

OBITUARIES

Mabel L. Dole Nov. 25, 1927 - Dec. 31, 2008

Mabel L. Dole, daughter of Eli and Marvel M. (Wilson) Delimont, was born Nov. 25, 1927, in rural Alma, and died at the Norton County Hospital on Dec. 31, 2008, at the age of 81.

She grew up on the family farmstead in Norton County and attended rural grade school. On July 30, 1950, she married Richard W. Dole. They made their home on the family farm where she was a homemaker. Her husband, Richard, passed away June 27, 1988.

She was a member of the First Church of God in Norton and the Farmingdale Country Club. She had also served as a Cub Scout leader for many years.

Survivors include five children and their spouses, Ronald and Mary Dole, Hill City, Richard and Sandra Dole, Alma, Jeneen and Paul Lueschen, Norton, Jeniece and Doug Schemper, Long Island and Dan and Brenda Dole, Norton; 16 grandchildren, Rachel Dole, Taresa Capps and husband, Branden, Tisha Dole, Richard Dole and wife, Meredith, Casey, Matthew, and Staci Dole, Chastity Harman, Nicholas Harman and wife, Shannon, Christopher Schemper and wife, Heidi, Mandi Kennedy and husband, Dustin, Zachary, Austine, and Cassius Dole, Lisa Edgerton and husband, Donnie, Julie Douglas and husband, Pat; 12 great-grandchild-

dren; one great-great-grandchild; one brother and his wife, Joe and Ester Delimont, Lebanon; one sister and her husband, Roma and Rexford Reilly, Minneapolis, Minn.; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and one brother.

Funeral service was Monday at the First Church of God in Norton. Burial was in the Mt. Hope Cemetery in Alma. Memorials may be sent to the First Church of God and the Norton County Hospital.

Enfield Funeral Home in Norton was in charge of arrangements.

Clifford Stacey Laird Feb. 2, 1951 - Dec. 31, 2008

Clifford Stacey Laird, son of Eugene and Virginia Laird, was born Feb. 2, 1951 in Mesa, Ariz., and died in Fernley, Nev. on Dec. 31, 2008 at the age of 57.

On May 5, 1975, Clifford and Vonda Leichliter were united in marriage in Norton. He served as a decorated Vietnam veteran, spending his career in the Army, retiring in 1988. Due to his career in the military, the family resided in various locations.

Survivors include: his wife, Vonda Laird, Fernley, Nev.; his mother, Virginia Laird, Phoenix; four children, Clifford Shane Laird and wife, Susan, Fernley, Nev., Valerie Mefferd and Marilyn Bowman, both of Frederick, Md., and Brad Bowman and wife, Rhonda, Anchorage, Alaska; one granddaughter, Stacie Laird; three sisters, Kristine Rowen, Karen Christensen, and Madelynn Fenske and husband,

Chuck, all of Phoenix; and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Eugene Laird.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Norcat. Interment will be at the Clayton Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Clifford Laird Memorial Fund. Friends may call Enfield Funeral Home today from 3 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Interior decorator guest at meeting

Norton After-5 Club invites all area women to attend the January dinner and meeting on Thursday, Jan. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town and Country Kitchen on East Highway 36. The cost for the dinner meeting is \$8 per person. Free babysitting is available. For reservations and cancellations, please contact Mary Jane Hadley (877-5897) by Tuesday,

Jan. 13th. "HOME IMPROVEMENT" is the theme for the evening. "A TIME FOR CHANGE", presented by Judy Jocelyn, Norton owner of a new interior design business, "Just Imagine" is the special feature. Ms. Jocelyn will present helpful decorating tips.

The Norton After-5 Club welcomes, as their special speaker for

the evening, Bev Sonntag, Sidney, Neb. Ms. Sonntag, speaks on incredible intentions and how she found that there is life after debt in "RIVETING CHANGES".

The Norton After-5 Club is non-denominational and open to all area women. Part of Stonecroft Ministries. After-5 Clubs are located throughout the United States and Canada.

Northern Valley junior high honors

HONOR ROLL

8th Grade
Erika Chandler, McKinsey Evans, Haley Graham, Regan Simpson, Sheila Stillion and Alex Tharman
7th Grade

Hunter Chandler, Mike Griffin and Ian Vincent
HONORABLE MENTION

8th Grade
Jesse Anderson-Brown, Tyson Callaway, Patience Coffman, Philip Compton, Ashley Jeffries, Brit-

tanie Larison and Harley Rupp
7th Grade
Jordan Baird and DaKota Hilburn
Grade point average is based on five subjects: language arts, spelling, math, social studies and science.

