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## Tuesday

April 27, 2010

### Briefly

#### Deadline for tax payment May 10

May 10 is the deadline for paying the second half real estate, personal property, oil, intangible and 16/20M truck taxes at the Norton County Treasurer's office without a penalty. Remember to bring or send your tax payment stubs. You may also pay online at [www.kansas.gov/propertytax](http://www.kansas.gov/propertytax). You will need your statement number(s) and tax payer id listed on your statements.

#### Huskies music class will conclude year

The Northern Valley music department will conclude the school year with spring concerts. On April 29 the K-4 students will present Bugz!, a musical for young voices. It begins at 7 p.m. in the Almena gym. Following the musical Thursday evening, the high school band and vocal students will perform their spring concert. On May 3, the Northern Valley Middle School band and vocal students will perform in their final concert of the year. The performance will begin at 7 p.m. in the Long Island gym. All performances are free admission, and the public is invited to come support and be entertained by these young musicians.

#### Spring ladies fair scheduled May 1

The second annual spring ladies fair will be held May 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Northern Valley High School gym in Almena.

Come check out the new spring and summer items, graduation gifts, Mother's day gifts, all occasion gifts, cash and carry items, discounts, door prizes. The junior high volleyball team will sponsor a car wash just west of the high school. The fundraiser will support the new Almena City Building.

MARKETS	
Tuesday, April 27, 2010	
WHEAT.....	\$3.79
MILK.....	\$2.81
SOYBEANS.....	\$9.35
CORN.....	\$3.21

Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

### weather forecast

Tonight - Mostly clear with a low around 42. Wednesday - Mostly sunny with a high near 78. Breezy with a south wind between 15 and 25 mph with gusts as high as 35 mph. Wednesday Night - Partly cloudy with a low around 51. Breezy with a south wind between 15 and 25 mph with gusts as high as 30 mph. Thursday - A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly cloudy with a high near 69. Thursday Night - A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Friday - A slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy with a high near 65. Friday Night - Mostly cloudy with a low around 41.

### Prayer

Thank you, God, for the gift of prayer. We pray this day for all who need to know your presence. Amen



### Learning service



Students from Norton Junior High School participated in numerous projects around Norton yesterday. (Above) Hannah Park, Kristen Burge, MaKayla Cadwalader and Toby Nickell washed windows at the Andbe Home. Kenzie Esslinger and Adrienne Hager did yard work at

The Haven. Students also removed bushes at Grant and Waverly and painted the fence at the horse arena in Elmwood Park.

—Telegram photos by Dana Paxton

## Brownback talks state, federal issues

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U.S. Sen. Sam Brownback, the leading candidate in the governor's race, made a campaign stop in Norton on Saturday to discuss state and federal issues with a small group of nine residents at Town and Country Kitchen.

Brownback said Kansas needs to focus on growing its economy and population, not cutting services or raising taxes. "We've got to get growing. There's

no question about it. I think we've got to focus more on animal agriculture," he said.

He also wants to focus on renewable energy, including wind and ethanol.

"I think it's key we get well-positioned coming out of this recession," he said.



Sam Brownback

Brownback discussed expanding welfare, saying 40 percent of children nationwide are born out of wedlock. He said children born to single parents are born into low-income situations where they do not have the same access to education and other services.

He said the best thing for the country is to strengthen families and said expanding welfare benefits to include married couples would help encourage marriage. He said single mothers on welfare are less

likely to get married because they lose benefits for their children.

"I'm looking at the macro picture," he said.

Federal issues were also discussed. Brownback said the government is starting to look more like the European style of government with high taxes and more regulation.

He said the passage of the healthcare bill is evidence of that.

Brownback said he believes parts of **Governor** - Continued on Page 5)



Dr. Dustin Cheney began Marna Hermes' weekly treatment at the Norton Chiropractic Center, located at 204 E. Washington. Cheney purchased the center from Dr. Crow at the beginning of April.

—Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

## Chiropractic center here changes owners

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Crow Chiropractic changed owners at the beginning of April with Dr. Dustin Cheney, DC, DABCI, taking over the center.

Wes Hall, media representative, said Cheney is a chiropractic internist, meaning he has additional training in diagnosing and treating health problems. Cheney owned three other chiropractic centers prior to taking over the Norton center.

"The reason we're doing this now is because Dr. Crow moved on. We wanted to keep a presence in Norton," he said.

Hall said Cheney specializes in nutrition and chronic conditions, an area that is still exploratory.

"All of our treatments are non-surgical and non-pharmaceutical. We find that a lot of chronic conditions respond to nutritional sensitivities," he said.

Cheney does typical chiropractic practices like spinal correction, but he also works with pediatric care and nutritional testing. Acupuncture is done only at the main office in Phillipsburg.

Hall said right now Cheney is working in Norton Tuesday mornings from 7 a.m.

to 10 a.m. and Thursday afternoons from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. He said they are looking for a full time chiropractor.

"Those hours will change as we find another doctor and get more people involved," he said.

Cheney is from Colby and owns chiropractic centers in Phillipsburg, Stockton and Hill City.

"His goal is to serve rural communities out here," Hall said.

Cheney said he has wanted to be a chiropractor since he was a child.

"I knew I wanted to be a chiropractor since I was 14," he said.

He grew up in Colby, where he completed two associate degrees at Colby Community College.

He went on to Kansas City to complete a bachelor's of science in human biology, then graduated from Cleveland Chiropractic College as a doctor of chiropractic.

"We've never looked back. It's been a wonderful experience," he said.

Hall said patients can see doctors at the other clinics as well. Dr. Susan Buchanan-Cheney and Dr. Hamed Kian work at the other offices.

## Fatal car accident occurs southwest of Beaver City

A fatal accident southwest of Beaver City left one woman fatally injured and two men hospitalized Sunday afternoon.

The Furnas County Sheriff said the accident occurred at approximately 1:33 p.m. when a southbound pickup, driven

by Troy L. Balderston, went through the intersection without yielding at the stop sign. His vehicle struck Michael Lynn Becker and Laura M. Becker's westbound vehicle at the Road 707 and Road 421 intersection off of Highway 283.

Lynn Becker and Balderston were

transported to Norton County Hospital and then transferred to Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. They are currently in serious but stable condition.

Laura Becker was transported to the hospital in Cambridge, Neb. and was pronounced dead from injuries sustained

in the accident. She had been serving as office manager for the Furnas County Sheriff's Office since 1992.

Laura was the daughter of Lynn Nelson and the late Willie Nelson of Norton.