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City sets date for millage try

By ROBERT JACKSON
 Staff Writer

The average Northville homeowner will be asked to pay an additional \$192 in property taxes for the next 20 years should voters approve the city's request for a dedicated millage for street repairs.

The Northville City Council unanimously approved a resolution Monday that sets the date of a special street millage election for March 4, 1997. That gives city officials little more than

two months to gather support for the additional 1.92 mills aimed at fixing and replacing about 25 miles of streets and sidewalks within the city.

The council's decision is based on a comprehensive study of city streets and sidewalks, performed by Public Works Director Jim Gallogly. Gallogly maintains that a dedicated street millage is necessary in order to deal with the city's deteriorating streets.

"First we need to tackle the streets

in most need of repair, as well as providing maintenance to the newer streets," he explained.

If approved, the dedicated millage would amount to about \$400,000 per year and would provide sufficient funds to manage a "pay-as-you-go" approach to city street improvements.

City officials maintain that a dedicated millage is preferred over bonding because it will be less costly to taxpayers in the long run. Officials also

explained that the program will result in no net millage increase for city residents, as an existing 1.98 mills - levied in 1986 to pay off street improvements - will lapse at the end of this current fiscal year.

The proposed plan is to be carried out in several phases with street replacement work on Center Street topping the list of priorities. The program also includes sidewalk repairs

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MILLAGE COSTS

If voters approve the March 4, 1997, special street improvement millage residents can expect an increase in their property taxes. The following outlines the estimated cost to residents, calculated at \$1.92 times each \$1,000 of assessed value:

PROPERTY VALUE	TAXABLE VALUE	COST
\$100,000	\$50,000	\$96
\$150,000	\$75,000	\$144
\$200,000	\$100,000	\$192
\$250,000	\$125,000	\$240
\$300,000	\$150,000	\$288

CLOWNING WHILE CAROLING



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Sing out

Northville High School caroler Gina Chälsson (far left) hams it up with a fellow singer last Friday as the group serenades an assembly at Winchester Elementary with

holiday fare. The carolers spiced up the number "It's Beginning to Look a lot Like Christmas," as they stood bedecked in Santa Hats, tinsel, ornaments and ribbons.

Land deal inches closer to reality

By RANDY COBLE
 Staff Writer

It took some hard horsetrading but Wayne County officials sold the Northville Township Board of Trustees on an important part of their development plan for the county land on Monday night.

The board unanimously approved the county's proposal to transfer ownership of its 896 acres on the south side of town to the Wayne County Economic Development Corporation (EDC). The move brings Northville Township and Wayne County a big step closer to agreeing on a plan to develop the huge parcel that's been decaying for decades.

The Wayne County Child Development Center, closed since the mid 1970s, has been the cause of a lot of business for township police, with everything from vandalism to drugs taking place on the site.

Letting the county EDC own and coordinate the development of the land is the best way to make sure the land gets developed under a single, unified design plan. Northville Township and Wayne County are still working on a

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planned unit development (PUD) agreement to do just that.

The PUD is a contract that lets a property owner (in this case, the county) build things on a site not allowed under regular zoning in return for providing benefits to the township. The current county plan calls for a mix of uses on the site, everything from a golf course and single family homes to R&D and senior housing.

In return the township gets

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Township supervisor gets greater authority

By RANDY COBLE
 Staff Writer

The job Karen Baja left less than a month ago is different from the one Karen Woodside holds today, following action the Northville Township Board of Trustees took last week.

At the first regular meeting of their four-year term the new board voted 7-0 to restore the supervisor's position to a central place of power in the township's administrative structure.

Soon to be hired township manager Dawn Flynn and Director of Public Safety Chipp Snider will now report, not to the board of trustees, but to Woodside, and seek her guidance for many day-to-day decisions.

The trustees have also given a

thumbs-up to reviving the three-member board "executive committee," composed of Woodside, Treasurer Dick Henningsen and Clerk Sue Hillebrand.

Both moves mean an about-face from the way things have been done at township hall for the last two years. The old board (which left office in November) voted in December 1994 to strip the supervisor's job, then occupied by Baja, of much of its power. Months before that it prohibited the executive committee from meeting altogether.

The board was often divided during its tenure over Baja's role. Some claimed she was trying to overstep her bounds. She said per-

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Worshippers prepare to celebrate holy day

Churches in the area have planned special services and events to celebrate Christmas and the New Year.

The following is a list of area churches and the days and times of their services:

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, 201 Elm Street in Northville, will have

evening worship services at 6 and 8 p.m. with a 10 p.m. Candlelight Service on Christmas Eve.

The Christmas Day service will be at 10 a.m.

On New Year's Eve worship service will be at 6 p.m.

For more information, call the church at 349-3140.

On Christmas Eve, the **FIRST**

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE, 200 E. Main in Northville, will have a 5 p.m. Children's Pageant, a 7 p.m. Candlelight Worship Service with youth participation, a 9 p.m. Candlelight Worship Service with Te Deum Handbell Choir, and an 11 p.m. Candlelight Worship Service with Chancel Choir.

For more information, call First

Presbyterian Church at 349-0911.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH, 770 Thayer Boulevard in Northville will have Christmas Eve Masses at 4:30 and 7 p.m. and at midnight Christmas Day Masses will be at 9 and 11 a.m. and at 12:30 p.m.

New Year's Eve Masses will be at

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Holidays alter publication dates

The Northville Record will be delivered late the next two weeks because of the Christmas and New Year holidays.

The Record will be delivered on Friday, Dec. 27, and Friday,

January 3. The paper is usually delivered on Thursdays.

Copies of The Northville Record will be available on newsstands late Thursday of both weeks.

Renovations to uproot seniors, program for needy

By RANDY COBLE
 Staff Writer

All you folks who make use of the Northville Senior Center or Northville Civic Concern, listen up. Starting in January be prepared for two or three months of improving.

Why? Because the Center, located on Cady Street next to the post office, is closing for three months for renovations. That means that senior citizen programs and Northville Civic Concern, both of which call the center home, are headed for new digs for awhile.

"We'll just grin and bear it. Hey, we have for a long time," said Karl Peters, who coordinates senior programs.

The senior center's kitchen and bathrooms will receive a work-over to make them handicapped accessible. The \$80,000 project, paid for with federal grant money, will mean no running water and no restrooms for the center from January through March.

So seniors, beginning Jan. 2, your games, classes and groups will be convened elsewhere. Most will likely be in the Northville Community Center, located next to

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Marlene Kunz, the Director of Civic Concern, isn't sure what will happen to the various programs her office provides to needy residents when the Senior Center is renovated.

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Thursday, December 19 & 26 at 3:30 p.m. — Deadline for Shoppers Service Directory, Pinckney, Hartland, Fowlerville Shopping Guides for issues of Monday, December 23 & Monday, December 30 and Wednesday-Thursday, December 25-26 & January 1-2.

Community Calendar

Got an event you want people to know about? We'll be glad to include it in the Community Calendar. Submit items to the newspaper office, 104 W. Main, Northville 48167, by mail or in person; or fax announcements to 349-1050. The deadline is 4 p.m. Monday for that Thursday's calendar.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

LEXINGTON COMMONS BOARD MEETS: The Lexington Commons Homeowners Association Board of Directors meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Lexington Condo clubhouse. Everyone is invited.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MEETS: The Northville Historical Society Board of Directors meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Cady Inn in Mill Race Historical Village.

GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION: The Great Books Discussion Group meets from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 3277 Five Mile. Tonight's discussion is on *The Rubiyat* by Fitzgerald. For information and a reading list call Zo Chisnell at 349-3121.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

OES: Orient Chapter, No. 77, Order of the Eastern Star, meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple at Main near Center.

NORTHVILLE WOMAN'S CLUB: The Northville Woman's Club meets at 1:30 p.m. in the Boll Fellowship Hall, First Presbyterian Church of Northville. There will be a Music Program and a new member welcome.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

SINGLE PLACE SUNDAY MORNING GATHERING: Single Place will meet from 10-10:45 a.m. in the library lounge at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main.

The gathering is open to single adults, regardless of church affiliation, for fellowship and learning. For more information call 349-0911.

SINGLE PLACE BRUNCH: Single Place will meet at 12:30 p.m. for brunch at Northville Crossing Restaurant, 18900 Northville Rd. The group is organized for the purpose of providing friendship, caring and sharing for all single adults. Everyone is welcome. Just come in and ask for Single Place.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY: City offices are closed.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS EVE: City offices, township offices and the public library are closed.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY: Everything is closed. Merry Christmas!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 9 a.m. at the Northville Area Senior Citizens Center, 215 W. Cady. For more information call 349-8354.

NEW LIFE BIBLE STUDY: New Life Bible Study meets from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Northville on Eight Mile at Taft Rd. The topic is "What Happens When Women Pray." Baby sitting is provided. Newcomers are welcome.

For more information call Sybil at 349-0006 or for babysitting call Judy at 348-1761.

SENIOR PINOCHLE: Area seniors are invited to play pinochle today from 12:30-4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 215 W. Cady in the Scout Building.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

OES: The Orient Chapter, No. 77, Order of the Eastern Star, meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

NEW YEAR'S EVE: City offices and the library are closed.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1

NEW YEAR'S DAY: City offices, township offices and the library are closed. Happy New Year!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2

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CHRONIC PAIN SUPPORT GROUP: The American Chronic Pain Association support group meets from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Northville City Hall, 215 W. main St. For more information call Agnes at 349-0791.

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MILL RACE EMBROIDERERS: The Mill Race chapter of the Embroiders Guild of America meets at 7:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Northville, 777 West Eight Mile Rd. For more information, contact President, Beverly Weidendorf at 474-6771.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3

OES: The Orient Chapter, No. 77, Order of the Eastern Star, meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

WOMAN'S CLUB: The Northville Woman's Club meets at 1:30 p.m. in the Boll Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. The program is "How to Spot the Real Thing" by Ray Rozell, antique restorer. Today is guest day.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

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MONDAY, JANUARY 6

SENIOR PINOCHLE: Area seniors are invited to play pinochle today and Thursday from 12:30-4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 215 W. Cady in the Scout Building.

SENIOR BRIDGE GROUP: Area seniors are invited to play bridge today and Wednesday from 12:15-3:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 215 W. Cady in the Scout Building.

KIWANIS: Northville Kiwanis meets at 6:30 p.m. at VFW Post 4012, 438 S. Main.

Holidays change offices' hours

For all of you who may want to do business at city or township hall, the post office or library, here's a rundown of the days those buildings will be closed next week for the Christmas holiday:

• CITY HALL: Closed Dec. 23-25.
• TOWNSHIP HALL: Closes at 2 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 20.

Reopens for the business day on Monday, Dec. 23. Closed Dec. 24 and 25.

• POST OFFICE: Open on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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• LIBRARY: Closed Dec. 24 and 25.

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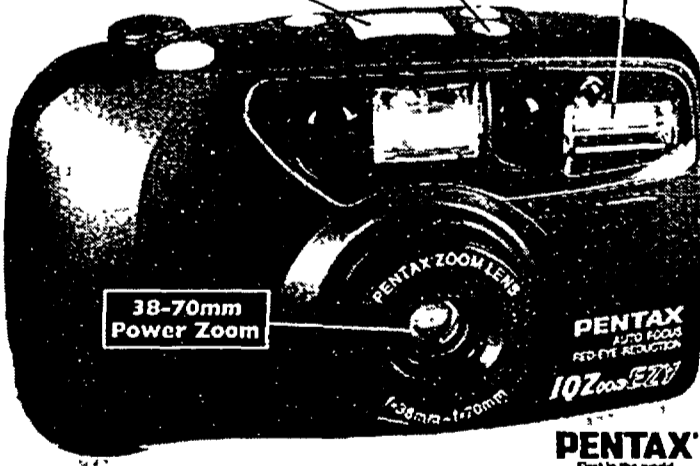
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Columnist brings green scene to city

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Did you know that gardening is the number one hobby in the nation? Ever wonder why?

"Because it's challenging," is Janet Macunovich's answer. "It's a challenge to make something grow. Each plant is different and there are always new ones to learn."

She should know. Macunovich is an advanced master gardener who teaches, writes a regular column in *The Detroit News* and does a weekly show on WXYT-AM talk radio. She was at gardenviews on Main Street over the weekend to sign copies of her new book on gardening, the passion she shares with hundreds of millions across America.

Growing Concerns 1996 is the third volume in the series. Macunovich has also penned *Growing Concerns 1994* and *Growing Concerns 1995*. All three are stuffed with tricks of the trade from Macunovich and gardeners who write into her column, asking and offering advice.

Plants are as different as people and it takes time to learn what their optimum growing conditions are. What *Growing Concerns* attempts to do, Macunovich said, is provide that information in an ordered format.

Companies and governments spend a lot of money to learn how to grow things like corn and soybeans but not much for studying ornamental plants. That's odd, given the fact that it's a \$300 million business in the Detroit area alone.

Despite that the gap is there and it's the enthusiasts who take up the slack, according to Macunovich.

"It's the gardeners who do the work of learning what works and what doesn't," she said.

More than just dispensing advice, *Growing Concerns* is meant to also remind gardeners that nobody's perfect.

"If you lose your rosebush, don't feel bad. You're not alone," Macunovich said.

She's written two other books and another one, *Caring for Perennials*, is due out in February. When she's not putting pen to paper Macunovich teaches gardening, designs landscaping projects and helps out as a volunteer main-

taining the Detroit Zoo's botanical gardens.

The business end of things has been around for 13 years. The love is forever.

"I started out just helping people out when they asked," she recalled. "It's grown from there but I'm still just a dyed-in-the-wool, dirty-kneed gardener at heart. That's the way I want it to be."

That about sums up Lou Mascolo too, who left the corporate life to open gardenviews because of the fun.

"I'd get home and the suit would come off and I'd go out and play in the dirt. I'd do it until the sun went down," he recalled. "It's great. I can grow. I can create. It's incredibly stress-relieving."

"It's an addiction. It really is," Macunovich added.

You can feed your habit anywhere, even with a window box on an apartment balcony.

"There's always something you can grow and there's always somewhere to grow it," she said.

"Your garden can be as big or small as you want to mess with," Mascolo added.

You get plants at places like nurseries. Gardenviews comes in, he explained, when you're ready for accent pieces.

You can make your outdoor garden look prettier with something like a fountain or use a solar-powered wind chime to bring a garden theme indoors.

Janet Macunovich writes a weekly column for *The Detroit News* on gardening called "Growing Concerns."

It can be found in the HomeStyle section.

She is also co-host of a weekly talk radio show, "Green Side Up," which is broadcast on WXYT-AM, 1270, from 6-8 a.m. every Saturday.

Copies of her book, *Growing Concerns 1996*, can be purchased, for \$20 at gardenviews, located on Main Street near Wing just across from Northville City Hall.



Janet Macunovich



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Slices and certificates

Moraine Elementary School students who participated in the school's Junior Ambassador Program receive certificates of merit after their pizza party Dec. 11. The program was administered and organized by local residents

Denise Staffeld and JoAnn Steuwe. The students were rewarded for their efforts to help assimilate new students into the school district. The Northville Prudential office helped make the contacts with the incoming students.

Series focuses on American impressionists

The Northville Arts Commission will announce the schedule for its 1997 Michael Farrell lecture series, entitled "Paris and the American Artists."

The series consists of three lectures, and will be presented on Jan. 14, Feb. 11 and March 18.

Michael Farrell is an associate professor of art history at the University of Windsor, adjunct curator at the Detroit Institute of Arts and instructor at the Art House of Detroit. He is a well recognized art authority in our area.

The first lecture on Jan. 14 will discuss the 19th century American artist Thomas Eakins, who became one of the most important American painters of his time. Born in Philadelphia, he studied at the Pennsylvania Academy of Art after spending four years in Paris, he returned to Philadelphia never to travel again.

The Feb. 11 lecture will feature

James Abbot McNeil Whistler. Born in New England, he failed to graduate from West Point and moved to Paris where he exhibited at the Salon des Refusés with Edouard Manet, an event which had a profound impact on him.

Farrell will lecture on Mary Cassatt on March 18. Born in Philadelphia, she attended the Pennsylvania Academy of Art and continued her studies in Paris. She remained in France for the rest of her life. She had a profound influence on the acceptance of impressionism in America and was a long-time friend of Edgar Degas.

Season tickets are \$25 (\$9 each at the door) and may be purchased by calling Joann Dayton at (810) 347-9664 or Pat Dorrian-Sandbothe at (810) 349-8719.

The lectures will be held in the Forum at Northville High School, 775 N. Center St., Northville and will begin at 7:30 p.m.

1997 MICHAEL FARRELL LECTURE SERIES

- Jan. 14 - Thomas Eakins
- Feb. 11 - James Abbot McNeil Whistler
- March 18 - Mary Cassatt

All lectures take place at the Forum at Northville High School. Season tickets are \$25. Call Joann Dayton, 347-9664, or Pat Dorrian-Sandbothe, 349-8719 for information.

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Dec. 31-New Years' Eve: 6:00 p.m.

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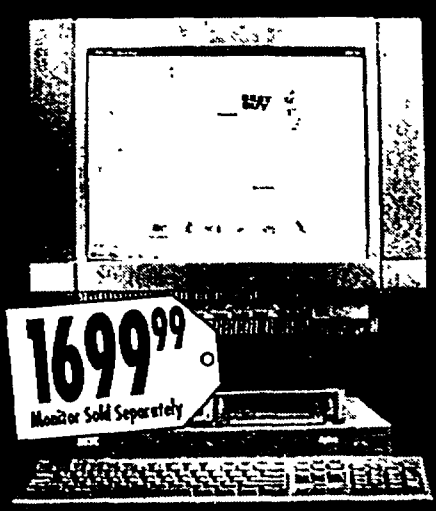


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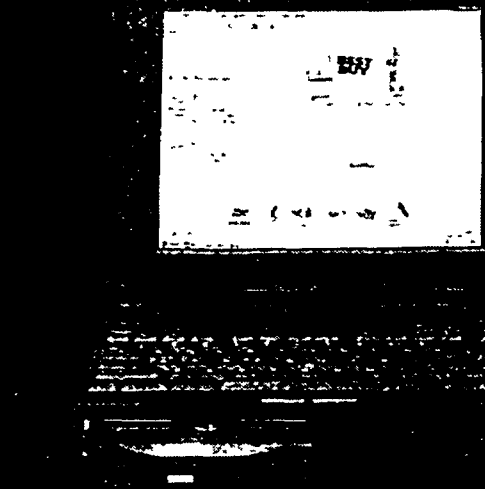
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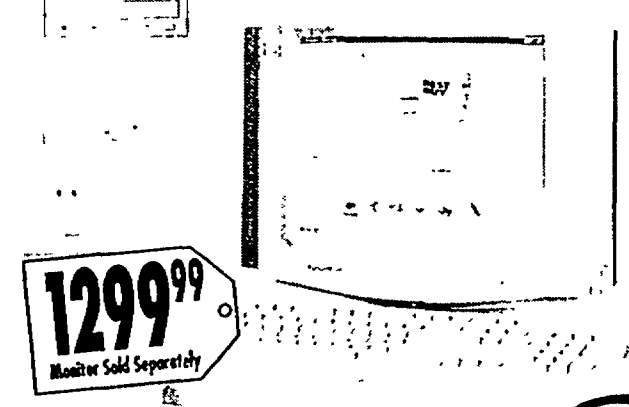


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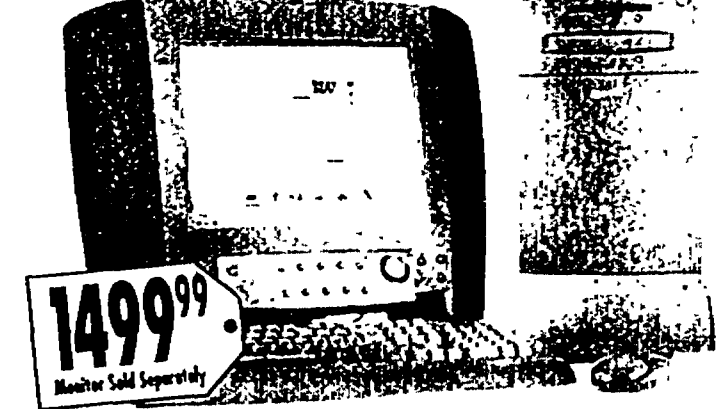
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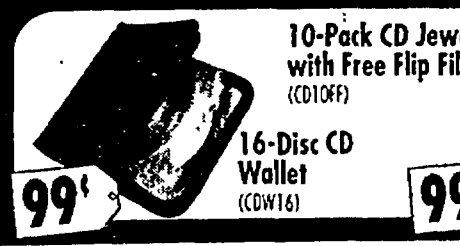
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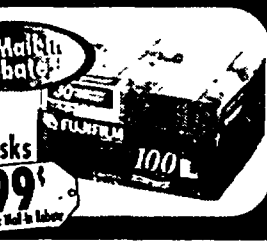
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Scrooge-like thief makes off with Rudolph

Somebody out there just has no Christmas spirit. A Waterfall Road home was robbed of its reindeer sometime Sunday morning.

The home's owner said that someone must have stolen the Christmas decorations sometime between 3-10:30 a.m. Whoever it was then broke up Rudolph, Dasher and Dancer and strew the remains over the property.

The reindeer are valued at \$194.

SMOKE HEIST SNUFFED OUT: A Detroit woman wanted in two different towns got arrested Friday afternoon for allegedly stealing two packs of cigarettes from Meljer.

The woman, 42, allegedly got into her car and drove off after store detectives saw her pocket the smokes and asked her to stop. Township police stopped the woman's 1988 Ford Bronco on I-275 minutes later.

A computer check revealed a misdemeanor arrest warrant for the woman out of Plymouth Township and two more out of Detroit. There was also an outstanding felony arrest warrant out of Detroit Recorder's Court.

The woman was taken into custody and held at police headquarters until her arraignment on the larceny charge and the charge of driving with expired plates and a suspended license.

According to police the woman pled guilty to the plates charge and the Plymouth Township charge of driving without corrective lenses and was fined. She pleaded not guilty to the larceny and suspended license charges and will be in court for trial on them next month.

TOYS SNATCHED: A Detroit woman was arrested at Meljer for allegedly shoplifting \$17 worth of

toys one week ago.

Store detectives on Dec. 12 said they saw the woman, 32, take two preschool toy alarm clocks and leave the store without trying to pay for them. She was booked and then released at the scene by township police and faces a hearing on Jan. 3 in court.

DRUNK DRIVING: No less than seven people were arrested for drunk driving in Northville Township this past week. Included were:

- A St. Clair Shores man who was arrested on Friday evening. The man, 29, was doing 60 miles an hour on 35 mile an hour Sheldon Road in his pickup, according to police. When stopped, he allegedly admitted he was drunk.

Testing later at police headquarters allegedly showed the man to have a blood alcohol level of at least .19 percent, nearly twice the legal limit.

- A Missouri man was arrested in the wee hours of Dec. 10 near Northville Road and Six Mile. Police said the man ran a red light there and displayed signs of intoxication when stopped.

Testing later showed his blood alcohol level to allegedly be .18 percent.

- A Northville man was arrested a few minutes later that same night on Five Mile just east of I-275.

The man, 40, was allegedly speeding and ran a red light. He failed field sobriety tests and was taken into custody. Testing later showed him to have a blood alcohol level of .09 percent.

- A Dearborn man, 21, was arrested following a traffic accident at about 3:30 a.m. on Dec. 9. He told police that he hit a patch of ice on Five Mile near Northville

Road and slid off the pavement.

There was no ice that night, however, according to police. The man displayed signs of intoxication and thought he was in the Wixom/Walled Lake area, police said.

The reporting officer also found a packet of cigarette rolling papers with a single flake of marijuana attached, according to reports. The man denied it was his. He faces an additional charge of refusing to take an alcohol breath test.

All four were held until they sobered up, then released on bond pending court hearings.

MIDNIGHT AUTO SUPPLY: An employee at MacDonald Ford reported a larceny from several new vehicles Dec. 16.

According to police, unknown suspect(s) broke into several 1997 Ford Ranger trucks and removed several vehicle parts including rear wheels and tires and four hydraulic jacks.

Police investigating the incident managed to lift one fingerprint from the scene, along with one footprint. They are still investigating the incident, and the estimated cost of the stolen parts is \$1,300.

PURLOINED PURSE: A 45-year-old Northville resident and business owner reported her purse stolen Dec. 11.

According to police the woman didn't even realize her purse was missing until a white male, approximately 35 to 40 years old, returned the purse and then disappeared. When the woman checked her purse she noticed approximately \$75 missing, but all of her credit cards were still inside the handbag.

Police have no leads or suspects.

CLARIFICATION

It was reported in last week's edition of *The Northville Record* that Northville Association of School Administrators will receive a 7 percent salary increase over the next two years - 3 percent increases to base salary each year, plus an additional 1 percent off-schedule increase in the first year of the pact.

Three of the 15 administrators, however, will receive 12 percent increases due to a salary step increase from step three to step four.

Those administrators are high school assistant Principal Dave Malle; Cooke Middle School assistant Principal Gail Weeks; and Moraine Elementary School Principal Mary Kay Gallagher.

Suspect faces 3rd count of driving under influence

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

A Northville Township man goes to court in January to face his third charge of operating under the influence of liquor (OUIL) in as many months.

Police arrested Joseph Gardner, 43, on the afternoon of Friday, Dec. 6. The reporting officers claimed they saw Gardner driving erratically and speeding on Five Mile Road that day in his 1992 Mazda MX-3.

When stopped just after noon Gardner allegedly displayed signs of intoxication, according to police, but denied having anything at all to drink that day.

He failed field sobriety tests, according to the officers, and was taken into custody. The Mazda was impounded.

Testing later at police headquarters allegedly showed Gardner to have a blood alcohol level of .24. That's nearly two and a half times the level at which a person is considered to be drunk driving.

Gardner demanded to have his blood tested for alcohol at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, according to police, and was taken there. He completed the test, officers said, but did not want to wait for the results and was taken back to a cell at police headquarters.

A check of the law enforcement computer network revealed that Gardner was arrested for drunk driving in other communities on Oct. 6 and 12 of this year. Due to those arrests a judge had ordered him not to possess or drink alcohol.

Township police said they notified the judge of Gardner's alleged violation of his order. Gardner was released after he sobered up and paid bond.

He did not appear for his arraignment in 35th District Court on Dec. 13, but had his attorney file an appearance brief and Judge Ron Lowe entered a not-guilty plea on Gardner's behalf.

He will next appear in court on Jan. 14 for a pretrial hearing.

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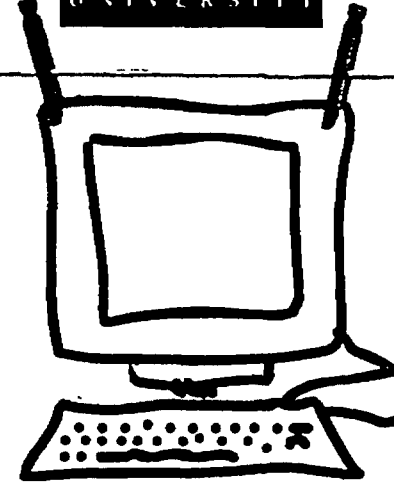
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Academy calls for greater safety in front of school

By RANDY COBLE & ROBERT JACKSON
Staff Writers

Would you like dropping your kid off for school if the building sat 20 feet away from the fast lane of the freeway?

Elizabeth Alderisio and almost a hundred other parents like her say that's what they're facing every day. Their children attend the William Allan Academy, a small private school located on Eight Mile Road in Northville Township.

It's that little red schoolhouse surrounded on three sides by Maybury State Park that you may have seen the last time you drove west of Garfield Road. Last week the third serious car accident this year took place in front of the school.

All three have happened during William Allan's morning dropoff or afternoon pickup times, a fact which led Principal Valerie Hambleton to appeal - unsuccessfully - for some kind of traffic safety improvement in front of the school.

"I am desperate for help," she said. "There is more traffic on the road and everyone seems to be in such a hurry. They see Eight Mile as a straightaway and the speed limit is not observed."

Drivers can go 55 miles an hour on that stretch of Eight Mile but, according to Hambleton, speeds of 65, 70 and higher are the norm.

"I've tried to get the speed limit reduced to 35 mph, but I've been told that because we have no children that walk to school, state law does not permit us to post restricted speeds during school hours," she said.

A traffic signal also isn't permissible, Hambleton said. Oakland County Road Commission officials have told her, because William Allan's driveway and parking facilities

are located in the county right-of-way.

A third alternative, to expand William Allan's parking lot to allow better traffic flow, was turned down earlier this month by Maybury State Park.

Complicating things is the fact William Allan happens to sit on the boundary line of Wayne and Oakland Counties; the south (east-bound) side of Eight Mile is in Wayne, while the north (west-bound) side lies in Oakland. That makes getting anything done to the road doubly difficult.

"We're doing everything we can but we just go round in circles," Hambleton said.

For the moment the school is staggering its dropoff and pickup times to try to thin out the traffic flow on Eight Mile. Hambleton has also asked the parents of William Allan's 97 students to write letters campaigning for a change.

"I don't want to get a traffic light because someone gets killed," she said. "How many warnings is it going to take?"

Scott Kingan, a spokesperson for the Oakland County Road Commission, said that his agency will conduct a thorough review of the latest accident and the traffic situation in front of William Allan.

"We're not unmindful of these concerns," Kingan said. "Safety is the number one priority in determining spending at the road commission."

The agency's traffic safety department will investigate the Dec. 9 incident and use state standards to decide if an improvement should be made, Kingan said. He added, however, that what the school wants might not be in the cards.

"Something we also have to take into account is how a change will



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

The zooming blur of a speeding truck is caught in this photograph taken along Eight Mile Road in front of the William Allan Academy as the school lets out for the day and parents drive up to the school to gather their children.

affect traffic flow overall in an area, not just the immediate area involved," Kingan said.

That's not good enough for Alderisio, whose parked car was hit during last week's four-car smashup.

Novi police say that a car driven by a Livonia woman was stopped in the westbound lane of Eight Mile just after 9 a.m. that morning as she waited to make a left turn into the William Allan drive.

A second car driven by a Northville woman failed to stop in time and rear-ended her, accord-

ing to police. A third vehicle, this one driven by a South Lyon man, then rear-ended the Northville woman's car. Paramedics were called and she was treated for injuries received.

The impact sent the Livonia woman's car into a 180-degree spin, flinging it across Eight Mile and into Alderisio's car. She'd just gotten out of it two minutes before to take her son into the school building.

"The school teaches my child responsibility and accountability yet I see no one accepting respon-

sibility and taking accountability for the accidents that are happen-

ing," the Highland Township resident said.

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Assistance coordinator cites perils of drug abuse

It's a maliciously tempting world out there. Ask just about any student walking down the halls of Northville High School and he or she will tell you: If it's drugs or alcohol you're looking for, you needn't look far.

"You don't have to look for it, really. It kind of just floats your way," said one 16-year-old Northville student recently.

Students are faced with the pressures and tantalizations of substance abuse on a regular basis.

That's why a positive relationship between teenagers and their parents is key in helping to prevent a child from falling prey to drug addiction, said Charlie Stillec, student assistance coordinator at the high school.

"The No. 1 factor in a kid's life is their parents' involvement," Stillec said.

Parents who are home on a regular basis, who have set specific rules and consequences for breaking those rules, can be the most important deterrent against drug use, he said.

"Parents need to set the guidelines," he said. "The kids will hate it. They will fight, rebel, but too bad. They'll love them for it, too."

Substance abuse from cigarette smoking all the way up to acute drug addiction is something parents must realize can happen to their children, Stillec said.

"Most kids try something at least once, but once they start using anything they're on the path. It's just up to them when they get off," he said.

Stillec leads 10 separate support groups in the high school that address such topics as stress and relationships, cigarette smoking and different types of substance

abuse. In addition to the support groups, Stillec also works one-on-one with certain students in crisis.

Last year Stillec worked with 328 students in the various support groups and referred 187 students and their families for treatment. Stillec takes referrals from parents, teachers, administrators and sometimes self-referrals from the students themselves.

There are specific signs and indicators of substance abuse that parents can look for in their children. Some of the signs include: a drop in school performance, including grades, truancy and tardiness; a loss of interest in activities and hobbies; a deterioration or change in appearance; and running away from home, just to name a few.

Many of these signs can be characteristic of any teenager dealing with the normal stresses of growing up. However, Stillec said, if children exhibit a number of signs with increased severity, they should not be ignored.

"It becomes a more 'I don't care' attitude," Stillec said. "That's the nature of the disease." If students are smoking cigarettes, chances are they are using other substances as well, Stillec added.

The biggest red flag for a parent, despite all the signs, is the presence of some sort of substance in the child's possession. If parents do find a substance, children will



Charlie Stillec

often say they had never tried it before or they were just experimenting. Parents should not let such excuses fool them, Stillec said.

"Rule of thumb, when a parent finds out a kid is using, they've been into it for two years," he said. "Over time, the kids become less careful."

If children do exhibit several signs of abuse or if parents find a substance in the child's possession, it is imperative the family go in for an evaluation, he said.

Once a student is referred to treatment, recovery is a family affair, Stillec added.

"The kids are not the only ones with the problem, it's the family," he said. "Parents too often in our community want just the kid to get fixed but the family is the key."

Drug abuse is a sad reality in the community and the victims are the community's young people, Stillec said.

"We've got a major problem in our community," he said. "What we see in our studies is that if you want it you can get it. We have got to teach our kids to feel good about themselves. They need to have a reason to say no."

If you realize that a substance abuse related problem exists in your family Stillec suggests you call and get an evaluation/assessment at any of a number of reputable community programs, including:

- Northville Counseling, 115 N. Center St., Suite 202, Northville, MI 48167. Contact Clinical Services Supervisor Jerry Kwas, MA, LPC, CSW, (810) 347-3470.

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Replacement named for retiring McMaster

By ROBERT JACKSON
Staff Writer

Northville school district administrators believe they've found a good match - at least for the time being.

The district announced Monday that Dr. John White, a former associate superintendent with the Lamphear School District, will serve as interim assistant superintendent for instruction for the Northville district.

White will fill the position vacated by Dolly McMaster, who's retirement becomes effective Jan. 2. His first full day on the job will be Dec. 23, according to Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski.

"Dr. White is respected and well liked by the (Lamphear) district," Rezmierski said. "He's got all of the qualifications that make him a good fit for the district, and he will be more than capable in getting us through the remainder of the school year."

White retired last year from the Lamphear district, where he served as associate superintendent for instruction. He is a former junior high and high school social studies and English teacher, and previously served as the director of planning for the West Bloomfield School District.

He is also currently an English professor at Oakland University and an adjunct professor at Eastern Michigan University and Michigan State University.

With White filling the position

for the short term, district officials can now turn their attention to beginning a comprehensive search for a permanent replacement. The search, Rezmierski said, will take place on a national scale and will allow the district to be selective of the candidates who will be interviewed.

"We're not wanting to just fill the position with a warm body, we want someone who will help us deliver quality education to our students," Rezmierski said.

Hiring an interim assistant was the most logical way for the district to proceed, according to Rezmierski. "That will allow us the time to ensure that the individual hired for the full-time position will be able to provide this district with quality work," he explained.

Rezmierski said that White will not be eligible to apply for the permanent position. The district expects to have the assistant superintendent's position filled by June 1997.

White will be expected to work approximately 3-4 days per week and will be compensated on a per diem basis at \$400 per day with no fringe benefits - or roughly \$30,000 for the six month period. McMaster's current salary is listed at \$104,059.

"We believe that this schedule will allow us to continue moving our programs forward," Rezmierski said. "Dr. White is more than capable in doing the job we need done in this transition period."

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 8, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI, to consider the following:

ORDINANCE NO. 97-18
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2516, SUBSECTION 7 OF ORDINANCE NO. 84-18, AS AMENDED, THE CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE, TO PROMULGATE A REVISED SITE PLAN MANUAL FOR THE CITY OF NOVI TO EXPEDITE SITE PLAN REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT BY ESTABLISHING SITE PLAN REVIEW PROCEDURES, AND BY PROVIDING DEVELOPERS AND PROSPECTIVE DEVELOPERS WITH AN OVERVIEW AND STEP-BY-STEP DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE PLAN REVIEW PROCESS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF NOVI.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Planning and Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 8, 1997.

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Weather, generosity help Goodfellows

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Northville citizens dug deep over the weekend, providing thousands of dollars to help out their neighbors during the 1996 Goodfellows newspaper drive.

More than 40 dedicated volunteers took the streets all over town on Saturday (Dec. 14) to sell special copies of *The Northville Record*. The money collected from donations for the papers goes to the charity Northville Civic Concern.

According to event co-coordinator Gary Word the Goodfellows had a very good day. The weather was excellent and the volunteers came away with \$4,130.

"We're pleased," Word said. Folks from the Rotary Club and Northville's police and fire departments as well as others did the work. Some local merchants helped out by serving hot coffee and steaming soup on Saturday.

Northville Civic Concern will get 100 percent of the money and the local assistance organization will use it to come to the aid of families in need here in our area. Northville Civic Concern provides everything from food and clothing to assistance with utility bills and medical care to dozens of families.

It distributes food to those in need on the second and fourth Fridays of every month from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 215 W. Cady. This year's special Christmas food distribution will be held Friday, Dec. 22.

If you'd like more information on making a donation or receiving help, call Director Marlene Kunz at 344-1033



Bob Trial, a member of the Northville Fire Department since March, volunteers to sell special editions of *The Northville Record* for the annual Goodfellows paper drive.

Photo by SUE SPILLANE

Township Briefs

MEMBERS HONORED: The new board kicked off the first regular meeting of its four-year term Dec. 12 by paying tribute to the four individuals who came before them.

Karen Baja, Gini Britton, Rick Engelland and Barbara O'Brien each received a framed certificate of appreciation and a round of applause for their efforts as members of the board during 1992-96.

"We want to thank all of you for your service," Supervisor Karen Woodside said.

"I'm truly sad to see you go," added Thaddeus McCotter, Wayne County Commissioner.

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD: The board gave final preliminary plan approval to plans for Pine Creek Estates, a 17-lot single cul-de-sac subdivision planned for land off Beck between Six and Seven Mile. The site, about 11 acres, lies on the west side of Beck and was approved for development of 17 home lots using the township's open space community development ordinance option.

The ordinance allows a developer to build a subdivision with home lots smaller than what normal zoning allows (and thus more of them) in return for making the subdivision (in the township's opinion) better than it would have been otherwise. In this case that amounts to preservation of more land in its natural state.

JOINT MEETING: Members of the township board of trustees, planning commission, zoning board of appeals and beautification commission will hold a special joint meeting on Thursday, Jan. 16.

The meeting will help all of the board air issues of concerns to everyone, help establish a coordinated vision for township development and deal with other issues.

It will begin at about 7 p.m. and be held in township hall, located on Six Mile between Winchester and Haggerty.

Scouts poinsettia sale continues

Girl Scout Troop 122 is selling Christmas plants - poinsettias - again this holiday season.

Red, pink or white plants, in pots, are available for \$9 each.

This is the Scouts' fifth annual poinsettia sale, the major fund-raising event for the organization.

Plants are available at the following locations: Black's Hardware, 42939 W. Seven Mile; Great

Harvest Bread Company (Saturday only), 139 E. Main; Good Time Party Store, 567 Seven Mile; and the Wagon Wheel, 212 S. Main.

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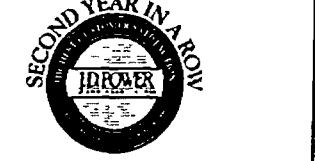
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Gitfiddler owner buys Raven eatery

By ROBERT JACKSON
Staff Writer

Tom Rice now understands that transforming a dream into reality can be an extremely difficult undertaking, even in the best of times.

The longtime Northville business has spent the better part of the last two decades searching for a way to combine live folk music performances with a successful restaurant. His dream has been to revive the once-popular Detroit folk club, The Raven, and bring it to downtown Northville.

Last summer that dream was finally realized, and Rice moved The Gitfiddler Music Store from Main Street to its new location at the corner of Center and Dunlap streets. The journey, however, has had its ups and downs, according to Rice, who for 23 years has owned and operated the business.

"I quickly realized that there's more to running this business than I first anticipated," Rice said. "There have been a few problems I've had to solve but, overall, things are working out just fine."

Rice's biggest problem was solved last week. He bought out his restaurant partner, Richard Willerer, after complaints surfaced that Willerer hadn't adequately paid several high school students working at the restaurant.

Parents of the teenagers attempted to resolve their differences with Willerer last month, but when the restaurant owner didn't respond, parents took their case directly to Rice.

Within days the teens received every penny they were owed, according to Vince Clark, whose son is employed at the Raven.

"Tom Rice acted quickly and professionally in settling this dispute," Clark said last week. "I was extremely pleased with the way he handled the situation."

Rice explained that he was trying to be a good community businessman.

"I was just trying to do what's

right," he said. "I also didn't want the situation to adversely affect the business."

Willerer, who was unavailable for comment this week, will serve his last meal at the Raven Saturday, according to Rice. He will be replaced by Susan Weber, who will be running the restaurant operation. Jeff Crawford has agreed to sign on as head chef.

"I'm looking forward to having Susan and Jeff on board," Rice said. "We'll now be able to make some exciting changes that will hopefully bring in more customers."

Those changes include a new and improved menu that will feature gourmet pizza, an assortment of sandwiches, and a full coffee and espresso bar.

"We're trying to keep the price range in between \$4 to \$9," Rice explained. "We're giving customers more of what they want, and that's important to growing the business."

The restaurant's official inauguration will take place New Year's Eve, Rice added. The special party package will cost \$50 and include dinner, drinks, and entertainment.

"We received a lot of requests to do something special for New Year's Eve so we decided to put something together," he said. "I think we'll be successful."

Rice has applied for a liquor license and expects approval sometime within the next six

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-Tom Rice
Owner, Raven Gallery

months. He's also preparing to sell stock in the operation to interested investors sometime in early January.

Rice is looking to sell the Gitfiddler retail portion of the enterprise so he can concentrate his efforts on the Raven.

"Running both operations is costly and I've had to spend more money than I anticipated to keep both going," he said.

"As much as I hate to do it, I have to sell the Gitfiddler because I am beginning to stretch myself too thin," he explained. "In order for me to make a success of the Raven, I need to be able to dedicate all my time, energy, and money into it."

Rice moved into the former Open Door Christian Church building at Center and Dunlap in May.

In July, The Raven began offering "acoustic" entertainment, such as folk music and blues.

The historic former church housed the Drawbridge restaurant before the Open Door congregation located there.

City hikes plot rates at Rural Hill Cemetery

Increase set to go into effect first of the year

By ROBERT JACKSON
Staff Writer

Local residents wanting to buy cemetery plots at Rural Hill Cemetery had better consider making their purchases before the first of the year.

City officials will be raising plot rates at the city-owned cemetery beginning Jan. 1, 1997, and are making rate structure changes geared towards building up the cemetery's trust fund.

The fund takes care of the maintenance of the cemetery, according to city officials, who are taking a three-tiered approach to burial rates.

According to City Manager Gary Word, officials conducted a survey of metro area cemeteries and came up with the new fees based on the survey findings.

"In order to determine if the (proposed) fees are appropriate, a survey was conducted," he said. "It was our recommendation that the fees would be set on a three-tiered fee schedule."

Under the new plan city residents will be charged \$475 for a standard lot, which represents a \$25 increase over the current fee schedule.

Township residents will be charged \$685 per lot, and non-residents can expect to incur a \$800 per lot fee.

Lot opening and closing will cost \$475 for city residents, \$500 for township residents, and \$650 for non-residents, according to the plan.

This is the second time in recent years that plot rates have increased.

The last rate schedule was approved in May of 1994.

Rural Hill cemetery, located on Seven Mile Road near Rogers, has been city owned since 1948. The trust fund was established in the mid-1950s, and the new plan calls for 50 percent of each grave sale to be placed into the trust fund. Currently, 35 percent of the cost for each grave sold is going into the fund.

According to Cemetery Sexton Jim Allen, Rural Hill currently has enough property for approximately 300 plots.

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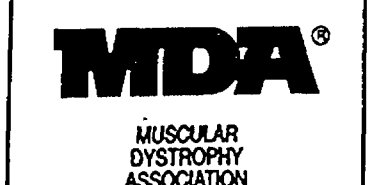
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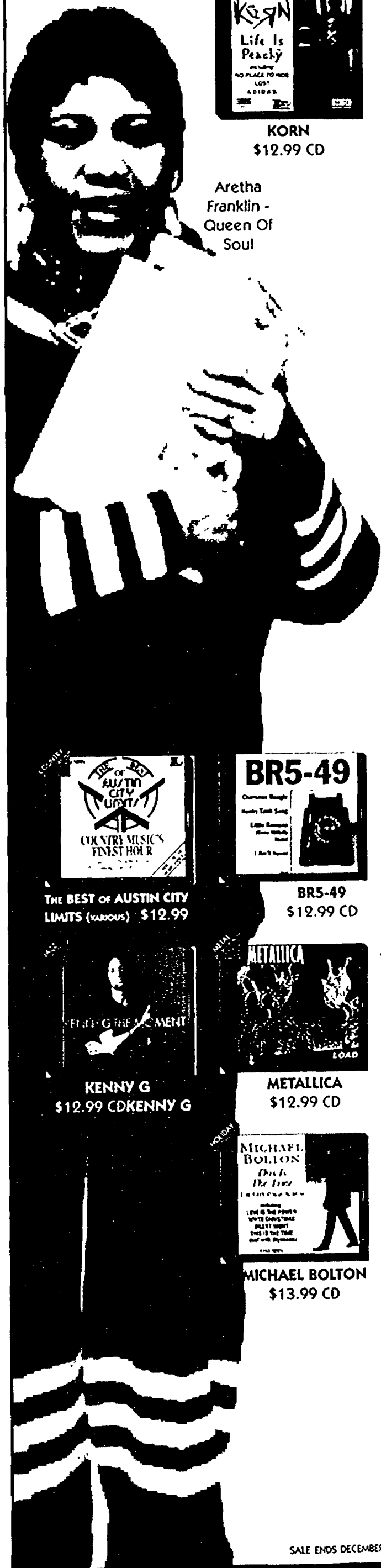
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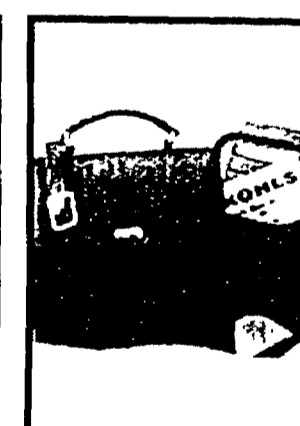
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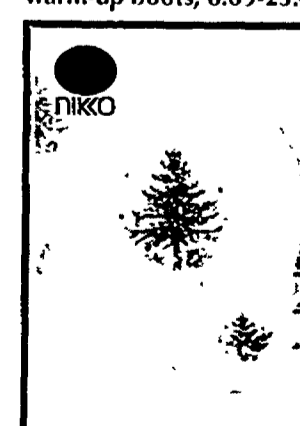
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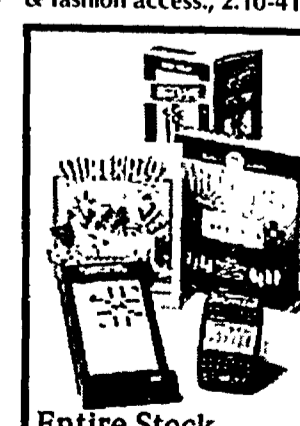
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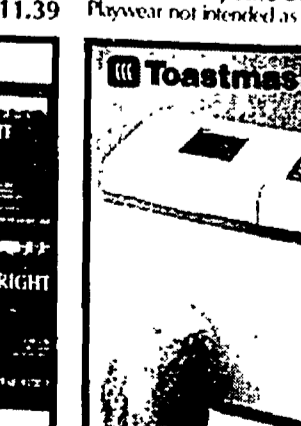
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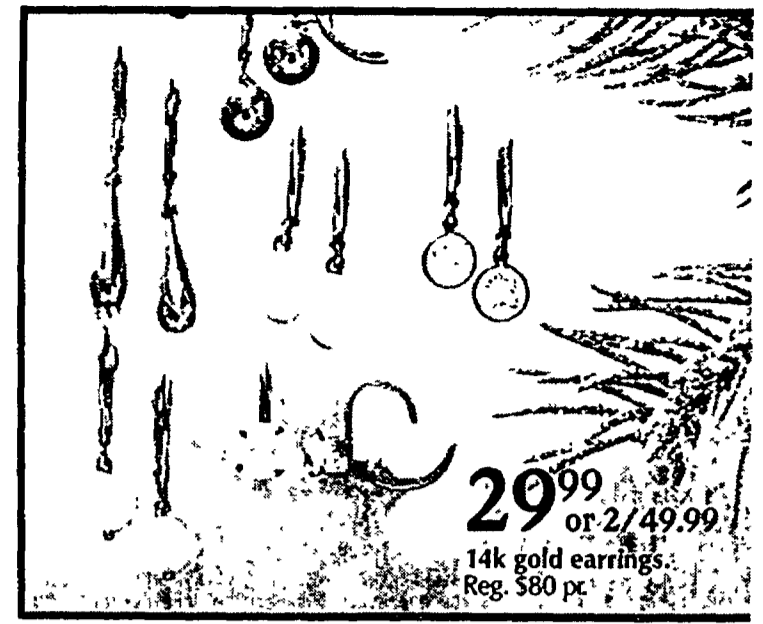
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Tech committee mulls splitting school millage

By ROBERT JACKSON
Staff Writer

Should the Northville Public School District take a second crack at a bond issue next year, the price of new technology will remain the same but the method of its presentation to voters could look a bit different.

The district's citizen technology committee is recommending that the \$5.2 million request, aimed at the purchase of new computers and other technology, should be separated from the rest of the bond package.

That recommendation was presented to school board members at a board instructional services subcommittee meeting Tuesday. The committee also called for school officials to find approximately \$200,000 in general budget funds to hire a hardware and software technician, four computer resource teachers, and one technology assistant to integrate computers into the K-12 curriculum.

"The committee believes that the community needs to see this school board make an up-front commitment to technology," said

Assistant Superintendent Dolly McMaster. "By finding a way to fund these support people, we'll be able to continue our efforts of integrating computers into the curriculum."

Barb Fife, who serves as the district's educational technology resource teacher, explained that hiring computer support personnel before going out for a bond issue is a logical first step in the technology process.

"Just because we bring a class into a computer lab and all the fingers are busy typing on a keyboard, doesn't mean we are fully integrating technology into our curriculum," she said. "I don't think we should just drop off computers in the classrooms and say, 'OK, what are you going to do with them?'"

Instead, Fife said, computer resource teachers could help classroom teachers develop curriculums with computer use in mind. By integrating computers into the lesson plan, she added, students will receive the full benefit of new technology.

Mark Vernacchia, who serves on

the technology committee, said that if the district attempts a second bond issue, technology should stand on its own merits. When the district sought voter approval for a \$61.5 million bond and enhancement millage in September, technology was lumped in with the construction of a new high school and other school renovations.

The issue lost by a relatively narrow margin.

This time around, Vernacchia explained, voters should be allowed to choose for themselves.

"There are pros and cons to separating the issues, but the committee feels that having technology stand on its own is something the school board should strongly consider," he said.

Fellow committee member Dave Kowalski agreed.

"People didn't like the way technology was lumped together with the rest of the issues," he said. "I think voters appreciate having the ability to choose and determine where the priorities lie."

The district has not decided if and when it will seek voter approval for a second bond issue.



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Toasty mitts

Allen Terrace residents Barbra Bergum (left) and Jean Pankow, along with other residents of the complex, helped to knit and gather warm articles of clothing that

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The Meads Mill Middle School Select Choir performed at the Northville Mothers' Club fund-raiser All Aglow Tree Lighting ceremony in the bandshell.

Northville is all aglow

With the trip of a switch at 6 p.m. on Dec. 6 over 390 people were recognized or memorialized in the second annual Northville Mothers' Club All Aglow Illumination for Education fund-raiser. Donations made by community members in memory or honor of an individual or group were symbolized by lights on the evergreen tree near the downtown bandshell. The Mothers' Club began the event last year to raise money to purchase equipment and enhancement materials for each of the schools — elementary through high school — in the Northville Public School District.

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Decorating contest winners announced

The ballots are in and the winners can step forward.

The Northville Community Chamber of Commerce has finished judging the Christmas window decorations created by downtown merchants and the winners are as follows:

President's Award - For best overall excellence.

Long's Plumbing & Fancy Bath Boutique, 190 E. Main.

Long's made use of several items from its inventory, and the judges were especially impressed with the snowman in the window.

1st Place - Williamsburg Inspirations, 102 E. Main.

The statues of Christmas carolers caught the eye of the judges.

2nd Place - Preferences, 103 E. Main.

This display was singled out for its elegance.

3rd place - Kacee's Hallmark, 119 N. Center.

The multiple teddys in the window appealed to the soft-hearted judges.

The winners will receive plaques for their designs.

Chamber Executive Director Laurie Marrs said about 90 businesses participated in the contest. The judges were anonymous members of the Chamber of Commerce.

House OK's hike in hunting license fees

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

On second try, a bill to raise hunting and fishing license fees made it through the state House of Representatives on a 63-38 vote.

It will take effect as soon as Gov. John Engler signs it later this month. It will increase basic hunting and fishing licenses from the current \$9.85 to \$14 over four years.

The most controversial part of the detailed bill was an optional fishing charge of \$2 for youngsters aged 12 to 16.

Under it, the Department of Nat-

ural Resources would sell a "Michigan fishing patch" to kids 12-16 but allow them to fish without an adult license. DNR would be forbidden to sell the patch list.

"Kids like to fish. They don't use trout streams or charter a boat," objected Rep. David Anthony, D-Escanaba, in the Dec. 10 debate.

"We also charge youngsters to hunt," replied Rep. Tom Alley, D-West Branch. "There's a reason for this fee. For every single license we sell, we get back \$4.85 from the federal government from its tax on sporting equipment. If we don't take advantage of that, we're los-

ing X number of dollars."

Without the increases, supporter say, the Department of Natural Resources budget will be short \$2 million, forcing the layoff of 10 conservation officers and delaying the hiring of 10 more officers until after Jan. 1.

A week earlier, the bill was shot down on a 45-56 vote following an argument over the firearm deer kill in the Upper Peninsula versus the rest of the state.

Opponents said the DNR seriously overestimated the size of the deer herd. The kill during the Nov. 15-30 firearm deer season was

down 13 percent overall from 1995, but in the Upper Peninsula it was down 37 percent, opponents said.

