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Briefly

Moonlight sales set for Thursday

The Norton Merchants are "going mad for you" by cutting prices and promoting sales during the annual Moonlight Madness sales event. It will take place Thursday from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Numerous Norton merchants will participate this year. See page three for more details.

Meals on wheels schedule:

Meals on Wheels are being delivered through Sunday by the Norton Lions Club. From Sept. 28-Oct. 4, Norton Correctional Facility will deliver. The contact person is Kelly Gill 877-3389, ext. 252.

Booster club issues invitation to fans

All Norton Community High School sports fans are invited to the weekly meeting of the Norton Blue Jay Booster Club on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Fans will be updated on recent competitions by Norton football coach Lucas Melvin, cross country coach George Rossi, volleyball coach Peggy Cox and tennis coach Jim Green.

At the end of the meeting, fans will be invited to watch the film of Friday night's exciting football game with Smith Center.

You do not have to be a member of the booster club to attend.

Weather forecast



RAIN

Tonight - A 50 percent chance of showers. Wednesday - A 30 percent chance of showers. Cloudy with a high near 62. Wednesday Night - A 20 percent chance of showers. Thursday - A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy with a high near 65. Friday - Partly sunny with a high near 67.

Kingham report:

Friday, Sept. 18 Low 50, High 78
Saturday, Sept. 19 Low 47, High 75
Sunday, Sept. 20 Low 54, High 84
Monday, Sept. 21 Low 53, High 74
40 Precipitation
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Dear God, help us to believe in your word and put it to work in our life. Amen



Lee Nonamaker browsed the sales in Norton's Water Tower Park on Saturday. The Highway 36 Treasure Hunt ran through Kansas, from the Missouri to Colorado border. Mrs. Nonamaker came to Norton from Goodland for the event. She planned to go as far as Smith Center.

—Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Hunt reveals treasure

By ERICA BRADLEY
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The fourth annual U.S. Highway 36 Treasure Hunt took place over the weekend, bringing in not only tourists but their money which was pumped into Norton's economy.

Carolyn Applegate, Norton County commissioner and Highway 36 representative, said last year an estimated \$90,000 came into Norton through hotel stays, restaurants, gas and money that went to individual vendors.

"It provides an income source not only to businesses, families and non-profits that directly participate in the event, but also to the service and retail businesses open to accommodate the extra traffic through

our communities," Diane Becker, Norton City/County Economic Development director, said.

"The sales bring new money into the community, rather than simply exchanging it amongst one another. Each dollar spent in the community is circulated five to seven times, on average, before leaving the community," she said.

"This is economic development at its best because the money stays in our community," Mrs. Applegate said.

She said this year's total was the same or a little less. She could not say if the economy caused less people to participate.

In Norton, 56 garage sales were listed on the map, but Mrs. Applegate and

Karla Reed, Norton Area Chamber of Commerce director, said over 70 vendors participated.

Many were scattered along the highway, but most people chose to set up their sales at their homes.

"The people who were in groups on Highway 36 did the best," Mrs. Applegate said.

She said antiques, collectibles, tools and wooden furniture were the most popular with consumers.

Mrs. Applegate said the vendors were not charged to be on the highway, although they had to pay \$5 to be put on the map and get their listing on the

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Jama Babcock, who bicycled from Phillipsburg to Denver to raise medical and travel expenses for her friend Cody Hilburn of Logan, is shown on Saturday morning Sept. 12 in Norton at the last stoplight she would encounter on her entire trip!

—Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Cyclist completes ride

By DICK BOYD
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Jama Babcock of Phillipsburg, formerly of Logan, has completed without incident her 350 mile fund raising bicycle trip from Phillipsburg to Denver for cancer stricken friend Cody Hilburn of Logan.

Cody returned home to Logan from his honeymoon in May of this year after

marrying his sweetheart Kara Boyd and was diagnosed with Ewing's sarcoma, a rare and aggressive form of cancer.

An avid bicyclist, Jama decided to ride to Denver in support of Cody with the purpose of raising medical and travel expenses for the newlyweds.

She left Phillipsburg on Saturday morning, Sept. 12 and arrived in Denver

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Vehicle tag renewals due soon

September 30 is the last day to renew vehicle tags if your last name begins with "P," "Q" or "R" or your business name begins with "P," "Q" or "R."

