



Voter Brian Urban showed up to do his civic duty by voting in the primary elections held Tuesday. He signs his name in front of Yvonne Sumner, Leota Goss and Carol Voss. —Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Newcomer

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principal.

He recognizes, though, that in this part of the state, agriculture is the biggest industry.

"We need to do everything possible to maintain ag communities without raising taxes," he said. "We provide the food, the

government needs to provide the services!"

Rep. Faber farms north of Brewster in Rawlins County and is a former school board member.

"I've always said that if Ward won, I would support him," said Rep. Faber, reached at home Tuesday night, "and that's the way

it stands."

Also reached at home, Mr. Strevey said he always hopes the best man wins this fall, regardless of their party. He added that he will do his best in the campaign against Mr. Cassidy.

House

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Republican primary for the U.S. Senate by only 5 percent of the vote, despite a 10 percent lead in the final poll. He garnered 160,713 votes to Rep. Todd Tiahrt's 144,272. The other two Republican candidates, Tom Little and Bob Londerholm, got 10,100 and 8,165, respectively.

Moran carried an overwhelming majority of the state's 105 counties, with Tiahrt claiming many of the higher-population counties, near Wichita and Kansas City areas.

Moran won overwhelmingly in Norton County, capturing 813 votes to Tiahrt's 162.

The congressman will face Democrat Lisa Johnston in the general election. Johnston, an assistant dean at Baker University in Baldwin City, got 31 percent, beating Robert Conroy, David Haley, Charles Schollenberger and Patrick Wiesner. In Norton County, Johnston had 41 votes to

Schollenberger's 36, Wiesner's 25, Haley's 7 and Conroy's 6.

Sen. Sam Brownback carried every county in the state over rival Joan Heffington to secure the Republican nomination for governor. In Norton County, Brownback and running mate Jeff Colyer got 751 votes to Heffington's 220.

Brownback will face Democrat Tom Holland in the general election.

Kris Kobach, a law professor from Piper, won the Republican nomination for secretary of state. He garnered 51 percent of the vote, with the remainder split between J.R. Claeys and Elizabeth Ensley. Kobach won Norton County as well with 313 votes to Claeys 310 and Ensley's 276.

Current secretary of State Chris Biggs won the Democratic primary over Chris Steineger. Steineger only carried the Kansas City area — he is from Wyandotte County — and Leavenworth, Miami and Linn counties, ending up with 40 percent of the vote to Biggs'

60 percent. Biggs took Norton County with 82 votes.

Derek Schmidt, the state Senate majority leader from Independence, won the Republican primary for attorney general. He beat Ralph De Zago by a hefty margin, 205,622 votes to 63,588. Schmidt got 648 votes in Norton County. He will face Attorney General Steve Six, who ran unopposed in the Democratic Primary.

Incumbent Sandy Praeger won the Republican nomination for insurance commissioner over David Powell by 77,566 votes.

Other Republicans running unopposed this year were Ron Estes, state treasurer, 751; Deb Anderson, district magistrate judge, 867; and Sally Cauble, state board of education, 727

The only local vote in this election was for Norton County Commissioner from District 1 and Richard Thompson, the incumbent was unopposed. He received 287 votes.

Lyle News

I was thrilled to go to Norton with Carol Moyer, Kiley and Margaret "Toots" Magers to hear the 312 the Army Band, which is touring this part of the midwest. Grandson Tobias (Toby) Wood is playing with them, and was briefly recognized by the leader. Some of the band members were music teachers and Toby conducted one number. Other family members who attended the concert were Toby's wife, Jenny, of Marysville, her mother and cousin and Toby's sister, Cari and Steve Riffle, of Stockton. Jenny's daughter, Katelyn Lindsey, also is a member of the band. While Toby's instrument of choice is the cornet, he is playing a French horn on this tour, and Katie played a trumpet, or cornet — I don't know the difference.

Toots Magers and I went to Oberlin to hear the music by the members of Vic Mowry's band. Vic passed away recently and is missed. His group plays every now and then at Cedar Living Center, and the other members are doing a good job of continu-

ing on.

Wade Bader and Vicky of Katherine brought new daughter, Carley Marie, to visit her grandparents over the weekend. Carley Marie was born May 24, 2010, and weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces. Emily, Mariah and Garrett Bader also visited.

When I called Carol, she had gone on a garden tour, seeing four gardens in Oberlin. We told her she should have entered hers, as it is beautiful also.

The Powell picnic took place at the Powell picnic grounds west of Lyle on Sunday, July 25, with 30 signing the book. They came from Kansas, Nebraska and California. Toots Magers said Sappa Creek was running, which it hasn't for years, and the young people had fun. They played on the 'goat' swing and slid down the bank, just like old times.

On Aug. 15, the community picnic, sponsored by the Liberty Star Club will be held at the same grounds, four and a half miles west of Lyle. It is for everyone!

The more the merrier. It will be a community potluck, so come and enjoy.

Charles and Inez Keller of Oberlin visited Margaret Magers on Monday. It's good to have them back in the country.

Kathy Van Meter said she and Lloyd Frandsen attended the outdoor wedding of his grandson, Jason Houghtelling, and Marcie Kitt in Cambridge, Neb.

I called my son, David Wood, to tell him we had seen Toby at Norton. He and Sandra, his sister had done a lot of work on her house, and although he is supposed to be retired, he is still busy. Tina's son, "Sugie" is on dialysis. He rides a shuttle bus 50 miles for his treatments, and they are considering starting peritoneal dialysis so it can be done at home.

