

Northern Valley Huskies rally-it-up for homecoming

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 crowned queen and Brian Sproul was crowned king. This year's royalty was crowned by the queen of 40 years ago, Kathy (Gebhard) Hogan, who was accompanied by her husband, Leland.
 Amanda Turman was crowned princess. Her prince was Richie Kersch.

Attendants were Brittney Braun and Tanner Jessup, junior attendants; Justin Jeffries and Karen Wenzl, sophomore attendants; Kayla Field and Matt Dole, freshmen attendants; and Hunter Hogan, Camdyn Unterseher, Jasmine Covington and Kinsey McClain, kindergarten attendants.

Norton woman wins pigskin pick-em contest

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 Lawrence Wiseman, Darrel West, Douglas Daniels, Erin Hill, Patty Gall, Jennifer Terrell, Virginia Carlton, Deb Thiele, Chriselle Thomson, Johanna Holmes, Linda Matson, Diana Smith, Laurie Cliff, Charlotte Stephenson, all of Norton.

Miscuing on three contests were: Foster Brands, Kristen Brands, Alberta Geil, Julie Hilburn, all of Almena; Mike Hammond, Long Island; Dale Shearer, Edmond; Nancy Moore, Hoisington; Brodie McDowell, Hill City; Barbara Brooks, Clayton; Mandy Gosselin, Rosalie Schulze, Misty Nuzum, Regina Beckman, Jeris Norman, Nathan Morse, Anastasia Foley, Karen Carter, Tom Davis, Sandy Husted, Kama Mandl, Baylee Miller, Mary Ann Hager, Deanna Gallentine, Tami Antrim, Kollean McMullen, all of Norton.

Christal Rose, Arapahoe, missed four games and Donna Nelson, Lenora, was incorrect on six contests.

Fifth week's entries
 The fifth week's entries must be postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday and received in the mail no later than Saturday or you may bring them to the *Telegram* office before 5 p.m. on Friday.
 See the Pick-Em page advertisement in today's *Telegram* for this week's high school and college games.

The fan who picks the most winners during the 12-week contest will receive \$50 in scrip money plus an engraved trophy.

- Scores of last week's games were:
 Norton 53, Hill City 6
 Logan 56, Northern Valley 6
 Phillipsburg 59, Stockton 6
 Trego 43, Osborne 6
 Oakley 20, St. Francis 14
 Fort Hays State 26, Emporia State 12
 Kansas 55, Florida International 3
 Nebraska 41, Ball State 40
 Wake Forest 31, Maryland 24
 O.T.
 Brigham Young 31, Air Force 6
 UCLA 44, Washington 31

On the board...



The new school year is off to a "paws-itive" start at the front office. The library staff created the display. — *Telegram* photo by Carolyn Plotts

Council doesn't approve in-town kennel

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 training center on that corner. The dogs won't be staying, like they would at the kennel. She said she would like to build two dog runs for the training center.

City Administrator Rob Lawson said every resident has a right to have two dogs on their property. He said he didn't know

what the city attorney would say, but he didn't see a problem with it. She just needed to submit a building permit before starting anything.

Ms. Kent said the dogs would be there 30 days for the training and then would be gone. And, she said, there would never be more than two there for training at a time.

In other business, the council:

- Approved an epoxy painted floor for the water plant with a 3-2 vote, with Councilmen Ron Briery, Kelly Gaer and Jim Williams voting yes and Councilman Jerry Jones and Mrs. Foley voting no.

Reed Miller of Miller and Associates said it was originally proposed to put in a vinyl sheet floor. The contractor is offering a \$4,798.38 deduction to paint the floor with an epoxy paint instead of putting in the vinyl sheet flooring, or a \$4,398.8 deduction to put in floor tiles instead of the vinyl sheet. Dick Hahn and Pat Morel said they would both prefer the tile floor over the epoxy paint because it's easier to maintain and keep clean.

- Authorized Miller and Associates to send out proposals to contractors for test holes in the area surrounding the existing active wells. Mr. Miller said these test holes would give them information regarding the water quality, the direction the water is moving, and how much water is pulled down.

- Presented a plaque of appreciation to Mr. Gaer, who will no longer be serving on the council as he is moving out of town. Mayor

David Corns said Mr. Gaer represented Ward I from April 20, 2005 to Sept. 19, 2007. Mr. Corns thanked him for his years of service and wished him luck.

- Set the city-wide fall clean-up for Nov. 5, 6 and 7. The last yard waste pick-up for the year is tentatively set for Nov. 9.

- Received a request from Liebling Bros. Family Circus to be allowed to come to Norton and use an open area for two shows on Oct. 3. The council passed a motion to allow them to have the circus in the grandstand area at Elmwood Park and charge them a flat fee of \$750 with the stipulation that they need to clean up the area when done.

The following day, the circus operators said they would not be bringing the circus to Norton because they can't afford to pay \$750 to use the area.

- Heard from Mrs. Foley that the Public Safety Committee is still discussing the operation of work utility and all terrain vehicles on city streets. They are trying to put something together that will be pleasing for the majority of Norton's citizens, she said.

The next Public Safety meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 1.

Conference a must for rebuilding rural communities

Want to learn how to help this area's rural communities survive and grow? Engaging youth and entrepreneurs in their hometowns can be the start to rebuilding rural America.

The eighth annual Ogallala Fall Conference, "Rebuilding Rural Communities... Engaging Youth and Entrepreneurs to Create Change," will include youth activities, tours, high-caliber speakers and hands-on workshops to provide a learning experience for youth and adults interested in keeping rural communities vital and growing.

