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Norton, Kansas Home of Denise Meyer

Briefly

Class of 1979 to hold 30th reunion

The Norton Community High School Class of 1979 will hold their 30th reunion on Saturday (July 25). The first gathering will be at the park at the swimming pool at 11 a.m. Then a social hour and dinner will be held at the rec center at the golf course. The social hour will be from 6-7:30 p.m., and the the dinner starts at 7:30 p.m. For further information, please call (785) 877-2470, or (303) 915-0920.

Volunteers still needed at fair

The Norton County Fair is underway, but the need still exists for volunteers to help with games and rides. Your consideration of this need, and decision to help out, is greatly appreciated.

Legion Auxiliary delivering meals

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Delivering Meals on Wheels July 20-26 is the American Legion Auxiliary. Contact person is Marcia Wiltfong 877-2459.

Never know what you'll find at the lake



Mother and daughter, Shelly and Emma Fletcher, (left), enjoyed an outing at Sebelius Lake on Saturday as part of the Baker Family Reunion. They came in from Oklahoma. Howie Allen, (bottom left), put his jet skiing abilities to work and drew the attention of a lot of onlookers, including The Telegram's photographer. Another mother and daughter, (bottom right), Adrienne and Nancy Hager, dished out food for those attending the Carp Derby Feed, put on by 4-H Shooting Sports. Also attending, but not pictured, was Mother Nature who cooperated.

Telegram photos by Dana Paxton





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SCATTERED SHOWERS

Tonight - Mostly cloudy with a low around 57. Wednesday - A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Wednesday Night - A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Thursday - A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m.

Kingham report:

Friday, July 17..... Low 61, High 88 .70 Precipitation Saturday, July 18 Low 57, High 89 .05 Precipitation Sunday, July 19 Low 56, High 93 Monday, July 20 Low 61, High 87 (Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for the Bible and all the riches it contains. Help us to go on learning from it as long as we live. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

Blue Jay on West team for 2009 Shrine Bowl game

By DICK BOYD

nortontelegram@nwkansas.com Zac Dreher, a 6-feet-2-inch, 195 pound linebacker-tight end from Norton Community High School, is one of 34 players on the West team who will battle the 34player East squad in the 39th annual 2009 Kansas Shrine Bowl All-Star Football Game this Saturday in Cessna Stadium in Wichita.

Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. but several other events will precede the game.

The Shrine Bowl Parade will be held in the Delano District of downtown Wichita on Saturday, beginning at 10 a.m.

It is one of the state's largest and most colorful parades. The parade will feature floats carrying the Shrine Bowl football teams, cheerleaders, the All-State Masonic Band and hundreds of Kansas Shriners from various parade units.

All-Star 2 Mile Run

Sixty 2009 high school graduates have been chosen to compete in the Kansas Shrine Bowl 2 Mile Run as a Kansas Shrine Bowl All-Star Cross Country Runner. Fifteen girls from the West will run against 15 from the East and 15 boys from the West will run against 15 boys

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Military honors Norton grad

Kent Lockhart, son of Gary and JoLynn Lockhart, was honored with the Bronze Star for his exceptional service to the United States Army on July 11. Staff Sgt. Lockhart was deployed to Iraq as a squad leader in first Platoon with Battery A, first Battalion, 161 Field Artillery from March 2, 2008 to Oct. 1, 2008.

Major General Tod Bunting, the adjutant general of Kansas, presented the bronze star to Staff Sgt. Lockhart in a ceremony in Newton.

"Staff Sergeant Lockhart's adaptability, perception and continuous contact with the local populace enabled him to build a familiar rapport with the leaders of of the local villages and the Iraqi Army in order to exploit daily interactions developing actionable human intelligence," Gen. Bunting said.

"Staff Sergeant Lockhart's aggressive patrolling posture and displacement of abandoned weaponry reduced the enemies' ability of free movement and

munitions to use against coalition forces and innocent local nationals. Staff Sergeant Lockhart's relentless efforts have definitely made Iraq a safer country to live," he said

"His actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon himself, the 300 Military Police Brigade and the United States Army," Gen. Bunting said.

Staff Sgt. Lockhart graduated from Norton Community High School in 1999.





Kylie Kinderknecht participated in the horse show Monday at the fairgrounds in Norton. An estimated 25 people entered the show, which was judged by Shanda Draper, the equestrian coach at Colby Community College.

-Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Superintendent talks about projects at Stull Gymnasium

By ERICA BRADLEY ebradley@nwkansas.com

2009/10 school year was held July 18 in which Superintendent Greg Mann discussed the ongoing construction in the Stull Gymnasium.

In an interview after the meeting, Mr. Mann told The Telegram that there are year. two projects being worked on. A handicapped accessible restroom is going into the lobby of the gymnasium, and the bleachers are being worked so they will be able to be pulled in and out.

Mr. Mann said there have been some issues with Paddock Company, who were

hired for the bleachers.

"There was some disagreement about The first school board meeting of the Paddock's employees not working on schedule. We've agreed to pay for one third of their time, and they will pay for two thirds," he said.

Mr. Mann reported that the bathroom should be done by the start of the school

In other school board business:

• The board made a motion to approve the out-of-district transfer requests. Vote taken, motion passed.

• Mr. Mann reported that the insurance premium for Blue Cross Blue Shield will

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Staff Sqt. Lockhart