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Briefly

Resume workshop to be held at library

Barbara Safani, resume expert and author of *Happy About My Resume: 50 Tips for Building a Better Document to Secure a Brighter Future*, will make a presentation via a webinar that will be broadcast Jan 26 at 1 p.m. at the Norton Public Library to job-seekers. This presentation will cover resume-writing for: people making a career transition, stay-at-home parents who are re-entering the workforce, college students who are job searching, people looking for work in skilled trades and services. Ms. Safani, owner of Career Solvers, will teach attendees how to write an effective resume that gets attention—and interviews. The Resume Workshop will cover writing a powerful profile and skills summary that shows how valuable your experience is to hiring managers, transforming a list of job tasks into powerful success stories, leveraging education and internships to prove you have “the right stuff” to do the job and using resume design templates to help you stand out from the crowd.

To register, call the Norton Public Library at 785-877-2481.

Meeting scheduled for Relay planning

Planning is continuing for this year’s Relay for Life. The planning committee is meeting the first Thursday of every month at Norton County Hospital. The public is welcome to attend. The Relay has been scheduled for June 25-26 at the Norton County Courthouse, 105 S. Kansas.

MARKETS
Cash Prices-Norton
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CORN	\$3.17
SOYBEANS	\$8.89
WHEAT	\$4.03
MILO	\$2.88

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Norton, Kansas
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weather forecast

Tonight - A chance of rain and snow before midnight, then a chance of snow. Areas of fog. Wednesday - Patchy fog before noon. Wednesday Night - A slight chance of rain and snow.

Kingham report:

Friday, January 15..... Low 25, High 45
Saturday, January 16 Low 27, High 53
Sunday, January 17 Low 28, High 52
Monday, January 18 Low 23, High 44
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Lord, thank you for answering our prayers. Please show us what steps we can take to deal with issues in our lives. Amen



Naomi Streck’s mission trip to Centre Children International Lifeline of Haiti, in Croix-des-Bouquets, was interrupted by last week’s 7.0-magnitude earthquake. There are 95 children at the orphanage, which was not damaged structurally. Naomi hopes to go back to Haiti sometime next year.

—Photo courtesy Naomi Streck

Student returns after earthquake

By ERICA BRADLEY
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Americans in Haiti began arriving home after the earthquake hit last Tuesday, including the Haiti Lifeline Ministries mission team who arrived in Miami Friday afternoon. Naomi Streck, a native of Norton and senior at Wichita State University, spent the weekend in Norton before heading back to school yesterday.

Naomi had arrived in Haiti last week, a couple of days before the 7.0-magnitude earthquake struck last Tuesday afternoon. Naomi said she was in the Centre for Children International Lifeline Haiti Orphanage with one of the children when it hit.

“It was like a normal day,” she said. She said they immediately knew it was an earthquake but wasn’t aware of how bad the damage was. Everyone

eventually made their way outside, but Naomi said it took time to get out due to how badly everything was shaking.

“We were very fortunate. Everyone was safe,” she said.

The group, including orphanage staff, children and the mission team, lived outside after the earthquake for fear the structure would collapse.

“I wish I could be there with the kids. They are probably still sleeping outside,” she said.

Naomi said the children handled the earthquake well.

“I was really impressed by how the kids handled everything,” she said.

The orphanage’s structure was undamaged, although the security wall was left with two holes. The orphan-

age, in Croix-des-Bouquets, was 12 miles from the epicenter.

“Considering how close we were, we were very lucky,” Naomi said.

Many other buildings and people were not so lucky. “It was crazy. You could hear screaming from people in Port-au-Prince,” she said.

Travel out of Haiti was congested following the earthquake. The mission team walked five miles to the airport on Thursday where one group was able to get a flight out. The others stayed behind and eventually went to the embassy before flying to Miami Friday afternoon where they were all able to make calls home.

“What a relief. We are so thankful. We want to thank everyone for their prayers and support,” said Joan

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Road and Bridge department downsized

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State budget cuts continue to affect county funding with Norton County’s Road and Bridge Department taking some cuts.

During the Jan. 11 Norton County Commissioners meeting, the commission discussed the budget for the department with Tom Brannan, Road and Bridge supervisor, and John Mapes, Mapes and Miller Accounting.

In an interview after the meeting, County Clerk Robert Wyatt said in 2008 the road and bridge budget was \$1,421,419, in 2009 it was \$965,049 and in 2010 they are budgeted for \$897,535. He said \$338,731 of this year’s budget will come from the special city/county highway fund. Those funds come from the state.

Wyatt expects those funds to be cut.

“We very well could lose more of that,” he said. If the county loses \$338,731 in special city/county highway funds, the road and bridge department will be

left with \$558,804.

Wyatt said it would be a “very tight budget.” The commission discussed transferring \$250,000 from special machinery into operating but decided it would not be necessary at this time.

The commission also discussed downsizing the department with Brannan.

Wyatt said one position has been cut but wasn’t sure if more would be cut in the future. There will be eight

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Closing sales



Glen and Elinor Wiltfong took advantage of the sales at Hall’s Clothing last week. Mrs. Wiltfong said she was sad to see the clothing store go since it was the only business selling clothes in the area.

—Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Credit union holds 61st annual meeting

BY HARRIETT GILL
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United Northwest Federal Credit Union had their 61st annual meeting on Monday at St. Francis Parish Hall when they voted for two new board members and recognized Don Wegener for his long membership.

Jim Green, Board Chair person, gave a brief welcome and Wilmer Severns gave the invocation.

Lunch was prepared by Cindy McMullen of Town and Country Kitchen and was served by the Norton Senior High KAY Club.

The meeting was called to order by Jim Green, who thanked the many people that were responsible for the success of the credit union, members, employees, and board members. He also expressed thanks to the caterer and servers of the luncheon. Members were then introduced to the members of the Board and Supervisory Committee and employees



Don Wegener

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. There was no old business. The meeting then passed on to the elections of Board of Directors. There were four nominations from the nominating

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