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Norton, Kansas
Home of Dave Ashley

Briefly

Regulations meeting canceled

The Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) meeting about interstate transportation regulations, scheduled for Monday, Feb. 11 in Norton, has been canceled until further notice. The KCC notified the Norton County Treasurer's office on Thursday that, because of legislation, they have decided to cancel all of the informational meetings planned dealing with federal regulations being enforced with farm trucks hauling grain to the elevators and shipped out of state; commercial driver's licenses; driver qualifications; safety requirements; U.S. Department of Transportation numbers and markings, weights and scales; barter exchange; farm use tags and more. The other meetings in the Northwest Kansas area have also been cancelled.

Rotary replans soup supper

The Norton Rotary Club will be holding its second scholarship soup supper from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12. The supper will be held in the Norton Community High School cafeteria during the Norton vs. Hoxie basketball game. Chicken noodle soup, vegetable beef soup, chili, home-made cake, coffee and tea will be served. The cost for adults is \$4.50 and for children under 12 is \$2.50. The soup supper was originally scheduled to be held during the Norton vs. Oberlin game, but has been rescheduled due to the weather.

Ventriloquist performs Sunday

The Norton County Arts Council is sponsoring a performance by ventriloquist David Malmberg at 7 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 10 at East Campus Auditorium. In addition to being a ventriloquist, Mr. Malmberg is also an accomplished guitarist, singer/songwriter and composer. Admission to the performance is free to council members; \$8 for adults; \$4 for high school and junior high students; \$1 for children 12 and under; and reciprocity tickets are \$4.

Weather

Forecast:

Tonight — Partly cloudy with a low around 18. **Saturday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 44. **Saturday Night** — Mostly cloudy with a low around 10. **Sunday** — Partly sunny with a high near 34. **Sunday Night** — Mostly cloudy with a low around 17. **Monday** — Partly sunny with a high near 41.

Kingham report:

Tuesday Low 18, High 34, 9" Snow
Wednesday Low 2, High 32
Thursday Low 19, High 40
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Lord, forgive me for attempting to hold you to my schedule. Open my eyes to the many ways you touch my life throughout the day. **Amen**



Mary Jo Montgomery (above) carried re-fill plates for friends during Thursday's Customer Appreciation Pancake Day at the Norton American Legion. Helping serve drinks in the background were Scott Sproul, Marlene Lewis and Steve Herra. Dan Lauer helped flip and serve the cakes. A professional "flipper" from ChrisCakes (left) helped serve hundreds who showed up for the annual pancake day. — Telegram photos by Carolyn Plotts

Community flips for appreciation pancake day

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The annual Customer Appreciation Pancake and Sausage Day brought out more than 1,000 people to eat thousands of flapjacks and sausages and drink gallons of coffee and juice.

Every year several area businesses sponsor the free meal served by "Chris Cakes" the Pancake Man who flips pancakes in front of your eyes and serves up a hearty meal along with a good time.

With help from the staff of sponsoring businesses, hungry crowds were quickly served.

Several businesses had tables with information about their services or products. Each table had registration boxes for door prizes to be given away.

The free meal was sponsored by Kansasland Tire Co., McMullen Real Estate, Prairie Land Electric, McMullen and Wyatt Auctions, United Northwest Federal Credit Union, Norton Auto Supply/Carquest, Rural Telephone/Nex-Tech, KQNK Radio AM-FM, Bridges Group Insurance, Norton Shirt Company and Stoves and More.

To learn more about "Chris Cakes" go the company's website at: www.chriscakes.com.

Norton council ready to 'Paint the Town'

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The Norton City Council is all about painting the town.

City Code Inspector Jeff Wolf said Wednesday that the "Paint the Town" program would allow homeowners who met income requirements to receive vouchers for up to \$250 worth of paint, in order to paint the outside of their homes.

He said he made a few changes to the

program's guidelines, including adding that it is only for the exterior and homeowners are only eligible once every five years, and changing all paint colors to say a variety of colors.

The cost to the city is being capped at \$2,500, he said.

Councilman Jerry Jones said he had a gentleman come to him with a reasonable complaint — that the money for this is coming out of the city's general fund and tax dollars are being used to pay for

it. Mr. Jones said it was okay for the first year, but that maybe they should look into grants to pay for it in the future.

Mr. Wolf said he had spoken with the four paint suppliers in town, who he had given bid packages. He said he was including the paint used by Parks and Public Safety departments in the bids as well so that they could get a better rate by buying it in bulk. He said the supplier who had the best bid would be where the vouchers were good for. However,

he said, this doesn't include things like paint brushes, rollers and other supplies and that people could buy those where ever they wanted. He also said the city was not responsible for the set up, painting or clean-up — that was the responsibility of the homeowner.

As for how many homeowners could do this, he said he was looking more at the money cap than saying only 10 people could do it this first year. Some houses, (Continued on Page 5)

Republicans gathering for caucus

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It's been 20 years since Kansas has held a presidential caucus.

Saturday will see 64 GOP presidential caucuses held in 61 counties.

If you are a registered Republican you may vote at any one caucus in your Congressional District, but it does not have to be in the county where you live. Each Congressional District must have at least one caucus, but there is no maximum number of caucuses that can be held.

The Norton Caucus will begin signing in registered Republicans at 8:30 a.m., (Continued on Page 5)



FFA member Cody Smith, a freshman at Norton Community High School, gave Jamboree Foods shopper, Shauna Robison, a free loaf of bread in recognition of Food Check-Out Day. — Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

Shoppers go home with a little extra

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More than a hundred Norton County shoppers went home with something extra in their grocery carts Wednesday, courtesy of Norton County Farm Bureau and local grocery stores.

In recognition of National Food Check-Out Day, Jamboree Foods and Norton Shop and Save each gave away about 50 loaves of bread and Almema Market and Country Corner in Lenora both picked a lucky shopper to receive a \$50 gift certificate. (Continued on Page 5)