

Giveaway set for Saturday

(Continued from Page 1) staff offered not to tell but he said, with a grin, that she already knew.

Scott Ellis got the first ticket from a roll at Kowpoke Supply. He spotted the number in the Town and Country Kitchen ad. While he didn't know exactly what the \$50 was going for, he figured it would be Christmas presents.

Oddly enough all the numbers found this week were on one page. No one claimed money for No. 5891651 in the Moffet Drug Store ad on Page 1. That ticket was given away at Jamboree Foods.

On Page 2 there were three unclaimed numbers. No. 603487 was in the Pamida Pharmacy ad. It was given away by the Norton County Cooperative Association. No. 617105 in Jackrabbit Service's ad came from Town and Country Kitchen. The Shop and Save ad had No. 5355647. It was given away by Moffet Drug.

With the four winners this week and the two from previous weeks, the Norton merchants and *The Norton Telegram* have given away \$300. There is another \$200 in instant cash to be won by the first four people to find their numbers in this week's ad section.

There are more than four numbers hidden in plain sight but only the first four people to find their numbers will get the instant cash.

On Saturday the big drawing will be held at 2 p.m. between Moffet Drug and Russ' Jewelry on the street. If the weather is bad the drawing will be moved to the Senior Citizen Center down the block.

You, or at least your ticket, must be present to win. If there are any instant ticket \$50 winners left to give out we will draw for those first. Then someone will get \$500 and one lucky person who was smart enough to shop in Norton will win \$1,500.

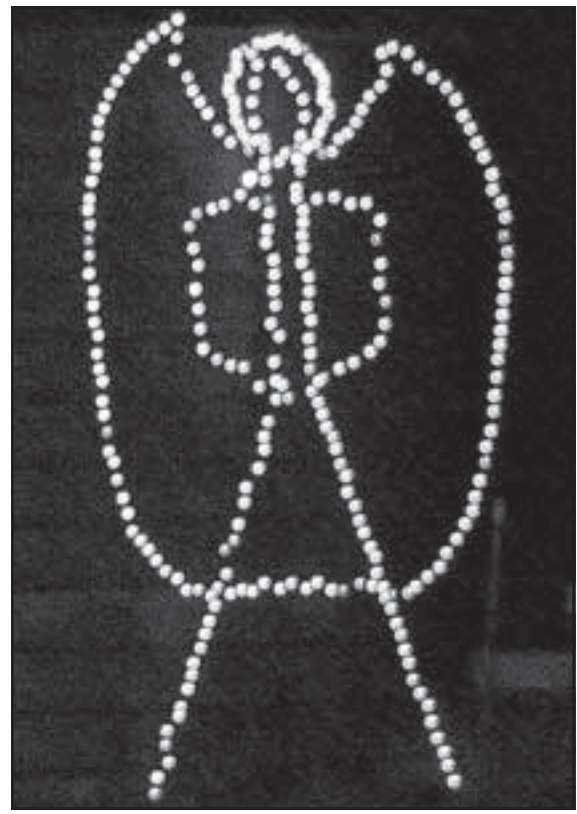
Be sure to join us on Saturday. Someone will walk away with \$1,500. It might as well be you.

Christmas is lighting up the town



For people who find themselves northwest of Norton, the Minshall's light display is worth seeing. They have everything from an angel to Santa and his elves to the Nativity. They've also hung a sign wish-

ing everyone a merry Christmas and if you drive close enough and roll down the car windows, maybe you'll be able to hear the Christmas music that they've got playing. — Telegram photos by Veronica Monier



Wrestlers win Clay Center tourney

By DICK BOYD

For the second straight time in this young season, Coach Bill Johnson's Norton Community High School wrestling team won a tournament with little to spare as they edged Junction City by one-half point to win the Clay Center Invitational Tournament on Saturday in Clay Center.

The previous Saturday they got the 2003-2004 season off to a roaring start when 275 pounder Michael Sprigg pinned his opponent to earn the Blue Jays a team championship in the Hoxie Invitational by 1 1/2 points over the defending state champion Indians.

This victory was not as dramatic since team scores were not posted from match to match in the finals. Norton did not know that they had scored 147 1/2 points and Junction City's total was 147 until after the tournament was over. And, although Sprigg wrestled and did win the 275 pound championship, this title match was not the final match of the day for Norton. Due to a snow storm, teams from Abilene, Basehor-Linwood and Ellsworth did not compete and some weights were so small in numbers that round robin competition was held. Sprigg's weight was one of these and he had only one other wrestler in his class. He wrestled Thomas Carter from Junction City twice, pinning him with 2:23 elapsed in the first match and making him count the lights with 2:45 gone in the second match. Needless to say, Sprigg finished ahead of the other Norton wrestlers.

