

An area retailer, with business ties to Hill City and Norton, was one of two Kansas women honored recently as recipients of top awards given in Topeka at the 24th annual Minority and Women Business Awards luncheon, sponsored by the Kansas Department of Commerce.



Kellie Day

Kellie Day, owner/operator of Kellie's in Norton and Hill City, received a plaque of recognition at the luncheon.

The luncheon coincided with Kansas Minority Enterprise Development Week, an annual celebration of minority entrepreneurs and minority-owned businesses.

Kellie's, Inc., with locations

in Plainville and Stockton, as well as Hill City and Norton, is an agent for Alltel cellular and Dish Network satellite television.

The chain of four stores employs 11 workers, seven who are full-time, as well as a full-time equipment contractor/installer.

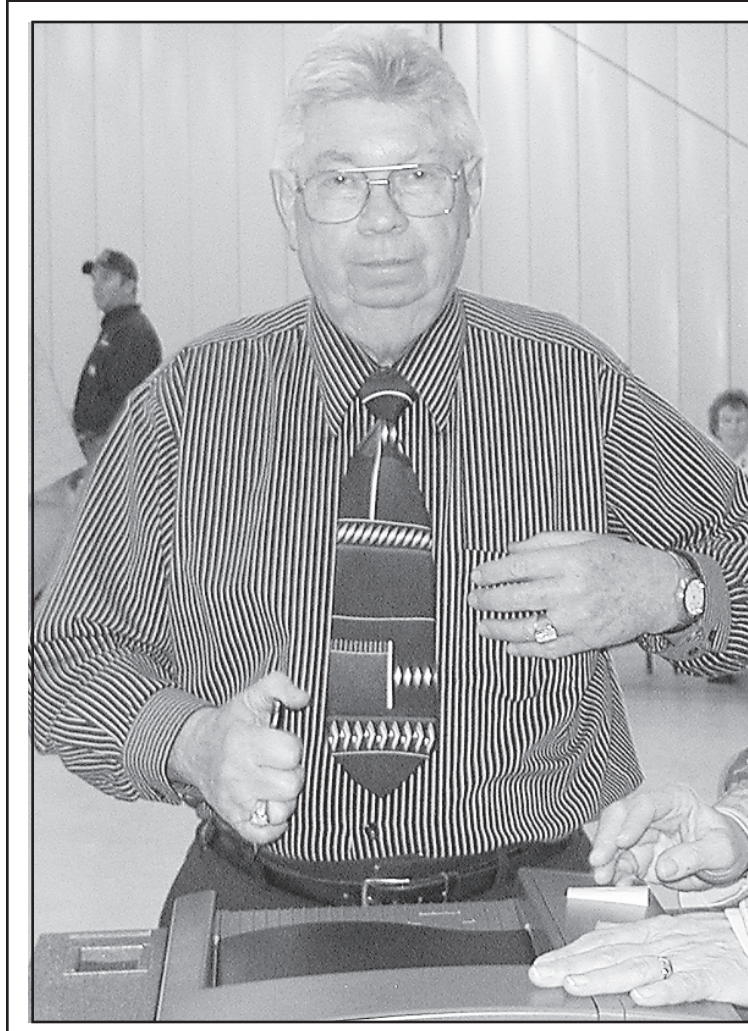
Mrs. Day opened her store in Hill City in 2000, after working for another telecommunications company and Kansas Cellular. Numerous awards have followed

from Alltel for meeting and exceeding sales quotas.

Kellie's was nominated for the commerce award by Diane Becker, Norton County Economic Development Director.

What Mrs. Day likes about her business is, "It's all mine. And, I like to help people. Because we're in a small community, there's only so many faces that come through the door. We don't sometimes get a second chance (to make an impression). I try my hardest for them."

Mrs. Day's award came as she was recognized as the best retail firm in the state among women-owned and minority businesses.



Milestone for voter

Dr. Robert Peterson, Norton, was the 1,000th voter to enter his ballot into the machine Tuesday afternoon at the American Legion. Though there was no prize for being number 1,000, Dr. Peterson was still excited.

