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Briefly

Come learn how to organize papers

Are your important papers in order? Do you know where they are? Join Byron Hale, Twin Creeks Extension Director, for an informative hour on getting your papers in order. This seminar will be held on Monday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Norton County 4-H Building. Please RSVP to your Extension Office at 785-877-5755 by May 9th by noon to reserve a space.

Record keeping, important papers, and junk mail. Are you bogged by where to put what? Come and learn about getting your important records and papers in order with Byron Hale, District Director, Twin Creeks Extension District #9.

Getting records and important papers in order is a small step in getting you organized to plan your estate for your family. This lesson will help participants organize their important papers for their own use and for their estate's executor.

Northern Valley to hold graduation

The Northern Valley High School will be holding their 2011 Graduation Ceremonies this Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Northern Valley High School gym.

Theatre to celebrate 18th anniversary

This weekend, the Norton Theatre is celebrating its 18th anniversary since reopening as a two screen theatre back in 1993. In honor of this event, the theatre will have BIG specials in the concession stand this weekend.

Friday: popcorn, any size for \$1.00. Saturday: fountain drinks, any size for \$1.00. Sunday: \$1.00 off any sized combo pack. Come out this weekend to see a movie and celebrate our milestone.

Logan graduation ceremonies Sunday

The Logan High School will be holding their 2011 eighth grade Graduation Ceremonies this Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Logan School Auditorium. The Logan Senior High School Graduation ceremonies will follow at 4 p.m.

Markets

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Wheat\$7.37
Milo.....\$5.96
Soybeans.....\$12.30
Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

Weather

Tonight - Mostly cloudy in the evening then becoming partly cloudy. **Saturday** - Mostly sunny with highs in the upper 70s. Partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy, patchy fog after midnight. **Sunday** - Mostly sunny with patchy fog in the morning. A 20 percent chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon. **Monday** - Mostly clear with highs in the upper 80s.

Kingham Report

Tuesday, May 3.....Low 35, High 74
Wednesday, May 4.....Low 44, High 72
Thursday, May 5.....Low 38, High 73
(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

Prayer

Dear Lord, give us the wisdom and the willingness to say we are sorry sooner rather than later. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

New clinic to open in two weeks

The new Norton Medical Clinic is scheduled to open on Tuesday, May 17, with an open house planned for the future.

Norton Hospital Administrator Rich Miller, Chief Financial Officer Ryan Stover and board members Steve Berry and Warren White visited with the Norton County commissioners last Friday during their end-of-the-month meeting.

The hospital usually sends a delegation every quarter to update the commissioners on how the county facility is doing.

Ryan gave the commissioners the hospital's comparative income statement for the month and year. He said that the reports and figures are favorable compared with

last quarter and look positive for the hospital, which normally makes a profit.

He also presented a report for the quarter on patient days, admissions, observations, births, surgeries, outpatient procedures and procedures performed on hospital patients.

Miller said that the clinic staff will start moving from the old to the new building on Friday, May 13. The transition will continue through the weekend and Monday, May 16.

Most of the moving will be done by clinic staff and a few volunteers. The staff will move all patient records and sensitive data.

After the clinic has been moved from the old to the new

building, the commissioners were told, the old building is expected to be used to house an expanded Colby Community College nursing program. The program is in the hospital but has outgrown its quarters.

Miller said that the hospital is looking at general contractors to renovate the old building for the nursing school.

He also told the commissioners that the hospital has purchased a digital mammography unit. The unit was purchased with tax credit financing from local individuals, Miller said.

In a month, he said, more than 100 mammograms have been performed.

Girls Heritage Club chapter founded in Norton

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There's a new girls club in town.

It's called American Heritage Girls and is founded on the principal of building women of integrity through service to God, family, community and country.

Co-leaders Christa Mulder and Patty Kleinschmidt, saw the need for a more Christ-centered organization to mentor young girls. Mrs. Mulder said, "I was looking for my personal ministry. After more than two years of praying about it I felt God calling me to do this. When I talked to Patty, she felt the same way. There are so many worldly things pulling our girls away, we wanted to provide an alternative."

The non-denominational organization was founded in 1995 in West Chester, Ohio by a group of concerned parents. Nationally, there are over 10,000 members. Areas of work where a girl may earn a badge, pin, patch or star include: heritage, family living, arts, outdoor skills, personal well-being and science and technology. There are also religious recognition awards and the highest level which is the Stars and Stripes Award that requires at least 100 hours of service work.

The group, which now boasts 19 members, was started last summer under the charter of The Rock. American Heritage Girls meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month in the Fellowship Hall of the Norton United Methodist Church. All girls, ages 5 through 18 are welcome. Other adult leaders and helpers are: Mandy Schumaker, Kandis Jackson, Melba Witt, Pastor Lynn Linde, Regina Beikman, Coni Park and Valerie Elliott.

American Heritage Girls are divided into five different age groups. Kindergarteners are called Pathfinders; first through third graders are Tenderhearts; fourth through sixth graders are Explorers; Pioneers encompass seventh through eighth graders and high schoolers are Patriots. All girls are encouraged to keep prayer journals and to keep their focus on Christ.



A little frosting and a few sprinkles make for a beautiful cake. American Heritage Girls, Matti Rhea, left, and Sydney Kleinschmidt, practiced their cake decorating skills at one of the organization's regular meetings. Jamie Wentz and her sons, Wyatt and Brendon, led the class which encouraged each girl to develop her own style. Cakes were decorated like panda bears, flags, the beach and flowers. --Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

The group, as a whole, must accomplish three service projects a year.

Kayleigh Norwood, 16, said, "I like being a mentor to the younger girls. We have lots of fun activities and I know it's

preparing me for leadership."

Some activities the Norton group has already taken part in are: cake decorating, studying the American flag, camping, hiking and archery.

To learn more about American Heritage Girls, call Mrs. Mulder at 877-3656 or go to the organization's website at: ahgonline.org.

Middle school band plays for family and friends



Under the direction of Don Mordecai, the Norton fifth and sixth grade presented their year end band concert for their families and public last Monday at the East Campus Auditorium. Seen here are part of the trombone section starting at the left with Matt Vacura, Shayd Dicks, Kendra Cadwalader and Josephine Otter.

--Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Company is inspecting county vehicles

Foley Equipment has completed the inspection of nine pieces of county equipment with two others nearing completion for the Norton County Road and Bridge Department.

The inspection is part of a county plan to get all its large pieces of equipment, such as motor graders and dozers, checked and serviced on a regular basis to save on breakdown costs.

Administrative Assistant Sandy Smith said that the inspection has found several pieces that need some service or immediate attention.

A few pieces of the equipment belong to the Solid Waste Department but most are from road and bridge.

Smith also told the commissioners that she is preparing estimates for upcoming road projects in order to help figure the Road and Bridge Department's budget. There are several projects people have asked that the road and bridge department take care of this next year, she said, and these have been put on the county's schedule.

Baird Oil has requested seven culverts, she said, for the E12 area. The culverts are needed due to some new wells in the

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