

Memories of autumns past

Collector
Chat
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September is the official new year as far as teachers are concerned. Marriage to a teacher for t20 years ingrained this basic principle into even my bookkeeper's brain. When the air starts to feel crisp in the mornings I still want new hair-bows, new shoes and a plaid dress with a bow in the back. Seen anyone go to school dressed like that lately? Now it's a backpack, \$100 sneakers and a tee-shirt that shows your tummy button.

When we came to Norton in 1960 the high school faculty always had an ice cream and cake social the evening after the first day of school so we could all get acquainted. Avola Travis would make seven different cakes and the older faculty members would show up with big freezers full of homemade ice cream. Our first social was the night I met Doris Ballard. Faculties were close friends then and socialized a lot together. Before we left, full of cake and larupin' good ice cream, Doris had invited us and another new couple to dinner the following Sunday evening.

Her home was small and cozy, packed with overflowing bookshelves, good reading lamps above deep, comfortable chairs, classic art. That home was everything I wanted mine to become. So was her hospitality and her festive dinner served on bright Mexican pottery with a serape for a tablecloth and Spanish music on the record player. The recipe she

served sure brings back happy memories.

DORIS BALLARD'S TAMALE PIE

First thing cook the Crust: Cook and stir together for 45 minutes one cup old-fashioned yellow cornmeal and four cups of salted water until thickened into mush. Set aside to cool while you make the filling:

Filling: Chop and fry one slice of bacon, one large Spanish onion and one green pepper in a heavy skillet. Remove and set aside while you brown two pounds of ground beef in the drippings, crumbling it up well. When crisp, drain off all fat, add a large can of chopped tomatoes, a small can of chopped green chilies and the onion, pepper, bacon mixture. Add salt and chili powder to taste and a good splash of Tabasco sauce. Simmer along until tomato moisture is all absorbed and mixture is thick.

Preparation: Stir the mush well, spread half in the bottom of a well-greased glass or pottery 9x13 pan. Pour filling in, spreading to corners. Add a layer of shredded pepperjack cheese; about a cup should cover it. Dollop big blobs of the remaining mush over all but do not "connect the dots". Sprinkle with paprika and bake in a 375 degree oven for 30 minutes until cornmeal is well browned. Must be served bubbling hot.

This was accompanied by a big green salad and a dessert of fresh apricots caramelized in brown sugar, served over custard. Can you imagine anything simpler or better? Invite a new teacher to dinner this weekend and get acquainted. You'll be glad you did . . . and so will they..

MY MAMA SAID: Never attempt to "put on the dog" 'cause it'll sure turn right 'round and bite you.

Celebrating 25 years



To celebrate the school's state football championships, the Northern Valley game against Palco Friday night featured a team and coach recognition for the teams of 1986 and 1987. On hand for the celebration were 16 members of the football teams, along with coaches Chuck Fessenden and Doug Reusink. A highlight film was shown at halftime and championship team members were presented with football helmet plaques.

-Telegram photo by Mike Stephens

SHERIFF'S LOG

District Court
These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the District Court clerk at the Norton County Courthouse.

Traffic and Wildlife and Parks cases are given to the paper when the fines are paid.

Aug. 23
Aug. 8-Michael W. Barnes, St. Joseph, Mo.; Charge: Speeding 83 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$191.
July 24-James Leslie Clymer, Deerfield; Charge: Motor carrier safety rules and regulations-last entry July 18, 2012; Fine: \$213.
Aug. 8-Wayne De Bruyn, Norcat; Charge: Speeding 86 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$222.
Aug. 8-Wayne De Bruyn, Norcat; Charge: Failure to wear seatbelt; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$0.
July 27-Belisario C. Espinoza, Harlington, Texas; Charge: Speeding 75 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$143.
Aug. 7-Larry D. Hawks, Almena; Charge: Failure to wear seatbelt; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$10.
March 31-Brandon Scot McChesney, Norton; Charge: Improper driving on laned roadway-failed to maintain single lane; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$173.
March 31-Brandon Scot McChesney, Norton; Charge: Driving under influence

of alcohol or drugs; 2nd conviction; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$1,295.
Aug. 1-Robert L. Mcallister, Ravenna, Neb.; Charge: Gross weight limits for vehicles; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$158.
Aug. 20-Howard Dale Morgan, Loveland, Colo.; Charge: Speeding 76 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$149.
Aug. 8-Bryce Soloman Robinson, Norcat; Charge: Failure to wear seatbelt; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$10.
July 27-Duskin Lance Siruta, Colby; Charge: Speeding 78 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$161.
Aug. 1-Justin M. Timm, Atwood; Charge: Speeding 84 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$197.
Aug. 30
July 12-Lane David Archer, Logan; Charge: Speeding 74 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$155.
July 12-Lane David Archer, Logan; Charge: Failure to wear seatbelt; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$60.
Aug. 3-Jeffrey L. Hodges, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Charge: Speeding 65 in 55; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$143.
Aug. 17-Eugene F. Hoepfer, Dodge City; Charge: No oversize permit on 12.5 foot wide load; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$188.
May 31-Joshua Warren Payne, Topeka; Charge: Speeding 91 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$257.

July 30-Lee James Schrock, Oakley; Charge: Speeding 82 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$195.
July 30-Lee James Schrock, Oakley; Charge: Failure to wear seatbelt; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$0.
Aug. 17-Dustin R. Smith, Cozad, Neb.; Charge: Height, length and loads of vehicles; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$308.
Aug. 17-Dustin R. Smith, Cozad, Neb.; Charge: No oversize permit on 12.5 foot wide load; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$0.
June 28-Danielle M. Thieme, Sabetha; Charge: Speeding 76 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$149.
Sept. 6
Aug. 30-Sandra Kay Lundberg, Lenora; Charge: Failure to wear seatbelt; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$10.
Aug. 19-Michael McManus, Pawnee City, Neb.; Charge: Improper passing on right; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$173.
Aug. 30 John Edward Robbins, Lenora; Charge: Failure to wear seatbelt; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$10.
Aug. 4-James W. Waddy Jr., Denver Colo.; Charge: 12 and under, no PFD; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$198.
July 22-Tommy J. Winningham; Driving under influence of alcohol or drugs; 2nd conviction; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$1,563.

POLICE LOG

Sept. 8
Report of erratic driver
(2) vehicle stops
Report of vehicle on fire
Report of neighbors having verbal altercation

Sept. 9
Vehicle stop
Request to speak to officer concerning their kids being sick, advised go to hospital
Complaint stating neighbor is letting water run in their yard
Keys locked in vehicle
Civil standby

EMS assist
(3) vehicle stops

Sept. 14
Building checks
Suspicious vehicle
Removed garage sale signs from city poles
(3) three vehicle stops
Two vehicle accident
Parking complaint
Collected drug items from residence
Report of phone scam
Report of erratic driver
Report of harassing phone calls

Report of screaming woman
Report of phone scam
Parking complaint
Keys locked in vehicle

Sept. 15
Vehicle stop, one D.U.I. arrest
Building checks
EMS assist
Removed garage sale signs from city poles
(3) three parking complaints
(2) vehicle stops
Report of kids walking around smoking

Sept. 10
(2) two vehicle stops
Two vehicle accident, Loves
Report of secret shopper scam
Report of runaway juvenile, juvenile found
Found cell phone, Elmwood Park
Building checks

Sept. 11
Assist Dept. of Corrections with transport buss
Report of ignition key and gas card stolen out of vehicle
Report of ignition key stolen out of vehicle
Report of ex-friend taking dog
Civil standby
Report of underage kids smoking



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