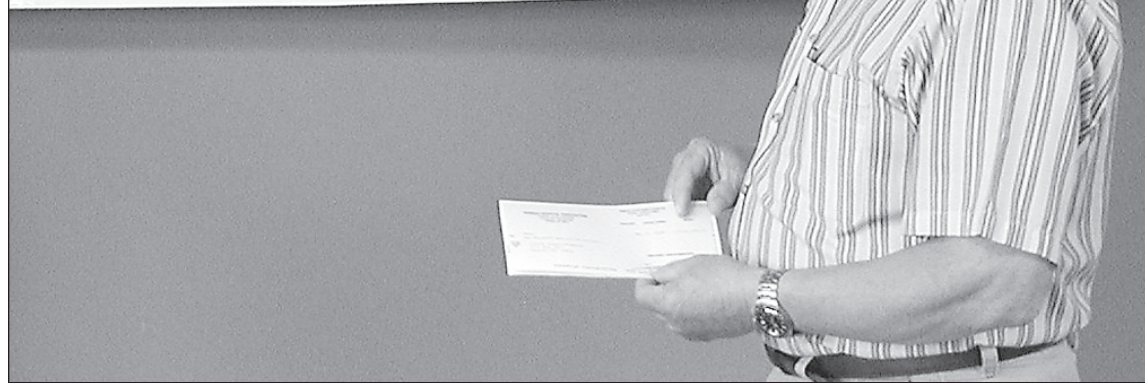


Kansas Community Connections Award Winning Program

Norton County Hospital Water Aerobic Program



Norton County Hospital Director Rich Miller discussed the water aerobic program during the Kansas Community Connections award ceremony. The hospital received \$1,000, which will be put back into the program, Mr. Miller said.

- Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Library

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In September, 1989, the Foundation held a Celebrity Auction to benefit the Norton Public Library. Board members had written letters requesting memorabilia donations to favorite authors, actors, athletes, artists, politicians and others. People from all walks of life contributed interesting items.

Dinner for six at Cedar Crest donated by Kansas Governor Mike Hayden and a 1931 Birger Sandzen linoleum block print were two items bringing the highest prices.

Bob Hope, Johnny Carson, Charlton Heston, Michael Landon, Tom Brokaw, Dan Rather, Vanna White, Steven Spielberg, Michael Jackson, Doris Day, Glenn Close, Clint Eastwood, Robert Redford, Muhammad Ali, Diane Sawyer, Mary Tyler Moore, Malcolm Forbes, Barbara Mandrell, Art Linkletter, Jane Pauley, Jack Lemmon, Tom Osborne, Jesse Jackson, Edward Kennedy, Alan Alda and many others all contributed items.

Former president Gerald Ford sent gold presidential seal cuff links. The auction raised just over \$14,000 and was deemed a huge success!

In March of 1990, the Norton Public Library Foundation and the Norton Public Library Board set a goal to raise \$200,000 in pledges and donations for a facility which would combine the Northwest Kansas Library System and the Norton Public Library.

"A recent series of events has created a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for these capital improvements to occur which would result in a dramatic increase in library services to the Norton community," said Ruth Hartman, Library Foundation president.

Northwest Kansas Library System (NWKLS) would contribute a 50,000 volume collection to the merger which amounted to approximately \$300,000 worth of books.

Norton, however, was not the only community that had expressed great interest in combining their public library with NWKLS. Colby, Goodland, Gove, Hoxie, Oakley and Quinter all submitted letters of intent, as well.

The NWKLS board was to make the final decision on October 10, 1990 at the fall full system board meeting of representatives from all libraries in the nine NWKLS member libraries.

Bruce Bumbalough of Norton was the NWKLS director and Beverly Kohfeld, Norton, was serving on the NWKLS executive board at that time.

At the fall meeting, Kohfeld gave a very convincing presentation as to why Norton should be the location of the new facility. During the meeting, a vote was taken and Norton was chosen for the site of the new facility.

