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Cookies to help local food bank

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The Norton Telegram is turning Christmas cookies into a good cause.

With help from The Sewing Box and The Norton Theatre, *The Telegram* is sponsoring the first ever Christmas Cookie Contest as a fund raiser for God's Pantry.

The contest will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 5 at *The Telegram* office, 215 S. Kansas Ave.

Anyone can enter the contest with as

many different types of cookies they want. The cookies just need to be home-made. Each entry will cost \$5 and will need to be at *The Telegram* by 10 a.m. on Dec. 5. Each entry also needs to have at least two dozen cookies, so that there are plenty for the judging.

Judging will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. that day with the public as judges. Anyone can vote and can do so as many times as they want, either for an individual cookie or for multiple cookies. Each vote is 25 cents and the cookie that

raises the most money wins.

All proceeds from the contest will go to God's Pantry.

"People in this community are generous and this is a way for them to have fun doing it," said Elaine Mann, a volunteer with God's Pantry.

The makers of the top three cookies will each be given prizes.

The first place cookie maker will receive an apron embroidered by Kay Strevey, a 2007 Taste of Home Cookbook and four tickets to The Norton Theatre.

The second place cookie will earn its maker a Taste of Home Chocolate Lover's Cookbook and four tickets to The Norton Theatre.

The third place winner will receive four tickets to The Norton Theatre.

Telegram staff will also be collecting canned and non-perishable food for God's Pantry at that time.

So, break out your best cookie recipes and join us for the first ever Christmas Cookie Contest and don't forget to come vote for your favorites.

Norton, Kansas Home of Bob Madden

Briefly

Students out early for parade

All Norton students will be dismissed at 1 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 12 to allow students and employees the opportunity to watch and participate in the Veterans' Day parade. Buses will run their normal routes at the 1 p.m. dismissal time.

If the parade is cancelled due to inclement weather, school will not be dismissed early.

Library opens for kids only

The Norton Public Library will host a Pajama Night for preschoolers through second graders from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday. Although the Library will be closed during the day to honor Veterans' Day, it will be open just for the children during that time. There will be special activities to celebrate Children's Book Week and the third annual Kansas Reads to Preschoolers.

Sheriff Troy Thomson will read the featured book for the event which is "Do Kangaroos Wear Seatbelts". Cindy Mordecai will be doing action songs and music, and Joanna Chesterman and Children's Librarian Mary Luehrs will be leading the craft time. Cookies and milk will be served. Children and adults attending are welcome to wear their pajamas and slippers and bring a favorite stuffed animal.

Calendars show historic Almena

"Remembering the Historic City of Almema" calendars are on sale now for \$10 each. Each month features a historic picture from around the city. All proceeds will benefit the Community Improvement Plan of Almema.

A great gift idea! Purchase yours today at the following locations: Almema State Bank in Almema or Norton: Rita's Beauty Salon; Body Essentials Beauty Salon; and the Almema Senior Citizens Center.

You may also have your calendar shipped or mailed for the cost of the postage. For more information, call (785) 669-2846.

Weather

Forecast:

Tonight — Partly cloudy with a low around 40. **Saturday** — Partly sunny with a high near 68. **Saturday Night** — Partly cloudy with a low around 41. **Veterans Day** - Mostly sunny with a high near 71. **Sunday Night** — A 20 percent chance of rain after midnight. **Monday** — A 20 percent chance of rain.

Kingham report:

Tuesday Low 21, High 48
Wednesday Low 27, High 70
Thursday Low 30, High 69
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

God of infinite love, thank you for your unchanging love for and faithfulness to your creation. Help us to wait humbly in your presence for your will to be done in us and through us.

Amen



This year's Fall Play, "Let's Hang Him and Read the Will" will be performed Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. by the Norton Drama Club. Rehearsing their lines are left to right, Cyndie Milnes, Alex Thomas, Stephanie Shepard and Cherean Kendell.

— Photo courtesy of Joan Hale

Troupe prepares for performance

The Norton Community High School Drama Club is busy putting the finishing touches on this year's Fall Play, entitled "Let's Hang Him and Read the Will".

Beautyrest Springs' most prominent (and hated) citizen, F. Mycroft Tanner, did himself in. At least, that's what Sheriff Harold Tyred reports, in between his visits with the maid, who was also seeing the gardener, who is sweet on the reporter, who really wants the inside scoop on Mycroft's death (and his rather plush will).

