

OBITUARIES

Kelly M. O'Toole June 25, 1957 - Sept. 25, 2011

Kelly Michael O'Toole, son of Leo Melvin and Helen (Hockett) O'Toole, was born June 25, 1957, in Hill City. He passed away at the Community Hospital in McCook, Neb., on Sept. 25, 2011, at the age of 54, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

Kelly grew up in the Densmore/Norton communities and attended the local schools, graduating from the Norton Community High School. He also attended classes at Colby Community College. On March 1, 1980, Kelly and Cheryl Dalton were united in marriage in Norton. They made their home in Norton where he was a self-employed truck driver. They moved to Lexington, Neb. in

2005, where they currently made their home.

Kelly was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Norton and the Free Tomorrow Motorcycle Club. He had been active in the Boy Scouts with his sons and loved fishing and hunting, especially with his dogs.

Survivors include his wife, Cheryl O'Toole, Lexington, Neb.; two sons, Shawn, and wife, April O'Toole, Carrollton, Ga.; and Ryan O'Toole, Lexington, Neb.; his mother, Helen O'Toole Robinson, Norton; one brother, Tim, and wife, Audrey O'Toole, Wichita; three sisters, Vicki, and husband, Dan Maguire, Pierz, Minn.; Suzi Koch, Norton; and Kerri "TJ",

and husband, Russ Blackburn, Grand Island, Neb.; two grandchildren, Rhiannon Romey and Liam O'Toole; nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

Kelly was preceded in death by his father, his grandparents, and one sister, Kathy O'Toole.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Sept. 29 at 2:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Norton. Interment will be at the Norton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Enfield Funeral Home at 215 W. Main in Norton from 3-8 p.m. on Wednesday.

Memorials may be directed to the Kelly O'Toole Memorial Fund. Condolences may be left at www.enfieldfh.com

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Party in the Park



About 50 people from Norcatour, Oberlin, Jennings and Norton turned out for the First Annual Party in the Park at Auker Park in Norcatour. Food was provided by the Norcatour City Council and organized by an Action Team of the Decatur Tomorrow Steering Committee. Members of the committee are Norma McCallister, Babe Hawkins, Karen Bailey, Jim and Carolyn Plotts.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

Could you have a record-setting pumpkin?

By Kay Melia

Alright all you backyard gardeners....it's time to grab your bathroom scales and head out to the pumpkin patch to find out if you have a record setting pumpkin out there! Wait a minute... you say you don't have a pumpkin patch? You say you don't even have a bathroom scale? No problem. You are not alone. 94% of all backyard gardeners do not have pumpkin patches, although surely most Northwest Kansans have bathroom scales!

We are nearing that time of year when the world's pumpkin growers are simply going nuts. Hundreds and hundreds of pumpkin growers all over the world are anxiously watching their pumpkin patches to

see if that big yellow gourd is going to be big enough to capture the award for the biggest pumpkin of the year, at least in their block or township. County fairs, fall festivals of all kinds, and even areas where there is no organized event, find pumpkin producers nervously watching their pumpkin patch.

It seems that with each passing year, more and more gardeners have become pumpkin fanatics, and pull out all the stops to grow big pumpkins that will hopefully assure them of bragging rights for the coming year. As you read these words, there are pumpkins out there that are gaining up to 25 pounds a day as growers are feeding their plants all kinds of magic elixirs

that they hope will win them the big prize.

The current world record for pumpkins is 1,810 pounds, 5 ounces. The pumpkin was grown by Chris Stevens of New Richmond, Wis., and was exhibited at the Stillwater, Minn., Harvest Festival on Oct. 9th last year. Stillwater, a suburb of Minneapolis-St. Paul, is located just a few miles across the state line. It broke the previous world record by almost 50 pounds. Surely, a new record will emerge this fall.

Chris Steven's huge pumpkin was a Dill's Atlantic Giant. We can all buy Dill's Atlantic Giant seed off the rack in the spring at just about every store, generally for about \$1.49 a packet.

