All banks in Norton and Almena First Security Bank and Trust, First State Bank, The Bank, Almena State Bank and United Northwest Federal Credit Union will all close at noon on Dec. 24 and will return to regular hours on Friday, Dec. 26. They will all close at noon again on Dec. 31, be closed on New Year's Day, and return to regular hours on Jan. 2. Security Abstract in Norton will close at noon on Dec. 24 and will return to regular hours on Monday, Dec. 29; and close at noon on Dec. 31 and return to regular hours on Monday, Jan. 5.

GROCERY STORES

Jamboree — Close at 5 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Shop and Save — Open 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Almena Market — Close at 3 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Close at 3 p.m. on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day, and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Country Corner — Close at 4 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Close at 4 p.m. on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day, and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

CONVENIENCE STORES The Station in Almena — Open from 7 a.m. to noon on Dec. 24, closed Christmas Day, open regular hours Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day and open regular hours on

Jan. 2. **First Stop** — Close at 8 p.m. on Dec. 24, open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Christmas Day, and open regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours over the New Year's holiday

RESTAURANTS

Adventures — Close at 2 p.m. on Dec. 24, be closed on Christmas Day and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec.

31, closed on New Year's Day and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

McDonald's — Close at 6 p.m. on Dec. 24, be closed on Christmas Day and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours through the New Year's holiday.

Town and Country Kitchen — Close at 2 p.m. on Dec. 24, be closed for Christmas Day and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31, close at 2 p.m. on New Year's Day and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Dairy Queen — Close at 8 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Close at 8 p.m. on Dec. 31, and return to regular hours on New Year's Day.

Pizza Hut/Taco Bell — Close at 6p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours through the New Year's holiday.

Pure Prairie — Will close at 3 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day, and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Whitefield's Coffee — Open regular hours on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Destination Kitchen — Close at 2 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day and return to regular hours on Monday, Dec. 29. Close at 4 p.m. on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day, and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

STORES/PHARMACIES

Pamida — Open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Dec. 26 and Dec. 27. Open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 31, open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on New Year's Day and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Pamida Pharmacy — Close at 3 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and open regular hours on Dec. 26 and Dec. 27. Close at 3 p.m. on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day, and return to regular hours

Moffet Pharmacy — Close at 1 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Close at 1 p.m. on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day, and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Dollar General — Close at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours through the New Year's holiday.

PUBLIC OFFICES

Norton County Courthouse — Open regular hours on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day and Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31 and closed on New Year's Day and Jan. 2. Treasurer's Office will close at 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 31 for end-ofyear book balancing.

City of Norton Offices — Open regular hours on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day and Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31 and closed on New Year's Day and Jan. 2. Refuse will be picked up on regular routes on Tuesday, Dec. 23 and Wednesday, Dec. 24. Recyclables will be picked up on Dec. 26 and

Norton Public Library -Close at noon on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day and Dec. 26, return to regular hours on Saturday, Dec. 27. Close at noon on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day and Jan. 2, return to regular hours on Saturday, Jan. 3.

U.S. Post Offices — Open regular hours on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day, and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Doctor's Clinic — Close at 1 p.m. on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day, and return to regular hours on Dec. 26. Close at 1 p.m. on Dec. 31, closed on New Year's Day and return to regular hours on Jan. 2.

Norton Health Department - Open regular hours on Dec. 24, closed on Christmas Day and Dec. 26. Open regular hours on Dec. 31 and closed on New Year's Day and

Prairie Dog State Park Offices - Closed Dec. 22 to Jan. 4. Return to regular hours on Jan. 5.

\$145,930 spent in Norton businesses

By BRANDY LEROUX

bleroux@nwkansas.com The "Christmas On Us" produced

14,593 tickets from area merchants, which equals \$145,930 spent in Norton. During the previous four weeks, a drawing was held every week for 10 \$50 instant win tickets. Sixteen total tickets were drawn, and nine were claimed, leaving one instant winto be drawn for at the big drawing held at the Norton Senior Center last Thursday evening.

The unclaimed instant win tickets were 257749 from RuralTel/Nex-Tech: 065776 from Town and Coun-

try; 074335 from Stitch Up A Storm; 790603 from Kansasland; 239556 from Sander Bed and Bath; 270280 from Kellie's Alltel; and 065926 from Town and Country.

Norton, won the remaining \$50 in- Pfannenstiel, Norton, claimed the stant win money with ticket number prize with ticket number 844918.

For the first \$100 drawing, ticket number 207717 was drawn. No one at the Senior Center had the winning ticket.

Ticketnumber 270289 was drawn next, and there was no one with that

On the third try, ticket number 533195, Lari Ann Nickell, Norton, claimed her \$100.

Ticket number 584695 was drawn for the second \$100 prize, with no one On the first try, Jeannie Wolf, winning. On the second try, Leslie

It took thirteen tries for the winning \$1,000 ticket to be found. Ticket numbers 270304, 207031, 844242, 229289, 845000, 145060, 790459, 533173, 145740, 207805, 844108 and 224896 were drawn before ticket number 065645, which Wanda Stephenson held.

Have a story idea? Call 877-3361 and let us know! We'd like to hear about it!



Monday, Dec. 22

Meals on Wheels,

Norton Rotary, noon, Town and Country Kitchen

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), 5 p.m., Lenora United Parish Church

Norton Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., VFW

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), 7 p.m., Norton United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Norton County Saddle Club, 7:30 p.m., City Offices Norton American Legion, 8

Norton Narcotics Anonymous,

8 p.m., VFW Tuesday, Dec. 23

Norton Lions Club Board, 7 a.m., Town and Country Kitchen

Norton God Squad, noon, VFW Norton 12-Step Women's Group, 5:30 p.m., VFW

AAUW Child Study, 7:30 p.m. Norton Alcoholics Anonymous, 8:30 p.m., VFW

Wednesday, Dec. 24

Willing Workers, City Hall Norton Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, VFW

Al-Anon, 7 p.m., VFW Duplicate Bridge, 7:30 p.m., Norton Manor

Eagles and Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m. Norton Alcoholics Anonymous, Roundtable, 8 p.m., VFW

Thursday, Dec. 25

Norton Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, VFW

Norton Narcotics Anonymous, 8 p.m., VFW

Friday, Dec. 26

Norton Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, VFW

Red Cross Volunteers, Bingo, 2 p.m. at Andbe Home

Al-Anon, 7 p.m., VFW

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., upstairs classroom of Norton Christian Church, non-smoking Norton County seventh, eighth

and ninth graders, 7 to 10 p.m., The Rock, Norton

Norton Alcoholics Anonymous, 8:30 p.m., VFW

Saturday, Dec. 27

Norton Alcoholics Anonymous, 1 p.m., VFW

Norton Narcotics Anonymous,

8 p.m., VFW

Sunday, Dec. 28

God's Pantry, 3 p.m., Norton Trinity Episcopal Church Norton Narcotics Anonymous, 7 p.m., VFW

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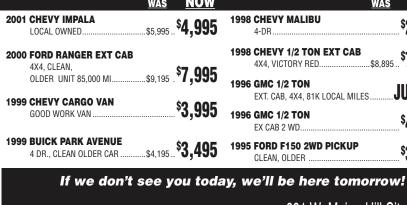


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