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Dear Santa, I would like...

Norton, Kansas
Home of Marlin Bozarth

Briefly

Chorus tumbling into town Sunday

Four-part harmony can be heard when the Colby Tumbleweed Chorus joins forces with the McCook Prairie Statesmen for a "Barbershop Celebration". Sponsored by the Norton County Arts Council, Inc., the performance will start at 3 p.m. Sunday at East Campus Auditorium.

Admission is by Arts Council membership or \$5 for adults, \$2 for students and \$1 for children under 12. Reciprocity is \$2.

Candy walk cuts down on cooking

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring a Cookie and Candy Walk. A "Cookie/Candy Walk" is an opportunity for you to select a variety of homemade cookies and candy for your family and/or holiday entertaining — without spending hours in the kitchen.

The walk will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the H & R Block office, 103 S. State, at the west entrance

Shoppers will be handed a plastic glove and separate boxes for selecting choices of cookies and candy. At the end of the "shopping" line, the boxes are weighed and you pay by the pound.

The committee will also have homemade cinnamon rolls and coffee available for sale. Proceeds from the "Walk" will go to sponsor missions and ministry work.

The Rock will roll with benefit auction

The second annual benefit auction for The Rock Christian Youth Center has a new twist this year. At noon Sunday, the board of directors and volunteers of The Rock will serve a variety of soups, sandwiches and desserts for lunch. Donations will be accepted for the meal.

At 1 p.m., auctioneer Duane McEwen will start the auction of donated items to benefit the youth center. Board member Kurt Mann said lots of gift certificates had been donated by local merchants as well as items donated by individuals. He said End Zone had donated an autographed helmet.

Weather

Forecast:

Tonight — Partly cloudy with lows around 12. **Saturday** — Partly cloudy with highs in the lower 30s. **Saturday Night** — Partly cloudy with lows around 4. **Sunday** — Highs around 30s.

Kingham report:

Tuesday Low 31, High 45, Prec. .07
Wednesday Low 15, High 23,
Trace of Snow
Thursday Low 7, High 29
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm
9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Dear Lord, thank you for the amazing love and grace you give us. In our darkest hours, show us the path. Lift us up with your power so we may see the wonderful things you have done.

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Aiden Wicker mailed his letter to Santa early. He used the North Pole mail box in front of the Norton Area Chamber of Commerce office.

— Photo by Karla Reed

Shelves are a little bare in God's Pantry

By CAROLYN PLOTTS

The holidays are coming and God's Pantry could use some help.

Elaine Mann, volunteer and spokeswoman for the community food bank, said the agency has had to dip into their cash reserves because of the high demand. It is sponsored by the Trinity Episcopal Church.

"We had 13 families come in for help Sunday," she said. "The food is almost flying off the shelves."

She said the Boy Scouts had a food drive and the Catholic Youth Organization from New Almelo recently brought in about 10 boxes of groceries. But, even with that, the shelves are in need of re-

stocking.

Mrs. Mann said God's Pantry needs cash donations because they have to buy some powdered milk and laundry detergent and some perishables.

She said most people we serve are honestly in need of help. They don't want to ask for help, but circumstances sometimes force them to.

As one young mother with a small child and pregnant with her second child said, "I didn't want to come — my husband and I can go with little food — but the children can't."

Mrs. Mann said a young couple recently came to the Pantry. Both had jobs and were trying very hard. But, unexpected

car repairs took everything they had and they had to ask for help.

She said, "If we have to, we refer some to SRS; or the WIC (Women Infants and Children) program."

Mrs. Mann said she was touched by the generosity of one client they had served. She said the woman told her she didn't use some of the food provided by WIC. She offered the excess to God's Pantry.

If you have non-perishable food items to donate, call Connie Johnson at 877-2039 or Mrs. Mann at 877-2019. *The Norton Telegram* and *Twice Sold Treasures* are collection points where food may be dropped off.

Newspaper carriers need your votes

December is Carrier of the Year month for *The Norton Telegram*. and *Norton Extra*.