The final winning points were scored by Norton's 215 pound wrestler Sean Lauer. He had two other wrestlers in his weight class. Lauer defeated Skyler Stevens, Clay Center, 8-4 in the first match. In round two, he received a bye, then pinned Jamal Wilcox, Junction City, in 3:48 to win the championship and earn enough points for Norton's team championship.

Placing third as a team was Salina South with 111 1/2 points, followed by Beloit, 108 1/2;

Andale, 100 1/2; Clay Center, 71 1/2; Salina Central, 18.

Due to sickness, Norton was open at four weights. All ten Blue Jay wrestlers who competed placed. In addition to Sprigg and Lauer, Clay Madden (112) and James Annon (130) won gold medals. Nathan Broeckelman (119) and Scott Goldsby (145) finished second and Lance Roe (135) finished third. Logan Keiswetter (103), Curtis Black (140) and Jordon Haussermann (152) all finished fourth.

Not wrestling due to illness were Luke Pfannenstiel (125), C.J. Thiele (160), Josh Green (171) and Mark Maybon (189).

"Because we were hit by the flu bug during the week, we opted to wrestle with a smaller squad in hopes of getting well for the next week," said Coach Johnson. "We have important duals with Phillipsburg and Stockton here on Friday and go to Goodland for their dual tournament on Saturday. We didn't dream we'd have a shot to bring home a trophy, let alone win the tourney. From that standpoint, it is a very positive situation but we did not wrestle up to our capabilities. Several of our wrestlers who had been fighting off sickness did wrestle and it showed in the third period. You can't substitute in wrestling. Either you're on the mat or you're not. There's no in between. We were ahead in at least three matches where we got pinned.

"We didn't wrestle very well but will have to build up our strength for this weekend because we will really be challenged."

Norton won 20 matches and lost 10 in the tournament. The Jays pinned 14 opponents and were pinned five times.

At 112 pounds, Madden was seeded No. 1. In the first round, he pinned Kaid Calhoun, Beloit, in 1:29. In the semi-finals, he pinned No. 4 seed Taylor James, Clay Center, in 52 seconds. In the championship finals, Madden pinned No. 2 seed Jonathon Baumfaulk, Salina South, in 1:43.

Calhoun won third by pinning James in 1:38.

Annon drew a bye at 130 pounds. In the semi-finals, he pinned B. Moberly, Salina South, in 3:17. He won the championship with a 14-7 decision over No. 3 seed Jack Eck, Andale. Bradley Esterl, Beloit, the No. 2 seed, pinned Moberly in 3:55 to win third.

At 119, Broeckelman was seeded No. 2. He pinned Tyler Peplinski, Junction City, in 44 seconds of their first round match. In the semi-finals, he pinned No. 3 seed Doug Sroot, Andale in 1:19. In the championship finals, he lost a 7-3 decision to No. 1 seed and No. 2 state ranked in 5A Nick Nothorn, Salina South.

Stroot pinned Peplinski in 3:15 to place third.

Scott Goldsby was seeded No. 2 at 145 pounds. He pinned Morgan Allred, Salina Central, in 3:24 in the first round. In the semi-finals, he pinned No. 3 seed Jeff Graham, Salina South, in 3:46. In the championship finals, he wrestled No. 1 seed and No. 1 state ranked in 4A Danny Grater. Goldsby was pinned by Grater in 38 seconds.

No. 4 seed Shelby Lamb, Beloit, won third by pinning No. 5 seed Jamel Wilcox, Junction City, in 3:01.

Lance Roe wrestled in a five-man round robin at 135 pounds. In the first round, he received a bye. In the second round, he pinned M. Thrasher, Junction City, in 4:32. In the third round, he lost a 12-10 decision to Tracy Jordan, Beloit, the No. 3 state ranked wrestler at 130. In round four, he was leading over A. Brand, Andale, but got out of position and was pinned in 5:21. In his final match, he decided B. Lund, Clay Center, 11-0 to place third.

Jordan won the championship; Brand was second.

