

Work will resume on U.S. 36

As early as May 1, construction work will begin on the driving lanes of U.S. 36 from the east city limits of Norton to the east U.S. 36/K-383 Junction - pending weather conditions.

This project began last February, with work to extend and replace the drainage structures along the right-of-way. The work continued through last summer's construction season with earthwork - creating wider and flatter shoulders along this portion of the route.

The box/bridge (U.S. 36/K-67 intersection) adjacent to the Norton Correctional Facility was completely reconstructed in two phases, one lane at a time.

The work soon to resume includes the rehabilitation of the existing pavement. The scope includes a cold recycle of the top four inches of existing asphalt, following by the addition of five inches of new asphalt.

"Shouldering and seeding work will also be progressing

throughout this construction season," explains KDOT Construction Engineer Jim Riener, of the Phillipsburg construction office.

A pilot car operation will be used to halt traffic during daylight hours. Minor delays should be expected through the construction time frame. The public should plan their travels accordingly. Please pay attention to the signs and workers within a road construction zone, and "Give 'Em A Brake!"

KDOT awarded these construction contracts - totaling \$4,945,124 - to Venture Corporation of Great Bend.

Subcontractors on the job include: Sporer Land Development, earthwork; All Roads Barricades, traffic control; Merz Brothers Construction, seeding/erosion control; Koss Construction, cold recycle; PCI Roads, LLC, safety barrier; Survey's Inc., construction staking; Smoky Valley Elec., traffic sig-

nals; Reece Construction Co., concrete; J & J Contractors, concrete; Fulsom Brothers, Inc., guardrail/signing; Midwest Contractors, boring for shoring.

This pavement reconstruction project is funded by T-WORKS, the Transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May of 2010; and designed to create jobs, preserve highway infrastructure, and spur economic development opportunities across the state.

Weather permitting, this construction project will be complete by August of 2013.

For questions concerning this project, please contact KDOT Area One Construction Engineer Jim Riener at (785) 543-2163 or mail to:jriener@ksdot.org in Phillipsburg; or KDOT Northwest Kansas Public Affairs Manager Kristen Brands at (785) 877-3315 or mail to:kristenb@ksdot.org in Norton.

Homebased Expo



The Lenora Spring Homebased Business Expo was held over the weekend at the Lenora grade school cafeteria. Several vendors had their products for sale. Stacie Whitney is seen here with her tupperware products talking to customer Mary Rowley of Lenora.

- Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

A private cloud for virtual security

Nex-Tech's Business Technology Group announced recently that it now offers Private Cloud services through its remote data centers. Located in separate communities, these high-tech facilities offer the latest in technology innovations with the physical and virtual security and redundant core services necessary to properly store and protect a business' critical applications and data.

Nex-Tech's Private Cloud provides businesses the ability to store, archive and retrieve data in a secure, off-site facility. In addition to storage and disaster recovery, a business has the ability to run specific applications or its entire business system on Nex-Tech's virtual server infrastructure. Combined with multiple high-speed connectivity options, these facilities allow seamless operation for single or multi-site locations.

"Cloud computing is one of the hottest technologies to hit the IT world for quite some time," stated Gary Aufdemberge, Business Technology Manager for Nex-Tech. "While the underlying technology for cloud services has been around a long time, it is only recently that all the pieces have come to-

gether to provide a truly viable computing solution that is completely off-site. This technology allows businesses to move away from managing and upgrading their own IT infrastructure so they can focus on running their business."

Nex-Tech's data centers also provide redundant power, cooling and connectivity to allow for maximum uptime. Trained professionals monitor the data centers 24/7 to further assure data security. Nex-Tech has chosen to make these investments to give businesses the opportunity to take advantage of technologies they may not be able to pursue on their own. Additionally, businesses are provided the ability to pay as they go, as opposed to making large, upfront capital investments.

"With Nex-Tech, you deal with the same local partner you have come to trust for all of your other business needs," states Steve Riat, Sales Manager at Nex-Tech, "The same partner that can also provide your connectivity needs. And, unlike Public Cloud offerings, with Nex-Tech, you actually know where your applications and data are stored. Just ask us for a tour. We are always excited

to show you the facilities."

Nex-Tech's range of Data-center Services include server hosting, collocation, off-site data backup, business continuity/disaster recovery and more. Nex-Tech's Business Technology Group also provides business phone systems, wiring, cabling and infrastructure, servers, network security, managed services, mobile radio products and services, tower maintenance and construction, physical security and monitoring, as well as a host of other technology services.

