

# Credit Union holds annual meeting

(Continued from Page 1) them to add online banking and become an ACA provider, so that people can pay their bills online.

"These tools have been added to give more convenience to members," he said. "It won't make the credit union a lot of money. But as members use more services, it makes us more successful."

Mr. Keilig said the financial statement just keeps getting better and has improved in every area. He said they gave \$1.5 million in loans last year, which is an 11 percent increase. There was also a minor decrease in operating expenses.

The credit union's membership is at an all-time high of 2,354, which is an increase of 74 members from the previous year.

"I just want to thank the staff and board for their dedication and the members for using the credit union's services," he said. "We're successful because of you. Thanks for coming to the 58th annual meeting and remember, everything we do, we do for you."

For the financial report, Mr. Keilig said in 2006 the financial institution had given out 1,174 loans to 691 borrowers for \$16,027,292 with a \$247,064 allowance for loan losses, and had \$4,600,903 in cash and investments; \$66,371 in land and building; \$130,000 in furniture and fixtures (the majority of which was computer purchases); and \$987,739 in other assets for \$21,565,242 in total assets.

There were \$132,063 in liabilities; \$18,766,632 in shares deposited; and \$2,666,546 in reserves for \$21,565,242 in liabilities and owners equity.

He said the credit union had a gross income of \$1,490,176; expenses were \$639,143; and



After the Northwest Federal Credit Union's annual meeting, Jamie Applegate, left, helped Clemetine Montoia pack up the portable CD player she won. —Telegram photos by Carolyn Plotts

\$482,393 was paid out in dividends for a net income of \$368,639. (The figures do not include the cents, which were in the original report. They are rounded down to the nearest dollar.)

The assembly accepted the financial report.

Bill Beale gave the supervisory committee report, saying that the credit union had a balanced budget for 2006. He said both the federal examiners and Mapes and Miller gave good reports on the credit union's financial statements.

Board member elections were

held. Greg Engel and Bette Townsend were re-elected. Also on the ballot were Alan Hale and Joy Johnson.

Special recognition was given to Mr. Engel and Don McMullen, as both have volunteered their time for 15 years.

Board members are Mr. Green, Ms. Townsend, Mr. Engel, Steve Mathes and Don McClelland.

Making up the supervisory committee are Mr. Beale, Mr. McMullen and Brenda Mann.

Employees are Mr. Keilig, Denise Bailey, Sharon Black (Oberlin), Lori Duscher, Susan

Gilgenbach, Jamie Applegate, Trisha Cressler and Kendra Baker.

Doorprize winners were: electric cords — Betty Schrum, Alan Hale, Gary Lacy, Alberta Slaby, Lois Rostek and Ed Ballinger; watch — John Schrum; CD player — Clemetine Montoia; money clip — Bob Husted; can cooler — Delores Stapp; Sacagawea dollar book — Barbara Ballinger; heated massager — Alvin Mapes; 2006 proof — Sandy Gade; silver quarter proof set — Veronica Monier; Kansas key chain — John Mann; cooler bag — Alma Schultze; and quarter books — John Little and Alice Barnett.

# Top speller advances to Norton County bee

(Continued from Page 1) Baird, Clint Cole, Kenzi Husted, Tyson Callaway, Brittanie Larison, Patience Coffman, Dallas Stillion, Kolton Hilburn, Dakota Hilburn, Macy Kasson, Caleb Bach, Skyler Harris, Kelsey Raburn, Ian Vincent, Jordan Baird, Yantsy Claflin and Chris Pinzenscham.

Teacher Jim Springer pronounced the words. The Norton County Spelling Bee will be held at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 14 at the Almena High School Auditorium. Lenora, Norton and Northern Valley will send their top spellers to compete in this bee.

The winner advances to the State Spelling Bee to be held for the last time at Topeka. It is scheduled for Saturday, March 24 at Washburn Rural High School.

## 4-H NEWS

### Discovery Days

By **CARISSA WENTZ**  
**Prairie Dog 4-H Club**

As a seven-year member of the Prairie Dog 4-H Club, I have done almost all of the activities available. But this year, I got to experience a whole new level of activities. This year I attended Discovery Days on the Kansas State campus. We stayed in the doom rooms with a roommate. They only gave you one set of keys, so you learned how to be responsible and made sure you didn't lose the keys. Also, you had to make sure you didn't lose your "cafeteria card", as I like to call it. You had to have this card to be able to eat breakfast, lunch, and dinner. You also needed to learn your way around the campus, which was very challenging for a first-timer. But, since my older sister has been there since she was 13, she knew her way around and helped me out. Plus, there are many people there who would help you find your way.

years, the Advanced Scrapbooking class was more expensive and didn't supply any materials. I enjoyed this class because it let me be creative and I used the scrapbook I made as a project for the fair. Another one of my classes was Discovery Dance, which was taught by two of the "Classy Cat" members. We learned a line dance and another dance. I really enjoyed this class mainly because I love to dance and it was a workout. My last class was T-Shirt Quilts. In this class, we learned how to make quilts out of your favorite t-shirts, which makes the quilt very unique and special. I have a long way to go on my quilt.

My favorite part of Discovery Days was probably the dances. There were two dances and they were so much fun! I also made a lot of new friends and I can't wait to see them again next year at Discovery Days. If you are eligible to attend Discovery Days, I advise you to go. You learn a lot as to how to socialize and it teaches you responsibility.

