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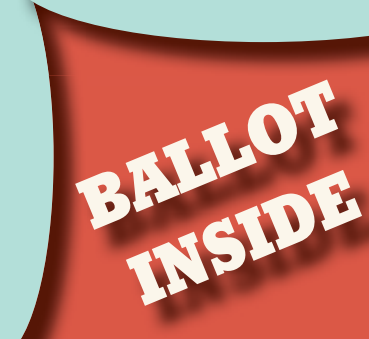
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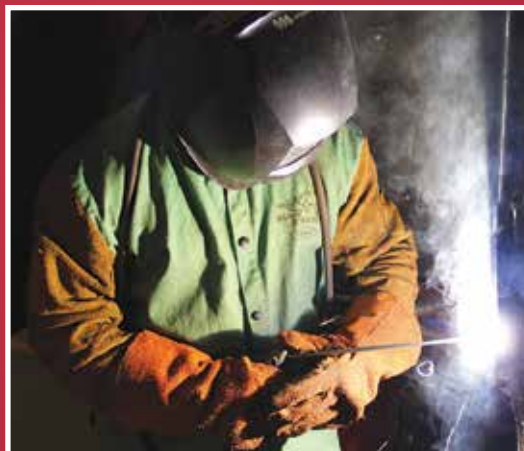
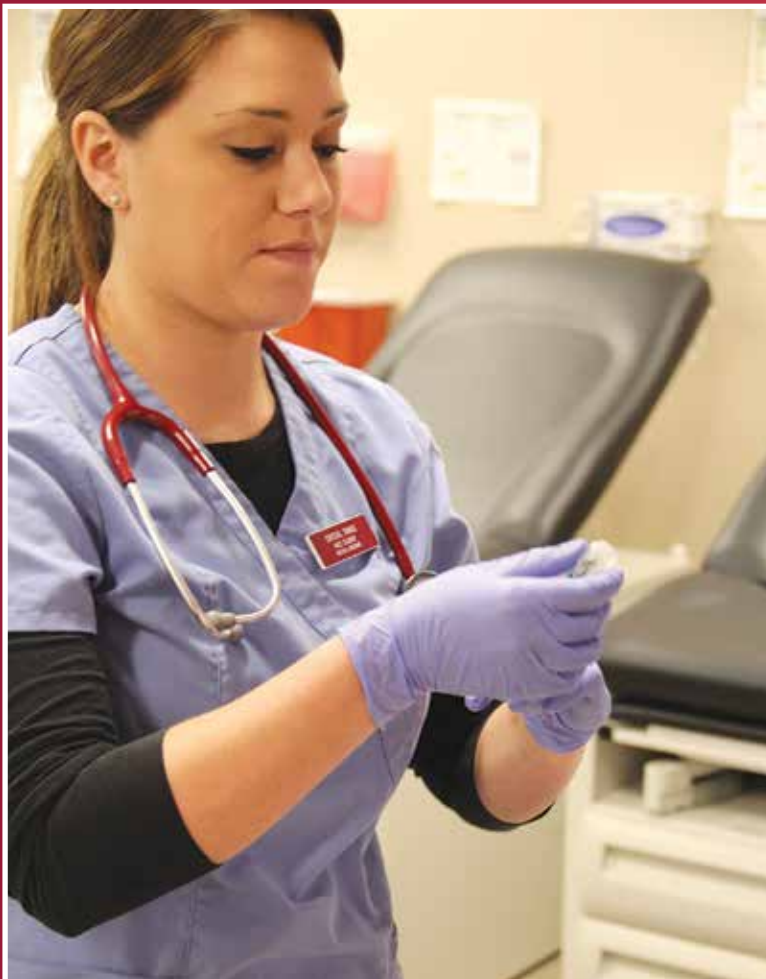
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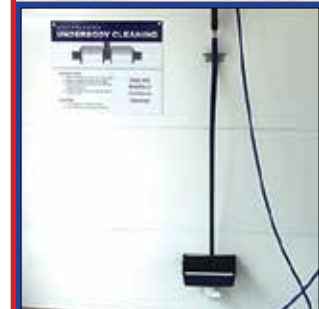
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- 1992-Central Maine Motors acquires a Chrysler-Plymouth dealership and added Dodge combining the 3 nameplates back to the 198 College Avenue
- 1994-Central Maine Motors purchases a Buick-Oldsmobile-GMC dealership and relocates them to the 420 KMD rooftop, now offering Pontiac, Buick, GMC truck and Toyota at that location
- 1996-Central Maine Motors purchases a building on 30 Airport Road which becomes a state of the art collision center and a rental department
- 1997-Chris Gaunce, after working with GM for 4 years moves back to Maine to join the company
- 1997-Jeep was added to the College Avenue rooftop, now housing Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge and Jeep
- 1998-Central Maine Chrysler Dodge Jeep was moved to its new locations at 300 KMD.
- 1998-The Chevrolet franchise was added to the 420 KMD store, now selling Chevrolet, Pontiac, Buick and Toyota.
- 2001-A new building was constructed on 15 Airport Road to house the Toyota franchise, Operating as Central Maine Toyota
- 2005-Central Maine Toyota adds the all new Scion franchise to its line-up
- 2007-Central Maine Motors Reconditioning Center was opened at 23 Airport Road providing reconditioning services for all of our locations as well as for the general public
- 2010-Celebrating 75 years as a family owned business while serving the automotive needs of the Central Maine area
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