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Norton, Kansas
Home of J. R. Durham

Briefly

School schedules early dismissal

Norton Community High School students will be dismissed at 2:30 p.m. next Thursday. Buses will run at their normal time.

The early dismissal is due to the large number of staff and students involved in the Norton Community High School track meet, which is set to start at 3 p.m. at Travis Field.

The dismissal will only affect the students in ninth through twelfth grades.

Reward offered for sign vandals

Norton County is offering a \$1,000 reward to find out who vandalized county road signs in March.

Sheriff Troy Thomson said the reward will be given to the person who gives the sheriff's department the information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the vandals.

The sheriff's department can be reached at 785-877-5780.

Evening clinic opens Monday

Need to see a doctor, but can't make it during the daytime? The Norton Doctors' Clinic will be starting its evening clinic Monday. The clinic will run from 6 to 8 p.m. one night a week.

To schedule an appointment, call the Clinic at 877-3305 during regular hours or Monday evenings.

Patricia McCartney, accredited registered nurse practitioner, will be the primary care provider during the evening clinic.

"We're excited about this opportunity to extend our service hours," said Hospital Administrator Rich Miller. "We know it is sometimes inconvenient to see the doctor during regular hours; we hope the Monday evening clinics will help meet a community need."

Weather

Forecast:

Tonight — Mostly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms in the evening then rain likely and isolated thunderstorms after midnight. Chance of rain 70 percent.

Saturday — Cloudy with rain likely. Highs in the mid 50s. Chance of rain 60 percent. **Saturday Night** — Partly cloudy with lows in the upper 30s.

Sunday — Mostly sunny and warmer.

Kingham report:

Tuesday Low 45, High 57, Prec. .50 Rain
Wednesday Low 54, High 73
Thursday Low 51, High 66, Prec. .50 Rain

(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

O God, thank you for your reconciling love. Help us to see that you love us in spite of our shortcomings and believe in us no matter what we do. **Amen**

Heart and soul



Norton's Sue Ann Stutheit (left) awed the crowd last Saturday at the Norton County Arts Council recital at the East Campus Auditorium. She started out with classical and then switched to a Norton Community High School Musical Medley, performing several tunes from musicals the high school has had over the years. Accompanying her was Jennifer Ruder on piano. After a brief intermission and a quick change of wardrobe, Sue Ann (above) switched pace, performing several jazz numbers with Eric Nevins on guitar. To close the show, she sang a little bit of gospel, once again with the accompaniment of Jennifer Ruder.

— Telegram photos by Veronica Monier

Voters will choose who stays, who goes

By VERONICA MONIER

Most of the people going to the polls Tuesday will have a choice in who they elect to office.

The general election will be held from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Voters in Norton, Clayton and Edmond will all vote at the Norton American Legion. In Lenora, voters will go to the Lenora Community Center, while in Alma, they will vote at the Alma City Office.

Two of Norton's incumbents for city

council have a race on their hands. Incumbents Elaine Mann, Ward II, and Kelly Gaer, Ward I, have competition. Charlotte Stephenson filed for the Ward II seat and Harriett Gill filed for the Ward I seat. Also filing for city positions were incumbents David Corns for mayor and Ron Briery for Ward III councilman.

Incumbents for three of the four open Norton School Board seats filed. Jennifer Terrell, position one; Mark Keilig, position two; and Chris Harting, position

seven, are running for re-election. Position three, covering Norton Wards I and II, is still open, but a write-in campaign is being run by incumbent Jeff Nielsen.

The City of Alma has someone running in all three open positions. Incumbent Gerald D. Wilson is re-running for mayor, while newcomers Kevin L. Largent and Christina Land filed for the two open city council positions. Jan Jonaitis is running a write-in campaign for the position of Alma mayor, while

Sandra Anderson is running a write-in campaign for one of the council seats.

The Northern Valley School Board also filled three of its four open positions. Filing were incumbents Doyle Baird and Gale Hays and newcomer Christopher L. Schemper. The position three, district two seat is still open.

In the City of Lenora, three incumbents filed for the three open positions. Raymond Heikes is re-running for mayor,

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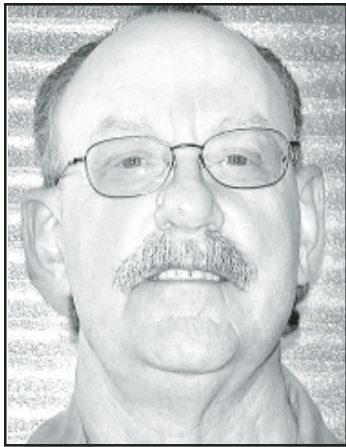
Election 2007

The general election for the Norton City Mayoral seat and the Norton School Board will be 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. next Tuesday at the American Legion.

There was no primary election in Norton this year and both the open mayor and school board positions only have incumbents run-

ning. David Corns is running for mayor, while Chris Harting, Mark Keilig, Jennifer Terrell and Jeff Nielsen are running for school board. Mr. Nielsen is running a write-in campaign.

Mrs. Terrell was out-of-town and unavailable for comment.



David Corns

With a total of 12 years on the Norton City Council — eight as mayor and four as a council member before that — David Corns is once again running for the office of mayor.

Mayor Corns is running unopposed, but that doesn't mean he's resting on his laurels. He pointed out that some of the improvements he's helped oversee include: •the waste-water treatment plant •the water treatment plant •the new animal control shelter •the new playground (Continued on Page 5)



Chris Harting

Seeking his second term for the Norton schools board of education, is Chris Harting.

Mr. Harting was elected to the school in 2004 and is proud of the accomplishments made by the board. He said he was glad to see the upgrade in teachers' salaries. Physical improvements he helped push through have been the roof repairs and new concrete at some of the buildings. Second

He said, "Serving on the school board (Continued on Page 5)



Mark Keilig

Mark Keilig has served two years on the Norton Board of Education and is seeking re-election for a second term.

Mr. Keilig said, "I think relationships between the school board and teachers is as good as it's ever been."

He said some of the recent improvements in the district have been resurfacing the track at Travis Field and re-sodding the football field. He said that the new sidewalks and loading zone at Eisenhower has been a definite safety (Continued on Page 5)



Jeff Nielsen

Jeff Nielsen has completed one term on the Norton school board and is running a write-in campaign, seeking a second term.

Mr. Nielsen said, "Norton has benefited from a great school system for a long time. The back bone of a great school system is great teachers. I want to do everything I can to support and encourage them."

He said, "The reality is — one of the main things that has to be done is to provide a quality education in a system that (Continued on Page 5)