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# THE NORTON TELEGRAM

# Sports:

Northern Valley High School plays volleyball in Alma. Blue Jays to play Plainville tonight in football.

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## Friday Sept. 23, 2005

Norton, Kansas  
Home of Jean Johnson

### Briefly

## Homes Tour set for Sunday

The Norton Arts Council will be holding its annual Homes Tour from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday.

On the tour this year are the homes of Mike and Jan Volgamore, 410 W. Wilberforce; Jeff and Sue Urban, 504 S. Second St.; Dave and Judy Holzapfel, 502 N. Second St.; and David and Charlotte Kindall, 1014 Truman.

## 'P', 'Q' and 'R' tags due soon

September is the month for renewing vehicle tags for those whose last name or business name begins with "P", "Q" or "R". The deadline is Friday, Sept. 30.

You must bring in or include proof of insurance for each vehicle, including the vehicle identification number, policy number and expiration date.

Norton County treasurer office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

If you have questions, call 877-5795.

## Fall festival will

## be October 1

Corn shelling demonstrations, rope making, making apple cider and butter churning are some of the primitive life skills being demonstrated at the Fall Harvest Festival 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1, at Cottonwood Ranch near Studley.

A special attraction of the festival will be the appearance of appraiser Marvin Mann of Plainville. He will appraise antiques for a \$1 each. The "Aged Objects Road Show" begins at 11 a.m.

Vendors are welcome and admission is free.

### Weather

#### Forecast:

**Tonight** — Partly cloudy with lows in the lower 60s. Southeast winds 15 to 20 mph. **Saturday** — Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s. **Saturday Night** — Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of thunderstorms. **Sunday** — Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers.

## Howell report:

Tuesday ..... High 92, Low 63  
Wednesday ..... High 97, Low 61  
Thursday ..... High 72, Low 53, Prec. 03  
Week ago ..... High 83, Low 54  
Month ago ..... High 78, Low 64  
Year ago ..... High 53, Low 46  
September precipitation ..... .61 inches  
Year-to-date precipitation ..... 19.49 inches  
(Readings taken at the Paul and Pat Howell farm  
10 Miles North and 1/3 Mile East of Norton)

### Prayer

Father, give each of us strength to do our best and to shoulder our part of the load. Help us to be people you can depend on. Amen



Looking like a dark angel, Cyndie Milnes (above) rehearsed her musical number for Sunday's Java Jive performance. Three "washerwomen" (left) got into character for their song, "Matchmaker" from the musical, "Fiddler On the Roof". They are left to right, Cherean Kendell, Tabitha Vincent and Dani Wuest. — Telegram photos by Carolyn Plotts

## Java Jive bringing laughter to Norton

Dress rehearsal was Thursday night for Norton Community High School's annual Java Jive show.

The Jay Singers and at least 13 performers or groups are scheduled to appear. There will be two shows, one at 3 p.m., the other at 7 p.m. in the Junior High gymnasium.

Valerie Lee, high school vocal instructor, said the students have worked very hard to prepare for the show.

"The kids have made all the sets themselves," she said. "I'm really proud of all their hard work. I really appreciate the Jay Singers parents, too. They will be here all day Saturday to get ready."

Miss Lee said desserts will be served to those attending and that if anyone needs more information they may call her at 877-3338 or see the ad in today's Norton Telegram.

## Moonlight Madness will infect downtown Thursday

Norton merchants are "going mad for you" in the September moonlight by cutting prices and promoting sales during Thursday's Moonlight Madness Sale.

The sales will run 6:30-8:30 p.m. Most businesses will be closed 5:30-6:30 p.m.

East Main Street, between the First State Bank and Moffet Drug Store will be blocked off to provide a stage for entertainment. This year, the east side of the parking lot behind Hall's Clothing will be blocked off for adult tricycle races.

There will be performances by the high school dance teams from Norton and Northern Valley from 7 to 7:30 p.m.

If you would prefer to take in a movie, put on your favorite pajamas (in good taste) and you'll get \$1 admission to a mystery movie at the Norton Theatre.

