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Tuesday
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Briefly

Norton dismisses early on Wednesday

Norton USD 211 will dismiss school at 1 p.m. on Wednesday for a teachers work day.

City to flush hydrants Wednesday

The City of Norton will flush the hydrants on Wednesday, May 8, beginning at 8 a.m. (weather permitting). Please refrain from doing laundry on this day.

Fun Day at Travis Field on Saturday

The Youth Track and Field Fun Day will be held Saturday at the Norton Travis Football Field with field events starting at 9 a.m. and running events at 10:45 a.m. This is for pre-registered five to 13 year olds.

Race action to take place Saturday

The Norton Elmwood Park Racing Association will be holding their "Pink Out" night at the Saturday May 11 races at the Norton Elmwood Park Speedway. Discounted admission rate for those wearing pink and the first 75 mothers will receive a rose. Grandstands open at 5 p.m., hot laps at 6 p.m. and the races start at 7 p.m.

Crimson Cuties to host a film Saturday

The Crimson Cuties Red Hat Club of Norton would like to invite you to attend a screening of the film "Lost Nation: The Ioway" on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in the Prairie Land basement

Logan graduation set for Sunday

The Logan Eighth Grade Graduation Exercises will take place on Sunday, May 12 at 2 p.m. followed by the Senior High graduation exercises at 4 p.m. Both will take place in the Logan School Auditorium.

Markets

Monday, May 6, 2013

Wheat	\$7.22
Milo	\$6.29
Soybeans	\$13.91
Corn	\$6.72

Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

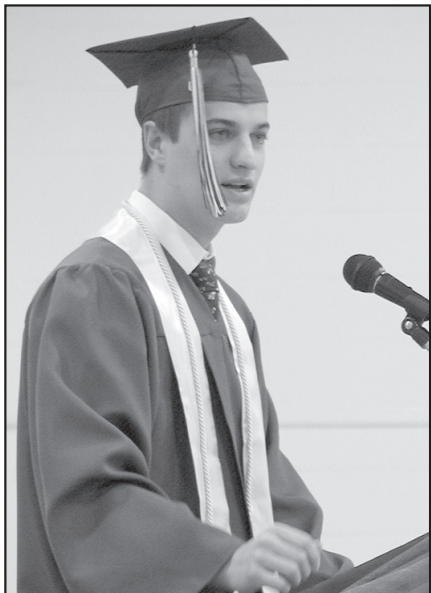
Weather

Tuesday - Partly cloudy with a chance of rain. Tuesday Night - Chance of thunderstorms and a chance of rain and fog overnight. Wednesday - Mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Wednesday Night - Chance of rain. Thursday - Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain.

Prayer

Dear heavenly Father, we thank you for your word. Thank you that it gives answers to the questions we face and wisdom to preserve us from being overcome by the hurts and disappointments of life. Amen.

Moving forward in life...



The Northern Valley Huskies held their senior graduation ceremonies on Sunday. There were thirteen graduates this year: Tyson Callaway, Erika Chandler, Jon Compton, Phillip Compton, McKinsey Evans, Hayley Graham, Brittanie Larison, Harley Rupp, Nathan Savinski, Terry Shrader, Morgan Speer, Daniel Lentz and Alex Tharman. The class motto was "There are many roads we have crossed, many hills we have climbed, and so many dreams we have yet to realize." Top left is Valedictorian Alex Tharman and below him is Salutatorian Erika Chandler, each giving their speeches.

- Telegram photos by Dana Paxton

Plans for pool discussed at city council

By Mike Stephens
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The Norton City Council met in regular session on Wednesday and Kevin McElyea of Aquatic Designs Consultants, Inc. was present to discuss the final designs for the pool project.

Council member Ron Briery said he wanted at least 30 days to review the final plans and specifications before any decisions are made. McElyea stated a set of plans were delivered to the City a few weeks prior, and he is trying to hit the bidding window for the season. The contractor would not begin work until

after the pool season is over.

Briery said he is concerned about the soil report and is worried there might be a problem with the base under the pool. McElyea said he isn't concerned about the soil reports based on where the building will be, and the pool design is based on the soil report. McElyea also said if the pool is going to be built this year, a contractor needs to be in place if it is to be completed in time to open for the next season. Inspections will be conducted on the concrete breaks which is included in the total cost of the pool.

