



Rick McChesney weighed a coyote that was shot during the recent coyote and crow calling shoot. Sixteen coyotes were shot during the annual fundraiser. — Telegram photo by Veronica Monier

# Norton council helps out children

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 In other business, the council:

- Heard that former Norton Police Officer Asa Stiles agreed to work for the department again full time.
- Had Mr. Lawson check into changing the city's codes from the Uniform Building Codes to the International Building Codes and getting guidelines for downtown Norton.
- Learned that the city's employees are scheduled to have training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).
- Asked Mr. Lawson to advertise for summer help.
- Approved the purchase of a 2005 silver Crown Victoria for the police department at a price not to exceed \$13,900 from the Kansas Highway Patrol. The car was a budgeted item.
- Heard from Mr. Lawson that the council might have to consider using the state's revolving loan fund money to finance the water plant project, if the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development loan and grant doesn't come through.
- Scheduled a Public Safety Committee meeting for 5 p.m. and a Utility Committee meeting for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 5. Public safety will meet with the fire department.
- Bought a used tandem dump truck at a price not to exceed \$15,000 from the state. One of the city's dump trucks doesn't work and this will replace it. It was a budgeted item. Councilman Kelly Gaer abstained from the vote as he works for the state.
- Heard from Councilwoman Donna Foley that grant money is available for solid waste management projects and that no one in Norton County has applied for any. A grant could be used by the city to buy new dumpsters and carts.
- Asked Mr. Lawson to put specifications together and get bids on a new service truck for the linemen.
- Asked Mr. Lawson to get the city's new land acquisition appraised.

# Cattle risk management workshops being held

MANHATTAN — With the high price of corn and fluctuating cattle prices, livestock producers are facing some of the most challenging circumstances they've had to deal with in some time.

To help producers work through the issues, Kansas State University Research and Extension is hosting nine K-State Cattle Risk Management Workshops throughout Kansas. The Kansas Livestock Association, Kansas Farm Bureau, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Risk Management Agency are partnering with K-State Research and Extension in sponsoring the workshops.

Cow-calf producers, agricultural lenders, and anyone else with a stake or interest in the cattle industry could benefit from attending one of the workshops, said James Mintert, livestock marketing economist with K-State Research and Extension.

"Participants will gain hands-on experience in using Livestock Risk Protection Insurance, forward cash contracts, futures contracts, and options on futures. They'll be making real-time decisions for a typical Kansas cattle operation," Mintert said. "Those who participate should come away with a better understanding of how various price risk management tools can be used to manage risk in their operations."

All workshops will begin with registration at 9:30 a.m. and will end by 3 p.m. The dates and workshop locations include:

- March 13 — Hoxie, Hoxie 4-H Building, 785-675-3268.
- March 14 — Anthony, Kanza Bank, 102 E. Main, 620-842-5445.
- March 15 — Chanute, Chanute Memorial Bldg., 101 S. Lincoln St., 620-244-3826.
- March 20 — Emporia, Lyon Co. Extension Office, 618 Commercial St., 620-341-3220.
- March 21 — Wilson, St. Wenceslaus Parish Hall, 2811 Ave. D., 785-472-4442.
- March 26 — Sublette, Commercial Building, Haskell Co. Fairgrounds, 620-675-2261.
- March 27 — Dodge City, Fair Bldg, Ford Co. Fairgrounds, 901 W. Park, 620-227-4542.

Mintert, who is a professor of agricultural economics at K-State, and Kevin Dhuyvetter, who is a professor and Extension farm management specialist, will be the workshop leaders.

More information, including registration materials, a brochure, and details about each workshop, is on the K-State Research and Extension agricultural economics Web site at [www.agmanager.info](http://www.agmanager.info) (click on "Upcoming Events").

# Hunters prey on coyotes during shoot

Thirty-six people participated in the annual coyote and crow calling contest earlier this month.

The 18 two-person teams who checked in at the end of the day brought in 16 coyotes, but no crows.

Winners of this year's contest were: biggest coyote — Breiner and Richards, 35 pounds; overall winners — Kline and Porterier, first place, three coyotes; Whitney and Leanna, second place, three coyotes; Breiner and Richards, third place, two coyotes; Cuthbertson and Goss, fourth place, two coyotes; and Ward and McChesney, fifth place, two coyotes.

Others bringing in coyotes were: Erbert and Goetz, two coyotes; Behrens and Runyon, one coyote; Bohl and Kendall, one coyote; and Niblock and Hayden, one coyote.

Ties were broken by whoever checked in first.

Also checking in were Gallentine and Gallentine, Aerhart and McChesney, Baker and Baker, Urban and Carlton, Kats and McChesney, Brooks and Legg, Tien and Schnieder, Waitt and Fischer, and Tien and Tien.

The coyote and crow calling contest is a fundraiser for youth shooting sports.

# Scholarship being given for best song

TOPEKA — The Kansas Department of Transportation is sponsoring the first competition of its kind to find the next great song that encourages Kansas youth to resist peer pressure by abstaining from drinking alcohol until reaching the legal age limit of 21.

On the heels of Heather Shelley's "In My Time," the department has established the 2006-07 "Sobriety Rocks Scholarship Contest."

