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Friday

June 2, 2006

Norton, Kansas

Home of Marvin Wendel

Briefly

Blood drive to be on June 14

Norton Correctional Facility is the site of the next Norton Red Cross Blood Drive. It will be held from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, June 14.

Each day almost 35,000 units of blood are used to help those in need. If you can donate call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE for an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome.

Refuge hosting

kids fishing clinic

The Kirwin National Wildlife Refuge will be hosting a free kids fishing clinic from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday as a part of getting kids “Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs.”

The clinic will be held at the refuge at the boat ramp on the north end of the dam. All youth are invited to attend the clinic, which is sponsored by the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Fishing pole and bait will be provided.

Instructors will be teaching kids how to cast, tie knots, bait hooks, laws and ethics, fish identification, bow fishing and much more.

For more information, call the refuge office at 785-543-6673.

Day camp set

for Tuesday

Norton Farm Bureau Association invites all area youngsters to sign up for Day Camp to be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday at the 4-H Building, Norton. Some activities will take place in Elmwood Park and the livestock arena.

Campers will have lots of hands-on activities plus receive a T-shirt, lunch and snacks.

To sign-up, volunteer or learn more about Day Camp, call Patsy Maddy at 877-7262.

Weather

Forecast:

**Tonight** — Partly cloudy with lows in the lower 60s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. **Saturday** - Partly cloudy with highs in the lower 90s with south winds 10 to 20 mph. **Saturday Night** — Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms.

Kingham report:

Tuesday ..... Low 60, High 76, .85 Prec.

Wednesday ..... Low 59, High 85

Thursday ..... Low 54, High 80, .80 Prec.

(Readings taken at the Fred and Karolyn Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Creator God, we praise you for the beauty of nature that warms our hearts. Thank you for caring about us. Help us to walk more closely with you. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen**



Morgan Bailey (above) was one of several lifeguards keeping a watchful eye on kids playing in pool Wednesday. Kids can amuse themselves by going down the waterslide (right), playing on flotation devices (below) or just splashing around.

— Telegram photos by Veronica Monier



Youngsters take to the pool

**By VERONICA MONIER**

Since Memorial Day weekend kids and parents have been enjoying the cool blue waters of the Norton Swimming Pool.

Pool manager Jill Lively said the swimming season has gotten off to a good start since it opened Monday.

“The first day was really busy,” she said. “We had to close early Tuesday because of the weather, but Wednesday was a good day too.”

Mrs. Lively said the pool will be open Monday through Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

and 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., and Friday through Sunday, 1 to 8 p.m.

To get in to the pool, swimmers have the option of buying a \$1.50 day pass or seasonal passes at \$30 for a single person or \$75 for a family. Or, she said, they can buy a 20-punch card for \$20.

Cheri Brooks will be holding swimming lessons again. Enrollment for lessons will be tonight from 5 to 7 p.m. at the shelter west of the pool and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. There will be a \$5 fee

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Norton County walkers go the distance

**By TRANDA WATTS**

**Multi-County Extension Specialist**

Can you meet the challenge of walking 423 miles or the equivalent of walking across Kansas?

Twenty-one walking teams consisting of 126 individuals participated in the 2006 Walk Kansas in Norton County. Seventeen of the 21 teams walked more than the 423 miles needed to do a virtual walk across Kansas. The team reporting the most miles walked was Walkabout captained by Bill Goscha. The Walkabout

team combined to walk a total of 1,565 miles during the eight week walking period.

Other teams that walked enough miles to walk across Kansas and their captains included the 2006 Jolly Walkers (Cindy Field) 984 miles; Fit to Go (Bob Cotton) 973 miles; Strutters (Pam Menagh) 909 miles; Featured Creatures ( Leslie Bell) 898 miles; Sensational Six (Cheryl Mann) 867 miles; Mile Walkers (Gloria Cole) 836 miles; Mighty Milers (Kelly Gill) 827 miles; Hope A-longs (Ann Becker) 708

miles; Andbe Home Strollers (Terri Rhodes) 666 miles; USDA No. 2 (Charlene Weskamp) 632 miles; Noon Walkers (Karen Griffith) 610 miles; TopsyTurvy (Carol Woodmansee) 566 miles; Crimson Cuties (Anise Gill) 551 miles; S.I.S. ( Misty Nuzum) 521 miles; The Aunties (Cindy Unnex) 517; and the Road Runners (Tonya Juenemann) 468 miles.

The top five individual walkers, their teams and the number of miles walked were as follows: Joan Bolt (Walkabout

431 miles; Bill Goscha (Walkabout) 339 miles; Greg Plum (2006 Jolly Walkers) 294 miles; Alice (TopsyTurvy) 275 miles and Joyce Lofgreen (Walkabout) 271 miles.

Another feature of 2006 Walk Kansas was to encourage participants to keep track of the number of servings of fruits and vegetables which they consume on a daily basis. A surprising number of the walkers were not able to meet the minium of five servings (5 cups) a day of a com-

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Bus business may use

Oberlin airport

**By CYNTHIA HAYNES**

If the Oberlin City Council agrees, a bus company hoping to buy the old Jennings school will use the airport in Oberlin for moving employees, customers and parts.

Representatives of BCI, also known as Connoisseurs World Wide, and the president of Sardo Bus and Coach Upholstery met with Decatur County commissioners, Oberlin city officials, Jennings City Council members, county economic development personnel and others at The Gateway on Tuesday, trying to revive a plan for BCI to set up a bus-outfitting plant and a refurbishing facility for coaches, both bus and train.

The company had planned to buy the Jennings school and use it as its headquarters. However, the firm said it needed an airstrip to land its company planes and jets

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Carl Lyon, owner of C.W.'s Welding, Norcatur, puts the finishing touches on the entrance sign to Norcatur Cemetery. The historic sign was damaged earlier this year when it was “wiped out” by a motor home. Mr. Lyon was able to comepletly restore the sign and re-install it before Memorial Day services last weekend.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts