



Tanned furs belonging to Corey Urban fill the south display case at Norton Public Library while Carol Hudson's owl collections look on from the north case. Mrs. Hudson's chicken collection fills the center case. — Telegram photos by Carlyn Plotts



Animals featured in library displays

By BEVERLY KINDLER
Have you visited the Norton Public Library to see the current displays?
The "Outdoors" could be the theme for these displays — a collection of owls, animal furs and chickens.
Carol Hudson is displaying a collection of owls. She said this collection started when her mother bought a glass pitcher with an owl design. When it was a gift-giving occasion, everyone seemed to give "Grandma" an owl. Carol added to the collection as she made ceramic owls for her mother. Thus, the collection grew, but later her mother said she didn't even like owls. After her mother's death, Carol became the owner of the collection. Check out the display to see owls of porcelain, glass, metal, ceramic, sea shells and even an owl in a lace basket.
Corey Urban, a local trapper, has shared his animal furs. You will find

some in a display case and others on the wall in the art gallery. All of the furs came from Norton County, except for the swift fox, which came from western Kansas. The swift fox ranges in western Kansas, eastern Colorado, western Nebraska and eastern Wyoming.
Corey started trapping while he was in grade school and has trapped nearly every year since. The animals are skinned, fleshed and dried, then sold to a fur buyer or sent to a tannery. A lot of fur remains in the United States but most goes overseas to be made into hats, coats and other garments.
He said the most sought after furs in the area are raccoon, coyote and bobcat. Skunk and opossum are very abundant but, because of the value of their fur, are not heavily trapped. Badgers have beautiful fur, but not many are taken — most being taken while trapping coyotes.

Red fox numbers are on the increase, especially around town and within the city limits.
It is evident that Corey thinks trapping is a fun, exciting and rewarding hobby. It provides the opportunity to be in the outdoors to see the wildlife Mother Nature has to offer.
"Here a chick, there a chick, everywhere a chick, chick" will be in your thoughts as you view the display case of chickens collected by Carol Hudson. You will find chickens of ceramic, wood, glass, metal, sea shells and corn husks. Carol said she made some ceramic chickens, then began collecting others — and as collections go, it grew and grew. There are nested hens, roosters, a note holder, a pitcher, egg dish, bank, planter, candle holder and a miniature crate of eggs (magnet).
And Carol said this is only a small portion of her collection — she has boxes and more boxes of chickens.

Trees will be staying for a while

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received were in favor of the ordinance.
• Waived the formal second reading of Ordinance 1555, regarding court costs.
• Recognized everyone who helped with the fire on July 24. They did a wonderful job, Mr. Lawson said.
• Heard from Mr. Lawson that the tennis courts are in bad shape again. They need to look at doing something else, he said. The Parks

Committee will meet at the tennis courts at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 28
• Learned sales tax receipts for June were \$16,446.84 for the city and \$12,085.13 for the county for a total of \$28,531.97, making the year-to-date total \$221,304.27. Last year's total at this time was \$198,353.27.
• Approved Andy Weskamp's request for 66 feet of sidewalk replacement at 612 N. 2nd Street. The city will provide the labor and Mr. Weskamp will pay for materials.

• Allowed the Norton Lions Club to proceed with their bench project at Elmwood Park.
• Hired Maggie Foley for the maintenance position open in the Parks Department. Ms. Foley has worked for the city as part-time help.
• Held four closed sessions totaling 60 minutes for non-elected personnel. No action was taken when the open meeting resumed.

Airport board asks for more budget money

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know if the beacon is still required equipment.
In other business the board:
• Approved bills in the amount of \$1,890.46, leaving a balance of \$23,754.61.
• Learned the principal and in-

terest payment in the amount of \$24,986.25 is due Sept. 5.
• Learned the Farm Service Agency has had policy changes that affect some land owned by the airport.
• Learned all the paperwork has been completed for the non-pri-

mary funding which should be coming to the board before the end of the year.
The next meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m., Monday, Sept. 11 in the basement of City Hall. This is an open meeting and the public is welcome to attend.

'SHARE' deadline is Wednesday evening

The deadline for ordering the August Heartland SHARE food package is Wednesday evening. To order, call the Norton Senior Center at 877-5352 or Ermalea Mason at 877-3098.
Distribution will begin at 8 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 26 at the senior center.

(first five items) for an additional \$11 plus one volunteer hour. There is no limit to the amount of "meat only" specials you can order.
After you purchase a SHARE you may order as many August Specials as you want. Special No. 1 is 2, 2-pound bags of fully-cooked, sliced roast beef, a 20

ounce bottle of barbecue sauce and a packet of au jus sauce, all for only \$15 plus one additional hour of volunteer service.
Special No. 2 is a 5-pound box of fully cooked, oven roasted chicken breast fillets. Special No. 2 is priced at only \$14 plus one additional hour of volunteer service.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Clayton Trash Rates Ordinance

Published in The Norton Telegram on Tuesday, August 15, 2006. (1T)
CLAYTON CITY ORDINANCE NO. 2006-1
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AMENDED TRASH RATES AND FEES FOR THE CITY OF CLAYTON, KANSAS, AND REPEALING CONFLICTING PORTIONS OF PRIOR ORDINANCES.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CLAYTON, KANSAS:
Section 1: There is established hereby a monthly solid waste removal service fee of \$14.00 for each family and the same for each business and \$7.00 per

month for a single resident, which solid waste removal service fees shall become effective August 1, 2006, and the previous monthly solid waste removal service fee established by Clayton City Ordinance No. 1999-1 is repealed as of said date.
Section 2: This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its publication in the official city newspaper and the rates set forth in Section 1 shall be applied commencing August 1, 2006.
Passed and approved by the governing body of the City of Clayton, Kansas, this 7th day August, 2006.
Russell Bird, Mayor
Attest:
Barbara Brooks, City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Valley Hope annual meeting

Published in The Norton Telegram on Friday, August 4, and Tuesday, August 8, 15, (3T)
NOTICE OF MEETING
As required by the Bylaws of the Valley Hope Association, the membership of the Association is hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of the Association will be held at the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Hall, Norton, Kansas, on Friday, August 18, 2006, at 1 p.m. The membership will, at that time, elect members of the Board of Directors and conduct such other business as may be brought before the membership.
/s/John Cummings, Chairman of the Board
ATTEST:
/s/Mike Car, Secretary

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New principal joins staff at high school

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Mr. Perez said he's bringing a lot of enthusiasm to Norton.
"I love celebrating successes and effort," he said. "I like watching kids succeed and helping those who need help."
He said he's already involved with Rotary and plans on being involved with kids outside of school.
Mr. Perez doesn't plan on mak-

ing any major changes this first year.
"There's so much tradition here," he said. "That's important. What they've been doing is successful and why mess with success."
He said he does plan on instituting a few recognition programs over the year.
He and his wife, Kelli, have three children — Zane, a freshman; Kylie, a third grader; and

Lauren, who is just turning three. His wife, who taught family and consumer sciences, plans on staying home this first year to get everything settled. But, while at home, she will be teaching a FACS class online with the Southwest Regional Planning Center.
"We love it here," he said. "It's been a great move. The community support and community pride here is amazing."

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