

# Blue Jay tennis and volleyball teams begin practice



Hannah Mills, (above) left, and Chelle Donovan hit tennis balls during the first practice of the Norton Community High School tennis team at the City Park courts on Monday afternoon. Coach Jim Green has 16 players on this year's squad. Ashli Hageman (right) receives a serve during the second practice of the season for Coach Jill Lively's Norton Community High School volleyball team on Monday afternoon in the NCHS Memorial Gym. In the background are, from left, Amanda Antrim, Rachelle Lentz and Haley Jones. In the foreground is Danielle LeClair. There are 34 players on the team.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd



## AROUND THE ANDBE HOME

By **DARLENE MCEWEN**, Resident Resource Coordinator

Even with all the extreme hot temperatures of this summer, the Garden Club participants at the Andbe Home continue to enjoy the various items growing out of doors.

I have several stories to share about the outdoor adventures of the Garden Club. The Lions Club added a whole new aspect to gardening with the donation of planter boxes with three sections to each box. These can be seen on the front patio area. Rose Ann Miller headed the planting of the boxes along with residents and the Jr. High Service Volunteers last spring.

The boxes were inside until the weather was warm enough to take them outside. Nellie Lawson, who likes to plant and dig in the dirt, saw the planters while walking with her son-in-law, Bill Goscha. She thought it was a wonderful place to plant something but she wanted to plant tomatoes not flowers. After several days of hearing Nellie say that those boxes needed some tomatoes in them, Bill brought a package of tomato seeds and Nellie proceeded to plant them

in, not one box, but three of them. Of course, this was all unknown to Rose Ann who faithfully watered and cared for the established plants.

One day, Rose Ann asked me, "Did you plant tomatoes in these planters?"

I knew nothing about it but, sure enough, there were tomato plants coming up. Finally, Nellie, asked me one day, "Did you find tomatoes in the planter boxes?"

**THE STORY WAS OUT.**

The tomato plants grew and grew until they had to be taken out of the planters. They were very healthy. Many staff and visitors took them home to plant.

Now, as I write this story, there is a strange vine that looks a lot like a watermelon vine growing in the gazebo area in the small planter with geraniums. Do you suppose, Nellie and her son-in-law have been at work again?

Bethel Wicker and Velva McClain found a Topsy-Turvy Planter in the *Norton Telegram Extra* that came in May. It showed how a tomato plant could be planted upside down and the tomatoes could be picked at eye level.

They wanted to try it. It was ordered and a tomato

plant was planted according to the instructions. It's unbelievable that it is growing and there are ripe tomatoes to be picked.

Vernon Tanner hoes and watches with interest the pumpkin patch grow. Youth volunteers Kayleigh Norwood, Katie Pell and Hannah Park replanted the pumpkins in June that the preschool children from Rosalie's planted earlier.

There are some nice size ones and Vernon is hoping for a late frost so they will be ready. Pumpkins are not his first love to grow; watermelons are.

Vernon grew giant watermelons on his farm. He loves to tell the children about selling them at the stoplight corner before he came to the Andbe Home.

CeDoris McMullen received a hanging planter of petunias early in the summer. A shepherd's hook was placed outside her window, which overlooks the gazebo, and the petunias now decorate the area.

Some of the plants died so I purchased some new ones for it and proceeded to plant them. CeDoris, (who also is my mom) knocked on her window while I was planting them and "sorta" shook her finger at me.

I pointed to the empty containers and decided she would think I was not only a good daughter but also the gardener that she never expected me to be.

I was so wrong. It was just a few minutes until Terri Rhoades, restorative aide,

was putting me under arrest for stealing flowers from CeDoris's planter. Terri said CeDoris had sworn her in and wanted her to arrest me.

I told Terri that CeDoris would have to pay the penalty for false accusations and either go playing bingo or let me beat her at Chinese checkers. It has been more fun than I ever expected and CeDoris continues to knock on her window as I water the petunias.

A bushel (or it seemed like that many) of pansies were sent to Emily Melroy by Phyllis Harting and her family when it was still cold. The pansies were planted in boxes and placed on a tier holder

outside her window. They were so plentiful that a barrel was also planted.

As the weather grew hotter, it was next to impossible to keep them pretty outside Emily's window. They have been moved to the shade of the gazebo and look pretty hot most days.

Summer is so fun and, as these hot days begin to give way to cooler ones, I am reminded that those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it for themselves.

Thanks to all who have provided money, flowers, planters, or volunteered time in order for the Garden Club to happen.

## Hunter education set for weekend

A hunter education course will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday at Prairie Land Electric in Norton.

Students must be at least 12-years-old or are going to be 12-years-old during the hunting sea-

son to attend the course.

Participants must pre-register before Saturday at End Zone Sports and Office Supplies, 102 S. 2nd. Hunter Education manuals can be picked up at that time.

For more information, call Larry Stones at (785) 543-5820.

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### Rainbow Lanes

Monday, August 22	1:30 p.m., Ladies Inter City
Monday, August 22	7:00 p.m., Stardust
Tuesday, August 23	1:00 p.m., Tuesday Housewife
Wednesday, August 24	7:00 p.m., Wed. Ladies Inter City
Thursday, August 25	7:30, Organization, Free Bowling
Tuesday, August 30	7:30 p.m., Tuesday Night Men
Thursday, September 1	7:30 p.m., Inter City

To Sign Up Call: Bev 877-3746 or Jaynell 877-2342



Davey Durrelle, Fountain, Colo., professional motorcycle rider who competes in the Grand Champion Series, maintains a big lead over the field en route to a feature win at Elmwood Park Speedway in Norton on Sunday evening. A total of 155 riders competed in races on motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles. One of the top drivers in the nation, Durrelle is an eight time Pike's Peak Hill Climb champion.

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