For more information on Nex-Tech's Private Cloud, contact Steve Riat at 877-625-7872.

Nex-Tech is a subsidiary of Rural Telephone Service Company, Inc., and provides a full line of voice and data services to residential, government, education and commercial clients. In addition to its Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) services, Nex-Tech provides a host of other services including long distance, VoIP, Internet, Digital TV and home security. Nex-Tech prides itself on bringing affordable, state-of-the-art technologies to central and western Kansas.

Cattle feeders college set for May 9 in Scott City

Kansas State University will host its K-State Cattle Feeders College May 9 at the Scott County Fairgrounds William Carpenter 4-H Building in Scott City.

The educational event, focused on the cattle feeding industry, begins with registration at 5 p.m. and a sponsored dinner at 5:30 p.m.

The evening, which is free for the public to attend, features the "Top Hand Cattle Feeding Industry Employee Awards," designed to recognize outstanding feedlot employees. Registration for the event and nominations (100 words or less) for the "Top Hand" awards are due by May 3 via email to Justin Waggoner,

K-State Extension beef systems specialist at jwaggon@ksu.edu or by phone at 620-275-9164.

Presentations include an "Economic Outlook - The Current Feeder Situation; Indicators and Implications" by Glynn Tonsor, K-State extension agricultural economist.

Attendees can participate in either the Cattle Crew Session or the Mill and Maintenance Crew Session.

The Cattle Crew Session offers:

- *Trimming and Shoeing the Equine Foot (demonstration) - Vince Vesely, American Farriers Association examiner and certified journeyman farrier, Silver City, N.M.

*Management of High Health Risk Cattle - Dan Thomson, Jones Professor of Production Medicine, K-State College of Veterinary Medicine, Manhattan, Kan.

The Mill and Maintenance Crew Session offers:

- *Feed Mixer Technology - Mark Cooksey, Roto-Mix LLC, Dodge City, Kan.

- *Truck Service and Maintenance - Mark Holderness, Dodge City International, Dodge City, Kan.

More information about the event and how to submit nominations for the "Top Hand" awards is available at www.southwest.ksu.edu.

JENNINGS NEWS

United Methodist Women met April 3, in the Fellowship Hall at the church. Kay Brown, president, called the meeting to order. Angie Wilson, our Connecting Link, gave a Book Review on the book, "One Simple Act" by Debbie McComber. Angie is from the Prairie Chapel Church. It was an interesting review. Patty Foster gave devotions from a Women's Prayer Book. Kathy Nauer served refreshments.

Children's story time at the Jennings City Library was held Saturday. Helen Rhodes and Bob Jones helped Carla Latimer, librarian, with the children. If you had gone by the library that morning, you would have seen kites flying. Children attending were: Tanya and Jordyn Fleckenstein; Candice, Sidney, Rayna, Abe and Quinnley Taylor; Arianna Gillespie; Jasmine Mills and Myah Lucas.

Keith and Helen Muirhead, Dresden went to Las Vegas, Nev. for a week with their family to celebrate their 60th Anniversary. They saw some good

shows and a few of the group visited the Boulder Dam. They were there for their honeymoon 60 years ago.

Dawn Langley, Cambridge, Neb., visited Sunday with her grandmother, Dorothy Jones, and Bob Jones and Carla Latimer.

Ask any card player if they had a good time at the Sunflower Senior Center Wednesday afternoon. Many laughs were had as someone brought chocolates with liquor centers to share. The chocolates came from Germany. Agnes Wahlmeier, Carol Carter, Scott Taylor, Wayne and Louise Cressler, Eleanor Morel and Diane Carter.

Stan and Ramona Shaw attended the birthday party honoring their three year old great-granddaughter, Tenley Bollars on Saturday. The party was held at the home of her parents and brother, Kyle and Lisa Bollars and Tyce in Strasburg, Colo. Grandparents Kevin and Colleen Wagoner, Sharon Springs, also attended.

Adult care home gets perfect score

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services announced recently that DSNWK Eisenhower Home received zero deficiencies as a result of a survey of the facility on Sept. 18, 2012.

"DSNWK Eisenhower Home serves as an example to all other adult care homes across Kansas," KDADS Secretary Shawn Sullivan said. "Susan Nebel and her staff should be very proud of this accomplishment."