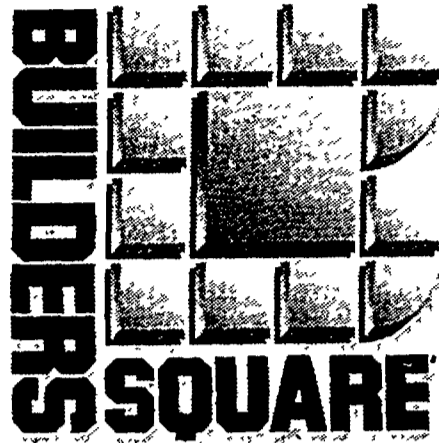
DNR officials said Michigan hunters' 1996 harvest was the fifth largest on record with 177,000 antlered and 102,000 antlerless deer being taken during the firearm season, a total of 279,000. The DNR said the southern Lower Peninsula saw a record harvest but the UP kill was down.

The top years, in order, were 1989 with 334,940; 1995 with 319,290; 1990 with 316,400; 1991 with 293,710; and 1988 with

294,310. "Although the statewide harvest was lower this year than in 1995, there was a record harvest in the southern Lower Peninsula, with an estimated 122,000 deer taken," said DNR wildlife biologist Harry Hill.

The northern Lower Peninsula antlerless harvest was up 20 percent, part of DNR's effort to reduce the deer herd, deer-vehicle accidents and crop damage.

Local representatives Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, and Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, voted yes on the proposal.



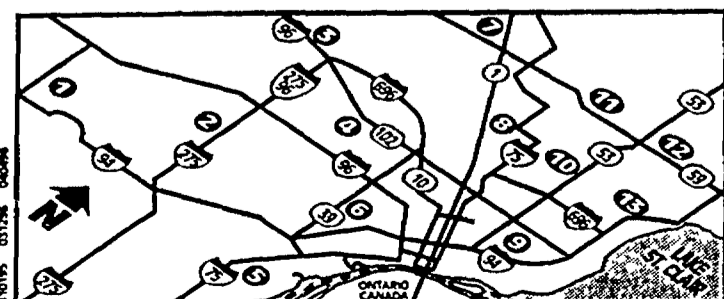
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HEALTH NOTE



by Dennis E. Engerer, P.T.
A PAIN IN THE SHINS

Shin splints are likely to be the cause when runners and other weight-bearing exercisers experience pain in the front portion of their lower legs. To understand this, take a look at the way the foot hits the ground while running, jumping, etc. First, the arch collapses from the shock of the impact. Then, it is pulled back up by a tendon in the shin which is connected to a muscle that is attached to the shinbone. The fact that the tendon and muscle have to work harder when the impact is greater explains why exercising on hard surfaces is most likely to cause problems. If the pain is severe, X-rays are suggested to see if a fracture is involved. Otherwise, the pain should be addressed with rest or a switch to a non-impact sport. The best way to deal with shin splints is to prevent them. This can largely be accomplished by strengthening muscles by working out on a soft surface or by regularly performing an appropriate strengthening exercise on a weight machine.

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Historic house restoration is labor of love for owner

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Bill Garfield's found three Novi diamonds.

One, the circa 1838 Sally Thornton House, he's polishing to perfection.

"I want it living history, not dead history," Garfield said.

"I've invested everything I have and all I could borrow to get it in good shape."

The second jewel, discovered in the home's floorboards, turned out to be glass. But the third's a rare gem - a hidden stash of Thornton letters and diaries dating from 1840 to 1895.

With few surviving early Novi documents, the material provides a fascinating insight on the lives of one pioneer family.

In 1990, the future of the clapboard Sally Thornton House, one of a shrinking inventory of early 1800s Novi places, seemed jeopardized and the residence became a cause celebre.

Garfield, a Livonia resident, stepped in, purchasing the building from owner Irwin Arkin. In 1994, he had the home moved from the Nine Mile/Novi Road area to a two-acre site on Eleven Mile Road, east of Taft Road.

From then on, it was a labor of love - with an eye towards investment.

"I think it looks great. I'm biased about as much as you can be ... I worked to protect its historical authenticity," he said.

"I'm really stretching myself to make this house go."

Garfield never intended to live in the place himself. He's looking for a buyer who is willing to meet the price tag of \$449,000, probably more money than Sally Thornton ever dreamed of seeing in her life (1779-1850).

The home is expected to be ready for occupancy in two months.

In the midst of all this reconstruction, a workman found the Thornton papers, stuck behind a small attic door in the upper bedroom. Among them are two little homemade and unsigned diaries, from 1840 and 1843, that Garfield believes might have been written by Sally.

"I was outside and the carpenter came running up and said they dropped out right from here. There are a lot of fascinating personal insights as well as historical," he said.

"These may be the oldest existing documents of anything in this area." Six years ago, when the future of the old house seemed shaky, Kathy Mutch, president of the Novi Historical Society, formed a group to save the structure. That was before Garfield stepped in.

The cache of papers is a real local history coup, said Mutch, who's had a chance to thumb through the documents.

Previously, it appeared that the earliest Novi records were one or two tax bills from the 1850s.

The rest of the material owned by the Novi library or historical society is mainly from the 1860s or later.

"There might be some things that are privately held. I don't know of any, offhand. This is a very exciting find," Mutch said.

Garfield and Mutch are working together to find a way to keep the documents in Novi.

According to *Northville ... The first hundred years*, by Jack Hoffman, former editor of *The Northville Record*, Sally Thornton was a widow in 1827 when she left her home in Caledonia, N.Y., and trekked with her three boys and two girls to the Michigan frontier. The family settled on 400 acres near Nine Mile and Novi roads, living in a log cabin before building the Greek Revival home.

The Thornton papers include many letters to Borrdill A. Toby, who married Sally's grandson Charles Monroe Thornton Jr. on May 16, 1866.

Other finds include Victorian-era Republican and Prohibition Party candidate flyers and Charles Thornton's income tax receipt. Not only was there a United States Internal Revenue Service in September 1866, but citizens were

taxed on both income and ownership of billiard tables, carriages, gold plates, silver plates, pianos, yachts and gold watches.

Thornton paid the government that year \$12.85. Of that, an \$8.15 tax was slapped on his income, in the \$600-to-\$5,000 per year bracket and another \$4 for his piano, valued between \$200 and \$400. (Try hiding a piano from an IRS auditor.)

When it comes to the history of the Thornton House, Garfield's own place goes as far back as almost 50 years. In 1948, he was dating Mary Rogers, a descendant of Sally Thornton and was asked to paint both the Thornton home and the neighboring Rogers residence.

The families had intermarried. In a later incarnation, the Rogers place was the restaurant Home Sweet Home.

Garfield said he hasn't spared trouble and expense to keep the historic Greek Revival character of the Sally Thornton House. The paint is white with a dash of amber, creating a warm glow.

The crown molding on the new addition matches the original. The drain pipes are copper. The shingles are cedar and the chimneys will soon be enclosed in decorative terra cotta casing.

The former farmhouse was expanded to 3,000 square feet, with a northern extension added that includes the three-car garage and a master bedroom with bath.

Because the house had been moved previously, the original foundation was missing. Garfield guessed it may have been stone and that's what the restored home now sits on.

Northville resident Greg Presley, who specializes in historic properties, is the architect for the Sally Thornton House.

Modern amenities Sally never imagined have been added, including three and half bathrooms, city water and gas heating.

"She had a well and an outhouse," he said.

Garfield went further afield than Novi to find historic detailing for the house. He's installing an authentic 1840s-era armoire as closet space.

What was Sally's front room is designated as a dining room in the makeover, with elegant Greek Revival windows. The kitchen features the original, 150-year-old

plank flooring.

"That wood is so hard we bent 16 penny nails on it," Garfield said.

Garfield is also enthusiastic about the two-acre property, which he finds to be the proper setting for his jewel of a house. The rustic plot backs up 15 acres

owned by the City of Novi as a stormwater detention area and earmarked never to be developed. The city has built two ponds on its wooded land. Wildlife, including deer, abounds in the area, Garfield said.

If you think the Thornton House is the best holiday present you can

give yourself, give Garfield a call at (313) 261-9704.

And if you're interested in reading more about the Thornton stash, stay tuned.

The letters and diaries, which include material about Northville, will be excerpted in an upcoming edition of *The Northville Record*.

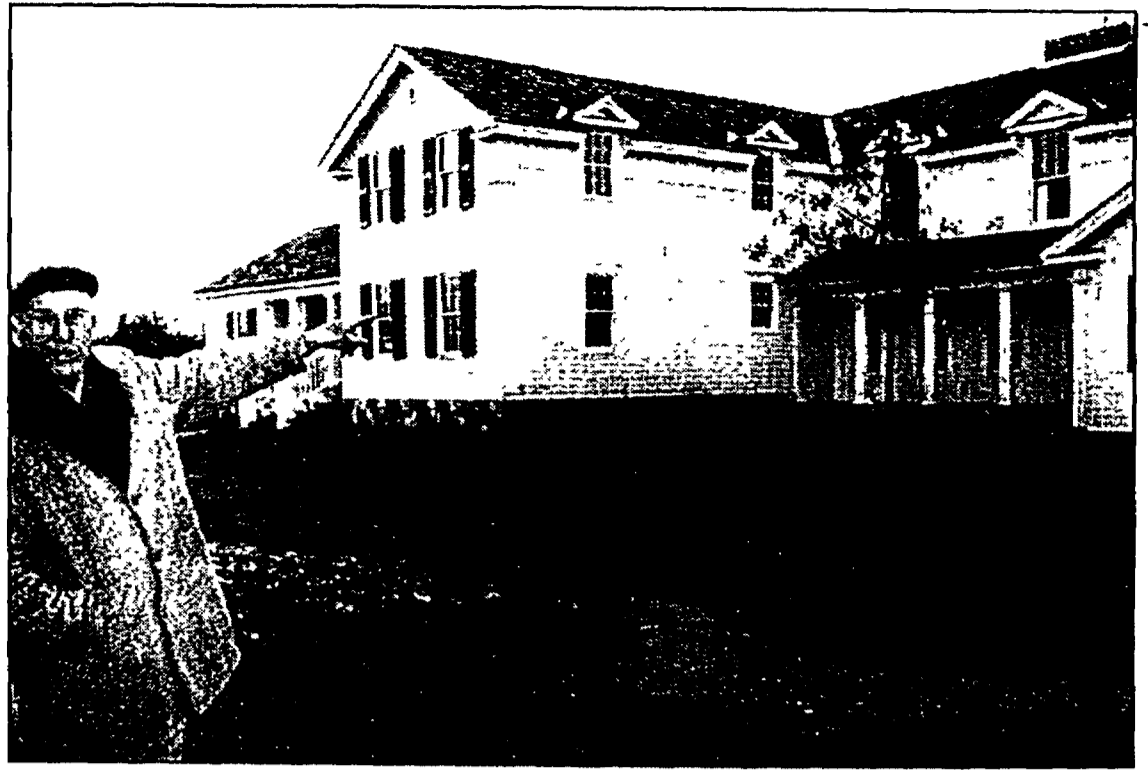


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Development Briefs

Real estate development news from Northville Township:

MEIJER EXPANDS: The Meijer store at Eight Mile and Haggerty will get a lot bigger and receive a new look in the coming months following township planning commission approval of a new site plan for the retail giant.

Meijer received township permission to tack on 33,200 square feet to its facility, an increase in size of about 13.5 percent. The additions will come as follows:

- 4,800 square feet at the southeast corner of the store (near the supermarket area) for a new deli.
- 19,800 square foot increase on the backside of the building for additional storage.
- 8,600 square feet added to the existing garden center for retail and storage space.

In return, township planners demanded and got Meijer to agree to make several improvements to its site, including:

- An architectural makeover and upgrade.
- A new sign to replace the existing one at the corner of Eight Mile and Haggerty.
- Installation of a bike path, sidewalks and additional landscaping.

• Addition of a service drive from the commercial shopping center now planned to the south of Meijer to connect with the store's service drive to Haggerty Road. That will cut down on the total number of curb cuts on Haggerty and provide for smoother traffic flow.

The commission's approval of the revised site plan is final. The issue does not need to go on to the board of trustees.

BIG NEW SUB PROPOSED: Development of the Six Mile and Sheldon area will be complete if a plan for a large new subdivision on the 300-acre Edward Rose property wins approval from Northville Township.

The land, composed of two tracts roughly equal in size, sits on the northwest and southwest corners of Six Mile and Sheldon. On Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. in township hall the planning commission will hold a public hearing on a proposal to build a 450-lot home subdivision there.

There are almost no homes there now but that's not likely to be the case for long. The Ravines of Northville neighborhood is going up on the old Haller property on the northeast corner of Six and Sheldon, while a new subdivision is planned for land Brooklane golf course now occupies.

The Woods of Edenderry sits to the north and west of the Rose property while Wayne County's 900-acre parcel of land, planned for homes as well, lies to the south.

Developers of the Rose property have proposed bringing in a plan that uses the township's open space community development ordinance option. Essentially, that allows a developer to build a subdivision with home lots smaller than what normal zoning allows (and thus more of them) in return for making the subdivision (in the township's opinion) better than it would have been otherwise.

The Rose plan calls for 451 home lots on the 295 acre parcel with a total of 80 acres of the site set aside to be preserved as wetlands, woodlands and steeply sloped areas backing up to homes. Developers say their plan is better than a conventional zoning alternative because it preserves 20 more acres of open space and provides a pathways pedestrian system.

The entire site is zoned for R-2 single family homes. Township officials will compare the open space plan with a development plan which uses that zoning in order to decide which is the better choice.

Township Hall is located off Six Mile Road between Winchester and Haggerty roads.

Romney, Williams get namesakes

Two state capital buildings will be named for former governors, though not without some of the same controversy that dogged them during their lifetimes.

The Olds Plaza, across Capitol Avenue from the Capitol Building, will be renamed for George W. Romney (1907-95), a leader at the Constitutional Convention in the 1960s, governor from 1963-68 and secretary of Housing and Urban Development from 1969-73.

Romney, a Republican from Bloomfield Hills, also was president of American Motors during its turnaround in the 1950s.

The Law Building, on the mall west of the State Capitol Building, will be named for G. Mennen Williams (1911-88), a Democratic governor six terms (1949-60) and a Supreme Court justice two terms (1971-87). Williams also served in the State Department during the Kennedy Administration.

The new Romney building houses many executive offices, including the governor's, as well as many state representatives' offices. The Williams building houses the state Supreme Court, attorney general's office, law library and regulatory offices.

Senate Bill 1144, the vehicle bill for the change, passed 83-13 on Dec. 10.

None of those who voted no gave a reason except maverick Republican David Jaye of Utica. Jaye's formal protest in the House Journal said:

"It is inappropriate to spend over \$200,000 to rename a public building for a dead politician."

"The Olds building is already named after a great philanthropist, Ransom Olds."

"Former Gov. George Romney is the person who gave Michigan our first income tax and made state

bureaucrats so powerful the people and the Legislature can never fire bureaucrats and never reduce bureaucrat pay or benefits even if there is a serious economic downturn in Michigan."

"Romney, who claims he was 'brainwashed,' also gave special tax exemptions for bureaucrats while all private persons and private savings are taxed," Jaye said.

His "brainwashed" statement referred to Romney's comment during the 1968 presidential campaign. He said he had been brainwashed by the Johnson Administration on the Vietnam War.

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Only days remain in lame duck session

The state Senate has just a few days in the lame-duck session to act on Rep. Jim Ryan's bill to protect the rights of children conceived in extramarital affairs.

Ryan, R-Redford, is sponsor of House Bill 4669 requiring judges to consider the child's best interests when determining changes in custody or parenting time. A father who has established paternity, but not a parent-child relationship, must prove to a court beyond a reasonable doubt that change of custody is in the child's best interest. The judge must consider whether the biological father has a confirmed parent-child relationship.

"While extramarital affairs are nothing to condone, punishing the child that results is of no use to anyone," said Ryan, who leaves office Dec. 31.

GAGE ELEVATED

As expected, Gov. John Engler has appointed Oakland Circuit Judge Hilda Gage, 57, of Bloomfield Hills to the state Court of Appeals.

Gage was nominated by state Republicans for the State Supreme Court but finished out of the money. She will replace Appeals Judge Marilyn Kelly, a Democratic nominee who won the open seat on the high court.

Gage has chaired the state circuit judges association, been a member of the Judicial Tenure commission and served on the

Michigan Sentencing Guidelines Committee. She also has served as a visiting judge on the Court of Appeals. Her term extends through Dec. 31, 1998, and she will have to run for reelection to serve the balance of the term. Her district includes Oakland, Macomb, Shiawassee and Genesee counties.

LIQUOR BILL OK'D

The House has only a few days in its lame-duck session to act on a Senate-approved bill to privatize the state liquor wholesale industry.

Senate Bill 1171, approved 34-2, prohibits the Liquor Control Commission from charging fees for "split" cases and new delivery fees, a protection for rural areas.

"This legislation ensures distilled spirits will continue to be available statewide with no interruptions in service and at no increased costs," said Sen. Willis Bullard Jr., R-Milford.

The LCC currently runs 63 small warehouses. On Jan. 12, an executive order by the governor could increase the number of distribution outlets to 3,000 statewide.

SB 1171 also keeps intact a three-tier system for distribution—manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers, which must remain independent of each other. It reduces the state's markup on alcohol from 65 percent to a maximum of 56 percent.



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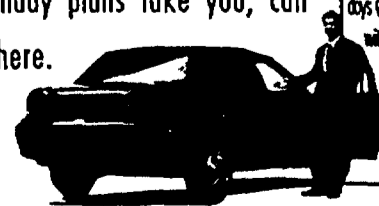
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Obituaries

MYLES A. PERKS JR.

Myles A. Perks Jr. died Dec. 16, 1996, at his residence in Northville at age 60. He was born on April 28, 1936, in Kaw City, Okla., to the late Myles and Effah (Kleckner) Perks.

Mr. Perks retired from the Detroit Police Department in January 1985. His last assignment was in the 16th Precinct in Detroit. He was a member of the Detroit Police Officers Association and the Detroit Police and Firemen's Association.

Mr. Perks served in the United States Army from 1955 to 1962.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy of Northville; sons, Bruce A. (Jamie) and Dennis M.; daughters, Cindy (Frank) Mancuso and Wendy (Terry) Moore; brother, Thomas (Gail); and three grandchildren, Austin and Shane Mancuso and Joshua Moore.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home, 19091 Northville Road, Northville. Chaplain Lowell Lawson will officiate. Interment will take place in Rural Hill Cemetery

in Northville.

Memorial contributions to the Salvation Army or the American Cancer Foundation would be appreciated.

DAYTON H. DEAL

Dayton H. Deal of Central Lake, Mich., formerly of Northville, died Dec. 9, 1996, at Botsford General Hospital, Farmington Hills. Mr. Deal was 79.

He was born Oct. 13, 1917, in Ypsilanti, Mich., to Gary W. and Orie (Van Aken) Deal. Mr. Deal lived in the area most of his life and was self employed.

Surviving Mr. Deal are his sons, Berry (Vicki) of Vicksburg and Wade (Sarah) of Northville; daughter, Linda (Steve) Juday of Midland; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife and one sister.

Services were held on Saturday, Dec. 14, at Casterline Funeral Home in Northville, with Rev. Kent Clise, First Presbyterian Church of Northville, officiating. Interment was in Central Lake, Mich.

Memorials to the Kidney Foundation or Brain Injury Association of Michigan, 8137 W. Grand River, Brighton, MI would be appreciated.

CODY M. WESTFALL

Cody Mathew Westfall of Northville died Dec. 5, 1996, in Providence Hospital, Southfield. He was born on the same day Dec. 5, 1996, to Tom and Sherrie (Atherton) Westfall.

In addition to his parents, survivors include his twin brother, Kyle, and other brothers Anthony, Tommy Jr., and Brandie; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Westfall of Northville and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kane of Flint; and great grandmother, Marie Carlson of Genesee.

Private services were held with Dr. Douglas W. Vernon, First United Methodist Church of Northville, officiating.

Interment was at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

Arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Regular operations at the Northville Senior Center, 215 W. Cady, will be disrupted when the building undergoes renovations during the early part of the coming year.

House action seeks to slow urban sprawl

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

"Slow down," the Michigan Legislature is telling builders, real estate agents and buyers planning new houses on country roads.

But local governmental groups - such as the Michigan Association of Counties, Municipal League and Townships Association - were pleased when the House of Representatives put the finishing touches on a package of bills to control urban sprawl.

Target: the tendency of farmers to split 10.1 acre parcels into four lots, then re-split them 10 years later, and then again 20 years after that.

Result since the 1960s: a massive loss of farmland to "bowling alley" lots, and a loss of open space and woodlands.

"The purpose is to slow down urban sprawl, which has caused building out in the country," said Rep. Tom Middleton, R-Orionville, in a rare floor speech. "In northern Oakland county, a majority of houses were built on what were 10-plus acre parcels. Not that they (buyers) really wanted it (large lots)."

"It was the law of unintended consequences," added Rep. Bill

Bobler, R-Hesperia, who pushed through a key amendment that displeased builders and real estate groups.

The House passed the bill Dec. 10 on a 79-24 vote with seven absent and sent it back to the Senate for concurrence in amendments.

Few lawmakers could say they understood the details. Bobler recalled that six years ago, then-Rep. James Kosteva, D-Canton, spent hours trying to explain the curbs to the GOP caucus, only to have them turned down.

"These explanations are the best we can do," said Bobler.

The key measure was Senate Bill 112, a revision of the Subdivision Control Act sponsored by Leon Stille, R-Spring Lake. The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments encouraged the work beginning in 1993-4, when Sen. Stille was in the House, and through the last two years in the Senate, where he chairs the Local Government Committee.

Local representative Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, voted yes. Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, voted against.

Rep. Bob Brackenkridge, R-St. Joseph, and chair of the House Local Government Committee, said

"We've got the worst of both worlds."

-Rep. Lingg Brewer
D-Okemos

the new rules require each potential parcel to have an available water supply, the ability to handle septic waste, access to roads and a one-to-four ratio of frontage to depth.

The House had a brief but spirited debate over three permissive bills allowing local governments to purchase development rights from farmers. Local units could not, however, use condemnation proceedings.

Senate Bills 573-575 cleared the House on votes of about 84-17. The bills were sponsored by Sen. Bill Schuette, R-Midland.

Rep. Lingg Brewer, D-Okemos, saw a plot to rip off taxpayers. A farm parcel might be worth \$2,000 an acre, he said, but in the face of development be priced at \$20,000 an acre.

"We've got the worst of both worlds: We buy the land for \$18,000, and the farmer keeps the deed," said Brewer, a former Ingham County official.

"If people want to live in the country, that should be their right."

On SB 575, Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, and Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, voted yes.

Temporary location needed for seniors and charity program

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city hall, but other locations are possible. Call the center at 349-4140 in a week or so to learn where and when your activity will be held.

The modifications will also displace Northville Civic Concern, a local volunteer agency which offers help to dozens of local families with everything from food and clothing to assistance with utility bills and medical care.

On the second and fourth Fridays of every month Civic Concern volunteers work at the senior center, distributing food to those in need.

Now, thanks to the generosity of the friendly folks in Northville City Hall, they'll be able to keep it up during the shutdown.

Civic Concern will set up shop in the old library space inside city hall (across the street from the Senior Center) at least through the

end of February, according to volunteer Mary Ellen King. Food distribution days are set for Jan. 10 and 24 and Feb. 14 and 28.

This year's special Christmas food distribution will be held on Friday, Dec. 22, in the senior center.

If you'd like to receive some help or want to lend a helping hand to Civic Concern feel free to drop by on a distribution day or call Director Marlene Kuntz at 344-1033.

Housing starts see double digit increase through first 10 months of year in state

Michigan 1996 housing project starts were up 11.7 percent from 1995 year-to-date totals through the month of October. October housing project starts were up 7.3 percent from September.

"Michigan housing starts gained ground while housing starts nationwide dropped," commented Rick Delamater, president of the Michigan Association of Home Builders.

"With the economy slowing

some, and no signs of inflation the Federal Open Market Committee decided to make no change to either the federal funds rate or the discount rate.

"This has been good for those looking to buy a new home as mortgage interest rates have fallen."

Fixed-rate mortgages fell to 7.80 percent in October from 8.28 percent in September, only slightly higher than they were a year ago

Lumber prices for 1,000 board feet of framing lumber dropped to \$409 in October from \$453 in September.

The Michigan Association of Home Builders is composed of more than 11,000 member companies, providing services to over 400,000 people in the home building and construction industry.

MAHB also represents 36 local home builder associations throughout the state.

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Market-driven schools get skeptical reception

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

It was Clark Durant's last day as president of the State Board of Education, and perhaps his worst.

His vision of organizing public education like a stock market was mocked by three board members, a civil libertarian and the Michigan Association of School Boards.

"Next month I will sit quietly at the end of the table," said Durant, R-Grosse Pointe, who had a 6-2 Republican majority for two years. Voters on Nov. 5 replaced two GOP members with Democrats, giving the board a 4-4 split for the next two years. As of Jan. 1, the educational stock market idea is as good as dead, Democrats predicted.

The board voted 5-3 to "accept" the report by William B. Allen, dean of Michigan State University's James Madison College, and economist Eugenia Toma of the University of Kentucky.

Usually, accepting a report is a routine motion, as exciting as approving the minutes of the last meeting. But the Dec. 12 vote revealed deep hostility to Durant's aggressive pushing of unconventional views.

"Why did we get an expanded version of what was dismissed a year ago?" asked Dorothy Beardmore, a moderate Republican from Rochester who frequently has disagreed with Durant.

This was proposed a year and a half ago and pooh-poohed around the state, in editorials in western and northern Michigan, not just southeast Michigan," said Kath-

leen Straus, D-Detroit.

Straus and Barbara Roberts Mason, D-East Lansing, bristled at the conservatives' reference to "government" schools. "We should be proud of government schools; they built this country," said Straus. "Government has done a lot for people," said Mason.

Beardmore, Straus and Mason voted "no" on accepting the report.

Linda Bruin, legal counsel and spokesperson for the Michigan Association of School Boards, said the notion of issuing shares of stock in schools could result in one group acquiring a private monopoly and driving up tuition.

And as for the authors' assertion that private school students always perform better than public school students, Bruin said, "Either the writers don't understand their own findings, or they are guilty of deliberate lies."

Wendy Wagenheim, Birmingham resident representing the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, said Allen and Toma had a "pre-determined conclusion" and a "blind faith" that market-driven schools had some "magic" to educate kids better.

Wagenheim said the authors' idea of state \$5,000 "scholarships" to students - to replace foundation grants of aid to public schools - amounted to "a convoluted argument for vouchers," which are unconstitutional in Michigan. And with pure market forces running the system, she said, there would be no "consumer protection laws" in the form of state assessments and regulations.



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Up close and personal

Winchester Elementary students crouch down to get a closer look at a garter snake last week during an assembly for Snakes Alive!, which brings non-poisonous snakes to local schools. The students also got to meet a milk snake.

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SYNOPSIS

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

DATE: December 12, 1996. TIME: 7:30 P.M. PLACE: 41600 WEST SIX MILE ROAD. 1. CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Woodside called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. 2. ROLL CALL: Karen Woodside, Supervisor, Sue Hillebrand, Clerk, Dick Henningsen, Treasurer, Mark Abbo, Trustee, Mary Gans, Trustee, Russ Fogg, Trustee, Bill Selinsky, Trustee. Also in attendance, Chip Snider, Jim Tamm, Don Weaver, Theima Kubitsky, Leslie Sickerman, and approximately 30 visitors. 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. 4. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: None. 5. AGENDA: The Agenda was amended and approved, the Consent Agenda was approved. 6. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS: none. 7. PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS: 1996 Wayne County Tax Rates, file and receive. 8. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES: A. New, Section 18.18 SIGNS, approved. B. Amend Section 18.37, TEMPORARY USES EVENTS, BUILDING AND STRUCTURES, approved. C. Amend Ordinance 94, ARTICLE XXI ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, tabled. D. Amend Ordinance 94, Article XVII SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS, Section 17.2 OPEN SPACE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, tabled. E. Resolutions honoring Karen Baja, Gini Britton, Rick Engelland, Barbara O'Brien and Dolly McMaster. Resolutions presented to Karen Baja, Gini Britton, Rick Engelland, Barbara O'Brien by Thaddeus McCotter, Wayne County. 9. BILLS PAYABLE, December 2, 1996, and Supplement December 12, 1996 approved. 10. NEW BUSINESS: A. DPS Novell network/Computer Purchase, approved. B. Bid approval for Renovations to the Senior Center, approved. C. Wayne County Road Issue, tabled. (Meeting set for December 16, 1996). D. Rezoning from R-3 to OS-1, approved conditioned on Wayne County approval. E. Pine Creek Final Preliminary Plat, Open Space Community, approval conditioned on Township Attorney's approval of Open Space Agreement and Deed Restrictions. F. Spring Street Abandonment, approved. G. Water & Sewer Building Addition, Final Payments: #7 & Change Order #4, approved. H. Fence & Gate Construction at Water & Sewer, approved. I. Recommendation from the Water and Sewer Department for the purchase of a vehicle, tabled. J. Sidewalk Construction along 5 Mile Road, tabled. K. Employee Assistance Program, approved. L. Amended Budget, approved. M. Financial Institutions, approved. N. Bonnan's Liquor License, approved. O. Tuition Reimbursement for LL John Sherman, approved. P. Recommendation from the Department of Public Safety for the purchase of two patrol vehicles, approved. Q. Senior Alliance request for cash match contribution, approved. R. Township Holiday Hours, approved. S. Township Manager Employment Contract update, no action. T. Public Safety Director and Manager Reporting Responsibility, approved. U. Wayne County Annual Permit, approved. 11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A. Wayne County EDC Project Plan, removed from agenda (meeting set for December 16, 1996 at 7:00 p.m.). 12. RECOMMENDATIONS: none. 13. APPOINTMENTS: A. Roberta Benjamin to Beautification Commission (term 12-12-1999), approved. B. Eugene Dolnik to Beautification Commission (term 12-12-1999), approved. C. Joe Lopiccolo to Economic Development Corporation (term 12-12-2002), approved. D. Jerry Henderson to Board of Review (term 12-12-1998), approved. 14. ATTORNEY/CONSULTANT COMMUNICATIONS: A Closed Meeting request by Jim Tamm for Reports from: The Supervisor, p.m., approved. 15. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS: Township Manager Report - Mark Clerk, Treasurer, Township Manager, Planning Commission Liaison Report - Mark Abbo, Zoning Board of Appeals - Bill Selinsky, Parks & Recreation Liaison Report - Dick Henningsen, Senior Alliance Liaison Report - Russ Fogg, Beautification Commission Liaison Report - Sue Hillebrand, Youth Assistance Liaison Report - Russ Fogg. 16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. Township Constables Jim Schrot and Ed Mroz gave a brief synopsis of their training seminar, on liquor law enforcement and DNR recent training. 17. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENTS: none. 18. ADJOURNED at 9:10 p.m. This is a synopsis of the December 12, 1996 Board of Trustee Meeting. A true and complete copy of the minutes is available through the Clerk's Office.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
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County and township make progress on land

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advantages like tighter control over architectural standards as well as 45 acres of land for public uses like a fire station. Some of the features are free.

While they didn't object to the notion of the EDC itself, the trustees spent the Dec. 16 meeting voicing concerns over what could happen should something prevent the township and the county from concluding a PUD deal. That would likely mean that the county would seek to develop the parcel using existing zoning standards.

A very different plan would result, since the site is almost totally zoned only for single family homes.

The board's idea was to formally spell out exactly what Wayne County's responsibility will be if that day ever comes. That included a laundry list of issues, tops among them is what to do about

lost tax revenues.

Land owned by an EDC is tax-exempt. Right now that would mean a loss of \$41,000 a year in revenues for Northville Township, in addition to losses for the Northville Public Schools and the Northville District Library.

"We have to protect the township's interests. We depend on this money," was how Supervisor Karen Woodside put it.

The board's fear is that the township could, as it has for decades now, provide police and fire protection for the site for years without selling it, and thus return it to the tax rolls. After nearly two hours of debate county negotiators agreed to a plan that aims to prevent that.

The county will pay a per-acre "maintenance fee" based on a sliding scale that will cost Wayne County more each year the land remains unsold, the money going to the township, the library and

the schools.

Head negotiator Mike Prochaska was reluctant, saying that Wayne County deserves to be treated like any other property owner and not a cash cow to be milked.

"Every time I come here it's something new," he said.

"I know this sounds punitive but I want it to," Abbo said. "I don't want this land off the tax rolls after two years and this is the only way I see to do it."

County administration officials are pushing to get the land in Northville Township sold and developed as soon as possible. They're counting on money from the sale going towards financing a new Tiger stadium.

Consequently the EDC plan will go before the Wayne County Commission for final approval on Thursday (Dec. 19). County planners and township officials are shooting to have a PUD agreement signed by March 1.

Board vote returns more power to supervisor in Northville Township

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sonal dislike was at the root of criticism of her professional actions.

Hillebrand, along with Trustee Russ Fogg, served on the old board and voted in favor of both moves then. During the new board's Dec. 12 meeting both voted for the change as well.

Why? Hillebrand chalks it up to trial and error.

"It wasn't working as effectively as we thought it would," she said.

"There was no leader," was how Woodside put it, meaning no single individual had the authority to

make key administrative decisions.

Result: not much - not even many routine matters - got done before first going through the cumbersome process of a board meeting.

"You learn through experience," Hillebrand said. "My issue then and now is that no one individual in township government gets the power to hire and fire people and this change doesn't allow that."

Does the fact that the change comes three weeks after the job's old occupant has left have anything to do with it?

"That played into it," Hillebrand

said, "but the bottom line is that we found a better way to do things. In 1994 we made what I think was a good business decision for the township and now we've made another one."

The executive committee will meet to handle certain administrative issues but will not deal with policy matters that should be brought before the full board. Woodside and Hillebrand both believe.

The goal of both, they say, is more efficient, effective government.

Health club chooses Northville charity as recipient of its fund-raiser contest

Jack Moores Jr., the president of MedHealth Wellness Center in Plymouth and this year's honorary chairman of the center's annual holiday contest, has announced that all of the funds raised this year from his club's competition will be used to benefit Our Lady of Providence in Northville Township.

The funds are derived from the entry fee paid by members who participate in the contest. The fee is then matched to an additional 50 percent by MedHealth.

The program is designed to encourage participating members to maintain their weight and continue working out throughout the holidays.

Members participating in the contest will not only be helping themselves by keeping their weight down, they will also be helping Our Lady of Providence, Moore says.

Other MedHealth members who have volunteered to work on the committee for this year's contest

include Sue and Katie Spillane, 15-year residents of Northville; John (Art) Mulligan, a 39-year resident of Plymouth; and Jan Raison, a 22-year resident of Plymouth Township.

Committee responsibilities include obtaining, wrapping, and delivering gifts to many of the needy students of Our Lady of Providence.

Our Lady of Providence is a residence and school for mentally handicapped girls.



Photo by SUE SPILLANE

A family affair

The on-again, off-again unseasonably warm temperatures gave the Mulcahys and others a chance to take the whole family out for a stroll. Here, Meredith and Patrick,

aka mom and dad, walk with Helen, 3, and John Patrick, 9 months, while grandparents John and Judy Somers follow closely behind. Even Buddy, their dog, went along.

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Mill Race Matters

This week the Northville Historical Society offers thanks to the Base Line Questers for their financial donation to be used on enhancements for the Yerkes House and cleaning of the chandelier they donated previously.

Also thanks go out to Patrick Hixson, the son of former Mill Race Quarterly editor Laura Smyth Hixson, for his donation of a rope bed. Another thank you is offered to the Green Oak Historical Society for sending along some Northville memorabilia located in their collection.

Other area historical societies and interest groups offer the following upcoming events:

Free concerts will take place at Greenmead Newburgh Church. On Dec. 22, at 2 p.m., the Silver String Dulcimer Society will perform. At 3 p.m. the same day the Society will perform at St. Genevieve's Children's Choir.

Wayne, Mich., will be holding an annual first night program on Dec. 31.

The Wayne Historical Museum will participate in that community-wide event. Call 722-0113 for more information between 1 and 4 p.m.

The Mid-Michigan Antiquarian Book Dealers Genealogy and History Book Fair is set for Sunday, April 6, 1997, at the Lansing Center from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Memberships for the 1997 calendar year are now available in the Northville Historical Society.

More information can be obtained by calling 348-1845 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. The Northville Historical Society operates Mill Race Historical Village for the benefit of the community.

Year round community-wide activities which feature Mill Race Village include: the July 4th picnic, Victorian Festival events, Christmas Walk events, community group meetings and parties, the annual Christmas Children's Workshop, Wash Oak School reenactments, Reenactment group meetings, weddings, and social events.

Funds raised and provided by the Historical Society keep the village alive and well.

All members of the community are invited to join and participate in the organization's various activities. Membership in the organization can be a gift to yourself, to your family and to your community.

As Christmas approaches, thoughts focus on Christmases of the past. Each of us has our cozy memories of days gone by, but many are not much like the Currier and Ives warm and soft memories projected by many Christmas cards of today. Many reflect that glow in the aftermath of many years.

Snippets from the remembrances of some residents ... Douglas Gallery remembered one Christmas spent at his grandfather Carlisle Mead's home.

The Meads lived then in the Yerkes House which now stands at Mill Race Village.

Gallery remembers, "I spent a Christmas at Grampa's too. With a houseful of cousins and aunts and uncles, it was a merry and crowded place. Of course, the uncles and older cousins took charge of the train that was my chief loot from the huge tree and by the time I had an opportunity to play with it, the spring had been long gone, and I had to push it by hand around the track."

"In the afternoon, sleds appeared, and old and young went to coast in the back yard, on the long slope from the back porch to the pond."

In 1975, Frank Lewis shared his early memories with Jack Hoffman. In response to a question about the Christmases of his youth, he responded, "... They were delightfully pleasant for the most part, but rather simple inasmuch as my father was not wealthy, by any means, and raising eight children on his blacksmith's wage was no easy chore ... When I think of Christmas, the Isinglass comes to mind. So does the heat. It baked your frontside while your backside froze. We had another woodburner in the kitchen and that's where my dear mother spent much of her time, especially at Christmas time."

While participating in the community oral history project about six years ago, Bruce Turnbull shared these thoughts: "... During the depression, at Christmas time everybody was so poor, to help out, the Exchange Club of Northville ... went out and bought goodies for the children of Northville. They would make a little bag and in that bag, there would be an apple and some nuts and a few pieces of candy ..."

Family, warmth and sharing - still a mix we can all enjoy during the holiday season. Merry Christmas.

-Diane M. Rockall

CALENDAR

- Thursday, Dec. 19 Northville Historical Board ... Cady, 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 21 First Presbyterian Church ... Cady, 6 p.m.
- Monday, Dec. 23 Rug Hookers ... Cady, 10 a.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 25 Merry Christmas!

Services scheduled in community

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4:30 and 6 p.m. New Year's Day services will be at 9 and 11 a.m. For more information, call the church at 349-2621.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE, 777 West Eight Mile Road, will have a Children's Pageant on Christmas Eve at the 4 p.m. service. There will also be a Family Service at 6 p.m. with the Joy Singers and Youth Handbells and an 8:30 p.m. Traditional Festive Service with the Sanctuary Choir, Brass Choir, Adult Handbells and Woodwind Ensemble. The 11 p.m. Communion Service with have special music by Kirsten VanRiper and Male Quartet. There will be candle lighting at all four services.

Child care for infants and toddlers will be available at the 4, 6 and 8:30 p.m. Services.

For more information, call the church at 349-1144.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE, 217 N. Wing in Northville, will have a 6 p.m. Candlelight Service on Christmas Eve only. A special Choir presentation entitled "Jesus, What a Wonderful Child," will take place on Friday, Dec. 20, at 7 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call the church at (810) 348-1020.

NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY, 41355 Six Mile Road in Northville Township, will have Carols and Candles at 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve. There will be a

New Year's Eve Communion Service at 6 p.m.

For more information, call the church at (810) 348-9030.

NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH, which meets in the former Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 42290 Five Mile Road in Northville Township at the intersection of Bradner and Five Mile, one mile west of Haggerty Road, will have a Christmas Eve Family Candlelight Service with Holy Communion at 7 p.m., and child care is provided at the 11 p.m. Candlelight Service with Holy Communion and special harp music provided by D. L. Turner.

For more information contact New Life Lutheran Church Pastor Ken Roberts at (313) 459-8181.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, 24505 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, will have Christmas Eve Masses at 4, 6 and midnight. The Junior Choristers will perform at the 6 p.m. Mass. The Choir will perform at the midnight Mass.

Christmas Day Masses will be at 8:45 and 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

Masses will be at 5 p.m. on New Year's Eve and at 8:45 and 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. on New Year's Day.

For more information, call the church at 349-8847.

On Christmas Eve, **THE MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**, 21355 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, will have two services of worship. The young people of the church participate in the 6

p.m. worship service and Nativity Pageant. The 9 p.m. worship service is one of lessons, carols and candles, and the Chancel Choir will sing the anthems accompanied by instruments.

For more information, call 348-7757.

On Christmas Eve, **ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH**, 46325 Ten Mile Road in Novi, will have a Children's Mass at 4 and a Choir Mass at 6:30 p.m. Masses on Christmas Day will be at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

New Year's Eve Mass will be at 5 p.m.

Masses on New Year's Day will be at 10 a.m.

For more information, call the church at 347-7778.

CHURCH OF HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL, 46200 West Ten Mile Road in Novi, will have a 6 p.m. Children's Christmas Eucharist Service and a 9 p.m. Holy Eucharist Service on Christmas Eve at Holy Cross and an 11 p.m. Holy Eucharist Service at St. Anne's, located at 430 Nicolet in Walled Lake.

On Christmas Day, there will be an 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service at Holy Cross and a 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service at St. Anne's.

On New Year's Day, Holy Cross will have an 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service and St. Anne's will have a Holy Eucharist Service will be at 9 a.m.

For more information, call Holy Cross at 349-1175.

NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 41671 West Ten Mile

Road in Novi, will have a 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Worship with carols, music, scripture, story and candlelight ceremony.

For more information, call the church at 349-2652.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH, Nine Mile and Meadowbrook in Novi, will have a Christmas Eve Children's Service at 7 p.m. and an 11 p.m. Candlelight Service. On Christmas Day there will be a Festival Service at 10 a.m.

On New Year's Eve, there will be a service at 7 p.m.

For more information, call the church at (810) 349-0565.

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 4440 West Ten Mile Road in Novi, will have Candlelight Services on Christmas Eve at 6 and 8 p.m. and an 11 p.m. with a formal Communion Service at 11 p.m.

For more information, call Faith Community Presbyterian Church at 349-5666.

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, 21260 Haggerty Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads in Northville will have a Candlelight Service at 7 p.m. on Christmas Eve. On Dec. 22 there is a Family Christmas Service at 6 p.m.

On Dec. 29 there will be an open Communion with the pastor from 6 until 8 p.m. There will be no regular evening service.

For more information, call the church at (810) 348-7600.

-Compiled by Carol Workens

City street millage vote set for March 4

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and replacement, traffic signals and signs, and storm sewer improvements. Gallogly maintained.

With sidewalk work included in the 20-year plan, city officials have also approved changes to the city's existing sidewalk policy, according to City Manager Gary Word.

"Past street improvement programs in Northville seem to have

ignored sidewalk issues and special assessment programs have been met with major resistance from residents," Word said.

"The proposed program recommends a new approach for funding sidewalk repairs, one that does not use special assessments but rather uses dedicated millage dollars."

Word said a new sidewalk ordinance would be required to make the funding changes in the pro-

posed street improvement program.

The new ordinance would remove the obligation of funding sidewalk repairs from property owners and place it on the city where liability already exists, he explained.

"New sidewalk, or sidewalk placed in areas where it currently does not exist, and sidewalk knowingly damaged by the property

owner would continue to be placed or replaced at the property owner's expense," he said.

The proposed sidewalk ordinance changes would not be made unless the street millage is approved by voters, Word added. Officials have also proposed giving refunds to residents who were already assessed for the 1995 sidewalk special assessment program.

Local school writer, administrator win awards

Lynn Parkllan, writer/editor for the Northville Public Schools, has been named a winner in the annual Michigan School Public Relations Association Communications Contest, receiving a commendable award in the project or program category.

The award was presented for Zero Tolerance for Youth Substance Abuse. Also sharing in the award were Robert O. Soranson, executive director of Special Education, and Dr. Leonard R. Rezmierski, Superintendent of Schools.

School print and electronic media productions, as well as writ-

ing, overall projects or programs, and annual reports distributed in response to Michigan's Public Act 25, were submitted from across the state.

Publications are judged on content, readability and appearance. Video productions are evaluated on product quality, content and appeal, and projects or programs are judged on content, appeal and focus/clarity. Distinguished award winners must receive a score of 930 to 1,000 points, while commendable award winners receive a score of 830 to 920 points.

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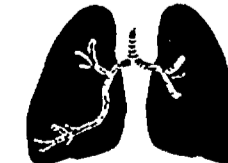
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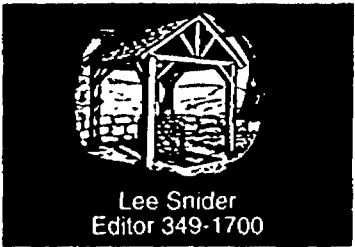
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Our Opinion

Trustees must take care not to ruin good start

They've been in office a month. What's the verdict on Northville Township's new board of trustees?

To date, pretty good. We're cautiously optimistic. So far the board has said and done the right things. However, we haven't gone very far yet.

We hope trustees will keep it up because, in this age of cynicism about government, the public's trust can be fickle. To maintain constituent confidence, each member of the board has to make open, honest government the top priority. That's particularly true given the changes of this past week.

By unanimous agreement the board has given new supervisor Karen Woodside a long leash: the authority to make many day-to-day administrative decisions in the running of township government. The trustees have also agreed to reestablish the board's "executive committee."

Woodside, Treasurer Dick Henningsen and Clerk Sue Hillebrand will meet on occasion to decide "routine administrative" issues.

Both changes, according to the board, will smooth and speed the flow of decision-making. Bottom line for the taxpayer: more efficient local government.

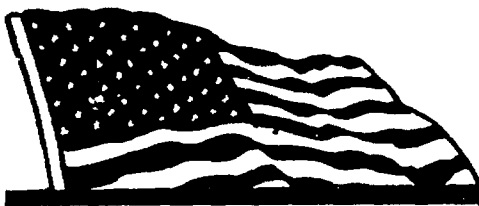
The idea makes sense and the trustees should be given high marks for these two moves, provided they follow through on what they've promised. It's their collective responsibility to make sure that this system isn't used for anything more than what they've said it will be used for.

We're sure that no one, including members of the board, wants to see these changes used to conduct government in the shadows. Unfortunately, we've seen it done before.

Too often elected officials have tried to manipulate changes like this to deliberately avoid their primary responsibility, namely to handle the public's business in public. Individuals or subcommittees get long leashes so that contentious issues don't have to come before a board in a public meeting for a decision.

That why so many people are almost instinctively suspicious of changes like these. If misused they mean the loss of open government. At the very least, it's all too easy for people to think openness has been lost.

That's the danger every member of the board has to guard against, particularly Woodside and members of the executive committee. They have to



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make an extra effort to reassure the four trustees, the local newspaper and the public that they're sticking to the agreed-upon parameters.

If they don't we're sure that the first alarm bells would come from the trustees, who've so far demonstrated integrity, intelligence and independence. They've also shown that they can gel with their fellow board members and work together to get things done. Last week was one example.

We take it as a good omen that all seven board members have enough trust in each other to make these changes and that Woodside, Henningsen and Hillebrand have the gumption to take on some added responsibility. Everyone's performance so far bodes well for the future.

AND ANOTHER THING ...

We can't let the board's vote concerning the supervisor's position pass without noting the interesting change of heart it represents for Clerk Sue Hillebrand and Trustee Russ Fogg.

Both were on the board in December 1994 and both voted in favor of stripping the supervisor's job responsibilities to the bone. At the time both said it had nothing at all to do with the job's occupant at the time, Karen Baja.

Instead the majority in the divisive 4-3 vote offered up all kinds of other reasons such as historical precedent and administrative efficiency. That precedent didn't stop Hillebrand and Fogg from voting last week to overturn their 1994 action just three weeks after Baja left office.

They say it's because they've learned over the last two years that the change just didn't make for the smoother local government they thought it would.

But the timing of this about-face makes it pretty obvious that their issue in 1994 was Karen Baja. That means that they were less than honest in their public comments about why they did what they did.

And that, in turn, could make it harder for people to put stock in what they'll say from now on.

The other change at Rural Hill

The new year is always a joyous time, marked by celebrations and resolutions.

But it's also a favorite time for price increases, and just about everything under the sun seems to get more expensive around Jan. 1.

This new year, plots at the city-owned Rural Hill Cemetery will join the long list of items that will become more costly. City officials have increased prices by \$25, and beginning next month city residents will be required to pay \$475 per plot. Township residents will be asked to pay \$500 while non-residents will be charged \$650.

Officials say they based the hikes on a comparative survey, and it appears to us that the increases are reasonable.

But we think this is a good time to bring up the poor state of the entrance to the cemetery and the city's commitment to upgrade the road leading into the place.

It was in late 1995 that this newspaper began to receive letters from people complaining about the problems they

encountered when they tried to drive into Rural Hill. The gravel entrance leading into the cemetery is full of pits and ruts, and the ride is anything but peaceful heading into the tranquil confines.

City officials explained that the problem is due to poor drainage and that extensive soil tests were required before improvements could be made. Last we heard, an environmental firm had been hired and the results of the investigation were still pending. Reportedly, a paved entranceway is in the cards once the ground has been fully analyzed.

It's been over a year since the letters came in; meanwhile, prices are going up and still no new road. While it may be true that no one is to blame for the delay, cemetery visitors continue to wait while no relief is in sight.

We hope city officials understand that this is a priority item that should be attended to at the earliest possible date. If the price increases are justified, so is the impatience of the visitors.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Why the reporting business?

Why do we do what we do?

That's the question which several people have asked me about *The Northville Record* when it comes to our stories about local government and the people who run it and work for it.



Randy Coble

They ask why we demand to know the reasons behind every last decision, especially when it comes to "private" personnel matters like when somebody gets a raise or gets fired.

Oh, I know a lot of you out there are convinced that we're a jaded bunch here at 104 W. Main Street. We don't care about the public, we just live for controversy and confrontation. "I know that sells newspapers," was how one woman once put it to me.

Sorry, but that's just not right. Let me explain our basic philosophy. If you still want to cast stones after that, fine: just accuse us of the right sin first.

I am a democrat (notice the small "d") to my bones. I believe that the government is our government. It belongs to us, not the other way around. As such, the folks who run it and work for it have a duty to us, their bosses.

Please believe me when I say that I have tremendous respect for most of these folks. Most elected officials put their time and effort into government because they want to do some good. Ditto most of the folks who work in the public sector as cops, clerks, teachers and a thousand other occupations.

However, a few of them, either consciously or not, get a whole different perspective once they're in government. I think the public gives them a trust that needs

to be regularly reaffirmed: some look at it like a blank check.

The basic thinking I've seen from such people is that once I've been hired or won an election I get to play with all the toys and don't gotta share with nobody if I don't wanna.

Lousy paper, printing our salaries and our raises every year! And why do they want to drag somebody's name through the mud when we decide to fire ... I'm sorry ... decide to ask someone to quietly quit?

Because, people, it's your government. You are the bosses of the business. You have every right to know how your employees are spending your money. You have the right to know about the raises you're paying for so you can decide for yourselves if your employees deserve them or not (and most of them do).

You have the right to know when elected officials have decided to fire one of your employees (or, more popularly, force them to quit) and the real reasons why. That's why our microscope clicks on: sometimes they try to cover the real reasons why with a nice-sounding lie.

Like most people I do not - repeat do not - want to or like to embarrass anyone. However, like most people I want to know that our employees aren't being ushered out for anything but logical, demonstrable reasons.

If we take your word for it, how do we know you aren't getting rid of them for the wrong reasons and scaring them to accept it in silence so you can get away with it?

Like it says in the New Testament, to whom much is given, much is expected. It's easy to like the power of government. It's hard to fulfill the responsibilities that go with it.

Randy Coble is a staff writer for *The Northville Record*.

John Heider / In Focus



Still friends

The Novi Junior Varsity volleyball squad gives low-fives to its Northville opponents after a match.

Turn the tables on your parents

OK, teenagers, we're here to learn something about parental psychology. When you leave here in an hour, you will know how to have your parents eating out of your hand.



G. Michael Abbott

First, let's hear the horror stories. What is it like to be living almost as a prisoner in a house run by unreasonable adults?

(Animated discussion)

I see. There are real problems with controlling your parents, with having them listen to you, and in keeping them from placing cruel and unreasonable restrictions on you.

Well, we can't guarantee that all parents will respond to parental psychology equally well. Nor are the techniques we'll discuss here the only ways of achieving control, but this is at least a start. We'll present three techniques:

• The first six seconds: Most teens greet their dog with more enthusiasm than they greet their parents. It's a well known psychological fact that parents are suckers for a cheerful greeting. In fact, a cheerful greeting is known to keep parents happy and friendly and on their best behavior all evening.

• Catch them in the act of doing something good: Yes, catch them in the act of doing something you particularly like - and praise them for it. Parents respond very favorably to this technique and will very likely repeat the behavior you praised. Tell mom you appreciated her driving you to the mall or dad for being patient as you learn to drive. The flip side of this is to ignore the things you don't want them to do. They may be doing it just for the attention. This is a proven con-

trol technique.

• Control the yelling: So many of you said "yelling" was a particular problem with your parents. Let's tackle this one head on. Let's role play a typical "yelling" scene at home.

(Role play)

OK. Did you notice how the yelling increased when you yelled back? Bad form.

What's needed is a way to reduce the parent's anger so that you have a chance of influencing him or her. Yelling only closes them up more, and you can bet your allowance you will have absolutely no chance in controlling them.

Here's how to lower your parent's anger:

• Gently notice that dad's upset and say so: "Dad, you seem upset." Recognizing the emotion often dramatically lowers the anger and the yelling, sometimes negating the need for step 2.

• Feed back everything the parent says, like this: "You're angry with me because I left the garage door open and my 10-speed was stolen. Is that what you said?"

