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# Armed robbery foiled by police



Hiller's Market robbery suspects Donyell Williams, left, and Larry Gene Davis await arraignment before 35th District Court judge John MacDonald last Friday afternoon.

Trio of bandits apprehended by township, Plymouth, Livonia cops

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**Armed robbery  
suspects nabbed  
near scene**

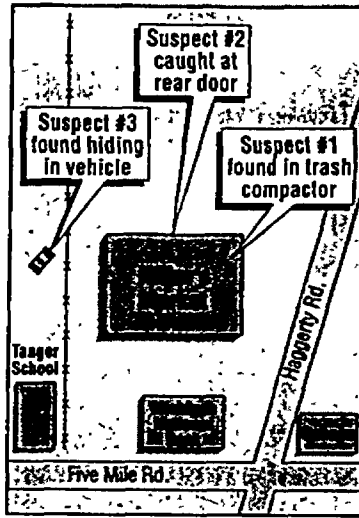
Three Detroit men face possible life sentences after their arraignment Friday before 35th District Court Judge John MacDonald on charges stemming from a foiled robbery attempt at Hiller's Market in Northville Township.

The three men — Jordan Kelly, Donyell Williams and Larry Davis — were held on \$500,000 bond without the 10 percent cash option and scheduled for a Feb. 26 preliminary examination.

No injuries were reported to either the suspects, Hiller's store employees or police officers, a release from the Northville Township police department said.

The suspects are charged with five counts each of assault with intent to rob, each of which carries a maximum life sentence. All three are also charged with possession of a weapon in commission of a felony. Kelly and Williams carry additional charges of carrying a weapon despite having previous convictions for carrying a concealed weapon.

The three allegedly broke into Hiller's, located at Five Mile and Haggerty, some time after 4:30 a.m. Thursday through a door



SOURCE: Northville Township Police Dept.

reportedly left open in expectation of a delivery. Witnesses say the suspects bound four employees with duct tape and forced them to position themselves face down and put guns to their heads.

A fifth employee, a 31-year-old man, backed out of the room and escaped to a gas station, where he

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## Youth assistance seeks new mentor volunteers

By JENNIFER NORRIS  
Staff Writer

Are you interested in making a difference in someone's life?

The Northville Youth Assistance program is currently seeking and recruiting new mentors to help provide encouragement, support and leadership for area youths.

Mary Ellen King, director of Northville Youth Assistance, said training sessions will begin March

1 and will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for a period of five weeks.

She said that the organization is strongly seeking volunteers to help children within the community.

"I'm really in need of mentors," said King.

She said once the training sessions have been completed, the mentor will be matched with a youth who has been referred to

the program.

Mentors must be at least 21 years old and are asked to serve for a period of one year.

The Northville Youth Assistance program provides youths between the ages of five and 17 services such as offering one-on-one volunteer mentor relationships, referrals to professional agencies and community service referrals.

Services are available to resi-

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## Read and read some more

Science will be at forefront of Winchester's program

By JENNIFER NORRIS  
Staff Writer

March is reading month.

On March 30, Winchester Elementary School will be hosting a unique event for students designed to reward their efforts for meeting established reading goals.

The school will be celebrating "Winchester's 2001 Reading

Explosion," in honor of the students' reading achievements.

Depending on the grade level of the student, each grade will have a different amount of reading time, said Patty Pokrandt, PTA chairperson for the Reading Explosion.

Pokrandt said the Reading Explosion festivities will consist of an entire day of hands-on science for the children.

She said several presenters,

including community leaders, parent volunteers and area business representatives, will be teaching students about science through various sessions that day.

Students were able to select from 16 sessions and ranked their favorite or preferred choices. At the available sessions, students will have the opportunity to

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

## Spring training

Toshiki Yamada awaits the perfect pitch during an indoor game of baseball at Monday's all-sports mid-winter break at the Northville Community Center.

## Paul Revere reanimated?

Classroom revisits history with 'museum' of students

By JENNIFER NORRIS  
Staff Writer

In Pam Lazarus' fifth grade classroom, history literally came alive last week.

At the end of a month-long history project, the Thornton Creek Elementary classroom was transformed into a roomful of museum "wax figures."

Only the figures weren't wax — they were the students, dressed as historical figures, waiting for patrons to look at each exhibit and learn about people of the past.

Extensive background research and additional activities accompanied the project to enable each student to delve into the important contributions of their historical figure.

"The whole point was to learn about genre of biographies."

Pam Lazarus  
Thornton Creek educator

Lazarus said students read biographies about their selected individual and later constructed a journal, which resembled that of the historic time period.

In the students' journals, entries highlighted important events in the selected figure's life and personal thoughts the figure may have had.

"The whole point was to learn about the genre of biographies," said Lazarus.

In addition to researching and reading biographies about famous history makers, students were also required to compose an informative poster, make a costume and prepare a speech to present at their Feb. 13 museum showing.

Lazarus said students created advertisements and posted them to help publicize their fifth grade wax figure museum and draw throngs of visitors. Several other classrooms, teachers and parents came to the museum-like classroom and were visually and verbally transported back to the days in the life of such renowned people as Abigail Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Bob Dole, Sally Ride, Charles Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart.

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## Police Reports

### NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORTS

**LIGUOR CABINET:** A 21-year-old Ypsilanti man was stopped by Meijer store detectives Feb. 18 after he was seen concealing five liquor bottles on his person and leaving the store without paying.

Northville Township police reports said the man placed the five bottles, worth a total of \$180 in a backpack and attempted to leave through the building's south doors. The man will be in 35th District Court on March 8.

### IMMIGRATION NATION:

Northville Township police officers on road patrol the morning of Feb. 17 observed a 1993 Ford van traveling 65 mph in a 45 mph zone of Eight Mile Road. Officers stopped the car and attempted to speak with the driver, who produced a North Carolina driver's license. Police reports said the driver and the officer had much difficulty in communicating, as a language barrier existed. A check

of the man's driver's license revealed it had been suspended. Police then placed the man under arrest. Passenger's in the arrested man's car were given transport by their employer.

Police then checked with the U.S. Department of Immigration and Naturalization, who informed township police that the man was in the United States illegally. Immigration Department officials asked township police to notify them when the man would be released so that the INS might pick him up.

The man will be in 35th District Court on March 12. He was turned over the U.S. Border Patrol on Feb. 17.

**SHOPPING SPREE:** Meijer store detectives stopped a 21-year-old Farmington Hills man and an 18-year-old East Lansing woman after they were seen concealing three liquor bottles, three VHS movies, a bead kit, a compact disc, a hemp necklace, a frozen pizza, a tub of ice cream, a

box of cereal and two windshield wiper blades. Police reports said the pair attempted to leave the store without paying for the merchandise. The two will be in court March 8.

**BIG HAUL:** Construction workers reported the theft of a \$2,600 flatbed trailer to Northville Township police on Feb. 15. The complainants said the trailer was stolen sometime overnight between Feb. 14 and Feb. 15. The trailer was taken from a work site along Tournament Drive. There are no suspects.

**COUNTERFEITING:** Three counterfeit pieces of currency, marked for value at \$5, \$10 and \$20, were passed at Northville High School's cafeteria on Feb. 14. Police were uncertain as to the identity of the person or persons passing the bills. Reports said the bills were handed over to the U.S. Secret Service for inspection.

### CITY OF NORTHVILLE POLICE REPORTS

**DOGGIES AND DOOBIES:** A Northville city police officer investigating an animal cruelty case approached a blue Mercury parked on Mary Alexander Court on Feb. 18. The officer asked the three occupants of the car — two women and one man — if they had seen a dog involved with the cruelty case, and if they knew if the door to the nearby Eagles Club was open.

The officer walked to the passenger side of the vehicle and asked a woman in the backseat if she knew about the status of the club door. During the questioning, the officer noticed a strong smell of marijuana coming from the car. No response was made by the occupants of the car.

The officer asked the same question again. After a brief pause, the driver of the car — a 52-year-old South Lyon woman — said she and the others had been smoking a marijuana cigarette. The woman told police

the only marijuana in the car consisted of eight such cigarettes.

Police searched the car and found a total of nine roaches, several stems and leaves scattered throughout the car, and some suspected marijuana, as well. The South Lyon woman said the marijuana belonged to her.

**IDENTITY THEFT:** A 43-year-old Northville woman told police her identity had apparently been used in the massive overdraft of a bank account.

City of Northville police reports said the woman returned home on Feb. 15 and found a message waiting for her on an answering machine. The woman returned the call and was forwarded to a representative from a collection agency representing Citizens Bank of Boston. The agent said the woman's checking out had been overdrawn by an estimated \$10,000. The woman told the agent

she had no such account. The agent advised the woman to contact bank authorities in Boston.

Once the woman and the Boston bank representative conversed, it was revealed that sometime in November, a woman opened a checking account using the Northville woman's name and date of birth, as well as the Northville woman's Social Security number.

Northville police doing follow-up work on the case confirmed the Northville woman's story with Boston bank officials, who said a black female had opened an account in the Northville woman's name, and that the woman who opened the account did so using \$10,000 in counterfeit checks. Money was then withdrawn from several ATMs.

The victim is herself caucasian, which police said added tremendous credence to the case for identity theft.

**LET'S TALK** *Jewelry* WITH **GARY S. WEINSTEIN** GEMOLOGIST

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**


While many people are well acquainted with white opal, black opal is far more rare and less widely known. As with white opal, black opal derives its flash of color (iridescence) from the manner in which its internal arrangement of tiny silica spheres refracts light. The only difference is that black opal's iridescence occurs against a black background instead of white. The darker the base color, the more pronounced and vivid its color. Black opal's beauty is the product of the contrast between its color play and the background. Most believe a predominance of red and orange is the ideal color. The preferred pattern is "harlequin", which is an arrangement of well-defined symmetrical and asymmetrical geometric shapes.

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Surgery may be required in severe cases.

The old adage "it is better to break an ankle than sprain one" is not necessarily true if the injury is appropriately diagnosed and treated by a podiatrist. As a specialist in foot and ankle conditions, he or she is the most qualified person to help rehabilitate an injured ankle or foot and bring it back to normal function. If you have questions about today's column, or any questions about footcare, your own or a loved one's, please feel comfortable calling **NOVI FOOTCARE ASSOCIATES**, 248-476-1500. Our office is located at 39555 West Ten Mile Road, Suite 307.



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## Under the microscope

Paul Robeson Academy eighth grade science teacher Derek Sales and student Cierra Strauther demonstrate the projector microscope donated to the school by the Hospitalers Committee, Detroit Commandery No. 1, Detroit Temple. Northville resident Gilbert Rice, right, looks on.

# Drip, drip, drip — Deerfield leaks

## New Novi elementary roof will need to be replaced in springtime

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE  
Staff Writer

A leaky roof at newly built Deerfield Elementary has the school drowning in orange buckets.

With the snow and ice from this winter now melting, leaks in the new school are springing up in classrooms, hallways, and offices.

"Everything is all taken care of," said Deerfield principal Richard Njus. "We really can't do anything until the weather warms up, but the roof will be fixed."

While there are several areas in the roof that need to be corrected, both the school's architect firm Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. and its roofing contractors, CEI Roofing Inc., said they will fix the problems at no cost to the district.

"The first year is always critical for a new building in its first year of operation," said AIA, REFP Principal/Designer from Fanning/Howey, Michael Hall.

"It goes through heating and

cooling cycles, it moves, expands and contracts so it's relatively normal that we find deficiencies and we expect some of that."

After a visit from an engineer consultant, Hall said it was found that there are several areas that need attention.

The two biggest problems of the roof are the shingles, which were improperly set and the slope, which was positioned too low.

"The top of the roof, where the curve meets the vertical wall was too low, so the water piles up over the height of the curve," Hall explained. "We consider that a design error on our part and we will do the work to extend it up."

Sub-contractor George Cooke from CEI Roofing said they will pick up the cost to redo some of the valleys between the canopy and main roof as well as some of the shingles.

The shingles run in two directions, with each shingle 36 inches long. When we got to the end of

the hip, we had to trim some of those back," he said.

Cooke said it could be a possibility that cropping the shingles may have contributed to the leakage.

"It was something that was unforeseen in the construction," he said, "but the building was built according to the plans and specification of the design. If it's an error on my part, however, I'll fix it. But we built it per manufacturer specification."

Cooke and Hall agreed that because they have not had a chance to open up the roof, it is difficult to tell where exactly the water is entering.

"Where the water was coming from, is not always where it's leaking," Hall said.

Hall said because most of the school buildings they do are custom designed, each one comes together a little bit differently.

"We don't have the liberty of developing a prototype design in a

lab," he said.

The architects and contractors said repairs on the roof will begin as soon as the weather permits and the work will be complete way before the start of the next school year.

"What parents need to know is this building has a five year watertight warranty so the roof is guaranteed to be corrected at no one's expense," Hall said. "We'll take care of it, it's nothing the school district has to fight about."

According to Hall, Fanning/Howey's portion of the cost to repair the roof is an estimated \$18,000. CEI Roofing stated that they did not have a complete assessment for their share.

Due to winter break, school officials could not be contacted for a total estimated cost.

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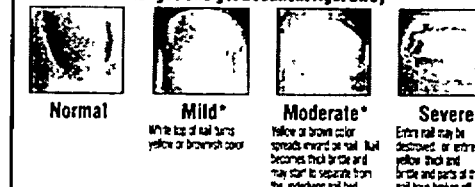
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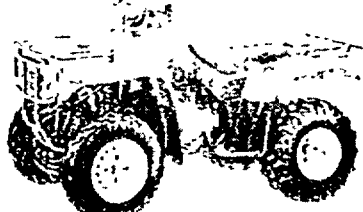
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**Best of 2001**

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☐ Milford Times  
☐ Northville Record  
☐ Novi News  
☐ South Lyon Herald  
☐ Fenton Independent

#### BEST FOOD TYPES

Appetizer \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dessert \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sandwich \_\_\_\_\_  
 Main dishes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Salad \_\_\_\_\_  
 Soup \_\_\_\_\_  
 Burger \_\_\_\_\_  
 Steak \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pizza \_\_\_\_\_  
 French fries \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ice cream \_\_\_\_\_

#### BEST SPECIALTY RESTAURANTS

Italian food \_\_\_\_\_  
 Family restaurant \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fast food chain \_\_\_\_\_  
 Quality dining \_\_\_\_\_  
 Coffee shop \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bar \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bakery \_\_\_\_\_

#### BEST SHOPPING LOCATIONS

Appliances \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bargain \_\_\_\_\_  
 Strip mall \_\_\_\_\_  
 Video store \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hardware \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bookstore \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Women's store \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Furniture \_\_\_\_\_  
 Auto parts \_\_\_\_\_  
 Carpet \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home improvement or lumber \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grocery \_\_\_\_\_  
 Music store \_\_\_\_\_  
 Auto dealership \_\_\_\_\_

#### BEST SERVICE OUTLETS

Bank \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gas station or quick mart \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hair salon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Insurance agency \_\_\_\_\_  
 Internet provider \_\_\_\_\_

#### BEST SERVICE PEOPLE

Bank teller \_\_\_\_\_  
 Teacher \_\_\_\_\_  
 Barber \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dentist \_\_\_\_\_  
 Car dealer \_\_\_\_\_  
 Doctor \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Employees and relatives of HomeTown Newspapers are not eligible to enter.
4. All entries must be received no later than noon, March 15, 2001. Entries may also be dropped off in person at the offices of the Fenton Independent, Holly Herald, Milford Times, Northville Record, Novi News or South Lyon Herald. Results of the polling will be announced in a special HomeTown Newspapers supplement.
5. Nominations for categories must be located within the community serviced by the. Each community's winners will be recognized separately.
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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

Date: February 15, 2001  
 Time: 7:00 p.m. Closed Meeting  
 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting  
 Place: 41600 West Six Mile Road  
 Call to Order: The Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Abbo at 7:30 p.m.  
 Roll Call: Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand, Richard Henningsen (absent), Marv Gans, Shirley Klokenga, Brad Werner

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. Agendas: Motion to approve the agendas with amendments and addition of 2J & 5H approved 5-0
2. Appointments, Petitions & Resolutions:
  - A. Kevin Vincent Hagedorn, Eagle Scout Award approved: 5-0
  - B. The Following appointments were made:  
 Barbara O'Brien, Beautification Commission, Mane Barr, Beautification Commission, Marjorie Faessler, Beautification Commission, Mark Greenman, ZBA Alternate, Robert Nox, Planning Commission, Scott Fernman, Parks & Recreation Commission, Judith Costigan, Economic Development Corporation, Lisa Anderson, Planning Commission Liaison to ZBA, Suzanne McKillop, Board of Review
3. Public Hearings:
  - A. CDBG Budget
  - B. Approval of CDBG Budget approved 5-0
4. Brief Public Comments and Questions: None
5. New Business:
  - A. 4th of July Parade donation not to exceed \$3,000.00 approved 5-0
  - B. Resignation of Trustee Bill Pomeroy approved 5-0
  - C. Purchase of Chevrolet Blazer for Building Inspector in the amount of \$21,991.82 approved 5-0
  - D. Replacement of Water Main at Five Mile & Bradner approved 5-0
  - E. Mobile Gas Station at Seven Mile & Beck Water Main Maintenance Agreement approved 5-0
  - F. Mobile Gas Station at Seven Mile & Beck Bike Path approved 5-0
  - G. Purchase of Scissor Lift and Trailer in the amount of \$14,515.00 approved 5-0
  - H. Decision from Closed Meeting approved 5-0
6. Unfinished Business:
  - A. Hillside Renovation Project Cost of Completion shall not exceed \$750,000.00 approved 5-0
7. Ordinances: None
8. Bills Payable:
  - A. Bills Payable in the amount of \$1,022,443.59 for February 15, 2001 approved: 5-0
9. Board Communications: Monthly reports from: Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand, Marv Gans, Brad Werner, Shirley Klokenga and Chip Snider.
10. Any Other Business that may properly be brought before the Board of Trustees: None
11. Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

MARK ABBO, SUPERVISOR  
 (2-22-01 NR 1029930)

SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CLERK

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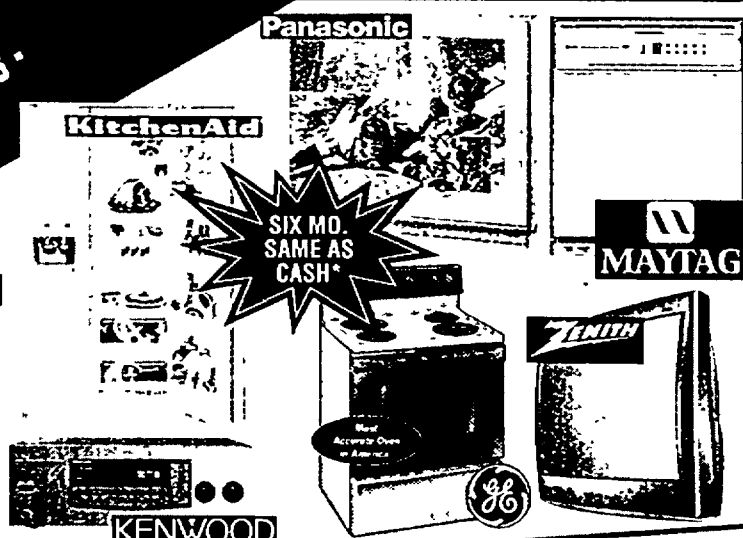
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# Only half of U.S. states give pay increases like Mich.

