



When they weren't racing cars (below), Cub Scouts from around the area as well as their families, got to crawl through a smoky trailer (above) learning what to do in a fire emergency at this year's District Pinewood Derby at the Norton American Legion. — Telegram photos by Veronica Monier

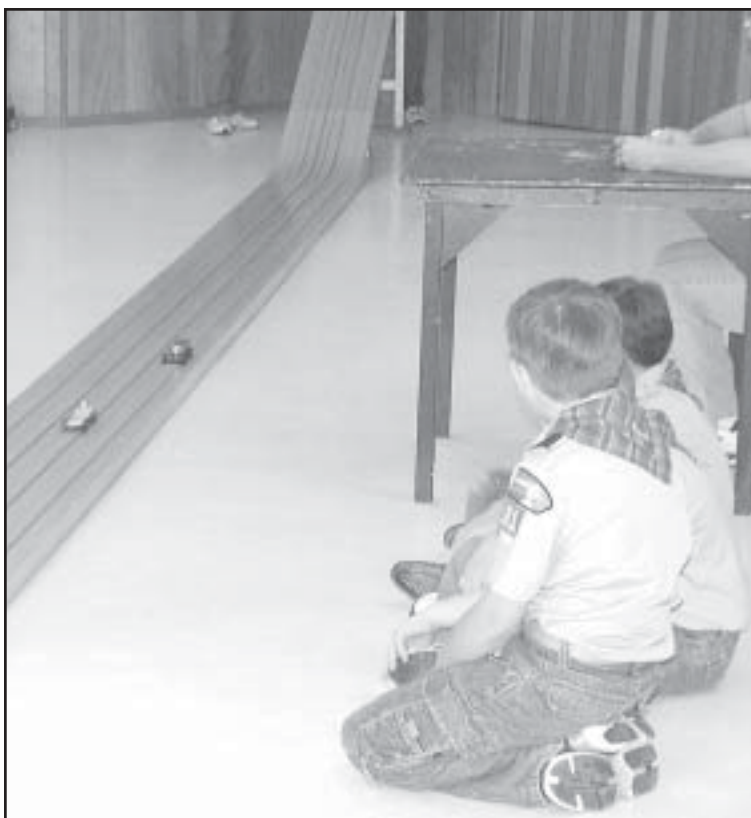
## Scouts race derby cars, learn safety

Cub Scouts from around the area had a chance to show their stuff Saturday afternoon at the District Pinewood Derby at the Norton American Legion.

Scouts came from Norton, Hoxie, Hill City, Logan, Kirwin and Phillipsburg to participate in the derby.

Not only did the boys get to race their hand-made wooden cars, but they also got to participate in a fire safety program with the Department of Corrections fire crew from the Norton Correctional Facility, which included checking out the facility's snorkel truck, going through the Arapahoe Smoke Trailer, and learning safety tips about what to do in case of a fire, like feeling the door with the back of your hand before opening it.

Back inside for the races, the overall derby winners were Wade Neirmeier, Hoxie, first; Adam Ewing, Phillipsburg, second; Christopher Chambers, Norton, third; and Tre Pearl, Hoxie, Best in



Show and Slowpoke.

The class winners were Tiger Cubs — Neirmeier, first; Ruben Harmon, Logan, second; and Cordell Goddard, Hill City, third; Wolf Cubs — Chambers, first; Jacob Rudolph, Norton, second; and Cole Renner, Norton, third; Bear Cubs — Ewing, first; John Renner, Norton, second; and

Brandon Kats, Phillipsburg, third; and Webelos — Kurt Douglas, Norton, first; Lucas Goddard, Hill City, second; and Brett Pulec, Norton, third.

The derby was hosted by Norton Cub Scout Troop 181 and was sponsored by the Norton Lions Club.

## Kids Day planned at park

There will be a Kids Day at Prairie Dog State Park starting at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Youngsters can enjoy a fishing clinic, sponsored by the Longspur Chapter of Pheasants Forever, and an archery clinic, sponsored by the Norton Archery Club. There will also be a laser hunting and shooting simulator, which will duplicate many hunting situations and target shooting scenarios.

The Norton Rural Fire Department will be out this year to talk about fire safety and show the kids one of their trucks.

All kids participating in the day will get a gift and will be registered for prizes. They can also enter an essay contest for a chance to win \$100.

Youngsters should meet at the park office. Anyone interested in sponsoring an event or helping that day can contact the park office at (785) 877-2953.

## Deadline nears for school loans

Tuesday, June 1, is the application deadline for loans from the Thomas D. Morgan Trust. All Norton Community High School graduates are eligible to apply.

The interest-free loan program was arranged by Mr. Morgan, and is paid by a bequest from his estate. Under the program, any Norton Community High School graduate is eligible to apply for a loan to pursue higher education, except in medicine or law.

The trust started issuing loans in the fall of 1988.

As of last year the trust has given loans to 43 students.

