



One of the 23 teams at last Saturday's Trivia Night to benefit the Second Chance Homeless Pet society consulted with each other during one of the question rounds. Some of the team mem-

bers were from left to right, Jeff Nielsen, Sharon Schulze, Karen Glenn and Joan Hale.

— Photo courtesy of Linda Terrell

# Trivia helps dogs find good homes

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The Second Chance Homeless Pet Society raised some cash and had fun doing it Saturday night during its annual trivia contest.

Linda Terrell, a Second Chance volunteer, said they had 23 teams for the event, which is co-sponsored by KQNK Radio. Each team had to pay \$50 and had a maximum of eight people. She said before expenses, they raised close to \$1,500.

Throughout the night, the teams had to answer seven questions in each of the 10 categories. The categories were cartoons, history, entertainment, geography, music, sports, literature, television/movies, and two grab bags.

The team who answered the most questions right won \$50,

while the teams that lost round three and won round seven both received \$25. The team led by the Chestermans ended up taking home the \$50.

Julia Daffer won the 50/50 drawing to receive \$252. The money from the drawing came from the raffle ticket sales and was divided between Mrs. Daffer and Second Chance, she said.

Other prizes were two bikes, which came from the Norton Correctional Facility's Bikes for Youngsters program, that were won by Eric Witmer and Dennis Corbin; two t-shirts and model cars won by Linda Walter and Daryl Clark; an Endzone t-shirt won by Jenny Braun; a \$20 Pizza Hut gift certificate won by Linda Long; a \$25 Pamida gift certificate won by Jennifer Porter; Norton

Theatre passes won by Donna Millan; and an Attitudes gift certificate won by Jolene Nichols.

Ms. Terrell said the prizes were collected by Joe Annon and Charlene Eastin, who are friends of the Second Chance program.

Marvin Matchett was the Master of Ceremonies, while Second Chance volunteers ran the check-in table and were judges.

Second Chance, she said, is a non-profit organization devoted to helping abused and neglected dogs find good homes. The dogs are rescued from pounds and shelters, spayed and neutered and given immunizations, and then taken to the Norton Correctional Facility for socialization and training by selected inmate handlers. She said they charge a reasonable adoption fee, but most of their

money comes from trivia night and a few donations made throughout the year.

Ms. Terrell said they are looking into several other fund raising events, such as recycling printer cartridges and a pet walk.

All of the members of the Second Chance Homeless Pet Society are volunteers. They are Ms. Terrell, Terry Romey, Kathy Thibedeau, Betty Rossouw, Denise Deetleefs, Sandi Schultz, Ken Schultz, Sandy Ross, Deona Cook, Judy Sanders and Betty Terrell.

Deb Terrell, Kim Georgeson and Warren Harting also helped out for trivia night.

The next event Second Chance will be involved with is the Blessing of Pets from 5 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Elmwood Park.

# Prevention is the name of the game

(Continued from Page 1) Saturday. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., they will be serving hot dogs and soda. The proceeds from the drive will go towards new equipment for the department's new fire truck.

Chief Otter said everyone needs to be aware of fire safety.

"It's fall harvest and hunting season," he said. "Things are dry and so people need to be cautious when driving through fields."

Chief Jones said the cooperation and working relationship of the area emergency personnel is excellent.

"The emergency services in the area are the best in the country I think," he said. "Everyone needs support."

Members of the Norton City

Fire Department are Chief Jones, Captain Cameron Archer, First Lieutenant Kyle Jones, Second Lieutenant Shawn Gosselin, Safety Officer/Treasurer John Hanlon, Kirk Nuzum, Curt Luehrs, John Baker, Larry Enfield, Lee Russell, Steve Otter, Shawn Mortensen, Jeff Wolf, Terry Smothers, Flint Griffin, Steve Reedy, J.B. Carlton, Jason Dial, and Andy Enfield.

Members of the Norton County Rural Fire Department are: Chief Otter, Assistant Chief Ed Witt, John Baker, Jason Dial, Shawn Gosselin, Flint Griffin, Michael Pfannenstiel, Steve Reedy, Mike Wente, Jeff Wolf, Monty Skrdlant, Floyd Maulding, John Annon and Tim Boteler.

# Former baseball player shares ideas with Lions

Steve Jeltz, former professional baseball player, spoke to the Norton Lions club at their Oct. 2 meeting.

Mr. Jeltz told the club how he was recruited in the 1980 June draft and at age 21 he became a member of the Philadelphia Phillies. He played in Philadelphia for nine years before he was traded to the Kansas City Royals where he played for one more year.

Mr. Jeltz said, "I only have one speed — and that's 110 percent." He said after 10 years of playing ball his body began to suffer from the wear and tear. He added that nowadays he has to get up a little earlier than he used to "just to get things going".

