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# THE NORTON TELEGRAM



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## Friday

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Norton, Kansas

Home of Neta Jean Campbell

### Briefly

## Weather could move crowning

The crowning of the Norton homecoming king and queen is set for tonight before the football game with Hill City. If there is bad weather, the crowning will be moved to the 4-H Building and will take place before the homecoming dance around 10:15 p.m. The king and queen will not be announced until that time.

## Practice shoot set for Sunday

The Norton Archery Club will hold a bowhunter practice shoot this Sunday.

The shoot will have a trickle start from 10 a.m. to noon at the Norton Prairie Dog State Park archery range, north of the west shower house in the northwest corner of the park. Scoring is optional.

The cost will be \$5 per round. For more information, call John Baker at 877-3253 or Randy West at 877-5269.

## Norton homes will be on display

The Norton County Arts Council Homes Tour will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Homes on the tour are The Rose of Sharon, 603 E. Main, the homes of Corey and Gail Roy, Rural Route 1, Charles and Kathy Zimmerman, 711 W. Crane and Alberta Slaby, 903 Sun Ave. Refreshments will be served at The Rose of Sharon and Arts Council memberships may be purchased at any of the homes. For more information on the tour or to purchase a membership call 877-5611 or 877-2627.

### Weather

## Forecast:

**Tonight** — Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers in the evening. Lows in the mid 40s. **Saturday** — Windy and partly cloudy in the morning then mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 60s. West winds 15 to 25 mph shifting to the northwest 25 to 30 mph in the afternoon. **Saturday Night** — Partly cloudy and breezy with lows in the lower 40s. **Sunday** — Partly cloudy in the morning then clearing.

## Kingham report:

Tuesday ..... Low 38, High 73  
Wednesday ..... Low 46, High 82  
Thursday ..... Low 57, High 68, 1.20 Prec.  
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

### Prayer

Dear God, give us the courage to recognize and accept deliverance and the strength and wisdom to overcome daily challenges. **Amen**

# A walk through 'Body Talk'



Exhibit helps students learn body's function

By CAROLYN PLOTTS

"Through the mouth and over the tongue — look out stomach here it comes," is more than a rhyme to the students at Eisenhower Elementary after taking a "Body Walk" Thursday morning.

The Body Walk exhibit was developed and is operated by Child Nutrition and Wellness, Kansas State Department of Education. Children began the walk through a giant ear and into the brain. Inside the brain, they learned about brain function and experienced "brain waves."

After they left the brain, each child was given a tag designating them as a food, such as a carrot, steak or a piece of cheese. The "foods" stepped into the exhibit's

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After students completed the Body Walk, volunteer Pam Engelbert reviewed everything they had learned about food, fitness and the digestive process.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

# Parents make plea for son's participation

By VERONICA MONIER

Two local parents want their son to be part of the graduation ceremony with his class.

Tammie and Dan Bainter told the Norton School Board at its last meeting that they were there on behalf of their son, Justin, who is a special education student at Norton Community High School.

Special education students, Mrs. Bainter said, need 21 credits to graduate. But, they also have the option of attending school until they are 21 years old. She said Justin would like to take the extra

three years of school, but he would also like to participate in the 2008 graduation ceremony with his class. By that time, he will have earned 24 credits, which is more than enough to graduate.

The problem, she said, is if he gets a diploma at the graduation ceremony, then he can't take the extra three years of school.

But, if the district would give him a certificate of attendance at the graduation ceremony, then he could receive his diploma when he finished his studies at 21 years of age.

"Nine other school districts have allowed this," she said. "We understand this isn't an issue the board has covered, but hope it will follow in the footsteps of other schools."

Jennifer Unger, a case manager for children and youth, said she couldn't see any reason why Justin couldn't participate in his class' graduation and then stay in school until he has turned 21.

Logan Kats, junior class president, said Justin has been a member of their class since kindergarten.

"The Class of 2008 would like to see

him participate in graduation," he said. "We are asking three things. First, that Justin be allowed to walk through the graduation ceremony with his class; second, that he receive a certificate of attendance, but not a diploma; and third, that Justin be allowed to return to school the following year."

Superintendent Greg Mann said the district's policy as written would allow Justin to participate in graduation ceremonies. Justin will have exceeded the graduation requirements allowing for partici

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## Development hires new director

By VERONICA MONIER

After several interviews and a couple of possible candidates, the Norton County Economic Development Board hired a new economic development director.

At the Sept. 12 meeting, the board went into a 10-minute closed session to protect the privacy of an individual.

When it came back into open session, the board hired Wade Carter.

He will have a \$35,000/year salary with benefits and will be on a six-month probation period, as stated in the contract he signed after the board gave its approval. Board members Donna Foley, John Engelbert, John Miller, Curtis Eveleigh, Gayle James, Elaine Mann and Barb Brooks voted yes to the hiring motion.

Mr. Carter is coming to Norton from Jamestown and will start on Oct. 2.

In other business, the board:  
• Received a letter from the City of Edmond, saying that the city is opting out of the board. The city feels that it doesn't have any business and should save its money for keeping the town functioning.  
• Discussed the Social and Rehabilitative Services call center. Norton County is on the list of potential locations.

• Heard an update on a survey being put together by Janis Monier, Kansas State University doctoral candidate. Ms. Monier said she will start going to the businesses on Oct. 9 and is already working on getting an analysis of similar communities.

• Held a 10-minute closed session to discuss land acquisition.

## Blind mice show spirit...



Wednesday was "Twin Day" during Homecoming Week at Norton Community High School. Even though not exactly a pair, The Three Blind Mice were a hit in the halls. The mice were from left to right: Katharine Roy, Amanda Delimont and Brittany Otter.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts