

Cow, calf entries invited for show

All Kansas commercial cow-calf producers are eligible to exhibit cattle in a special show September 13 at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson. The Super Cow-Calf Show will feature pairs in pasture condition, with no fitting allowed.

An entry consists of one cow and her natural calf. No bull calves are allowed. The age of the cow and birth date of the calf must be known and provided by the exhibitor.

Cows will be judged on type, structure, muscling, natural fleshing and soundness of udder, eyes, feet and legs. The calf at side will be evaluated on the same criteria. Cow weight and the calf's projected 205-day adjusted weight will be given to the judges.

A two-judge system will be

used. Judges will independently score each cow and calf. The total score of both judges will be used to rank pairs in the respective divisions.

The grand champion pair will win \$600, while the reserve grand champion will earn \$400, third place \$250, fourth place \$150 and fifth place \$100.

All cows and calves must be unloaded and processed by 11:00 a.m. September 13. The show begins at 2:00 p.m. All entries must arrive and leave September 13.

The entry fee is \$25 per pair. Entries are due to the Kansas State Fair by August 16. For more information, go to <http://www.kansasstatefair.com/>www.kansasstatefair.com or call the Kansas State Fair office at (800) 362-3247.

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(Continued from Page 1) services in northwest Kansas. Norton County will receive more than \$91,000 from the grant. Mr. Trembley gave the commissioners a summary of what the money will be used for.

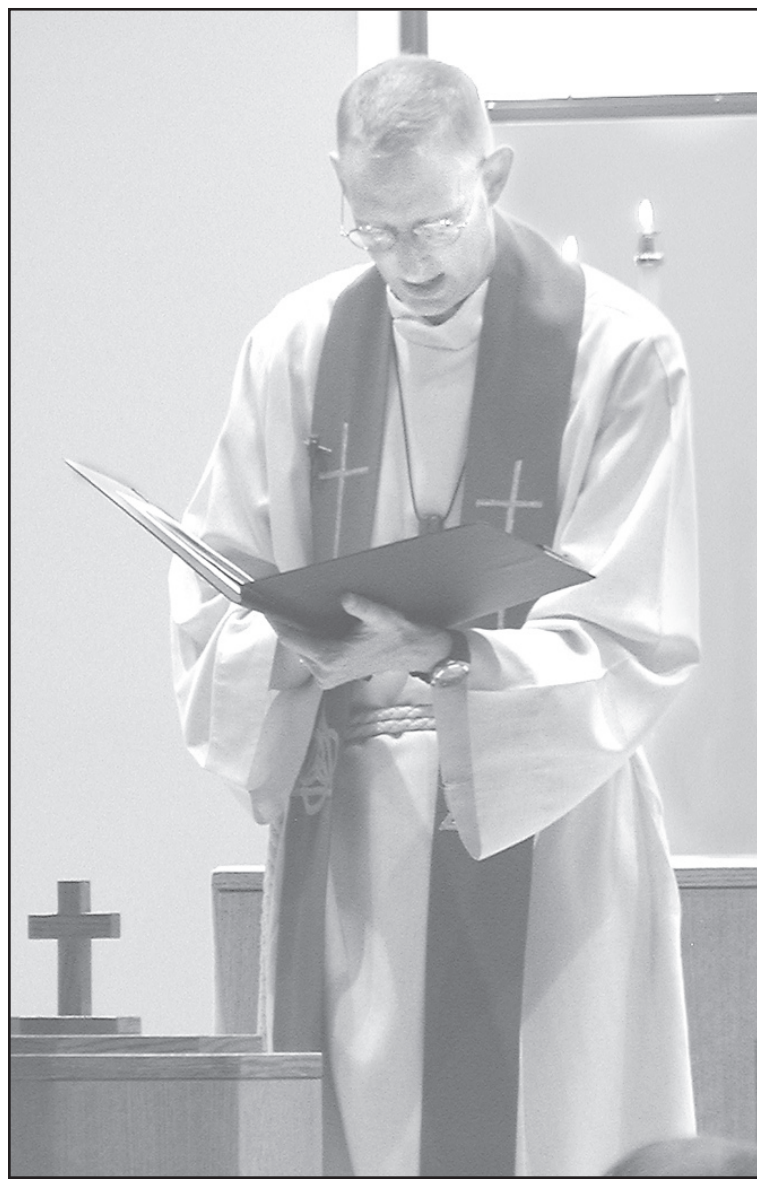
- Met on July 30 to pay end of the month bills and hear a few reports.

- Learned from County Treasurer Cynthia Linner that the May sales tax collections were down about 14 percent from a year ago. The county received the money for

the May taxes in July, she said.

- Heard from Noxious Weed Superintendent Reggie Beckman that his department has been spraying the highway right-of-way. Johnson grass is the biggest problem right now, he said.