By MIKE MALOTT  
HomeTown News Service  
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Not all states have compensation commissions like the one that handed out 36 percent pay raises to lawmakers in Michigan this year, but 21 states do.

And how those commissions set pay rates for senators and representatives is mixed. In some states, like California, Washington and Oklahoma, the compensation commission has complete control over lawmakers' salaries.

In other states, like Kentucky

## Many states have commissions to help gauge hikes in state salaries

and Colorado, the compensation commissions have not even met in recent years.

That is all part of the information gathered by the House Oversight and Operations Committee, according to its chair Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton.

After the fall out of sizable pay hikes this year for state legislators — moving lawmakers from salaries of \$56,981 per year to \$77,400 annually — Patterson's committee is consid-

ering three resolutions which would revamp the State Officer Compensation Committee and its pay-setting process.

Among them are resolutions by Reps. Clark Bisbee, R-Jackson, Doug Spade, D-Adrian, and one already passed by the Senate by Sen. Thad McCotter, R-Livonia. McCotter's resolution would require an affirmative vote by lawmakers to get a raise, and the increase would not go into effect until after the next election. Currently, SOCC

raises take effect unless rejected by lawmakers.

Patterson said he's not sure what, if any, form of the resolutions will pass out of his five-member committee. First, he wants to gather information, like what other states do about setting lawmaker salaries.

The committee has learned that one state, Arizona, has a compensation commission which recommends the level at which pay rates should be set. Then, those recommendations

are put on the ballot for voters to review.

Some Michigan lawmakers believe that if votes are taken on pay levels, the issue will become politically charged and legislators will never again see raises.

But Patterson was unable to say whether Arizona voters have approved raises in the past.

Massachusetts voters in 1998 adopted a plan in which lawmakers' pay would automatically be adjusted, up or down,

based on the median household income in the state for the preceding two years.

Although Michigan lawmakers were boosted to \$77,400 this year, they are not the priciest legislators in the nation. California lawmakers got \$99,000 per year in 2000; District of Columbia lawmakers got \$80,600; and New York legislators got \$79,500.

With the hikes, Michigan legislators jumped ahead of those in Pennsylvania, who get \$60,670, and the Virgin Islands, who get \$65,000. All others are under Michigan rates.

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**SWEET NOVEMBER (PG-13)**  
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**SAVING SILVERMAN (PG-13)**  
12:00, 2:00, 4:20, 6:55, 9:30

**WEDDING PLANNER (PG-13)**  
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# Trio arraigned on armed robbery charges at Hiller's

Thursday, February 22, 2001-NORTHVILLE RECORD-7A

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By BRAD KADRIC and  
CHRIS C. DAVIS

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Three Detroit men face possible life sentences after their arraignment Friday before 35th District Court Judge John MacDonald on charges stemming from a foiled robbery attempt at Hiller's Market in Northville Township.

The three men — Jordan Kelly, Donyell Williams and Larry Davis — were held on \$500,000 bond without the 10 percent cash option and scheduled for a Feb. 26 preliminary examination.

No injuries were reported to either the suspects, Hiller's store employees or police officers, a release from the Northville Township police department said.

The suspects are charged with five counts each of assault with intent to rob, each of which carries a maximum life sentence. All three are also charged with possession of a weapon in commission of a felony. Kelly and Williams carry additional charges of carrying a

weapon despite having previous convictions for carrying a concealed weapon.

The three allegedly broke into Hiller's, located at Five Mile and Haggerty, some time after 4:30 a.m. Thursday through a door reportedly left open in expectation of a delivery. Witnesses say the suspects bound four employees with duct tape and forced them to position themselves face down and put guns to their heads.

A fifth employee, a 31-year-old man, backed out of the room and escaped to a gas station, where he placed the 9-1-1 call that brought Northville Township, Livonia and Plymouth Township police to the scene.

Plymouth and Livonia officers subdued one suspect coming out a back door. A second suspect retreated into the building and was later found hiding in a trash compact. The third suspect, Davis, was discovered waiting in what apparently would have been the getaway car parked in the parking lot of Tanger Center.

"Fortunately, that one [employee] was able to get out and, with the help of Livonia and Plymouth



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Hiller's robbery suspect Jordan Lamar Kelly is arraigned in 35th District Court Friday. Township detective Paul Sumner flanks Kelly.

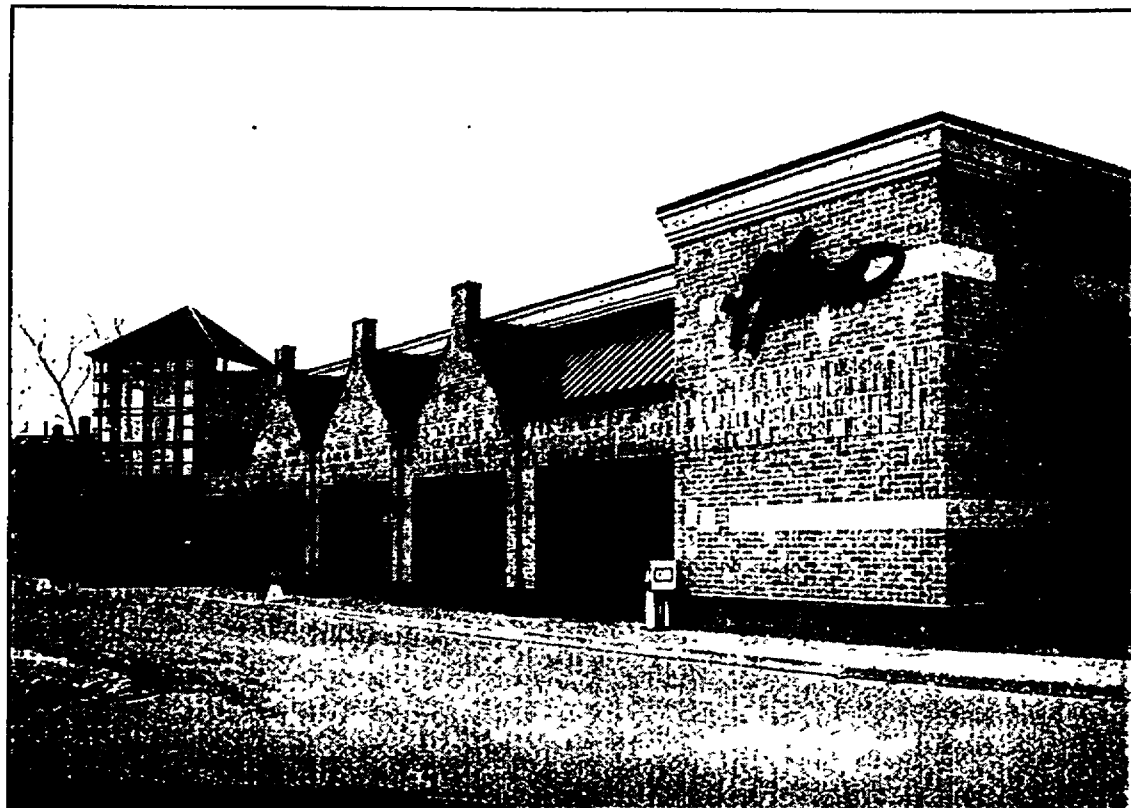


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Hiller's Market was closed for a good portion of Thursday as police conducted their investigation into the early-morning robbery of the store, located at Five Mile and Haggerty.

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE 2001 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Northville Township 2001 Board of Review will be holding meetings on the following dates to hear appeals from citizens regarding their 2001 assessment at the Northville Township Finance Building, 41660 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. You may call (248) 348-5810 to make an appointment. Letter of appeals will also be accepted until March 13, 2001.

March 6, 2001 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. By appointment  
March 10, 2001 9:00 a.m.-12 noon Walk-in (Saturday)  
March 12, 2001 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. By appointment  
March 13, 2001 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. By appointment  
March 13, 2001 9:00 a.m.-12 noon By appointment  
1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. By appointment

(2-22 & 3-1/8-01 NR 1029596) SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CLERK

## CITY OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF REVIEW WAYNE AND OAKLAND COUNTIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland Counties, will meet at the City Hall, 215 West Main Street, for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting the 2001 Assessment Rolls of the City of Northville on the following dates:

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2001: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2001: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2001: 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2001: 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Administrative Meeting

Pursuant to Act 165 of 1971 and based on the proposed changes to assessed value for 2001, the Wayne and Oakland County Equalization Departments have set the following tentative equalization factors relative to the 2001 Real and Personal Property Assessments: WAYNE COUNTY — Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00. OAKLAND COUNTY — Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00.

ALL TAXPAYERS wishing to review their taxable value or assessments with the Board of Review will be seen by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Appointments must be made on or before 4:30 p.m. EST, Friday, March 10, 2001. Please contact the City of Northville Tax Department at (248) 449-9901 for an appointment or with any questions you may have regarding your 2001 taxable or assessed value.

BOARD OF REVIEW  
KAREN WOODRUFF, CHAIRPERSON  
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(2-22 & 3-1/8-01 NR 1029095)

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FY 2001 PROJECTS

On Thursday, February 15, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Northville approved the following projects for FY 2001 CDBG Funds, with the estimate that \$120,000 will be awarded.

\$32,000 Public Services  
These funds will be used for on-going Senior Citizen programs, such as, but not limited to, bus service, tele-care, newsletter and program coordinator.

\$12,000 Comprehensive Planning  
The 2001 Comprehensive Planning issues to be addressed are sub-area master plans for parks, ordinance revision and other planning issues.

\$15,998 Purchase of ADA Bus for Senior Citizen Program  
This amount is the balance due for the purchase of the bus. Funds from FY 2000 were also used to purchase the bus.

\$48,002 Renovations To Proposed Senior Citizen Center  
A new location for the Senior Citizen Center is presently being considered. Renovations to the location will be required. These funds will be used for necessary ADA renovations.

\$12,000 Administration  
The final Statement has been prepared and is available to the public at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167  
SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CLERK  
(2-22-01 NR 1030473)

## CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review shall convene in its first session at 9:00 a.m. EST, Tuesday, March 6th, 2001 in the Novi Assessing Department at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment roll.

Notice is further given that the second session of the Board of Review will meet for the purpose of hearing and considering assessment protests in the Novi City Council Chambers at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road on March 12, 13 & 14, 2001. All appearances before the Board will be by appointment only. If you or your representative want to appear in person, the appointment must be made on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Friday, March 9, 2001. Appearances before the Board of Review are limited to five (5) minutes or less. Petitions are available at the Assessor's Office or at [www.ci.novi.mi.us](http://www.ci.novi.mi.us) NO APPOINTMENTS WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL A PETITION IS RECEIVED BY THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

Letters of protest will be accepted on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Wednesday, March 14, 2001. Postmarks will not be considered. When submitting a letter of protest for the Board of Review consideration, you must attach a completed petition (available at the Assessing Department), along with any supporting information.

All agents protesting values on property, other than their own, MUST HAVE written authorization from each property owner they are representing.

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### BOARD OF REVIEW SCHEDULE

Monday, March 12, 2001 — 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 13, 2001 — 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, March 14, 2001 — 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Any questions should be directed to the Assessing Department at (248) 347-0485.

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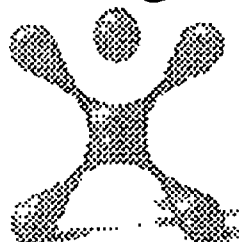
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# History comes alive (literally) at Thornton Creek

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By JENNIFER NORRIS  
Staff Writer

In Pam Lazarus' fifth grade classroom, history literally came alive last week.

At the end of a month-long history project, the Thornton Creek Elementary classroom was transformed into a roomful of museum "wax figures."

Only the figures weren't wax — they were the students, dressed as historical figures, waiting for patrons to look at each exhibit and learn about people of the past.

Extensive background research and additional activities accompanied the project to enable each student to delve into the important contributions of their historical figure.

Lazarus said students read biographies about their selected individual and later constructed a journal, which resembled that of the historic time period.

"Kids had a lot of enthusiasm for the project."

Pam Lazarus  
Thornton Creek teacher

In the students' journals, entries highlighted important events in the selected figure's life and personal thoughts the figure may have had.

"The whole point was to learn about the genre of biographies," said Lazarus.

In addition to researching and reading biographies about famous history makers, students were also required to compose an informative poster, make a costume and prepare a speech to present at their Feb. 13 museum showing.

Lazarus said students created advertisements and posted them to help publicize their fifth grade wax figure museum and draw throngs of visitors. Several other

classrooms, teachers and parents came to the museum-like classroom and were visually and verbally transported back to the days in the life of such renowned people as Abigail Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Bob Dole, Sally Ride, Charles Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart.

In line with the true set-up of a wax museum, students also created buttons that "activated" their historical character. Lazarus said as visitors would pass by each exhibit, they would press a button or turn a switch that signaled the student to transform and animate themselves into their acclaimed figure and give a verbal account of their life and important contributions.

The students repeated their speeches over and over as visitors approached and pressed the exhibit's button. Lazarus said such repetition resulted in some students having their speech memorized by the end of the day.

Some buttons used at the museum had mechanical compo-



Lauren Echelmeyer, speaking as Betsy Ross, gives a first-hand narrative of what it was like to design the U.S. flag.

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# Committee says one high school best for Novi

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE  
Staff Writer

The last hand has been played and it looks as if one high school is in the cards for the Novi Community School District.

After exhausting deliberation by the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Feb. 15, the committee voted 18 - 4 to move forward and present the school board with a bond proposal that would include an addition to the existing high school.

"Our job, as a committee, is to give the board our best recommendation and decide what has the strongest chances for success," explained committee co-chair Robert Schram. "We have to give the board a clear recommendation and not pose them with a dilemma on the high school."

Before the vote, committee members went back and forth, reviewing previous data as well as last week's community survey.

During the discussion, Novi High School principal Dr. Jennifer Cheal questioned the committee's charge.

"Is our job to recommend what has the best chance to pass or what's best for the kids?" she asked.

Schram said that either way, the task force is doing what's best for kids because one high school has a better chance of succeeding.

"Unfortunately, we don't have the flexibility we'd like to with the library bond coming up in August and the Novi Fire Department staffing issue pending," he said. "This is really about economics and voters will vote with their pockets."

In a previous meeting, Cheal, who voted for two high schools on Thursday, said as the school's enrollment becomes larger, the sense of connection becomes smaller.

"One thing that I think is important at any age, especially high school, is that they feel connected with each other and with their school, but as the school gets larger, there's still, for example, only one basketball team," she said in September. "While we have a great number of athletic programs and club activities, there is still that

limit to how many kids can be a part of them."

Cheal added that with more and more students, it becomes increasingly difficult to hold assemblies and other school functions.

If the final decision is to build an addition to the existing high school, Cheal would be in charge of roughly 2,400 students.

Committee member Terri Moblo said the reality of the situation in reviewing the survey results is that the people who want two high schools recognize the need for space and are willing to vote for two, however, she believes that those who want one high school would most likely vote against two.

"I think it's a very emotional issue for them and one that they won't be able to separate from the cost," she said.

Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations Jim Koster said in terms of second

"This is really about economics and votes will vote with their pockets."

Robert Schram  
school task force co-chair

high school, "we have to support what we create," and the operating costs of opening a second high school have not been estimated or factored in.

Because, legally, the district can only put one bond proposal on the ballot, the decision has to be made prior to the summer election.

While the job of the task force was to implement the future needs of the district, the board does not have to accept the task force's recommendation if they feel it is not warranted.

If the board adopts the committee's recommendation as it now stands, the public is looking to see a bond proposal of around \$90 million on June 11.

Other recommendations finalized by the committee Thursday night included the Bosco land purchase, technology upgrades, a new pool, and the construction of a new elementary school.

The task force will meet with the school board and present them with their recommendations on March 1.

Stephanie Fordyce is a staff writer for the Novi News. She may be reached at sfordyce@ht.homecomm.net

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Response: The Contractor shall verify receipt of this Addendum in the Bid Proposal Form.

Contents: Included in this Addendum is one (1) written addenda description. Extension of bid due date: The bid due date for the Park Development Project has been extended to 3:00 p.m., prevailing eastern time, Wednesday, March 14, 2001.

A pre-bid has been scheduled for 2:00 p.m., prevailing eastern time, Wednesday, February 28, 2001 at the City of Novi (Council Chambers), 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375.

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## NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS UNIFORM CLEANING SERVICE CONTRACT

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Uniform Cleaning Service Contract according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid packages are available at the Office of the Purchasing Director.

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### SPRING STORYTIMES

The schedule for Spring Storytimes at the library is now available, featuring dates for the Little Me Club for very little ones, expanded Tot Storytime for 2 and 3-year-olds with a caregiver, Storytime for 4 and 5-year-olds, and evening drop-in Storytime. Regis-

tration for these programs will begin in early March. For more information, call the library.

### BOOKS, CHAT AND CHOW

If you like books and sharing your ideas, join us for this monthly book discussion group open to fourth graders and up. At the next session on Feb. 28 at 4:15 p.m., the title discussed will be "The Boy Who Owned The School" by Gary Paulsen. Please register at the information desk and pick up a copy of the book. Refreshments served.

### DIA SPEAKER ON THE ROYAL TOMBS EXHIBIT

Join us on March 6 at 10 a.m. to learn more about the DIA

exhibit on "Treasures from the Royal Tombs of Ur." Using a slide presentation, the speaker will focus on the special exhibit of over 200 dazzling objects unearthed from the burial grounds of ancient Sumerian kings dating back 4,500 years. Please register in advance for this free program by calling the library.

### PEACE POSTERS ON DISPLAY

Throughout the next few weeks, the library will be decorated with posters created by Hillside Middle School students for the International Lions Club contest. The students represent the theme "United in Peace" in the artwork, which is located mainly on the lower level.

## Warranties helping extend life of new road construction

By MIKE MALOTT  
HomeTown News Service  
mmalott@homecomm.net

When drivers noticed that the surface of Telegraph Road, in spots at the intersections of Thirteen Mile and Fourteen Mile roads was chipping away, they were surprised and dismayed.

The road had just been repaved last summer. But with thawing weather, the road surface in two spots began "spalling."

