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## Tuesday

February 4, 2014

### Briefly

#### Postponed games rescheduled

The Norton Community High School girls and boys basketball games with Colby which were scheduled for Friday in Norton were postponed due to inclement weather.

They will be played on Monday, Feb. 10.

#### Booster Club to meet Wednesday

The Norton Blue Jay Booster Club's next meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday in the high school cafeteria.

Speakers will be Bill Johnson, head wrestling coach; Doug Reusink, head boys basketball coach and George Rossi, head girls basketball coach.

#### Roy's Sales to hold appreciation lunch

Roy's Sales and Service is holding a filter sale that runs through this Friday. They will hold a customer appreciation day on Thursday with a pulled pork sandwich dinner from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### Disc Golf tourney set for Saturday

A disc golf tournament will be held on Saturday, Feb. 8 at Elmwood Park as a fundraiser for God's Pantry. Registration will take place at Whitefields from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. and play will start at 10 a.m. For more information contact Don Mordecai at 877-5475.

#### Calling contest set for this Saturday

The Norton Archery Club will be hosting a calling contest on Saturday. Must be pre-registered by 6 p.m. Friday. Check in will be from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday night at O'Briens Pit Stop Bar and Grill.

#### Home based expo coming Saturday

The annual Sweetheart Home Based Craft Business Expo will take place Saturday at the Norton National Guard Armory from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Many vendors will be there and a lunch stand will be available.

### Markets

Monday, February 3, 2014

Wheat.....\$5.90  
Milo.....\$4.02  
Soybeans.....\$12.26  
Corn.....\$4.22  
Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

### Weather

Wednesday - Sunshine with a high of 9. Wednesday Night - Considerable cloudiness with a low of -6. Thursday - Cloudy skies with a high near 10. Thursday Night - Partly cloudy skies with a low of -3. Friday - Chance of snow 30 percent with a high of 16.

### Prayer

Dear Lord, show us this day how to reach others with your love. Amen

## Woman injured in accident...



Last Thursday evening at about 5:09 p.m. the Norton County EMS, police and fire departments responded to an accident at the 200 block of west Lincoln for an individual who had been run over by their own vehicle. According to a witness at the scene, Neola Hoover Daffer of Lenora was driving a 2005 Buick when her car got high centered while leaving the Co-op station parking lot. She exited the vehicle and moved to the front of the car, it started rolling backward

so she attempted to re-enter the car. She was unsuccessful in doing this and got caught by the open drivers door knocking her down and dragging her under the door for about fifteen feet. A passerby saw what was happening and was able to get the car stopped. Hoover was taken by ambulance to the Norton County Hospital and at the time of print no update on her condition had been received.

- Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

## Relay For Life plans are under way

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Norton County residents have faced many battles with cancer and it has affected so many. That is why there has been a Norton Relay For Life held yearly since starting back up in 2006. The date for the 2014 Norton Relay for Life has been set for Friday June 6. There will be a different schedule this year. Instead of the normal 12 hour relay it will only be six hours, from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Without the help of the American Cancer Society, cancer patients, family and friends would be left feeling helpless. Tammy Kimminau, an American Cancer Society Specialist for Relay For Life had this to say about the change in this year's format, "Relay is community based and we want the community to stand behind it and see what works best for them. There will still be the same activities but just a shorter time period, the opening ceremony at 5 p.m. then the survivors lap and luminary

ceremony at 6 p.m. There will then be a closing ceremony at midnight. After that, clean up can begin and those who want to will be able to attend the movie at the theatre."

Lee Russell, this year's Relay Chairman said that he can't thank those enough who helped last year either by having a team and walking or those who donated. He also wanted to thank those who were sponsors and those from Decatur County who joined them. "We are hoping that last year's teams

will come back and we hope to get new teams. We also want any surrounding areas to know that they are more than welcome to join us." Russell stated.

Many volunteers are needed in order to make Relay For Life successful and the committee is looking for just that. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact Lee at 785-877-2383 or 785-871-1539. You are also welcome to contact Jay Walsh at 785-

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## Legalization of pot in neighboring Colorado

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Colorado began allowing the sale of recreational marijuana on Jan. 1 to anyone age 21 or older. With the drug being sold legally right next door, here are a few things residents of Norton

County may want to know.

Colorado had 24 shops open Wednesday, most of them in Denver.

Out-of-state residents can legally purchase a quarter ounce in Colorado. In-state residents can purchase one ounce, which, with taxes included, comes to about \$70. It remains illegal to drive under the influence. Retail marijuana has a 25 percent state tax, plus a 2.9 percent sales tax, making recreational marijuana one of the most

heavily taxed consumer products in Colorado. Some communities are adding even more taxes to the product.

Other communities, such as Colorado Springs and Greeley, are opting out of allowing retail stores within their city limits, according to CNN.

It remains illegal to possess any quantity in Kansas. Violations are a misdemeanor, carrying a punishment of up to one year in jail, up to a \$2,500 fine or both. After the first offense it

becomes a felony, with a punishment of up to 26 months in prison and possible fines. Medical marijuana is also prohibited, as is cultivating it, selling it and driving under the influence.

Driving under the influence of marijuana, as with any drug that impairs your motor skills, is still illegal and dangerous. A motorist in Colorado can be ticketed for impaired driving if his or

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## Fund raiser held for teacher with ties to Logan

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Mija Stockman, 38 of Lindsborg, Kansas, the daughter of former Logan superintendent Larry (and wife Kathy) Lysell, was critically injured in an accident on December 20 and remains in a coma. Local family and friends of the family hosted a fundraiser to help with expenses.

Stockman, who is an elementary school physical education teacher at a McPherson school, was on her way to school when a pickup truck driven by 50 year old Jeffrey Davis of Hesperia, California lost control of his vehicle on the ice crossing over the center line and hit Stockman head on. A third vehicle driven by Pamela Tjesky, 57, of McPherson was also involved. Tjesky was taken to the McPherson hospital with minor injuries while Stockman was taken to Via Christi St. Francis in critical condition and Davis was also taken to a Wichita hospital. Stockman

has since been moved from Wichita to a rehabilitation hospital in Lincoln, Neb.

Stockman's friend, Monica Kats who lives north of Hill City but works in Norton was joined by several volunteers to raffle baskets as a fundraiser for the Stockman family which includes Mija, her husband Shawn and their three daughters. The baskets ranged from kids items with movies and candy to home interior items, kitchen items, and Super Bowl baskets. The baskets were raffled off during games that took place on January 23 and 24 during the Logan home ball games against Wheatland-Grinnell where Mija graduated from, and her father Larry had been the superintendent. The group earned approximately \$1500 for the family.

If anyone is interested in donating funds they can be sent to Mija Stockman Medical Fund in care of Peoples Bank and Trust at 201 S. Main or PO Box 111 in Lindsborg, Kansas 67456.



Tam Kemper, Monica Kats and Sandy Becker are seen here with a few of the baskets raffled off to raise money for the tragically stricken family.

- Courtesy photo by Shannon Kats

