

Total Look builds up product line, services

Toni Hoss went into business as owner 28 years ago for herself as the owner of the Total Look salon.

Over the years Hoss has had several stylists come and go and finally settled in to having her daughter, Deedi Hoss-Dorn, help her develop her "take" on what a day spa should be.

In the past year the duo has been successful in building up their products and services for their clientele. They promote and use the Redken product line as well as the BioElements line of facial products.

They have developed additional services besides cutting and styling hair by offering custom facials, pedicures and manicures.

The mother-daughter team has been successful by providing educated advice to their clients and offering a friendly and relaxing atmosphere. There have been several successes for the gals including:

- In January, they attended a Redken symposium in Las Vegas.

- They have doubled their BioElements facial business due to being the only salon in the Northwest Kansas area that customizes this top of the line product to each of their clients that try it. They recently launched the popular Flax C Anti-aging Facial that is taking the industry by storm.

- They hosted an in-salon BioElements Representative for educational purposes.

- They have added hot stone pedicures that utilize warmed river rocks that are used to massage the foot and calf muscles that take the receiver to cloud 9 quickly!

Among the several changes that have taken place over the last year, this duo offers several reasons to visit the salon to take advantage of their products and services. Call for an appointment and know you'll be treated like royalty, call (785) 890-5879.

American Door adds Weathercraft roofing

In 1980, Randy Topliff's brother, Tim, started a roofing and door business and he named it American Door of Northwest Kansas.

Randy soon joined his brother in the business and when Tim decided to return to school, Randy acquired the company. The business thrived to the point of recognition by a popular company that specializes in commercial doors and is based in Nebraska. That company, Overhead Door, joined forces with Randy's company in 1997.

The Overhead Door Company of Northwest Kansas has been a winning team ever since!

John Dean, a former high school principal, was brought on in 1998 and now runs most of

the Overhead Door-side of the business.

Randy also deals in doors and is focused on their most recent addition in roofing through the Weathercraft brand. Weathercraft offers various options for roofing materials and sheet metal is fast becoming a popular choice.

Siding and thermal windows round out the repertoire to help the homeowner make their home more efficient.

Overhead Door of Northwest Kansas is owned and operated by Randy Topliff and is located in their brand new 5,000 square foot building at 716 W Hwy 24 in Goodland. Call (785) 899-3064, or toll free (800) 203-5691.

17th Street shaping up



Workers for Sporer Land Development smoothed a new curb on the east side of Broadway and 17th on June 6. The project is moving down the north side of 17th, and Jerry Nemechek from Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates inspecting the project for the city, said the plan is to pour the street in three phases. The street has been poured from Main to Clark, and this week the block in front of Hank's and the Broadway intersection were opened to traffic. Pouring the street will begin from Clark to Caldwell by today.

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Paving moving along on south K-27



Paving is underway on the 14-mile K-27 highway project south of town, and crews from Western Engineering, prime contractor, neared the end of the east half of the first 4-mile stretch as they paved the first layer in May. The 'shuttle buggy' holds

about 30 tons of asphalt — about one semitrailer load — and using a conveyor belt move the asphalt to the laydown machine to keep an even layer of about three inches of asphalt. The project is to be completed this fall.

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Stitchin' Place handles sewing needs, embroidery

The Stitchin' place was started in August of 2003 by Marie Johnson.

It began as a hobby and was going to be a filler for a craft consignment store. The crafts went okay but the mending and alterations went very well.

After a year in business the craft end went away and the mending and alterations became the main operation of the business.

"I started sewing when I was about 10 years old for my family," Johnson said. "I kept on sewing as I started my own family and did some for my friends as well. After several years of working for others in the retail business I decided to work for myself and hopefully fill a need in the community.

"I have lived in Goodland since 1977 when my family and I moved here so I could attend Vo-Tech school. I have been here ever since.

Johnson said growing her business has been fun and she has gotten acquainted with lots of people from Goodland and the surrounding area.

"My customer base comes not only from here but Burlington, Colo., Sharon Springs, Saint

Francis, Brewster, Wallace and Weskan and others as well," she said.

"I do all sorts of sewing from mending a torn seam to making a new garment, bridal and formal wear alterations, chair covers, Halloween costumes, and zipper replacement," she said. "You name it, I'll try it, and usually get it done if given enough time."

In the last year Johnson expanded the business to include commercial embroidery, and vinyl graphics.

This has been fun and challenging as well she said.

She can embroider business logos or names on shirts, coats, hats, bags, and can do the heat press vinyl on shirts and coats etc.

"We have the ability to provide you with the shirts or coats etc at reasonable prices or you can bring in your own," she said. "Everything is done right here in the store from the design to the cutting then heat press or embroidery.

"Bring us your design or idea and we will work it up for you to see then enjoy wearing it."

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Coffeehouse, art gallery glad to be open

What a difference a year makes. This time last year the Goodland Grind and Gallery, located in the old Moose Lodge building at 1530 Main, was just a twinkle in the eyes of owners Brian and Victoria Freeman.

Today, the restored art deco structure houses the combination coffeehouse and art gallery and serves as a thriving community gathering place. "We have many local regular customers," said Brian Freeman, "but we also have lots of visitors just passing through. It's nice to visit with folks and share a great cup of coffee."

In addition to organic, fair trade coffee and tea, the Grind and Gallery serves up grilled paninis, deli sandwiches, seasonal soups, pastries, frozen espresso drinks, fruit smoothies and Italian sodas.

"We've even added two flavors of hearty quiche so our early bird customers can start the day out with a quick, healthy breakfast," said Victoria Freeman.

In addition to the fresh, wholesome food and drinks, the Grind and Gallery is a showplace for local and regional artists to sport their wares. Art displays change monthly and are marked

by a special art-related event on the first Friday evening of every month.

"Our First Fridays are art demonstrations, poetry readings or musical performances and they've really caught on," said Kay Younger, gallery coordinator, who is an integral part of recruiting artists and performers. "We always have a packed house."

David Branda, owner of The Sherman Theater, is the Grind and Gallery manager and a minority owner. Branda worked closely with the Freemans on the building renovation and continues to be a pivotal part of the business success, along with other staff members Virginia Palmgren, Wanda Schritter, Stephanie McGinley, Evelyn Baker, Daylon Hilty and Rachel Hnizdil.

The Goodland Grind and Gallery is open Monday through Thursday 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The shop will celebrate its one-year anniversary at this year's Flatlanders Fall Festival.

For more information check out their new web site designed by Ben Coumerilh at www.GrindandGallery.com, or just stop by. You may not want to leave!



The Goodland Grind and Gallery at 1530 Main provides a pleasant place to begin the day with coffee and acts as an art gallery for local artists. Owners Brian and Victoria Freeman are happy the people are using the coffeehouse as a gathering place. Photo by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Star-News

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