THE NORTON TELEGRAM

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By DARLENE MCEWEN Resident Resource Coordinator

The Christmas season at the Andbe Home was ushered in with the Busy Beaver's 4-H Club helping set up the Christmas trees and decorating the Activity Room. I am sure it is listed as a Community Improvement Project for their club. As the Resident Resource Coordinator, I didn't care what it was called because they were so much help! There were three families here, the Chris Harting's, Craig Hager's and Wade Ambrosier's. In that one morning, all 13 trees were set up and "fluffed", the banners, snowflakes and stars hung in the activity room and the moveable stage re-covered with new carpet. The 4-Her's were very kind and patient with residents. What a wonderful project and a wonderful beginning to Christmas.

As the Christmas season was winding down, the fifth and sixth grade students from Eisenhower Elementary School came to give the program for the December birthday party. It was a service project arranged by teacher, Bonita Slipke. When Mrs. Slipke called, she wanted the students to bring something to the residents. She suggested a hand towel or a toothbrush. Both of those items are pretty much covered here but a new calendar for each resident was not. I asked the children to bring calendars and decorate them as they wished. Mrs. Slipke ran with that idea and students began to gather calendars and list their birthdays and special days on it.

Dec. 21, was the date of the party and 120 fifth and sixth graders invaded the Andbe Home Activity Room. At first it sounded like a big undertaking but both Mrs. Slipke and I thought it could happen and the Andbe Home Administrator was all for it. The students were chaperoned by several teachers, helpers, Mrs. Morel and Miss Stutheit. They sang Christmas Songs for a few minutes. Then it was time to break the ice. Three residents were selected to be the fifth grade team members and three were selected to be the sixth grade team members. The fifth grade team residents were Catheryn Leiker, Evelyn Johnson, and Marjorie Drommer. The sixth grade team residents were Twila Henry, Helen Roach, and Lola

Brack.

What happened next was totally unexpected as two fifth and sixth graders joined with their residents! The students were handed a new roll of toilet paper and told to wrap the three residents up in it. The first team to have an empty roll would be the winner! At first the students were pretty slow but with a little "whoopen and holleren" from everyone, they got with the program and wrapped pretty fast and furiously. The fifth grade team won! (But really we all were winners.) Another game was played with students doing the Mexican Musical Chairs that got pretty serious at the end. The sixth grade won that game.

It was a sight to behold as all 120 students gave calendars to the residents. The residents attending the party were so pleased with getting to meet and be greeted by the students. There were 11 residents who were not able to attend the party. I took 22 students to deliver calendars to these folks. In the hallway, I explained that these people were ones who were unable to attend the party due to lots of reasons and that most would not seem to acknowledge the greeting or the giving of the calendar. All of those 22 students listened closely as I explained further that I didn't know what these residents were really thinking but that the greeting they gave might be the only one they heard this Christmas Season. I said, "It might be this moment they could hear or understand what they were saying and not any other time." I asked them to wish them Merry Christmas and leave the calendar with them. I don't have trouble with a lot of emotional times here but as I watched these students comprehend what I said and then watched them deliver the calendars, I had tears that didn't want to be controlled. Some of the students gave tender touches, some whispered to residents and all were very grown up.

I just wish all of Norton could have been here to see students and residents interact. It was truly, "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year!" If you are a parent of a fifth or sixth grade student, you should be proud! If you are a teacher, helper or involved with the school system, thank you! If you are a fifth or sixth grader know that you are appreciated.

The paper you read

Worship At The Church Of Your Choice This Week

NORTON FIRST UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH** The Rev. Lew Van Der Wege, Pastor

Friday, February 8, 2008

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804 W. Wilberforce, Norton SUNDAY – 8 a.m. Early Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Worship Service Family Fellowship hosted by Livelys and Pattersons

2:30 p.m. Disciple Bible Study

6 p. m. Movie Night "Flywheel'

MONDAY — 6:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY - 8 a.m. Prayer Group

6 p.m. Finance

6:30 p.m. Confirmation, Board of Trustees, Education Work Area

7 p.m. Chancel Choir

8:15 p.m. Bell Choir

THURSDAY – 10 a.m. Comnunion at Whispering Pines 1:30 p.m. United Methodist

Women 6:30 p.m. Disciple Bible

Study

SATURDAY – 7 a.m. United Methodist Men

EDMOND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH The Rev. Lew Van Der Wege

SUNDAY - 9 a.m. Worship Service

CHURCH Georgia Briery, **Senior Warden** 102 E. Waverly, Norton SUNDAY - 9:30 a.m. Chris-10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer;

3-4 p.m. God's Pantry, Don

CROSSROADS CHURCH 313 West Lincoln Street Pastor Terry Laughlin Phone: 877-2416

2 miles east and 3 miles north of Prairie View The Rev. Jeffrey Van Der Weele 973-2794 SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

REFORMED CHURCH

REDEEMER **EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH** Pastor Timm O. Meyer

