

# THE NORTON TELEGRAM



## Friday

### April 13, 2012

## Briefly

### Students will hold a concert Monday

Students in 5th and 6th grade from Eisenhower Elementary will perform a concert on Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the East Campus Auditorium.

### Elvis tribute show coming to Norton

Sponsored by the Norton County Arts Council, the Elvis Rock 'n' Remember Tribute Show will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. at the East Campus auditorium. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students.

### Public forum set for Tuesday evening

A public meeting to discuss the possible replacement of the Norton Swimming Pool will be held Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. at the East Campus auditorium. The meeting will be an opportunity for citizens to ask questions about the potential project. All citizens are invited to attend.

### Proms to be held this Saturday night

The Norton Community High School prom will be held Saturday evening. From 1-4 p.m. that day, the public is invited to attend an open house in the Norton Junior High Gymnasium to view the prom decorations. Promenade will be at 6:30 p.m. at the high school gymnasium and at 7 p.m., students and faculty will gather for a banquet. The guest speaker at the banquet will be Lucas Melvin. Following the banquet, students will gather at the junior high gym for a dance and, at 10:15 p.m., prom royalty will be crowned.

The Northern Valley prom will be held on Saturday. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium with a dinner for juniors and seniors. From 9 p.m. to midnight, a dance will be held for all high school students and prom royalty will be crowned during the dance.

## Markets

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Wheat .....	\$5.97
Milo .....	\$5.78
Soybeans .....	\$13.44
Corn .....	\$6.19

Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

## Weather

Saturday - Mostly sunny and breezy with highs in the upper 70s. Sunday - Mostly sunny in the morning then becoming partly sunny. Cooler and breezy with a 40 percent chance of light rain. Monday - Partly cloudy with highs around 60.

## Kingham Report

Tuesday, April 10.....Low 34, High 66  
Wednesday, April 11.....Low 43, High 57  
Thursday, April 12.....Low 43, High 62  
.25 Rain

(Readings taken at the Kingham farm 9 miles northwest of Norton)

## Prayer

Faithful God, help us to know you well enough to trust you even when we don't understand. In the name of Jesus. Amen

# Restoration project sees milestones

By Carleen Bell  
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After many months of work and extensive progress on the project, leaders of the Heaton Building renovation in downtown Norton reported this week that the exterior restoration could be completed as early as August.

Len Schamber of Schamber Historical Preservation, based in Damar, said Wednesday that after starting the project late last summer, work crews have already completed several major phases of the exterior restoration, including a new roof and roof support, new windows and foundation stabilization, along with decorative cornice and finials on the building's exterior.

Also as part of the restoration, the building's brickwork was tuck-pointed, including the stone construction in the basement of the three connecting structures that form the Heaton Building.

As the first major part of the project, Schamber said, the roof of the structure needed to be completely removed and replaced. In some places, the roof had caved in and water was leaking into the building, causing damage to the ceiling and roof-support structure.

"The new roof is engineered to exceed standards for this kind of restoration and can accommodate any load, such as snow, ice or additional heating or cooling units that may be installed on the roof," Schamber said.

The original roof included large skylights, but the originals were not salvagable, Schamber said, so the skylights were replaced with new double-paned skylights.

Another major phase of the restoration has been replacing the windows in the building. Schamber said that most of the original windows were useable, so they have been restored, refurbished and re-installed in the original locations. The windows also



include storm windows, which are now installed.

Schamber said that some of the decorative aspects of the building were not salvagable, especially the decorative cornice along the top edge of the brick. What was useable, however, was cleaned up and restored and parts that needed to be replaced are exact replicas of the original.

"When all the pieces are together,

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(Top right) Len Schamber of Schamber Historical Preservation shows an old coal-fired steam furnace in the basement of the Heaton Building in downtown Norton. (Right) Work crews have uncovered former basement entries on the east side of the Heaton Building. The entrances were filled in 1987 when State Street was reconstructed.

Telegram photos by Carleen Bell



# Northern Valley forensics team continues a successful season

Northern Valley High School Forensics Coach Ken Tharman announced this week that the Northern Valley forensics team continues a successful season of competition.