Notice that you don't have to agree. You are showing your parents that you heard them. Don't attempt to say anything until your parents signal that you listened: "Yes, that's what I said."

Now you have a calm parent ready to listen to you, ripe for your influence: "You're right, dad. I don't blame you for being angry. I did a dumb thing. I'll be more careful." Or: "Dad, remember that you were the last one in last night. You left the door open."

See? You can say that and not get your head knocked off.

OK, class. Let's review the three steps to controlling your parents ...

G. Michael Abbott is a retired public school educator and a contributing columnist to *The Northville Record*.

Letters

Former manager got bad press rap

Have you ever changed jobs? Have you ever been faced with a difficult life choice for which there was no clear answer? If so, you know how difficult career decisions can be on a family and an individual.

Since July of 1996, I have been engaged in the process of making a career change. My concern is the way in which my departure has been treated by the press.

There was nothing covert, suspicious or dishonest about my leaving Northville as the manager. I simply made a life choice. I grew up in the Beverly Hills area and have life long friends and family in the area. I chose to live near those I hold dear.

I made a professional choice to manage a developed community. The timing of the interview process in Beverly Hills was controlled by the elected officials in that community. As it worked out, it was possible for me to stay the full two years in Northville and vest in the pension program set up prior to my arrival.

For the record, the earliest possible date I could have resigned from Northville was Nov. 7, per the terms of my contract. I stayed an extra three weeks, not two and a half months. This was a coincidence, not a devious plot to extract unearned compensation from the taxpayers.

Northville is a lovely community with an astounding amount of potential. There are many talented, hardworking people serving the community in township and city hall. These people have the best interest of the entire community involved and are deserving of the utmost respect for their efforts.

I see no need for the relentless, negative scrutiny that the press affords public figures in Northville. I understand the theory of the public's right to know. More importantly, I know the reality of taking this right to an extreme. Over time, consistent, unwarranted coverage of public officials serves to breed inaction due to fear or avoidance due to mistrust. This is when the public is really cheated.

I believe that there have been many occasions when *The Northville Record* has gone too far

in reporting on individuals and issues. I would urge the staff to seriously reflect upon its policy in what is news and what is the-atries. There are more than enough real issues in the city and the township - no need to manufacture.

I wish the new township board all of the very best. I believe that this administration brings with it a new spirit of professionalism and I hope the press will follow this lead. I consider it an honor to have worked for the residents of Northville Township.

Tamara Hanlin

Board defender was out of line

To the editor:

I just finished viewing the cable tape of the Dec. 9 Northville School Board meeting and feel compelled to react to Jim Nield's "citizen's comments."

He assured everyone that he was not speaking for the school board, which is probably correct. I believe he was defending his wife, which is admirable. However, as the elected leader of the board, she should be speaking for herself. Even though I have known Jim for 15 years and have served on the Northville Swim Club Board with him, I cannot condone his misguided comments directed at Barb Flis.

I have also known Barb for 15 years. She is a committed and involved parent and community member. She has proven her concern by her years, and countless hours, spent serving on city, state, and national school related committees. No one should question Barb's motives; she has no hidden agenda. She wants the best for her children and for all children, as we all do. She believes that without accountability or direction the Northville schools will not meet the challenge to be the best.

Jim attacked Barb saying that she should run for a board position if she wants to effect change. Is he suggesting that as a taxpayer and concerned parent, she has no right to raise questions and demand specific answers as to the future of our district? He said that we need to be team players because, only by working

together can we achieve exceptional results. Is he suggesting that the team player must docilely follow an ineffective captain?

Barb is an active and enthusiastic team player who is also perceptive enough to question the team's record and direction.

I resent Jim's implication that Barb personally attacked any board members or Dr. Rezmierski. What she has done is to question the ability of the superintendent and board members to implement a long-range plan or a strategic plan for success for the district. To hold these people accountable, to ask them to answer her specific questions with specific answers and not with euphemistic, educational jargon is her right. For Jim Nield to castigate her for 13 minutes at a board meeting for this is wrong.

Sharon Lang

Good school official 'got away'

To the editor:

It was with a very profound sense of dismay that I read about Dr. Dolly McMaster's decision to retire from her position as assistant superintendent with the Northville Public Schools.

As an educational consultant serving 10 school districts, I frequently find it necessary to attend briefings regarding new state laws and opportunities for educators to receive funding for innovative ideas. It has been quite common for me to see Dolly at these briefings. Her enthusiasm and strong belief in the power of solid, challenging curriculum is well noted within the educational community.

As a resident of Northville for 21 years, I have watched the school district grow from a small town, Main Street USA focus to an exemplar of excellence in several areas. Most certainly, we owe at least some of the credit for this to Dolly. So, why is she leaving in the middle of a school year?

Sometimes, perhaps, standard bearing becomes a thankless post to hold. Did we forget to acknowledge, in public or private forum, the role Dr. McMaster often held - as one who held out

for the best? Going along to get along was never Dolly's style.

Her decision sounds firm. Too bad. Let's at least recognize that we let a good one get away.

Sandra Trosten

OLV does much with little space

To the editor:

Our Lady of Victory parish just completed its annual "Giving Tree" project. Through this project, we were able to provide Christmas gifts for 200 children who are in foster homes due to abuse or neglect, as well as 90 children who have a parent in prison.

We also collected more than 90 infant layettes for Wee Care, which provides assistance to women experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. More than 95 gifts were collected for the patients at Northville State Hospital, who because of budget cuts are more seriously ill and needy than ever before.

In addition, nearly \$1,000 in cash was donated for the St. Christine's Soup Kitchen in Detroit.

As I sorted all of these gifts, it occurred to me that if our parish is able to do so much in the cramped quarters we are now using, how much more we will be able to do if we are allowed to carry out our expansion plans. Perhaps those opposed to this planned expansion are not aware that it is not just the OLV school children who will benefit, but the community as a whole.

OLV serves hundreds of public school children in its Religious Education program, is a home to Cub Scout Pack 721, senior citizens group, youth group, and others. Each has a positive and beneficial impact on our community.

This is not a strip mall or saloon being proposed, but an addition to what has been part of the Northville community for 75 years.

OLV parishioners take seriously their call to be a source of "salt and light" to the world. I hope and pray that the city council considers this when making their decision.

Susan McCambridge

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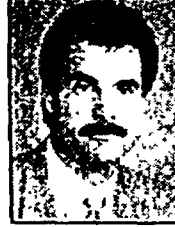
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Ideologues provide plenty of fodder

'Tis the season for giving and receiving. And, as someone who depends on the pas-



Phil Power

sage of events to fuel this periodic column. I would not want this holiday season to pass without expressing my thanks to the State Board of Education and its ideological majority. Seldom does a slow news week pass without the gift of a noteworthy event being brightly wrapped and brought forth by

the State Board.

As evidence, I offer last week's discussion - at a cost to the public of \$150,000 - by the board to "develop a market-based model on schooling for the State of Michigan."

Authored by William B. Allen, a political scientist who is dean of James Madison College at Michigan State University, and Eugenia Toma, an economist at the University of Kentucky, the report bears an uncanny resemblance to a plan floated by board President Clark Durant in mid-1995:

• Schools should be organized entirely by market forces. Government's role in schools should be restructured from "providing the mechanisms of education to providing the funds to sustain consumer choice." That is, government should not operate K-12 schools, but only finance them with per-pupil grants, which would currently amount to around

\$5,500 or more.

• Ownership of the schools would be transferred from government to "all residents of the state of Michigan," with one share in each school given to each resident, with shares also given to teachers and administrators. Shares could be publicly traded.

• Governance of schools would be determined by the owners of each school. A majority ("a true majority, not a plurality," the report insists) of shareholders could turn out elected school boards and replace them by a new board, "determined solely by the shareholders of that school."

And so on and so forth. I think you get the idea by now.

Experience suggests that ideologically-driven institutions - Maoist China, Stalinist Russia, the market-infatuated State Board of Education - tend at the end of their days to become more and more ideological and less and less in touch with reality.

I suppose it does some slight historic violence to the Great Cultural Revolution and the Gulag to compare them with "A New Framework for Public Education in Michigan," but the comparison seems apt.

For years, Durant and his buddies have set forth to anybody who would listen the assertion that public schools are bad because they are a government-created monopoly, for which the only remedy is a big dose of market-based competition. This analysis may or may not be on point, but when they pay \$150,000 of taxpayer money for a report that blithely confuses private ownership (of school shares) with public stewardship (of schools, for the benefit of all children), they are com-

mitting what amounts to business fraud.

Of course, it's fun to try to see what happens if you extend a suggestive analogy to a new and different field, as this report does. But to confuse verbal funning with actual policy formulation is merely embarrassing.

A statement by Wendy Wagenheim, a Birmingham resident representing the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, pointed out that Allen and Toma had a "pre-determined conclusion" and a "blind faith" that market-driven schools had some "magic" to educate kids better than government-run schools.

She's got it right. Consider those countries with the best school systems, as determined by recent international testing. Singapore, Japan, France, Germany all are outstanding, and all feature schools that are run (and, sorry, owned) by national ministries of education, driven by national curriculum and examination standards, and not in the slightest subject to the forces of the free market.

We may not want to adopt wholesale the educational systems of any of these countries. But taken together, their overall quality offers conclusive evidence that "free-market forces" alone have relatively little to do with school quality, other than providing a sounding board for ideological infatuation.

During his tenure as president of the State Board of Education, Clark Durant has saved my butt on many a slow news day. I should be sorry his right-wing majority on the board will end in January. But, believe me, I'm not that silly.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (313) 953-2047 ext. 1880.

All stereotypes limit range of human potential

ACORD (A Community Organization Recognizing Diversity) focuses on "working to keep the unity in community" and, with this in mind, shares the following message:



Wendy Washington

Did you know that, originally, "stereotype" was a word describing a metal plate that a printer would use to print the same word over and over? That word has evolved to mean "a preconceived and oversimplified generalization about a group of people."

Although some people in a stereotyped group possess certain traits, not all people within the group do. Many stereotypes are hurtful, untrue and limiting.

There is no such thing as a "good" stereotype. Any label that generalizes about a group of people is unfair. No person should have to be penalized because others have determined what the group's characteristics are or are not.

Our country is made up of many cultures, therefore, it is important to appreciate the differences that all of us share. It is the ongoing immigration into our country that has resulted in a rich cultural diversity - a diversity that is unique to America.

Compared to the rest of the world, our country is very young - just over 200 years old. And everyone here originally came from somewhere else.

Many of the people who came to America were forced to leave their native lands, many fled for religious or political reasons, and many others came with hopes of a better future. Think about this: Everyone living in America today has immigrants in his or her

family history. Even the "natives" emigrated from parts of Asia.

When it comes to stereotyping and prejudiced attitudes, we can't change others, we can only change ourselves. Our change and growth, however, may inspire others.

One way to encourage change in others is to discourage and disagree openly with prejudiced comments, jokes or actions. This may be difficult to do, especially when you feel outnumbered in a group of people, but don't assume that everyone in the group agrees with the person you disagree with. You will be respected for speaking up. And, more importantly, you will be making a difference in your own little corner of America.

Now that's a message that we would like the printer to be able to print over and over.

Wendy Washington publishes ACORD's monthly newsletter. For more information on ACORD, call Al Qualman at 349-1343.

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Additional information about programs or facilities may be obtained by calling the park office at 349-8390.

HOLIDAY TREES: The holiday tree sale, sponsored by the Friends of Maybury State Park, will continue one final weekend: Dec. 21 and 22, from 1-3 p.m. each day.
The fee includes a hayride, your choice of pre-cut tree, and entrance to the park for the day.
The cost is \$30 per family.
The hayrides will begin at the concession building in the main parking lot on Eight Mile Road.

MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS: The 1997 annual State Park motor vehicle permits are now available.
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You may also buy them in the sporting goods department at Meijer.



Dry run

Silver Springs Elementary School first and second graders go through a dress rehearsal of their holiday music program called K-I-D-S last week for other students and faculty. The students danced, did quick skits and sang such songs as "Silver Bells," "How Much Is That Doggie in the Window?" and "Jolly Old St. Nicholas."

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

School district officials say funding remains problem under Proposal A

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Proposal A rescued outstate school districts financially, but suburban officials say their fiscal picture deteriorates each year.

Reason: Revenues have been rising 2.7 percent a year, said Randy Liepa, assistant superintendent for business of Livonia public schools, but costs are rising faster and at a compound rate.

"If you don't think you have a problem in school financing, then you have two problems," said one school official in the audience of leaders from 10 school districts in western Wayne County.

"We're all moving toward that brick wall. We'll all hit that brick wall at different times," concluded Michael Willmot, Garden City school superintendent and president of the Metropolitan Association for Improved School Legislation (MAISL). It met Dec. 11 in Westland.

That wall, said Liepa, consists of these annual cost increases:

- Retirement - rising at 5.3 percent.
- Special education - rising at 6 percent.
- Health care - rising at 4.6 percent.

Meanwhile, teacher "step" increases plus contract increases will run another 4 percent a year.

MAISL's 10 members include Northville, Garden City, Livonia, Redford Union and Wayne-Westland, plus Dearborn, Inkster, Romulus, Taylor and Westwood.

They put together a budget for a typical school district and projected what would happen over seven years, based on their experience. The hypothetical district's \$71 million revenues rose to nearly \$86 million, but its costs rose to \$94 million and its accumulated fund balance to \$18 million.

Net result: a negative fund balance of more than \$26 million, "because revenues are capped," said Liepa.

Without help from Lansing, suburban schools will have no option but to make cuts, beginning with buses and teacher salaries.

"You, as board members didn't get elected to hack up the program, but that's the reality," said Joel Carr, assistant superintendent in Romulus.

How did it happen? Proposal A sought to smooth out the disparities in school funding, which ranged from less than \$4,000 to more than \$10,000 per pupil.

"Districts below \$5,000 per pupil are getting double the increases of others," said Fred Haller, a partner in the accounting firm of Plante & Moran, which audits 84 school districts.

"Districts that were between \$5,000 and \$6,500 are just barely keeping up, or not. If their enrollment declines, it's a double whammy," Haller said.

And districts that spent more than \$6,500 per pupil find "their percentage revenue increases are small. They are spending their fund balances (working capital) or making cuts now," Haller said.

Northville's per-pupil allocation is currently \$6,803. Proposal A, approved by state voters in March of 1994, slashed local property taxes and capped assessment increases at 5 percent or the rate of consumer price inflation.

It effectively blocked individual districts from asking local voters to sweeten the property tax pot beyond six mills for homes and 24 mills for non-homestead property.

Proposal A raised sales-use taxes from 4 percent to 6 and substituted a virtual state takeover of school funding. The

combined effect was a windfall for non-industrial districts in mid-Michigan.

Among the losers: Bloomfield Hills' and Birmingham's increases were 1.5 percent the first year; Ann Arbor's 2.2 percent; Romulus' and Dearborn's 2.5 percent.

Among the big winners: Gwynn's first year revenues rose 13.7 percent; Onaway's, 28.1 percent.

"It's put us all in the borrowing business," said Steve Ezkian, Redford Union's director of business and finance.

"The representatives (legislators) think they fixed the problem," said one official in the audience.

Gerald Dunn, MAISL's executive director, noted that Gov. John Engler boasts of cutting state taxes, "but those 21 tax cuts took away \$3.5 billion from the state's base." He advised school trustees, superintendents and business officials to begin educating lawmakers.

The situation is worsened by growing numbers of "special education" pupils, who require \$24,000 a year to educate versus \$5,000 for others.

"Children who in the past wouldn't have lived, or would have been in institutions, are now in special education," said Patricia Brand, Wayne-Westland assistant superintendent.

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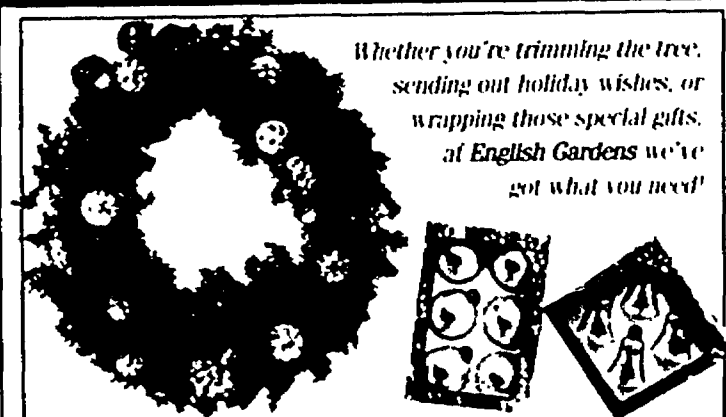
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Recreation Briefs

1997 WINTER BROCHURE

The Northville Parks and Recreation winter brochure will be mailed to all Northville city and township residents on Wednesday, Dec. 18. If you do not receive your brochure by the end of the week, please stop by our office at 303 W. Main St. We will start to distribute them on Friday, Dec. 20.

1997 WINTER REGISTRATION

The Northville Parks and Recreation winter registration for classes begins on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1997, from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Please note this new time for registration.

The department has a new computer system to improve service to our residents. The new system will process your activity registrations in a similar method to our old one, but instead of filling out a registration card for each activity and participant, we will enter the information directly into the computer for you. One receipt with all your registration information will then be generated for you to sign.

We hope that you will be patient with our new process. Our registration process may take slightly longer than it has recently. We do anticipate that as everyone, including our staff, gets used to the new procedures that you will find them much easier than our old process. We are looking forward to serving you better.

Northville Parks and Recreation will offer the After School Drop-In program for middle school students on Mondays from 3-5 p.m. at the Northville Community Center.

The program will run from Jan. 20-May 12, 1997 (no program on Feb. 17, March 31, or April 7). Activities will include sports, games, crafts, and lots of fun activities. There is no charge for

the program, but students must register with the office. Transportation from Meads Mill and Cooke middle schools will be provided by Northville Public Schools to the Community Center.

Funds for the After School program are provided by the Get Michigan Youth Moving Mini Grant Program, developed through the Michigan Department of Public Health, and administered by Michigan Recreation and Park Association.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL SKILLS CLINIC

C'mon out and brush up on the fundamentals of volleyball. Bumping, setting, passing, spiking and serving will be emphasized. This class is designed for beginner-intermediate skill level.

The clinic will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1997, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Northville Community Center Gym for adults 18 and over. There is a fee of \$9.

Register by Friday, Jan. 3, 1997, by 4 p.m. at the office or mail to: Northville Parks and Recreation, 303 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167. Make checks payable to: Northville Recreation.

SOCCER SKILLS FOR WOMEN

Future Sports will be offering an over 30 women's Train and Play. This six-week course will consist of 20 minutes of skill work and 40 minutes of instructional play. Train and Play is geared for the novice adult who would like to learn the basics of soccer and can be used as a great workout. Taken at your own pace, you can choose to participate at low or high impact.

Instructor: Kevin Tuite; Player Development Northville Soccer Association; Varsity Coach Central High School. Activity No. 3040.401 - Jan. 13-Feb.

17 (six weeks), from 1-2 p.m., Community Center Gym. There is a fee of \$60, resident; add \$3-school district; \$7-outside school district.

The deadline for registration is Jan. 9, 1997, at 4 p.m.

Activity No. 3040.402 - March 18-May 6 (six weeks), from 7-8 p.m., Community Center Gym. A fee of \$60 for residents; add \$3-school district; \$7 outside school district.

The deadline for registration is March 13, 1997, at 4 p.m.

Register by the deadline at the office or mail to: Northville Parks and Recreation, 303 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167. Make checks payable to: Northville Recreation.

YOUTH SPORTS

• Grade School Basketball
Thursday, Feb. 6-March 6 (no class Feb. 20).

A co-ed program that meets after school for basketball instruction and skills practice. Participants will learn passing, dribbling, and shooting skills. This class will also introduce rules and team strategies. A T-shirt is included. The third grade class will concentrate on preparing participants for league play.

Activity No. 2150.401 - 2nd Grade. Thursday, 4-4:45 p.m.

Activity No. 2150.402 - 3rd Grade. Thursday, 4:45-5:30 p.m.

Four-week session, meets at Northville Community Center. Fee: \$20.

• Youth Volleyball
Wednesday, Jan. 15-March 12 (no class Feb. 19).

Here's the chance to learn the basics of volleyball. Participants will learn serving, forward passing, back bump, and an introduction to spiking. Teams will be formed to play matches. This

class combines both instructional play and drills to enhance skills:

Activity No. 2160.401 - Ages: Sixth-Eighth Grade, 4-5:30 p.m.

Eight-week session at the Community Center. Fee: \$40.

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Volunteer coaches are needed. If you would like to be a coach, please call Lori at the Recreation Department at 349-0203.

Activity No. 1040.101 - Practices begin the week of April. The fee is \$45. Please indicate T-shirt size on your registration form.

YOUTH SOFTBALL CLINIC

Thursdays, Jan. 9-Feb. 27, 1997 (no class Feb. 20).

Softball players, here is a "skills development" clinic just for you. Fundamentals to be covered include throwing, fielding, hitting, pitching, catching, baserunning, and strategies of the game. Guarantee: The clinic will make you a better player.

The instructors will be adults who have extensive softball knowledge and a great deal of experience coaching youths. Participants: wear gym shoes and bring a glove and bat.

You may register now for this program.

Activity No. 2120.401 - A seven-week program for 8- to 16-year-olds, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Northville Community Center. There is a \$40 fee.

YOUTH BASEBALL CLINIC

Fridays, Jan. 10-Feb. 28, 1997 (no class Feb. 21).

Baseball players, here is a chance to develop your skills. Fundamentals to be covered include throwing, fielding, hitting, bunting, pitching, catching, baserunning, and strategies of the game. You will receive lots of tips that will make you a better player.

The clinic will be taught by adults who have extensive knowledge of the game and a great deal of experience coaching youth baseball. Wear gym shoes and bring a glove and bat.

You may register now for this program.

Activity No. 2120.402 - Seven-week clinic for 8- to 16-year-olds from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Northville Community Center, fee: \$45.

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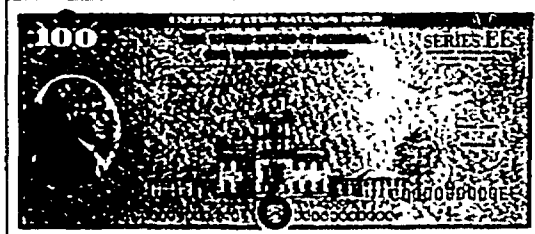
Feb. 16-21, 1997

Baseball and softball athletes, here's another chance to develop your skills. Become a better player by learning and practicing the fundamental skills of throwing, fielding, hitting, bunting, pitching, catching, baserunning and game strategies.

The instructors will be adults who have extensive baseball-softball knowledge and a great deal of experience working with youth. Participants: Wear gym shoes and bring a glove and bat.

Enrollment limited by space. Activity No. 1020.401 - For ages 8- to 16-year-olds, meets from 7-9 p.m. at Northville Community Center, fee: \$35.

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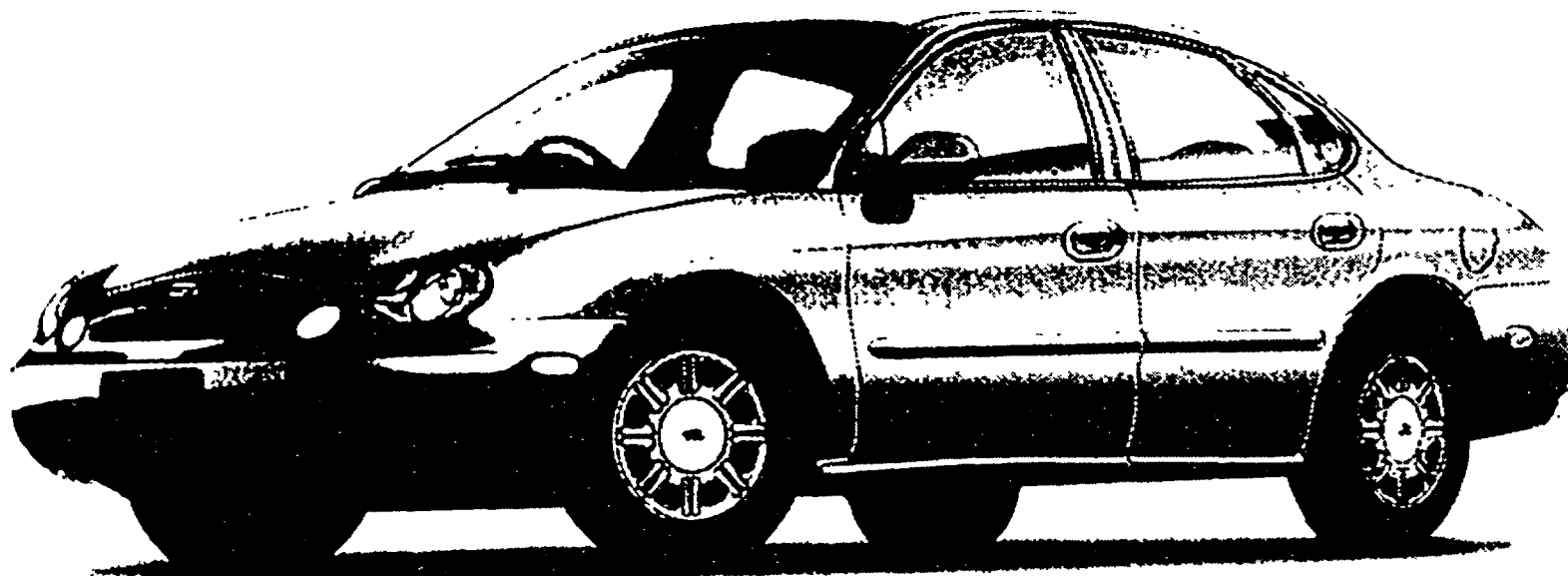
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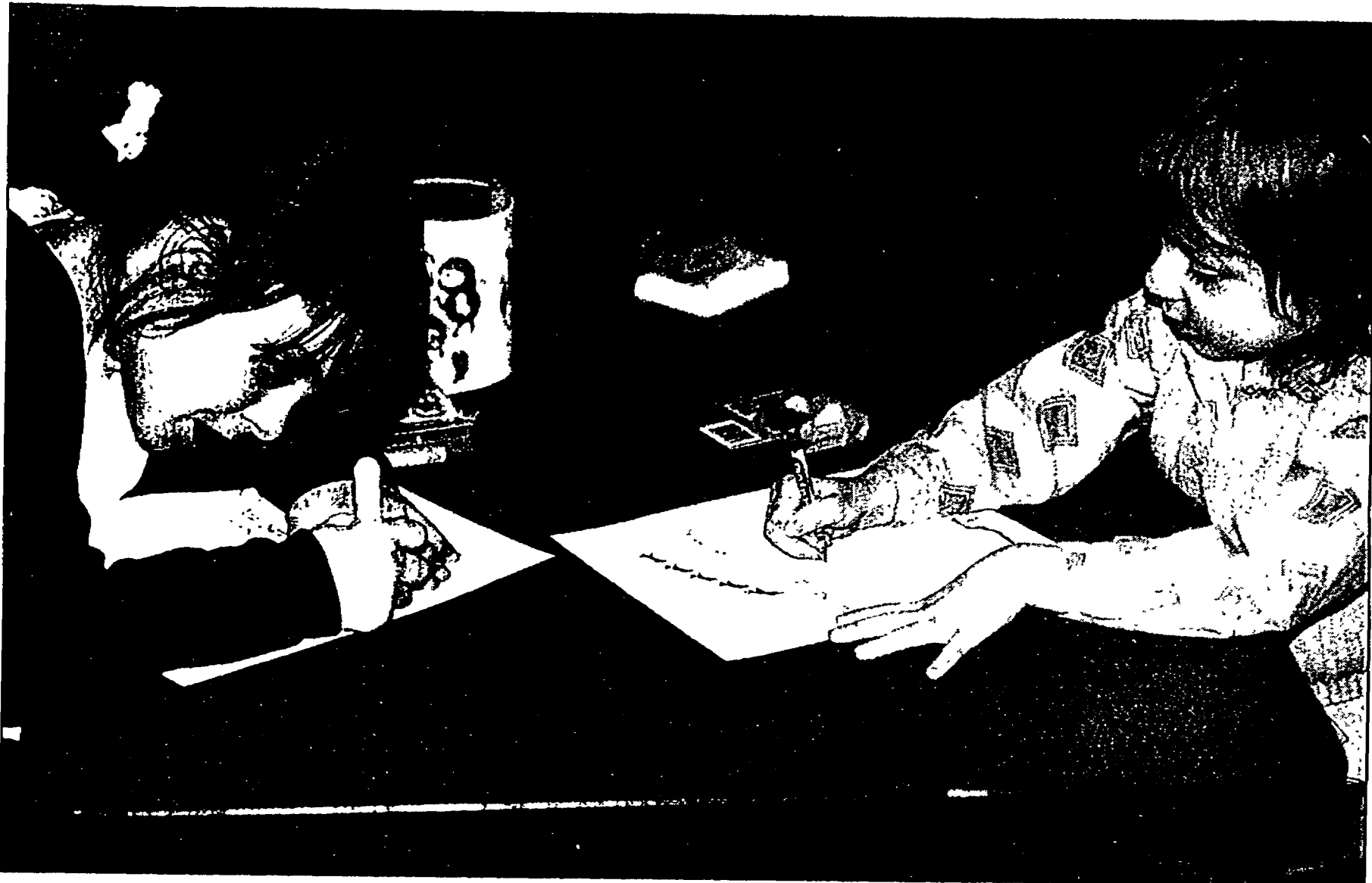
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Seven-year-old Novi resident Rachel Kennedy (left) included a Tickle Me Elmo doll among the things she wants for Christmas when she and her sister, Taylor, 3, wrote letters to Santa at Twelve Oaks Mall. Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Dear Santa...

The red velvet bag Santa Claus will swing over his shoulder and carry down the chimneys of the homes of good little boys and girls will have to be a very big bag indeed. Along with the cars, trucks, dolls, and stuffed animals children ask Santa for every year, there are now laptop computers, televisions and a video camera. A few children asked for world peace, while others had needs closer to home and hearth. More children asked Santa about his health last year, nobody asked about Mrs. Claus this year. Jolly old St. Nick won't have to worry about putting on too many extra calories this year, not too many children are setting out a plate of cookies and a glass of milk. Santa shared his letters with the *Northville Record* and *Novi News* after he had a chance to read them, so take a peak at what may be inside his bag this year.

Dear Santa:

I hope you and Mrs. Claus are doing good. I hope you have a merry Christmas. I would like barbie computer games, Beanie babies, animal critters, Madame Alexander dolls, cabbage path dolls and dalmation stuffed animal.

Love,
Megan

Dear Santa:

I would like sneakers, book, teddy bears, clothes, markers, crayons, and a couple of surprises. I have been very good! I question for you: Do have a fireproof suit?

Love,
Bridget

p.s. I would like a movie and would you like cookies?

Dear Santa:

I have been a good boy. I would like an aircraft carrier, ham, daffy duck slippers, crane playmobile, train.

Thanks,
Ian

Hello Santa:

Magic box

Kaho

Dear Santa:

I have been really good this year. These are a few I want (attached are pictures of a race car set, electronic talking battleship game, pool table and games). I'll clean my room. And Walk my dog. I would like lite three and a laptop computer

Love,
Brandon

Dear Santa:

I have been very good this year. This is what I would like this Christmas: Watch, Baby born, Bike, Rollerblades, Barbie Winter Wonderland

Love,
Audrey

Dear Santa:

I would like for you to give my pet carnal, my pet ferret. If you have enough time. Her stocking is the moose, just so you know.

I love you,
Angellina

p.s. Bring carnal some good ferret food

Dear Santa:

For Christmas I want a 1981 Mike Larkins. clothes not included. For Carissa to come live with me and never have to be hurt again and for - nope never mind that would not be nice ok. I also want a CD player but that alright.

Thank you,
Love,
Heidi

Dear Santa:

I have been very good this year. This is what I would like for Christmas ... watch, rollerblades, baby born, Barbie talking phone, bike.

Love
Kalley

Dear Santa:

I have been very good this year. These are

the things I would like this year ... remote control car, rollerblades, hockey skate, necklace, waterproof watch, invisible pen, pottery wheel.

Love,
Brennan

Dear Santa:

Please give me enough \$ to buy a great house.

Milena

p.s. Plese

Dear Santa:

I can't wait until Christmas. I went Christmas shopping on December 8, 1996.

For Christmas I want beanie babies and surprises. If you can get a monkey I would really like that. My very favoret animal is a monkey and polar baer. What kind of cookie do you like?

from
Catherine

Dear Santa:

All I want for Christmas is a pocket T.V.

Yours truly,
Nikhil

Dear Santa:

Doll

Abbie

Dear Santa:

I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a Lego for Christmas. I would also like a space shuttle/rocket ship. Can I maybe have a Woody or Buzz Lightyear or both. And a plastic sled.

We'll leave 3 glasses of water for you and 5 cookies.

Thanks,
Love,
Nicky

Dear Santa:

For Christmas I want a house, a bike, all the dalmation things on earth. Since I have \$100 from my birthday I won't know what to use it on, so you only need to get me one thing.

Love,
Milena

Dear Santa:

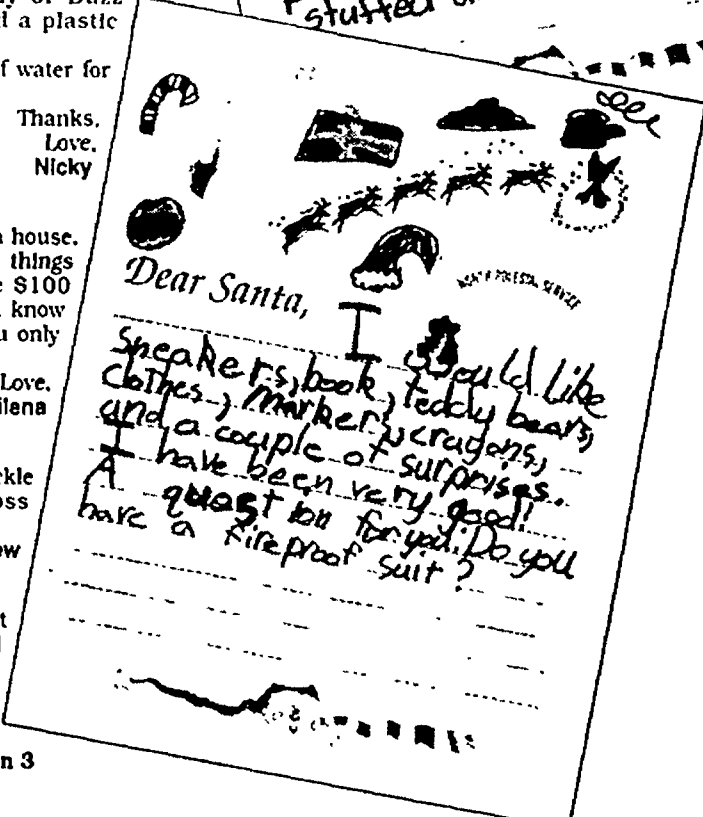
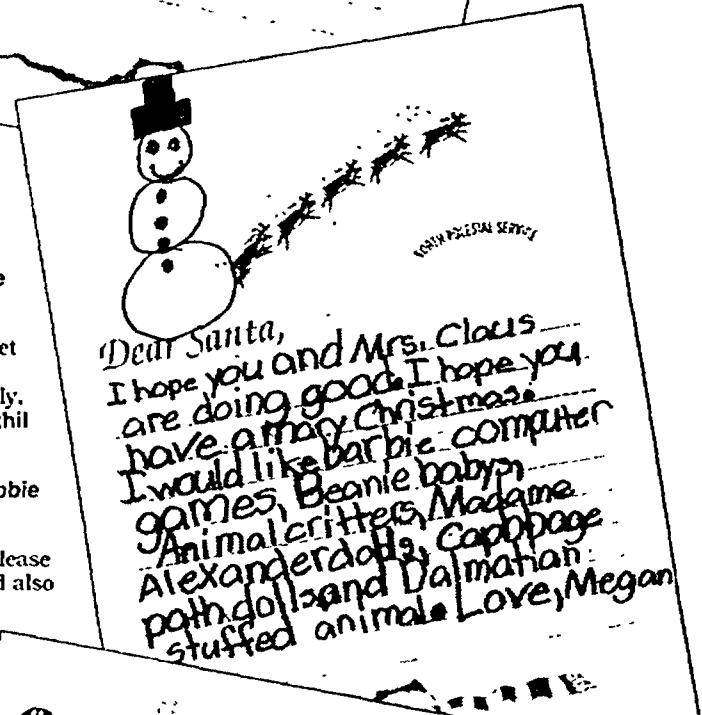
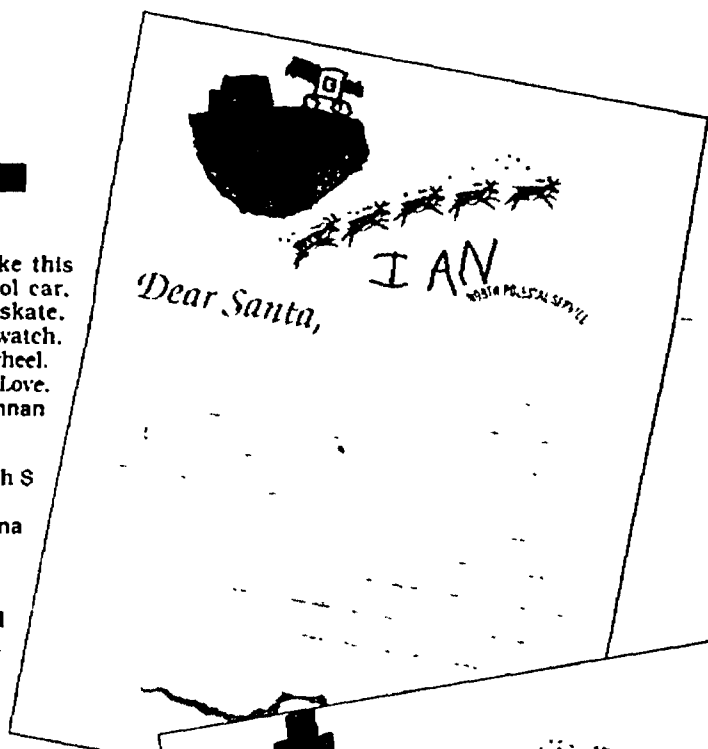
Remote control car. Tickle me Elmo, Criss Cross Crash, Vacuum (dirt devil)

Andrew

Dear Santa:

I would like a bog that moves and a stuffed Santa Claus.

Love,
Joe



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In Our Town

Story brings welcomed response

Since an article the *Northville Record* and *Novi News* ran on Dec. 5 titled "Walk This Way," about Northville resident Ron Bachman and the movie of the same name, there is some good news and bad news to report.



Carol Workens

First the good news. The article caught the attention of producers at WXYZ Channel 7 who shot a six minute segment for the "Target 7" report on Tuesday which aired the next day. Bachman will also be hosting various raffles around town to raise about \$25,000 to finish editing the movie and get it off the ground. Now for the bad news. On Dec. 8, Bachman and his

daughter, Alicia, were driving down the main aisle at the Highland Lakes Shopping Mall headed toward Seven Mile Road in Northville Township when their van was hit broadside. The extent of the damage to the van is not known at this time.

"I was scared to death for Alicia," Bachman said. Both were hospitalized. Bachman was released a few hours later while his 16-year-old daughter was kept overnight and will need to be monitored for a number of months because of the seriousness of her injury.

Club to welcome new members

New members of the Northville Woman's Club will be welcomed at the club's meeting on Dec. 20, following a music program which begins at 1:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary at First Presbyterian Church in Northville.

Kelly Williams, acting director of music at the church, will demonstrate the different capabilities of the Casavant organ through a vari-

ety of Christmas music.

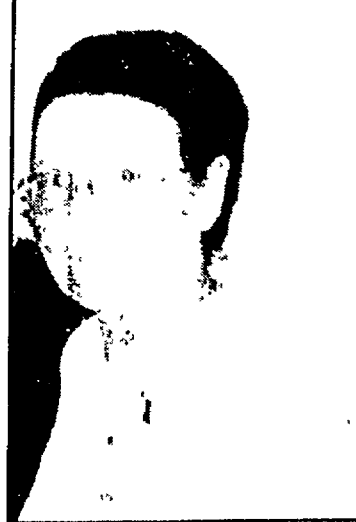
Following Williams' program, Karen Poulos will lead the members and guests in Christmas songs with Williams accompanying on the organ.

The Social Committee will serve a holiday tea honoring the new members after the sing-a-long.

Nancy Naszradi is the chairperson of the day. Guests are welcome and should contact a Northville Woman's Club member if they are interested in attending.

Former physician moves to Ohio

Dr. Victoria Lovewell, who kept her office for the practice of osteopathy for 62 years at 180 East Main Street, has moved from Northville to be near her daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Robert Kirkey and their children and grandchildren in Dublin, Ohio. Her new address in the suburb northwest of Columbus is: The Convallarium at Indian Run, 6430 Post Road, Dublin, Ohio 43017.



Dr. Victoria Lovewell

Dr. Lovewell would enjoy receiving notes and letters from friends, and former neighbors and patients.

If you have information for the *Our Town* column, call Carol Workens at 349-1700.

100 hours in saddle lead to riding award

Ericka Utz of Northville recently earned an award for logging 100 hours in the American Quarter Horse Association Horseback Riding Program. The program provides AQHA members recognition for time spent riding or driving American quarter horses.

A unique aspect of the program is its simplicity. Current AQHA members complete a program application and pay a one-time \$25 enrollment fee. Each enrollee receives an official AQHA log sheet to record his or her hours driving or riding. Participants need not own their horse, but all official hours must be accrued with a registered American quarter horse.

The first award, a program recognition patch, is given after only 50 hours have been logged and verified. Patches and nine subsequent awards are presented at 100- to 5,000-hour levels and range from merchandise gift cer-

tificates from Drysdale's Western Store to a Montana Silversmith trophy belt buckle at the highest level.

At both 1,000 hours and 3,000 hours award recipients receive recognition in *The Quarter Horse Journal*, AQHA's monthly magazine.

Carolyn Hudnell, AQHA director of the Horseback Riding Program, said, "AQHA is so proud to offer this program rewarding people who enjoy riding and driving American quarter horses. Enrollees are doing such diverse activities that it's obvious this program literally fits everyone who likes spending time with horses."

AQHA actively encourages horseback riding as a recreational activity that can be enjoyed alone or shared with family and friends. For additional information, contact Ericka A. Utz, 18607 Innsbrook Drive, No. 1, Northville, MI 48167-2251.

Church Notes

SALEM-WALKER CHURCH. Six Mile and Tower Road in Salem Township, will host an Old Fashioned Christmas Service on Friday, Dec. 20, beginning with hot cider and cookies at 6:30 p.m. Christmas Service begins at 7 p.m. with Rev. Robert Mitchinson of New Hudson United Methodist Church.

The South Lyon First United Methodist Church Choir will lead the "Christmas Carol Sing-a-Long."

THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, 1100 West Ann Arbor Trail, invites the community to experience a wonderful message of peace and love at a lecture entitled "Christmas: The Gift of Love that Heals" on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 4 p.m.

The lecturer is Carol Dee Lewis, C.S. of Evergreen, Colo., who is a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship and a full-time Christian Science practitioner. Child care will be provided for children up to the age of 7. The lecture is free. For details, call 453-1676

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 200 East Main Street in Northville, will have a farewell reception for Acting Director of Christian Education Kevin King on Sunday, Dec. 29, between services at 10:30 a.m. in Ball Fellowship Hall. For more information, call the church at (810) 349-0911.

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH, 46325 Ten Mile Road in Novi, will present the third annual Christmas Concert featuring St. James music director Pierre Fracalanza on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 4 p.m. in the church. The concert is free and a reception will follow. All are welcome. For more information, call the church at 347-7778

Send church information to *The Northville Record* and *The Novi News*, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

Singles

SINGLE PLACE, an adult ministry for single people, meets at First Presbyterian Church of Northville Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for a Sunday morning gathering, followed by a worship service at 11 a.m. and brunch at Northville Crossing at 12:30 p.m. The topic is "Prayer."

On Tuesday, Dec. 24, the group will meet for refreshments prior to the Candlelight Christmas Service at 11 p.m.

On Tuesday, Dec. 31, the group will ring in the New Year beginning at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$23 if purchased by Dec. 29. Tack on \$2 if you wait until after the 29th. The deadline for reservations is Dec. 30.

For information and reservations, call (810) 474-3115.

Sports activities coming up include indoor volleyball on Fridays, Dec. 20 and 27, from 9 until 10:30 p.m. at the Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main Street. The cost is \$4.

Bowling will take place on Friday, Dec. 20, at 8:30 p.m. at Novi Bowl, 21700 Novi Road. The cost is \$6 plus shoes.

A Divorce Recovery Workshop begins on Jan. 9 from 7:30 until 9:30 p.m. Among the topics during the seven week workshop will be networking, stages of grief, legal aspects of divorce, and helping children through divorce. The cost is \$30.

God's Rainbow Children and Divorce Workshop for children ages 5 through 12 with Kathy Sparks, M.A., and Vickie Dwelley, M.A., begins Jan. 9 for six weeks. The cost is \$30 or \$45 for a family.

For more information about any of the Single Place programs or to register, call 349-0911.

HOLY FAMILY SINGLES is a group for separated, divorced, widowed or never-been-married persons. For details, call the Church of the Holy Family at 349-8847.

FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONALS is a non-profit group for singles ages 25-40 who share common interests and want to form new friendships. Membership is not limited to the Farmington area. The group participates in over 350 activities per year.

Every Monday night the group meets at the Maples of Novi on Fourteen Mile Road for euchre, pinocle and dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$7 for members and \$8 for non-members. Cash bar and munchies are available.

For details call the FSP hot line at (810) 851-9909.

Send Singles information to *The Northville Record* and *The Novi News*, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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<p>MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. Novi at 8 Mile Morning Worship 10 a.m. Church School 10 a.m. 348-7157 *Minister: Rev. E. Neil Hurt *Worship of Music: Ray Ferguson</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NOVI 45301 11 Mile at Taft Rd. Home of FFI Christian School Grades 2-12 Sun School 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m. Dr. Gary Ester, Pastor 349-3477</p>
<p>CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL 10 Mile between Taft & Back, Novi Phone 349-1175 Sunday 7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist Sunday 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11 a.m. Sunday School & Nursery</p>	<p>NEW HORIZON COMMUNITY CHURCH Meets at Novi Civic Center (on 10 Mile between Novi & Taft Rd.) Sunday Service: 10:30 to 11 A.M. & Children's Activities Wife: Heusel, Pastor 305-8700 Kurt Schmeitzel, Music Director A Contemporary & Relevant Church</p>
<p>WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 17000 Farmington Rd., Livonia 422-1156 Pastor: Dr. James H. McGure Services 8:00, 9:15, 10:45am, 12:05pm Sunday School & Nursery provided 7:00 pm evening service Service Broadcast 11:00 am WJFL - AM 1030</p>	<p>FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 44400 W. 10 Mile Novi, Nov 349-5666 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd. Richard J. Henderson, Pastor J. Cyrus Smith, Associate Pastor Worship & Church School 9:00 and 10:30 am, Sunday</p>
<p>ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI 46325 10 Mile Rd Novi, MI 48374 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:30 & 11:30 a.m. Reverend James F. Cross, Pastor Parish Office 347-7778</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 217 N. Wing Rev. Stephen Sparks, Pastor 348-1020 Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Boys Brigade 7 p.m. Pioneer Girs 7 p.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.</p>
<p>CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, MI 48375 Masses: Sat 5 pm, Sun 7:30 am, 8:45 am, 10:30 am, 12:15 pm Holy Days: 9 am, 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm Father John Budde, Pastor Father Andrew Tomaska, Assoc. Pastor Parish Office 349-8847</p>	<p>FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 21260 Haggerty, Northville 348-7600 (between 8 & 9 Mile Rds. near Novi Hilltop) Sunday School 9:30 am Morning Worship 10:30 am Evening Celebration 6:00 pm (Nursery provided) Dr. Carl M. Lehn, Pastor</p>
<p>VICTORY LUTHERAN CHURCH (MISSOURI SYNOD) NOVI MEADOWS SCHOOL On Taft Rd. near 11 Mile Road 349-2669 Sunday Worship & School 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.</p>	<p>SPIRIT OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH E.L.C.A. Ten Mile between Haggerty and Meadowbrook Sof 5:30 p.m. Sun 10:00 a.m. Pastor Tom Scharger - 477-6296</p>
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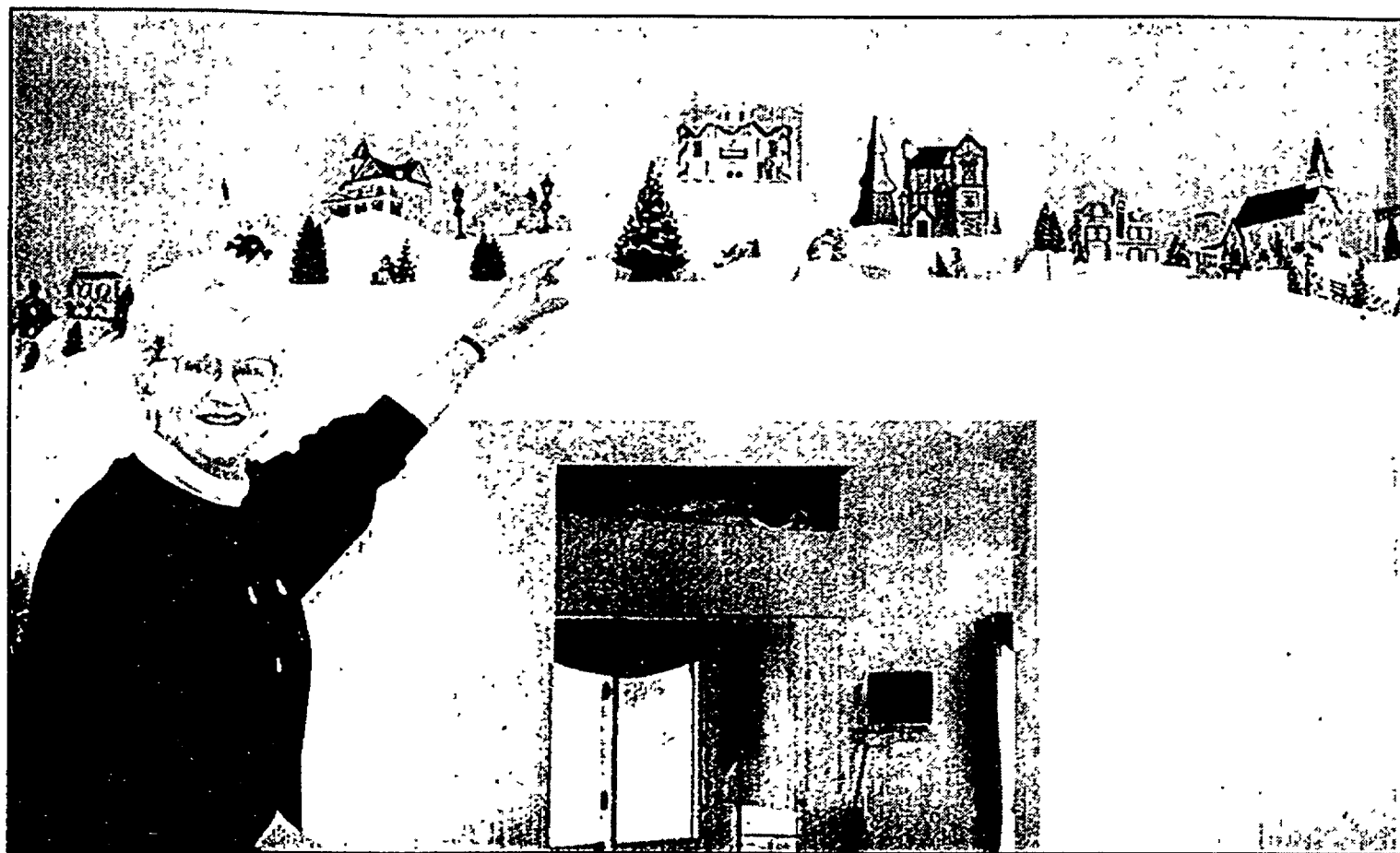


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Gerry Besh added electrical outlets to the ledge in her home during the building stage to accommodate a Christmas village.

Little lights glow for the holidays

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

When Gerry Besh and her husband, Richard, were in the middle of building their new home in Northville Township, thoughts of sugar plum fairies began dancing in Gerry's head but not just because the construction coincided with the Christmas holiday season.

Residents of Northville for 25 years, the Besh's new home has about a 20 foot ledge along the walls in the foyer and dining room that was perfect for Gerry's Christmas village display. The Beshes had the electrician install outlets on the ledge and a switch on the wall.

Now that the village has electric

ty, with the flick of a switch, it seems to come to life when the lights in many of the homes shine through the little windows.

Gerry started collecting the miniature village about 15 years ago before they became popular.

In her previous home, they were displayed on the mantel and on other tables.

The village of 25 houses, buildings and churches, as well as lampposts and trees, looks as if it winds around the side of a snowy hill.

"I have a lot of churches. I really like churches," she said.

Daughter Cara has brought her mother various houses and buildings from her trips out of town.

Gerry's family even bought her a

"Meijer" supermarket store as a joke.

"They call me the Meijer queen, because I'm at Meijer all the time," she said.

The Beshes have four grown children, two boys and two girls, and four grandchildren, also two boys and two girls.

Right after Thanksgiving the village is set up with Gerry holding the ladder while Cara arranges each of the pieces.

"That way I get the most use out of them," she said.

Although Gerry has been collecting the pieces one at a time over the last decade and a half, she said the village is almost complete.

"I don't think I'm going to get any more now. I think I've quit,"

she said. "I would like to have more trees."

During the holidays, the village replaces the silk plants which are usually on the ledge. A silver reindeer with a gold bow, a white teddy bear in a Santa outfit and a leather camel have been added to the silk plants which have been moved to the stairs leading to the lower level for Christmas.

Other Christmas decorations in Gerry's home include a variety of miniature Christmas trees on a ledge in the kitchen, a contemporary glass and white ceramic nativity scene, Christmas teddys in front of the fireplace and an arrangement of miniature glass Christmas trees on the mantel.

All they want for Christmas is ...

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Dear Santa:
I would like teeny tiny tumble suprise, but I would like the dog and kitten one, also a pound puppies with the one mommy and 5 babies. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happ New Year! Thank you for all the presendents every year.

I love you,
Angelina

Dear Santa:
I got the letter that you sent me.

