

Comfort and joy

A warm welcome awaits at Blue Springs Spa

By DEBORAH QUAIL

It's chic, but comforting, with serene blue and terra cotta tones throughout the décor. And it's relaxing, but invigorating, as clients slip into a deep tub to soak away their stresses or work them out during a power yoga class.

The Blue Springs Spa in Acton is a striking new addition to the downtown business core, offering an oasis in a busy working world. Perhaps the most arresting feature is the reception area where the "cut-away" ceiling shows a remarkable sky mural painted by previous tenants that infinitely suits the trendy business.

Kristine Cieslok, proprietor, has owned eight salons over the past 20 years, previously developed in spots like Los Angeles, San Francisco, and on Lakeshore Road in Burlington.

"One year ago I put a chair in a small local aesthetics salon to try to build up a few clients. Since that time I've escalated to 400 customers - people who had previously gone outside of Acton for their services. I was shocked, but I soon realized that people wanted full-fledged salon facilities in town. There's nothing else close by and everyone wants to look beautiful.

"The opportunity came up with a great location and a space that I could do a lot with, so I thought, 'We can figure out enough services to fill this!' Blue Springs Spa seemed destined to be, because even its highly-qualified staff came to me."

The concepts are entirely Ms. Cieslok's own, from the juice bar to the nourishing body wraps, and to a special maternity massage table. Men have their own private spa room with a decidedly masculine theme: A blackjack table is a focal point of the décor where they can indulge in a haircut, hot towel facial, manicure and pedicure. There are even Wedding Day Packages to help a man look and feel his best for the big event. "What man wouldn't love to be pampered?" Ms. Cieslok asks.

Full information on the range of treatments and fitness classes can be found on the website at www.bluespringspa.com.

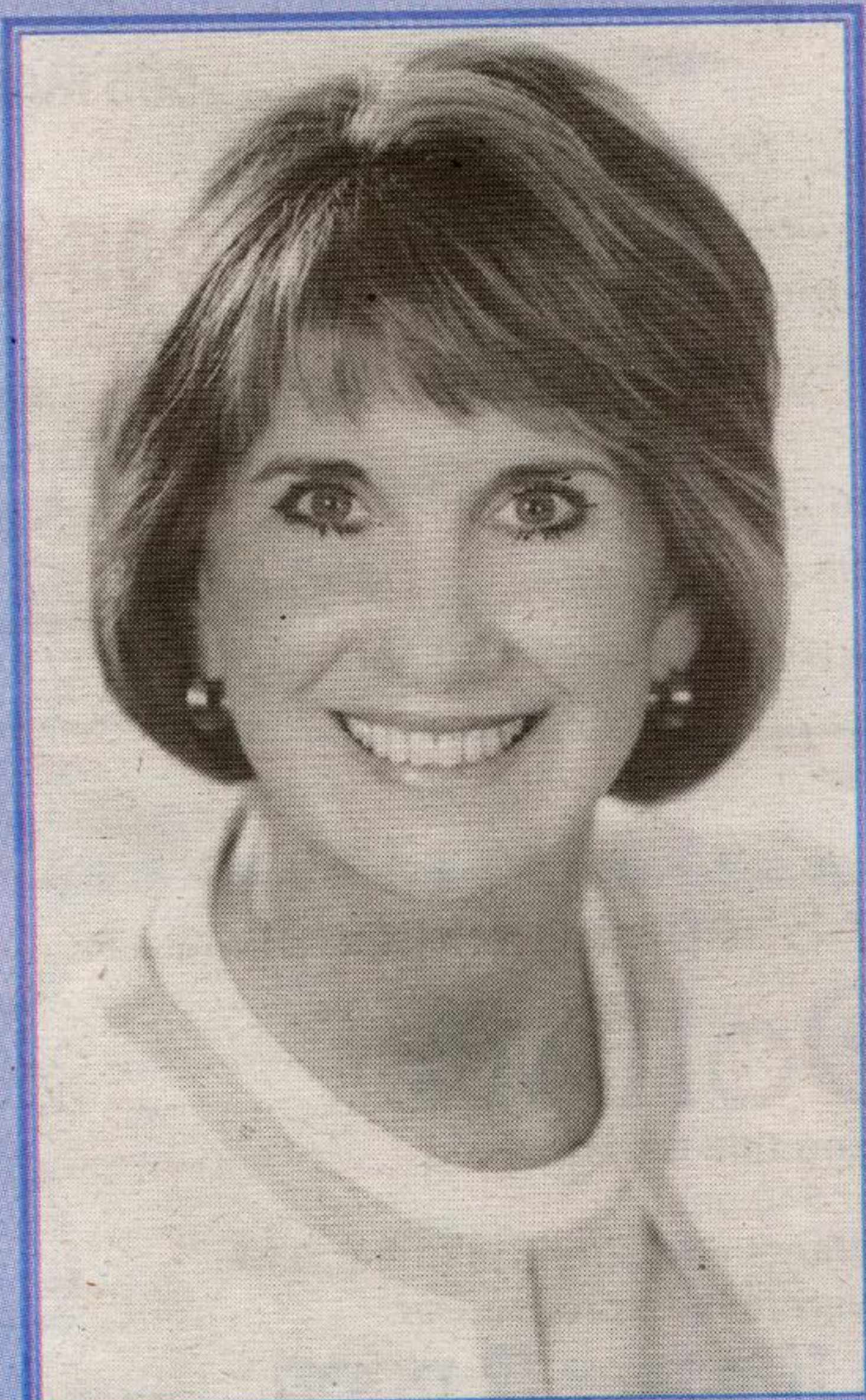
The spa believes in sharing business in the local community. Products are purchased from nearby sources wherever possible. Perhaps most importantly, though, is that throughout the opening month, November 15 to December 15, proceeds from the spa will sponsor a needy family to enrich their Christmas. Kristine Cieslok believes in giving back to her community and this is but one of many generous outpourings she intends to make.

