

Let children relax during summer time

Children's summers are so tightly scheduled now that I sometimes wonder if any of them ever have time to play.

We lived on the very edge of town and my siblings were much older than I, so my summers were spent in solitary pursuits, yet lonely and bored were unknown concepts.

Mornings were taken up with garden weeding and picking or, on Mondays and Tuesdays the hanging out, bringing in and ironing of laundry.

Of course, household chores were done routinely but the long, warm quiet afternoons were mine. Swinging or reading in a shady hammock, playing house in the barn loft, climbing the windmill tower among the morning glory vines and roaming the west pasture looking for devil's claws and wild onions filled a lot of hours.

When it rained, there were hollyhock dollies to float in the puddles and newspaper sailboats to send off down the ditch that flowed by the south drive. And there were mudpies, of course.

Really rainy days were for paper

Cook's Corner



Liza Deines

dolls and coloring books and arranging buttons on the round oak table, once in awhile with the rare treat of a friend invited over.

Don't let your younger children "work" all summer at ballgames and sports camps and teams for this and that and the other thing. Insist on at least a few free hours for creative individual activities and that does not mean video games or reruns on television.

Mama and I did some projects together every year.

This was my favorite one. Each morning I ran to marvel at and maintain our rock rose garden. I'm not even sure the ingredients can still be found, but here's Mama's recipe for flowers from stones.

MYMAMA SAID: If you're on the plump side and you'd rather be on the thin side, it is essential that some of what's been going to the inside remain on the outside.

BRICK BLOSSOMS

- 3 large lumps of old broken bricks
- Table salt to cover the bricks generously
- 3 tablespoons blue ink or laundry bluing
- 1 teaspoon household ammonia
- A few drops of iodine or mercurochrome

Arrange the bricks in a shallow, clear dish. A Pyrex 9-inch-by-13-inch works great but keep in mind it will be out of your kitchen for most of the summer.

Pour salt evenly over, then mix together ink and ammonia and drizzle over bricks slowly so as not to disarrange the salt.

Drip the iodine or mercurochrome at random over the whole arrangement. Not too much.

Add a bit of water daily, pouring on gently so you don't disturb the growing flowers. Set in sunshine and check every day—it will begin to flower almost at once and will continue to grow roses for some time.

Of course, children must be careful not to get the chemicals on their hands and never let a pet get into the pan. It's not terribly toxic but it's not nutritious, either.

Today's treated bricks might not work, so look for old broken paving bricks for best results. Years ago this recipe was made with cinders gathered from the railroad right-of-ways but these days that would be an ingredient pretty difficult to obtain.

It will be hard enough to locate a bottle of ink but at least it is still on the market

State legislator helps veterans

State Representative Peggy Mast, a Republican from Emporia and the daughter of John and Lila Rule, Clayton, was recently presented the "Americanism Award as Kansas' Legislator of the Year" by the American Legion.



Peggy Mast

Mrs. Mast was recognized by the organization for her continuing commitment to help veterans.

She has worked to find money to help veterans. She proposed an amendment to the state budget that would use unused lottery

claims to support veteran's homes. After the Senate amended it, the Kansas Lottery started a new scratch-off game that gives a portion of the profit to veteran's programs.

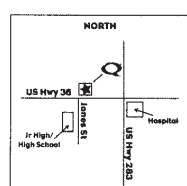
"It is such an honor to receive this recognition," she said. "Soldiers are once again placing their lives in harm's way to protect individuals both here and abroad. We need to rally around the organizations that will be here to meet the needs of our veterans as they return home; and we also need to continue to be thankful for the sacrifices and heroism of the veterans who have served our nation so faithfully in the past."

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Sharon and Gale Schulze



C. Bell and J. Pfannenstiel

Wedding planned for September

Christine Bell and Jeff Pfannenstiel are planning a Sept. 24 wedding at the First Baptist Church in Columbia, Mo.

Parents of the bride are Charles Bell of Harrisburg, Mo., and Doris and David Johanning of Columbia.

Parents of the groom are James and Betty Pfannenstiel of Norton.

Miss Bell is a 1992 graduate from Harrisburg High School. She received a bachelor's degree in accounting and management from Columbia College and is co-owner of Bell Contracting, in Columbia.

Mr. Pfannenstiel is a 1994 graduate from Norton Community High School. He received a degree in communications technology from Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland and is employed as a wireless global technical assistant for Nortel Networks in Richardson, Texas.

Couple celebrates 40 years

Gale and Sharon Schulze, Norton, will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary June 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Schulze were married June 19, 1965, in the Methodist Church, Norcatour.

