



Kirk and Renee Griffith, owners of White Fields Coffee House, are closing the business on June 5. The Griffiths have owned the coffee shop for six and a half years.

—Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

White Fields set to close

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After the loss of several downtown businesses, White Fields Coffee House will close its doors on June 5 after six years of service to the community.

Renee Griffith, owner, said the closure is not because business

has been bad. "We're closing because we are tired. We've been doing this six and a half years," she said. Griffith said the community has been supportive, but she and her husband have young children. She said they love their customers and are sad to see it go.

"We feel like we had the best customers in the world. They have been so supportive. It's been a pleasure serving the community," she said. The Griffiths are not planning to leave Norton. They are trying to sell the store and can be reached at White Fields.

Fifth graders finally get field trip

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One thing can lead to another. The Eisenhower Elementary fifth grade class did not get to go on a field trip. The trip to the Water Festival in Alma, Neb. at the Harlan County Dam was canceled due to the weather.

Patsy Maddy of Farm Bureau Insurance and Teresa Schulze, a fifth and sixth grade teacher at Eisenhower Elementary, discussed the loss of the field trip. Teresa spoke to Twila Dizmang at the Norton County Conservation office, who conferred with Lari Ann Nickell of the same office and before long a field trip for the fifth grade was in motion.

The field trip for the fifth grade classes at Eisenhower Elementary took place on May 21 right here in Norton's Elmwood park and the city's new water treatment plant.

Several different entities were responsible for the days activities: Norton County Conservation office, Prairie Dog Creek Water Restoration and Protection Strategy, Farm Bureau Insurance, Natural Resource Conservation Service, the City of Norton and Eisenhower Elementary School worked together as a team and made this a day that the students enjoyed and learned about the importance of water and conservation efforts.

There were stations set up in the park to show to the students various parts of water conservation. The first thing was a team work project to show how water conservation takes all of the community to accomplish. "Teamwork is important to any water conservation effort," Dizmang said. "This game showed just how important it is to work together."

The classes were then split up into four groups that participated



Miah Melvin, Trenton Wright, Caleb Gregerson, and Levi Kendell wait for the trees to fall in the demonstration of erosion caused by rivers and streams. The students were part of the fifth grade field trip that was held in Elmwood Park on May 21.

Telegram photo by Harriett Gill

in learning about conversation and water usage. "We had four stations set up; a conservation trailer, a stream trailer that showed erosion caused by water in rivers and streams, rain simulator that showed the difference in water

runoff and a trip through the City of Norton's water treatment plant." Nickell said.

"I thought it was more interesting than the field trip to Alma Dam," said Maddy.

Summer reading set to start at library

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"Make A Splash - Read!" is the theme for this year's Summer Reading Program that will begin on June 3 at the Norton Public Library.

The Summer Reading Program is open to all ages, 0 years to 100 years. Everyone is invited to sign up on June 3. The Read-To-Me age group through sixth graders will need to read 20 books. Parents, grandparents and adult supervisors can help children in the Read-To-Me age group. Teens, grades seventh through twelfth, will need to read 10 books of 150 pages and adults 10 books of 250 pages. Those who sign up will receive a gift. Those who meet their goal will receive a prize from the Norton Friends of the Library.

For reaching your goal your name will be put in a drawing for a grand prize also provided by the Norton Friends of the Library.

The Library is also having many special activities planned for Thursdays this summer. There will be a 10:30 a.m. story time for children ages preschool through second grade. For children ages third through sixth grade there, story time will be at 2 p.m. Teens can enjoy Fun Nights Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m.

On June 10 at 2 p.m. magician Kevin Horner will be at the Norton Recreation Center sponsored by The Pamida Foundation.

There will be only one story time on July 8 at 10:30 am in the Norton Recreation Center as we all get together to enjoy the Rolling Hills Zoo from Salina

sponsored by the Norton Lyons Club and NWKLS.

Many other fun activities have been planned with Tranda Watts from the Extension Office, David Will, The Library Youth Board, Patsy Maddy from Farm Bureau, Sandy Benoit from Parents-as-Teachers, Ashley Smith Maybon, Prairie Dog State Lake and Smokey Hills Public Television. A schedule of activities, sign-up sheets and Summer Reading Guidelines can all be picked up at the Library.

The Summer Reading Program is promoted by the Northwest Kansas Library System, the Norton Friends of the Library and the Norton Library to encourage children and adults to continue to read throughout the summer.

Grand opening scheduled

Dollar General continues to make shopping easier and more convenient for customers in Norton. Dollar General is pleased to announce the opening of its new store at 309 East Holme. The grand opening of the new store is scheduled to begin tomorrow at 8 a.m.

At the grand opening event, customers will enjoy special deals and free prizes. The first 50 shoppers at the store will receive a \$10 Dollar General gift card and the first 200 shoppers will receive a Dollar General tote bag, among other giveaways.

The new store will provide customers with the same value and convenience they have come to rely on, just in a different location. The new store has 9014 square-feet of shopping space and will employ six to 10 people.

"Dollar General is committed to delivering a pleasant shopping experience that includes a convenient location, a well-edited assortment of merchandise, great prices and an updated store design," said Gayle Aertker, Dollar General's senior vice president of real estate and store development. "We hope our Norton customers will continue to enjoy shopping at Dollar General's new location."


Dollar General's new location features a fresh layout, designed to make shopping easier and

simpler for customers. Some of the store's new features include seasonal products featured in the center of the store, easily recognizable departments with visible signage and coolers that are more conveniently located at the front of the store.

Dollar General stores offer convenience and value to customers by providing a focused selection of national brands and private brands of food, housewares, seasonal items, cleaning supplies, basic apparel and health and beauty care products.

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WOBBLE TRAP SHOOT

Sunday, June 6

Starting Time: 9:30 a.m.
Blackpowder Range
(1/4 Mile South of Prairie Land Electric)

Five Stand Wobble Trap
\$5.00 a round - all donations accepted
Bring your own guns and ammo - rock will be supplied
LUNCH STAND AVAILABLE
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Questions - Call Chandra McKenna 785-871-1314

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Norcatour Memorial Day Observance on Sunday, May 30, 2010

This will be the 121st year for the annual observance of Memorial Day in Norcatour and the 38th consecutive year that the "Avenue of Flags" will be displayed. As in the past, all veterans in uniform, if possible, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, and school children are requested to meet at the Main Gate (first driveway) into the Norcatour Cemetery at 1:45 p.m. to form the parade. There will be chairs available at the cemetery Memorial Day for the veterans that would like to use them. You are asked to bring your chairs.

The parade will start from the cemetery main gate at 1:45 p.m. with the order of business at the cemetery as follows:

2:00 p.m. Formation at Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; Norton American Legion Color Guard; Star Spangled Banner by Amanda Marshall; Opening Prayer by Rev. Larry Danforth; Special Memorial Day Address by Capt. Jacob Leichter; Decorate Tomb of Unknown Soldier by Norman Roger Beachel; Taps and Echo by Anthony Marshall and Nolan Henningson at the end of the ceremony there will be a volley fired in honor of all Veterans who have passed in the last year while still in formation.

The "Avenue of Flags" was first flown in 1972 and has been a beautiful addition to the color and ceremony always displayed at the Norcatour Memorial Day Observance, which is one of the longest continuous observances in the Nation. In case of inclement weather, the Memorial Day Service will be held in the Norcatour High School Gymnasium. The "Avenue of Flags" will be put up at 7 a.m. on Sunday, May 30. All volunteers including you ladies need to be at the Norcatour Cemetery at 7 a.m.

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