

'Tis the season



City of Norton employee Dan Sisk hangs the Christmas decorations on Highway 36 Wednesday. State Street, around the courthouse and along Highway 36 will once again be lit for the holiday season.

- Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Business in the spotlight

Each month a Norton County business is featured for their valuable contribution to our economy. This month's article was submitted by Economic Development board member Brad Hopkins.

Business in the Spotlight - November 2012
 Business Name: Norton Auto Supply-Carquest
 Address: 102 N Second, Norton
 Phone: (785) 877-3333

Owners: Corey and Amie Menagh
 The desire to own their own parts store is what inspired Corey and Amie Menagh to purchase the Norton Auto Supply-Carquest store in May, 2007. Corey was working as the Outside Salesman for Carquest when the Norton location was a corporate owned store. When Carquest decided to sell this, they asked Corey if he was interested in purchasing it, and shortly after that meeting the purchasing process started.

It took approximately two months to get everything in order for the Menaghs to take over the store. Luckily they were able to make the transition to business owners without closing the store.

Corey grew up here so Norton was a logical choice, and they returned shortly after graduating from college. Both like the people, the community, and the amenities that are offered in the Norton

community.

Corey and Amie feel their biggest success is being able to provide quality products and maintain a great level of customer service with the diverse needs of each of their customers. It has always been challenging to maintain the level of customer service and still get all the behind the scenes work done as well.

When asked if they would do anything differently, they both feel there is not much they would do differently, but they would like to pay more attention to each detail of the business, no matter how big or small. They want to keep adding new and different products to their inventory to provide solutions to the current and future needs of their customers.

Both Corey and Amie see the future of Norton County's business economy as strong compared to other local economies. They really like working and interacting with each of their customers. Their advice for future business owners is to be sure that it is something you really enjoy and want to do. If the business is not something you love, that will reflect back to your customers.

Norton City/County Economic Development is proud to salute Norton Auto Supply-Carquest as the November Business in the Spotlight.

Corrections employees recognized

The following are our Employees of the Quarter for July - September 2012:

Uniformed
 COI John Lunsford is very well respected by his supervisors and co-workers. He is a very good communicator and sets an example with his great work ethic and dedication to the team. This is shown through his willingness to work extra when needed and his efforts to thoroughly train new staff. Officer Lunsford has not called in sick one time in the past two years. He is very organized, studious and consistent.

Non-Uniformed
 Administrative Specialist Sally Thomas has been a part of the

Human Resources department for 18 years and has become an expert in benefits, payroll and the many other functions of HR. Staff have communicated their appreciation for her timely assistance and willingness to take the time to educate and assist staff with their needs, as well as her consistent and accurate daily work. We especially appreciate her extra effort with a part-time manager this past quarter.

Contract
 Paula Glick has been the Licensed Practical Nurse at NCF/EU for 11 years at east unit. Paula is the only nurse there, so she is responsible for all aspects of the inmate medical care. Paula is regarded as caring, competent

and efficient. She is dependable and always makes an effort to accommodate employees and inmates schedules. She is careful to keep the facility advised of her schedule and is routinely available to advise staff on medically related inmate issues.

Paula is a policy driven individual and is always cognizant of pertinent policies while staying informed and compliant with those policy requirements. Paula also appears to be genuinely concerned with the welfare of staff and inmates.

Improve efficiency in the kitchen and cut costs

It is estimated that about 20 percent of the energy used in the United States is used for food production, transport, processing, packaging, distribution, storage, sales and household food handling.

While much is out of an individual's control, most people could be able to reduce household utility costs in the kitchen.

Here are some tips for cost-saving changes that are fairly easy to incorporate into everyday living:

- 1) If hand-washing dishes, allow them to soak first; after washing, rinse in batches, and turn off the water between batches. Use hot water for washing, cool water for rinsing.
- 2) If using a dishwasher, wait until a dishwasher is full before running it; choose the shortest cycle to accomplish the job, and allow the dishes to air dry.
- 3) Defrost food in the refrigerator, rather than under running water.
- 4) Check refrigerator and freezer seals, which should be airtight. Clean the seals regularly, and replace as needed.
- 5) Open the refrigerator or freezer door as needed, but close it as soon as possible to retain internal temperature.
- 6) Turn off an ice-maker when additional ice is not needed.
- 7) Follow the manufacturer's directions for cleaning coils and the interior and exterior of the appliance.
- 8) Use all appliances as directed by the manufacturer. Take the

Home ed
Tranda Watts,
Extension specialist



at your local K-State Research and Extension Office. You may also contact Tranda Watts, Multi-County Extension Specialist - Food, Nutrition, Health and Safety at twatts@ksu.edu.

PUBLIC NOTICE
PRAIRIE DOG CREEK
WTAP SIGN-UP OPEN

The Kansas Department of Agriculture will be accepting applications for the Water Right Transition Assistance Program (WTAP) from October 1 to November 15.

