

Trip builds home for needy family



New homeowner Juan Carlos drove the final nail into a plaque that identifies his home as another Casas por Cristo house. Missionaries from Norton and Oberlin participated in the trip, which built the Carlos family a new home.

—Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

New clinic discussed

By ERICA BRADLEY
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 Norton County Hospital will continue work on the new doctor's clinic despite a setback with the CDBG grant application. During the Norton County Commissioners meeting on Dec. 21, Hospital Administrator Rich Miller asked the commission to withdraw the grant application for \$100,000.

In an interview after the meeting, Miller said the hospital board of trustees had wanted to hire a construction manager for the project, which was against CDBG guidelines.

"It's our preference to use a construction manager. It has worked well for us in the past," he said.

Miller said the hospital went through various avenues to try to be able to hire a manager and keep the grant application open but was unable to do so.

He said the project would continue and other funding would be reviewed.

"We're not delaying the project. We're moving forward," he said.

He told the commission the hospital board's decision was to withdraw the application and

move forward with hiring a construction manager. He wanted the commission to be informed of the decision.

The commissioners signed several documents in support of withdrawing the application.

In other commission business:
 • The commission called BG Consultants to discuss the Emergency Medical Services Grant and administrative concerns.

The commission had several issues they would like to have changed before the conclusion of the project. Steve Berland, BG Consultants, said he would like the issue resolved, and he will look into the concerns.

• Gina Frack, Norton County Health Department Administrator, spoke about hiring a student to do document shredding. The county clerk said there is an outlet for a firm that will come through to do shredding. This would be cheaper than hiring someone and would benefit other departments.

Frack also reported that she is working on a contract for a physical therapist for the health department.

The department was awarded a grant that allowed them to purchase a new exam table.

• Norton County Solid Waste Supervisor Curt Archibald delivered his weekly report.

He said at this time, he is sending tires to Brown L, however, there is a firm in Concordia recycling the tires and making products.

The commission said they would rather see the tires recycled than buried. Archibald will speak with the firm to see if they will pick up the tires on site.

• A conference call was held with Rob Mahoney, Haake Companies, about the enrollment of vision insurance. Rob informed the commission of the current status and the necessary documentation. The information about dependents will need to be submitted.

• The KCAMP Bylaws and Interlocal Cooperation Agreement was presented. A motion was made to adopt the agreement. Vote taken, motion passed.

• Tom Brannan, Norton County Road and Bridge supervisor, reported on department operations. He said millings are being hauled to the stock pile in Norton and employees are trying to keep roads open for the harvest.

The commission will hold a department and elected officials meeting tomorrow.

Sheriff warns of latest scam

The Norton County Sheriff's Department reported another scam going around town. This time the scam deals with needing information for Amber Alert.

Troy Thomson, Norton County Sheriff, said some residents have received a call from someone claiming to work for the sheriff's

department asking about personal information about children for Amber Alert.

"There is no one working for us or in conjunction with us," said Sheriff Thomson.

Amber Alert works if there is a missing child under the age of 18 and is at risk of bodily harm

or death and there is sufficient information to send to the public. Information may be requested by law enforcement agencies but not ahead of time.

"This appears to be another scam, and all residents are encouraged to hang up and give no information," he said.

