

You really think it will fly?



Northern Valley's Jill Gebhard's third grade class was very excited and had been working very hard for two weeks in preparation for their science fair they held yesterday. Gunnar Yocum and Fabian Loya's project showed how to make a paper airplane and how to fly one. Pictured here are, from left, Gunnar Yocum, Bailey Sides, Fabian Loya and, partially hidden Hunter Hogan. —Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Norton County leadership grads

Catrina Kunclers, Craig Eveleigh, Verla Grysch, Jeana Yost, Julia Nelson, Jamie Wentz, Missi Schoen, Justina Smith, Teresa Clydesdale and Nicole Rhea are the most recent graduates of Leadership Norton County, an intensive six-month course designed to create a network of community leaders who are informed about the government, public policies, facilities and services of Norton County. The 2011 graduates are the seventh class to complete the program.

During the six-month session, class members were introduced to goal setting, conflict management, parliamentary procedure, leadership development, trust building, personality evaluation and public speaking. General sessions covered the topics of agriculture, government, education, rural health and economic development.

The class took a two-day trip to the State Capital in Topeka where they visited Senator Ostmeyer and Representative Ward Cassidy. They visited with Department of Education Commissioner Dr. Diane DeBacker; toured the Kansas Bureau of Investigation with Jim Schieferick; visited with the Department of Commerce and toured the Judicial Center.

The program curriculum was developed by members of the planning committee which includes Darla Ellis, Patty Rowh, Cindy Linner, Sandy Smith, Jeff Wolf, Troy Thomson, Brad Hopkins, Mike Haresnape, Brook Dix, Carolyn Applegate, Ruth Schillig, Deena Wente, Scott Sproul, Becky Smith, Steve Herrs, Janis Monier, Karla Reed, Rhonda Browning, Diane Becker and Donna Foley.

Leadership Norton County is coordinated and facilitated by

Norton Area Chamber of Commerce Director Brook Dix and Carolyn Applegate, with support from K-State Research and Extension and the Twin Creeks Extension District and Norton County Economic Development.

This class of 2010-2011 corporate and public sponsorship is provided by Valley Hope Association, Janis Monier, New Age Industrial, United Northwest Federal Credit Union, Kansas Rural Communities Foundation, Natoma Corporation, Norton County Commissioners, R.W. Yeager, First State Bank and the City of Norton.

An application process for the 2012-2013 Leadership Norton County session will be available July 2012. For more information, contact Brook Dix at the Chamber Office at 785-877-2501 or Keith P. VanSkiel of Twin Creeks Extension Office at 785-877-5755.

Junior high honor rolls

Norton Junior High honor roll for the third nine weeks

Highest Honor (4.0)

7th Grade:
Casey Ambrosier, Philip Boutwell, Weston Erbert, Lauren Mordecai and Raenee Patterson.

8th Grade:
Neysa Carlson, Morgan Farber and Chance Uehlin

Honor Roll I (3.5-3.99)

7th Grade:
Andrew Bashford, Kyle Bell, James Berry, Hailey Branek, Audrie Burge, Cayana Campbell, Brendon Frack, Kirstin Georgeson, Morgan Griffey, Cameron Heikes, Michael Kasson, Gavin Lively, Molly Maddy, Audrey Morel, Kylie Perez, Payton Renner, Val-

ery Rostek and Lexi Voss
8th Grade:
Erin Archer, Molly Scott, Nicole Tacha and Kobie Unterseher

Honor Roll II (3.0-3.49)

7th Grade:
Adriana Ankenman, Adam Baughman, Alma Clavijo, Mariah Dawley, Taylor Dicks, Briannah Fessler, Theresa Gallegos, Sabrina Gibson, Riley Hager, Alexis Hartwell, Skylar Johnson, Rachel Koerperich, Dillon Lawson, Shelby Mulford, Nickala O'Hare, Morgan Olliff, Alex Otter, Nicholas Peterson, Dalton Pfannenstiel, Quinton Porter, Elizabeth Smith, Kristin Stewart, Cole Tyrell and Jarrett Wente.

8th Grade:
Kaitlyn Bohl, Caysean Camp-

bell, Derrick Campbell, Conor Cox, Stephen Cummings, Kenzie Esslinger, Connor Griffey, Adrienne Hager, Wyatt Harting, Jordan Karnopp, Tyler Kuhn, Kendall Miller, Derek Rowh, David Smith, Jesika Smith, Breven Sondergaard, Brooke Sumner and Dalton Vanover.

The Norton County Treasurer's Office will be CLOSED April 12 and April 13 from noon until 1 p.m. due to staff training

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Kansas Agritourism classes are starting

Farmers, business owners and entrepreneurs interested in becoming part of the growing agritourism industry are encouraged to participate in courses sponsored by the Kansas Department of Commerce Rural Development Division in partnership with the Santa Fe Trail Resource Conservation & Development and the Western Prairie Resource Conservation & Development. The five-part courses will be held in April and May in Colby and Garden City.

