

THE NORTON TELEGRAM



Tuesday
April 9, 2013

Annual FFA banquet held over weekend

Briefly

Ribbon cutting to be held Thursday

There will be a Ribbon Cutting this Thursday at 10 a.m. at Kansasland Realtors and Ag-One Crop Insurance, both located at 206 E. Washington.

Help the Boy Scouts and donate food

Norton Boy Scout Troop 181 is sponsoring a food drive for God's Pantry. Collection boxes are at Jamboree, Mainstreet IGA, Shopko, and Dollar General. Food can be dropped off at these locations until April 21.

BB Gun Team is off to 4-H state shoot

Members of the Norton County Rotary BB Gun Team who qualified in the regional shoot will compete in the Kansas State 4-H BB Gun Shoot this Saturday in Alma. The top three teams in this shoot will qualify for the National Shoot in Rogers, Ark. in late June.

Wrestling banquet set for Sunday

Wrestlers, coaches, parents and fans are invited to attend the 2013 Norton Community High School Wrestling Banquet at 6 p.m. on Sunday, April 14 in the Norton High School Cafeteria. The state champion Norton Blue Jays 2012-13 Wrestling Team will be honored. Coaches will hand out the season ending awards and comment on the successful season.

Those attending are asked to bring their own table service, one main dish and a side dish or dessert for the potluck dinner. Drinks will be provided.

Markets

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Wheat\$6.91
Milo\$6.01
Soybeans\$13.35
Corn\$6.44

Markets Courtesy of Norton Ag Valley Co-op



Tuesday Night - Overcast with a chance of snow. Low of 19 with a windchill as low as 7. Chance of snow 50 percent with accumulations up to 1 inch possible.
Wednesday - Overcast with a chance of snow in the morning then mostly cloudy. High of 37. Chance of snow 20 percent.
Wednesday Night - Clear with a low of 23.
Thursday - Partly cloudy with a high of 54.
Thursday Night - Fog overnight.

Prayer

Dear God, we thank you for our blessings. Help us to remember that all we have comes from you. Amen



The 2012-2013 FFA chapter banquet kicked off with the introduction of the officers. From left is Sponsor Garrett Beydler, Zach Esslinger, Historian, Johnnye Ruder, Reporter, Kolton Harting, Vice-President, Cody Ellis, President, Marisa Maddy, Secretary, Dylan Sprigg, Treasurer, Darcy Bainter, Sentinel and Wyatt Wentz, Parliamentarian.

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The Norton FFA Chapter Banquet for 2012-2013 was held Saturday night at the Norton junior high gymnasium.

After a great meal of rib eye steaks, cheesy potatoes, corn, rolls and strawberry shortcake, the evening's events began. The opening ceremonies included a slide show of the officers telling about their time in FFA. Things that were mentioned included learning how to be a better leader, and public speaker, how to meet new people and work with others to build a better community. Teamwork, responsibility and respect for self and others was also mentioned.

After the opening ceremonies Dwight Sprigg gave the parents response. He spoke of the sparrows nest and that no matter how many times it was knocked down and washed away, the sparrow came back and re-built it. Just like the the FFA members should set goals for themselves and keep going until that goal is reached no matter how many times they get knocked down.

The senior officers then gave out appreciation awards and then Bryan Keiswetter awarded LaNae Dial with

his Fruit Sales Award. The next award given was the Campbell Memorial Scholarship award and it went to Stephanie Hager. Alumni scholarships went to Cody Ellis, Dylan Sprigg and Jared Bohl. The Lucus Maddy Scholarship went to Cole Renner, LaNae Dial, Nick Peterson, Christian Nelson and Coady Campbell. For the Clydesdale Agronomy Essay awards, Johnnye Ruder took third, Darcy Bainter with second and Wyatt Wentz took first.

FFA sponsor Garrett Beydler then gave out the proficiency awards:

Placement in Beef Production - Wyatt Wentz, placement in Diversified Agricultural Production - Cole Renner, Beef Production - Wyatt Harting, Poultry Production - Molly Maddy, Equine Science - Marisa Maddy, Sheep Production - Marisa Maddy, Agricultural Mechanics - Cassius Dole, Diversified Livestock Production - Kolton Harting, Placement in Ag Production - Garret Otter, Beef Entrepreneurship - Dylan Sprigg and Placement in Veterinary Science - Stephanie Hager.

Other Awards:
High Point Greenhand - Quentin Wentz, High Point Chapter Member -



Mr. Garrett Beydler is seen here being presented a plaque by Eugene Wiltfong for being an Honorary American FFA Degree member.

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Wyatt Wentz, Star Chapter Greenhand - Molly Maddy, Star Chapter Farmer - Wyatt Harting and S & C Scholarships - Cody Ellis, Sierra Black, Dylan Sprigg, and Wyatt Wentz - \$250 each and the Anderson Memorial Scholarship - Steph Hager

FFA Scholarships: Sierra Black, Jared Bohl, Cody Ellis, Stephanie Hager, Dylan Sprigg and Wyatt Wentz
Other Accomplishments:
State Degrees - Darcy Bainter, Cody

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Council discusses many topics

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The Norton City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, April 3 at the Norton City Office.

