



Rotary Club President Joy Johnson read to Mrs. Fiscus' second grade class on Monday at Eisenhower Elementary School. The school was able to purchase more than 80 books for its library due to a grant from the Rotary Club.

-Telegram photo by Harriet Gill

## Elementary school purchases many books with grant money

**BY HARRIETT GILL**  
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Eisenhower Elementary School was able to purchase over 80 books for their library thanks to a grant from the Norton Rotary Club.

The local club donated \$500 and the District Rotary Club matched the funds for a total

grant of \$1,000. The Rotary raised the money in their 2009 project year. "In times of reductions in school funding, the Norton Rotary Club is looking for ways to support our local school to insure that our youth have a bright future," said Rotary President Joy Johnson. One of many fund raisers for

2010 will be held on Feb. 6, when they take over the broadcasting of KQNK Radio. Scott Sproul explained the Rotary will sell radio ads and have members work as the station's disc jockeys. "The Norton Rotary is looking at another project for the school with a projected completion in the fall," Sproul said.

## Sheriff's Log

### December 27

8:11 p.m. Received call from RP stating he hit a deer on Highway 283 south of Norton

8:13 p.m. PS Deputy Annon in reference to above

11:34 p.m. Received a 911 call from RP stating she hit a deer on Highway 283 south of Norton.

11:38 p.m. Advised Deputy Annon of above

### December 28

4:15 p.m. Received call from RP of missing person in a Silver 2001 Lincoln Park Ave somewhere between Arapahoe and Oberlin. Male driver also reportedly has dementia

4:21 p.m. Advised Under Sheriff Wenzl of above call

4:49 p.m. Decatur County advised that the above missing person has been found in Arapahoe

4:50 p.m. Advised Under Sheriff Wenzl of above

5:17 p.m. Received call from female reference someone throwing trash in the highway, never mind, they picked it up

### December 29

10:44 a.m. Received call from RP reference an abandoned van near Rd W and W2

10:45 a.m. Received call from RP of a vehicle parked at Park in Alma and would like an officer to check it out.

10:48 a.m. Advised Deputy Land of abandoned van reported above

10:54 a.m. Public serviced owner of van, he advised everything is OK

### December 30

1:36 p.m. Subject arrived at SO in reference to getting an accident report taken on a deer hit

1:42 p.m. Subject left SO

6:25 p.m. Received call from RP reference to a dead deer in the middle of Highway 383

6:26 p.m. Advised Deputy Annon of above

11:23 p.m. Received call from

Decatur county wondering if we would have anyone available to pick up a transient from the county line once they pick him up from RA County. Spoke with Deputy Annon and he advised on one would be out at that time, information was passed along to Decatur County

### January 1

7:02 p.m. Received call from male stating that one mile east of Gretna heading west bound are two trucks pulling combine headers without taillights.

7:04 p.m. Advised Phillips County of above

### January 2

5:44 p.m. Received a call from subject reporting a subject in ER with accidental gun shot wound that happened in Phillips County

5:45 p.m. Deputy Land contacted Phillips County in ref to above.

6:24 p.m. Received a call from Decatur County Dispatch advising of a call received of erratic driver in a red car with Colorado tag that was nearing Clayton on Highway 383 continuing east-bound driving slow, speeding up and crossing back and forth over center line.

6:26 p.m. Notified Deputy Land of above

### January 3

2:51 p.m. Received a call from subject in Lenora who hit a deer last night and needing to have accident report taken.

7:15 p.m. Received a 911 call from female subject that is on Rd F3 miles west of Highway 283 and is reporting horses out.

7:31 p.m. Received a 911 call from female subject that horses are north on W3 now.

### January 4

7:16 a.m. Subject called to report a deer hit on Highway 383, he will come to the S.O. after work for a report, no injuries and the deer is off the road.

2:12 p.m. Received a report of 9 horses out on Highway 283.

2:19 p.m. Advised Deputy Bohl of above report of horses out.

2:49 p.m. Deputy Bohl advised that he has located horses and owner has arrived at the scene. Deputy will speak with them in reference to horses.

### January 5

10:07 a.m. Received message from Hays Highway Patrol reference to an accident on Highway 283 just north of the 199 mile marker, pickup pulling a goose-neck trailer.

10:09 a.m. Advised Under Sheriff Wenzl and Deputy Bohl of above

10:09 a.m. Received 911 call from subject reference to a one vehicle, non injury accident south of Norton on Highway 283 approximately 5 miles, same accident as above.

10:26 a.m. Sheriff Thomson advised dispatch to call KDOT and advise them accident was caused due to slick roadways.

12:12 p.m. Received 911 call from male subject. Cell phone was cutting out but could make out that reporting party was calling in a baby calf out between mile marker 3 and 4.

12:16 p.m. Public Serviced 911 call back number. Reporting party advised there is a baby calf out near Kansas/Nebraska border between mile marker 3 and 4.

12:22 p.m. Sent Administrative message to Furnas County

# FSA announces farm reconstitutions plan

The Norton County Farm Service Agency announces 2010 Farm Reconstitution program requirements. In Farm Service Agency terminology, farms are constituted to group all tracts having the same owner and the same operator under one farm serial number.

