

Struttin' on the cat walk

The Norton Area Chamber of Commerce held a Spring Fashion Show last Friday evening at the Norton County Courthouse. Anna Lively and her puppy friend, Anna Bell, strutted their stuff on the cat walk while wearing items from Pamida. There were 35 models showing items from 17 local businesses, including everything from clothing to jewelry to shopping totes. "We will hold a fashion show again next year due to the huge public response received following the event," reported Chamber Director Tarah Vance. "We wanted to showcase the local businesses at no cost to them. We are all about adding value to our Chamber membership."

— Telegram photo by Dana Paxton



Making May baskets with mama

The lilacs out by the garden fence are all in bloom. It'll be a good day to take Marjorie Jean on a picnic. Usually I wish I were my friend Gwen. She is an only child and has lots of pretty clothes and toys but today I'm glad to be me. Gwen has "rose fever" and she can't be around flowers, even Mama's geraniums in pots, because they make her sneeze and wheeze. Our yard is just full of flowers so we always have bouquets all over the house, even in the bathroom. Mama loves flowers and she says they're about as close to Heaven as we get on earth.

"Where are you going with all that stuff?" she asks as I go through the kitchen loaded down with my little red doll bed full of Marjorie Jean and all her doll clothes. "Under the lilac bush," I tell her, "where it smells just beautiful." "Oh good," she says, "we'll have some for our baskets. Did you know today is the day to make May baskets?" Oh boy, oh boy, oh boy, do I love May basket day! "Now?" I ask. "Why not?" she says.

In no time I've put Marjorie Jean to bed for the day with "rose fever" and am back at the dining room table where Mama has just set down her scrap box. Daddy calls it her treasure trunk and he's right. It's a big, old Montgomery Ward box we got when Mama ordered blankets

Child of the '40s

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and it is just full of all kinds of stuff to make things. Mama saves pretty paper and ribbon from packages and leftover lace and eyelet ruffles from my dresses. And there's a whole book of wallpaper samples she got from the lumberyard and some paper doilies left from church circle and pipe cleaners and yarn and . . . well, everything we need to make May baskets.

First thing we go make some flour and water paste to stick on handles. You have to have good handles to hang them on doorknobs, see? And then you knock on the door and run hide because if they see you, they get a kiss. So the handles are really important and I get to do them. Mama folds little boxes out of the pretty fronts of old birthday cards and I paste the handles on. Then we paste together cones from wallpaper pages. And Mama makes curls by pulling ribbons with her little scissors and we paste those on, too, and some lace and little flowers cut out from a seed catalog.

Next we go to the kitchen to make cookies to go in the bas-

kets. Mama makes the very best oatmeal raisin cookies in the whole world. We have to eat a few from the first pan to be sure they're good enough to give away. They are and I am glad we made a big batch so there'll be some left for supper. While Mama bakes I cut squares of waxed paper so we can wrap two for each basket. And we put in some gum sticks and some leftover Easter jelly beans, too.

"Let's go pick some lilacs," Mama says, "and see what else is blooming today." Out in the yard we find mostly dandelions but they look pretty and there are a few good tulips. Out by the barn is a nice patch of Star of Bethlehem and we pick mint sprigs for greenery.

Daddy comes home and sees the box of May baskets all ready to be delivered and he teases us. "I thought Liza Beth was too old for May baskets this year," he says, "but I guess Mama just can't give it up quite yet, hm-mmm?" We eat a quick supper and go out to deliver our elegant creations.

You know what? I think Mama had just as much fun as I did. Maybe more.

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CLUB NEWS

By Janice Beale

The Heritage Quilt Club met May 7 at Prairie Land with 27 members present. Lunch was served by hostesses Mary Ann Hadley, Joyce Rima, Karla Anderson and Von Sumner. Our club has been invited to a trunk show in Oberlin June 25. We were to sign up if interested in

going. There was some discussion about the fair. There are going to be three new classes this year. We approved prizes for the best of show, best wall hanging and best of show for beginning quilters. Roll call was taken. Several showed quilts made at a recent workshop and other projects made. New officers were

electing and bills were approved. Instructions for the summer challenge were passed out. A couple of printed games were played and members worked on unfinished projects. Officers will meet June 14 to make plans for the new year starting in September.

By Julie Thompson

The meeting of the Beta Alpha Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International was held on May 7 at Pure Prairie. Co-hostesses for the evening were Sandy Worden and Erin Manning.

The members enjoyed a delicious meal. Following the meal, President Alberta Slaby called the meeting to order. Eighteen members and one guest were present. The minutes were approved as

read, and the treasurer's report was given. Nancy Sebelius won the Money the Fun Way prize.

