

Authorities warn of rabies Norton K-18 to start season tonight

In May, a skunk from Norton County tested positive for rabies at the Kansas State University Rabies Laboratory in Manhattan KS. The skunk was submitted by Dr. Graf from the All Creatures Veterinary Clinic in Almena. This is the 1st case in Norton County and the 13th case in Kansas in 2011. This year's positives include 12 skunks and 1 cat. In 2010 there were 58 animals testing positive in Kansas. The animals testing positive in 2010 included 39 skunks, 5 cats, 3 dogs, 5 cattle, and 6 bats.

able in both humans and domestic animals. In the US, there are around 7,000 animal rabies cases diagnosed every year. In the Midwest, skunks and bats are the main sources and the most common animal species positive for rabies. Domestic pets and livestock can be infected from exposure to these wildlife sources of rabies. Rabies prevention consists of vaccinating domestic animals, education of humans to avoid exposures, and providing exposed persons with prompt post-exposure rabies prophylaxis. The World Health Organization reports that 50,000 people die of rabies infection

world-wide every year. The Norton County Health Department offers these tips to prevent rabies. Have your veterinarian vaccinate all dogs, cats, ferrets, horses, and valuable livestock against rabies. If bitten by an animal, seek medical attention and report the bite to your local public health department or animal control department immediately. If your animal is bitten, contact your veterinarian for advice. Do not handle, or feed wild animals. Never adopt wild animals or bring them into your home.

If wild animals appear sick or injured call animal control (if applicable), wildlife and parks or your veterinarian for recommendations regarding the situation. Teach children never to handle unfamiliar animals, wild or domestic, even if they appear friendly. If you have additional questions, please contact your veterinarian, Norton County Health Department at 785-877-5745 or the K-State Rabies Laboratory at 785-532-4483.

By DICK BOYD
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The Norton K-18 Baseball Team's 2011 season will begin this evening at 6:30 p.m. when the Blue Jays host Smith Center at John Ryan Field in two five-inning games. Coaches Rick Green and Brad Cox have welcomed a full squad of players for this year's season. "Although six players return from last year's squad, our team will be inexperienced," said coach Green. "Most of the other team members have been away from organized baseball for several years, excluding members of the 12 and Under Team, some of whom will see some playing time with us. "There has been a lot of learning and catching up during our practices. It is a major step up from Recreation League to K-18 and to do it without playing for a few years can be very trying. "We coaches have been encouraged by the team's attitude and

willingness to learn. There has been vast improvement since the first practice and continues to be daily. "If this team continues to work hard and grow together, we should have a solid team by tournament time. There are many fine, young athletes on this team and we should be hearing the names of these young men throughout their junior and senior high school years." Team players returning from last year are Trevor Lewis, Travis Cressler, Kendall Miller, Clint Cole, Brandt Cox and Matt Stutsman. New this year are Toby Nickell, Drew Schrum, Garret Otter, Alec Hager, Kobie Unterseher, Jared Tallent, Chris Chastain, Noah Johnson and Justice Snyder. Members of the 12 and Under Team, who may see some action, are: Jacob Green, Josh VanLaey, Jace Ruder, Kade Unterseher, Layton Miller, Will Ellis and Trenton Wright.

Update on Kenya mission trip

This is an update of the Kenya mission project and review of other events in Gather the Outcasts Ministry. It has been a busy spring thus far with the usual weekly services in the prison, a revival in Syracuse, Ks., and a revival in the prison with Crossroads International Ministry in early May. Upcoming will be a revival with War Doves Ministry in the prison on June 4th, as well as two revivals opening up this summer in the Topeka area, in Highland Park and Auburn. Check the website for exact dates and times of the Topeka area revivals as they are in the initial planning stages. Update on Kenya crusades: I

have been in steady contact with the two pastors that are sponsoring the crusades in Kenya. The first will be in Kibera, Nairobi, the largest slum in Africa. There will be about half a million people within a mile of where we set up for a 4 night crusade in the open air, complete with African praise bands and dancers. Then we will go out to Mumias in western Kenya for another 4 nights in the open air. At each of these locations we will have pastor equipping and training, as well as visits to orphans and widows in need. You can go to the website and click on events on the information bar to see a four minute video of Kibera, to get an idea of the over-

whelming needs there. All people who go are raising their own funds for travel, but we are short on the necessary funding for the crusades themselves. This money will go for sound rental, stage setup, security, advertising, materials for pastor training, and transportation once on the ground in Kenya. At this point we are short about \$10,000 for all that we need to meet the budget. If you would be interested in going to Kenya, there is still an opportunity to go. We will be leaving late July, and the crusades will be early August. You will need a passport and about \$2500 to finance the trip, that price includes airfare.

You can contact me by regular mail @ Gather the Outcasts Ministry c/o Jim Rowh, Box 92, Norton, Ks, 67654. My email is <http://go.netatlantic.com/t/24851002/88995951/199763/0/>w ww.pureprairie@hotmail.com, you can also go to the website@ <http://go.netatlantic.com/t/24851002/88995951/150013/0/>w ww.gathertheoutcasts.com and make contributions via Paypal safely and securely. Also check the website periodically for updates on exact dates and times for all revivals and ministry activities.