— Telegram photo by Brandy Leroux

Women's club tours God's Pantry

On the evening of Oct. 23, Mid-Century FGWC enjoyed a tour of God's Pantry, sponsored by the Trinity Episcopal Church. Norma Rumford introduced Elaine Mann. Mrs. Mann told the group the history of God's Pantry. In 1985 a group of concerned members of the Trinity Episcopal Church saw a need in the community. So with a vision of the heart, God's Pantry was formed. The goal was for food to be distributed on an emergency basis for anyone in Norton County. The Pantry started small, in the basement of the church, but soon outgrew the space and was moved next door to where it is now located where it continues with its mission.

God's Pantry has been true to the vision — they furnish food items on an emergency basis to anyone in Norton County. The food items include canned goods, pastas, cereals, fresh eggs, bread, frozen hamburger, etc. plus some cleaning supplies. So far in 2008, 172 families have been served.

God's Pantry is managed entirely

by church volunteers and with the support of the community. They receive donations from concerned local citizens, food drives and with the generosity of many local clubs and merchants. This is a service for the people of Norton County and those families served are truly thankful.

At the close of the tour, everyone went to Jean White's home for the business meeting. Beverly Kindler called the meeting to order. The theme of the meeting was "Dream of Sharing."

Eunice Neiltopp thanked everyone for their help the last 2 weeks in delivering Meals on Wheels. Lynn Nelson presented the budget for the 2008-2009 club year. This was approved as amended. A gift of \$25.00 will be sent to Habitat for Humanity at Okicidayi Tipi Indian Reservation at Eagle Butte, S.D.

Geraldine Packer presented to the club the 5 achievement certificate awards Mid-Century received at the 6th District Convention in Hill City. The awards were Certificate of Achievement for Program

Book Preparation, Certificate of Achievement for Arts in the Community, Certificate of Achievement for Home Life-Helping Hands, Certificate of Achievement for International Affairs, and Certificate of Achievement for Fund Raising.

Plans were made for the Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child Project. Each committee was given a shoe box to be returned at the next meeting filled with toys and supplies for hurting children all over the world.

Leta Donovan quizzed the club on parliamentary procedures. Carolyn Applegate was the winner of the quiz with the most right answers.

The 16 members answered roll with what food items they brought for God's Pantry. Beverly Kindler thanked Lynn Nelson and others for their help with the convention in Hill City. She gave each member a "GWFC It's a VOLUNTEER Thing" pin. The next meeting will be Nov. 13 at Doris Wintoroth's with Leta Donovan co-hosting. The meeting was adjourned with the club Collect.

City could remove recycling bins

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Rob Lawson, Norton City Administrator, said the big recycling bins around Norton are being filled with non-recyclables, and if it continues, the bins will be removed.

"It's not the first time we've had to do it," said Mr. Lawson. "Things like paint, batteries, wood, bed frames, mattresses, televisions and other electronic waste are being dumped into the recycling bins. These things have to be taken care of in a different way."

The city decided to get the recycling bins to help save landfill space and to help the environment.

"We wanted to try to make it easy for the public to recycle," said Mr. Lawson. "The less we're able to put in the landfill, the lower the rates stay, the better it is for everyone."

Mr. Lawson said Kansas state

regulations prevent the county landfill from accepting and dumping chemical and battery items in the landfill.

"The state tells the county they can't do it, the county tells the city, and we have to tell residents," Mr. Lawson said.

The blue bins, placed in Norton in the Roadside Park — the park across the highway from Pamida — and Elmwood Park, are for aluminum, plastics, paper and glass, and it doesn't have to be separated.

"Before we started picking up recyclables at homes, people used the bins to just dump all their recyclables in, and that's fine, that's what they're there for, and people still use them that way," said Mr. Lawson. "But when we start finding things that aren't supposed to be in there, we have to take the bins away and that makes it rough for the people who use them the right way."

Electronic waste is taken at the

landfill free of charge. A person can bring in their television, computer, keyboard, monitor or other electronic device, fill out a form and sign it, which takes less than 10 minutes.