Not to worry, say the Michigan Department of Transportation and the John Carlo road building company that did the work. It will be fixed as soon as winter weather breaks.

The road is under warranty.

Warranties in fact lie at the heart of the MDOT's efforts to improve the quality of roads statewide.

With only 64 percent of roads in what is considered to be "good condition" as recently as 1996, the state has launched into a program through "Build Michigan II" to bring 90 percent of state roads — 95 percent of freeways and 85 percent of non-freeway state roads — into the "good condition" category by the year 2007, according to MDOT spokesman Ari Adler.

As a part of that program, Adler explained, the state has for the past several years insisted that construction contractors give a five year warranty on the roads they

build.

Newly appointed MDOT Director Greg Rosine is proposing to expand those warranty requirements to 10 years, and hopes to include such requirements in the specifications for road projects to be bid out for the 2002 construction season.

Contractors however are concerned about the requirement, according to Bob Risser, Executive Director of the Michigan Concrete Paving Association, and Gary Naeyaert, Director Government and Public Relations for the Michigan Road Builders Association.

Risser explained that contractors must bond through an insurance company to cover possible future warranty work on each project. So contractors have cash tied up in warranties on every road they pave for the state. If the warranty requirements are too long, he said, eventually only the largest firms will be able to take road building contracts for the state.

If the warranty requirements drive small contractors out of bidding process for future construction jobs, that would reduce competition and in the end could drive up road costs, he said.

Of the 537 companies "prequalified" to bid on MDOT contracts, about 50 do "the lion's share," and only the top 10 firms take roughly half of the contracts, Naeyaert explained.

He agreed a reduction in the

number of firms competing for contracts might push up road building prices. But Naeyaert's chief concern is simply that warranties on road projects haven't been in use long enough to see if they really have an impact on the quality of road construction. In use only since 1997, Naeyaert argued more data should be gathered about the effectiveness of warranties before they are expanded further.

Risser noted that congress's General Accounting Office has recommended that federal requirements for warranties on defense contracts be dropped. The GAO found that warranties did not improve the quality of weapons systems purchased by the Department of Defense, but added about 5 cents to every dollar of the contract price.

Risser is additionally concerned about an MDOT plan to transfer some aspects of road design to contractors and asking them to warranty those design aspects as well. That has traditionally been the responsibility of the state, he said. And it would likely increase road construction costs further. Additionally, it is not clear who would be liable for lawsuits over road design if contractors take up some of that design work.

Adler said the MDOT is not likely to hand over to contractors such design aspects as the shape of curves or the bank of the road.

## Reading, science invade Winchester

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By JENNIFER NORRIS  
Staff Writer

March is reading month.

On March 30, Winchester Elementary School will be hosting a unique event for students designed to reward their efforts for meeting established reading goals.

The school will be celebrating "Winchester's 2001 Reading Explosion," in honor of the students' reading achievements.

Depending on the grade level of the student, each grade will have a different amount of reading time, said Patty Pokrandt, PTA chairperson for the Reading Explosion.

Pokrandt said the Reading Explosion festivities will consist of an entire day of hands-on science for the children.

She said several presenters, including community leaders, parent volunteers and area business representatives, will be teaching students about science through various sessions that day.

Students were able to select from 16 sessions and ranked their favorite or preferred choices. At the available sessions, students will have the opportunity to learn about paleontology, study oceanography and dissect a shark, discuss simple machines, light, momentum, electricity, magnetism, learn first aid, experience the responsibilities of a veterinarian and discover how bats are helpful to humans.

Students could also sign up to meet FBI agents and see how they lift fingerprints and view the tools agents use in solving crimes.

"This is really a community event," said Pokrandt. "A lot of speakers are from Northville."

Of the 16 available sessions, each student will be able to attend four.

At the Reading Explosion, Pokrandt said 25 National Honor Society students from Northville High School will be helping with the activities.

"The event is a reward for reading," said Pokrandt. "This is

## Mill Race Matters

**Thursday, Feb. 22**  
Archivists, Cady Inn, 9 a.m.  
**Sunday, Feb. 25**  
Mill Creek Community Church, 10 a.m.  
17th Michigan Reenactors, Church, 5 p.m.  
**Monday, Feb. 26**  
Antique Rug Hookers, Cady Inn, 10 a.m.  
Northville Lions Club, Cady Inn, 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Feb. 27**  
Stone Gang, Cady Inn/Grounds, 9 a.m.  
**Wednesday, Feb. 28**  
Mill Creek Community Church prayer Meeting, Church, 7:30 p.m.

In August 1983, stakes were pounded into the ground as the foundation was laid for a blacksmith shop in Mill Race Historical Village. It was the first reproduction building in the village. The

blacksmith shop is a recreation of one operated on Main Street around the turn of the century by John Hirsch. Fran Gazlay, chairman of the building project, said they were asking everyone to save stones. He indicated it was going to require a vast supply of stones as the entire blacksmith shop was going to be fronted with cobblestone. The men who worked on this project came to be known as the Stone Gang. (They continue to meet here every Tuesday morning to help maintain the village.)

When first completed, the blacksmith shop served as a museum for the village. Today, it is a country store where visitors to the village can purchase handmade treasures as well as Victorian games, etc. The country store is open to the public on special holidays and on Sunday, from 1 to 4 p.m. June through October.



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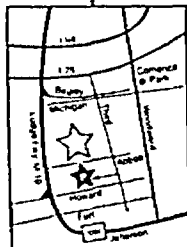
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# Mentors espouse benefits of youth assistance program

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By JENNIFER NORRIS  
Staff Writer

Are you interested in making a difference in someone's life? The Northville Youth Assistance program is currently seeking and recruiting new mentors to help provide encouragement, support and leadership for area youths.

Mary Ellen King, director of Northville Youth Assistance, said training sessions will begin March 1 and will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for a period of five weeks.

She said that the organization is strongly seeking volunteers to help children within the community.

"I'm really in need of mentors,"

"I feel it's a very good program...it was kind of a neat experience for me to be involved."

Russell Dore  
Youth assistance mentor

said King.

She said once the training sessions have been completed, the mentor will be matched with a youth who has been referred to the program.

Mentors must be at least 21 years old and are asked to serve for a period of one year.

The Northville Youth Assistance program provides youths between

the ages of five and 17 services such as offering one-on-one volunteer mentor relationships, referrals to professional agencies and community service referrals.

Services are available to residents of Northville, the Charter Township of Northville and the Northville school district.

Russell Dore, a mentor and Northville resident, has been involved with the mentoring program for over a year. In that time, Dore has been paired with a young child and a bond of friendship has evolved.

"I enjoy it very much," he said. "It's just a good experience."

Dore said he became aware of the available mentor position through a listing in a church bulletin.

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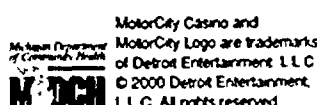
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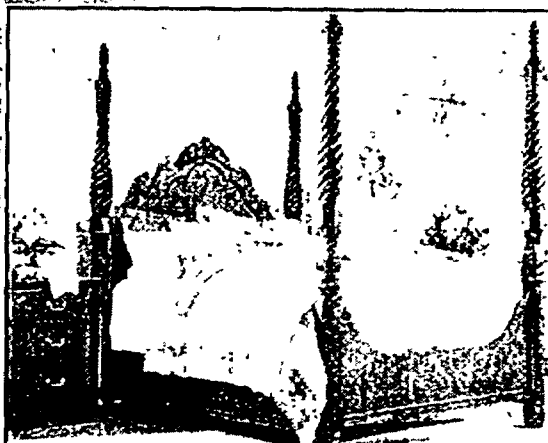
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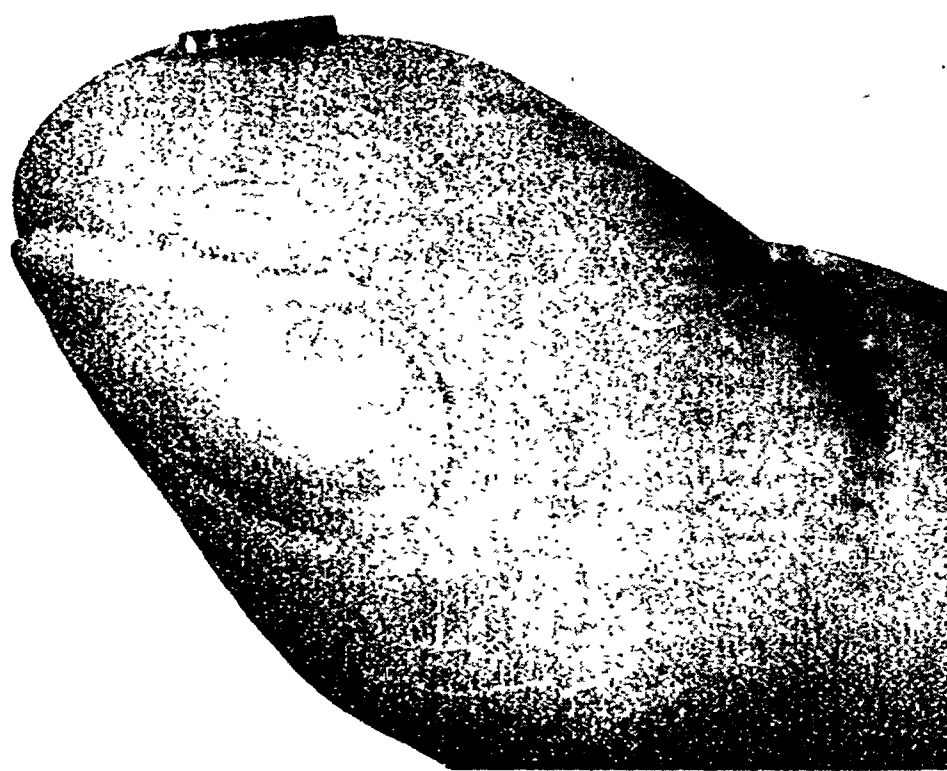


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## Lightning response merits big salute

Usually, you can't microwave a bowl of macaroni and cheese in a minute.

You can't flip through all the channels in a cable television lineup when you count one-Mississippi all the way to 60.

You can't start up most computers in the time it takes the second hand to complete one lap around a clock face.

But in that same amount of time, you can't apparently save lives. That fact was proven last week when police departments from Northville Township, Plymouth Township and the city of Livonia descended on Hiller's Market at Five Mile and Hagerty. Officers were on the scene working to diffuse a potentially deadly situation, and they got the ball rolling in less than a minute.

If that isn't testament to super-quick response and the value that area police officers place on lives, we don't know what is. Three cheers to a group of people who faced up to the challenge and ended a dangerous situation peacefully and without incident.

In an ideal world, an incident like the one that occurred last week would never have ever taken place, and people would have enough

respect for human life so as never to threaten the well-being of another.

In the real world though, people aren't always so kind, and when the circumstances so warrant, it's reassuring to know that police protection in our community is looking out for its residents.

We'll of course be following the courtroom aftermath of the robbery suspects as they work their way through our judicial system, and will be interested to learn their fate as prosecutors present their evidence and defense attorneys state their case, as well.

But before we shift gears to the world of black robes and gavels, we think it's worth our while to give a round of applause the men and women who wore the badge and risked their own lives to save others.

**POSTSCRIPT:** (We can't give police all the glory. After all, it was one extremely brave Hiller's employee who made the insane dash out the door and across the road to make a 9-1-1 call to police in the first place. Had that person not shown such an incredible display of sheer guts, we shudder to think how things could have turned out.)

## Help a kid in need: volunteer for NYA

Unlike Nintendo, scooters, money, cars or concert tickets, the one gift that must be given personally and from the heart is time. For many youths in Northville and Northville Township, that's unfortunately the one gift that they don't get nearly enough of. Northville Youth Assistance, headed up by Mary Ellen King, wants to put a stop to that.

The organization is presently seeking volunteer mentors to help provide a friendly guiding hand for kids who just need a little more one-to-one interaction with someone, and it isn't as difficult as one may think.

A mentor and an NYA youth may spend an afternoon together going

grocery shopping. They could play catch at a neighborhood park. They may catch a movie, grab an ice cream cone or just take a long walk around town.

This isn't rocket science, nor is it the most demanding commitment ever made. It's an investment in a kid's future, the dividends for which will be realized down the road.

Every child has potential — that goes without saying. Adult volunteer mentors working through Northville Youth Assistance help turn that potential energy into realized action. With all the resources that Northville has to offer, we hope adults willing to give just a few hours of their time see the value in helping a kid along.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

After hitting an in-the-gym home run, Toshiki Yamada, far left, receives congratulations from his other mid-winter break All-Sports camps teammates. The camp runs through this week from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. for kids ages 6 to 12, at the Northville Community Center.

## LETTERS

### School tech rush isn't all that great

On Feb. 13, the Northville school board unanimously approved an expensive and flawed district technology plan. Board chose to ignore the growing body of concern about accelerating costs, long-term mental and physical health risks, and doubts about academic effectiveness. The plan was reviewed over a period of five months by the citizens' technology advisory committee, during which time a number of concerns were raised — none of which were incorporated into the plan.

A few facts are clear:

- 1) The district continues to act on the basis of assumptions, not facts. After five months of review, not one single piece of relevant evidence was presented showing that technology provides any academic benefits. On the contrary, we have the example of Romulus schools who spent millions on technology throughout the 1990's and have absolutely nothing to show for it.

- 2) Costs are accelerating. Our \$5 million technology bond is almost spent, we are up to 10 fulltime people working on tech support, and we have on-going costs approaching \$1 million per year. What we have is a costly status symbol that does nothing for our kids.

- 3) Evidence of harmful effects continues to grow. For example, the Alliance for Childhood recently released a 99-page report ("Fool's Gold") detailing the risks and consequences of technology usage, especially for young children. As part of the review process, I recommended adding just 6 paragraphs to our 150-page Plan relating to health risks. Not only was this not approved, it was hardly even discussed.

It was agreed by all that technology is a powerful tool whose only purpose is to support the curriculum. Like any tool, its first requirement is that it do no harm. Secondly, it must prove itself to be more effective than other tools at supporting the curriculum. Technology fails on both points, at least for elementary and middle schools. Our board and our review committee do not want to address these issues. They do not want to assess the effectiveness of technology, assess the health risks, nor even simply monitor computer usage time.

We have nothing to fear from de-emphasizing technology, especially in elementary schools. Do they really think our students will suffer, or that test scores will drop? The Europeans have consistently equaled or exceeded U.S. academic performance, and they continue to do so with virtually zero computer usage in the lower grades. My children spent two years in an upscale German public school, and I know for a fact that they have not a single computer for student use.

It is ironic that in a "conservative" community like Northville we continue to push technology on our kids. Nothing more quickly undermines family values than long-term exposure to the internet and other high-tech tools.

We erode the sense of self-achievement and self-confidence when we ask 10-year-olds to produce glossy four-color reports, or tell them that they cannot achieve academic excellence without high-tech tools. It's a shame that our board does not have the vision or courage to ditch the technology bandwagon, and adopt a plan that is in the best long-term interests of our children.

Concerned parents can do three things:

- 1) Contact the office of instruction and request all tech committee meeting minutes, with handouts, since September.
- 2) Contact the superintendent's office and request to serve on the tech committee.
- 3) Contact me if you would like further information.

David Skrbina  
Tech Committee Member

### Reader objects to 'slanted' coverage

"Race-Baiting for readers and profit" may increase Northville Record sales but it is not acceptable.

The theory is elementary. Articles about a local business supporting First Amendment rights are readership "snoozers," whereas the same incident "run up the flag pole" a couple times as "racist" translates into increased copy sales and (the real goal) greater ad revenues.

Last October, an 8-foot by 16-foot trailer mounted sign quoting (and crediting) a 2000 U.S. Census Bureau conclusion regarding current immigration numbers was brought from South Lyon to our Northville sign shop for storage and repairs.

This Census Bureau study dealt with immigrants from all countries: Ireland, Mexico, Australia, Spain, England, South Africa, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Brazil, even Russia, Germany, China, and Canada, among all others. To find "racism" in this government statistic you would have to look for it — and possibly even want to find it.

While this sign had been in South Lyon, that city's chief building inspector, zoning official, violations bureau chief, PD officer-in-charge, etc. (all the same person — so many titles, so little space) searched his ordinances and commenced writing violation notices that quickly climbed to \$300 a day.

Under his ordinance interpretation, "oversized political sign," even the American Flag over 4-feet by 4-feet is illegal in South Lyon and subject to filling city coffers with resultant fines.

Enticed into taking some action by a titillating Record (racism) article, the Northville Building Department "red-tagged" the sign as a zoning violation (permit required, fee due) leaving open that, as a sign shop, we could now be required to take out a separate permit requiring a city fee for each sign we produce in our shop — from a 2-foot by 6-foot "Happy Birthday Aunt Ellen" banner to an 8-foot, 5-inch by 11-inch storefront door notice announcing that a downtown Northville business will be closed from noon to 3 in observance of Easter services.

However, Northville was more realistic or perhaps just less power/profit motivated than South Lyon, in that their building official allowed us five days for removal of the sign before he would commence issuing \$500 tickets.

The unrepaired sign was then returned to the same South Lyon location where it immediately commenced receiving additional \$300/day tickets.

Rather than pay the "fines" as demanded by the South Lyon Violations Bureau (the same individual writing the \$300/day violation notices was reported to be also the only member of this "bureau" — "its judge, jury and treasurer"), we elected to have the charges heard before District Judge Dennis Powers.

By the time we got into court, we discovered that the charges made on the original tickets had been changed to different charges, with a different South Lyon official signing these "rewritten" tickets.

Both "officials" gave significantly differing testimony as to the circumstances under which they issued the tickets and their understanding of the ordinances they were attempting to utilize.

The end result was that South Lyon wanted to add almost \$3,000 to its coffers from this sign event, plus additional amounts for costs and fees.

Fortunately, for the good guys (us/Free-dom of Speech/the U.S. Constitution), Judge Powers saw through the fog and confusion and dealt a fair hand.

Based on minor technicalities under the

changed charges, we paid a \$315 fine — and the court did not grant costs. Additionally, Judge Powers made it clear in his final remarks that he wouldn't feel all that bad if we decided to appeal.

Most likely we will not appeal. Realistically, \$315 isn't worth the filing fees, time off work, attorneys fees, etc., not even for the South Lyon officials, even though we know their expenses are actually paid by the South Lyon residents through their taxes.

We are very happy with the outcome of this court event, \$315 versus more than \$3,000. We view it as a 90 percent win. Our battle was solely for free speech. We were bloodied a bit and there are some scars — but that flag still waves; at least, outside of South Lyon.

There is a final issue to be addressed from this event: Whether I and my company are "racist."

