



Lawrence Randall



Terry Petrie



Janine Gruwell

Top employees are honored at Norton Correction Facility

Congratulations are in order for COII Lawrence Randall, CCII Terry Petrie, and Aramark Food Service Manager Janine Gruwell, on their selection as Norton Correctional Facility's Employees of the 1st Quarter in 2010.

Uniform Employee: COII Lawrence Randall started his Department of Corrections career as a COI at the East Unit in November 1988. In May of 1989 he was promoted to COII, where he began working on work crews. Larry has been involved with improvements in many communities due to his assignment on work crews. Upon the 2009 closure of the East Unit, Larry transferred to the Central Unit where he was also assigned to the work crew detail. During this 21+ year career with Department of Corrections, he has received numerous letters of commendation for his supervision and work performance of his work detail.

Larry is very conscientious and has a keen sense of attention to detail when working. This is especially important when performing work out in the public eye. Larry enjoys working for the various communities in our area and recently stated that it gives him a sense of pride and accomplishment when he can see how the work he and his details benefit our small communities in a positive manner. Some of the many communities and small organizations that Larry has received letters of recognition from are Prairie Dog State Park, Phillipsburg Rodeo

Association, Logan USD 326, The Boy and Girl Scout programs in Plainville, Kirwin Wildlife Refuge, Webster State Park, City of Plainville, Plainville Ambulance Service and the Plainville Police Department.

Non-Uniform Employee: CCII Terry Petrie began his employment with Norton Correctional Facility in August 1992 as a COI, promoted to COII in August 1994, CCI in March 1999 and then to his current position of CCII in June 2007. Terry does a great job as a Unit Team member at Norton Correctional Facility and he juggles many additional responsibilities in addition to his regular job duties.

Terry has been through Trainer of Trainer classes and teaches an OMIS training class and the Criminal Justice System to new officers. CCII Petrie became a member of the Norton Correctional Facility Crisis Resolution Team in 1998 and has served as coordinator of this specialized team for the past two years. This involves developing, planning and initiating drills and training associated with response to potential emergencies within Kansas Department of Corrections facilities and the public sector.

Norton Correctional Facility recently had a critical situation develop that involved a highly volatile inmate climbing onto a three story building and threatening to jump from the roof. Over a period of three hours, CCII Petrie was able to coordinate a nego-

tiation team where he served as the primary negotiator, working with a secondary negotiator, and the team was able to de-escalate this emergency, resolving it with a very positive outcome. He was able to rely on and utilize his training as the Crisis Resolution Team coordinator to establish positive communication with the inmate, convincing him to come down from the roof of the building, with no injuries being sustained by the inmate or staff.

Contract Employee: Janine Gruwell, Aramark Food Service Manager, began her employment with Norton Correctional Facility in January 1992 as a temporary Office Assistant. In November 1991 she was hired as a Food Service Supervisor where she worked until Food Service was privatized. Janine was hired as the Aramark Food Service Manager when Aramark assumed the contract, where she remains.

Janine manages her staff and a large number of inmates providing three meals a day to over 700 inmates with very few complaints or interruptions. Janine and her staff worked diligently with Security, Maintenance, and Work Crews to open the new dining hall which went very smoothly and with very few complications. Janine's ability to work as a team player should be commended.

Please congratulate these individuals on their selections as Norton Correctional Facility Employees of the Quarter.

Drunk driving laws are enforced

Kansas law enforcement agencies have seen enough. Enough people killed and maimed by impaired driving. So they're cracking down, in Kansas, and a lot more people are going to find themselves wrapping their hands around jail cell bars instead of a steering wheel.

Under Kansas law, all impaired drivers go to jail. The minimum sentence is two days; the maximum is six months.

Law enforcement and public safety officials gathered Aug. 12 in Wichita to discuss upcoming enforcement efforts that will put more offenders behind bars.

Whitney Williams, a teenage student whose father was killed in a crash caused by an impaired driver, was featured speaker. Whitney, a 2010 graduate of Wichita Northwest High School, is a volunteer with the DUI Victim Center of Kansas and will enroll at Cowley County Community College in August.

Two senior officials from the Wichita Police Department, Deputy Chief Terri Moses and Lt. Joe Schroeder, also spoke at the event. Moses discussed the role of the public in supporting law enforcement efforts to save lives. Schroeder discussed an internal impaired-driving task force he is leading for the department and the formation of a regional cooperative effort involving multiple law enforcement agencies in south-central Kansas.

Pete Bodyk, traffic safety manager for the KDOT Bureau of Transportation Safety and Technology, highlighted the statewide "Drunk driving. Over the limit. Under arrest." crackdown. Starting Aug. 20 and continuing through the Labor Day weekend, Kansas law enforcement agencies will team up with law enforcement and highway safety agencies across the nation in the annual DUI enforcement mobilization.

