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Norton, Kansas Home of Bill & Connie Dale

# Briefly

## Kids hunt space aliens Thursday

Thursday night is "Space Alien Scavenger Hunt" night at the Norton Public Library. If you are a seventh through twelfth grader you are invited to join Fun Night at the library from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

## Vet and helper read at library

Dr. Sara White, D.V.M. and her assistant, Shannon Douglas, will present the lesson at 10:30 a.m. Thursday for the "Get A Clue at Your Library" Summer Reading Program. "Honey", the office cat and "Amos", Mrs. Douglas' dog, will be there to help Dr. White and Mrs. Douglas as they read, "Give a Pancake to a Pig, a Muffin to a Moose and a Mouse a Cookie".

## Carp shoot set for Saturday

The Norton Archery Club will be holding its 16th annual carp shoot from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 16 at Keith Sebelius Reservoir as a fund raiser for Norton County 4-H Shooting Sports.

Participants must be pre-registered by 8 p.m. Friday, June 15. For more information, call John Baker, (785) 877-3253; Pat Inman, (785) 475-2839; Randy West, (785) 877-5269; or R.D. Wait, (785) 871-0598.



Blast from the past

Tyler Montgomery took the Sunflower Pioneer Power Association's kid's after the parade Saturday. Tyler couldn't compete in the competition pedal power pull tractor out for a test drive before the actual event started because he is too old. Telegram photo by Veronica Monier

Association puts 'power' into annual show

**By VERONICA MONIER** 

"Saturday, we had as good a crowd as always be welcome.

Clare Wyatt of Hays won Best of Show In the automobile class, winning Best of Show plaques were Wayne and Lottie Wiltfong of Norton, 1966 Ford Mustang Fastback; Richard and Marcia Wiltfong of Norton, 1938 Ford pick-up; and Ryan Grammon of Blue Hill, Neb., 1926 Ford Model T.

### Alumni pictures can be sent in

If your class or school held a reunion over Memorial Day weekend, please send us a picture and information. The Telegram will publish these stories and pictures by the end of the month. Email your information, including a contact phone number to: cplotts@nwkansas.com.

### Weather

### **Forecast:**

**Tonight** — Mostly cloudy with a low around 65. Chance of precipitation is 70 percent. Wednesday — A 50 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 78. Wednesday night — A 40 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 59. Thursday — A 20 percent chance of rain. Partly cloudy, with a high near 80. Thursday night — A 20 percent chance of rain. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60.

### Kingham report:

| Friday                              | High 82, Low 42 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                                     | High 95, Low 50 |
|                                     | High 93, Low 65 |
|                                     | High 89, Low 60 |
| (Readings taken at the Kingham farm |                 |
| 9 miles northwest of Norton)        |                 |

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O God, teach us to see and appreciate the beauty that you create in each of us as your children. Amen

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A large crowd turned out to see how things were done in grandpa's time during the 27th annual Antique Machinery, Threshing and Power Show, held by the with the people.' Sunflower Pioneer Power Association last weekend in Almena.

Past-president Bob Underwood said this year's show went pretty well.

we've ever had," he said. "The weather was decent. We had the usual breakdowns tractors, cars and small engines. and only a few miss-ca-bobbles.

"As always, I really enjoyed visiting

Mr. Underwood said the volunteers and are always needed and new members will ner.

Best of show awards were given out for for his small engine.

Best of show winners for tractors on Saturday were Norman Wendel of Almena, 1943 WC Allis Chalmers; Brian and Angie Schick of Densmore, 1942 AR association members do a great job with John Deere; and Dave Leiding of Beaver the show. But, he said, more volunteers City, 1945 BR John Deere, overall win-

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# Warrant night going as planned

#### **By VERONICA MONIER**

vmonier@nwkansas.com The Norton Municipal Court's warrant night is doing what it's supposed to getting fines paid.

