

Police Chief Bobby Annon showed his patrol car to Chance Kinderknecht, told his mother he dreamed of becoming a police officer. —Photo courtesy of Christina Schamberger

ng contests will be Norton head football coach Lucas Melvin, head volleyball coach Peggy Cox, head cross country coach Tom Hehn and head tennis coach Lisa Henderson.

## Meals program needs volunteers

Volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels are needed for this weekend, Sept. 15-16. If you can help, call Alice at Norton County Hospital, 877-3351.

Weather

### **Forecast:**

**Tonight** — forecast here. forecast here. forecast here. Thursday forecast here. forecast here. forecast here. Thursday night — forecast here. forecast here. forecast here. Friday forecast here. forecast here. forecast here. Friday night — forecast here. forecast here. forecast here. Saturday — forecast here.

## **Kingham report:**

Wednesday High 78.3	
Thursday High 68.2, Low 47.3	
Friday morning Low 45	
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm	
9 miles northwest of Norton)	

Prayer

Lord, when tragedy strikes, help those who suffer and those who are spared, that all may know you care. Amen

foreground, and his little brother, Coy. Chance, who just had surgery, had

# Almena boy gets wish with tour of cruiser

#### **By CAROLYN PLOTTS**

cplotts@nwkansas.com Chance Kinderknecht is no stranger to hospitals. The 7-year-old, a first grader at Northern Valley Elementary School, has undergone multiple surgeriesdue to a genetic disorder and faces more in the future. His parents are Terry and Stephanie Kinderknecht, rural Almena.

entrant wins

By DICK BOYD

longtime entrant in the Norton

Telegram's Pigskin Pick-Em Con-

test, was the only entrant in the second week of the 12 week contest to enter a perfect paper so will receive

Eighteen fans, however, battled it out for the second and third prizes by

just missing one game. Arizona

State defeated Colorado 33-13 in the tiebreaker game and Baylee Miller,

Norton, chose Arizona State by 35-

10, or just 5 total points off the scores of each team. Baylee will receive

\$10 in scrip as the second prize.

Baylee's only miss was the Ellis win

Two fans missed just one game

and were 6 points off on the

tiebreaker. Judges held a drawing

and David Riemann, Norton, won

third and \$5 in scrip money. Ri-

emann picked Arizona State over

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Randy Springer, Hoisington, a

Long-time

'Pick-Em'

the \$15 scrip first prize.

over Phillipsburg.

Before going into the operating room, of the little boy's fascination with law Chance told his mother he might dream enforcement and readily agreed to meet of someday becoming a police officer.

Mrs. Kinderknecht told him, "When we get home, and when you're feeling better, we will go see a police officer."

Children's Hospital in Denver, Colo. tion the two women had, the chief learned with him.

On Sept. 6, Chief Annon met Chance and his little brother, Coy, 3, at Elmwood Park. He showed the boys his vehicle, all Chance's aunt, Christina Schamberger, the equipment, the lights and the siren. He works with the Norton City Police Chief's let Chance sit in the driver's seat, place a Chance's last surgery was Aug. 27 at wife, Lydia Annon. Through a conversa- call over the radio and answered all the

questions he had.

Chief Annon gave the boys badge stickers, a packet with 911 information, a bicycle safety brochure and a booklet about police officers and strangers.

Mrs. Kinderknecht said, "Ihope Officer Annon realizes how much this meant to Chance. I cannot thank him enough for taking the time out of his day to give

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Treasure to be found along highway

#### **By TOM DREILING** tomd@nwkansas.com

Nearly 60 local businesses and individuals will be taking part in this coming weekend's second annual "U.S. 36 Treastretching across all 13 counties on the day with the high around 68. route from the Colorado line to the Missouri line.

The treasure hunt is designed to encourage travel on U.S. 36, and reports last year list of the participants: indicated in that respect the hunt was a

success. Those behind the endeavor ex- Gun Museum, Hwy. 36 E.), Fri-Sat, 8-6, pect nothing less this year.

The weatherman appears to be cooperating, with the Saturday-Sunday forecast Fri-Sat 8-6, Sun. 9-3. Multi-family sale, calling for mostly sunny skies with highs sure Hunt," a mammoth garage sale in the upper 70s. Friday looks to be a cool

The event runs from Friday, Sept. 14 through Sunday, Sept. 16.

In the immediate Norton area, here is a bags, scents (second location 3a).

1. Norton Rotary, 410 E. Holme (BB

Sun 9-5.

2. Moser's, 408 E. Holme (Hwy. 36 E.), camping and fishing equipment, trailer, tools, quilt scraps, etc.

3. Mystic Moonstone, 405 E. Holme (Hwy. 36 E.), Fri 8:30-5, Sat-Sun 9-3. Bath and body products, jewelry, hand

4. Decor & More, 415 E. Holme (Hwy. (Continued on Page 5)



Lee and Kathy Hardy sit a spell on the wide front porch of their stylish country home. The house is one of three on this year's Homes Tour sponsored by the Norton County Arts Council.

Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

# 'Dream home' on annual tour

#### **By CAROLYN PLOTTS**

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It took Lee and Kathy Hardy more than a year, working after hours and weekends, to build their dream home, but they did it. And, the results are stunning.

A general contractor himself, Mr. Hardy knew what he wanted in his home. He said, "We wanted to build something unique."

Completed in 2002, the home, in-(Continued on Page 5)