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K-9 Biz is a store designed for the dog and dog-lover. While dog training is a main focus of the business, an array of toys, accessories, bedding, and gourmet dog food and treats are available for dogs of every size and temperament. Gift items are also available for the dog lover, and gift certificates are may be used for merchandise or training.

K-9 Biz is owned and operated by Krista Tucker and Claire Stabt. The two, who both own dogs that work in recovery, met through search and rescue operations. The business is the offshoot of their friendship and mutual love of dogs and most things dog-related.

Behavior classes available at K-9 Biz include basic obedience to advanced obedience, tricks, and therapy. Tucker stated that they will take obedience classes to any level desired by the owner. "We can go as far as the owner wants to go with his/her dog." Both Tucker and Stabt are certified trainers and they also hold trick-dog trainer certification. They also provide training for disabled dogs.

A unique feature to their business is that they offer custom embroidery and can personalize virtually any pet-related apparel, blanket, or scarf. In addition to a pet's name, items can be specially customized with an image of the pet. A photo, however, must be provided in order for the image to be digitalized for transfer to the item. Paricord collars and leashes are also available, and may be customized to color and length.

Much of the merchandise available at K-9 Biz has been made by the owners. Scarves, bandanas, blankets, wooden beds, wooden feeding stations, and dog houses are all inhouse products. Additionally, the wooden beds, feeding stations, and dog houses can be custom built to the specifications of individual dogs or the owner's taste.

Realizing that not every dog resides in a secure home environment, K-9 Biz sponsors Paws Club which raises money for dogs in need. Recent fund-raisers were held to help with a rescue situation. The Dexter Animal Shelter will receive donations from a Santa photo-op available in the store during the holidays.

K-9 Biz is located at 38 East Stoddard Street in Downtown Dexter. Their business hours are Tuesday through Friday 9:00 to 6:00, and Saturday 9:00 to 5:00. You may call 573-225-7321 for additional information about merchandise or training.

Pictured above: Krista Tucker and friend in the photo area.

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Bandanas and feeding stations are produced at K-9 Biz.

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This combination bed and feeding station can be custom-designed.

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