

## How much water in snow?



In the fall of 2010, science students at Eisenhower Elementary planted wheat, it is called the "Little Red Hen" project. In the course of their study, the classes are taking turns measuring the moisture they receive on their wheat plot. Students are learning how much moisture will be recorded with an inch of snow. The students measure the amount of snow with a ruler and then they will calculate the amount of moisture with the help of their teachers. Pictured are, from left, Caitlyn Cox, Trae Braun, Josh Acheson and Kade Untersher.

## School musicians in Honor Band

On Monday, the University of Nebraska at Kearney hosted students from three states at their annual festival of honor bands and choruses.

The university accepts audition tapes from schools in Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado.

The students audition for spots in two bands, two choirs and a girl's chorus.

This year the university received audition tapes from 117 schools in the tri-state area.

Norton Community High School had four students from the band audition for places in the bands and twelve students from the choir audition for places in the three choruses.

Norton Community High School students that were successful with their auditions were:

Instrumentalists: Senior, Melinda Becker on clarinet; Senior, Diedre Kramer on Flute; Senior, Rachel Shepard on bass clarinet and Junior, Eric Becker on tuba.

Vocalists: Junior, Brae Bigge, alto; Sophomore, Lane Bigge, tenor; Junior, Mariah Farber, soprano; Senior, David Mizell, bass; Senior, Jacob Mizell, bass; Sophomore, Kelsey Mordecai, soprano; Senior, Kelsie Morel, soprano; Senior, Andrew Otter, tenor; Sophomore John Renner, bass and Junior, Mitchell Shelton, tenor.

David Will, Norton Commu-

nity High School Instrumental Music Instructor and Tamra Cochran, Norton Community High School Vocal Music Teacher, said they were very proud to see fifteen students from the high school band and choir qualify for the annual festival.

The students traveled to Kearney, Neb. where they rehearsed during the day to prepare for the evening concert.

Faculty from the university and other well known conductors directed and educated the students.

The evening concert was performed in the Health and Sports Center arena at the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

## Sheriff's Log

### December 13

2:35 a.m. Got a call that a person, dressed in black, tried to get into their home and took off running towards Eagles Road.

7:08 a.m. Was told that the heat and elevator were not working in the courthouse.

9:45 a.m. Got a call about a red cow out on the west side of Hwy 283 at mile marker 198.

11:19 a.m. Received a call that a boy, probably about 4-years-old, is outside without a coat on.

12:03 p.m. Got a call requesting traffic control while cattle are moved across Hwy. 283.

3:26 p.m. Took a courtesy report on a vehicle damaged in Kearney, Neb., on Saturday.

5:46 p.m. Received a call about a deer that was hit south of Norton.

### December 14

8:42 a.m. Got a call that a black pony with a red halter was loose on Hwy. 383 near Clayton. Subject was trying unsuccessfully to catch.

11:07 a.m. Received a call on a stolen white vehicle out of Red Willow County, Neb.

2:57 p.m. Got a call about a black cow out on the east side of Hwy 383.

6:31 p.m. Received a call of a red semi with a hose dragging and sparking. Vehicle was just west of Norton.

8:13 p.m. Officer gave a woman, who had lost her keys, a ride home.

### December 15

1:43 p.m. Got a call that a vehicle had rolled out of a driveway and hit a fence.

4:23 p.m. Got a call about a

black cow out on K9.

7:11 p.m. Got a call about a man, who took too much medication, passed out.

### December 16

3:51 p.m. Got a call that a gray Chrysler is all over the road. Vehicle had just entered county.

### December 17

10:54 a.m. Got a call about a llama out on U.S. 36 near prison. Another caller said it was an alpaca.

2:40 p.m. Got a call requesting a controlled burn. Fire chief gave OK for next morning but not now.

7:35 p.m. Received a call from a man, in Almena, who said someone had thrown pop or beer on his son's vehicle.

### December 18

4:12 p.m. Got call that a couple of llamas were out on U.S. 36.

11:33 p.m. Received a call for an officer to help with a domestic. Woman had problems with her boyfriend and then almost ran over him with vehicle.

### December 19

6:47 a.m. Received a 911 call. Caller was on Old Norton Hwy. south of Alma and wanted to know if that is in Norton County. Since it is not, she will call Phillips County.

