

OBITUARY

Elton W. Bryant

July 30, 1916 - April 23, 2007

Elton Wayne Bryant, 90, died Monday at Norton County Hospital.

The son of Clarence Leo and Zoie (Cochran) Bryant, he was born July 30, 1916, in Norton.

He attended country school and graduated from Norton Community High School in 1936.

After graduation he worked at Foster Farms, Rexford, and the Rothschild Ranch near Norton.

On May 9, 1938, he and Elizabeth Janice McClelland were married.

He was a farmer until 1975, when his health caused him to retire. Mr. and Mrs. Bryant moved to Norton in November 1977. Recently, they made their home at the Whispering Pines Retirement Facility in Norton.

He was a member of the Almena Congregational Church, a member of the Almena Order of Eastern Star Bethlehem Chapter, and a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two infant sons; one infant daughter; one sister and brother-in-law, Bernice and George Sweeley; one brother, Carrol Bryant; one brother-in-law, Kenneth McClelland; and two sisters-in-law, Donna McClelland and Darleen McClelland.

Survivors include: his wife, Beth Bryant, Norton; one sister-in-law, Nadine Bryant, Mt. St. Helen's, Ore.; and one brother-in-law, Robert McClelland, Almena.

Funeral services were held today at Enfield Funeral Home with burial in the Norton Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established in his name. Contributions may be made to the Elton Bryant Memorial Fund in care of the funeral home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.

Woman to celebrate 90th birthday

Pauline Wagoner, LaGrange, Ill., will be honored at a dinner May 5 to celebrate her 90th birthday.

Pauline Allen was born May 5, 1917, in Lenora, the daughter of Leonard Allen and Bertha (Hayes) Allen.

She married Daniel Wagoner on April 5, 1936, in Hays. He died in 1998. She has been a resident of LaGrange since 1942 and is the senior member of First Congregational Church of LaGrange.

Her hobbies include genealogy and collecting thimbles.

Her children are Linda Lygrisse, Red Cloud, Neb.; Stephen Wagoner, Davenport, Iowa; Thomas Wagoner, Brookfield, Ill.; John Wagoner, Aspire in Bellwood, Illinois and James Wagoner, LaGrange



Pauline Wagoner

Park, Ill. She has 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Birthday greetings will reach her at 64 N. Park Rd., LaGrange, Ill. 60525.

Couple to wed June 16

Ashley Elizabeth Hunt, daughter of Harland and Marty Hunt, Blue Springs, Mo., and Tristan Fredrick Stoffregen, son of Fred and Roseanna Stoffregen, Whitewater, but formerly from Norton, are engaged to be married.

Miss Hunt graduated from Blue Springs High School and attended Truman State University, Kirksville, Mo., where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and a Master's degree in education. She is a math teacher with the Blue Springs School System.

Miss Hunt is the granddaughter of Bill and Faye Hunt, Butler, Mo., and the late Maurice and Susanna Robinson of Drexel, Mo.



T. Stoffregen and A. Hunt

Mr. Stoffregen graduated from Norton Community High School and attended Kansas State University, Manhattan. He works for Home Depot, Independence, Mo.

His grandparents are Twila Jones, Norton and the late Walter Jones and Evanda Stoffregen, Aurora, Colo., and the late Earl Stoffregen.

A June 16, wedding has been planned at Woods Chapel Church in Lee's Summit, Mo.

History tour scheduled for Decatur County stops

A history tour of Traer, Elephant Rock and Herndon will be held on Sunday, sponsored by the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission.

The group will leave The Gateway parking lot, in Oberlin, at 2 p.m. Car pooling or sharing rides is encouraged and there also will be some seats available in the county van.

The first stop will be at Rock Hill, an Indian battle site, followed by a visit to Connersville, the first townsite of Traer. At Traer, Jim Wesch will lead a historical discussion on the community. The group will then travel south of Traer to see Elephant Rock, then will meet at the Herndon Senior Center where a slide presentation

of early Herndon to the present time will be presented by Julie Hanna, in cooperation with Sharleen Wurm and the Decatur County Museum. A panel discussion about Herndon will also take place and input from the public is encouraged. There will be photographs and memorabilia to view of both Traer and Herndon. Refreshments will be served.

This is a season ticket event or cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students grades 7-12 for those joining the group at Traer and Herndon. There will be no charge for elementary school students accompanied by their parents.

Contact Ella Betts at 475-3557 or Mary Henzel at 470-0218.

Have a story idea? Call 877-3361 and let us know ... we'd love to hear about it!

Norton County Economic Development is providing FREE TRANSPORTATION to the USDA Housing and Energy Forum in Phillipsburg on May 2, 2007.

It will be limited to a first-come, first-served basis. We will leave from the Economic Development Office at 2:15 p.m., arriving by 3:00 for the Housing Segment and will return to Norton by 5:45 p.m. We will leave again at 6:15 p.m., arriving in Phillipsburg by 7 p.m. for the Energy Segment and will return to Norton by 10:15 p.m.

We may be stopping at Almena to pick up/drop off interested residents

If interested in transportation, please call the Economic Development Office at 785-874-4816

Municipal Court

There were no transactions reported this week from the offices of Municipal Court.

District Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the District Court clerk at the Norton County Courthouse. Traffic, criminal and wildlife parks cases are given to the paper when the fines are paid. Limited action and small claim cases are reported only after the defendant is served.

Traffic

March 15 — Craig P. Knapp, Norton, speeding 77 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$42, court cost \$66.

March 16 — Okey D. Holt, Hereford, Texas, motor carrier safety rules and regulations, 14 hour violation, fine \$42, court cost \$66.

March 23 — Randy D. Lucas, Mason City, Neb., speeding 79 in a 65 mph zone and failure to wear seatbelt, fine \$64, court cost \$66.

March 24 — Roberta L. Gitchel, Emporia, speeding 72 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$72, court cost \$66.

March 25 — John W. Haynie, Hoisington, speeding 77 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$42, court cost \$66.

March 25 — John W. King, Farmington, N.M., speeding 87 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$108, court cost \$66.

March 29 — William W. Dewey, Gem, speeding 78 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$48, court cost \$66.

March 30 — Todd Peter Casale, Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., speeding 85 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$90, court cost \$66.

April 1 — Gregory Joe Sproul, Edmond, speeding 81 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$66, court cost \$66.

April 11 — Joy L. Johnson, Norcatur, speeding 76 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$36, court cost \$66.

April 12 — Nelson, Antonio Zavala, Gainesville, Ga., failure to yield at stop or yield sign, fine \$60, court cost \$66.

April 15 — Curtis A. Moore, De Soto, speeding 76 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$99, court cost \$66.

Animal Shelter

For Adoption

Border Collie/Australian Shepherd puppies, 7 weeks old.

Boxer mix puppies, 12 weeks old.

Becker Scholarship awarded to Broeckelman

Nathan Broeckelman, a senior at Norton Community High School, has been awarded the \$500 Henry J. Becker Scholarship for the 2007-2008 school year. He plans to attend Kansas State University, Manhattan, where he will major in engineering.

Besides being active in football and wrestling all four years in high school, he participated in track for three years. He is the secretary/treasurer for his senior class, a member of the National Honor Society and a past member of Students Against Destructive Decisions. He is also active in the community, aiding both



Nathan Broeckelman

the elderly and youth.

He is the son of Jim and Tami Broeckelman, Norton.

Free well testing offered to detect contaminants

The Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group (NWLEPG) provides free water well testing for nitrates and bacteria. The agency encourages everyone with private water wells to have their

water tested due to the recent moisture and standing water. The snow melt and rains may have allowed contaminants to leach into wells. Contact the agency at 350 S. Range, Suite 4, Colby, Kan. 67701 or call 785-462-8636.

Foundation seeking nominations for the eight wonders of Kansas

The Kansas Sampler Foundation is asking for help to pick the Eight Wonders of Kansas. The "Also Ran Gallery" is in 19th place. Only the top 24 nominees will make it to an on-line voting forum in the middle of May. There is a flyer at the Norton Economic Development office available for anyone who would like to mail in their vote. To learn more about how to put Norton on

the map, go to www.kansasampler.org/8wonders.

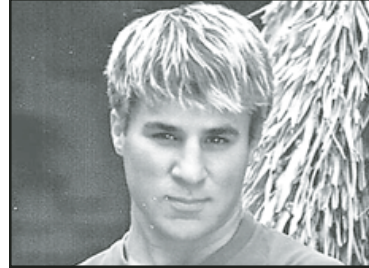
MARKETS

At close of business Apr. 26

Wheat	\$4.77
Milo	\$3.21
Corn	\$3.56
Soybeans	\$6.29

Norton senior awarded engineering scholarship

Michael Ward, son of Allen and Susan Ward, Norton, is the recipient of a \$500 engineering scholarship. This fall he will be attending the Northwest Kansas Technical College, Goodland, as a student in the Engineering Department.



Michael Ward

Michael won Best in Show and Grand Champion in the NWKTC Engineering Drafting Contest in the Pictorial, Hand-Drawn category. He is also receiving a \$100 departmental scholarship for the contest.

Michael is an active student at Norton Community High School,

participating in cross country, wrestling, golf and band. he also works at Garrett Plumbing and Heating and for the Prairie Dog Golf Course.

April 27 - May 2

Showing at the

NORTON THEATRE

FIREHOUSE DOG

1 Hour, 50 Minutes — (PG)
\$6.00 for Adults; \$5.00 for Children 12 and Under
Show Times: Friday and Saturday: 8 p.m.
Sunday: 5 p.m.; Mon., Tues., Wed.: 7 p.m.

ARE WE DONE YET?

1 Hour, 37 Minutes — (PG)
COMING SOON: •Firehouse Dog
•May 4-Spiderman 3
•May 18-Shrek The Third
•May 25-Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End

POPcorn

Let's go to the Movie

Movie passes accepted for both movies

Thank You

very much to the Norton community for your overwhelming support shown at the Don Peterson Benefit held last week at the Pamida parking lot

WE WOULD PARTICULARLY LIKE TO THANK:

- Husky Hogs
- Norton Shop and Save
- Norton Area Chamber of Commerce
- Pamida
- Norton Eagles Club
- KQNK Radio Station
- Pepsi and the many volunteers, friends and family members who helped cook and serve the food

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The Don and Karen Peterson Family