



These are just some of the many dolls that Dawn Herring has collected and are displayed currently at the Norton Library.

-Telegram photo by Christie Anderson

# Library has new displays

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*Special to The Telegram*  
It is time to schedule another visit to the Norton Public Library. Why? There are four new exhibits on display now.

One exhibit features Eugene Wiltfong, a veteran teacher, who was inducted into the Kansas State Teachers' Hall of Fame in June. He becomes one of the 342 Kansas teachers and administrators who have been honored. He joins Doris Ballard of Norton, class of 1977, Gerald Travis, Norton, class of 1980 and Maxine Sebelius, Almena, class of 1981.

In the exhibit case you will find the presentation board that was displayed at the induction ceremony. In addition, the plaque for the Kansas State Teachers' Hall of Fame.

School bells are also part of the display. Gene used one when he taught country school in 1941. One was presented to him by the Eisenhower Faculty when he left to go to the Junior High School and another bell he received at his retirement from the 5th District Elementary Principals.

Two other awards in the display are from the Kansas Master Teacher Award, presented by Emporia State University in 1978, and the Outstanding Rural Schools Administrators Award from November, 1981.

In the tall display case, you will see Dawn Herring's collection of porcelain dolls. Dawn, now 12, has been collecting for 5 years after winning a doll as a prize in a

local contest. Her first doll was a little country school girl, who her Mother thought resembled Mary Ingalls from "Little House on the Prairie".

Since then, her collection has grown to 16 dolls with more coming - if her grandmother has anything to do with it! In the display you will find two mini dolls, an Indian doll and dolls with blonde, brunette and red hair with braids and curls.

Dawn's favorite doll is the baby doll in the carriage. She enjoys collecting the dolls because "they are pretty".

Candy anyone? You will enjoy seeing the variety of Pez candy dispensers that are Rebekah Streck's collection. Since she was three years old, Rebekah's grandparents, Dean and Betty Streck, have given her Pez candy dispensers. You will see some for holidays such as Halloween and Valentine's Day, Disney figures, a vehicle and a tiger.

Rebekah still collects them and enjoys her hobby very much. Take time to enjoy her collection, too.

On exhibit in the art gallery at the library are African artifacts from Liberia, collected by the late Ronald Johnson, while he was a teacher in Liberia, on the coast of Africa.

All items are handmade. Among the items are hand woven baskets, shoes, combs, fish nets, drums, mats, bowls, iron money, a hammock, weapons, gardening tools, games, bags and animal sculptures.

Ronald's work in Liberia consisted of teaching in the elementary grades in rural areas, school supervision and directing 4-H type programs in simple agriculture. He also helped in providing community leadership for developing projects, such as community gardens, pure water, health, first aid, woodworking, and more. Classes were held outdoors until schools could be built by Ronald and his co-teachers. He taught in Liberia from 1961-1963.

Johnson was a 1954 graduate of Norton Community High School. He taught social studies, history and art for 32 years in the Northern Valley School system and is also a member of the Kansas State Teachers Hall of Fame.

The exhibit is on loan to the library courtesy of Elaine Johnson, wife of Ronald.

All exhibits will be on display at the Norton Public Library through December. Do plan to visit to enjoy these collections and exhibits.

### A Big Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone for the help with our house fire. Special thanks to Joel for calling it in and saving our vehicles. Also special thanks to all fire departments who responded to the call and the firemen who risked their lives. Special thanks to the emergency crews who were there, the Red Cross, Husky Hogs and Valley Feed Mill employees who showed up to help, neighbors that stopped by to help and just to everyone that was there that day.

Special thanks to all our friends, the communities, and businesses who all donated clothing for the boys, money, food, etc. It is great to live in a small community where everyone knows everyone. We have had so many people offer to help it has been great.

Again, thank you to everyone for the support, donations, and for those who have brought us meals, and again to the firemen, and rescue crews.

Sincerely, Bill and Mindy,  
Kobie, Kade, and Camdyn Unterseher

# Ten reasons to attend the Aging Expo

With the 2009 Full Circle...An Aging Expo just around the corner (Friday, Nov. 6th at the Sternberg Museum in Hays), here's a review of the top 10 reasons you should attend.

# 10 - The food will be great and will feature a German flavor including green bean and dumpling soup, bierocks and other fine German food.