Accident reports

Sunday, Jan. 4 — Officer Larry Land responded to a one-vehicle accident on West Pearl Street. Garrett Becker, Logan, was driving north on South Chase Street and was driving too fast to make a

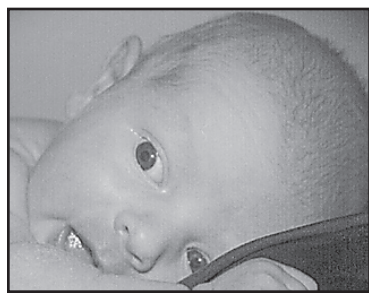
turn. The vehicle ran into a fence owned by the Kansas Department of Transportation. Damage was listed as less than \$1,000. Payton Chestnut, Phillipsburg, and Kelsey Nuzum, Norton, were listed as passengers in the vehicle. No injuries were reported.

Monday, Jan. 5 — Assistant Chief Jeremy Hartwell responded to a two-vehicle accident on North State Street. Katherine Kohr, Norton, was driving north on State Street and struck a vehicle being driven by Victor Ramsey, Norton, in the intersection of State Street and Wilberforce. Mr. Ramsey was driving east on Wilberforce and failed to yield right of way

to traffic on State Street. Damage was listed as more than \$1,000. Chris Chastaine and Destiny Chastaine, Norton, were listed as passengers in Ms. Kohr's vehicle. Evelyn Lemon was listed as a passenger in Mr. Ramsey's vehicle. No injuries were reported.

Monday, Jan. 5 — Sheriff Troy Thomson responded to a deer-related accident on Highway K-9. Kevin Field, Stockton, was driving west on K-9 when a deer came onto the road. Mr. Field was unable to avoid hitting the deer. Damage was listed as more than \$1,000. Cindy Field, Stockton, was listed as a passenger. No injuries were reported.

It's a girl!



Stratten Kaine McKenna

Stratten Kaine McKenna was born Dec. 11, 2008 at the Norton County Hospital at 11:15 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 15.5 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Jason and Chandra McKenna, Jennings.

Grandparents are Brian and Jennifer McKenna of Norton, Kathy and Kerry Nicholson of Larned, Judy Braun of Norton and Ed Braun of Norcat.

Great-Grandparents are Dale and Leota Goss of Norton, Pat and Erwin Freddé of McCook, Bill and Betty Nicholson of Larned, Jack and Allen Barnard of Norton and Patsy and Beth Braun of Norton.

Jan. 2- Jan. 7

Showing at the
NORTON THEATRE

YES MAN
(PG-13) Premiere, 1 Hour, 56 Minutes
Friday and Saturday: 8:00 p.m.
Sunday: 5:00 p.m.
Mon., Tues., Wed.: 7:00 p.m.

BEDTIME STORIES
(PG) Premiere, 1 Hour, 51 Minutes - in Digital Surround Sound

Since both movies are premieres, only premiere passes accepted

BOTH MOVIES ARE THE PREMIERE PRICE OF \$7-\$6 (NO DISCOUNTS THIS SUNDAY)

Check the Theatre website for Upcoming Events
website: nortontheatre.com

COMING SOON

This ad is brought to you by The Norton Telegram

Your health depends on your choices

We know that physical inactivity and unhealthy eating contribute to obesity and a number of chronic diseases. Yet, many people turn off their ears at the mention of "healthy eating" because they envision a set of diet rules which require them to give up all the "really good" foods they love like ice cream and potato chips.

Tranda Watts, Multi-County Extension Specialist - Foods, Nutrition, Health and Safety will present this educational program called Choose Wisely, Your Health Depends On It on Tuesday, Jan. 13 at the Norton County 4-H Building. The program will begin at 10 a.m. and is open to the public.

If you wish to attend, please contact the Norton County Extension Office at 785-877-5755 and pre-register by Monday, Jan. 12. If at least five people have not pre-registered at that time, the meeting

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Extension specialist



will be canceled, and those who have pre-registered will be called with cancellation information.

What would happen if people realized that choosing wisely is less about negative rules and more about core principles they can use as tools to make informed choices? What if people realized that choosing the right oil is good for us and important to maintaining our health? Would it make a difference if we realized the amount of calories and fat in a piece of pecan pie compared to the calories and fat in an entire meal

of more healthy food choices? The "You Choose" program will attempt to empower consumers to improve their food choices. We will compare the empty carbohydrate, high fat choices many of us tend to make daily with tasty, yet more positive choices that could improve overall health. After all, our health, good or bad, is a lot about the simple food and physical activity choices we make every day.

Call the Extension Office today to get signed up to attend "Choose Wisely".

For more information you may also e-mail twatts@oznet.ksu.edu.

