

# Inside News

## Haysville Unified School District 261

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### USD 261 BOE Dedicates Ballfields - The Carl Hall Family Sports Complex

The Haysville USD 261 Board of Education recently voted to name the baseball/softball fields near Nelson Elementary School for Campus High School alum Carl Hall (1989 graduate). The Carl Hall Family Sports Complex was dedicated on February 23 with members of the Hall family in attendance along with hundreds of well-wishers. The crew from Extreme Makeover: Home Edition taped the dedication ceremony for an upcoming edition of the popular television show.

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Below, Dr. John Burke talks with Erika Bryant, Extreme Makeover: Home Edition field producer about the taping of a segment for the show.



Carl Hall with family members at the announcement at Wichita State University from the Extreme Makeover: Home Edition staff. (WSU Photo)



Ty Pennington at the Sports Complex dedication.

# Swartzendruber Tournament Is A Winner

The 9th Annual Kristen Swartzendruber Special Olympics Basketball Tournament hosted by Haysville USD 261 showcased the athletic ability and sportsmanship of the Special Olympians.

The Tournament on February 26 continues to grow with 55 teams, 550 athletes and 160 participating in this year's event.

The tournament is named after Kristen Swartzendruber who was USD 261 interim superintendent when she was killed in a car accident on September 28, 2002.

The event was made successful by all the sponsors who generously donated time and money to the event: USD 261; Knights of Columbus @ St. Cecilia; Hostess; Carlos O'Kelly's; Hog Wild; Buffalo Wild Wings; Papa John's Pizza; Pizza Hut; FarmLand; Wonder Bread; Culligan Water; Sam's Wholesale Club; Subway; and McConnell Air Force.

**(Top Right) Colts cheerleaders placed second in their division. Members of the cheer squad are: (from left to right) Kristen Winters; Hayley Huffman; Ashlie Seeney; Megan Mader; Amanda Cantwell; and Jennifer Willig. Kneeling: Cheer Squad Coach Kimberly Shelburn.**



**(Bottom Right) Campus High School was well represented with a large number of students volunteering to help with the tournament. Just a few of the CHS student volunteers attending the event were: (front row) Aubrey Winkler; Angie Berens; and Ashley Rawlings. Back row: Bryant Keirns and Halle Kimber.**



**(Left) More than a dozen members of the Sedgwick County Sheriff's office were in attendance to support the athletes. Front row: Brenda Adams, Josh Shelburn (Campus Colts) and Chris Simmons (Campus Colts). Back row: Brandon Monroe, Fabiola Torres, Matt Crocker (Campus Colts), Jack Hornecker and Tracy Rongier.**

## News Briefs

### District Receives Heater Grant

Haysville USD 261 has received a grant to improve the efficiency of its school buses.

Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Funding to Kansas for the National Clean Diesel Grant Program, Haysville USD 261 has been awarded a contract totaling \$95,360.

“This contract will be used to purchase and install the Webasto 45000 BTU School Bus Heater in 40 of the District’s big buses. These heaters are engineered specifically for school buses to reduce idling and save fuel,” said Clint Schutte, USD 261 Transportation Director.

Kathleen Waters with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment confirmed the awarding of the grant and will coordinate the contract with Kansas Truck Equipment Company.

### Kindergarten Round Up In April

USD 261 is calling all students who will be five years of age on or before August 31, 2011. Make plans now to attend Kindergarten Round-Up at your area elementary school to pre-register for next school year.

While parents are attending an informational meeting and completing necessary paperwork, the children will go to the Kindergarten classroom for activities and a snack.

Please bring the following items to this event: state certified birth certificate, social security number, current immunization records, and a proof of residency (current utility bill, lease/purchase agreement with parent's name and current date).

The following is the Kindergarten Round-Up schedule. Please call USD 261 Administration Building at 554-2200 if you are not certain which school your child will attend.

- Freeman Elementary, April 26, 9:30 a.m.
- Nelson Elementary, April 26, 1:30 p.m.
- Oatville Elementary, April 28, 9:30 a.m.
- Prairie Elementary, April 28, 1:30 p.m.
- Rex Elementary, April 27, 9:30 a.m.
- Ruth Clark Elementary, April 27 1:30 p.m.



Campus High School teacher Perry Warden recently received the “National Federation of State High Schools” and “Kansas State High School Activities Association” Basketball Official of the Year for 2011. He has been a referee in Kansas for 21 years receiving his 20-year Service of Excellence Award last year from KSHSAA. In 2006, he was awarded the “National Federation of State High Schools” and “Kansas State High School Activities Association” Softball Umpire of the Year Award.

### Cheney students visit Rex Elementary

Twenty Cheney High School juniors spent their morning on February 24 at Rex Elementary School mentoring and tutoring students. Cheney students were treated to a quick breakfast and orientation and then worked with students until 12:30 p.m.

