

# VMC CHOOSES CLARK

## New Hospital Will Open In Fall Of 2003

**B**ig changes have been happening in the last several years in the area of Stanley, Wisconsin, especially along State Highway 29. First, the new state prison was built, which opened in September. Then the first large-scale ethanol plant in Wisconsin was located in Stanley. This ethanol plant has been a positive venture that will help our local farm economy and will help our environment by providing clean-burning ethanol for our automobiles. And now the new Victory Medical Center (VMC) will stay in Stanley, with the new hospital located on the east side of Stanley in Clark County.

The current hospital is located in downtown Stanley and has been providing care for over 75 years. The new replacement facility will be built on 30 acres located on the corner of State Highway 29 and County Hwy NN. The facility will be a 70,000-square-foot combination hospital and clinic. Some of the new services that will be offered include a new dialysis unit, an expanded rehabilitation space and services, and larger surgery services. A larger emergency room, which



*Cynthia Eichman, CEO/President of VMC, signing a membership application with Dick Adler, CEO/General Manager of Clark Electric. In the back is Cathy Bukowski, CFO, and Lyle Swartz, Facilities Manager for VMC.*



*An artist's rendition of the new Our Lady of Victory Hospital, which will be located in Stanley and will be open by November 2004.*

will continue to have doctors on staff 24 hours a day, seven days a week, will provide emergency care for residents of Clark and Chippewa counties. The new hospital will allow Victory Medical Center to provide for the community's needs now and many years into the future as the surrounding area continues its current growth.

Having good, dependable services is important to a community, and providing for the community is one of VMC's goals. VMC also expects good, dependable

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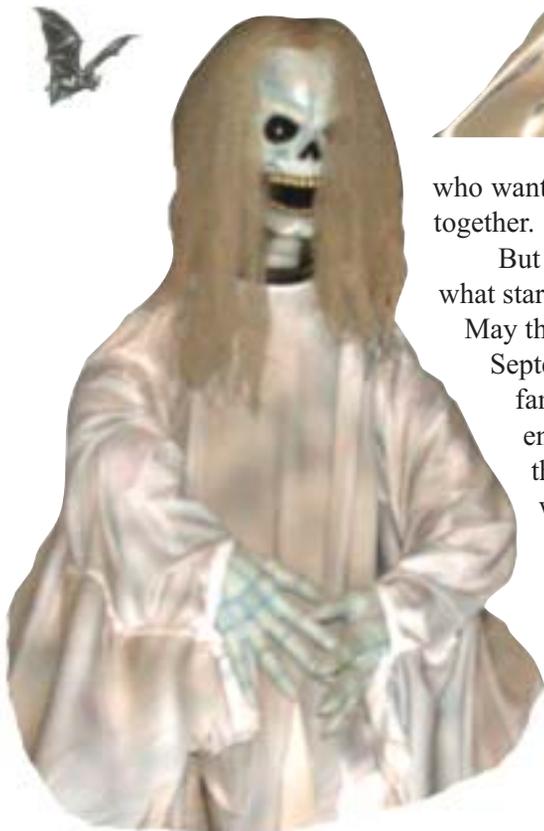
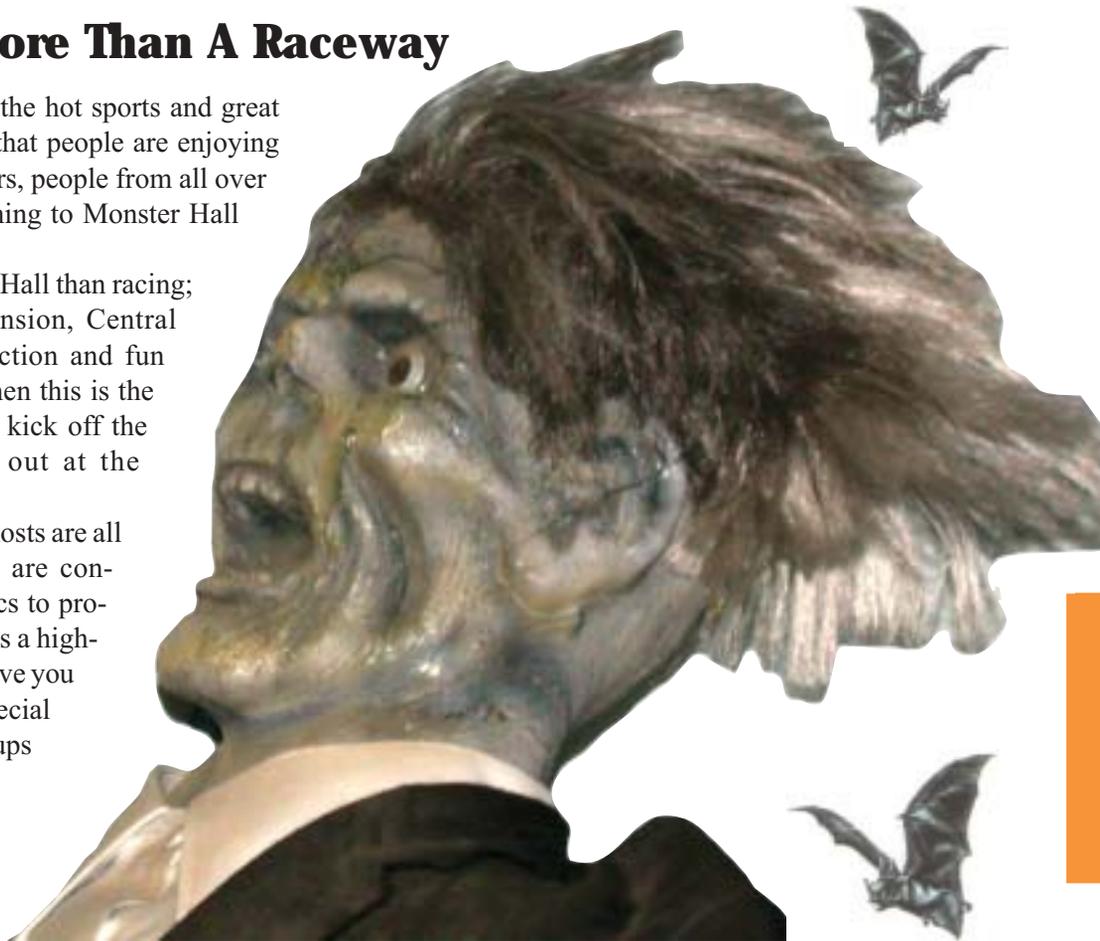
# WANT A GOOD SCARE?

