

# norton county

## THE NORTON TELEGRAM



### Norton graduates 36 seniors

Norton Community High School graduated 36 seniors May 10 during a 2 p.m. ceremony at Stull Gymnasium. The program included a welcome by Lorelei Granberry, speeches by Evelyn Vance and Ayston Kats, class accomplishments by Savana Rumback, class quotes by Tyler Backman and Natalie Eveleigh, and closing remarks by Derek Clydesdale. The Norton Community High School Band, directed by Joey Nickols, played "Pomp and Circumstance," and senior choir members Jamison Otter, Layla Puga, Lilli Puga, Savana Rumback, Evelyn Vance and Cody Wait sang "Found/Tonight." Principal Troy Keiswetter presented the class, and USD 211 Superintendent Corey Roy presented diplomas. Senior award winners included Ayston Kats, Dale Dennis Award; Cadence Greeson and Ayston Kats, Kansas State High School Activities Association Citizenship Awards; Evelyn Vance, Governor's Scholar Award; and Audrey Bina and Ayston Kats, Senior Honor Athletes. *Photo by Troy Keiswetter*

### Students lead effort to bring dog park to Veterans Park

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HIGH PLAINS NEWS

Norton Community High School students are working to bring a new dog park to Veterans Park, with construction planned to begin next fall.

The project is being led by students in the Jobs for America's Graduates-Kansas program, an elective class that helps students prepare for life after graduation through career exploration, leadership development and workplace skills.

Instructor Matt Nylund has guided the project since the start of the school year. Students said the idea came from the need for a safe, designated place where dogs can exercise off leash.

"There is not currently a place in Norton where dogs can run off-leash," the group said in project information. "Dogs need exercise for their overall well-being, and this park will help meet that need."

Plans call for secure fencing, waste stations, benches and water stations for both pets and owners. Dogs using the park would be required to be well-behaved and current on immunizations.

Community members with questions about the project may contact Nylund at [menylund@gmail.com](mailto:menylund@gmail.com). Questions related to finances may be directed to Bethany Shirk at [foundation@nortonccf.org](mailto:foundation@nortonccf.org).



Norton Community High School students are working to bring a dog park to Veterans Park by next fall. *Courtesy photo*

If completed as planned, the project would give Norton residents a new recreational option for pet owners and their dogs.

### Memorial Day services planned across area

The Norton American Legion Post 63 is asking for volunteers to help place flags at the cemetery at 1 p.m. Friday, May 22.

The Auxiliary will distribute poppies Friday, May 22, and Saturday, May 23, at Jamboree and Bomgaars.

Memorial Day services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 24, at the Lenora Cemetery and at 2 p.m. at the Norcatour Cemetery.

Monday, May 25, services will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the Almena Cemetery and 11:30 a.m. at the Norton Cemetery. A noon luncheon will be held at Post 63 in Norton. Volunteers also are asked to help pick up flags and poles at the cemetery and deliver them to Post 63.

Lenora South Cemetery services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 24. Melody Fulton will give the invocation and benediction, and Bud Posson will be the speaker. Adult volunteers are needed to help place small flags at 7 p.m. Friday, May 22. Large flags will be displayed from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday through Monday and will be taken down at 5 p.m. Monday.

Long Island American Legion Post 304 and Sons of the American Legion Squadron 304 will provide Memorial Day services at the following cemeteries Monday, May 25: Stuttgart, 9 a.m.; Prairie View, 9:30 a.m.; Luctor, 10 a.m.; Woodruff, 11:15 a.m.; and Long Island, 11:45 a.m. Pastor Shawn Richardson of Luctor Christian Reformed Church will be the guest speaker. Conlee Hugunin will play taps.

American Legion Post 28 will conduct Memorial Day services Monday, May 25, at 9:30 a.m. at Lynden Cemetery in Hendley and 10:30 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery in Beaver City.

**NORTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**  
**April Student All-Stars**

**CRITERIA:** Student All-Stars exhibit positive behavior, complete their work at or above their ability, and display positive attitudes, courtesy, and respect towards their teachers, other staff members and school workers, fellow students, and their building principal. Student All-Stars have neat, cheerful appearances, and make positive contributions to the school through leadership and participation. Based on this criteria, the following two students have been selected as Student All-Stars for April.

**Eighth Grade Student All-Star: Avery Manning**

Parents: Chad and Erin Manning  
Favorite School Subject(s): English and PE  
Sports Activities: Track, Volleyball, Basketball  
Clubs or Extracurricular Activities: KAY  
Favorite Song: All Your'n by Tyler Childers  
What do you want to be when you grow up? Teacher or a Physical Therapist  
What are three of your personal strengths? Hard-Working, Leadership, and Motivated  
Who inspires you? My Parents and my Grandpa

**Seventh Grade Student All-Star: Houston Cressler**

Parents: Jade Cressler and Chase Brann  
Favorite School Subject(s): Science, Math  
Sports Activities: Football, Basketball  
Clubs or Extracurricular Activities: KAY  
Favorite Song: The Duck Song  
What do you want to be when you grow up? A Welder  
What are three of your personal strengths? Hard-Working, Friendly, and Resilient  
Who inspires you? My Parents

Information compiled by Norton Junior High School Student Council Sponsor

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★ **FRIDAY, MAY 22**  
1:00 p.m., Volunteers will place the flags at the cemetery. All help is welcome

★ **SUNDAY, MAY 24**  
10:30 a.m., Lenora Cemetery  
2:00 p.m. Norcatour Cemetery

★ **MONDAY, MAY 25**  
9:30 a.m., Almena Cemetery  
11:30 a.m., Norton Cemetery  
12:00 p.m., Luncheon at Post 63  
3:00 p.m. Volunteers will pick up flags and poles at the cemetery and deliver them to Post 63. All help is appreciated

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