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Norton, Kansas Home of Jay Ryan

Briefly **Boosters will** meet Wednesday

All Norton Community High School sports fans are invited to the meeting of the Norton Blue Jay Booster Club at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday evening in the NCHS cafeteria.

Norton Head Track Coach Bruce Graber and Head Golf Coach David Stover will report to fans on early season practices and upcoming season opening competitions. Refreshment will be served.

Tag deadline is Friday for 'B'

Friday is the last day to renew automobile, pickup, motorcycle and/or motorized bike tags for those whose last name begins with "B", or businesses whose name begins with "B".

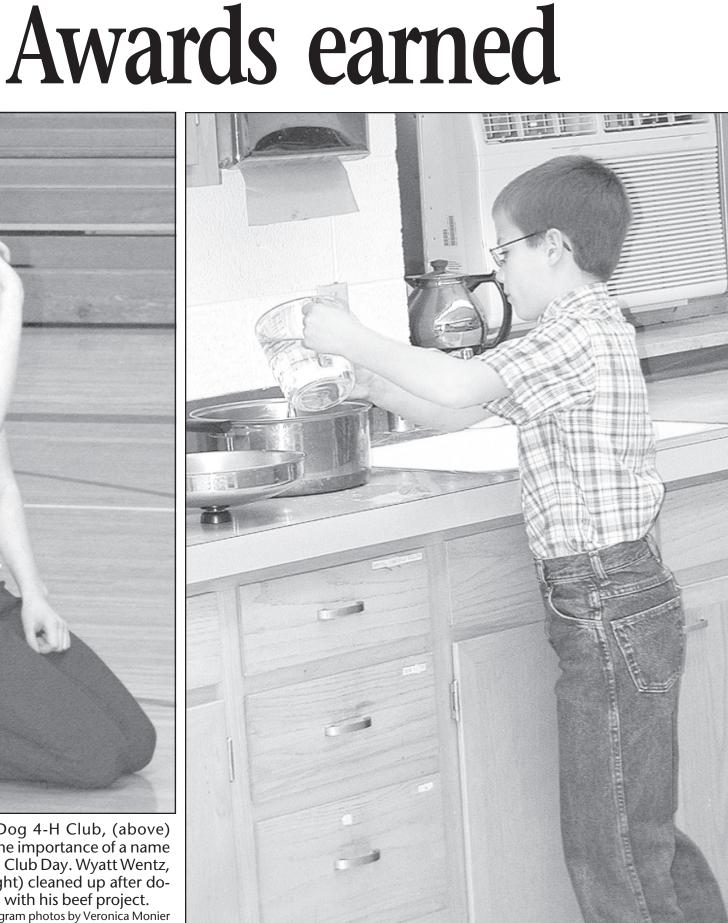
You must bring in or include proof of insurance for each vehicle, which includes the vehicle identification number, policy number and expiration date.

The Norton County Treasurer's office is a limited service driver's license station for renewals on regular driver's. Commercial licenses have to be renewed in Phillipsburg, Hays or Colby.



Katrina Wentz, Prairie Dog 4-H Club, (above) perfromed a solo act on the importance of a name at the Norton County 4-H Club Day. Wyatt Wentz, Prairie Dog 4-H Club, (right) cleaned up after doing a food demonstration with his beef project.

Telegram photos by Veronica Monie



If you have questions, please call 877-5795.

Sorority giving away scholarship

Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority will be giving a \$250 scholarship to a Norton County high school graduate who is a college junior, senior or graduate student in the field of education.

Applications are available online at: nchs.usd.211.org/guidance/ DKG.pdf.

An application may also be received by writing Julie Schrum at 606 N. 1st Ave., Norton, Kan. 67654.

Weather

Forecast:

Tonight — Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy and not as cool. Lows in the mid 40s with southeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Wednesday — Partly cloudy and breezy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the upper 60s with southeast winds 15 to 25 mph. Wednesday Night — Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunerstorms. Lows in the lower 40s. **Thursday** — Windy and partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 60s. Thursday Night — Windy and mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain.

Prayer

Loving God, thank you that when you look at us you see not just what we are but what, by your grace, we may become. Help us to be that better person today, Lord. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen**

Norton county 4-H'ers put motto to work

Norton County 4-H'ers put their best Vanover, Prairie Dog, red. talents forward on Saturday during the annual 4-H Club Day at Norton Junior High.

The different events helped the 4-H'ers to "Make The Best Better" as the 4-H Dog, blue; David Cressler, Prairie Dog, motto goes.

Presentations and placings were:

• Project Talks — Megan Wentz, Prairie Dog, regional blue; Wyatt Wentz, Prairie Dog, regional blue, Kegan Vanover, Prairie Dog, blue; and Lane

• Junior demonstrations/illustrated talks — Wyatt Wentz, Prairie Dog, regional blue; Rebecca Wentz, Prairie Dog blue; Dalton Vanover, Prairie Dog, blue; Jade Cressler, Prairie Dog, red.

