



**RANDY DINKEL, new owner, is busy handling some of the many products available at the Mill and Seed.**

*Herald staff photo by Karen Krien*

## St. Francis business has new owners

**By Karen Krien**

Mill and Seed, 300 W. Emerson, St. Francis, has new owners.

Randy and Susan Dinkel recently purchased the business from Susan's uncle Bob Dorsch. The business has been in the family since 1970.

The Dinkels will be handling many of the products and services provided before, plus they have added several new items including a line of pet supplies such as dog food, biscuits, chew bones and cat litter, just to name some.

Feed is purchased through ADM and Alliance Nutrition Feeds. There are feeds for cattle, horses, chickens, swine, sheep and they will also stock a special show feed and milk replacer and colostrum.

They will still be cleaning seeds, rolling and mixing feeds to meet the rancher's needs and delivering bulk feeds along with grass drilling. They have signed on with Garst and NC+ Hybrid seeds and can get just about any seed.

"We would like to provide more farm supplies including fencing supplies," Mr. Dinkel said.

The business will also cater to the horse lover by providing tack, some vet supplies, feeds and horse tubs.

"I will carry some vet supplies for other livestock, too, but not a lot as the shelf-life is limited and I really don't want to compete with someone (veterinarian) who knows a lot more about it than I do," he said.

A product the Mill and Seed carries that few people are aware of is mini cubes for water softeners.

Spring is coming. There will be some informational meetings and it is about time for farmers to place their orders for chickens, ducks, pheasants, chucks, quail and quineas.

Randy, who came to St. Francis in 1997 to work for Yost Ford-Mercury, was raised on a farm near Sharon Springs and knows the needs of farmers. Susan has also been around the farming community much of her life. They will be looking for every way to provide service and supplies needed in the county for the best price.

The Dinkels have done some remodeling and plan to have an open house in the near future. To check out what the Mill and Seed has to offer, stop by between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. week days and 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. For special orders, call him at 785-332-3191.

# Parents can have children printed

Parents will have the opportunity to have their children finger printed on Feb. 20 and 21 in St. Francis and on Feb. 26 and 27 in Cheylin Schools. The program is sponsored by the Cheyenne County Sheriff's Department, Cheyenne County Health Department and the Farm Bureau.

Tragically, over 1 million children are reported missing every year and over 50,000 children remain unaccounted for.

"Out of concern for young people, we are providing a service that could protect your family with records of your children," said Sheriff Eddie Dankenbring.

"In an emergency, it is essential that police have clear, accurate fingerprints and entail records to assist in the investigation and in locating or identifying a missing child."

The records will be a necessary part of every child's home identification file.

The school officials will be passing out forms, asking that parents give permission to finger print their children. The child's finger prints will remain in their cumulative file folder along with their most recent picture. The main purpose of this procedure is to ensure that if anything ever happens to the child, the school will be able to assist law enforcement in helping to locate the missing child more quickly and efficiently.

"We certainly hope and pray that this will never happen, but we need to be prepared anyway," Sheriff Dankenbring said.

The child's finger prints will not be taken without the parent's permission so please take notice of the permission sheet when your child brings it home.



**BIRD CITY LADIES help to ready shelves for products soon to be arriving to their remodeled grocery store. Barabara Waters, Dee Dorsch, Darci Kehlbeck, Merilie Leach, Karen Shrader, Jane Brubaker, Velda Wright, and others worked hard cleaning. Miguel Perez (left) of Performance Air solders a compression line on the new cooling system. Miguel traveled from Denver each week to aid in the remodel.**

*Times staff photo by Casey McCormick*



### Introducing

**MiKaela Rae-Ann Barnett  
MaKenzie Ba-Lea Barnett**

Matthew, Manda and Michael Barnett are happy to announce the birth of their twin sisters, MiKaela Rae-Ann and MaKenzie Ba-Lea. They were born Jan. 21, 2003, at Colorado Springs. MiKaela Rae-Ann was 5 pounds, 5.5 ounces and 18 inches long while MaKenzie Ba-Lea was 4 pounds, 11.5 ounces and 17.5 inches long. Parents are Dave and Dana Barnett of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Grandparents are David and Deanna Nelsen of Bird City. Great-grandparents are Patty Gerver and Harold and Ann Nelsen, also of Bird City.



**MiKaela and MaKenzie**

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