

Valley Hope readies for 42nd birthday

It has been almost a year since I began writing articles for The Norton Telegram. The thought initially sparked in my mind while standing at the 2008 Alkathon in August of last year.

Alkathon is our yearly birthday celebration and we shall be celebrating 42 years Aug. 22 at the (St. Francis of Assisi) parish hall. This is a wonderful time for alumni, current patients and staff

to come together to laugh, cry, and share their experiences over the past year. Consider this your personal invitation.

made it through the storm which has forged friendships that last even though many of the people you only see once a year?

Survey

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"Historic districts are key to the economic vitality of downtown areas," she said.

Mrs. Stiles used Hays and Ellsworth as examples, and she cited increased tourism as a reason to designate the district.

Mrs. Stiles said economic development completed the selection process for a consultant, and they are now proceeding with the survey project. She said the economic development board chose Salley Schwenk Associates as the consulting firm.

"We chose this firm because of their well-rounded expertise in both history and architecture. Other communities with similar projects highly recommended

Sally Schwenk Associates for the quality of their work and their professionalism," Mrs. Stiles said.

She said the consultants will present the survey project to the public; however, the exact meeting date has not been set. Mrs. Stiles said it would probably be scheduled for the end of August or the beginning of September.

She said a second meeting will be set for November to present the results of the survey.

"If the public has questions, I encourage them to come to the public meetings," she said.

Mrs. Stiles said it will be at least another year before a decision about the historic district will be made. For now, they will be gathering information.

Alkathon will begin at noon at the facility with a sign in and preparations for the Freedom Ride to the Parish.

1 p.m. will begin the official program with a welcome and invocation. The day will include two speakers, our Golden Hearts awards, a sobriety countdown, silent auction (the proceeds go to the patient fund) and then dinner.

I am having difficulty talking about the Alkathon - not because there's not much to say but because there is SO much to say! So much of it happens at a feeling/spiritual level rather than a cognitive/logical level. How do you explain to people the sense of connection with the people around you? The sense of having

For me, it has become a day in the sun. Have you ever had one of those days when you

walk outside in your bare feet, felt the grass beneath your feet and a sense of connection to the earth below you, the heavens above and felt the warmth of the sun spilling over your body - a sense of perfection? That's what Alkathon feels like for me.

There fs not much else I can say. Come and join us - celebrate, love, dream.

Enjoy your day.

(If you have any questions or comments, you can contact me at cmoore@valleyhope.com. Namaste - Carla)

Where There's Hope

Carla Moore

CodeRED

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the database, simply log onto the DiscoverNorton website, www.discovernorton.com, and follow the link to the CodeRED Community Notification Enrollment page. Those without Internet access can call the Norton County Sheriff's Office at 877-5780.

All businesses should register as well as individuals who have

unlisted phone numbers, have changed their phone number or address in the past year and those who have a cellular phone.

"CodeRED gives those who want to be included an easy and secure method for inputting information. The data collected will only be used for emergency notification purposes," Mr. Thomson said.

Trust

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tending Kansas State University majoring in Mathematics; and Brittany will attend Nebraska Christian College in Papillion, Neb., having been accepted into the Worship Arts program and hopes to become a Youth Minister. All of these loans were awarded for up to four years.

There are currently 17 students, including the above recipients, receiving interest free loans from the Thomas Morgan Trust for the 2009-10 school year for a total of \$46,500.00. Also, any recipient of a Morgan Loan could be eligible for loan forgiveness of up to 50 percent if they return to Norton County to work and live.

The interest free student loan program was arranged by Mr. Morgan during his lifetime, and is funded by a bequest from his estate. Under the loan program, any Norton Community High School graduate is eligible to apply for the loans set forth under the trust.

The loan program is designed to aid students seeking higher education in accredited institutions including, but not limited to, colleges, universities, vocational technical schools, trade schools, business schools, and other institutions of higher education. Mr. Morgan expressly directed, in his trust, that any area of study in higher education was eligible, save for areas relating to medicine or law.

The trust agreement directs that an applicant must have participat-

Council

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Lawson also reported that some city vehicles had hail damage from the storm on July 31.

