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**Tuesday**  
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## Kansans react to bin Laden's death

### Briefly

#### May schedule for Meals on Wheels

Schedule for Meals on Wheels for May 2 through July 3: May 2 - 15, United Methodist Women, Jean White (877-3935); May 16 - 22, Child Study Club, Amy Menagh, (877-3238); May 23 - 29, Knights of Columbus, Tom Melroy (877-2754); May 30 - June 5, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Fonda Lawrence, (877-3145); June 6 - 12, Norton Lions Club, Jon Boxler (877-5128); June 13 - 19, Women's Council Christian Church, Carmen Lesh (877-2310); June 20 - July 1, Community Volunteers, Alice Hawks, (877-3351); July 2 - 3, 20th Century Federated Club, Lottie Wiltfong, (877-5286)

#### Northern Valley plans graduation

The Northern Valley High School will be holding their 2011 Graduation Ceremonies this Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Northern Valley High School gym.

#### Logan graduation will be Sunday

The Logan High School will be holding their 2011 eighth grade Graduation Ceremonies this Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Logan School Auditorium. The Logan Senior High School Graduation ceremonies will follow at 4 p.m.

#### Boosters to meet on Wednesday

The Norton Blue Jay Booster Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday in the high school cafeteria.

All fans of Norton Community High School sports are invited. Speaking about recent competition will be Norton head track coach Jason Jones and Norton head golf coach David Stover.

The Booster Club meets every first and third Wednesdays through May at the same time and location.

### Markets

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Wheat .....\$7.70  
Milo.....\$6.30  
Soybeans.....\$12.89

Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

### Weather

**Tonight** - Partly cloudy with lows in the lower 40s. **Wednesday** - Mostly sunny in the morning then partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 70s. **Thursday** - Mostly sunny with highs around 70. **Friday** - Partly cloudy with highs in the lower 80s. **Saturday** - Partly cloudy with highs in the lower 80s.

### Kingham Report

Friday, April 29.....Low 47, High 87  
Saturday, April 30.....Low 34, High 59  
Sunday, May 1.....Low 31, High 71  
Monday, May 2.....Low 36, High 64  
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

### Prayer

O God, help us to share in your work of bringing healing and salvation to the world. Amen.

### "THE EAGLE'S TEAR"

Like a missile it came,  
from out of the sky;  
we don't understand it,  
we just don't know why.

But in one beat of a heart, many lives were taken,  
and down deep in our hearts, our souls were shaken.

And so a tear fell from the Great Eagle's eye, but America's spirit will never die.

For our Great Eagle's been through it before, and the terrorists will learn, again it will soar.

Cause the eagle has claws, that are solid as steel; for it stands for the justice, that is sacred and real.

So like the strength of an eagle, let's spread our wings and fly, so the memory of those taken will not ever die.

For united we stand and divided we fall; if we don't stand for the eagle, we stand for nothing at all.

The eagle has freedom as he flies across our land, so don't let his tears stain our land that's so grand.

So stand up and be counted; the price we must pay for the freedom we've shared in our U.S.A.

September 11, 2001

Larry Henderson  
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Local Norton resident, Larry Henderson, wrote this poem after the 9-11 attacks on the World Trade Center.

#### 'Justice is served' says Huelskamp

Congressman Tim Huelskamp, who represents the First District of Kansas, issued the following statement upon hearing that Osama bin Laden had been killed by American forces:

"Almost ten years ago, America was attacked by those who despise liberty and freedom. Last night, we received word that the mastermind of the horror perpetuated on America is dead. This victory is a testament to the skill and persistence of American military and intelligence operations.

"While we have much to celebrate, it is important to keep in mind that there are still those who want to see America weakened or destroyed. America must remain steadfast in Her resolve and committed to defending Her freedom both at home and abroad.

"The events of September 11 will be forever etched in the minds and hearts of all Americans. Today, justice has been served. May it be a step toward healing the wounds of families of patriots who have sacrificed their lives in pursuit of freedom."

#### Moran touts resolve of American troops

U.S. Senator Jerry Moran (R-Kan.) issued the following statement regarding the successful American operation in Pakistan that resulted in the death of Osama bin Laden:

"Nearly 10 years ago, thousands of innocent Americans lost their lives on September 11th. The momentous news of Osama bin Laden's death - Al Qaeda's leader and the mastermind of those attacks - is a historic success in the War on Terror. It speaks to the resolve of our American troops and intelligence officers who have worked relentlessly for this moment. As we move forward, we will continue our unyielding efforts to dismantle terror networks around the world and protect American lives."

## Congressman holds town hall meeting

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U.S. Rep. Tim Huelskamp paid a visit to Northwest Kansas last week, on a short recess from Washington.

