



Emily Scott served cake to the patrons of the Java Jive Sunday afternoon. The students who performed in Java Jive also served drinks and cakes.

—Telegram photo by Brandy Leroux

Red Flag Rule explained to city council

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City Administrator Rob Lawson reported to the Norton City Council about the Red Flag Rule, a measure cities can take to protect themselves from identity theft. Mr. Lawson said the Federal Communications Commission will make this mandatory by Nov. 1.

New city utility customers could be required to provide proof of identity, such as a driver's license, and proof of address. Councilman Toby Kuhn said, "I think this is a great idea. With identity theft on the rise, whatever steps the city can take would be helpful."

The city council approved the implementation of the Red Flag Rule.

Mr. Lawson reported that the new playground equipment at the swimming pool is finished, Cooper Energy Services will be fixing pump #8 at the power plant, pumps have been replaced at the sewer plant, and electronic waste will not be picked up during the

city wide clean up. Mr. Lawson said there is too much paperwork that goes with picking up each piece of electronic equipment. He said people can take their electronic waste to the landfill for free and fill out the paperwork there.

Mr. Lawson also reminded the council of the upcoming open house at the new water treatment plant, which will be held on Friday, Oct. 24, starting at noon. Mr. Lawson decided to close the city office during the open house so the office employees can go as well.

Councilwoman Kim Snyder thanked the Child Study Group for their donation to the parks projects, and reported about a complaint she had received from a local business owner.

The complaint was about competitors coming to town and selling the same stock the business owner sells in his shop. Mayor David Corns said they can legally sell their stock in the city if they get a permit.

Mr. Lawson said the city council could vote to raise the permit rates,

which are now \$25 to sell for one day or \$50 for a year, meaning a person could sell whenever they want during that year, for as many days as they want.

Councilman Ron Briery told the city council he has noticed city employees wearing their seat belts, and wanted to thank them for their efforts.

Councilwoman Donna Foley, chairwoman of the public works committee, said they reviewed the curb and sidewalk restoration policy, and no changes were recommended; the main trash truck will be going in for repairs; 37 gallons of paint were purchased for the "Paint the Town" project; and she attended a meeting with economic development on dairy farms.

Mr. Kuhn, public safety committee chairman, said the bunker gear for the city fire department arrived, and the fire trucks passed their annual pump tests at the swimming pool.

Bills were paid, and the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Pick-Em: Deadline is 5 p.m. Friday

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lentine, Morgan Baumann, Lacy Keilig, all of Norton.

This week's entries
The eighth week's entries must be postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday and received in the mail no later than Saturday or you may bring them to *The Telegram* office before 5 p.m. on Friday.

See the Pick-Em page advertisement in today's *Telegram* for this week's high school and college

games.
The fan who picks the most winners during the 12-week contest will receive \$50 in scrip money plus an engraved trophy.

Scores of last week's games were:
Colorado 14, Kansas State 13
Nebraska 35, Iowa State 7
Oklahoma 45, Kansas 31
Texas 56, Missouri 31
Boston College 28, Virginia Tech 23

UCLA 23, Stanford 20
Norton 53, Ness City 14
Northwest Missouri State 56, Fort Hays 7
Thunder Ridge 48, Hill City 42
Victoria 56, Logan 8
Golden Plains 34, Northern Valley 16
Phillipsburg 31, Thomas More Prep 6
Ohio State 45, Michigan State 7

Area county begins Whistle Defense program

Sherman County Neighborhood Watch and the Goodland Police Department are initiating a new defensive program for the county.

The "whistle defense" community safety program was introduced at the women's self-defense course in March, said Judy McKee, Neighborhood Watch coordinator; interest has continued, so the program will now be spread throughout the county.

Special emphasis will be given

in October, she said, in recognition of National Crime Prevention Month.

The program aids police in deterring or preventing crime in neighborhoods, as well as provides a tool for residents to call for help if lost, sick, or injured, she said — it is safe, non-violent and when carried on a key chain, cannot be used as a weapon against you.

The whistle defense program consists of three phases, McKee

said, including the distribution of the whistles, getting people to carry them at all times and public education.

The whistle is a shrill, loud high quality brass whistle manufactured by the American Whistle Corporation in Columbus, Ohio, McKee said.

The Whistle Defender signals your need for help, frightens away someone who means you harm or alerts neighbors to call the police she said.

Norton kids to cast votes

Nearly all of the Norton Schools students will get a chance to vote on Nov. 4 for President, United States Congress, State Representatives and Norton County Commissioners.

Kids Voting Kansas, the sponsoring organization, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan grassroots organization dedicated to educating Kansas students about the rights, responsibilities and process of participating in democracy.

About 230,000 students statewide are expected to "vote" at official polls as part of Kids Voting Kansas.

"We did this four years ago, and it went remarkably smooth," said Bill Johnson, U.S. Government teacher at Norton Community High School. "I was very surprised."

Starting Monday, Oct. 13 and ending Thursday, Oct. 16, the students participated in a "straw poll" on their classroom computers.

Republican candidates John McCain and Sarah Palin received 353 votes, Democratic candidates Barack Obama and Joe Biden received 179, and Independent

candidates Ralph Nader and Matt Gonzales received 55 votes.

The students have received lessons in their classrooms on the voting processes and the candidates. The students of Mr. Johnson's class — seniors — have gone to Eisenhower Elementary to share the Presidential candidates' stances with the students.

