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**Friday**  
September 3, 2010

*Briefly*  
Volunteer guards  
needed for Wall

Volunteers are needed for guard duty for the Vietnam Memorial Wall from Sept. 23 to Sept. 27. If you can help call, Jon Wyatt, Director of the American Legion Riders, Post 63, at 785-202-0282.

**Celebrate Labor Day at Logan**

The 34th Annual Logan Labor Day Celebration, sponsored by the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum and Dane G. Hansen Foundation, is planned for Sun., Sept. 5, Highway 9, Logan Golf Course, Logan, with a full day of activities. There is no admission fee for this event. Come early and stay late.

At 8 a.m. will be the ecumenical church service, a remote fly-in and at 9 a.m., a sand volleyball tournament. The food booth opens at 8 a.m. Sno-Cone Shack at 10 a.m. Car Show starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The Kid's Tractor Pull starts at 2 p.m. Children's entertainment includes a 22' slide and a climbing wall from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30, the RTS Express train from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and the Kansas Hunter's Education Instructor's Association Pellet Range from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Scout groups will be conducting activities throughout the day for all children.

The Prairie Dusters Mounted Drill Team horse rides at 3 p.m. and at 4:30 p.m. They will also demonstrate routines.

5:30 p.m. the clogging sensation, "Kid Fiddlers" from Las Vegas, Nev.

7:30 p.m. "Bill Barwick", a western music singer-songwriter and guitarist from Denver, Colo.

Following the evening entertainment, Rainbow Fireworks of Inman, will light up the sky with a fabulous display of fireworks.

## Markets

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Wheat .....	\$5.55
Milo .....	\$3.55
Soybeans .....	\$9.31
Corn .....	\$3.75

Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

## Weather

**Tonight** - Clear with a low around 48. East wind around 5 mph becoming south. **Saturday** - Sunny with a high near 89. Breezy with a south wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph. **Saturday Night** - Clear with a low around 57. South wind between 10 and 15 mph. **Sunday** - Sunny and hot with a high near 98. South wind between 5 and 15 mph. **Sunday Night** - Mostly clear with a low around 65.

## Kingham Report

Tuesday, September 3...Low 62, High 85  
Wednesday, Sept. 4.....Low 57, High 85  
.60 Rain  
Thursday, September 4...Low 60, High 76  
.20 Rain

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

## Prayer

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for Christian friends who stand by us in difficult times. Make us all aware of those whose burdens are heavy, so that we can be your helping hands and feet. Amen.

# Picnic draws big names to Logan

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The 30th annual Phillips County Old-Fashioned Republican Picnic was held Saturday, Aug. 28, at the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Plaza in Logan and once again attracted a packed crowd of officials, candidates and supporters.

Mingling with national, state and local Republican officials, enjoying the usual delicious fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings and listening to positive speeches by candidates and party officials made it a delightful evening for everyone.

Through the years, the picnic has drawn many Republican dignitaries, including U.S. Senators Bob Dole and Nancy Kassebaum, former Kansas Governors Bill Graves and Mike Hayden and current U.S. Senator Pat Roberts.

Senator Roberts sent a happy 30th anniversary letter.

"I can see a Republican clean sweep across Kansas," he said.

"It's a privilege to represent you in the U.S. Senate."

The keynote address again was by seven-term U.S. Congressman from the First District Jerry Moran. Hays, who is fresh from winning a spirited primary contest for the U.S. Senate position currently held by Sam Brownback, who is the Republican candidate for Kansas Governor. Moran was accompanied by wife, Robba.

Also present was Tim Huelskamp, Fowler, currently a state senator who won a hotly contested primary election race for Congressman Moran's position. He was accompanied by wife, Angela.

The fried chicken, baked beans, potato salad and watermelon meal was followed by speeches and patriotic music.

Speakers, in addition to Moran and Huelskamp, were: Ralph Ostmeyer, Grinnell, State Senator; Ward Cassidy, St. Francis, who defeated incumbent State Representative John Faber, Brewster, in the recent primary election; Heath Kohl, representing Sam Brownback; Bob Tomlinson, Topeka, Assistant Commissioner of Insurance, representing Commissioner of Insurance Sandy Praeger; Sally Cauble, Liberal, member of the State Board of Education; Deena Horst, Salina, State Representative; Randy Duncan, Brookville, First District Republican Chairman; Kris Kobach, Piper, immediate past Kansas GOP Chairman and candidate for Secretary of State; Derek Schmidt, Independence, Kansas Senate Majority Leader and candidate for Kansas Attorney General; Celia Beymer,



State Senator Tim Huelskamp (right), Fowler, who won the Republican primary election for U.S. Congressman Jerry Moran's seat, thanked the large crowd at the Old-Fashioned Republican Picnic in Logan on Saturday for their support. Janene Schneider (above), Logan, master of ceremonies, welcomed State Senator Ralph Ostmeyer, Grinnell, to the Old-Fashioned Republican Picnic held Saturday at the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Plaza in Logan. - Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Lakin, First Congressional District Vice Chairman and Ashley McMillan, Executive Director of the Kansas Republican Party, Topeka.

