

THE NORTON TELEGRAM



Tuesday
June 4, 2013

Briefly

Summer volleyball meeting Thursday

There will be a meeting for all girls planning to play high school volleyball on June 6 at 6 p.m. in the Norton Junior/Senior high cafeteria.

Fundraiser to be held for fireworks

The Norton Area Chamber of Commerce will be holding a Fireworks Fundraiser on Thursday, June 6 at the Shopko parking lot from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Hamburgers, chips and a drink are being offered for a free will donation.

Fun night at library set for Thursday

Fun Night at the Norton Public Library on Thursday, June 6 from 6:30-8 p.m., is 'Bridge Making Night.' Compete against other teens on who can build the strongest bridge. Prizes will be given for first, second and third place winners.

Bass tournament set for weekend

Prairie Dog State Park will host the Fort Kearney Bass Tournament on Saturday, June 8 from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call 785-877-2953.

Class reunion to be held on Saturday

The Class of 1957 reunion will be on June 8 at the Norton American Legion. Visitors are welcome at the open house from 2 to 4 p.m.

Swimming lessons sign up this week

Enrollment for summer swimming lessons will be at the park shelter west of the pool on Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon, Friday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m.

Markets

Monday, June 3, 2013

Wheat	\$7.02
Milo	\$6.31
Soybeans	\$14.74
Corn	\$6.88

Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

Weather

Tuesday Night - Partly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain. Wednesday - Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Thursday - Partly cloudy with a high of 77. Friday - Mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Fog overnight.

Prayer

Dear Giver of all good things, thank you for the blessings that you shower on us. And thank you for loving us no matter what we do. Amen.

OK Kids Day was a huge success



John Risewick of Phillipsburg put on a mountain man demonstration on Saturday at the OK Kids Day at Prairie Dog State Park. He had a buffalo robe, old flintlock rifles, a canvas teepee and tomahawks. Several onlookers not only enjoyed this demonstration but took part in it as well. – Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

By Dana Paxton
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The Kansas OK Kids Days was a huge success this year with the largest number of participants ever. There were 226 participants that braved the cool temperatures and high winds to enjoy a day outside.

Several activities were offered this year, a mountain man demonstration,

fishing, trap shooting, archery, jet ski and shooting simulators, a Kansas Wildlife and Parks K-9 demonstration, a display of skins and skulls, snakes of the prairie presentation from the Sternberg Museum, bird dog training by Standing Stone Kennels, the Kansas Highway Patrol seat belt convincer and displays from the Norton County Emergency Management

and Solid Waste departments.

Registration was at 8 a.m. and then everyone was allowed to attend the different activities at their leisure. A hot dog lunch was served and at the end of the afternoon every participant received a pair of binoculars. There were 24 lucky kids that had their names drawn out for special prizes of tents, sleeping bags, fishing poles, a

compound bow and more.

This year's event was sponsored by The Norton Long Spur Pheasants Forever Chapter, Norton Archery Club, Kansas State Troopers Foundation, Norton Travel and Tourism, Endzone Sporting Goods and Office Supplies, Larry and Mary Smith Family Memorial, Jamboree Foods, NexTech and Kansas Wildscape.

Norton County Hospital needing renovations

By Dana Paxton
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Norton County Hospital Administrator Rich Miller met with the commissioners last Monday to discuss possible renovations to the east side of the hospital.

"We have been looking at renovation for some time. If the renovations are done it could cause some challenges but if there were renovations on the service entrance on the east side of the

building and they went up on all three levels it would allow for new surgical suites and expansion of other areas," Miller stated.

He went on to say that the physical therapy and cardiac rehabilitation areas need renovated and it would take very little work to do this by moving rehabilitation to the conference room and take the conference room to the upper level. There is also a need for work in the kitchen and dining room areas.

