OBITUARIES Bobbie Dean Madden

Bobbie Dean Madden, son of Glenn Harold and Mabel Pearl (Grinnage) Madden, was born June 15, 1926 in Norton and passed away at the Andbe Home in Norton, on Oct. 12, 2012 at the age of 86.

Bob grew up in Norton and attended the local schools. He served in the United States Navy Amphibious Unit during World War II from Nov. 27, 1943 until his discharge on Nov. 11, 1947 as a Seaman First Class, then continued in the U.S. Navy Reserves until his discharge June 11, 1952.

On March 16, 1951 he married Vadis Wildman in Lexington, Neb. They made their home in Norton where he worked for the City of Norton. He was a lineman and later supervisor of the water and sewer department for 37 years until his retirement in 1987.

June 15, 1926 - Oct. 12, 2012

Bob was a member of the Norton Christian Church, the Eagles Club and the Harmonson-Redd American Legion Post #63.

Survivors include his wife. Vadis Madden of Norton; three sons: James Madden of Moab, Utah, Barry and wife, Dana Madden of Norton, Robbie and wife, Melanie Madden of Emporia; one daughter and husband, Bobbi and Dean Wiseman

of Norton; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and other relatives and friends.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, one sister and brother-in-law, Betty and Gene Strickland, and one nephew, Leslie.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Oct. 15 at Enfield Funeral Home and burial was at the Norton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Andbe Home, Harmonson-Redd American Legion and Hospice Services of Norton County.

Arrangements were by Enfield Funeral Home of Norton.

Robert Gilbert Posson Nov. 8, 1919 - Sept. 18, 2012

Robert Gilbert Posson was born in Spirit Lake, Iowa on Nov. 8 1919, the son of Harry M. Posson and Nettie Posson (Gilbert). He was the big brother to his three younger sisters. Robert died peacefully at the age of 92 on Sept. 18, 2012 after a battle with cancer.

Robert grew up in Norton and graduated from Norton Community High School. In his youth he attended the Christian church in Norton and sang in the choir. Robert accepted Christ as his Savior and was baptized during his teen years.

In 1936, Robert began his life long love and support of the Boy Scouts. He received his Tenderfoot Rank in 1937, 2nd Class Rank in 1938, 1st Class in 1939, and Star Scout in 1940. He achieved the rank of Life Scout following his military service and was selected by his fellow Scouts to be a member of the Order of the Arrow in the Boys Scouts of America. Robert served in the United States Army in Italy during World War II and received an Honorable Discharge on Oct. 18, 1945.

After a two-month whirlwind courtship, he married Dorothy Belle Dunavan in Norton on Dec. 19, 1945. She was the love of his life for over 66 years, and on numerous occasions Robert said that she was the best thing that happened to him. During the early years of their marriage, in addition to working in heating and air conditioning, he served as a volunteer fireman in Norton. Robert and Dorothy moved to Denver on July 21, 1957 and purchased the home they still live in. In Denver, Robert continued to work in the heating and air conditioning industry. Robert was a life member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and of the American Legion. Until 2009, he was a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge.

Robert had two passions, Scouting and clowning. He devoted 70 years of his life as an adult volunteer for the Boy Scouts of America, which encompassed work as a Scoutmaster of Troop 68, various Denver area council commissioner positions, Philmont Scout Camp training, being awarded the Vigil Honor rank in the Order of the Arrow, and being awarded the Silver Beaver Award.

Robert was also a professional clown, working in restaurants and at birthday and company parties. He also appeared in a national television commercial for a real estate company. Robert was one of the original founders of the Colorado Clown Alley, a lifetime member of the World Clown Association and a member of Clowns of America. Robert (Poss the clown) and Dorothy (Dot the clown) also volunteered as clowns visiting children in hospitals, at special Olympic events, and in community parades (Poss was voted best clown in eight different annual parades). He was also a life member of Mile High Magicians.

Robert loved to make his community a better place and put up Christmas decorations, which he made himself, for his home for over 70 years, winning awards for his Christmas lighting in five years. He also made and put up decorations in his yard for all other holidays. In his later years Robert became active in Garden Park Church (the church down the street that he and Dot had watched being built so many years before). He served as Head Usher and clowned around at different church activities, bringing joy to young and old alike. Robert is survived by his wife, Dorothy and many nieces and nephews. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Memorial services were held on Saturday, Sept. 29, 2012 at Garden Park Church in Denver, Colo.

Chili cook off time is autumn

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When the first snap of autumn hits the air, appetites turn to chili, sure as shootin'. LeRoy really enjoyed trying different versions of chili when we traveled so we were somewhat disappointed when we went to Canada several years ago and found no chili on restaurant menus. Up there the

prevailing soup is beef 'n' barley, which is also good, but nothing beats a "bowl of red" for lunch. He was delighted when we stumbled onto a chili cook off at a festival in Oklahoma on one of our trips where we tried every variety from hotter than blazes to the one we called wimp chili.

The chefs at The Carlyle are trying a cook off for the first time this year. While chili is not an ideal food for many senior citizens, we are looking forward to voting for Chef John, Chef Robb and Chef Dylan's best efforts.

Several years back a distant family member won a cook off with his most unusual and unique blend of flavors. He gave me permission to use his concoction in my column. Apparently at least one reader cooked it and has asked me to publish "that recipe for an Italian chili" again. It always reminds me of the Nancy Pickard book, "The Twenty-seven Ingredient Chili Murder" although I believe it's a little short of 27 ingredients, and, so far, no murderous results.

