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Briefly

Trip benefit to be held for 4-Hers

The 4-H Denver Trip Benefit Meal will be held Saturday at 6 p.m. at the Armory, located at 1200 N. State Street. Admission is \$6. Beef fries, ham, beef and turkey will be served. The meal benefits the annual 4-H Denver trip.

Time of football game announced

The Norton Community High School football team (9-3) will host Wichita Collegiate (12-0) in the Class 3A Sub-State championship game at 2 p.m. this Saturday at Travis Field in Norton.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$4 for students K-12. No passes will be accepted.

The winner will advance to the Class 3A State championship game versus the winner of the Galena-Marysville sub-state game. The championship game will be played on Saturday, Nov. 28 at 1 p.m. at Gowan Field, Hutchinson.

Weekly booster meeting to be held

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 by Norton head football coach Lucas Melvin on the Blue Jays' sectional championship win over Hutchinson Trinity on Saturday and the upcoming sub-state contest here this Saturday versus Wichita Collegiate. At the end of the meeting, fans will be invited to watch the film of the victory over previously unbeaten Hutchinson Trinity.

MARKETS
Cash Prices-Norton
November 17, 2009

CORN
\$3.54

SOYBEANS
\$9.42

WHEAT
\$4.63

MILO
\$3.31

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weather forecast

Tonight - Clear with a low around 19.
Wednesday - Sunny with a high near 51.
Wednesday Night - Mostly clear with a low around 23.
Thursday - Sunny with a high near 52.

Kingham report:

Friday, November 13.... Low 43, High 53
Sat., November 14..... Low 30, High 51
Sunday, November 15.. Low 34, High 40
4" Snow
Mon., November 16 Low 31, High 46
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm
9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Teach us, Lord Jesus, always to be sensitive to the cry of someone in need. Amen.

Board discusses possible budget cuts

By ERICA BRADLEY
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Norton Community Schools are anticipating having their budget cut this year as the state struggles with their increasing deficit.

Superintendent Greg Mann gave information regarding possible revenue cuts to the Norton School Board during last Monday's meeting. In an interview with The Telegram after the meeting, he said there could be two sets of cuts during this school year. He expects the first round of cuts to come before the end of the month, totaling \$150 per full time enrollment. Mann said the reduction to this year's published budget would be \$54,000.

He said the cuts are due to higher enrollments across the state, more students qualifying for free meals and lowered valuations. He said tax revenues are also expected to be short by an estimated \$400 million, meaning deeper cuts will have to be made to state-funded programs.

"If education is cut in relation to the percentage of the state budget it comprises, that will be an additional \$200 per full time enrollment," Mann said.

The cuts would add up to \$350 per full time enrollment and would cost an estimated \$306,000.

During the school board meeting, the board voted to join School for Fair Funding. The nonprofit coalition advocates for fair funding for schools. They began a lawsuit in 1999 with the state legislature approving a three year, \$466 million increase for public schools in May 2006.

"The Law in Kansas still states that the base aid per pupil for 2009-10 is \$4,482. Obviously the legislature has chosen to not follow its own law or the 2006 directive of the state legislature," he said.

"USD 211 has joined with school districts across the state as a way to ensure that in the future the legislature follows its own laws and the directive of the State's Supreme Court," he said.

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Annual fair brings crafts



Many people attended the craft fair last Saturday where they could pick up anything from crafts to Christmas ornaments. The fair was held at five locations including the National Guard Armory, 4-H Building, Eisenhower Elementary School, the American Legion and the Norton Senior Center.

-Telegram photo by Dana Paxton



Ron and Natalie Hadley took a quick break from work last week to talk about the deli at Main Street IGA. They took ownership of the grocery store last Monday and are looking forward to becoming more involved in the community.

-Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Main Street IGA comes to Norton

By ERICA BRADLEY
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Ownership of Norton's Shop and Save changed last Monday with Main Street IGA becoming the new grocery store on main street.

Ron and Natalie Hadley purchased the store last Monday.

They worked at the IGA store in Hill City, where they lived for a number of years.

Ron grew up in Norton.

They moved because of the opportunities in Norton.

"We moved because we had the opportunity to own our own store, and because we wanted to be closer to family," Ron said.

Ron's parents live in Almena, and his sister and brother-in-law live in Norton. They said they have been busy during

their first week.

"It's been hectic, but it's going well. We feel very welcomed," he said.

The Hadleys plan to make some changes to the store. They began carrying the IGA brand, as well as Shurfresh and other brands, when they bought the store.

"Everyday we have new ideas," Natalie said.

Main Street IGA will keep its deli open.

"It's a nice change from your normal fast food choices," Ron said.

The Hadleys are looking forward to living in Norton.

"We're glad to be here, and we look forward to becoming a bigger part of the community," Natalie said.

They have two children: their daughter Jessie and son Jordan. They also have two grandchildren: Braden and Jaden.

Two fans miss one game in Pick-Em contest

By DICK BOYD
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David Riemann of Norton and Barbara Brooks of Clayton were the only two fans to miss just one game in last week's Pigskin Pick-Em Contest and David won the first prize of \$15 in scrip money by being closest to the actual scores of the teams in the tiebreaker game.

Ohio State edged Iowa 27-24 in overtime in the tiebreaker contest and David picked Ohio State by 31-17

or 11 total points off. His only miss was the Missouri win over Kansas State.

Barbara's only miss was the Oakley win over Ellis. She chose Ohio State in the tiebreaker game by 17-10 or 24 points off. Barbara will receive \$10 in scrip money for her entry.

Five fans missed two games and were in the running for the third prize of \$5 in scrip money. Mary Ann Hager was closest to the tiebreaker score to earn that prize.

Mary Ann chose Ohio State over Iowa by 28-24 or just 1 point off the actual score!

Also missing just two games and points off on the tiebreaker were Trey Millan, Norton, 7; Kelly Sweet, Norton, 7; Jennifer Boller, Norton, 10. Bob Husted, Norton, also missed two contests but incorrectly chose Iowa to beat Ohio State in the tiebreaker game.

Correct on all but three games were: Christal Rose,

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