Police Log

December 23
 1:57 p.m. Motorist assist, Westridge
 4:37 p.m. Report of vehicle blocking driveway, 300 block N. Graves
 4:55 p.m. Report of disturbance which occurred three days prior, 300 block E. Crane
 5:36 p.m. Report of vehicle stuck in ditch Armory and Kennedy
 9:23 p.m. Report of vehicle stuck in driveway, 1000 block Kennedy
 10:45 p.m. Vehicle stop, Elmwood Park
December 24
 12:09 a.m. Report of dogs loose, 700 block W. Woodfield
 3:14 a.m. Report of strange noise, 200 block E. Woodfield
 4:15 a.m. Request for ride
 6:29 a.m. Request for ride
 7:18 a.m. Request for ride
 9:34 a.m. Child custody dispute
 11:45 a.m. Child custody dispute
 1:00 p.m. Report of found wallet
 2:13 p.m. Activated alarm, First Security Bank
 5:36 p.m. Vehicle stop, Grant and Wilberforce
 6:00 p.m. Vehicle stop, 600 block N. State
 6:30 p.m. Vehicle stop, 300 block W. Main
December 25
 11:30 a.m. Report of keys locked in vehicle
 1:31 p.m. Child custody dispute
 1:32 p.m. Report of stuck vehicle, West and Waverly
 3:35 p.m. Welfare check, 1000 block Eisenhower
 4:47 p.m. Report of stuck vehicle, Crane & Eisenhower
 5:08 p.m. Report of stuck vehicle, West & Waverly
 6:19 p.m. Vehicle stop, E. Highway 36 & Archer
 9:30 p.m. Request to open frozen screen door at house, 500 block Home
 9:53 p.m. Welfare check, 600 block Woods Dr.
 10:08 p.m. Report of spotlight out
 10:23 p.m. Request for ride
 10:31 p.m. Report of stuck vehicle, First and Wilton
December 26
 12:00 a.m. EMS assist
 1:59 a.m. Report of stuck vehicle, Practice Field
 3:24 a.m. Keys locked in vehicle, Loves
 6:51 a.m. Request for ride
 11:56 a.m. Report of U-haul

trailer parked
 11:02 a.m. Motorist assist, 100 block W. Warsaw
 1:16 p.m. Request to speak to officer, Loves
 3:40 p.m. Civil standby, 300 block E. Waverly
 9:04 p.m. Report of dog in yard, 300 block N. Grant
 10:02 p.m. Request to speak to officer
 11:36 p.m. Activated alarm
December 27
 11:15 a.m. Report of stuck vehicle, State and Woodfield
 1:30 p.m. Report of individual's front door open and individual is not home
 3:00 p.m. Report of dogs running loose
 4:30 p.m. Complaint on parked car
 9:00 p.m. Parking warning issued, 300 block N. Kansas
 9:10 p.m. Parking warning issued, 300 block N. Kansas
 9:20 p.m. Parking warning issued, 100 block E. Woodfield
 10:45 p.m. Parking warning issued, 700 block N. Grant
 10:50 p.m. Parking warning issued, 100 block W. Wilton
 11:00 p.m. Parking citation issued, 200 block E. Main
December 28
 12:47 a.m. Report of individual hearing possible gun shots
 12:48 p.m. Two vehicle accident, 300 block W. Wilton
 1:00 p.m. Request to have extra patrol
 5:53 p.m. Vehicle stop, W. Highway 36
 6:15 p.m. Report of employee theft
 7:05 p.m. Welfare check, 300 block Crane
 8:36 p.m. Vehicle stop, Main & First
December 29
 3:20 a.m. Car lot checks
 6:33 a.m. Request to stop individual from taking vehicle

8:20 a.m. Parking citation, 700 block Grant
 9:30 a.m. Parking citation, 100 block Madison
 9:24 a.m. Keys locked in vehicle, High Plains Mental Health
 9:40 a.m. Parking citation, 300 block N. Kansas
 10:30 a.m. Incarceration request
 11:15 a.m. Individual in custody on warrant
 5:17 p.m. Request for extra patrol
 6:20 p.m. Vehicle stop, State & Taft
 6:57 p.m. Vehicle stop, 1000 block West St.
 7:27 p.m. Vehicle stop, State & Lincoln
 11:16 p.m. Assist Sheriff's Dept and EMS
December 30
 8:50 a.m. Report of hit and run at Elmwood Park, damaging 5 guard posts
 9:45 a.m. Parking citation, 100 block W. Wilton
 11:00 a.m. Delivered CMB licenses
 10:32 p.m. Vehicle stop, State and Wilberforce
 11:23 p.m. Report of individual receiving threatening text messages
 11:42 p.m. Request to track phone number
December 31
 3:05 a.m. Hotel checks
 12:34 p.m. Report of suspicious object by door, Valley Hope
 3:37 p.m. Request to speak to officer concerning dog
 4:00 p.m. Parking warnings
 5:17 p.m. Report of two dogs running loose, West Ridge
 6:04 p.m. Report of dog in yard, 300 block Waverly
 8:03 p.m. Keys locked in vehicle, Loves
 11:28 p.m. Report of party and reckless driving, N. Grant
 11:51 p.m. Vehicle stop, First

