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school photos and portraits, to worldwide events, there's a photography business in Plainville that is committed to providing quality photographs at affordable prices.

Premier Portraits Studio, out of 260 East St. #2, Plainville, is that company, run by Jeff DiCosimo and his daughter, Candace DiCosimo-Byrne.

"I like being able to help people," said DiCosimo, who began his interest in photography in high school during the '70s. After working for a couple of photography businesses throughout his adult life, he decided to go solo in 1994, and began his business three years later.

"We offer family portraits, event photography, digital photography, which is the ability to take and print pictures on site," explained DiCosimo, adding he takes school portrait in over 50 schools from around the state.

Other services the local photo shop provides are photography for corporate

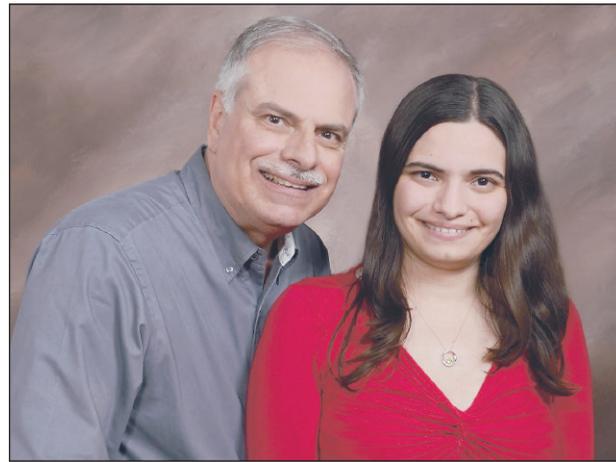


Photo courtesy of Jeff DiCosimo

Jeff and Candace DiCosimo of Premier Portraits Studio.

events, company head shots, pet photography, printing and digitizing old photo slides and photo restoration, which can involve anything from putting back together old photographs to reprinting photographs with minor scratches removed. A photo booth at a rate of \$750 for three hours is also available.

"We've gotten into drone shooting," said DiCosimo, adding his new certified and trained service can be

useful for anyone with aerial photography and video needs, from real estate to building inspections.

At his office, DiCosimo houses all the equipment necessary to take, edit and produce portraits. In the studio, multiple backdrops, curtains and props, from educational bookshelf backdrops, to solid colors to basketballs and rocking horses are available for use.

"We can fit families (as big as) 15 in the studio,"

said DiCosimo. "Anything more we can go outside or I can meet them at their house, or wherever they like."

By also having printers in shop, two of which can print 300 8x10 portraits an hour, DiCosimo explained that he is also able to meet the potential immediacy of customers.

"We've had people say they've needed photos that day and we've been able to help them," said DiCosimo.

With a larger printer that can print anywhere from 44 inches wide by 7, 8, 10 feet, however long a customer needs it to be, DiCosimo said he can print those, along with wall murals. He can also print the traditional 40 x 60 portraits, DiCosimo added.

DiCosimo has also been the Plainville Chamber of Commerce president for the past year.

Going forward, DiCosimo would like to hand his business off to his daughter, Candace.

"She has a great busi-

ness mindset and skillset," DiCosimo said. "I know the business will be great."

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