Kevin

Dear Santa:
I've been very good girl. Please bring me "Come here puppy" dalmations and baby twins.

Love
Delaney

Dear Santa:
Please Santa helicopter safe landing, video camera, legos, metal set, building set, bicycle, binoculars

Iain

Dear Santa:
I've been a realey good girl. I take good care of my sister.

Love,
Kasey

Dear Santa:
I have been a good girl this year I want a barbies, close, flowers, starhat, money, barbie, mall, nail polish, hats, a bell off your sleigh, a candle, marker, crayons.

Thank you,
Love,
Sarah

Dear Santa:
I have been a pretty good prosn. I want a barbie dreamhouse, jeans, tights, porcelain doll, nail polish, and a gold bell from your sleigh.

Thank you Santa,
Morgan

And if you can I want a mom.

Dear Santa:
I loe you.
Beanie babys, Arthr tugguls, Arthr books.

Love,
Carissa

Dear Santa:
I would like to know how you run your operation (how do you do it all?)

from
Ross

Dear Santa:
Could I have a transformer for Christmas? I hope you are doing well and I will have a plate of cookies waiting for you!

Derek

Dear Santa:
Please bring me baby go bye bye and a toy, and bike.

Good bye, love
Shannon

Dear Santa:
What I really, really want for Christmas ... is for my best friend, Ryan ... to come back to my house. He left because I made fun of him too much. We used to hev fun. But, he doesn't like me anymore.

I loved him.

Thanks Santa!
Maureen

Dear Santa:
Beeny Babie Gosebumps dummy. Gurglin subzero hilga hertal.

Ian

Dear Santa:
This is the poem I am saying for the Xmas play: "Three Kings." For Xmas I would like my own CD player. I would like Mighty ducks D(1) and D(2) on CD. I need my own robot to do my homework. I need "Treasure Mountain" for the computer.

Love,
Stephen

P.S. I was good.

Dear Santa:
I am nine years old and am in desprate need of a phone. I also want an Alanis Morsitte CD. I wish for world peace and no hate.

Love and gratitude,
Jackie

P.S. I love makeup, Toys R Us and bodyard bath wash. (You are fake.)

Dear Santa:
I want babas (the more the merrier of the Christmas.)

Love and gratitude,
Jessica Rae

Dear Santa:
Doll carry out case.

Ashley

Dear Santa:
Bike.

Kelsey

On Campus

BRENDA NEWTON, the daughter of L. Jean and Orrin Newton of Northville, has been elected for membership into Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering honor society. Tau Beta Pi represents the highest honor which can be achieved by an engineering student. Membership is awarded on the basis of high scholarship and exemplary character.

Newton is a junior at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and expects to graduate with a degree in industrial and operations engineering in December 1998. Newton graduated from Northville High

School in 1994.

EDWARD SCHARF of Northville, a sophomore, qualified for St. Mary's Preparatory School honor roll. To receive recognition, students must earn an average of 3.7 or better.

Northville residents named on the list of bachelor's degree candidates for the fall semester of this year at Michigan State University are: **ERIC D. BLACK**, microbiology; **TIMOTHY P. BURCH**, electrical engineering; **KATHLEEN CRYDERMAN**, biosystems engineering.

STEPHEN P. GRIFFIN, social science-human resource; **ROBERT WILLIAM HOLLOWAY**, mechanical engineering (high honors); **JAMES A. LUEBBE**, general business administration; and **KATHERINE M. MAIR**, marketing.

STEVEN J. QUARTERMAN and **EDWARD J. ROHN** are working as disk jockeys for the Ablon College radio station, WLBN.

WLBN is managed and run by students and is available through the new campus cable system and over the airwaves. Quarterman is a senior majoring

in biology. He is the son of William and Gilberta Quarterman of Northville and a graduate of Harrison High School.

Rohn, a senior majoring in anthropology and sociology, is the son of Edward and Christina Rohn of Northville. He is a graduate of Northville High School.

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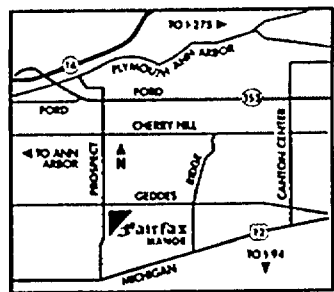
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School News

COOKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

The holidays are upon us. Cooke has been busy with a variety of activities. The December PTSA meeting was held Dec. 5 with President Dale Otterman presiding. The annual potluck holiday party was held afterwards. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Cooke PTSA now has 340 members. That is 40 more members than last year. PTSA will receive a certificate and a pin from the state PTSA in recognition of this achievement. This is another example of the continued commitment made by our Cooke family.

The seventh and eighth grade band concert was held Dec. 12 and the choir concert took place Dec. 17. Both concerts were well attended and our students again provided us with outstanding performances.

Each year the Mother's Club raises money for our schools by asking for donations in memory of or in honor of someone. Each school sends a student who most represents his or her school to be a "lighter" for the Northville Christmas tree. This year Jenni Geist was the Cooke representative.

The elective classes are sponsoring a blanket drive for needy families. They will be delivered within Detroit by A.F.O.T.H. (Active Friends of the Homeless). Our student council collected gifts for children in Detroit which will be distributed by the Wolverine Human Services. The student council also donated \$150 to buy gifts for these children. In addition, student council donated \$150 to the Stephanie Smith fund. Stephanie is a young child from Belleville who needs a stem cell transplant.

Congratulations to the Cooke KMO team. At a recent competition they placed sixth in Michigan out of 38 teams. They ranked 110th out of 1,114 schools overall, putting Cooke in the top 10 percent of all competing schools in the middle school division. Sue Spaniol is the KMO coach.

At the American Jr. High School Mathematics competition, Cooke students fared extremely well. First place ratings were earned by Timothy Ferng and John Berg. Second place: Neelam Vashi. Third place: Joseph Adamson, Trace Evans, Anthony Golumbell, and Rachel Huang.

Mrs. Pasco, Mr. Seigreen, Mrs. Krause, and Miss Murphy delighted their seventh grade students by bringing in a speaker who was accompanied by a clouded leopard, a three-toed sloth, a scarlet macaw and others. The students were amazed at how trusting the animals seemed with him. This is part of their year long study of endangered animals.

Students "Caught Being Good" this month were: Jonathan Masnari, Nicole Ozog, and Michael Shaffer. Citizens of the Month were: Sixth grade - John Fleming, Dawn Southwick, Karen Oteyza, Ben Sherman, Allison Andrews, and Gerald Breitenbeck. Seventh grade - Stefanie Russell, Bobby Hall, Jackie Risher, and Kaitlin Hayes. Eighth grade - Lauren Karol, Rafe Petty, Scott Foley, Nick Nerio, and Emily Brintenbeck. Colleague of the Month is Bev Schellhase, who is a sixth and seventh grade band teacher.

As part of the middle school improvement process, the Cooke School Improvement Committee has revised the Cooke Mission Statement along with the Bellef Statement. These will be posted in classrooms and throughout the school.

Winter recess begins after school on Dec. 20, with classes resuming on Jan. 6, 1997. Enjoy this time with your family and friends. The next PTSA meeting will be Jan. 9 at 9:15 a.m.

-Janice Olson, Cooke publicity

MEADS MILL

Merry Christmas from Meads Mill. Keeping up with the holiday spirit the eighth graders at Meads had a Thanksgiving project called the "Giving Tree" from Nov. 18 to Dec. 13. Items were collected for the children of Wolverine Human Services.

Our student performance for the 1996-97 first quarter was almost identical to last year's grades. It was a very good reporting period with the total grade point average being 3.10.

The 10 finalists for the "America and Me" contest have been selected and their essays have been sent to the state contest. The finalists are: Poven Shia, Joanna Lee, Michelle Tomes, Sara Sarkisian, Kris Betker, Brandon Langston, Lauren Phillips, Katie Chenoweth, Katie O'Connell, and Brian Scott. Congratulations.

The first band concert at Meads was held Dec. 11. Many seventh and eighth grade band students will participate in the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association's District 12, Solo and Ensemble competition at Livonia Franklin High School on Jan. 25, 1997.

Also in January, the Northville High School volleyball team will be hosting a volleyball clinic for all the middle school girls interested in playing volleyball. The clinic will be held Jan. 25 at 9 a.m. Brochures can be picked up at the main office.

We are very happy to report that \$580 was raised for Mrs. Seiler, a high school teacher being treated for leukemia, during the annual Turkey Trot at Meads in November. Thanks so much for all the donations. We would also like to thank all the businesses who donated for this year's event: Plymouth Market, Genitti's, Chesapeake Bagel, Riverside Roller Rink, and the Meads Mill, Cooke, and high school staffs.

This year we have continued the "Be True To Your School" program. Any receipt from any Twelve Oaks store, restaurant or movie dated between September and March 1997 can be stamped and recorded at the little red school houses located throughout the mall. Receipts are tallied and points are credited to our school for books, videos and computers.

Our citizens of the month for November include Erin Banner, James Beson, Leslie Hammett, Krystal Migrin, Allison Pawlowski, Colleen Ruprecht, Kelly Smith, Bonnie Bakewell, Joseph Gallagher, Joseph Lamanna, Karen O'Connor, Elizabeth Ricketts, John Sannar, Kyle Wargo, and Kevin Wilber. Those "caught being good" include Danica Bellon, Jennifer Magliocco, Joshua Meyer, Ashley Potchynok, Cedric Tai, Nicholas Lysaght, William McIntosh, Emily Ott, Daniel Silverman and Joseph Xerub. Congratulations.

The holiday recess will begin at the end of the day on Dec. 20 and classes will resume on Jan. 6. The next PTSA meeting will be held Jan. 16 at 9:30 a.m.

-Lissette Macfarlane

Weddings



Wendy and Duane Bosma

Wendy Rachelle Carroll and Duane Allen Bosma were married June 15, 1996, at Christ Memorial Church in Holland, Mich. Rev. Tim Brown, friend of the bride and groom, officiated at the double ring ceremony. Soloists were Matt Neil and Hollie Lighon, friends of the couple. The bride's father sang *The Lord's Prayer*.

The bride is the daughter of Dick and Liz Carroll of Northville, formerly of Newburgh, Ind. She graduated in 1992 from Northville High School. In 1996, she received her bachelor of arts degree from Hope College. She is now teaching at Magic Balloons Creche in Steinsel, Luxembourg.

Attending the bride were her sisters Jayne and Erin Carroll, both of Newburgh, Ind. Bridesmaids were Michelle McNally of Northville, friend of the bride, and Rhonda Bloem of Wyoming, Mich., sister of the groom. The flower girl was Lindsey Carroll of Newburgh, niece of the bride.

The bride wore a white, puff sleeve, starlite satin gown featuring a sweetheart neckline sculptured with alencon lace and flowerettes of satin braid. The fitted dropped waist bodice embellished in the front with satin braiding, pearls seed pearls, iridescent sequins and

a starburst of drop pearls, topped a billowing skirt.

The bride carried a bouquet consisting of tendrils of English ivy, white tulips, red roses, bouvardia, surrounding a white gardenia. Streams of gold mini ribbon held the couple's grandparents' wedding rings and cross in their memory.

The groom is the son of Tom and Sharon Bosma of Wyoming, Mich. He graduated in 1992 from Calvin Christian High School. He received his bachelor of arts degree from Hope College in 1996. He is now playing basketball for Amicale Steinsel in Luxembourg.

Attending as best man was the groom's brother, Randy Bosma of Wyoming, Mich. Groomsmen were Eric Van Naman of Wyoming, Curt Zondervan of Kalamazoo, both friends of the groom, and Matt Carroll of Northville, brother of the bride.

The reception was held at Rembrandts at Bridgewater in Grand Rapids. Todd and Darla Sysma of Grand Rapids served as the master and mistress of ceremonies with Phil Conover on the piano. All are friends of the couple.

The couple went to Orlando, Fla., for their wedding trip. They now live in Steinsel, Luxembourg.



Rachel and Randy Stinson

Rachel Rose Stone Arnold and Randal Gregory Stinson were married Aug. 3, 1996, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Tecumseh, Mich. Rev. Ian F. Brown, of St. John's Episcopal Church in Clinton, Mich., officiated at the service. Providing the music was organist Dan Meikle of Clinton, and trumpeter Charles Larkins of Ann Arbor.

A reception for 300 guests followed at the Tecumseh Masonic Temple.

Catering the reception were Pat and Sharon Connors of Classic Catering in Tecumseh. The flowers were from Helen Miller of Flowers & Such in Adrian. The wedding cake was created by Barb Ahrens.

The bride is the daughter of David and Rose Arnold of Clinton, Mich. In May 1997, she will graduate from the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in materials III, science, and engineering.

Attending the bride was maid of honor Laura Faust of Clinton. Bridesmaids were Annalise Arkison and Karanne Kraeger of Clinton, and Karen (Stinson) Moore of Northville.

The bridal gown was designed by the bride and her mother, and was made by her mother.

The groom is the son of Phillip and Susan Stinson of Northville. He will also be graduating from the University of Michigan in May of next year with a bachelor's degree in actuarial mathematics.

Serving as best man was Timothy Duff of Northville. Groomsmen were Jacob Arnold and Nathan Arnold of Clinton, and Brandon Cuadra of Northville. The ushers were Scott Higgins, J. Moore and Craig Willey, all from Northville.

The couple enjoyed a three-week honeymoon in Australia and New Zealand and now reside in Ann Arbor.

Do you have news to share?

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Actor cast in Dickens' classic

Michael Robert Brandon has been cast as Caroler, Fezzwig and Fred Guest in Meadow Brook Theatre's 15th anniversary production of *A Christmas Carol*, which runs through Dec. 29.

The Northville resident has appeared on Off-Broadway as David in *Just Another Star in New York City* and as God in the premier of *One Day Longer*.

Regional and community credits include Sweeney Todd in *Sweeney Todd*, Player in *Pippin*, Padre in *Man of La Mancha*, Renfield in *Dracula* and the Wolf in *Into the Woods*.

Brandon has also appeared on television's *Law and Order* and *The Cosby Mysteries*.

Film credits include the role of Todd Malcolm in *Jeffrey*, Satan in the psycho-thriller *Hatred of a Minute* and the diabolical killer, Lollipop Man, in the soon-to-be-released *Kiss and Tell*.

Thirty two actors will play over 70 roles in 36 scenes with veteran actor Booth Colman returning to play the cantankerous Ebenezer

Scrooge for the 14th season at Meadowbrook.

The 1996 production of *A Christmas Carol* features a new set, new costumes and a traditional telling of the Dickens' classic. Mary Spaulding's adaptation has been used, because it is so close to the Dickens original, according to Artistic Director Geoffrey Sherman.

In the story, miserly Ebenezer Scrooge encounters four ghosts over the course of one Christmas Eve. Their influence, and that of the crippled son of an employee, changes Scrooge's life forever.

There are supernatural entrances and exits, a 12-foot tall Spirit of Christmas Future, a 16-foot Christmas tree, lots of fog, falling snow and more carolling than in previous years.

Performances are scheduled for Dec. 19 through 22 and Dec. 25 through 29.

Tickets are available through Ticketmaster or by calling (810) 377-3300.



Michael Brandon has three roles in 'A Christmas Carol.'

In town

Submit items for the entertainment listings to The Northville Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167, or fax to 349-1050.

AUDITIONS

HUCKLEBERRY FINN: Paper Bag Productions will hold auditions for *Huckleberry Finn* on Saturday, Jan. 4, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. and on Sunday, Jan. 5, from noon until 4 p.m. at the Historic Players Club, 3321 East Jefferson between Mt. Elliott and McDougall - across from Harbortown in Detroit.

Auditions are open to all children from 8 to 18 regardless of experience. Auditioners should prepare something to sing (an accompanist will be provided) and readings will be from the script.

Performance dates are Feb. 15 through May 18.

For details, call (810) 662-8118.

CHORUS AUDITIONS: Plymouth Community Chorus will hold open auditions Jan. 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Road west of Sheldon in Plymouth. Auditions by appointment will take place on Jan. 13, 21, and 28 at 7 p.m.

All voices, but especially tenors, are needed.

For appointments call (313) 455-4080

COMMUNITY CHOIR: The Schoolcraft College Community Choir will hold auditions for new members on Jan. 7 at 7 p.m. at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, west of Inkster Road, in Livonia. Experienced singers of all voice parts are invited.

The choir will be performing the Brahms "Requiem" at a spring concert and will learn additional selections for the Schoolcraft College "Collage" concert in April.

Participants may receive either continuing education or regular academic credit through the college.

For more information, call (810) 349-8175.

AUTHENTIC BRITISH BRASS BAND: The Motor City Brass Band is conducting interviews for cornet and percussion players. Founded in 1996, North America's newest brass band's first full season with performances through the holidays will culminate with a championship competition in Red Wing, Minn.

For more information, call founder John Aren at (313) 531-7389.

SPECIAL EVENTS

TOY AND HOBBY EXPO: "The Magical World of Lionel Trains" comes to the Novi Expo Center on Dec. 27, 28 and 29.

The Center is located at 43700 Expo Center Drive (I-96 and Novi Road, exit 162).

Hours are Friday, 5-9 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., and Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Admission to the expo is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children ages 4 through 12, and includes the train display. Parking is \$4.

NEW ORCHESTRA: The Novi Arts Council is exploring the possibility of forming a community orchestra. Interested people should call Melissa O'Rear at (810) 347-0400

PERFORMER'S SHOWCASE:

The public is invited to attend the Performer's Showcase performances held prior to select city council meetings in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. On occasion, performances may be taped by Time Warner and cablecast to residents.

Musicians, actors, poets, dancers, etc. are invited to submit application forms and audition tapes, if available, to the Novi Arts Council.

For details, contact the arts council, 347-0400.

CARRIAGE RIDES: Northville Carriage Co. offers carriage rides throughout the year and packages for holidays and special occasions. For more information or reservations, call Northville Carriage Co. at 380-3961.

THEATER

TIMBERS SEAFOOD GRILLE: On New Year's Eve Classic Productions presents Johnny Ginger, Marv Welch and Becci Vann Show at Timbers, the home of Bananas Comedy Club, 40380 Grand River west of Haggerty Road in Novi. The evening includes live music, dancing and a late, all-you-can-eat buffet breakfast. Cost is \$40. Dinner will be offered.

For ticket information, call (313) 724-1300.

MARQUIS THEATRE: Performances of the classic *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* will take place Saturdays and Sundays through Jan. 26 and weekdays Dec. 26, 27, 30, 31 and Jan. 2 and 3. All shows are at 2:30 p.m.

The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main Street in Northville. For more information, call 349-8110.

MUSIC

THE RAVEN GALLERY & ACOUSTIC CAFE: The Raven will present open mike night on Wednesdays, all acoustic music, string instruments, horns and some jazz on Friday and Saturday evenings and a variety of entertainment brunches on Sundays.

Upcoming performances include Priscilla Ederle on Dec. 19; Jim Perkins on Dec. 20; Phil Marcus Esser and Barbara Bredius on Dec. 21; Marianne Murphy and Ron Ellman on Dec. 27; and Righteous Willy on Dec. 28.

The Raven is located at 145 N. Center Street in downtown Northville. For ticket information or reservations, call 349-9420.

GENITTI'S HOLE-IN-THE-WALL: Performances of "Holidays-R-U" will take place on Dec. 21 and 22.

The 1996 holiday interactive comedy "It's a bLUnderful Life" runs through Dec. 31. Join Jimmy, who is contemplating ending his life, and Gerri the Genie as she takes Jimmy through three decades of his life with the added

bonus of seeing what life in Detroit would have been like if Jimmy had never existed.

Genitti's is located at 108 E. Main Street in Northville.

For more information or to make a reservation, call (810) 349-0522

JAZZ NIGHT: DePalma's Dining and Cocktails, 31735 Plymouth Road in Livonia, offers live entertainment. Larry Nozero and Friends perform intimate jazz from 8 to 11 p.m. on Mondays.

Ron DePalma plays jazz piano from 7 to 11 p.m. every Tuesday featuring a wide variety of guest performers. Guest singers are welcome.

The Enrico Caruso Society performs live opera from 7 to 10 p.m. every Wednesday and strolling musicians David and Francesco entertain diners on the accordion, mandolin and guitar from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Thursdays.

MR. B'S FARM: Mr. B's Farm is located at Novi Road north of Ten Mile.

For details, call 349-7038

ART

GATE VI GALLERY: Gate VI Gallery is located in the Novi Civic Center.

Local artists interested in exhibiting at the Civic Center should call (810) 347-0400.

Exhibits are in the atrium of the Civic Center for viewing during the hours that the Civic Center is open.

ART SOURCE: Art Source is located at 126 Main Centre in Northville.

An exhibition by local photographer Bryan Mitchell, which includes his personal body of work reflecting his love for nature and landscape, continues through Dec. 24.

Mitchell, formerly the staff photographer of *The Northville Record* and *Novi News*, is an award-winning photojournalist whose work has been published in local and international newspapers as well as nationally circulated magazines.

Holiday hours are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. until 8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Sunday noon until 4 p.m.

For more information, call (810) 348-1213.

D&M ART STUDIO: The studio features a variety of artists working and/or exhibiting pieces including watercolors, acrylics, pottery and black and white prints.

The gallery is located at 43450 Grand River in Novi. Hours are 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and Sunday noon until 4 p.m.

For more information, call 380-7059.

DANCING EYE GALLERY: The gallery is located at 150 N. Center Street, Suite A, behind Tuscan Cafe in Northville. Hours are Tuesday through Thursday 11 a.m. until 7 p.m.; Friday from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m.; Saturday from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m.; and Sunday noon to 4 p.m. Closed on Monday.

For details, call (810) 449-7086.

ATRIUM GALLERY: The gallery is featuring artist Laura Mostagel and 50 contemporary jewelers showing earrings, necklaces, pin/pendants, pins, rings and bracelets using sterling silver, bronze, copper, dichroic glass, semi-precious stones and porcelain.

Atrium Gallery is located at 109 N. Center in downtown Northville. Holiday hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday.

For details, call (810) 349-4131.

BACKDOOR GALLERY: Farmington's Backdoor Gallery on 37220 Eight Mile Road specializes in unusual art dolls. The gallery is in the home of co-owner Kathy Landers. She and the other owner, Kathleen Bricker, are both artists.

Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays; and by appointment. Call 474-8306.

PAINTER'S PLACE: Original Northville Christmas cards from the last 16 years which include scenes from Main Street and Mill Race Village created by Caroline Dunphy are now on display in the windows of her gallery at 140 N. Center Street in downtown Northville.

Gallery hours are Tuesday through Thursday from noon until 4 p.m. or by appointment.

Call 348-9544 for details.

MUSEUMS

MOTORSPORTS: The Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame features 75 racing vehicles of all types, covering a 90-year time span. Highlights include a 1965 Novi Indy Special, 1903 Packard Grey Wolf, Art Arfons' first jet-powered "Green Monster," 1960 Miss U.S. unlimited hydroplane, racing motorcycles, Indy cars, stock cars, sports cars and drag racers.

The museum is located in the Novi Expo Center. Admission is \$4, \$2 for seniors and children. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

For information, call (810) 349-RACE.

NEARBY

LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS: "Light the Candles ... Trim the Tree!" the Livonia Civic Chorus's 32nd annual holiday concert, will take place on Sunday, Dec. 22, at the Clarenceville Auditorium, located on Middlebelt Road just south of Eight Mile in Livonia. Showtime is 3 p.m. and admission is free.

For more information, call Nancy Fees at (810) 477-8239.

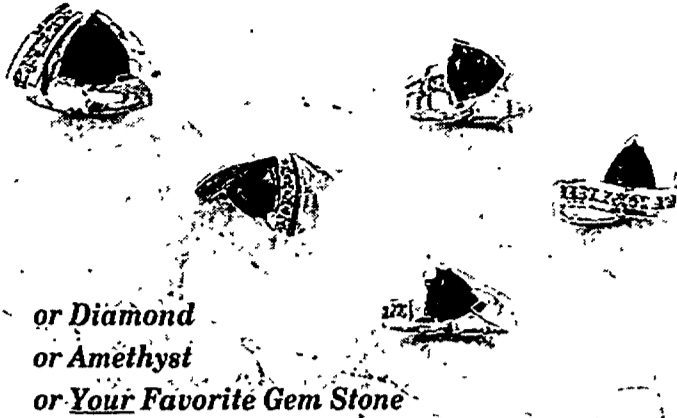
PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM: "Visions of Christmas" will be on display through Jan. 26, 1997.

The Plymouth Historical Museum is open Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 1 until 4 p.m., and Sunday from 2 until 5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students (5-17). There is a family rate of \$5.

The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main Street in Plymouth.

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'Space Jam' brings out the kid in us all

SPACE JAM
BY HEATHER WADOWSKI
NORTHVILLE

READER MOVIE REVIEWS

Bugs Bunny, Daffy Duck, even Tweety Bird, hit the big screen with "Space Jam," a holiday movie aimed at kids and those who are young at heart. And let me just say one thing... "Space Jam" rocks.

"Space Jam" tells the story of how the Looney Tunes gang gets held hostage by a bunch of cute little aliens and their leader, voiced by Danny DeVito. In order to be set free, the Looney Tunes characters must beat the aliens at a game of basketball.

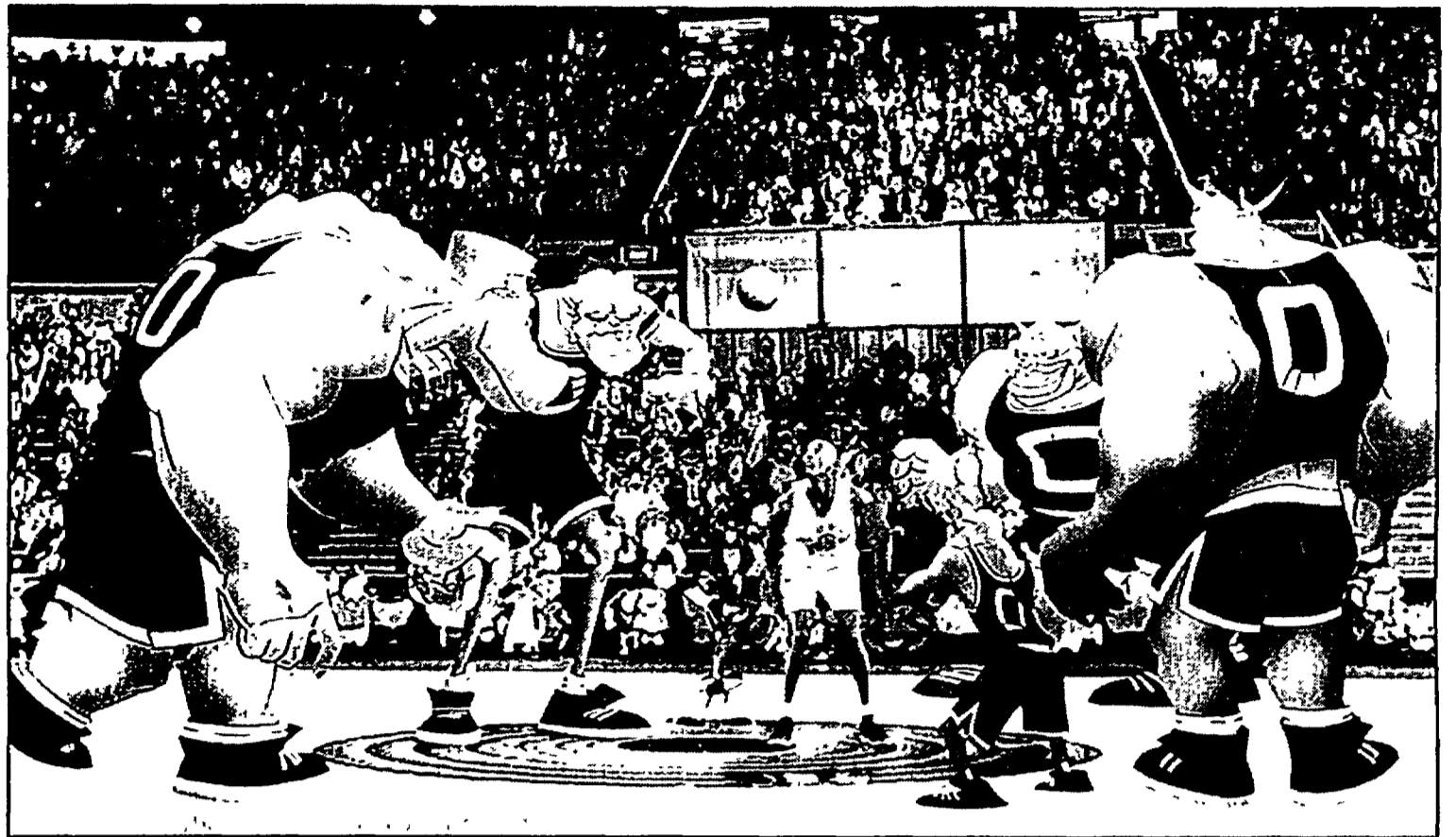
Sounds simple, since these aliens are all under two feet tall, right?

Well, what Bugs and his pals are about to find out is that these cute little aliens have special powers that will let them literally suck the talent out of the NBA's star players and put that talent inside them

Uh-oh. What's the Looney Tunes gang to do? Call on Michael Jordan to help, of course!

"Space Jam" is filled with humor, tons of great music to jam to, and even a few scary moments. (As scary as a cartoon can be, that is.) That's why "Space Jam" receives five stars out of five, with five being must-see material.

"Space Jam" isn't just for the kids, but for the kid in all of us



Marvin the Martian tips the basketball as Michael Jordan (center) faces the incredible Monstars, left to right, Bang, Blanko, Pound, Bupkus and the smallest Monstar, Nawl, during the big game in Warner Bros.' live-action/animated comedy, "Space Jam."

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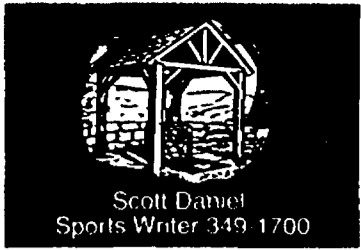
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Cagers dump Edsel Ford behind Arenz

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

It's not often a team commits more than 30 turnovers and wins. But Northville High did just that Friday night by beating Dearborn Edsel Ford, 80-71, in its home opener.

Down by two going into the second quarter, the Mustangs outscored Dearborn by 11 and never trailed again.

"I was really pleased with the victory," coach Tim Turner said, "except for the turnovers."

"All of our players worked extremely hard. We were out-manned and out-sized, but we got the victory."

Free throws were key. Northville made 34 of 52 for the game, including 23 of 31 in the fourth quarter.

"It was a real crazy game," said Turner.

Edsel Ford's style made it that way. The Thunderbirds continuously pressed and trapped full court.

It made for an extremely up-tempo game, which is usually to Turner's liking. But this was a bit much even for him.

"They forced us to play fast," he said. "Faster than what we wanted."

It resulted in lots of turnovers for the Mustangs. Fortunately,

"I was really pleased with the victory except for the turnovers. All of our players worked extremely hard. We were out-manned and out-sized, but we got the victory."

TIM TURNER
Northville High basketball coach

Edsel Ford wasn't able to capitalize on many of their steals.

Edsel Ford presented problems on offense as well. According to Turner, Dearborn's Ghassan Taha "can light it up" with his shooting ability.

It forced Northville into a "diamond and one" defense, which is man-to-man on one player (Taha) and zone for the other four. Turner said it was a mistake on his part.

"The other guys scored too easily," he said.

Northville held Taha in check, but Edsel Ford was able to take a 21-19 lead after one quarter anyway.

Turner changed the defense to a

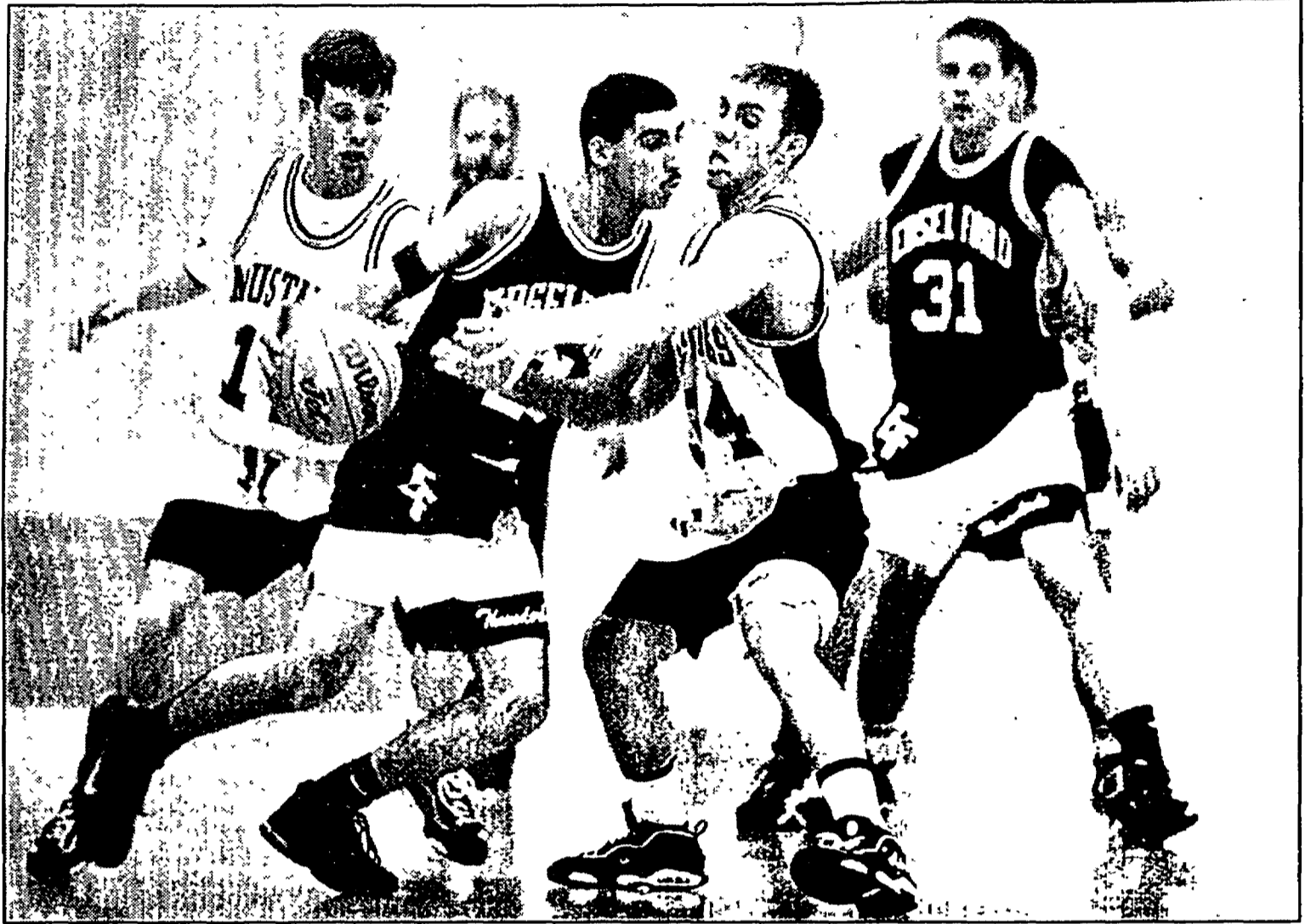


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Phil Kozdron turns up the defensive pressure against Dearborn Edsel Ford in Friday's game.

straight zone in the second quarter.

"That seemed to confuse them," he said.

Northville took a 34-25 lead into halftime. Jeff Arenz led the second quarter charge with five points while Kelly Bingley added four.

The Mustangs increased their lead by six in the third quarter.

Trailing 53-38, Dearborn rallied in the fourth. Led by Taha's 11 points in the period, the Thunderbirds cut the lead down to one with about three minutes to go.

But Northville held tough and

made enough free throws to win comfortably.

"I thought it showed a lot of character on our part," Turner said.

Arenz led Northville with 21 points while Dave Terakedis added 16 and Bingley 13.

"Bingley was outstanding," said Turner. "He made a lot of things happen."

Taha had 18 for Dearborn. Northville improved to 2-0 with the win. The Mustangs host South

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Canton team to beat in Western Division basketball race

Christmas is a wonderful time of year. Families get together to exchange gifts and spend time with each other, old friends visit from out of town, and for a few weeks at least, the world is a little better place to live in.



Scott Daniel

It's also a great time of the year for basketball. If you haven't noticed, boys' hoops is in full swing and the fun won't stop until a state champion is crowned next March.

Our own Mustangs are off to a fast start with wins over Livonia Stevenson and Dearborn Edsel Ford.

Northville is back to its run-and-gun style averaging better than 70 points in those contests.

The Black and Orange host South Lyon tomorrow at 7 p.m. before playing in the Christmas tournament Saturday and Monday.

The Western Lakes Activities Association race then heats up after the first of the year as Northville plays

Salem at home on Jan. 10. Just where will our Mustangs wind up in the conference race this season?

That's a hard question to answer for more than one reason.

First of all, nobody has a line on what Northville is capable of this year. The Mustangs starting five are all new.

Thus far, everyone seems to be blending in well. But what about over the long haul?

Will the lack of size come back to haunt Northville or will its all-out style and deep bench be enough to surprise a lot of teams? Your guess is as good as mine.

As for the WLAA, there's no clear-cut favorite. In recent years, Walled Lake Central, Westland John Glenn and Plymouth Canton have taken turns dominating.

The Chiefs, in fact, have won the past two conference titles. But graduation losses have hurt their chances for a three-peat.

Who will be the champ? Who'll win the Western and Lakes divisions?

Being the sports scribe of Northville, it's my job to provide you with answers. So I'm going to stick my neck way, way out here and make some predictions

Let's start with the Western Division. Canton lost a ton of talent to graduation in the form of Ron Hunter (18 points per game) and Mark Bray (13 ppg). But the pantry is hardly bare for the Chiefs.

Rob Johnson, a 6-foot-4 forward, should pick up some of the scoring slack. Fine all-around point guard Nick Hurley will be an asset, and Canton has four more players at 6-4 or better.

When all is said and done, look for the Chiefs to win the west.

At Walled Lake Western, the Warriors also return several fine players. Guard Mike Massey is the leader while Mark Mitchell and Mike Myers are also capable scorers.

Walled Lake doesn't have Canton's size, but if the Chiefs slip, the Warriors could pick up the pieces. Western takes second place.

As much as it pains me to say it, I think the Mustangs will finish third in the west. Coach Tim Turner seems to get the most out of his players every season. But Northville lacks experience and size.

My feeling is that the Mustangs will beat the teams they should beat, but simply won't match up with the upper echelon squads.

The rest of the division is a toss up. Look for Farmington Hills Harrison to take fourth. The Hawks seem to have decent depth and capable scorers in Matt Derocher, Brian Lewis and Jerrard Johnson.

Livonia Churchill gets the nod for fifth. The Chargers have one of the league's better players in Shawn Woloszyn and a decent supporting cast.

That leaves the basement for Livonia Franklin. The Patriots feature 6-8 big-man Matt Bauman and guard Brian Facione. But both are coming off injuries and may not be enough to keep Franklin out of sixth.

In the Lakes Division, John Glenn should take the title. The Rockets lost star Albert Jones, but have a host of excellent returners such as 6-4 David Jarrett.

Salem will rebound from an 8-13 campaign to take second. Walled Lake Central should be the division's other top squad.

In the conference final, Westland up ends Canton by five for the championship. You heard it hear first.

Scott Daniel is the sports editor of the Northville Record and Next News.

Grapplers take 5th at G.C. tourney

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Rick Torrence earned his second straight wrestling tournament championship Saturday.

The Northville High junior captured the 119-pound title at the Garden City Invitational. Now 10-0 on the season, Torrence may be one of the best wrestlers in the area.

"He has the drive and the skill this year to go with the drive," Mustang assistant coach Bob Townsend said. "He's a great kid."

Northville did pretty well as a team, too, taking fifth out of 20 schools.

"It's two places higher than we finished last year," Townsend said. "We were in second place for awhile."

Conference rival Livonia Stevenson took the invitational title with 169 points. Westland John Glenn was second at 159, Trenton third at 149.5, Melvindale fourth at 144 and Northville had 127 points for fifth place.

"It was a good showing," said Townsend.

Most Northville wrestlers were able to win at least one match in the tournament.

At 103 pounds, for example, Ben Ashby garnered a pin in his first

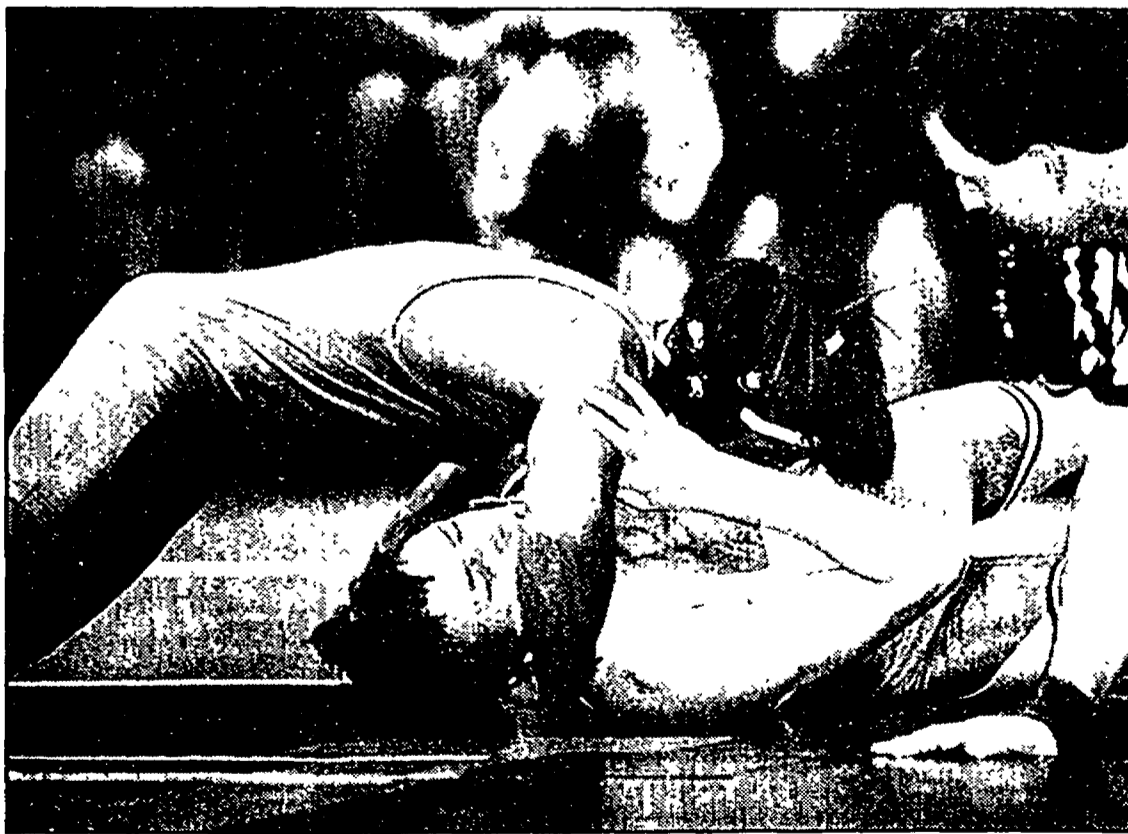


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Nick Sriraman, seen here earlier this season, took third place in his division Saturday.

round match. He then dropped his next two matches and was eliminated.

Nick Sriraman was the third seed at 112 pounds and took third place. He split his first two matches then took an 11-2 decision in the final round for third place.

Townsend said Sriraman showed a lot of poise to bounce back with the win.

"He's our most veteran wrestler," the coach added. "He showed a lot of character."

Torrence dominated the 119 pound division. He pinned his first two opponents then decisioned two more victims for the title.

Torrence trailed in the final, 2-1, before earning three points on a take down and escape to win 4-2. Townsend said Torrence held on to the lead by wrestling defensively.

"He rode the kid for a whole period," he added.

Eric Staples went 2-2 in the tournament. The 125-pounder missed placing by falling in over-

time in his final match.

"He wrestled well," Townsend said.

Anun Saran went 1-2 at 130 pounds. Dan Scappatucci did the same at 135, but defeated the No. 2 seed for his lone victory.

Jason Keranen was 0-2 at 140 pounds. Jason Brodie got his first win of the season at 145 pounds. He lost his third round match 5-4.

Evan Demers was 1-2 at 152

Spikers impressive at Gull Lake invite

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Ah, the difference a year can make.

Last season, Northville High's volleyball team opened the season with a quick exit from the Gull Lake Invitational. But that was then and this is now.

Playing excellent defense and hustling from the first game to the last, Northville came within a breath of making the semi-final round Saturday.

"Last year," coach Laura Murray said, "we didn't get out of pool play."

A total of 12 schools played at Gull Lake, which is located near Kalamazoo on Michigan's west side. Teams were divided into three pools of four.

Schools played each other in a round-robin format before moving on to the "super" pool round, which determined the seedings for tournament play.

The Mustangs earned a sixth seed for the tournament phase and faced Comstock in the quarterfinals. Northville had already faced the Colts, a Class B powerhouse, in pool play, falling twice.

Comstock dominated in the opening game of quarter-final play 15-7. Game two was a different story, however.

Lauren Metaj got the Mustangs off to a 5-0 lead on her serve. Led by excellent hitting from Tara Driscoll and Ashley Ossola, Northville went on to win 15-8 to tie the match.

Comstock pulled to within 11-8 of Northville, but Metaj was able to close the game out on her serve. Murray said great hustle by her team was the difference.

"It was an all-out effort," she commented. "That's something I've never had here."

Having played volleyball for nearly eight hours, both teams were spent by game three. Nevertheless, the schools battled like there was no tomorrow with Comstock pulling out a 15-13 win to advance.

"We were up 13-11 but couldn't close it out," said Murray. "Both teams were exhausted."

The third game was a long one. It took six complete rotations to determine a winner. The Mustangs hustled all the way and had 22 defensive digs.

Northville left the tournament drained. But Murray said both she and her players were pleased with their efforts.

"It was a blast," she said of the tournament.

The Mustangs opened the tournament in a pool with Jenison, Pennfield and Gull Lake.

Northville faced Jenison first and won twice, 15-4, 15-7. Ossola served for seven points in game one while Amanda DeKoker played great defense.

"She was digging everything," said Murray.

Pennfield provided a better challenge in the next round, but

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MUSTANGS OF THE WEEK

RICK TORRENCE -- Wrestling

The junior has been perfect thus far this season. Torrence, who is currently 10-0, won the Garden City Invitational last weekend in the 119-pound weight class. He pinned a pair of opponents and then decisively two others. It was Torrence's second straight tournament championship.

ASHLEY OSSOLA -- Volleyball

Ossola was one of several Mustangs that had excellent showings at the Gull Lake Invitational over the weekend. Ossola, in particular, was strong all-around scoring points off of her serve as well as macking numerous defensive blocks and several offensive kills. Northville made all the way to the quarter finals with Ossola leading the way.

Sports Shorts

HOCKEY CHAMPS

The Plymouth TNT Stingrays Bantam "A" hockey team won the Greater Buffalo Hockey Challenge 1996 Thanksgiving tournament on Dec. 1 in Buffalo, N.Y.

The local team, which includes Northville resident Joe Hillebrand, defeated Wexford, Ontario, in the championship game.

Team members include: Bill Killunen, Darrin Arnett, Rick Buttery, Jim Splawak, Brad Zaarem, Doug Statham, Bryan DeVries, Jeremie Lopez, Kenny Schneider, Sean Genrich, Ryan Layton, Derek Martin, Steve Gudewicz, Hillebrand, Tom Gresham and Chad Kovala.

COLLEGE NOTE

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology junior Bo Fowler of Northville was named to the Indiana Collegiate Athletic Conference's all-league soccer team in a vote of league coaches.

Fowler played as both a defender and a midfielder for the Engineers this year, and led the team in goals with eight. The junior co-captain was named to the all-league squad for the first time in his career. The Engineers were 5-11-1 overall.

Fowler, an electrical engineering major, is the son of Winston and Toby Fowler of Northville.

AAU GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

Michigan Motion (formerly Michigan Chargers) will hold open tryouts at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Dec. 13, 14, and 15. Age division are as follows:

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Ages 15, 16, 17-
Dec. 13, 8:30-10 p.m.; Dec. 14, 3:30-6 p.m.; Dec. 15, 7:30-10 p.m.

Direct questions to Myles Kearney (810) 348-6411 or Rod Sullivan (810) 380-9492

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

The Novi/Northville Colts youth football program began its annual Christmas tree sale on Nov. 29.

This year's sale will be in downtown Northville at gardenviews, Main at Wing Street. Sale hours will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekends and from 6 to 9 p.m. weekdays.

Proceeds from the fund-raiser/sale are used to support the Colts football and cheerleading programs which are entering their 36th year.

Cagers rip Dearborn 80-71 behind Arenz

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Lyon tomorrow at 7 p.m.

The annual Christmas tournament, which will be hosted by Novi this year, begins Saturday with Northville playing Dearborn Divine Child at 6 p.m.

MUSTANGS 65, STEVENSON 53

Northville opened the season Dec. 10 at Livonia Stevenson. The Mustangs trailed by five after the first quarter then dominated the rest of the way.

"We didn't come out strong," Turner said. "It was a tough first quarter."

The much taller Spartans were able to execute their offense in the first quarter. But Northville became more effective defensively by fronting the big men and forcing Livonia to shoot from the outside.

Stevenson shot eight of 31 from behind the three-point line.

"It was good for us that they shot that many three-pointers," Turner

"We think (balanced scoring) will be that way all season. These kids don't care who scores. All they care about are wins and losses."

TIM TURNER
Northville High basketball coach

Terakedis scored 14 to lead Northville. Arenz had 12, Phil Kozdron 11 and Jon Woodsum eight. Turner likes that kind of balanced scoring.

"We think it will be that way all season," he added. "These kids don't care who scores. All they care about are wins and losses."

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December 1st and 15th
* Interviews for Boards & Commissions
* Budget Meetings
* Joint Meeting with Parks and Recreation
* Work Program Meeting
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Spikers start strong at Gull Lake

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Northville was able to garner two more wins, 15-12, 15-10. Murray said her team was a little sloppy early on.

"The other team got a lot of points off our errors," she added.

Northville trailed 12-10 in game one before rallying. Michelle Menghini served for five straight points, including four aces, to help win the game.

In game two, Ossola played well and collected six kills. Danielle Jaskot got Northville off to a 5-0 lead on her serve.

Northville closed pool play by falling to Gull

"It was a real plus. We played with (Gull Lake)."

LAURA MURRAY
Northville High volleyball coach

Lake twice, 15-2, 15-9. Murray said her team played well in game two.

"It was a real plus," she said of the effort. "We played with them."

The Mustangs came out of their pool as the No. 2 squad.

Northville faced Comstock in the first round of super pool play and split a pair of games.

The Colts took the opener 15-10. Northville won game two 15-13. Karla Kalso played well at outside hitter and Melissa Poole added four kills to lead the way.

"It was a great win," said Murray.

Northville closed super pool play by beating Lakeview twice, 15-8, 15-11. Metaj had four serving aces in game one.

Wrestlers fifth at Garden City tourney

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pounds. Ryan McCracken posted the same record at 160.

At 171 pounds, Brian Grider took second place. He cut through his first three opponents like a hot knife through butter with three straight pins.

He suffered that same fate him-

self in the final as Westland's Tim Reeves pinned him in 26 seconds.

"Brian had a good day," Townsend said.

Mike Livanos made his varsity debut at 189 pounds and got a victory in three tries. Rob Clark went 1-2 as well at 215 pounds.

Ted Bowersox split four matches

at heavyweight. He had one pin and one decision for his two wins.

DOUBLE DUAL

Northville traveled to Howell Dec. 11 for a double dual meet with the Highlanders and Hartland.

It didn't go well, folks.

Howell whipped the Mustangs 54-21 in the opener. Ashby (103),

Kevin Arbuckle (112), Torrence (119) and Grider (171) earned victories.

Hartland took no prisoners in the nightcap, winning 66-9 over the Black and Orange.

Ashby (103) and Torrence (119) were Northville's lone winners.

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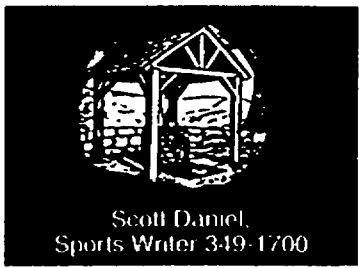
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HEALTH

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Season is right for ear infections

Sleepless nights and the sad sounds of a child sobbing bring home the realization that winter and early spring, the prime seasons for ear and tonsil infections, are upon us.

Children at the ages of 1 to 5 are especially at risk for ear infections which are the most common childhood illness other than the common cold. Nearly one child in seven has multiple ear infections by age 5.

At any one time, 17 percent of youngsters may have fluid in their middle ears which may predispose them to ear infections. This fluid may also cause hearing loss and result in speech delay, diminished attention span, poor school performance and difficulties with friends or family.

Ear infections are frequently associated with the common cold. They are caused by bacteria and poor functioning of the eustachian tube which allows air to pass from the back of the nose to the ear. Adults frequently use the eustachian tube to equalize ear pressure when riding in an elevator or an airplane. In children, when a nasal infection causes irritation of the eustachian tube, the tube swells shut, trapping fluid and bacteria in the middle ear. Within a matter of hours, the hearing loss, pain or fever begins.

For a fortunate few children, there may be no symptoms at all, but the fact of an infection that is located amid the bones and nerves of the middle ear can still be a problem.

The primary treatment for ear infections is a prescription for antibiotics sometimes in conjunction with a decongestant to dry up nasal secretions. In some situations, when antibiotics do clear the infection, the physician may prescribe a daily dose of antibiotics to prevent further infections.

On occasion, the bacteria causing the infection may be resistant to some of the prescribed antibiotics. If antibiotics fail to control



Fife photo

Insertion of ventilatory tubes into the eardrums can help clear ear infections.

the ear infections or if a child has three ear infections in six months or four infections in a year, the physician may recommend the insertion of ventilatory tubes into the eardrums.

Another case where tubes might improve the ears is when the fluid from the infections persists for more than 10-12 weeks - long after the infections have been eradicated. In these situations a very brief surgical procedure, the insertion of tubes, will almost always solve the problem.

Placing these "ear tubes" requires a brief anesthesia and is painless. Using a microscope and special micro-instruments, the physician makes a tiny incision in the eardrum and inserts a small plastic tube which is no bigger than a pen tip.

