



Hartwell



Wahlmeier



Black

Four new officers join local police department

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So far, he has trained in tazer and firearms, gone on ride-a-longs, worked on reports and had a lot of hands-on experience. He also had a lot of rescue training while in college.

"I'm enjoying it," he said. "It's

a great job. You get to meet new people and your outside, instead of being in an office all day.

Officer Black moved back to Norton with his wife and two daughters. The fourth new officer, Adam Wahlmeier, is at the training academy in Hutchinson.



Land

State could land research facility

TOPEKA — Congressman Jerry Moran recently attended the inaugural meeting of the Kansas National Bio- and Agro-defense Facility Task Force, formed to bring the federal research facility to Kansas.

The Department of Homeland Security plans for this 500,000 square foot lab to be a next-generation facility to defend and enhance our nation's agriculture and public health.

Rep. Moran was named a member of the task force in January by Gov. Kathleen Sebelius.

"One of the top priorities of our state should be the recruitment of this facility, which will propel Kansas' leadership in bioscience research and provide substantial economic benefits," Mr. Moran said.

"Competition for the research facility across the country is fierce and will require the combined efforts of our local, state and federal officials to convince the Department of Homeland Security to locate this facility in Kansas."

There are 18 sites being considered for the center, including

Leavenworth and Manhattan. Department of Homeland Security officials will visit the sites this spring and name the finalists this summer.

A final site announcement is expected in 2008.

"The two sites being considered in Kansas offer unique qualities for advancing this important research," the congressman said. "The Biosecurity Research Institute at Kansas State University and the many animal health companies in Kansas make our state an ideal location."

Bill would aid ag trade with Cuba

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Jerry Moran (R-Kan.) introduced legislation to increase the ability of U.S. agriculture producers to market their products to Cuba. H.R. 1026, the Agricultural Export Facilitation Act of 2007, removes barriers to present and future sales of U.S. agricultural products to Cuba under the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000.

The introduction of this legislation comes after a Congressional delegation's visit to Cuba in December to meet with Cuban government, trade and religious leaders.

"With the stepping aside of Cuban dictator Fidel Castro, this is an opportune time to encourage the United States to change its trade policies toward Cuba," Rep. Moran said. "Cuba is an important market for U.S. agriculture, as well as for manufacturers and distributors of food products. But the actions of our own government have created a climate of uncertainty and have inhibited the sale of agricultural goods. Our unreliable and uncertain trade policies are sending the signal to Cuba that it is easier to purchase its products elsewhere. We are only hurting ourselves."

The passage of H.R. 4461 in 2000 allowed for the export of agriculture products to Cuba for the first time in 38 years. In 2005, however, a change by the Treasury Department to the cash payment in advance rule caused payments for agriculture exports to be made before ships leave U.S. ports rather

than upon delivery, making it more difficult for American farmers to sell their products to Cuba. H.R. 1026 clarifies that a seller of a product receive payment at the time a Cuban purchaser takes physical possession of that product.

For U.S. agricultural representatives engaging in sales and transport-related activities with Cuba, this legislation will eliminate delays and denials for obtaining licenses to travel to Cuba. It will also

allow Cuban officials to obtain visas for meetings with prospective U.S. exporters and for conducting sanitary and phytosanitary inspections of U.S. agriculture facilities.

Finally, Mr. Moran said, H.R. 1026 permits direct payments between Cuban and U.S. financial institutions. This change will permit U.S. exporters to receive payments within hours instead of days and will eliminate an unnecessary transaction fee.

PUBLIC NOTICE

February Norton County Bills

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Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Norton County Courthouse February 28, 2007 to allow the following bills: K.S.A. 19-337. An itemized copy of this report is available for inspection in the County Clerk's Office. (*Juvenile Service Accounts)