Huelskamp held a town hall meeting in the Thomas County Office Complex in Colby. He said the meeting was one of a series he has been holding throughout the 1st District, trying to continue the tradition of meeting in each county at least once a year.

Huelskamp said he is part of a very large freshman legislator class that is trying to change the way Washington works. In the first week, he said, the House cut its own budget by 5 percent. The House has even reduced the military budget, he said, something unusual for a Republican Congress.

It also changed the schedule during the legislative session to give one week off every month. Huelskamp said he has been using that time to hold town halls.

Huelskamp brought charts with him showing national

debt as a share of the economy. Right after World War II, he said, federal debt exceeded the size of the nation's economy, but was paid down very quickly.

Huelskamp said that under both President George Bush and President Barack Obama, the U.S. has had four straight years of trillion dollar deficits. National debt stayed level for decades, he said, but with those deficits it has increased and is going to hit 100 percent of the economy within the next few years.

Huelskamp serves on the House Budget Committee. He said he asked five economists how long the U.S. has left to solve its debt problem, and they each told him to "act like you have no time left."

Entitlements such as Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security are part of the problem and will make up the entirety of the federal budget if left unchecked. Social Security spending is fairly steady, he said, but it is paying out far more than it is taking in. Spending on Medicare and Medicaid are both rising. One proposal being

talked about, he said, is to change entitlement benefits for people under 55.

Huelskamp is a supporter of the "Roadmap to America's Future," a budget proposal nicknamed the "Ryan Plan," for its originator, Rep. Paul Ryan (R-Wis.). The plan calls for many budget reforms, such as eliminating corporate income and estate taxes and changes to entitlements for those under 55.

One citizen asked if Huelskamp would consider raising taxes to pay for Medicare. Huelskamp said he would not support raising taxes on the wealthy, and under the Ryan Plan, tax credits and deductions are reduced so that many corporations would pay more.

Huelskamp said there are some parts of the Ryan Plan he doesn't like. The plan calls for a balanced budget by 2020, which Huelskamp said would take too long.

Huelskamp said the Congress is working on a new

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### Hospital gets new nurse practitioner

Jonna Inman, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, has joined the Active Medical Staff at the Doctors Clinic and Norton County Hospital in Norton. Appointments may be scheduled by calling the Doctors Clinic at 785-877-3305 or 800-436-4101.

Mrs. Inman joins other medical staff members in Norton including physicians Ruben Slian, M.D., Glenda Maurer, M.D., Martin Griffey, D.O., and Jeffery McKinley, D.O. Additional mid-level practitioners include Julie Siefers, PA, Patricia McCartney, ARNP, and Kristin Vogel, PA.

### Sales tax receipts up, commissioners say

Norton County's sales tax check from the state came in a little ahead of last year, 1.2 percent more.

County Treasurer Cynthia Linner told the commissioners at their end-of-the-month meeting on Friday that she had deposited \$26,372 in April.

Most of the money would be from sales taxes paid in the county during February and sent to the state in March.

The April addition gives the county \$183,699 for the financial year, which started Oct. 1. That is up \$11,343 from a year ago, Linner said.

Solid Waste Supervisor Curt Archibald told the county that his crews had picked up less than half as much stuff as last time there was general clean-up week.

This time, he said, the crews brought in 70.3 tons of construction materials, 1.29 tons of metal and 4.75 tons of municipal waste.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Learned that a water pump had to be replaced on the generator used by the sheriff's department. The commissioners agreed to a bi-annual inspection contract with BJ Harris of Greeley, Neb., for \$650.

- Were told that the contract for the wireless system at the courthouse is up for renewal. The annual maintenance contract is \$1,646. This covers batteries, transmitter maintenance and service and testing. The commissioners will consider the contract with Secure Tech Systems before deciding whether to sign it or not.

- Agreed to allow Western Pest Control of Norton to continue its contract for spraying the courthouse for bugs.

- Told Denise Schmitz of the Norton County Farm Service Agency that the county would sign the papers allowing Aaron Miller, who farms some county ground, to go into the farm program.

- Signed a contract with the Kansas Department of Transportation for com-

munication system infrastructure radio shared-user for talk groups. The agreement covers use and rules when using 800 Hmz radios that will be available to several county departments.

- Agreed to pay a bill from Engel's Sales and Service for equipment that is needed by the Department of Corrections work crew. The equipment includes lawn mowers and weed trimmers.

- Received a complaint about road W7 from farmer Jim Maddy, who said he had trouble hauling grain because of the holes. Maddy said that he and another landowner on the road would like to get the road repaired. However, Commissioner John Miller said that a culvert will not solve the problem because of the amount of water that flows onto the road from a draw. Until the water can be slowed, he said, the road can be repaired but it will soon develop new holes.

