# Norton horseman inducted into county horse council

(Continued from Page 1) throughout the year, including sadness. My sons and I were very found him, he was quite dehythe many activities at our annual proud of our stallion, Sunny, Norton County Fair. There is no cost to those attending. They are invited to come and enjoy.

For many years, I was chairman of the fun day and 4-H horse shows at the Norton County Fair as well as being a participant.

During this time, my family and many friends attended rodeos together at Cheyenne, Wyoming; Phillipsburg; Hill City and Ogalalla, Nebraska for many years.

For a few years, my sons Doug, Scott and I raised colts to sell. a sad night. We bought a stallion colt, which was the descendant of the famous stallion of the Pitzer Ranch in Nebraska. We raised some nice colts that turned out to be good riding horses for cattle and roping.

For years, I was called on by my friends and neighbors to help move cattle from pasture to pasture. It was always a thrill to help the McKinley Ranch round up their cattle in the fall.

from the Pitzer Ranch. He was an outstanding horse on which my grandchildren learned to ride.

My prize mare, Windy, was an outstanding reining and cutting horse from the King Ranch in Texas. Sadness came one fall when someone left a gate open. She was crossing the highway to come to the barn and was hit by a car, which cut her stomach wide open. With my permission, the highway patrolman shot her. What

Another happy but sad ending was when I bought my son, Scott, a registered filly, Doll Cash Ann, from a ranch in Nebraska. We had her broke to ride when she fell into a deep hole of tree lumber and broke her front leg. Again, with our permission, our vet put as a part of my life as long as I am her to sleep.

had purchased at a ranch sale as a since I am sure they will continue colt. The first summer I had him, Yes, horses have always been he fell in a washout about seven

a part of my life. They have cre- to eight feet deep. I searched the sponsors many horse activities ated much happiness and some pasture for him and when I finally drated. I rushed to the house and called my friend Garrett Beydler about my problem. He assured me we could get him out. He came with a bobcat and stepson Wesley. Wes crawled down in the hole and placed two slings around him, By then, some friends came and we pulled him up and out. He was very weak but soon going well again.

> I broke him to ride as a twoyear-old; again my grandchildren enjoyed him. I kept him until he was six-years old. Sadness again, but I decided it was time to give up caring for horses, especially in winter time. A young lady, Lauren Christian, came looking for a young saddle horse. She loved him at first sight and there went my last horse!

But yes, I can still have horses around as an Honorary Member of My last horse I owned, Duke, I the Norton County Horse Council to be strong.

# Road supervisor resigns post

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asked what needed to be sprayed. They were given a schedule of the spraying, so they would know and not mow right after spraying.

"We were trying to save money by getting the departments to cooperate," Applegate said.

When Smith joined the meeting, she told commissioners that everything for 2010 for the FEMA

project so far has been submitted and signed. Smith said she had been through the files and everything was caught up.

Just before 10 a.m. the commissioners moved to enter executive session with Smith, Sebelius and Wyatt for 15 minutes. No action was taken at the end of the executive session, and Smith left the meeting.

Miller later said that Brannan will be paid through Oct. 8, but he had turned in his county equipment and left the premises.

The commissioners also:

Heard a report from Solid Waste Supervisor Curt Archibald.

Learned from County Treasurer Cynthia Linner that \$28,811.85 in sales tax had been collected for the month. Of that amount \$28,160.85 was paid to the state. Members of her office attended a training session for motor vehicles. The state will be providing some computer equipment for the new process.

Authorized checks for approximately \$390,000 and wires for \$80,000. Of that total, \$174,388 was

Approved a resolution to authorize no parking on county road N lying between Highway 261 and county road W-5.

Discussed installing 30 mile per hour speed limit signs on Lincoln Street beyond the city limit.

## NORCATUR NEWS

Community dinner. In the afternoon Bob and Lea Price, Mission, Texas, arrived to spend a few days and to help Joyce celebrate her birthday. Wednesday evening Wayne and Norma McCallister, Don and Jean Daniels, Veda went to the American Legion in

A letter from Phillip Young, who grew up in Reager and attended grade school in Norcatur, requests information about the Dewey-Berry gun fight that occurred near Atwood in 1904. This is an it occurred before J.W. Deeter 1908, it may be hard to find the Phillip A. Young, 987 Sherman it a success. Dr., Liberty, Mo. 64068

16; Charlotte Kurtz, Sept. 19; Doug Dempewolf, Sept. 20.

Janet Aitken, Commerce City, Colo., was a houseguest of Bee Nelson on Sept. 3-4. The ladies attended their 60th Norton Community High School class reunion in Norton. On Friday evening, the classmates met at the American Legion; Saturday afternoon at the Norton County Museum and the Attitudes for their supper and group picture.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mary Margaret Helm who died Aug. 24, 2010.