County General	58,430.91
Road & Bridge	34,443.43
Special Bridge	7,905.75
Ambulance	10,802.62
Appraiser's Cost	7,431.71
County Health	20,804.82
Economic Development	3,310.42
Election	1,593.75
4-H Maintenance	200.00
Noxious Weed	4,768.40
Solid Waste	6,894.59
*Court Trustee - State	8,930.72
*Case Management	6,962.25
*JAIBG/Case Mgmt Intake	880.00
*JISP	4,519.00
*Diversion	7,897.70
*Juvenile Intake	4,780.11
Advanced Insurance Co	339.93
Ag Valley Co-op	2,270.01
Alltel	577.59
American Family Life	1,921.31
*AT&T	766.52
Bailey Electric	52.50
*Bartlett, Tandra	3.08
Baumgartner Law Office	1,262.34
Beam, Daryl DDS	76.00
Bird, Angela	36.38
Blue Sky Ink	2,000.00
Brannan, Thomas	110.31
Breit, Tom	480.41
Briggs Corporation	60.17
Brooks Motel	90.54
*BC/BS of Kansas/Cs Mgmt	3,355.07
BC/BS of KS Inc/Bill Add	46,717.43
Car Quest Auto Parts	163.24
Carlyle, Judith	36.38
Carter, Wade	506.02
Central Plains Laboratory	38.00
Chief Supply Corporation	16.98
City of Norton	2,999.67
Coffey, Mike	54.22
Colonial Supplement Ins	137.50
*Commerce Bank	1,164.20
*ComputerPro Inc	37.29
Conseco Health Insurance	26.16
County Counselors Assoc	150.00
Curly's Radiator Service	69.50
D&M Service	1,223.07
Daffer Construction	65.00
*Decatur Co Clerk	383.04
*Decatur County Dist Court	20.11
Des Moines Stamp Mfg Co	14.50
Dollar General	1.50
Don's Floor Covering	12.50
Eagle Sensors	208.64
Eakes Office Products	403.28
Edgett, Lloyd	288.83
Elliott, Jill	2,122.23
Endzone Sports & Office	1,414.36
Engel, Daria	63.66
Engel's Sales & Service	1,478.72
Engelbert, Susan	32.98

Engelhardt, Jane	196.20
Enserv	76.95
Felton's Ace Building	40.19
Foley, James K.	302.07
Frack, Gina	128.50
Frack, Rhonda	651.22
*Frontier Equity Exchange	28.51
Gall's Inc	346.93
Garrett Plumbing	39.95
Garrett's Plumbing	167.32
Garrison, Vera	126.33
Geotechnical Service, Inc	6,389.00
Gilhouse, Dennis	350.00
Graham Co Health Dept	433.65
Great Plains Radiology	70.38
*Griffiths, Karen	478.19
Harbers, Stanley	40.00
Harting, Melinda	88.71
Hays Medical Center	25.00
*Heartland Community	1,500.00
*Hi-Plains Co-op Assoc	155.77
Highplains Mental Health	2,825.22
Holle, Jayne	1,187.50
Homestore	223.23
Hotel @ Old Town	288.93
Humana Gold Choice	234.80
*Insurance Planning Inc	220.00
Interstate Battery System	62.95
Instrud Card Center	2,123.53
ING Aetna	2,046.00
Jamboree Foods	34.40
*Juvenile Justice Authorit	98.00
JEMS	29.97
Kans Co Commission Assoc	280.80
Kansas Narcotic Off Assoc	240.00
Kansas Payment Center	269.00
Kansas Withholding Tax	5,582.22
Kansasland Tire Company	4,701.42
Kellie's	87.95
Kowpoke Supply LLC	124.51
Krizek Craig Dr	3,728.50
KPERS Wire Transfer	16,506.19
*KS Dept of Administ, DISC	439.00
KS Economic Dev Assoc	100.00
Lang, Leroy	11.64
Law Office of Paula	305.80
Lawson Auto Body	34.00
*Leader Technologies, Inc	7.27
Lewis Toyota Ford of Hays	94.70
Linner, Cynthia	27.50
Linweld	172.65
Lockwood Company Inc	355.75
Long Patti	156.21
Mapes & Miller CPA	490.00
Martin Tractor	4,222.90
Med-Tech Resources, Inc	157.59
Merck & Co., Inc	1,079.30
Midwest Energy Inc	5,533.98
Miller, John	331.74
Miltech Machine Corp	50.00
Moffet Drug	20.28
Morel, Janelle	397.32
Morris & Dickson Co	108.25
Mortensen Computer Serv	752.91
MAS Modern Marketing	155.89
National Em Number Assoc	120.00
National Hospitality Sup	401.04
Nebraska Tire	1,310.00
Nex-Tech	2,549.46
Nex-Tech Wireless LLC	749.52
Northwest Diesel Repair	34.29
Northwestern Office	38.00
Northwestern Printer, Inc	72.10

Seuss stories



Casey Robison and Cherean Kendell read to the students in Jennie Patterson's fourth grade class last Friday to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday. To top it off, Casey dressed like the Cat in the Hat to add a little more excitement. — Telegram photo by Sherry Hickman

Writing contest deadline nears

Entries in the 18th annual Kansas Voices statewide writing contest entries must be postmarked by March 15.

