

# THE NORTON TELEGRAM



## Tuesday

### February 19, 2013

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**NOTICE TO READERS: The Norton TV Guide will be published in Friday's edition**

## Briefly

### There will be no school Wednesday

There will be no school at the Norton elementary school on Wednesday due to Parent-Teacher conferences for kindergarten through sixth grade.

There will be no school at the Norton Junior and Senior High school on Wednesday due to the MCEL music festival.

### Booster club set to meet Wednesday

The Norton Blue Jay Booster Club will meet on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Speaking about the results of their team's recent competition will be Norton girls head basketball coach George Rossi, Norton boys head basketball coach Doug Reusink and Norton head wrestling coach Bill Johnson.

All fans of Norton Community High School sports are invited to the meetings.

### Send off for the wrestlers Thursday

All fans are invited to a send-off for the Norton Community High School wrestlers who qualified for the State Tournament at 6 p.m. on Thursday in the Wrestling Room at East Campus.

The wrestlers and coaches will leave for Hays following the send-off.

The Class 3-2-1A State Wrestling Tournament will be held on Friday and Saturday in Gross Memorial Coliseum on the campus of Fort Hays State University.

## Markets

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Wheat .....	\$7.30
Milo .....	\$6.69
Soybeans .....	\$13.86
Corn .....	\$7.08

Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-Op

## Weather

Wednesday - Overcast with ice pellets and a chance of snow. Chance of precipitation 80 percent. Wednesday Night - Overcast with snow. Chance of snow 100% with accumulations up to 6 inches. Thursday - Overcast with snow. Fog early.

## Kingham Report

Friday, Feb. 15 .....	Low 14, High 39
Saturday, Feb. 16 .....	Low 14, High 58
Sunday, Feb. 17 .....	Low 27, High 68
Monday, Feb. 18 .....	Low 33, High 45

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

## Prayer

Dear Lord, remind us that you are always with us. Teach us to trust you even when we cannot see you. Amen.

## Proclaiming a special week...



Mayor David Corns signs a proclamation to identify the week of February 16 through 23 as National FFA Week. Norton FFA Chapter

President Cody Ellis looks on and represents all of his chapter members. - Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

## City Council discusses resolutions for pool

By Mike Stephens  
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The Norton City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, Feb. 6 at the Norton City Building.

Rick Ensz, with Cooper, Malone, McClain, Inc., was in attendance to review the revenue bond documents for the swimming pool project. Ensz stated the bonds were secured at a rate ranging from 0.75 percent to 4 percent, with an average rate of 3.49 percent which is lower than the estimated 4.11 percent used in the proposal. So if the total cost of the pool project is less than expected, any leftover money will go into the Debt Service fund to pay the first bond and interest payment. This fund can only be used to pay principal and interest.

The Council then approved a motion, by a 4-2 vote (Jerry Jones and Ron Briery voted no), to adopt Resolution #7-2013, authorizing the City of Norton to enter into a base lease with the Public Building Commission whereby the City will lease to the PBC certain

property, enter into a lease with said PBC whereby the City will lease from the PCB certain property, including the swimming pool facility located thereon; approving the form of said leases; and authorizing the execution thereof and certain related documents. This resolution authorizes the City's signature on all related documents, including the base lease with the City and the PBC, the lease between the City and the PBC, the Bond Purchase Agreement between the City and Cooper, Malone, McClain, Inc., and the PBC, and the closing certificate for the City.

The City Council then voted to recess its meeting in order to hold a Public Building Commission meeting.

The commission adopted, by a 4-2 vote (Jerry Jones and Ron Briery voted no), Resolution No. PBC 3, which authorizes the issuance of City of Norton, PBC revenue bonds, series 2013, in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,535,000 for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing and equipping a swimming pool facility in the City of

Norton; authorizing and approving certain documents in connection with the issuance of said bonds; and authorizing certain other actions in connection with the issuance of said bonds. The Resolution authorizes the signing of all associated documents required for the bond issue.

The Commission also passed, by a 4-2 vote (Jerry Jones and Ron Briery voted no), Resolution No. PBC 4, providing for the adoption of a tax-exempt financing compliance procedure relating to obligations issued and to be issued by the City of Norton, Public Building Commission.

Mayor David Corns then reconvened the City Council meeting and called for a five minute recess so the necessary documents could be signed.

The Council also approved spending of some of the Hansen Foundation grant money. The Council wants \$25,000 to be used for the downtown project at State and Main, and at State and Washington where the trees have been removed, and \$10,000 will be

used for the grandstand roof in Elmwood Park.

Jamie Amlong of the Norton Wrestling Club went before the Council to request \$10,000 for a new wrestling mat. Amlong said the mats they are using now are over 20 years old and in very bad shape. The Club hosts a wrestling tournament every year at Stull Gymnasium with over 320 kids in attendance. Amlong reported that the cost of a new mat is \$10,476 and that it would be used by the school as well as the Club. He said the Club supplies the wrestlers with shoes and headgear and any extra money would be appreciated. The Council passed a motion, by a 5-1 vote, to donate \$11,000 from the Hansen Foundation to the Norton Wrestling Club. Jerry Moritz, who voted against it, said that this is a school supply and it should be paid by the schools.

The Council is also purchasing a new Grasshopper Mower by state bid at a cost of \$9,967.50 and the purchase will

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## Flying the colors...



The City of Norton prepares for President's Day Monday morning as they hang flags along state street. Andrew Knuth is seen here removing the Welcome flags left over from regional wrestling and replaces them with the American Flag to honor our presidents. - Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

## Weed department reports to county

By Cynthia Haynes  
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It's time to buy chemicals to spray and Norton County Noxious Weed Supervisor Reggie Beckman went over what he sprayed last year and what he needs to do this year with the county commissioners on Monday.

Last year, the county spent just a little under \$50,000 on chemicals to fight weeds in the fields and along the roadways.

Mr. Beckman handed out a report of what the county had sprayed in 2012 including types of crops and chemicals used.

Last year, the county sprayed 31,000 acres infested with field bindweed, 26,260 acres of musk thistle, 5,010 acres of Johnsongrass, 2,290 acres of

Canada thistle and 65 acres of bur ragweed.

That included 7,700 acres of corn, 1,800 soybean, 5,100 grain sorghum, 5,100 CRP ground, 31,200, range pasture, 430 other crops, 8,345 fallow ground and 1,150 non agricultural land.

Chemicals used include 370 gallons of 2,4-D amine at a cost of \$14.50 a gallon, 108 of 2,4-D LV ester at \$23.20 a gallon, 220 of aminopyralid (Milestone) at \$307.25 a gallon, 12.5 of dicamba (Banvel and Overdrive) at \$37.50 a gallon; 48 of glyphosate (Roundup) at \$12.25 a gallon; 160 of picloram (Grazon, Tordon and Outpost), 5 of triclopyr (Remedy) at \$49.95 a gallon; and 1,346

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