OBITUARIES

Gloria Grace VanSkike Aug. 17, 2013

Gloria Grace VanSkike, infant daughter of Joshua and Lisa (Jones) VanSkike of Minden, Neb., entered this world on Aug. 17, 2013 at 12:40 a.m. She passed away peacefully after 13 hours of life at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Neb. Gloria was dedicated to God in a small service before her passing.

She is survived by her parents Joshua and Lisa VanSkike of Minden, Neb.; maternal grandparents: Kelly and Lana Jones of Norton; paternal grandparents:

Keith and Karen VanSkike of Norton; aunts: Shannon and husband Kyle Douglas of Colorado Springs, Colo.; Rachel Jones of Norton; uncles: Luke and wife Holly VanSkike of Pratt; Jacob VanSkike of Omaha, Neb.: maternal great-grandparents: Sara and Lanny Davis of Norton; paternal great-grandmother: Grace VanSkike of Great Bend.

She was preceded in death by her great-grandparents: Walt and Twila Jones, Dorothy and Charles Thomas, and William

Condolences or personal reflections can be left at wenburgfuneralhome.com.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2013 at the Maple Grove Church in Norcatur, with Pastor Lyn Linde officiating.

Private family interment will be at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Norcatur.

Memorials may be given in her name at the Funeral Home. Wenburg Funeral Home of Beaver City, Neb. is in charge

of the arrangements.

Winona Graf Amen

B.P.O.E # 93, will kindly host a service in memory of Winona Graf Amen on Saturday,

The Order of Eastern Star, mena Congregational Church us for the sharing of fellowship in Almena. Family who now live in Colorado, Nebraska and other parts of Kansas, including Aug. 31, 2013 at 11 a.m. The her husband Walter Amen, will service will be held at the Al- be there. We invite you to join

and memories.

We sincerely thank everyone for their many acts of kindness during these past few months.

Noel-Van Loenen Engagement

Chris Noel and Kathy Noel announce the engagement of their daughter, Jenny, to Beau Van Loenen, son of Rodger and Shirley Van Loenen. Jenny is a graduate of the American Academy of Cosmetology and Massage Therapy. She is a hairstylist and massage therapist at Hair's to You in Phillipsburg. Beau is a graduate of Kansas State University. He works at Farmers State Bank in Phillipsburg and helps on the family farm. The couple is planning an October 26 wedding in Logan.



Huck Boyd Institute elects officers

its board of directors. In addition, U.S. Senators Pat Roberts and Jerry Moran have agreed to join former senator Nancy Kassebaum Baker as honorary co-chairs of the board.

Clare Gustin, vice president of member services and external affairs at Sunflower Electric Power Corp. in Hays, is the new chair of the Huck Boyd Institute board of directors. Mike James, city council member and owner of OdorZWay in Phillipsburg, is the new vice chair.

New members of the board

stitute for Rural Development cial officer at Landoll Corp. of Brockhoff of Linwood, Daryl has elected new officers and Marysville, and Sheila Frahm of Buchholz of Manhattan, Nelson that make my chosen pastime chosen two new members of Colby. Frahm is a former U.S. Galle of Manhattan, Tom Hemsenator and Kansas lieutenant governor and most recently was executive director of the Kansas Association of Community College Trustees. Doug Brush of Brush Art in Downs was reelected to the board.

> We are very pleased that all of these distinguished Kansans are willing to serve," said outgoing board chair Renee Shaw. Shaw and Don Landoll will remain on the board as past board chairs.

> Other board members, including past board chairs, include Kyle Bauer of Clay Center, Joe

The Huck Boyd National In- are Dan Caffrey, chief finan- Berkely of Dodge City, Anne mer of Solomon, Robin Jennison of Topeka, Cy Moyer of Phillipsburg, Doyle Rahjes of Agra, Dale Rodman of Topeka, and Kirk Schulz of Manhattan.

The Huck Boyd Institute www.huckboyd.ksu.edu is a public/private partnership between K-State Research and Extension and the Huck Boyd Foundation. The foundation office is at the Huck Boyd Community Center in Phillipsburg. The institute office is at Kansas State University in Manhattan.

Chapter AA, PEO met the evening of August 6 at the Norton County Museum. Ada Arford and Sarah Durham served as hostesses.