K-18 League Schedule

Friday, June 3 - Smith Center at Norton
Tuesday, June 14 - Norton at Phillipsburg
Friday, June 17 - Norton at Smith Center
Tuesday, June 21 - Plainville at Norton
Friday, June 24 - Ness City at Norton
Tuesday, June 28 - Norton at Plainville
Friday, July 1 - Norton at Phillipsburg
Friday, July 8 - Smith Center at Norton
Tuesday, July 12 - Phillipsburg at Norton
Fri., Sat., Sun., July 15-16-17 - Sub-Regional at Plainville
Sat., Sun., July 23-24 - Regional at Oakley
Fri., Sat., Sun., Tues., July 29-Aug. 2 State Tournament at Lucas
All scheduled games begin at 6:30 a.m.
Two five inning games will be played each night and both count toward each team's league record.

PUBLIC RECORD

May 19
April 9 - Benjamin Rasmussen, Colby. Speeding 48 in 35. Plea: No contest. Found: Guilty. Fine \$48, costs \$76. Total \$124.
May 9 - James Kohtz, Bedford, TX. Speeding 33 in 20 mph school zone. Plea: Guilty. Found: Guilty. Fine \$136, costs \$76. Total \$212.
April 15 - Stacie Kasten, Omaha, NE. Speeding 38 in 20 mph school zone. Plea: Guilty. Found: Guilty. Fine \$196, costs \$76. Total \$272.
March 30 - Meaghan Peterson, Norton. Basic speed. Plea: No

contest as amended. Amended/following too close. Found: Guilty. Fine \$60, costs \$76. Total \$136.
March 25 - Brittany Kolman, Norton. (1) Illegal tag (2) No Insurance (3) DWS. All dismissed with proof.
May 4 - David Stansberry, Norton. Dog at large - fourth with license. Plea: Guilty. Found: Guilty. Fine \$50, costs \$76. Total \$126.
April 26 - Cody Linner, Norton. Dog at large, no license. Plea: No contest. Found: Guilty. Fine \$25, costs \$76. Total \$101.
Ordered to get dog tag.
May 3 - Bradley LeBeau, Norton. Defective tail lamp. Dismissed with proof fixed.
May 9 - Jacqueline White, St. Francis. (1) Speeding 30 in 20 mph school zone (2) No insurance Plea: (1) No contest (2) Dismissed with proof. Found: (1) Guilty. Fine \$100, costs \$76. Total \$176.
March 7 - Charlie Kohfeld, Norton. No driver's license. Dismissed/obtained license.
Sept. 18, 2010 - Juan Olvera, Almena. (1) DUI (2) TOC (3) Cross Center line. Dismissed by

Go out and support your local ball teams!

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Do you feel you have experienced discrimination in regard to housing rental or purchase within the City of Norton? If so, please call the Housing Discrimination Hotline Number (1-800-669-9777) to discuss complaints, questions or discriminatory practices. Locally, please contact Darla Ellis, City Clerk at (785) 877-5000.

•PUBLIC NOTICE• NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK PRIVATE PLACEMENT

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK PRIVATE PLACEMENT \$35,000 - CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2011
Notice is hereby given that the City of Almena, Kansas (the "Issuer") proposes to seek a private placement of the above-referenced bonds. The principal amount of the bonds is \$35,000. The proposed sale of the bonds is in all respects subject to approval of a bond purchase agreement between the Issuer and the purchaser of the bonds and the passage of an ordinance and adoption of a resolution by the governing body of the Issuer authorizing the issuance of the bonds and the execution of various documents necessary to deliver the bonds.
CITY OF ALMENA, KANSAS
Twila Ingram, City Clerk

•PUBLIC NOTICE• PERFORMANCE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

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PERFORMANCE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
Norton County will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 13, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. in the County Courthouse, 105 S. Kansas, Norton, Kansas, for the purpose of evaluating the performance of Grant Agreement Number 10-PF-043 which was for the purpose of the acquisition of a Prairie Ranger Rescue/Brush fire truck for the Solomon Valley RFD #3. This project was funded, all or in part, from the Kansas Department of Commerce, Small Cities Community Development Block Grant funds. All aspects of the grant will be discussed and oral and written comments will be recorded and become a part of Norton County's CDBG Citizen Participation Plan. Reasonable accommodations are available for persons needing assistance. Requests for accommodations should be submitted to Robert Wyatt, County Clerk, by Friday, June 10, 2011.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK PRIVATE PLACEMENT HOSPITAL REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2011B
Notice is hereby given that Norton County, Kansas (the "Issuer") proposes to seek a private placement of the above-referenced bonds (the "Bonds"). The maximum aggregate principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$1,040,000. The proposed sale of the Bonds is in all respects subject to approval of a bond purchase agreement between the Issuer and the purchaser of the Bonds and the adoption of a resolution by the governing body of the Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Bonds and the execution of various documents necessary to deliver the Bonds.
Robert D. Wyatt, County Clerk
DATED: June 6, 2011

Phillips County Health Systems Riverless Fest Run this Saturday

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Many area residents will be competing in the popular Riverless Fun Run this Saturday, June 4 in Phillipsburg. Races for both adults and youths will begin at the First Christian Church, 150 S. 7th St. in Phillipsburg and will be sponsored by the Phillips County Health Systems. Races will consist of a 2 Mile Run/Walk, 5 Mile Run and One-Half Mile Kids Race (ages 6-10). Registration will be between 6 a.m. and 6:45 a.m. The 2 Mile Run/Walk will be-

gin at 7 a.m. with the other races to follow. Trophies will be presented to the top male and female in the 2 Mile and 5 Mile Run. Medals will be presented to the top three finishers in each age group. Runners will be timed in the following age groups: 6-7, 8-9, 10, 11-14, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70 and over. Entry fees are \$14 for adults and \$7 for youths (ages 6-10). For more information, visit the Phillips County Health Systems website: www.philliphospital.org or call Kelly Vanderplas at (785) 540-4925.

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