Kindergarten through third grades will get "limited ballots" which will only have the Presidential and Senatorial candidates, and pictures of all candidates will be on every ballot for the students.

Fourth grades and up will vote for President, United States Congress, State Representatives and Norton County Commissioners.

On Nov. 4, the students will be bused to the American Legion building in Norton to cast their ballots. An area has been specially set aside for the students to vote and Mr. Johnson's students will be the "poll workers."

"We want to encourage parents to get involved, talk about the candidates, their policies and stances, with their students; even taking your kids with you when you go to vote helps," said Mr. Johnson.

The results of the students' voting are expected by 10:30 p.m. on Tuesday Nov. 4.

Results will also be available Nov. 5 on the Kids Voting Kansas website, www.kidsvotingkansas.org.

Get your Halloween needs from Norton's merchants

•PUBLIC NOTICE• NORTON COUNTY EMS FACILITY INVITATION TO BID

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INVITATION TO BID
Sealed bids will be received by Norton County, Kansas at the Norton County Clerk Office, in the Norton Co. Courthouse, 105 S. Kansas, PO Box 70, Norton, Kansas 67654, for construction of:
NORTON COUNTY EMS FACILITY
NORTON, KANSAS
Until 11:00 a.m. local time on the 10th day of November, 2008.

Copies of the Drawings, and other contract documents are on file and available for inspection at the office of BG Consultants, Inc., 4806 Vue Du Lac Place, Manhattan, Kansas 66503, Telephone No. (785) 537-7448, Fax No. (785) 537-8793, Norton County Clerk's Office, 105 S. Kansas, PO Box 70, Norton, Kansas.

General Contractors may obtain a complete set of the Contract Documents by sending a cash payment of Eighty-Five Dollars (\$85.00) along with a written request for said set of Documents ADDRESSED TO: BG CONSULTANTS, INC. 4806 Vue Du Lac Place, Manhattan, Kansas 66503. This process will be used to obtain additional sets of plans and specifications. This is a non-refundable payment.

The amount of Bid Security to be furnished by each Bidder is stated in the Instructions to Bidders. The Bidder to whom a contract is awarded will be required to furnish acceptable performance and Statutory Bonds.

PRINCIPAL ITEMS OF WORK ARE:
New EMS Building Construction Including Site, Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing Work

Deadline near for 'S' tags

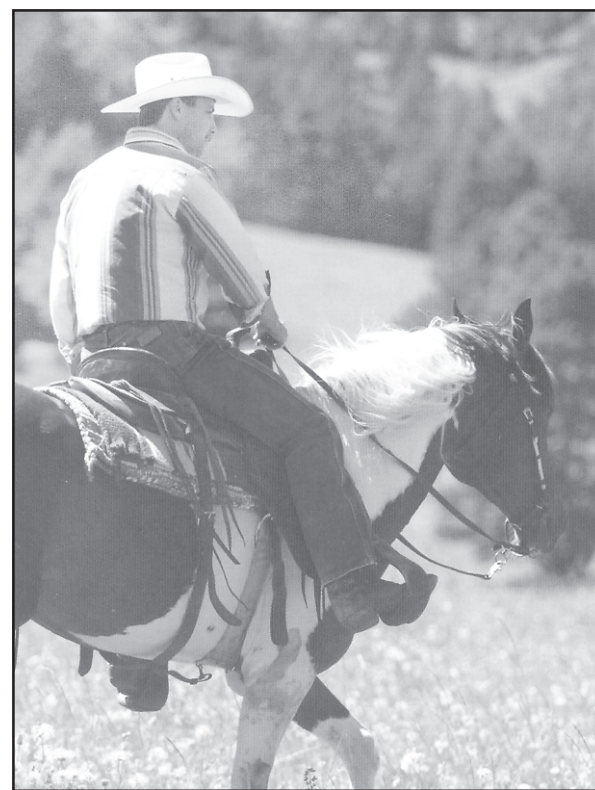
October 31 is the deadline to renew your automobile, light truck, motorcycle or motorized bike tags if your last name or business name begins with "S". When renewing your vehicles, remember to include your current proof of insurance for all vehicles. We need to **verify the VIN number, policy number and current expiration date.** Computers are shut off at 4:30 p.m. daily for balancing.

The county treasurer's office can renew regular driver licenses and issue ID cards and by appointment issue Instructional permits and restricted licenses for those who have completed a Driver's Education course and Out of State transfer license. Applicants will need to bring certified birth certificates, social security cards and parent or guardian with valid DL or ID. Our hours are Tuesday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Effective January 1, 2006 all CDL licenses have to be renewed at a full service office: Phillipsburg, Hays or Colby.

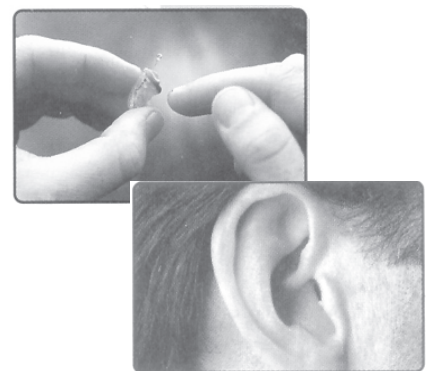
If you have questions, please call the treasurer's office at (785) 877-5795.

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