

Retired nurse turns author and holds a book signing

The first Norton book signing and sale of "Creamy Goes To Heaven" will be at Moffet Drug Store on Monday, July 22 from 2:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. "Creamy Goes To Heaven" was written by Deb Jackson and illustrated with her grand daughter, Jocelyn Turney. "Creamy Goes To Heaven" talks to children in their own language about grief. It was written especially for families and children. Jackson says: "It can be read alone or by an adult to the child. It will benefit the adult reader as well, for often their own grief makes it difficult to explain loss to a child."

"The story evolves with the help of a lovable dog who teaches the reader that you can be happy and sad at the same time. Sheila is an old cow dog whose long time friend, Creamy, a big yellow cat, has just died. Sheila shares her memories and Creamy's escapades in a way that will make you all laugh. Sheila also teaches how believing in God and everlasting life in Heaven can help you cope because you can still love someone and be loved by them when they are in Heaven," according to the author.

As a former Hospice nurse, Deb also uses Creamy to ex-

plain what Hospice does, even for a Hospice cat like Creamy.

Jackson believes that "Creamy Goes To Heaven" helps us accept that dying is a natural part of the life cycle, not something to be feared, and that there can be happiness amidst the sad feelings. This is a great read for all ages, and is especially helpful to families with kids, for hospice families, caregivers, volunteers and ministers and priests.

Please join Deb at Moffet Drug Store on Monday, July 22 from 2:30pm until 5:30pm, to get your autographed copy of "Creamy Goes To Heaven".

American Legion nine loses to Bermis

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The Norton American Legion baseball team completed the regular season on Monday evening with a double header loss to Bermis in Loomis, Neb.

Scores of the two games were 6-5 and 12-3.

Opener

Norton scored one run in the top of the first inning of the opener. Toby Nickell and Dalton Miller each walked and Nickell scored.

Bermis tied it at 1-all in the bottom of the inning.

Three more Norton runs in the top of the second stanza gave Norton a 4-1 lead. Clint Cole singled, Travis Cressler walked, Carson McKenna walked, Nickell singled, Andrew Ellis gained base on a fielder's choice and Miller got on base on an error. Cole, Cressler and McKenna all scored.

Bermis tallied two more runs in the bottom of the second to cut the Norton lead to 4-3.

Neither team scored in the third and fourth innings

The Blue Jays added one run in the top of the fifth inning to make it 5-3. Trever Lewis doubled to start the inning and scored later in the inning.

Two Norton errors and two doubles allowed Bermis to score three runs in the bottom of the fifth to win 6-5.

Norton had just three hits in the game. Toby Nickell, Trever Lewis and Clint Cole each had

one hit. Norton also had six walks and six strike outs.

Losing pitcher for Norton was Andrew Ellis. He allowed five hits, walked three and struck out four batters.

Jake Samuelson was the winning pitcher. He pitched the final three innings. Michael Fitzgerald hurled the first two innings. Fitzgerald allowed two hits, walked four and struck out one batter. Samuelson gave up one hit, walked two and struck out five batters.

Nightcap

In the second game, Norton scored just one run in the top of the first inning and two more in the top of the third stanza.

The Blue Jays' first run came when A. Lewis doubled and Miller singled him home.

Norton's final two runs in the top of the third inning came when A. Lewis, Miller and Lane Bigge all singled and Clint Cole walked. Lewis and Miller both scored.

Bermis scored seven runs in the bottom of the second inning, two more in the bottom of the fourth and three more in the bottom of the sixth.

Norton had eight hits, four walks and eight strike outs. A. Lewis, Dalton Miller, Lane Bigge and Clint Cole were each 2 for 3 with the bat.

Losing pitcher for Norton was Jacob Brooks. He gave up just four hits, walked 13 and struck out nine batters.

Next action

it but its just shot.

There really isn't enough money left in this year's equipment fund to pay for a new unit, he said, so he plans to ask the City of Norton for help because another dump truck will be needed for the road projects the county has. Then next year, the road and bridge department can try to look for a new or used dump truck.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Said that they are not selling the crushed concrete at the landfill. The material will be needed for road projects, they said.

- Told Ms. Smith that her job is still temporary and that they will be interviewing for the job this week.

- The sign machine at the road and bridge department is still not working correctly on the new material that has been purchased. "It's just really difficult to work with," Ms. Smith said.

- Signed a contract for County Health Nurse Gina Frack for an emergency preparedness grant. The commissioners had previously signed the contract but the state made some changes, Ms. Frack said, requiring that the document be signed again.

- Told Ms. Frack that the county is looking to combine its emergency preparedness position, which is temporarily being held by Sheriff Troy Thomson, with another county since it is only a part-time job and the sheriff can't do both jobs effectively.

Puttin on the glitz...



The 4-H Clothing and Buymanship judging took place at the 4-H Building on Tuesday. (Pictured) Tegan Johnson explains the outfit she chose for the Buymanship competition to judge Tranda Watts, K-State Extension Specialist, and Sue Ann Skrdlant. The contestants will model their outfits at the Public Fashion Revue on Saturday at 7 p.m.

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Mr. Richard also wanted to talk to the commissioners about sand and gravel for a road leading to an oil field.

It would cost \$19,062 for someone else to haul the material to the road, he said, or \$17,241 for the county crews to do the hauling. This price includes the material, he said, and he felt that the additional cost was worth it for someone else to do the hauling since wear and tear on machinery and labor costs would soon eat up any savings and if any tires were blown, it would cost the county more money.

The commissioners agreed with him.

Mr. Richard said that the county will need to bulldoze some high banks beside the road and will need to do that before Midwest Energy starts putting in a power line on the south side of the road. There is already a line by Prairieland on the north side, he said, but they have been very good to work with when a line needs to be moved and he didn't think that would be a problem.

Ms. Smith said that she hopes to get 90 cents on the dollar back from the federal government on up to \$71,000 in road work in the county.

The county will be chip sealing one and one-half mile of KQNQ Road, one mile of PDRA Road and one-half mile of the Lenora Road under the program, she said.

Mr. Pfannenstiel said that one of the county's dump trucks is just shot. It's an older unit, he said, and parts are just not available. The county has tried to fix