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has changed and there are not as many bench jewelers these days. The jewelry store utilizes a repairman in Fort Collins, Colo., and he is mailed jobs that cannot be done in the store. The items are registered and it is costly to mail them both ways

The store continues to be family owned. Others working in the store include: Dorothy Carpenter, who began working in 1950, then took some time off, returning in 1992; Stella Draper began working in 1973 and she still continues to help out on a part-time basis; and Les Hook, who worked from 1987 to 1999, was welcomed back in 2004. Roxy Stuart, who lives in Denver, is also a working partner in the store.

Mrs. Stuart said that, without the team effort of the staff, it would be impossible to keep the business open.

Bud was able to fix many things, from jewelry to toys, to him in chains, lock him inside water meters... he just enjoyed the a U.S. mail bag, tie him inside a challenge and was willing to try to fix it. He worked at the store until May 2006. He died on Aug. 16, 2006.

the birth of their son, Pat, in No- their strongest maximum secuvember 1949, and throughout the rity cells. He's leaped off bridges

retirement in 1999. She died on Feb. 18, 2005.

Force and later, attended Compton Junior College in Los Angeles, then entered the American Academy of Horology (watch repair) in Denver in 1947. He and Margaret (Amos) were married on Oct. 26, 1946.

When Mr. Stuart graduated from the Academy, he and Margaret returned to St. Francis where he was associated with the Cooper Rexall Drug. He maintained a complete jewelry repair service and a supply of optical parts. Gold

years until poor health forced her and silver plating was available as was hand engraving.

In 1956, he opened another jew-Bud served in the Army Air elry store in Wray, Colo., and his nephew, Dick Amos, managed it. Later, Mr. Amos bought the store. There have been approximately 35 people working in the store through the years.

Bud was a fun employer and his smile and wit brought customers in. Some said that Bud would start the day off with a "chuckle" and a smile. When there were difficult customers, he would say that there was good in everyone but, sometimes it was just harder to find.

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with 100 feet of rope; lock him into 15 or more pairs of assorted police hand and leg cuffs, lock sack; lock him inside a wooden box and much more.

He has escaped from 26 locked prison and jail cells by challeng-Margaret worked some after ing prison officials to lock him in

while handcuffed and escaped while under water.

Brought to Cheyenne County by the fair board, they are hoping the Manzini performance will be a show the audience will never forget.

Additional act

An extra featured act is Victoria Halterman who will be playing her electric fiddle. She's been playing since the age of 9 and has performed at the top theaters and fairs around the country.



Arts and crafts judging



KATTIE WURM tells the judge about her painting. Her mother, Christy Wurm watches. This is Kattie first year in 4-H.



MARIAH BEIKMAN, right, tells the judge, Judy Poore, about the placemats and runners she had made for her grandmother. Herald staff photos by Karen Krien

DERBY

there to help them.

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he had an idea of what he was get-

ting into. His father is still prac-

ticing and they often visit about

At the university, his primary

He did a calving internship in

North Dakota, then went to Cali-

fornia where he did an internship

on the big dairies.

focus was on dairy cattle. Dairy

cattle, he said, make up the major-

ity of the food animals in Ohio.

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There is a guaranteed \$1,500 first-place purse as well as a trophy. Besides first prize, there will be second-, third- and fourthplace prizes along with heat place money. There are also handcrafted trophies awarded.

will need a parent's signed release. We are hoping to keep every-Contestants 10 to 14, need to have thing moving smoothly, said Mr. the release plus have the parent(s) Zimbelman. We want the crowd to be entertained throughout the All contestants must wear a hel- entire derby.





Band, singers entertain Friday at the Thresher Show

Last Friday evening after the Thresher Show closed for the day, Bird City was entertained by the Heart City Heart Warmers band.

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Led by Paul Bader, lead guitarist and lead vocalist, who was born and raised in Cheyenne County and in his early years married to Rita, the band provided an evening of entertainment.

Mr. Bader was a photographer by trade and was trained by Hatty Joy of St. Francis. He owned a photography shop for a few years in Sainty before moving himself and family to North Platte were he owned and operated another photography store until he retired. Then he moved to Valentine, Neb., where he now plays in the band. He also plays the accordion.

during the summer months and in play by ear. Tucson, Ariz., during the winter months. He is a professor at a local college where he teaches two nights a week and four nights a week he fiddles.

"I live the best of both worlds!" laughed Mr. Parker.

Other members of the band are Yvonne Gothard, vocal and guitar, along with her daughter, Kate Songer, bass and vocal, both hailing from Valentine.

Also in the band is Mr. Bader's daughter, Rhonda Klaszus, who plays the piano, guitar and vocals. She and her family are from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. And just like her father, she learned

Another member of the band, how to play at a young age. Not Dallas Parker lives in Valentine only can she read music, she can

The Mad Dog award has a guaranteed \$500 purse. The most aggressive, hardest hitting (within the rules) driver in the derby earns the Mad Dog award.

Lawn mower tractor pull

This is the second year for the lawn mower tractor pull. The event keeps the crowd entertained between the derby heats.

Lawn mowers will be pulling a sled on which weights can be added. There will be both a stock and modified class and prizes will be awarded.

Ten to 16-year-old contestants

big and small," he said.

He said he likes St. Francis and the area. In Cheyenne County, he said the biggest challenge is remembering names.

Dr. Boyer graduated from Ohio State University, Columbus. While in Columbus, he met the future Mrs. Boyer at church and this month they are getting ready to celebrate their fourth anniversary. He has already met many new people and clients and looking forward to meeting more.





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