At 103 pounds, Logan Keiswetter was seeded No. 4. In the first round, he defeated Andy Rouse, Salina Central. In the semi-finals, he was pinned in 51 seconds

by No. 1 seed Blake Fisher, Andale. In the consolation bracket, he pinned Nathan Gile, Clay Center, in 3:20. In the consolation championship he lost a 12-9 decision to No. 2 seed Jacob Garriel, Junction City, to place fourth.

Fisher won the championship by pinning No. 3 seed J. Plott, Salina South, in 36 seconds.

Curtis Black was seeded No. 4 at 140 pounds. In the first round, he drew a bye. In the semi-finals, he lost a 10-0 major decision to No. 1 seed and No. 2 state ranked in 5A Darcy Riley, Salina South. In the consolation bracket, he won a 14-4 major decision over Terry Elliott, Salina Central. In the consolation championship match, he was pinned in 4:58 by No. 3 seed Jonny Hermes, Andale.

No. 2 seed and No. 2 state ranked in 3-2-1A at 135 Matt Wright, Beloit, pinned Riley in 3:02 to win the championship.

Jordon Haussermann was seeded No. 3 at 152 pounds. In the first round, he won a 3-1 decision over Anthony Fiorillo, Salina South. In the semi-finals, he was pinned in 3:14 by No. 2 seed Kyle Allen, Clay Center. In the consolation bracket, he won a 16-0 technical fall over No. 4 seed Clink Frank, Salina Central. In the consolation championship match, he lost a 10-9 decision to No. 5 seed James Wright, Beloit.

No. 1 seed Daniel Stevens, Junction City, won the championship with a pin in 1:59 of Allen.

Next action

Norton will begin dual action Friday when the Blue Jays host Stockton and Phillipsburg in duals in Wilmeth Kirk Memorial Gym, beginning at 6 p.m. It will be Senior Night.

This Saturday, Norton will compete in the Dual Tournament in Goodland starting at 9 a.m.

Chapman, Goodland, Hill City, Norton and Ulysses will be in Pool A. The first through fifth place teams in each pool will compete against each other in the finals, which will begin around 5:30 p.m.

Bond payout change causes airport trouble

(Continued from Page 1) couldn't do anything about it."

Another thing on the city and county's minds is the airport's upcoming apron project.

Mr. Kingham said the project of replacing the airport's old asphalt apron with a new concrete one will cost around \$250,000. It has to be done though, because the apron the airport has now is falling apart.

Both the city and county have set aside money to pay for this, he said, and they won't be paying the entire \$250,000, just 10 percent of it. The state will be paying for the rest, because the airport qualified for a 90-10 match.

The state will pay for 90 percent of the project and the city and county will pay the other 10

percent, plus the cost of engineering. He said both the county and city have set aside \$15,000 in their 2004 budgets to pay for it.

Mr. Kingham said the board is in the process of selecting an engineering firm to draw up the plans for the new apron. They have received two bids — one for \$6,000 from BG Consultants and another for \$11,000 from Kirk & Michael of Lincoln. Kirk & Michael were the engineering firm which did the work on the runway project.

He said he hoped the apron project goes through without a lot of problems, because it will cost a lot more to do it in the future without the state's help.

Once the apron project is finished, he said, there shouldn't be any more major repairs at the airport for a while.

HANSEN MUSEUM

By LEE FAVRE, Director

Last week, Jim Rowh and his daughter, Sonrisa Rowh, Norton, made a special trip to the Museum to see the "Reeds & Wool" exhibit now on display and to visit about Kyrgystan. Miss Rowh traveled to Kyrgystan in the summer of 1999 to fill an internship requirement for her degree at Manhattan Christian College.

For her trip to Central Asia, she selected a group called "Pioneer", a mission organization out of Orlando, Fla., who arrange and facilitate overseas excursions.

While living in Kyrgystan for nearly two months, Miss Rowh shared the home of a Kyrgyz family and gained first-hand knowledge of the language, the people, and their culture.

She even had the rare opportunity to spend the night in a mountain yurt (round portable dwell-

ing). Miss Rowh was able to capture many sights and memories on Kodak paper and is now sharing this book of photographs with visitors of the Hansen Museum.

Her book of photographs will be available through the end of this exhibit.

Lori Struik, Agra, is the honored "Artist of the Month" for December with her dried florals and wood items.

Ms. Struik offers wreaths, swags, topiaries, benches, basket arrangements, pressed floral frames, and a wonderful condo birdhouse.

Wednesday will bring a nice prize and surprise to Logan as Luminous Neon arrives to install the new time and temperature sign on the Plaza lawn. What a wonderful addition to the community.