

## Balancing act



"The Fabulous Chinese Acrobats" from the Bureau of Lectures Program performed at the Logan School gymnasium on Feb. 18. The event was sponsored by the Dane G. Hansen Museum and the Dane G. Hansen Foundation.

# Doors

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wood shop at the high school. The wood shop, said Mr. Dorshorst, will have the same issue as the classrooms with the one-hour fire corridor. The wood shop has a classroom in front of it that has a wall of windows. Those windows, he said, will most likely have to all be replaced with a solid wall.

With the science rooms, the wall goes just slightly above the suspended ceilings. The district will need to extend the wall up to the roof, so that each room is like a box, he said. Without the addition to the wall, said Mr. Dorshorst, the inspector said fire and smoke can move from the science rooms to the hallways in case of a fire.

The trusses that support the roof, he said, are between the dropped ceiling and the roof, making changes more difficult.

Mr. Dorshorst said the district was given 10 days to reply and 90 days to get the repairs done, but can ask for more time on the big things. He said his question is why this hasn't been an issue until now.

Mr. Dorshorst said he has no idea what the cost of the work will be and won't know until they get an architect in and get plans, but he's guessing it could be over \$100,000.

The Oberlin district wasn't the only one with the issues about the doors and door jams. The Norton

School District, which has also had the same inspector for years, had the same report.

Superintendent Greg Mann said Norton was given basically four options: replace the doors that aren't rated for an hour, put in the hard-wired smoke detectors, file for a hardship waiver or have an architect write a letter stating there is no practical way to apply the new code.

There is a certain number of square inches that can be in the glass on the door to get a one-hour rating, Mr. Mann said he thought it was 100 or less.

The big thing on the doors is that each one has to have a tag on it, and some of the older doors would meet the code but the doors are not marked.

The door jams have to be fire rated, too, said Mr. Mann, adding that a lot of the jams are cemented into place and would need to be cut out.

Also, he said, a lot of the older buildings have windows up high in the walls. Those are a no-no and have to be taken out. Mr. Mann said the district hasn't ever been told about any of these issues before.

It could cost roughly \$20,000 to comply, Mr. Mann said. It's not that the district doesn't have the money, but this wasn't something it had planned on.

Mr. Mann said he was told by the inspector that the buildings built

prior to 1987 had been grandfathered in, but the codes that are now being used are from 1991. Mr. Mann said the fire marshal's office claims to know nothing about the allowance for older buildings.

He said he asked why the districts now are getting notices on the same thing, but the inspectors don't really know.

Mr. Mann said he was told that the Norton School District could get additional time to comply if needed.

He said that state Rep. Ward Cassidy has been working on the problem. He has drafted a bill to help districts in this situation not have to do the repairs until the state education budget goes back up.

Neither superintendent was sure if any other districts have received similar inspection reports.

The fire marshal's office just adopted a new standard the first of February, said Mr. Jorgensen, but the door thing was part of the old code. When a code is changed, he said, they hold public meetings. The proposed changes are run through the state Department of Administration, attorney gen-

eral's and the secretary of state's offices. All of this was done with the new code, he said.

Last week, he said, several school superintendents were in Topeka for a meeting. Mr. Jorgensen said he talked to them about these rules.

Several of the superintendents weren't aware that there are some other things they can do, he said, including putting in additional smoke detectors or filing for a financial hardship waiver.

While the waiver would put off the project for a while, he said, it would still have to be done unless the codes are changed. Mr. Jorgensen said he didn't know how long the waivers could delay the project.

"We understand that schools don't have any money," he added.

Regulatory agencies like his, said Mr. Jorgensen, normally don't have a big fan club, but they are charged under state law with enforcing the fire safety codes. It's important for the protection of the people in the buildings, he said.

## •PUBLIC NOTICE•

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GENEVA N. BERRY

Published in The Norton Telegram on Friday, February 25, March 4, and March 11, 2011

(3T)  
In the Matter of the Trust Estate of GENEVA N. BERRY, Deceased  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
**UNDER K.S.A. 58a-818**  
TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that GENEVA N. BERRY died on December 26, 2010. The decedent was the Settlor of the GENEVA N. BERRY LIVING TRUST, under which JOSEPH C. BERRY serves as Trustee. The Trustee has the power to pay the outstanding debts of the decedent from the trust property upon receipt of proper proof thereof. In accordance with K.S.A. 58a-818, creditors of the decedent must present claims for such debts to the trustee in

writing within the later of four (4) months from the date of the first publication of notice, or thirty (30) days after receipt of actual notice if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable by the Successor Trustee. If a creditor fails to present such claims to the Successor Trustee within such prescribed time period, the creditor will be forever barred as against the Successor Trustee and the trust property.

JOSEPH C. BERRY, Trustee  
GENEVA N. BERRY  
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By Joseph C. Berry

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## PUBLIC RECORD

**District Court**  
These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the District Court clerk at the Norton County Courthouse. Traffic, criminal and wildlife parks cases are given to the paper when the fines are paid. Limited action and small claim cases are reported only after the defendant is served.