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HANSEN MUSEUM

By SHIRLEY HENRICKSON
Museum Director

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum has a new exhibit, "The Flint Hills: A Kansas Treasure." This exhibit is scheduled to open today (Jan. 9) and will run through Feb. 1.

National Geographic Magazine's April 2007 issue examines the beautiful Flint Hills of Kansas through the lens of respected photojournalist and Kansas native, Jim Richardson. The 22-page feature section, titled "The Flint Hills: A Kansas Treasure" captures a glimpse of the majesty of this unique Kansas prairie land. Richardson took more than 11,000 photos in the Flint Hills for this project.

The Flint Hills extend from near the Nebraska border south into Oklahoma. The region's core is roughly bounded by I-70 on the north, I-35 on the south and east and Kansas 15 on the west.

Within this area, the Flint Hills

National Scenic Byway stretches 48 miles along Kansas 177 from Council Grove, once a Santa Fe Trail staging area, south through Strong City and neighboring Cottonwood Falls, then on to Cassoday, a tiny ranch town that bills itself as the Prairie Chicken Capital of the World.

"The Flint Hills beckoned because they provide a spectacular landscape in our own backyard," Richardson said. "The Flint Hills should never play second fiddle to our nation's most recognized landmark landscapes."

The National Geographic Society and the Kansas Division of Travel and Tourism are sponsoring this traveling exhibit of 32 large-scale photographs, some of which are featured in the magazine.

We will be holding our first Dance Class on Sunday (Jan. 11). The instructor — Kerry Ferguson, Kensington — has instructed dance classes for several

years. Instruction may include: Waltz, 2 Step, Swing & Polka, Texas 2 Step, Cha Cha and lots of new fun steps. The class will meet every Sunday afternoon through March 1. The Beginners Class will run from 2-3:30 and the Advanced Class will run from 3:30-5. There's still time to sign up if you are interested! Please call 785-689-4846!

Our January Artist of the month is Gordon Mai from Wilson, who has photography, pastels and watercolors on display.

(Museum hours are Monday through Friday from 9-noon and 1-4; Saturday, 9-noon and 1-5; Sunday and holidays, 1-5. We are handicapped accessible, there is never an admission fee and we have a free Wi-Fi Hotspot in the Community Room. For more information about this and other exhibits, contact Shirley at 785-689-4846 or check out our web at www.hansenmuseum.org.)

Girl Scouts cookie sales coming soon

Girl Scouts across 80 Kansas counties are gearing up for the 2009 Girl Scout Cookie Sale that begins Jan. 17 and runs through March 3. The cookie sale is always a highly anticipated community event, but what makes this year's sale unique is the participation of Girl Scout Daisies — grades kindergarten and 1 — who will be selling for the first time.

Eight varieties of Girl Scout Cookies are available for \$3.50 per box. Proceeds from the cookie sale are used to benefit local girls, helping them pay for summer camp experiences, purchase uniforms and much more. The sale also funds programs and services throughout the year and ensures

that Girl Scouting will be available in the future.

For more than 90 years the Girl Scout Cookie Program has helped girls foster a sense of personal and collective empowerment by promoting skills they will use throughout their lives. Through this annual activity, girls ages 5 to 17 learn how to set goals, develop action plans, work as a team and cultivate a sense of business ethics.

Girl Scouts will be making their way around the community to tell customers more about the cookie varieties being sold this year and how the money they earn will enrich their Girl Scout experience. Community members may

also call our Cookie Hotline at 888-811-8832 to get in touch with Girl Scout troops in their neighborhoods to buy cookies.

(Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland serves nearly 15,000 girls and 5,000 adults in 80 Kansas counties through its operational headquarters in Wichita, and regional offices in Emporia, Garden City, Hays, Hutchinson, Parsons and Salina. Founded in 1912, Girl Scouts is the leading authority on girls' healthy development and is the preeminent leadership development organization for girls. Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.)

Destination Kitchen

Blessed . . . is how we feel to live in the "middle of nowhere." Since the opening of Destination Kitchen you have showered us daily with encouragement and enthusiasm. It has been overwhelming at times, delightful, more than we imagined, hard work and amazing. Thank you for coming in and letting us share our love for great kitchen accessories and baking. We are off to Los Angeles for market January 15 through January 17, so we will be closed Thursday, Friday and Saturday of that week. We are excited to bring new product lines to the store.

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Please Join Us Monday, January 12
at 9:00-10:00 a.m. for

Commissioner Leroy Lang Retirement Appreciation

This will be come and go with refreshments to show our appreciation to Leroy for service as Norton County Commissioner for the past eight years

Norton County Clerk's Office
785-877-5710