## OBITUARIES

#### Delbert Lee Rule July 20, 1947 - April 5, 2013

Delbert Lee Rule died April 5, 2013 at Salina Regional Health Center in Salina at the age of 65. Funeral services were held April 9 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Washington, Kan. Burial

was in the Linn City Cemetery.

Delbert was born July 20, 1947 in Steamboat Springs, Colo., to Raymond and Maxine Rule. He graduated from Norton Community High School where he was a standout wrestler.

He married Judy Smith on Aug. 16, 1967. To this union three children were born who survive him: Regina, Mark (Julie) Rule and Kristie (Ed) Kirkwood and eight grandchildren.

Delbert is survived by his mother, Maxine Turner, brothers, Darrel, Roger, Larry and Bruce Rule, and many relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Raymond, and wife Judy.

## Tractor safety training available

K-State Research and Extension in the surrounding counties is offering training sessions to help youth planning to work at hazardous type farm related jobs. In 1970 the Federal Department of Labor along with United States Department of Agriculture defined a variety of occupations that youth or child labor could be able to work with related to hazardous occupa-

"Youth 14 and 15 that are planning to do one or more of these hazardous type occupations as defined in the Federal Register must attend or complete at least 20 hours of manual, classroom and/or self written instruction, pass a written exam related to the concepts taught in the 20 hours of instruction and also demonstrate knowledge in a variety of concepts," according to Keith VanSkike of Twin Creeks Extension District.

The Extension Service team has put together a variety of take-home lessons, along with the classroom instruction to help youth to meet the requirements. The classroom instruction will be conducted Saturday, May 4 in Hill City at the fairgrounds. It will be conducted from about 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Registration and some take home lessons are required to be able to complete the class before the May 4 class session. Youth should come into the Norton County Extension Office to pick up the materials and lessons before April 29. Registration is \$10 for the class and is due by April 29.

Topics to be covered will be safe operation around common farm equipment, equipment operation hazards, and safe maintenance of such equipment. The program will cover safety on the road, farm machinery accident situations, and related aspects surrounding farm related work. This course will not train kids to become professional farmers or professional machinery experts. The kids will obviously need supervised instruction and a prudent supervisor but there are some basic tasks and procedures youth can do in working with farm related occupations. The course is designed to help raise their awareness of farm safety and related tasks.

Recent interpretations of the Hazardous Occupation Training (HOT) law indicates that there are several instances where this training is required even though the youth is working on their 'family's farm.' Specifically, some of these factors are:

The farm is a partnership with the youth's parents being one of the partners. Technically, the youth is working for the partnership and not the parents.

The farm is incorporated. Here again, the corporation is the employer, not the parents.

The youth is working on a grandparent's farm. Exemptions for the HOT exist only for the youth employed by their parents or legal guardian.

Youth that are 13 years of age are welcome also, but cannot be given the actual certificate until they turn 14 years old. Older youth and parents are welcome and encouraged to attend the training. Information presented should benefit all farm residents and workers who have not previously attended these sessions. However, youth 16 and over are not required by law to take the training, but are highly encouraged to participate in the course if they have not taken it before.

The cost of the course will be \$10 which will cover materials and supplies and refreshments. Pre-registration is requested to distribute the manual prior to the course so reading and completion of the homework can be done before coming to the training. If you are interested in taking the course, call the Norton County Extension Office before April 30 at 785-877-5755. The youth will need to bring a sack lunch for the program on May

## Spring is in the air



The Norton Area Chamber of Commerce hosted its second annual Spring Fashion Show on Saturday at the Norton County Courthouse. (Pictured) Valerie Wagoner is fashionable and comfortable in this updated casual wear from Twice Sold Treasures. The fashion show gives local retailers an opportunity to display what they

-Telegram photo by Mike Stephens

## Aging exposition in Oakley, April 26

Aging, it's a natural process. And if we so choose, the best is yet to come!!

Join us on Friday, April 26, for Full Circle...An Aging Expo. Full Circle will be held in Oakley at the Gateway Fellowship Church Impact Center.

This year we will once again be offering two tracks - one for the professional who will have the opportunity to obtain continuing education credits, and one for the general public where you will gain knowledge about meeting some of life's challenges which come along with aging.

Both tracks will have the opportunity to hear Debra Sellers, K-State Research and Extension, speaking on "Adapting to Life's Challenges" and Karen Ridder, Kansas Humanities Council, speaking on "Bucket Lists and Looking Back."

In addition to these two speakers, each track will have a variety of other speakers. Topics include intimacy and aging, getting financially prepared, and building trust in your unit. A special addition to this year's Expo is the Logan County

Health Fair. Come early to browse through the

Pre-registration for this event is recommended and includes the morning snack and noon meal. Registration brochures are available through all NW Kansas Extension Offices or online at www. northwest.ksu.edu/fullcircle. Pre-registration deadline is Friday, April 19. However, late registrations will be accepted, but meals cannot be guaranteed. For more information or if you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, or hearing disability, or a dietary restriction, please contact Diann Gerstner, K-State Research and Extension Family and Consumer Science agent in Thomas County at 785-460-4582.

K-State Research and Extension, the Department of Health and Human Performance at Fort Hays State University, the Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging, and the Kansas Humanities Council are sponsors of this year's event.

# 50th Wedding Anniversary



Long time Norton residents, John and Ramona McKinley, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, April 13. They have three children, Angela, Jeff and Shelby who all graduated from the Norton schools. John and Ramona live in Wichita and have four grandchildren, Rachel, Mia, Zachary and Hailey.



#### A better container workshop

corner, do you need to brighten up your porch, or an area in your landscape? A container planting might do just the trick. Container gardening is a great method to garden in many different ways. Container gardening is easy.

The Discover Extension workshop, Build a Better Container, will be held at the Norton County 4-H Building on Thursday, April 18 at 6 p.m.

This workshop will be presented by Twin Creeks Extension Districts, Horticulture Agent, Byron Hale. Please pre-register for this workshop by calling the

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email:

dpaxton@ nwkansas.com

With spring just around the Norton County Office at 785-877-5755 by Wednesday, April

> In this workshop participants will learn the basic principles of building a self watering container, basic container design, and gain information about a host of hearty container and landscape plants.





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### New Kansas map showcases state's beauty

There's no place like Kansas tured along the Kansas Byways, as the new 2013-14 Official the map showcases many places State Transportation Map illustrates by highlighting things to see and places of interest that are unique to the state.

From the Kansas Cosmosphere to the Flint Hills Discovery Center, the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum, and all the landscapes fea-

of interest the state has for its citizens and visitors. In addition to the basic state

map on one side and city insets on the other are listings of recreation areas, museums, cities and counties.

The Kansas Department of Transportation works with several state agencies to create the map. About 800,000 copies of the maps will be distributed in Kansas and across the United States in the next two years.

Maps are available free of charge at Kansas Travel Centers, at KDOT Headquarters and District offices and at various hotels, attractions and other locations across the state.

The Family of

**Donald Wegener** 



Holdrege, NE.

The celebration will be held at the Norton Senior Center, 208 W. Main, Norton, with an Open House from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 27



#### 85th Birthday Celebration for

## Henrietta Van Kooten



Sunday, April 21, 2013 at the Long Island

Community Building 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.



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