9:25 a.m. Got a call from a woman with a dead cat in her driveway.

11:04 a.m. Received a call about two black heifers out on Rd. S.

### December 20

1:02 a.m. Received a call about a big charolais cow out on Hwy 383.

2:40 p.m. Received a call from

a person reporting a theft from residence.

### December 21

9:48 a.m. Received a report of a llama on U.S. 36 across from the prison.

4:05 p.m. Received a 911 call about a car that had been speeding through a parking lot.

### December 22

9:47 a.m. Received request for traffic control on Hwy. 283 while cattle are being moved.

1:11 p.m. Got information about a possible scam phone call about new Medicare cards.

2:12 p.m. Got a call for a deer tag for animal found on Rd. I.

2:56 p.m. Received a call about concerns for school children getting off the bus. Each day several vehicles disobey the stop sign.

6:58 p.m. Got a call from a man in Lenora. He just got off work and noticed his garage had been kicked and he thinks the house door was also since it was hard to open.

### December 23

3:38 p.m. Moved jail inmates around to house female from department of corrections.

### December 24

11:23 p.m. Received request for traffic control for movement of cattle across Hwy. 283.

2:30 p.m. Got a call from person wanting to speak to an office about threatening messages being received.

3:42 p.m. Got a call that two deer are in the area of north Wabash.

8:02 p.m. Officer provided motorist assists at West Ridge and U.S. 36.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### Norton Community High School

**Monday, Jan. 31**  
KAY Board meeting – 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 1**  
Jay Singers – 7:30 a.m.  
NHS prospective member meeting - A.P.

Basketball versus Smith Center (T) – 4 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 2**  
FCCLA star events and district elections

Forensics at Dighton – 8 a.m.  
SAC meetin – A.P.

**Thursday, Feb. 3**  
KAY board meeting – A.P.  
Jay Singers – 7:30 a.m.

B.A.S.S. meetings  
Regional Scholars' Bowl

**Friday, Feb. 4**  
Jazz – A.P.  
MCL Art begins at Dane Hansen Museum, Logan

Wrestling at Smith Center 6 p.m.

Basketball versus Hill City(H)

**Saturday, Feb. 5**  
Forensics at Oberlin 7:30 a.m.

Regional Piano Festival  
Wrestling V/JV at Phillipsburg Panther Classic 9 a.m.

**Junior High**

**Wednesday, Feb. 2**  
Team meeting – 7:30 a.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 3**  
Wrestling at Hoxie 5 p.m.

**Saturday, Feb. 5**  
Wrestling, Norton Junior High

Invite, 9:30 a.m.

**Eisenhower Elementary**

**Wednesday, Feb. 2**  
Staff meeting – 3:40 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 3**

IEP day  
EC/2 GLM 3:40 p.m.

**Friday, Feb. 4**  
1st and 2nd grade vocal practice at East Campus auditorium 12:30 p.m.

**All Schools**

**Wednesday, Feb. 2**  
Progress reports go home

**High school and Junior High Menu**

All meals are served with milk; breakfast has fruit or juice. Alternate breakfast is cold cereal with toast and jelly.

Alternate Lunch is chef salad.

**Monday**  
Breakfast: Biscuit and sausage sandwich. Lunch: Chicken and noodles, whipped potatoes, carrots, rolls w/margarine, pineapple and bananas.

**Tuesday**

Breakfast: Coffee cake. Lunch: Ham and cheese rollup, green beans, carnival salad, fruit cup

**Wednesday**

Breakfast: Cinnamon bun. Lunch: Breaded beef patty, whipped potatoes, carrots, broccoli and cauliflower, rolls w/margarine, peaches.

**Thursday**

Breakfast: Breakfast quesadilla, hash brown patty. Lunch: Club sandwich, cheese, lettuce and tomato, corn, potato salad, mandarin oranges.

**Friday**

Breakfast: Breakfast tornado. Lunch: Breaded chicken sandwich, lettuce and tomato, baked beans, applesauce with cinna-

mon.

### Eisenhower Elementary Menu

All meals are served with milk; fruit juice is served with breakfast.

**Monday**  
Breakfast: Monkey bread.

Lunch: Taco crunch, corn, tossed salad, chocolate cake.