Negotiations between the Norton City Council, the Norton Public Library Foundation and USD 211 Board of Education paved the way for the transfer of

the Washington School building where NWKLS was headquartered, to the Norton Public Library Foundation.

The architectural firm of Jones-Gilliam, Salina, was hired to prepare preliminary drawings and cost estimates for the combined facility which included renovation of the Washington School building, as well as, new construction.

The cost of the facility was first estimated to be approximately \$750,000. The foundation already had \$40,000 and plans were made to apply for a \$200,000 grant. To qualify for the grant, the foundation had to have matching funds.

Fund-raising Committee Chairman Alberta Byrum stressed the importance of community support. "Norton does not want to lose this clean industry or the eleven jobs it generates for the community," said Byrum.

Assisting Byrum on the fund-raising committee were Chuck Kohfeld, Ruth Hartman, Helen Bullock, Karen Terry, Bill Sharp, John McClymont and Mary Beth Boyd.

Kohfeld met with the City Council and was able to convince them of the need to have a bond issue in order to fully finance the project with a now higher estimated cost of \$850,000. Voters passed this bond issue.

The \$200,000 fund-raising goal was reached on July 10, 1990. Much of the credit for the highly successful fund drive was given to Alberta Byrum who met individually with many Norton citizens explaining in detail the need for a new library in Norton.

Reaching this goal gave the foundation the necessary matching funds to apply for a Federal Library Services and Construction Act Grant. The grant was denied because the bond issue had passed.

The groundbreaking ceremony was held on the Fourth of July in 1991. Norton Mayor Warren Bullock broke ground. LeRoy Deines was chairman of the building committee. Norton City Administrator Allen Loyd, who had a background in construction, worked closely with the project during construction. Harbin Construction, Salina, was the major contractor.

The new library at No. 1 Washington Square was opened on June 15, 1992. The Grand Opening and Dedication of the new library was held on July 20, 1992.

In the first 83 years, the Norton Library had grown from a collection of 500 books to more than 70,000 volumes.

"The building is more than a source of enrichment for Norton, it is a symbol of what a community can accomplish when working together toward a common goal," said Ruth Hartman.

On this 100th Anniversary in 2009, the Norton Public Library houses approximately 75,000 volumes. The average circulation is about 5,000 items per month.

Current library employees are: Mary Luehrs, Director; Kathleen McConney, Children's librarian; Bette Townsend; Josh Gallentine; Candia Colby and Rosalie McMullen. Helmi Moody retired

in December after working at the library for 17 years.

Jim Burns has been the maintenance person for 30 years.

Volunteers for the library are: Geraldine Packer, Beverly Kinder and Marcia Wiltfong. Many others give of their time during the Summer Reading Program.

Story Time at the library is held at 10:30 a.m. each Thursday. During the school year, approximately 15 children attend.

During the Summer Reading Program, approximately 70 children attend the morning session and 25 attend the afternoon session.

For several weeks during the summer, area teens attend a program called Fun Night. Average attendance for those programs is 24 youth. In 2008, a total of 2,058 children attended the various children's programs.

Currently there are six computers available for the public to use. Each month the computers are in use an average of 700 times by individuals.

The library has received two grants from the Gates Foundation, one in 2008 and one in 2009. The library is planning to use the grant money to purchase at least two more computers for public use this year.

Something new that soon will be available at the library is an area especially for teens. Through grants and help from the Friends of the Library, the teens will have special seating and gaming systems such as X box and Playstation 2. This area will be available at the start of the Summer Reading Program.

Current employees of NWKLS now serving 10 counties in north-west Kansas are: Leslie Bell, Director; George Seamon, Assistant Director; Kim Gallentine; Linda Keith; Pat Hammond; Aurelia Jackson; Clarice Howard, Director of Talking Books and Amanda Davis, Talking Books.

New officers of the Friends of the Library are: George Seamon, president; Clarice Howard, vice president; Janet Manning, treasurer; Kathleen McConney, secretary. The Friends group was updated in April of this year.