On Thursday, March 29, Tharman and eight students traveled to Smith Center. Those attending the meet were Gunnar Hays, Daniel Field, Jon Compton, Ame Baird, Kenzi Husted, Morgan Speer, Dakota Hilburn and Alex Tharman.

"The Long Island cooks spoiled us extra good this trip with cinnamon rolls," Tharman said. "Thank you, ladies!"

When a tournament is held on a school day, typically there are only two preliminary rounds and the final. Those students making it into the finals and their placings were: Gunnar Hays - Prose (2<sup>nd</sup> place) and Extemporaneous Speaking (1<sup>st</sup> place), Ame Baird - Prose (4<sup>th</sup> place), Dakota Hilburn - Oration (5<sup>th</sup> place) and Serious Solo Acting (5<sup>th</sup> place), Kenzi Husted and Jon Compton - Improvised Duet Acting (2<sup>nd</sup> place), Kenzi Husted - Poetry (2<sup>nd</sup> place), Alex Tharman - Humorous Solo Acting (2<sup>nd</sup> place).

Needless to say, we had an awesome day," Tharman said. "The kids were excited and they were on fire. At the end of the night, the Northern Valley Huskies finished in third place, only four points behind the second place team."

On to Saturday, March 31 the team headed to Colby. With

music contest and the many other things, Tharman said numbers were short, but team energy was not.

Those making the commitment on this day were Morgan Speer, Dakota Hilburn, and Jon Compton. After three tough rounds, no one advanced into the finals. Though the students were disappointed about not placing, they were excited about getting home early.

The Northern Valley team was scheduled to travel to Oberlin for a meet on April 2, but the meet was cancelled.

On Wednesday, April 4, Northern Valley was invited to participate in the Northwest Kansas Liberty League Tournament held in Rexford. Those students attending were Makayla Smith, Dakota Hilburn and Alex Tharman.

Even though this was an all day event, it still only had two preliminary rounds. Those making it to the finals and their placings were Dakota Hilburn - Oration (5<sup>th</sup> place) and Serious Solo Acting (5<sup>th</sup> place), Alex Tharman and Makayla Smith - Improvised Duet Acting (4<sup>th</sup> place), and Alex Tharman - Humorous Solo Acting (5<sup>th</sup> place).

This Monday will be an annual performance for the public at the Almena school auditorium. The event this year is called "Just Desserts." The fun begins at 7 p.m.

# County caucus shows Santorum as favored choice

*Editor's Note: The following is correct and additional information included about the Norton County Republican Caucus, held in March. The information is courtesy of the Norton County Republican Central Committee.*

Kansas had its Republic presidential caucus on March 10 to determine which candidate would garner the 30 delegate vote for presidential nomination. All 105 counties in the state participated in the caucus and 91 counties held caucuses in their counties, either going together with another county or individually.

With the turnout in 2008, the committee felt it best to hold an individual county caucus. The structure was created by the committee with community support; the caucus was successful.

The Norton American Legion donated the use of the Legion building for the event and the Norton County Clerk's Office helped with voter items. The youth of Norton County were also involved in the process with all four 4-H clubs providing refreshments. A young person of the county also provided an endorsement during the allotted talk time at the caucus.

All but three of the 40 delegate votes come from the voters. The chair of the state republican party and the two national committee people are each given one vote.

The remaining delegates are distributed proportional to the population of each of the state's four districts. The 69 counties that make up western Kansas, known as the Great First District, are allowed three votes. Results of the

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# Relay For Life: Where does the money go?

*Editor's Note: With the Norton County Relay For Life set for June 8, teams are holding fund-raisers this spring. The following is information about where the money goes, courtesy of Carol Otter, Treasurer of Norton County Relay For Life.*

According to the American Cancer Society website at www.cancer.org, only a small percentage of money donated the society goes toward

management and administration.

Of the donations received, 72 percent is used for program services. The breakdown of program services is as follows:

- Patient support services: 28 percent
- Research: 16 percent
- Prevention programs: 16 percent
- Detection and treatment: 12 percent
- Supporting services get 28 percent

of donations, which is distributed as follows:

- Fund-raising: 21 percent
- Management and administration: 7 percent
- Otter used the following example of how funds are used: If Norton County Relay For Life raises \$15,000, \$10,800 goes to program services and \$4,200 goes for support services with \$1,050 going toward management and administration.

