

Mel's celebrates 50 years in business

By Susan Fox

For that "extra something" when you are decorating a new home, or redoing the old place, be sure to stop in at Mel's Decorating, 106 W. Fourth St., Minster. Mel Woehrmyer, the owner of Mel's Decorating, has been in the decor business for over 50 years, and he has a showroom bursting with colors and textures, as well as experienced design and installation staff to help with every step of the interior decorating process.

Woehrmyer is a native of Minster, who began his career, more than 50 years ago, as a painter. He quickly expanded into the complete interior design arena and now he has a family business with a wide selection of products to enhance any home or business. He and his wife of 60 years, Vera, have six children.

Reminiscing about his 50 years in business, he said he thinks the largest



MEL'S PROFESSIONAL DESIGN and installation staff gather around the entrepreneur who brings 50 years of experience to the interior design business in Minster. Back: Gary Muether, Bill Woehrmyer, Casey Woehrmyer and Jennifer Woehrmyer; front: Sandra Kremer, Mel, and Gail Berning.

project he has completed is the decor at Minster Bank. The company has done the interiors for Apria Health Care and other commercial venues, but Woehrmyer said the Mel's staff focuses mainly on residential projects, and has credits as far away as Indianapolis. The knowledgeable staff of design professionals, including Gail Berning, is always willing to help with any project, from a bathroom to a new home.

The design staff also includes Mel's granddaughter, Jennifer Woehrmyer, as well as Sandra Kremer, who also maintains order in the office. Woehrmyer said the design staff can assist the client with the complete design process, even including suggestions for furniture and accessories, if necessary.

"We don't sell furniture," he said, "but they can help the customer decide what to look for."

The "family" in the

business extends beyond the office. Mel's installers are Gary Muether and Mel's grandson Casey Woehrmyer, led by Mel's son Bill. These certified installers provide consistent, quality work. The selection of flooring products at Mel's Decorating includes carpet, vinyl, ceramic tile, laminate and hardwood. The installation crew at Mel's has the experience to install each of these products with

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