Most of my childhood upbringing was spent on a working farm in nearby Salem with equal numbers of black and white playmates. Our two closest farm family neighbors happened to be black. For the happier events such as weddings, birthday parties and Christenings, we were always mutually on the top of each other's guest lists. For seasonal country events, such as barn and fence repairs, haying, strayed livestock or mud-stuck tractors, we regularly — and unhesitatingly — called on each other for help. For sadder events, such as funerals, we were each the first at the other's door with platters of food for those who were coming to pay their respects.

Printing as a business has done well for me. My first inducements to take on printing as a trade came from a black neighbor farmer who sold printing services to supplement his farm income.

I believe ones early years are one's formative years. I also believe an apple does not fall far from its tree. There is neither a root nor a branch of racism in myself, my family or my business.

During my college years in the mid-1960s, I helped plan and participated in many civil rights events and I was also then the only resident in my dorm who didn't file an objection to assignment with a non-white roommate. I wasn't asked to pledge any fraternities but we benefited from our three-student unit never having to house more than two of us.

I am not aware of any other non-institutional business of our size in either South Lyon or Northville — and just one excep-

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# OTHER OPINIONS

Thursday, February 22, 2001

## Ben Franklin — where art thou?

Remember how our legislative masters in Lansing finagled themselves a 36 percent salary increase?

First, the State Officers Compensation Commission recommended raising salaries for both representatives and senators from \$56,981 to \$77,400 per year.



Phil Power

That caused a storm of protest. Next, the House (wink, wink, nod, nod) voted 100-6 to turn down the SOCC recommendation, knowing full well the law requires both houses of the legislature to reject any increase and figuring the Senate would take the heat. Boastful press releases from public-spirited — and wholly disingenuous — representatives promptly filled the fax machines of newspapers statewide.

Finally, the Senate — wanting the pay hike but put fully in the bag by the House vote — managed to convene for at least 20 minutes on the last day it could vote to reject, but somehow never managed to hold a vote. Result: The gigantic pay increase went into effect.

Now it turns out that the bill is going to have to be paid. It comes to \$2.8 million just for everybody's \$20,400 salary increases this budget year, not counting increases in future legislative pensions that run on and on and on. The question is how?

There are two options. Either the legis-

lature can find \$2.8 million in savings by cutting other areas of legislative spending or it can pass a supplemental appropriation bill that amounts to taking the money directly out of the pockets of taxpayers. Guess which they'll do.

Legislative leaders are putting up a brave front. Dan DeGrow, the Senate Majority leader, is quoted in newspaper reports as saying he's confident the money can be found without legislative staffers being laid off. (The 38-member Senate's share of the bill is around \$750,000.) House Speaker Rick Johnson is also quoted as saying there's enough in the House budget to cover the expense. (The 110-member House faces a \$2.1 million bill for the pay increase.)

Don't expect members of the Senate to be wildly enthusiastic about bailing out the House. The nicest word I heard from senators about the House vote was "gratuitous."

On top of this, Gov. Engler's budget for this year calls for all state departments to trim expenses, not increase them. (Observant readers should note, before Engler starts thumping his chest on this one, that his budget for the next fiscal year that starts on Oct. 1 calls for a 6.6 percent increase for the Legislature, a jump of nearly \$12 million that easily will cover the legislative pay increases.)

While all of this has been going on, I've been reading a wonderful new biography of Benjamin Franklin by H.W. Brands, "The First American." In addition to telling the rich and admirable story of Franklin's life and times, the book includes telling excerpts from Franklin's own writing. In the context of big legislative salary increases, I was particularly struck by this passage in which Franklin argues that government lead-

*Franklin writes, 'There are two passions which have a powerful influence on the affairs of men. These are ambition and avarice: the love of power and the love of money.'*

ers should receive no compensation other than expenses:

"There are two passions which have a powerful influence on the affairs of men. These are ambition and avarice: the love of power and the love of money. Separately, each of these has great force in prompting men to action; but when united in view of the same object, they have in many minds the most violent effects. Place before the eyes of such men a post of honour that shall at the same time be a place of profit, and they will move heaven and earth to obtain it."

Sure, I realize Franklin was wealthy and could afford to argue such. And I am also aware that paying salaries to all who serve in government makes possible contributions from able people, both rich and poor.

But I certainly wish members of the State Officers Compensation Commission and our legislative masters had come across Franklin's wisdom before the House voted and the Senate did not.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, ext. 1880, or by e-mail at [ppower@homecomm.net](mailto:ppower@homecomm.net).

## Heroism, Hannibal, holidays, etc.

More random thoughts and observations on life...

• I wish I could say I was surprised to learn that the Northville school district is looking at another \$26 million worth of improvements to its buildings and grounds, but I'm not. There are simply too many people moving too quickly to this area. It's also unfortunate that the district is bound by state law to only be able to forecast out five years ahead of time, when it's pretty evident that things aren't going to be slowing up anytime soon.



Chris C. Davis

I suppose the one area that has me rolling my eyes, if only a little, is the part of the proposal that might have \$8.5 million in expansions done to Northville High School. (Didn't this place just open its doors six months ago?)

• There was heroism-a-plenty to be passed around at last week's armed robbery of Hiller's Market on Five Mile. Kudos to the police officers from Plymouth Township, Livonia and Northville Township who diffused the situation without any injury. Kudos to the judges who honored the request by Northville Township detectives at setting bond for the suspects at \$500,000. And perhaps

most of all, kudos to the Hillers employee who, for reasons that surpass all understanding, found the sheer guts to make a break out the door when it was evident the robbery was taking place, and made the phone call to police from across the street.

• I found the timing of the Hillers robbery coming eerily close to the time when neighboring Northville city police made their pitch for big improvements to the city's police communications network.

• Even though Anthony Hopkins is probably most widely known for his current role as Hannibal Lecter (the villain nominated for the "Least Likely To Go Vegetarian" Award), I happen to think Hopkins was at his best as the billionaire husband of Elle MacPherson in "The Edge." Now that was a cool movie.

• How about that Northville wrestling squad? I think head coach Bob Townsend may have said it best: "This team put winning as a team as their first priority the whole season." If there's a better formula for all-around success, I don't know what it is — and that applies not only to sports, but to life in general.

• I know, I know...patching a road is a heckuva lot less expensive than repaving it. Still, I can't help but cringe when I drive over just-put-down spot of cold patch and hear the tar-covered stones clink and clank on my car's undercarriage.

• Oh me, oh my — does the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty look different these days, or what?

*How about that Northville wrestling squad? Coach Bob Townsend may have said it best: 'This team put winning as a team as their first priority all season.'*

• Maybe a psychologist can explain this one. Why do I loathe seeing Christmas stuff on the store shelves right after Labor Day, but have no problem when the swimsuits and swingset kits are out by Valentine's Day?

• Speaking of holidays, I noticed last Monday was President's Day. I bet Bill Clinton celebrated by going to some furniture store sales, since he had to return all the stuff he took from the White House.

• Over the weekend, my wife and I purchased new cell phones, and I've got to tell you, I hate myself for doing it. I've become the very person I've rolled my eyes at. But so help me, if I ever use the thing while driving, in a restaurant, in a movie theater or (God forbid) in a church, may I be trampled by a thundering herd of cattle.

• By the time it comes around in early April, I'll wager that more people attend the Friends of Northville Parks and Recreation dinner auction than watch an NFL game.

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## An update on the 38th District

Because your letters, phone calls and correspondence give me the tools necessary to best represent your concerns, I am always looking for ways to build upon the successful dialogue we've established over the years.



Nancy Cassis

Early in my tenure, I implemented a toll-free number (1-888-38-NANCY) to ensure open and free communication for all residents. Everyone's ideas and concerns are important to me, and I realize senior citizens living on fixed incomes are sometimes hesitant to make long-distance phone calls. By instituting a 1-888 line, everyone is given the opportunity to talk with me for as long as they want without worrying about phone bills.

State government is truly the people's government, and I will continue to build on the theme of including more people in the decision-making process. This leads me to another way to involve more residents: implementing local town hall meetings.

State Sen. Bill Bullard and I would like to invite Novi and Northville area residents to a town hall meeting on March 26 at Novi City Council chambers. The event starts at 7:30 p.m. It is part of a series of meetings we have planned for residents throughout southwestern Oakland County. We will keep you posted on meetings scheduled in your community.

Establishing a town hall meeting circuit is a great way to get people more involved in their government. Meetings will give residents an even better opportunity to address issues and concerns important to them.

Because constant communication is essential for me to do the best job possible, I encourage people who are unable to attend the town hall meetings to let their voices be heard.

To contact me at my Lansing office, the address is Anderson House Office Building, Room S-887, Lansing, Mich. 48909; (517) 373-0827, or through e-mail at [ncassis@house.state.mi.us](mailto:ncassis@house.state.mi.us).

The Web is an especially efficient way to contact me or get valuable information concerning state government. Residents can log onto <http://www.state.mi.us> for a treasure trove of information concerning state resources. You can find information on business services, family, health and wellness, employment, criminal justice and law, and travel and recreation.

In so many ways, the Internet has given residents unprecedented access to the state governmental process. People can log onto

<http://www.michiganlegislature.org> to check the current status of House and Senate legislation and learn about how the measures would affect them. New state laws also are posted.

And if residents don't have access to a computer, my office is always an excellent resource for the latest news in Lansing. Staying in constant contact with my constituents has been a hallmark of my tenure, and I will equally hard during 2001-2002 to represent the views and people of the 38th District.

It will be an exciting legislative session. Speaker Rick Johnson, R-LeRoy, has reappointed me to lead the House Tax Policy Committee. It is an honor to be a part of the House leadership team and work to provide genuine tax relief for local residents.

My other committee assignments are equally important. I will serve on the energy and technology, and senior health, security and retirement committees. Additionally, I am on the Redistricting and Elections Committee, which will help redraw state House and Senate districts as well as new U.S. Congressional seats.

I look forward to hearing your ideas and concerns. In this age of the Information Superhighway, I want to remain your constant service provider.

Nancy Cassis is the Republican state representative serving Novi and a portion of the city of Northville.

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## Letters to the Editor

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tion in Plymouth, the former Mayflower Hotel — that can match our long term record for minority hiring.

My personal/family attorney for the past seven years is an individual of proud Arab descent. Since 1996, our company's legal affairs have been managed by a family of Irish-descent attorneys.

For whatever indication it may impart, we have unhesitatingly filled key positions in all three cities, including sales, production, and shop management, with individuals of black and Hispanic origins. We have also employed individuals of non-traditional sexual persuasion. In all cases, our considerations have been based solely on the qualifications and performance of the individuals.

Over the past 28 years, my printing business has allowed me to obtain a number of commercial and residential rental properties. Tenants have included individuals and companies of African, Arab, Welsh, Mexican, and Korean descent. I have also had tenants proudly proclaiming Irish, German, English, even California and Tennessee antecedents.

No tenant, employee, customer, other company or individual has ever levied any charge of racism against me or my company until I read this baseless charge made in the *Record*.

A South Lyon business owner states he was recently ordered to apply and pay for a permit to display a 3-foot by 5-foot American flag on his business premises.

Will any other communities follow the bold lead of South Lyon and attempt to top off their budget deficiencies by levying a fee for display of the American Flag? Will taxpayers have to pay overtime charges for city officials to work on July 4, issuing tickets to residents, businesses, veterans groups, even parade participants, who show the U.S. Flag?

HomeTown Oakland (Northville *Record*) publisher Grace Perry has not responded to multiple requests to investigate her company's slanted coverage of this sign issue.

**Ron Bodnar**  
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### Look into new voting machine

James G. Wilson, in a special article to the *Los Angeles Times*, writes about a foolproof balloting system, recently tested in Riverside County, California, that makes it virtually impossible for people to vote for the wrong candidate.

The device in question is a machine with an electronic screen. The voter, after having his identity verified by a precinct worker, is given a "smart card" that, when inserted in the machine, lights up the screen with the complete ballot. A voter can select the language he prefers.

As reported by Wilson, opposite each candidate shown on the screen is a circle. When the voter "touches" the circle, a green check mark appears indicating he has voted for that person, and the circles next to the names of the other candidates disappear.

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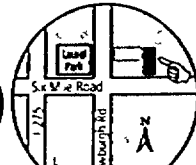
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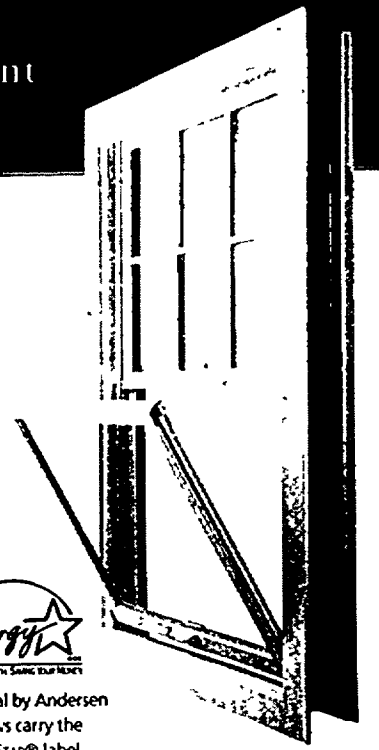
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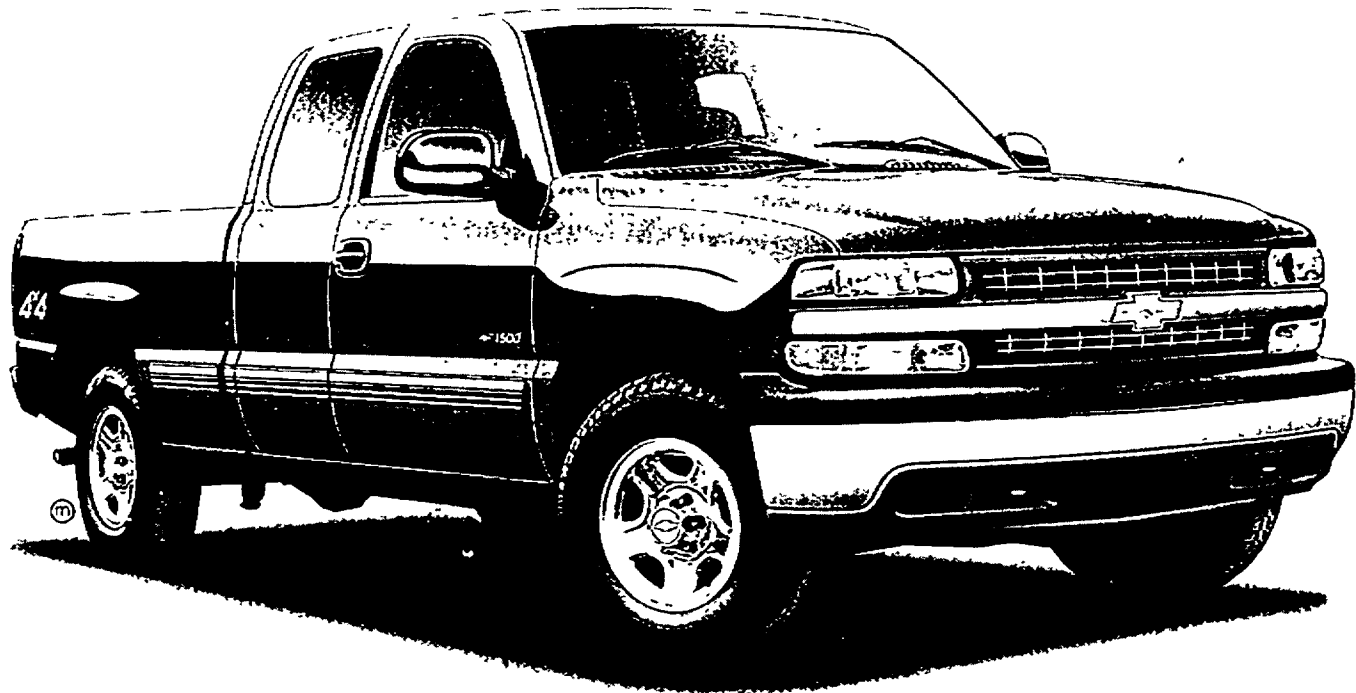
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# WLAA title belongs to Wild'Stang gymnasts

Northville-Novi gymnastics team wins WLAA conference with guts, grace

The Wild'Stang gymnasts ran their perfect record conference record to 9-0 by winning Saturday's WLAA Conference meet, with a team score of 146.825. Although they posted the third highest score achieved in the state this season (they also have the two highest scores), the victory didn't come easy, and wasn't without cost.

They earned the victory in what many consider the toughest conference in the state. Coach Lindsey Crews was well aware that it would be a highly competitive meet.

"Do you realize that five of the top ten teams in the state are in this conference, and capable of hitting 140s and above," said Crews. "We knew that we would have to concentrate and hit our routines in order to win."

The difficulty of the task was further illustrated by the final scores, with less than seven points separating Novi-Northville from fifth place Livonia. Tri-Farmington who finished second with a score of 144.925, was less than a point above third place Brighton. Host Hartland took fourth with a score of 142.174, with Livonia fifth, and Salem (138.5), Walled Lake Central (138.475), Canton (130.8) and Westland John Glenn (129.05) making up the rest of the field.

The hard-fought win came at a price, when senior co-captain Kelley Phelps aggravated a knee injury, and may be lost for the remainder of the season. Phelps crumpled to the mat at the end of her floor routine, clutching her knee and displaying obvious pain.

"You never want to see anyone get injured, particularly one of your captains," said Crews.

On a brighter note, the combined squad was boosted by the return of junior Lindsey Carlson, who led the team with a 9.1 on vault.

Sophomore Jenn Sturgis, who was recovering from a bout with the flu led the team with an all-around score of 37.2, which was good for second at the meet. Making up her all-around score were first place finishes on bars (9.75) and beam (9.5). Close behind her was senior Megan Samhat with an all-around of 37.125, which included a second on the floor (9.55), second on beam (9.5) and third on bars (9.45).