Cheney High School juniors have volunteered with Communities In Schools at Rex Elementary since 2008 as part of their English and History studies on the Great Depression and giving back to the community.

### Oatville Schedules Pioneer Day Event

Oatville Elementary has scheduled its 4th Bi-annual Pioneer Day on Friday, April 29. As in the past, this will be a living history of what life was like during the late 1800’s. Wagons, Tee Pees, Storytelling, Music and Games of this time period will provide a great learning experience for the students. If you would like to help with Pioneer Days, please contact Colleen Harvey or the school office at 554-2290.

## News Briefs

### The Learning Center Classes

- Food Handler's Class – March 11
- Providing Positive Supports For Children on the Autism Spectrum - March 16\*
- Law Enforcement Response To School Violence – March 30
  - Grant Writing USA - March 31 & April 1\*
  - Writing & Literacy in the Pre-K & Kindergarten Classroom (2010/2011) - April 19 (4-6 p.m.)
  - The Power of PowerPoint & Publisher – April 13
    - Psychological First Aid – April 19\*
- Primary Sources In The Classroom: From Lincoln Through The Gilded Age – April 20\*
  - Classroom Connections: Web Tools For Teachers - April 26\*
  - Chick-Fil-A Leadercast – May 6 (\$69)\*
    - The Power of Prometheus – June 1\*
    - Mimio Interactive Training – June 20\*
      - American Red Cross Babysitter's Training – June 21
  - Using Nonlinguistic Representations And Creativity To Improve Learning – June 22\*
  - Blackboard For The Classroom – June 30\*
    - Photoshop Tips & Tricks – July 6\*
    - Dinah Zike Foldables – July 12\*
    - CPR & AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) – July 13
  - Edmodo (Secure Social Learning Network For Teachers & Students) – July 19\*
    - Love & Logic For Teachers – July 20\*
    - The Bag Ladies' Creations – Make And Take! – July 26\*

\* Graduate credit available for these classes

### Newman Honors Former Players

Newman University announced its inductees into the Athletics Hall of Fame on February 5. Jeromy Swearingen and Jeremy Willig were inducted as part of the 1996 Men's Soccer Team.

The Newman Athletics Hall of Fame was created in 2007 to honor student-athletes, coaches, administrators, advocates and patrons who have made significant contributions to the university's athletic programs.



Campus High School senior Sam Ward concentrates on his sheet music as the CHS Band adds to the excitement of the Colts game against Derby High School.

### AVID Program is March 30

AVID will be hosting an informational program on March 30 at 7 p.m. in the CHS auditorium.

AVID - Advancement Via Individual Determination is...

- A college readiness system designed to increase the number of students who enroll in a four year college.
- Raising student expectations.
- Supporting students by providing academic training and by helping students develop long-range academic and personal plans.
- Helping organize students.
- Teaching students how to take tests.
- Helping & tutoring students to raise their grades.

For more information about the AVID program, come by the Counseling Office.

## News Briefs

### CHS Alumni Tourney April 23-24

The 2011 Campus Alumni Basketball Tournament is scheduled for April 23 and 24 at the CHS gym.

All CHS Alumni are invited to play in this double elimination co-ed alumni Basketball Tournament. The start time will be determined based on brackets.

The cost is \$10 per player and \$5 for admission for spectators. Concessions will be available.

Proceeds will go to Campus High School Athletic Programs.

For more information, call Campus High School Activities or Athletic Department, 316-554-2236.

Participant entry form is on the USD 261 web site at: [www.usd261.com/campus](http://www.usd261.com/campus)

### Feeding Program Starts June 6

The USD 261 Summer Feeding Program for all children living in the District, ages 2 - 18, will be Monday - Thursday, June 6 to July 28 at Rex Elementary. Participants may participate free of charge for breakfast (8 to 9 a.m.) and lunch 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### Moon Over Buffalo Scheduled

Mark your calendar for the Campus High School production of Ken Ludwig's *Moon Over Buffalo* presented by the Advanced Acting Repertory Class.

The production is scheduled for April 27, 28 and 29 at the Mane Stage Theatre.

For more information about *Moon Over Buffalo*, visit [www.usd261.com/Campus/Theatre/](http://www.usd261.com/Campus/Theatre/)

### Share Your Ideas on Our SOS Site

#### Suggestions, Opportunities & Solutions (SOS)

Have a Suggestion? Recognize an Opportunity? Create a Solution? Haysville USD 261 wants to know!

We are always looking for ways to be more efficient, to improve services and help our employees and students to be successful.