As such, a presence in the north Halton community goes hand-in-hand with a committed service business. "This is the ultimate pampering experience and customers should be completely doted on. Blue Springs Spa is priced competitively and will provide the best services around."

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My best wishes to Mayor-elect Bonnette and the new council.

Kathy Gastle

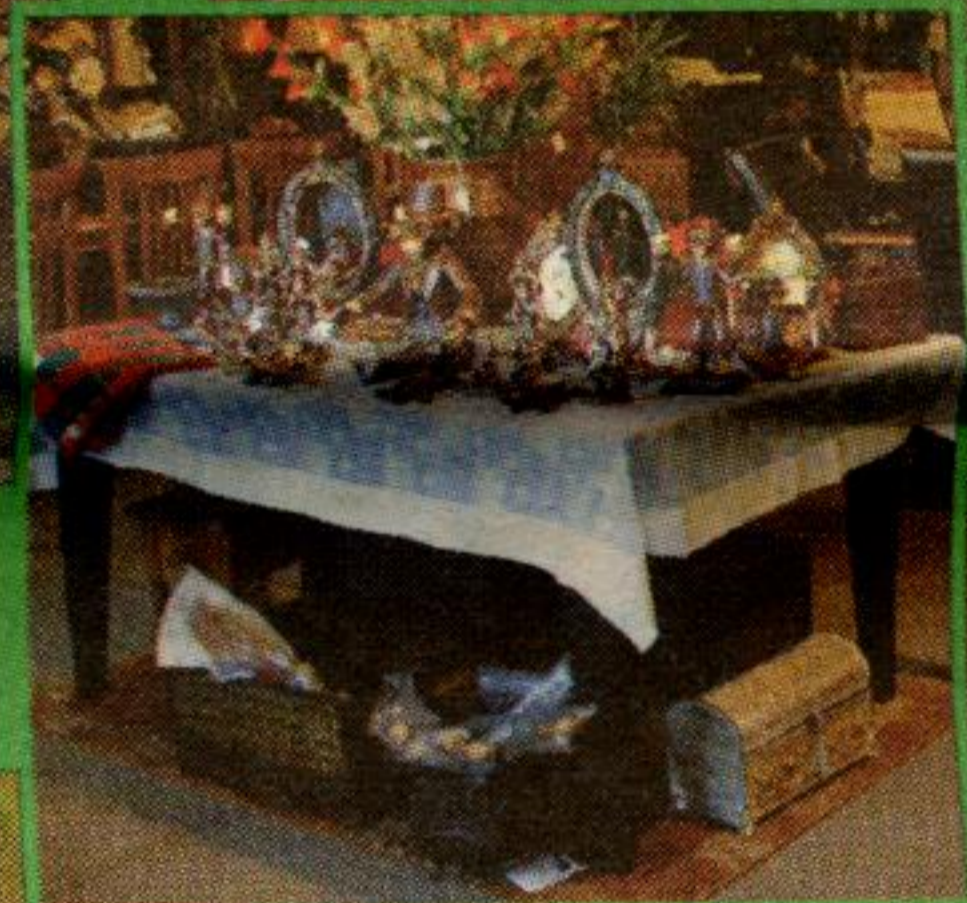


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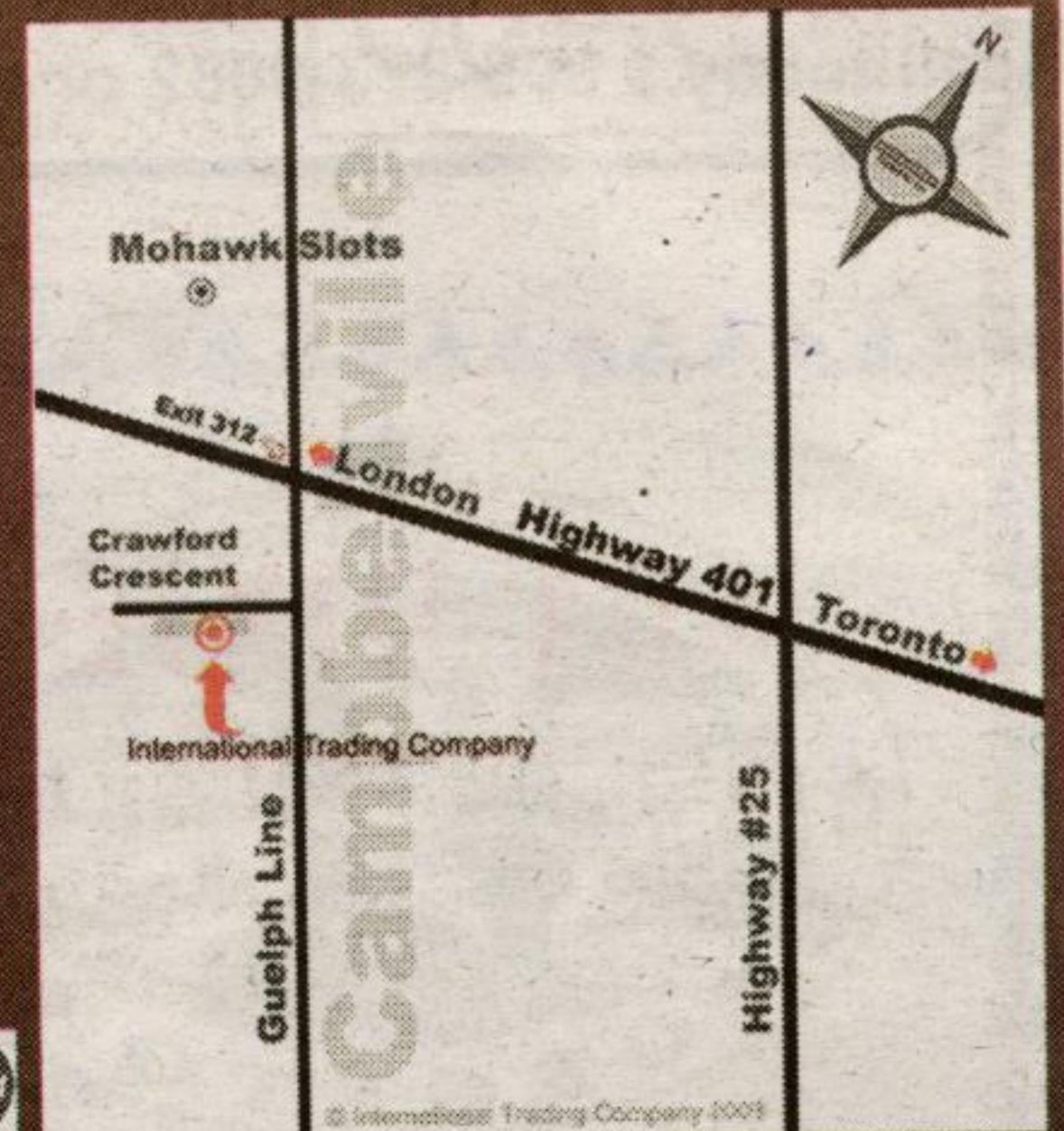
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