

DEATH NOTICE

Gisela M. Harrington of Norton died on Feb. 1, at the Andbe

Home. Enfield Funeral Home is handling arrangements.



Eric Haussermann and Shondra Graham

Couple plans wedding

Shondra Graham of Alma, Neb. and Eric Haussermann of Republican City, Neb. announce their engagement. Shondra is the daughter of Leo and Claudette (Rudolph) Graham of Almena. Eric is the son of Julie (Waggoner) Richardson of Lincoln, Neb. and John Haussermann of Republican City, Neb.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Northern Valley High School in Almena, and attended Colby Community College. Shondra

is employed as a licensed sales associate and office manager at Farm Bureau Financial Services in Holdrege, Neb.

The groom-to-be is a graduate of Alma High School and has a Bachelors Degree from Hastings College. Eric is co-owner of his family's farm business north of Republican City, Neb.

Shondra and Eric will marry on April 10, in Agra, Kan. The couple will reside near the family's farm.



One of Wyatt Wentz's photos is on display at the Norton Public Library. The 4-H photography is one of several displays.

—Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Library displays new exhibits

BY BEVERLY KINDLER

To start the new year, 2010, there are four new displays at the Norton Public Library. So take time to visit to see Legos, cookbooks, pins and photography.

Ed Ballinger is sharing his collection of Lego projects. Ed said, "When I was a kid, I never had any Legos. Now I have discovered how much fun they are. I have made sure that my three grandkids will not be Lego-less."

Ed loans them out, one project at a time, to his grandson Michael. As he grows, Michael will be able to build the more difficult structures. The other grandchildren, Dahn and Seana, will follow in Michael's footsteps.

LEGO is a line of construction toys manufactured by a company in Denmark. Legos are colorful interlocking plastic bricks and an accompanying array of gears, mini figures and other parts. With these you can construct objects, buildings, vehicles and even robots, which can be taken apart and used again and again. Legos were originally designed in the 1930's in Europe, but today have international appeal. Annual production of Legos averages approximately 20 billion bricks.

Legos are colorful, interesting and fun. Ed has 62 Lego bricks as well as those for the grandkids. He asks, "Do you have yours?"

In one of the lobby cases, Elaine Johnson has displayed a variety of pins she has collected over the years. Elaine remembers the very first pins she received were two identical wiener dog pins, which were to be worn on bobby socks (remember those days?). The next pin she remembers receiving was a mustard seed pin. Do you have one? Elaine bought a box at an antique auction that, she knew, had one beautiful cameo pin and was surprised to find several.

Some pins were her mother's; others were from family and friends for different occasions. There are political pins, school pins, jeweled pins, fabric pins, stick pins and even some made from safety pins.

Elaine has not made an exact count of her collection, but estimates that she has more than 100.

Take time to see the display Elaine has shared for you to admire.

Carol Otter loves to cook and has been cooking since she was in grade school. She has over 200 cookbooks with the oldest published in 1932. Some of her cookbooks are well used, like the "Fluffo" book and the Better Homes and Gardens new cookbook that nearly 9 million women cherish.

Carol likes to choose cookbooks put together by church groups, organizations or communities. When Carol needs an idea for a party, family meal, special occasion or just something different, she refers to her collection. An example of one different cookbook is titled, "Calf Fries to Caviar," the true confessions of two Texas cooks.

In the Art Gallery, you will find photographs taken by Norton County 4-H members. Skylar Johnson, Ryan Johnson and Andrew Bashford of the Busy Beavers 4-H Club shared photos. From the Busy Jayhawkers 4-H Club there are photographs taken by Marissa Maddy, Molly Maddy and Jacob VanSkike. Katie Johnson, Kortney Cunningham and Michael Callaway are Cedar Ridge 4-H members who have photographs in the display.

The Prairie Dog 4-H Club exhibitors are Jade Braun, Kelsie Griffith, Jade Cressler, Wyatt Cressler, Diedra Kramer, Carissa Wentz, Bryndon Wentz, Wyatt Wentz, Quentin Wentz, Megan Wentz, Rebecca Wentz, Amy Wentz, Travis Cressler and David Cressler.

These photographs feature animals, plant life, action, people and structures. They were exhibited at the Norton County Fair and some were exhibited at the Kansas State Fair.