Whitney, 18, lost her father in Sept. 2008. He was riding a motorcycle when a driver who had been

drinking ran a red light and hit him. She talked about the lifelong toll impaired drivers take on families of their victims. As a volunteer with the DUI Victim Center, she speaks frequently on the topic.

"If I can change one life by talking about what happened to me, and get them to change their behavior - just one - it will be worth it," she said.

The media event took place Aug. 12 at Wichita Police Headquarters, Wichita, immediately following the daily Interwatch Briefing.

Alcohol-related crashes are usually more serious than those not involving impaired drivers. In Kansas, impaired driving accounted for only 5 percent of all crashes in 2008, but 34.5 percent of all fatal crashes.

Statewide in 2008, the most

recent year for which data is available, there were 3,366 alcohol-related crashes that resulted in 131 deaths and 1,999 injuries. There were 120 alcohol-related crashes that caused the 131 deaths; of those 120 crashes, half (59) involved drivers between the ages of 20 and 34. Of the 120 impaired drivers, 105 were male and 15 were female.

The national "Drunk driving. Over the limit. Under arrest." crackdown, organized by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, combines high-visibility enforcement with heightened public awareness efforts.

It is designed to put all drivers on notice that if they are caught driving impaired, they will be arrested.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Norton Community High School
Friday, Aug. 20
 First Day of School - dismiss at 1 p.m.
 8:30 a.m. Norton Community High School Assembly
 7 p.m. Senior parent meeting at the music room
 8 p.m. Back to School Dance at 4-H building
Saturday, Aug 21
 8:30 a.m. High School Football Canned Food Scrimmage

Norton Junior High School
Friday, Aug. 20
 First Day of School - dismiss at 1 p.m.
 8:40 a.m. - 9:20 Welcome Back assembly

High School and Junior High Menu
Friday
 No Breakfast
 Lunch: Pepperoni Pockets, green beans, fruit cup or chef salad and milk

Eisenhower Elementary School
Friday, Aug. 20
 First Day of School - dismiss at 1 p.m.

Eisenhower Elementary Menu
Friday
 No Breakfast
 Lunch: Chicken fry, whipped potatoes, gravy, green beans, whole wheat roll, fruit cocktail and milk

New technology for new students

Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland will launch the new i-Pad initiative on Thursday, as students arrive on campus.

All incoming students will receive the i-Pad as part of the new i-Tunes University program and new teaching methodology.

All students will have the opportunity to receive an i-Pad whether coming in as a first year or second year student.

The Northwest Tech Faculty has had training in advanced technologies and will be utilizing these new tools in their classrooms

When Apple announced the debut of the i-Pad in January, Northwest Tech decided that they should look at that option rather than the i-Pod since the i-Pad would be the next level.

"We are trying to stay ahead of the learning curve and want to put the tools in the hands of our students that will enhance their learning opportunities. We feel with this new technology, we will be able to reduce the cost of textbooks since some of them will be available electronically," said

Dr. Mills.

Northwest Tech is one of the first campuses in the State of Kansas to offer this technology for their students.

The i-Pod provided a great tool for receiving information; but the i-Pad will give Northwest Tech students the opportunity to integrate classroom learning experiences.

The i-Pad also gives students an opportunity to know what's going on around campus. Every student at Northwest Tech will always be connected through campus email and calendar subscriptions. Whether it's a student handbook or syllabi for class, Northwest Tech is going green by delivering content to the i-Pad. "Northwest Tech Faculty and Staff are all prepared to assist students with any questions regarding their i-Pads on Thursday, and we have

set up information stations for students' convenience," said Ben Coumerilh, Information Technology Director, "Apple Executive Dan Senstock and others will also be attending to share in the excitement of the students on campus on

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Norton County Health Promotion Blood Screening

At the Norton County Health Department

Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2010

Time: 7:00 a.m. - Noon

Provided by a joint effort of the Norton County Health Department and the Norton County Hospital

Need to be fasting (no food or drink after midnight) before testing

Health Profile and CBC #1 - \$40.00

Screens electrolytes, kidney and liver function, alkaline phosphate, glucose, cholesterol (HDL, LDL, VLDL and triglycerides) and CBC

PSA - #2 - \$20.00

Evaluates prostate condition

TSH - #3 - \$15.00

Evaluates thyroid levels and function

HbA1C - #4 - \$35.00

Measure average blood sugar levels - (diabetics only)

LOCATION: Norton County Health Department

801 N. Norton, Norton, Kansas

Questions? Call the Norton County Health Department at 785-877-5745

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