Mr. Jeltz told the club that he helped with the summer Legion baseball team. "They are good

kids," he said. "They just needed a little discipline." He said by the time the summer season was over, the team had turned around.

He told the club that he was in favor of including baseball as a spring sport at Norton Community High School.

Mr. Jeltz, now of Norton, is a general contractor. He is buying a farm south of Norton and said the people of Norton

have been very welcoming to him. In other business the members:

- Learned Pancake Day will be Oct. 27
- Learned the Big Brothers Big Sisters Pass It On Recreation Day at the lake will be Oct. 29.

The next meeting will be at noon, Oct. 16 at the Norton American Legion.



Steve Jeltz

# Oberlin man elected association president

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He told the group that newspapers need to get more involved with the Internet as a way to serve their customers and preserve their place as the prime local news source in their towns.

Later, Mr. Haynes said the president's job will keep him on the go this year. He noted that Mr. Tidwell made 25 trips during his term, about one every two weeks, to talk at state press conventions and attend other meetings. Already, he said, the group has meet-

ings scheduled in Missouri, Nicaragua, Washington, D.C., New Mexico and Minnesota. It advances publishers' interests with the U.S. Postal Service and with Congress, dealing with all federal issues, and helps members with management, insurance and circulation issues.

He said he's planning to visit Colorado, Kansas, South Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, Mississippi and New England for starters, but the calendar has just begun to fill.

"Cynthia and I will be on the road a lot," the new president said, "and we're going to miss being home in Kansas this year, but this is a tremendous honor and a great opportunity for service."

The couple, who have lived in this area for 14 years, have three children, daughters Felicia and Lindsay, who live in Augusta, Ga., and son Lacy, Lawrence. Lindsay and Bradley Blake plan to be married Saturday.

# Area road work wrapping up

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Harold Schleicher, area engineer for the department of transportation, said the asphaltting will begin today and will take about a day and a half to do. Because it's a four lane section of highway, he said, they will probably leave lanes of traffic open to travelers, but could also possibly use

flaggers.

People should be prepared to slow down, Mrs. Brands said.

Mr. Schleicher said the asphalt project should be a short one and is expected to go smoothly.

After that, he said all that remains on the Oberlin project is pavement markings and clean-up, which is expected to be done next week.

# Nex-Tech receives Mark Trail award

The National Weather Service in Goodland recently honored Nex-Tech with a Mark Trail Award. Ryan McClung, Nex-Tech Mobile Radio Supervisor, accepted the award at a ceremony on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., on June 21.

The Mark Trail Award program honors individuals and organizations that use or provide NOAA Weather Radio receivers and transmitters to save lives and protect property. Nex-Tech was recognized for its work in maintaining weather and emergency information in Graham, Norton and Phillips counties following the major blizzard that moved through Kansas Dec. 28-30, 2006.

On Dec. 30, local emergency response teams discovered that the 400-foot NOAA Weather Radio transmitter (WWF87) tower in Lenora, collapsed due to the weight of ice. Further, the building that housed the transmitter was damaged. Despite snowdrifts over four feet deep, a team of radio technicians led by Ryan McClung erected a temporary tower and a shelter to house the transmitter on Jan. 5. Though the tower was only 50 feet high, the transmitter signal was strong enough to be heard in the communities of Hill City, Lenora and Norton. Without this temporary solution, the transmitter would have been off-air for eight to twelve weeks.

The dedication of Nex-Tech technicians to provide citizens of Northwest Kansas with critical weather information was exemplary, the weather service said. Citizens were able to hear critical weather warnings and advisories

about several subsequent winter storms due to Nex-Tech's efforts. Nex-Tech went well beyond what is normally expected to assist the NWS with disseminating important information that helped save lives and protect property.

"With this award, we recognize Nex-Tech for its important contribution to protect the lives and property of residents in this region," said Scott Mentzer, Meteorologist in charge of NWS in Goodland. "Whenever danger threatens, whatever the hour, NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards can provide those extra minutes of warning in situations where minutes can save lives."

Nex-Tech, a subsidiary of Rural Telephone, Lenora, has offices in Dodge City, Great Bend, Hays, Norton, Phillipsburg, Plainville, Salina, Smith Center and Stockton. Nex-Tech offers a full line of voice, data, and mobile radio communication products and services to schools, government, residential and commercial clients.

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**Come see the plans for the new park! Monday, October 8, 2007 - 7:30 p.m.**

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There is a \$50 registration fee to attend this conference. Norton City/County Economic Development is offering (3) \$50 scholarships. If you are interested in receiving a scholarship to attend this conference or want more information about the conference, please contact Diane Becker or Vera Grysch at the Economic Development office by Tuesday, October 9. Call 785-874-4816, or visit [discovernorton.com](http://discovernorton.com)

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