

Disaster loan deadline is Dec. 26

The expiration date for filing applications for Emergency Disaster (EM) loans by farmers and ranchers in Norton and Phillips Counties is Dec. 26, 2013, according to Pat L. Bohl, Farm Loan Officer, for the Farm Service Agency (FSA).

Bohl advised that those needing farm credit as a result of a snowstorm on Feb. 20-23, 2013 and who think they are eligible for FSA assistance, should make their applications at the Norton County FSA Office, 11506 Pin-view Dr., Norton, Kansas, before the expiration date.

"Loans covering physical and/or production losses are scheduled for repayment as rapidly as feasible, consistent with the applicant's reasonable ability to pay," said Bohl. The current interest rate for December is 2.875 percent but is subject to monthly changes until the loan is approved.

FSA's Farm Loan Programs

staff is committed to new and existing customers, FSA customer goals and our rural communities. FSA's service extends beyond the typical loan, offering FSA customers ongoing consultation, advice and creative ways to make your farm business thrive. At the Farm Service Agency, we want to be your lender of first opportunity to overcome these adverse weather conditions and rebuild your operation to get back on track. FSA's loan staff can refer customers to other public and commercial financing sources that can serve as a blend with FSA's farm loan programs.

FSA loans covering physical losses may be used to replace installations, equipment, livestock, or buildings (including homes), lost through this disaster.

FSA loans covering production losses may be used to buy feed, seed, fertilizer, livestock,

or to make payments on real estate and chattel debts. "Funds can also be used for other essential operating and living expenses," Bohl said.

To be eligible for an emergency disaster loan, an applicant must be operating a family size farm or ranch, must be unable to get credit elsewhere, and must have suffered a qualifying physical and/or production loss from the disaster.

Farmers who suffered at least a 30 percent reduction to at least one cropping enterprise, may have a qualifying production loss. Emergency disaster production loss loans cover 100 percent of qualifying losses.

Farmers and ranchers that think they may be eligible should contact the FSA County Office in Norton, Kansas or call (785)877-5156 for additional information and how to apply. USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.

Caring for others!



The First United Methodist Church of Norton along with the Norton Church of God, Norton Christian Church, the Norton Rotary Club, a church from Hoxie and the Presbyterian Church of Beaver City, to name a few, put together shoeboxes to give needy children for Christmas. Over 350 boxes were donated this year, several more than last year. Volunteers Nataley Schumaker, Ricky King, Lance Griffey and Lauryn Schumaker help Candice Jackson pack them to send out for the holiday delivery.

— Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

HANSEN MUSEUM

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum presents the "Associated American Artists-Art by Subscription."

In March of 1933, many of the banks in America were closed. The country was gripped by an economic depression and the emotional climate of the American people was also at an all time low. Art dealer Reeves Lewenthal chose this time in history to form the Associated

American Artists organization. Lewenthal's plan was to develop a new program that could distribute affordable, original art to every American. Artists, weary of working within the confined audience of wealthy collectors, gladly committed themselves to the idea of a wider distribution. These artists based their art on social imagery, on everyday America. They left behind abstract theories in

favor of the familiar scenery of our country. The program was an overwhelming success. Yes, it was true; people did need bread to nourish their bodies, but it was proven that they hungered for beauty and spiritual nourishments as well. Art fed their souls.

The Exhibit will be at the museum Dec. 6, 2013 to Feb. 2, 2014.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

NCHS
Monday, Dec. 2
Jay Singers, 7:30 p.m.
Blue-Gold Wrestling Challenge Matches: JH Gym, 5:30 p.m.
FFA Christmas Party, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 3
Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.
FFA Leadership/Speech Contest at Quinter, 2 p.m.
Fort Hays State University representative, A.P.
Wednesday, Dec. 4
M.T.S.S. Team meeting, 7:45 a.m.
S.A.C., A.P.
Thursday, Dec. 5
Jay Singers, 7:30 a.m.
Pep Rally (A.P. at the end of the day), 3:10 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 6
Jazz Band, A.P.
JV and V basketball at Goodland, 4:45 p.m.
Wrestling vs. Phillipsburg, 6

p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 7
NW KMEA Honor Choir at Hays
Varsity wrestling at Hoxie Wrestling Tournament, 9 a.m.
JV Wrestling at St. Francis Tournament, 9:30 a.m.
NJHS
Tuesday, Dec. 3
Stuco, 8:05 a.m.
BB at Hill City, 5 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 4
KAY Board meeting, 7:45 a.m.
Thursday, Dec. 5
BB at Phillipsburg, 5 p.m.
EES
Monday, Dec. 2
EES boys basketball begins, 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 4
Staff meeting, 3:40 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 5
6th Grade Band Concert: EES Band Room, 1:40 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 6
5th Grade Band Concert: EES Band Room, 1:40 p.m.
Northern Valley
Tuesday, Dec. 3
FFA Speech and Leadership School at Quinter, 2 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 4
Ft. Hays State visiting during A.P.
Kansas Communities That Care Survey for Grades 6, 8, 10 and 12
Thursday, Dec. 5
NVJH BB vs Logan at Alma, 3:30 p.m.
WKLL Scholarship Testing in the auditorium from 9:57 a.m.-2:53 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 6
NVHS BB at Palco, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 7
District Honor Band/Choir Mini Convention II in Hays, 8 a.m.

