

OBITUARIES

Donna Mae Goss Feb. 5, 1934 - Jan. 14, 2013

Donna Mae Goss, daughter of Sarah and Clarence Witt, was born Feb. 5, 1934, in Cedar Bluffs, and passed away at the Hillcrest Nursing Home in McCook, Neb., on Jan. 14, 2013, at the age of 78.

Donna grew up in the Cedar Bluffs and Oberlin communities, attending the schools in Oberlin. On June 14, 1953, she married Bill Goss in Lyle. She was a housewife most of her life.

Survivors include: two daughters, JoAnn Class, Englewood, Colo.; Rhonda Peterson, Greeley, Colo.; three sons, Ronnie Goss, Denver, Colo.; Donnie Goss, Albuquerque, N.M.; Jimmy Goss, Oberlin; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; other relatives and many friends.

Donna was preceded in death by her spouse, Bill Goss, her parents, and one sister, Eileen.

Memorial services will be

held on Saturday, May 4 at 10:30 a.m. at Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, KS 67654. Inurnment will follow at Norton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Hospice Services of Phillips and Norton counties and The Haven in Norton.

Condolences can be sent to www.enfieldfh.com

Arrangements are by Enfield Funeral Home of Norton.

Freezes take toll on wheat

The repeated hard freezes in Kansas are taking a toll on some of the wheat furthest along in development, said Jim Shroyer, K-State Research and Extension crop production specialist. Temperatures were in the mid- to low-20s on the nights of April 23 and 24, which is low enough to damage wheat in more advanced growth stages, he said.

"This is the third episode of hard freezes we've had, starting April 9. This time, the freeze caught a few more fields in the jointing and pre-boot stage than the freeze on April 9 and 10. What should producers expect now? If freeze-damaged wheat heads out, will that head be viable and produce grain? It depends on what stage the wheat was in when the freeze occurred," Shroyer said.

Jointing to pre-boot: If the tillers were in this stage or earlier at the time of the freeze and the tillers are green and growing actively now, then the heads should be fine. If the head had been killed, the tiller would not be green and actively growing. If the leaves coming out of the whorl are chlorotic, then the head on that tiller is dead.

Boot: If tillers were in this

stage at the time of the freeze, there are several possibilities. The head may be fine, it may be partially damaged, or it may have been completely killed. In any of those cases, the head may continue to emerge.

If the head is fine, it will turn from lime green in the boot to a darker green when it emerges. If the head is freeze-damaged, some or all of the spikelets will become yellow and/or water soaked in appearance as it emerges. It's possible for some of the spikelets to be alive and a healthy dark green while other spikelets on the same head are damaged. If a spikelet flowers normally and the kernels on that spikelet develop normally, then the head is at least partially viable and can produce grain.

The freezes have caused extensive leaf damage in west central and northwest Kansas, but some of that wheat is already greening back up, especially where the growing point was still at the soil surface or just slightly above the soil at the time of the freezes, he reported. Where tillers were killed, new tillers are beginning to grow in many cases, he added.

Freeze damage is not the only

problem for dry-land wheat in western Kansas, Shroyer said.

"Dry soils and mite damage are limiting the yield potential of dry-land wheat in western Kansas as much or more than the freezes. The smaller wheat hasn't been hurt much by the freezes except for leaf burn, but it will need some moisture to produce much grain," he said.

"Soil moisture conditions are much better in central Kansas than in western Kansas. This will help reduce the severity of freeze damage to some extent, and will help the wheat regrow or continue to develop in the coming weeks," he said.

"However, there are reports of freeze damage to the lower stems in that region. If the lower stem damage is severe, the wheat will eventually lodge," he added.

More information on freeze damage to wheat is available in "Spring Freeze Injury to Kansas Wheat," K-State Research and Extension publication C646, available at county and district Extension offices and online at www.ksre.ksu.edu/library/crps12/c646.pdf.

Got Drugs?

On Saturday, the Norton County Sheriff's Department held its "Got Drugs" campaign. (Pictured) Receptionist Dana Hillebrand drops a bag of pills in the collection box. This was an opportunity for people to dispose of their old and unused prescription drugs in a safe and secure manner. Sheriff Troy Thomson said approximately 50 pounds of drugs were collected.