Their parents are Arnold Jackson, Norton, and the late Elma Jackson, the late Mary and Virgil Miller and Carl Schulze.

They have three daughters, Karensa and Anthony Francka, Norton; Amber and Duke Huffman, Ogallala, Neb., and Makayla and Austin Baar, Ogallala.

There are three grandchildren, Annaliese Huffman and Genesis and Noah Baar.

Mr. and Mrs. Schulze live at 603 E. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.

'SHARE' deadline is noon on Thursday

The deadline for ordering the June Heartland SHARE food package is noon, Thursday. To order, call the Norton Senior Center at 877-5352 or Ermalea Mason at 877-3098.

Distribution will begin at 8 a.m., Saturday, June 25, at the Senior Center.

The June SHARE contains 1 pound all meat hot dogs, 1 pound lean assorted pork chops, 12 ounces Sea Pak shrimp scampi, 38 ounces Stouffers lasagna, 1.7 pounds chicken drums, lettuce, cucumbers, red peppers, carrots, potatoes, onions, apples, cantaloupe, Valencia oranges, and chocolate marshmallow s'more turnovers.

For \$18.50 plus two hours of volunteer work, you can receive all of the food listed. You can order as many shares as you want.

You can also order a meat only (first five items) package for \$10.50 plus an additional volunteer hour.

There is no limit to the number of "meat only" special you can order.

After you purchase a SHARE, you can order as many June Specials as you want for the price plus one additional volunteer hour for each special.

June's two specials are a wild hog combo box with four 8 ounce pork chops, 1 1/2 pounds pork roast, and two 1 pound slabs of St.

Louis ribs for \$15, or eight 6 ounce servings of chicken cordon bleu for \$13.

CORRECTIONS

In the public record of Friday's *Norton Telegram*, it was reported that Troy Thomson was filing for divorce. The correct spelling should have been Troy Thompson. This was an editing error.

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In Friday's edition of *The Telegram*, the devotional should have been attributed to Terry Laughlin, minister of Crossroads Church,

rather than to Jeff Nielsen. This was an editing error.

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The *Norton Telegram* will correct or clarify anything that is wrong in a news story. Call our office at 877-3361 to report errors. We believe news stories should be fair and factual, and want you to tell us about any failure to live up to this standard.

BIRTH

Alana Lynn Bishop

Jerry and Erin Bishop are the parents of a daughter, Alana Lynn, born May 18, 2005, at Community Hospital in McCook.



Alana Bishop

She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and was 18 inches long.

She has a brother, Ryan, 11, and a sister, Malia, 1 1/2.

Grandparents are Gary and Tracy Orr, Oberlin, and Carol Ward, Lamar, Mo.

Great-grandparents are Don and Marilyn Johnson, Plainville, and the late William and Mary (Malia) Ward, and Lillian Anderson, Holdrege, Neb., and the late Harold Anderson.

Her great-great-grandmother is Nellie Guthrie, Norton.

READERS

Jeana Swisher, Norton, a student at the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis, Neb., has been recognized for her academic performance last semester by being placed on the "Dean's Honor Roll". To qualify, a student

must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4-point scale.

— **Steak and seafood night, Thursday and Saturday, 6-9 p.m. American Legion. Members and guests. 6/14**

Writers' retreat planned for Saturday in Oberlin

The eighth annual Sappa Creek Writers Retreat will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday at the Oberlin Covenant Church, 810 W. Cedar, in Oberlin.

Theme will be "Catching Your Dreams." Those attending are asked to bring two very short pieces of their own writing to share with the group. There will be a

continental breakfast from 8:30 to 9 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon.

It is sponsored by Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission and the registration fee is \$40. For details, call Barbara Dehlinger (785) 475-3344 or Merlou Robinson (785) 475-3289.

Area students earn college degree

Colby Community College held the 40th annual commencement ceremony Saturday at the Colby Community Building.

Area graduates include Bryan Stephens and Crystal Stephens, Jennings; Kelli Berg, Carolyn Shank, Adam States, Beth Zillinger, Logan; Brandy Cook, Kaley Ward, Norcatour; Terri Alberts, Angeline Chisham, Leigh Davis, Carla Kumke, Megan Mapes, Jason McKenna, Mary Michel, Veronica Monier, Kathy

Nielsen, Jake Swisher, Jennifer Wildeman, Leann Wyatt, Norton; Mary Rupp, Stuttgart; Anthony Anderson, Alma, Neb.; and Sara Lentz, Arapahoe, Neb.

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