

# Mental health advocate retires from health center

Vivian Jansonius, long-time mental health advocate and Prairie View resident, has resigned from the board of High Plains Mental Health Center.

In 1969, Mrs. Jansonius was asked by the Phillips County Commissioners to serve as the county's first representative on the center's board of directors. In over 45 years of service, she has rarely missed a monthly meeting.

Walt Hill, Executive Director of High Plains said, "Vivian's persistent advocacy through the years has been a significant contribution to mental health care and services, not only in Phillips County, but throughout the 21 county area served by the Center. We will definitely miss her presence on the Board."

In the early 1960s, Mrs. Jansonius was president of what was then called the Phillips County Mental Health Association. She led the way in establishing a community mental health

center system in northwest Kansas. At that time, the State of Kansas required the participation of at least three counties in order to receive state funding. With her leadership, both Norton and Ellis counties made the first commitments to her efforts. She made many trips from Phillipsburg to Hays to eventually persuade the Ellis County Commissioners to be the third county involved.

Mrs. Jansonius' desire for mental health services came from early experiences with someone she knew in need of help with a "drinking problem". At that time, such care was not readily available, and when this person was finally willing to accept treatment, she was convinced that "it was mental health care which kept him going."

Since that time, Mrs. Jansonius has been a continuing advocate of mental health services in northwest Kansas.

Mrs. Jansonius, 89, is in a nursing home in Phillipsburg.

# County firefighters to receive relief money

Norton County is scheduled to receive over \$18,000 from the Firefighters Relief Fund.

Kansas Insurance Commissioner Sandy Praeger has said that nearly \$9 million is being distributed to Firefighter Relief Associations from the relief fund. This fund is used to assist firefighters and their families when accidents or death occur in the line of duty. The fund is administered by the Kansas Insurance Department.

The Kansas Firefighters Relief Fund is generated by a 2 percent tax on the fire and lightning insurance premiums paid in the state for

the previous calendar year. This year's distribution represents an increase of about \$350,000 from last year.

The breakdown for Norton County is: Alma, \$1891.50; Lenora, \$2,682.62; Norton County, \$3,282.42; Norton, \$7,569.28; and Norton Rural, \$2,830.24.

In Decatur County Jennings received \$2,008.39 and Norcorat received \$1,639.61. In Phillips County Logan received, \$2,840.15; Long Island received \$1,651.78 and Prairie View received \$1,936.65.

# U.S. Senator will be in Norton Monday afternoon

U.S. Senator Pat Roberts is touring western Kansas to hear the concerns of constituents and discuss current events.

Sen. Roberts will be in Norton at 2:15 p.m. at Town and Country

Kitchen on Monday, Aug. 21. Before stopping in Norton, he will be in Goodland at 7:30 a.m. (MT) and in Colby at 11 a.m. (CST).

Anyone who wishes to can come to ask questions or just listen.

# SCHOOL CALENDAR

**SENIOR HIGH:**  
 Sunday — FFA/Alumni Softball, 7 p.m.  
 Monday — Assembly, 9 a.m.; Class Meetings, a.p.  
 Tuesday — Eleventh Grade Officers Meeting, a.p.; FCCLA Board, 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday — FCCLA Food Drive; Yearbook Ad Sales; SADD, a.p.  
 Thursday — Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.; Eleventh Grade Officers Meeting, 1:45 p.m.; Eleventh Grade Magazine Sales, Cafeteria, 2 p.m.; Senior Announcement Committee, 3 p.m.; Tenth Grade Ring Sales, 6:30-7:30 p.m.; FCCLA Membership Party, 7 p.m.  
 Friday — Kay Board, a.p.; Cross Country/Volleyball/Tennis Photos, 3:30 p.m.  
 Saturday — Football Team Photos, Travis Field, 8 a.m.; Football Scrimmage, 8:30 a.m.; Varsity Tennis at WaKeeney, 8:30 a.m.  
 Sunday — FCCLA Take Aim Conference at Hesston  
 Next Monday — FCCLA Take Aim Conference at Hesston; Jay Singers, a.p.

**JUNIOR HIGH:**  
 Monday — Kays, a.p.  
 Tuesday — Pep Club, a.p.  
 Wednesday — Stuco Election, a.p.  
 Friday — Stuco President Election, a.p.