Stop
January 1
 12:13 a.m. Report of individual needing assistance in front of 4H building
 12:39 a.m. One vehicle accident, 400 block E. Main
 12:50 a.m. Curfew violation
 1:46 a.m. One individual arrested for battery
 2:00 a.m. Request by Norton County Hospital to give individual ride home
 2:10 a.m. Request for ride
 2:20 a.m. Transported individual to Norton County Hospital
 3:37 a.m. Request ride from Norton County Hospital
 8:43 a.m. Report of dog needing picked up, 600 block W. Washington

9:40 a.m. Report of one vehicle accident, 600 block E. Woodfield
 4:03 p.m. Family dispute, Diamond Shamrock
January 2
 12:00 a.m. Request to remove mother-in-law from residence
 3:43 p.m. Civil standby
 5:19 p.m. Report of huge raccoon running around, 700 block N. First
 7:19 p.m. Report of two dogs killing two other dogs
 10:11 p.m. Report of individual yelling and screaming, 500 block W. Wilton
 10:39 p.m. Activated alarm, Dairy Queen
January 3
 12:14 a.m. Report of party, 300

block N. Graves
 12:27 a.m. Vehicle stop, Washington and Graves
 12:38 a.m. Vehicle stop, W. Highway 36 & Sun
 1:16 a.m. Activated alarm, Dairy Queen
 3:09 a.m. Vehicle stop, Second and Wilmington
 12:28 p.m. Vehicle stop, State Street
 3:16 p.m. Two vehicle accident, 900 block Hartford
 4:24 p.m. Report of two dogs running loose, 1000 block N. Wabash
 5:31 p.m. Dispute in house, 500 block N. State
 9:29 p.m. Report of individual putting lock on door, 500 block W. Wilton

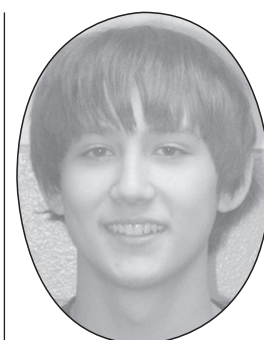
Student of the Month

Norton Community High School

NOVEMBER 2009



Student:
Emily Juenemann
 Parents:
 Lee and Angie Juenemann
 Grade:
 Senior



Student:
Jordan Hartwell
 Parents:
 Eric Hartwell and Christal Rose
 Grade:
 Freshman

Nominating Staff Member: Mr. Garrett Beydler. Comment from nominating staff member: "Emily Juenemann is a very good student in my classes and an outstanding leader in the FFA. She is dependable, reliable, punctual and trustworthy."

Factoids About Emily
 Favorite Class: Reading Improvement
 Favorite Drink: Water
 Favorite Color: Blue
 Favorite Food: Chicken
 Favorite Movie: Twilight
 Favorite Saying: "Where there's a will, there's a way."
 Favorite Song: Love Story by Taylor Swift
 Favorite Hangout: Friends' houses
 Personal Hero: Kayla Bursch
 Future Plans: Attend Hays to become a RN

Nominating Staff Members: Mrs. Brenda Mann and Mr. Steve Vance. Comments from nominating staff members: "I would like to nominate Jordan Hartwell as student of the month. Jordan comes into every day with a cheerful greeting to everyone in the classroom. He is always prepared for class, ready to learn and pleasant and helpful to other students. Jordan makes NCHS a better place to spend the day." "Jordan has a great work ethic in my class and always does his work. He comes in with a positive attitude and is always willing to help other students."

Factoids About Jordan
 Favorite Class: Drafting
 Favorite Drink: Water
 Favorite Color: Red
 Favorite Food: Meat Loaf
 Favorite Movie: None
 Favorite Saying: "Freakin' Wow!"
 Favorite Song: Dirty Deeds Done Dirt Cheap by AC/DC
 Favorite Hangout: Coffee Shop
 Personal Hero: My Grandpa Jackson
 Future Plans: Go to college to be a lineman at an electric company

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