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Briefly

Eisenhower ‘rounds up’ kids

Eisenhower Elementary School will hold its annual Kindergarten Roundup Monday, March 3. Parents and their kindergartner are invited to drop-in for a visit from 4 to 5 p.m. This is the time they will visit the classrooms and meet the kindergarten teachers.

At 5 p.m. Principal Corey Roy will conduct a meeting in the cafeteria with parents and their kindergarten child. Mr. Roy and the teaching staff will discuss some of the expectations of the kindergarten program and provide some ideas to help parents prepare their child for school. The school nurse will also be there to discuss what shots are needed for school attendance and any other medical issues.

If you have any questions, call the school at 877-5113.

Application out for scholarship

Delta Kappa Gamma will be giving a \$250 scholarship to a Norton County high school graduate who is a college junior, senior or graduate student in the field of education. Applications are available on-line at nchs.usd.211.org/guidance/DKG.pdf.

An application may also be received through the mail by contacting Julie Schrum at 606 N. First Ave., Norton, Kan. 67654.

Computer class limited to ten

A basic computer education course will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on March 8 and 15 at the Norton Learning Center, 600 N. State Street, behind East Campus Auditorium. The two-day course is being offered through Northwest Kansas Technical College for \$35. It will cover basic computer programs, including Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Internet. Class size is limited to 10 people. Those interested can register through the Norton County Economic Development Office, 113 N. Norton, Suite B, Norton, Kan. 67654, (785) 874-4816.

Weather

Forecast:

Tonight — Mostly clear with a low around 35. **Saturday** — Sunny with a high near 74. South wind between 10 and 15 mph. **Saturday Night** — Partly cloudy with a low around 40. **Sunday** — A 30 percent chance of rain. **Sunday Night** — A slight chance of rain and snow before midnight.

Kingham report:

Tuesday Low 20, High 43
Wednesday Low 23, High 53
Thursday Low 30, High 59
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Ever-present God, even in the most difficult times, help me remember that you are surrounding me with your love and presence. **Amen**



Can't keep a good man down... Jerome Rudolph, 74, is almost fully recovered from a 25-foot fall he suffered last summer. Mr. Rudolph is back

to work, helping his grandson do brickwork. — Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

Brick mason back at work after August fall

By CAROLYN PLOTTS
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Norton residents caught sight of an old friend Thursday when Jerome Rudolph was seen working on a brick wall in downtown Norton.

Last August Mr. Rudolph, 74, a master brick mason from Calvert, fell at least 25 feet from a scaffolding over a sidewalk in downtown Norton. In the fall he suffered head injuries, a broken clavicle, a broken shoulder blade, a broken rib, a bruised lung and an injured ankle.

He was air-lifted to Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney where he remained in

intensive care for about three weeks. For him to be back on the job is considered by some to be a miracle. Mr. Rudolph, himself, credits a higher power. He said, “I know God is the one that did everything. God had his hands under me and He’s the one that laid me on that sidewalk.”

He said the first thing he remembered immediately after the fall was Jim Rowh leaning over him. Mr. Rowh is the owner of Pure Prairie Natural Foods, which is directly across the street from where the accident happened and immediately rushed to help. One of his employees called 911. Mr. Rudolph said Mr. Rowh

came to his home after he was released from the hospital and prayed with him.

Mr. Rudolph said he doesn’t remember the three weeks he spent in Kearney. But, before he left the hospital he had a thorough check-up and was told he is in remarkably good health — his heart and lungs are strong, he said. Mr. Rudolph said his children have been very good to him; coming to visit and taking care of all his needs.

He said there are lots of people that helped care for him and he wants to thank them all. He said he couldn’t hardly believe all the people that have come to

see him.

But that was then and this is now. And, it’s back to work for Jerome Rudolph. He said his left hand still doesn’t work quite right, but he can mix mortar for his grandson, Andrew Sheley, who is following in his grandfather’s footsteps.

Mr. Sheley is working on repairing the west wall of the Pure Prairie Natural Foods store. The wall was damaged during the downtown fire in July 24, 2006 that left two buildings destroyed. The wall will now serve as a backdrop for the new downtown park being planned to occupy that corner.

Chamber brings ‘Reds’ to banquet

The Norton Area Chamber of Commerce will be holding its annual chamber banquet on Monday, March 10 at the Norton Eagles Lodge. Social hour will begin at 6 p.m. and dinner will start at 7 p.m.

This year’s speaker is John Allen, former executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Cincinnati Reds. Mr. Allen was born and raised in Norton and earned his bachelor’s degree from Kansas State University. He began his professional baseball career in 1990 as an intern with the Class AAA minor league affiliate of the New York Yankees, while earning a Master’s degree in sports management at The Ohio State University. He was named the club’s Director of

Business Operations in 1991, a position he held for five years.

Mr. Allen joined the Reds’ organization in May 1995 as controller. In June 1996, he was named “interim” managing executive and was named managing executive two months later. On Oct. 1, 1999, he was named chief operating officer and in 2006 named executive vice president and chief operating officer. From 1996 until his retirement on Dec. 31, 2007, Mr. Allen was responsible for all day-to-day operations of the organization. John continues to have an active role as a special consultant to Reds chief executive officer, Bob Castellini.

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Lenora Jubilee getting new stage

By VERONICA MONIER
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The Lenora Jubilee Association is making its annual event, the Lenora Jubilee, the best it can be.

To further that goal, the association is building a new stage for its entertainers. Association Treasurer Gayle James said they are tearing down the old grandstand and replacing it with a new stage.

Over the past several years, the weather has taken its toll — in 2006 a storm caused the annual concert to make a last-minute move to the school gym and in 2007 high winds damaged the stage cover.

Association President Scott Sproul said it became evident that a permanent and sturdy solution was necessary to protect the association’s investment in high-quality entertainment.

Mrs. James said they have never had a stage, just the grandstand. In the early 1900s, entertainment was more like airplane shows and minor league base-

ball teams and so the grandstand served more purposes. Now, they need a stage. In years past, the association has been putting several flatbed trailers together to make a stage.

“A stage is more useful for what we have now,” she said. “The bands bring equipment, like lights and backdrops, that they can’t use because there is nothing to hang them on.”

Also, she said, the slightest bit of adverse weather causes the entire concert to be moved inside to protect expensive equipment. The new stage has a roof, so that won’t be the problem it has been in the past.

Mrs. James said improving the Jubilee is an ongoing project. They would like to add new bathrooms, but because the 40 by 50 foot stage building costs \$30,000, that project will have to wait.

Mr. Sproul said they are also planning on putting in side walls on the stage in the

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Aaron Roberts and his German sheperd, Que Ball, were one of many to attend last weekend’s rabies clinic at the Norton Animal Health Center to get shots and city tags. — Telegram photo by Sherry Hickman

Rabies clinic brings in all types

By VERONICA MONIER
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Nearly 80 animals showed up at the Norton Animal Health Center for shots at a rabies clinic last Friday and Saturday. The clinic was co-sponsored by the Norton Animal Shelter.

Dr. Sarah White said they had about 50 animals on Friday and at least 25 animals on Saturday to get their rabies/parvo distemper and feline leukemia shots.

“It was the best clinic we’ve ever had,” she said. “We had several animals come in that needed their city tags and rabies shots who hadn’t been in be-

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