Both poetry and prose categories have youth and adult divisions.

To be eligible, writers must live in Kansas. There is no requirement for subject matter and all entries are judged based on literary merit.

Prize money will be awarded: \$275 for first in poetry and short story, adult division; \$75 first prize for poetry and short story, youth division; \$200 total will be given for Honorable Mention awards.

Winners will be honored and invited to read their work at a special presentation on May 5 as part of KANZA DAYS celebration in Winfield.

Call or write the Winfield Arts and Humanities Council, 700 Gary, Suite A and B, Winfield, Kan. 67156 for guidelines, entry forms and dinner reservations. The phone number is 1-620-221-2161 Ext. 10.

Dodge Truck Month

•NEW 2007 DODGE RAM 2500 MEGA CAB — SLT 4 wheel drive, electric blue with silver, Cummins turbo diesel, automatic overdrive — **\$2,500 REBATE.**

•NEW 2007 DODGE RAM 3/4 TON REGULAR CAB — 4 wheel drive, bright white, 5.9 liter H.O. Cummins turbo diesel, 6 speed manual transmission — **\$3,000 REBATE.**

•NEW 2007 DODGE RAM 3/4 TON QUAD CAB — Short box 4 wheel drive, flame red, high output Cummins turbo diesel, automatic overdrive — **\$3,000 REBATE.**

•NEW 2007 DODGE RAM 3/4 TON QUAD CAB — Short box, 4 wheel drive, bright white, high output Cummins turbo diesel, automatic overdrive — **\$3,000 REBATE.**

•NEW 2007 DODGE RAM 2500 QUAD CAB — Short box, 4 wheel drive, mineral gray, 5.9 liter H.O. Cummins turbo diesel, automatic overdrive — **\$3,000 REBATE.**

•NEW 2007 DODGE RAM 1 TON QUAD DUALY — 4 wheel drive, bright white, 5.9 liter Cummins turbo diesel, 6 speed manual — **\$3,000 REBATE.**

•NEW 2007 DODGE RAM ONE TON QUAD CAB — Cab and chassis with dual rear wheels, bright white, 6.7 liter Cummins turbo diesel, 6 speed manual transmission — **\$1,000 REBATE.**

•2004 JEEP LIBERTY SPORT 4 WHEEL DRIVE SPORT UTILITY — Flame red, 3.7 liter V-6, automatic, 38,000 miles.

•2006 DODGE DAKOTA QUAD CAB — 4 wheel drive, bright silver metallic, 4.7 liter V-8, 5 speed automatic overdrive, 21,000 miles.

•2004 DODGE RAM QUAD CAB 1/2 TON SHORT BOX — 4 wheel drive, black, 5.7 liter Hemi v-8, 5 speed automatic overdrive, 30,000 miles.

•2004 DODGE RAM 1/2 TON QUAD CAB SHORT BOX — 4 wheel drive, bright white with leather, Larmie decor, 5.7 liter Hemi V-8, automatic overdrive, new tires, 88,000 miles.

•2004 CHEVROLET AVALANCHE 1500 — 4 wheel drive, sport red metallic, 5300 Vortec V-8, automatic overdrive, Z-71 suspension, 30,000 miles.

•2003 DODGE RAM 1/2 TON QUAD CAB SHORT BOX — 4 wheel drive, mineral gray, two-tone, 5.7 liter V-8, automatic overdrive, 65,000 miles.

•2003 CHEVROLET 1500HD CREW CAB SHORT BOX — 4 wheel drive, bright white, LS decor, 6.0 liter V-8, automatic overdrive, 70,000 miles.

•2003 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 3/4 TON CREW CAB SHORT BOX — 4 wheel drive, victory red, 6600 Duramax diesel, Allison automatic, 134,000 miles.

•2003 DODGE RAM 1/2 TON SHORT BOX — Regular cab, 2 wheel drive pickup, flame red, 4.7 liter magnum V-8, five speed automatic, 28,000 miles.

•2002 DODGE RAM QUAD CAB SHORT BOX — 2 wheel drive, flame red, 4.7 liter magnum V-8, automatic overdrive, 35,000 miles.

•1999 FORD RANGER EXTENDED CAB — XLT 4 wheel drive, hunter green, 3.0 liter V-6, sportside box, new tires, 81,000 miles.

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