But if you were so lucky to buy one seed produced by Chris Stevens word record pumpkin, you would have to pay upwards of \$300! That's why a few growers, who strive to produce a record breaker, are wealthy. The late Howard Dill was one such man. He worked for 30 years by crossbreeding all kinds of

pumpkins before he came up with the now patented Dill's Atlantic Giant variety, which is now the most popular variety available to those who want to try their hand at growing the big ones. Strangely enough, Mr. Dill's pumpkin farm is located near Windsor, Nova Scotia, just northwest of Halifax, in a very

fertile valley. The farm continues their pumpkin producing by Mr. Dill's family.

We probably will never see a world record vegetable specimen grown in Northwest Kansas. But if you have a hankering to try the great big pumpkin thing, pick up a packet of Dill's Atlantic Giant seed next spring, and have a go at it.

University president to resign, search is on

Wichita State University President Don Beggs has announced plans to resign once the Kansas Board of Regents names a successor to be in place during the summer of 2012.

Beggs, 70, has been president of Wichita State since January 1999. He is the 12th president in the history of the university.

Wichita State will suspend the

search for provost until the new president is in place. Keith Pickus is serving as interim provost.

In a message to faculty and staff, Beggs said, "The Kansas Board of Regents is determined to identify a person who is committed to our students, faculty, staff and alumni. The success of our university is a reflection of each of you and the special city

and region that we serve. We are continuing to change to be prepared to address new challenges as our world changes. We will continue to do more to be more."

"I am committed to full speed ahead to make this a positive year in every way," said Beggs.

State program recovers \$1.4 million

Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt recently announced that his office has recovered \$1.4 million for the Kansas Medicaid program as part of a settlement with a pharmaceutical company.

The attorney general had filed a lawsuit against Boehringer Ingelheim, a pharmaceutical manufacturer, accusing the company of using deceptive practices to cause the Kansas Medicaid program to overpay reimbursements for drugs supplied by the company.

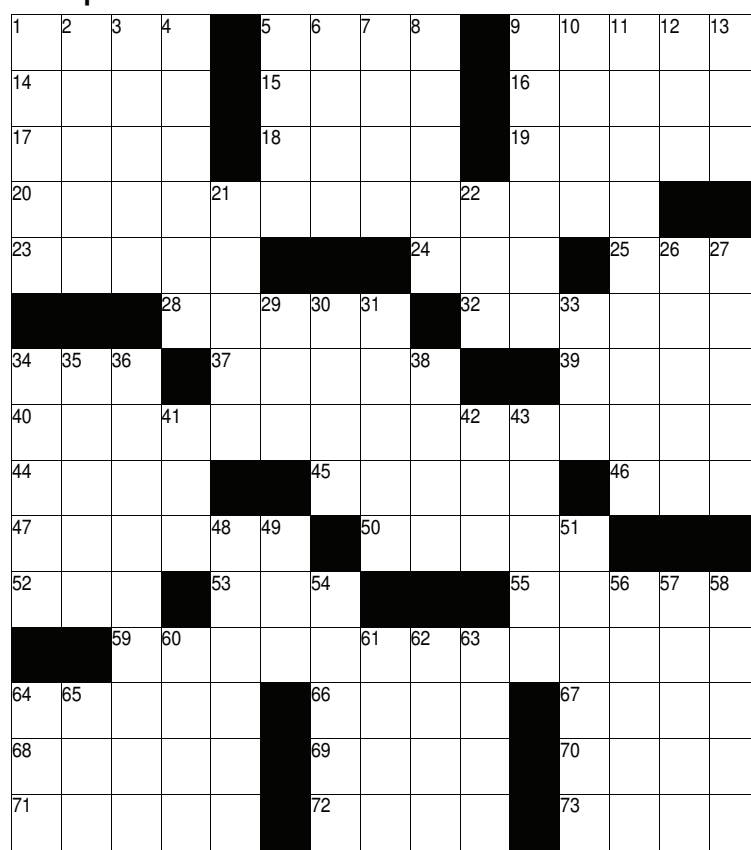
"We take seriously our responsibility to protect Kansas taxpayers from costs and expenses that they are not obligated to pay," Schmidt said. "This recovery sends a strong signal that Kansas is serious about protecting the public treasury and, ultimately, the state's taxpayers."

