

Love small towns say Andy's new owners

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The New Tanner



NEW OWNERS: Lucky and Joanne Dalios, the new owners of Andy's Restaurant on Mills Street East, have already taken up residence in town. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo

Customers familiar with the friendly atmosphere and personal touch in the kitchen at Andy's Restaurant don't need to fear changes now that it has a new owner.

Lucky Dalios may have sold a restaurant in Mississauga to buy Andy's but that's because he prefers a small town to living in the city.

Born and raised in Greece, Dalios took his chef's training at George Brown College in Windsor and got his early cooking experience at the Seaway Hotels, Mario's Tavern, and the Milano Tavern in that city.

He also worked at the Elmwood Casino which drew big name entertainers like Frank Sinatra and Sammy Davis during the 1960s and 1970s. Because of the proximity a lot of their customers came from Detroit, he says.

From Windsor he struck off with his own restaurant in Blenheim and then in Chattham. He was there almost 20 years before moving to Smithville for the next eight years.

Then he tried Mississauga and quickly changed his mind.

"I like the small town," he says with a grin. "The pace is a little slower and the people are friendlier."

The couple has two sons. James has his training in administration of restaurants and bars but is now training to work with the hearing impaired.

Their other son, Theodore, went to Romania to study medicine after graduating from Brock University. He is in year four of the six-year doctor's training.

Although he has many special dishes he might add to Andy's menu, for now Dalios figures on continuing to "operate as Andy did until I get a feel for the people and see what changes would be an addition - a good change."

His only fairly immediate plans involve adding a ramp to make entry easier for seniors and handicapped patrons, and installing a wash-

room on the main floor.

Anything else can wait until he finds out what sort of special items might suit his patrons.

IODE Report

By DOT NORTON

A dozen members of Lakeside IODE held their November meeting at Ernestine Foster's home on Nov. 2. Regent Helen Jocque lead the members in the Prayer and flag salute.

The IODE celebrates its 100th anniversary on Feb. 13, 2000. Members hope church bells will ring at noon on the big day and perhaps drivers will also blow their horns as they pass through town to join in the celebration.

Annual reports were handed out for the year and nominating cards were sent to Mary Shonbeck for voting privileges for the coming year. The Provincial meeting will be held April 14 and 15 in Hamilton. It will be their 80th anniversary.

The school bursaries go out this month and also the chapter's cheque to the school in Makovick.

The December meeting will be the Christmas one.



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No insurance driver causes much woe

Dear Editor:

I was involved in an accident on Wednesday, Nov. 3, 1999 on my way home from work. The accident was not a result of the weather conditions but due to an individual's ignorance. As I was travelling eastbound on Highway 7, just passing at Toth Motors, this individual decided he couldn't wait to turn into the gas station until I passed and proceeded to turn left in front of my van. I was travelling at a speed of 50 km so you can imagine the impact I had on his Ford Mustang.

As my van was stopped in the middle of the road not one passerby stopped to assist me or stop to say they had witnessed the accident. I called 911 on my cell phone for police and ambulance assistance as the ignorant driver I hit was injured. I remained at the scene unassisted by anyone until my husband and police arrived.

As the police officers began their investigation I was made aware that this driver was carrying no insurance on his vehicle. The driver at least made a statement that the accident was his fault to me. But I, as the victim, am still responsible to pay a premium of \$300 because he held no insurance. Is that fair? Where is the justice in that! The lost time from my job due to injuries is my insurance's responsibility. This has a tremendous impact on a person even though it wasn't my fault.

There are a lot of what if's

going through my mind like if he had a passenger in his car would there have been a fatality? What if my children had been in my vehicle with me? Would they have been injured? And what it makes me feel like when I drive around that bend every day on my way home from work. This memory will always be there.