SATURDAY - 1 p.m. Worship Service at Norton Correctional Facility SUNDAY -7 a.m. "Time of Grace" on FOX-TV

9:05 a.m. "Goodness From the Good Shepherd" Radio Broadcast, KQNK 106.7 FM & 1530 AM or www.kqnk.com 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and LWMS and Mens' Meetings 12 p.m. Worship at Norton Correctional Facility 1:35 p.m. Confirmation Class TUESDAY - 5:45 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Bible Study at Norton **Correctional Facility** WEDNESDAY - 7 p.m. Lent-

en Worship Service NORTON CHRISTIAN

CHURCH Jeff Nielsen, Minister **Mike Sander, Youth Minister** e-mail: ncc_office@sbcglobal.

net 208 N. Kansas, 877-2871 SUNDAY - 8 a.m. Early Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Worship Service noon Fellowship Dinner 1 p.m. Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Ignite MONDAY — 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study WEDNESDAY - 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast at Pure Prairie 9 a.m. Prayer and Fellowship 6:15 p.m. AWANA, TREK THURSDAY - 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Women's Valentine

Luncheon for all Women of the

SATURDAY - AWANA Ouiz

Church

3:45 p.m. Christ for Kids 5:15 p.m. Choir 6 p.m. Soup Supper 7 p.m. Worship 8 p.m. Confirmation

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ALMENA Kirk Kasson, Pastor e-mail: congo@ruraltel.net SUNDAY – 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Church Services 6 p.m. Bible Study at Kim and Kirk's

7 p.m. Teens For Christ TUESDAY - 7:15 a.m. Teen Women's Discipleship

WEDNESDAY - 3:30p.m.Good News Club THURSDAY - 7:15 a.m. Teen Men's Discipleship

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC **CHURCH, LOGAN**

Father Ben Saw SUNDAY – 8:30 a.m. Mass MONDAY - 5:30 p.m. Mass

FIRST CHRISTIAN **CHURCH OF LOGAN Pastor Troy Buss** SUNDAY - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Church services WEDNESDAY – 7 p.m. Bible Study

CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor Ray Gilstrap

669-2554 SUNDAY - 10 a.m. ChurchSchool 11 a.m. Worship Service, Choir

LENORA CHURCH OF GOD Pastor Maurita Lymer 785-567-4459

SUNDAY - 9:45 a..m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

THURSDAY - 7 p.m. Evening Bible Study

NORTON SEVENTH DAY **ADVENTIST CHURCH** 105 S. Case Street Pastor Marion Miller

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LAT-**TER DAY SAINTS Phillipsburg Ward Tom Arnett, Bishop** SUNDAY – Regular ser-

vices TUESDAY — 7 p.m. Co-Ed Volleyball

WEDNESDAY -7 p.m. Primary Activity Night. All children invited.

LOGAN UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH** The Rev. Dean Gilbert 303 W. Church, 689-4350 SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Fifth Sunday song service

FIRST & THIRD WEDNES-DAYS - 6:30 p.m. UMYF SECOND WEDNESDAY

 1:30 p.m. United Methodist Women THIRD WEDNESDAY -

7:30 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting

UNITED PARISH OF LENORA The Rev. Gary Dudder 140 E. Iowa, 567-4420 SUNDAY – 9:30 a.m. Social Hour

10:30 a.m. Worship Services

LYLE UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH Guest Speakers Each Sunday** SUNDAY — 8 a.m. Worship Service

MAPLE GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN Kyle Douglas 9 miles west

4 1/2 miles north of Norton SUNDAY - 10 a.m. Sunday School

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11 a.m. Worship Service 4th Tuesday, Women's Fellowship

3rd Sunday, Noon, carry-in dinner

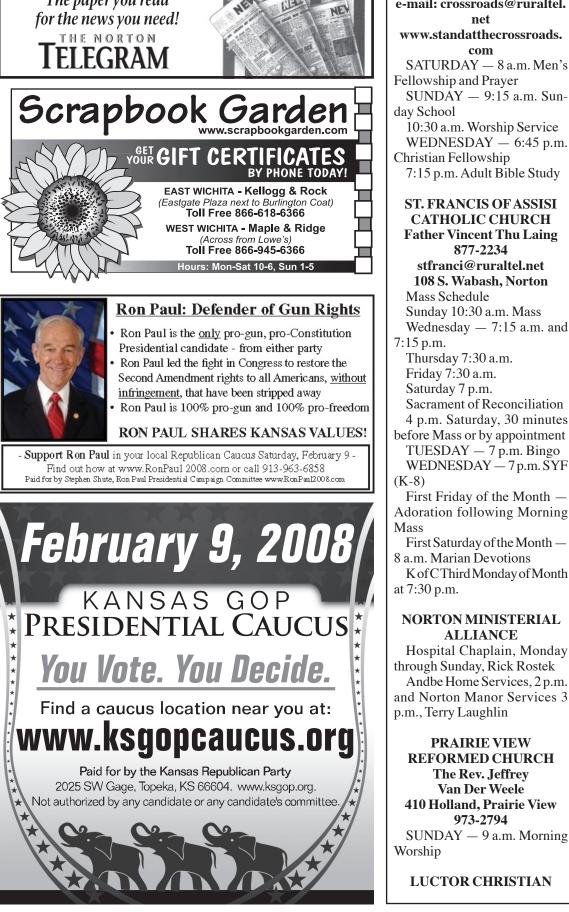
TRINITY EPISCOPAL

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11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour Host, Alberta Slaby