The Survey, Certification and Credentialing Commission pro-

notes excellence in the health care and living conditions of more than 18,000 individuals residing in adult care homes.

Through ongoing annual evaluations, state surveyors ensure that residents receive care that meets acceptable standards and state regulations. The Commission is required to survey all adult care homes within an overall 12-month average, with no individual facility exceeding 15 months. DSNWK Eisenhower is licensed as an ICF/MR, at 1115 Eisenhower Dr., Norton.

At the city council meeting Thursday evening we voted to change the meeting time to the second Monday evening of the month. The May meeting will be Monday, May 14 at 7:30 p.m..

Funeral services for Jay Kump were held in Goodland on Monday, April 15.

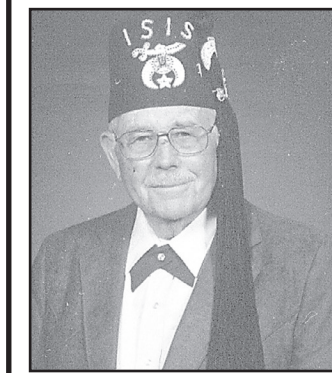
Graveside services were at the Jennings cemetery. Jay Kump was a former Jennings resident. The community extends its sympathy to the family.

Deb Bowie and son Philip, rural Dresden, were involved in a head-on-collision Wednesday, April 10 on a Sheridan County Road. Philip is at home. Deb is in the Hays hospital and is recuperating well and may be moved to Hoxie soon.

Happy Birthday

Look who's turning 80 but rarely misses a game, match, meet, rodeo or race! From little tikes to college kids, he has cheered us on! So let's help him celebrate his very special day on

Sunday April 28th



Happy Birthday Bob, Dad, Granddad! Love, Anita, kids, grandkids, great-grand-kids and all.

Cards may be sent to:
Bob Montgomery
608 E. Commercial,
Oberlin, KS, 67749.

PUBLIC RECORD

Municipal Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the Norton Municipal Court. These cases were given to the paper with the date of the hearings.

April 4
March 18-Regan Simpson, Alma; Charge: Speeding 45 in 35; Plea: No contest; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$30, costs \$76, total \$106.

Jan. 18-Jason Bowen, Norton; Charge: No driver's license; Plea: Not guilty; Other action: Trial; Found: Not guilty, following interlock restrictions.

April 11
April 1-Lari Ann Nickell, Norton; Charge: Dog running at-large, registered; Plea: Guilty; Found: Guilty; Sentence: No fine-registered, costs \$76.

March 25-David Keller, Norton; Charge: 1. Speeding 40 in 30, 2. No proof of insurance; Plea: No contest; Other action: 2. Dismissed/proof; Found: Guilty; Sentence: 1. Fine \$30, costs \$76, total \$106.

March 24-Richard Estes, Norton; Charge: Illegal tag-expired tag; Plea: Guilty; Found: Guilty; Sentence: \$100 fine, costs \$76, total \$176.

Feb. 14, 2011-Yancy Rogers; Charge: Domestic battery; Other action: Dismissed at trial/no witness.

April 2-Shane Gjesdal, North Platte, Neb.; Charge: Speeding 50 in 40; Plea: Guilty; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$30, costs \$76, total \$106.

March 28-Jinnie Williams, Goodland; Charge: Speeding 40 in 30; Plea: Guilty; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$30, costs \$76, total \$106.

Feb. 16-Samual Weaver, Ellis; Charge: No proof of insurance; Other action: Dismissed/proof.

April 18

April 4-Matthew Taylor, Council Bluffs, Iowa; Charge: Speeding 53 in 35; Plea: No contest; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$96, costs \$76, total \$172.

March 22-Aaron Roberts, Norton; Charge: Speeding 40 in 30; Plea: No contest; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$30, costs \$76, total \$106.

March 21-Edward Safford, Valley, Neb.; Charge: 1. Driver's license cancelled, 2. No proof of insurance; Other action: 2. Dismissed/proof, 1. Dismissed for costs/license re-instated; Sentence: \$76.

The Phillips County Arts Council presents a local community dinner theater performance of

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown

The Musical

Huck Boyd Center

Friday, April 26 & Saturday, April 27

Dinner: 6:00 p.m. \$15
Show: 7:00 p.m. \$10 adults, \$8 students
Arts Council members, dinner: \$15, show: no charge

Tickets available at First National Bank & Trust, Farmers National Bank, Don's TV and the Huck Boyd Center