When changes in ownership or operation take place, a farm reconstitution is necessary. The reconstitution — or recon — is the process of combining or dividing farms or tracts of land based on the farming operation.

The following are the different methods used when doing a farm recon. Remember, to be effective for the current year, recons must be requested by Aug. 1 for farms enrolled in the Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program and

Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program - ACRE.

Estate Method — the division of bases, allotments and quotas for a parent farm among heirs in settling an estate;

Designation of Landowner Method — may be used when (1) part of a farm is sold or ownership is transferred; (2) an entire farm is sold to two or more persons; (3) farm ownership is transferred to two or more persons; (4) part of a tract is sold or ownership is transferred; (5) a tract is sold to two or more persons; or (6) tract ownership is transferred to two or more persons. In order to use this method the land sold must have been owned for at least three years, or a waiver granted, and the buyer and seller must sign a Memorandum of Understanding;

DCP Cropland Method — the division of bases in the same proportion that the DCP cropland for each resulting tract relates to the DCP cropland on the parent tract;

Default Method — the division of bases for a parent farm with each tract maintaining the bases attributed to the tract level when the reconstitution is initiated in the system.

UPDATE: If DCP direct payments have already been issued on a particular farm, the reconstitution will be effective for the next year, unless the payments are refunded.

If you have questions concerning your farm reconstitution, please call the Norton County Farm Service Agency Office at (785) 877-5156.

## Farmers invited to conference

Area farmers are invited to the annual Cover Your Acres winter conference on Tuesday and Wednesday at The Gateway in Oberlin.

The conference, put together by Kansas State University Research and Extension and the Northwest Kansas Crop Residue Alliance, will cover topics on no-till farming for area farmers.

While early registration is already closed, people can still sign up at the door, said Brian Olson, K-State regional agronomist.

It will cost \$45 for either day.

The two-day conference will have the same topics at the same time both days, giving farmers an option.

They also can attend both days

and listen to different topics.

Cover Your Acres, said Mr. Olson, is designed to provide information on lots of different topics and give farmers a place to ask questions of experts from industry and the university.

Topics on the agenda are "farmer-driven," he said, adding that he listens all year for anything new or different that can be added to the event.

Some of those topics this year include weed control in fallow fields, common production problems, long-term crop rotation results, cover crops of western Kansas, a guide for setting up on-farm research and getting started in agriculture, to name a few.

Anyone wanting to mail in

their registration can send it to Northwest Area Extension Office, attention Brian Olson, Box 786, Colby, Kan. 67701.

The conference will be held at The Gateway, at the intersection of U.S. 36 and U.S. 83.

This is the seventh year for the winter conference, Mr. Olson added.

This year, "diamond" sponsors include the Decatur Co-op Association, Pioneer Seed, Hoxie Implement, Lang Diesel, Sims Fertilizer, Crop Production Services, Monsanto, Cargill Ag Horizons, the High Plains chapter of the National Sunflower Association and Farm Credit of Western Kansas.

## Banquet planned for Kansans

By DICK BOYD

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United States Secretary of Defense Dr. Robert M. Gates, a Wichita native, will be honored and will speak as Kansan of the Year at the annual banquet hosted by the Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas on Friday, January 29 in Topeka.

Among his many merits, Secretary Gates has been awarded the National Security Medal, the Presidential Citizens Medal, has twice received the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal and has three times received the CIA's highest award, the Distinguished Intelligence Medal.

Winners of the annual Kansas Factual Story Contest and Kansas! Say It Above A Whisper Contest, both essay contests, and the Kansas Youth Art Contest will also be honored at the banquet.

Everyone is invited to attend the 92nd annual banquet on January 29 in the Sunflower Ballroom in the Maner Conference Center adjacent to the Capitol Plaza Ho-

tel on the grounds of the Kansas Expocentre. A social hour begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner and program at 6:30 p.m.

Corporate tables seating 10 people are available for \$500, individual seating for lifetime members is available for \$40 and new lifetime members may purchase seats for \$50, which includes the membership fee.

Tickets may be ordered from Native Sons and Daughters, Box 546, Topeka, KS 66601-0546. Tickets will be mailed for all orders received by Friday, Jan. 22. Ticket orders received after that

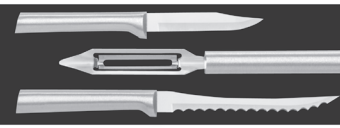
date may be picked up at the coat check area in the Maner Conference Center, beginning at 4 p.m. on January 29.

The Native Sons and Daughters organization was formed to preserve Kansas's history, uphold our pioneer ancestors, encourage youth to embrace Kansas ideals and honor outstanding citizens. Whether a native Kansas citizen or not, all are invited to join the organization.

For more information, contact John Pinegar, phone (785) 235-6245 or e-mail ksnativesonsanddaughters.org

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# Annual Meeting

**Monday, January 18, 2010**

11:30 a.m.  
to be held at the St. Francis Parish Hall  
104 S. Wabash, Norton, Kansas

Please R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, January 13

\$1.00 PER PERSON

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