

# Local grocery store manager assume new position

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He is a familiar face but he is now the new manager at St. Francis Super's.

Carl Crable has been working at the grocery store for over a year. Part of that time was spent in produce and another part in the meat department. He was a temporary manager at one time but he is now the official manager. His assistant manager is Jill Zuege.

Mr. Crable says he wants the store to have a small town atmosphere with friendly employees, cleanliness and most of all, comparable prices.

"I want to see that there is good customer service and everyone is treated fairly," he said.

Mr. Crable plans to have the shelves stocked and ready for special sale items. If it is not on the shelf, he reminds people to ask for a "rain check" or, when needed, a similar item can be substituted.

He noted that employees are also customers so they realize dollar savings and quality products are important.

"We get the same prices as everyone," he said.

He said he is trying to cut overhead prices so he can pass the savings on to the customers.

This is the town's people's store, he said, and he wants the people to be able to have pride in the store and services as well as enjoying prices that will keep them shopping at home. Employees will be cross trained so when one is gone, the other can fill in.

He expects employees to be patient and consistent, realizing carrying out groceries is important, especially to the elderly. The store will also offer delivery to those who are unable to get out. He plans to expand deliveries as soon as they hire some more people.

Mr. Crable is hoping that if a customer has a complaint that they will come talk to him before it becomes a problem.

"I am committed to stay in the community and meet the people's grocery needs," he said. "You will find me in the store working, not just in my office."



MANAGER CARL CRABLE and Jill Zuege, assistant manager, check out the poinsettias at St. Francis Super's.

Some of the changes planned, he said, will come quickly while others may take more time.

He would like to see the store become more involved in the community and charity work. He supports the school and Food Pantry and will not stop there. The store already has the \$1,000 giveaway to those organizations which have collected \$100,000 in grocery sales tickets.

Mr. Crable was born and raised in southern Colorado. In 1979, he joined the Air Force, spending 14 years in military action and is a veteran of Desert Storm. After retiring, he spent 5 years in the reserves. He earned a military degree in logistics management.

He has worked retail in Walmart and K-Store and for a number of years was the quality control manager for an airbags and airbag

mechanisms manufacturing business in Colorado.

Mr. Crable and his wife, Lori, and two children, T.J. and Stephanie, came to St. Francis about 8 years ago. Lori works at Owens True Value.

He is looking forward to the Christmas season and the store has some festive plans. People will be able to register for a Wii Intendo game, the huge Christmas stocking filled with toys as well as the in-store giveaway of a turkey each week until the week of Christmas. The store is also participating in the Christmas On Us promotion.

Mr. Crable and the employees at St. Francis Super's are hoping that people will stop by and do their holiday shopping as well as their weekly shopping.



NEW LOCATION — Carol Ross and Kristi Guthmiller are busy in their new office. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

## Office moves to Main Street

Ross Manufacturing offices have moved from Jackson Street to 301 W. Washington, St. Francis. Gordon and Carol Ross will have an open house to show off the office space during the Christmas Opening on Friday.

The business currently manufactures the Callicrate Bander and the Callicrate Loops for No-Bull Enterprises, along with custom fabrication and laser engraving. Recently, they purchased Sam Crabtree's pump and well business. Kristi Guthmiller also runs Sunshine Travel out of the office.

In the future, after the addition is completed to the current building, all of the heavy machinery will be moved to the Washington Street location.

The Ross's began manufacturing the Bander and Loops in 1995. Besides manufacturing the

products they also ship them for No-Bull enterprises. The product is shipped all over the world. They employ close to 20 people between all of their current locations as well as independent contractors that work from their home doing assembly work.

The pump and well business offers service on windmills, domestic and livestock wells, as well as solar energy. Pump and windmill customers can contact John

Guthmiller at (785)332-3012.

People are urged to stop by the office from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday for refreshments. Also setting up booths in the office will be the St. Francis cheerleaders who will be selling chances for a quilt with the proceeds going to the Florida trip planned at the end of December; Sherri Stang will be selling Premier Jewelry and Susan Dinkel, Homemade Gourmet products.



Happy Thanksgiving

**Riverside Recreation Dance**  
 Sat., Nov. 29 ~ 9 p.m.-1 a.m.  
 Music by Scott King  
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**The Cheyenne County EMS First Responder Class would like to thank:**

- Mike Hanson, Instructor
- Janelle Bowers, EMS Director
- Cheryl Lee and Dr. Allard, Guest Speakers
- Wendy White, our CPR Instructor
- All EMTs who helped us in class, worked with us on mock runs and became willing assistants or patients for practical (hands-on) testing day including Janelle, Mark Mills, Wade Krien, Tammy Sherlock, Lori Sowers, Melva Douthit, Dee Wilson, Steve Nolan, Gary Brubaker, Teri Chase, Stacy Hazuka, Reid Raile, Cynthia Poling, Lauren and Wendy White, Ed Marin and Nancy Semler. (If we forgot anyone, we are very sorry!)
- All EMTs who provided knowledge and insight on actual runs
- Cheyenne County Hospital for providing our class site
- Mila Bandel who allowed us to use the County Health lobby for our mock and actual practical tests
- Karla Zweggardt for being a willing victim on a mock run
- Anita Marin for being a patient/assistant on practical test day

We could not have done this without you. One test down, one to go!

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 Will be closed on  
 Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27  
 &  
 Friday, Nov. 28!

**SHHHHHH !!!!!**      **It's a surprise.....**  
 In honor of him completing 33 years of full-time ministry and beginning a 34th year on Jan. 1, a surprise card shower is planned for Rev. Dan Waters. Dan and his family lived in Bird City from June 1983 to June 1988, where he was the pastor of Immanuel United Methodist Church. He and his wife, Vickie, now reside in Topeka, where he is the pastor of Lowman United Methodist Church. His boys - who were in elementary and middle school while living in Bird City - are now grown with families of their own. Scott and his wife, Angela, and sons Camden and Maddox, live in Beloit. Chris and his wife, Jennie, and children Emma, Bella and Luke, reside in Haslett, Mich. Cards may be sent to Dan at the following address:  
 Vickie Waters  
 PO Box 67481  
 Topeka, Kansas 66667  
 (Please remember to address the envelope to Vickie Waters. We'd like to have all cards no later than Dec. 22.) Thank you so much for helping surprise Dan. Happy holidays to you.

**FRESH-CUT CHRISTMAS TREES**  
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 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
 Todd & Tracy Neitzel

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*Happy Thanksgiving to Danny & Marti Schlittenhardt*  
 "Family is about love, giving, sharing, caring, support, honesty and being there for one another."  
 Thank you for showing us what family is truly about!  
 We appreciate all that you do!  
 Love,  
 Shannon, Kristin & Taylor Stevens