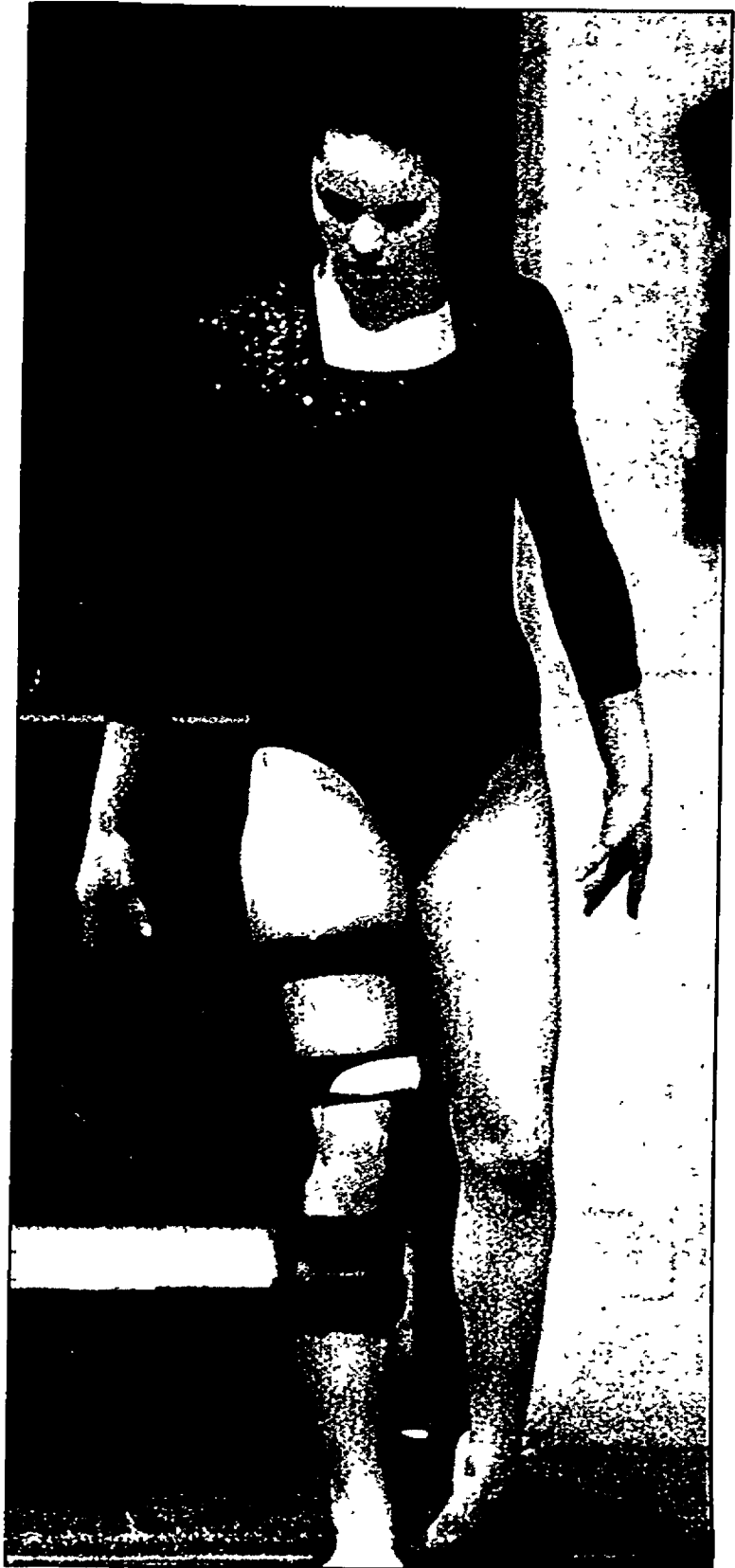
Also making strong showings for the Wild'Stangs were Division Two gymnasts Alison Gillette and Monica Fink, as well as Andrea Ledbetter. Fink took second on vault (9.0). Gillette earned first on bars (9.1), and Ledbetter took third all-around (35.2). Crews expects Carlson, who is also nursing an elbow injury, to be ready to return to all-around competition at regionals on March 3.

The team now has two weeks to prepare for the regional competition that will take place in Canton on March 3.

The top three teams from each of the four regions advance to the state team finals. Northville-Novi has won its regional championship for four consecutive years, and is poised to do it again this year. Fink is the only member of the team remaining from the 1998 state championship winners.

"I would love to be part of a team that wins its regional four years in a row, and appears in the state team championships four years in a row," said Fink.

The season will conclude with the state finals at Rockford High School, with the team finals on March 9 at 4 p.m., and the individual finals on March 10.



Captain Kelley Phelps shows the toll the body takes in gymnastics. Phelps aggravated the injury during the WLAA meet.



Amanda Crawford performs in a floor routine in a recent meet against Hartland.

## Swimmers win, tune up for district playoff run

BY COLBY J. CAVALIERE  
Sports Editor

The one thing every team wants on its side going into the postseason is momentum. Good ole "mo" can spell victory and propel teams past previous expectations.

So with their convincing 149-37 win against Livonia Franklin last Thursday, and a solid showing in Saturday's state wide Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association meet, the Mustang boys' swim team looked poised to make a move in the postseason.

Northville took first in all 12 events against the Patriots. Staring

the victory tidal wave was the team of Anthony Serge, Bobby Gulewich, Dan Myers, and Mike Mueller (1:50.85) in the 200 medley relay. Derek Ohlgren (1:55.99) took first in the 200 freestyle, followed by Moors (2:10.77) in the 200 IM, and Mueller (23.63) in the 50 freestyle.

Up next were the divers, and they didn't disappoint. Jason Albosta (214.00), and Lance Dehne (188) finished first and second, followed by their teammate John Campbell (171) in fourth.

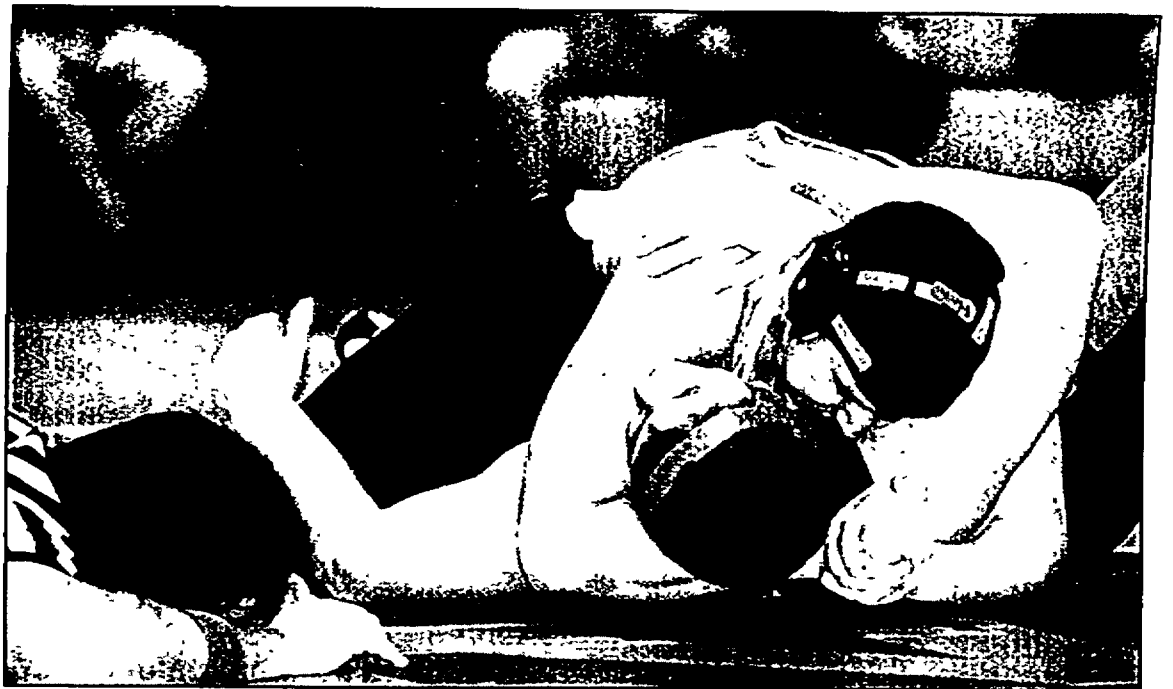
The winning wave kept on building with wins by Joe Lunn (1:03.33) in the 100 butterfly, Mike Handley (5:45.03) in the 500

freestyle, Serge (1:00.08) in the 100 backstroke, and Gulewich (1:10.54) in the 100 breaststroke. The 200 freestyle relay team of Mueller, Ohlgren, Myers, and Moors (1:33.24) notched yet another Mustang win. The victory wave crested with a win in the 400 freestyle relay by Moors, Ben Maxim, and Ohlgren (3:30.96).

"It was a great swim for us," said Mustang coach Rich Bennetts. "All our divers were excellent, and our guys got in some good work."

The win marked the end of a dual meet season that saw the

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Heavyweight wrestler Valentino Palushaj gives everything he has trying to put himself in position to pin his opponent as a referee oversees the action.

## Grapplers hang tough, hold off Canton to win district title

BY COLBY J. CAVALIERE  
Sports Editor

Another meet, another championship.

Winning has been the theme of the season for the Northville wrestling team, and last Wednesday in the districts the Mustangs downed Plymouth Canton 36-30 to take the title.

After besting Plymouth Salem in the first round, Canton went to the mat and lost their first three matches to the focused 'Stangs. Ravi Saran (103) racked up yet another win, with a 32-second pin in the first match. Josh D'Anna followed that up with a 9-3 win at 112, and Jason D'Anna (119) made it three in a row with an 11-1 major.

Luc Pokorny followed up a Northville loss at 125 with a pin at 130. But Canton showed they didn't fight all the way to districts only

to bow down to the WLAA champs. They fought back, taking three matches in a row to close the gap.

A win by captain Chad Neumann (152) followed by a huge pin by Anton Palushaj (160) gave Northville some breathing room. The upperweights continued to carry the Mustangs, when Josh Pettijohn (171) and Joe Rumbley (189) won their matches. A loss at 215, followed by a void at 275 made the score as close as it was.

"We knew it would be a real tough match, but we did what we were capable of," said Northville coach Bob Townsend.

The district win put Northville in the regionals, which were held last night at Northville High School. The Mustangs were slated to face Livonia Stevenson in the first round, while Dearborn Edsel Ford and Detroit Catholic Central battled it out for the other spot in the regional final. Townsend and his

team expected to face Catholic Central in the final should they defeat Stevenson.

"We match up really well against Catholic Central, and the two teams don't really like each other, so I anticipate a great matchup," said Townsend. "In fact, if we were to face Catholic Central, I might have to consider us underdogs."

The results of that match were not available when the Record went to press.

### EIGHT MUSTANGS ADVANCE TO REGIONALS

Following their district win the day before, the Mustangs took the mat for their individual district matches. All in all, the team saw eight wrestlers place fourth or better, earning them births in the individual regionals on Saturday.

At 103, a matchup of unbeaten started it off, and highlighted a

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## Northville qualifies for states

The Mid-America Regional Pom-Pon competition was held on February 3. The Northville Varsity Pom-Pon team qualified for Class A, Division I state competition on Feb. 25 in Saginaw. Pictured above: Renee Ascione, Brittany Bartelo, Erica Bivens, Brianna Buckley, Lindsay Jones, Amanda Kelly, Carolyn Kirkman, Lauren Lininger, Rachel Martin, Taylor Miglio, Liz Morante, Mary Osenkowski, Megan Preston, Kati Pryce, Megan Roney, Amy Scheich, Lindsay Chomiuk, Katie Spinale, and Kathi Tinker. The team is coached by Melissa Millg

# Mustang swim team peaking at the perfect time

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Mustangs go 6-2, and sets the stage for the WLAA prelims today and tomorrow.

"We finished up real strong, and are ready to go on into the playoffs," said Bennetts.

## MISCA RESULTS

The three relay teams, and four individual swimmers qualified for the MISCA meet that was held last Saturday. Some 40 teams from across the state took part in the event that featured some of the best swimmers and divers around. The 200 medley relay team of Anthony Serge, Bobby Gulewich, Ben Maxim, and Dan Myers swam a season best time of 1:47.56, good for 34th place. The 200 freestyle team of John Moors, Maxim, Mike Mueller, and Myers swam a state qualifying time of 1:31.92, good enough for 14th place. And in what Bennetts called the "best performance of the meet", the 400 freestyle team of Mueller, Ohlgren, Moors, and Myers swam an 18th place 3:25.87, just under a second off of state qualifying time.

In addition to the relay teams, Serge swam in the 200 IM and 500 freestyle, taking 35th, and 23rd places in the races respectively. Lunn took 37th in the 200

freestyle, and 36th in the 500 freestyle. Moors swam a season best 22.97 in the 50 freestyle, good for 25th place. Ohlgren swam a season best 56.50 in the 100 butterfly which earned him 20th place, and followed that with another season best, and 20th place finish in the 500 freestyle.

"I was very pleased with the how we swam," said Bennetts. "This is a really tough meet, and I thought we would come out and do well, but I think the guys swam much better than I thought they would."

On tap for the Mustangs is the WLAA showdown this week, with the finals to take place on Saturday. Plymouth Salem was a power at the MISCA meet, showing themselves to be one of the best teams in the state, clearing displaying themselves as the top team in the WLAA.

"Salem has a great team, so it's pretty much their title to lose. The real battle is going to be for second. We are going to go out and swim our hardest, and hope for the best," said Bennetts.

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## Northville Travel Hockey

Valentine's Day was all the sweeter as the Northville Travel Hockey team broke their three game losing streak. Northville beat Jackson Lumen Christy High School J.V. 3-1 on Feb. 14, at the Novr Ice Arena. The scoring opened up in the first period when Mickey Mason snapped a hard wrist shot on the goalie from the top of the right circle. Jackson's goalie blocked the shot, but couldn't contain the rebound. Sean Leaym gobbled up the loose puck and drove it into the net. Jackson took advantage of a power play late in the first period to tie the score.

At the mid point of the second period, Jacob Vitale won a face off deep in Jackson's zone, drew the puck back to Kevin McKee, and

McKee blasted a bullet right by the goalie before he had time to see who was shooting. One minute later, goalie Bernie McDonnell preserved the lead for Northville by denying a point blank shot off the stick of a Jackson forward. With 28 seconds left in the second period, David Ruprecht lunged at the blue line to keep the puck in play. Ruprecht fired an off balance shot at the net which was tapped in by Leaym. Northville kept shooting at the net in the third period, but the Jackson goalie shut the door. The shots on net were Northville 29, Jackson 17. Bernie McDonnell got the win in goal for Northville.

— Submitted by Kita Mason

Senior forward Rob Ryan advances the puck up ice in a game earlier this season.

## Hockey finishes with loss, tie

By COLBY J. CAVALIERE  
Sports Editor

Despite a fired up offense, and a five-game win streak in their pocket, the Northville hockey team skidded off course a little bit with a loss and a tied in their last two games.

After rolling over some tough opponents, the Mustang's five-game winning streak was snapped by a young, improving Walled Lake Central team, 4-2. Perhaps overlooking the Vikings a bit, the 'Stangs found themselves looking out of an early 3-0 hole. Northville was stymied by Central goalie Vlad Hantcu, and his defensive mates most of the afternoon, and were unable to take advantage of the numerous scoring chances they had.

"I'd say we had a good 20 great scoring chances, but their goalie really

stood on his head, and did a terrific job of keeping us out of the net," said Northville coach Brad O'Neill.

On the night, the Mustangs would outshoot Central 45-18, but would have to settle for two late third period goals. Rob Ryan and Mike Fill was responsible for those scores.

"We dominated in their end, but just couldn't get it done," said O'Neill.

**NORTHVILLE '4, A.A. PIONEER 4**  
What looked like a sure win turned into a dissatisfying tie when the Mustangs surrendered two third period goals, and were forced into a 4-4 final with Ann Arbor Pioneer last Friday night.

Rolling up a 4-2 lead going into the third period, all the signs pointed to a Northville win. But a power play goal early in the final stanza shifted the momentum to Pioneer's bench. The

'Stangs scrambled for most of the remainder of the third period, trying to net that clinching goal. Their failure to do so was costly, as Pioneer netted the game tying goal with only 40 seconds on the clock to get themselves a tie, and deny Northville a needed win.

"We really are disappointed with the results against Pioneer. They're a real solid team, but after being up 4-1 it feels more like a loss than a tie," said O'Neill.

Jason Crawford, Scott Schueler, Rob Ryan and Tim Hillebrand notched the four Northville goals.

The Mustangs will have one final tune-up before the districts when they host Howell tomorrow night at 8 p.m. Northville district opponent will be the winner of the Lakeland-Waterford Kettering matchup.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

## 'Stangs are tops in once again in district

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great day of wrestling. Something had to give when Ravi Saran and his 39-0 record went up against Novi's Josh Churella and his 35-0 mark. It was a hard fought contest, but Churella was able to hold on to an early lead and win 16-6, taking the district championship.

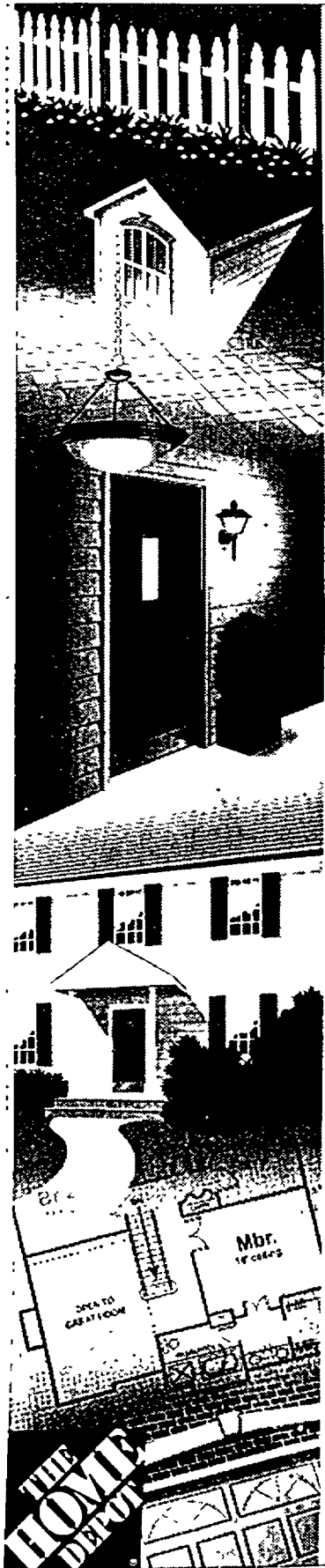
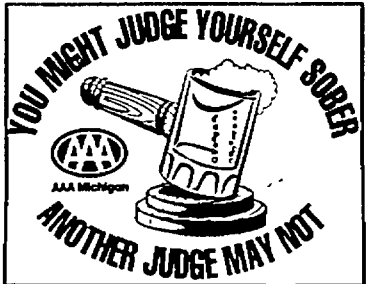
Novi and Northville faced off again at 112, when Mustang Josh D'Anna took on Novi's 36-3 J.R. Muldoon. The Wildcats once again bested their rivals with Muldoon winning handily, 15-1. The third and final matchup between the neighboring foes took place at 160, when Northville's Anton Palushaj took on Novi's Vince Slovan. Slovan gave Novi the sweep with a victory and earned himself a third place district finish.

Chad Neumann (152) and Joe Rumbley (189) were among the eight wrestlers to advance, providing Northville with two district champions. Josh Pettijohn (171) took second, with teammates Jason D'Anna (119) and Matt Doyle (125) taking third.

