

LYLE NEWS

Carolyn Plotts hosted the Liberty Star Club on Wednesday in her home that is getting prettier all the time. Members were Toots Magers, Sandy Gade, Kathy Van Meter, Joyce Price, Babe Hawkins, Carol Moye, Veda Wood, and guest, Aubrey High. Carol had an interesting program on two of the signers of the Declaration Of Independence, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, and gave us all a complete copy of "The Defense of Fort McHenry" by Francis Scott Key, usually referred to as The national Anthem or "Oh, say, can you see?" We hardly ever hear all four verses. Sandy Gade had a fun quiz for activities, and Carolyn served a scrumptious

dessert. [Do you know, I had to look up that word?] They say if you can't spell it you shouldn't use it.

In the late afternoon on Sunday, July 14, Jim Applegate drove by the Lyle church and saw smoke around the electric pole. Judy Easton and Jane Engelhardt, who were visiting Toots Magers saw him go to Kathy Van Meters, who was not there. They hooked Toots' hose to Kathy's hydrant and did their best to contain the fire while David Wilson and Matt fought it until members of the Norcatur Fire Department arrived, Carl Lyon and Lucas Bailey came and finished putting it out. They stayed until workers from Prai-

rie Land Electric Co., worked on the pole where sparks had started the fire.

Joyce Summer spent some time in the hospital this week and is receiving treatment. We hope she recovers quickly. Von Summer and grandchildren drove to Lyle to see what was going on with the fire.

June Jolly finished the quilt that has occupied her time recently. She attended her KT Club on Thursday. One of the members of that club, Shirley Wishon, of Danbury, lost a brother a few weeks ago. She went to another state to visit another brother, and immediately after she returned home, heard that that brother had died.

JENNINGS NEWS

Colleen Wagoner, Sharon Springs, and her two grandchildren Tyce and Tenley Bollers, Strasburg, Colo., visited Wednesday and Thursday at the home of Stan and Ramona Shaw.

Tuesday evening the Sunflower Senior potluck supper and the program were enjoyed by Agnes Wahlmeier, Eleanor Morel, Carol Carter, Carla Latimer, Daniel Schwarz, Bob Jones, Bob and Neoma Tacha, Mary Wahlmeier, Diane and Dave Carter, Jacinta Carter, Stan and Ramona Shaw, Rachel Carter, Louise Cressler, Heather West, Donnie and Grace, Jenny Fenner, Jayden and Ty; Denise and Scott Taylor and children

Candace, Sidney, Rayna, Abe, Quinley and Vincent. After the delicious meal, we were entertained with piano solos and singing by Jayden Fenner; Candace, Rayna, Sidney, Abe and Quinley Taylor. Directed by Diane Carter.

There were only six card players at the Center Wednesday afternoon. Scott Taylor, Agnes Wahlmeier, Linda Spesser, Diane Carter, Eleanor Morel and Louise Cressler played pinochle.

Norton Correctional men worked in Jennings Tuesday and Wednesday. They mowed the sewer ponds inside banks, painted most of the curbs and cut trees in the Roadside Park.

The city of Jennings appreciates the work these men do for our town.

There will be a community meeting Friday, July 26 at 7 p.m. at the Jennings Community Building. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss "What You would like to see done in Jennings." Representatives from Economic Development will be on hand to discuss a Neighborhood Revitalization Program. Do you care about your community? If so you are encouraged to attend this meeting.

We have missed out on the showers that have been coming to parts of northwest Kansas. We will welcome somewhat cooler temperatures the next few days.

Fishing for foul...



Tuesday night was the kick off of the carnival at the Norton County fair. There was a good turn out that night providing fun for kids of all ages. Jody Sprague and her grand daughter Aubree Carver took the time to fish for a duck but little Aubree just wanted to put her feet in the water.

- Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Agency awarded funds

Northwest Kansas Community Corrections was awarded a grant for a drug treatment and enforcement program, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt announced the week of 7-15. The Hays-based organization was awarded \$91,673 to fund substance abuse, methamphetamine abuse, mental health, anger management and drug testing and surveillance programs.

"Providing the best public safety services and victim support requires a dedicated staff of local officials," Schmidt said. "This grant will help advance local priorities for improving public safety." The grant is part of the Federal Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program and was awarded by the Kansas Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

Hays Medical Center to host Mud Run

HaysMed's Center for Health Improvement and Fort Hays State University are sponsoring the third annual Big Creek Mud Run on Saturday, August 24. The mud run is a 2 mile obstacle course that winds through the Fort Hays State University Campus. Participants should be ready to "get their dirty on"; as they jump, crawl and climb through mud and other obstacles.