Briery made a motion, seconded by Jeff Urban, to have an additional 30 days to look over the plans and specifications before proceeding with the bidding process. The motion tied 3-3, with Briery, Urban and Jones voting yes, and Foley, Harriett Gill and Roberta Ryan voting no. Mayor David Corns broke the tie, voting no, and the motion failed.

McElyea stated all of their projects are done by representatively drilling sample and the designs are planned accordingly, and that they know how important the soil reports are. McE-

lyea said they will dig out the profile of the pool and sub-grade. The remaining soil will have to be conditioned, and a professional will be there testing for optimum moisture content to get the desired compaction.

Briery made another motion to hire Penco Engineering to look after the City's interests when the pool bids are let. Terracon Consultants, Inc. conducted the soil survey, but Briery said he thinks Penco should do the testing and run the compaction on the ground. The motion passed unanimously. The

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You have a chance to win tickets to the circus

The Carson and Barnes Circus, World's Biggest Big Top Show, will be in Norton at Elmwood Park on Saturday, May 18.

The circus is asking everyone to come early and watch the big top be set up at 9 a.m. and then watch the Norton City Fire Department wash an elephant while also enjoying a free petting zoo.

Advanced tickets can be purchased at Nex Tech, The Norton Area Cham-

ber of Commerce and Norton City/County Economic Development along with Jamboree Foods. The tickets will be \$12 for adults and \$6 for kids but at the door the cost goes up to \$14 for adults and \$10 for kids.

Don't want to have to pay for a ticket then you can do it one of three ways. First, stop by the Norton Public Library and guess how many peanuts are in the jar for your chance to win.

Second, stop in at the Norton Telegram to enter by guessing the weight of Isa the elephant. The winners of these two contests will receive a Family Prize Pack which will include a pass for two adults and four children.

The third way to win is just for the kids eleven and under, you can stop in at the Norton Telegram and pick up a picture to color. The top three turned in by May 13 at 8 a.m. will win a ticket

to admit one child. The winners of all three contests will be announced in the May 14 issue of the Telegram. Prize tickets must be picked up at the place of the Contest no later than Friday May 17 at 5 p.m.

Be sure to save the date for the petting zoo, pony rides, mini train, elephant and camel rides on the midway along with a big top show to remember

Record setting year...



Norton juniors Austin Hager and Bailey Ambrosier had something to celebrate after their competition in the Russell Relays on Friday. They both set Norton Community High School records in the pole vault! Turn to the sports page for more details.

- Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Postal changes affect us all

By Dana Paxton
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As most of you know there have been a lot of changes going on with our local postal system. The newest one will greatly affect the Norton Telegram deadlines.

As of Saturday, the mail truck taking the mail to Hays which will then go on to Wichita, will have an earlier departure time. What does this mean for the Telegram? It means that we must have our paper completed, to the printers, picked up and returned to the Norton Post Office no later than 11:30 a.m. every Monday, Tuesday and Friday. How does this affect deadlines you may ask. Our normal deadline to have the paper completed, proofed, corrected and sent to the printers is 7 a.m. the day the paper comes out. With the new schedule we will have to have all of this done by 4 p.m. the day before.

Ad deadlines will remain the same but if it is past the deadline your ad will not get in until the next paper. So please pay very close attention to our dead-

lines so that we can be sure to get your ads in when you need them to run.

The biggest issue we will face will be that of receiving death notices and obituaries. Our normal deadline for obituaries is by 4 p.m. the day before the paper comes out; we will now have to move that deadline back to noon the day before the paper comes out.

We know that school is almost out but that might be another problem area when it comes to getting the school calendar and menu in time for paper make up. Those normally run on Fridays but if for some reason we do not get them in time they will not be printed in the paper.

We do the very best we can to keep our readers informed on local activities and events and we wish we could cover everything but if we don't know about it, we can't cover it and if you want certain things run on certain days we ask that you do not turn them in past the set deadlines. The new postal changes affect us all in one way or another so lets work together.

