



Twin bull calves (above) were born Saturday at the Norton Animal Health Center, winning their owners, Edwin and Edward Johnson, the first calf of the year contest. The calves were delivered by Dr. Aaron White (below). — Photos courtesy of the Norton Animal Health Center

## Twins are first calves born in 2008

By VERONICA MONIER  
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The Norton Animal Health Center took an old contest and made it into something new — the first calf of the year contest.

The animal center decided to shower the first people who had a live calf birth in 2008 at the health center with congratulations and a calving kit.

On Saturday, they were able to give away the kit to Edwin and Edward Johnson from the Lenora area, who brought in their cow about to give birth. The Johnsons received double congratulations as their cow birthed twin bull calves.

Both the calves were healthy and probably weighed around 70 pounds each, said Dr. Aaron White, who birthed the calves. The first calf, born at 2:10 p.m., came out backwards, but the second calf, born at 2:20 p.m., came out front first.

The calving kit included an obstetrics chain, and obstetrics handle, obstetrics sleeves, gloves, cotton gloves, needles, syringes, a calving book, iodine spray, a Norton Animal Health Center hat, a coffee mug, and Mountain Dew, to help them stay awake during calving season.



## Norton Community High School Students of the Month for November 2007

### Diedre Kramer



Parents: Mary Vanover & Erik Kramer  
Grade: Freshman

#### Nominating Staff Members

— David Will, Kevin Jilka and Brenda Mann

"Diedre Kramer always has a smile for everyone. She is very dedicated to being as good as she can be. With some gained confidence and assertiveness I'm sure she will demonstrate leadership capabilities in the near future. She is also very dependable."

— Mr. Will

"Diedre is a very studious person. She works hard in the classroom and is very courteous."

— Mr. Jilka

"Diedre is a good student, helpful to other students, independent yet cooperative, works hard and wants to be successful."

— Mrs. Mann

#### Factoids about Diedre

- Favorite Class: Band
- Favorite Drink: Root Beer
- Favorite Color: Lime Green
- Favorite Food: Fried Chicken
- Favorite Movie: Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy
- Favorite Saying: "In the cookies of life, friends are the chocolate chips"
- Favorite Song: "Resurrection" by The Misfits
- Favorite Hang out: Going to the movies with my friends.
- Personal Hero: Captain Underpants
- Future Plans: Go to Germany after high school.

### Andrew Black



Parents: Kevin & Tami Black  
Grade: Senior

#### Nominating Staff Member

— Erin Hill

"Andrew always goes above and beyond in and out of the classroom. He never hesitates to help out his peers in English, and he is ALWAYS going the extra mile during KAYs. We can always count on him during KAY events, especially concession stands, when he comes early and stays late to help out! Because of these reasons, I feel Andrew should be this month's student of the month!"

— Ms. Hill

#### Factoids about Andrew

- Favorite Class: Accounting I
- Favorite Drink: Pepsi
- Favorite Color: Yellow
- Favorite Food: Steak
- Favorite Movie: Ladder 49
- Favorite Saying: "Everything happens for a reason."
- Favorite Song: "Apologize by Timberland"
- Favorite Hang-out: The Library
- Personal Hero: My father
- Future Plans: Go to Hutchinson Community College for Business Management.

## Residents need to watch for snow routes

By VERONICA MONIER  
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With several more months of winter weather to face, Norton residents should keep in mind the city's emergency snow routes.

City Administrator Rob Lawson said they usually enact the emergency snow routes when there is four to six inches of snow. If it is a wet, sticky snow, they will start clearing the streets immediately, he said. Otherwise, it depends on the current conditions and the upcoming weather.

When the emergency snow routes are enacted, he said they use several different methods to let people know they need to move their vehicles off the streets, including the reverse 911 system, announcing it on the radio, and having the sheriff's department use the cable television paging system, which is what is used Monday evenings for the emergency tests at 6 p.m.

The emergency snow routes

include — Second Street from Power Plant to Armory Drive; West 250 feet of Horace Greeley Ave.; East Lincoln through 600 block from Wabash; East Main through 600 block from Wabash; West Lincoln to West Street from Second Street; West Street to Armory Drive from West Lincoln Street; West Wilton Street to Sunset Drive from West Street; Sunset Drive to 36 Highway from West Wilton; West Crane to Kennedy from West Street; Kennedy to Armory Drive from West Crane; Armory Drive to Highway 283 from Kennedy; West Crane Street to Eisenhower from West Street; Eisenhower Drive to Armory Drive from West Crane; West Crane to Highway 283 from Eisenhower Drive; West Woodfield to Sun Street from West Street; North Jones to Highway 36 from West Waverly; Waverly to Norton Ave. from Jones; Norton to Highway 36 from Waverly; Sun Street to Highway 36 from

Woodfield; and Main Street from Second to Case.

All streets on the emergency snow route are marked as such.

Vehicles should also be moved from the following streets (the primary snow routes) upon request: Washington to State from Second Street; Washington to Wabash from State Street; First Street to North from Washington Street; Main to Wabash from Second Street; Lincoln to Wabash from Second Street; Kansas to North Street from south railroad track; Norton to Lincoln from Washington; and Wabash to Lincoln from Washington.

Mr. Lawson said the emergency snow routes will have the snow removed first and then, if there is the time and need, the primary snow routes will be cleaned. After that, crews will begin on the rest of the city's streets.

For more information on the snow routes, call the city office at (785) 877-5000.

## Wildlife, parks to hold meeting about deer disease

By KIMBERLY DAVIS

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks plans to hold an informational meeting on chronic wasting disease at The Gateway in Oberlin next week, after confirmed reports of the disease in three white-tailed deer harvested this past hunting season.

Bob Mathews, with the department, said Lloyd Fox, big game project leader and Ruby Mosher, wildlife disease coordinator will both talk at the public meeting at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 6 at The Gateway.

The meeting was scheduled after three confirmed cases in white-tailed deer harvested here was released at the beginning of the month. All three deer were killed along the Sappa Creek, north of Oberlin.

There are about 600 more samples from northwest Kansas left to be tested. Last month a confirmed case of chronic wasting disease was reported by the Nebraska

Game and Parks Commission in Red Willow County.

According to information from the department, chronic wasting disease is fatal to infected deer and elk. The progressive disease causes small holes to develop in the brain. That results in decreased brain function, which means the deer or elk can show signs of depression, a droopy head, staggering, loss of appetite and even a lack of response to humans. That continues into weight loss, drooling and excessive thirst.

The department asks hunters to continue getting deer tested for the disease and asks them not to take deer carcasses away from the area where they lived, especially ones taken in areas where chronic wasting disease has been confirmed. It also suggests not dumping the carcasses where deer or elk can come into contact with the remains, but instead having them double-bagged and taken to a landfill, since the disease can be transmitted by contact with a dead

animal or from the soil.

Mr. Mathews said at the meeting department officials will discuss what will happen from here and some of the background on the disease in Kansas. They will also answer questions.

Two years ago, he said, when there was a confirmed case of the disease in Cheyenne County a department biologist went into the county and in five days took two to three dozen deer, which were all tested. That will probably happen in Decatur County.


Although the three confirmed cases were all in white-tail deer, any deer can contract the disease and both white-tail and mule deer will be harvested for testing.

Typically, said Mr. Mathews, the biologist will concentrate on the area within a 20 to 25 mile radius of where the three deer were taken during the hunting season.

Mr. Mathews said the department encourages hunters to attend the informational meeting.


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