

# ENTREPRENEUR SPOTLIGHT

## Project Outcomes:

(June 2, 2003 to May 1, 2007)

Total Clients

Assisted: **362**

Businesses Started: **29**

Businesses Expanded: **8**

Jobs Created: **100**

Businesses Retained: **4**

Jobs Retained: **14**

Tune-Ups of Existing

Businesses: **40**

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## Mainstreet Flower Shoppe a “Dream Come True”

The December opening of Mainstreet Flower Shoppe in Hiawatha, KS was a dream come true for owner Kim Kleopfer. The shop offers a wide variety of items including fresh-cut flowers, balloons, a gourmet food and coffee line, greeting cards, candles, tuxedo rentals, and a variety of religious gift and home décor items.

The store has been well received and kept Kim busy since she opened her doors. “The community has been great,” Kim said.

Owning a business was nothing new for Kim. She had Timeless Treasures in Fairview, KS from 1995 until 2002 when she sold it. The past four years, Kleopfer has worked elsewhere. But, she missed having her own shop. “I wanted to get back to using



EF board members congratulate Kim Kleopfer on the opening of her floral and gift shop.

my creative talents and sharing them with the community,” she said.

Despite her past business experience, Kim sought help from Enterprise Facilitation. “It is great to know that this resource is available in Northeast Kansas,” Kim said. “Anytime I had a question or

needed information, Janet was able to point me in the right direction. I would certainly recommend Enterprise Facilitation to anyone considering starting a business.”

For more information about the shop, call Kim at 785-742-3700 or stop by 713

## Officer Team Reelected

Recently, the community resource board’s executive committee elected officers for the year. The 2006-2007 officers graciously agreed to serve again and were reelected to their positions.

The officer team is:

Board Chair: Jim McAnerney  
Vice-Chair: Gary Satter

Secretary: Gary Lortscher  
Treasurer: Theresa Rohrer.

Each is accomplished in their own right and brings much to the board. McAnerney was recently reelected mayor of Wathena, KS and is a retired postmaster. Satter serves as the Program Coordinator for

RC&D in Valley Falls, KS which serves seven counties in NE Kansas. Lortscher is President of Lortscher Agri Service, Inc. in Bern, KS. Rohrer managed a service organization for a number of years and now acts as activity director for a nursing facility in Wathena, KS.

## Upcoming Events:

June 7, 2007

5:00 pm - New Board Member Training Session at the Atchison Chamber of Commerce, Atchison, KS  
6:30 pm - Board Meeting at the Atchison Chamber of Commerce, 200 S. 10th St., Atchison, KS