

THE NORTON TELEGRAM

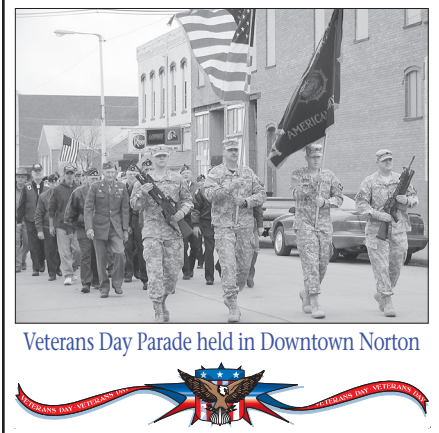
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Veterans Day Parade held in Downtown Norton

With Gratitude to Our Veterans



Norton honors veterans

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Veterans Day festivities kicked off on Wednesday with the traditional parade and banquet at the American Legion.

The parade began at 2 p.m. with the dance teams from Norton and Northern Valley performing.

Jake Durham, parade organizer, said 120 entries were listed, although he wasn't sure how many actually participated.

Many veterans marched in the parade.

Curt Archibald served during Vietnam and has participated in the parade since 1970. He said he is a member of the American Legion, who puts on the parade every year.

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The color guard marched through downtown Norton during the Annual Veterans Day Parade. There were an estimated 120 entries in the parade with many Norton County veterans participating.

-Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Briefly Sectional football game scheduled

Norton Community High School's Sectional football game versus Hutchinson Trinity will be played at 2 p.m. on Saturday at Travis Field in Norton.

Admission will be \$5 for adults and \$4 for kindergarten through 12th grade. No passes will be accepted.

The winner will play in the Sub-State game versus the winner of the Scott City-Wichita Collegiate Sectional game with time and place to be determined.

Senators visit Norton, view prison

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The slowed economy is affecting every area of the state budget with the Kansas Department of Corrections considering closing one facility in 2011.

The ten facilities include El Dorado, Ellsworth, Hutchinson, Lansing, Larned, Norton, Topeka, Wichita

Work Release Facility, Winfield and Kansas Correctional Industries.

On Tuesday, the Promoting Norton County Initiative kicked off with a visit from two senators who spent the afternoon touring Norton. Senator Steve Morris, president of the senate, his Chief of Staff Michael White and Senator Ralph Ostmeyer attended the visit.

The agenda included lunch with community members, five presentations, a tour of Natoma, Valley Hope, Kansas Department of Transportation and Norton Correctional Facility.

"We're excited to have the opportunity to show you our community," said Diane Stiles, Norton City/County Economic Development Director.

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MARKETS
Cash Prices-Norton
November 13, 2009

CORN	\$3.42
SOYBEANS	\$9.22
WHEAT	\$4.38
MILO	\$3.19

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weather forecast

Tonight - A 20 percent chance of showers before midnight. Saturday - Mostly cloudy with a high near 48. Saturday Night - A slight chance of rain and snow after midnight. Mostly cloudy with a low around 30. Sunday - A 50 percent chance of snow. Sunday Night - A 40 percent chance of snow. Monday - A 20 percent chance of snow.

Kingham report:

Tuesday, Nov. 10..... Low 28, High 60
Wednesday, Nov. 11 Low 39, High 55
Thursday, Nov. 12 Low 48, High 71
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Lord, help us to see your presence and to hope in every dark situation. Amen

New name on Mainstreet



Norton's Shop and Save switched to Mainstreet IGA early this week with a change of ownership. The new sign was installed Monday. Ron and Natalie Hadley purchased the grocery store.

-Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Economic development ending some programs

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The Norton County Economic Development Board met Tuesday evening when they discussed discontinuing several programs due to budget concerns.

The Demolition Assistance Program, Project Donation Requests and Buy Local Day Promotion were discontinued.

The board discussed the Demolition Assistance Program. Lenora was the only town that took advantage of the program, which was meant to demolish abandoned properties so new homes could be built.

Funding for the program is not included in the 2010 budget but may be revisited in 2011.

Project Donation Requests was also discontinued because the program is outside of economic development's focus. Other organizations offer similar funding options.

Economic Development's participation in Buy Local Day was also discontinued due to the limited effect on the community.

The board voted to continue the Business Development Program.

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Opening season begins

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The Kansas Pheasant and Quail Hunting season begins this weekend when the season opens tomorrow. It will run through Jan. 31, 2010.

Opening weekend is traditional and brings many hunters into Norton.

"It's traditional in northwest Kansas," said Bill Manning.

Manning said he tries to participate every year, especially since he is involved in Norton Long-Spur Chapter. The chapter is holding a banquet today at 5:30 p.m. at Norton Eagles Lodge.

"It's a big fundraiser for us," he said. The money benefits local projects such as pheasant habitat.

"It's a big boost," he said.

Brad Sander also participates in opening weekend.

He has been hunting for 42 years and hardly misses the weekend. He said his sons usually come up for the weekend.

"It's a wonderful family gathering," he said.

Several organizations hold events throughout the weekend.

First United Methodist Church will hold a hunter's breakfast from 5-8 a.m. Saturday and Sunday at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 805 W. Wilberforce.

Prairie chicken season opens a week later — Nov. 21 through Jan. 31, 2010, in the Northwest and East units. In the Southwest Unit, prairie chicken season runs Nov. 21-Dec. 31.