**Tuesday**

Breakfast: Sausage gravy, biscuit. Lunch: Ham and cheese, bun, pepper strips, pork and beans, pears

**Wednesday**

Breakfast: Banana bread, peaches. Lunch: Chicken supreme, green beans, carrots fruit basket upset.

**Thursday**

Breakfast: French toast, maple syrup, pears Lunch: Ham and cheese, celery stick, cornbread, applesauce jello, cookie.

**Friday**

Breakfast: Sausage patty with biscuit. Lunch: BBQ beef, homemade bun, peas, potato salad, orange delight.

### Northern Valley Schools

**Monday, Jan. 31**  
GNEC Basketball at Logan

**School Menu**

All meals are served with milk. Breakfast offers cold cereal assortment daily.

**Monday**

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, hashbrowns, ham, apple juice. Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread, buttered broccoli, chocolate pudding.

## Business in the spotlight

Each month this column features one Norton County business selected at random in honor of all our local businesses large and small, well-established and newly-established for their valuable contribution to our economy. Economic Development Board member Deena Wente submitted this month's article.

Business in the Spotlight – January 2011

Business Name: Good Beginnings Preschool

Owner: Rosalie McMullen  
Phone: (785) 877-3026

The love of children is the driving force that started the Good Beginnings Preschool in 1961. Today, Rosalie McMullen, or Miss Rosalie as she is called by the children, is still excited to be there. McMullen is a Norton Community High School graduate and started her preschool when things moved faster. She completed a page and a half form and had the doors open within a few weeks. She said today the paperwork and the opening of the doors would take a lot longer.

Miss Rosalie opened her business to spread her love of children to all children. She has always had a love of music and the children are learning through singing and dancing. An added benefit is they are exercising.

One of the biggest thrills for Miss Rosalie is the interaction between the children and the residents of the Andbe Home. They make special trips there and this month they will be celebrating Kansas' birthday.

The Kansas birthday celebration will be January 18th and the children will dress in period clothes including sun bonnets,

neckerchiefs and western vests. With the help of the residents of the Andbe Home they will be churning butter, washing clothes on a wash board and baking bread. The children will then parade and sing to the residents in their rooms.

They have also partnered with the Norton County Farm Bureau, and Patsy Maddy has taught the children about their rural heritage.

Miss Rosalie says there is nothing she would do differently because every day is a new adventure with children. They will do or say something unique and make those around them happy. She is comfortable in her role helping children. She says her job is more of a hobby because the children continue to surprise her.

Being a pre school teacher for

50 years, Miss Rosalie has taught some of the parents and she is now teaching their children. Some have been friends of the McMullen family for five generations.

In the future, Miss Rosalie would like to see the programs at the Andbe Home expanded. They bring such joy to the residents and children.

Her advice for parents of today is take the time to read to your children, praise them and encourage their dreams.

Miss Rosalie said Norton County is a great place to live and there are lots of bright spots for the future. Her advice for business owners is: be willing to put in extra hours and not follow a time clock, don't think about a pay scale, have the attitude that your job is fun and have a passion for what you are doing.

## KANSAS Statewide Career Fair

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## Attention Business Owners! Presenting Business Ideas You Can Bank on with Cinda Baxter, Business Expert

Nationally acclaimed business expert Cinda Baxter will be in Norton to help your business add cash to your bottom line. She specializes in helping businesses in smaller markets like Norton County. This opportunity to increase your market share is free of charge thanks to Norton City/County Economic Development and co-sponsor Norton Area Chamber of Commerce. **Reserve your seat at the Norton American Legion, Tuesday, February 15 at 5:30 p.m.** to increase profits at your business. Cinda has appeared on many national news media's such as the Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, CNN, MSNBC, FOX Business and NBC's Nightly News. She is well known for assisting the Chicago Market with marketing and ideas resulting in making it one of the largest markets in the United States by promoting small business, but she specializes in helping small communities capture a greater share of the market. Come meet face-to-face with Cinda and get answers to your questions about being a destination business in order to draw a regional customer base.

Again, Economic Development and the Chamber have already covered the seminar fees so that your business can bring as many employees as possible for **FREE**. Hors d'oeuvres will be served beginning at 5 p.m., so come early!

Please RSVP quickly or by February 8 to reserve seats.  
To reserve call 785-874-4816 or email nortoned2@ruraltel.net.

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