# 9 - The location is the Sternberg Museum in Hays. Your registration for Full Circle entitles you to a free visit to the Sternberg exhibits as well!

# 8 - Participants get to select three of nine possible educational break out sessions dealing with health, legal aspects of aging and fun activities.

# 7 - Even if the registration

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deadline is passed, you may still come. A meal can't be guaranteed, however.

# 6 - Exhibitors at the Resource Fair will have important information for anyone who gets a little older each day.

# 5 - Fort Hays State University Nursing Department will be doing free foot screening and give tips for foot care (especially for diabetics). Call 785-462-6281 and ask for Libby or Becky to set

up an appointment.

# 4 - Officer Brian Dawson from the Hays Police Department will offer a general session on Self Defense for Seniors.

# 3 - Keeping up with the Grandkids, a general session giving basic tips on using your computer, cell phone and digital camera will be offered.

# 2 - Key note speaker Dr Tana Goering, M.D. and KSN TV personality will discuss Taking Charge of Your Health and Healthcare.

# 1 - And the top reason for attending Full Circle... An Aging Expo is that all of us are growing older daily. As we age a great majority of us will be asked to give care to another person - even if it is only picking up mail, going to

the grocery store, or dropping off a hot meal. Many will be asked to give in-home care. Attend to get sound information on this subject.

For further information, please feel free to contact Libby Curry at the Northwest Area Extension Office or e-mail twwatts@ksu.edu.

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# Halloween tips for everyone

The Kansas Highway Patrol is urging motorists and community members to practice caution as Halloween approaches. Caution can be the key to safety as an increasing number of people are out, including pedestrians walking, parents driving their children, and people attending Halloween parties. It is imperative that safety play a role in the fun during the day and evening's celebrations.

"Halloween brings a wide audience to the roads. There are children and parents traveling and out walking. You also have adults celebrating the holiday, some of whom have had too much to drink," said Colonel Terry Maple, Superintendent of the Patrol.

"Awareness is so important here. Those out walking should watch the roads, double-checking before you cross the streets. Likewise, those out driving need to pay extra attention to the streets, curbs, and sidewalks as you travel. If you're going to be out drinking, you need to designate a sober driver."

This is an exciting time of year for people of all ages and practicing safety will help preserve the fun for all. In an effort to reduce this number, the Kansas Highway Patrol is offering the following safety tips.

**For Families:**  
• Trick or treat as a group, and never leave each other's side.  
• Make sure at least one adult is with any group of children.  
• Stay on the sidewalks and use crosswalks. When you are crossing the street, make sure you are looking both ways and check each side twice. Make sure not to dart out from behind parked vehicles, this will make you harder for

oncoming traffic to see, and they will have less time to slow down and stop for you.

- Wear brightly colored costumes. Make sure they don't block you or your child's vision and they do not drag on the ground. Reflective tape is recommended for those costumes that are not highly visible.

- Only go to familiar neighborhoods and homes with their lights on.

- Carry a flashlight.
- Try to complete your trick-or-treating prior to dark if at all possible.

- Parents need to inspect candy before their children consume it.

- Drivers need to slow down and pay close attention to the curbs for pedestrians waiting to cross the street. It is important to remember that children are excited for the evening and possibly not paying attention to traffic. There also will be people in dark costumes, making them less visible.

- Never, for any reason, drive while you are impaired.

For those planning to consume alcohol:

- If you are going out to drink and celebrate, designate a sober driver before-hand and give them the keys. If a sober driver is not available, call a taxi, friend, or family member to pick you up.

- See if your community has a sober rides program, and utilize them if you are out drinking.

- If you happen to see a drunk driver on the road, don't hesitate to call your local law enforcement. On the highway, you can dial \*47 from a cell phone to get to your local Patrol dispatcher. D

- Don't forget to wear your seatbelt.



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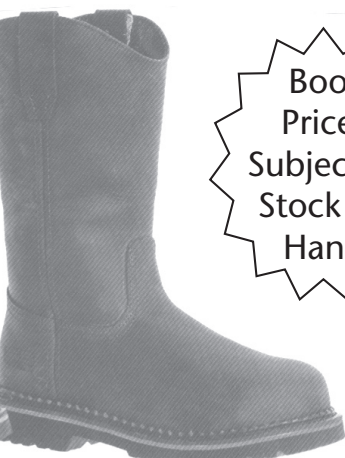
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