

Grains for Hope making a difference

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Palm Springs, California. It's the site of the national meeting of the American Association of Cereal Chemists. Among the speakers are two presenters talking about a special project which is shipping micronutrient-enhanced grain products to underprivileged countries. There is something special about these two presenters: In addition to the other things they are working on, they will soon experience their senior prom. Yes, these two presenters at this national meeting are high school students. They are among the student leaders of a remarkable rural project known as Grains for Hope.

Carol Spangler is a teacher at Sabetha High School and advisor to Grains for Hope. Carol grew up near Sabetha at the rural community of Fairview, population 269 people. Now, that's rural.

Carol studied at the College of the Ozarks in Missouri. Eventually, she and her husband came back to her home area where she served as a school librarian and French teacher. In 2002, she had the opportunity to participate in an externally-funded summer internship. She chose Wenger Manufacturing.

Wenger Manufacturing in Sabetha is one of the world's leaders in commercial extrusion cooking systems, as we have previously profiled. "I grew up around here," Carol said, "and I always wondered what it was they did in there."

That summer she learned about Wenger's role in extrusion, which is a method of processing grain.

That fall, for its accreditation

process, Sabetha High School was to do a building-wide problem solving activity. Carol suggested that the problem-solving activity could be to determine what country would best benefit from receiving extruded grain products such as those produced by Wenger. Her idea was selected. The entire school took this on as a project and divided into teams to research various countries and present the results.

Student teams researched various issues such as shipping, infra-structure, rates of malnourishment, and much more. In May 2003, the teams presented their results to a panel of five food science professionals. The panel of experts concluded that the most logical country to receive such foodstuffs would be the country of Mozambique.

What should this project be called? The name "Grains for Hope" was selected, and a student-designed logo was chosen through an art contest at the high school. More research followed, with two students traveling to Istanbul. Carol met with the director of the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition in Geneva, Switzerland.

The project came to fruition during the 2005-2006 school year, when Grains for Hope held a bagging night. Students, parents, and other members of the community helped fill bags of the extruded, micronutrient-enhanced grain product for shipment to Mozambique. A mission in Mozambique received and distributed the 1,231 pounds of product from Grains for Hope in Kansas.

It went so well that Grains for Hope registered as a 501(c)3 not-for-profit foundation and went on to partner with Wenger

Manufacturing and Kansas State University. The project continues to grow.

By the beginning of 2012, Carol Spangler estimates that Grains for Hope has involved some 200 students and shipped 25 tons of these enhanced grain products to Mozambique and Haiti.

This amazing project has not gone unnoticed. The project has garnered several awards for Sabetha High School through the years, including: The Kansas Partners in Education Award, the National Association for Tech Prep Leadership Award, the Civic Star award for the state of Kansas, the Kansas in the World Award for Excellence in International Education, and more.

One Grains for Hope member won state and national FFA awards for his work, and for several years, two students have won scholarships to attend the national meeting of the American Association of Cereal Chemists.

Palm Springs, California. Here at the annual meeting of the American Association of Cereal Chemists, two high school students from Sabetha, Kansas have been presenting the remarkable story of Grains for Hope. We commend all those involved with Grains for Hope for making a difference with their passion and compassion.

Ultimately, it is not the various awards which are most important to Carol Spangler and her principal Todd Evans, but rather something else. We'll learn about that next week. More information is available at :grainsforhope.com/index.php.

Shades of possibilities



To help beautify the community, the Norton Lions Club planted 12 trees last Friday in Elmwood Park and the Norton Cemetery. With monetary donations from the city of Norton, Lions Club and Modern Woodmen, the club planted cottonwood and crab apple trees. Pictured helping with the project are David Davis, Roy Skrdlant, Larry Stutz, Craig Knapp, Charles "Bud" Posson, Darel Boston, Ed Witt, Kayti-Beth Davis and Kristine Knapp.

-Photo contributed

PUBLIC RECORD

Municipal Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the Norton Municipal Court. These cases were given to the paper with the date of the hearings.

March 8

Jan. 2-Justin Williby, Oberlin; Charge: Criminal deprivation of property; Other action: Diversion; Sentence: One year diversion and probation to the court, assessment \$100, diversion fee \$100, costs \$76, total \$276.

Feb. 10-Kris Huffman, Grand Island, Neb.; Charge: Disorderly conduct; Plea: Guilty; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$250, costs \$76, total \$326.