In addition, Kortney Cunningham and Kelsie Griffith, each shared two examples of their arts and crafts project work.

Carol Griffith, County Project Chair Photography, coordinated plans and put up the display.

Plan to spend some time at the library to enjoy these exhibits which will be in place until March 31.

Annual concert celebrates winter



Norton Community High School's band performed their annual winter concert on Sunday. The students played a variety of music including marches, a winter soundscape,

classical, hymn tune setting, a Broadway medley and a salute to Hollywood's fascination with the western.

—Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Far from home, the birth of a shopper

Mama's friend Mollie asked us to help her choose new kitchen wallpaper. I am so excited! We are driving to Norton, a long way from WaKeeney, so we left right after breakfast in order to "make a day of it," as Mollie put it. I've never been so far away from home in all my life, and here we are coming over the hill into a really big town.

At the hardware store while Mama and Mollie muse over wallpaper books I stand by a big window full of potted geraniums and watch all the cars go by. What a lot of cars.

A nice lady comes to talk to me and gives me a wallpaper sample book to take home for paper doll dresses. Free! It has pages and pages of pretty papers and I can hardly wait to get to work.

Downtown we eat hamburgers at a café called the Serv-U-Well. It smells good inside and it is full of laughing, visiting people. Through big glass windows I see a whole street of stores. There's a stoplight, too, and lots more cars. Our hamburgers come with pickles and potato chips and I eat mine right up. Good!

After lunch we go to Muir Music next door so Mollie can pick up sheet music for the choir director at church. There are pianos everywhere and all kinds of fancy horns hung on the walls. I do want a piano so much but oh boy, look at the price tags! I can count and I know these are big numbers.

Across the street is a great big store, Browne's. Mollie and

Child of the '40s Liza Deines



Mama are delighted to find Red Cross shoes so they sit down and try on what I think is every pair of shoes in the store. I wander, look in glass cases at perfume and jewelry, wish I were grown up. A big, brown-eyed man smiles at me and, opening a case, gives me a wee tiny bottle of perfume. "To keep?" I ask, astonished, and he nods, opens it and dabs a little on my wrist. We sniff and both say "Ooooo!" appreciatively. When Mama and Mollie come to get me they have a stack of shoe boxes tied with string.

Right next door is a store where Ben Franklin works. I thought he was dead. We go in and it's full of all kinds of things. We come out with a can of yellow paint, a new broom, a pound of jelly beans and a nickel coloring book.

Down the street at Penney's Mollie chooses fabric for curtains to go with the new wallpaper. Her kitchen is going to have heavenly blue morning glories on the walls and yellow checked ruffled curtains. Won't that be pretty? Mama leafs through the McCall's and Butterick pattern books. There's even a Duckwall store here just like at home. In we go and Mollie insists on buying me a Ship'n Shore blouse. Mama

says she is too generous and Mollie says "Oh, pish and tush! You know, Edie, I don't have a little girl to buy pretties for." We both thank her and I give her a big hug and tell her I have never had a store-bought blouse before. This day just keeps getting better and better.

"My feet hurt," says Mollie. "Let's go to Moffet's for ice cream before we head home." Ice cream? Moffet's is bright with glass and chrome and a marble soda fountain just like the one in Cleland's at home. Mollie orders a strawberry soda, Mama a grape phosphate. I debate between chocolate or strawberry ice cream. "Have you ever had a banana split?" Mollie

asks and when I shake my head, she exclaims "Oh good, then I get to buy you your first one!" Mr. Moffet comes up from the back counter and puts together every good thing I ever dreamed about, talking to us as he scoops and tops, whips cream and chops nuts.

He puts a big, fat, red cherry on top and presents the finished delight on a white paper doily. It takes all three of us an hour to finish it off. They let me have the cherry.

It's a perfect end to a perfect day. When I grow up I'm going shopping every day and eat nothing but hamburgers and banana splits. I'm six already and I can hardly wait.

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Club news

The Norton Blue Jay Booster Club will meet on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Speaking will be Norton head girls basketball coach Kevin Jilka, head boys basketball coach Doug Reusink and head wrestling coach

Bill Johnson.

They will update the fans on the latest competition by their teams.

Your do not have to be a member of the club to attend the meeting.

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