

# OBITUARIES

## Edna Paden

Feb. 5, 1916 - Oct. 22, 2007

Edna May Paden, 91, died at the Norton County Hospital in Norton on Monday.

She was born the daughter of George and Bertha (Phelps) Grabhorn on Feb. 5, 1916, in Fort Dodge, Iowa. She grew up in Blue Rapids and attended the schools there.

On Nov. 19, 1938, Edna and Luther Paden were married in Marysville. They made their home on the farm in Densmore, before moving to the farm northwest of Norton. Mr. Paden died in 1985.

Mrs. Paden enjoyed sewing (she made all her own clothes), clipping coupons, hand writing recipes, collecting and dressing dolls.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; seven

brothers, Earle, Theodore, Norris, Cliff, Donald, Arch, and Dale; and two sisters, Donna Fay Grabhorn and Ruth Owen.

Survivors include two children, Dennis Paden, Norton; and Cheryl and Rodney Bates, Oakley; one sister, Flora Dene Grabhorn, Norton; four grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held today at Enfield Funeral Home in Norton. Burial was in the Norton Cemetery.

A memorial has been established with the Andbe Home Activity Fund. Contributions can be sent to the Andbe Home, 201 W. Crane, Norton, Kan. 67654 or in care of Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.

## Kelly Jo Stalder

Nov. 15, 1980 - Oct. 22, 2007

Kelly Jo Stalder, 26, of Reno, Nev., formerly of the Miller and Beaver City area, died Monday in Reno from an automobile accident.

She was born Nov. 15, 1980 in Gothenburg, Neb., to Rodney and Linda (Province) Stalder.

She grew up in the Miller, Neb., area, spending some of her younger years in Beaver City. She graduated from Sumer Eddyville Miller (S-E-M) High School with the Class of 1999. She was active in volleyball, track and basketball while in high school. Following graduation, she moved to Reno, then later to Wellington, Utah. She returned to Reno in 2002 and worked for Pevco Manufacturing for two years. In 2004, she started to work for Vidtek Company, a surveillance camera repair company, and worked her way up to management.

She attended the Christian Church in Miller.

Ms. Stalder was preceded in death by her grandfather, Gail Province, and an aunt, Diane Gewecke.

Survivors include her father, Rodney Stalder, Moab, Utah; her

mother, Linda Province, Alma, Neb.; a sister, Jessica Lang, Hastings, Neb.; a nephew, Logan Lang, Hastings, Neb.; grandparents, Jerry and Leo Stalder, Stamford, Neb.; and Sherley and Orvin Stevens, Gothenburg, Neb.; a half-sister, Amanda Landwehr, Hays; and a half-brother, Jonathan Landwehr, Beloit.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday at First Presbyterian Church in Beaver City with Pastor David Harder officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery in Beaver City.

Visitation will be until 8 p.m. tonight (Friday) at Wenburg Funeral Home in Beaver City and prior to services Saturday at the church.

A memorial has been established to the Epilepsy Foundation. Contributions can be sent in care of Wenburg Funeral Home, 709 9th Street, Beaver City, 68926 or can be left during the church service.

Condolences or personal reflections can be left at [www.wenburg-funeralhome.com](http://www.wenburg-funeralhome.com).

## Norman N. Stockham

June 14, 1938 - Oct. 23, 2007

Norman Neil Stockham, 69, Norton, died Tuesday at Norton County Hospital.

Mr. Stockham was born in McPherson on June 14, 1938, the son of Lloyd C. and Maurine M. (Peterson) Stockham.

Growing up on a farm near Conway, Kansas, he played a great deal of baseball, fished, helped family and neighbors with farming. He graduated from McPherson High School in 1956 and Kansas State University in 1960, where he was an active member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

He worked as a national bank examiner in Kansas City, at the First National Bank in Topeka, and the State Bank of Meriden in Meriden for many years.

He moved to western Kansas in 1998 to become President of Almena State Bank, from which he retired.

Mr. Stockham was quite active in his sons' lives as a coach and fan. He was active in his communities by serving as a school board member for many years in Meriden and two terms as officer and volunteer for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Norton. He was a member of the Almena United Methodist Church. He enjoyed fishing, gardening, refinishing antique furniture, K-State sports, blues music, and spending time with family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant brother, Gerald Wayne Stockham.

Mr. Stockham is survived by his wife, Trudy, Norton; two sons, John Christopher Stockham and fiancée, Melia Johnson, Lawrence; and Dr. Chad Eric Stockham, Washington, D.C.; two stepdaughters, Nikole and Nathan DeWitt, Inman; and Amanda and Lyle Davidson, Delphos; his step-mother, Jeanette (Wilke Geiman) Stockham, McPherson; the mother of his children, Pauline (Tharman) Stockham, Shawnee; one sister, Diane K. Mattingly and companion, Larry Dooley, Kearney, Miss.; one brother, Steven L. and Marcia Stockham, St. George; two step-sisters, Janet and Larry Helms and Jackie and Fred Bohnenblust, all of McPherson; and four step-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday at Enfield Funeral Home in Norton. Burial will be in the Oberlin Cemetery in Oberlin.

