

# Riverless Run is Saturday

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Many area residents will be competing in the popular Riverless Fun Run this Saturday in Phillipsburg. Races for both adults and youths will begin at the First Christian Church, 150 S. 7th St. in Phillipsburg and will be sponsored by the Phillips County Health Systems. Races will consist of a 2 Mile Run/Walk, 5 Mile Run and One-Half Mile Kids Race (ages 6-10). Registration will be between 6 a.m. and 6:45 a.m. The 2 Mile Run/Walk will begin at 7 a.m. with

the other races to follow. Trophies will be presented to the top male and female in the 2 Mile, 5 Mile and Kids Race. Medals will be presented to the top three finishers in each age group. Runners will be timed in the following age groups: 6-7, 8-9, 10, 11-14, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 49-49, 50-59, 60-69 and 70 and over. Entry fees are \$14 for adults and \$7 for youths (ages 6-10). For more information, visit the Phillips County Health Systems website: www.philliphospital.org or call Kelly Vanderplas at (785) 540-4925.

## JENNINGS NEWS

Memorial weekend guests of Meme Carper were her children, Charlene Mangus, Steve and Dani of Kanorado; Carol Topliff of Goodland; Teresa Hopson, Rebecca and friend Nathaniel of Bethune, Colo.; Cecil and Annette Bailey, Leoti; and Tim Bailey of Broken Arrow, Okla. Cecil Bailey came for his 40th class anniversary from Jennings school and Tim Bailey came for his 30th class anniversary from Oberlin school.

Memorial Day weekend guest of Wayne and Louise Cressler were Gwen Anderson from Council Grove; Megan Faris of Manhattan; Russell Cressler of Bison and Mary Kinser. The Craft Fair is planned for Firemen's Fun Day, Aug. 25 with 20 spaces available for a charge of \$25 each. If interested, call Terri Hanke 785-678-2333. Reservations must be made and paid in full by July 1. Sunday was a very windy day

for the Memorial services at the Big Timber cemetery. Monday was a beautiful cool morning for the Jennings services at Jennings cemetery. A large crowd attended the dinner Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in the senior center. Those playing cards at the senior center on Wednesday May 23 were Stan and Ramona Shaw, Agnes Wahlmeier, Carol Carter, Eleanor Morel and Wayne and Louise Cressler.

## LYLE NEWS

We were so sorry to hear of the sudden death of Chris Kuhlman, son-in-law of Gary and Cathy Anthony. He leaves his wife, Windy and three children. Jacob Helm, Cadet from the Air Force Academy of Colorado Springs, Co., gave the Memorial Address at the Lyle Cemetery on Sunday, May 27. His brother, Aaron, from West Point, gave it last year. In case we fail to say so at the right time, we do appreciate very much the services done by Mike's family, as well as those by the Lebanon, Ne. VFW and American Legion, supplying the Color Guard. Although there was some wind, it was not strong enough to hinder the service, and after some visiting, we went to the Community Building where more than 50 ate a great [as usual] dinner. After the Lyle dinner, the ones who wished to came to the Norcat Cemetery, where we watched the parade of service men, some in golf carts; the American Legion Riders from Norton with the flags; the National Anthem by Andrea Spanier; remembering the tomb of the unknown soldier;

Taps; prayer by Pastor Woods; and Marylyn Barnett Perry's wonderful address. David Wood, of Stroud, Ok., came Thursday evening and left Sunday morning. He brought a trailer, did some work at the farm, hauled a few implements back with him, and visited as many as he could in the time he had. Toots Magers was visited by Keith Anthony, Keith's Son, George and wife and daughter of San Antonio, Tx., David Wood, Charlie and Judy Easton and Jane Engelhardt. On Monday, Rea and Dee Magers took her to the Memorial Services at Lebanon, Ne.

June Jolly attended the Norcat Memorial and the get together at the Educational Building. Joyce Summer went to both the Lyle and Norcat festivities. Kathy Van Meter and Lloyd Frandsen came to the Norcat Memorial Service and visited at the Ed. Building. They visited with Donna Knutsen, of Council Bluffs, Ia., David Knutsen of Omaha, Ne. and Sarah Knutsen, Ag Teacher from McCook, Ne.

# Hays Fly-In will be Saturday

The famed aviator "Amelia Earhart" will be giving two performances on Saturday at the Hays Regional Airport's third-annual Great Planes on the Great Plains Fly-In. Scholar/performer Ann Birney of Ride into History will take the audience back to 1937, just before Earhart's disappearance over the Pacific Ocean. Birney's performance is being sponsored by Midwest Energy, EnerSys and the Fly-In Committee.

strations; Ident-a-Kid; a paper airplane building workshop and much more. The Fly-In concludes with a hot dog lunch from 11 am - 1 p.m. Free parking and shuttle services from the parking lot are provided. Drawings will be held for free Great Lakes Airlines tickets and other prizes.