Other things, like furniture, can be taken to the landfill or kept until the next city-wide clean up, and will be picked up free of charge.

Automotive batteries can be returned to retail stores for credit on a new battery purchase. Lantern batteries can also be returned to some retail stores.

Household batteries, like "AA" or "C" can be bagged separately and put in the recycling bins either around town or at home.

Glass that has been recycled is crushed and used for ground cover at building and demolition sites, paper is turned into shingles and tar paper for roofing, metals go to F & F Iron in Norton, plastic is sent to Denver to be melted down and reused.

Record

Municipal Court

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

Traffic

Oct. 23 — Mark Saintz, Norton, failure to provide verification of insurance and unlawful riding. Both dismissed. Court cost \$75.

Criminal

Oct. 23 — Brier Simmons, Norton, minor in possession of alcohol. To serve 2 days in jail, 30 days driver's license suspension, fine \$200, court cost \$75.

Oct. 23 — Todd Zink, Norton, unlawful hosting and minor in possession of alcohol. To serve the next 10 Thursdays in jail, 30 days driver's license suspension, fines \$1,200, court cost \$75.

Oct. 23 — David Counter, Norton, minor in possession of alcohol. Received 6 months Diversion and 6 months probation. Assessment fee \$100, Diversion fee \$100, court cost \$75.

Oct. 23 — Barbara Bangle, Norton, Domestic Battery. Pled not guilty and trial set.

Oct. 23 — Ciri Eagleburger, Norton, dogs running at large. Dismissed as states the dogs were given away.

District Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the District Court clerk at the Norton County Courthouse. Traffic, criminal and wildlife parks cases are given to the paper when the fines are paid. Limited action and small claim cases are reported only after the defendant is served.

Traffic

Oct. 30 — Steven C. George, Colby, connecting and safety equipment of towing vehicles, fine \$39, court cost \$66.

Oct. 30 — Jeanette M. Haskett, Plainville, speeding 75 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$39, court cost \$66.

Oct. 30 — Federuco S. Jimenez, Des Moines, Iowa, failure to have liability insurance as required, fine \$309, court cost \$66.

Oct. 30 — Dolores M. Koerperich, Oberlin, speeding 84 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$93, court cost \$66.

Oct. 30 — Mario Escobedo Ramirez, Dallas, Texas, trans-

porting an open container, fine \$209, court cost \$66.

Building Permits

Roland Washburn — \$1,000 to construct addition to garage at 1028 Churchill.

Tracy Engelhardt — \$1,569, to install portable carport with metal roof at 312 N. Brown.

Steve Jeltz — \$1,800 to cover porch with roof at 312 S. State St.

Steve Jeltz — \$7,000 to repair and raise roof at 205 S. State St.

Clara Williams — \$850 to put up carport at 508 N State St.

Kowpoke Lumber/Supply —

\$3,500 to construct lean-to on east side of building at 415 E. Holme St.

Animal Shelter

For Adoption
Female German Shepherd, 4 to 5 months old.

Female Bassett/Lab mix, approximately 1 year.

Male Scottie/Pug mix, neutered and vaccines up to date, 7 months old.

7 week old kittens, weaned and box trained.

Found
Male Red Heeler, black collar with spikes, 300 block N State, Norton.

THANK YOU

To everyone for the tremendous support we received during the Family Christian Carnival held at the Norton Christian Church

We would like to especially thank the Merchants who donated items for prizes:

Garrett's Plumbing and Heating; Jamboree Foods (Sandy the Horse); Whitefield's Coffee House; Mortensen Computers; Natoma Corporation; Garden Gate Floral; United NW Federal Credit Union; Moffet Drug Store; Norton Theatre; Bridges Insurance (Popcorn Wagon).

We also want to thank the many individuals who gave items for prizes, monetary donations, made cookies, cupcakes, donated food/pop; and those who gave their time to help with running the games. We couldn't have done it without you!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE PUBLIC FOR ATTENDING AND MAKING IT A SUCCESSFUL 25TH YEAR—WE HAD A LOT OF FUN!

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Steve Kelly presenting Kellie Day with her award

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