The chapter scholarship was discussed, and members decided to award scholarships to Ashley Smith-Maybon and to Austin Dole. Members voted to contribute \$250 to the Norton Theater project. The meeting was adjourned with the club collect.

Portrayal of murder

The Norton First United Methodist Church held a fund-raising potato bar last Sunday and presented "I'm Getting Murdered in the Morning" by Lee Mueller. The play was directed by Doug and Nancy Sebelius and several church members acted it out as a comedy murder mystery that was set at a wedding reception where one of the guests is shot and killed. Pictured, Zach Combs portrays the father of the bride, deep in thought and expressing his feelings about the recent events that have occurred.

— Telegram photo by Dana Paxton



STUDENT NEWS

The following is a list of all the scholarships that the Northern Valley High School seniors were awarded. The 2012 Valedictorians were Daniel Field and Tyler Montgomery. The 2012 Salutatorians were Melissa Hawks and Gunnar Hays.

Calen Steven Bach will be attending the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture and majoring in Agriculture Production.

Ashley has received: K-State University Activity Scholarship Northern Valley Alumni Scholarship Tyson Kinderknecht Memorial Scholarship Jack & Wanda Mae Mechsner Scholarship S.T. & Mabel Nuttycomb Scholarship

Fayth Shylynn Davenport will be attending the Hays Academy of Hair Design and majoring in Cosmetology. Fayth has received: Tyson Kinderknecht Memorial Scholarship

Cassy Leanne Essex will be attending Colby Community College and majoring in Vet Tech. Cassy has received: Tyson Kinderknecht Memorial Scholarship

Daniel Jeremiah Field plans to attend the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture and

major in Diversified Agriculture and Agribusiness.

Daniel has received: NCTA Non-Resident Tuition Reimbursement Scholarship 2nd Place Masonic Lodge Essay Scholarship National FFA Scholarship Ira J. Mann Scholarship Northern Valley Alumni Scholarship Tyson Kinderknecht Memorial Scholarship Northern Valley FFA Alumni Scholarship Ag Valley Scholarship Norton Longspur Chapter Pheasants Forever Scholarship S.T. & Mabel Nuttycomb Scholarship Elva Bailey Memorial Scholarship Jack & Wanda Mae Mechsner

Scholarship Northern Valley Faculty Scholarship Masonic Lodge Scholarship Melissa Mae Hawks plans to attend Fort Hays State University and major in Elementary Education.

Melissa has received: Fort Hays State Academic Opportunity Award Northern Valley Alumni Scholarship Maxine Sebelius Memorial Scholarship Tyson Kinderknecht Memorial Scholarship Elva Bailey Memorial Scholarship Jack & Wanda Mae Mechsner Scholarship Northern Valley Faculty

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Poetry contest is now open

A \$1,000 grand prize is being offered to the last poet standing in a contest sponsored by Rainbow Poets.

Poems of 21 lines or fewer on any subject and in any style will be judged by the contest director Dr. Michael Thomas.

The contest is free to enter and open to everyone. Prizes totaling more than \$5,000 will be awarded.

Send one poem only by the June 18 deadline to Free Poetry Contest, P.O. Box 761, Medford, OR 97501 or enter at www.rainbowpoets.com

Those sending entries should include their name and address on the same page as the poem. A winner's list will be sent to all entrants.

Duplicate Bridge

There were two tables for Duplicate Bridge on Wednesday night played at Norton Manor. First place went to Myron Veh and Janice Persinger and second place went to the pairing of Jackie Porter and Joyce Sumner.

Call Mike with all your social news.

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May 18- May 23

Showing at the

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The Avengers

(PG-13) 2 Hours, 30 Minutes - Presented in Digital Sound

Friday and Saturday: 7:00 and 9:35 p.m.
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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

Dark Shadows
2 Hours, 1 Minutes (PG-13)

POPcorn

COMING SOON

Only premiere passes accepted for The Avengers; Non-premiere passes accepted for Dark Shadows

The Avengers is Premiere Admission Price of \$7.00 and \$6.00 - No Sunday Discount
Dark Shadows is General Admission Price of \$6.00 and \$5.00 - \$3.00 on Sunday

Let's Go to the Movie

NOTICE

Need A Clock Repaired?

A Swiss trained clock and watch repairer will be giving free repair estimates at Russ' Jewelry, 101 W. Main in Norton on Wednesday, May 23 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Clocks can be left off at Russ' before this date and you will be contacted with an estimate on Wednesday or Thursday morning. Modern to antique, grandfather to cuckoo clocks. Find out what your clock is worth or if it can be repaired.

Visit Our Website: www.Timekeeperwatchclockrepair.com

Dedication Ceremony

for the

Norton Veteran's Memorial

SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2012

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Tuesday, May 22

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