There are 21 routes delivered by 11 paper carriers. We ask subscribers to vote for their carrier (see the ad in today's paper), and let us know how good a job they are doing. Deadline for voting is Tuesday, Dec. 19.

The first-place winner will receive \$30; second place, \$20; and third place, \$10.

Carriers and their routes are:

Brett Pulec, carrier for routes 1 and 19. He delivers the 100-200 blocks of E. Park; 300 blocks of S. Kansas, S. Wabash, E. Penn, S. Archer, and S. Norton; and the 200 block of S. State. He also delivers the 100-400 blocks of E. Warsaw; 800 block of N. Archer; 400 block of E. Wilmington; 700-800 blocks of N. Norton; 200-300 blocks of E. Wilberforce; and the 700-900 blocks of N. Wabash.

Leif Carlsson, carrier for routes 2 and 20. He delivers the 500-800 blocks of N. Jones; 300-500 blocks of W. Wilberforce;

and the 400 block of W. Warsaw. He also delivers the 600-700 blocks of W. Waverly and W. North; 200-300 blocks of West Ave., Ward and Sunset; 800-900 blocks of Middle; and the 800 block of Timbercreek.

David Somers, carrier for route 3. He delivers the 100 blocks of S. Kansas, S. State, W. North and W. Wilton; 200 block of W. Waverly; 100-200 blocks and part of the 300 block of W. Lincoln; and the 100-500 blocks of N. First.

Steven Somers, carrier for route 4. He delivers the 100 blocks of W. Warsaw, W. Wilberforce, S. State, E. Washington; 200 block of W. Wilmington; 100-800 blocks of N. State; and the 600-800 blocks of N. First.

Travis Somers, carrier for route 5. He delivers 100-200 blocks of E. Lincoln; 200-300 blocks of N. Kansas; 100-400 blocks of E. Waverly; 200-400 blocks of N. Norton and N. Wabash; 400 block of N. Archer; and all of East Avenue.

Todd Zink, carrier for routes 6, 11, 14

and 17. He delivers 100-500 blocks of E. Wilton and E. Woodfield; 400-500 blocks of E. Wilberforce; 500-600 blocks of N. Norton, N. Wabash, N. Archer and Home; and the 600-900 blocks of Sun for route 6. On route 11, he delivers 1000-1100 blocks of Eisenhower; 300-400 blocks of W. Crane; 300 blocks of W. Holme and W. Army Dr. He delivers the 100 blocks of N. Brown, S. Brown, Howard, S. Graves, Case, S. First and S. Second; 100-200 blocks of N. Graves; 100-600 blocks of W. Main; 100-800 blocks of W. Washington; and part of the 300 block and all of the 400-600 blocks of W. Lincoln for route 14. On route 17, he delivers to E. Holme; 200-300 blocks of E. Crane; 300 block of E. Army Dr.; 1000-1100 blocks of N. Wabash; 900-1100 blocks of N. Norton; and to Echo Acres.

Jacob Cronin, carrier for routes 7 and 9. He delivers the 200 blocks of W. Warsaw, W. Wilberforce, W. Woodfield and

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Meetings will deal with local watershed

By CRISTA MULDER

Norton County Conservation District is sponsoring a WRAPS (Watershed Restoration And Protection Strategy) project for the Prairie Dog Creek and Keith Sebelius Lake watershed. Watershed Restoration is needed to restore the health of rivers, streams, and lakes that do not meet water quality standards and protection goals are needed to ensure the water quality does not deteriorate and will be protected from pollution in the future.

The WRAPS process involves four goals. The first goal is to recognize rivers, streams, and lakes in a watershed that provide drinking water, water for agricultural uses, recreation, and other important uses that are in need of restoration and protection. The first goal has determined the Prairie Dog Creek/Keith Sebelius Lake is in need of protection and restoration. The second goal is to assess the watershed to determine potential pollution sources and water quality problems. Based on this information, landowners, local residents, government agencies, and other concerned parties will work together on a leadership team to establish watershed management goals for the restoration and protection of Prairie Dog Creek/Keith Sebelius Lake watershed. Best management practices will be determined by the leadership team during the third goal. The final goal will be implementing the action plan. This is (Continued on Page 5)