## Monster Hall Is More Than A Raceway

**R**acing seems to be one of the hot sports and great sources of entertainment that people are enjoying these days. For many years, people from all over Central Wisconsin have been coming to Monster Hall to enjoy the Friday Night Races.

But there is more to Monster Hall than racing; there's also the Mortician's Mansion, Central Wisconsin's scariest haunted attraction and fun house. If you like a good scare, then this is the place to be. What a great way to kick off the haunting season—by starting out at the Mortician's Mansion.

The creatures, ghouls, and ghosts are all animatronics, which means they are controlled by air power and electronics to produce a very scary encounter. This is a high-tech haunted house that is sure to give you a few heart-pounding minutes. Special viewings can be arranged for groups



who want to get scared together.

But racing is what started it all, and May through September, families can enjoy racing on the dirt track, with many different divisions and fast, fun racing all night. On Saturday night, you can watch

cart racing on Monster Hall's cart track. After the races, you can enjoy dancing in the hall. To make a great weekend even better, there is camping at Monster Hall, with electricity and water hookups; there are also showers available for your convenience. To help you keep cool in the summer, there is a great big swimming pool with a giant slide, or the lake is also a great place to cool off.

The Mansion will open Saturday, October 5, at dusk and then will be open Fridays and Saturdays until Halloween. It will also be open Halloween night. Call ahead to check on times and for group tours at 715-223-4336 and 715-223-3869. People are just dying to get in and check this out. ■

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## Clark Offers Assistance

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service from those who supply services to them. "Clark Electric Cooperative was chosen to provide electric service to the new Victory Medical Center because they showed that they were dependable and reliable, and good to work with," said Cynthia Eichman, President and CEO of Victory Medical Center. Clark Electric sees Victory Medical Center as a partner in providing its electric service and looks forward to being part of the commitment to serving the community.

Because of Clark Electric's cooperative status as an RUS borrower, we have the ability to secure

sources of low-interest loans through the USDA. These types of loans must benefit a community that an electric cooperative serves. Clark Electric Cooperative and Dairyland Power Cooperative have applied for a

A new hospital is not the only change. "Victory Medical Center will also change its name to better reflect its affiliation and the strength and stability of its partnership with the community and Ministry Health Care.

The new hospital will be known as Our Lady of Victory Hospital," said Eichman. " 'Our Lady of Victory' is a reference to Mary, mother of Jesus. The

'Victory' references the veterans' victory in World War I. Now our name will recognize and reinforce our community, Ministry Health Care, and our Catholic identity, which will all become more visible in the new facility," said Eichman. ■



## OUR LADY OF VICTORY MINISTRY HEALTH CARE

\$450,000 loan on behalf of the hospital. Only certain projects are able to apply for this type of loan, such as a hospital. This loan will help Victory Medical Center, as the total cost of the project is \$16 million.



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# SURVEY INFO

## A Question That Came Out Of The Survey

One of several questions asked by members was why, after being a member of Clark Electric Cooperative for years, did they have to send in a copy of the divorce papers when they wanted a name removed from an electric account because of a divorce?

Anyone receiving electric service from the cooperative must sign a Membership Application. The account must be carried exactly as the membership application is signed. In the case

of a divorce, the joint account can be changed over into a single account only after the person staying at the location signs a new membership in their name only.

One of the advantages of being a member of a cooperative is that you earn capital credit dividends based on the amount of electricity used each year. Capital credits are currently being refunded in full on a 20-year revolving basis, with the oldest credits allocated being the first paid 20 years

from the date you paid the electric bill.

The capital credit checks are made out to the person(s) who holds the membership. Therefore, the checks would be made out to both parties unless we send a copy of the divorce papers, including the Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law & Judgment of Divorce, to our attorney and he determines how the funds should be split. Once he makes his determination, he instructs us as to how the refund should be split when it comes time to pay out the dividends.

If you have any questions regarding this procedure, please contact our Electric Billing Department and they will be happy to help you in any way they can.

Also, if there is a question that you think other members might benefit from having answered, ask us and we will try to put the answer in a story like this. ■

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