Feb. 9-Michael Lang, Norton; Charge: No proof of insurance; Other action: Dismissed/ proof provided.

March 22

Jan. 22-Teresa Case, Norton; Charge: 1. No proof of insurance, 2. No registration, 3. Driving while suspended; Other action: 1. Dismissed/proof, 2. Dismissed/registered, 3. Dismissed/obtained license; Sentence: Costs \$76.

March 4-Jeffrey Delimont, Norton; Charge: Dog running at-large, no tags; Plea: No contest; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$25, costs \$76, total \$101 and ordered to renew tag.

March 29

March 11-Devon Husted,

Clayton; Charge: 1. Possession of marijuana, 2. Possession of drug paraphernalia; Other action: Dismissed by city prosecutor to District Court.

March 16-Donald Lopez, Hays; Charge: Speeding 45 in 35; Plea: No contest; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$30, costs \$76.

March 26- Darren McMullen, Norton; Charge: Other action: Dismissed/proof.

Feb. 28-Jacob Hickman, Norton; Charge: Speeding 62 in 40; Plea: No contest; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$102, costs \$76, total \$178.

April 5

March 27-Allan Taylor, Norton; Charge: Dog running at-large, expired tag; Plea: No contest; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$25, costs \$76, total \$101, ordered to obtain 2012 dog tag.

March 13-Jon Stanton, Norton; Charge: 1. Stop sign violation, 2. No proof of insurance; Plea: 1. Guilty, 2. Dismissed/proof; Found: 1. Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$100, costs \$76, total \$176.

March 23- Casey Madden,

Norton; Charge: 1. No proof of insurance, 2. No seat belt; Plea: 2. No contest; Other action: 1. Dismissed/proof; Found: Guilty; Sentence: 2. \$10, total \$10.

March 12-Charles Sander, Norton; Charge: Stop sign violation; Plea: No contest; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Community service-pick up all trash on both sides of Armory Drive, from 283 to west end of pavement on west, April 5-Dec. 31, 2012.

March 17-Russell Gibson, Norton; Charge: 1. No proof of insurance, 2. No motorcycle license; Plea: 2. Guilty; Other action: 1. Dismissed/proof; Found: 2. Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$25, costs \$76, total \$101.

Feb. 28-Claudia Deurlein, Almena; Charge: Misdemeanor theft; Other action: Diversion; Sentence: 1 year diversion and probation assessment \$100, diversion fee \$100, costs \$76, total \$276.

March 30-Brian Hartman, Norton; Charge: Speeding 40 in 30; Plea: Guilty; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$30, costs \$76, total \$106.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

NCHS

Monday, April 16
Cheer Fundraiser Ends
A & P Field Trip to FHSU, 10:30 a.m.
JV Track at WaKeeney, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 17
Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.
FFA Livestock Judging at Phillipsburg, 9 a.m.
MCL at Plainville, 10 a.m.
JV Golf at Goodland, 2 p.m.
Track at Plainville, 3 p.m.
S.A.C., A.P.

Wednesday, April 18
Art Exhibit at FHSU
FFA District Horse Judging at Oakley, 8 a.m.
Dance Team tryouts: Stull Gym, 4 p.m.

Thursday, April 19
Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.
S.I.T., 7:45 a.m.
B.A.S.S. meetings
NCHS Golf Invitational, 3 p.m.
State Large Group Music Fes-

tival at Colby, TBA
Forensics at Phillipsburg, TBA
KAYS, A.P.

Friday, April 20
Dance Team fund raiser begins

Assembly: Miss America; Stull Gym, 8:30 a.m.
Student focus group, A.P.
Track at Phillipsburg, 3 p.m.

NJHS
Wednesday, April 18
HS Dance Team tryouts: Stull Gym, 4 p.m.
Site Council, 5 p.m.

EES
Monday, April 16
5/6 vocal practice at East Campus, 8:30 a.m.
Site Council, 5:30 p.m.

5/6 vocal concert at East Campus, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 18
S.I.T., 7:30 a.m.
6th Grade Band recital: Band Room, 1:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 19

5/6 Grade level meeting, 3:40 p.m.

Friday, April 20
IEP Day
Assembly: Miss America; EES Gym, K-3 at 10 a.m. and 4-6 at 11 a.m.

