

Turkey and stuffin' and pie, oh my...

Last Saturday, the St. Francis Catholic Parish served well over 500 people during its annual turkey dinner and bazaar. The ladies of the church (above) served up the plates of turkey and all the fixin's, while the Knights of Columbus (right) did the dishes.

Telegram photos by Veronica Monier



Medical service does well on inspection

By VERONICA MONIER

The Norton County Emergency Medical Service got a gold star well." from the state during its annual inspection.

The inspection Sept. 27 was done by the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services, said County Ambulance Director Andy Nielsen.

"We passed with flying colors,"

The service also did very well last year.

Included in the inspection were reviews of operational and medical protocol, the ambulances and equipment, equipment list, garaging, call schedule, attendants certification cards, daily response record, and the service's quality improvement program.

Randy Cardonell, a specialist who did the inspection, said in his

letter to the county service that documentation on the run reports need to fix any problems. "overall the inspection went very Ireviewed as well as the complete-

He said it was a pleasure meeting the Norton staff and looks for- maintaining the ambulances as ward to working with them in the well as the garage facility.

with me in discussing your service provide the community." and community," the letter said. "I

ness of all your paperwork. "Your service takes great care in

"I appreciate the time you spent EMS takes pride in the care they

was very impressed with your Norton County service doesn't to the visit.

"I'm really proud of the department and the staff for the great job they do," said Mr. Nielsen. "They

all work really hard." Mr. Nielsen had told the Norton "It's obvious Norton County County commissioners that he expected his department to do well in the annual review at a meeting Mr. Cardonell's report said the with them more than a week prior

Congressman offering internships at all offices

Congressman Jerry Moran is accepting applications for congressional internships in his Washing- a completed application, cover letton, Hays, Hutchinson and Salina ter, résumé, college transcript and offices for the spring term.

Applications are due by Friday,

Intern responsibilities include assisting the congressman and his staff with legislative and adminis-

trative projects. To apply, students should submit three letters of reference. The cover letter should explain their interest in the internship and the goals they hope to achieve by participating.

Application forms can be obtained online at: www.house.gov/

moranks01/internweb.htm.

Students are asked to fax their applications to (202) 225-5124. If students are unable to fax, they can mail them to Congressman Moran's Hutchinson office, Attn: Intern Coordinator, Box 1128, Hutchinson, Kan. 67504.

Call (202) 225-2715 for informa-

County holds off on mapping system

By VERONICA MONIER

The Norton County Commission is holding off on doing anything with geographic information systems (GIS) mapping until the bunch about this," Mr. Miller said. state knows more about what it

Carolyn Applegate, who is working for the area Resource, Conservation and Development group, told the commissioners that she is part of a group working to get a grant for the group's sixcounty area to begin the mapping process.

She said the mapping is actually a group of transparent maps that lay on top of each other. Each transparency had different information and when laid on top of each other, it makes a complete

Commissioner Leroy Lang asked why they couldn't just use the Farm Service Agency's maps.

Ms. Applegate said the new

maps will be much more detailed. "They will have information on them that you cannot get from the

FSA office," she said. She said there is going to be state and federal mandates that counties have this done.

'You'll have to do it some day," she said. "It's better to deal with it now when you can gets grants to help pay for it, than waiting."

Commissioner John Miller said he thought the group was getting ahead of itself.

"You can apply for grants now, but when the state gets everything figured out, each county is going to have to redo everything," he said. "It's like 911 mapping. The state cannot figure out how it

plan," agreed Mr. Lang.

has a plan and is trying to get it in Topeka.

implemented. She said they are just working on geographic mapping, not 911 mapping.

"Everyone is getting into a "Pushing, pushing to get this done. I think we need to stop and take a look at what is going to happen. I'm really worried about what kind of unfunded mandates are going to come back to us on

"I don't care if we apply for the grant, but only if the grant says we don't have to use it right now. I'm not against applying for this grant, but I think we need to get some more information on this before we jump into it."

Ms. Applegate said the county just needed to get a head start on it, seeing what each department needs to do to get coordinated with other departments and not wait until the last minute when all the grants are gone.

Mr. Miller said he wasn't disagreeing, but still felt they needed to take a good look at this before they got in over their heads.

"We want to see the total picture," said Mr. Lang. "And you can," Ms. Applegate

responded, "but you need to not put the blinders on." "We have to be really careful about what the price tag is going

to be and how much we're going to owe when we're done," Mr. Miller said. Ms. Applegate said right now, they were just doing research to coordinate the county departments. That way, she said, they

aren't doing the same thing over

and over. The commission did agree to "We need to get a standardized Ms. Applegate participating in a plan so everyone has the same geographic mapping meeting during the Kansas Association of Ms. Applegate said her group Counties convention in November

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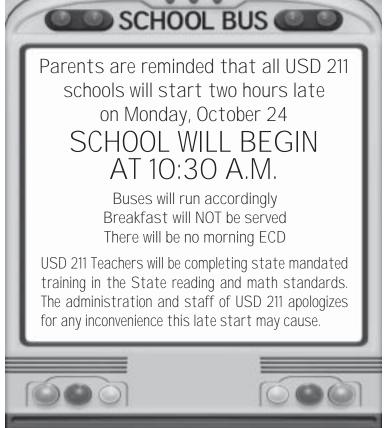
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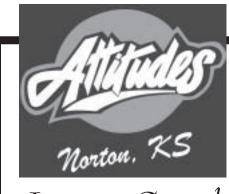




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