

INDEPENDENT RECORD

# Business Newsmakers



## Volume One

Volume One is celebrating 35 years of business this year. Dorothy Coslet, 80, is the owner, and with the exception of one part-time employee, runs the store.

Volume One sells Bibles, adult and children's books, cards, wall hangings, magnets, new and used home schoolbooks, jewelry, medals, rosaries and music. It was the first store in Montana to sell home schoolbooks and has offered the service for nearly a decade. There is a stock of 800 videos to rent at a price of \$1.50 for three days.

There is also an enormous used book collection for sale, which her late husband Walter started by bringing books from home to sell.

Coslet says Volume One is changing its focus a bit by adding more gifts with an inspirational attitude.

Coslet worked at the store for 18 years before she purchased the business 17 years ago. She never misses a day of work. The only time she can recall was more than 6 years ago when she missed a half-day.

"I like to work," she said. "As long as I'm healthy there is no reason I shouldn't."

Coslet is also an author among her shelves of books. She wrote "Madame Jeanne Guyon: Child of Another World," which is for sale in the store.

She has worked in every phase of book making from working in a bindery to typing manuscripts and even distribution.

For 35 years now, Volume One has supplied Helena with inspirational books and gifts. In recognition of its anniversary, Volume One will be giving away several items. Come in and enter the drawing to win a new Bible, \$35 of bookstore coins, or 35 video rentals.

Volume One is located at 607 West Custer Avenue. The phone number is 442-7950.

## Helena Education Foundation



The Helena Education Foundation provides local public schools with educational opportunities and experiences beyond those available with tax-based funding. The foundation began two and half years ago and has an 18-person board along with executive director Cindy Lewis.

It has provided \$75,000 to 110 teachers, which in essence affects all of the 8,000 students in the district.

This year's programs included "Fabulous First," a program that gave away a hardcover book to every incoming first grader; "Leadership Institute," a program for district and community leaders and "Celebration of Excellence," which honored top students in the graduating class and those students picked who they felt had the greatest impact in their lives. It has sponsored several "Issues Institutes" each year, which give educators the chance to discuss issues of the day with peers, regional experts and local community members.

The foundation also sponsored the Carnival Classic, which will continue for years to come, and Great Conversations.

Future projects for the Helena Education Foundation are to provide educators new to the district with a \$100 gift for supplies and a grant to the middle school for their project helping students in the transition from elementary to middle school.



## Mediterranean Grill

The Mediterranean Grill offers its guests not only food that is guaranteed to stimulate your taste buds, but also an ambiance that will allow you to settle in and enjoy the view. Inside, the facades and sky blue ceiling create an outdoor Mediterranean alley atmosphere.

The Mediterranean Grill was opened in January by Ersun Ozer. Ozer has lived in Helena for 14 years and spent that time working in the college food service area.

"I have always been in the food business, but this has been my dream for a long time," he said. "It was just the right time."

The Mediterranean Grill's freshly prepared, superb food is very affordable for lunch or dinner. Ozer demands only the best in freshness for his foods. The humus, for example, is made from scratch by hydrating garbanzo beans, adding just the right seasonings to flavor and served with fresh flat bread.

The dining areas accommodate nearly 100 customers, an increase from when it first opened.

The Mediterranean Grill employs 25 people. Ozer's wife Günsel and his two sons are among those employees.

"We put love in our food," Ozer said, "a requirement of all that work here."

The Mediterranean Grill offers orders to go and some catering. It would be a great place to sit and get some individual work done over lunch or have a business meeting. Midday at the Mediterranean Grill offers appetizers, soups, pizzas, salads, desserts and beverages.

The restaurant is located at 42 South Park Avenue. It is open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Sunday brunch is served from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To place an order to go, call 495-1212.

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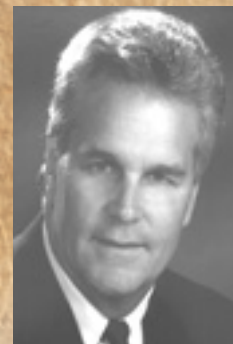
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