All events are free and open to the public. A free will offering is accepted for the meals. Additionally, helicopter rides over Hays are available for \$35 per person from 7 am to dark. Major sponsors for this year's Fly-In are Nex-Tech, Great Lakes Airlines and Eagle Communications.

# Awarding success



Students of Eisenhower Elementary school were honored last Tuesday morning on the last day of school for their academic achievements throughout the year. Among the awards were Accelerated Reader points, quiz bowl, spelling bee, trophy dash, Relay For Life, Conservation, science fair, band, perfect attendance, music, fitness, geography bee, outstanding academic achievement and outstanding academic excellence. Pictured, Eisenhower staff member Jen Hauser awards a certificate to fifth grader Taryn Kuhn for winning second place in the Norton County spelling bee in February.

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## City of Norton Chloramination FACT SHEET

**Why do we need to add a disinfectant to drinking water?**

As a safeguard to prevent waterborne illnesses, the State of Kansas requires public water systems to maintain a chlorine residual throughout the water system.

**What is a "chloramine"?**

Chloramines are formed when chlorine is combined with a small amount of ammonia.

**Chlorine and Chloramine - what's the difference between these disinfectants?**

- Chlorine is most commonly used because it's quick, effective, safe, and is the least expensive method of water disinfection.
- Chlorine is quicker acting, but is used up faster as it reacts with contaminants in the water. It will also form chemical compounds called disinfection by-products when it mixes with naturally occurring organic compounds.
- Chloramines are safe and effective, but react more slowly than chlorine. However, they stay active longer, and they reduce the formation of disinfection by-products formed in water containing naturally occurring organics.

**Are chloramines safe?**

Yes. Chloramines have been used safely in the United States and Canada for many years. The State of Kansas accepts chloramines as an approved disinfectant.

**Are there special considerations for potable water containing chloramines?**

- Kidney dialysis equipment - aquariums - rubber plumbing products

**Kidney Dialysis**

In the dialysis process, water comes in contact with the blood across a permeable membrane and must be pretreated to remove chlorine and ammonia. Medical centers that perform dialysis are responsible for purifying the water that enters the dialysis machines. Persons with home dialysis machines should check with their physician or equipment supplier. Please contact your doctor and dialysis equipment provider for more information and review the Kidney Dialysis Fact Sheet.

**Aquariums**

Chlorine and ammonia are toxic to all fish since water enters through the gill structure and goes directly in the bloodstream. Chloramines stay in the water for up to several weeks, so a dechlorinating agent must be added to remove it. This includes the water for both freshwater and saltwater aquariums.

**How much of a dechlorinating agent, or what type of filter should be used?**

Pet stores should have a product that will quickly neutralize both the chlorine and ammonia molecules. Also, ask your pet supplier the best filtration equipment to use. See the fish and aquarium fact sheet for more information.

**Will reverse osmosis remove chloramines?**

No. Salts can be caught by the perme-

able membranes, but chloramines pass through easily.

**Can persons with kidney ailments, diabetes, or on low sodium diets drink chloraminated water?**

Yes. People with serious medical conditions should contact their doctor. It can be used for any other purpose except for dialysis treatment.

**What about people who are sensitive to chemicals?**

The amount of chloramines will be extremely small - no more than 2.5 parts per million as it leaves our disinfection facility. The ratio will be four parts chlorine to one part ammonia to form monochloramine. If you are concerned that this small amount of ammonia could cause problems for you, it would be best to check with your physician. Additionally, Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) filters on your water supply, if properly maintained, will remove the chloramines.

**Do home water softeners remove chloramines?**

Only if the softeners have a Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) filter.

**What effect does chloramine have on rubber?**

Rubber plumbing parts or liners may disintegrate over a period of time. Durable replacement parts are available at most plumbing stores.

**Food and beverages**

Food and beverage manufacturers and food and beverage providers may need to modify their water filtration systems or consider adding one.

**Will chloramines harm plants?**

No. It is safe to water plants of any type, including ornamentals, vegetables, fruit and nut trees.

**Are chloramines new?**

No. Many counties and cities in the U.S. have used chloramines for decades. Chloramine has been approved by the EPA for use as a municipal drinking water disinfectant for decades. It is a water quality improvement as it reduces disinfection by-products (DBP) levels.

**Will chloramination affect routine household water uses?**

No. Chloramination will not affect routine water uses such as food preparation, household laundering and dishwashing, watering plants, etc. Chloramines is not reported to have any effect on plants of any type, and will usually be removed by the high chlorine demand in the soil.

**When will the conversion to chloramine occur?**

The City of Norton plans to begin using chloramine on June 6, 2012. The construction project for the conversion to chloramine disinfection is currently taking place at the Norton Water Treatment Plant. It is anticipated that the project will be completed by June of 2012.

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