The classes will provide an overview of agritourism, including how rural enterprises can start a new agritourism business or incorporate agritourism into an existing business. Topics to be covered include defining an agritourism business; financing; pricing a product or service; finding customers; and insurance and legal issues. Jan Janzten, owner of Kansas Flint Hills Adventures, will serve as lead instructor.

Two agritourism business development courses sponsored

by the Kansas Department of Commerce Rural Development Division will be held in Colby and Garden City.

In Colby, the course will be offered from 4-8:30 p.m. April 6, 13, 20, 27 and May 4 (Wednesdays). Location for classes will be the Thomas County Office Complex Conference Room, 350 S. Range Ave., Colby, KS. 67701.

In Garden City, the course will be offered from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. April 7, 14, 21, 28 and May 5 (Thursdays). Location for the classes will be the AmericInn Lodge and Suites, 3020 E. Kansas, Garden City, KS. 67846.

The Registration fee for each course is \$75 for the first participant, \$50 for each additional participant from the same business or family. Register online or download a registration form at kansasagritourism.com.

For more information contact Becki Rhoades, Kansas Department of Commerce, at (785) 296-1847 or brhoades@kansascommerce.com.

National Library Week coming

Celebrate National Library Week at the Norton Public Library and Northwest Kansas Library System is April 10-16.

The Norton Public Library, Northwest Kansas Library System and the Norton Friends of the Library invite the community to share in celebrating the importance of libraries to our area.

Libraries are places for new beginnings. Whether you are getting your first library card, learning new computer skills or planning a trip, the Library is the place to begin. By opening a book and exploring distant lands or by learning how to use technologies, people at our library are creating new stories for themselves.

This National Library Week, please join us in several special activities:

Monday, April 11th: Noon Book Talk with Mary Boller,

Talking Books Director at Northwest Kansas Library System, on "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett. Lunch will be provided.

Wednesday, April 13th: Judith Miller (Christian Fiction author) 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 14th: Story Time with a Library Theme at 10:30 a.m. by George Seamon, Northwest Kansas Library System Director.

Thursday, April 14th: Joanne Emerick (World War II author) 7 p.m.

Friday, April 15th: Open house at the Norton Public Library. See the Teen area, the displays, the Art Gallery, and tour the Northwest Kansas Library System.

Judith Miller is an award-winning and best-selling author of historical fiction for Bethany House Publishers. With a love of history, a dash of romance

and a touch of mystery, Judith transports her readers to another time and place. Her passion for history and love of God keep her inspired. Judith and her husband are empty-nesters who live in the Flint Hills of Kansas.

Joanne Emerick, author of *Courage Before Every Danger, Honor Before All Men* is the historian for the 31st Bomb Squadron. She spent 17 years compiling the stories, diaries and letters of more than 120 men from the squadron, including her father. Joanne and her husband live in Hoxie.

Refreshments for each event will be provided by the Norton Friends of the Library. The 2011 membership drive for the Friends is ongoing. You may purchase a book bag or an "I Love Books" t-shirt with the membership amount.

Walk a mile in my shoes

Walk a mile in my shoes. Walk around the world

Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas will be walking alongside its many friends and supporters in the community as they participate in InterHab's "Walk a Mile in My Shoes: Walk Around the World" awareness campaign. DSNWK and other service providers across Kansas hope to walk more than 24,902 miles—the circumference of the Earth—in an effort to raise awareness for Kansas developmental disabilities issues. This spring, DSNWK will be enlisting community members to "walk around the world" in support of more than 4,500 Kansans with developmental disabilities who are forced to wait for services.

DSNWK is inviting members of the Norton community to walk and raise the awareness of the

many issues that people with developmental disabilities face. All you have to do is log the miles you walk between now and April 26. Other aerobic activity can also be logged in as miles. You can log a mile for every 15 minutes of activity. DSNWK thanks you in advance for putting on those shoes, logging those miles, and engaging others as we help raise awareness of the issues that are vital to persons with developmental disabilities and those who care about them. The log sheets are available at DSNWK's local office, 1104 N. State Street, at the Norton Recreation Center, on DSNWK's website, www.dsnwk.org or at www.invisiblekansans.com. For more information about the Walk Around the World event, contact Sarah Durham or Mary Ahlemeyer at 785-877-5154.

"Walk a Mile in My Shoes: Walk

Around the World" is sponsored by the Invisible Kansans campaign, which seeks to raise awareness regarding the thousands of Kansas children and adults with developmental disabilities who have been forced to wait for help.

The Public is Invited to Attend the Annual Meeting of the ROCK Christian Youth Center, Monday, April 11, 7:00 p.m., 101 E. Main, Norton, KS

Prom promotes Paris

Norton Community High School will be having their Junior-Senior Prom, Saturday, April 9. The theme "Here to The Night" is available for public viewing on Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Junior High gymnasium. This year's theme will highlight Paris in the colors of black and gold. Please stop by and see all the decorations and the hard work of the junior class. The Promenade starts at 6:30 p.m. in Stull Gymnasium. This is sponsored by the post prom committee. Mr Chance McKinney will be the honored speaker this year at the prom banquet. Coronation of King and

Queen will be at 10:30 p.m. and the public is invited to attend the crowning ceremony.

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