It is up to fat-cat attorney, Lamar Lee Rascal, to unravel this tangled web. He is distracted, however, by his run-in with Mycroft's daffy sister, who he left at the altar some 25 years ago.

If you think it's all too confusing, wait until two people show up claiming to be the same long-lost daughter, the murdered maid's sister puts in an appearance and a tour guide starts bringing groups through the scene of the crime. This riotous spoof is full of soap opera-isms and will keep you guessing until the last suspect you suspected is no longer a suspect.

"Let's Hang Him and Read the Will" will be performed twice. (Continued on Page 5)

Winter weather becoming part of life again

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We are at that time once again when winter weather warnings and advisories become a part of life.

That said, David Floyd, Warning Coordination Meteorologist at the National Weather Service at Goodland, has provided *The Norton Telegram* with the meanings of those all too familiar advisories and warnings.

There are 27, including precipitation definitions. Readers may want to clip this out and tape to their refrigerator door. When they hear on radio or television a certain warning or advisory being issued, a glance at the fridge door will provide some detail.

Here is the list:

√**Blizzard warning** — Sustained or frequent wind gusts of 35 miles per hour or more, and falling or blowing snow, and visibility below 1/4 mile for at least 3 hours.

√**Blowing Snow Advisory** — Blowing snow, occasionally reducing visibility between 1/4 and 1 mile, with sustained winds less than 35 mph.

√**Snow and Blowing Snow Advisory** — Falling and blowing snow, occasionally reducing visibility between 1/4 and 1 mile with sustained winds less than 35 mph.

√**Heavy Snow Warning** — Snow accumulations of 6 inches in 12 hours, or 8 inches in 24 hours, either imminent or

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Veterans invite all to be in honor parade Monday

The Norton American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars will be holding the annual Veterans' Day Parade at 2 p.m. Monday in downtown Norton.

Everyone is invited to have an entry. All churches, civic organizations, youth groups, fraternal and sorority organizations, college alums, area school bands and school organizations, horses and saddle clubs, antique autos and tractors and other personal entries are encouraged.

Parade entrants will begin lining up anytime after noon at East Campus, on State Street and Woodfield. If the weather is nice, line up will be outside,

but if it is cold, it will be inside in the gym foyer.

All veterans are invited to march in the Marching Veterans group. This includes all past and present military personnel, active duty, reservist and National Guard. Vehicles will be available for those who can't march and would like to ride through the parade.

Festivities will also include an open house at the Legion post home after the parade and a potluck dinner at 6 p.m. that evening at the Legion. The public is invited.

For more information, please call Jake Durham at (785) 877-2400.

Crafters showing wares at five locations Saturday

Norton is going to be a crafty place this Saturday, Nov. 10, as the town holds its annual Norton Arts and Crafts Fair.

The Norton County Arts Council will have vendors in both the National Guard Armory, on U.S. 283 north of U.S. 36, and the 4-H Building, 126 Park Ave. Hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission, which allows access to both locations, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 12 and under. There is no admission charge for arts council members.

The Norton County Genealogical Society will have exhibitors at Eisenhower

Grade School, 1100 Eisenhower, three blocks west of the armory, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is no charge and a lunch stand will be available.

The Norton American Legion, 1102 N. Norton, also has vendors signed up for Saturday's craft fair and will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge and a food booth will be available.

Norton's Senior Citizen Center, 208 West Main, will have exhibitors from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. A lunch stand will be available. Admission is free.

Veterans' Day closes a few businesses

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Veterans' Day is Sunday, Nov. 11, but will be officially recognized on Monday. It is a day to pay tribute to the memory of the men and women of the armed forces who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country. It is also a day to honor the men and women who have served in the military.

Norton is one of the few remaining towns to have an official Veterans' Day Parade. It will be held Monday, beginning at 2 p.m. If you would like to have an entry in the parade, call Jake Durham, 877-2400.

Some businesses will be closed Monday; some will be open, while others will have a modified schedule.

Banks

All Norton County banks will be closed for the national holiday

Service Stations

Countryside Sales and Service will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. First Stop convenience store will be open from 5 a.m. to midnight and Love's and Norton Total will both be open their regular 24 hours a day.

Grocery Stores

All county grocery stores will have a regular operating schedule. Jamboree and Norton Shop and Save will be open from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m.; Almema Market from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Country Corner in (Continued on Page 5)