — 8:30 a.m. Worship  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study in Fellowship Hall  
2ND SUNDAY — Noon Fellowship Dinner  
1:00 p.m. Administrative Board Meeting  
3RD THURSDAY — 1:30 p.m. United Methodist Women in Fellowship Hall

**HENDLEY/WILSONVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES**  
The Rev. R.L. Malchow  
10 a.m. Sunday Worship Hour  
1st and 3rd Sundays, Hendley  
2nd and 4th Sundays, Wilsonville  
Coffee Fellowship after service  
3rd Thursday U.M.W.

**LIVING WORD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
308 West Crane  
Interim Pastor Terry Laughlin  
SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Morning Worship  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
MONDAY — 7 a.m. TFC Ministry Team Breakfast  
7 p.m. TFC Connection  
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Prayer and Praise Time

**WILSONVILLE UNITED BAPTIST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Minister, Keith Theobald  
SUNDAY — 9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Worship and Communion  
1st Thursday, B.C.W. 9 a.m.

**NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Pastor Kathy Aeillo  
693-4519  
SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Worship Service  
11 a.m. Sunday School

# NORCATUR NEWS

**BY NORCATUR**

**NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS**  
Virgil Price is retiring from city maintenance after eight years of service to the Norcatnur community. We would like to welcome Gerry Hill who will be the new part-time city maintenance man.

Kortney Stapp and Jerrod Poire of Iola were spring break guests of Dave, Patty, Kaitlyn and Sam Stapp. Dave and Patty Stapp, Kaitlyn and Sam were Easter dinner guests of Dave and Linda Schleip of McCook. Other guests were Marian Dempewolf, Bob Dempewolf and R.R.D. Thornton.

Dave and Patty Stapp met Kortney Stapp and Jerrod Poire at Emporia Saturday. While there they pre-enrolled Kortney at Emporia State University. She will be attending Emporia this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wood of Winston, Ore.; Shirley Crammer and Bobbie of Central Point, Ore.; and Beth Johnson were dinner guests of Delphyn Biggs at Oberlin on April 2.

Lee and Lora Arnold held a pizza party at the Norton Pizza Hut Sunday evening, March 27, in honor of Lee's birthday which was March 26. Those attending were Susan and Frank Bolek and Sarah of Valparaiso, Ind.; Mark, JuliAnna, Nathan, Marissa and Jordan Baker, Tiffany Wheeler, Mary Arnold, Gary, Susan and Dana Hillebrand, Bill LaSalle, Dennis Leichter, Ruth Gill, Jesse Bryant, and Wayne and Norma McCallister.

Birthdays: Terry Gade - April 7; Bill Craig - April 9; Dennis Shirley - April 10; Jerry Temple - April 12. Wayne and Norma McCallister were coffee guests of Bill and Bee Nelson on April 2. Wayne, "Mr. Fix-it," took care of a couple of doors for the Nelsons.

Madison Fick had a first birthday party at Momma Millie's on Saturday, April 2. Aunts, uncles, grandparents, a great-grandpa and friends attended, as well as mom and dad, Mandi and Jonathan Fick.

Recent weekend guests of Leona and Bob Schoenrad were grandson, Robert Wills, and great-grandsons Sean and Nick Wills of Aurora, Colo. Sean will be leaving for U.S. Navy Seabee training after he graduates from high school this year.

**REGIONAL 4-H DAY**

The Prairie Dog 4-H Club went to Stockton on April 1 for Regional 4-H Day. Their model meeting received a blue ribbon. Individual re-

sults were: senior demonstration - Katrina Wentz, red; junior demonstration - Carissa Wentz, blue, and Wyatt Wentz, blue; project talks - Kegan Vanover, red, and Wyatt Wentz, blue; dance - Carissa Wentz, Megan Wentz and Rebecca Wentz, red; reading - Katrina Wentz, blue; and instrumental solo - Katrina Wentz, flute, blue.

**ALUMNIBANQUET**  
The Norcatnur Rural High School Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, May 28. Those planning to attend need to contact Von Johnson for reservations at 117 West Legend Drive, Pueblo West, Colo., 81007-1714 or email V2535@hotmail.com for your tickets. The dinner will be roast pork. Tickets will be \$15 per person, and need to be purchased by May 1. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. followed by a dance at 9 p.m. Admission will be \$5 per person at the door.

Lunch will be served at noon on Memorial Day at the Norcatnur Grade School All-purpose Room for \$5 per person. Please indicate if you will be attending, so an estimate of food can be made.

Virgil and Joyce Price attended the Lyle community carry-in dinner Sunday, April 3. In the afternoon several went to the Lyle Cemetery to help Sharleen Wurm search for unmarked graves.

A baby shower for Wendy (Strevey) and Ivalea Jo Tien was held at the Educational Building on March 26. Hostesses were Alice Barnett, Retta Hare and Rovella Shearer.

Darrel and Alice Barnett hosted an Easter Sunday dinner for Marylyn Barnett, Kearney, Neb.; Mary and Tom Wright, Salina; David and Retta Hare; Bob and Kay Strevey; and the Strevey girls and husbands, Trudi, John and Elissa McCollum of Platte City, Mo., Wendy, Loren, and Ivalea Tien, and Hollie, Justin and Jared Ricke of Andover.

Scholarship applications for anyone who is going to college next year may be picked up at The Bank or the Norcatnur City Office. They must be returned by May 20.

The Norcatnur Commercial Club will be tinning the flag building at the cemetery within the next month. Due to the expense, the club members will be putting the tin up themselves. Donations may be sent to the Norcatnur Commercial Club, c/o Linda Hunt, Box 102, Norcatnur, Kan., 67653, or you may use the Citizen's Alliance.