- Asked Sheriff Troy Thomson to step up patrols on KQNK Road after receiving a complaint from a resident that there has been considerable speeding and racing on the road and there are a lot of children living near there.



Pastor Rick Rostek proceeds with the blessings of the new Immanuel Lutheran Church during the dedication service Sunday. The new building was constructed west of Norton by the Lee Hardy Construction Company.

— Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Church

(Continued from Page 1) was decided that it would be better to relocate to Norton. On May, 21, 1950 the building located at 814 North Second was dedicated and served as Immanuel's home for 60 years.

In 2008 Immanuel celebrated its 100th birthday and at that time plans were well underway for the

construction of the building that was dedicated this past Sunday. The ground breaking took place on April 26, 2009 and construction began in June of 2009.

With construction almost complete in June of 2010 the congregation began "unofficially" using the new facility for worship and meetings.

New Phillipsburg seats come from old stadium

If box seat rodeo fans at Kansas' Biggest Rodeo begin to dream of Major League Baseball, they shouldn't be surprised.

That's because those box seats fans at the Phillipsburg event will be sitting in seats from Camden Yards, where the Baltimore Orioles play.

When Camden Yards, which is owned by the City of Baltimore, decided to do some upgrading,

they hired a man to take out 48,000 seats for refurbishing. The man convinced them to upgrade the seats and he was left with 48,000 of the plastic seats.

Now the Phillipsburg rodeo has 270 of them, ten in each box, bolted to the concrete. The seats arrived on July 16, and the committee worked evenings and weekends to get them all reassembled and installed before this year's rodeo.



Mark Paepcke, Public Health Accreditation Board member, Janet Canavese site visitor, Gina Frack, Norton County Health

Department Administrator and Georgeen Polyak, site visitor, discuss public health needs. —Telegram photo by Harriett Gill

Health Department helps with test

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Norton County Public Health Department was one of 19 local health departments chosen to participate in the Public Health Accreditation Board's Beta Test.

The site visit for Norton was on July 21 and 22.

There were eight visitors to the Norton office, Mark Paepcke, Public Health Accreditation Board; Site visitors: Janet Canavese, Georgeen Polyak, Paul Newell, Alan Kalos; Bruce Myahara, Kansas Health Foundation; Yvonne Gibbons, Kansas Association Local Health Department President and Edie Snethen,

Kansas Association Local Health Department Executive Director.

"We are very excited to be part of the Beta Test. It is an important study in how public health care is being managed across the nation," said Gina Frack, Administrator of the Norton County Health Department.

The Public Health Accreditation Board selected 30 health departments to participate in the beta test of the national voluntary public health accreditation program. Eight state, 19 local and three tribal health departments are participating.

Throughout the beta test, the sites will provide valuable and

comprehensive feedback on the standards, measures and processes that will inform the final accreditation program. After the program is modified, based on input from the beta test, the national public health accreditation program will accept applications for accreditation.

The goal of the accreditation program is to advance the continuous quality improvement of all state, local, tribal and territorial health departments across the country.

Public health accreditation aims to ensure that people all over the country receive consistent, quality services from their public health agencies.

Public Health Accreditation Board is funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The public health accreditation program has broad support from leaders and practitioners from the national, state and local levels. National partners and supporters include the American Public Health Association, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, National Association of County and City Health Officials, National Association of Local Boards of Health, National Network of Public Health Institutes and National Indian Health Board.

Government seeks to restore shelterbelts

Agriculture producers in Kansas, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska are now eligible to renovate shelterbelts and restore forested riparian buffers under two Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative proposals. The Central Great Plains Shelterbelt Renovation and the Central Great Plains Forested Riparian Buffer Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative.

The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, Aug. 11. Producers need to contact their local Natural Resources Conservation Service office to sign up.

The two Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative proposals are part of a pool of 26 projects in 15 states approved by the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Washington, D.C., on July 14. Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative helps agricultural producers achieve natural resource benefits such as clean air, clean water, productive soils, and abundant wildlife.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will provide \$817,140 in financial assistance in Fiscal Year 2010 for the Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative projects in Kansas. These Cooperative

Conservation Partnership Initiative projects will work through the existing Environmental Quality Incentives Program to leverage additional services and resources from the state forestry agencies in the four states and other non-federal partners to implement conservation on working farms, ranches, and forest lands. Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative is administered by Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Both Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative proposals apply to all agricultural lands in the four states. Any producers eligible for Environmental Quality Incentives Program funding can participate in the program. In Kansas, socially disadvantaged, limited resource, and beginning farmers and ranchers may receive a higher payment rate.

Additional information specific to Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative projects is available from your local U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center from the Natural Resources Conservation Service staff or at www.ks.naturalresourcesconservation.gov/programs.

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