Gary Anthony is glad to have his dialysis hours cut down to three now.

Mary Helm, who had surgery last week, is able to sit up and talk now. Her family and friends have been very concerned.

Fire

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being checked out at the Norton County Hospital she was released.

Then last weekend the family home in Almena burned. Damage by smoke and water appear to have destroyed what the fire left. Teichmeier said that they are not allowed into the rooms that may have been spared by the fire as the water made the house unstable. The couple does not have insurance to cover any of their loss.

Leo Graham, Almena Fire Chief, said, "I appreciate the mutual aid we received from the fire departments of Norton and Long Island. The extreme heat of the fire made the situation almost unbearable. When you have guys that have worked in the heat all day and then are called out to put on fire bunker gear it is hard on

them. I want to thank all of the volunteers that brought water, the Norton County Emergency Medical Service, Red Cross and the Sheriff's department."

The structure is a complete loss. The property is owned by Gerald Speer and rented by Kathy and Travis. There has not been an official cause for the blaze, but Teichmeier said she was told it was probably an electric short in the attic wiring.

"The laundry room light popped, then the kitchen light started to go out, Travis saw smoke and we got the girls out and across the street, came back to get the dogs and then the Almena firemen were there." Teichmeier said.

"Mr. Speer has been a generous and kind landlord, he moved us back into the rental we had before

we rented this house," Kathy reiterated "he is helping us out a lot and the community help has been terrific."

The girls are staying with their grandmother and aunt until Kathy and Travis are able to have them come back to a normal home.

"The girls lost all their possessions, they work to buy a lot of their things. Doing jobs like lawn mowing to buy extra things for themselves, now that is all gone. I feel so bad for them." Teichmeier said.

Kathy works at Love's and Travis is employed at Husky Hogs.

"All things happen for a reason if it's for the year, it means a good year is coming to you." Kathy said. "My mother and grandmother always said that. I choose to believe it."

Arraign

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abetting sexual relations with an underage individual, aggravated indecent liberties, a level 4 person felony, providing alcohol to a minor, a level 9 person felony and conspiracy to commit a crime of aggravated indecent liberties, a

level 5 person felony. The charges stem from the same incident.

Landon Hamel will also be arraigned for two charges against him stemming from two incidents. The court expects a plea of guilty for the charge of aggravated indecent liberties with a child, a level 3

person felony which took place on December 18, 2009. The second charge is for electronic sexual solicitation, a level 3 person felony from events taking place on December 24, 2009.

New Almelo News

Hannah Lilly James was born July 22, weighing 7 pounds and 3 ounces. She is the daughter of Wes and Alice James, Ellis. She has two sisters, Maggie and Emily. Her grandparents are Tom and Gayle James and George and Vickie Gassmann. Great-grandmothers are Maggie Gassmann, Park and Betty James, Selden.

Marilyn Otter accompanied her brother, Don Hickert and sister, Cecilia Kotschwar, McCook, Neb. to Denver for the funeral of their cousin, Francis Hahn on Thurs. July 22.

On July 24th, Raymond and Bonita Slipke and family had a family gathering to celebrate the visit of Bonita's sister, Pam McClurg. Attending were their parents, Frank McClurg, Logan and mother, Vicki and Glen Kendall, Phillipsburg; as well as their

brother, Dustin and Crystal McClurg and family, Logan; along with other relatives.

On July 4th, Alfred and Betty Otter and Gary and Bertie Bruinekool attended the wedding of their niece, Jade Bates and Chris Walkemeyer at Kearney, Neb. Jade is the daughter of Arnold and Gloria Bates, Grand Island, Neb.



Parts of a motor home and a semitrailer tractor were strewn across the roadside ditch last Wednesday after an accident at the U.S. 83 and K-383 intersection east of Selden.

Man died in wreck near Selden

An 86-year-old Nevada man was killed last Wednesday afternoon when his motor home apparently ran a stop sign and was hit broadside by a semitrailer rig at the junction of U.S. 83 and K-383 northeast of Selden.

Trooper Ronald Boyd of the Kansas Highway Patrol reported that Carl Jonas of Pahrum, Nev., was driving south on U.S. 83 in a motor home when it ran the stop sign at the K-383 intersection about three miles from Selden. One rescue official said it was the worst crash in the Selden area in some years.

A tractor-trailer going southwest hit the motor home and pushed it off the road and into the ditch to the southwest. Both vehicles came to rest right side up,

Trooper Boyd said.

The intersection has a tight angle, with K-383 entering from the northeast and U.S. 83 crossing railroad tracks parallel to the through road. U.S. 83 has a stop sign for southbound traffic, with rumble strips and a warning sign in advance.

The trooper reported that Mr. Jonas and his wife, May, 72, were taken to the Sheridan County Medical Center in Hoxie, where the driver was pronounced dead at 3:42 p.m. Both were wearing their seat belts at the time of the crash, about 2:40 p.m.

The truck driver, Daniel Smith, 33, Wiley, Colo., was taken to Citizens Medical Center in Colby with possible injuries. He was also wearing his seat belt, the trooper

said.

The Jonases were towing a 2002 Saturn behind the motor home, which had to be towed away. The front of the semi tractor was smashed in, and the motor home was reported a total loss.

Troopers, firemen and others worked late into the night to investigate and clean up the crash. Tow trucks were still trying to hook up about 9 p.m. as firemen directed traffic around the scene.

The motor home, tractor and trailer were towed to Mel's Motors and the Saturn to Jack's Repair, both in Oakley. Furniture, mattresses, belongings and the windshield from the motor home remained beside the road for several days.

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