The Norton Flower Committee will be holding a fund raiser with Stella-de-ore Daylilies for sale for \$3.

The Nex-Tech RTS Express Train will

be running on schedule giving rides to kids and Norton Emergency Services will also be on hand.

Norton Rotarians will be trying to "Pack the Pickup" with non-perishable food donations to benefit God's Pantry. Non food items are needed too. Consider donating laundry soap, hand soap, toothpaste, toilet paper, tissues and/or shampoo.

Madness goers can also look forward to popcorn sales from Cub Scout Pack 181 and a bake sale from TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly).

The Norton Classic Cruisers, Big Brothers Big Sisters, the Methodist Church Education Council and KQNK Radio will also be at the event.

To round out the evening, the Norton Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors will serve free pumpkin pie and coffee at 8 p.m. under the canopy of the First State (Continued on Page 5)

## County readies itself for any kind of emergency

By CYNTHIA HAYNES

Norton County commissioners and Emergency Preparedness Director Troy Thomson want to make sure they are ready for an emergency.

At Monday's meeting the commissioners talked with Mr. Thomson, who is also the county's sheriff, about a new federal emergency management plan.

The commissioners said they are worried about how to evacuate disabled people in case of an emergency.

"There is no evacuation plan for anybody in Norton County because no one has gotten together with the schools to see if we can use the school busses," Sheriff Thomson said. "There is no other way to evacuate a lot of people without the school busses."

County Commissioner John Miller said that he believed the county's emergency plan is to use Emergency Medi-

cal Service personnel to move people from the hospital and the Andbe Home.

Sheriff Thomson said Norton is unlikely to have a flood like New Orleans. The most likely disaster here, he said, is a tornado.

And in the case of a tornado the ambulances won't be big enough.

"You're not going to be able to move enough people in a tornado fast enough because you only have two beds," Sheriff Thomson said. "You have to have school busses."

The sheriff said the federal government wants everyone to start becoming compliant with its new <<National Incident Management System>> (NIMS) plan.

If there's a disaster, he said, the county will have to follow the federal plan.

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## Accident closes highway

By VERONICA MONIER

An overturned fifth-wheel trailer loaded with chemicals had part of U.S. 383 closed nearly all day Thursday.

At the intersection of U.S. 36 and U.S. 383, six miles east of Norton, a fifth-wheel trailer being pulled by a Dodge pick-up truck overturned with its load of chemical — Grand Slam Plus, a generic form of Roundup, and atrazine sulfide.

Kansas Highway Patrol Trooper Charles Boydston said the driver, Brett Lix of Oberlin, was taking the turn in (Continued on Page 5)



An overturned fifth-wheel trailer carrying chemicals caused part of U.S. 383, east of Norton, to be closed while being cleaned up Thursday. — Courtesy photo



Hazardous Materials team, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and several county officials worked together to clean up the accident.

# County gets plan in place to deal with emergencies

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"And the only way they're going to give you the money is if you follow their plan," he said, adding that some of it doesn't apply but it has to be followed anyway.

Part of the plan requires that just about everyone who works for the county be trained, he said. That means that the commissioners are going to need to inform him whenever they hire anybody new.

Mr. Miller asked if this new government plan wasn't pretty much the same as the Mitigation 20/20 plan the county had to do for the state just a short while ago.

"Yes, it is," the sheriff said. "It's an incident command program is all it is."

Mr. Miller then asked Sheriff Thomson if the county had received any requests to take evacuees from the hurricane areas.

He said that commissioners from other counties had told him they had been asked if they could take evacuees but they would have had to make major upgrades including more bathrooms and showers in their National Guard armories. The federal government was supposed to eventually reimburse the counties, Mr. Miller said he was told.

The sheriff said he had been contacted but had decided that Norton County was too small and

remote from the disaster areas to be of much help this time.

The sheriff showed the commissioners that he had brought in \$12,310 in fines and fees in the last 13 months. This money has gone into the general fund, he said.