Current members of the Norton Public Library Board are: Norma Browne, president; Patsy Barnard, vice president; Joe Ballinger, treasurer; Ruth Hartman, secretary; Jack Graham; Jim Burns and Lois Kraus.

Members of the Norton Public Library Foundation Board of Trustees are: Lamont Shirk, president; Alberta Byrum Slaby, vice president; Chuck Kohfeld, treasurer; Ruth Hartman, secretary; Mary Beth Boyd; Lida Sharp; Karen Cox; Doug Sebelius and Beverly Burns.

Each year, the library purchases many new best seller titles in both book and CD formats.

In 2008, the library purchased 575 adult books, 97 children's books, 78 books on CD and 50 movies on DVD.

Many of these items were purchased with memorial donations. Many other items were donated to the library by individuals.

Happy 100th Birthday to the Norton Public Library!

Hospital

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in the class for the first year. MJ Meyer is also a PTA and began teaching the program with Mrs. Volgamore several years ago. Having two instructors allows more people to be enrolled, Mrs. Volgamore said.

Lorraine Wolfe has been in the class for eight years. She said her doctor recommended the class to her, but she couldn't get in the first year. She had to wait and was able to enroll the next year.

Mrs. Wolfe said she enjoys the class because it is relaxing and fun.

"I only wish they offered the class year round," she said.

Virginia Will also spoke about her involvement. She got involved with the class after she had hip replacement surgery. She cited alternative exercise and socialization as important benefits.

Mrs. Volgamore said socialization is extremely important to the attendees and said it has been fun to see the friendships that have been formed.

Norton County Hospital Director Rich Miller said the city allows them to use the pool two nights a week and provides lifeguards. The hospital pays the pool for their use.

Mr. Miller said a small \$25 fee is charged for every participant, but that fee covers the entire eight week class. It helps offset the cost,

but the hospital pays for most of the program, he said.

Cindy Samuelson, Kansas Hospital Association vice president, said the association established the community connection award to recognize hospitals that have distinguished themselves by efforts to improve their communities. Norton County Hospital was one of six hospitals in the state to be recognized.

Girard Medical Center's *Girard, Dine-O-Might* program allowed elementary students to participate in keeping an exercise journal for four months and participate in activities as a part of physical education in school. They had the opportunity to win a bicycle at the end of the program, which taught them the importance of physical activity.

St. Catherine Hospital, Garden City, won for their *Center for Children and Families* program. At-risk families are able to receive information about where they can receive referrals for community services, education about life skills and healthy habits and programs designed to address risky youth behavior.

The Annual Christmas Outreach program at Cloud County Hospital, in Concordia, raised money for families that had a difficult year. Groceries and gifts are provided to 10 to 14 families every year through the donation.

Pratt Regional Medical Center,

Pratt, offers a Bicycle Safety and Fitness program, which gives students at two local elementary schools the opportunity to learn about bicycle safety and the health benefits of physical activity. Students spend 30 minutes two times a week on a guided ride through Pratt.

Stormont-Vail HealthCare, Topeka, offers the *HealthWise 55* program. The program offers clinics to people ages 55 and older in areas such as blood pressure, Medicare transition, nutrition and medication management. The services are offered at the hospital, in community locations and other events at retirement homes.

President and CEO of the Kansas Hospital Association Tom Bell said, "It is programs like this (water aerobic program) which exemplify the ideals of the Community Connections award, and we are pleased to recognize this program."

Mr. Miller said the hospital reaches out in other ways. The hospital has programs to help people fill out medicaid forms, check glucose readings, medical staff do a student athlete physical every year and the meals on wheels program delivers meals to people throughout Norton.

"We are always looking for ways to reach out to the community. We will be putting the award money back into the water aerobics class in some way," Mr. Miller said.

Museum

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Mr. Ballinger said most of the budget is consumed up by utilities. "We probably have \$1,000 a year to spend. Getting improvements is hard on such a small budget."

