Welcome to NORTON

Friday
April 24, 2009

Norton, Kansas
Home of Rosa Brown

Briefly

Museum to delay ribbon cutting

The ribbon cutting ceremony for the Norton County Museum, as published in Tuesday's Telegram, is being postponed until further notice. Rhonda Browning, Historical Society Board member said, "there is some difficulty with the water. I will let you know a date when one is set."

She also said the hours of operation, once the museum is up and running will be Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2-4 p.m.

Remember Sunday Magic Show day

Residents in and around Norton will want to remember the appearance on Sunday of Eric and Kelly Vaughn at 3 p.m. in the East Campus Auditorium. The duo brings their magic and mystery to the local stage, thanks to the Norton County Arts Council.

Other details, including admission, can be found in an advertisement on Page 2.

weather forecast

RAIN

Tonight - Partly cloudy with a low around 45. Breezy with a north wind between 15 and 20 mph. Saturday - A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy with a high near 59. Saturday Night - A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy with a low around 44. Sunday - A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Sunday Night - A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Monday - A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Monday Night - Mostly cloudy.
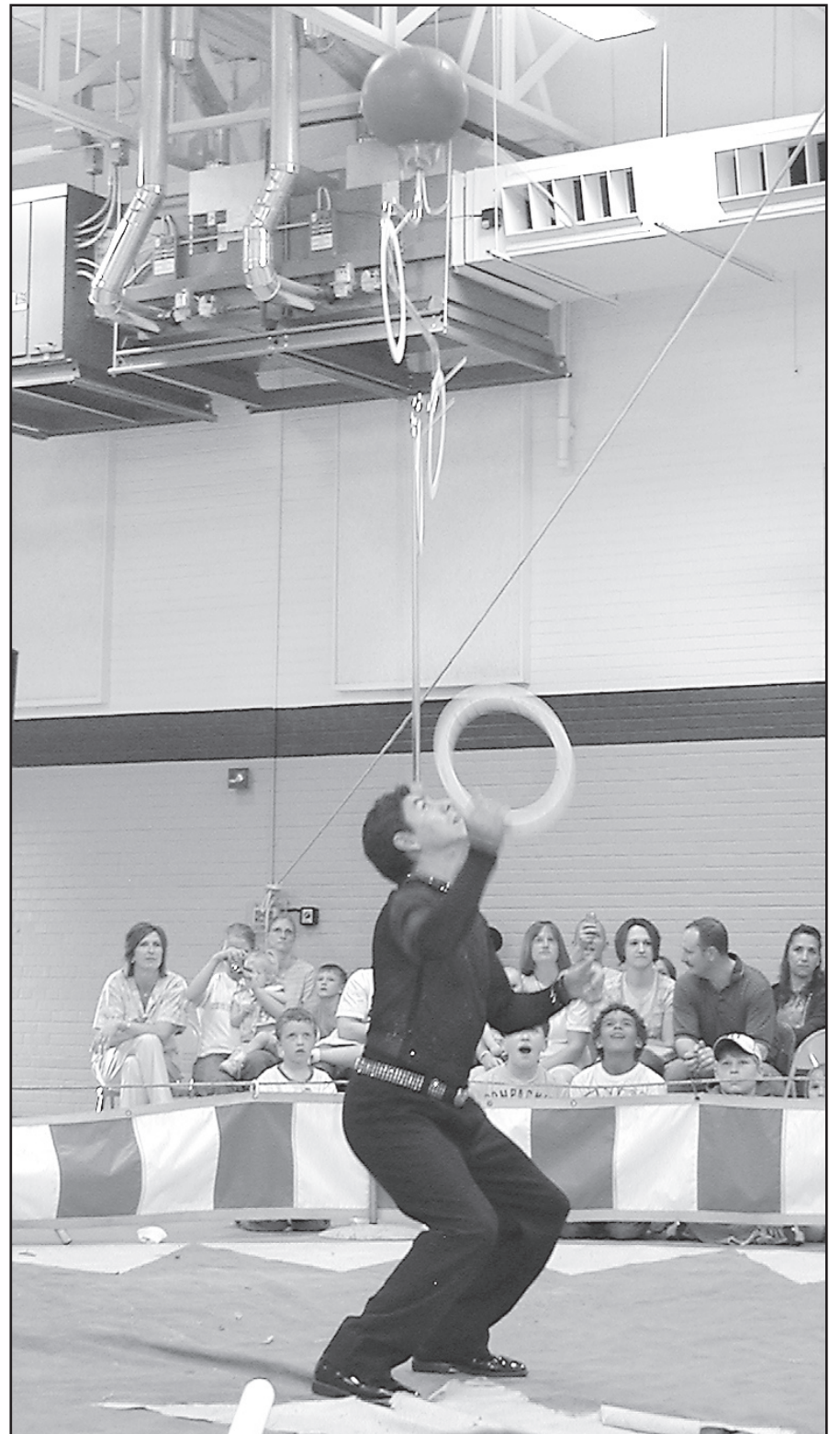
Kingham report:

Fri., April 17 .... Low 47, High 53
.80 Rain
Sat., April 18 .... Low 38, High 67
1.35 Rain
Sun., April 19 .... Low 40, High 68
Mon., April 20 .... Low 39, High 70
Tues., April 21 .... Low 41, High 80
Wed., April 22 .... Low 46, High 83
Thurs., April 23 .... Low 47, High 87
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm
9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for never giving up on us. Open our eyes today to see your love and power working in our lives. Amen.