Early parental detection of ear infections, along with appropriate medication, can prevent the pain, fever, and hearing loss frequently associated with this common childhood illness.

Tonsillitis is another common childhood illness. It is an infection of the lymph nodes or glands located in the back of the throat. The adenoid is a third tonsil located behind the nose and is usually infected along with the tonsil. The main treatment for tonsillitis is antibiotics.

Tonsillitis is normally accompanied by fever, discomfort, swollen glands, and lost school days. Children with more than five episodes of tonsillitis in a year, four episodes two years in a row, or three episodes annually for several years should have their tonsils and

adenoids removed.

Abscesses and chronic sore throats that persist for months are also indicators that tonsil and adenoid surgery may be necessary.

Tonsils and adenoids that are so large can cause nighttime snoring (very loud), gasping, and struggling for air. This can potentially be a dangerous situation.

As good parents we should all protect our children from these common childhood problems. Your physician looks forward to discussing these matters with you.

Written by Jeffrey Weingarten, M.D., an otolaryngologist at Providence Medical Center, Providence Park in Novi.

Depression is common in holiday season

At this time of year, while many people say they thoroughly enjoy the "holiday season," others say they get "the blues," (or they get "blue," a sad or wistful feeling).

And, even though for most this is not a serious problem, for some it can be. It can be depression.

What is depression? It is not just this wistful feeling. It is a real illness, a real disease. And it doesn't come just around the holidays, although for some, depression is a recurring difficulty that is more severe in the winter months when the days are short and the sky is rarely blue.

How do you know if you have real depression and not simply the holiday blues?

Holiday blues usually are both mild and temporary, and can be helped by seeking social support or by making time for the things one enjoys. If your problem lasts more than two weeks or is severe enough to disturb your ability to work or enjoy yourself, it would be wise to seek out a professional evaluation.

People who are depressed are often sad, but the sadness is intense. You cry all the time, or wish you could cry - but can't. And you often have lost your ability to enjoy things, any things, sometimes even if you're not aware of being sad. This is called anhedonia, (from the same root word as hedonism, but with an opposite meaning).

Along with a persistent sad or anhedonic feeling, the depressed person usually has associat-

ed symptoms, including loss of appetite or weight loss not due to dieting, inability to sleep well or sleeping too much, intense restlessness or fatigue, decreased ability to think or make decisions, and feelings of worthlessness or a wish to be dead.

Depression can be very painful, so painful in fact that people attempt to take their own lives. Most people who attempt suicide are depressed. Depression can be so severe that the depressed person can't function effectively at work, at home or with friends. Depression is a major public health concern, in part because it is so common.

Twenty percent of women and 10 percent of men will have a major depressive episode some time during their lives. This episode will last weeks, months or even years if it is not treated. And for many it will recur. Having one episode puts you at increased risk for another, and the more you have, the more likely you are to have another if you are not treated.

There are other risk factors as well. If you abuse drugs or alcohol, you are more likely to become depressed. If depression runs in your family you are more likely to have this illness. If you have had a recent major change or "stress" in your life, your chances also go up.

In the past, having depression or any mental illness was thought not as a health concern but as a weakness that should be hidden or denied. That has changed somewhat, but not completely. More than half of all depressed people still

do not receive treatment, even though very effective treatments exist.

Medications and psychotherapy (counseling) can provide significant improvement for 75 percent or more of individuals suffering from depression - but only if the person seeks help. Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, psychiatrically trained nurses, and appropriately trained clergy and general medical doctors can provide evaluation and effective treatment.

Everyone wants to enjoy this time of year (and the rest of the year too, of course), but some don't and others can't. Scrooge seemed to take great pleasure in wishing Christmas a "bah, humbug." But anyone can see that Scrooge was probably depressed - just notice the look on his face. Dickens applied some strong medicine to Mr. Scrooge - frightening spirits and Marley's ghost.

Whether you celebrate Christmas or not, if you are depressed, seek treatment. It is available, it is effective and it is not unpleasant like it was for Mr. Scrooge. Whatever holiday you celebrate, give yourself a gift. Get your depression treated. Change those "holiday blues" to blue skies - even in Michigan in the winter.

To make an appointment with one of the physicians at the University of Michigan Medical Center, call the U-M Adult Psychiatry Services at (313) 764-9190.

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The smoke-free living class is a two-week program to help individuals quit smoking. Instructors cover the effects of smoking, the benefits of quitting, what to expect when you quit, coping techniques and strategies on staying smoke-free. The \$25 fee includes all materials.

To register, call (313) 655-2922 or toll free at 1-800-494-1650.

A HEALTHY BABY
The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a free lecture, "Having a Healthy Baby: Chance or Choice?" on Tuesday, Jan. 14, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital auditorium. James Brown III M.D., obstetrician/gynecologist, will present the lecture.

In this presentation, Dr. Brown will review ways that parents-to-be can prepare themselves to have a healthy baby before they try to achieve pregnancy.

Dr. Brown is a staff physician at St. Mary Hospital and is part of a group practice, Westside Obstetrics and Gynecology, with offices in Canton and Novi.

For more information or to register for this

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No registration is required for the orientation. For more information, call St. Mary Hospital Food and Nutrition Services at (313) 655-2498.

EATING HEALTHY
Eating healthy can be easy and tasty, two-part course, "Eater's Choices," on Monday, Jan. 20 and 27, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the first floor conference room near the Five Mile entrance.

Learn to plan meals, read food labels, and find the fat budget for your caloric needs. The result is lower blood cholesterol levels and a healthy heart. Taught by a registered nurse, the course includes food samples and a recipe

book.

The cost of the course is \$25 per person.

To register, call St. Mary Hospital Community Outreach Department at (313) 655-2922 or toll free at 1-800-494-1650.

LIFE SUPPORT
St. Mary will offer a four-hour basic life support adult heart saver course from 7 to 10 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 7, in the Marian Pavilion Conference Room B near the south entrance.

Learn to perform one-person cardiopulmonary resuscitation and how to manage the adult victim who is choking. American Heart Association course completion cards will be issued following the course.

The cost of the class is \$20 per person. To register call (313) 655-2922 or toll free at 1-800-494-1650.

WELL CHILD CLINIC
Oakland County Health Division's Child Health Conferences provide free ongoing well care for children from birth to school entry. Families who do not have an hmo or Medicaid may be eligible. Clinics are held at 14 locations throughout Oakland County.

Services include: heights and weights; head-to-toe physical examination; immunizations; vision, hearing and lab testing; growth and developmental screening; and counseling with referrals to physicians and area resources as needed.

REAL ESTATE

Real estate information group gets reorganized

By James M. Woodard
Copley News Service

A newly formed real estate information organization - RealSelect Inc. - may soon become the world's biggest and most complete source of information for both consumers and professionals.

It's really a reorganized and revitalized existing venture - one that was launched a couple of years ago by the National Association of Realtors. It was originally called Realtors Information Network, a private corporation owned by NAR. After encountering serious financial and technical problems, this venture has been struggling for survival in recent months.

Recently, a couple of East Coast venture capitalist companies came

to the rescue. Allen & Co. of New York, and J.H. Whitney of Stamford, Conn., are putting up a cool \$6 million, plus their expertise, to get RealSelect up and running in a big way. RIN will retain a 15 percent ownership in the new organization.

The venture is now considered "debt free," but RIN continues to be liable for about \$12 million in debts to creditors and the parent NAR. Beyond the money problems, the new project could shape up to be a highly viable source of information for home buyers and sellers - better and more comprehensive than RIN ever hoped to be.

The partnership with RealSelect will combine the power of the

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HOME DESIGNS



The Driftwood makes the most of every building dollar

By James McAlexander
Copley News Service

In today's economy, when every cent counts, a young family shopping for their first home would like to make an economical purchase that presents the most for each building dollar.

If you happen to fit that profile, look no further than the 1,033-square-foot Driftwood. This three-bedroom, two-bath home wastes none of the allotted space. Retired couples wishing to downsize, also should consider the Driftwood.

In addition to the attractive wood exterior, the innovative floor design offers more than many plans boasting a lot more square footage and a higher price.

A classic covered porch takes you through the entry and into the spacious family room. A vaulted ceiling accents the feeling of openness that marks the Driftwood. There is plenty of room for a full complement of furniture. An optional entertainment center will add to your enjoyment of this main family gathering spot.

The two secondary bedrooms are good-size, and each has a generous closet and a view window facing front. They share a full bathroom located in the connecting hallway, which also features built-

in shelves and a convenient guest closet.

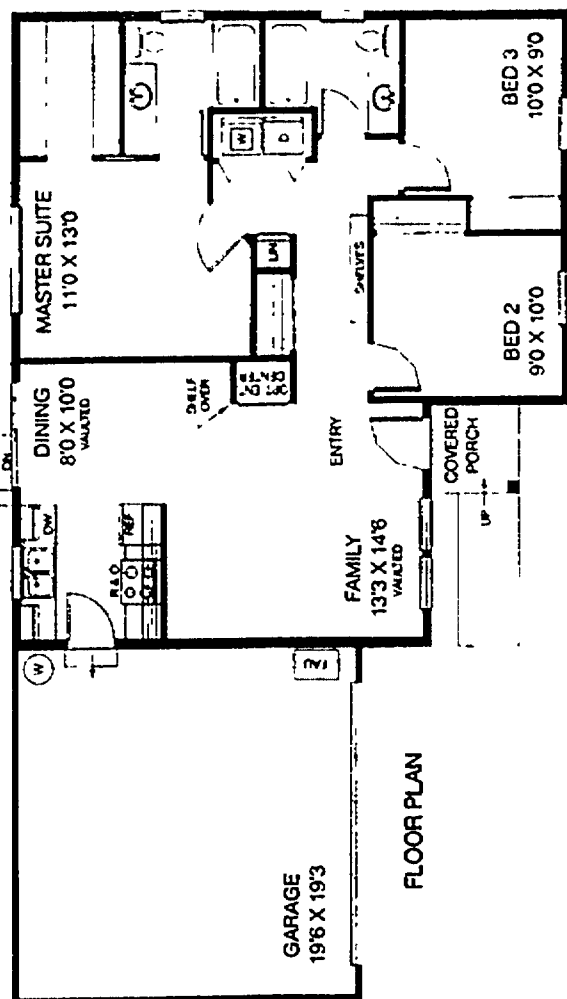
The master suite is quite a surprise for a home this size. A big sleeping area, huge walk-in closet and private bathroom grace the main bedroom. Linen storage and a small utility closet are nearby.

The garage, stylishly attached at the side of the house, offers you the safety and benefit of being able to unload groceries directly from your car into the kitchen. No need to worry about the weather while performing this chore.

The functional kitchen, complete with all the built-in appliances, lets you prepare meals with a minimum of bother. The vaulted dining room provides a pleasant atmosphere to break bread and discuss the events of the day.

Sliding glass doors open to the back patio, admitting a cool breeze and offering a spot for occasional outdoor dining or working on your tan when the sun is shining.

For a study plan of the Driftwood (404-41), send \$10 to Landmark Designs, c/o HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843. (Be sure to specify plan name and number when ordering) For more information, call (800) 562-1151.



OVERALL DIMENSIONS: 56'-0" X 32'-0"
LIVING AREA: 1,033 square feet
GARAGE: 400 square feet



Nyla Murphy sits among her "family" of Santa figurines, which she casts in plaster and papier mache at her Milford home.

Crafty Santas

Santa and his elves aren't the only ones bustling day and night to get ready for Christmas. Milford resident Nyla Murphy is working almost seven days a week this time of year on her Belsnickles or reproductions of Father Christmas.

It seems that people can't get enough of the statues, which are reproductions of German ornaments made in the 1850s and immensely popular in the United States.

Nyla started making the "Santas" because she wanted the collector's items but wasn't thrilled about their prices.

"I saw a few old ones in magazines and thought I'd love to have one, but they were too expensive. I thought about making one. My girlfriend said 'why don't you give it a shot?' so I decided to try it," she said.

The result was more a piece of art than a Christmas ornament. Nyla had one show of her statues in 1984, and her business took off from there. Their popularity grew by word of mouth.

She warns that collecting the statues is addicting. Her customers usually aren't satisfied to have just one. Frequently people place orders for next year when they pick up their statue orders.

"People start with one, and they end up wanting more. I start off the year with about 50 orders," Nyla said.

What makes the statues amazing and unique is the facial expressions on each of the Belsnickles. They're not only realistic, they're amazing duplicates of the original ornaments. To top it off, each of the 57 statues has its own unique look. The great attention to detail comes from Nyla's background as a self-taught portrait painter.

"I love their faces. I love to give

them each a different face. They're different people with different names," she said.

The statues are so lifelike, Nyla gives each of her creations a nickname. In fact, her favorite statue out of 57 is aptly called "Human."

How does she get these statues to look so authentic? She starts by sculpting a figurine. "Once I have one that I like, I make a mold out of it. I put plaster in the mold with a little clay and papier mache and let it dry."

The mold has two pieces, and when dry, Nyla carefully merges the halves together. The crowning glory to the statue is the lifelike expression she creates with acrylic paints. "I mix most of my own colors. I like to use subtle colors and paint



Nyla Murphy calls this figurine "Human."

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Holly more than a symbol of the Christmas season

By C.Z. Guest
Copley News Service

GARDENING

More than just a Christmas symbol, this versatile shrub, the lovely holly, helps keep wildlife alive throughout the winter months.

Today, we have even more reason to plant hollies. They're undemanding and easy-to-grow plants that fit into a variety of landscape uses. Their bright-red berries and ornamental leaves appear in late fall, providing winter cheer for both indoor and outdoor holiday greenery.

The hollies are the perfect foundation plants mixed into the shrub border. Their leaves are alternate, leathery and often thick, while leaf margins may be smooth or spiny. The small greenish-white flowers are unisexual since male and female flowers are usually borne on separate plants and may be red, white, yellow or black.

To help you decide which hollies are best for your garden, local nurseries or botanical gardens are good sources of information.

For North American gardens, American Holly (Ilex opaca) is more suitable than English Holly, while Chinese Holly (Ilex cornuta) is best suited for Southern gardens

because it's drought resistant. English Holly is in great demand for holiday decorations and, therefore, grown commercially for that purpose.

HOW TO DECORATE WITH HOLLY

Cut holly branches last longer if cut in late afternoon and kept in water during the holidays (use a sharp knife). Wreaths of holly stuck into a straw base or a base stuffed with sphagnum moss that has been wrapped with paper and soaked with water will last longer than those tied on a dry frame. Of course, wreaths kept outdoors in cool temperatures will last longer than those exposed to warm temperatures.

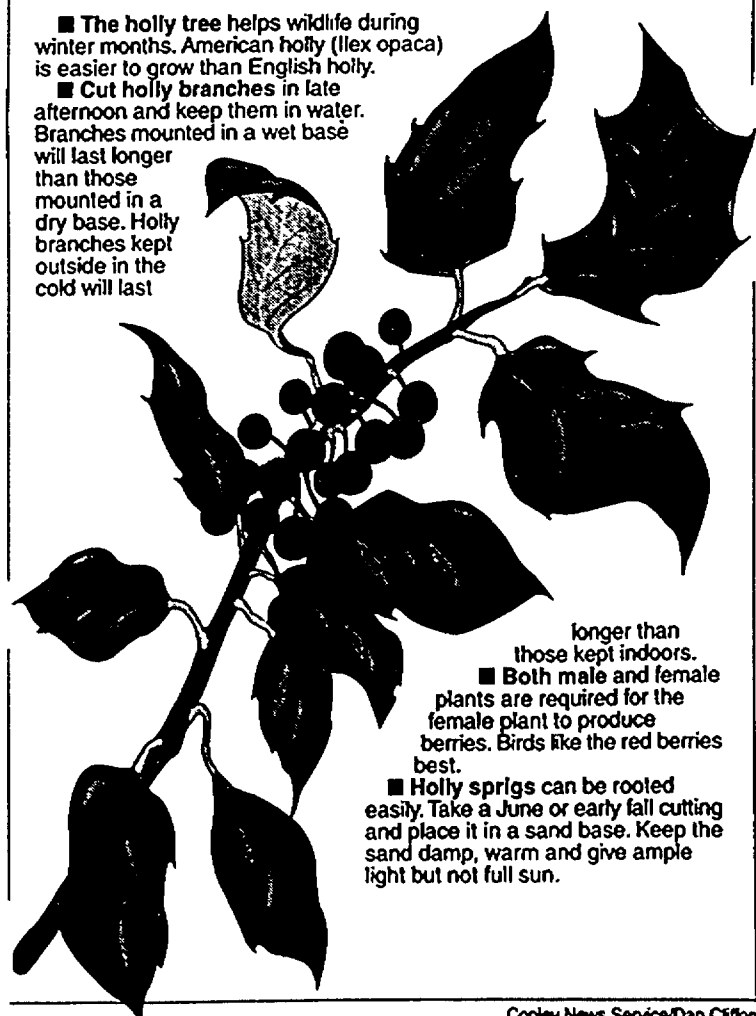
WINTER'S HOLLIES

Holly for winter decorations is a tradition that goes back at least two centuries. For the ancient Druids, holly was a sacred plant in which woodland spirits took winter refuge. The Survey of London, published in 1598, notes that, "Every man's house, the corners to the streets, the

Holly hints

■ The holly tree helps wildlife during winter months. American holly (Ilex opaca) is easier to grow than English holly.

■ Cut holly branches in late afternoon and keep them in water. Branches mounted in a wet base will last longer than those mounted in a dry base. Holly branches kept outside in the cold will last



longer than those kept indoors. ■ Both male and female plants are required for the female plant to produce berries. Birds like the red berries best. ■ Holly sprigs can be rooted easily. Take a June or early fall cutting and place it in a sand base. Keep the sand damp, warm and give ample light but not full sun.

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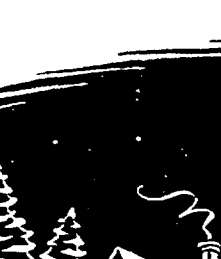
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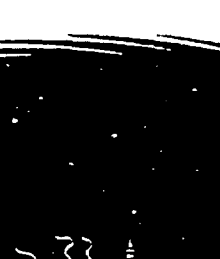
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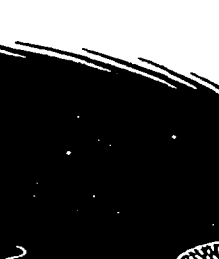
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Convertible highchairs were popular purchases

By Anne McCollam
Copley News Service

Q. Enclosed is a picture of an antique maple highchair. It has been completely refinished and has the original cane seat and back.

The chair is adjustable into three positions: highchair, smaller rocking chair and stroller. There are wheels to allow the highchair to be easily moved. The tray can be raised and flipped over the back of the highchair.

Could you please tell me what its present value is?

A. Highchairs that converted into several positions were enthusiastically purchased by parents in the late 1800s and early 1900s. From Renaissance Revival to golden oak, these patented chairs reflected the furniture styles that were popular with adults.

Your highchair is circa 1900. It would probably be worth about \$450 to \$525.

Q. This mark is on a washbowl and pitcher that are my prized possessions. I was told they were a wedding gift to my grandmother in the



ANTIQUES

1880s. She never let any of her 12 children touch them, and they are in perfect condition.

Each piece is decorated in cobalt blue against a white background and trimmed in gold. A friend who knows about antiques said it is flow blue. What can you tell me about my set?

A. Wheeling Pottery Co., Wheeling, W.Va., was founded in 1873. They made china, ironstone and earthenware from 1873 to 1909. In 1887, they established a second company, La Belle China. Several years later the two firms merged.

Your late 1880s flow-blue wash set would probably be worth about \$400 to \$475.

Q. I have a tile with the image of a woman in a Grecian-style gown. The tile is 6-by-6 inches and has a green glaze. On the back are the letters "U-S-E-T-W."

Who made my tile, and does it have any value?

A. Your art pottery tile was made by United States Encaustic Tile Works, Indianapolis, Ind.

They made fireplace, wall and floor tiles from 1877 to 1939.

American production of decorative and architectural tiles reached a peak in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

Many Arts and Crafts furniture manufacturers used tiles on washstands, small stands and hall stands. Architects often included decorative tiles in their designs.

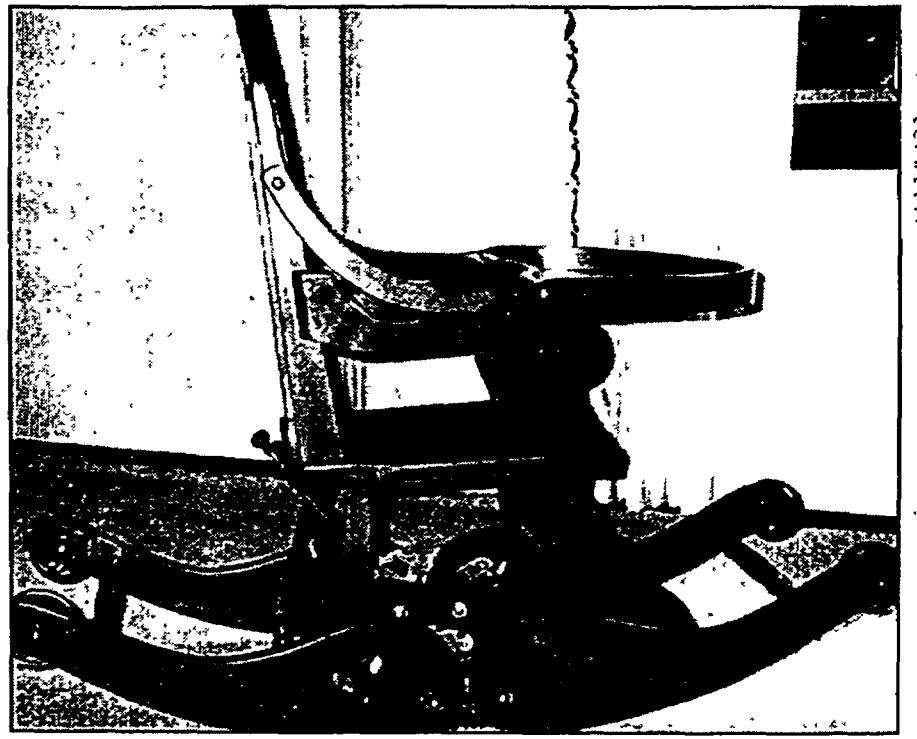
Your circa 1900 tile would probably be worth about \$175 to \$275.

BOOK REVIEW

"The Collector's Encyclopedia of Helsey Glass 1925-1938" by Nella Bredehoft (Collector Books) is one of the biggest, most informative books on this glassware. Bredehoft has thoroughly researched Helsey's history, from how the glass is made to the socioeconomic trends influencing the changing styles.

This book contains catalog reprints, 32 color pages, marks, patterns and a price guide. Readers will give this comprehensive book on Helsey high grades.

Address your questions to Anne McCollam, P.O. Box 490, Notre Dame, IN 46556. For a personal response, include picture(s), a detailed description, a stamped, self-addressed envelope and \$5 per item (one item at a time).



This turn-of-the-century chair converts to several positions and is probably worth \$450 to \$525.

Northville woman creates holiday figurines

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them like they're hundreds of years old. I'm sure back then, (when they were first painted), they were bright and garish," she said.

Then she adds details, like the dyed goose feathers which were traditionally used in Germany in the late 1800s because of a shortage of trees. The Germans improvised by dyeing the goose feathers to make a branch and winding them on a stick with wire.

Nyla dyes her own material to make sure the colors and the fabric are authentic, being careful to give it a look that is "old." She

keeps an eye open for unusual trims and accent accessories. Some of her creations have furry beards trimmed with a variety of materials, such as rabbit pelts or a recycled lining from a coat.

Some of the fun Santa's she creates are Santa riding a pig, and a Big Santa Head that's almost two feet tall by 18 inches wide. Nyla put a clockwork into "Nodder," so that his head nods automatically. A favorite is called "Two Face," a Santa who gives sugar plums to good children and switches to bad children. On one side is a happy Father Christmas and the other side is a "Mean Santa."

"When I first made him, I did it

as a lark, but then it caught on and people really liked him," Nyla said.

Although she mainly offers the Belsnickles, she makes other items.

"Snowmen are real big now, they're buying them a lot."

During the remainder of the year, Nyla creates other products called "Chalkboard," which she calls poor man's pottery. Chalkboard imitated the expensive pottery once used in the wealthier homes. Ordinary homes could have beauty this way. The items were particularly favored by the Pennsylvania Dutch, who liked a lot of color, according to Nyla.

"A lot of the folk art is inspired by the Pennsylvania Dutch," she said.

The ornaments are easy to care for, as Nyla says they need no maintenance.

"I let them get grimy and dirty. It adds to the authenticity. You don't dust them," she said.

Nyla is working hard to finish this year's creations as customers pick up their orders.

"Although I only work a few months a year, I put in so many hours, I collapse when it's done. I'm so tired. I'm totally exhausted."

It sounds as if Santa and Nyla Murphy will need a rest after Christmas.

Venture brings consumers, realtors together

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Internet and new technology with the professionalism and market savvy of Realtors," said Stuart Wolff, RealSelect board chairman and CEO.

"It will expedite the home buying and selling process by helping consumers help themselves, and helping real estate professionals help consumers."

The program calls for greatly expanding information carried on the Internet, via a World Wide Web site: Realtor.com. That site already carries about 502,000 currently available property descriptions. Those listed properties are located in 38 states and 105 cities.

The volume and variety of information will

grow substantially in the coming months, Wolff said.

Questions may be used in future columns; personal responses should not be expected. Send inquiries to James M. Woodard, Copley News Service, P.O. Box 190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190.



Murphy also crafts figurines that pertain to other holidays of the year.

Holly provides winter cheer

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parish churches and the marketplaces were decorated with holly at Christmastime."

Hollies are evergreen and most are hardy to about 0 degrees. Deciduous hollies are hardier, generally to about 20 degrees. Although temperature limits are the perfect guide, other factors, such as summer temperatures and rainfall patterns, also influence adaptability.

Most evergreen varieties are listed as either "N," Northern, including the Plains and Midwestern states east of the Rocky Mountains; "S," Southern, including the Gulf Coast and upper south; or "W," Western, including the Pacific Northwest and West Coast.

All hollies are dioecious. These varieties are used primarily in the Northeast. The pistillate or berry-producing flower is on one plant and the staminate, the pollen-bearing flower is on another. Only a female tree produces the colorful berries and to do so requires pollen from a male tree of the same species.

Birds dine on all holly berries, but prefer red ones over other colors.

HOLLY PESTS

The most vexing insect pest is the holly leaf miner. For best results, check with your cooperative extension agent for specific pesticide recommendations. However, holly diseases are rarely problems for the home gardener.

C.Z. Guest, author of "5 Seasons of Gardening" (Little, Brown & Co.), is an authority on gardens, flowers and plants. Send questions to her c/o Copley News Service, P.O. Box 190, San Diego, CA 92112 0190.

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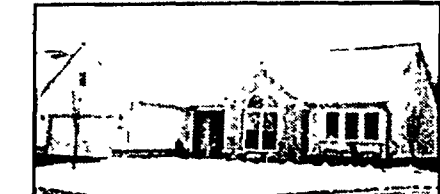
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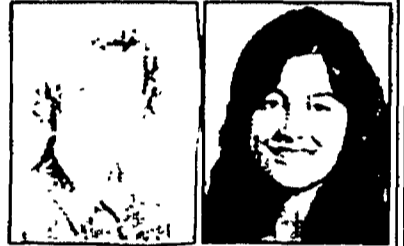
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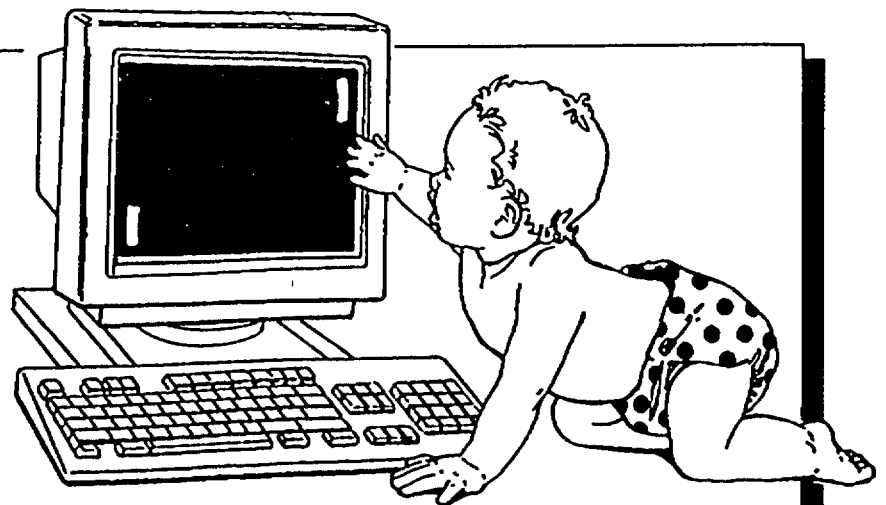


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Varsity opens state-of-the-art body shop

By SCOTT DANIEL
Staff Writer

Make no mistake. Mike Stanford likes to sell cars.

As general manager of Varsity Lincoln-Mercury in Novi, it's his job to make the dealership profitable. But that doesn't mean taking customers for a ride.

In fact, Stanford is dedicated to making the best deal possible for patrons as well as servicing their needs after the sale.

"Our No. 1 goal is to take care of people," he commented. "We treat them like family."

Located at the corner of Grand River Avenue and Wixom Road, the Lincoln-Mercury dealership opened in July of 1994. Since then it has vaulted to fourth in the company in terms of sales.

Quality products and top-notch customer service are reasons for the quick rise.

"We've got a good young crew here," said Stanford, who's family also owns Varsity Ford in Ann Arbor. "They're eager to please our customers."

Having operated that business for nearly two decades, name-recognition helped get the new dealership off the ground. Stanford said coming to Novi has been a positive experience.

"It's been a real nice fit for us," he said.

The GM is hoping a brand new body shop will help keep the ship sailing smoothly. Varsity recently opened a larger facility with the idea of providing state-of-the-art service in vehicle repair.

A 10,000-square-foot body shop was originally opened at the site. But Stanford found it was inadequate to meet customer needs.

Varsity built a 40,000-square-foot shop, which is adjacent to the dealership on Twelve Mile Road, to

meet increased demand.

"It's probably one of the largest in the state of Michigan," said Stanford.

The facility is designed to get vehicles back to customers as quickly as possible and to do the job right. Take, for instance, how vehicles are painted at the body shop.

If major repainting is necessary, the vehicle goes into a "downdraft" chamber. A suction system in the chamber prevents any dust or other foreign materials from ending up on your car.

Then there's computer tracking for parts and service. After a work order is drawn up, it takes just a few seconds to find out if the right parts are on hand to complete the repair.

If they aren't, Stanford said it typically takes just a day or two to get them in. From there, repairs are made and recorded in the computer system. So when a customer calls, a representative can tell them the exact progress of the vehicle.

"The whole process is followed by computer," Stanford said.

The facility can make any repair to almost any vehicle.

"From a \$50 ding," Stanford said, "to a \$15,000 accident."

Currently, the body shop handles about 90 vehicles per month. The GM would like to increase that number to about 150 per month.

"We're hoping it will get to the point where it can stand on its own," Stanford said.

The body shop is open from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday and Thursday. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday hours are 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday the shop is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 449-6901 for more information.



Body Shop Manager Rudy Walsh shows off his new high tech facility at Varsity Lincoln Mercury.

Photo by HAL GOULD

Business Briefs

Farmington Hills-based **CARDIOVASCULAR SPECIALISTS, P.C.**, an affiliate of Botsford General Hospital, recently added five cardiologists to their practice. **LARY S. GOLDMAN, M.D., NATHAN J. KERNER, M.D., MARY E. LAZAR, M.D., LYNN K. MILLER, M.D.** and **STEVEN WIDLANSKY, M.D.**, all joined the staff.

Novi-based **INTEGRATED SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES** recently opened its world headquarters. The company held an open house to highlight the latest in computer aided design, manufacturing, engineering and product data management at the new facility on Dec. 5.

ARBOR DRUGS, INC. has doubled the size of its Novi distribution center to 470,000 square feet, enabling the Troy-based retailer to stock and distribute merchandise to as many as 400 stores from the expanded facility.

Farmington Hills-based **UNIVERSITY BUSINESS INTERIORS** recently named **JOE LOZOWSKI** as president. He previously served as vice president/general manager for Contract Interiors.

PLYMOUTH PHYSICAL THERAPY SPECIALISTS recently opened its second clinic in Wixom. Owned and operated by **JEFF SIRABIAN**, the clinic will provide expert treatment designed to facilitate patient recovery and contain medical cost. Call (810) 926-5826 for more information.

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Northville resident **RANDALL J. MILLER** was recently appointed senior manager in **ARTHUR ANDERSEN'S** business consulting division. He'll be responsible for the consumer products industry and enterprise system teams. He began his career with the company in 1987.

APPROVED MORTGAGES, INC. is a new Canton-based mortgage lender. The company, which opened in mid-November, specializes in residential mortgage loans for a variety of loan programs - including new homes, debt consolidation and cash-out for major purposes. The company is owned and operated by **SHAHNAZ BAILLOD**. Call (313) 455-2219 for more information.

THERESA PONKEY of Novi has received Comerica's National Quality Excellence Award for 1996.

The award recognizes Comerica employees who consistently perform at a superior level, best exemplifying the vision and core values of the company.

Ponkey is vice president in the Northville branch office of Comerica Bank. She joined the company in 1967. The quality honor earned Ponkey 100 shares of Comerica stock.

Comerica is the largest banking company headquartered in Michigan and operates two branch offices in Novi.

JACQUELYN KUHN has been appointed as an account representative for **METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE CO.'S** agency located at 25300 Telegraph Road, Suite 450, Southfield, MI.

In this capacity, Kuhn is responsible for the sale and service of a wide range of MetLife insurance and other financial products and services.

Kuhn resides in Novi.

Farmington Hills **George H. Webb**, president and chairman of the board of **JERVIS B. WEBB CO.**, announced the appointment of **JAMES FRASER** as plant manager of Webb's largest manufacturing facility located in New Hudson.

Jim Fraser joined Webb's Storage Rack division in January 1967, after serving in the U.S. Air Force. Fraser began his career as receiving clerk and was promoted within two months to foreman of the prefabrication department at their 110,000 square foot rack manufacturing facility in Port Huron. In 1979, he was named general foreman and took over as plant manager in 1984.

Fraser relocated to Webb's Metal

Fabrication factory in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, in 1986, as assistant plant manager. In 1988, under Fraser's direction as plant manager, Webb expanded the Mt. Vernon, Ohio, plant. For more than eight years, Fraser managed one of Webb's most successful, efficient operations directing the design and manufacture of conveyor components, systems, and automation equipment.

In his new assignment, Fraser directs the daily operations of the company's primary conveyor manufacturing plant in New Hudson. Every year, at this modern facility, over 150 full-time skilled tradespeople can build more than 350 miles of advanced conveyor systems, as well as custom designed automation devices to world class technological standards.

JAMEY KRAMER of **RE/MAX 100 REAL ESTATE** has earned an associate broker license. Kramer is the company's No. 1 agent year to date.

BETTY ANKRAPP of the **PROTECTION MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY** in Novi recently was awarded the designation of Certi-

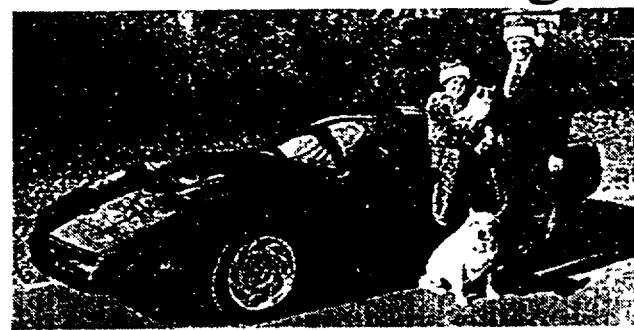
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The **LONGBERGER COMPANY** will be celebrating President Bill Clinton's second term by selling its 1997 Inaugural Basket. The basket features red and blue accent weaving, a stationary handle and a commemorative tag. Locally, the

company is represented by independent agents **GERI MARTIN** of Northville, **DENISE SHIPLEY** and **SUSAN BODRIE** of Novi.

Northville resident and **HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE** physical education instructor **JIM NELSON** was honored by the Mid-American Conference during its recent 50th anniversary celebration for his outstanding work as the former Eastern Michigan University golf coach. From 1972 to 1985 Nelson helped develop Eastern's golf team into one of the best in the Mid-American Conference.

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Don't let shopping run you into debt

Have you made out your holiday list and checked it twice? If not, the Michigan Credit Union League encourages consumers that a list is a good place to begin your holiday shopping.

Holiday shopping is fun and people like to splurge for special occasions," says Michael Kelly, senior director of Education and Information for the league. "Unfortunately, consumers don't always realize how much damage they've done to their savings account until the bills begin arriving in January and aren't paid off until June."

Kelly suggests a few ways to shop within your means for the holidays.

- **Make a list.** A list will help you see how many people you will be buying gifts for this year. "Don't forget the office staff, mailman or baby sitter," says Kelly. "Even if you only plan to give them a small gift, write it down on your list. Small token gifts add up. That cute little bear may only cost \$8, but if you need ten such little gifts they will total \$80. While you're at it, make another list of all extra holiday expenses you anticipate, like greeting cards, stamps, food for holiday parties or tickets for the New Year's Eve extravaganza. Can your budget cover all this?"

- **Be creative to reduce the expenses on the list.**

Can you bake cookies or make a holiday ornament rather than buy a more expensive gift? A couple with children may appreciate a gift of "baby sitting coupons" redeemable to you. Another possibility is shopping for an entire family versus individuals. For example, an annual family pass to the Detroit Zoo costs \$55 and includes two adults, children and grandchildren. You'll find that creativity involves more time and thought than money and people will appreciate your extra effort.

- **Don't spend money you don't already have.**

Be wary of spending a holiday bonus before you have it — this might be the year that the bonus is a frozen turkey instead of a check. "Some credit unions offers a Holiday Savings Program so people can regularly deposit money into a separate account throughout the year and then the funds are automatically transferred into their savings account before the holidays," explains Kelly. "If such a savings program is too late for you this year, look into it for next year. If you have enough discipline, you can add a holiday gift line to your own budget and save all year long."

- **If you use credit cards, take advantage of the credit card marketing blitz.**

Many major credit card companies such as VISA and MasterCard offer credit cards with low interest rates. Use those cards instead of department store cards which tend to have a higher interest rate. Always read the fine print. If a low interest rate is only good for six months, pay off the bills before the new interest rate becomes effective. "Also, avoid department store deferred billing plans, unless you plan to pay them off when they come due in February or March," says Kelly. "Again, these deferred billing plans tend to have a high interest rate and you may be billed retroactively for the two or three month deferral period."

- **Don't wait until the last minute to shop.**

If you wait too long, chances are that you'll go over your budget because of time pressure. You might get lucky on Dec. 24, but more likely, you'll buy a gift over your budget because it's the only thing you can find in an hour. Remember that much of your holiday savings will come before you enter the stores. Planning ahead about how much you will spend and how you will stay within those limits will help ensure you still have a savings account with which to begin the New Year.

Break overspending holiday tradition

If spending more than you can readily pay has become a holiday custom, it's time to break with tradition. The Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants has ten suggestions to help you start reducing your credit load.

- **Stop shopping on credit.** The most important step in any debt management program is to stop running up bills. One effective way to do so is simply to get rid of your credit cards. If you find that step too drastic, consider the following strategy: keep a running list of all of your credit purchases and make sure you set aside equal sums out of your available funds each month. When your credit card bills arrive, you'll have the money to pay all the charges.

- **Establish pay-off priorities.** Paying off high-interest debt is one of the wisest financial moves you can make. Prioritize which accounts to tackle first by categorizing all your outstanding debt from the highest interest rate to the lowest. If, for example, you have department store charges at 21 percent, bank credit cards at 18 percent, and a home equity loan at 10 percent, begin paying off those department store charges first — of course, after making at least the minimum payments on all of your credit accounts.

- **Shop for cheaper credit, with**

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dozens of credit card issuers offering rates of 12 percent or lower, there is little reason to hang onto a higher-rate card. Call your credit card company and mention that you're thinking of switching to a lower-rate card. Many banks and credit card issuers will agree to lower your interest rate rather than lose you as a customer. If yours doesn't, make the move.

- **Pay off as much as you can.** One expensive money trap is the credit card balance that never gets paid off. Credit card issuers encourage you to stretch out repayment by setting the minimum payment due each month as low as two or 2.5 percent of the balance. This schedule allows them to make more money as you pay more interest on your outstanding balance. You can avoid this scenario by paying the most you can each month.

- **Consider dipping into savings.** If you already have an emergency fund equal to six months of living expenses, using money in your savings account to pay off high-interest debt is a good strategy. After all, it hardly makes sense to have money sitting in the bank

earning three or four percent while you pay 18 percent on your credit card balances.

- **Apply for a home equity loan.** One of the cheapest ways to payoff high-interest credit card balances is with a home equity loan. A \$5,000 balance at a credit card rate of 20 percent would cost you \$1,000 per year in interest costs. By contrast, the same \$5,000 on a home equity loan at 8 percent would cost you only \$400. And, don't forget, the interest on home equity loans, unlike credit card interest, is almost always tax deductible. However, it's important to keep in mind that a home equity loan puts your house at risk if you should default.

- **Refinance your mortgage.** You may be able to save a bundle by refinancing if you have a hefty mortgage. But before you rush into it, compare the amount you'll save each month to the refinancing costs.

If you plan to live in your home beyond the time it will take you to break even, it's probably worth it to refinance. Just remember, it may take you several years to realize any cost savings.

- **Borrow from yourself.** A good option for those who need to borrow is to borrow from yourself. Most 401(k) plans permit you to borrow up to 50 percent of your account balance at an interest rate that is often well below the rate you would pay elsewhere.

You may also be able to borrow against the cash value of your life insurance policy or against securities you own.

However, you may only want to borrow amounts you can pay back within a reasonable amount of time.

- **Negotiate with lenders.** If you're so much in debt that you're having trouble meeting your minimum monthly payments, you may be able to negotiate some short-term relief by explaining your situation to your creditors.

Most lenders will go along with a reasonable repayment plan since they would rather be paid even if it takes longer than they would like.

- **Seek help.** If your debt is too high for you to handle on your own, contact the Consumer Credit Counseling Service (1-800-388-2227), a nonprofit organization that educates and counsels people on the use of credit.

The service offers free debt counseling and also will negotiate with your creditors on your behalf and set up a debt repayment plan

MESC offers fax-on-demand service

Employers now can let their fingers do the walking when obtaining important forms from the Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESC).

The agency has launched a fax-on-demand service on its automated telephone customer relations system for employers.

The service allows Michigan employers to choose from a list of several MESC tax forms and a job order form by calling the toll-free number 1-800-638-3994.

"This is a part of our ongoing efforts to make the MESC more efficient and to satisfy our customers," MESC Director F. Robert Edwards said. "It's also part of the No Wrong Door initiative sweeping state government, and the agency has taken a leadership role in incorporating that initiative into its programs and services."

Edwards said the fax-on-demand service is of value to employers because it is free and available 24 hours a day; seven days a week, including holidays.

The service features easy, flexible menus and instructions for choosing as many as nine forms ranging from two to 11 pages in length. Callers use their touch-tone phone keypad to pick which forms they want from a list before completing their order by entering their fax number. Before or after making a selection, a caller can easily press 0 during regular business hours to talk with a customer relations representative.

"For instance, a caller could request an Employer's Quarterly Wage Detail Report by fax, then

ask to speak with a customer relations representative," Edwards explained.

Besides the Quarterly Wage Detail Report (Form 1017), fax-on-demand forms are:

- Employer's Quarterly Contribution Report (Form 1020).

- Registration Report to Determine Liability (Form 1009).

- Notice of Discontinuance or Disposition of Business (Form 1772).

- Employer's Supplemental Tax Report (Form 1021, used for amending MESC Tax Report 1020).

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Your car's title and lease agreements may be close at hand in the glove compartment, but they're also an open invitation to thieves.

In what has become a new trend, in auto theft, perpetrators are stealing a vehicle's paperwork in order to obtain a set of replacement keys. Posing as the vehicle owner, thieves present the stolen lease or title to the dealer as proof of ownership. Replacement keys may then be issued.

According to AAA Michigan Claim Investigations Team Leader Jerry Hinton, the tactic is not the mark of a professional thief, but more likely an amateur or teens seeking to vandalize or joy ride.

"It's still a good idea not to leave any kind of personal information

in the car," said Hinton. "You don't want the wrong person getting your home address, for instance. Your title and registration should never be kept in the car — keep your registration and proof of insurance in your wallet or purse."

In 1994, after 10 years of solid decline, the auto theft rate in Michigan posted a slight increase. To help reverse this trend, AAA Michigan and the Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA) have joined forces to offer Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etching — a process that acts as a deterrent to professional car thieves.

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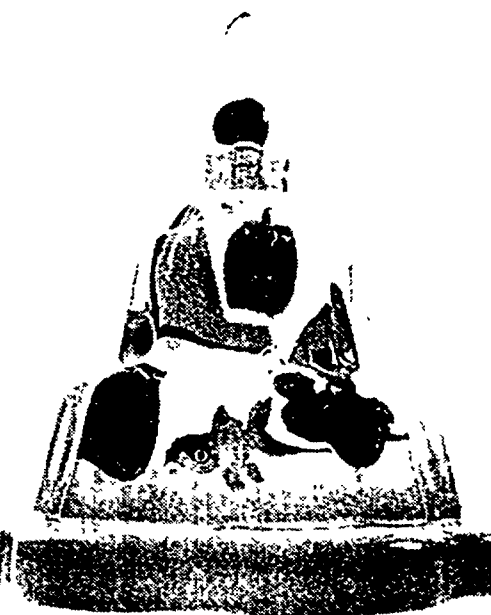
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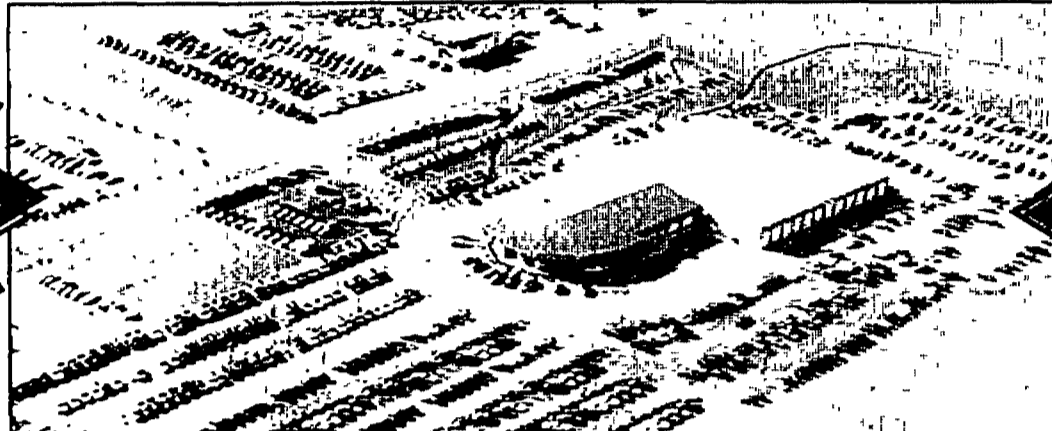
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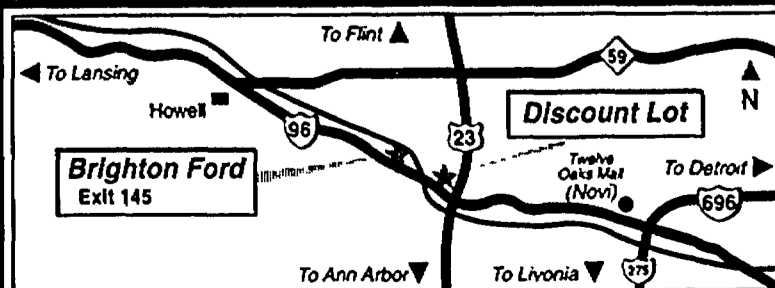
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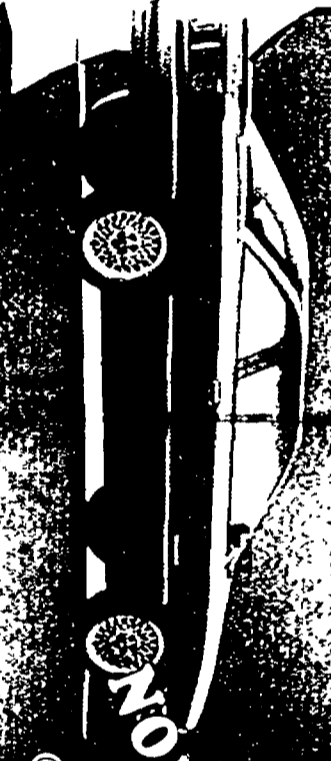
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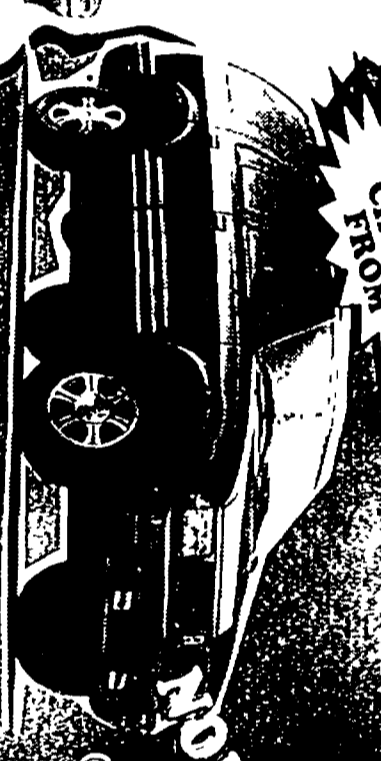
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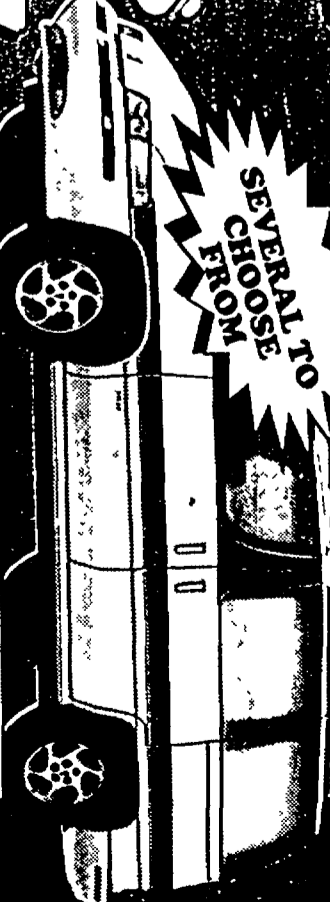


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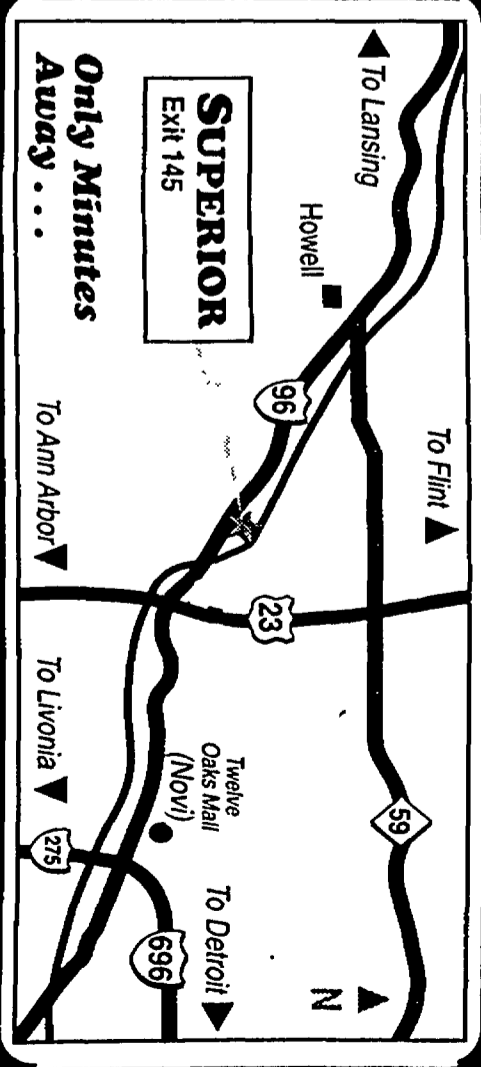
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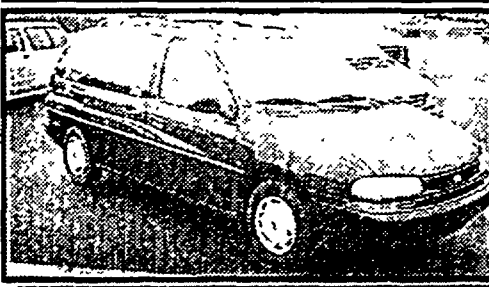
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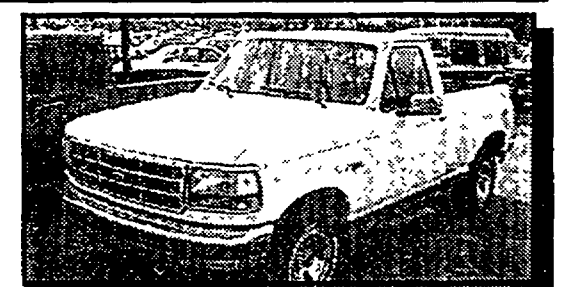
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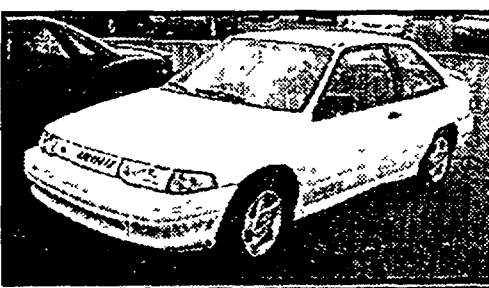

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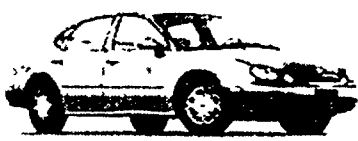