Mayor David Corns reported the city sales tax receipts collected in February totaled \$22,637.41, and the county sales tax receipts totaled \$15,450.89 for a total of \$38,088.30 for the month. The 2013 year to date sales tax receipts total \$116,348.54.

Curtis Eveleigh, Planning Commission Chairman, presented a report to the Council in which the Commission has considered and approved three different zoning requests and seeks the Council's approval of the zoning changes.

The first request was at 813 N. Grant, currently known as the Haven. The Commission approved changing it from multiple dwelling to light industrial, because it is used as a motel for inmate families. It rents out apartments on a month to month and a night to night basis.

The second request was at 812 and 814 N. Second Street. This property used to be a church and the individual(s) who has purchased it wants to make it into a second hand store. It would be changed from a multiple dwelling to light industrial.

The third request was at 602 N. First. This is currently a residential house and the prospective owner wants to turn it into a bed and breakfast. It was

used as a bed and breakfast in the past, and would be another business for the City. The Commission wants to change the property's zoning from residential to multiple dwelling.

The Council chose to approve all three of the Commission's re-zoning requests. The property at 813 N. Grant was changed from multiple dwelling to light industrial by a vote of 5-1, with Jerry Moritz voting no. The properties at 812 and 814 N. Second Street was changed from multiple dwelling to light industrial by a 4-2 vote, with Jerry Moritz and Roberta Ryan voting no. The property at 602 N. First Street was changed from residential to multiple

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More to Relay than you would think

FUNDRAISING ISN'T ALL WE DO...

...But everything we do depends on fundraising. As the American Cancer Society celebrates their 100th Anniversary this year, we continue to Dream Big, Hope Big and Relay Big.

At this time of year, many people are seeing signs announcing fundraisers for Relay For Life. The question always seems to come up that asks, "why do we fundraise" and "where does the money go?"

These are legitimate questions. Most people believe that the money we raise goes to help find a cure for cancer. And, a good portion of the dollars donated, do just that. However, Relay For Life, the American Cancer Society's (ACS) largest fundraising event, helps to contribute to many of the other services ACS provides to those battling cancer.

Some of these services that are available at no charge to cancer patients are:

Hope Lodge offers cancer patients and their caregivers a free, temporary place to stay when their best hope for effective treatment may be in another city.

Our Road To Recovery program provides rides to patients who have no way to get to their cancer treatment.

Look Good...Feel Better program helps women cancer patients improve their appearance and self-image by teaching them hands on beauty techniques to manage the appearance side effects of chemotherapy and radiation treatments.

Through our Reach to Recovery program, we can match breast cancer patients with a volunteer who will talk with you about coping with your breast

cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Because everything we do does depend on our fundraising, we must continue to raise the dollars needed to not only fund cancer research but to provide these valuable services to everyone battling cancer. We invite everyone to support the following fundraisers:

Flowers For A Cause - (A Relay For Life event) April 11 - \$1 Carnations all day at Norton Flowers & Gifts and Garden Gate Floral. For more information, contact Mary Byler @ 785-202-7358.

Yard Sale - (Jailhouse Rockers Team) Friday, April 12, 3pm-? and Saturday, April 13, 8am-Noon and Bake Sale (Love, Peace & Happiness Team) at 710 N Wabash, Norton. Bake Sale is only until items are gone. Yard Sale clothes are \$.25 each or \$5 for a bag full. Lots

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Turkey slaughter case continued to May 15

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The court date for six hunters facing several charges stemming from an alleged slaughter of 12 turkeys on November 9 has been re-scheduled for May 15 at 9 a.m. in District Court, according to Norton County Attorney Doug Sebelius.

Dwight D. Sprigg, Norton, Timothy D. Sprigg, Norton, Ervin Josenberger, Kansas City, Joseph Bailey, Kansas City, Jeffery L. Bailey, Kansas City, Jeffery L. Bailey II, Kansas City, are facing the following charges:

- hunting game with the aid of a vehicle
- failing to tag a turkey
- hunting without a valid permit
- wanton waste

Operation Game Thief was contacted by out of state witnesses that were hunting at the time of the incident. The witnesses were hit with stray buck shot and confronted Spriggs and others in the group at the time of the alleged incident, and then turned them in to Operation Game Thief, according to Sebelius. The witnesses that were hit with stray buck shot were treated for minor injuries and released.

Kansas Wildlife Parks and Tourism officer Larry Stone, Kirwin, is the lead investigator in the case and seized turkeys and shell casings from the alleged incident.

If convicted, the six men face fines, potential jail time and the seizure of any equipment used in the killing of the game.