Schmidt said a total of 38 lawsuits have been filed by the attorney general's office alleging the artificial inflation of the average wholesale price of drugs, on which the Medicaid reimbursement rates are set. To date, 12 of these cases have been settled resulting in \$15.8 million in recoveries for the Kansas Medicaid program. The other cases remain pending.

ACROSS

1. Catches some rays
5. Suffix with auto or bureau
9. Roman Empire invaders
14. "... or ___ me?"
15. Bank takeback
16. Come to terms
17. Symbol of stubbornness
18. Wallet wad
19. "Maria ___" ('40s hit)
20. They're tipped
23. Crockett's last stand
24. Poetic pugilist
25. Erie Canal mule
28. Subway standee's aid
32. Strait of Messina monster
34. Start of MGM's motto
37. British nobles
39. Sashimi fare
40. They're tipped
44. Kumquat's shape
45. Boyfriends
46. ___-cone (summer treat)
47. Part of CORE
50. Gloomy, in poetry
52. Animal that bugles
53. Profession, slangily
55. ___ toast
59. They're tipped
64. Give a score to
66. Cattle poker
67. Nest eggs, for short
68. Tosses the horsehide
69. Galileo's home
70. Mild-mannered
71. Atlas feature
72. Dummy Danny
73. Mr. Potato Head pieces

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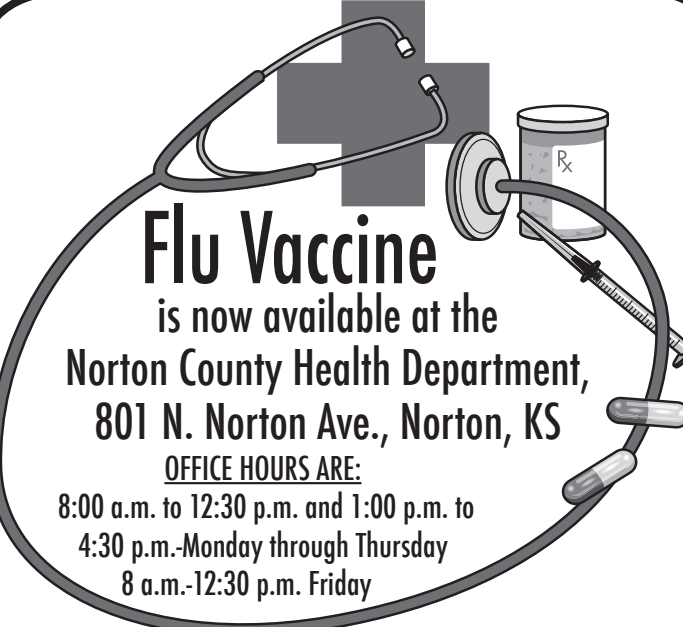
1. Animated movie feline
2. "The ___" (tavern order)
3. Nabisco wafer
4. Gets really ticked
5. Moat critter, for short
6. Russo of "Get Shorty"
7. Gibbons et al.
8. Puccini heroine
9. Language that gave us "banshee"
10. Look like a wolf
11. Bald
12. Cackler
13. Ross or Sargasso
21. Observer
22. Two of the racing Unsers
26. Green Mountain Boys leader
27. Will Rogers prop
29. Wet behind the ears
30. Fine horse
31. Practiced, as a trade
33. Doorbell-answerer's word
34. Be gaga over
35. Hertz, to Avis
36. Carnival stands
38. Telephone button
41. Biblical priest
42. Be contrite
43. Crammers' worries
48. Most fit
49. "___ Darlin'" (jazz standard)
51. Speak from memory
54. Lighter brand
56. Virginia's ___ Caverns
57. Former New York mayor Abe
58. Chuckleheads
60. Thumb-twiddling
61. Saharan
62. Civil rights activist Parks
63. Make-or-break time
64. Touch-tone 4
65. Turn tail

Sudoku Puzzle #2306-M

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