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sources to start something that they’re passionate about,” Grant County Economic Growth Council Senior Director for Economic Development Charity Bailey said “A small grant like this can make all the difference. It’s just one of those ways to show that we support small businesses. Not every winner may be a small business owner, but a lot of these resources go to small businesses that are just doing everything they can to make a difference in an area that they care about.

“It’s the Growth Council’s way of showing support in what they are doing.”

The CHARM Grant provides local business owners the resources needed to make necessary changes to their business’s appearance, including façade improvements, awning replacements, and sidewalk repairs, and targets projects that are small, yet potent.

“[It’s] just about beautifying a business base,” Bailey said. “Things like awnings, landscaping, new paint, things that are going to be visible signs of improvement.”

For businesses who qualify for the grant, the Grant County Economic Growth



Council will match up to \$1,000, and the grant is awarded three times each year. Applicants are rated on three criteria: visual impact, neighborhood fit or conformity to local design standards, and quick community impact. All Grant County businesses are encouraged to apply, but businesses located in downtown areas and projects with higher visibility and community impact are given priority.

Design Studio 407 owner Linda Harmon and True Envy Boutique owner Dawn Conwell became the first business owners to apply for the grant as a team rather than individuals, looking to upgrade their outdoor signs to increase visibility and draw more potential customers to their respective locations.

While many other deserving businesses were considered, Bailey stated

that the two businesses’ willingness to work together was the deciding factor in their selection.

“This was a unique one because two businesses came together to apply, and the Growth Council has not had that happen before,” Bailey said. “The fact that they came together and wanted to share the funds, that they’re downtown businesses, and that [they were looking to improve] outdoor signage, just adding that simple new sign, was enough.”

“True Envy Boutique and Design Studio 407 are thrilled to have been chosen as CHARM Grant recipients,” Harmon and Conwell said in a joint statement. “The CHARM Grant will do just that, add new ‘charm’ to our downtown historic buildings, bringing old and new together. We are proud to be members of the downtown

community.”

Businesses are now able to apply for the CHARM Grant in 2021. The application, further information on the grant itself, due dates, and dates winners are announced can be found at www.grantcounty.com/the-charm-grant.

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ham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Tuesday, October 27 at 1 pm. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

Diona Lucille Brumett 1935-2020
Funeral services were held at Oak Chapel United Methodist Church, Marion, on Friday, October 23 at 1 pm. Burial followed at Jefferson Cemetery.

Janet S. Phillips 1938-2020
At Phillips’ request, there will be no public visitation or funeral service.

Christina M. Dodson 1927-2020
A graveside service was held on Monday, October 26 at Park Cemetery, Fairmount.

Patricia Dixon 1931-2020
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Wednesday, October 28 at 1 pm. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

Janet “Jan” G. Cooper 1958-2020

A Celebration of Life was held at Waylon’s Bar, Marion, on Sunday, October 26 at 12 pm.

Charles William Drollinger 1934-2020
A visitation was held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Monday, October 26 from 4 pm to 6 pm. Cremation took place after the visitation.

Russell E. Cochran 1949-2020
At Cochran’s request, there will be no public visitation or funeral service. Burial followed at Marion National Cemetery.

Lois Mae Butcher 1923-2020
Funeral services were held at Sunnycrest Bap-

tist Church, Marion, on Monday, October 26 at 1 pm. Burial followed at Gardens of Memory.

Ollie M. Price 1934-2020
The family will hold a private burial for Price at a later date.

Chester Ratliff Booth 1923-2020
Funeral services were held at Armes-Hunt Funeral Home, Fairmount, on Monday, October 26 at 2 pm. Burial followed at Knox Chapel Cemetery.

Charles Everett Diskey 1937-2020
Funeral services were held at Raven-Choate Funeral Home on Thursday, October 22 at 11 am. Burial followed at Estates of Serenity, Marion.

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