Beth Sebaugh and Dorothy Ward accompanied Bee Nelson to Norton for Sunday dinner at the Hidden Dragon. Later they attended the Norton County Arts

Council home tour. Dewaine Stapp and Charlotte Meints, Oberlin, drove to Mt. Vernon, Ind., to visit Randy and Karen Stapp. They were guests in the home of Karen's parents, Freeland and Betty McGee. On Saturday, Sept. 4, Charlotte attended a baby shower in Mount Vernon for Kimberly (Stapp) Tetrick, of Omaha. Dewaine golfed with the men while the women attended the shower. On Monday, Labor Day, Dewaine and Charlotte drove to Memphis, Tenn., to visit with Charlotte's brother, John Rowberry, who has been hospitalized. While there, John died. The funeral was held on Friday afternoon after which Dewaine and Charlotte returned to Oberlin.

The Decatur County Noxious Weed spraying list is located in the city office. Call or stop by to get signed up for bindweed and other noxious weeds on your property. They will be spraying after the first hard frost.

### **Museum Tid-Bits**

Thanks to Ray Thornton Jr. for the Elden Auker baseball cards. Bee Nelson attended a family dinner at the home of Max and

Joyce Price attended the Lyle 19. The dinner celebrated the September birthdays of Dave Ward and Clayton Carter, as well as the recent graduation of Jarrod Ward, with his master's of business degree from the university in Montreal, Canada. Others attending were Jake and Krisha Ward, Woods and great-granddaughter Manhattan; Jodi Ward Braxton Aubrey High came to listen to and Audrey, Edwardsville; Lori Bob and Lea play and sing. On and Terry Wycoff and Kelly, Scott Thursday, Bob and Lea left for City; Jesse and Megan Carter, their home. That evening Wayne Clayton and Anna, Oberlin; Ann and Norma McCallister, Don and and Wes DuBois, Abby, Madison, Jean Daniels, and Joyce and Virgil and Aubrey, Norton; Pat, Shelley and Chris McKenna; Ken and Julie Carter, Becky Carter and Stann Hartzog, all of Jennings, and

Marcus McKenna, Hays. The Norcatur United Methodist Church wants to thank Ron Temple very much for the use of the building on main street along interesting bit of history and since with Shirley Johnson for their spot in the "Border to Border started the Norcatur Dispatch in Treasure Hunt". We also appreciate everyone who donated items; true story. Does anyone remember also a big thanks to the committee the story? Please send replies to who put this altogether and made

It was a fun Border to Border Blue Cross. Happy Birthday to Alice Bar- weekend for Rea and Dee Magers. nett, Rodney O'Hare, Sept. 15; Arriving on Thursday, from Colo-Lisa Rhodes, Don Daniels, Sept. rado were their daughter, Cheri and Dee's sisters, Regina Vifian, and Mary Lou Williams and her daughter Kerry Williams. On Saturday evening, son Jeff and Joy Luoto of Cedar Bluffs joined them for supper. On Sunday afternoon, five of Dee's cousins stopped by on their way home to Belleville, from a family gathering in Estes Park, Colo. The cousins are descendants of Al and Amanda Hickert.

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On Sunday, Sept. 5, Virgil and Norma Ward on Sunday, Sept. Long, Sept. 22; Mathew Helm, Kelsey Jackson, and Jean Daniels, Sept. 23; Cheyenna Schwobe, Carol Miller and Dwight Wentz, Sept. 24; Carolyn Brinkley, Sept. 27; and Jacob Helm, Sept. 28.

Lora Arnold is home after enjoying five weeks with her daughter, Susan and Frank Bolek in Valparaiso, Ind. Susan had come after her in July and after visiting friends and relatives, they left for Indiana on Aug. 6. On the way, they attended the wedding of Lora's first great-granddaughter, Tiffany Wheeler to Trey Stephen at Morning Sun, Iowa.

The Decatur County Health Department will again be giving flu shots in Norcatur. This shot should help prevent both the seasonal flu and the H1N1 virus. You will only get one shot as the two vaccines have been combined. The Health Department is waiting for enough vaccines to give them. Call the Norcatur City Office and get your name on the list for a flu shot. The cost of the shot is \$25 and the nasal mist costs \$40. The department will bill Medicare, Medicaid and

There was an open house at the city office on Friday to say goodbye to Chris Dempewolf, city clerk for many years, and to say welcome to Deb Marshall, the new city clerk.

Senior Citizens met Sept. 17. Winners were Arlene Hix, Eleanor Jensen and Veda Wood. The next meeting will be Friday at the Educational building.