• Senior demonstrations/illustrated talks — Caleb Vanover, Prairie Dog, regional blue; and Carissa Wentz, Prairie

Dog, regional blue.

• Public Speaking — Tim Becker, Busy Jayhawkers, regional blue.

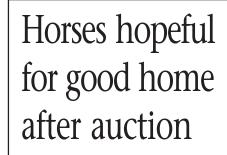
 Vocal solos — Diedre Kramer, Prai-, regional blue; Quentin Wentz, Prairie rie Dog, regional blue; Abbie Smith, Busy Jayhawkers, regional blue.

• Instrumental solos — Jacob Clay Vanover, Prairie Dog, blue; and VanSkike, Busy Jayhawkers, piano, regional blue; Kynzie Stevens, Cedar Kynzie Stevens, Cedar Ridge, regional Ridge, piano, blue; Diedre Kramer, Prairie Dog, flute, blue; Dalton Vanover, Prairie Dog, piano, blue; Megan Wentz, Prai-

rie Dog, saxophone, blue; Katrina Wentz, Prairie Dog, flute, blue; Dustyna Sprigg, Busy Jayhawkers, piano, blue; Lauren Mordecai, Busy Beavers, piano, blue; Kelsey Mordecai, Busy Beavers, piano, blue; and Melenda Becker, Busy Jawhawkers, clarinet, red.

• Vocal ensemble — Kayla Field and blue.

• Instrumental ensemble — Melinda (Continued on Page 5)



By PAT SCHIEFEN

Ten horses seized by the Sherman County Sheriff's office in a cruelty case will be sold at 3 p.m. Monday at the Colby Livestock Auction.

"There is an agreement by the parties that the horses be sold," said Scott Showalter, who is handling the case for the Sherman County attorney. "The proceeds go to the court to pay for the case of the horses."

The sheriff seized the horses when a man reported they were hungry and some were dead. Deputy Jason Showalter and Undersheriff Roger Studer investigated the report at the home of Tim and Shaunna Armknecht, 6975 K-27, about five miles north of Goodland.

Deputy Showalter reported finding 10 horses that, by their appearance, had no food or water for several weeks. He found four dead ones in the corrals with the 10.

The officers found enough hose (Continued on Page 5)

Concrete work at hospital to be done all at once

By VERONICA MONIER

The Norton County Hospital is stepping up its parking lot project.

Administrator Rich Miller said at the last hospital board meeting they were thinking about combining the remaining two parking lot projects into one.

The hospital proposed to re-do the north parking lot last year in three phases. The first phase was finished last fall and cost \$32,000, he said.

They planned on the project costing \$25,000 a year for a total of \$75,000.

Mr. Miller said they received a quote from Scott Evans Construction for the remaining two phases together. The quote, he said, totaled with the first \$32,000, came in under the estimated \$75,000.

"It will be cheaper to do them together,"

he said. "And so, we would like to do so. 15 of 16 of the pumps and replaced four The price of concrete is expected to go up last year. He said \$10,400 has been budnext year and that will cost us also if we wait.'

Board member Dennis Gilhousen said it was better to get it all done at once.

"If we do it at one time, there will only be one mess to clean up," he said.

The board agreed and authorized the remaining two phases to be completed together for approximately \$43,000. In other business, the board:

 Heard from Mr. Miller that February was a short but busy month. He said patient days and admissions are both up.

• Bought four intravenous (IV) pumps for the hospital. Mr. Miller said they are trying to replace all of the hospital's pumps. The hospital, he said, has around

geted for the new pumps, which is more than what they will cost this year at \$2,250 each for a total of \$9,000. They will try to buy another four next year, he said.

• Went over quality improvement reports for February from the engineering, surgery, information technology, cardiac rehabilitation/infection control, Doctor's Clinic and central supply departments.

Reviewed patient surveys.

 Approved the re-credentialed medical staff. Mr. Miller said every two years, the medical staff credentials are reviewed. Everyone who is on staff at the present time re-applied and were re-credentialed, he said. The process was started in No-

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'Forensics festival' good test for Northern Valley

The Northern Valley High School fo- watching other performances. rensics team participated in a "Forensics Festival" on March 16 at Lakeside High School.

Team sponsor, Ken Thurman, said the festival was a new experience for the team because there was only one round of performing.

the students, but he was glad to see them Solo and fifth in Extemporaneous; Tom

The students and their placings were: Jessie Zillinger, fourth in Informative; Andrea Lowry, first in Humorous Solo; Amanda Hopkins, third in Serious Solo; Ethan Hays, fourth in Extemporaneous; Stanton Nelson, sixth in Extemporaneous; Alysia Shearer, sixth in Informative; He said it meant a lot of wait time for Cody Callaway, second in Humorous

Bartley, third in Extemporaneous and third in Oration; Kylena Hager and Kelli Cole, fourth in Duet Acting; Jessie Redeker, sixth in Prose; and Travis Redeker and Stanton Nelson, sixth in Duet Acting.

Others participating were: Hannah Hawks, Jessie Redeker, Amy Shearer, Ashley Kingham and Melody Miller.