• Jeff Otter reported on what happened at the last public safety committee meeting. He said Ty Britton requested placing a stop sign at the corner of Archer and KQNK Road. The council discussed the issue, saying there is no place to put a stop sign without doing road construction.

• Toby Kuhn said the finance committee met on July 20 and discussed the 2010 budget. The budget is finalized and will be turned in on time.

• The parks committee reported on Jerry Bantam's request for the city to pay for concrete for improvements at the race track. A motion was made to fund the request, not to exceed \$3,500. Vote taken, motion passed.

The committee also reported that improvements to the tennis courts have begun.

Popular football contest being readied. Become a sponsor, reap the rewards! Call Dana at 877-3361.

•PUBLIC NOTICE•

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LINDA L. NUTTYCOMB, DECEASED

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS In the Matter of the Estate of LINDA L. NUTTYCOMB, Deceased Case No. 2009-PR-20

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Kansas To All Persons Concerned: You are hereby notified that on the 17th day of July, 2009, a Petition was filed by Todd N. Nuttycomb, as a beneficiary named in the Last Will and Testament of Linda L. Nuttycomb, deceased, praying that the Last Will and Testament, dated February 26, 1982, filed with the Petition, be admitted to probate, for the appointment of Todd N. Nuttycomb as executor of the will without bond, and that he be granted Letters Testamentary.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses to the admission of the decedent's will and codicil to probate on or before August 17, 2009 at 1 o'clock p.m. in this Court in the City of Norton in Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall be forever barred.

Todd N. Nuttycomb, Petitioner
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Logan, KS 67646
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Attorney for Petitioner

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MILDRED LUCILLE MILLER, also known as MILDRED L. MILLER, Deceased

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS In the Matter of the Estate of MILDRED LUCILLE MILLER, also known as MILDRED L. MILLER, Deceased Case No. 2008-PR-55

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Jerry A. Miller, duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Estate of Mildred Lucille Miller, also known as Mildred L. Miller, Deceased, praying that his acts be approved; that his account be settled and allowed, that the will be construed and the estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; that

fees and expenses be allowed; that the costs be determined and ordered paid; that the administration of the estate be closed; that the Executor be discharged and that he be released from further liability.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO FILE your written defenses thereto on or before the 19th day of August, 2009, at 1:30 o'clock p.m. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Norton, Norton County, Kansas at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Jerry A. Miller, Executor
R. Douglas Sebelius #09157
SEBELIUS & GRIFFITHS, LLP
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Attorneys for Petitioner

•PUBLIC NOTICE•

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING TWIN CREEKS EXTENSION DISTRICT #9 DECATUR COUNTY

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING The governing body of Twin Creeks Extension District #9 Decatur County

will meet on the day of August 14, 2009, at 10 a.m. at the Decatur County Courthouse, Jury Room for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information is available at and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY Proposed Budget 2010 Expenditures and Amount of 2009 Ad Valorem Tax established the maximum limits of the 2009 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual 2008		Current Year Estimate for 2009		Proposed Budget Year for 2010		
	Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Amount of 2009 Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Ad Valoem Tax	Tax Rate*
General	192,622	NEW	267,100	NEW DIST	267,100	137,994	1.976
Debt Service							
Totals	192,622	0.000	227,000	0.000	267,100	137,994	1.976
Less Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	192,622		227,000		267,100		
Total Tax Levied	NEW		227,000				
Assessed Valuation	0		0		69,840,322		
Outstanding Indebtness							

*Tax rates are expressed in mills

•PUBLIC NOTICE•

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY M. GARRETT, also known as DOROTHY MARIAN BENNETT, Deceased

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of DOROTHY M. GARRETT, also known as DOROTHY MARIAN BENNETT, Deceased Case No. 2009-PR-24

NOTICE OF HEARING THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Georgia Garrett-Norris, as one of the heirs of Dorothy M. Garrett, a/k/a Dorothy Marian Bennett, Deceased, praying for the determination of the descent of the following described real estate:

An undivided one-fifth (1/5) interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals in and under the East Half of the Southeast Quarter (E/2 SE/4) and the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE/4 NE/4) all in Section Thirteen (13), Township Four (4) South, Range Twenty-one (21) West of the Sixth P.M. in Norton County, Kansas; and all other property, real and personal, or interest therein owned by the decedent at the time of death; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before August 31, 2009, at 1:00 o'clock P.M. of said day in said Court, in the City of Norton, in Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

