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Friday

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Punt, pass and kick results are in...

Briefly

Football banquet time is changed

Due to a scheduling conflict, the starting time for the Norton Community High School Football Awards Banquet this Sunday has been changed to 5 p.m. It will be in the high school cafeteria and sponsored by the Blue Jay Booster Club.

Veterans to receive help with claims

Jody Tubbs of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs will be in Norton from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m., at the Norton Public Library to assist veterans and their dependents with VA claims work on Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2013. If you are unable to contact Ms. Tubbs at that time, you may contact her in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at 785-462-3572.

Church of God presents musical

The Norton Church of God choir will present the Christmas musical "He's Still the King of Kings" on Sunday, Dec. 15. The first performance will be at the Church of God at 10:45 a.m., and the second performance will be at the Andbe Home at 2 p.m. The choir is under the direction of Mary Luehrs. Everyone is invited to share in these Christmas worship services.

Living Nativity set for this Sunday

The First United Methodist Church will hold its annual Living Nativity on Sunday from 6 to 8 p.m. Be sure to stop inside after driving through and enjoy some cookies and cocoa.



Three Norton students advanced to the Punt, Pass and Kick Team Championships held on December 1 in the Kansas City Chiefs practice facility. From left, Lexi Voss, Jaida Wright, and Mattison Rhea all participated in the competition. Going to the Team Championships is a big honor. All three of the Norton girls placed. Jaida Wright, 7 year-old daughter of Kyle and Nikki Wright, took 2nd place, Mattison Rhea, 11 year-old daughter of Nicole and Matt Rushton, and

Lexi Voss, 15 year-old daughter of Jim and Cindy Voss, both took 3rd place. All three came home with a Play 60 football and Play 60 Chiefs jersey. "This is the best showing thus far for the Norton youth. It was a fun experience and the girls and their families had a great time," said Joan Bolt, Punt, Pass and Kick Local Coordinator. Punt, Pass, and Kick is a sponsorship of the NFL Play 60 Campaign which promotes 60 minutes of activity a day.

- Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Ordinance finally passed on pets

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It's taken more than a year, with much discussion and deliberation, but Ordinance #1651, amending the animal registration, licensing, visiting animals, nuisance and impoundment ordinances

within the City, was passed, with a 5-1 vote (Ron Briery voted no), at the Wednesday, Dec. 4 City Council meeting. The Council amended the ordinance, changing the date in City Code 2-206, for all dogs or cats presently owned or

harbored within the City of Norton to be vaccinated for rabies and registered with the City pursuant to City Code 2-203, from Jan. 1, 2014 to Feb. 1, 2014. They also clarified in City Code 2-206, that the minimum penalty for harboring more than three dogs and/or cats shall carry a fine of \$25 for each animal harbored over the limit.

City Attorney Karen Griffiths stated that the penalties for violating the ordinance would be at the discretion and imposed by Municipal Court Judge Jerry Hawks.

Griffiths also reported that the Planning Commission will hold two hearings on Jan. 13, 2014, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Norton City Hall.

Chief of Police Pat Morel introduced

Kevin Weaver to the Council, as the new patrolman and K-9 handler for the City of Norton. Weaver is originally from Cambridge, Neb., and is a certified police officer. Weaver started in his new position last week and is currently receiving K-9 training.

Donna Foley reported there was a meeting to discuss snack bar equipment for the new swimming pool. Jeff Urban said he talked to a representative from Deli Express and had samples of the various sandwiches and snacks that they offer for sale.

In other council news: -agreed that the "safe ride home" program for Norton residents on New

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Myth and a legend...



Fifth and sixth graders at Eisenhower Elementary performed a short play on Tuesday in the cafeteria about the Greek monster Medusa who had venomous snakes instead of hair. (Pictured) Aiden Wicker played the role of King Polydectes who sends the hero Perseus, portrayed by Brendan Wentz, to retrieve the head of Medusa. The students who participated are part of the MTSS (multi-tiered system(s) of support) program.

-Telegram photo by Mike Stephens

weather forecast

Friday night - Partly cloudy, low of 16 with winds North at 10 to 20. **Saturday** - Some clouds in a.m. giving way to mainly sunny with a high of 37 and wind NW at 10-15. **Saturday night** - Mostly clear with a low of 23 and wind 5-10. **Sunday** - Partly cloudy with a high of 49 and west winds 10-15. **Sunday night** - Clear with a low of 29 and WNW winds 10-15. **Monday** - Sunny and 53 with WNW wind at 10-15. **Monday Night** - Clear with a low of 27 and WNW wind 5-10.

Markets

Thursday, December 12, 2013

Wheat\$6.52
Milo\$3.95
Soybeans.....\$12.63
Corn\$4.17
Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for your great promise never to leave us. Amen
The real gift of Christmas is God's presence with us.



Telegram to hold annual cookie contest Monday

By DANA PAXTON
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The Norton Telegram will be holding its seventh annual Cookie Contest this coming Monday. All proceeds from this contest go to God's Pantry.

In 2011, \$832 was collected for God's Pantry and last year \$242 was collected. "We just didn't have people come in and vote last year. We had more entries than the year before but very few votes made. We are hoping to change that this year," said Dana Paxton, General Manager of the Telegram. "We are hoping to once again donate to the pantry a healthy sum of money to help those less fortunate."

Two years ago the contest was opened up to not only cookies but breads, cakes and candies as well. "I think opening it

up to a larger variety of holiday treats helped with the contest," Paxton said.

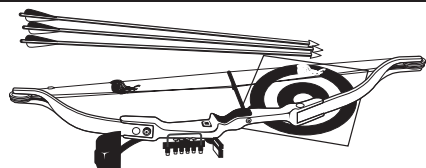
The contest is very simple. Each entry must contain one dozen homemade cookies or pieces of the holiday treat and the cost is \$5 per entry. It costs .25 per vote. Then all proceeds go to God's Pantry at the end of the day. The public is invited and encouraged to come place your votes and support the chefs and God's Pantry.

It is asked that entries be brought in before noon on Monday, Dec. 16 but the judging is open to the public from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Normally the contest is held in the middle of the week but due to participant numbers slowing down the day was moved to Monday in

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