WTAP is a voluntary, incentive-based program designed to help restore aquifers and streams in critical areas by retiring water rights. The Prairie Dog Creek Basin is significant in requirements to maintain compliance in the Republican River Compact with the State of Nebraska. The "high priority" areas of this basin in Phillips, Norton, Decatur, Sheridan and Thomas counties have been determined to be in need of stream restoration and aquifer recovery and are now closed to further water appropriations.

Applicants who are selected for WTAP grants are compensated by the department's Division of Conservation in exchange for the permanent retirement of water rights on irrigated land.

For more information, contact Steve Frost, water conservation program manager, at (785) 296-8964 or Steve.Frost@kda.ks.gov. WTAP rules and regulations, applications, maps and other details are available on the Kansas Department of Agriculture's Division of Conservation website at <http://www.ksda.gov/doc?cid=1941>.

Information and assistance is also available on the Kansas Department of Agriculture's Division of Water Resources field office in Stockton at (785) 425-6787 or at the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 in Colby at (785) 462-3915.

SCHOOL MENU

Norton Jr.-Sr. High Schools Menu

Monday, Nov. 19
 Breakfast-Pancake and sausage on a stick, fruit or juice, or choice of assorted cereal, toast with margarine, jelly and milk.
 Lunch-Chicken nuggets, french fries, carrots, Mandarin oranges or chef salad and milk.

Tuesday, Nov. 20
 Breakfast-Cinnamon bubble, fruit or juice, or choice of assorted cereal, toast with margarine, jelly and milk.
 Lunch-Meatlover's pocket, green beans, pasta salad or chef salad and milk.

Wednesday, Nov. 21
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, Nov. 22
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, Nov. 23
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

EES Menu
 Monday, Nov. 19
 Breakfast-Sausage patty with biscuit, apple juice and milk.
 Lunch-Baked chicken, whipped potatoes, gravy, black beans, strawberry fruit cup and milk.

Tuesday, Nov. 20
 Breakfast-Breakfast cake, grape juice and

milk.
 Lunch-Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, baby carrots, pineapple chunks, whole wheat roll and milk.

Wednesday, Nov. 21
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, Nov. 22
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, Nov. 23
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

NVHS Menu
 Monday, Nov. 19
 Breakfast-Sausage gravy, biscuits, hash browns, apple juice, or assorted cold cereal.
 Lunch-Ham-n-scalloped potatoes, whole wheat roll, buttered broccoli and peach crisp.

Tuesday, Nov. 20
 Breakfast-Blueberry muffin, ham slice, scrambled eggs, apricots, or assorted cold cereal.
 Lunch-Wiener wagons, potatoes, buttered corn and fruity jell-o.

Wednesday, Nov. 21
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, Nov. 22
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, Nov. 23
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

SCHOOL CALENDAR

NCHS
 Monday, Nov. 19
 FFA Pals Party, 7 p.m.
 Tuesday, Nov. 20
 Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.
 S.I.T. Meeting, 7:45 a.m.
 Wednesday, Nov. 21
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, Nov. 22
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, Nov. 23
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

NJHS
 Monday, Nov. 19
 Basketball at Trego, 5 p.m.
 Tuesday, Nov. 20
 Jay Day, 1:30 p.m.
 Wednesday, Nov. 21
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, Nov. 22
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, Nov. 23
 No School-Thanksgiving Break

No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, Nov. 22
NVHS
 Monday, Nov. 19
 HS WKLL VB and FB All-League Selection in Oakley, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 20
 ASVAB test for all juniors in the HS auditorium from 8:30-11:30 a.m.
 JH basketball vs. Western Plains in Bazine, 4 p.m.

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POLICE LOG

Oct. 25
 Report of kids harassing one another
 Traffic control, Parade
 Activated alarm, Shopko

Oct. 26
 Questions concerning abandoned vehicle
 Request for escort, cross-country team
 Report of juveniles breaking out window, Woody's diner
 Noise complaint
 Report of two vehicle accident, one arrest D.U.I
 Report of kids ringing doorbells

Transport to Larned State Hospital

Oct. 27
 Report of kids ringing doorbells

Two vehicle accident
 Civil standby
 Vehicle stop

Oct. 28
 (4) four vehicle stops
 Activated alarm, Shopko

Removed pumpkin debris from roadway
 Parking citation
 Civil question concerning retrieving property from ex-roommate

Questions concerning filing complaint on dispatcher

Oct. 29
 Report of two teenagers vandalizing and littering at Subway
 Report of individuals vandalizing restroom at Elmwood Park
 Civil standby, Norton Manor
 Noise complaint

Oct. 30
 Report of theft
 Report of dog running loose
 Request to speak to officer concerning civil issues

Activated alarm, 1st Security
 Report of possible intoxicated driver

Call from individual about being turned in
 Building checks

Call Mike with all your social news.
 877-3361

Dr. Dan McGowan
 will be seeing patients at the
Norton County Hospital

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