Visitation will be from until 8:30 p.m. tonight (Friday) at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Almena Community Building Fund and Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Norton. Contributions can be sent in care of Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.

# Development director talks about China trip

Diane Becker wore a different hat Tuesday when she spoke to the Norton Lions Club.

Miss Becker is more known for being the new director of economic development in Norton County or Bernice Becker's granddaughter. However, this day she was a world traveler and shared her experiences as a student in China.



Diane Becker

In July of 2005, Miss Becker was accepted for a one month scholarship to Beijing, China from Fort Hays State University where she was a pre-law student. She eventually, spent an entire year in China before returning to Kansas in June 2006.

She said she worked in Beijing in the embassy district, eventually passing the second tier of a three-tier testing program for the Chinese language. In fact, she helped the club members learn how to say, "Hello" in Chinese: "Knee-How".

Miss Becker said there were cultural differences, but also a lot of similarities. She said the Chinese people are very family-oriented and being humble is an important trait, as is "saving face". She said Chinese men are very shy and everyone was very polite. She said she was treated very well.

She said the people are becoming more and more westernized. She recalled talking with a Chinese girl who told her she envied her life as an American.

She did not spend much time outside the cities, but when she did, she noticed the Chinese farming practices are much dif-

ferent than they are in America. She said, "The quality of life is very different in the rural areas. They are still farming with horses or man-power."

Another discrepancy was in the pay scale. Miss Becker said as an English tutor she earned \$25 an hour, but a factory worker would only earn \$1 a day.

Medical care in China has two sides: socialized and private.

There is a lot of pressure to get into the better schools in China. Admission is based on test scores.

The tourist attraction that most impressed Miss Becker was the summer palace used by the old dynasty rulers. She saw Tiananmen Square and was very touched by its historical significance. The Great Wall also made her list of interesting places, especially when she saw parts of the wall that had not been restored for tourists.

She said the food was amazing, but she quickly learned not to clean her plate as that was a signal to her host to pile on more food. She said each year has a food delicacy and the year she was there it was fish brains. As the honored guest she was fed the dish many times and said, "It wasn't bad."

In other business the club learned:

• Pancake Day will be from 6 to 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Norton Senior Center.

The next meeting will be Nov. 6 at the Norton American Legion.

# PUBLIC RECORD

## Municipal Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the Norton Municipal Court. The traffic and criminal cases were given to the paper with the date of the hearings.

### Traffic

Oct. 18 — Kaid McKenna, Norton, exhibition of speed and violation of age restrictions, plead not guilty, trial set.

### Criminal

Oct. 18 — Ciri Eagleburger, Hoxie, misdemeanor theft, continued to consult attorney.

Oct. 18 — Billy Tallent, Norton, dog running at large, no tags. Ordered to show proof of dog license purchase, fine \$25, court cost \$70.

Oct. 18 — Joseph LeClair, Norton, minor in possession of tobacco, continued to consult attorney.

## 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

July 5 — Jason L. Forgy, Topeka, driving while suspended, 1st conviction, fine \$100, court cost \$66.

Aug. 21 — Debra R. Sigwing, Norton, speeding 76 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$36, court cost \$66.

Aug. 26 — Chelsie M. Worth, Littleton, Colo., speeding 73 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$30, court cost \$66.

Sept. 11 — Richard D. Maurer, Gothenburg, Neb., motor carrier safety rules and regulations, failed to use seat belt, fine \$100, court cost \$66.

Sept. 11 — John A. Peterson, Alma, Neb., over weight limits on wheels and axles, 2,100 lbs tandem axle, fine \$105, court cost \$66.

Sept. 11 — Ryan T. Stock, Reasna, Iowa, motor carrier safety rules and regulations failure to wear seat belt, fine \$100, court cost \$66.

Sept. 15 — Amanda N. Schellhamer, Norcat, connecting and safety equipment of towing vehicles, fine \$30, court cost \$66.

Sept. 16 — Jorge Turrubiates-Torres, Hastings, Neb., speeding 76 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$36,

court cost \$66.

Sept. 17 — John E. Kruse, Seldon, defective tail lamp on motor vehicle and connecting and safety equipment of towing vehicles, fine \$60, court cost \$66.

Sept. 19 — Steven T. Redeker, Long Island, speeding 78 in a 65 mph zone and failure to wear seat belt, fine \$78, court cost \$66.

Sept. 23 — James L. Horn Jr., Medicine Lodge, speeding 75 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$30, court cost \$66.

Sept. 26 — Shane R. Baird, Long Island, speeding 75 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$30, court cost \$66.

Sept. 26 — John J. Ford, Bertrand, Neb., speeding 76 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$36, court cost \$66.

Sept. 30 — Georginna Staples, Golden, Colo., speeding 76 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$36, court cost \$66.

Oct. 1 — Valerie C. Wagoner, Lenora, speeding 87 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$108, court cost \$66.

Oct. 1 — Darren L. Wentz, speeding 81 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$66, court cost \$66.