HANK'S PRIZE WINNING CHILI

One pound hamburger, browned, crumbled and drained

One pound hot'n spicy breakfast sausage, browned, crumbled and drained

Six ounces Canadian bacon cut in spoon-size chunks

Six ounces pepperoni cut in spoon-size chunks One fifteen-ounce can of ranch-style beans with jalapenos

One six-ounce jar sliced mushrooms, drained Half of a ten-ounce jar green olives, drained and sliced

Three twenty-eight-ounce cans crushed tomatoes

One can of the pizza sauce in a Chef Boy Ar Dee cheese pizza kit

Add to your personal taste -- dried minced onion, chili powder, cayenne pepper. oregano, salt and pepper

Mix all ingredients in a large crockpot, sim-

Bureau improves offender registry

safer thanks to new improvements to the state's criminal offender registry, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation announced recently.

The new system allows citizens to sign up for notification emails advising when an offender registers a home, work or school address near an address of interest. The new system also includes expanded search capabilities and maps showing offenders' registered locations.

Kansas communities will be part of the implementation of federal registry system requirements of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act. The Kansas legislature adopted these requirements into state law in 2011. The improvements to the registry were funded through federal grants.

> Law enforcement officials will also see improvements to

the system, which makes the registry process as efficient and effective as possible. The new system will also improve information-sharing capabilities across jurisdictions and with other states.

The offender registry can be accessed at www.kbi.ks.gov/ registeredoffender.



mer on low all day. Serve with shredded mozzarella and parmesan cheese for toppings. The pizza crust from the kit is baked crisp and cut into small squares to munch with the chili.

For the less adventurous chili chomper, here is my recipe, which is relatively simple by

JUST PLAIN CHILI

One pound hamburger or ground venison, browned in crumbles

One chopped yellow onion browned with the meat

Two cans of cheap pinto beans in chili gravy One foil packet McCormick chili seasoning One quart jar tomatoes and juice A squirt or two of catsup One cup chunky salsa One cup beef or chicken broth One or two diced jalapeno peppers One tablespoon brown sugar

Put it all together in a deep kettle or cast iron Dutch oven in which you browned the meat. Simmer along all afternoon. Stir occasionally, add more broth if you prefer, adjust seasoning. Yes, I've been told not to cook tomatoes in cast iron utensils but I did it for years with no ill effects to the family or the pan.

There many controversies about the way chili should be made and eaten. Blends of spices and peppers can make a major difference. HOT? Or not so much? Almost any meat, ground or chopped can be used, up to and including alligator! Then there's the argument for beans or no beans and, if beans, what kind? Soupy or so thick it has to be eaten with a fork? Chunks of tomato, tomato sauce, or just juice? Texas border chili has no beans or tomatoes at all but is simply meat, chili peppers in thick spicy gravy, served with tortillas. Cincinnati chili incorporates spaghetti; Louisianans spoon chili over rice. With combread or crackers? Cheese or onions on top - neither or both?

When you need a comforting warm supper, chili is one of those foods you can count on. However vou make it, I'll have a bowlful, thank you!

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Patrol to use electronic tickets

The Kansas Highway Patrol will begin issuing citations in a different form in part of the state, and would like to make Kansans and our travelers aware of the changes they may see if they are pulled over and cited. All officers who are part of the Kansas Highway Patrol, including state troopers, motor carrier inspectors, and Capitol Police officers, will eventually be using an electronic form of citation, rather than the typical handwritten copies that people may be familiar with. With support from the district courts throughout Kansas, the Patrol will make the switch to electronic citations in the northwest region and will switch the other six regions of the state over in the next few months.

An important thing for motorists to be aware of is that for the new electronic citations, no signature is required. Motorists should not notice much of a delay if they are being issued a citation, and the new electronic citations will not change the fine amounts for violations.

Switching to electronic citations will allow for better efficiencies in the Patrol's way of

doing business. Some benefits include grant tracking for particular initiatives, improved internal stats to provide more consistency in training and oversight, citations will be easier to read, resulting in more accurate entry of information over handwritten copies and the citations will be integrated with the Kansas Law Enforcement Reporting system, which the Patrol utilizes for accident and arrest reports. No new hardware was required to implement the system in patrol vehicles. The Patrol leveraged existing equipment, which was already in place in Patrol vehicles. Courts have the option to purchase an additional interface for electronic file transfer, or can continue to manage information through manual data entry.

Also, there will be a reduced lag between the time the ticket is issued and the time the information is available to the courts, improving customer service to the public..

Tickets will now include Citepay information so those who were cited can pay online.

The citations also include court contact information.

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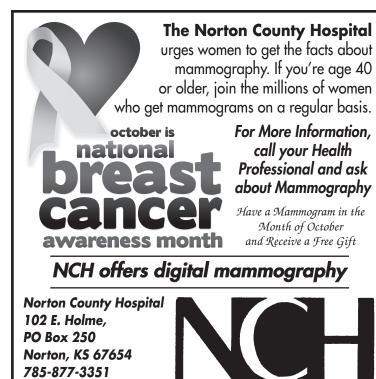
Citizens can search for offender information by the offender's name, location, reporting compliance, and offender type (sex, violent or drug). Searches can also be done by phone number, online identity or email address to determine if the information is associated with a registered offender.

The updates were made as

The City of Norton will be making appointments to the following boards and committees in November: Planning Commission, Housing Authority Board, Convention & Tourism Committee, Library Board and Airport Board. Individuals who are interested in serving on a Board or Committee should submit their name, address and phone number to the City Clerk's Office at 301 E. Washington Street by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 9. Current members whose term is expiring will also need to contact the Clerk's Office, if they are interested in serving another term.



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