—Telegram photo by Mike Stephens



Four tips for growing tomatoes

By Kay Melia

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I wish I knew more about tomatoes. I wish I knew enough about the overall gardening aspects of growing perfect tomatoes. I wish I could guide you through a program of unmistakable success of tomato growing in your backyard garden.

But I can't do that. There are too many variables. Please understand that I am reasonably happy with my own tomato crop out in the backyard. Not giddy. Just happy. I've been doing it long enough to know a few things about what needs to be done and what you should not do to achieve top tomato production. But I also know that there are many aspects of tomato culture that I just don't comprehend. And when push comes to shove, the same philosophy applies to you.

There are, of course, a number of very basic procedures we must follow as we strive to do the job right. First, we must select the variety of tomato that is likely to give us the best results. That, in itself, is not easy. Some varieties ARE better producers than others. There are gardeners out there who believe Big Beef and Super Fantastic are the best ones to plant. Others will argue that they would never

plant anything except the heirloom varieties such as Brandywine, Mortgage Lifter, or Black Krim. I believe that Super Tasty, Northern Exposure, and Shady Lady are the chosen ones. But we all may be wrong. I firmly believe that there are dozens of outstanding varieties, and we must, without fail, try a different one each year until we find one that satisfies our troubled tomato growing minds.

Then, there are the numerous growing and procedural ideas that each of have. Pull up four chairs around the table; occupy those chairs with four people who have grown tomatoes all their lives, and you are guaranteed to walk out of there a little confused, because you have listened to four completely different plans for tomato success, including your own.

And now you are going to hear my four points of tomato growing success.

No. 1--I believe that variety selection IS the number one decision you will make in your

tomato garden this spring. Talk to other gardeners. Talk to garden center operators about their best sellers. Or grow your own transplants, utilizing a variety that someone else has tried and enjoyed with measured success.

No. 2--Either buy, or preferably build, some tomato cages. It is essential that tomato plants have support as they grow.

No. 3--Do not water your tomatoes with a lawn sprinkler. Irrigate them with a soaker hose, install a drip system, or simply allow the water to flow merrily down the row.

No. 4--Fertilize your plants at least twice during the growing season. Fertilize them when the first bloom appears and again about three weeks later. Use a water soluble "pour on" type of fertilizer because it works quickly.

Now go out there and raise the best crop of tomatoes you've ever grown before. Do it your way, and I'll do it my way. But remember, there is probably a better way!

SENIOR CENTER MENU

Wednesday, May 1
Pasta salad w/ham, and vegetables, tropical fruit, bread stick and cake.

Thursday, May 2
Chicken dressing casserole, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas and carrots, bread and apple-sauce.

Friday, May 3
Tuna salad, tomato soup, coleslaw w/carrots, bread and plums.

Monday, May 6
Breaded pork patty, mashed potatoes/gravy, mixed vegetables, bread and rosy pears.

Tuesday, May 7
Frito chile cheese pie, mixed fruit w/bananas, corn chips, cinnamon roll.

Wednesday, May 8
Lasagna, tossed salad w/carrots and tomatoes, peaches, garlic bread and pudding.

Thursday, May 9
Sausage gravy, California blend vegetables, gelatin w/fruit, biscuit and bar cookie.

Friday, May 10
Roast beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, dinner roll and strawberry shortcake.

Monday, May 13
Steak fingers, parsley potatoes, corn, bread and apricots.

Hamburger patty, pickles, onion, tomato, baked beans, bun and cantaloupe.

Wednesday, May 15
Baked chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, seasoned carrots, bread and cook's choice fruit.

Thursday, May 16
Salisbury steak, au gratin potatoes, mixed fruit, bread and birthday cake.

Friday, May 17
Smokies, macaroni and cheese, Italian blend vegetables, bread and cobbler.

Monday, May 20
Chicken patty, mashed potatoes/gravy, peaches, bun and cook's choice complement.

Tuesday, May 21
Ham, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, bread and apple-sauce.

Wednesday, May 22
Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, peas, bread and gelatin w/pears.