Georgia Garrett-Norris, Petitioner
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•PUBLIC NOTICE•

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-10 A RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING ON PUBLIC OFFICER'S REPORT FINDING THE PREMISES OF LEROY AND SIOBHAN HANES, 520 MAIN, ALMENA, NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS, UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION, DANGEROUS AND UNSAFE

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WHEREAS, the Public Officer of the City of Almena, Kansas, has made her report and request to the Governing Body of the City of Almena, Kansas, that finds the premises located within Almena, Kansas, belonging to Leroy and Siobhan Hanes, more particularly described as follows:

Lot Eleven (11), Block Six (6), Original Town of Almena, Norton County, Kansas;

to be unfit for human habitation, dangerous and unsafe; and WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Almena, Kansas, has authority pursuant to Section 4-601, et seq., of Code of the City of Almena, Kansas, to require or cause the repair, closing or demolition or removal of such structures found to be unfit for human habitation, dangerous or unsafe within Almena, Kansas.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS:

SECTION ONE: A hearing will be held before the Governing Body of the City of Almena, Kansas, to determine whether the structure or structures on the premises described above is fit for human use or habitation, dangerous or unsafe, at the following place on the following date:

City Building, Almena, Kansas, on the 14th day of September, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

SECTION TWO: That this resolution shall be published once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in the official City newspaper and that notice by certified mail be sent to each owner, agent, lienholder and occupant of the premises.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of August, 2009. CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS /s/ Gerald Wilson, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/ Twila Ingram, Almena City Clerk

•PUBLIC NOTICE•

ORDINANCE NO. 417 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS ON THE STREETS OF THE CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS, AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

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ORDINANCE NO. 417 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS ON THE STREETS OF THE CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS, AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS:

SECTION ONE. OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS.

(a) Golf carts may be operated upon the public highways, streets, roads and alleys within the corporate limits of the City by a driver of at least 18 years of age.

(b) "Golf cart" means a motor vehicle that has not less than three (3) wheels in contact with the ground, an unladen weight of not more than 1,800 pounds, is designed to be and is operated at not more than 25 miles per hour and is designed to carry not more than four (4) person including the driver.

(c) No golf cart shall be operated on any public highway, street, road or alley between sunset and sunrise, unless equipped with lights as required for motorcycles.

(d) Every person operating a golf cart on the streets, roads and alleys of the City shall be subject to all the duties applicable to a driver of a vehicle imposed by law.

(e) A person operating a golf cart shall ride only on the permanent and regular seat attached thereto, and such operator shall not carry any other person, nor shall any other person ride on golf cart, unless such golf cart is designed to carry more than one (1) person, in which event, a passenger may ride upon the permanent and regular seat, if designed for two (2) persons, or upon another seat firmly attached to the golf cart at the rear or side of the operator.

(f) No person shall operate a golf cart at a speed greater than the posted limit or 25 miles per hour, whichever is less.

(g) No operator shall carry any person, nor shall any person ride in a position that will interfere with the operation or control of the golf cart or the view of the operator

(h) No person riding upon a golf cart shall attach himself or herself or the golf cart to any other vehicle on the roadway.

SECTION TWO. SAME; PENALTIES. The violation of any provision of Section One shall be deemed an ordinance traffic infraction. Upon an entry of the plea of guilty or no contest or upon being convicted of such violation, the penalty imposed shall be in accordance with Section 201 of the Standard Traffic Ordinance, 2007 Edition, as amended, or such other similar provision as the City may then have in effect.

SECTION THREE. SAME; VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE REQUIRED; AGE OF OPERATOR; PENALTY. No person shall operate a golf cart on any public highway, street, road or alley within the corporate limits of the City, unless such person has a valid driver's license, and is at least 18 years of age. Violation of this section is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION FOUR. PUBLICATION; EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the official City newspaper.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the governing body of the City of Almena, Kansas, on this 3rd day of August, 2009.

CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS /s/ Gerald Wilson, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/ Twila Ingram, Almena City Clerk