Oct. 2 — David M. Snyder, Evergreen, Colo., speeding 75 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$30, court cost \$66.

Oct. 5 — Roy A. Proctor, Topeka, speeding 78 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$48, court cost \$66.

Oct. 6 — David L. Zom, Augusta, speeding 75 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$30, court cost \$66.

Oct. 7 — Betty J. Parker, Halton, Texas, speeding 86 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$99, court cost \$66.

Oct. 7 — Kevin L. Meinen, Austin, Texas, speeding 82 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$72, court cost \$66.

Oct. 11 — Cheryl L. Keller, Wakeeney, speeding 78 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$48, court cost \$66.

Oct. 11 — Donald R. Burge, Norton, speeding 75 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$30, court cost \$66.

Oct. 16 — Alexander, Lester, Hatevilla, Ariz., speeding 78 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$48, court cost \$66.

## Animal Shelter

### Found

Female black and white kitten with green collar. Pizza Hut parking lot.

## MARKETS

At close of business Oct. 25

|               |        |
|---------------|--------|
| Wheat.....    | \$7.52 |
| Milo.....     | \$3.29 |
| Corn.....     | \$3.33 |
| Soybeans..... | \$8.74 |

## BIRTH

### Shane Michael Kennedy

Dustin and Mandi Kennedy, Lakewood, Colo., are the parents of a son, Shane Michael Kennedy. He was born Sept. 17 weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces.

Grandparents are Doug and Jeniece Schemper, Long Island

and Thomas and Bev Kennedy, Silver Lake.

Great-grandparents are Mabel Dole, Norton; Wauneta Schemper, Long Island; Robert and Hazel Kennedy, Soldier; and Don and Dottie Richard, Topeka.

## READERS

— Bozie's Barber Shop is reopened. 10/26

Duplicate Bridge met at Norton Manor on Oct. 24 with three tables present. First place, Myron Veh and Jerry Moritz; second place, Norman Walters and Claudia Bridges.

## Food package orders due Nov. 5

The deadline to order a Prairie Land food order is Monday, Nov. 5. To order call the Norton Senior Center at 877-5352, or Lois Schrum at 874-4410.

The November Prairie Pak contains 1 pound of lean ground beef, 1 pound flounder fillets, two 8 ounce Schwan's pepperoni pizzas, 1 pound lean breakfast sausage, 20 ounces of Chicken Cordon Bleu, 12 ounces of Philly sandwich steaks, potatoes, onions, sweet potatoes, celery, oranges, apples, bananas and festive pie. (Items are subject to change.) The November Prairie Pak costs \$21.50 plus two volun-

teer hours.

A Holiday Pak may be purchased for \$24.50 plus two additional hours of volunteer service. It contains a 4 to 4.5 pound gold foil turkey breast, plus the vegetables, fruits and pie in the November Prairie Pak.

A meat only package may be purchased for \$12 plus one additional hour of service. The fruit and veggie package is \$10 plus one additional hour of service.

There is one November "Special", which contains a 6 to 6.5 pound honey cured ham. It costs \$18 plus one hour of volunteer service.

Showing at the

# NORTON THEATRE

## The Game Plan

2 Hours, 0 Minutes (PG)  
Movie Show Times: Fri. & Sat.: 7 and 9:05 p.m.  
Sunday: 5 and 7:05 p.m.; M-T-W at 7 p.m.

### Mr. Woodcock

1 Hours, 38 Minutes (PG-13)  
Both Movies General Admission  
Admission Prices:  
\$6.00 Adults  
\$5 Kids 12 & Under

**COMING SOON: Nov. 2-Bee Movie (PG) - Premiere**  
*The Seeker: The Darkness is Rising*

# HONOR ROLL

## Northern Valley Honor Roll

### Junior High First Nine Weeks

Eighth Grade — Ashley Constable, Cassie Field, Daniel Field, Melissa Hawks, Gunnar Hays, Austin Herman, Kenzi Husted, Tyler Montgomery, Kynzie Stevens  
Seventh Grade — Erika Chandler, Haley Graham, Regan Simpson, Sheila Stillion, Alex Tharman

### Honorable Mention

Eighth Grade — Calen Bach, Caitlyn Hale, Dillon Hogan, Nate Land, Zane Miller, Kelsey Raburn, Katie Stillion, Sarah Whitney, Kellie Whittenburg  
Seventh Grade — Tyson Callaway, Patience Coffman, Phillip Compton, McKinsey Evans, Brittanie Larison, Daniel Lentz

Halloween Trick or Treaters at the **Andbe Home** 10/31 5:30-7 p.m.

## Fall Festival at the Andbe Home

# Monday, October 29

5:30-7:00 P.M. Soup Supper - \$6.00  
Chili or Chicken Noodle with Apple Pie and Ice Cream

Program by Residents - FREE  
Ageless Aerobic Arena

QUILT DRAWING — \$1.00 PER TICKET

Irish Chain Quilt - Made by Residents  
Afghan - Made by Pauline Goeken • Quilted Pot Holders

Proceeds go to the Activity Fund of the Andbe Home