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Briefly

Summer reading program at library

The Norton Public Library's Summer Reading Program will begin June 3 and continue through the first week of August. Sign up will begin June 3 at the Library. Our theme this year is "Make A Splash -Read!" We will have prizes for those who reach their reading goal and a drawing for grand prizes. We hope everyone will come out and enjoy a good book at the Norton Public Library this summer.

Vehicle tag renewal deadline upcoming

The last day for businesses or persons whose name begins with "E," "F" or "G" to renew automobile, light trucks, motorcycles and/or motorized bikes tags will be May 31 at the Norton County Treasurer's office in the courthouse.

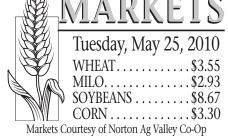
When renewing your vehicles remember to include your current proof of insurance. We need to verify the VIN number, policy number and expiration date.

In addition to insurance, we need your driver license number or Federal ID number for the business. The Treasurer's office will be closed for the Memorial Day Holiday on May 31.

Driver license renewals can be processed Tuesday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Instructional permits (IP) and Driver Education restricted licenses can be done in the office by appointment only.

You will need to bring an original state issued certified birth certificate, social security card for the applicant and a utility bill with current address plus the driver license of the parent that brings the child.

If you have questions, please call the office at (785) 877-5795. All CDL renewals need to be renewed at a full service station in Phillipsburg, Hays or Colby.





Tonight - Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Wednesday -Partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Thursday - Mostly sunny with highs in the lower 80s. Friday - Partly cloudy with highs in the 80s.

Kingham report:

Friday, May 21	Low 42, High 79
Saturday, May 22	
Sunday, May 23	Low 53, High 90
Monday, May 24	
3, 3	03 Rain

(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Dear God, we give thanks that you listen to us when we cry out to you. Help us to keep growing in spite of the obstacles in our path, trusting that you will strengthen us. Amen.





string after Sunday's Commencement ceremony in the Stull Gymnasium.

The ceremony started at 2:30 p.m. and included performances by the

Norton Community High School band and choir as well as speeches from seniors Bethany Roy, and Marcus Herman and Principal Rudy Perez.

Class of 2010 says goodbye

By ERICA BRADLEY

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The Norton Community High School class of 2010 finished their high school careers Sunday during a graduation ceremony attended by a packed crowd of friends and family at Stull Gymnasium.

Bethany Roy, class president, gave the welcome and prayer before Marcus Herman gave his "Defining Moments" speech.

He listed several defining moments in school including the scholar's bowl, the achievements of Norton's sports teams this year, FFA and numerous other events.

"When I think of FFA, I always think of Chris Maddy," Herman said.

He also talked about other moments.

"It's amazing to think about everything that has happened in the last 18 years,"

Herman said Sept. 11, hurricane Katrina, the war in Iraq have been defining moments.

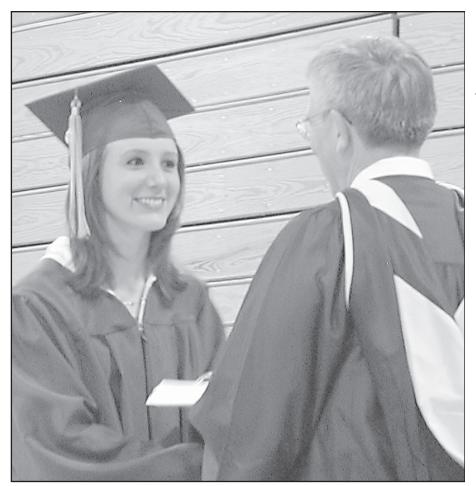
His parting advice to the class of 2010 was to live life to the fullest.

Bethany Roy's speech, "97, '06, '10," talked about milestones the class has had-starting with kindergarten, high school and graduation. She said August, 1997 was the month they started kindergarten, August 2006 was the month they started high school and May 23, 2010 is graduation.

"Our four years have been full of growing up, maturing, learning hard lessons. and yet through it all, making unforgettable memories with friends," she said.

"We were given a great education here at Norton Community High School-one that prepared us for the future as well as anything can. Our education came from

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Emily Juneman received her diploma from Norton Schools Superintendent Greg Mann. Forty one students graduated on Sunday.

–Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Northwest Tech to offer classes in Norton

By ERICA BRADLEY

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Northwest Technical College in Goodland will offer outreach classes in Norton, possibly as early as this fall, a decision that comes after only two months of planning.

Norton City/County Economic Development Director Diane Stiles said she approached Northwest Tech with the proposal in March. She had hoped to have manufacturing classes in Norton to support local firms like Natoma Corp. and New Age. The idea quickly grew to include classes such as business, communications and general education requirements like English.

Stiles said any classes offered will help retain and termined, he said.

attract new businesses.

"This is a huge step for business retention and recruitment. If you look at the communities that are thriving in Western Kansas, they have higher education institutions. I think there is a connection between higher education and the prosperity of the community," she said.

Ed Mills, Northwest Tech president, said there are many details left to work out, such as which classes will be offered, where they will be taught, which instructors will teach them and when classes will start.

"It's a ways away, but the gate is open to do it," he

Instructors will be needed before classes can be de-

"We're looking for qualified instructors," he said. Mills said the board was supportive of the idea. They gave their official approval for the project during their board meeting on Friday.

"We're going to try and have courses available at the end of August," he said.

Mills said Northwest Tech is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

"All of our courses are accredited," he said.

Mills said most general education classes will transfer to other colleges and universities.

He said the next step is to find out what Norton is inter-(Outreach - Continued on Page 5)

Northwest Kansas Memorial Day services planned

Norton Memorial Day services will be held May 31 at 10:30 a.m. at the Norton Cemetery Memorial Flag

"The public is encouraged to attend," said Jake

Durham said Greg Mann will be the key-note speaker for the ceremony.

the American Legion will raise the American flag. **NORCATUR** Capt. Jacob Leichliter will give the Memorial Day

address at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Norcatur Cemetery.

Dr. SueAnn Stutheit will be the vocalist. The Sons of

There will be a parade to the cemetery, beginning at 1:30 p.m. in front of the bank downtown.

The Rev. Larry Danforth will give the opening prayer. The Norton American Legion Color Guard will assist. The Avenue of Flags will be placed at 7 a.m. and volunteers are welcome to come help. "Taps" will be played by Anthony Marshall and Nolan Henningson.

In case of inclement weather, the service will be held at the Norcatur High School gymnasium.

JENNINGS

There will be a Memorial Day service at 10 a.m. on Monday at the Jennings Cemetery. The Jennings

American Legion will be in charge.

SELDEN, LEOVILLE

Services will be held at 9:30 a.m. at Calvary Cemetery at Leoville on Monday, followed by services at 10:30 a.m. at the Selden Cemetery by the Selden American Legion and Auxiliary Post. The Girl Scouts will leave the flag salute and the invocation will be given by the Bernita Aumiller, auxiliary chaplain.

Pastor Glenn Paterson will give the address and give the benediction. Paulie Neff will place the wreath and music will be provided by Janell Antholz and Caitlin

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