I took three different classes at Discovery Days. One of my classes was Beginning Scrapbooking. Although I have been scrapbooking for a couple of

# SCHOOL CALENDAR

## NORTON Senior High

Saturday — MCL Basketball Tournament, finals at Hays. Girls at 3 p.m. or 6 p.m. Boys at 4:30 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.; FFA Agriculture in Education Speech Contest, Manhattan; Varsity wrestling at Emporia, make up for the loss of the Newton Tournament, 9 a.m.

Sunday — Prom Style Preview, junior high gym, 2 p.m.

Monday — Jay Singers, A.P.; Honor Choir and Band, UNK; FFA Public Speaking Contest, Hill City, 4 p.m.

Tuesday — Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.; Scholars Bowl, Phillipsburg, 4 p.m.; High School Basketball vs. Goodland in Norton, 4 p.m.; Post Prom Soup Supper, cafeteria, 5 p.m.; FCCLA Cake Raffle

Wednesday — SADD/KAYS Assembly, A.P.

Thursday — Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.; FCCLA Meeting, A.P.; Scholars Bowl at Osborne, 4 p.m.; Basketball vs. Oberlin in Norton, make up from Jan. 2, 5 p.m.; FFA Meeting, 7 p.m.

Friday — Jazz Band, A.P.; FFA Ag Education Symposium, Manhattan;

Saturday — FFA Ag Education Symposium, Manhattan; Wrestling, MCL Tournament at Hill City, 10 a.m.; Wrestling at Arapahoe, Neb., 10 a.m.; Forensics at Oberlin, 7:30 a.m.

Next Sunday — Band Concert, Stull Gymnasium, 2:30 p.m.; Post Prom Meeting, cafeteria, 3:30

p.m.

Next Monday — Jay Singers, A.P.; NCHS Scholars' Bowl, 4 p.m.

Next Tuesday — Jay Singers, A.P.; Basketball at Smith Center, 4 p.m.; Wrestling vs. Kearney and Hays in Norton, 5 p.m.

## Junior High

Monday — Scholars Bowl at Smith Center, 4 p.m.

## Eisenhower

Wednesday — SIT Meeting, 7:30 a.m.; 5th grade KMO, band room, 3 p.m.

## All Schools

Monday — Professional Development Council, Unified Office, meeting changed from Jan. 29, 4 p.m.

Wednesday — Special Meeting of Curriculum Council, Unified Office, 4 p.m.

## Junior/Senior High Menu

Monday — Breakfast: French toast stix with syrup, fruit or juice, or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Chicken enchilada, hot roll, fruit cocktail; or chef salad, milk

Tuesday — Breakfast: Chocolate chip muffin, fruit or juice, or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Cheddar chowder with crackers, carrots and celery, hot roll, fruit salad, snickerdoodle cookie, or chef salad, milk

Wednesday — Breakfast: Breakfast casserole, fruit or juice, or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Macaroni and cheese, green beans, garden salad, pineapple chunks, or chef salad, milk

Thursday — Breakfast: Cinnamon bubble, fruit or juice, or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Grilled chicken sandwich, peas, chocolate pudding, or chef salad, milk

Friday — Cherry bread, fruit or juice, or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Beef and noodles with mashed potatoes, vegetable salad, hotroll, peaches, or chef salad, milk

## Eisenhower Menu

Monday — Breakfast: Strawberries, bagel with cream cheese, milk; Lunch: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, baby carrots, pineapple chunks, dinner roll, milk

Tuesday — Breakfast: Apple wedge, banana spears, oatmeal muffin square, toast with peanut butter, milk; Lunch: Lasagna, tossed salad, peaches, garlic bread, milk

Wednesday — Breakfast: Sausage pancake stick, strawberry fruit cup, milk; Lunch: Roast beef, whipped potatoes, corn, pepper strips, banana bread, milk

Thursday — Breakfast: Shipwreck, orange juice, milk; Lunch: Ike burger, French fries, dill spear, pears, no bake cookies, milk

Friday — Breakfast: Hot ham slice, hashbrown patty, peaches, apple juice, milk; Lunch: Baked chicken, whipped potatoes, green beans, strawberry fruit cup, French bread, milk

## NORTHERN VALLEY

Monday — Cheyenne Conference Band Clinic at Western Plains; NW District Leadership Conference and Public Speaking Contest at Hill City, 4 p.m.

Tuesday — Bal-A-Vis-X Training at Glade; High School Basketball vs. Lucas Luray at Luray, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday — FastForWard Training at Salina, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday — 5th and 6th Grade Bald Eagle Day Program at Kirwin, 9:30 a.m.; Junior High Basketball vs. Damar at Almena, 4:30 p.m.

Friday — Breakfast and Lunch Payment Due; Ad Ed Symposium at Junction City, 8 a.m.; High School Basketball at Kensington, 4:30 p.m.

Next Saturday — Ag Ed Symposium at Junction City, 8 a.m.

## RETAILER ID TRAINING

The Norton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs, Norton County Health Department and the Youth Access Prevention Partnership are pleased to sponsor a free Retailer ID Training for Norton County liquor and tobacco retailers. An agent from the Alcohol Beverage Control will provide hands on training for clerks to learn how to identify false id's and learn state laws regarding the sale of alcohol and tobacco. Local Law Enforcement officers will present meth awareness training for clerks.

**TRAINING DATE:**  
**Wednesday, January 24, 2007**

**TRAINING TIME:**  
**6:00-8:00 p.m. at Norton City Offices (Basement)**

ALL CLERKS AND STAFF ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THIS FREE TRAINING!  
Retailers participating will receive a free 2007 ID Guide

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