After the student graduates, they are given up to 10 years to repay the loan. The trust has loaned over \$310,000 to Norton students.

Applications are available by calling 877-5183, by writing Box 364, Norton, Kan., 67654 or from the counselor's office at the high school.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### The Estate of Ruth V. Brooks

Published in The Norton Telegram on Tuesday, April 13, 20 and 27, 2004. (3T)  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF  
NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS  
In the Matter of the Estate of Ruth V. Brooks, also known as Ruth Bauguess Brooks, Deceased.

Case No. 2004-PR-16  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this Court by Doyle G. Brooks, son and one of the heirs of Ruth V. Brooks, also known as Ruth Bauguess Brooks, deceased, praying for determination of descent of the following described real estate situated in Norton county, Kansas:

the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW4NW4) of Section Four (4), Township Five (5) South, Range Twenty-two (22) West of the 6th P.M., Norton County, Kansas, LESS RD R/W

the South Half of the Southwest Quarter (S2SW4) of Section Four (4), Township Five (5) South, Range Twenty-two (22) West of the 6th P.M., Norton County, Kansas, LESS RD R/W

the East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E2NE4), the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW4NE4), and the Southeast Quarter (SE4), all in Section Five (5), Township Five (5) South, Range Twenty-two (22) West of the 6th P.M., Norton County, Kansas LESS RD R/W

an undivided one-half interest in and to the South Half of the Northeast Quarter (S2NE4) of Section Thirty-one (31), Township Five (5) South, Range Twenty-two (22) West of the 6th P.M., Norton County, Kansas,

and all personal property and other Kan-

sas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death, and that all such real estate, all personal property and all other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of the state of Kansas.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto with this court on or before May 5, 2004, at 3:30 p.m. at the Norton County Courthouse in the city of Norton in Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Doyle G. Brooks, Petitioner

Submitted by:

Mark C. Whitney, No. 9607

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## Paper wins multiple awards at press meeting

*The Norton Telegram* won five awards at the Kansas Press Association's annual convention in Overland Park earlier this month.

*The Telegram* competes with other small weekly and twice-weekly papers.

Brandon Gay, a summer intern who is a senior at the University of Kansas, won a first place award for his feature package, "Trash in Trash out," about how the county handles its solid waste.

Carolyn Plotts of Norcatur won first place for feature photography for a shot of her granddaughter in a wheat field.

"Clean, concise, crisp, good contrast and subject manner," was the judge's comment.

Reporter Kristen Brands won second place for business coverage for her story of a couple who raises horses.

Mrs. Plotts also took an honorable mention for a feature on the Valentine Diner.

Editor and Publisher Cynthia Haynes took honorable mention in editorial writing.

Besides the individual awards, the paper shared the Victor Murdock Award for investigative or in-depth reporting with the rest of the Nor' West Newspapers group for a special edition on Rural Schools published last year.

"We are particularly proud of this award," said Mrs. Haynes, "because we were in competition with every paper in the state including the *Kansas City Star*, *Topeka Capitol Journal* and *The Wichita Eagle*.

"I can't remember the last time smaller newspapers won the Murdock award."

The Murdock award went to the six papers of the Nor' West group, owned by Steve and Mrs. Haynes,



The Kansas Press Association awarded first place in their annual newspaper competition to this photo of Alexandria Auxier, daughter of Jennifer Auxier, Oberlin. Alexandria was posed in a field of ripe wheat belonging to Brian Kelley, Norcatur.

for reporting on school problems in the area. Earlier this year, the section won the Burton Marvin Award given by the William Allen White School of Journalism at the University of Kansas.

While the section shared the Marvin award with *The Wichita Eagle*, it won the Murdock award outright in competition open to all the state's papers.

The section covered trends in western Kansas schools, including financial problems, shrinking enrollment and pressure to consoli-

date. It touched on legislative attempts to address the problems and the history of school consolidation in Kansas.

*The Telegram's* sister paper *The Goodland Star-News* won the Frank and Mamie Boyd Community Service Award for its efforts to see that Sherman County voters had their say in last year's debate over time zones. After it was discovered that the county couldn't run a straw poll the paper took over and ran an election. Voters overwhelmingly said they wanted to

stay in the Mountain Time zone.

*The Star-News* also won three individual awards for medium-sized weeklies.

Society Editor Sharon Corcoran won second place in local business coverage, Editor Tom Betz took second in education writing and photographer Shannon Davidson received an honorable mention.

Another sister paper, *The Saint Francis Herald*, which also competes in the small weekly category took an honorable mention for its Working Women's section.

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Sun. June 20th, 2:00 - #9 Handicap and #7

Sun. July 4th, 2:00 - #9 Handicap, #7, and #5 Saddle roping

Sun. July 18th, 2:00 - #8 and #6

Sun. Aug. 1st, 2:00 - #8 and #6

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Sun. Sept 19th, 2:00 - #9 Handicap, #7, and #5

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