**Traffic**  
Dec. 2 – Paige Jordan Lowry, speeding 87 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$123, court cost \$93.50.  
Dec. 2 – Michael W. Manning, Littleton, Colo., speeding 74 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$45, court cost \$93.50.  
Dec. 2 – Gregory Allen McElroy, Randall, speeding 75 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$45, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Eric A. Muehleisen, Hays, speeding 69 in a 55 mph zone, fine \$69, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Alexis M. Nelson, Holdrege, Neb., failure to have insurance on vehicle, fine \$300, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Calvin J. Perkins, Lenora, operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, fine \$75, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Tonya Kay Porter, Norcat, failure to use child safety restraints, fine \$60, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Cynthia L. Scanion, WaKeeney, speeding 78 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$63, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Jesus C. Sepulveda, Colby, failure to have vehicle registration, fine \$75, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Garrett R. Smullins, Loveland, Colo., speeding 80 in a

65 mph zone, fine \$75, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Zachary T. Steinberg, Montrose, Colo., speeding 83 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$75, court cost \$93.50.

Dec. 2 – Galen E. Tacha, Jennings, failure to wear seat belt, fine \$5.

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**Municipal Court**  
These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the Norton Municipal Court. The traffic and criminal cases were given to the paper with the date of the hearings.

**Traffic**  
Dec. 30 – Shay Miller, Goodland, failure to have driver's license and failure to wear seat belt, 14 to 17 year old. Fine \$60, court cost \$76.

Dec. 30 – Tommy Winningham, Norton, speeding 55 in a 35 mph zone, fine \$90, court cost \$76.

Dec. 30 – Jennifer Fick, Norton, crossing the center line and driving under the influence of alcohol. Fine \$602, Diversion Assessment fee \$500, fee \$250, ADSAP fee \$150, KBI Lab fee \$400, court cost \$76.

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Norton County Senior Center receives Federal Transit Administration (FTA) operating dollars. This funding is utilized for the purchase of fuel, insurance, equipment maintenance and storage. This agency is seeing Kansas Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) certified companies as potential vendors for these services. Please contact Ramona Pabian at 877-5352 if you are a DBE or are interested in learning more about the DBE program.

# Tuition

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In other business, the board:  
• Approved giving Chartwell's, the college's food provider, a contract increase of 3.5 percent. Nichols said the dining service wanted the raise because of increasing health-care and gas costs.

• Listened to Bryan Staats of the accounting firm Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball discuss the results of the audit he conducted of the 2009-2010 school budget. Staats told the board the college's reserves are dangerously low. He said the college should have \$3.5 million in reserves, but has about \$1 million.

Staats told the board that net revenue requirements of the 2007 revenue bonds are not being met. The bond issue was used to con-

struct the new dorm. Waites said the board will have to address the situation.

He said the problem relates to lack of occupancy in the residence hall. Waites said the college is in compliance with reserve requirement of \$340,000 or more.

• Heard Waites say the college has \$5.7 million left in the current budget, or about about 42 percent, with five months left to go.

• Listened to Waites say the college's cash balance at the end of December was \$330,000. The college brought in about \$3 million that month, spending almost \$1.4 million on payroll, bills and debt service.

Waites said the cash balance at the end of January was \$2 million. The bulk of this money – \$1.76 million – was in Sunflower Bank.

**LAKE OF THE OZARKS AUCTIONS**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 26  
HOMES, CONDOS AND LOTS WITH MANY SELLING ABSOLUTE!  
Gallery Style Auction held at 11:03 am  
at The Lodge of Four Seasons

**Buyer's Seminar will be held on Saturday, March 5**  
at JB Hooks Restaurant starting at 10:00 am  
Homes and Condos will be open for inspection on Saturday, March 5 - Noon to 4 pm

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16**  
4 PREMIER LAKEFRONT HOMES TO BE SOLD!  
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**CITY OF WICHITA INTERNET AUCTION**  
Bidding starts to close Thurs., March 10 at 10 A.M.  
**Backhoe:** (2) JCB 214 **Loader:** Int'l 100E track loader **Tractors:** (2) compact tractors **Asphalt Equip:** press-app, pwr bx pvr **Rollers & Packers:** 97 Benford roller **Heavy Trucks:** (4) fire trks, dump trk **Autos:** (8) crown vics, (6) compact cars, (7) pickups, (2) vans, plus trailers, utility vehicles, road sfty equip, Blue Fin boat, pumps, air compressors and tons more.  
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**SouthWestern Association EQUIPMENT INTERNET AUCTION**  
Bidding starts to close Tues., March 15 at 10 A.M.  
**Tractors:** (2) '05 CIH STX 425 4WD, JD 9420 4WD, CIH MX 285 MFWD, '05 NH TG285, '04 JD 6320 2WD, '05 NH TG285 MFWD **Combines:** '06 JD 9760 STS, JD 9860 STS, '04 AGCO Gleaner R65 RWA, **Application:** JD 4920 **Tillage:** '09 GP SS1300A sub soiler **Hay & Forage:** (2) JD 7700 SPFH, JD 7500 SPFH, JD 4995 wdrwr, **Seeding & Planting:** '06 Kinze 16/31 interplant, JD 1770 16R30, JD 1710 12R30 **Const Equip:** '07 Erskine backhoe GX920, '04 JD 1812C scraper and more.  
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2- Hour Energy Workshop for Home-Owners will provide quick and easy energy saving fixes and repairs.  
Held at Colby Community College  
March 7, 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Cost: \$22 includes hand-out material.  
To register contact Amy Smith at 1-800-729-6222, ext 205.  
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March 7 and 8  
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