Bead Haven thriving as family-run DIY experience in River Place Shops

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After dreaming of owning a business, one family from Caro decided to open a resale clothing store in 1993 in Frankenmuth's School Haus Square.

This clothing store transitioned into Bead Haven, a full-service bead store that sells handmade beads, many being one-of-a-kind. The shop is located in the Franken-muth River Place shops and boasts 5,000 square feet of shopping space.

General manager Tara Jacob said her mother, Gail Damm, who opened the store and serves as its owner and president, always had an affinity for crafting. Damm made her own fimo beads and strung them onto leather necklaces, which became a quick hit. She was inspired by bead shop chains to order and sell her own beads.

Bringin' Back the '80s Fest

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Bringin' Back the '80s Festival president Jeanna Rogner and her committee will be celebrating the event's 15th anniversary this year. The fest will be Friday and Saturday, April 26-27, from 6 p.m. until midnight in Heritage Park's Harvey Kern Community Pavilion.

Roenicke given service award

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The Distinguished Service Citation was presented to Norma Roenicke at the annual Rotary District 6310 Conference held in Owosso.

Norma has served on several Rotary Club subcommittees, including Student Exchange and Highway M-83 Cleanup committees.

FAA Auction raises $50,000

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Nearly 200 people attended the Frankenmuth Athletic Association's Stand Up For The Eagles Auction eventt on April 12.

Auction chairperson Kelly Campbell believes the $50,000 goal was attained through auctions, drink tickets, admissions and raffles.

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