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Tammy Weinman (left) and MaKenna Johnson are the new owners of Four County Boutique, located on Arnold's Main Street. The partners had their soft opening during Christmas Around Town and are open for business.

Four County Boutique Opens on Main Street

By Janet Larreau

Business partners Tammy Weinman and MaKenna Johnson opened the door to their new Main Street business on December 9 - just in time for Christmas Around Town. The soft opening gave residents a glimpse of changes that have

been made to the building and learn about what the store will have to offer in the coming weeks and months.

Four County Boutique will be diversified, housing not only a boutique, but a hair salon as well.

“We decided to partner up on this venture because we don't want to see a nice downtown

store front sit empty. We felt there was a need in Arnold for this type of business, and it's something we have both thought about doing. We just felt the time was right!” said Tammy. “We wanted the name to represent the area and community we live in. MaKenna came up with Four County Boutique, and we both liked it.”

At the first of November, destruction of the bathroom, painting and removal of the old flooring and preparation for the new flooring began. On December 1 the partners took ownership of the building. The new flooring was laid on December 6 and then the bathroom remodel, new dressing room and a few walls were

completed. The check-out counter was moved to the north side of the building and reconfigured. The shampoo station, plumbing, new hot water heater and installation of a washer and dryer will hopefully be done in the next few weeks. The majority of the space will be used for the boutique, and the southeast corner will be designated as the salon area.

The boutique offers women and children's clothing and women's shoes. They hope to expand in the shoe area, and in the near future, offer men's clothing as well. You will also find popular items such as Snoozies slippers, purses, Melissa & Doug toys, and of course, Bobcat apparel.

Several items made by talented people will be in stock, including handmade jewelry by Carly Gracey featuring her Carly Kay earring line; Remind Me Designs handmade jewelry made by Jamie Turner, whose husband Dan Turner is an Arnold graduate; Sugar and Spice handmade hair scrunchies, masks and clothing made by MaKenna Larreau, daughter of John and Heather Larreau; and candles made by Faith Bierman of Arnold, with many different scents everyone will love. They are hoping to carry homemade soap made by Arnold Public Schools students in the near future.

“We love supporting the local talent, and we are excited about the partnerships we are establishing,” said Tammy.

The business plan includes having the hair salon up and running by February. MaKenna will be providing haircuts, chemical services, hair care products and facial waxing. After the salon is open, and a schedule is figured out, she is hoping to offer a day for walk-in appointments.

“We feel the boutique and salon will provide products and services that people have been

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Photo/Jessica Tickle

Making Joyous Music

Haydn Stretesky on trombone, Riata Remund on clarinet, and Paxton Bierman on bells, were part of the seventh and eighth grade band performing “We Wish You a Merry Christmas” and “Holly Jolly Christmas” at the APS high school and middle school Christmas concert held on December 14. The concert featured many great holiday selections directed by Kalli Bush.

Village Board Reorganizes

Bowers Re-Elected Chairman

The Arnold Village Board of Trustees reorganized for the new year at their regular meeting held on December 14. The oath of office was administered to newly appointed member Zach Hagler, and to the newly reelected members Glen Bowers and Aaron Olson. Bowers was reelected as chairman by a unanimous vote.

Trustees were appointed to the following committees by Bowers: General (Community Center, Parks & Swimming Pool) and Streets, Water & Sewer: Aaron Olson and Donnell DeLosh; Electric and Solid Waste: Zach Hagler and Scott McDowell.

Patricia Lamberty was appointed Village Clerk/Treasurer. The following officials were appointed from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021: Village Attorney - Mike Borders (dba Borders Law Office); Water Commissioner - Harvey Foran; Assistant Water Commissioner - Rusty Wyckoff; Village Engineer/Street Superintendent - Consultant Thomas C. Werblow.

The Arnold Sentinel was designated as the official newspaper for publication for all the Village business.

Chairman Bowers, Village Superintendent Doug De Laune and Dell Cerny were appointed to the Board of Health.

Bowers volunteered to be one of the village representatives to the Arnold Economic Development Corporation. He appointed DeLosh as the alternate representative.

The term of Sharon Forrester on the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) expires this month, and the board was informed that she doesn't want to be reappointed. Tony Hall was appointed in her place for a four-year term. The CAC is a “watch dog” committee, and not a committee that plays a role in the decision making process in regard to where the Economic Development Funds are spent. Bowers offered to be the ex-officio member of the CAC.

Pat Scott's term on the Housing Authority Board expires in December 2020, and she does not want to be reappointed. Consideration of appointing a member for this Board will be on the January agenda.

The term of Jeff Bowers on the Planning Commission expires this month, and he is willing to be reappointed. Members unanimously reappointed him to the Commission.

Right of Way Property

Board members considered the Right of Way property (R.E. Allens Add.; PT, Lots 15-17 all of See Reorganizes, Page 2