"I couple of our guys didn't wrestle their best, but having eight wrestlers advance to the regionals is still a pretty good accomplishment," said Townsend.

Those eight will wrestle tonight at Northville High School for the individual regional championship, with the winners to participate in the state finals in Battle Creek on March 8.

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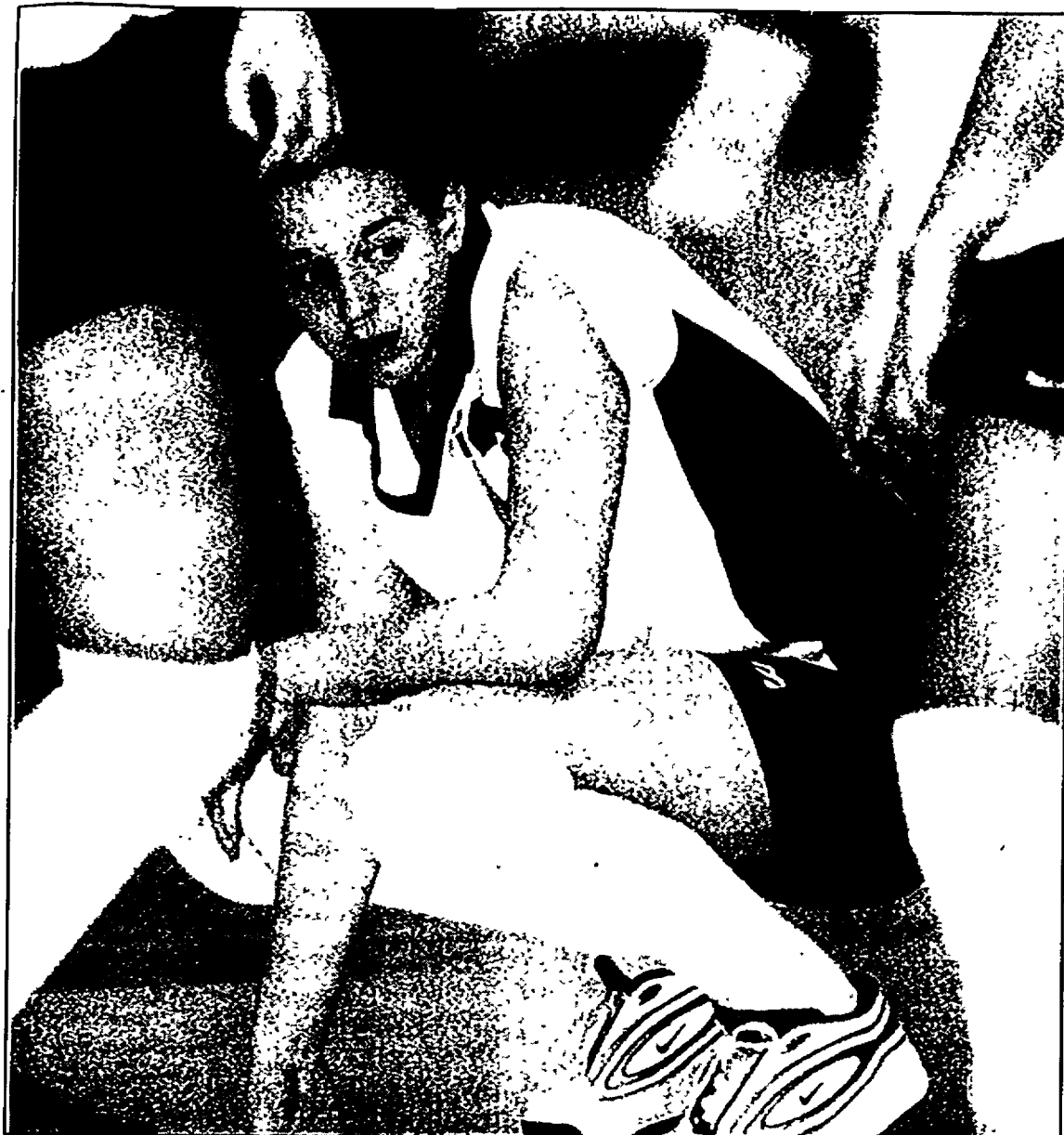


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Mustang Emily Ott crouches down near the net amongst her teammates in a game earlier this season. Ott, has been an important part of the team this season.

## Mustangs finally gel together in win over North Farmington

BY COLBY J. CAVALIERE  
SPORTS EDITOR

They struggled through a long, grueling regular season, but the Lady Mustangs volleyball squad closed out on a high note with a 15-2, 13-15, 15-13 win over North Farmington Monday night.

Northville came out early and dictated the pace in the first game, winning handily. The Lady Raiders refused to back down, and after a brutal second game, found themselves with an opportunity to win the match with a victory in set three. But the Mustangs would not be denied. Facing a loss in their final regular season game, the girls summoned the effort and desire to fight back, and snatch themselves a victory. Several girls played well, with Lisa Temple (six kills, three aces), Katie Chenoweth (13 digs, three aces), and Jessie Stuber (five

"More importantly we gelled together as a team, and earned ourselves a quality win"

Nikki McEvers  
Northville head coach

kills, four blocks) pacing the stat sheets. Lisa Telish (seven digs), Erin May (3 blocks), and Kathleen Oshanski also played superb in the win.

"We played good defense all night," said coach Nikki McEvers. "More importantly, we gelled together as a team, and earned ourselves a quality win. Trying to find the right combination has been something we struggled with all season, but I think we finally

found out what we need to do.

If indeed the team has found the winning combinations, it couldn't come at a more opportune time. Based upon tonight's seed results for the WLAA tournament, Northville should have an eight or nine seed, which coach McEvers felt gave the team a good chance to advance.

"The top two in each pool advance out of pool play, and I think with the teams we will be playing, we have a good chance to advance onto the next round."

The WLAA tournament will take place Saturday at 9 a.m., with the district tournament to be held on March 3.

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### Sports Briefs

#### North American Youth Sports Spring Youth Basketball Tournament

North American Youth Sports announced today that they still have openings in their annual youth basketball tournament in Detroit at Inkster High and the Inkster Rec. Center on April 6-8.

This tournament will feature ten different brackets. They include 5th-6th grade boys and girls, 7th grade boys and girls, 8th grade boys and girls, 9th-10th grade boys and girls, and finally 11th-12th grade boys and girls. All grades are based on the grade in which the student is currently enrolled.

The entry fee for this tournament is \$95 and guarantees each team a minimum of two games. There will be rewards presented in each bracket.

The entry deadline is March 16. For additional information or an entry form, please call Mark Garrigan at the toll free NAYS spring tournament hotline at 1-800-787-3265, or tournament director Ruth Williams at 734-728-7530.

#### GRIDER SHINES

Former Mustang Bryan Grider was recently named the Midwest Collegiate Conference's Track Athlete of the week for the University of Detroit-Mercy.

Bryan, a 1998 graduate of Northville High School threw for a personal record in the weight throw at the Golden Flash Open in Kent, Ohio on his way to a sixth place finish in the event. Grider's throw of 59'9.25" was the third best throw in Detroit history, just two inches off the second best toss.

The junior now ranks second in the MCC in the weight throw. Grider (49'2.25") also posted a 10th place finish in the shot put. The local native already holds the top shot put throw in the conference with a throw of 50'5.50".

Grider, 20, was a multiple letter winner and top performer in his years at Northville, and is currently majoring in electrical engineering at Detroit-Mercy.

#### Catholic Youth Organization Football Meeting

The Our Lady of Good Counsel football program is holding an

organizational and informational meeting. All boys grades 3 through 8 for the 2001-2002 school year and their parents are invited.

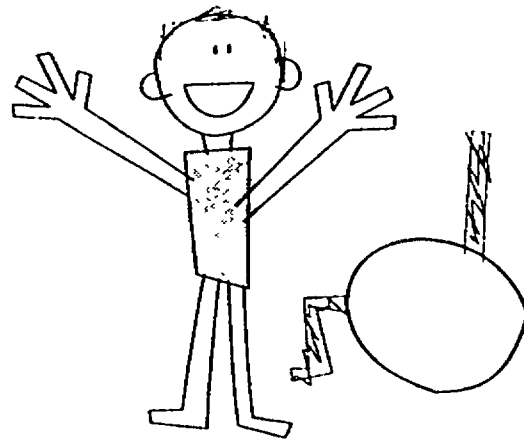
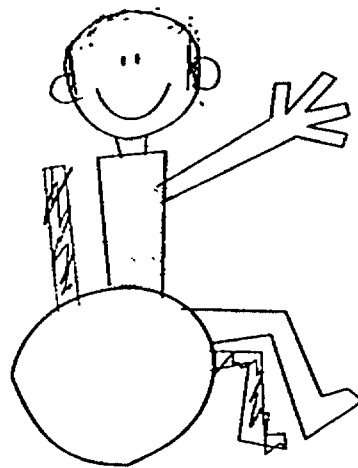
The meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the Our Lady of Good Counsel gym, located at 1062 Church Street in Plymouth. Boys who are members of the following parishes are eligible to play at OLCG: Our Lady of Good Counsel, St. Kenneth, Our Lady of Victory, St. Mary of Wayne, St. Richard, St. Thomas A'Beckett, Divine Savior, Resurrection, St. James, St. John Neumann.

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# Water intake vital to the body

Most people do not drink enough water. Do you know how much water to drink? Just ask someone how much water they drink in a day. Most people will say, "Well, I know I should drink more." Most people even say, "I know you should drink around eight glasses a day" but they don't. The fact is that most of you know we need to drink more water but we simply don't. I know a person who does not drink water. They instead get their water from fruits and vegetables. This made me very concerned for the health of this person. Is that true? We can get our essential water intake through water-based fruits and vegetables? After doing extensive research and interviews of a number of doctors, the conclusion was

clear. The human body needs at least 8-12, eight ounce glasses of water or half your body weight in ounces per day. It would not be very practical to eat that amount of fruits and vegetables thinking you are getting enough water through diet alone. So you must make a conscious effort to consume 8-12 eight ounce glasses a day.

#### Why is water so important?

- Water cleanses the bowels and aids the absorption of nutrients.
- Water contains minerals and electrolytes.
- Water aids in the transport of oxygen to every cell in the human body.
- Water plays a major role in human body temperature regulation.

- Water aids in digestion.
- Water will also wash toxic substances out of the intestines.
- What can happen if you do not drink water?**
  - The body will start to retain water and bloat up.
  - The digestive tract will decrease its ability to eliminate causing cramps and constipation.
  - The body may start to build up toxins and cause a decreased immune leading to severe illness.
  - The kidneys start to decrease their function causing many severe problems.
- You must also be very conscious as to where you get your water. There are many other substances that infiltrate our everyday water, supply such as radon, fluoride, arsenic, iron, lead, copper, and

many other heavy metals. These substances were linked to cancer. Water can also contain viruses, bacteria and parasites. The good news is, we add enough chlorine to the water to kill the disease causing bacteria. The problem lies with the amount of chlorine and fluoride added. It is getting very high. The human body is very sensitive to these substances. My conclusion is that the human body is two-thirds water and you need to replenish the cells of your body throughout your day. Have you had your eight-ounce glasses of water today?

Dr. Stopa at Main Street Family Chiropractic Center, 109 W. Main St., Northville. For any questions, call (248) 735-9800.

# Endografts combat heart aneurysm

It's often a silent problem that in many cases can be difficult to detect. Some patients may feel nothing while others may only complain of a slight pain in the abdomen or back that radiates to the groin. But this minor discomfort may be the result of a major and even life-threatening problem - an abdominal aortic aneurysm.

To treat this often silent problem, which is the 12th leading cause of death in the United States, a new endovascular surgical approach called an endograft is being used at the University of Michigan Health System. It has proven to be highly effective and less invasive than other methods, and has worked to save patients' lives.

About 80 percent of aortic aneurysms, a bulging or ballooning of the aortic artery, occur in the abdominal aortic segment below the kidney arteries. Each year, roughly 3 percent to 9 percent of those between the ages of 60 to 70 years old, have abdominal aortic aneurysms, and many of them go undetected, said Gilbert R. Upchurch Jr., M.D., a vascular surgeon at the U-M Health System.

"(The chance for an aneurysm) is higher in patients who smoke, have asthma, high blood pressure, or elevated diastolic hypertension," said Upchurch. "These factors and genetics contribute to the formation of aneurysms from an epidemiological standpoint."

An aneurysm affects the wall of the aorta, the main blood vessel that supplies blood from the heart to the lower extremities including all of the major abdominal organs. Aneurysms usually occur when the arterial wall becomes weak or damaged from accumulation of cholesterol-containing fatty deposits (arteriosclerosis), a birth defect, or an injury. This weakening, along with the pumping force of the heart, reduces the elasticity of the artery causing the artery to slowly stretch and bulge, and posing the risk of a rupture if left untreated.

Many aneurysms however are

difficult to detect with just a physical exam. Most physicians become aware of the aneurysm through radiological exams, such as X-ray angiography, magnetic resonance imaging (M.R.I.) or computed tomography (C.T.), that are performed for other medical reasons.

Once detected, Upchurch says the aneurysm needs to be treated immediately if greater than five centimeters to avoid the risk of a potentially fatal rupture.

"The way to treat ruptured abdominal aortic aneurysm is to treat electively, or to treat it before it ruptures - if you have an aneurysm that's diagnosed and is repaired through open surgery or the endovascular technique, the mortality rate for that patient in the state of Michigan is about 5 percent," said Upchurch. "If, however, you have it done after the (aneurysm) has ruptured, the mortality rate is about 80 percent."

For the past 50 years, the most common way to treat an aneurysm before it ruptured was to perform an elective, but highly invasive surgery. This extensive surgical procedure required a very large abdominal incision in order to repair the aneurysm.

"(With the open surgical procedure) we would essentially get above and below the aneurysmal portion of the artery and then open it up, place clamps on it, and then sew a graft, literally a piece of polyester, from normal aorta to normal aorta," said Upchurch.

However, the new endograft procedure for abdominal aortic aneurysms, recently approved by the FDA, treats the aneurysm from the inside out. An access route to the aneurysm is created through the arteries in the groin, said David

Williams M.D., an interventional radiologist at the U-M health System.

With this procedure, incisions are made high in the groin area to gain access to the arteries. When the artery is exposed, a needle is put into it and a guide wire is used to pass through a series of catheters - varying in diameter - to gain access to the aneurysm and the arteries in the pelvis.

"Through one of the arteries we put a very large device, about the size of a pencil in diameter, all the way up to the mid-abdomen region and deploy the endovascular graft," said Williams. "Just imagine the old 'ship in a bottle' procedure where the ship needs to expand after entering through the narrow mouth of the jar or bottle."

Similar to building a ship in a bottle, a small device is passed through a narrow pathway to the abdominal aorta, released, and expanded. This expansion seals the aorta below the patient's arteries to the kidneys and allows the surgeons to deploy the other end that seals off the arteries to the pelvis.

"The final result of this procedure is a device (in the damaged artery) that has a large upper end and two smaller lower ends, sort of like an upside-down wishbone," said Williams. "The upper end seals on the aorta above the aneurysm; the two lower prongs of the 'wishbone' seal in the arteries to the pelvis."

With the endograft device in place, blood travels from the heart, through the device, into the pelvis, and bypasses the aneurysm. Using this new procedure, there has been an 80 percent to 90 percent success rate for patients whose endograft have remained securely in

place with no evidence of residual filling of the aneurysm sack, said Williams.

The endograft procedure also has a faster recovery rate than the other surgical procedure that takes some patients weeks to recover from. With the new procedure however, patients are frequently sitting up and ready to eat the same day, and then sent home the following day.

Since the durability of the endograft is still unknown, Williams says the U-M has taken a conservative approach to the new procedure.

"Someone who is healthy should get the durable, proven procedure," said Williams. "But a patient who is at risk, either because of advanced age or coexisting medical problems, would be a good candidate for this device."

University of Michigan Health System. For more information, call TeleCare at 1-800-742-2300, category 1010. This information will be available Feb. 19 to 25.

**Facts about endografts:**

- The new endograft procedure involves a stent graft, a woven polyester tube being placed inside a diseased vessel without surgically opening the tissue surrounding the diseased vessel.

- With the endograft in place, blood travels from the heart through the device into the pelvis and bypasses the aneurysm. The device has an 80 percent to 90 percent success rate for patients.

- Unlike past surgical procedures to treat abdominal aortic aneurysms, the endograft procedure is less invasive and has a faster recovery time for patients.

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# Ab training alone can't get the right effect

The groundhog has stuck his head out offering his gloomy prediction of six more weeks of winter. Turning that around equates to six more weeks until warmer weather. Remember T-shirts, shorts, tank tops, and bathing suits. The infomercials certainly are aware of this countdown to warmer weather, offering everything from the super ab-roller, doer, flattener, shaper, melter, etc., all loaded with promises of a smaller, flatter, firmer mid-section we all desire in only a few days, with only a few minutes of effort.

As we begin to think of this warmer weather and the clothes it requires, the question of what works and what doesn't in reference to flattening, toning and firming the mid-section becomes the top question I receive. Unfortunately, after explaining the truth (based on how the human body works), people usually thank me kindly and look elsewhere in search of the quick, easy fix answer they desire. In my

pre-warm weather clothes season tradition, let me offer the truth about improving this pesky area of our bodies, once again, in hope of saving you some money, time and potential injury.

As with all fitness advice, the answer starts and ends with the goal of the client, so let's clarify this. I am assuming you are the client. You have no injuries, or past injuries to be concerned about, and your goal is to tone, flatten and firm your mid-section. For the real optimists, let's assume you may want to see that six-pack in the mid-section.

Based on this goal, let's now turn our attention to how the human body works. We all have muscles in the mid-section called abdominal muscles. For many of us, they are presently covered by a layer of body fat. The percentage of body fat is directly related to how flat, small and visible the mid-section is. Think about it - you may have done crunches everyday a thousand at a time and have the best abdominal

muscles, but until that body fat is reduced, you or anyone else will never see them. So the first task to that firm, sleek mid-section is to reduce body fat. (This is the part where I lose the attention of many people and they fade to that quick fix they saw on TV last night, which sounds a heck of a lot easier.) To achieve body fat reduction, one must create a caloric deficit - in other words - burn a few hundred calories more than one takes in a 24-hour period. This is done through watching our food intake and increasing our calorie burning through some form of cardiovascular exercise. If you can achieve this for a consistent period of time, your body will use the body fat stored in the body for fuel thus creating a flatter, more visible mid-section.

Secondly, we do recommend some form of abdominal strength training. Variations of the crunch, where you lie on the floor with your chin up and raise your upper body about 6 to 9 inches and return down slowly. Is still a

good solid exercise. Many of those super machines help in this area, but make the claim of a flatter more firm mid-section without addressing the sad fact of body fat reduction. The combination is the key. In fact, you are doing more to flatten your abdominals by accomplishing 30 minutes of cardiovascular exercise than all the super machines combined. Obviously, strengthening is important as well for good overall mid-section function.

