Almena school board meets

By Mike Stephens mstephens@nwkansas.com

U.S.D. 212 Superintendent Steven Taylor reported to the Board at its Oct. 14 meeting, that he is trying to coordinate a trip to Kearney, Neb., with Dick Ames and Bryan Shearer, for the purpose of test driving school buses that are available. They would take bus #21 for Coach Master's to consider for a possible offer on a trade-in.

Superintendent Taylor also presented the KEEP Administrative Evaluations for the board to review. Taylor will conduct and complete the evaluation for Principal Marvin Gebhard. The Board of Education will conduct the evaluation for Superintendent Taylor, with Doyle Baird, president, representing the Board and completing the on-line portion of the evaluation

process. The Superintendent's evaluation is to be completed by each board member and submitted to Baird by Nov. 1.

The Board also heard reports from teachers Logan Kats and Amy McKinney. McKinney shared with the Board some cubes that her students had created using a Photo Shop program. She also discussed her yearbook class. Kats reported on programs his classes are using and projects that his students are involved in.

In other board news:

-adopted the agenda as presented.

-approved the minutes of the Sept. 9, board meeting as presented.

-approved to pay the bills as presented.

-approved the appointment of Travis Smith to the U.S.D. 212 Board of Education, effective immediately.

member Chris -board Schemper, on behalf of the Board, thanked Travis Smith for volunteering to serve on the board.

-accepted Skylar Wright as an out-of-district student.

-approved the District Emergency Safety Intervention Policy as presented.

-approved the waiver for Gale Hays to drive any school vehicle for U.S.D. 212

-Superintendent Taylor reported on bids and options received for repairing a wall that has been leaking in the elementary gymnasium.

-information was provided and briefly discussed on KSH-SAA Classifications.

A gift to all...



Over 150 people attended the dedication ceremony of the Remington statues that was held on Tuesday. After the dedication the public was invited to take a closer look at the beautiful pieces of art so lovingly given to Norton.

- Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

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By Veda Wood

First of all-THANK YOU to all who attended the Lyle Com- her mother, Helen Helm, is betmunity Building benefit. We ter but still weak. She is back at are grateful to the six members of the Prairie Rose Harmony group for their music. Thirty two people came, not as many as usual, but we still had a good time. Happy Birthday was sung to Larry Sumner; and his grandchildren, Spencer and Shelby, played some selections on the Arapahoe. That evening she atpiano for part of the entertainment.

Toots Magers played pinochle gles in McCook. on Thursday. Judy and Charlie Easton visited on Sunday, also Jane Engelhardt bowled at Oakley

The Liberty Star club spent an enjoyable afternoon on Wednesday, Oct. 9. Toots Magers, Kathy Van Meter, Carol Moye, Babe Hawkins, Joyce Price, Carolyn Plotts and Veda Wood met for a great lunch at the Oberlin Landmark Inn, then visited the Decatur County Last Indian Raid Museum.

parent's, Bill Kelly's home for her freezer.

Funds

further recuperation. Cedar Living Center in Oberlin, Band from Greeley, Colo.

and loves company. Rhonda Jolly is doing well since her back surgery and is home. June Jolly has been "dog sitting" since the first of October. On Saturday she went to Richard Lacy's wedding at tended a "fifties" birthday party for Melvin Thielbar at the Ea-

Dwight Wood and his group were unable to play as usual at Ruth Vise and Carla Clason. Lyle on Saturday as Dwight had dialysis in North Platte that day and wasn't feeling well.

Jane Engelhardt took Toots Magers to the funeral of Mrs. Jeff Unger on Saturday. J. T., Denise and Kendra Guy came by and visited on their way home. Judy Easton also came and helped winterize Toots' windows and doors. When Toots got home after church on Sunday, there was a dressed chicken in her but wants to build some strength Brian Kelly has moved to his refrigerator and a frozen one in back.

Kathy Van Meter and Llovd Ceanne Rinehart reported that Frandsen helped celebrate at Jennings Saturday evening by dancing to the Fritzler Polka

June Jolly is now out of the dog sitting business. She and a friend took the dogs to their owners in Kearney, Neb., on Thursday where the lady is in the hospital. June is in a pinochle marathon where 20 players meet, four at a time, in each others homes. She is still swimming.

Norcatur had their soup, pie, and bazaar on Oct. 20. The food was very good, and the sale is always fun. I'm sure it was a big boost for the church as it seemed to me that things sold well.

Did I miss putting in a thank you to everyone who attended Tom and Cheryl Baker's reception party on Sept. 21. They really appreciated everyone who came. In looking back over the older news, I don't see it.

Dwight Wood is getting his dialysis at home again, thanks to Teresa. He is feeling fairly well,

Free books for head start children

Free books for children and families! RIF (Reading Is Fundamental), the largest nonprofit children's literacy program and Macy's, Inc., the largest retail brand store that delivers fashion and affordable luxury, has awarded the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center Early Head Start and Head Start programs grant money to purchase books for our children and families.

The Early Head Start and Head Start programs from the Northwest Kansas Educational Service center will be putting on book distributions in their classrooms the month of October 2013, The children in our classrooms get to pick from a variety of age appropriate books that they get to keep for owner-

ship. The books are purchased with the grant money that we have been awarded through RIF and Macy's.

In Norton, Head Start will have a "Dress Like Your Favorite Character in a Book Day" at The Norton Methodist Church, from 8:45-11 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31. The children will have to bring their book and tell about their character. There will be games, snacks, stories, and then the children will pick their RIF book before they go home.

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to the ordinance, to clarify that a as written.

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Ordinance #1650, designating a stop intersection on Reagan Ave. at the intersection of Reagan Ave. and West Armory Dr.

-waived the formal first reading of Ordinance #1651, amending Chapter 2, Article 2 of the City Code, amending the animal registration, licensing, visiting animals, nuisance and impoundment ordinances within the City. Several corrections were made residence cannot own or harbor more than three dogs and three cats at one location. The motion carried 3-2, with Jerry Jones, Roberta Ryan and Donna Foley voting yes, and Ron Briery and Harriett Gill voting no.

-approved Appropriating Ordinance #20, by a 3-1 vote, with Jerry Jones abstaining and Ron Briery voting no.

-approved the October 2, 2013 council meeting minutes

The following building permits were presented:

Jonathan and Mandi Fick \$300, demolition of garage at 301 N. Norton

Chuck Ross -, street opening at 304 N. Wabash

Larry and Terri Black \$1,559, construct carport at 605 N. State

David Cuthbertson - \$2,000, curb cut at 1107 Nixon Drive



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