Norton County, donors and sponsors contribute to the museum's annual budget, he said. There are also about 30 businesses that sponsor the museum, he said.

There are 105 historical society members who donate and pay dues, which is also included in the operating budget.

Donated items mostly make up the artifacts in the museum. Mr. Ballinger said they do not deal with loans because insurance cannot cover the loss if an artifact is destroyed.

Mr. Ballinger hopes people will bring things in. "We have the ability to copy a picture so the family will be able to retain history."

Brown's Clothing Store has been out of business for a long time, but they donated a display case to the museum before closing, he said. The piece is in the

basement and will be used to display other artifacts in the museum.

The museum was originally housed in the basement of the library building in the '40s. When the library moved to another location, the museum took over the entire building. There are currently Native American artifacts, the LeBeau exhibit and a children's room in the basement.

The museum will close for the winter in late October, depending on snow, Mr. Ballinger said.

Forecast hints at 'Fun in the Sun'

Antiques, Collectibles, Furniture, Farm Antique & Collectibles, and Tools Sale
Dorothy Brown, Bill Matchett, Don Heller Estate and Others
Saturday ~ June 13th, 2009 ~ 9:00a.m.
4-H Building ~ Park Street ~ Norton, Kansas



FURNITURE:

- Three Drawer Dresser with Mirror
- 2 Sets of Double Theatre Chairs
- Small Sewing Rocker
- Four Drawer Dresser
- Wood Arm Padded Chair
- 2 Quarter Sawed Chairs
- 3 Recliner Chairs
- Entertainment Center
- Brown Leather Recliner
- Marble Top Wall Shelf
- Oak Parlor Table
- 2 Bentwood Chairs
- Maroon Bundy Recliner Chair with Heat
- 8 Ft. by 4 Ft Child's Wardrobe
- Oak Sideboard with Ornate Top

APPLIANCES:

- Washer (5 Years Old)
- G.E. Microwave
- WALL HANGINGS, PICTURES & CLOCKS:
- Motion Clock
- Indian Wall Hanging
- Pictures
- Wall Haeger Bowl

HOUSEHOLD ACCESSORIES:

- Singer Portable Sewing Machine
- G.E. Video Camera with Tripod
- Large Wicker Baskets
- Assorted Lamps
- Ceiling Lamp
- 3 Portable Chairs

BOOKS

- 50 Long Arm Western Paper Back Books
- 60 Louis L'amour Western Books
- 20 Wagon West Western Books

KITCHEN ITEMS:

- Slicers
- Toaster
- Turkey Cooker with Pot
- Antique Sifter
- Masher
- 15 Black Folding Chairs
- Trivet
- Canister Set
- Utensils



CHURNS & CROCKS:

- Electric Daisy Butter Churn
- Daisy Butter Churn Round Bottom
- #5 Diamond Brand Crock
- 1 Gal Top Butter Churn
- 1 Gallon Crock Unmarked
- 4 Gallon Crock
- Small Crock (a cutie)
- 2 #2 Red Wing Crock
- 2 Crock Bowls
- Metal Butter Churn
- Daisy Butter Churn
- 2 Brown Bowls

COLLECTIONS:

- At least 20 Die Cast Cars & Trucks
- Med to Large Angel Figurines
- At least 20 Porcelain Dolls
- Cat Figurines

FARM ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLES:

- Ideal 4 Iron Wheel Dolly
- Pump Head & Cup
- 4 Rubber Wheel Cart
- Welder Cart
- Round Lead Mold
- 2 Platform Scales
- 2 Wheel Cart Mower
- 3 Milk Strainers
- 2 Set Utility Stool

SPECIALITY ITEMS:

- Handicap Commode
- Campers Port-a-potty
- Electric Lift Bed
- Child's Safe Swing

LINEN & CLOTHING:

- Sheets
- Leather Coat with Fringe
- Dresser Scarves
- Cases
- Pea Coat
- Sets of Linen
- Bedspread Quilt & Shams

MUSIC ITEMS:

