

Home of the state's top fire departments

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Fire stuns town

Briefly

Campaign reports due

Treasurers for candidates running for state and county office, were required by law to have their pre-primary campaign reports filed no later than July 24, according to word *The Telegram* received from the state's Governmental Ethics Commission. These reports are a matter of public record and are available for review in each candidate's home county at the office of the county election officer. This is the only report disclosing the financial transactions of candidates prior to the Aug. 1 primary. These reports contain names, contributions and how campaign funds are spent.

Library holding kids' story hour

Norton Public Library will have story hour at 10:30 a.m. Thursday. Children will hear stories about elephants and will make an elephant puppet. At 2 p.m. they will hear stories, read by Mary Luehrs, about parrots and will watch part of the movie, "Paulie".

Town celebrates 10th anniversary

Historic Nicodemus is celebrating its tenth anniversary as a National Historic Site during it's 128th Emancipation/Homecoming Celebration planned for July 27 — July 30. Entertainment will include Jazz in the Park, Friday night, a free pancake breakfast Saturday and a parade at 11 a.m. The program will start at 1 p.m. followed by a descendants fashion/talent show at 4 p.m. The Gospel Extravaganza will be at 7:30 p.m. and a dance later. Sunday, the event closes with church services at 10:30 a.m. For more information call Alvena Alexander at 785-839-4494.



A retired firefighter (above) helped out by spraying water on a nearby tree, while the Norton Fire Department waited on more manpower to arrive at yesterday's blaze. The fire completely destroyed the Norton Archery Club (below left) and U.S. 36 Collectables (below center). A Norton fireman (below right) warned onlookers to stay well clear of the fire.

— Telegram photos by Veronica Monier



Downtown area left a smoldering ruin

By VERONICA MONIER

A call for help went out Monday afternoon as the Norton city and rural fire departments fought to get a wind-whipped downtown fire under control.

"We need more manpower!"

At least 10 fire departments from neighboring towns rushed to help, but the blaze ended up taking out nearly half a city block, destroying (Continued on Page 5)