There you have it. The same not-so-rosy answer as the previous years. But try applying these principles and you will be on your way to the mid-section you want this summer. Good luck.

Chris Klebka wrote this column. Chris is the owner of the Water Wheel Health Club and Synergy Fitness, and is also a certified personal fitness instructor. For more information or for a free 14-day trial membership, please call (248) 449-7634.

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## Health Briefs

Drs. Martin Tamler and Sharon Ostalecki will present a conference on Fibromyalgia. Topics include pain management, sleep, nutrition, natural healing and the newest research on Fibromyalgia.

The conference will be held at

Arthur's Place, 47659 Halyard Drive, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Dates are: Monday, January 29, Monday February 26, and Monday March 26, 6:30-8:30pm.

For information call Ronnie Mieland at 734-254-0300.

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Trevor Hamlin skates around the Novi Ice Arena last Thursday afternoon. He was there with his mother Sue and sister Jenna.

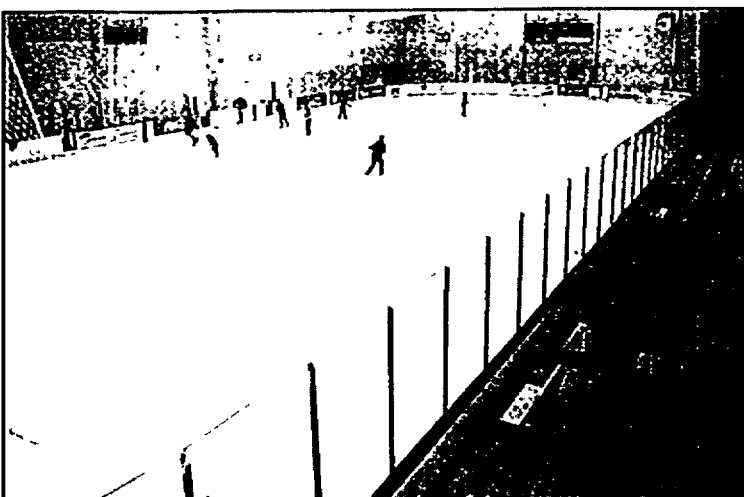


Trevor, Jenna and Sue Hamlin make their way around the Novi Ice Arena last week.



Above: Tracy Myers helps her son Riley, 5, into his skates before a Thursday afternoon open skating session at the Novi Ice Arena. The Myers attend the sessions most Thursdays.

Below: Skaters take to the ice at the Novi Arena on a weekday afternoon.



**Photos by John Heider**  
**Story by Jennifer Norris**

## Slip, slidin' away

### Ice skating brings fun to the winter blues

*Swish. Swish. Swish.*  
No, this isn't the methodic rhythm of windshield wipers sweeping away large amounts of seasonal precipitation - It's the very common sound heard at any ice skating rink. When the mercury plunges during the blustery months of winter, many residents head off to area ice rinks to engage in a relaxing recreational activity that oftentimes yields energizing effects.

For first-time skaters, stepping out onto the ice for the first time can be slightly nerve-racking, but area skaters, parents and local ice skating officials have shared a few tips to help make that first venture onto the ice as smooth as possible.

#### WHAT TO WEAR

Tammy Homberg, figure skating director at the Novi Ice Arena, said one of the key tips skaters should keep in mind before lacing up their skates is to dress warmly. Although dressing properly may seem to be common sense, Homberg said skaters frequently wear the wrong type of clothing-particularly during summer months.

Homberg said the best way to dress is to layer clothing. She said the air temperature inside an ice rink is approximately 50 degrees, so layered clothing will offer skaters a maximum amount of warmth and an increased comfort level. However, overdressing can restrict movement.

Recommended clothing items include a sweatshirt and a comfortable pair of pants, such as jogging pants or sweatpants. Gloves or mittens should also be worn.

Another important skating apparel item is socks. Homberg said a thin sock without a pattern is recommended while skating. Wearing thick socks inside tightly laced skates can restrict blood circulation.

Although using a helmet is optional, some believe it is an excellent idea for youngsters to strap a helmet on.

Erin Banner, a Northville High School senior and figure skating instructor, said beginning figure skating students need to wear a helmet for protection.

If a helmet is used, make sure it fits securely and does not wobble on your head.

"It does no good if it's not a proper fit," said Homberg.

**SELECTING THE RIGHT PAIR OF SKATES**

After selecting the right apparel, careful consideration should be made about choosing skates.

"Skates are the most important [piece] of equipment," said Homberg.

Homberg said ice skates should fit snugly and have enough room to allow toe wiggling. A proper fitting skate should also not allow your heel to move and have adequate ankle support. She added that a skate boot made of leather is a good choice.

Although prices of ice skates can vary extensively, quality skates for beginners can be found for under \$100.

For those entering an ice rink for the first time, renting skates may be preferred. Purchasing a pair of ice skates depends largely on the interest level of the skater.

Cindy Shedd-Itami, a Farmington Hills resident and figure skater, said she recommends that new skaters try out skating before investing in a pair of skates. She said beginning skaters should sign up for lessons and see if they enjoy skating enough to warrant purchasing skates.

#### CARING FOR YOUR SKATES

Like anything else, in order to get the maximum efficiency from your skates, regular maintenance is a must.

For those that choose to purchase a pair of skates, Homberg said skate blades should be sharpened after every 15-20 hours of skating. She also said a brand new pair of skates from the factory should also have the blades sharpened before use. Sharpening facilities are available at most ice arenas, including the Novi Ice Arena.

Although the width of a blade is not very large, the bottom of a skate blade has two edges along the sides and resembles and upside-down "U" shape. Sharpening the blades restores the desired shape, which enables the skater to perform turns and maneuvers better.

When stepping off of the ice, skate blades need to be wiped down with a soft cloth or rag to prevent rusting, said Homberg. Blades should be thoroughly dry before they are put away.

Homberg also said that skate guards, which are simply rubber coverings, should be worn at all times when the blades are not on the ice. Although walking on rubber matting in ice arenas is designed to be safe for skate blades, dirt particles or debris on the rubber mats can damage blades.

In order to protect the boot of the skate from scratches and scuffs, protective cloth coverings can be worn over top of the skate.



A figure skater hits the ice of the Novi Ice Arena during a recent mid-day open skating session.

#### LEARN TO SKATE AT ANY AGE

There's no age bracket that indicates when the best time is to learn to begin skating. Whether you're a young child or an adult, your current age will do just fine. Figure skating classes are even available at the Novi Ice Arena for people from the age of three on up to adult.

Regardless of your age, though, skating coaches and long-time figure skaters agree that the most important of learning to skate is being patient with your progress.

"Although skating looks easy, it takes work. The more you skate, the faster you progress," Homberg said.

She also said that falling down is a natural part of learning.

"Very few people skate and never ever fall," she said.

Banner agreed that having patience along with a strong desire to skate is key in developing skating skills.

"You really have to want to do it," she said. "There has to be interest in the sport. Getting better does not happen overnight."

Mary Lynn Swinton, a Commerce Township resident and parent of a figure skater, also said kids need to be patient and understand they won't perform as the professional Olympic skaters do

right away.

"Remaining patient and having fun with it is very important," she said.

For those that think learning to skate is better left to younger generations, skater Shedd-Itami can tell you otherwise.

Shedd-Itami said she took figure skating up as an adult in her 40s, and said she was surprised at how much practice and dedication skating required.

"It's harder than it looks," she said. "It takes a lot of practice. [It's] like anything else: practice, practice, practice."

She also said that learning to skate as an adult makes her more appreciative of the talents of professional figure skaters.

But in spite of the work required to strengthen one's skating abilities, Shedd-Itami said she finds the challenge enjoyable.

"I love it," she said.

Julie Colter, a Northville resident, said her 3-year-old son, Zachary, received a pair of skates for Christmas and is now involved in taking lessons. A pair of skates was first item on his Christmas list.

Interested in skating? The Novi Ice Arena is currently hosting registration for upcoming classes. Call (248) 347-1010 for more information.



## Northville Seniors

The staff at the Northville Senior Center at 215 W. Cady Street coordinates the following services and activities for seniors age 50 and older. For more information or to register for an activity, call (248) 349-4140.

### SERVICES

#### • Newsletter

The senior newsletter is a monthly publication filled with information on senior citizen activities, trips and services. You can pick up a newsletter at the Senior Center or receive it monthly by mail for an annual contribution of \$7.

#### • Telephone Reassurance (Telecare)

Homebound residents can receive a daily telephone call or an occasional call to check on their well being or to talk to someone free of charge. Please call the Senior Center to register.

#### • Blood Pressure Screening

Come get your blood pressure checked free of charge. Held at the center on the second Tuesday of the month, from 10 a.m. to noon by Westland Convalescence Center and the fourth Monday of the month, from noon to 2 p.m. by St. Mary's Hospital. An appointment is not necessary.

#### • Focus: HOPE

Food distribution is usually the fourth Friday of every month from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Senior Center. February distribution will be on Feb. 23.

#### • Senior Services Directory

The Northville Senior Center has created a directory of services available to senior citizens. The directory includes information on support programs, health and medical services, available housing, organizations providing financial assistance and much more. Please stop by the Senior Center to pick up your free copy today. (Funding for this directory was provided by the Oakland County Community Development Block Grant Program.)

#### • Tax Counseling Services

Free tax counseling sponsored by AARP will be available on Tuesdays, Jan. 30 through April 10. Hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. Volunteer tax counselors will prepare your state and

local tax forms. Most forms will be on hand. Appointments are scheduled at 1 1/2 hour intervals. No charge for service, however, donations to the senior program will be gratefully accepted. You must call the Senior Center ahead of time to make an appointment. (248) 349-4140.

#### TRANSPORTATION

##### • Bus Service for Local Shopping Trips

Tuesdays: Meijer, Kohl's, Target and local banks.  
Fridays: Farmer Jack/Hiller's or Shopping Center Market/Busch's (alternating Fridays.)

Bus begins pickup at 9:30 a.m. from your home. Cost is \$2. Call the Senior Center for reservations 48 hours in advance.

##### • Bus Service for Movies, Lunch and Shopping at the Mall Twice a Month

The senior bus goes to AMC 20 and Laurel Park Mall for an afternoon (noon to 4 p.m.) of movies, lunch and shopping. The days scheduled are the second and fourth Monday of each month. Pick-up will begin from your home at 12 p.m. or the MAGS parking lot shortly thereafter. Cost is \$2. Please call to make reservations.

##### • Expanded Transportation for Seniors

Northville's new senior bus service provides transportation to run errands, visit a friend, have a hair appointment, have lunch out, go to a doctor's appointment, etc. Medical appointments always secure priority when scheduling.

Service hours are Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Passengers must be a Northville or Northville Township resident, 50 years of age or older or handicapped.

The service area will be a five mile radius from the Northville Senior Center. Reservations must be made at least two working days in advance. Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Requests cannot be accepted at any other time. Call (248) 349-4140.

##### • Wanted: Bus Drivers

With the addition of a second bus in January, we now have immediate need for additional

part-time bus drivers. This position requires a CDL driver's license. Hours are flexible, events are great to attend free, and seniors are rewarding to serve. If interested, please call the Senior Center at (248) 349-4140.

#### ONGOING ACTIVITIES

##### • Card Playing

Join us for cards at the center. Enjoy several hours of fun for just \$1. The schedule is as follows: Bridge, Wednesdays, 12:15-3:15 p.m.; Pinochle, Mondays and Thursdays, 12:30-4:30 p.m. and beginning Pinochle on Tuesdays, from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

##### • Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Northville Senior Center has reserved tickets to various concerts throughout the season. Tickets to Classical Coffee Concerts are \$28 for residents and \$35 for non-residents. Upcoming classical concerts include: Beethoven's Eroica, Feb. 23. Future Pops Concerts include: Debbie Reynolds, March 8. (Cost for Debbie Reynolds is \$38 for residents, \$45 for non-residents, departure time is 7 p.m. from MAGS.) Tickets to Pops Concerts are \$34 for residents, \$41 for non-residents. Departure time is 9 a.m. from MAGS for all concerts unless otherwise indicated. Registration is necessary.

#### SENIOR FITNESS

##### • Senior Drop-in Morning Volleyball (for co-ed adults 50 and up)

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##### • Healing Touch Therapy

Healing Touch is an energy-based alternative healing. It balances the human energy field: touching body, mind, emotion, and spirit. Beginning in January, Cynthia Drolshagen R.N., a Healing Touch practitioner, will be available on Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon at the Senior Center. Cost

is \$15 for a 45-minute to one hour session. Please call the Center (248) 349-4140 for an appointment.

##### • Massage Therapy

Treat yourself to a well-deserved hour massage by a certified therapist on Wednesdays at the Senior Center.

The cost is \$36 for one hour. You must call ahead for an appointment. To cancel an appointment, call 24 hours in advance or you will be charged for the appointment. For your first appointment, please arrive ten minutes early. Call the Senior Center to register.

##### • Foot Reflexology

Reflexology is a science which deals with the principle that there are reflexes in the feet relative to each and every organ and all parts of the body. Stimulating these reflexes properly can help many health problems and is a type of preventative maintenance. Clarence Brown will conduct foot reflexology at the Senior Center on the last Wednesday of every month, 9 a.m.-noon. The cost is \$30 for one hour. Please call the Senior Center at (248) 349-4140 for an appointment.

#### SENIOR ACTIVITIES AND DAY TRIPS

##### • Pot Luck Luncheon

Usually held at the Senior Center on the third Monday of every month from noon to 1 p.m. Bring your own table service, a dish to pass and \$1. Potluck will be Feb. 26 this month.

##### • Dinner at Dearborn Inn's Eyck Tavern

Join us for dinner at Dearborn Inn's Eyck Tavern on Thursday, March 29. The bus will leave MAGS at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$4 for transportation, payable to the driver. Please call the Senior Center to register.

##### • Soaring Eagle - Hal Roach

Join us on March 12 at the Soaring Eagle Casino for a day of fun and laughter as the King of Blarney, Hal Roach performs an unforgettable show. Depart from MAGS at 12 p.m. and return at approximately 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$52 for residents. Dinner is on your own on the return trip. Stop by the center to register.

##### • Rain Dance at the Purple Rose

Join us for "Rain Dance," a world premiere by Pulitzer Prize winning playwright Lanford Wilson, commissioned by the Purple Rose Theater Co. Depart from MAGS on Thursday, March 15 at 4:30 p.m., return at approximately 10:30 p.m. Dinner is on your own at the Common Grill in Chelsea prior to the performance. Cost is \$34 for residents. Stop by the Senior Center to register.

##### • St. Patrick's Day Irish Stew Luncheon

Join us for a delicious lunch and celebrate to the sounds of great Irish music at the Senior Center on March 16 at noon. The cost is \$.60. Stop by the Senior Center to register.

##### • Travel Show

Tour companies will be at the Senior Center on March 20 at 10 a.m. They will present information on upcoming trips and answer any questions you may have. Refreshments will be provided. Call the Senior Center to register.

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• **Ragtime at Fisher Theater**  
Join us for Ragtime, winner of four 1998 Tony Awards, a powerhouse presentation with an unforgettable score. The bus will depart from MAGS at 6:30 p.m. for an 8 p.m. performance. Stop by the Senior Center to register.

• **SENIOR CENTER TRIP**  
• **Feb. 28, Soaring Eagle Casino.**  
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• **March 28, Motorcity Casino.**  
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• **April 1-9, California Coast**  
Cost is \$1,979 per person, double occupancy.

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<b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 9 Mile & Meadowbrook Wisconsin Ev Lutheran Synod Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 8:45am Worship 10am Thomas E. Schroeder, Pastor - 349-0565	<b>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 200 E Main St. at Huron - (248) 349-0911 Worship & Church School - 9:30 & 11:00am Children Available at All Services Youth League Prog. Wed 4:15-5:45, Sat 9:15-11:15 Singles Place Ministry - Thurs 7:30pm Rev W Kent Cise, Senior Pastor Rev James P Russell, Associate Pastor
<b>FIRST CHURCH OF CHRISTSCIENTIST</b> 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail Plymouth, Michigan Sunday Worship, 10:30 am Sunday School, 10:30 am Wednesday Meeting, 7:30 p.m.	<b>OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> 770 Thayer, Northville WEEKEND LITURGIES Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 7:30, 9:11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Church 349-9221, School 349-3610 Religious Education 349-2559
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<b>NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 41671 W Ten Mile - Meadowbrook 349-2652 (24 hrs) Sunday Worship at 9:45 a.m. Nursery Care Available Louise R. Ott, Pastor	<b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 349-1144 8 Mile & Taft Roads Worship Services 8:00 am, 9:15 am, 11:00 am Sunday School 9:15-11:00 Nursery & Bible Services (various) Summer Worship 9:15 & 11:00 (July thru Labor Day) Rev John Hice Rev Gordon Nuzz Rev Jennifer Buxy
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<b>ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b> (248) 624-3817 430 Nicolet St. Walled Lake 9 am Worship Service & Church School The Rev. Leslie Harding, Vicar	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 217 N Wing Sunday Worship, 10:45am & 6:30 p.m. Wed Youth Meetings 7:00 p.m. Boys Brigade 7 p.m., Pioneer Girls 7 p.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
<b>CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL</b> 10 Mile between Taft & Beck, Novi Phone 349-1175 Sunday 7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist Sunday 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11 a.m. Sunday School & Nursery The Rev. Leslie F. Harding	<b>FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b> 21260 Haggerty Northville 348-7600 (between 8 & 9 Mile Rd. near Novi Hwy) Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 11:00 am Discipleship Service 6:00 pm (nursery provided) Dr. Carl M. Lehn, Pastor
<b>FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH</b> 24400 W 10 Mile Novi 349-5666 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd. Richard J. Henderson, Pastor Jennifer M. Soad, Associate Pastor & J. Cyrus Smith, Parish Associate Worship & Church School 9:00 and 10:30am Sunday	<b>SPIRIT OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH E.L.C.A.</b> Ten Mile between Haggerty and Meadowbrook Worship Sat 5:30 p.m., Sun. 10:30 a.m. "A Friendly Church" Pastor Matthew M. McMahon - 248/477-6296
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<b>NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA</b> Sheldon Rd. in Midland Baptist School Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 9:15 Morning Worship & Sunday School 10:15 Childcare Available Pastor Howard Buchholz (734) 459-8181 www.newlifelutheran.org	<b>COMMUNITY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS CHURCH</b> Sunday 10:30 am at BECC (old Scranton) 125 S. Church Street, Brighton Rev Suzanne Paul, Minister (810) 225-2882 launitio@yahoo.com
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## Engagements



**Howitson-Flack**

Christine and James Biddle of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Abby Marie Howitson, to Michael Leonard Flack, son of Rosemarie and Leonard Flack.