Municipal Judge Jerry Hawks told the Norton City Council last Wednesday that he issued 15 bench warrants for people who had not paid their fines the previous week. Of the 15, ten warrants were served and all ten people opted to pay their fines or have fine assignments, rather than going to jail. Of the remaining five, one is in Iraq, one is in jail in Hill City and one's brother came in and said he would pass the word

Judge Hawks said he planned on issuing warrants again and this time he will

be issuing to those who live in Almena, Lenora and other surrounding cities.

By the end of the month, he said he should know what can be collected and will turn the rest over to the city prosecutor

He said he's looking into a new idea for dealing with traffic misdemeanors. He said maybe starting the first of July, he'll have the officers keep drivers' licenses and issue temporary ones for in-state licenses. Then, when they pay their fines, they can have their drivers' licenses back. Something else will have to be done for out-of-state licenses.

He said the police did a great job for the first warrant night. Everything was very organized and they had a lot to do with In other business, the council:

 Received a check for \$16,735.97 from Jon Boxler, Boxler Insurance, on behalf of EMC Insurance. The city is a member of EMC's safety group, which has programs that include an attorney direct program, a risk improvement department, a video library for safety meetings, a single deductible for multiple vehicles damaged in the same accident, and the dividend program. The check was the city's share of the group's total of \$2,142,000.

 Granted the Norton Area Chamber of Commerce's request to have a beer garden during the Norton Car Show on July 13 at 112 S. First Street, pending their li-

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#### **By VERONICA MONIER** vmonier@nwkansas.com

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development wants to fund the city's water plant improvement project.

Dave Barber with Rural Development said the city has a \$6.5 million loan from the State Revolving Loan Fund, which will cover both phases of its water plant project. He said Rural Development would like the city to get a loan with them and use the money to pay off the state revolving loan.

If the city went with Rural Development, he said they would be getting a grant rates with the State Revolving Loan of just above \$1 million. Rural Development's loan would be on a 40year pay-back, which is the only way to get the grant that high, he said. The state

revolving loan is on a 20-year pay-back. before making a decision about the Rural He said the city could pay off the loan Development loan. early if it wanted to.

Councilwoman Elaine Mann said if it's a 40-year pay-back, they would be paying more interest, which would eat up the grant and then some.

Mr. Barber said that was one way of looking at it. But, he said there is a lower yearly payment with Rural Development.

The council asked Chris Miller with Miller and Associates, the city's engineer firm on the project, to put something together comparing Rural Development's Fund's rates, how much each would cost water users, and what the total interest paid would be for both loans.

The council wanted this information

In other business, the council:

• Approved two change orders in the manholes by the lagoon and a different type of water valve for the water plant project. Mr. Miller said the change orders would save the city about \$12,000 and would still meet state and federal specifications

• Approved a change order to use metal sheeting instead of tile for the roof at the sewer plant at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. The motion passed with a 5-1 vote with Councilman Ron Briery voting no. The money for the change order will come from a contingency fund made for change orders.

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# Lenora gears up for the annual Jubilee

#### **By VERONICA MONIER** vmonier@nwkansas.com

Three days of fun-filled excitement can be found in Lenora this weekend during the annual Lenora Jubilee

The Jubilee will start Friday night with a concert and will end Sunday with a gymkhanna.

The party will start Friday at 8 p.m. with a concert featuring Heartland Band, Emerson Drive and 3x7, an acoustic band, at Larrick Park. Tickets are available at www.lenorajubilee.com.

Saturday will be packed full for the festivities.

The day will start off at 7 a.m. with a city-wide garage sale throughout Lenora until 11 a.m.

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Family and Community Education will be having an antique show and sale at the Senior Center. The display this year is Angels and Bears. Bingo will follow at the Senior Center at 2 p.m.

Cars, trucks, tractors, horses and floats will be walking Main Street at 11 a.m. during the annual parade. A prince and princess will be crowned during the parade. A classic car show and an antique tractor

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