A Gothenburg developer, who owns two local hotels and a restaurant, has bought two downtown buildings that will house several businesses.

Terry Jessen, co-owner of the Comfort Suites and Howard Johnson hotel franchises and the soon-to-be-open Nebraska Barn and Grill restaurant, has bought the old Platte Hotel and former Franzen building.

The old Platte Hotel, at 813 Lake Ave., used to house Dala Horse Antiques.

Jessen said he's made minor improvements to the building that has space for a couple of businesses.

A Perfect Spot Salon

Occupying one half of the structure is A Perfect Spot Salon that moved from 603 Ninth Street.

"We were growing and needed a better location," said stylist Alyssa Holt.

Holt shares the space with Nicole Mercer and Riccie Lafuze

She said the beauty salon needed a bigger and better place to offer hair cuts, styles and colors, pedicure and manicure services and spray tanning.

Jessen plans to remodel the Franzen building, at 525 Ninth Street, to accomodate three different tenants.

“We’re excited because two new businesses are moving to Gothenburg,” Jessen said. He didn’t reveal their names.

Charm Boutique

Adjacent to the Franzen building is Charm Boutique that opened this week.

Located in the old A+ Electric building, at 521 Ninth Street, the boutique is a women’s speciality clothing store.

Owned by Misty Schlake and Lindsey Tederman, the store offers unique clothing and accessories for young contemporary to mature women.

Hours are 10 a.m. - 6 p.m Tuesday through Saturday.

Bluestem Graphics

Moving from a building behind a home her parents are building north of town to the downtown area is Haley (Kline) Cowan and husband Andy Cowan who own and operate Bluestem Graphics.

The business offers screen print and embroidery services.

After renovations are completed, Haley said she hopes to be in the former State Farm Insurance building, at 410 S. 10th, before school starts in mid August.

Haley and Andy bought the business from Haley's mother, Marian Kline.

RTI, 3oh8

RTI Computer Sales & Service will move into the former Gambles Building, at 812 Lake Ave.

Koby and Carrie Rickertsen own the business.

The Gothenburg Dance Centre has occupied portions of the building. No other information about the centre and where or if it will move was available.

Brett Meyer, RTI manager, said the business will move from the west side of Skyview, at 717 8th St., after renovations are completed in mid September.

"We wanted a downtown presence, a big and beautiful showroom, new office space and a state-of-the-art tech room," Meyer said.

At some point, he said the upstairs will be renovated into a banquet hall that can be rented for events such as wedding receptions.

Another business, 3oh8, will be also be located at the address.

Meyer and Koby and Carrie Rickertsen own the entertainment company that offers disc jockey services for receptions and other occasions.

A garage will be added in the back of the building for a 3oh8 equipment trailer, he said.

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