

Clownin' around...



Karen Koetting, a.k.a. Cuppycake da the Clown, gave (right) a tour of McDonald's to Michael Thompson's Northern Valley kindergarten class. Cuppycake da the Clown chatted (above) with Hailee Linner, who proudly sported her flower balloon hat, while Turner Linner and Katie Johnson, enjoyed treats from McDonald's.

— Telegram photos by Vicki Henderson



City attorney glad to be back with council

(Continued from Page 1) Griffiths that she was glad to be serving the city as attorney again.

- Approved Von Fahrenbruch's request for 153 feet of sidewalk replacement at 402 N. First.
- Hired Jeff Urban for the refuse I position. Seven applications were received for the position, which became available after Jason Dial was promoted to Maintenance I.
- Hired Pat Morel as the assistant utility supervisor. Sixteen applications were received, and seven applicants were interviewed for the position. He will start on June 5.
- Authorized staff to advertise for the vacant police officer position being left by Officer Morel.
- Heard from Councilwoman Donna Foley that the Utility Committee met with John Haas of Ranson Financial Consultants about the utility rate study. The committee is still reviewing the study, she said.
- Paid bills in the amount of \$247,474.34.

Norton forensics team took 12th at state competition

(Continued from Page 1) Festival. Those receiving Division ratings were: Amie Richard, I; Tabitha Vincent, I; Perrell Stanley and Cindel Harrington, I. Others are Brittany Otter, Ashley Colip, Karlynn Kent, Ashley Maybon and Lucy Gosselin.

Forensics coach Erin Hill said, "The students did so great this past weekend at state. I want to congratulate everyone who made it to state this year. Overall, we had an outstanding year in forensics. I am so proud of the team for doing so well."

"We will miss our five seniors next year; Heath Vincent, Andrew Ables, Stephen Mizell, Shine Fischer and Will Felsburg."

Almena seventh grader receives rodeo recognition

Colton D. E. Lowry, a seventh grade student at Northern Valley, was recently selected as the Professional's Choice Air Ride May 2006 Male Student Athlete of the Month by the Wrangler Division of the National High School Rodeo Association.

The recognition program is designed to recognize members who are well-rounded students and are active in their communities.

Colton is the son of Curtis and Cindy Lowry, Almena.



'SHARE' deadline is Wednesday evening

The deadline for ordering May Heartland SHARES is Wednesday evening. To order, call the Norton Senior Center at 877-5352 or Ermalea Mason, 877-3098.

Distribution will begin at 8 a.m., Saturday, May 20 at the Senior Center.

The May SHARE food package contains 1 pound of ground beef patties, 4 pounds of chicken thighs, 1 pound of deli sliced ham, 1 pound of hot dogs, 7 ounces of boneless chicken wings, 2.1

ounces of Oscar meyer cooked bacon, cucumbers, potatoes, cabbage, green peppers, green onions, apples, lemons, oranges and a surprise item.

For \$20.50 and two hours of volunteer work, you can receive all of the food listed. You may order as many shares as you want.

You can also order a meat only package for \$11 plus one additional

volunteer hour.

There are two Specials in May. Special No. 1 is 6, 8-ounce sirloin steaks individually wrapped and boxed. Special No. 1 can be purchased for \$15 and one additional hour of volunteer service.

Special No. 2 is a seafood delight. For \$16 and one additional hour of volunteer service you can get 4 pounds of coconut shrimp.

Club invites women to dinner

Norton After-5 Club invites all area women to attend the May dinner and meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 18 at Town and Country Kitchen. The cost for the dinner meeting is \$7 per person. Free babysitting is available. For reservations and cancellations, please contact Joan Knoll 877-3042 by May 16.

"Out of Harm's Way" safety tips for women will be presented by Officer Toby Kuhn.

Kay Clary, Blair, Neb., will be the featured speaker. Ms. Clary will describe the difference between head knowledge and heart knowledge in "Safe and Sound".

SECOND ANNUAL

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