Because of this the commissioners agreed to raise the amount paid to deputies so the starting salary is a little over \$12 an hour, which is just a little over what Norton Correctional Facility pays.

The sheriff has been short a deputy for about a year. If everyone is at work there is no problem, he said. But when there are vacations or sick leave someone has to work overtime.

The sheriff had figured that the yearly cost of the raises would be \$13,000.

"I think we don't have any choice, if we don't do this we'll be paying it out in overtime," Mr. Miller said. "You're generating most of the money to do this anyway."

The sheriff said that a raise for his deputies now will not be paid out until the end of October since vouchers for September have already been turned in to the county clerk's office.

Even after hiring a new person, he said, it will be six months before they are ready because they have to be trained and probably go

for a 14-week course in the academy.

The sheriff said he also wanted to rekey the office doors and evidence lockers in his department.

"The biggest thing is we need to know where the keys are for this place and we don't know anymore," he said.

There is only one person in the county that does this kind of work, the sheriff said, and the cost will be \$2,514 for new keys, rekeying and new doorknobs.

"I know you want bids but he's the only one," he said. "Who do you want me to call?"

In other business the commissioners:

- Authorized a job description for a new employee at the county landfill.

- Heard from Solid Waste Supervisor Curt Archibald that the state Department of Health and Environment will be doing an inspection of the landfill looking for holes. This is normal, he said, and is done every few months.

- Told Noxious Weed Supervisor Reggie Beckman to get bids and order the chemicals he needs for next year. Mr. Beckman had told the commissioners that prices will be increasing by 6-8 percent by the end of the year and that he probably needs about \$40,000 in inventory to get through next year.

## Accident causes chemical problem

(Continued from Page 1) the highway when the trailer overturned. The truck didn't flip when the trailer did.

Mr. Lix was hauling the chemical for Sims Fertilizer, Osborne. The accident happened around 7:30 a.m., Trooper Boydston said. The patrol worked the accident, but the Alma and Norton Rural

fire departments, as well as the Norton County Sheriff's Department, Norton County Road and Bridge Department, and Norton County Emergency Medical Service, responded to the scene.

Sheriff Troy Thomson said Almema Fire Chief Tony VanPatten called for a hazardous materials response unit, which

came from Colby.

HazMat took control of the scene, until a representative of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment could arrive later to help with clean-up.

Sheriff Thomson said the highway was closed until around 3 p.m. No one was hurt, said Trooper Boydston.

## Childbirth education available at hospital

Norton County Hospital will be offering a community program in childbirth education and family health classes.

There will be four classes a month, from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays that will repeat monthly. They will be held in the hospital basement and do not need to be attended in any order. The four-week program costs \$25.

Teaching the class on stay-

ing healthy during pregnancy, body changes, exercises, role changes in the family and how the baby is growing will be Buffie Severns, R.N.

Dr. Glenda Mauer, M.D., will lead the class on when to go to the hospital, what to expect during labor, pain management, hospital registration, stages of labor, birth plan and immediate post partum.

Water labor and birth, breathing and relaxation, and exercises after

delivery will be taught by Kay Garman, certified Nurse Mid-Wife.

Joan Streck R.N. will teach the class on baby's safety at home, feeding (breast or bottle), auto safety, immunizations, infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) handout, and community services.

To learn more about these classes call Mrs. Severns at the hospital 877-3351.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### NORTON Senior High:

Monday — Jay Singers, a.p.; Kay Board, a.p.; C-team volleyball at Osborne, 5 p.m.; Junior varsity football at Osborne, 6 p.m.

Tuesday — Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.; Cheer, a.p.; Varsity tennis at Colby, 3 p.m.; Junior varsity and varsity volleyball against Atwood and Colby at Colby, 4:30 p.m.; Cross country at Oberlin, 5 p.m.

Wednesday — Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.; Gifted seminar at Hays; SAC, a.p.; Homecoming pre-election, fourth hour

Thursday — Kay, a.p.; Play auditions, 6-9 p.m.

Friday — Model United Nations, a.p.; Football at Stockton, 7 p.m.