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net Bowl www.standatthecrossroads. FIRST CHURCH OF GOD com SATURDAY – 8 a.m. Men's **Pastor Terrill Worthington** 1010 Churchill Dr. Fellowship and Prayer SUNDAY - 9:15 a.m. Sun-877-2181 SUNDAY – 9:15 a.m. Time of 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Prayer (Adults) WEDNESDAY - 6:45 p.m. dren in kitchen) 7:15 p.m. Adult Bible Study ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI **CATHOLIC CHURCH Father Vincent Thu Laing** 877-2234 Parsonage stfranci@ruraltel.net 108 S. Wabash, Norton Worship Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass Wednesday -7:15 a.m. and **Team Practice** Thursday 7:30 a.m. God Sacrament of Reconciliation 4 p.m. Saturday, 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment TUESDAY — 7 p.m. Bingo CHURCH WEDNESDAY - 7 p.m. ŠYF First Friday of the Month -877-2430 Adoration following Morning School, Bible Class First Saturday of the Month -10:30 a.m. Worship 8 a.m. Marian Devotions KofCThirdMondayofMonth Shirk's Council NORTON MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE Pastors - Kensington Hospital Chaplain, Monday through Sunday, Rick Rostek Bible Study Andbe Home Services, 2 p.m. 2 p.m. Andbe Home and Norton Manor Services 3

9:30 a.m. Time of Prayer (Chil-9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 6 p.m. Choir Practice 7 p.m. Evening Service WEDNESDAY – 6 p.m. 3D at 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study, King's Kids, Jr. High and High School Spring 8 p.m. Committee Meetings, 2nd THURSDAY of each month - 7 p.m. Women of the Church of 3rd SATURDAY of each month — 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast **IMMANUEL LUTHERAN** The Rev. Rick Rostek 814 N. Second, Norton SUNDAY - 9 a.m. Sunday6:30 p.m. Bible Study at MONDAY - 7 p.m. Church and Praise Service TUESDAY – 9:30 a.m. Circuit Meeting WEDNESDAY - 9:30 a.m.



SATURDAY SERVICES -9:45 a.m. Church Services 10:45 a.m. Sabbath School

LONG ISLAND UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH The Rev. Dean Gilbert 554 Washington, 854-7626 SUNDAY — 11 a.m. Morning Worship FIRST SUNDAY — 12 noon Fellowship Dinner 1 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting FIRST WEDNESDAY -2p.m. United Methodist Women's Meeting in Fall, Winter and

NORTON FIRST **BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Charles Ross** 112 S. Archer, 877-5214 SUNDAY — 11 a.m. Worship Service

6 p.m. Evening Service WEDNESDAY - 7 p.m. Mid-Week Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

LIVING HOPE **FELLOWSHIP** One mile south of Norton at corner of PDRA road **Pastor Jerry Cummings** 877-2426 SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Worship TUESDAY - 10 a.m. Prayer WEDNESDAY - 7 p.m. Youth and Children's Programs 7 p.m. Adult Home Bible Study

stjoseph@ruraltel.net **Father Vincent Thu Laing** SUNDAY — 8:30 a.m. Mass FRIDAY and MONDAY -8 a.m. Scripture Communion Service Weekday Mass Tuesday 8:30 a.m. ALMENA UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH Pastor Ray Gilstrap 669-2554

SUNDAY - 8:30 a.m. Worship

WEDNESDAY - 7 p.m. Bible Study in Fellowship Hall TUESDAY and THURSDAY - 9 a.m. Vita Band Exercise Class, Everyone Welcome

7 p.m. Bible Study at Grace Reeves

HENDLEY/WILSON-VILLE **UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES** The Rev. R.L. Malchow 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Hour 1st and 3rd Sundays, Hendley 2nd and 4th Sundays, Wilsonville Coffee Fellowship after service 3rd Thursday U.M.W.

WILSONVILLE UNITED **BAPTIST CHRISTIAN CHURCH** Minister, Keith Theobald SUNDAY – 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship and Communion

1st Thursday, B.C.W. 9 a.m.

NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor Ray Gilstrap

693-4519 SUNDAY – 10 a.m. Worship Service MONDAY -7 p.m. Bible Study at Fellowship Hall

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