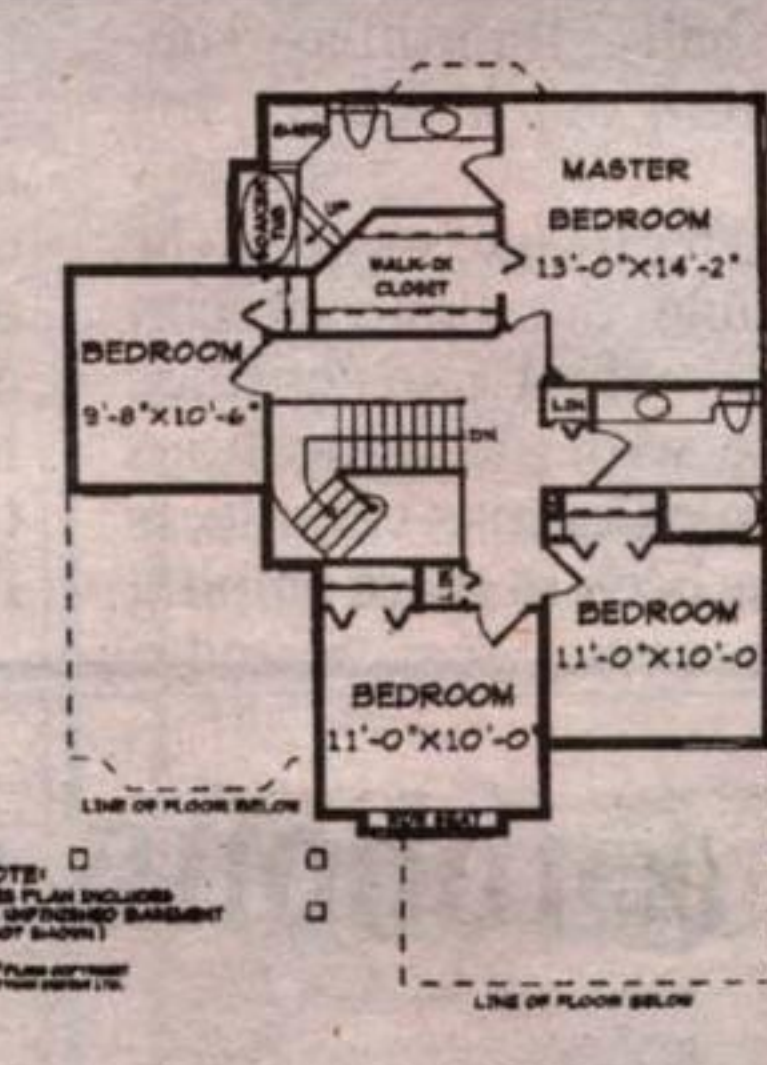
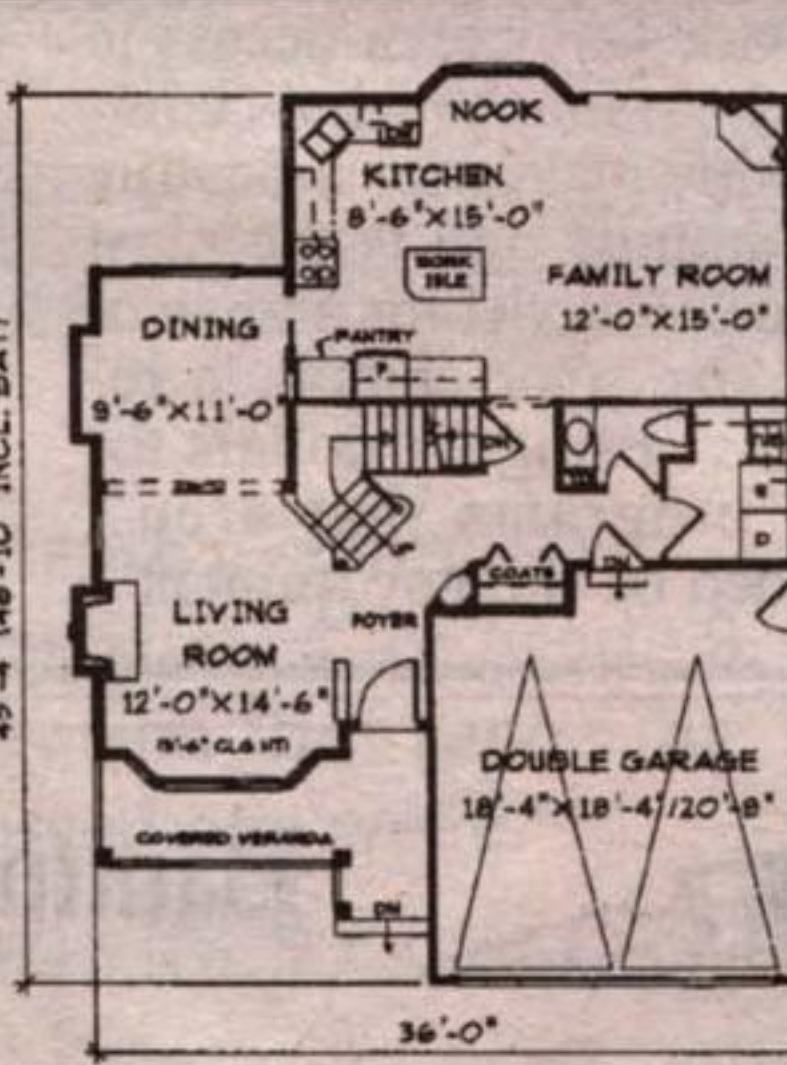
This driver has no consideration for other motorists only on how he can save himself money. There must be a way that these type of people can legally be stopped and made responsible before they cause an accident and put other innocent people through unnecessary trauma. As a victim this is a totally new experience for me, one I will not forget thanks to this individual.

In closing I would like to state that people that feel they are beating the system by driving with no insurance aren't saving money but are showing how ignorant and selfish they are towards fellow motorists that are honest and responsible on the roads. I feel they should personally be held responsible for all costs incurred by the victim instead of the victim's insurance company.

The fine these motorists receive is an automatic \$5,000 so in the long run what money are you really saving? I hope you can live with that on your conscience.

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