



Joyce Lofgreen, with her Cranberry Melt A-Ways, won first place in The Telegram's third annual Cookie Contest. The contest benefited God's Pantry, raising almost \$400. Lofgreen said she thought the contest was a great idea because proceeds went to a worthy cause. She received a food processor, donated from Destination Kitchen, as well as an apron, donated by Stitch Up A Storm.

-Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

Contest

(Continued from Page 1) Jane Sheley and her Chocolate Chip cookies and third place was captured by Ramona Pabian's Lemon Drops.

There were several entries in the children's division, but Addison Brooks took first with her Chocolate Surprise cookies. Second place went to Coral Stewart's Carmel Kisses and the third place winner was Collin Simmons' Soft

Lemon Cookies.

"Congratulations to all of our winners and a huge thank you for taking part in this great cause," Paxton said.

Stop in at The Telegram to get your picture taken and to claim your prizes.

Paxton thanked the sponsors who donated prizes. Participating sponsors included Endzone, Destination Kitchen, Stitch Up

a Storm, the Norton Theatre and The Norton Telegram.

"Due to the great turn out of the contest it will take place again next year so be ready to pick your favorite recipe, warm up your oven and help those that need it. There may come a day that we need God's Pantry or have already been thankful that it was there for us," Paxton said.

Nominations sought for Small Business week awards

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is now accepting nominations for its 2010 Small Business Week Awards. These awards are presented annually to recognize outstanding entrepreneurs and those individuals who support and champion small business.

For over 45 years, the SBA and National Small Business Week have recognized outstanding individuals from America's small business community for their achievements and contributions to our nation's economy.

In 2010, this celebrations will honor the estimated 27.2 million small businesses in America. Small businesses create 60-80 percent of the new jobs in our country. More than half of Americans either own or work for a

small business. Some of the best and brightest of these will be singled out as recipients of SBA's annual Small Business Week Awards.

SBA offices across the country are now accepting nominations for district level awards in a number of categories. Nominations must be received no later than November 13, 2010 and should be submitted to the U.S. Small Business Administration, 271 W. 3rd Street North, Suite 2500, Wichita, Kan 67202-1212. District winners will go on to compete for state, regional and national honors.

Small Business Week 2010 Award Categories include:

- Small Business Person of the Year
- Jeffrey Butland Family-

Owned Business of the Year

- Small Business exporter of the Year
- SBA Young Entrepreneur of the Year
- Plains Spirit Award (district award only)
- Financial Services Champion of the Year
- Minority Small business Champion of the Year
- Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year
- Women in Business Champion of the Year
- Home-Based Business Champion of the Year

To obtain more information on each award's criteria and how to submit a nomination, please contact the SBA Wichita District Office at (316)269-6571.

Winter

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Norton County Sheriff Troy Thomson reminded residents not to travel in this weather.

"Travel in this weather can put everyone, including emergency personnel, in danger. If you must travel, you are reminded to take

water, a flashlight, food, blankets, a cell phone and extra clothing with you," he said.

Citizens should not park on emergency snow routes and stay clear of public works crews while they are working.

He said essential health care professionals that need transpor-

tation during the storm can call the Norton County Sheriff's Office or the Norton Police Department at 877-5780.

No more snow was forecast for the rest of the week but highs are not expected to be above freezing.

County

(Continued from Page 1) on west Washington Street. The area is under development with several businesses going into the area.

"The improvement will be advantageous to Miltech Machine Corporation, Norton Sports Center, the seed business, the Lutheran Church and any future development," Stiles said.

Stiles said funds from American Reinvestment and Recovery Act Economic Development Bond cover 45 percent interest.

In other commission business:

• Curt Archibald, Norton County Solid Waste Supervisor, reported on the e-waste conference held in Osborne.

He said the contract with Solomon Valley E-Waste Coalition will end April 10, 2010.

The landfill will have to find another location to take e-waste to, with Archibald saying the new location is undetermined.

The commission discussed options for e-waste. If another loca-

tion cannot be found, residents may be charged to dump their e-waste. The issue is still under discussion. E-waste includes TVs, microwaves, computers, etc.

• Norton County Road and Bridge Supervisor Tom Brannan gave his weekly report.

He said his crews have been preparing for the snow, including plowing and sanding roads.

The next Norton County Commission meeting will be held Dec. 14 at the Norton County Courthouse.

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