Grade 1 field trip to Norton Hospital, 12:45 and 2 p.m.

Northern Valley
Monday, April 16
HS Forensics Show-Just Deserts- in the HS auditorium, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 17
K-4th Grade, Grandparents Day, 9 a.m.-noon

Wednesday, April 18
FFA District Horse Judging at Oakley

Thursday, April 19
HS State Large Group Contest at Colby

Friday, April 20
HS Track meet at Osborne, 3 p.m.

SCHOOL MENU

Norton Jr.-Sr. High Schools Menu

Monday, April 16
Breakfast-Pizza squares, fruit or juice, or choice of assorted cereal, toast w/margarine and jelly, and milk.

Lunch-Pig in a blanket, peas, broccoli and cauliflower, rosy applesauce, or chef salad and milk.

Tuesday, April 17
Breakfast-Hot cereal w/toppings, fruit or juice, or choice of assorted cereal, toast w/margarine and jelly, and milk.

Lunch-Chicken fajitas, lettuce, chopped tomato, shredded cheese, onions and peppers, french bread w/margarine, fruit cup, or chef salad and milk.

Wednesday, April 18
Breakfast-NO BREAKFAST-Late Start
Lunch-Pepperoni pockets, green beans, peach, or chef salad and milk.

Thursday, April 19
Breakfast-Monkey bread, fruit or juice, or choice of assorted cereal, toast w/margarine and jelly, and milk.

Lunch-Beef and noodles, whipped potatoes, carrots, peanut butter and celery, rolls w/margarine, bananas, or chef salad and milk.

Friday, April 20
Breakfast-Coffee cake, fruit

or juice, or choice of assorted cereal, toast w/margarine and jelly, and milk.

Lunch-Breaded chicken sandwich, lettuce and tomato, corn, applesauce w/cinnamon, or chef salad and milk.

EES Menu
Monday, April 16
Breakfast-Breakfast burrito, apple juice and milk.

Lunch-Peanut butter and honey sandwich, cottage cheese, warm peas, celery stick, mandarin oranges and milk.

Tuesday, April 17
Breakfast-Warm pumpkin bread, rosy applesauce, orange juice and milk.

Lunch-Pizza roll-ups, tossed salad, pears, cookie and milk.

Wednesday, April 18
Breakfast-NO BREAKFAST served by EES
Lunch-Macaroni and cheese, little smokies, cooked carrots, rosy applesauce, french bread and milk.

Thursday, April 19
Breakfast-Canadian bacon/cheese, biscuit, grape juice and milk.

Lunch-Potato boats, baked beans, fruit cocktail, whole wheat roll and milk.

Friday, April 20
Breakfast-Golden waffles, warm maple syrup, fruit cocktail, apple juice and milk.

Lunch-Sloppy Joe, homemade bun, corn, tater tots, kiwi and milk.

Northern Valley Menu
Monday, April 16
Breakfast-Oatmeal w/toppings, sausage links, strawberries and cold assorted cereal.

Lunch-Cheeseburger on a bun, ranch wedges, baked beans and Mandarin oranges.

Tuesday, April 17
Breakfast-Plain muffin, jelly, scrambled eggs, fruit and cold assorted cereal.

Lunch-Ham and scalloped potatoes, hot roll, buttered peas and frosted pears.

Wednesday, April 18
Breakfast-Breakfast taco, hash browns, fruit and cold assorted cereal.

Lunch-Nachos w/ground beef, tossed salad w/dressing, buttered beets and peach crisp.

Thursday, April 19
Breakfast-French toast stix, syrup, scrambled eggs, fruit and cold assorted cereal.

Lunch-Parmesan chicken, french bread, buttered carrots and lemon pie.

Friday, April 20
Breakfast-Cherry coffeecake, ham, eggs, fruit and cold assorted cereal.

Lunch-Cook's choice.

Duplicate Bridge

Mary Lue Archibald and David Ashley took first place at Duplicate Bridge, played Wednesday night at Norton Manor. Jackie Porter and Joyce Sumner finished in second place.

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To Celebrate the Classes of 1951 and 1952 for 60 Years
on Saturday, May 26
At the Community Center,
208 W. Main in Norton
Refreshments at 4:00 and Meal at 6:30 p.m.
ALUMNI, GUESTS AND ANYONE INTERESTED IN VISITING OR THE MEAL MAY SEND RESERVATIONS TO:
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