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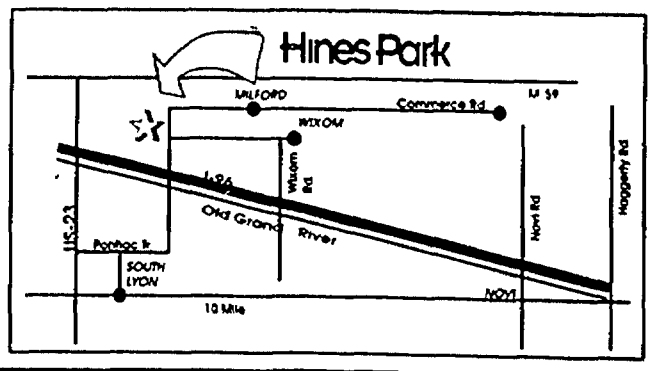
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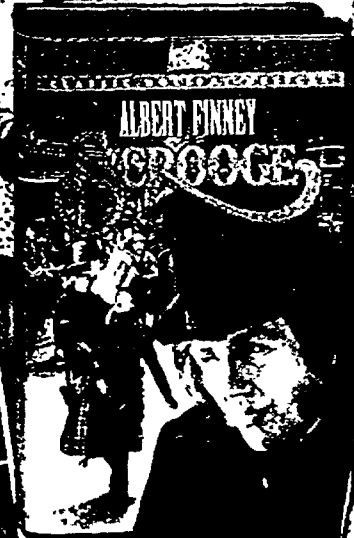


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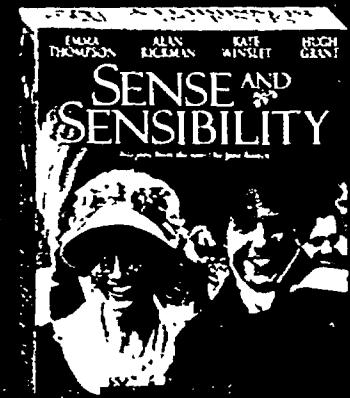
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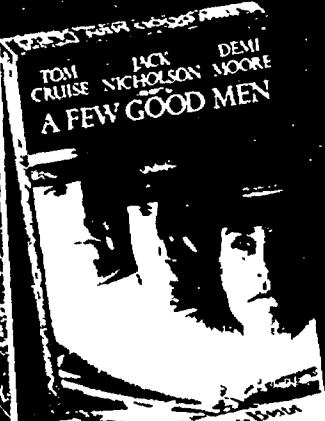
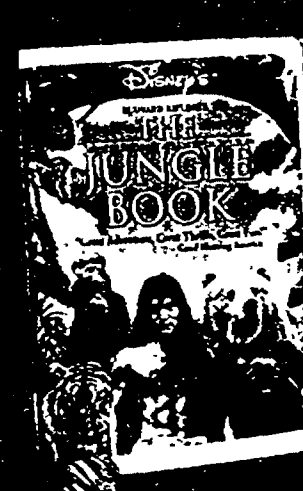


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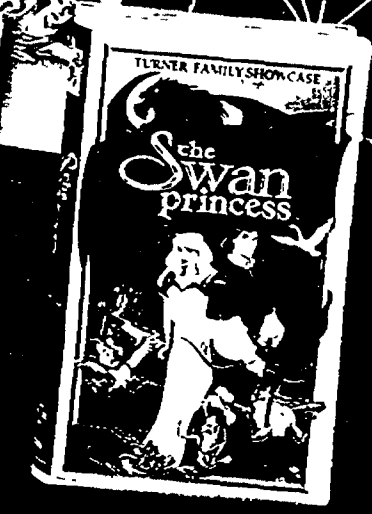
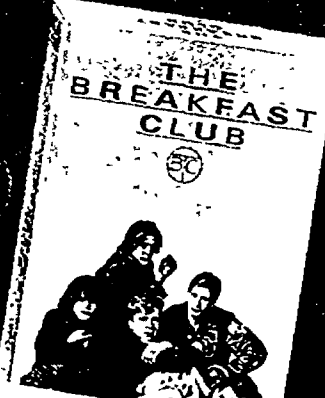
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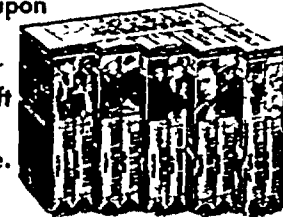
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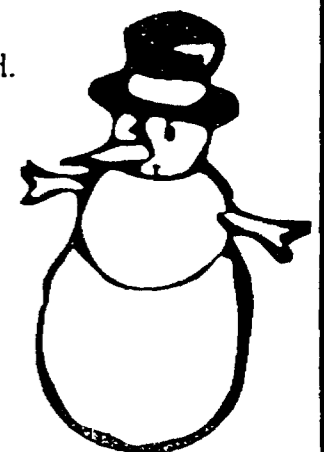


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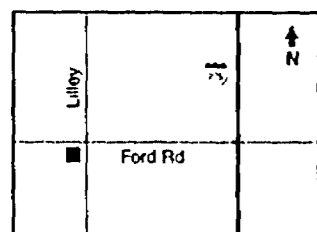
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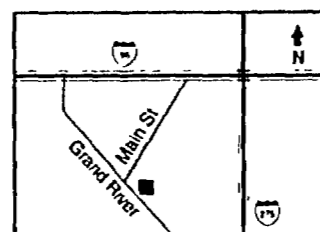
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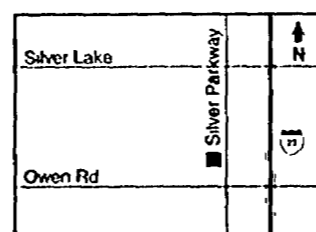
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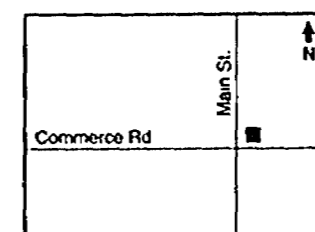
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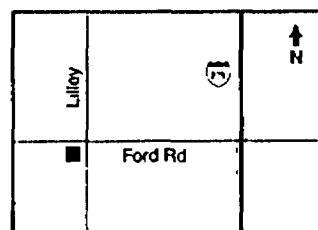
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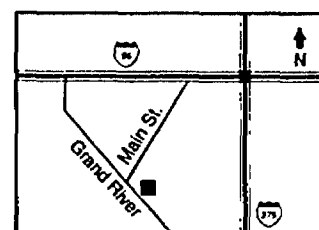
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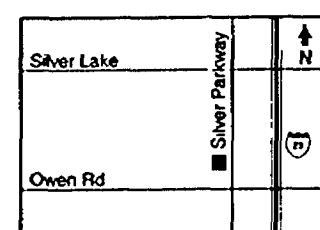
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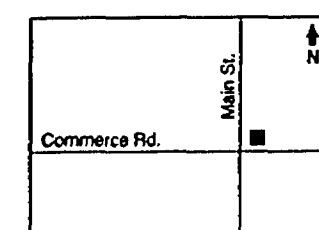
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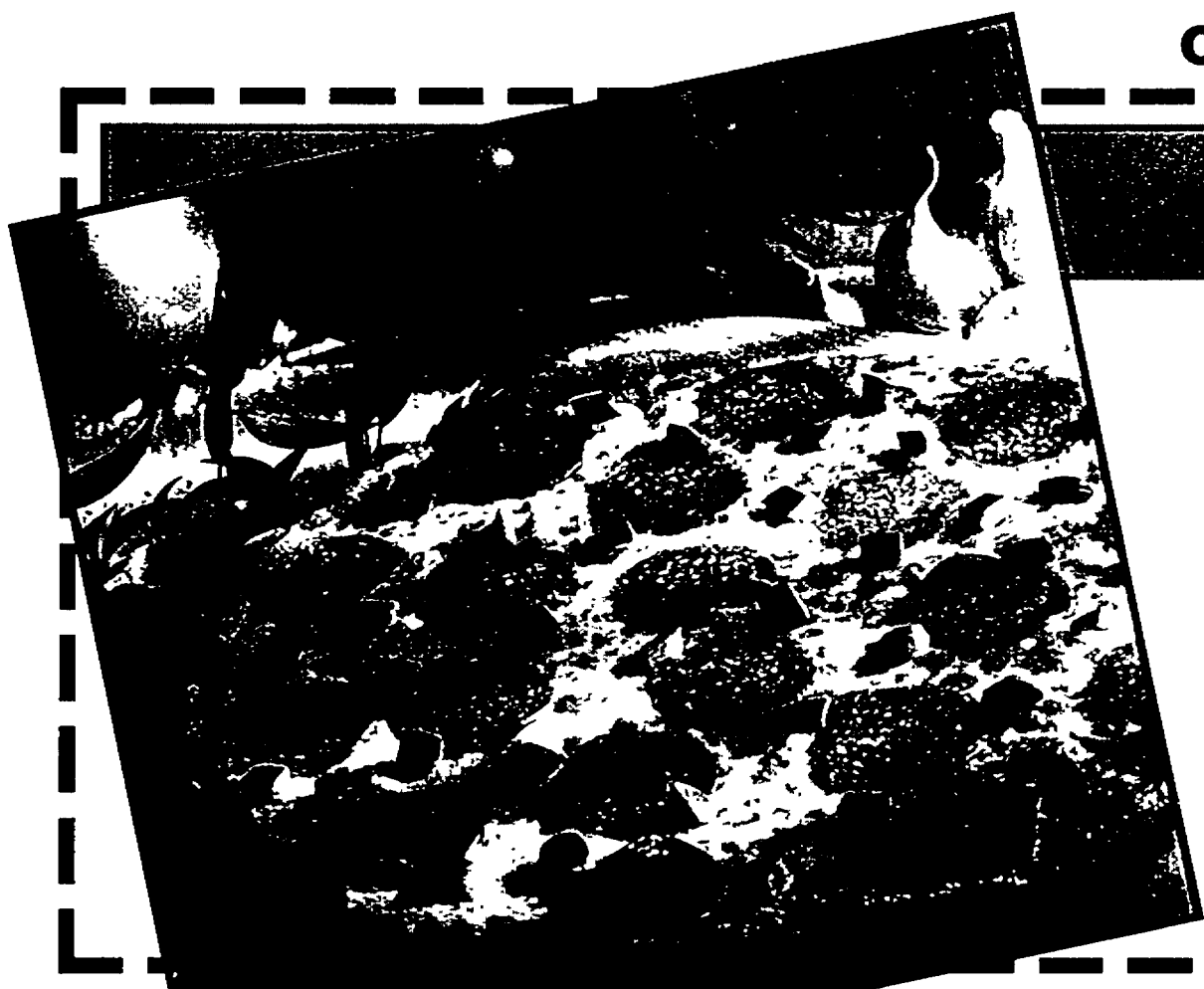
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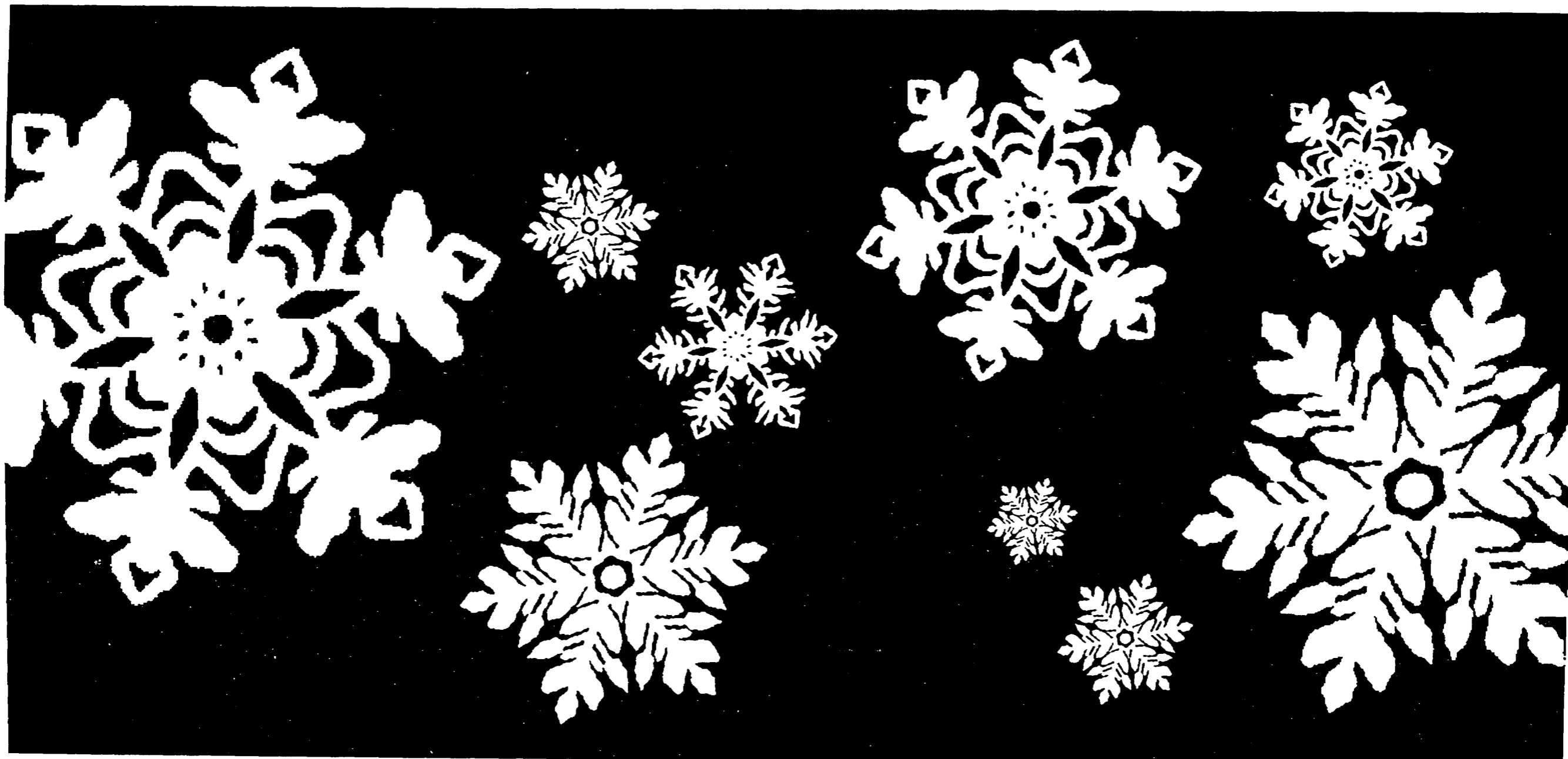
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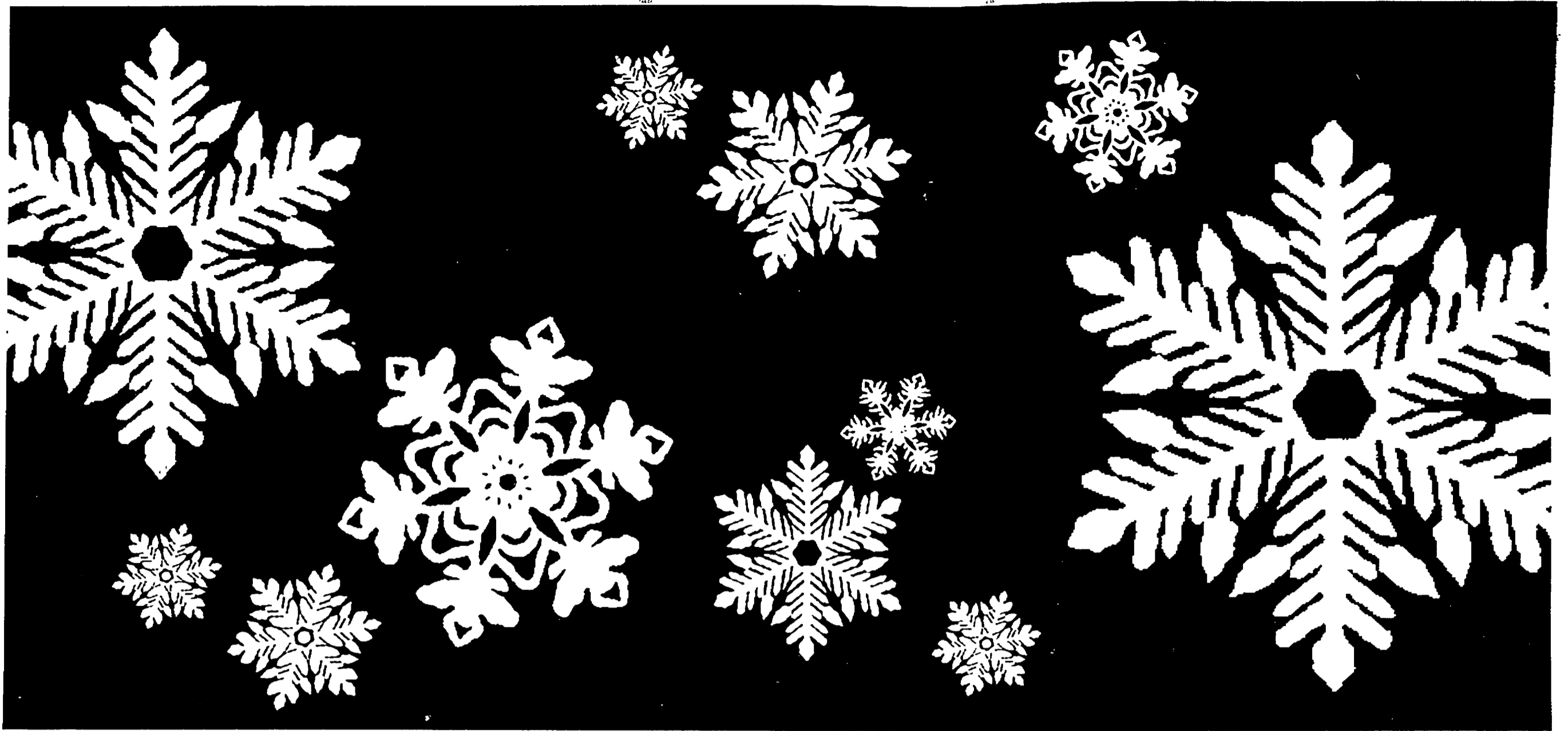
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Community Programs

Back School

Let us help you understand your back problem and how to take care of it. A licensed physical therapist will discuss common back injuries as well as posture and body mechanics. This session is open to anyone interested in learning how to take care of their back. First Wednesday of each month, Noon-1 p.m. (No charge) Call (313) 655-2955 or 1-800-494-0422 for dates and times.

Blood Pressure Measurement

The following locations provide an opportunity to have your blood pressure taken free of charge, and you will be advised if follow-up is needed. Appointments are not necessary. For more information, call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

- **St. Mary Hospital - Main Lobby**
(Five Mile Rd. entrance)
36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia
1st Monday of the month
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
- **Wonderland Mall - Information Desk**
(Center of Mall)
Plymouth and Middlebelt Roads, Livonia
2nd Monday of the month
8 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Basic Life Support - Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (BLS-CPR)

Several American Heart Association courses are offered.

- **BLS-Adult Heartsaver:** one-person rescue technique; Heimlich maneuver; heart health information for the layperson.

"I Can Cope" Cancer Education

Six-week cancer education series designed to help cancer patients and their families learn how to take an active role in their treatment and recovery. The course includes lectures by a team of health care professionals, audio visual programs and group discussion. (Free of charge) Please call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650 for class dates and to register.

"Let's Talk" Lecture Series

Health topics of interest are discussed at lectures held throughout the year. (No charge) Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650 for information on the next "Let's Talk" lecture.

LifeSteps (Weight Management)

LifeSteps is a sensible weight loss and weight control training program. Twelve one-hour classes plus three private sessions help you learn how to safely lose weight under the direction of a registered dietitian. Course offered in September and January. For more information, please call (313) 655-8600.

Medicare Assistance Program (MAP)

If you need help with your insurance paperwork or completing Medicare/Medicaid forms, this free service is for you. Co-sponsored by Senior Alliance, an insurance counselor will have your questions answered. Please call (313) 464-9355 or 1-800-494-1649 to make an appointment.

Outpatient Diabetes Education

A certified diabetes educator instructs persons on a one-to-one basis how to give insulin or how to use blood glucose meters. A doctor's order or a call from the doctor's office is needed for insulin teaching. (Course fee) By appointment. Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-

Women's and Family Health (continued)

Baby Talk Hotline

A special hotline is available 24 hours a day for new moms with questions on your care or your baby's care. Our maternity center nursing staff will answer your questions, or refer you to your physician if needed. Call (313) 655-2973.

Breast Health Clinic

A complete breast exam is done by a physician with instruction on how to do a self-breast examination. (Fee) If indicated, a mammogram is done (Fee). Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Breastfeeding Class

Expectant parents receive helpful information from certified lactation consultants on the benefits of breastmilk, getting a good start in the hospital, and how to continue breastfeeding at home. One-day class. Course fee. Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Breastfeeding Program

One-on-one consultation for new mothers to talk with our certified lactation consultants before delivery, while in the hospital, and once discharged home. Breast pump rental available. Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615. (Fee for outpatient lactation services).

Childbirth Education

Classes are offered for expectant mothers and partners using the Lamaze method, which includes relaxation and breathing techniques. Pre-registration is required.

• **BLS-Pediatrics:** how to resuscitate an infant or child up to age 8; includes injury prevention for the layperson and child care givers.

• **BLS-Healthcare Providers (Course C):** aimed at healthcare providers, students, child care workers, one- and two-person adult resuscitation and rescue techniques for the pediatric victim. (Course fee) Preregistration required. Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

CareLink Senior Discount Program

The CareLink program provides special health care services and discounts for adults age 55 and over. CareLink services are free of charge. Call (313) 655-2940 or 1-800-494-0566 to join.

Chemical Dependency Program

Group, individual and family counseling for alcoholism, drug addiction and related emotional problems is available through St. Mary Hospital. The program recognizes that each individual's problem is unique; a treatment plan is based on a thorough assessment of the nature and extent of the disorder. Services are reimbursable by most insurances. Call (313) 655-2936 or 1-800-494-1654 for more information.

Cholesterol Education Program - Eater's Choices

A registered nurse trained in cholesterol treatment techniques assists in developing a personal daily fat budget based on caloric intake, teaches how to identify saturated fat in common foods, how to stay within your saturated fat budget and lower your cholesterol. (Course fee) Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

Cholesterol Screenings

Have your cholesterol checked by a registered nurse and receive follow-up information on keeping healthy. Offered periodically for a small fee in the St. Mary Hospital Pavilion Conference Room. Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650 for the next session. (By appointment)

Depression/Anxiety Screening

Private, individual depression or anxiety screenings are held on a monthly basis with a St. Mary Hospital mental health professional. By appointment. Call (313) 655-2936 or 1-800-494-1654.

Durable Power of Attorney

You have the right to make your medical treatment choices using the Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care and/or Patient Advocate form. St. Mary Hospital makes this information available to you upon admission or upon request. For information, please call (313) 655-2984 or 1-800-494-1651.

Eating Disorders Clinic

The Eating Disorders Clinic (EDC) of St. Mary Hospital brings a structured approach to the treatment of eating disorders such as anorexia, bulimia and compulsive overeating, offering individual or group programs. The experienced staff of physicians, nutritionists, psychiatrists, psychologists and therapists provide treatment with understanding and sensitivity. Services are reimbursable by most insurances. For an appointment, please call (313) 655-2936 or 1-800-494-1654.

Home Health Care

Your in-home health and comfort is the goal of our Home Health Care program. Professional services, quality medical equipment and supplies are available for home use. Call (313) 562-1450 for more information.

Appointment Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

Physician Referral

Need a physician? Call us for a referral for either a primary care physician or specialist. We will provide you with information about a physician close to your home, and if desired, connect you directly to the physician's office to make an appointment. Call 1-888-464-WELL (9355).

Project Health-O-Rama

St. Mary Hospital offers free and low-cost health screenings through Project Health-O-Rama for those age 18 and over. The annual event is held each spring. Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

Smoke Free Living (Smoking Cessation)

A series of four two-hour sessions which are held over a two-week period. The class covers the effects of smoking, what to expect when you quit, coping techniques and strategies on staying smoke-free. (Course fee) Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

Speakers' Bureau

We'll come to you with professional presentations on a wide range of health-related issues. Talks can be designed to meet the needs of your organization, business or group. (No charge) To request a speaker, call our Community Relations Department, (313) 655-2940 or 1-800-494-0566.

Summer Speech Program

An eight-week program open to children with all types of communication difficulties, including speech and language delay, stuttering and voice disorders. Call (313) 655-2955 or 1-800-494-0422 for schedule.

Support Groups - see back panel

Taking Charge of Living with Diabetes Classes

Learn to "take charge" of your diabetes! A series of eight classes provides information for self-care and control of diabetes, including lifestyle changes, diet, foot care, blood testing, medication, complications, exercise, coping and resources. For persons with diabetes 18 years of age and older. (Course fee) Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

Volunteer Program

Provide a needed service by volunteering at St. Mary Hospital. Our volunteers donate thousands of hours every year taking care of the details that make being in the hospital easier for patients and their families. Call (313) 655-2912 or 1-800-494-1652.

Wellness in the Workplace

St. Mary Hospital offers a Wellness Program to meet the needs of your individual business or work group mix. Business representatives may contact the Wellness Coordinator at (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

Wonder Walkers Club

A walking club held at Wonderland Mall, Plymouth and Middlebelt in Livonia, and co-sponsored by St. Mary Hospital. Walkers receive free blood pressure screening and health talks courtesy of St. Mary Hospital staff. Call Wonderland Mall at (313) 522-4100 to join.

Women's and Family Health

Baby Beeper Program

For your peace of mind you can reach your family by renting a beeper towards the end of your pregnancy. Just call Page Michigan, 1-800-222-6619 for this service.

Please call early in your pregnancy to register. Six weekly sessions, 7-9 p.m. or a one-day Saturday workshop, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (Course fee) Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Infant Care Classes

"Getting to Know Your Newborn" focuses on care of your well infant, including feeding, bathing, sleep and activity habits. "Caring for the Sick Infant" focuses on infant safety (childproofing your home), immunizations and signs of illness. Offered to anyone who takes care of an infant. (Course fee) Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Just for Dads...Childbirth and Beyond

Dads are presented information to better understand the feelings and changes associated with the birthing process, how to become active participants in childbirth, and their new role as fathers. Open discussion. A one-day class, 7-9 p.m. (Course fee) Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615 to register.

Lectures and Seminars for Women

Throughout the year, the Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital sponsors lectures by specialists in women's health care. Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615 for information on the next scheduled lecture.

Premarital Class

Persons wishing to be married in Michigan are required to receive counseling about sexually transmitted diseases before applying for a marriage license. Upon completion of this class, you will receive the necessary certificate to obtain a license. Certificates are valid for 60 days. Registration required. (Course fee) Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Pre-Postnatal Exercise

This class will include warm-ups, stretching, low-impact aerobics, cool-down and relaxation techniques as well as education on such topics as nutrition and the risks of substance abuse during pregnancy and while breastfeeding. (Course fee) Registration is required. Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Resource Library - Marian Women's Center

A comprehensive library is available in the Marian Women's Center that includes tapes, books and pamphlets on a variety of health-related topics for women and their families. For more information, call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Safe Sitter

The best baby-sitter is a Safe Sitter! Safe Sitter is a program that teaches boys and girls ages 11-13 how to handle emergencies when caring for young children. Safe Sitters learn basic life-saving techniques, safety precautions to prevent accidents, how and when to call for help, and tips on basic child care. To register your son, daughter or baby-sitter, call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Sibling Class

This two-hour class helps expectant parents and their children with information regarding sibling rivalry, signs of jealousy, and steps that parents can take to minimize these behaviors. Children are encouraged to talk about the changes a new baby will bring, their feelings, and what their new role will be. (Fee per family) For more information, call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Support Groups for Women - see back panel

Tours of the Miracle of Life Maternity Center

You're invited to visit the Miracle of Life Maternity Center and receive a tour. Set dates and times. To arrange for a tour, call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Support Groups (no charge)



Al-Anon

Open to family and friends of alcoholics, Al-Anon meetings are held every Monday, 8:30-10 p.m., in the St. Mary Hospital Cafeteria. For information call (313) 655-2936 or 1-800-494-1654.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Open to anyone with an alcohol dependency, meetings are held every Monday, 8:30 p.m., in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. Call (313) 655-2936 or 1-800-494-1654.

Breast Cancer Support Group

This self-help and education group provides an opportunity to share and discuss topics of concern for women with breast cancer. Speakers offer information about the physical and emotional aspects of breast cancer. Meets in the Lower Level Conference Room, 7-8:30 p.m., the second Tuesday of each month. Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Breather's Club

A program for adults with breathing problems to share experiences and learn how to cope with lung disease. This group meets the third Thursday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. in Pavilion Conference Room B, and family members are welcome. Cosponsored by the American Lung Association. Call (313) 655-2924.

Diabetes Support Group

Do you find it hard to stay on your diet and to follow your treatment plan? Join other adults with diabetes and family members sharing

problems. This self-help group meets the second Wednesday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. A certified diabetes educator leads the meetings and guest speakers discuss diabetes-related topics and concerns. Call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

Focus on Living

A support and self-help group of cancer patients and their families meets the first Wednesday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. (No charge) Co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Call (313) 655-8542 or 1-800-494-1653.

Grief Support Group

A monthly grief support group is offered at Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia, at 1 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month and at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Call Angela Hospice at (313) 464-7810.

Menopause Support Group

An opportunity for women to share their feelings and concerns confidentially about menopause, mid-life issues and health-related matters. First Wednesday of every month, 7-9 p.m. in the Pavilion Conference Room. Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Mental Health Support Group

Adult family and friends of mental health patients will benefit from group interaction designed to deal with stresses and concerns resulting from a loved one's mental illness. This support group meets every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital 5th Floor Group Room. For more information call (313) 655-2943 or 1-800-494-0277.

Mother Baby Postpartum Support Group

Mothers and babies are encouraged to attend this monthly support group. A certified lactation consultant will facilitate information sharing regarding the postpartum period of adjustment. Group will meet the second Tuesday of every month 10 to 11 a.m. Call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group

Swim and exercise at the Livonia YMCA, 14255 Stark Road, Livonia, on Fridays, 6-7 p.m. and then join the Support Group from 7:15-8 p.m. Call Livonia YMCA (313) 261-2161 for information or St. Mary Hospital Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Department at (313) 655-2955 or 1-800-494-0422.

Nutrition Checkpoint

This on-going program is designed as one-on-one follow-up education for those already on a special diet who desire continual re-evaluation and support and consists of four private counseling sessions with a registered dietitian. By appointment only. Please call (313) 655-2983.

Ostomy Support Group

Programs and trained visitors are provided for patients and families of those having or having had ostomy surgery, colostomy, urostomy, ileostomy, or continent ostomy procedure. Sponsored by the United Ostomy Association. Call (313) 533-1020 for information.

About St. Mary Hospital

St. Mary Hospital is a 304-bed acute care community hospital located at Five Mile Road and Levan in west central Livonia, Michigan. Sponsored by the Felician Sisters and affiliated with William Beaumont Hospital, St. Mary serves the community with the same spirit of Christian dedication since its inception in 1959.

Through continued expansions and new technology, St. Mary provides the community with vital, high quality healthcare. Our highly trained medical, nursing and support staff provide medical/surgical care, intensive/cardiac care, oncology/radiation therapy, maternity, women's services, physical medicine and rehabilitation, behavioral medicine, chemical dependency, child care center and 24-hour emergency care.

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Wed., Feb. 5, 1-3 p.m., St. Mary Hospital Auditorium (free). To register call 1-800-494-1650.

Prostate Screening Day
Sat., March 1, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary Hospital Pavilion (free). To register call 1-800-494-1650.

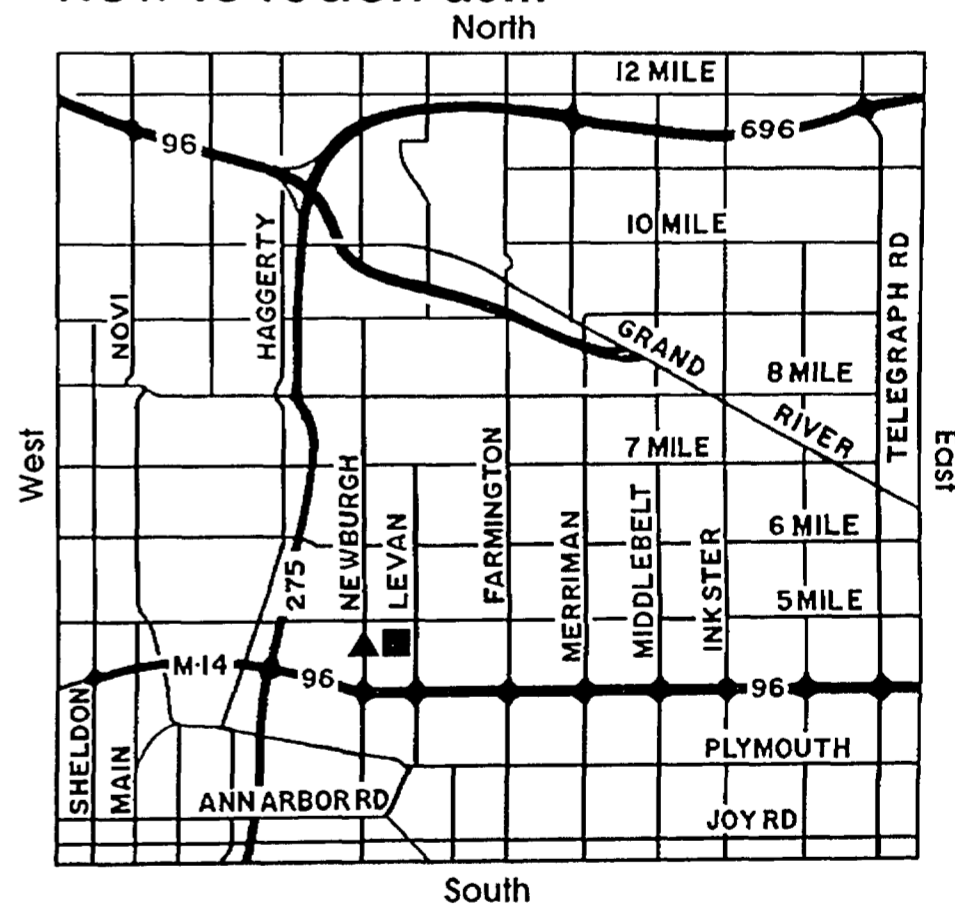
New Roles/New Challenges: You and Your Aging Parents
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Women's Health Day
Sat., April 5, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Holiday Inn-Livonia (fee). To register call 1-800-494-1617 or (313) 655-2882.

Project Health-O-Rama
Sat., April 19, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Mary Hospital Auditorium (free). To register call 1-800-494-1650.

Anxiety Disorders Screening Day
Wed., May 7, 6 p.m., (free). For information call (313) 655-2943.

How to reach us...



- St. Mary Hospital (use North Entrance)
36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia • (313) 464-4800 or 1-800-464-7492
- Marian Professional Building/Pavilion (use South Entrance)
14555 Levan Road, Livonia
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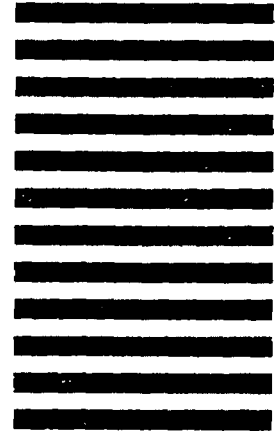
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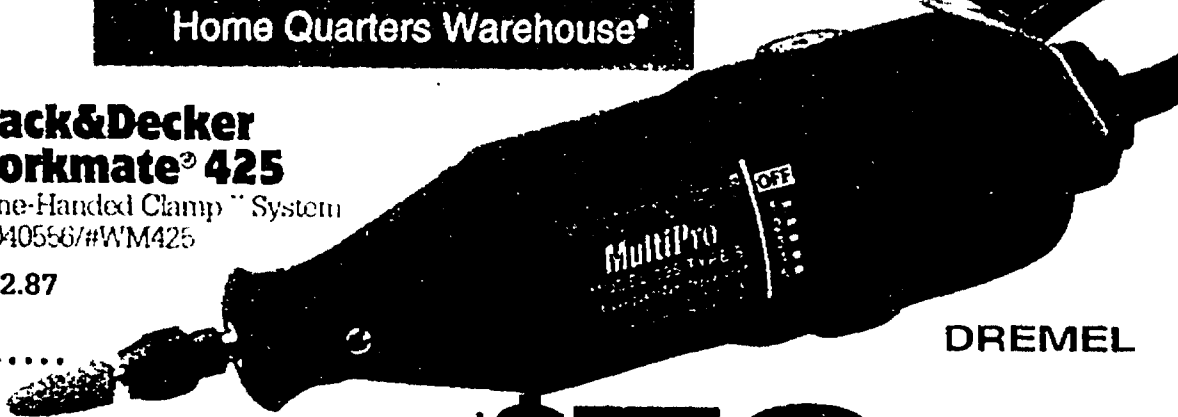
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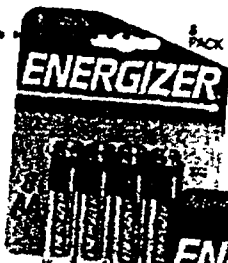
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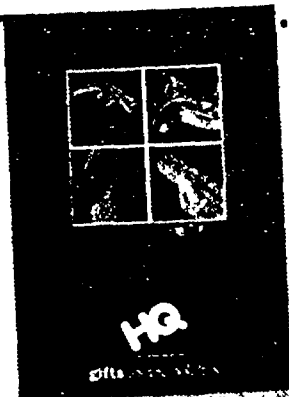
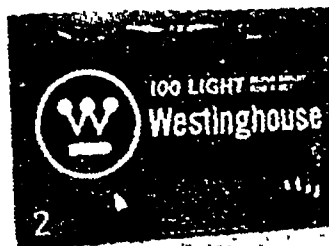
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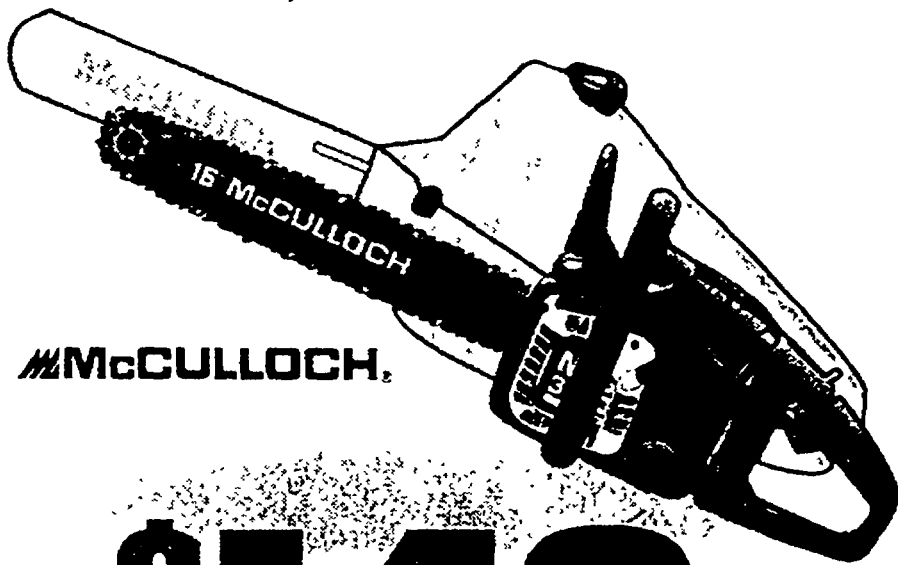
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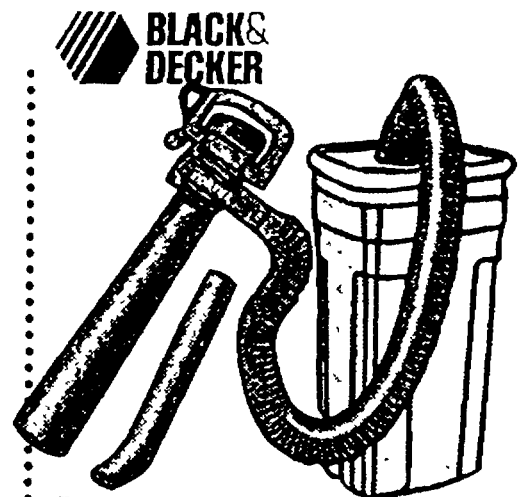


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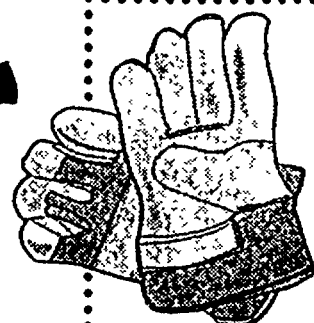


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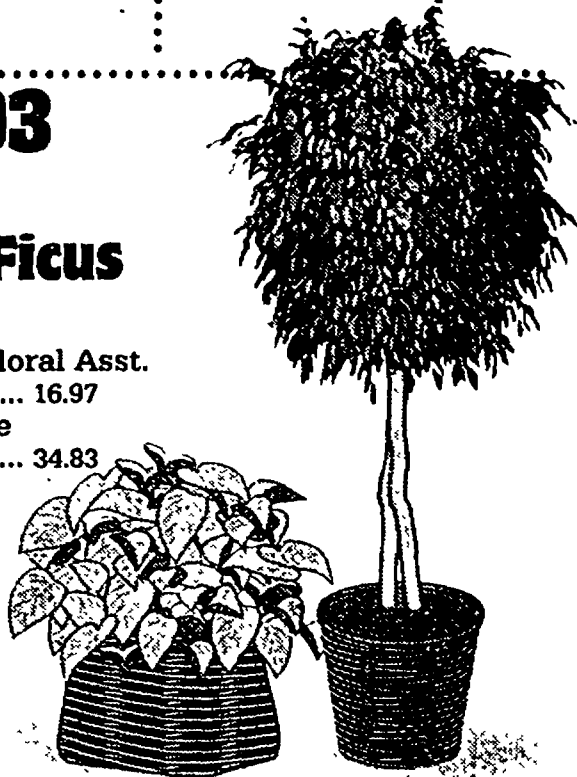
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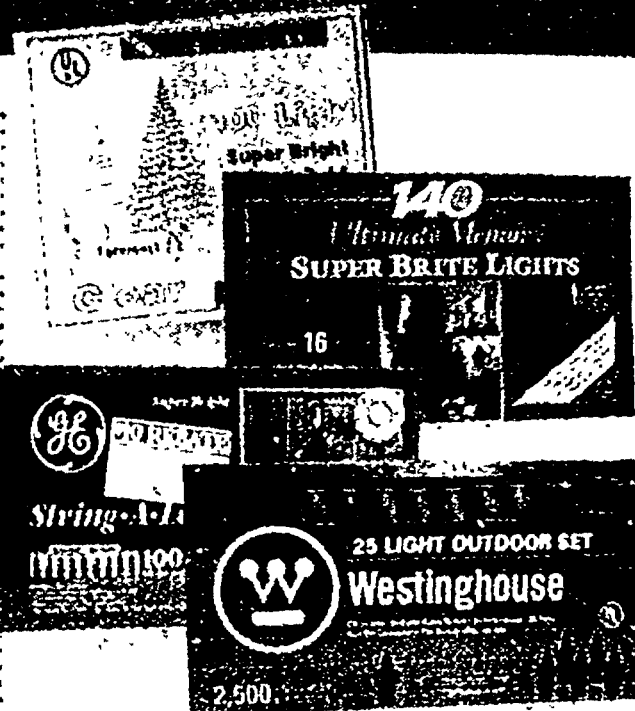


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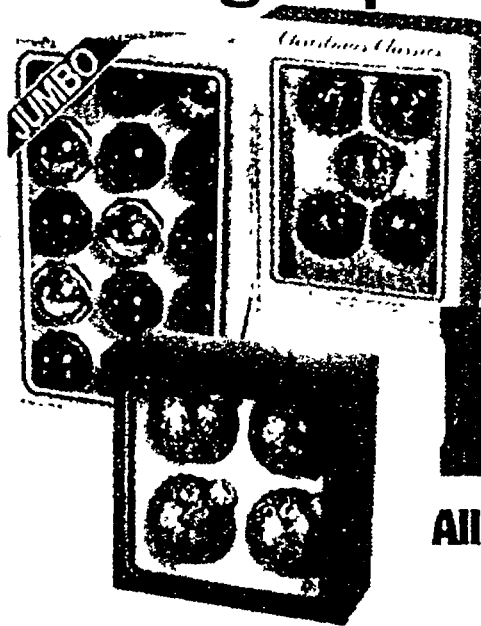


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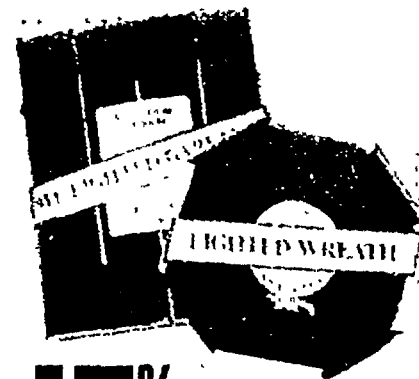
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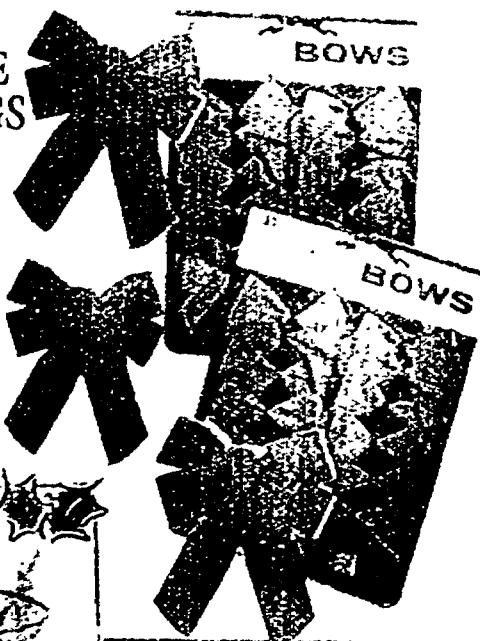
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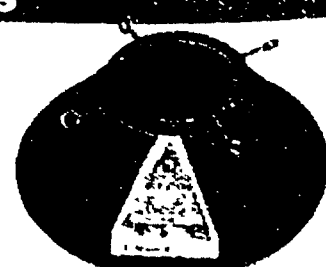
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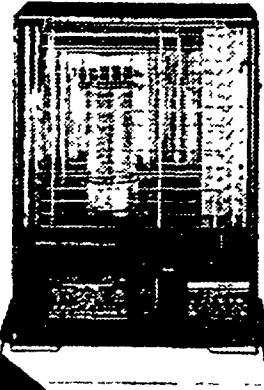
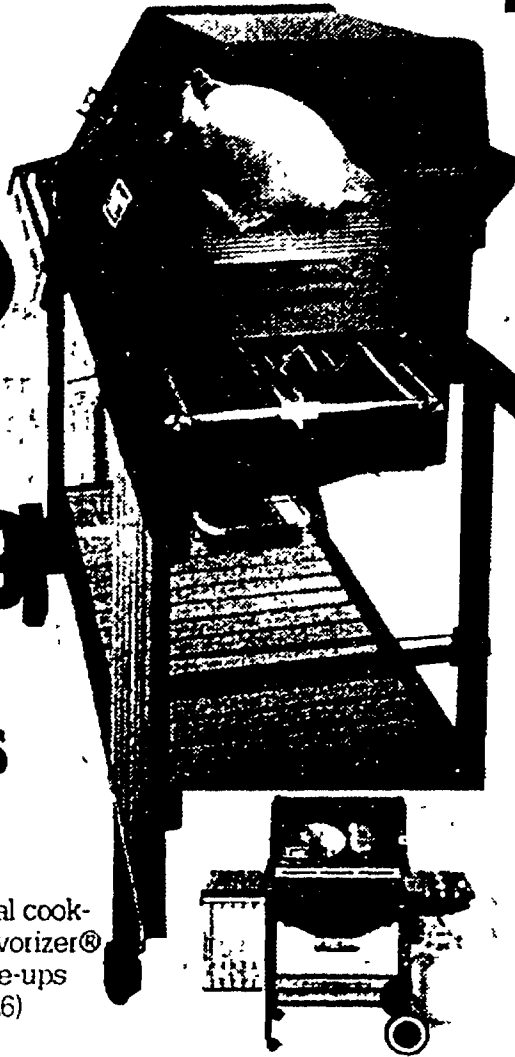
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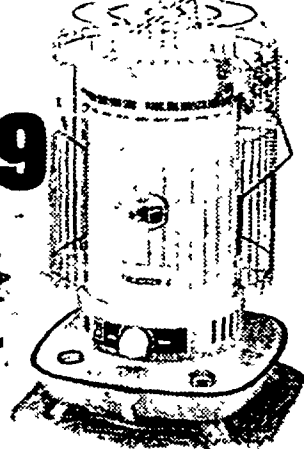


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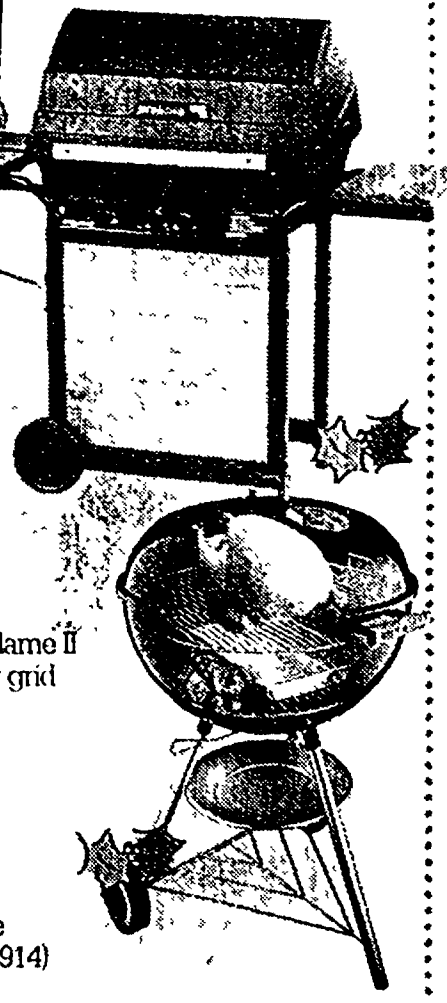
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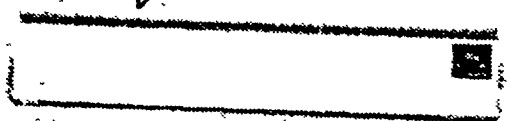
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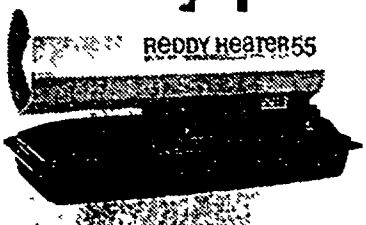
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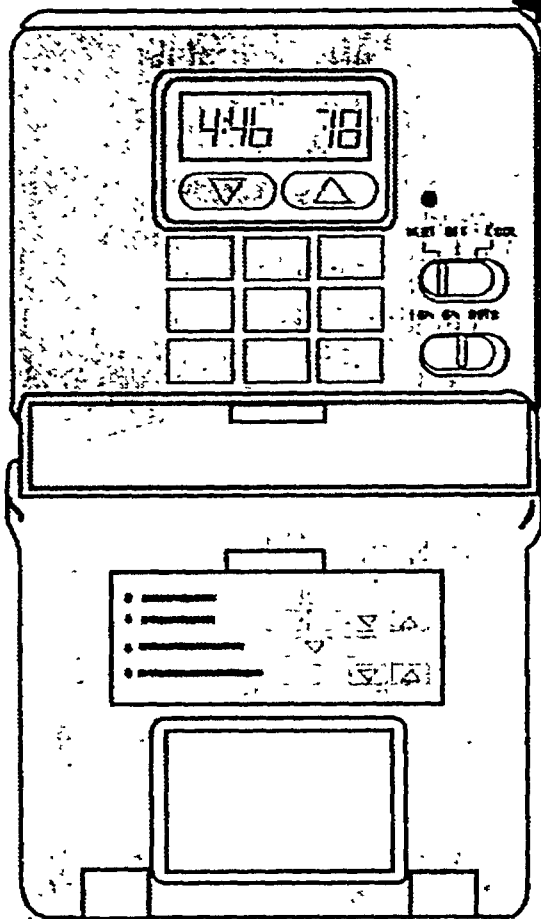


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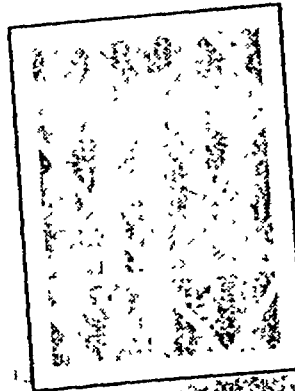
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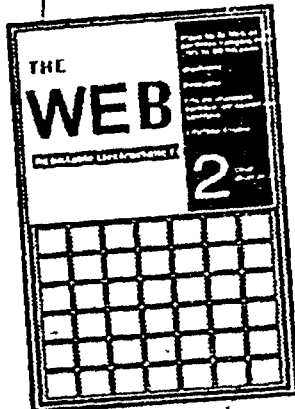
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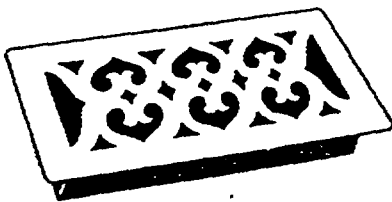
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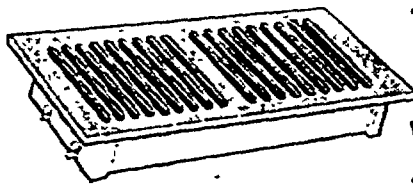
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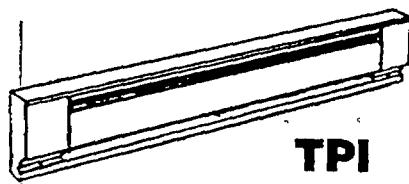
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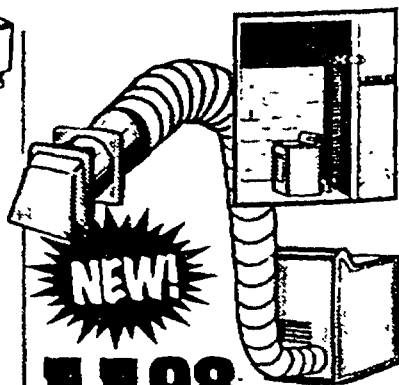