SCHOOL MENU

NCHS-NJHS
Monday, Dec. 2
Breakfast-Chocolate chip oatmeal bar, fruit, apple juice and milk.
Lunch-Pigs in a blanket, pork and beans, rosy applesauce, broccoli and cauliflower, and milk.
Tuesday, Dec. 3
Breakfast-Sausage gravy, biscuits, fruit, grape juice and milk.
Lunch-Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, country gravy, rolls w/margarine, pears and milk.
Wednesday, Dec. 4
Breakfast-Assorted cereal, rosy applesauce, toast w/margarine, apple juice and milk.
Lunch-Stuffed crust pepperoni pizza, carrots, dill pickle, peaches and milk.
Thursday, Dec. 5
Breakfast-English muffin w/sausage, fruit, grape juice and milk.
Lunch-Chicken fajita, onions and green peppers, oranges and milk.
Friday, Dec. 6
Breakfast-Pancake and sausage on a stick, syrup, fruit, grape juice and milk.
Lunch-Beef and noodles, whipped potatoes, broccoli, Mandarin oranges, cottage cheese, rolls w/margarine and milk.
EES Menu
Monday, Dec. 2
Breakfast-Oatmeal muffin, whole grain cereal, strawberries, apple juice and milk.
Lunch-Taco crunch, peaches tossed salad, chocolate cake and milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 3
Breakfast-Star Spangled Pancake, sausage links, orange juice and milk.
Lunch-Ham and cheese, homemade bun, pepper strips, pork and beans, pears and milk.
Wednesday, Dec. 4
Breakfast-Whole wheat bagel, chilled yogurt, oranges, grape juice and milk.
Lunch-Chicken supreme, green beans, baby carrots, fruit cocktail and milk.
Thursday, Dec. 5
Breakfast-Breakfast combo, hash browns, toast with jelly, kiwi, apple juice and milk.
Lunch-Ham and beans, celery stick, cornbread, rosy applesauce and milk.
Friday, Dec. 6
Breakfast-Sausage breakfast sandwich, fruit cocktail, orange juice and milk.
Lunch-BBQ beef, homemade bun, broccoli salad, sweet potato french fries, apricots and milk.
Northern Valley Menu
Monday, Dec. 2
Breakfast-Breakfast casserole, toast, juice and assorted cold cereal.
Lunch-Beef tamale pie, tossed salad w/dressing, seasoned corn and chocolate cake.
Tuesday, Dec. 3
Breakfast-Cinnamon coffee-cake, eggs, fruit, juice and assorted cold cereal.
Lunch-Lasagna, tossed salad w/dressing, seasoned green beans and oranges.
Wednesday, Dec. 4
Breakfast-Sausage biscuit,

hash browns, fruit and assorted cold cereal.
Lunch-Cheeseburger pockets, french fries, baked beans and frosted pear.
Thursday, Dec. 5
Breakfast-Waffles, syrup, eggs, fruit, juice and assorted cold cereal.
Lunch-Turkey and biscuits, relish plate, fruity jell-o and cookie.
Friday, Dec. 6
Breakfast-Banana bread, hash browns, juice and assorted cold cereal.
Lunch-Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, seasoned peas and sliced peaches.

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Tax Levy for 2013, 2014 Budgets, Norton County, Kansas - County Valuation \$49,882,134

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STATE LEVY	2013	COUNTY OF NORTON	
Educational Building	1.000	General Fund	25.728
Institutional Bldg	500	Road Dept.	23.644
Total State Levy	1.500	Ambulance	7.926
		Andbe Home	0.402
		County Health	1.318
		Economic Development	1.506
		Election	1.541
		Employee Benefit	21.649
		Historical	0.100
		Hospital Maint.	2.500
		Noxious Weed	1.508
		Senior Citizen	1.000
		Solid Waste	5.735
		EMS Building Bonds	0.378
		EMS Building COP Dept.	0.796
		Eco Recovery Zone Bond	0.404
		Total County	96.135
		Mental Health	0.709
		Mental Retardation	0.822
		Appraiser's Cost	2.469
		4-H Maintenance	0.127
		Fair Bldg./Prem	0.166
		Soil Conservation	0.285
		Airport	1.116
		General	20.034
		Total General Fund	25.728

	Almena	Clayton	Edmond	Lenora	Norton
General	73.145	14.392	35.335	56.155	35.510
Bond and Interest					4.552
Employee Benefit				14.605	9.469
Fire				9.106	
Industrial Library	3.538			3.718	1.000
Library Benefits					6.997
Streets				2.080	2.062
Total City Levy	76.683	14.392	35.335	85.664	59.590
	211	212	294	326	
General Fund	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	
Supp General	21.327	33.155	23.191	29.005	
Capital Outlay	5.000	4.999	6.000	1.998	
Total	46.327	58.154	49.191	51.003	

(USD #211 Rec Commission)
Rec Commission, USD 211 3.018

Twin Creeks Extension Dist (Nt/Dc)
Twin Creeks Extension 2.022

I, Robert D. Wyatt, Clerk of Norton County, Kansas certify that the above is complete and correct statement of the tax levies on all tangible property in Norton County, Kansas. Tax Year 2013, 2014 Budgets

Robert D. Wyatt, Norton County Clerk

Tuesday, December 20

We will have a Dish Representative here to answer your questions.

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- *Schnert's Bakery & Bieroc Café
- *The Sports Shoppe
- *VK Electronics

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- *Great Western Bank*
- *High Plains Radio*
- *Hometown Family Radio*
- *McCook Area Chamber of Commerce*

All I Want For Christmas...