Trudy Stockham gave a summary on the responsibilities of our Kansas State Organizer including her encouragement and help in starting new chapters in Kansas communities. This past year she has helped lay the groundwork for seven new chapters.

The next coffee will be August 28, at 10 a.m. at Destination Kitchen.

Joe Ballinger presented a program highlighting how the Norton County Museum was acquired, how it is staffed and who donated the contents. Members enjoyed viewing the interesting, historical memorabilia following his talk.

Call Mike with all your social news. 877-3361

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We meet next on September 10, at 7 p.m. at the home of Roberta Ryan with Gloria Nelson as her co-hostess.

PEO is a philanthropic, edu-

cational organization that promotes educational opportunities for women and continues to work through six projects of the

international chapter.



This ad is brought to you by The Norton Telegram

Leading with spirit



Stull gymnasium was packed with kids and parents on Saturday afternoon for the long running Kids Cheer Camp. The high school cheerleading squad taught some 65 kids several cheers and dance moves that they performed for the parents. The camp is also a fundraiser for the high school squad.

-Telegram photo by Mike Stephens

Time to enjoy the garden

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I must admit that I sometimes surprise myself with my continuing intense interest in gardening after almost seven decades of enjoying the process. Actually, it's not an interest anymore. It's more of a habit, all because of a deep-seated satisfaction of enjoying the results of my efforts. I can think of no other avocation or hobby that would allow me to be busy, productive, and deeply appreciative of how I spend my spare time.

Of course, there are many good reasons why everybody doesn't dig themselves deep into gardening. Some people have space problems. Others probably feel they just don't have the time. Still others lack confidence and believe they just don't have the knowledge to garden successfully. But the most obvious and sensible reason is that lots of folks just honestly don't care about planting, watering, and all the other time consuming efforts that it takes to raise a garden. And I understand that. I have no interest in stamp collecting, or scrap booking, or collecting stuff. To each

But right now; the rest of this month and the next, are the days the most enjoyable. Allow me to tell you why.

Earlier this month, the cucumbers provided me with dozens of jars of delicious pickles, which will be enjoyed all winter. There

were also the delightfully fresh cucumbers utilized in salads and coupled with onion and sour cream or ranch dressing.

The versatility of the tomato has provided several weeks of almost unimaginable taste thrills and will be responsible for even more as canning jars are filled with salsa and just plain canned tomatoes to be used in so many ways after the growing season is I really enjoy the harvesting

and storing of the big sweet onions. The digging of the potato crop is like a treasure hunt each year, and most of them have now been stored away within a short distance of the cooking facilities.

Coming very soon now, and I can hardly wait, is the cabbage harvest, which brings with it the shredding, fermenting, and canning of a rare delicacy. It's

called sauerkraut. The crock and the salt are at the ready and the harvesting of the huge heads of cabbage will take place very soon now. There are several 12 to 15 pounders out there, and other than reserving a head or two for slaw, all will be converted into almost unbelievably crunchy, highly flavored kraut.

All of these harvesting and preserving and storing processes are of course in addition to the wonderful fresh early spring and summer treasures from my garden. Sharing some of the goodies with family and friends is always very satisfying.

I don't have time to collect stamps, or take an extended vacation right now. Maybe next

Did I mention that the cantaloupes have been superb this year?

Retirement Reception for

Gary Matson Friday, August 30

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Norton County Courthouse, Commissioner Room, Second Floor

Come Wish Gary a Happy Retirement and Enjoy Refreshments

Norton County Health Promotion Blood Screening

Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2013 Time: 7:00 a.m.to Noon

At the Norton County **Health Department**

Provided by a joint effort of the Norton County Health Department and the Norton County Hospital

Need to be fasting (no food or drink after midnight) before testing

Health Profile and CBC #1 - \$40.00

Screens electrolytes, kidney function, alkaline phosphate, glucose, cholesterol (HDL, LDL, VLDL and triglycerides) and CBC

PSA - #2 - \$20.00

Evaluates prostate condition TSH - #3 - \$15.00

Evaluates thyroid levels and function

HgbA1C - #4 - \$35.00Measure average blood sugar levels - (diabetics only)

LOCATION: Norton County Health Department 801 N. Norton, Norton, Kansas

Questions? Call the Norton County Health Department at 785-877-5745 NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY

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