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HAPPY HALLOWEEN



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1
Remember to turn back the clock!

Briefly

Halloween parade postponed to Sat.

Due to inclement weather, the Halloween parade has been rescheduled for Saturday. Lineup will begin at 4 p.m. and the parade will begin at 4:30.

American Legion to hold events

The Lyons Club will hold a pancake feed from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the American Legion on Sunday. The event will not be held at the senior center.

A soup supper will also be held from 5–7 p.m. at the Legion. It will benefit children and youth activities. Members and guests are welcome.

Pamida schedules costume contest

Pamida will hold an in-store trick-or-treating and costume contest tomorrow from 3 p.m. – close. The costume contest will begin at 3 p.m. The winner will receive a \$10 Pamida gift card.

MARKETS
Cash Prices-Norton
October 30, 2009

CORN	\$3.33
SOYBEANS	\$9.22
WHEAT	\$4.06
MILO	\$3.09

314 W. North Street
Norton, Kansas
Ag Valley 785-877-5188

weather forecast

Tonight - Mostly cloudy with a low around 31. Saturday - Mostly sunny with a high near 59. Saturday Night - Mostly clear with a low around 34. Sunday - Sunny with a high near 60. Sunday Night - Partly cloudy.

Kingham report:

Tuesday, Oct. 27 Low 33, High 59
Wednesday, Oct. 28 Low 38, High 50
Thursday, Oct. 29 Low 40, High 48
1.40" Precipitation
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm
9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Thank you, God, that nobody is beyond the reach of your love. Bless those far from home and family, and keep us all in your care. Amen

Plans for business incubator continue

By ERICA BRADLEY
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Work on the Moffet building is continuing with plans being discussed to move the Norton Area Chamber of Commerce and Norton City/County Economic Development into the building when construction is completed. The move will allow a business incubator to be put in the building the chamber currently occupies.

An incubator will help entrepreneurs start a business by working closely with economic development to access local as well as regional resources.

"We'll mentor them through the process to help make their businesses successful," said Diane Stiles, Norton City/County Economic Development Director.

Stiles said she would be developing guidelines for the incubator.

A business plan will be required of any startup interested building.

She said other cities offer incubators like the one in Kansas City which offers a technology startup incubator.

Stiles said Norton's incubator will focus on the retail or service industries.

The chamber and economic development have not signed a formal agreement yet. Stiles said she proposed the move in August.

The chamber considered the proposal and made a counter-proposal in September.

The chamber voted last week to sign a good faith agreement to move into the building when it is completed.

Other details will be worked out before Feb. 26, 2010, the deadline for a signed agreement.

Don Kaus, president of the Norton Area Chamber board, said moving the two of-

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Halloween brings sales



Janette Oswald, owner of Twice Sold Treasures, adjusts her Halloween display. Twice Sold Treasures held a 31 percent off sale Thursday. Oswald said many of her vendors will also continue to have sales. Twice Sold Treasures is located at 105 S. State Street in Norton.

—Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Lost dog looking for home



A traveler on Highway 36 found this Australian Sheperd between the six mile corner and Reager. She is 12-15 years old. If you know who she belongs to, please call Norton Animal Control at (785) 874-4294.

—Telegram photo by Sherry Hickman

Court hears appeals

By Kevin Bottrell
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Before an audience of attorneys, students and community members, three judges from the Kansas Court of Appeals sat at the Thomas County Courthouse last week to hear cases from western Kansas.

Judges Stephen Hill, Nancy Caplinger and Steve Leben convened on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon to hear 15 cases involving everything from driving

under the influence to adoption.

The appeals court hears cases that have been decided in a lower court and one of the parties involved is seeking to overturn that ruling. Hill said the judges are supplied with written briefings on the cases and a research memo on each from the court's research staff. The attorneys for each side typically have 15 minutes to present their oral arguments, and the appellant, the party seeking a verdict

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4-Hers honored at achievement night

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Norton County 4-Hers will be honored Sunday evening during the Annual 4-H Achievement Night.

The event is open to the public and will include dinner before the awards ceremony. Dinner will start at 5 p.m. The Norton Area Chamber of Commerce will co-sponsor the main dish and 4-H families will provide side dishes. The ceremony will begin at 6 p.m.

A variety of 4-Hers will be honored, said Keith VanSkike, Twin Creeks Extension District Agent. Awards will be given

for achievement, yearly recognition pins, club promotion, judging, project completion and other awards.

"This is the awards culmination for the year," he said.

The Friend of 4-H award will also be presented to a community member who has contributed their time and leadership to 4-H. George Jones started the award many years ago. The award is co-sponsored by the Norton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Van Skike said there is an average of 110 members this year in various clubs.