

Hometown singing



Norton native Fonda Telthorst (nee Peil) led an inspirational gospel concert at the Norton County Fair on Tuesday evening. Telthorst is the daughter of Sonya Montgomery, Almena. Fonda now lives in Kansas City. She writes much of her music, and has released two CDs. She leads worship in local churches and at Christian conferences. The Ministerial Alliance sponsored the event. Fonda, who also shared many of the songs' origins with the audience, commented that she was both humbled and pleased to be able to share her music and her faith with her hometown. For further information, visit her at fondasings.com.

- Telegram photo by Vicki Henderson

OBITUARIES

Fredrick J. Nelson

Oct. 18, 1925 - July 21, 2009

Fredrick J. Nelson died Tuesday near Hill City.

He was 83-years-old. He was born on Oct. 18, 1925 to James and Christine (Johnson) Nelson in Rural Graham County.

Fredrick served in the United States Army during World War II.

He was a farmer for most of his life.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and one sister.

Fredrick is survived by his

daughter Christie VanCamp, of Carbondale, and four grandchildren.

The funeral will be held next Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. at Kansas Veterans Cemetery in Wa-Keeney.

Burial will follow. There will be no visitation. Pastor Randy Gibbs will officiate.

The family asks that donations be made to Love Without Boundaries or the Disabled Veterans Fund.

FYI

The St. Francis Altar Society will deliver Meals on Wheels July 27-Aug. 2.

The contact person is Tina Silan 877-5256.

Norton Community Schools asks residents to notify them if they have a change of address or are new to the area.

Call the unified office 877-3386 if you have updated information.

Sebelius Reservoir Shady Rest campground, south of the main campground, sites S8 to S14 will be closed until Aug. 7 for the installation of water and electricity.

The new sites across the road will take longer to complete due to drainage issues and completion of the site pads.

Sites S1 to S7 will be not affected as they are remaining primitive sites.

Shopping tips keep foods safe

Summer heat can increase food safety risks.

If the temperature is 90 degrees or above, perishable food at room temperature can be at risk of contamination after one, rather than two, hours.

Summer food safety mistakes before, during or after food shopping can put consumers at risk for food borne illness.

Here we offer food safety tips to minimize risks:

- Running errands? Make the stop at the farmers' market or

grocery store the last stop before going home.

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Tranda Watts, Extension specialist



- Separate groceries as you shop -- or at checkout. Place perishable foods in a cooler; pack fresh

produce gently.

- Place groceries in an air-conditioned car or truck, out of direct sunlight.

- At home, store perishable foods first.

- Brush dirt from produce before storing it; wash produce before eating it raw, cutting into it, or adding it to a recipe. Cutting into fruits and vegetables without first washing them may transfer microorganisms to the edible portion.

- Separate raw foods from cooked foods; wrap or cover foods before refrigerating them to

prevent cross contamination and migration of flavors. Wash hands with hot, soapy water before and after handling raw and cooked foods. If water will be unavailable at a picnic or outdoor event, packing a wet washcloth and soap in a re-sealable plastic bag; hand sanitizer or towelette can help to reduce risks.

More information on food and food safety is available at your local County or District K-State Research and Extension office or by e-mailing twatts@ksu.edu.

Bullfighter a tradition at area rodeo

Greg Rumohr is one of the most loved personalities at Kansas' Biggest Rodeo each year.

The pro rodeo bullfighter has worked the Phillipsburg rodeo for the last 21 years, and in that time has endeared himself to fans.

As a youngster, Mr. Rumohr's interest in rodeo was piqued through chuckwagon racing. He and his dad raced wagons at local rodeos near their home in Cereal, Alberta, Canada. Chuckwagon races would be in the evenings, so Mr. Rumohr and his dad killed time in the afternoon by watching the rodeo. Greg was impressed by the bullfighters.

"I used to imitate the clowns," he said.

"My cousin, she said, 'why don't you try that?' And I said, 'Yeah, I'd like to,' and that's all that became of it," he said.

It wasn't until two years later at a rodeo in Edmonton that the idea resurfaced.

Mr. Rumohr was in the crowd when the clowns came up into the stands to do an act. He asked them, "hey, you ain't got any (bullfighting) schools coming up?" And they said, "yes, next weekend in Oklahoma." Greg said, "I'm going

to be there."

Mr. Rumohr's athleticism made him a natural at bullfighting. He played hockey in his youth, and still plays when he goes home to Canada, and he was a boxer.

At one time, he nearly signed a contract to fight every third Friday in Las Vegas, but he didn't because he didn't want to give up hockey and racing chuckwagons.

After going to bullfighting school in Oklahoma, Mr. Rumohr worked some amateur rodeos for a couple of years before getting his Canadian pro rodeo bullfighting card.

Then the Wrangler Bullfights began in the U.S., and Mr. Rumohr came south, got his U.S. pro rodeo card and worked the bullfights.

He was very successful at them, winning the championship in 1990 and being reserve champion several times.

At the same time, Mr. Rumohr was working rodeos both in the U.S. and Canada.

He worked for the Franklin Rodeo Co., headquartered in Alberta, who had rodeos in both that Canada and Texas.

It was while he was in Texas that stock contractor Bennie Beutler

saw his work and hired him for three rodeos, and his pro rodeo career in the U.S. took off.

For the first few years, Greg traveled between Canada and Texas, rodeoing in Canada in the summer and Texas in the winter.

By 1990, Mr. Rumohr had made a home in Texas. He built a small cabin with a generator and a wood burning stove, to cut down on bills.

He spent most of his time on the road, driving a little Corvette and working both pro rodeos and Wrangler Bullfights in the U.S. and making a good living at it.

Mr. Rumohr competed in the Wrangler Bullfights till they were discontinued in 2000.

Knowing a bullfighting career wouldn't last forever, he bought heavy equipment and began a bulldozing company in Rio Vista, Texas, where he currently lives with his wife and two daughters.

Bullfighting is now a hobby for him. He only works four rodeos: Phillipsburg, North Platte, Neb., Oklahoma City, and Loveland Colo.

Of those rodeos, the first three he has had since he received his Pro Rodeo Cowboys Association card in 1989. He is fiercely loyal to all three of them and says that when his contract isn't renewed at one of them, he'll retire from the sport.

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July 29-August 1, Abilene
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(785) 263-4570, wildbillhickokrodeo.com

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July 30-August 1, Phillipsburg
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(785) 543-2448, kansasbiggestrodeo.com

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August 1, Dodge City
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August 3-9, Wichita
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Jenny Poage, Kim Wicker, Shawn Mortensen, Shirley Erbert, Georgia Rowh, Jean White, Jake Durham, Verla Grysch, Lyman Rowh, Diane Stiles, Warren White and Karla Reed participated in the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Norton Technology Center. The center is located at 103 S. State Street and offers computer classes as well as a room for community use.