New items needed are driver license or identification number for each owner or federal employer identification number for the business in addition to the insurance. Vehicle business is done from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily.

Driver license renewals can be done Tuesday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Remember to bring along your social security card or something that has your social security number on it for verification.

Instructional permits and driver education restricted licenses can be processed in the office by appointment. You will need to bring a state issued original certified birth certificate, social security card and a utility bill with current address plus the driver license of the parent.

The Norton County Treasurer's office will be closed on October 6 for training in Colby. If you have questions, please call the office at (785) 877-5795. All CDL renewals need to be renewed at a full service station in Phillipsburg, Hays or Colby.

Pick-Em winners:

By DICK BOYD

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Four fans picked all 12 winners correctly and three also had the correct tiebreaker score to earn all three prizes in last week's Telegram Pigskin Pick-Em Contest.

Winner of the first prize of \$15 in scrip money was Rodger Stutterheim, Alma, who was correct on all 12 games and was closest on the tiebreaker score. Auburn defeated West Virginia 41-30 in the tiebreaker and Rodger picked it 30-21, or a total of 20 points off the actual scores of the two teams.

Doug Ray, Norton, earned the second prize of \$10 in scrip money by correctly choosing all 12 winners and coming second closest on the tiebreaker. He chose Auburn by 28-20, or 23 points off.

Third prize of \$5 in scrip money goes to Bob Husted, Norton. He had all 12 winners correct and chose Auburn by 27-14, or 30 points off.

The other football fan picking all 12 winners was a former contest season champion David Riemann, Norton. He incorrectly selected West Virginia to win the tiebreaker game.

Correct on all but one game were: Stacy Area, Megan O'Connor, Jennifer Boller, Sandy Husted, Kollan McMullen, Regina Beikman, Tom Baumann, Monica Wilson, all of Norton.

Missing just two contests were: Dan Mannel, Lenora; Christal Rose (defending champion), Arapahoe; Barbara Brooks, Clayton; Dale Shearer, Dorothy Shearer, both of Edmond; Linda Covington, Jasmine Covington, Julie Hilburn, Ja'Nee Moore, all of Alma; Patty Gall, Charlotte Stephenson, Naedean Whitney, Lynn Nelson, Jacob Green, Craig Foley, Rodney Stapp, Chase Rice, Toyah Braun, Lawrence Wiseman, Deb Thiele, Virginia Carlton, Jeris Norman, Nathan Morse, Douglas Daniels, all of Norton.

Incorrect on three games were: Kenney Leiker, Hays; Lexi Voss, Chris Lowry, both of Alma; Nish Millan, Goodland; Dennis Maybon, Tom Davis, Chriselle Thomson, Karen Cozad, Fig Millan, Aden Schillig, Dustan Daniels, Rick Green, Linda Matson, Taryn Graham, Mary Ann Hager, Dalton Miller, Ken Grogire, all of Norton.

Correct on all but four contests were: Kurtis Shearer, Edmond; Bob Covington, Alma; Wilma Wiseman, Lindsey Tacha, Jane Mindrup, Sarah Durham, Robert Blecha, Brittne Schock, Diana Smith, Patrick Pomeroy, Ryan Blecha, all of Norton.

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Homecoming schedule:

By DICK BOYD

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The 2009 Norton Community High School Homecoming Week began on Monday and will culminate with Friday's events.

Monday was Geek Day, today was Tacky Day, Wednesday will be Twin Day, Thursday has been designated Sports Team Day and Friday will be Blue and Yellow Day.

On Friday, students at the high school and junior high will be dismissed at 2:30 p.m. so they can watch the parade, which starts at 2:45 p.m. in front of the junior high. The parade will end at the Norton County Courthouse, where the pep rally will be held, beginning at 3 p.m.

Activities at Travis Field will begin at 6:20 p.m. with the performance of the Dance Team and will be followed by the coronation of the king and queen at 6:40 p.m.

The NCHS Marching Band will perform a pre-game show at 6:50 p.m. and will perform again at halftime. In case of inclement weather, the coronation will be held at 10:15 p.m. in the Norton County 4-H Building.

Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. in the football game against Osborne.

The Homecoming dance will be held in the Norton County 4-H Building from 10 p.m. to midnight.