Lisa Leichliter has started radiation in Denver. She has six weeks and 3 days of it. Please keep her in your prayers! Her address is P.O. Box 294, Seibert, Co. 80834.

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June Jolly went to the Nebraska State Fair with plans to see Mel Tillis, but there was such a crowd, her group could not get in. She had a good time in spite of the disappointment, and for one thing, visited the quilt display, which filled a building. She played cards at McCook on Thursday.

The family of Margaret Magers finished putting on her roof on Monday.

Aubrey's and my project on Tuesday was making banana drop cookies, and she put a maraschino cherry in the middle of each one. After they were out of the oven, cooling on the counter, I noticed there was a hole in the center of several instead of a cherry. Now, how did that happen?

Joyce Sumner went to Olathe with Ward and Marlene on Sept. 3 for Aidan's birthday party.

Itook Gary Anthony to McCook for his dialysis. I visited with Richard and Sheryl Patterson and with Dwight Wood, and then Gary treated me to breakfast. Dwight has a new mode of transportation, a three-wheeled bike and Gary had some trouble at his last what became of Leonard's part of a little today.

dialysis session, and had to go back Monday.

Granddaughter Tracey Pershing feels that her foot is looking better. They have had some trouble getting her on an antibiotic that will work for her.

Joyce Sumner and I represented Lyle at a lovely brunch at the Methodist church in Norton on Saturday. They showed pictures of the young people who went on the 'METour'. They visited several states and reported a good time.

Due to lack of members able to attend the last scheduled Liberty Star meeting, it was canceled and we didn't get to discuss our usual fall program/fund raiser that takes the place of the hog roast. All talent is welcome.

On Monday, Sept. 13, Coleen Rippe, Oberlin, and Leonard Powell, their cousin from Washington State, came to visit Margaret Magers. He has traced the Powell ancestry to Wales and back again. They had a great time remembering and listening to him recall experiences he had while doing all this searching. Toots told us Gary is interested in finding one. how her father always wondered note saying she was going to work

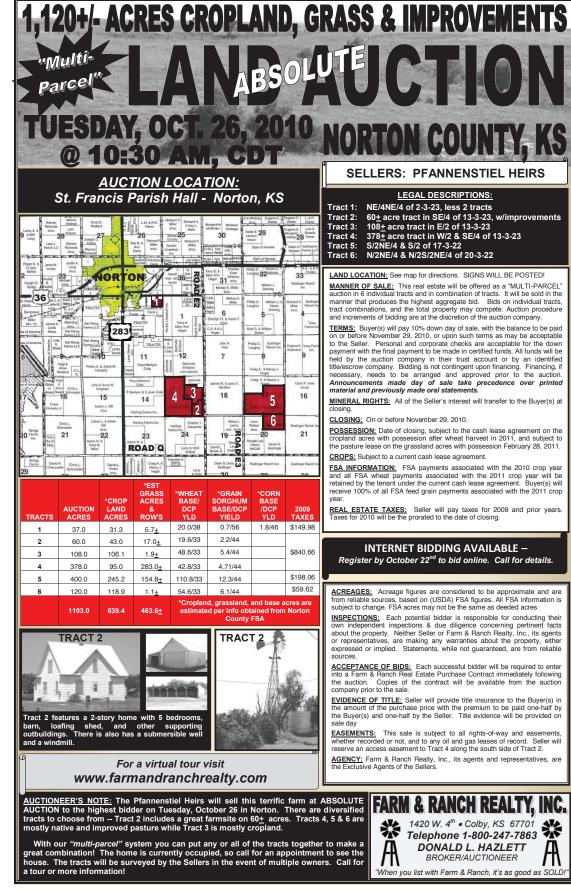
the family On Tuesday she ripped the seams of used clothing that go into the quilts.

Toots has been very hoarse for a few days so missed church for fear of spreading it. Judy and Charlie Easton came and did odd jobs and mowed. Barb and Roger Powell and Sandy Ketterl, Makavyn and Brycen of Oberlin visited in the afternoon. Sandy is the 4th and 5th grade teacher at Oberlin.

Tielia High and daughter, Emily Bader visited with me on Saturday and Tielia cut my hair. Then my daughter, Carol Moye came Sunday, helped on my computer and had a good visit. I feel like a kindergartner when it comes to computers. The kids who are learning from the beginning are so privileged.

The "US 36 Treasure Hunt" has come and gone again. There were lots of items to browse through, and if a person had the time and likes to shop, they could have an enjoyable weekend. Next year, I'd like to take in more of it.

Granddaughter Tracey Pershing must be improving; Carol saw a



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