

Dancing the day away...



Students practiced dancing and singing during Mrs. Morell's music class at Eisenhower Elementary. — Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

Extension council holding annual meeting

The executive board of the Norton County Extension Council will hold its annual meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 27 at the Norton County 4-H Building. The meeting will include brief reports of extension educational programs and a business meeting will elect members of a new Council's Executive Board for 2007. Of special interest will be comments from Brian Olson, Northwest Area Agronomist, and Tranda

Watts, Multi County Food, Nutrition, Health and Safety Specialist. The Extension Council Appreciation award will also be presented. Members of the 2006 Extension Council have been: Chris Tanner, Dan Skrdlant, Chad Brooks, Joy Johnson, Patsy Maddy, Gloria Zwickle, Kara Miller, Darrel Barnett, Shannon Esslinger, Scott Sproul, Kim Wicker, Patty Newell, Eric Thompson, Chris Cuthbertson, Spencer Braun, Sue

Ann Skrdlant, Lisa Donovan, Michelle Bohl, Alice Barnett, Sue Hillebrand, Dave Donovan, Lavonne Otter, Brenda Mann, Becky Smith. Newly elected members for the year 2007 are: Chris Cuthbertson, Brandon Schulze, Stuart Brooks, Sue Ann Skrdlant, Lacey Smith, Lisa Donovan, Sue Hillebrand, Dave Donovan, Jeremiah Stark, Cindy Linner, Sara Campbell, Kathy Zimmerman.

Local auctioneer places in world championship

Byron Bina, Norton, was named past state, national and world division second runner-up Auctioneer and first runner-up Ringman, respectively, at the 2006 Pacific Open World Auctioneers and Ringman Championship held in last October at the Town and Country Resort and Convention Center in San Diego, Calif. "It's all about the people," Mr. Bina said. "I love the auction business. I'd do it no matter if I was selling bowls and plates, livestock, or million-dollar real estate. Love it so much I just turned down a high paying job offer because auctioneering was considered a conflict of interest and I would have to stop selling". The auctioneer's competition was open to auctioneers all around the country (including current and

recognize auction professionals for their unique and versatile chants, and to promote the auction method of marketing. "Unlike other auction contests, I like the fact this is centered directly on auctioneering ability, there are no interview scores and no deduction of points if you wear boots and a felt hat, just strictly bid-calling ability, as it should be," he said. In the competition, each contestant was required to auction three items to the crowd. Then the field was narrowed to the top finalists who, again, auctioned three more items. A panel of judges representing a cross-section of the auction industry judged the event. A por-

tion of the proceeds raised was donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, Tenn. "I accredit this contest placings to my business picking up allowing me to do what I do best," he said. Mr. Bina has cried 24 sales so far for the 2006 year covering Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and parts of Colorado, placing as one of the top ten Kansas auctioneers for the last five consecutive years as well as being named Nebraska's 06' Rookie of the year. "While it's fun to travel to do larger sales, I would rather be here selling old farm houses, John Deeres and Grandma's collectible plates at auctions," he said. Mr. Bina can be reached by calling (620) 338-6378 or e-mail BinaAuction@hotmail.com



Byron Bina

Medical service gets 'A+' on state report card

By CAROLYN PLOTTS Every year, the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services inspects all licensed ambulance services in the state. They look at the service's operational and medical protocols, equipment, garage facilities, call schedule, certification cards, daily logs and the quality improvement program. The inspection of the Norton County Emergency Medical Services was conducted Nov. 14 and the service received a top grade. Service Director, Ruth Schillig, received a letter from Inspector Randy L. Cardonell, stating, "The Norton County EMS has met all minimum requirements as set forth by the Board."

zation of the ambulances. He recognized Mrs. Schillig for her hard work and personal pride in the service.



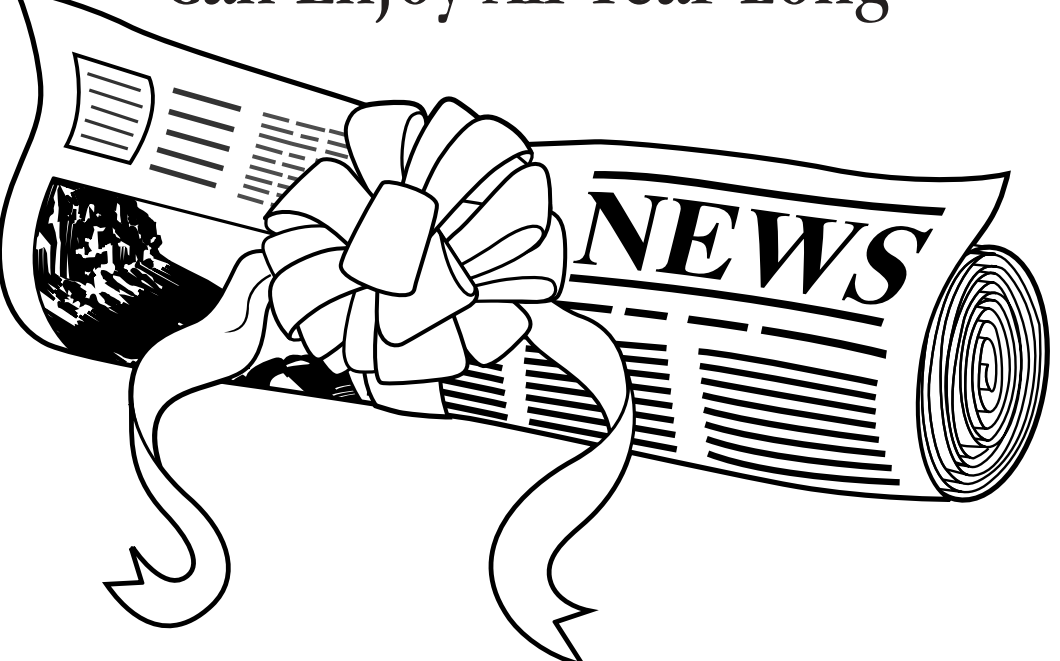
Emergency Medical Services Director, Ruth Schillig, demonstrated some of the ambulance's equipment on "patient" Gina Yost. — Telegram photo by Veronica Monier

Norton Schools

Staff Spotlight

<i>Classified Employee</i>	<i>Certified Employee</i>
 <p>Cindy Voss</p> <p>Mrs. Cindy Voss is in her 8th year as the EES Computer Lab aide. She and her husband, Jim, have four children: Cody 15, Andy 13, Lexi 8 and Carlie 4. Scrap booking and keeping up with her children takes up most of her free time. When asked what she likes best about her job, she replied, "seeing kids faces light up when they are successful."</p>	 <p>Brenda Mann</p> <p>Mrs. Brenda Mann teaches general science and sociology/psychology at NCHS and is a graduate of Kansas State University. She has taught full time for 15 years, and this is her fourth year teaching in Norton. She also was a substitute teacher for 17 years. She and her husband, Greg, have two sons (Kale 26 and Kai 20), two daughters (Keira 25 and Klaire 19) and a daughter-in-law, Haley. Mrs. Mann lists her favorite pastimes as reading, watching movies and going to school events. Her favorite thing about her job is getting to be part of helping students to grow and mature into young adults.</p>

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