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Woman works in since the opening

By MARY LOU OLSON

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The friendly smile of Dana Marintzer at Golt's Home Planning Center has been greeting customers ever since her parents, Wayne and Dixie Goltl, opened the store in downtown Oberlin in April 1968.

"This is the place where I grew up and came to after school," she said, "and before long, I started helping in the store."

A 1973 graduate of Decatur Community High School, she said she always loved horses, so it was just natural that she chose to attend farrier school in Littleton, Colo. After completing the course, she returned to Oberlin, working at the store during the day and spending evenings and weekends with her horses. Though she learned to horseshoe, she said she really likes to trim the animal's hooves better.

She and her husband, Marlin Marintzer, who grew up at Herndon, have lived in Oberlin since their marriage. He helps her father in the construction business and his wife keeps the books for both the construction company and the four duplexes and one two-plex the Goltls own. Mrs. Marintzer said she takes care of the apartments, which includes mowing, watering and even snow removal, but her husband helps with that. The men also take care of the maintenance of the buildings.

"I always tell Dad that if he was in charge of the mowing, he wouldn't have planted so much grass," she chuckled.

A few years ago, she said, she decided she would like to learn how to do leather work, so

she bought some tools from an aunt, DeeAnna Krizek, who taught her the craft. She makes billfolds and many other leather items which she sells at the store.

After learning to quilt from Norma Carman, she now makes quilts, wall hangings and table runners and does a lot of the machine quilting herself on the smaller items. She said she also enjoys making denim bags, which she also sells at the store.

She has been on the board of the Last Indian Raid Museum for eight years and is now completing her term as president. She helped organize the annual Museum Car Show, which will be held this year on Saturday, May 31, in downtown Oberlin.

She said that volunteer work on the Amusement Authority began when she was asked to be in charge of the toy van after Louise Crisman moved. She now purchases all the toys and is still an active member and spends countless hours helping with the home-owned carnival during the Decatur County Fair each year. She recently became a member of the Aquarius Club and enjoys trap shooting at the Gun Club.

One her favorite pastimes is helping her dad work on his Chevrolet Impalas and other antique vehicles. She owns a restored 1967 Impala convertible and her dad has restored several Impalas, along with other older vehicles, including two Studebaker cars. They enjoy taking these to antique car shows several times a year. The highlight of the year is the annual week-long International Impala Convention in Spearfish, S.D., she said.

Spring cleaning is

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(MS) - As we emerge from the frost of winter and begin to dare allow ourselves to think of the renewal that spring brings, let's prepare ourselves to restore our homes as well. Of course, traditionally this is referred to as Spring Cleaning. It's the time to begin the process of exchanging winter clothes for spring, clean out fireplaces and generally de-clutter our living space. Well, while we might not place these tasks in the category of fun and sport, if we organize the approach and the process, we can certainly minimize the pain to achieve renewed life.

Organization is critical. Remember the old saying 'a stitch in time, saves nine.' I recommend taking out some quality time to decide:

- what you want to accomplish

- during what time frame you want to accomplish everything

- whether you will use temporary cleaning support beyond the norm for your home

- or will you need to hire professional support

If you are considering temporary support, the most important consideration needs to be whether there will be appropriate supervision or not. I have considered using temporary employees for special projects, but have opted not to do it if I feel that I don't have adequate supervision. It can be a counterproductive experience to have someone standing around either not knowing what to do

or doing the wrong thing. My Web site www.askcindyhow.com shares details about hiring professional help.

While you are continuing your assessment