Present from the Phillips County Republican Central Committee were: Janene Schneider, Logan, vice-chairman, who served as the master of ceremonies; Linda McDowell, Agra, treasurer and Kari Moore, Phillipsburg, secretary. Denis Miller, Phillipsburg, chairman, was unable to be present. Lynn Clements, Logan, the immediate past chairman, was also present.

Other dignitaries present were Bob Quanz, Glade, Phillips County Commissioner and wife, Shirley; Kenneth Rose, Agra, Phillips County Commissioner and wife, Janice; John Miller, Norton, Norton County Commissioner; Steve Berry, Lenora, Norton County Republican Central Committee Chairman and



his wife, Joni.

Lynn Clements led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Kari Moore gave the invocation.

Judy Schneider and Staci Hartman, both of Logan, entertained with a patriotic song, "There is a God."

Betty Berney, Phillipsburg, read to the crowd a poem inspired by the Bible which she wrote near the Fourth of July.

"America did not happen by chance," she said. It was shaped by destiny and weary travelers seeking new frontiers

from far across the sea. Each brought their own uniqueness, they plied each craft and trade, Holding to a common tie that history would not fade.

"Hardy stock, clutching their heritage, leaving Homeland far behind, to settle in a strange new land that stirred each human mind."

The evening program concluded with the Schneider-Hartman duet leading the crowd in the singing of the Kansas song, "Home on the Range."

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# County commissioners adopt budget

After working on the budget for more than a month, the Norton County commissioners held a public meeting during their regular meeting on Monday and passed a resolution allowing them to adopt the 2011 budget.

The public meeting was called for 9:30 a.m. but the only participants were the commissioners and John Mapes, a representative of the county's accounting firm, Mapes and Miller.

Since both the notice of the hearing and the budget had been published in The Norton Telegram, the commissioners adopted a resolution on the property tax for 2011, which will be used to finance the budget.

The commissioners then passed the budget as published.

Diane Stiles and Scott Sproul of Norton City/County Economic Development talked to the commissioners about several recent requests for tax incentives from prospective businesses. The commissioners decided that a standardized business plan for the community should be developed.

The commissioners also discussed the Norton downtown area and what projects and plans could be put together to benefit the community.

Lee Juenemann attended the commission meeting to see what could be done about a bridge, which he must use to get into his fields.

The bridge, No. OS62, is rated for 18 tons, he told the commissioners. His truck weighs 18 tons when empty, he said, and he needs to use both the truck and the bridge to get his crops out of the field.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Tom Brannan told the commissioners that the bridge, which is on roads W9 and CC, seems to be in pretty good shape. The beams and back walls are in good shape, he said. There are a few decking boards that are cracked and in need of repair.

The commissioners asked Mr. Brannan to check with BG Consultants to see if the county can do anything to upgrade the bridge before the fall harvest starts or if the bridge could be used by heavier loads without any special repairs.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Received the 2009 audit report from Mapes and Miller. Mr. Mapes said the county had a good, clean audit.
- Decided to write off several uncollectable accounts due the emergency medical services department.
- Learned from County Treasurer Cynthia Linner that the county had deposited \$36,299 in tax receipts last month. While taxes are still lagging behind last year the latest amount is almost \$12,000 more than the month before.
- Learned that there are three mowers and three motor

graders working on the county roads to make sure they are mowed and cared for.

• Was told by Mr. Brannan that construction on bridge OS125 is nearly done and that bridge OS122 is next on the list for improvement. OS122 is at Roads W2 and BB.

• Discussed the grader, which caught fire a month or so ago. The insurance company has hired a special agent to check out the bid for replacement or repair. The commissioners asked Mr. Brannan to check with the manufacturer to have the county's other two graders inspected and get retrofitted since they may have the same electrical problem. The commissioners also said that they wanted the results of the manufacturer's inspection in writing with a copy to go to the insurance company.

• Heard from Solid Waste Supervisor Curt Archibald about a meeting, sponsored by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, he had attended on recycling. Some of the problems of recycling, he said, are the cost and where to sell the products.

• Asked Mr. Archibald to look into something to spray on the sides of the West Washington Street repair project to help promote the growth of grass along the road.

• Set the next meeting for 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7, due to the Labor Day holiday.

