





Norton, Kansas Home of Anna Kauten

Briefly

Center to hold tea for volunteers

This is National Volunteer Week. The Norton Senior Citizens Center would like to recognize all the volunteers who help the center and Norton CARES.

The center is hosting a tea from 2 to 4 p.m., Friday at the center. For more information, call Ramona Pabian at 877-5352.

Boosters gather on Wednesday

The Norton Blue Jay Booster Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday in the high school cafeteria. Norton Golf Coach David Stover and Track Coach Bruce Graber will report on recent competition by their teams and preview upcoming tournaments and meets.

Refreshments will be served. All fans of Norton Community High School sports are invited to attend.

Taxes are due on May 10

May 10 is the deadline for paying second half property taxes without penalty, says Cynthia J. Linner, Norton County Treasurer.



Cody Lowry and Sarely Salazar (below) were crowned as Northern Valley's 2006 king and gueen during the junior/senior prom banguet held Saturday evening in Almena. Students and their dates (above) enjoyed doing the "Electric Slide" at the dance. — Telegram photos by Susie Marble



Prom perfection 'Endless Love' grips Huskyland

The affair could be summed up in one word: Perfect!

- From beginning to end, it met and surpassed the expectations of the attendees. But that's what proms are supposed to do, and the Huskies did it up right.
- "Endless Love" was the theme for Northern Valley's Junior Senior Prom held Saturday night.
- Party goers heard the invocation given by Andrea Lowry, followed by a banquet of chicken cordon bleu, rice, green beans, crescent rolls, fruit salad and parfait.
- Junior Jena Jessup extended a welcome to the seniors and Serena Woodside, representing her class, gave the response.
- A class will and prophecy were presented.
- Senior class members chosen to reign over the evening were Queen Sarely Salazar, King Cody Lowry, Princess Emily Zillinger and Prince Casey Dole.
- Jena Jessup gave the closing remarks and the dance continued until midnight.

Bring or send your payment stubs along with payment to the treasurer's office in the courthouse. If you have questions, please call (785) 877-5795.

Clean-up days almost finished

Tomorrow is the last day of the city and county's spring clean-up. For those on the Wednesday route needing to get rid of some extra junk, trash must be out by 8 a.m. and needs to be piled by types. Tires and hazardous waste will not be picked up and there is a \$10 charge per appliance with freon. County residents need to take their trash to the county landfill.

Weather

Forecast:

Tonight — Partly cloudy with lows in the upper 20s. Wednesday — Partly cloudy and not as cool. Highs in the lower 60s. **Wednesday Night** — Partly cloudy and not as cool. Lows in the lower 40s. **Thursday** — Party cloudy and warmer with highs in the mid 70s. Thursday Night — Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy.

Kingham report:

Friday	Low 36, High 78
	Low 40, High 80
Sunday	Low 43, Low 83
Monday	Low 37, High 50
Readings taken at the Fred and Karolyn Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)	

Prayer

Thank you, universal God, for reminding us that you are always with us, whatever our circumstances and wherever we may be. Amen

Cemetery improvement discussed at meeting

By VERONICA MONIER

tee will be meeting with the city's Parks Committee to discuss what's planned for the cemetery.

Alberta Slaby, with the cemetery improvement committee, told the Norton bid. City Council at its last meeting that they were at the meeting because they were told to be there.

She said she wanted to know what was going on with the city's end of the cemetery improvement project.

Councilman Jerry Jones, the new chairman of the Parks Committee, said he didn't really know much about it, since it was his first day on the committee.

Councilwoman Elaine Mann, past chairman of the committee, asked Mrs. Slaby and the other improvement committee members to attend the next parks meeting, which was set for April 24.

Then, she said, the improvement committee could give the Parks Committee its plans for the next phases and let them know where everything stands.

Mrs. Slaby said they have already given the Parks Committee the plans. She said she thinks the Lions Club is planning on finishing the fencing on the west side of the cemetery in May.

She said the committee has planting it The Cemetery Improvement Commit- would like to do, but didn't want to do anything until they knew what was going on with the drip system. She wanted to know if the city planned to put the drip system in or if it needed to be put out for

> "There's no sense in putting in the plantings if there is no water," she said.

> Mr. Jones asked her and the other improvement committee members to come speak with the Parks Committee, so he would know where everything was at as far as the cemetery improvement project was concerned.

In other business, the council:

• Heard from Mayor David Corns that the Elmwood Park Speedway receipts are right where they have been in the past.

• Learned from City Administrator Rob Lawson that the Kansas Department of Health and Environment had contacted Miller and Associates, the city's engineering firm, and asked that Norton consider lagoons for their sewer plant project. Mr. Lawson said lagoons had already been considered and were not recommended.

He said Thaniel Monaco of Miller and Associates wants to have bid negotiations with BRB Construction finished soon, so

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Jessica Largent and Travis Redeker get their picture taken at the Spanish themed Post Prom party. - Telegram photo by Susie Marble

Planning committee goals will help school board with decisions

By VERONICA MONIER

A community-based comprehensive planning committee organized by the Norton School Board came up with several goals to help the district over the next three to five years.

committee, told the school board at its last meeting that the committee narrowed down 11 broad ideas into four goals.

He said a member of each sub-committee would speak about what they decided.

Charlotte Stephensen said the first goal was to provide effective, diverse curricula that develops character, morals and high academic achievement for all students.

To do this, she said they formed an ac-Teacher Kevin Jilka, a member of the tion plan of that consisted of five steps. Some of the steps included improving communication between the staff at all levels, using alternating electives, enhancing the at-risk programs, fostering interaction between the students in all three buildings, focusing on character

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Council makes appointments

By VERONICA MONIER

The Norton City Council made committee and board appointments for 2006 at its last meeting.

Before appointments were made, City Clerk Darla Ellis gave the oath of office to re-elected council members Jerry Jones of Ward I, Donna Foley of Ward II, and Jim Williams of Ward III.

The council elected Councilman Ron Briery as the council president.

The mayoral appointments made were: • Finance Committee – Mr. Williams, chairperson; Councilman Kelly Gaer,

vice-chair; and Mr. Briery, member.

• Utility Committee – Mrs. Foley, chairperson; Mr. Briery, vice-chair; and Mr. Gaer, member.

 Personnel Committee — Mr. Briery, chairperson; Councilwoman Elaine Mann, vice-chair; and Mr. Jones, member.

• Public Safety Committee - Mrs. Mann, chairperson; Mr. Jones, vice-chair; and Mr. Williams, member.

• Parks/Cemetery Committee — Mr. Jones, chairperson; Mr. Williams, vice-

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