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## Tuesday

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### Briefly

#### Free movie Saturday at Norton Theatre

The Chamber of Commerce and the Classic Cruisers Car Club is sponsoring a free movie at the Norton Theatre on Saturday at 12:30 p.m.

#### Last Fun Night at Library on Thursday

The last Fun Night for Teens at the Norton Public Library will be held on July 10 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. "Taco Night" will be the last program where 7th - 12th graders are invited to eat tacos and play "99."

#### No more Chess Club for this summer

There will no longer be Monday Night Chess Club meetings at the Norton Public Library for the remainder of the summer.

#### Ice cream social at Senior Center

An ice cream social will be held at the Norton Senior Citizen Center on Sunday from 4-7 p.m. There will be homemade ice cream and cake, served by donation. The donations will go to The Haven.

#### Annual car show set for this weekend

Cruise the streets of Norton during the 11th Annual Norton Classic Cruisers Car Show this Friday and Saturday. Registration for Cruise In from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Courthouse Square. Pictures in front of the Norton Theatre at dusk.



### Weather

Wednesday - Mostly sunny with highs in the upper 80s. A 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Thursday - Mostly sunny with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s. A 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Friday - Sunny with highs in the upper 90s.

### Markets

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Wheat.....\$6.57  
Milo.....\$3.70  
Soybeans.....\$12.95  
Corn.....\$4.10  
Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

### Prayer

Dear God, your word lights our path, comforts us in despair, and gives us strength. Help us to learn and live your truth every day. Amen.

## July Fourth, fun in the mud!



A new tradition was introduced to the Norton Fourth of July events, mud volleyball at Elmwood Park Speedway. Seven teams gathered to compete against each other. Dan Dole helped out by digging the two pits for the fire department to spray down and make muddy.

There were around 12 volunteers to help keep the pits muddy and keep score of the games. The event started at 10 a.m. and did not end until 5 p.m. The team 'Play Dirty' were the big winners.

-Telegram Photo by Shylo Paxton

## County Fair is just around the corner

The Norton County Fair Association, 2014 Fair Premium Books, are now available. Fair board members and 4-H leaders have delivered some copies to local businesses. Copies are also available at the Twin Creeks Extension, Norton Office, 107 S. State, and the Chamber Office. Please review the table of contents and daily schedule that is printed in the first few pages to find the departments and see what is going on. The dates for the 2014 Norton County Fair are July 19-26 with the kickoff of the Open Class Fun Day Horse Show which will be held Saturday, July 12 at the Elmwood

Park Horse Arena. Superintendents are Travis Smith and Garrett Beydler. The 4-H/FFA Horse show will be held as usual, Monday, July 21. Early entries for 4-H Horse and other livestock are due Thursday, July 17 to the Extension Office.

The 4-H Youth Photography will be entered and judged from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 19 with a break for lunch from noon to 12:30 p.m. No club schedule, just come and go. Open Class Photography will be entered at 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. They will be judged from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 19. Photos are

to be mounted on uniform matting. The photo mat mount boards are available for \$1.50 each at the Norton County Extension Office located at 107 S. State Street in downtown Norton.

The Fair board is urging all entrants of 4-H and Open class Poultry, Rabbits, Livestock, and 4-H and FFA Horse to bring tri-section entry cards into the Extension Office by Thursday, July 17. Open class and youth breeding livestock: Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats and youth Horse entrants will need to pay a \$2 fee per animal for a veterinarian health check. Only youth animals eligible for auction such as the Market

Beef Steer, Lambs, Meat Goats, and Swine pay a \$3 fee including the veterinary check and identification tag for the sale.

The Dog, Cat and Hand Pet Show will be another pre-fair activity on Monday, July 14. The Dog, Pet and Cat show is a 4-H youth only show. On Saturday, July 12, the Fun Day Horse Show will begin at 9 a.m. and the 4-H Fashion Revue will be at 7 p.m. On Monday, July 21 the 4-H Horse Show will begin at 9 a.m. and the Club Booths set up in the 4-H Building must

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## New Emergency Management Director for county

By MIKE STEPHENS  
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Norton County will have a new Emergency Management Director as of this week. Kathleen Conrad will fill the position vacated by Justina Wetter.

"I appreciate the opportunity and look forward to getting to know the people in Norton County, working alongside them, and taking steps to lessen the impact of any future natural disasters or man-made emergencies," Conrad said.

For the past three years, she has worked for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office in Golden, Colo., as an evidence technician. Prior to that, she worked with the Box Elder County Sheriff's Office in northern Utah.

"I trained sworn personnel, assisted



Kathleen Conrad

critical incident victims, and worked in Emergency Management," Conrad said. "I was also a member of the Northern Utah Incident Support Team, a multi-county team designed to assist other areas of the state in an emergency. During my time with Box Elder County, I was able to attend two 5-day Emergency Management Institute courses at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, Md. Each trip was an exceptional opportunity as the simulated hands-on training was top notch. Getting a group from Norton County accepted for a course at the NETC is one of the things I would like to work towards."

As Emergency Management Director, Conrad will work with numerous

entities and will be a liaison between local government agencies and state and federal agencies.

"I view emergency management as a mix of mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. The four elements in this framework interconnect, as each element influences the other three. It's an ongoing process that involves meetings, submitting grants, tabletop and full-scale exercises, collecting Tier II reports, and maintaining a Tier II database of the County's hazardous materials. I also plan on keeping the emergency response plans up to date and putting together an emergency operations center plan, so in the event of an emer-

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## Child Advocacy Center seeks funding for 2015

By MIKE STEPHENS  
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The Norton City Council heard a request for funding from Vickie Hubin of Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center at its Wednesday meeting.

It's a non-profit organization that assists children, and their families, who are victims of physical and sexual abuse, or witnessed a violent crime or act.

Hubin told the Council that the Child Advocacy Center has six staff members that cover 30 counties in western Kansas and has an operating budget of \$450,000 per year. The Center's services come at no-cost to the victims and their family. There are three locations; Sublette, Scott City and Colby. There is a mobile Child Advocacy Center as well.

Hubin said the Center eliminates the need for a child to be shuffled through

police stations, doctors' offices, possibly courtrooms, and reduces the need for multiple interviews, thus sparing the child fear and trauma often associated with these experiences.

She also told the Council that there were 11 cases of child abuse reported in Norton County in 2013.

Council member and Finance committee chairman Ron Briery told Hubin that funding for 2015 for the Center would be considered when the committee begins working on the 2015 budget.

In the short-term, the Council approved a \$500 donation to the Center that will be paid from the general fund.

In other council news:  
-approved Resolution 11-2014, lifting the burn ban in the city of Norton.  
-approved Resolution 12-2014, requiring clean up from storm damage to begin three days after the storm.

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## 5K Fun Run!



The Norton Chamber of Commerce hosted its 5K Fun Run on Friday morning. There were around 100 participants, with Gunnar Hays as the top male runner and Darcy Bainter as the top female runner. In the kids division, Ricky King was the top male runner and Taryn Kuhn was the top female runner.

-Telegram photo by Shylo Paxton

