

There is a price for freedom



The Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall is in Norton for the rest of this week. This is the culmination of six months of work by many groups and individuals.

The wall memorializes those who made the ultimate sacrifice to ensure the freedoms we enjoy here in the United States of America.

The wall, located on the grounds of Prairie Land Electric, on West Highway 36, has no set hours, but ceremonies are planned each evening at 7. Closing ceremonies are set for Monday at 2 p.m.

Stop by any time for contemplation.

Then find a vet and thank them. Telegram photo by Harriett Gill.



Thumbs Up to Carolyn Plotts for the wonderful stories on our local heroes. *Called in.*

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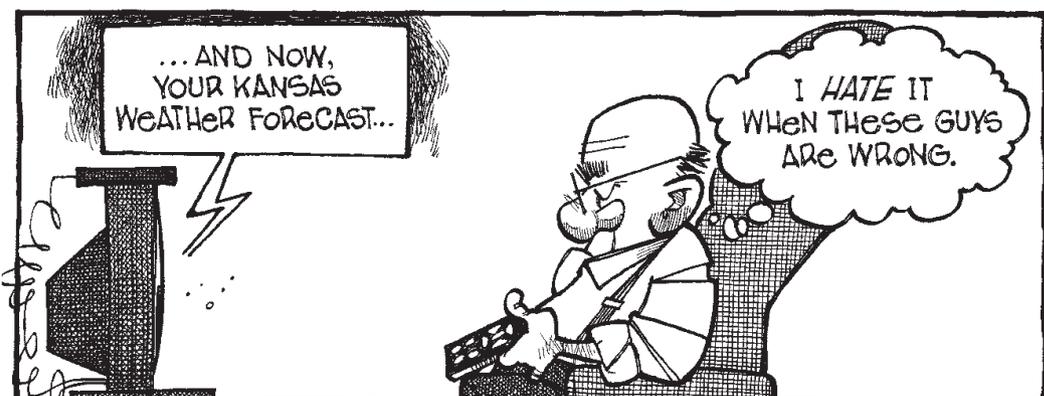
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Knowledge is key to religious tolerance

According to a recent poll, about one in five Americans now believes President Obama is a Muslim, up from the one in ten a year ago. My question about this is, "And this is important why...?"

Islam, Judaism and Christianity all worship the same God. For Muslims, the Islamic word Allah translates into 'One True God'; just as Yahweh is sometimes recognized as another name for God in Christianity or Elohim for Jews. I am known as Sport by Jack, Mima to my grandchildren, aunt to my nephews and niece and Mom by my kids, I am still the same person, but each group identifies me based upon their history with me.

In Islam, Muhammad is not a god or a divine being or even the founder of the Islam faith, but a messenger from God. He is considered the father of all prophets including Abraham and Jesus. It is also believed, in the Islamic faith, only special prophets have "transmitted sacred texts" and Jesus was one of those.

Phase II Mary Kay Woodyard



Jesus is considered by Muslims to be "distinct and exceptional"; as being formed directly from Allah/God and placed in Mary's womb. Islam teaches Jesus will return at the end of life to bring justice and conquer the unrighteous. Judaism, on the other hand, views Jesus as a man but not a prophet.

In the Qur'an, Jews and Christians are referred to as the "People of the Book" meaning people who have received previous revelations from the One Almighty God we all worship." The Qur'an reminds Muslims they are not the only ones who worship the one God and instructs them

to protect all places where God is worshipped.

The Qur'an promotes tolerance of non-Muslims, but just as with Christians, there have been those who do not interpret the message as one of peace. We must view the Islamic faith as we want the Christian faith to be viewed, with the eyes of tolerance, not extremism. There are many views and myths about all religions and Christianity is no exception, nor is Islam. It is in our best interest to study and acquaint ourselves with religions around the world. They definitely define our future ever so much as they have determined our past. Ideas, beliefs and cultures we don't understand or associate with, we will fear. We cannot overcome this fear by burying our heads in the sand but instead we must learn about our similarities and our differences, as Sir Francis Bacon once said, "Knowledge is power."

The frustration of pest infestation and what to do

So, why are fleas and ticks so important? They are a major disease carrier that affects both us and our pets. And we all value our health and the health of our pets. Flea and tick control is very frustrating for both pet owners and veterinarians alike. Below are some very important questions that each pet owner needs to answer in order to have effective flea and tick control. Are you having difficulty with fleas and ticks on your pets and in your home? These questions will help get to the bottom of the issue.

1. Are all of the dogs and cats in your home being treated with Frontline Plus? If yes, great! If no, are your pets being treated with any product? If yes, the product may not be effective against all four stages of ticks and three stages of fleas. Some products are even dangerous and can cause seizures and even death in your pet. If no, fleas and ticks can infest both dogs and cats. Apply Frontline Plus to all dogs and cats in your household monthly year-around.

2. Are all of the dogs and cats receiving the correct product and doses for their species and weight? If no, visit with your

Vet tips Dr. Sara White



veterinarian about what specific product you are using on each pet and how often. This is a major factor in controlling fleas and ticks.

3. Are you applying Frontline Plus to the skin, not just the hair coat? If no, apply applicator tip through the hair coat to the skin level between the shoulder blades, applying the entire contents to a single spot.

4. Have you applied Frontline Plus once-a-month for the last 3 to 4 months? If no, to ensure effective control, you should know the last three times you applied frontline plus. Staying on top of your pet's flea-control schedules is essential in taking control of the problem.

5. How many fleas are you seeing on your pet? If you are seeing only a few, fleas may jump onto your pets at any

time. If you are seeing many, your pet's environment most likely is a major source of flea infestations.

6. Do your pets go outside? Untreated animals (including wildlife) can drop flea eggs and ticks into the environment. The fleas and ticks then wait patiently for an opportunity to jump or climb onto your pets. It is very important that owners have realistic expectations and realize that dogs and cats that spend time outdoors may have an occasional flea or tick on them. For best result use Frontline Plus on all your pets monthly year-around.

7. Are there other dogs and cats or untreated animals (wildlife) that have access to your house or yard? If so, untreated animals are carriers and a potential flea and tick source. This can be a continual source of re-infestation for your pet and home.

8. Do any of your pets have access to areas underneath your home or wooded areas? Areas under homes and wooded areas are the perfect environments for fleas and ticks to develop; untreated rodents often hide under houses. If you can, block access to areas under your home.

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