Ms. Shelley, a 20-year-old native of Scott City, won the distinguished designation of "Best New Act in Country Music" as national champion of the Colgate Country Showdown National Final in 2005. She received a recording contract and \$100,000 presented by famed country artist Sara Evans. Recently, Ms. Shelley teamed up with KDOT to produce a song "In My Time," which encourages Kansas' youth to abstain from alcohol use until they reach the legal age of 21. "In My Time" is available for free download at [www.inmytime.net](http://www.inmytime.net).

The scholarship competition, designed to enlist the help of Kansas youth as they create their own song in hopes of winning as much as \$3,000 in college scholarships at any Kansas college, will run through May 18. Scholarship winners will then be announced on May 31.

"We've received a number of great entries thus far and hope that more are coming our way," said Pete Bodyk, chief of the department's Bureau of Traffic Safety. "Heather's song has really been popular with students across Kansas and we're eager to find the next persons who will help us continue the message that it's okay for youth under age 21 to resist the temptation to drink."

The department also urges non-musicians to enter the competition. Mr. Bodyk believes that a well-written message has just as much potential as one coming from a person who is musically gifted.

"What makes a song really stand out is often a core melody or a core phrase," he said. "As long as the judges can understand the idea, the entry is a legitimate one. We can leave the rest to our professional song writer."

Judging will be based on originality, the passion and persuasiveness of the message, and the potential for a successful song that could be aired throughout Kansas. Songs can be any format or style of music including, but not limited to, rap, heavy metal, rock, country, alternative or pop.

Potential song topics might include drinking alcohol as a result of peer pressure, the use of alcohol as an avoidance method, or depression, family trouble and other social problems that are often created or made worse by alcohol.

Three separate \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded on May 31, 2007, for best original lyrics, best original musical score and best original song (lyrics and score). It is possible for one contestant to win in all three areas or three separate contestants could win a portion of the prize.

Kansas residents between the ages of 10 and 21 are encouraged to enter the competition by logging onto [www.inmytime.net](http://www.inmytime.net) and following the registration process. Also available at [www.inmytime.net](http://www.inmytime.net) are a complete set of competition rules and guidelines. Contest booklets in any quantity are also available by calling 785-296-3756.

The department also now offers an anonymous tip line, 1-866-Must-B-21 (866-687-8221), designed to encourage citizens to become actively involved in reporting underage drinking violations that might otherwise go unnoticed. The toll-free tipline operates 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week, and is available for citizens to anonymously report parties involving underage drinking, purchases of alcohol for underage persons, and retailer willingness to make underage sales.

# Hays hosting grant writing workshop

Fort Hays State University's Leslie Paige, grants facilitator for the Graduate School and the Docking Institute of Public Affairs, will lead a grant writing for teachers workshop from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 3 in Rarick Hall, room 231, on the university's campus.

"There are a lot of foundations like McDonald's, Toyota and Sony that teachers or private organizations can apply to for grants, and the workshop is designed to help them get those funds to implement their great ideas which require money," said Dr. Paul Adams, Anschutz Professor of Education. "Although the ideas that Mrs. Paige will present are more interesting for teachers, the ideas are beneficial for anyone."

The workshop is hosted by Fort Hays State University's Science and Mathematics Education Center. The cost is \$15, and the public is invited.

For more information, contact Adams at [padams@fhsu.edu](mailto:padams@fhsu.edu) or call (785) 628-4538.

**Legislative Town Hall Meeting with  
 Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer and Rep. John Faber  
 SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2007  
 1:15-2:15 P.M. — Town and Country Kitchen — NORTON**

Paid by Ostmeyer for Senate, Lori Edwards, Treasurer. Rep. John Faber, Ed Carson, Treasurer.

## Norton Schools Staff Spotlight

<i>Classified Employee</i>	<i>Certified Employee</i>
 <b>Tonya Arias</b> Mrs. Tonya Arias is in her third year as a special education para-educator at Eisenhower Elementary School. Mrs. Arias earned a Bachelor's degree from Manhattan Christian College. She and her husband, Martin, have a three year old daughter. In her spare time, she likes to bake and read. Being able to see kids when they "get it" is what she likes best about her job.	 <b>Sally Clydesdale</b> Mrs. Sally Clydesdale is a second grade teacher at Eisenhower Elementary School. In her 29th year as an educator, Mrs. Clydesdale has taught 15 of those years in USD 211. She earned her Bachelor's degree at Fort Hays State University. She and her husband, Robert, have three grown children and three grandchildren. Her "hobby" is keeping up with her family and helping with the family farm. When asked what she liked best about her job, she replied, "Providing fun learning activities for my students and watching them learn in many different ways."

### Houses for Sale

- 3 Bedroom, 2 full baths, modular home with 2 car garage. Fenced yard and addition with basement. Long Island - \$29,000
- 4 Bedroom, 2 bath, full basement, 2 car garage, Long Island - \$29,000
- 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, manufactured home on full basement, 2 car garage. Logan - \$55,000
- 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, manufactured home along the South Solomon River, on 5 acres, 2 car garage, barn and storage building. West of Hill City - \$79,000

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