WOW!

Circus is spelled f-u-n!

By TOM DREILING
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Nice size crowds took in the performances of the Great American Circus of Stars at the Norton Armory Tuesday afternoon and evening. Young and old made their way into the building, and then out of the building for acts created specifically for indoor-outdoor presentation. Expressions on some of the faces in the above photos clearly show the reaction to the daring acts.

There was something for everyone — "age-friendly," as one person described it. Circuses, although more cozy with metropolitan crowds, are still a hit when they stop in smaller communities.
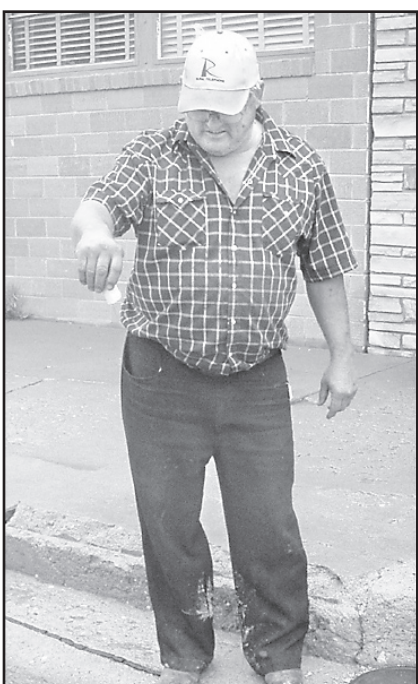
Some of the youngsters probably witnessed their very first circus. And when the circus next comes to town, they will remember and they, along with Mom and Dad, will be there to see what's new, what's different.

Rudy Perez, Norton Community High School principal, was one of the 'younger' older kids taking in the sights and sounds of the circus in Norton on Tuesday. He was armed with treats to top it all off.
- Telegram photo by Brandy Leroux

Party of one

Robert Jones of Lenora was the only person in the area taking part in a TEA party last Wednesday. He happened to be holding his 'protest' in the city of Norton. Here, he prepared to drop a tea bag into the gutter while rain came tumbling down.
- Telegram photo by Sherry Hickman

Norton big winner at drafting fair

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Norton Community High School's presence was felt in a big way at the Northwest Kansas Technical College's *Drafting Fair* at Goodland.

Norton took the top spot with Hays High and Oberlin, second and third, respectively.

And it's important to emphasize that Norton took first as a team for the fifth straight year!

And on top of all of that, Troy Bainter was the *grand champion*, best drawing at the contest. For that accomplishment, he pockets a $1,000 scholarship to the Northwest Kansas Technical College. "Thats quite an honor," Jim Myers, instructor, said.

"I have some talented drafting kids. I am proud of them. They take real pride in their work and it shows," he said.

Mr. Myers reports that Zac Dreher and Adam Myers placed in four events, while Hannah Fulton and Cody Cook placed in three events to score solid points for the team.

Norton won five of the eight categories. First place finishers were seniors Zac Dreher and Hannah Fulton, junior Adam Myers and sophomores Troy Bainter and John Koch,

The next competition will be April 30-May 1 at Fort Hays State University's *Technology Fair* in Hays.

Here are the results of the fair in Goodland:

√Beginning Mechanical — 2nd RJ Ellis; 4th Justin Gibson; 5th Justin Gibson; 6th Bryan Henry. Honorable Mention — Matt Stanley, Brady Riggins, Tyler Lewis, Casey Temmel and Bryan Henry,

√Advanced Mechanical — 1st John Koch.

√Architectural Floor Plan CAD — 2nd Zac Dreher; 6th Adam Myers. Honorable Mention — DJ Ebner, Hannah Fulton and Cody Cook.

√Architectural Elevation CAD — 1st Hannah Fulton; 3rd Adam Myers; 5th Cody Cook. Honorable Mention — DJ Ebner.

√Architectural Floor Plan Hand Drawn — 1st Zac Dreher; 2nd Hannah Fulton; 3rd Cody Cook; 4th Adam Myers; 5th Nathan Felton; and 6th Nish Millan. Honorable Mention — DJ Ebner and Kerstan Richmeier.

√Architectural Elevation Hand Drawn — 1st Adam Myers; 2nd Zac Dreher; 3rd Hannah Fulton; 4th Cody Cook; 5th Nish Millan; and 6th DJ Ebner.

√Pictorial Drawing Hand Drawn — 1st Troy Bainter.

√Pictorial Drawing CAD — 2nd Zac Dreher.

Counties united in plea for disability funding

County commissioners from across the 18 counties of northwest Kansas, including Norton, have overwhelmingly endorsed a resolution to the Kansas Legislature to support legislation for multi-year funding for community-based

services for persons with developmental disabilities. This unique multi-county resolution is being presented to each of the legislators who represent the 18-county area with the message to support House Bill 2094 and Senate Bill 207.

The resolution states, '"Therefore, be it resolved: That the County Commissioners do hereby express the urgency of this matter and request the Kansas Legislature to adequately fund commu-