Saturday — Tennis at WaKeeney, 9 a.m.; Junior varsity tennis at Colby, 9 a.m.; Junior varsity and varsity volleyball at Oberlin, 9 a.m.

Sunday — National Honor Society/FCCLA adopt-a-hiway

Next Monday — Jay Singers, a.p.; Junior varsity and varsity volleyball against Colby and Liberal at Hays, 4 p.m.; C-team volleyball at Hill City, 5 p.m.; Junior varsity football against Stockton, here, 6:30 p.m.

### Junior High:

Wednesday — Site council, 5 p.m.

Thursday — Seventh-grade and junior varsity volleyball at Phillipsburg, 4:30 p.m.; Junior varsity and varsity football at Phillipsburg, 5 p.m.

Saturday — Junior varsity volleyball at Hill City, 9 a.m.; Eighth-grade volleyball against Phillipsburg/Bennington at Smith Center, 10 a.m.

Next Monday — Student council, a.p.

### Eisenhower:

Tuesday — Second-grade reading tests

Wednesday — SIT, 7:30 a.m.; Second-grade reading tests

### All Schools:

Monday — Professional Development Council, Alice Tweed Office, 4 p.m.

### Eisenhower Menus

Monday — Breakfast: Monkey bread, grape juice, milk; Lunch: Spaghetti, salad, peaches, garlic bread, milk

Tuesday — Breakfast: Sausage/

biscuit, apple juice, milk; Lunch: Corn dog, tater tots, carrots, fruit cocktail, cookie, milk

Wednesday — Breakfast: Banana bread, peaches, milk; Lunch: Scalloped chicken, corn, pears, celery, milk

Thursday — Breakfast: Sausage gravy, biscuit, grape juice, milk; Lunch: Beef burrito, cheesy broccoli, rosy applesauce, blonde brownies, milk

Friday — Breakfast: Applesauce muffins, peaches, milk; Lunch: Beef/noodles, potatoes, green beans, peaches, cheese rolls, milk

### High School Menus

Monday — Breakfast: Yogurt, bagel/cream cheese, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Lasagna, salad, fruit cocktail, or chef salad, milk

Tuesday — Breakfast: Banana bread, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Macaroni/cheese, carrots, green beans, fruit salad or chef salad, milk

Wednesday — Breakfast: Sausage pockets, tater wedge, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Chicken wrap, green pepper and onion, lettuce and tomato, hot roll, pineapple, peanut butter cookie, or chef salad, milk

Thursday — Breakfast: Breakfast casserole, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Beef/noodles, potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower with dip, no bake cookie or chef salad, milk

Friday — Breakfast: Biscuit/sausage gravy, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Mr. Rib sandwich, lettuce and tomato, corn, peaches or chef salad, milk

### NORTHERN VALLEY

Sunday — Testing Coordinators Conference, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., in Wichita.

Monday — Test Coordinators Conference at Wichita, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Lifetouch Pictures, high school auditorium, 8 a.m.; High School Dance Team practice, 6 p.m.; Junior varsity football game against Kensington at Almema, 6 p.m.; Greenhand FFA meeting, high school auditorium, 7 p.m.

Tuesday — High School Cheerleading meeting, 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday — Cooperative outdoor personal experience at Kirwin for sophomores, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; Workshop on

Wellness, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Thursday — Kansas State representative visit, 1 p.m.; High school cross country at Hays, 3:45 p.m.; Junior high volleyball and football, volleyball at 5 p.m., football at 6:45 p.m., against Logan at Long Island

Friday — Kindergarten and new parent lunch, 11:15 a.m.-noon; High school football at Palco, 7 p.m.

Saturday — High school volleyball tournament, Ellis, 8:30 a.m.

