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Briefly Theatre to host costume contest

Join the Norton Theatre for Halloween Spook-tacular 2009 (if you dare). On Halloween night the theatre will be holding a Halloween Constume Contest. Come dressed up at the 8 p.m. or midnight movies and you'll be entered into our drawing for the best dressed costume contest. The top three costumes will be awarded prizes at each showtime

At 8 p.m. the theatre will run movies as normal. At midnight, there will be two special scary movies with no admission charge. Steve King's 1408 (PG-13) and the original cult classic A Nightmare on Elm Street (R) will be shown. For admission to A Nightmare on Elm Street, you must be 17 years old or be accompanied by an adult.

Annual bazaar set for tomorrow

The United Church of Oberlin will hold their Annual Fall Bazaar tomorrow from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at 109 N. Griffith in Oberlin. The bazaar will feature a bake sale and selection of unique handcrafted items. Breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. and will include cinnamon rolls and coffee. Lunch will be served at 11 a.m. and will include chili or ham and bean soup, corn bread and dessert. Proceeds will go to the Food Bank of Decatur County.

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The Untersehers lost most of their belongings when their Almena home was a total loss. The family is staying in Long Island with a friend. – Photo courtesy Sarah Durham 🛛 🕀 caught on fire on Tuesday. The fire started in the basement, but the upstairs

Local family loses home to fire

cats

Tonight - Partly cloudy with a low around 30. Saturday - Mostly sunny with a high near 61. Saturday Night - A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy with a low around 38. Sunday - A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy with a high near 48. Sunday Night - Partly cloudy with a low around 31.

Kingham report:

Tuesday, Oct. 20 Low 46, High 55 .10 Precipitation Wednesday, Oct. 21 Low 39, High 41 1.20 Precipitation Thursday, Oct. 22..... Low 32, High 39 1.30 Precipitation (Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Thank you, compassionate God, for life. Thank you for your love and for your forgiveness when we fail to do vour will. Amen

A local family lost their home on Tuesday when a fire broke out in their basement. Almena Fire Chief Leo Graham said the fire started in the basement bathroom and moved upstairs.

Bill and Mindy Unterscher lost their home, 3 miles east of Almena, and most

of their possessions. The couple has three boys.

He said the fire was reported at 11:33 a.m. Eleven Almena firemen responded, and Norton and Long Island fire departments assisted. Graham said several volunteers also assisted.

"I would like to thank those who assisted us," he said.

Council describes 'hectic year' for city

By ERICA BRADLEY

ebradley@nwkansas.com Major issues and projects are near completion in Norton, during what was described as a hectic year for the city during Wednesday's council meeting.

As part of his contract, City Administrator Rob Lawson delivered his self evaluation letter to the council.

Lawson said the sewer plant, Washington Street sewer lift station flooding and the water plant renovation have been huge projects and have taken quite a bit of time to complete.

"These projects have required a tremendous amount of my time in dealing with Kansas Department of Health and Environment, engineers, and the contractors, working through issues that arise on a daily, sometimes hourly, basis. I have learned a great deal throughout this process, and I will be happy when they are all done and behind us," he said.

Lawson also mentioned the budget, saying when he started eight years ago he had little experience with annual budgets. He started on Sept. 24, 2001.

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Renewal project continues

Graham said they were able to save the

structure, although there was substantial

damage to the home, thanks to the as-

sistance they received from the other

fire departments as well as volunteers.

The firemen were also able to save three

to recover some furniture from the main

Mindy Unterscher said they were able



Boxler Insurance Agency recently completed work on a new awning. They were one of many local businesses who took part in the Storefront Renewal project through Norton City/County Economic Development. Several projects are still underway.

-Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

level, but all of her children's belong-

ings were lost. Their rooms were on

the upstairs, where most of the damage

the whole upstairs," she said.

"They lost everything they had. It took

Cobie is 12, Kade is 10 and Camdyn

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occurred.

is eight.

Pigskin Pick-Em mistake

The Norton sportswriter, Dick Boyd, had the wrong score on one of last week's feature college games in the Pigskin Pick-Em Contest; consequently, the wrong winners were selected for the weekly prizes.

Georgia Tech defeated Virginia Tech 28-23 and it was listed just the opposite so all entries were re-graded.

With the correct score and winner changing the results, Jasmine Covington of Almena is the first place winner of \$15 in scrip money. When the entries were graded, it was thought that Jasmine had missed two games, the Kansas State win over Texas A&M and the Georgia Tech/ Virginia Tech contest. Since Georgia Tech won, she miscued on just one game and was closest on the score of the tiebreaker game.

In the tiebreaker, Oklahoma State defeated Missouri 33-17 but Jasmine and Brittnie Schock, Norton, were the only two entries to miss just one game and both chose Missouri to win. Judges went by the actual scores of both teams and Jasmine was 19 total points off the actual scores. Brittnie was 25 points off and will receive the \$10 scrip second prize.

Five other fans missed two games and were in the running for the third prize of \$5 in scrip money. Jennifer Boller, Norton, won third because she picked Okla-(**Pigskin** - Continued on Page 5)

October vehicle tags due

Oct. 31 is the last day to renew vehicle tags if your last name begins with "S" or your business name begins with "S." New items needed are Driver License or Identification number for each owner or Federal Employer Identification number for the business in addition to the insurance. Vehicle business is done from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily.

Driver license renewals can be done Tuesday through Friday from 8 am to 4 pm. Remember to bring along your social security card or something that has your social security number on it for verification. Instructional permits (IP) and Driver Education restricted licenses can be done in the office by appointment. You

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