In their plan they would like to ex-

pand the chemotherapy treatment area that is currently on the second floor since it has outgrown the available space since the 2004 renovation. Their hope is to move the chemotherapy area to the renovated area and build an addition on to the pharmacy area and add two more patient rooms, private rooms. They would like to renovate the surgery area which is the most expensive to renovate.

"It is so dated and we want to bring in a new surgeon but we won't get one

unless we get up to date," Miller said.

A surgeon has been performing procedures here since Dr. Silan retired but they are coming from Hays only once a week and the hospital wants and needs

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Almena to hold annual celebration

The Sunflower Pioneer Power Association presents the 33rd Annual Antique Machinery, Threshing, Power & Car Show on June 8 and 9, in Almena. The show will feature John Deere equipment and a variety of machinery from days gone by. Admission to the show for both days is \$5 for adults and free for kids 12 and under. The event

will be on West Brockton Street in Almena.

Schedule of events:

Friday, June 7, will be the set-up. Saturday, June 8, at 6:30 a.m. breakfast will be served, at 9 a.m. the events start. At 2 p.m. the parade will start. Following the parade will be the Pedal Power Pull (kids 5-10 years old, trophies awarded). At 5:30 p.m., exhibitors and vendors will be treated to an appreciation meal. The car show and swap meet will be going on all day long.

Sunday, June 9, at 6:30 a.m. breakfast will be served followed by the 8:30 a.m., non-denominational church service.

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Norton woman to compete in Teen Pageant



Johnnye Ruder

Johnnye Ruder, a 17 year old high school senior from Norton, will be competing for the title of Miss Kansas' Outstanding Teen on June 8th at Pratt Community College in Pratt, KS. She will participate as a teen contestant in Miss Kansas' Outstanding Teen which is a state preliminary to Miss America's Outstanding Teen and a little sister program to a 92 year old tradition, the Miss America Pageant. The Miss America Organization is one of the nation's leading achievement programs and the world's largest provider of scholarship assistance for young women.

The program encourages positive achievement by helping to nurture and build scholastic achievement, creative accomplishment, healthy living and community involvement of our nation's youth. Kansas residents, female and between the ages of 13 and 17 are eligible to compete for the title of Miss Kansas'

Outstanding Teen and the opportunity to compete in the Miss America's Outstanding Teen competition in Orlando, FL on August 15-18, 2013.

The contestants will compete for scholarship dollars in talent, interview, fitness, scholastic, evening wear and on-stage question. Additional acknowledgments include Community Service, the Children's Miracle Network and a Photogenic award. Ruder will perform a vocal solo, accompanying herself on guitar, to "Set the World on Fire."

Johnnye is the daughter of John and Jennifer Ruder. For further information on the Miss Kansas Organization visit www.misskansas.org or the Miss America's Outstanding Teen Organization at www.maoteen.org. Contact Lisa Ronen, Director, of the Miss Kansas' Outstanding Teen Organization at lisa-ronen@gmail.com or phone 316-303-7401.

Norton Health Department gets new equipment

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At last Monday's County Commissioners meeting, Gina Frack from the Norton County Health Department addressed the commissioners on a new piece of equipment they have acquired.

She was not there asking for money but to inform the commissioners that the county now had purchased an Auto Electronic Defibrillator through a preparedness grant. The cost was \$1,452.00 and the grant covered it all. The schools have five of these and it is exactly like those.

The Auto Electronic Defibrillator is a vital piece of equipment for both the county health department and schools to have. Both the school staff and health department staff have been trained how to use them. It is used in a code emergency. If someone codes (they stop breathing or their heart stops) there is a pad placed on both the front and back of the victim and the machine reads vital signs and tells the person helping what steps to take in order to save a life with either cardio pulmonary resuscitation, chest compressions, shock treatment or other steps to take. "This is a very simple piece of equipment to use, just do what it tells you to do," Frack said.

With today's modern technology, we can save lives. Before, someone might not know what or how to do it and lose a precious life. With this defibrillator the end result can be something different.