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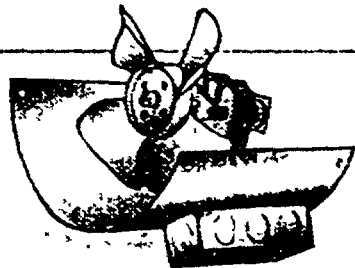


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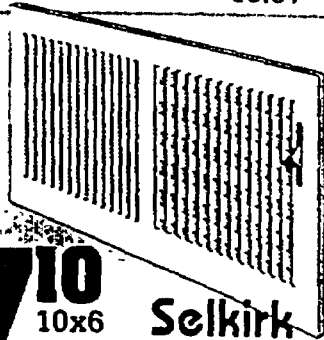
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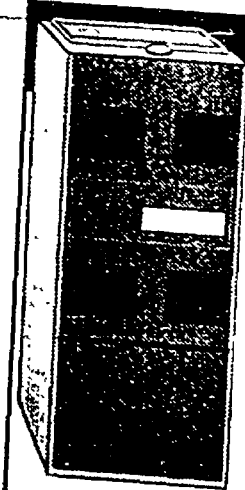
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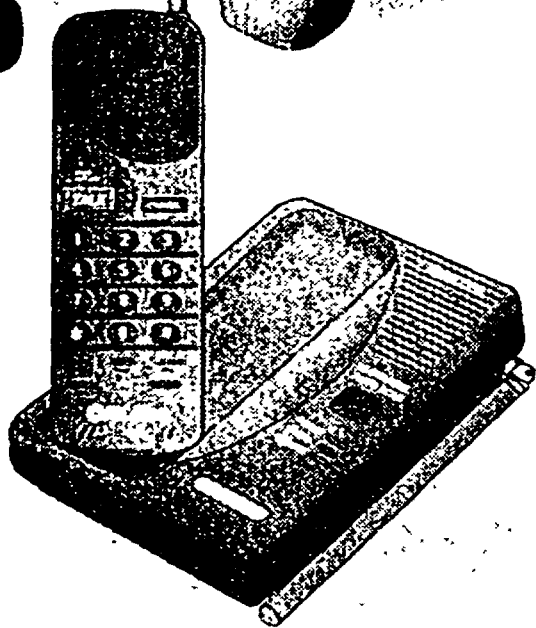
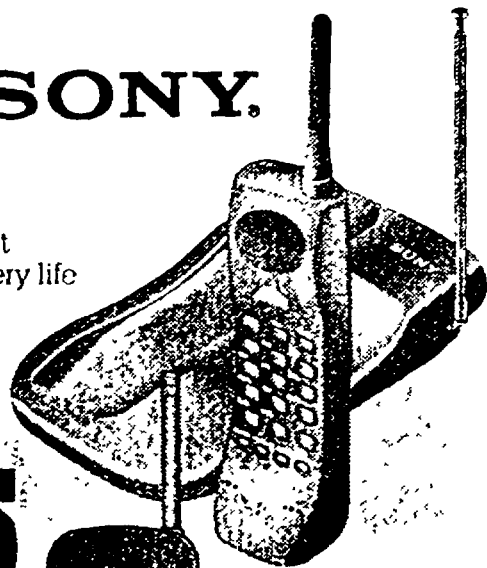
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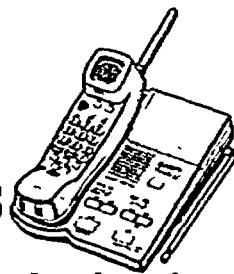
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- Last number redial
- Black
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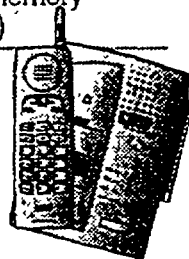


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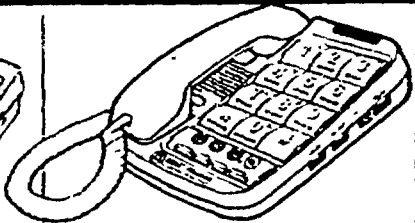
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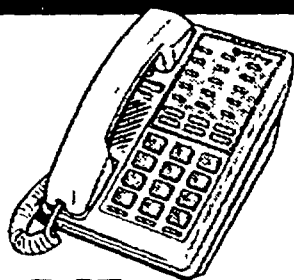
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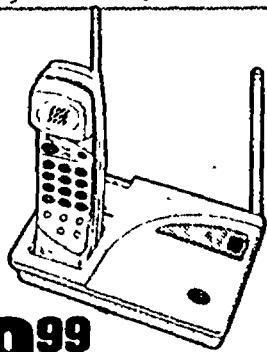
37⁹⁵ Big Button Phone

- Visual ring indicator
- 13# memory
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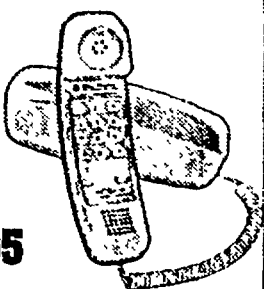
39⁹⁵ 2-Line Phone

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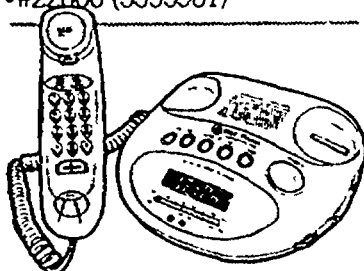
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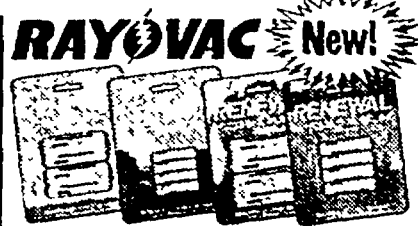
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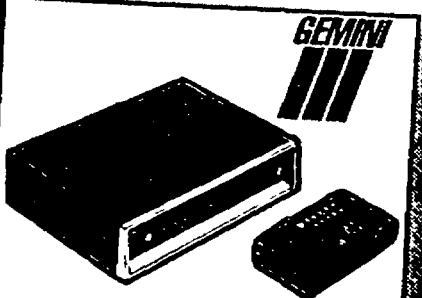
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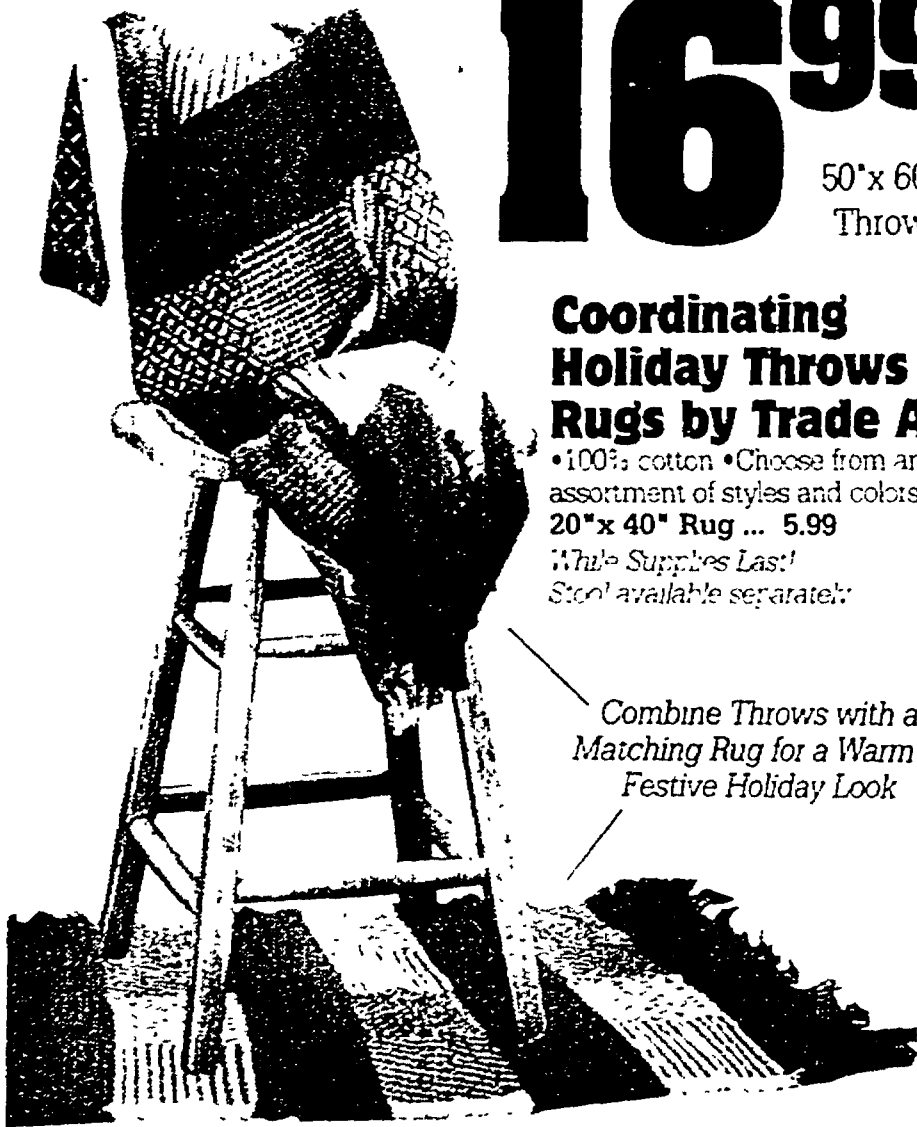
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•Durable tubular construction
•While supplies last

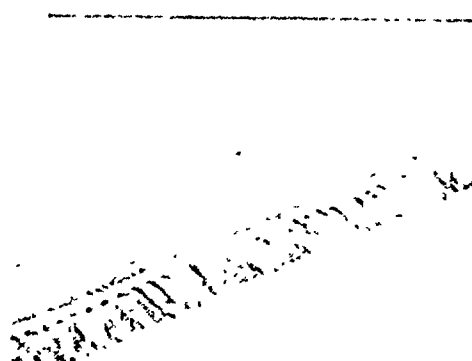


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2 x 3

Chenille Braided Rugs From Homemaker

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•Durable tubular construction
•While supplies last



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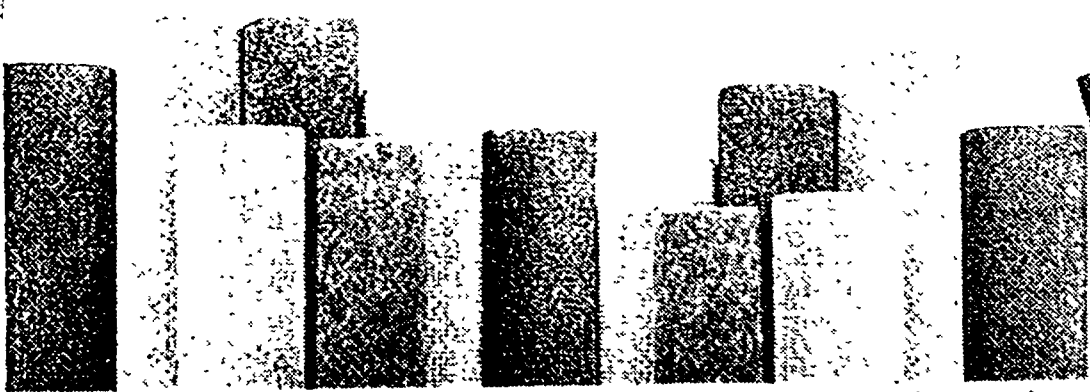
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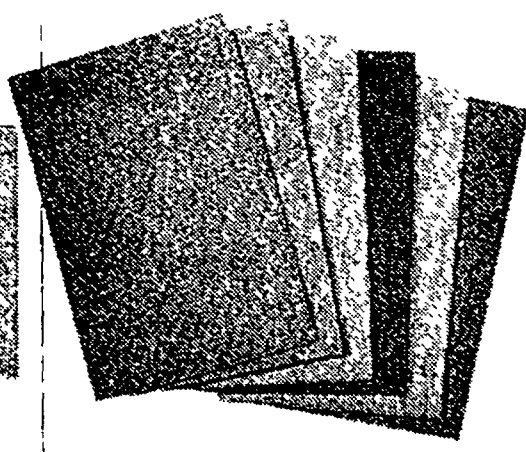
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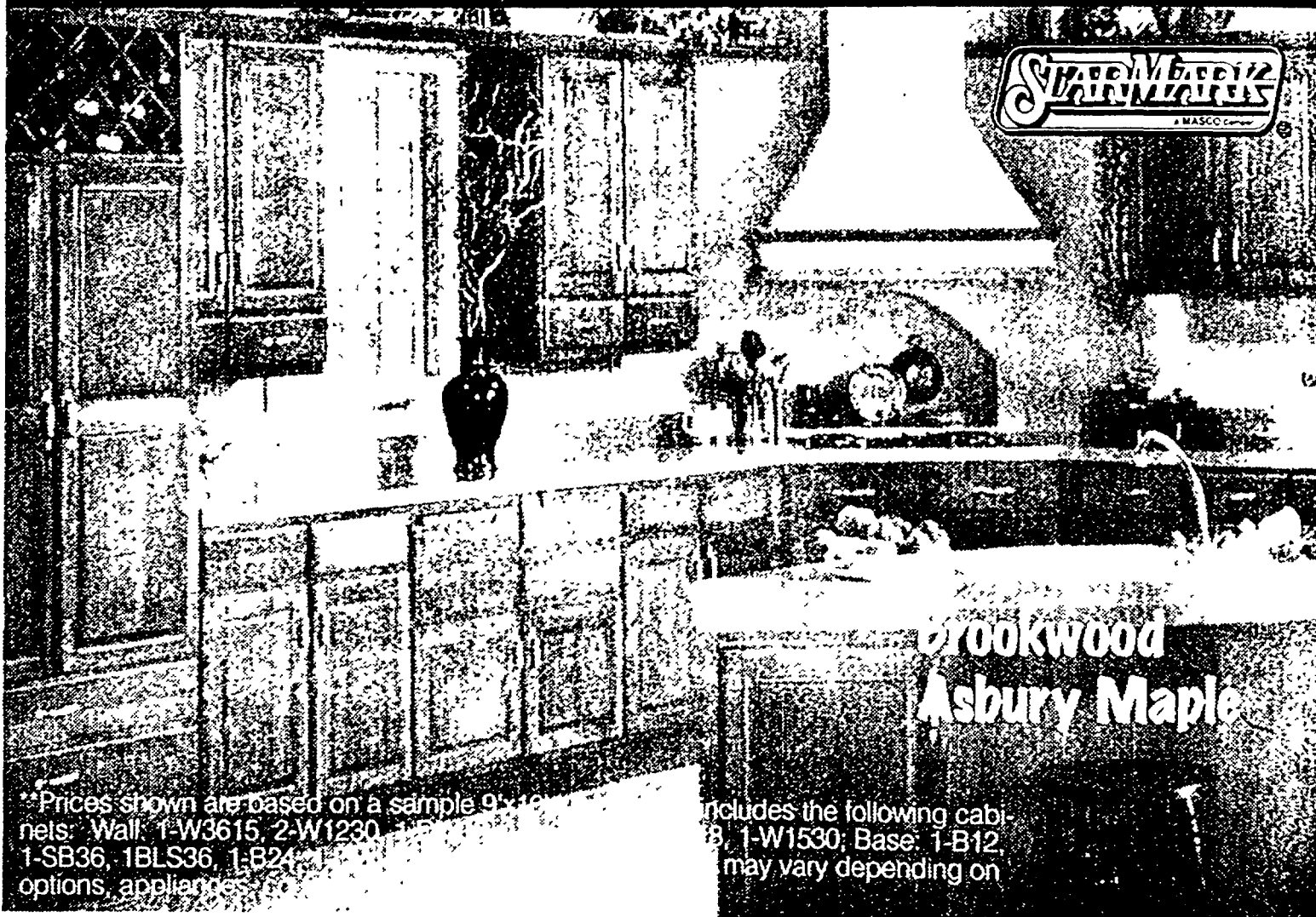
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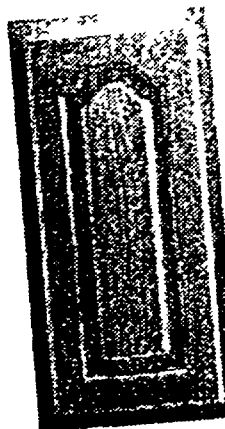
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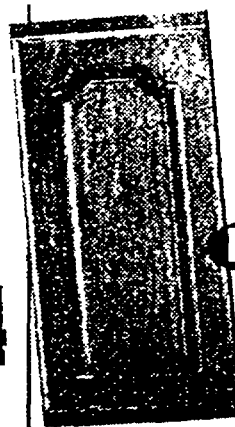
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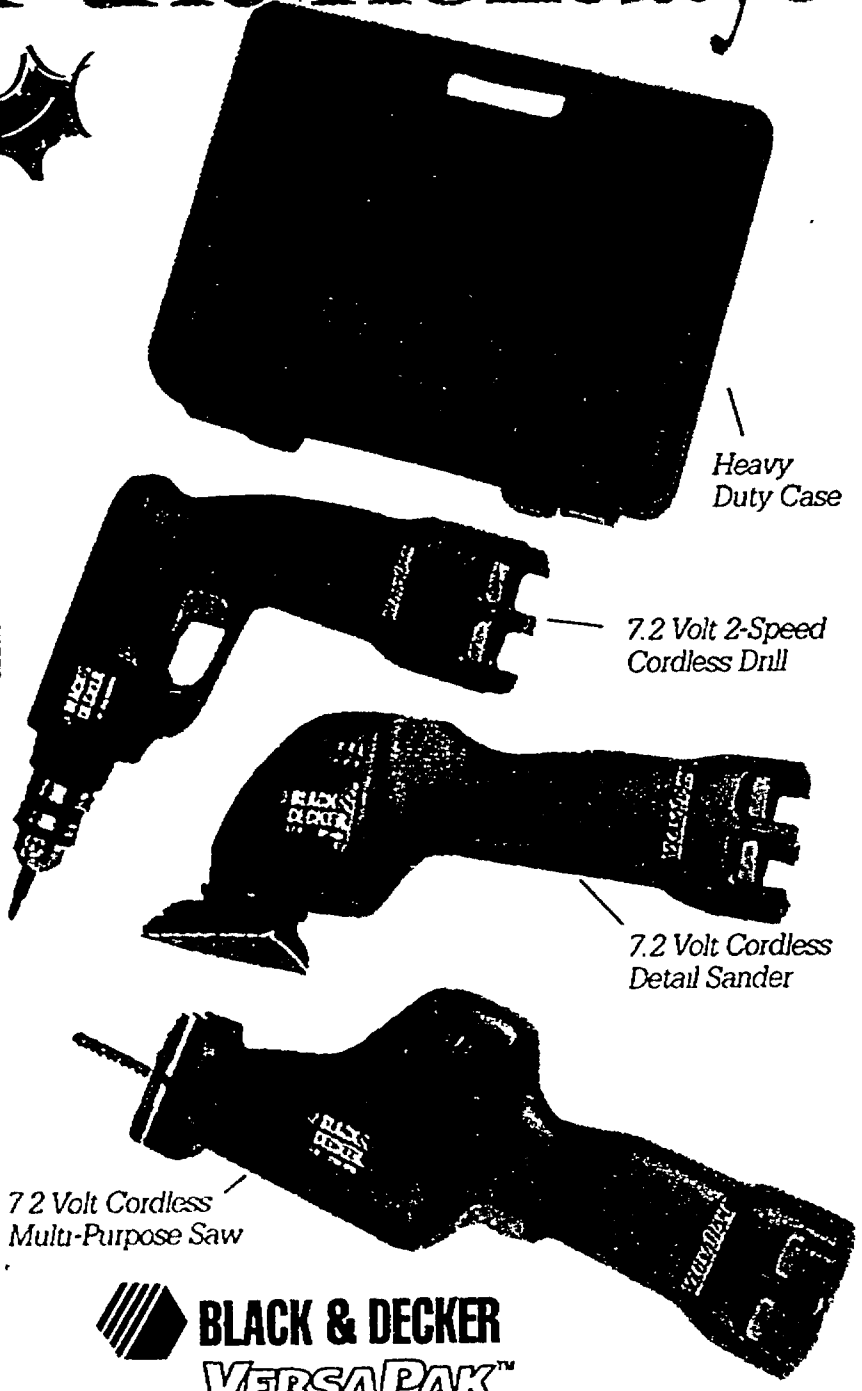
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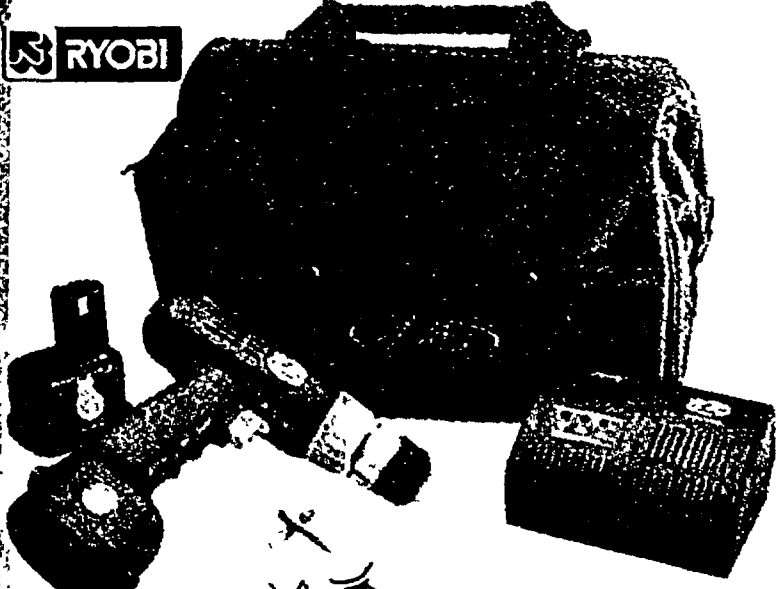
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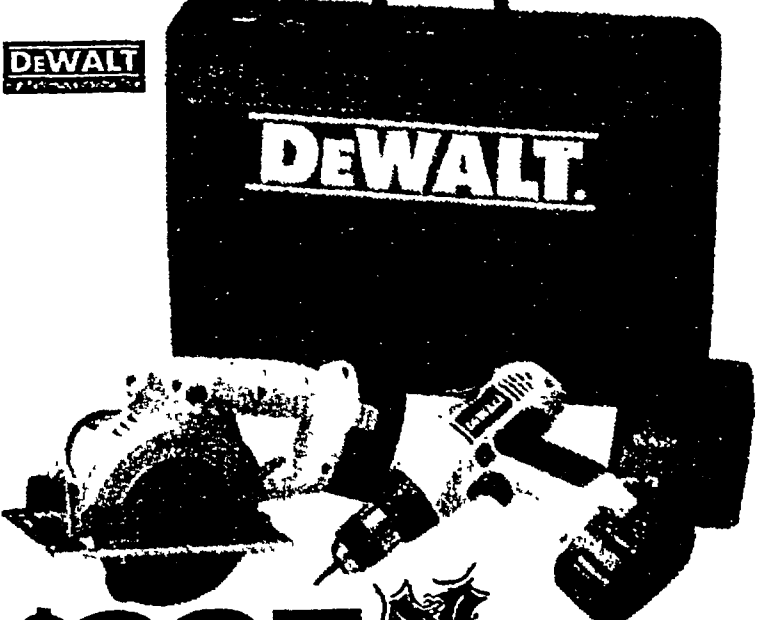
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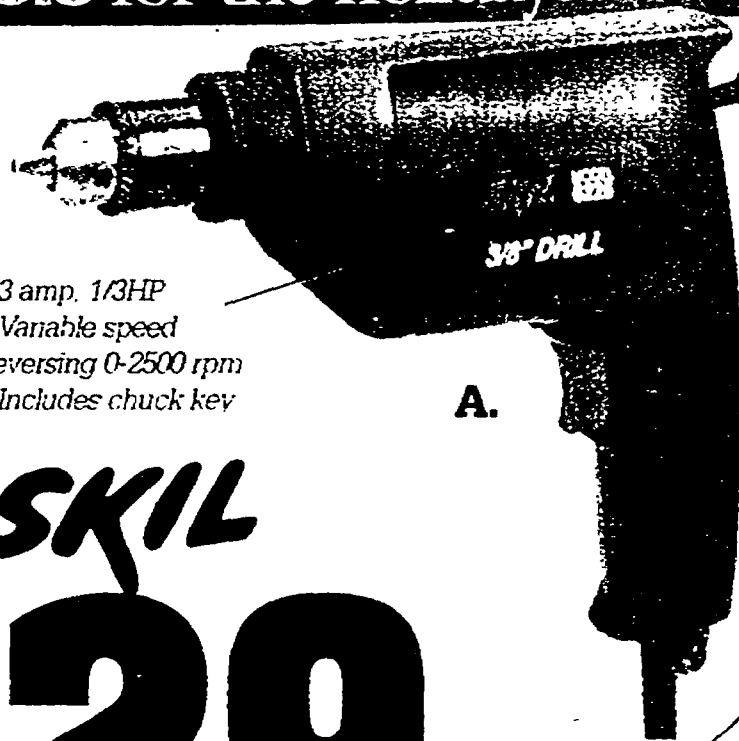
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•Heavy Duty DW991 Drill/Driver & DW935 Cordless Saw with 5-3/8" carbide blade •Includes case, 1 hour charger and 2 XR Pack™ batteries •#DW991KS2 (4099255)

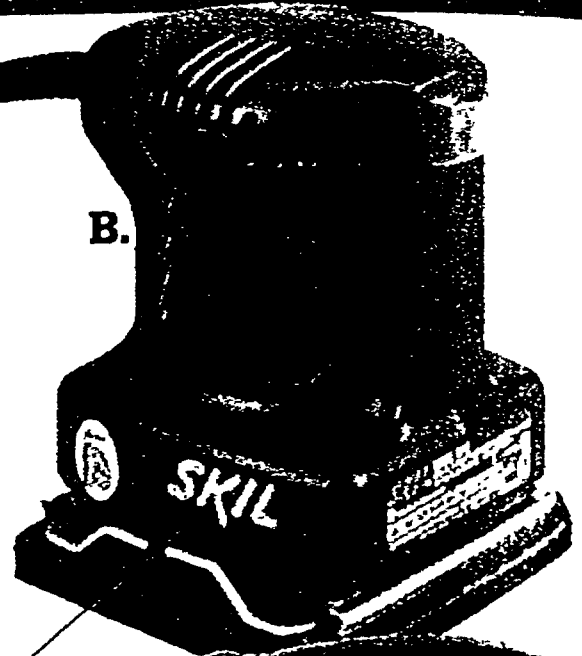
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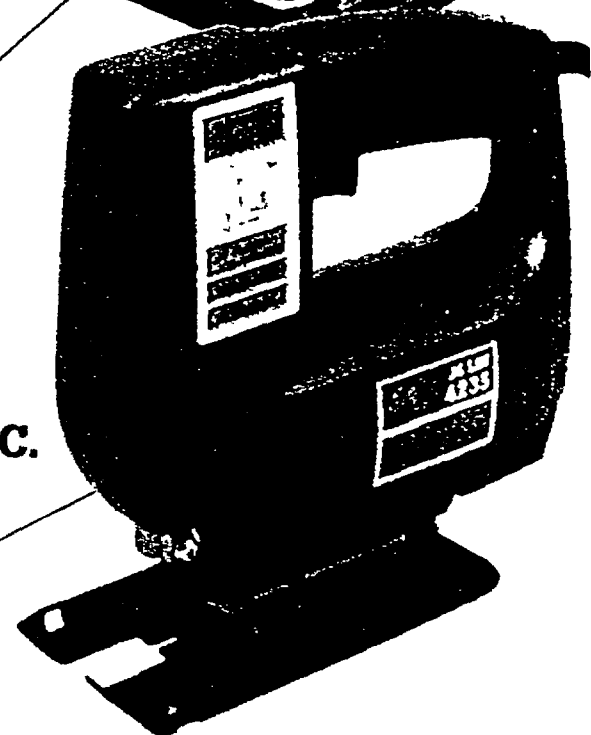
A.



B.

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- 3 sided sanding

C.



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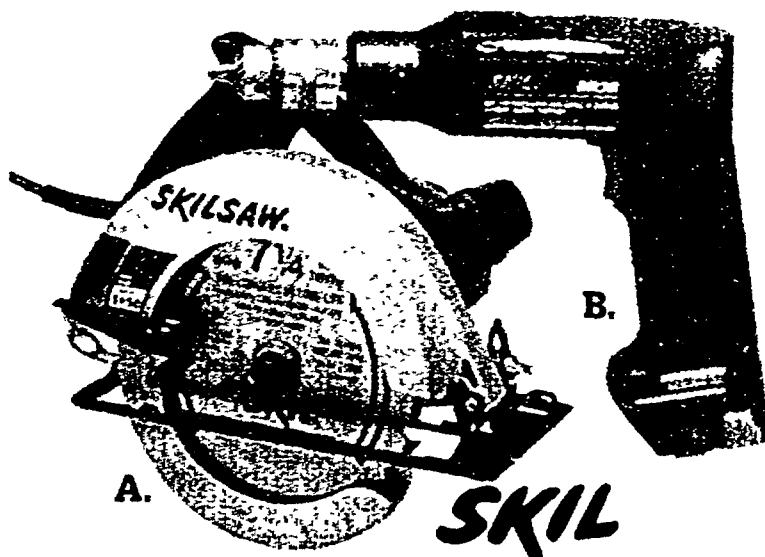
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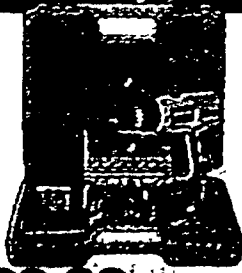
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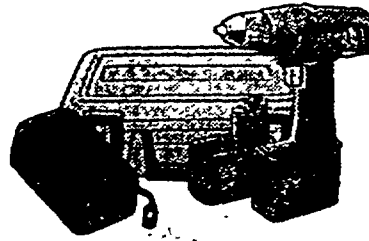
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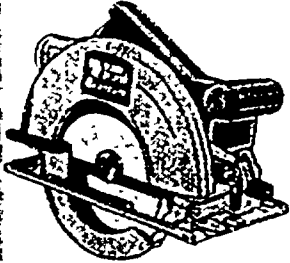


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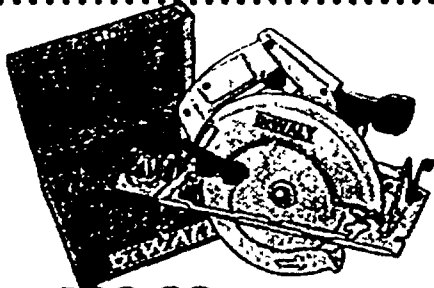


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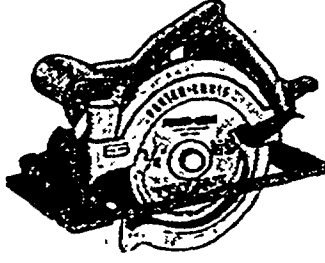
Circular Saws



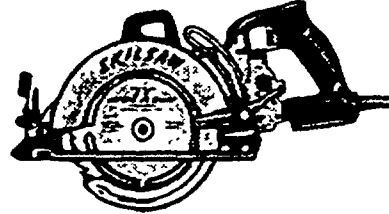
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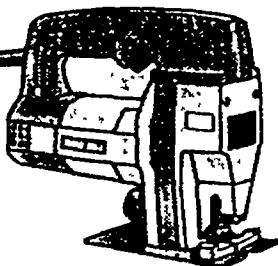


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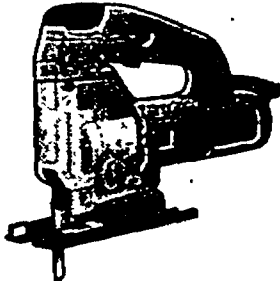


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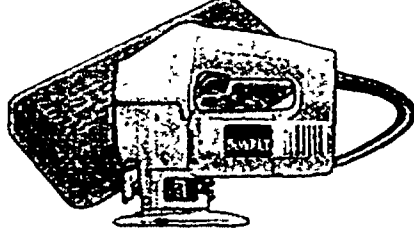
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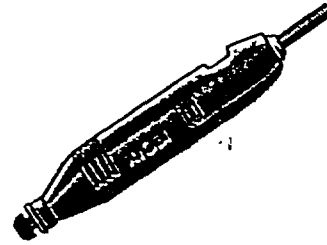
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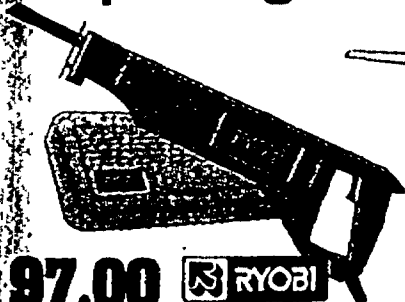


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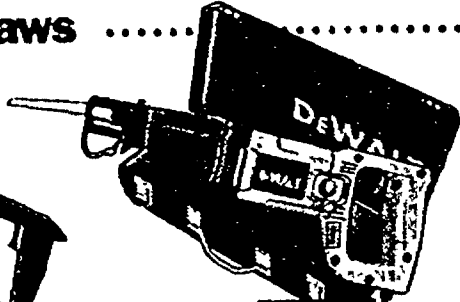


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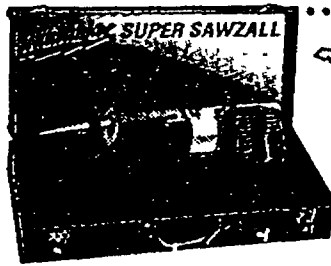
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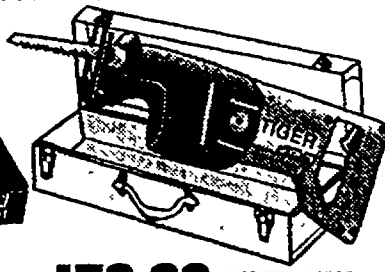
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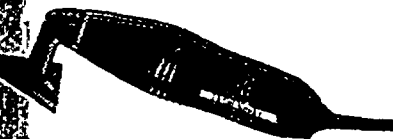


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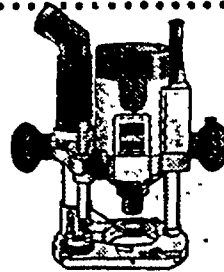


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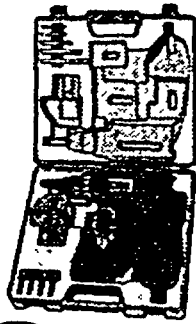
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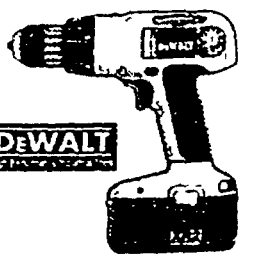


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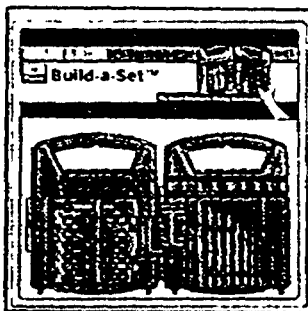
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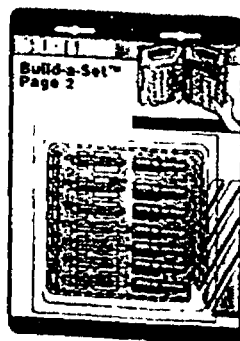
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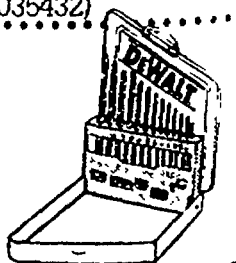
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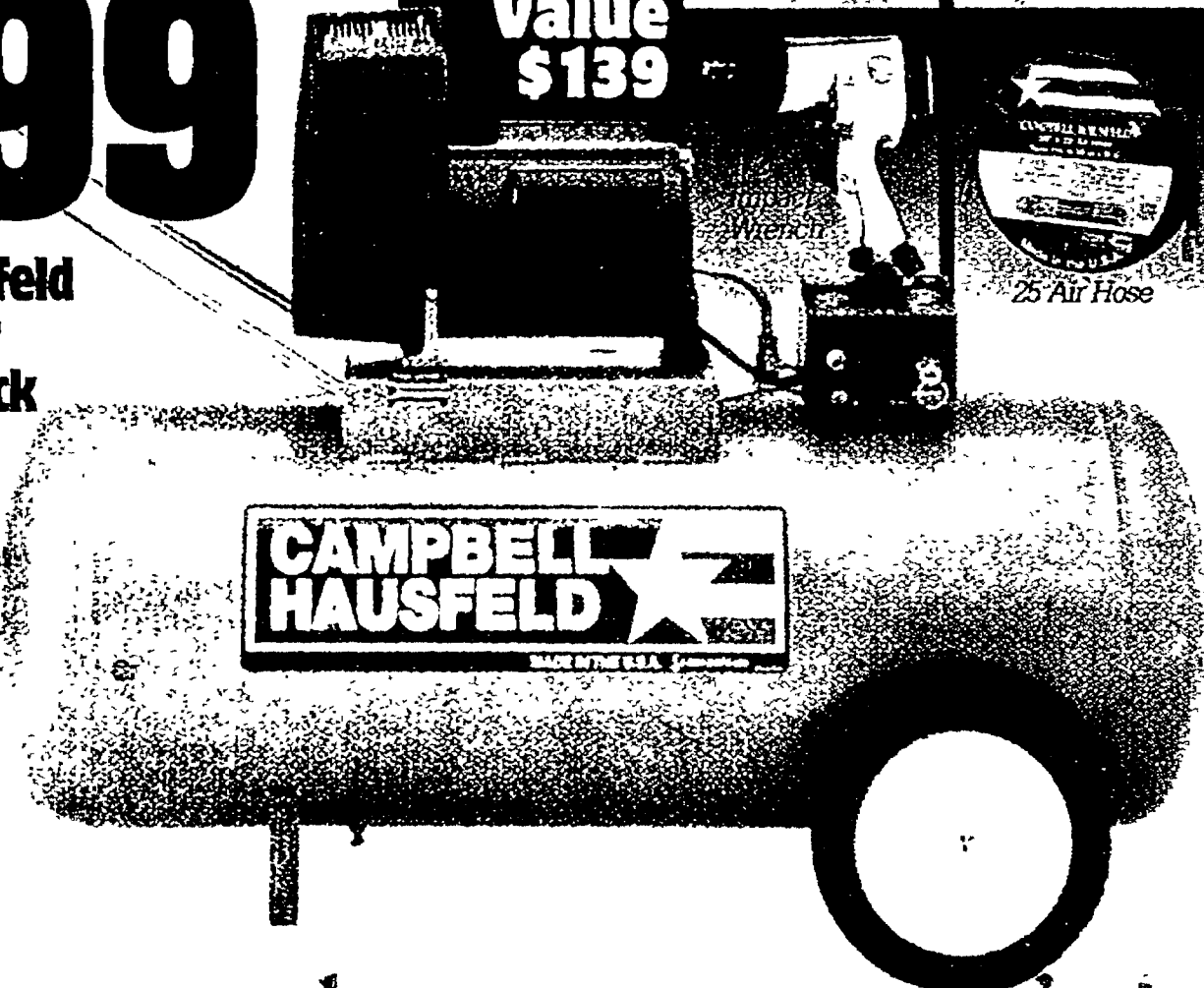
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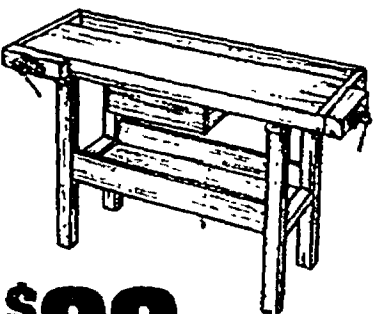
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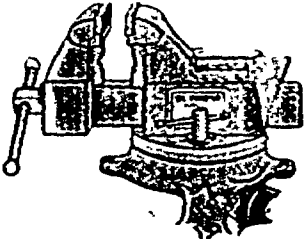
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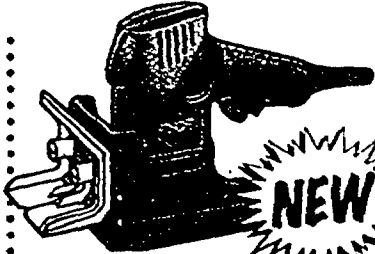
- Solid wood frame • Storage drawer • Two vises • #05 (4189155)



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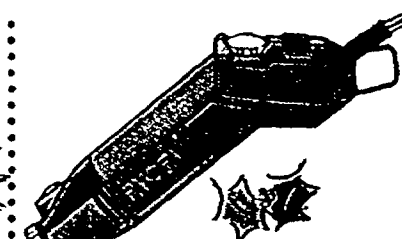
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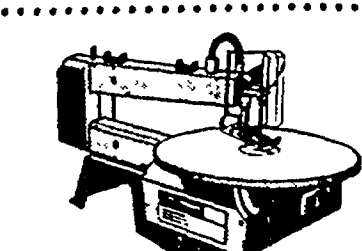
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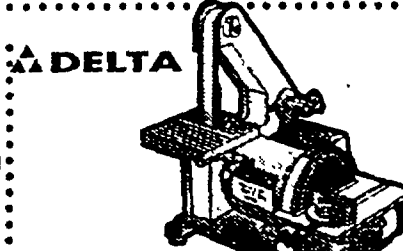
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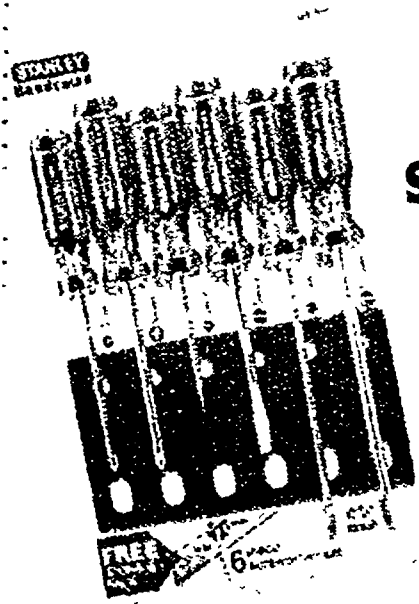
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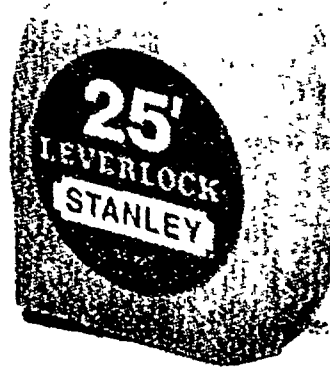
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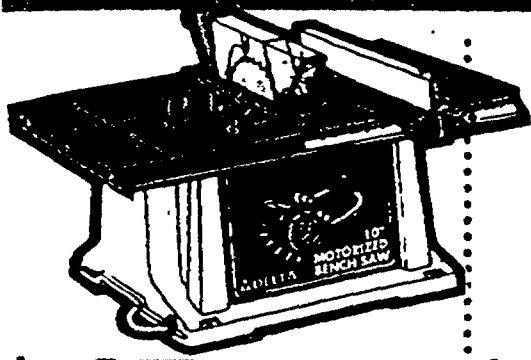


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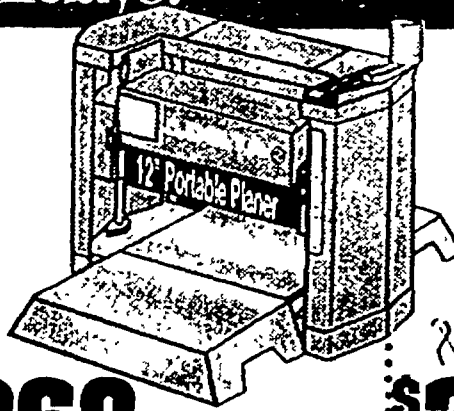
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Delta 10" Bench Saw

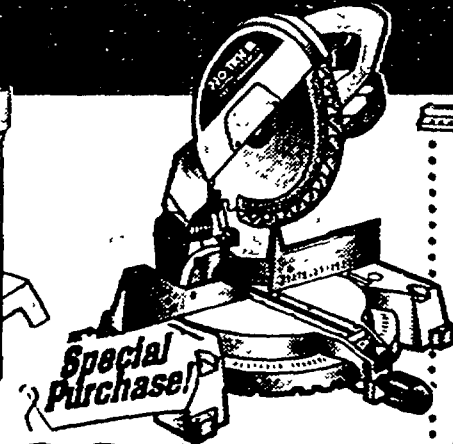
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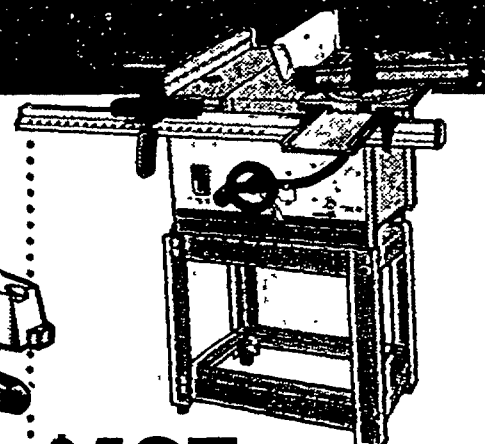
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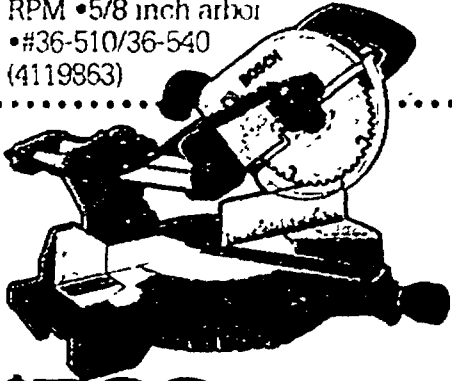
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Ryobi Table Saw with Stand

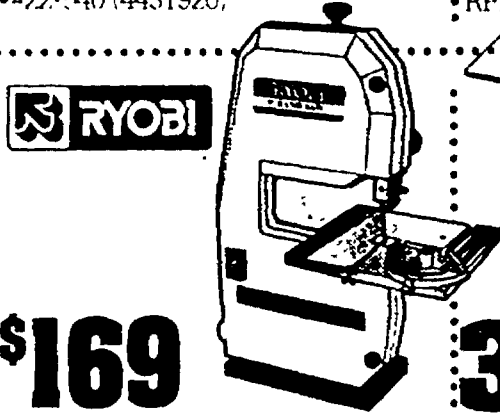
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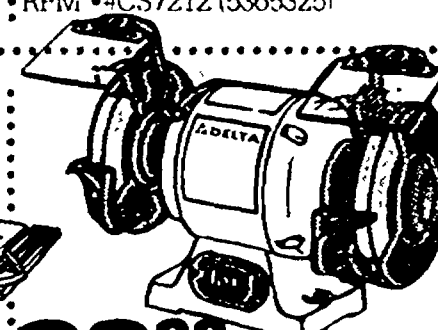
•13 AMP 4700 RPM •25 aluminum base w/extra tall fence
•#B3915 (3915) (4045274)



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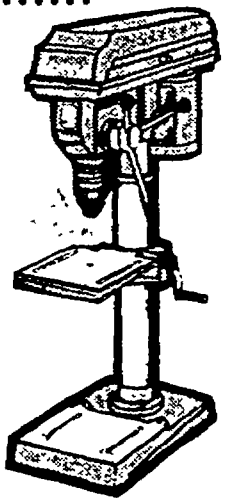
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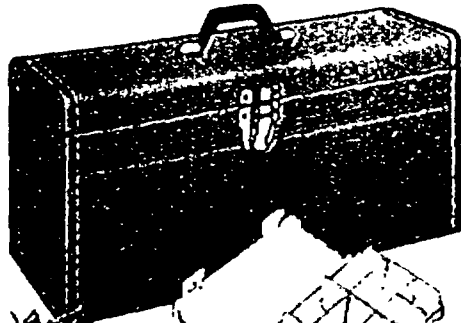
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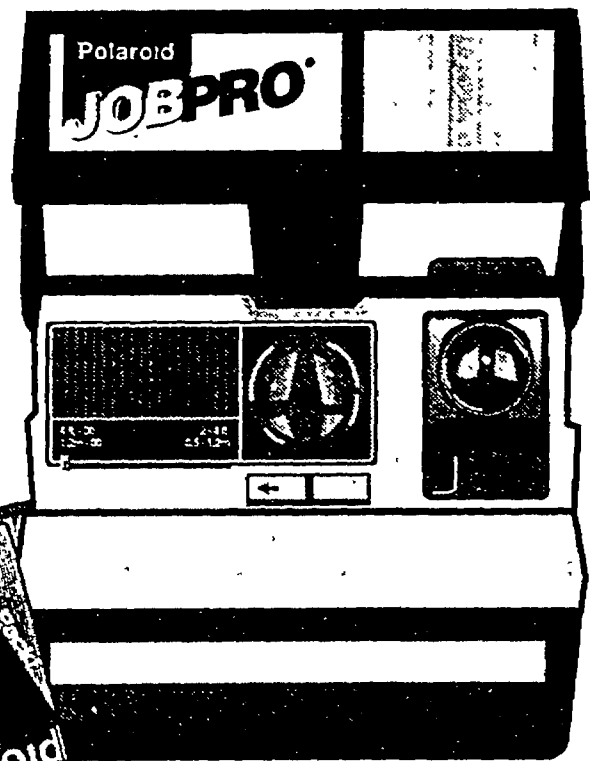
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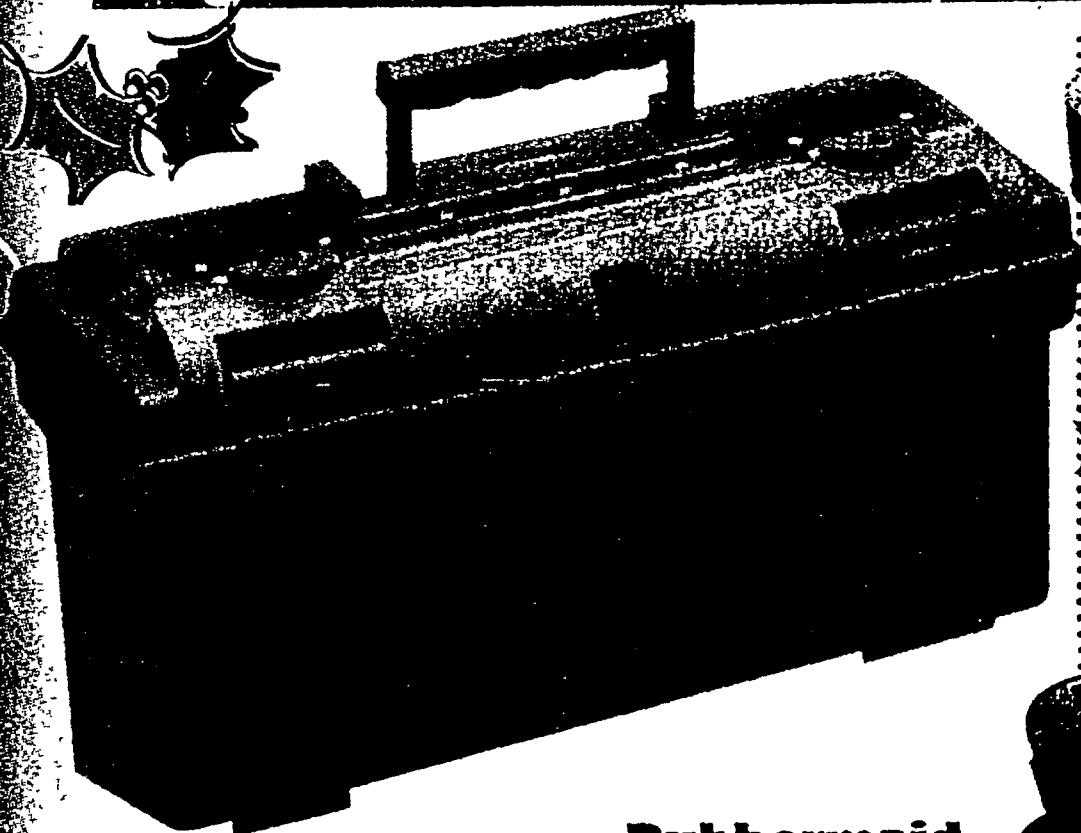
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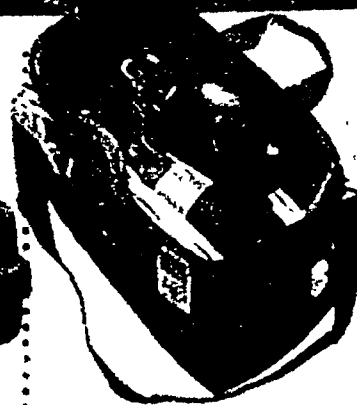
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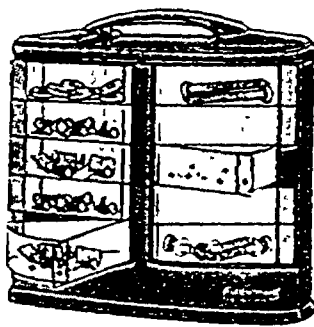
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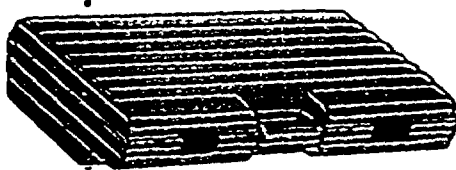
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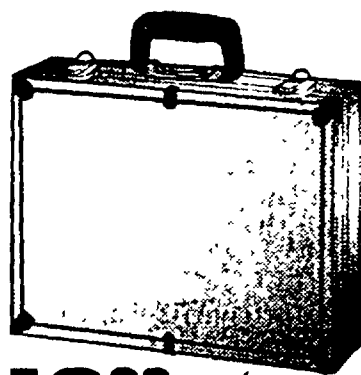


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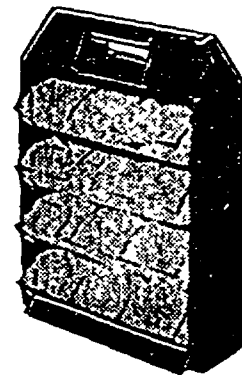