- Striker 100 ST Electric Guitar by Kramer
- Fun Maker Spirit Organ
- Boxes of Records
- Synonics Guitar Amplifier with Radio Shack Adapter
- Turn Table & Speaker Amplifier for Sq. Dance Calling & Records
- Clarinet



SPECIAL CONSIGNMENT BY BOBBY ANNON:

- To be sold at 1:00 P.M.
- 42 Pocket Knives including - Winchester, Remington, Kutmaster, Roberson, Imperial, Kabar, Colonial, Frost and others.
- 20 Straight Edge Razors including - Chicago, Erik, Rodger's, Wade & Butcher, Sheffield, Henry Sears and others.

- ### ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLES:
- Jewelry Box & Bagged Jewelry
 - 5 Jars Marbles
 - Incense burner
 - 9 Railroad Spikes
 - 3 Horse Collars & Hames
 - Horse Bran Strap with 3 Brasses
 - Hat Box with Cowboy Hat
 - Co-op Lubricating Can
 - Large Sheathed Knife
 - Box of Porcelain Lids
 - Several Oil Lamps
 - Wood Toy Wagon
 - 5 Bags of Badges Including Boy Scout
 - 20 Bottles
 - 2 Barn Lanterns
 - Metal Water Pot
 - Kerosene Heater
 - OK Corral Sign
 - Scale
 - Milk Jars
 - Kerosene Jar
 - Quart Jars
 - Coffee Grinder
 - Child School Desk
 - 2 Rotary Display Shelves
 - Stetson Hat Box with Registered Hat



TOOLS, LAWN & GARDEN ITEMS:

- Two Wheel Cart
- Outside Chains
- 2 Drop Spreaders
- Lawn Boy Snow Blower
- Hose Reels
- Five Gas Engines
- Transfer Pump & Motor
- 2 Tow Hitches
- Weed Burner
- Barrel Cart
- Tire Patches
- Flywheel Knock Out Pulper
- Marquette Welder
- 21" Cut Push Mower
- White Planter
- 2 Rotary Spreaders
- Edger 2 HP
- Mozall 6 HP
- Tire Breaker & Balancer
- 4 Chain Saws
- 6 Electric Motors
- 2 Alternators
- Repair Kits
- Transfer Pump
- Air Hose
- Two Table Saws
- Power Driven Grease Gun
- 2 Electric Lawn Boy Trimmers
- 5 Outside Metal Screen Doors 2 are 32" - 3 are 36"
- 4 Lawn Boy Self-Propelled Lawn Mowers (3 with electric start)
- 4 Toro 21" Power Drive Electric Start Mowers
- Ariens LM21SE Self Propelled Mower
- Tractor Tiller Pull Behind Mower (New)
- Craftsman Tiller 5 HP Chain Drive
- Metal Tool Box on Roller 8 Drawers
- Fishing Reels
- Exercise Trampoline
- Small Tricycle
- Camp Stove
- Flyer III Snow Sled
- Fishing display Kit
- Croquet Set with Balls
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- Swimming Pool

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DISHES:

- Syrup Jar
- Cruet Base
- Gravy Bowl
- Glasses
- Juice Squeezer
- Fire King Dishes
- Biscuit Jar
- Assorted Plates
- Stemware

Sales Tax will be collected. Not responsible for accidents or items after sold. Terms: Cash day of sale on personal property. All announcements day of sale take precedence over printed material.

Duane R. McEwen

Auctioneer - Salesperson
 East Hwy 36 - 601 East Holme
 Norton, KS 67654

Phone 785-877-3032

Sale Bill created by Barbara Porter

Lunch Stand Available

AUCTIONEER NOTES: This sale offers a nice line of antique and collectible items that are seldom found elsewhere. There is just a lot of nice household, outside items and general run of sale items. Bobby Annon has a nice consignment of razors and pocket knives that will be sold at 1:00 P. M. The furniture will start right at 2:00 P.M. Be in Norton on June 13th, and beat the heat as you enjoy the air conditioned building to pick and choose your favorite items.