Thursday, May 23
Cook's choice entree, mixed vegetables, tomato and cucumber salad, bread and fruit cobbler.

Friday, May 24
Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, 5-cup salad, bread and cookie.

Monday, May 27
Memorial Day-Closed

Tuesday, May 28
Polish sausage, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, bread and cook's choice fruit.

Wednesday, May 29
Taco salad, mixed fruit, chips and brownie.

Thursday, May 30
Oven fried chicken, potato salad, cook's choice vegetable, bread and cantaloupe.

Friday, May 31
Ground beef stroganoff, corn, spinach salad, noodles and fruit crisp.

Showing at the

NORTON THEATRE

Olympus Has Fallen

2 Hours, 9 Minutes (R)

Friday and Saturday: 8:00 p.m.
Sunday: 5:00 p.m.
Mon., Tues., Wed.: 7:00 p.m.

42

2 Hours, 18 Minutes (PG-13)

42 is a Non-Premiere movie - \$7.00 and \$6.00. \$3/tax on Sunday
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COMING SOON

PREMIERING IN NORTON
THURSDAY, MAY 2
IRON MAN 3 - 9:00 P.M.

This ad is brought to you by The Norton Telegram

COMING SOON - RELAY FOR LIFE FUNDRAISER special movies. Come support the upcoming Relay for Life event here in Norton County with a free will donation movie on Sunday, May 5, at 2:00 p.m. There will also be FREE popcorn for this event as well. We will be playing: ET: The Extra Terrestrial (PG) and The Swiss Family Robinson (G). Come on out for this great event next Sunday, May 5, and support a great cause.

CORRECTION

Due to reporter error, it incorrectly stated in the April 26 issue of the Telegram's story titled, "Motocross racers attend first race of season" that the next races would take place on June 1 and 2 but the next races will actually take place on June 8 and 9.

The Norton Telegram will correct or clarify any mistake or misunderstanding in a news story. Please call our office at 877-3361 to report errors.

We believe that news stories should be fair and factual and appreciate your calling to our attention any failure to live up to this standard.



Please come help
Veda (VanGundy) Wood
Celebrate her 90th birthday with a lunch potluck on **Saturday, May 4**, at noon at the Norcatur Methodist Church Community Building



If you are unable to attend, but would like to send a card, her address is:
P.O. Box 6, Norcatur, KS 67653
No gifts, please

Huge Children's Consignment Sale

Friday, May 3 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 4 8:00 a.m. - noon

— SELECT ITEMS WILL BE 1/2 PRICE ON SATURDAY —

National Guard Armory, Norton, Kansas

LIKE-NEW Baby to Teen Clothing; Maternity Clothing; Shoes and Accessories, Nursery Furniture and Bedding; Strollers, Playpens, Bouncers, Swings, Toys, Videos, Books and Much More

To become a consignor, please register on the website: mykidzstuff.com

For more information visit www.mykidzstuff.com
Email: pam@mykidzstuff.com
Call: Pam - 785-877-3775 or Staci - 785-871-0017

The Norton County Road Department will be going to a summer work schedule beginning Monday, May 6. We will keep these hours through August 29. Our hours will be 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Should you have a request for road work after hours, please leave a message by calling 785-877-5740. Please leave your name and telephone number so we can contact you regarding your request. In the event of an emergency please call 785-877-5780, 785-874-8444 or 785-871-1840.

Thursday, May 2, 2013

7:00 P.M.

Day of Prayer

Cornerstone Church
313 W. LINCOLN
NORTON, KANSAS

PRAY FOR AMERICA!

"In His name the nations will put their hope."

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YOUTH FORUM!!

THURSDAY, MAY 2

For Students who are 5th and 6th Graders

Meet at 5:15 p.m. at The ROCK for Youth Forum and Pizza

Schedule: 5:15 p.m. Youth Forum and Pizza
7:00 p.m. Free Movie at Theatre (PG Rated Movie)

ACTIVITIES SHOULD CONCLUDE AT APPROXIMATELY 8:30 P.M.
PARENTS MAY PICK STUDENTS UP AT THE NORTON THEATRE

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