### School Menus

Monday — Breakfast: Cinnamon raisin biscuits, hash browns, links, peaches, cereal; Lunch: Wiener wagons, French fries, baked beans, strawberry/banana dessert

Tuesday — Breakfast: Banana bread, ham, strawberries, cereal; Lunch: Roast beef, potatoes, coleslaw, banana cream pie

Wednesday — Breakfast: Ham-n-cheese bagel, pineapple, cereal; Lunch: Monterey jack sandwich, tri-taters, peas, pineapple

Thursday — Breakfast: Sausage/biscuit, hash browns, fruit punch, cereal; Lunch: Hot beef sandwich, potatoes, carrots, cherry crisp

Friday — Breakfast: Apple coffee cake, ham, peaches, cereal; Lunch: Grilled ham-n-cheese sandwich, Ranch wedges, broccoli, butterscotch pudding

### LENORA

Monday — Breakfast: Apple or cherry turnover, sausage links, pineapple, juice, milk; Lunch: Chicken nuggets, salad, Mexicali corn, apple rings, tater tots, milk

Tuesday — Breakfast: Hash browns, toast, peaches, juice, milk; Lunch: Chili, crackers, shredded cheese, peaches, cinnamon roll, milk

Wednesday — Breakfast: Sausage biscuits, cereal, banana, juice, milk; Lunch: Ham salad or peanut butter sandwich, chips with dip, deviled eggs, pears, milk

Thursday — Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, grape, juice, milk; Lunch: Hamburger or cheeseburger, French fries, beets, banana pudding, milk

Friday — Breakfast: Bagel, ham, mixed fruit, juice, milk; Lunch: Chicken-fried steak, potatoes, corn with pearl onions, peach crisp, milk

## Madness will be in Norton Thursday

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Bank drive-through. Merchants who made the free refreshments possible are First State Bank, KQNK Radio, Nextech, Russ' Jewelry, Moffett Drug, Almema State Bank, The Norton Telegram, Valley Hope Association, End Zone, J&R Liquor, United Northwest Federal Credit Union, ThunderCord Guitars, The Sewing Box, White Fields Coffee House, First Security Bank, Kellie's, Hall's Clothing, Norton Flowers Gifts and

Greenhouse, Master's Touch, Norton Glass, Walter Motor Company, Gil's Barber and Beauty Shop, Gordan Company, U.S. 36 Collectibles, the Bank, Felton's Ace, Artline Graphics, Town and

Country Kitchen, American Family Insurance, O'Briens, Zwickle Accounting, Amy's Fashions, Bridges Group, Quiznos Subs, Norton Homestore and Boxler Insurance.

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# AUCTION

Sunday, September 25, 2005 • 1:00 p.m.

Lamb Mercantile Building on Bellview Ave. (Main Street) Winona, KS

*Food and Drinks provided by the Winona 4-H!*

### Partial Listing:

- 2 Oak shelving units original fixtures in the Paul Jones Hardware owned by the Lamb family since 1934
- 2 Original Oak Bolt Bins
- Old Radios
- Antique Table Top Display case (needs glass replaced)
- Several long store counters - one bar height
- Parts of early day kitchen cupboard
- Kitchen cabinets (miscellaneous)
- Iron skillets and odds and ends dishes
- Children's chairs from U.M. Church
- Old Air Compressor
- 3 piece Aunt Jimema salt and pepper and pitcher. F&F Series

- Firestone store fixtures
- Old Burroughs Portable Adding Machine
- Old Coffee Grinder
- 5 Gal. LP Cylinders
- Cabinet Humidifier
- Small Speed Queen Clothes dryer (Used very little)
- Gladiron Ironer
- Used Siegler Furnace
- Used Lear LP Upright room heater
- New Dearborn Upright room heater
- New Infa Red Radiant Heaters
- New Dearborn Unvented Gas Heater
- National Biscuit Co. Covers used on bulk cookie boxes years ago.
- Used Corning Ware Cook Top
- 2 Used Bathroom lavatories (one to be built into a cabinet)
- Queen size Mattress and Box Springs
- Double Bed, Mattress and springs
- 1979 Cadillac DeVille (low mileage)
- Paper Back Books
- Puzzles
- Iron Skillets and Misc. dishes
- Old Sunbeam Mixmaster Mixer

Odd and End items too numerous to mention!!

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