



OWENS TRUE VALUE employee Liz Semler mixes paint for customer Nina Ralie. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

# Hardware store upgrades to new paint department

**By Karen Krien**  
Owens True Value, St. Francis, now has a complete paint center which they have named "The Paint Factory." They will still be carrying True Value paints which *Consumer Report* claims to be the "best, most state-of-the-art paint manufacturing company in the United States."  
Pat and Gladys Owens made the decision to move the paint department in their business in September 2002 but with the Christmas inventory arriving, they put off rearranging the store until this spring.  
"We finally have most of the items in — enough that we feel that we are ready to announce the change," Mr. Owens said.  
New items are headed up with a computer which will match any color of any brand of paint. If the customer has a paint swatch the size of a quarter, the staff can match it. If the customer knows only the name of the paint, whether it be Wal-Mart, Home Depot, Ace or Valspar, just to name a few, they will be able to match it.  
They are now carrying the Prestige paint line which is also made by True Value. The Pres-

tige paint carries a life-time guarantee. The store carries three different kinds of spray paints including a paint for plastic furniture which comes in a variety of colors and a "suede" paint. There are stains and varnishes, brushes, rollers, tapes and many different tools to enhance walls with faux finishes. Other supplies include a wide selection of glues, caulking and roof paint.  
"We have new items coming in daily and we welcome people to stop in to see what new things we have to offer," Mr. Owens said.  
Owens True Value is located at 113 E. Washington in downtown St. Francis. They are open six days a week with store hours from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Antholz Carpenter Knodel Sowers Raile Rice Young Zwegardt

# Eight local girls vie for pageant crown

**By Karen Krien**  
Eight girls will be vying for the title of Cheyenne County Junior Miss at a special program on Saturday, July 28, in the St. Francis Community High School auditorium.  
The program will include the physical fitness and poise and fitness categories along with a talent number performed by each of the girls. They would appreciate the support of the community to cheer them on.  
This year's contestants are: Cristi Antholz, Andrea Carpenter, Meredith Knodel, Hannah Sowers, Dana Raile, Toni Rice, Hayley Young and Christina Zwegardt.  
To introduce the contestants, the girls are pictured with a short biography.

**Cristi Antholz**  
Cristi Antholz will be a senior at Cheylin High School and is the daughter of Hal and Becky Antholz of McDonald.

She plans to be a physician assistant specializing in orthopedic surgery following her graduation from Kansas State University.

She enjoys reading, singing, playing the piano, drawing and painting.

Her talent will be a vocal solo where she will sing "You Can't Get A Man With A Gun."

**Andrea Carpenter**  
Andrea Carpenter will be performing a vocal solo, "Don't Know Why," for her talent number. She will be a senior at Cheylin High School and plans to go into kinesiology however, she hasn't decided what college she will attend.  
The daughter of Steve and Lanee Carpenter, Andrea likes to spend time with animals, swim, cook, ride horses, Taekwondo, read, play the piano and flute.

**Meredith Knodel**  
Meredith Knodel will be a senior at St. Francis Community High School and, following her graduation from high school, she plans to become a dental hygienist but does not have any plans for which college she will attend.

The daughter of John and Natalie Knodel, Meredith likes dancing, swimming, eating and hanging with friends.  
For her talent number, she will be dancing to "Riverdance."

**Hannah Sowers**  
Hannah Sowers is the daughter of David and Teresa Sowers and will be a senior at St. Francis Community High School. Her talent number at the Junior Miss program will be the humorous reading, "The Making of Pippi Longstocking."  
Hannah plans to attend Evangel College to earn a degree in physical education and health. Her hobbies

include photography, poetry, writing and listening to music.

**Dana Raile**  
Dana Raile will present a piano solo entitled "A Thousand Miles" for her talent number. She will be a senior at St. Francis Community High School and following graduation, she would like to pursue a career as a school counselor at Colorado State University.

Her hobbies include cheerleading, reading, riding four-wheelers, playing volleyball and participating in track.

She is the daughter of Lori and Chris West and Jeff Raile.

**Toni Rice**  
Toni Rice will be a senior at St. Francis Community High School

and is planning to attend Colorado State University where she will pursue a career as an advertisement design executive.

The daughter of Bud and Marla Rice, she will be playing the piano solo "Allegro Scherzando" for her talent number.

Her hobbies include playing softball, basketball and volleyball, dancing and participating in track.

**Hayley Young**  
Hayley Young will be presenting a reading as her talent number at the Junior Miss program.

She will be a senior at Cheylin High School and following graduation, she plans to attend Creighton University where she will study to be a bio-chemist.

The daughter of Rod and Jane Young, Hayley likes to act, swim, shop, read, play the piano, play basketball and volleyball, run and dance.

**Christina Zwegardt**  
Christina Zwegardt is the daughter of Roger and Melissa Zwegardt. She will be a senior at St. Francis Community High School and will be dancing to "Hands" for her talent number.

Following graduation, Christina would like to attend Fort Hays State University where she will study to be a trauma surgeon.

Her hobbies include dancing, riding four-wheelers, working, art, racing, riding horses, traveling and just hanging with friends.

# Fireworks display planned

**By Casey McCormick**  
Get your lawn chairs out or reserve a seat in the football bleachers because you don't want to miss this year's Fourth of July fireworks show. It just got bigger!

The towns of Bird City and St. Francis have agreed to join forces for the next two years for a fireworks display. This year it will be held at the Cheylin football field and the 2004 show will be in St. Francis.

The St. Francis Association to Benefit Cheyenne County organization had planned to have their show separately but they ran into scheduling problems as the fair-

grounds had already been rented for July 3, 4 and 5. Another obstacle was too much tickle grass at the airport would not work due to.

Since the goal of the association is to benefit all of Cheyenne County they agreed to donate \$500 to this year's display. The organizations who represent Bird City, and have given a like amount, are PRIDE, Community Club and the American Legion. Dan Bowers, who is certified to operate commercial fireworks, will provide what looks to be a special program.

Bird City has an interesting history concerning its fireworks dis-

play. Years back families would gather at the City Park and set off fireworks that folks had bought from area stands. Donations led to larger shows and one year the event was held at the Thresher Show Grounds. Next it moved to the football field where it remains today and has grown each year, weather permitting.

Locals used to make homemade ice cream and bring cake to the show. That must have been quite a task on some of those hot July afternoons. With luck Mother Nature will smile on this year's display and we will have a memorable show with our neighbors.

# Amusement authority seeks painters for rides and booths

**By Karen Krien**  
The members of the Amusement Authority are asking for help in getting ready for the Cheyenne County Fair. The rides will run from Aug. 6 through 9 but everything needs to be running in top order before that time.  
"We have lots of painting that needs to be done," said Susie Walz, member of the committee.

Some of the members are out there almost every evening but Wednesdays are designated as "work night" and that is when most of the members try to show up.

In October, the Amusement Authority purchased another Octopus ride from Norton but it was in need of paint and overhauling. Greg Walz, Sam Miller, Marvin Confer and Bill Ehrman along with a few others have spent hours, days and evenings putting it together and their

labor is evident when going to the carnival grounds. Ken Knorr has also spent time getting materials and items around and, for that matter, Mr. Knorr has spent years helping the carnival in numerous ways.

"It was more time consuming than we ever thought it would be," Mr. Walz said.

The new ride is located on the southeast side of the carnival grounds and, since it was new, a concrete pad for it to sit on needed to be

poured, a fence needed to be built around it and then it needed to be painted.

Each year, there is painting to be done early in the spring and summer. Some of the rides need touched up, the fences and booths often need another coat of paint.

There is no need to make an appointment to show up to work — just put on old clothes and, those who have a paint brush that fits their hand should bring it and plan to paint for a couple of hours.



## Auto Body Instructor Assistant

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