**EISENHOWER**  
 Wednesday — Team Meeting, 3:40 p.m.  
 Friday — Early Childhood Screening, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.  
 Next Monday — Hearing Screening

**ALL SCHOOLS:**  
 Friday — First Day of School, Early Dismissal, 8:30-1:00 p.m.  
 Monday — First Full Day of School, 8:30 a.m.  
 Thursday — MCL/MCEL League Dinner at Plainville, 6:30 p.m.  
 Next Monday — Professional

Development Council, Alice Tweed Office, 4 p.m.

**Eisenhower Menus**  
 Monday — Breakfast: Monkey bread, grape juice, milk; Lunch: Spaghetti, tossed salad, peaches, garlic bread, milk  
 Tuesday — Breakfast: Sausage patty with biscuit, apple juice, milk; Lunch: Corn dog, tater tots, baby carrots, fruit cocktail, cookie, milk  
 Wednesday — Breakfast: Banana bread, peaches, milk; Lunch: Scalloped chicken, corn, pears, celery stick, dinner roll, milk  
 Thursday — Breakfast: Sausage gravy, biscuit, orange juice, milk; Lunch: Beef burrito, cheesy broccoli, rosy applesauce, blonde brownies, milk  
 Friday — Breakfast: French toast/syrup, pears, milk; Lunch: Beef and noodles, whipped potatoes, green beans, mandarin oranges, cheese rolls, milk

**Jr./Sr. High Menus:**  
 Monday — Breakfast: Pancake with syrup and sausage, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Pizza, garden salad, pineapple

chunks, Rice Krispie treat or chef salad, milk  
 Tuesday — Breakfast: Blueberry muffin square, fruit or juice or choice of cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: macaroni and cheese, green beans, broccoli and cauliflower with dip, hot roll, mixed fruit or chef salad, milk  
 Wednesday — Breakfast: Long John, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Chicken strips, whipped potatoes with country gravy, hot roll, combo salad, peaches or chef salad, milk  
 Thursday — Breakfast: Yogurt, bagel with cream cheese, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Beef and noodles, whipped potatoes, garlic bread, carnival salad, fruit cup or chef salad, milk  
 Friday — Breakfast: Monkey bread, fruit or juice or cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Pigs in a blanket, baked beans, coleslaw with red cabbage, apple crisp, or chef salad, milk

**NORTHERN VALLEY**  
 Monday — First Full Day of School for PK-12; First Day of Jr. High Volleyball Practice

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Friends, families, consumers and guardians shared a meal during the annual open house for Disabled Services of Northwest Kansas held last Saturday.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

# Developmental services welcomes guests

The Norton Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas held their annual open house on Saturday at the facility on North Highway 283.

The open house/open enrollment is a time when parents and guardians have the opportunity to have input into the College for Living classes that are offered to

clients. The open house is the agency's opportunity to invite the public to tour the facility and ask questions. It is also a way to thank the Norton

Community for its continuing support. Following a tour of the facility, everyone shared a meal in the main room.

# Non-farm area businesses eligible for disaster loans

Small, non-farm businesses in six Kansas counties may now apply for low-interest disaster loans

from the U.S. Small Business Administration. The counties are Norton, Cheyenne, Decatur,

Phillips, Rawlins and Smith. These disaster loans offset economic losses because of reduced revenues to farmers and ranchers caused by high temperatures, high winds, excessive heat, and ongoing drought, said Alfred E. Judd, director of the Small Business Administration's Disaster Field Operations Center-West.

Mr Judd said small businesses may qualify for economic injury disaster loans of up to \$1.5 million to help meet financial obligations

and operating expenses which could have been met had the disaster not occurred

"Eligibility for these working capital loans is based on the financial impact of the disaster only and not on any actual property damage," he said.

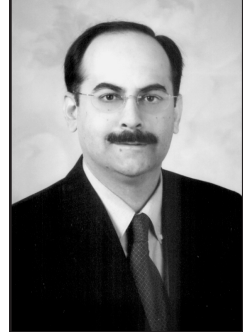
"These loans have an interest rate of four percent, a maximum term of 30 years and are restricted to small businesses without the financial ability to offset the adverse impact without hardship," Mr. Judd said.



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to Pulmonology Associates of Hays

Dr. Pervez completed his Internal Medicine Residency and Critical Care Medicine Fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center in McKeesport, Pennsylvania. Dr. Pervez has also completed a fellowship in Pulmonary Medicine at the Western Pennsylvania Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Dr. Pervez is board certified in Internal Medicine. Dr. Pervez is accepting appointments for pulmonary and sleep disorder patients beginning September 11th at Pulmonology Associates of Hays.

Please welcome Dr. Pervez and his family to Hays!

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