"This has been a great event for the region," said Kelly Florida, Fitness/Aquatics Supervisor of the Center for Health Improvement. "People from all over the state come to participate." The Mud Run is carried out in heats of 40 people. The first wave begins at 8:30 am and a new wave starts every 20 minutes with the last one beginning at 11:30 am. You can

run in your own wave or get your friends together and all run in the same wave. At 12 noon there is a Kids Mud Bath that lets kids 3 and older have fun playing in the mud without any obstacles. There will also be food, music and prizes. Deadline for registering for the event is August 21st. The fee is \$25 for participants and they must be 18 years and older.

All participants will receive a t-shirt, participation medal and a free lunch. Participants are encouraged to bring along their families and friends. Registrations are available online at www.thecenter.haysmed.com/mudrun. For more information contact Kelly at 623-5900.

School

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 tion Program.
 -approved to maintain current district credit cards, their uses and credit limits as presented for 2013-14.
 -suspended the \$2,000 payment to the Norton County Arts Council and that U.S.D. 211 be responsible for scheduling and paying directly for lyceums for Eisenhower Elementary School and that the NCAC continue to be given free use of the East Campus Auditorium for its community programs.
 Actions approved in the consent agenda:
 -approved agenda for the July 15, 2013 meeting as presented.
 -approved the minutes of the June 28, 2013 end-of-year meeting as presented.
 -approved bills for payment.
 -appointed Janice Russell as Clerk of the Board.
 -appointed Cynthia Glenneier as Treasurer of the Board.
 -appointed Dan Walter as

Attorney for the Board and approved a retainer fee of \$1,500 with any services used to be deducted from this amount.
 -rescinded any Board of Education actions that are contrary to written policy.
 -designated the Norton Telegram as the official publication for the 2013-14 school year.
 -approved membership in Schools for Quality Education for 2013-14 and approve the \$325 membership fee.
 -designated Principals Rudy Perez, Dustin McEwen and Corey Roy as student welfare officers for their respective buildings for the 2013-14 school year.
 -designated Superintendent Greg Mann as the PL874 representative, federal programs representative, hearing officer for free and reduced meal applications, representative for state programs, Freedom of Information Officer, and coordinator of services for homeless children.
 -appointed Frank Otter as

the U.S.D. 211 Representative to the Board of Control for the NWKTC in Goodland.
 -designated Janice Russell as KPERS representative.
 -designated building principals as the custodians of their respective activity funds and gate receipts.
 -set 10 cents per copy as the fee for copying records.
 -set petty cash limits of \$1,500 for the District Office and \$500 each for Norton Community High School, Norton Junior High School and Eisenhower Elementary.
 -adopted the 1,116 hour school calendar for accreditation purposes.
Bills approved for payment total:
 Vocational \$1,711.82
 Textbook Revolving \$486.42
 Recreation Commission \$71,601.83
 Supplemental General \$17,299.47
 Butler Scholarships \$500.00
 Total \$91,599.54

Traveling

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 He walks the rural highways holding a banner that says, "Traveling On Trust". He wants to find the good in humanity by trusting complete strangers to give him rides. As he rides with them, he wants to learn about the people and how they live in rural America. He puts trust in those who offer him rides and shows those kind enough to help him that he too is trustworthy. He sees the good in people, getting rides from retired bounty hunters, Vietnam draft dodgers, pastors, single young moms and

their children as well as great grand mothers and middle aged men who had once themselves hitchhiked the same highways in their youth. Josh said, "This trip has been really encouraging, rewarding and yet heart-breaking too. I am incredibly blessed." He has heard stories that are happy success stories as well as those of people down on their luck. He hopes that in some small way, he might make a difference in someone's life by putting his trust in them and by just being there to listen to their story.
 Josh doesn't stay in one place

very long in order to meet his traveling deadlines but he does take the time to check out small communities to see what is special about each one. Once he completes his trip he intends on writing a book about what he has learned about the lives of others and what taking the trip has taught him about himself. "I want to learn from people that I never would have had the chance to interact with. People want to be good, let them and they will. People should trust." Josh said.

NORTHWEST KANSAS BIKE BASH

August 16-18, 2013

Larrick Park · Lenora, KS

Bike Rodeo · Camping · Food Vendor · Burnout Pit
 3 Bands · Crazy Horse, Country Rebel, Slantpiece
 Wet T-shirt Contest with Cash Prizes

\$20.00 single \$30.00 couple to enter per day

Proceeds Benefiting:
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Questions call - Tyler Burns 785-871-2401 or Joe Sweet 785-874-8765

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