Please fill out our SOS form and tell us your ideas or send us an email at [SOS@usd261.com](mailto:SOS@usd261.com). Leave your name if you want or you can remain anonymous. Form available at [www.usd261.com/District/suggest.aspx](http://www.usd261.com/District/suggest.aspx)



Nelson Elementary School's annual Art In The Park event on February 4 brought the school's gymnasium alive with decorations to simulate a real park. Nelson's PTA and teachers started the event as a way to expose students to many forms of art. Local artists, including USD 261 employees and students, professionals and crafters donated a day to show Nelson Elementary students different types of arts and crafts. (Above) Campus High School senior Kaitlynn Cooke makes a bowl to demonstrate the use of the pottery wheel. (Below) First grade students Mirlae Dalton and Jenna Gilbert show off their creativity by coloring.



# Earth Day is April 22

(Right) Haysville Alternative High School Principal Mark Foster poses with his sign and balloons celebrating national Principal's Day.



(Above) Oatville Elementary School students Ryan Manganiello (fifth grade) and Tierney Shoopman (second grade) were among a group selected as top readers. As a reward, students designated as top readers helped serve green eggs and ham as part of Dr. Seuss birthday celebration observed each year.



(Above) Ruth Clark Elementary School teachers Ashley Jayarathne (far left) and Shenae Stein (far right) had an amazing opportunity in meeting with the crew of the Extreme Makeover: Home Edition at the site of the new Carl Hall family home. Ashley and Shenae spent an hour with the production coordinator having a guided tour and asking questions to take information about the new home back to their students. The producer gave them enough autographed pictures of the designers for every second grader at Ruth Clark. Second graders Cami Dickey, Lauren Huynh and Gabrielle Harris show off their photos of Extreme Makeover designer Paige Hemmis.



(Below) Campus High School's Morgan Rushing, a junior, was all smiles after donating blood at the CHS National Honor Society and the American Red Cross annual Spring Blood Drive. A total of 98 potential donors attended with 76 productive units being collected. Thirty-five donors gave blood for the first time.

Rex Elementary School morning Kindergarten students were recently treated to a visit from their friend PFC Aaron McCosh (center of photo) home for a visit from Afghanistan. Since September 2010, students in Mickey Mackey's class has been sending cards and treats to Aaron, who is a 2009 graduate of Campus High School. All 29 students in the morning and afternoon kindergarten classes have helped with this project. Rex para Kim Garrett (back row, far left) and teacher Mickey Mackey (back row, center) were so excited and had a hard time keeping the visit a secret.



Haysville USD 261 staff and students recently participated in the Kansas Special Olympics annual Polar Plunge at O.J. Watson Park in Wichita. Each CHS participant raised a minimum of \$75 to take the plunge into the icy waters of the park's lake. Proceeds from the event go to support programs located throughout Kansas. Representing Campus High School at the Polar Plunge were: (front row) Helen Will-Gallegos; Chelsea Divine; Lindsey Daley; Amber Stetler; and Pat Temaat. (back row) Mardy Moree; Jesse Shetler; and Gayle Nelson.



Garin Williams and Erin Simpson stack two of the 11 "Sweets for Your Service" boxes their fourth grade classmates in Darlene Fussell's class at Freeman Elementary School recently sent to military personnel at McConnell Air Force Bases and overseas in Germany, Turkey, Korea, and Afghanistan. The students collected sweets and wrote cards to the troops. Receiving the "Sweets" were: Russ Brotsky (McConnell AFB); Jayme Gabbard (McConnell AFB); Chris Witt (McConnell AFB); Keith Woodrome (McConnell AFB); Andrew Krummrey (McConnell AFB); Darral Garner (McConnell AFB); Robert Kendall (Germany); Casey Forbes (Turkey); Tina Barrientez (Korea); and Josh Bantam (Afghanistan).

# Gifted Students Take a Trip Around The World

Friends and family of students in USD 261's Gifted Program recently had a chance to travel around the world while never leaving Kansas. Each student selected and researched a country to present to "travelers" wishing to find out more about their area of the world. Students dressed up in native costumes and brought items from their country to help tell their stories. See some of the countries below:



Maura Garrison ~ Germany



Aisaac and Avada Keomanyvong ~ Japan



Austin Bonilla ~ Egypt



Alyssa Winkleman ~ Haiti



Lauren Shipman ~ Canada



Hannah Nelson ~ Mexico



Max Shetler ~ Guinea - Bissau

Photos courtesy of Shari Burke





(Left) Extreme Makeover's Paul DiMeo waits with Debbie Coleman for the video crew to set up its equipment. (Above) Carl Hall's Mom, Louise (left) and sister, Teresa Hall Bartels (right), discuss the sports complex dedication with DiMeo.

# Extreme Makeover: Home Edition



(Above) Members of the USD 261 Board of Education attending the dedication were: Forrest Hummel, Susan Walston, Regina Schutt and Glenn Crum.



(Left) Extreme Makeover: Home Edition designer Jillian Harris (middle of crowd) is surrounded by Carl Hall family supporters and the children who will be playing softball or baseball at the newly dedicated Carl Hall Family Sports Complex.