The conference will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 10 in Atwood.

"A huge problem facing towns on the Great Plains is the out-migration of youth... high school graduates leaving for college and never returning, or young families moving away due to a lack of economic or social opportunities," Darryl Birkenfeld, director of the Ogallala Commons, said. "Even as rural communities pour great resources into our school systems, we never seem to instill in our youth a vital message that we want them to come back home and that we will help them to build careers to be able to live at home."

"Instead of accepting the myth that our youth need to leave home to find opportunities, now is the time to engage youth and youthful

entrepreneurs to see the great potential that exists right here at home," he said.

- Workshops include —
- Farm and Community — Scale Wind, Bio-Diesel, Hydrogen and Solar;
 - Service Learning and Youth Councils — How Schools Create Community Change;
 - Local Foods — The High Plains Food Co-op;
 - Nurturing the Arts and Sense of Place in Your Community; and
 - Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities in Your Town.

Registration is \$35 per person or early bird registration of \$25 per person. Early bird registration must be received by Monday, Oct.

1. To register and pay online, go to www.rawlinscounty.info or registration may be made by mail by making checks payable to and sending name, address phone number and e-mail address to Rawlins County HTC, 112 S. 4th St., Atwood, Kan. 67730.

For student group registration and additional conference information, call Chris Sramek at (785) 626-3640.

Sponsors of the conference include: Rawlins County Home Town Communities, Rawlins County Economic Development, Rawlins County Health Center, Decision Weather, Inc., and others to be announced.

JENNINGS NEWS

By LOUISE CRESSLER
 American Legion Post No. 351 hosted a meeting for all veterans and their families who wish to learn more about their earned Veterans Administration benefits on Monday, Sept. 24 at 4:30 p.m. in the Royal Neighbors of America museum building. Veterans and their families were urged to attend this meeting. The country's largest veterans service organization, the American Legion, assists more veterans and their dependents in filing for benefits through service in the Armed Forces than any other group or organization. The Sept. 24 meeting is part of the Legion's annual American Legion Veterans Affairs Tour when the State and District Officers visit each of the over 330 American Legion Posts throughout Kansas.

Stan and Ramona Shaw spent last week at the home of granddaughter Lisa and Kyle Bollers, Lochbuie, Colo. Other guests were Kevin and Colleen Wagoner, Sharon Springs and Corrina Bussen, Syracuse. They all at-

tended a guys and gals baby shower for Lisa and Kyle on Saturday evening in Brighton, Colo.

Bud and Helen Rhodes visited her brother, Bill and Jean Brainard, in Portland, Oregon last week. They were joined by her sisters Terry Budig, Ruth and Jerry Ridge and brother Don Brainard.

Doug Cressler is in the Oberlin hospital. He is doing well. He is taking therapy and will go to a Wichita hospital on Thursday for a checkup.

Wayne and Louise Cressler received word Sunday morning that a new great-grandson was born. Jessica and Ben Lemmons, Manhattan, are the parents of Gabriel Patrick. He weighed 7 pounds 5 1/2 ounces.

Louise Cressler attended a Norton *Telegram* tea Friday at Whitefields Coffee House in Norton for the correspondents of the *Telegram*.

The Jennings Housing Board will meet at 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 20 at Friendship Village. Water meters were read Sept. 22.

Trail ride benefits St. Luke's

The historic Cottonwood Ranch, near Studley, is the site for another benefit trail ride. The ride will be held at 1 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 30. Riders are expected to return about 5 p.m.

Participants must bring their own horses or mules. Hikers and

wagons are welcome, but motorized vehicles or bicycles will not be allowed.

Proceeds from this year's Cottonwood Ranch Trail Ride will go to St. Luke's Children's Hospital. For more details, call the ranch at 785-627-5866.

Claudine Bennett had stomach surgery Thursday in a Denver hospital. She is doing okay but will be out there about a week.

Stan and Ramona Shaw spent last weekend at the home of daughter, Chris Gillespie and Tom Neff, Marion. Additional guests were Aaron and Tara Gillespie, Hays; Elliott Gillespie, Overland Park; Tamara and Alex Bratt, Overland Park.

Keith and Helen Muirhead enjoyed a visit for a few days from their daughter, Teffani Zadeh, Chicago and grandchildren Natalia and Dylan. Their daughter Tamala Schultze, Salina, came for a day to visit with them.

Doug Cressler got a good report when he went to Wichita Thursday for a check-up. He is home stay-

'P', 'Q', 'R' tags due Friday

The deadline for business or persons whose last name begins with "P", "Q" or "R" to renew automobile, light trucks, motorcycles and motorized bike tags will be Friday, Sept. 28 at the County Treasurer's office.

Those who are renewing need to bring current proof of insurance, which includes the vehicle identification number, policy number and expiration date.

Driver's license renewals can be processed Tuesday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please bring along your social security

card or something that has your social security number on for verification.

The Phillipsburg full service driver license office has new hours. They are Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 7 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 5 p.m. If you are going to Phillipsburg for a driver's license, you need to arrive by 11 a.m. in the morning or 4:30 p.m. in the afternoon.

For more information, call the Norton County Treasurer's Office at (785) 877-5795 or the Phillipsburg office at (785) 543-

You are invited to join Christie in advertising sales at The Telegram.

She's been busy and would welcome an assistant to help her as she plans to expand the territory.

Drop by the office at 215 S. Kansas Avenue for an application and to set up an interview with the publisher.

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Have a good day!