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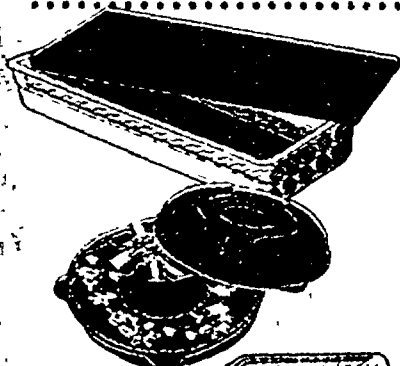


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Drop Bins**

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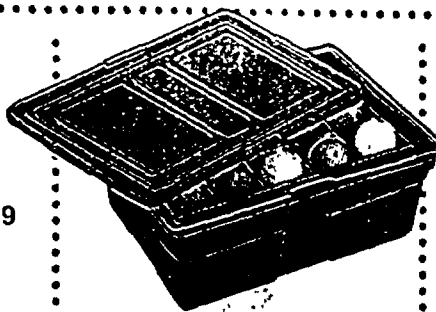
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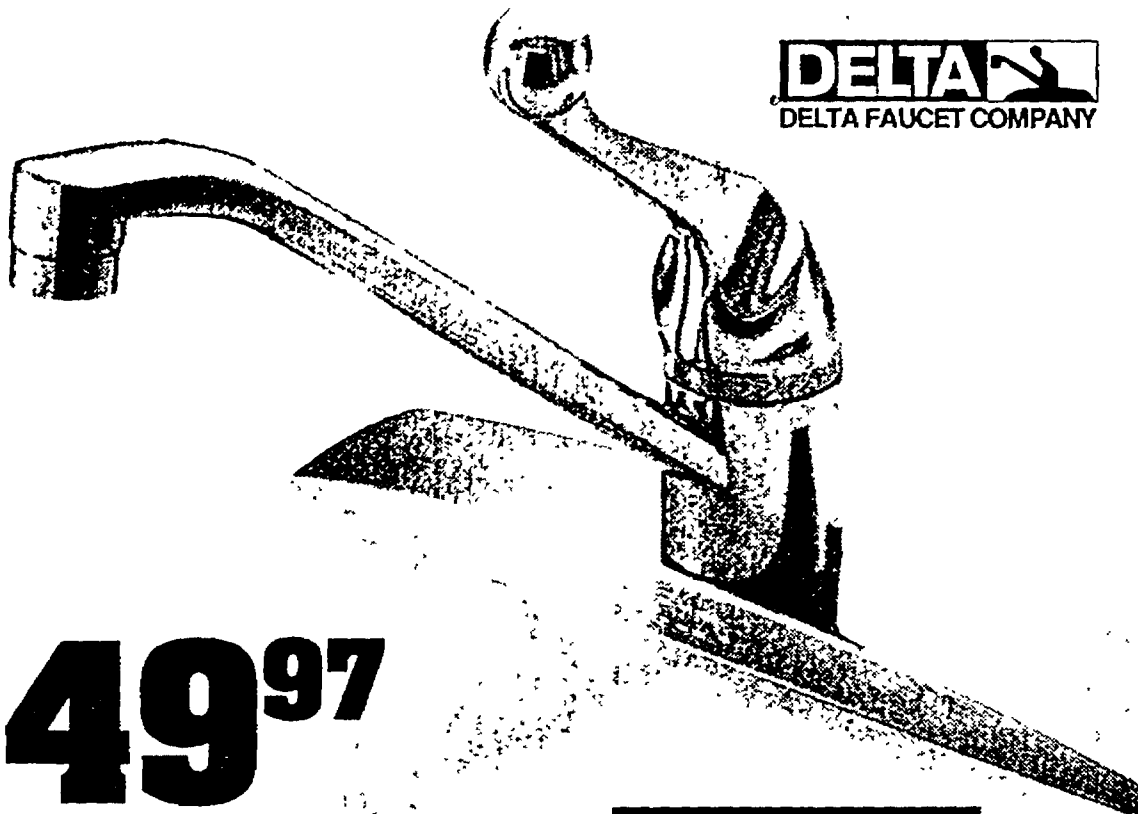
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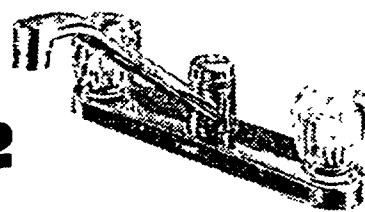
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- With Spray..... 62.91
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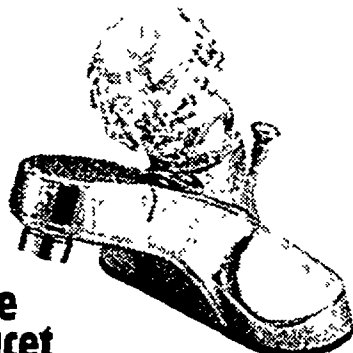


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Two Handle Kitchen Faucet

- #2102 (3193521)
- With Spray..... 47.70
- #2402 (3046901)

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Single Handle Lavatory Faucet

- With pop-up
- #N522-WFMPU (3046919)

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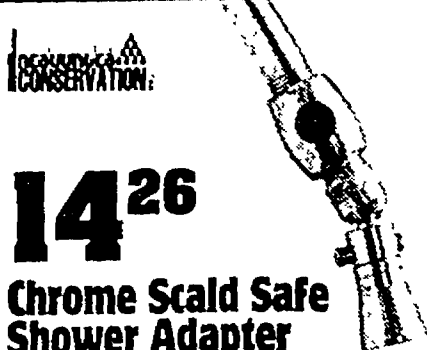
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- #ES971CH (3227709)
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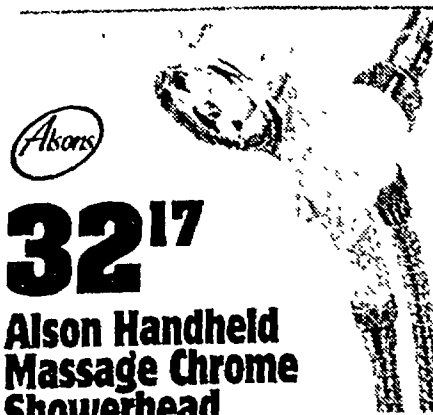
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- With Spray..... 62.00
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Alson Hand Held Showerhead

- #410PBRC (3254638)
- Chrome Handheld..... 49.34
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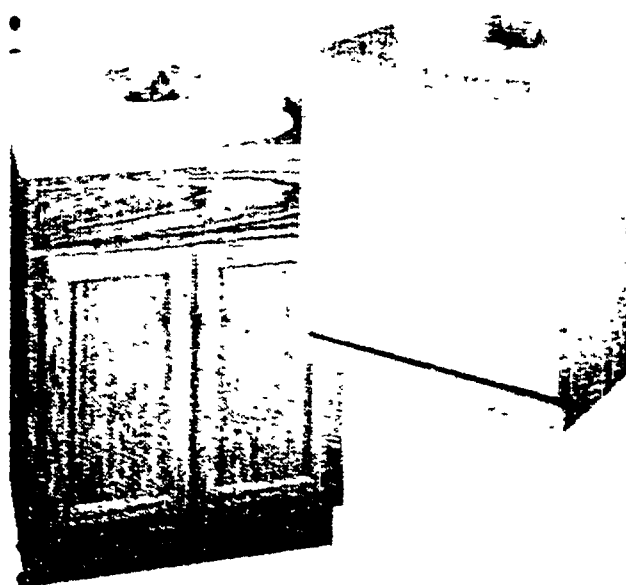
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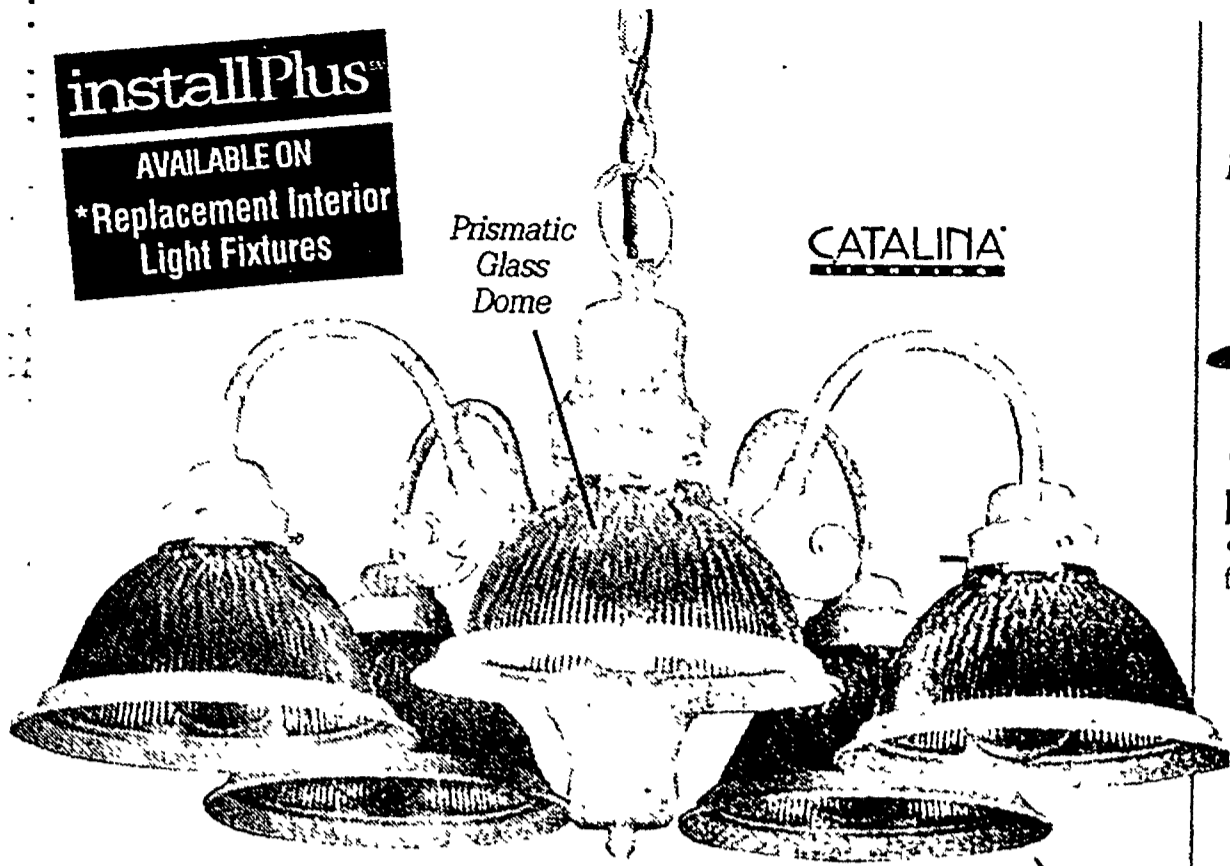


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**5-Light
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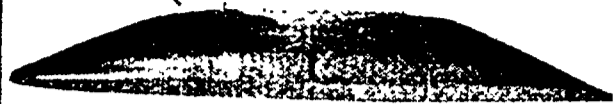
- White finish
- Prismatic glass domes
- #854908 (3238276)

White
Finish

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Polished Brass
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White
Finish



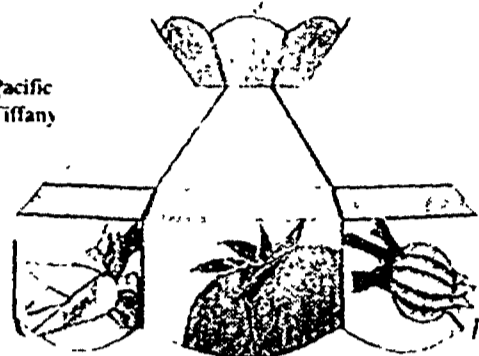
**1-Light
Pendant**

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- Polished brass or white finish •Metal shade with frosted glass •#05677 (3041670), #05676 (3041746)

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**1-Light
Copper Foil
Tiffany Fixture**

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- Cloud white highlighted with several other colored veggies •Antique brass parts •#68 (5460126) 22" 2-Light #69 (5460175) 199.99

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Flush Mounts

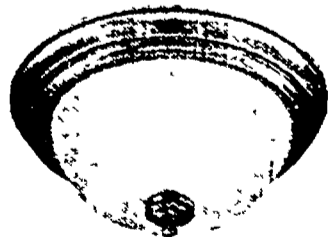


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**1-Light Contemporary
Flush Mount**

- Opal glass •Also white or black
- 8-3/4" •#RFM315 (3137651)
- 14-1/2" (3137528)..... 24.98



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2-Light Flush Mount

- Leaf design •Also in white
- #RFM1043 (3142114)

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Foremost

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**22" Porcelain
Accent Lamp**

- Multi-colored white floral pattern
- #1177 (3008828)



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30" Table Lamp

- Brass plated and polished brass
- Knife pleated shade
- #BP8418 (3053337)



Amerdale

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**17-1/2" Tiffany
Style Ribbons
& Flowers
Table Lamp**

- Multi-colored floral pattern •10" jewel tone shade •#567 (3012457)



DANA

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**58" Swing-Arm
Floor Lamp**

- Bright brass
- Octagonal base
- Pinch pleated shade
- 3-way switch •#7800 (3053261)



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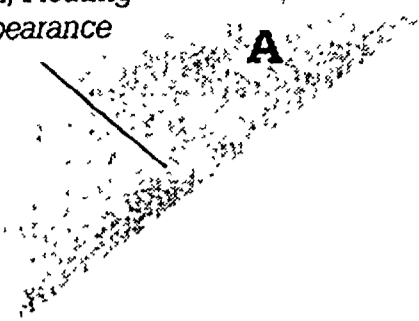
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**A. Lumina Cloud
Fluorescent Fixture**

•4-light •40 watts •#79-4412 (3138070)
2-light 40 watt #3136801... 89.99

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B. Shoplight

•Utility fluorescent fixture with hanging chain
•Grounded cord set •#SL240K (3048048)



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**Workshop
Fluorescent Bulbs**

•2-pk •48" •40 watts

Ceiling Lighting

installPlus™
AVAILABLE ON
*Replacement Interior
Light Fixtures

Fluorescent Fixtures



69⁹⁹

LITEWAY

**Milford
Fluorescent Fixture**

•2-light 40watt •Solid oak frame
•Clear prismatic diffuser •#81-2412
(3039492)
4-light 40 watt (3039708) .. 104.99



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LITEWAY

**White Wrap
Fluorescent Fixture**

•2-light 40 watt •#93-2418
(3039492)
•4-light 40 watt (3145398)..47.00

**Bulk Recessed
Can & Trim Sold Separately**

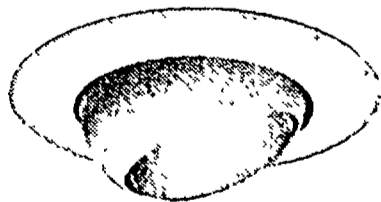


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HALO

**6" NON-IC Recessed
Light Housing**

•New construction •#H7TH
(3144300)



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HALO

**White Eye Ball
Recessed Trim**

•#78PH (3144367)

**Recessed Pre-Pack
Can & Trim Sold Together**



\$27

EDISON LIGHTING

7" Black Baffle

•Reduces glare •#ET7410P
(3094125)



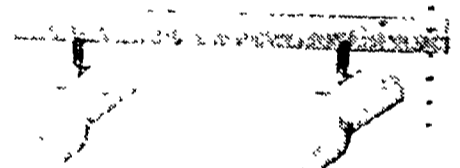
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EDISON LIGHTING

**8" White Open
Recessed Fixture**

•#ET7401P (3094141)

Track Lighting



CATALINA

12⁹⁰

2' 2 Head Bar Light

•Fixed step cylinders •White •8'
cord •#LS200104W (3144904)
3 Head Bar Light
(3121845)... 16.90



CATALINA

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4' 3-Head Track Kit

•White •#HTR104L-4-3 (3124641)



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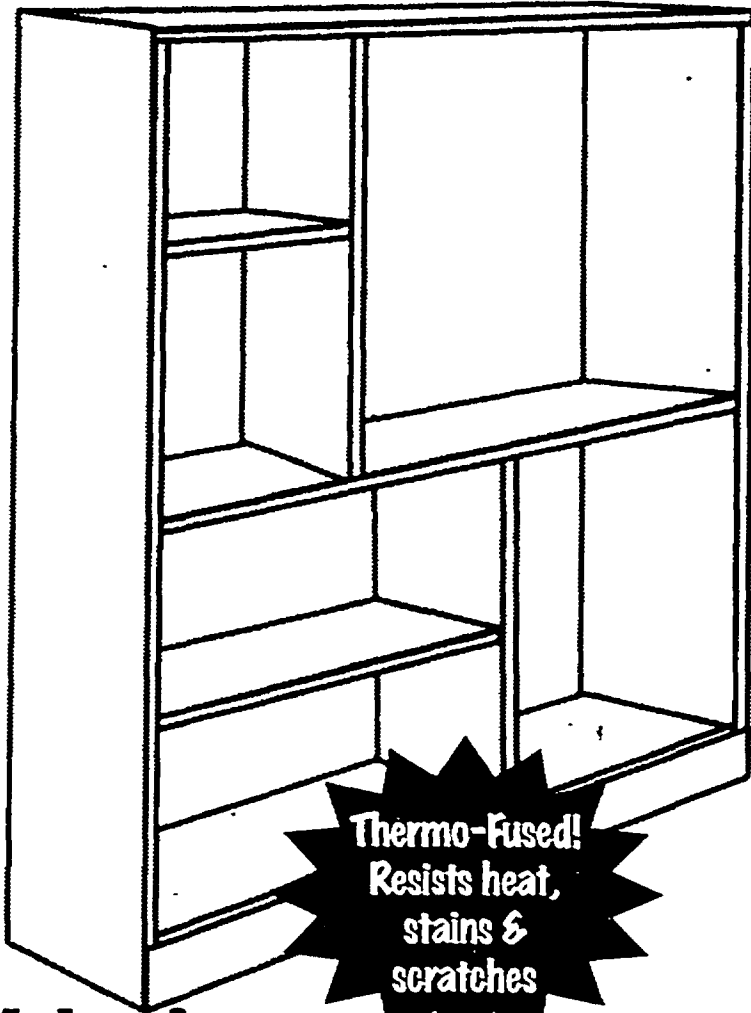
* See store for details on all product warranties Installation performed by independent contractors All bulbs available extra

CLEARANCE! ALL MELAMINE

Subject To Stock On-Hand

Sorry No Rainchecks

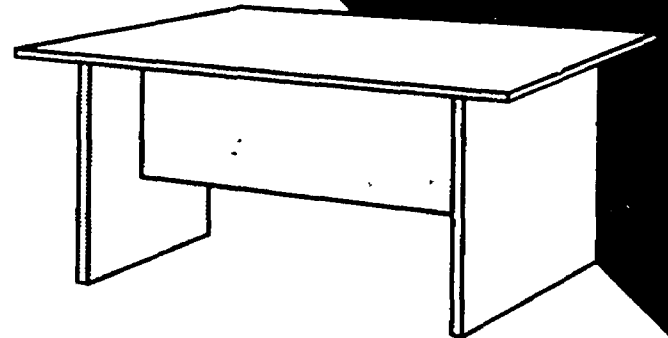
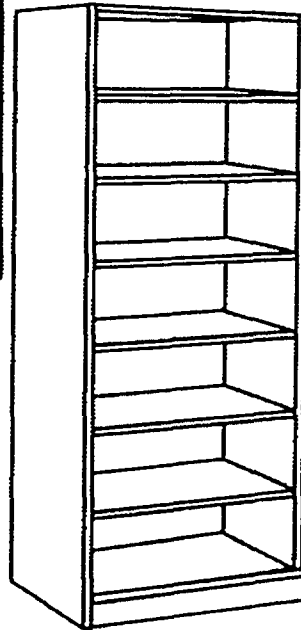
Not available in all stores



Thermo-Fused!
Resists heat,
stains &
scratches

Melamine Panels & Shelving

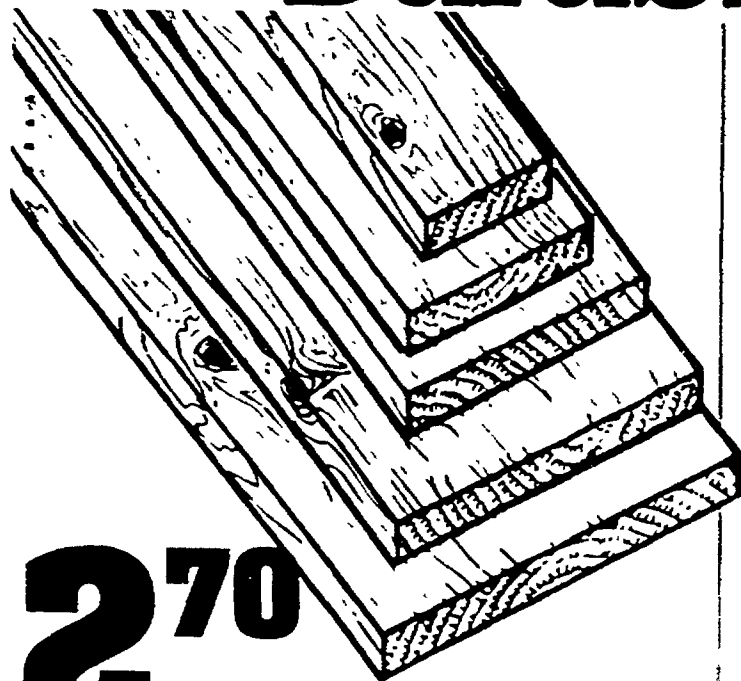
- Shelf supports available extra • Unfinished white
- Component ideas for closets, shelving, cabinets & furniture
- Available in oak in selected stores • Will not warp • Other sizes available



Other Projects Include:

- Desk
- Bookshelf
- Closet Organizer

Durability & selection



270

1x4-6' (2105518)

Ponderosa Pine Boards

- Dried for stability • Surfaced on all four sides

Available in many sizes			
1x4	6'	8'	10'
1x6	6'	8'	10'
1x8	6'	8'	10'
1x10	6'	8'	10'
1x12	6'	8'	10'

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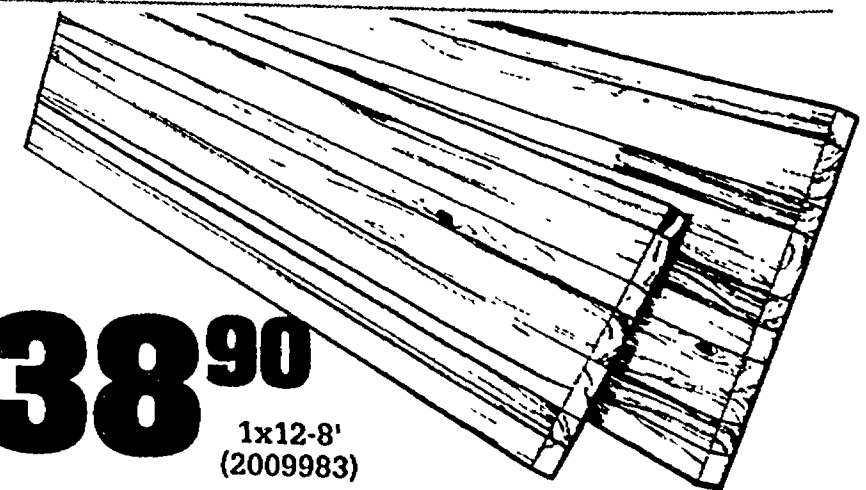
1x2-3'
(2004562)

6132

1x12-8'
(2010106)

Red Oak Hardwood

- Kiln-dried for stability • Suitable for furniture projects



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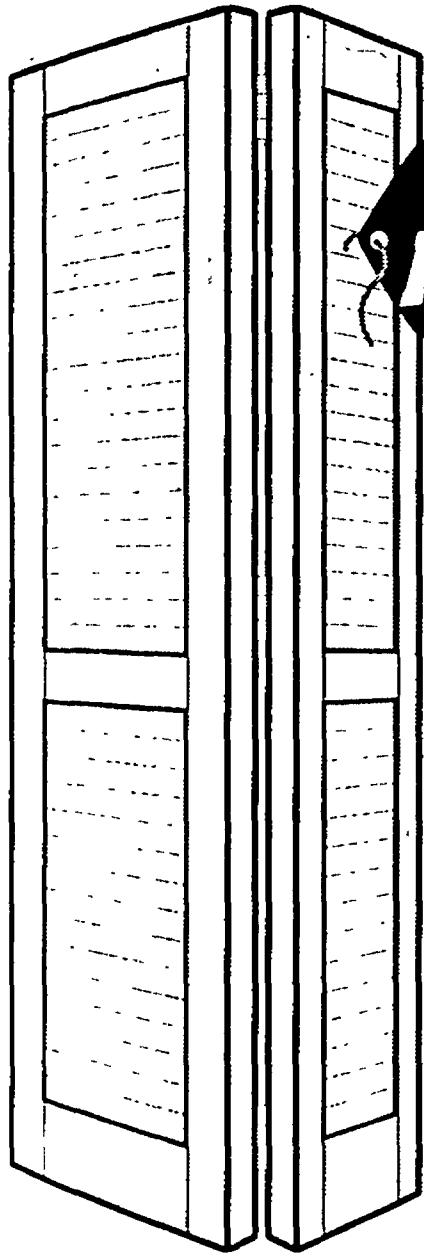
1x2-3'
(2004802)

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1x12-8'
(2009983)

Poplar Boards

- Furniture grade board • Four smooth surfaces • Easily worked or stained



Prefinished White Pine

Special Purchase!

\$37

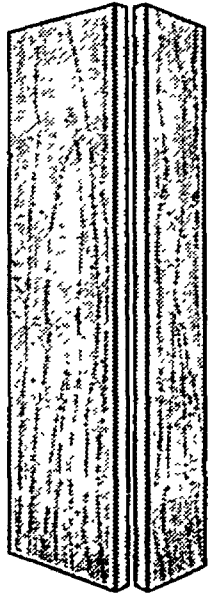
Prefinished White Louvered Bifold Door

•24"x80" (1125103)
30"x80" (1125111).. 41.00
36"x80" (1125137).. 46.00

2 Prehinged Panels

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AVAILABLE ON ALL INTERIOR DOORS



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Flush Lauan Bifold Door

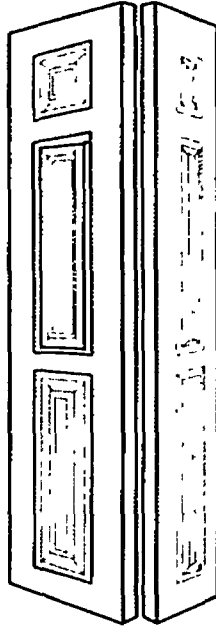
•24"x80"
•Stain grade
•2 prehinged door panels hardware included
30"x80".. 25.00
36"x80".. 29.00



\$34

Wing Louvered Bifold Door

•24"x80" •Stain grade •2 prehinged door panels hardware included
30"x80".. 39.00
32"x80".. 51.00
36"x80".. 55.99



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Colonist Bifold Door

•24"x80" •2 prehinged door panels hardware included
30"x80".. 36.00
32"x80".. 36.00
36"x80".. 37.99

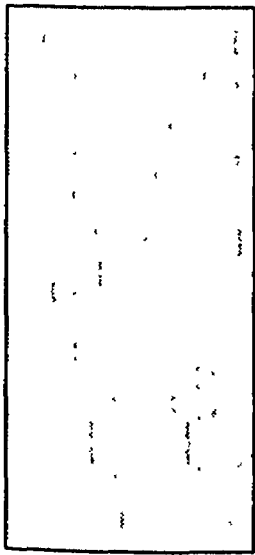


\$50

Wing Louvered/Panel Bifold Door

•24"x80" •2 prehinged door panels hardware included
30"x80".. 50.00
32"x80".. 58.00
36"x80".. 59.00

Use doors to decorate

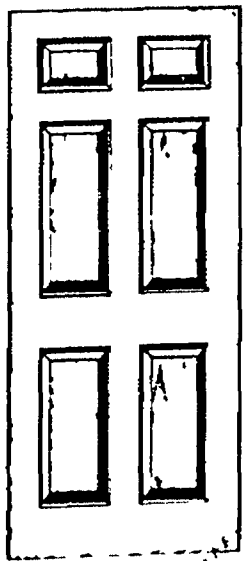


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Flush Lauan Interior Door Slabs and Prehung's

•24"x80" Slab

SIZE	SLAB	PREHUNG no casing
24"x 80"	17.48	33.50
28"x 80"	19.48	38.00
30"x 80"	19.48	38.00
32"x 80"	20.48	40.00
36"x 80"	21.48	41.00



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6 Panel Colonist Interior Door Slabs & Prehung's

•1-3/8" thick •24"x80" Slab

SIZE	SLAB	PREHUNG no casing
24"x 80"	27.70	49.00
28"x 80"	29.75	56.00
30"x 80"	29.75	56.00
32"x 80"	30.94	58.00
36"x 80"	32.87	61.00



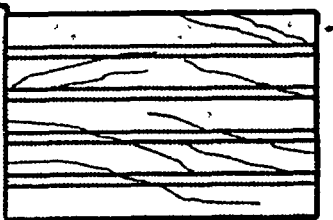
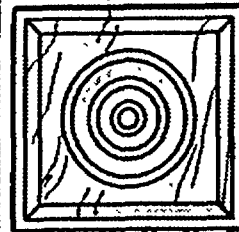
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6 Panel Pine Interior Door Slabs & Prehung's

•1-3/8" thick Surfaced and ready to finish •24"x80" Slab

SIZE	SLAB	PREHUNG with casing
24"x 80"	69.00	114.00
28"x 80"	73.00	121.00
30"x 80"	73.00	121.00
32"x 80"	81.00	129.00
36"x 80"	88.00	142.00

Architectural blocks



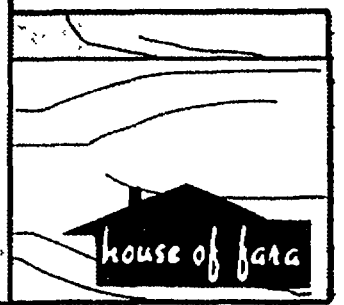
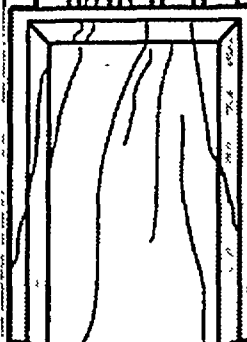
See our wide selection of Architectural moulding

A Rosette #R-90

B Plinth Block

#P-255-P

•Some styles available in oak & bass wood •Priced Separately



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Water Heaters

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Energy Efficient Gas 40 Gal. 5 yr. wnty* (3004256)

Energy Efficient Electric

30 Gal. 5 yr. wnty* (3004280)... 139.99
 40 Gal. 5 yr. wnty* (3004298)... 168.00
 52 Gal. 5 yr. wnty* (3004306)... 171.00
 52 Gal. 8 yr. wnty* (3104478)... 213.00

Energy Efficient Gas

30 Gal. 5 yr. wnty* (3004249)... 128.00
 40 Gal. 5 yr. wnty* (3004256)... 139.00
 50 Gal. 5 yr. wnty* (3004264)... 188.00
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PVC & COPPER PIPE

Schedule 40 PVC Pipe 1 1/2" x 10' Genova

318

2" x 10 4.33
 3" x 10 5.61
 4" x 10 11.97

CPVC Hot & Cold Water Pipe

1/2" x 10 1.83
 3/4" x 10 3.30

Copper Pipe LERAN

	1/2" X 10	3/4" x 10
Type L	5.96	9.26
Type M	4.26	6.78

PVC & COPPER FITTINGS

Genova PVC DWV Fittings

	1 1/2"	2"	3"
Coupling	.32	.46	1.24
90° Elbow	1.68	1.72	2.91
Tee	.98	1.16	2.83

CPVC Fittings Genova

	1/2"	3/4"
Coupling	.23	.25
90° Elbow	.32	.47
Tee	.23	.43

Copper Fittings Elkhart

	1/2"	3/4"
Coupling	.22	.28
90° Elbow	.26	.48
Tee	.37	.84

FLUIDMASTER Toilet Repair Kit

733

Kit includes toilet repair valve and bull's eye flapper •3117769/#400C

PLUMB SHOP[®] Plastic J-Bend

1 1/2" x 1 1/4" •3023702/#PSB476

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	J-Bend	S-Trap	P-Trap
PVC 1.5" x 1.25"	1.98	2.05	1.92
Brass 1.5"	5.02	14.97	11.81

Special Buy

BRYANT 796

15 Amp Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter

- Available in White or Ivory
- 3512829 • 3503042

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- 3044278/86/94

Grounded Switches.....44

- Available in White, Ivory or Brown
- 3044161/79/87

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Single Pole Preset Toggle Dimmer

- 600 watts • Available in Ivory or white • 3503884/#TC600PH
- Push On/Off Dimmer 3503844/#D600PH 3.70

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- 18 cubic inches • 3007291/#B118AB
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219 Angelo

Switch Plates

- Bright brass switchplates • Single toggle or duplex (3021433/25)
- Double Toggle.....3.06 (3021441)

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18 Range Digital Multimeter

- 3117397/#DM4100A
- 3 Wire Circuit Analyzer 3.72
- 3117504/#CA300A/6

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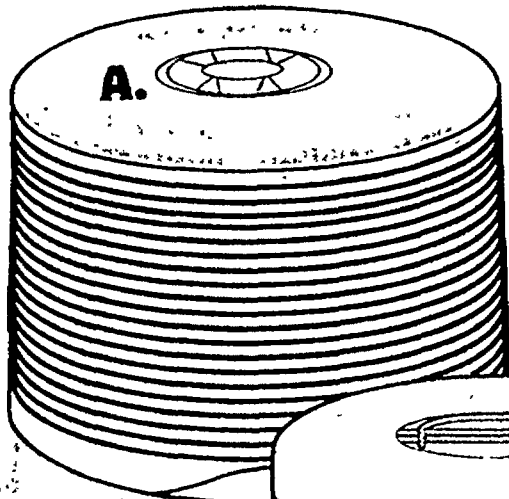
Non-Metallic Builders Cable

- 14/2 250'

	25'	50'	250'
14/2 NM-B	3.70	7.20	19.00
12/2 NM-B	4.96	9.67	28.00

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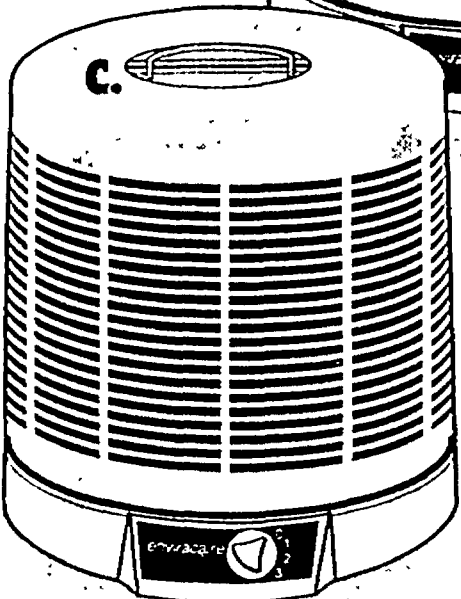
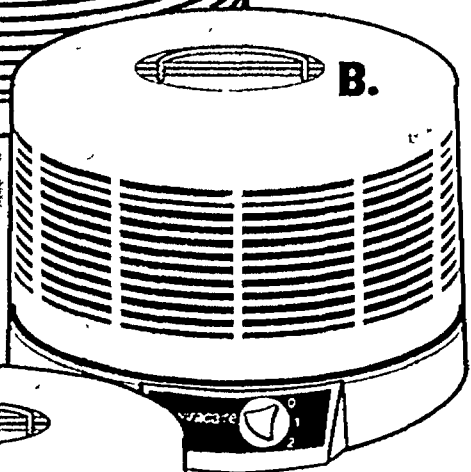
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•6 air changes per hour •More stringent air cleaning specifications •Specifically designed for allergy and asthma sufferers •Recommended by 7 out of 8 physicians •True HEPA filters remove 99.97% of all airborne particles

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A. Cleans a 9'x12' Room
•3213089/#10500

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B. Cleans a 12'x14' Room
•3213097/#11520

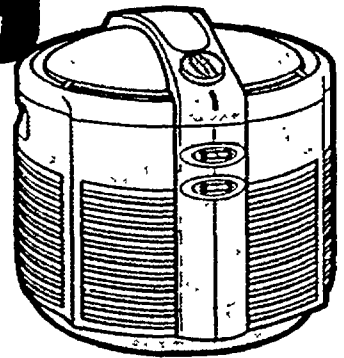
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C. Cleans a 20'x22' Room
•3213105/#13520

These are the **BEST** air cleaning systems for allergy & asthma sufferers

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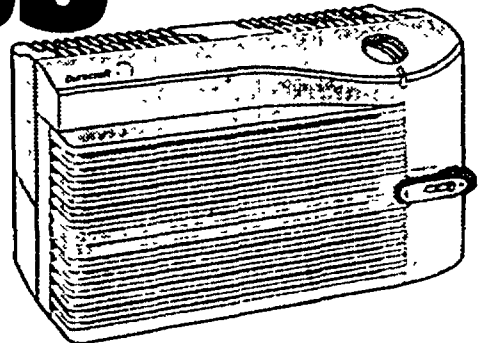


180 Air Cleaning System

•3 air changes per hour •Uses true HEPA filters •Cleans a 10' x 13' room •For better air quality improvement •Exclusive 360° floor to ceiling air circulation •3227667/#DA5010

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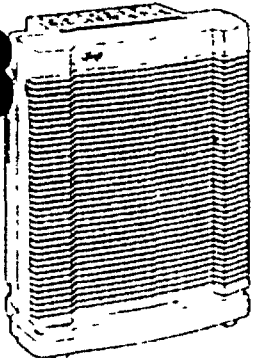
Electrostatic Air Cleaning System

•Cleans a 6' x 10' room •Uses an electrostatic filter •3 air changes per hour •For general air quality improvement •3225141/#DA1010

Breathe easy with low prices

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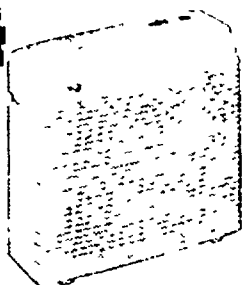


Large Area Air Purifier

•Uses an electrostatic filter •Cleans a room 20' x 22' •3 speed settings •3138575/#30300

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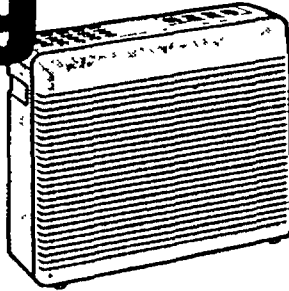


Small Room Air Purifier

•Cleans a 12' x 12' room •3M filter-trete combo filter •3 speed setting •3147873/#30050

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Medium Room Air Purifier

•Cleans a room up to 14' x 16' •3 speed motor •3M electrostatic filter •3138559/#30100

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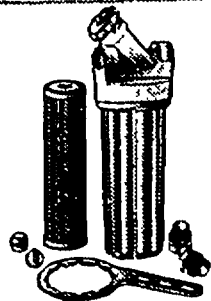
CLEARWAVE

Electronic Water Conditioner

•Softens water and descales pipes •3335684/#46265301

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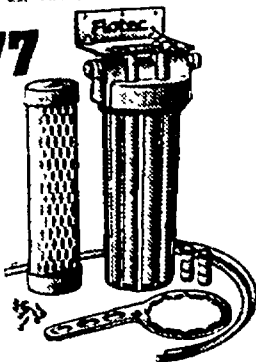


Whole House Water Filter w/By-Pass Valve

•Eliminates cloudy water caused by sediment •Reduces wear on expensive faucet 3335486/#FPWF-WH1
Countertop Filter 11.66 3335452/#FA1

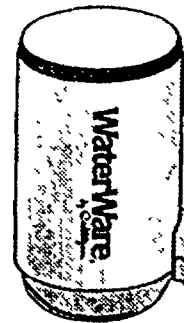
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Flotec



Under Sink Filter

•Reduces sediment that causes cloudy water •Reduces musty taste and foul odors •Reduces chlorine up to 90% •Filters up to 1000 gallons •3335460/#FPWF-US1



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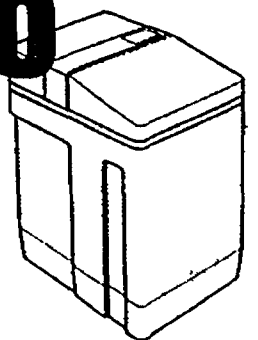
WaterWare™

Faucet Mount Water Filter

•Reduces chlorine up to 98.5% •Fast & easy installation •4216420/#FM1

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waterBoss®



Water Softener

•Reduces ferrous iron •Filters dirt & sediment •Monitors water usage •3250479/#93000



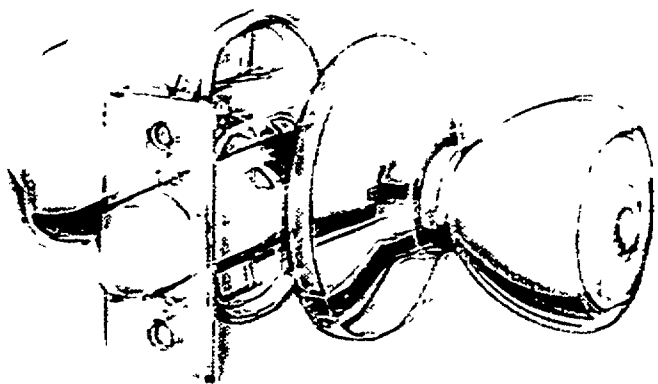
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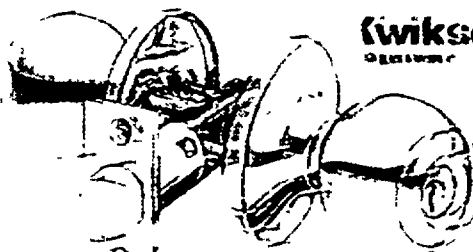
AVAILABLE ON LOCKSETS



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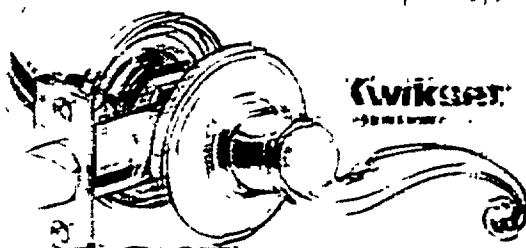
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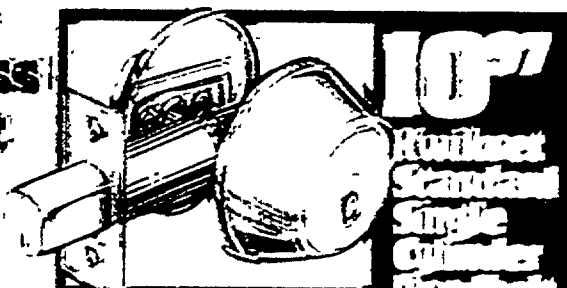
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Kwikset Tylo Polished Brass Entry Lockset



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Kwikset Tylo Polished Brass Entry Lockset



Polished Brass #4028809/660

Kwikset Double Cylinder Deadbolt

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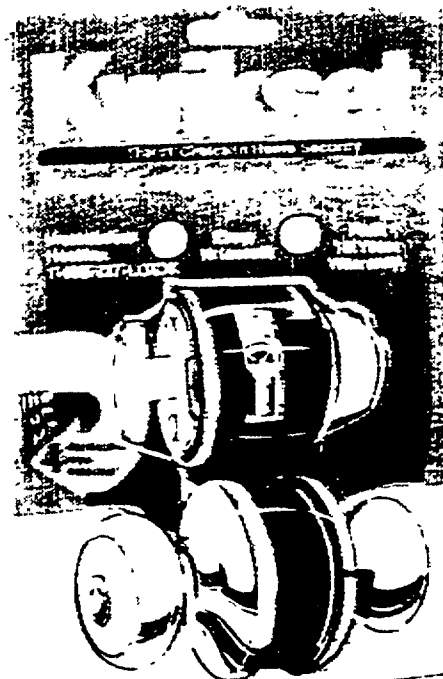
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Williams Combo Pack SC

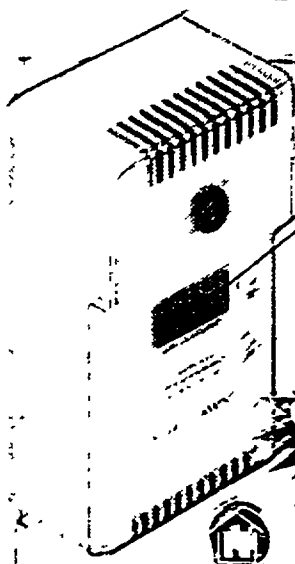
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Williams Combo Pack SC includes...



	Entry	Privacy	Passage
Tylo	8.97	7.97	7.49
Tylo	9.94	7.98	8.40
Tylo	19.87	17.87	14.95

Home safety & security



NIGHTHAWK

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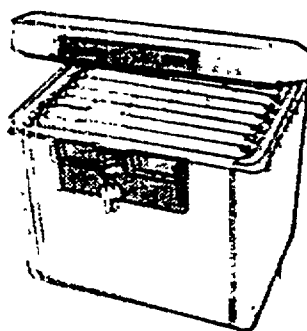
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Guarantee Your Safety

Install (5) detectors near all bedrooms...

SENTRY

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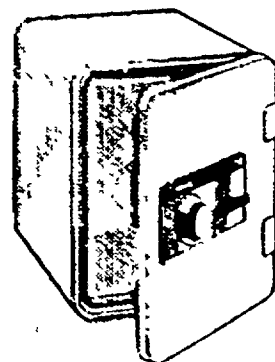


Sentry Security File

Sentry Security Chest..... 19.77

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Sentry Compact Safe

Sentry Security Chest..... 19.77

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Five Extinguisher 1-A; 10-B:C

White Extinguisher 1-A; 10-B:C

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Heavy Duty Fire Extinguisher 3-A; 40-B:C

Industrial Strength Fire Extinguisher

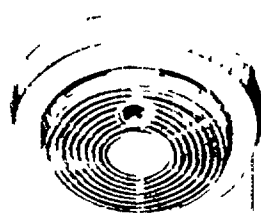
First Alert

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Smoke Detector

Kitchen Smoke Detector with Alarm Silencing Feature

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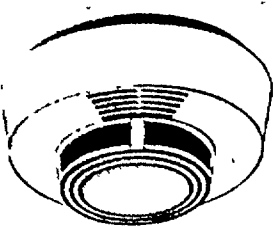


First Alert

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Double System Smoke & Fire Detector

Ionization sensor for detection of fires...



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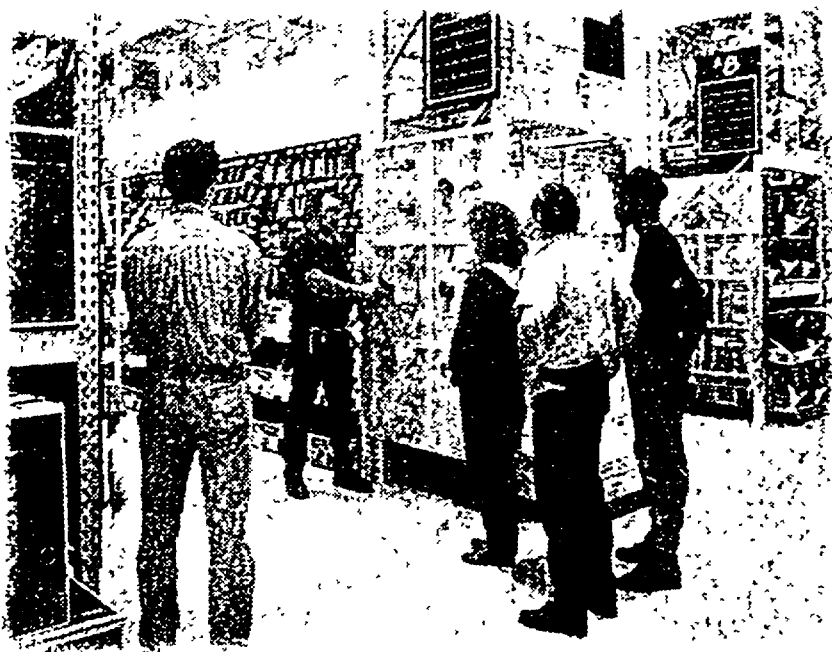
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 13700 Middlebelt Road

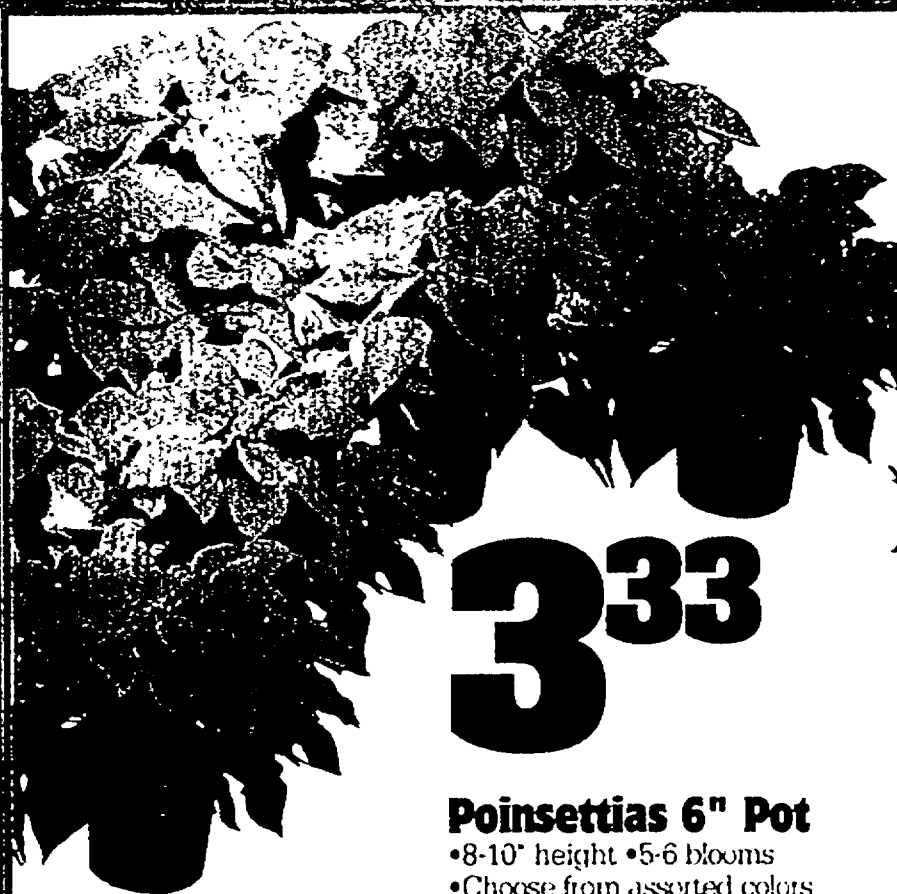
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 20000 Haggerty Road (Next to Target)

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 30550 Stephenson Highway

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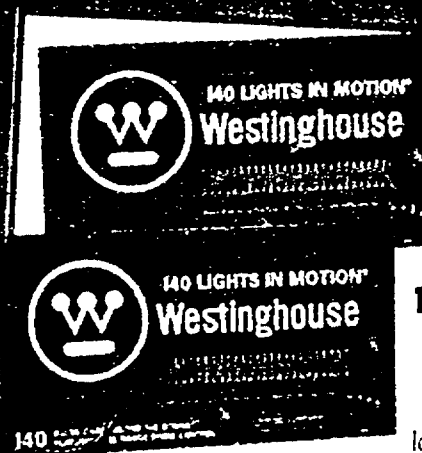


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Poinsettias 6" Pot

- 8-10" height •5-6 blooms
- Choose from assorted colors

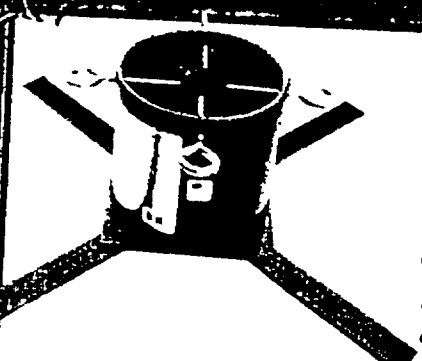
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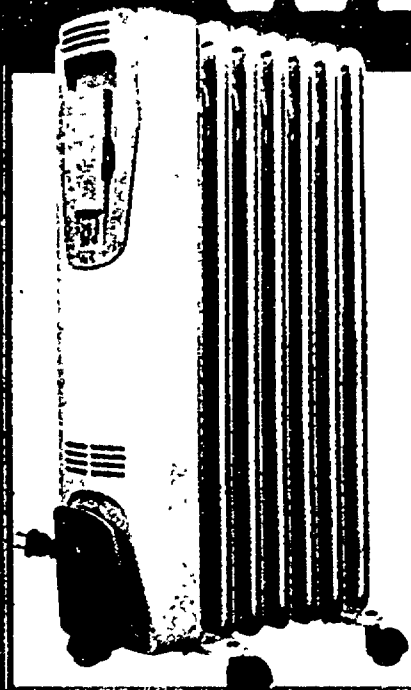
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Heavy Duty Steel Tree Stand

- Decorations for generations
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Winter Favorites

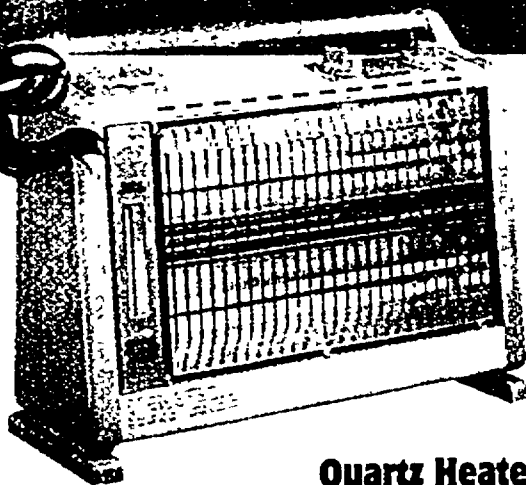


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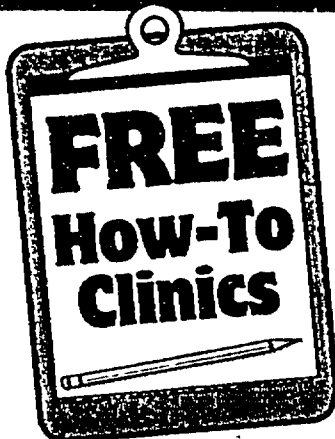
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