The bride-elect is a 1992 graduate of Northville High School. She graduated from Ann Arbor Institute of Massage Therapy in 1999, and is currently employed at Annie's Children's Center in Ann Arbor.

The groom-elect graduated from Garden City High School in 1986. A graduate of Lawrence Tech University, he is currently employed at Albert Kahn Associates Inc. of Detroit.

A September wedding is planned.



**Beckman-Buckley**

Gerald and Lin Beckman of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle L., to Christopher P. Buckley, son of Patrick Buckley and Arlene Buckley of Portage.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Novi High School and a 1999 graduate of Western Michigan University. She currently works with Ace Hardware and resides in Lansing.

The groom-elect is a 1991 graduate of Portage Central and a 1996 graduate of Grand Valley State University. He currently works with Edward Rose and Sons and also resides in Lansing.

The couple plan to be married on June 2.



**Lynch-McCulloch**

Don and Dianne McCulloch of Northville announce the engagement of their son, David Thomas, to Nicole Renee Lynch, daughter of Timothy and Pamela Lynch of Bay City.

The bride-elect is a 1996 graduate of Bay City Central High School and a 2000 graduate of the University of Michigan. She is employed by Rolls-Royce, Indianapolis and resides in Brownsburg, Ind.

The groom-elect is a 1995 graduate of Northville High School and a 2000 graduate of the University of Michigan. He is also employed at Rolls-Royce of Indianapolis and resides in Brownsburg, Ind.

The couple are planning an August 18 wedding.

## Help with home inspections

With spring creeping up on us, home sales are definitely increasing. As a purchaser, the best way to ensure you are buying a well cared for home is to have the home inspected prior to purchase. It is important to make your Offer to Purchase "contingent upon a satisfactory home inspection."

The purpose of a home inspection is to uncover any defects that may not have been noticed or disclosed prior to making the offer. With this in mind, the purchaser should take good care to look a house over prior to making an offer. Often home purchases are made from an emotional stand point as opposed to a business stand point.

Keep in mind, when purchasing a used home there will always be small items that need to be repaired (i.e., loose door knobs, torn screen, etc.). No used home is going to be perfect, therefore understand the purpose of a home inspection is not to put together a "laundry list" of small items to use to further negotiate a lower price. A home inspection is used to uncover any major defects, structural or mechanical, that are costly to repair or replace and may have an effect on resale value.

After a home inspection is completed and a defect is uncovered, a purchaser has five options: 1) A Purchaser can choose to proceed with the home "as is" and repair or replace the item on their own. 2) A Purchaser can request that the Seller repair or replace the item prior to closing. 3) A Purchaser can request that the Seller reduce the purchase price by the



**Gary Reggish**

amount that it will

cost to repair or replace the item. 4) A Purchaser may request that the Seller give them a credit at closing for the cost to repair or replace the item. 5) A Purchaser may decide to declare the Offer to Purchase null and void.

What ever you decide, make sure it is in WRITING!

A point to think about, may times a home inspection may reveal an item that is substantial such as water damage to a roof. Often, this may go unnoticed to the Sellers, especially if the damage is in a location not easily accessible. Purchasers regularly have the fear based response of walking away from the transaction, even though this home was everything they wanted in a home. Purchasers do not realize they can request a due diligence period (often 2-7 days) to have licensed contractors provide estimates on how much the defect will cost to repair or replace. Once estimates have been obtained, the Purchasers can request the Sellers to repair/replace or provide for the repair or replacement. Often Purchasers are afraid to ask the

Sellers to repair or replace a major item, when reality is, a Seller will have to

address a major item with any future Purchasers as well. If the Seller is willing to provide for the repairs by a licensed contractor and the work is completed to code and to the satisfaction of the Purchaser, then a Purchaser should feel very comfortable proceeding on with the purchase.

If a Purchaser and a Seller can come to an agreement on the remedy of a defect, make sure that remedy is in WRITING.

When choosing a home inspector, Purchasers need to be aware that Michigan does not require home inspectors to be licensed. As a result, there are a lot of home inspectors that are not qualified. The best approach I have found in choosing a home inspector is to choose an inspector that is an ASHI Member. ASHI stands for the American Society of Home Inspectors and is the most rigorous testing to my knowledge of home inspectors. Most builders fail this test the first time they take it. You can find a list of ASHI Members on the Web site [www.ASHI.com](http://www.ASHI.com). Ask the home inspectors that you interview if they are insured and what recourse do you have if they miss a serious defect.

Don't wait until you have found a home to scramble for a qualified home inspector. Much like getting pre-approved for a mortgage, it is important to have your "ducks in a row" with a qualified home inspector as well.

Happy House Hunting!

Gary Reggish with Kellers-Williams Realty at 22260 Haggerty Road, Northville.

## Religion

The Novi United Methodist Church is holding its annual Chili Cook-off Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. There will be at least 15 different types of chili to sample. All participants vote for their favorite. Dessert will be served after the awards. Please plan to attend this fun favorite.

The church is located at 1671 W. Ten Mile Road at the Meadowbrook intersection. Call (248) 319-2652 with any questions.

The residents and friends of the Northville area are invited to commemorate the start of the Lenten season at the First Presbyterian Church on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 28 at 9 a.m. as the Presbyterian Women's Association hosts the annual White Breakfast.

Senior pastor Kent Clise will be presiding, with the Lenten message being delivered by associate pastor James Russell.

Please call the church office at (248) 349-0911 to make your reservations. Child care will be available at no charge.

An ASP Silent Auction/Dinner "Beach Party" fundraiser will be held at the First United Methodist Church of Northville on Friday, March

9 at 6 p.m. Don't miss the fun. Tickets are \$10 per adult, \$3 per child.

We are looking not only for your donations for the silent auction, but for you to mark your calendar and come and join us for the evening. As far as donation items, some suggestions are: a weekend in your cabin up north; season tickets to sporting events or the theater; one set of tickets for a game or show; personal services like baking, piano lessons, special wood working crafts, etc.

Please call 349-1144 if you would like to donate.

Come one, come all to the "Wake Up for the Heifer Project" on March 3 from 9-11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Northville, 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville. There will be a fellowship time of worship, a pancake breakfast prepared by the Men's Club and a visit from the Farm Lady, Margaret Schmidt, who will teach everyone all about sheep. This program is for everyone of all ages.

Deadlines for reservations are Feb. 25. Contact (248) 349-0777 for more information.

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**THIS IS IT!**  
SW 26, 5'7", who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 34/29.

**THIS IS IT**  
Tall, brown haired, blue eyes. SW 28, a outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**LET'S MEET SOME**  
I'm a SW 23, 5'5", blonde with hazel eyes. Outgoing, spontaneous and I enjoy nature. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**EXCLUSIVE AD**  
SW 45, 5'4", who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 34/29.

**LOVE AWAITS**  
Outgoing, happy, honest and reliable. SW 34, 5'7", blonde with hazel eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**VERY EASYGOING**  
I would like to meet a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**SOCIAL BUTTERFLY**  
I'm a bubbly, outgoing and fun-loving. SW 38, 5'6", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 34/29.

**LOVELY**  
I'm a 5'5", brown haired and eyed. SW 31, 5'5", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**WARM WISHES**  
I'm a 5'5", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**WHAT A LADY!**  
Outgoing, caring, loving. SW 30, 5'5", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**ELOQUENT**  
I have been described as being a non-judgmental, SW 30, 5'5", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**LET'S GET TOGETHER**  
I'm a SW 45, who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**VIBRANT**  
SW 33, 5'5", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

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SW 48, 5'7", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

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SW 47, 5'7", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

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Honest, personable. SW 77, who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**DYNAMIC**  
I'm a SW 43, who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**WHOLESALE**  
6' tall, blue eyes, 43 year old. SW 43, who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**THIS IS IT**  
48 year old, 5'5", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**KIND & LOVING**  
Attractive, outgoing, active. SW 39, 5'7", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**DON'T LOOK ANY MORE**  
I'm an attractive, honest and fun-loving. SW 45, who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**FROM THE HEART**  
Well-rounded, "hardworking". SW 45, 5'7", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**GENEROUS HEART**  
I'm a SW 41, who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**CATCH MY WHILE YOU CAN!**  
I'm a SW 30, 5'7", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**MINUTES AWAY**  
41 year old, 5'5", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**NONE BETTER**  
SW 60, 5'7", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**TRUE COMMITMENT**  
SW 45, 5'7", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**WICKED COMEDY**  
SW 42, 5'7", blonde with blue eyes. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

**LOVE & CARING**  
I'm an understanding and helpful. SW 41, who is described as outgoing and fun-loving. Seeking a SW 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and has a sense of humor. Age 29/34.

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To register in Novi, please call (248) 347-4949.

### YOUTH BASKETBALL CLINIC RETURNS

Detroit Pistons Youth Basketball Clinic is returning to Ward Evangelical Presbyterian

Church in Northville on Saturday, March 24. Coach Steve Moreland of the Detroit Pistons/Detroit Shock and "Hooper" (the Pistons' Mascot), will be conducting two clinics for boys and girls. From 2:30 to 3:45 p.m. for grades K-2; and 4 to 5:15 p.m. for grades 3-6.

The cost is \$15 per child and includes prizes, contests and two practices on Saturday, March 31 and April 7. Parents, be sure to bring your cameras. Limited number per session so contact Ward Church at (248) 374-5937 or shelley.martin@wardepc.org to register each child.

### NOVI PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The Novi Co-Op Preschool will be having its Open House on March 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It is located at 41671 Ten Mile Road in the Novi United Methodist Church. Bring your child to explore our classroom and meet the teachers. This is also a good opportunity for you to ask questions about what a Co-op is all about.

The Open House is the first date that open enrollment begins for the school year of 2001-2002. Class sizes are limited to 15 for the threes, and 16 for the fours. Please be aware that enrollment is filled on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, please contact Karrie Nye at 960-8988 or Tracy Nesler at 734-513-2841.

## Parks and Rec

### DROP-IN LINE DANCE LESSONS

Treat yourself to an exciting way to meet new people and exercise. Join the 6:30-7:30 p.m. class for basic beginners or jump right in intermediate class, from 7:30-9 p.m. The lessons are followed by an open dance, from 9-10:30 p.m. The class takes place every Friday night and taught by Jean Rowe of Steppin' Time. See class schedule for specific class location or call the Novi Parks and Recreation office at (248) 347-0400.

### COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE

Come join the February Country Western Dance at the Novi Civic Center on Friday, Feb. 24, from 7 until 11:30 p.m. Single and couples are welcome. Dance your favorites: Line, 2-step, Waltz or Cha Cha. Admission is \$7 for Novi residents and seniors age 55 and over or \$8 for non-residents.

### WALTONWOOD ANNIVERSARY

Waltonwood of Twelve Oaks, senior retirement community is celebrating with an open house from 1-4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 22. RSVP at (248) 735-1500.

### ZANY ACTIVITIES

Zany Brainy in-store events are sure to brighten the weekend days. Kids can show off their creativity and smarts during these wonderful winter weekends. All events are free and open to the public. Zany Brainy is located on Haggerty in Northville/Livonia.

• **Clifford Movies 'N More**  
Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 24 and 25 at 2 p.m. each day. The

big Zany Showtime Theater screen features two new Clifford videos. Join us for Clifford's Best Friend and Here Comes Clifford - then make your own big, red Clifford ears. Ages 3-5.

### REUNION SEARCH

The Northville High School Class of 1981 is gathering e-mail addresses and phone numbers of classmates for our 20-year reunion.

Please e-mail [NHS81reunion@yahoo.com](mailto:NHS81reunion@yahoo.com) to supply your information and obtain reunion updates or call Marcel Spiker at (248) 887-5600, ext. 216 to leave your phone number and postal address.

The reunion is scheduled for July 7 in Novi.

## On Campus

Precious N. Shah of Northville has been named to the Dean's List for fall quarter at Northwestern University. She is a sophomore enrolled in the Robert R. McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science.

To receive this honor, students on the Dean's List must attain a grade point average of at least 3.75.

Thomas S. McNalley of Northville was named to the Honor Roll for fall semester at Western Oregon University. He received recognition for achieving at least a 3.5 or higher grade point average for the semester.

Kristin Levin has been named to the Dean's List at Central Michigan University for the fall semester. Levin is a junior in the sports medicine program. She is secretary for both Phi Epsilon Kappa and the Student Athletic Trainers Organization.

Levin is the daughter of Dave and Laraine Levin of Novi.

Andrew Bolin, a student at Concordia College in Ann Arbor, has been named to the Dean's List for his academic achievement of earning a 3.5 or above grade point average for fall semester.

Bolin is the son of Mike and Carolyn Monti of Novi.

Local student Harvey P.

Steele is pledging the Albion College chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon social fraternity during the 2001 spring semester.

Steele is a freshman at Albion College. He is the son of Harvey and Alin Steele of Novi and a graduate of Novi High School.

Jennifer L. Phillips pledged the Albion College Phi chapter of Alpha Xi Delta social sorority during the 2001 spring semester.

A freshman at Albion, Phillips is a graduate of Coronado High School. She is the daughter of Ronald Phillips and Barbara Phillips, both of Northville.

Local area students named to the Dean's List at Western Michigan University in recognition of earning a 3.5 or better grade point average for fall term.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER  
Village Oaks student Heiko Sijan gets some help from his mother Manuela in writing some poetry during his class' celebration last Wednesday of Valentine's Day.

## With heart Celebrating the holiday of love



Kylie Hurwitz, a Village Oaks Elementary School first grader, reads a Valentine's Day card last Wednesday....



...and then sees that it's from her teacher and has a lollipop attached to it.

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE  
Staff Writer

If you ask Village Oaks Elementary first graders Mikael Yono and Mitchell Hutton how they feel about Valentine's Day- the most romantic day of the year- don't expect to find these young Romeos in the spirit.

"Valentines Day is for sissies!" exclaimed Hutton. "All those heart shaped cards and mushy sayings make me sick."

"Yeah," Yono said. "I'm not giving anyone a valentine's day card- especially to the girls. They smell."

While these two boys may not be swept up in the amorous mood of love, luckily others were, as valentines spilled out over the pink and red bags of the students, for their class party on Feb. 14.

"I love Valentines Day," said starry-eyed first grader Allison Schumaker. "Getting lots of candy and cards- it's one of my favorite times of the year."

Aside from reading all those love cards, the students were busy making heart-shaped place mats and even got to tempt their sweet tooth

with sundaes and loads of sweets. "This is fun," said student Amy Quinlan, as she dunked her spoon into her sprinkle-covered ice-cream. "Valentine's is great because you get lots of candy and everyone tells you how much they love you."

Quinlan was even "sweet" enough to bring her little brother Ryan to the party to join in on the fun.

"I'm her special guest today," boasted the little four-year-old, with traces of chocolate still left around his mouth.

With tons of valentines to read and look over, first grader Sean Devor could hardly keep track of all his cards that literally covered his entire desk.

"My favorite one is this dog one and this N'Sync one is pretty cool," he said, holding up his valentines.

With some in and out of the holiday spirit, the children nevertheless had a ball.

"Who wouldn't get into the spirit?" Quinlan asked. "This is a day to tell the people you really care about them. What a wonderful day!"

## Novi Highlights

### The Novi Jaycees

Members of the new board of directors are: Tom Irwin, president; Lisa Blasola, membership vice president; Andy Beam, treasurer; Amy Compton, secretary; Mark Blasola, public relations director; and Christine Irwin, newsletter editor.

Several Jaycee members were recognized for their work on the emergency food bank at the Year End Review in Kalamazoo. They also received recognition as they did last year for their participation in the "Blue Chip" program.

Jaycees will continue to attend the Novi City Council meetings every Monday night as part of the community development project.

Individual development and membership development programs will include several social nights, such as dinner at the Lazy Lizard and a movie; Feb. 22, an informational social informing potential members of the goals and aims of the Jaycee program; Feb. 23, a TJIF (Thank Jaycees It's Friday) at the Library Pub at 7 p.m., entertainment at 9 p.m. with ample TVs for watching. Also on the agenda for discussion will be the DSA program for this year.

Membership in the Jaycees are for those 21-30. For more information,

please call Lisa Blasola at 374-9703.

### Novi Beautification Commission

Lisa Bennett has been appointed by the council to the commission. Novi residents are encouraged to become involved with the Beautification Commission as there are still several vacancies in need of being filled. If interested, please contact the city clerk's office for an application.

The commission is currently discussing plans for the second annual Begonia Give-Away set for May 19. For newcomers to the area, the Begonia is the city plant; the day-lily, the city's perennial; the Red Maple, the city tree; and Meyer's Lilac, the city's shrub. Also in the planning stage is the annual Beautification Awards program. The use of the above plants throughout the city are worth extra points when being judged by the commission.

Categories judged are: School areas, multi-family development/condos and apartments, single family subdivisions, industrial buildings, places of worship, shopping centers, individual businesses, government, and gas stations.

The commission will hold their perennial exchange on June 5 and

Sept. 15. For those unfamiliar with this project - residents exchange surplus plants, no money involved.

The Garden Walk is scheduled for June 27 at the Michigan State University Tollgate Education Center, located at the corner of Meadowbrook and Twelve Mile Road. Areas visited will be the Hosta Garden, the Americana Foundation Heritage Garden, the Children's Garden, and more.

For more information about the Commission, its activities and projects, please call Gretchen Pugsley at 349-3555.

### Novi Youth Assistance

The NYA is planning their annual Bowl-a-Thon fundraiser, which will be held on Saturday, March 10, from 1-4 p.m. at the Novi Bowl. Letters are being sent to former participants, organizations and businesses who may have a team or are interested in sponsoring a lane.

Participants will be looking for pledges to help raise funds. In turn, bowlers will have free bowling, food, beverages, and "goodie bags" that always include prizes.

Youth Assistance is a non-profit organization dedicated to the strengthening of families through community involvement. Monies

from fund raisers, events, etc., are used to support the annual six-week Teen Center, camp programs, family education, scholarships, and the sponsorship of Boys and Girls State and youth recognition programs.

For more information or to sign up a team or individual, please call the office at 347-0410.

Also in the planning stage, Novi High School is looking for students interested in volunteering their time and talents to helping others; while at the same time, bettering themselves. Volunteer work includes: tutoring, hospital or nursing home service, ecology or beautification activities, school service projects, church youth projects, and more. If you know of any interested students, call 347-0410 for nomination forms and more information.

Youth Assistance is also looking for adults in the area who would consider volunteering their services. Once again, please call the office or attend the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. in the mayor's conference room.

Novi Highlights is written by Jeanne Clarke. Should you wish to contact her with information for this column, call 624-0173.

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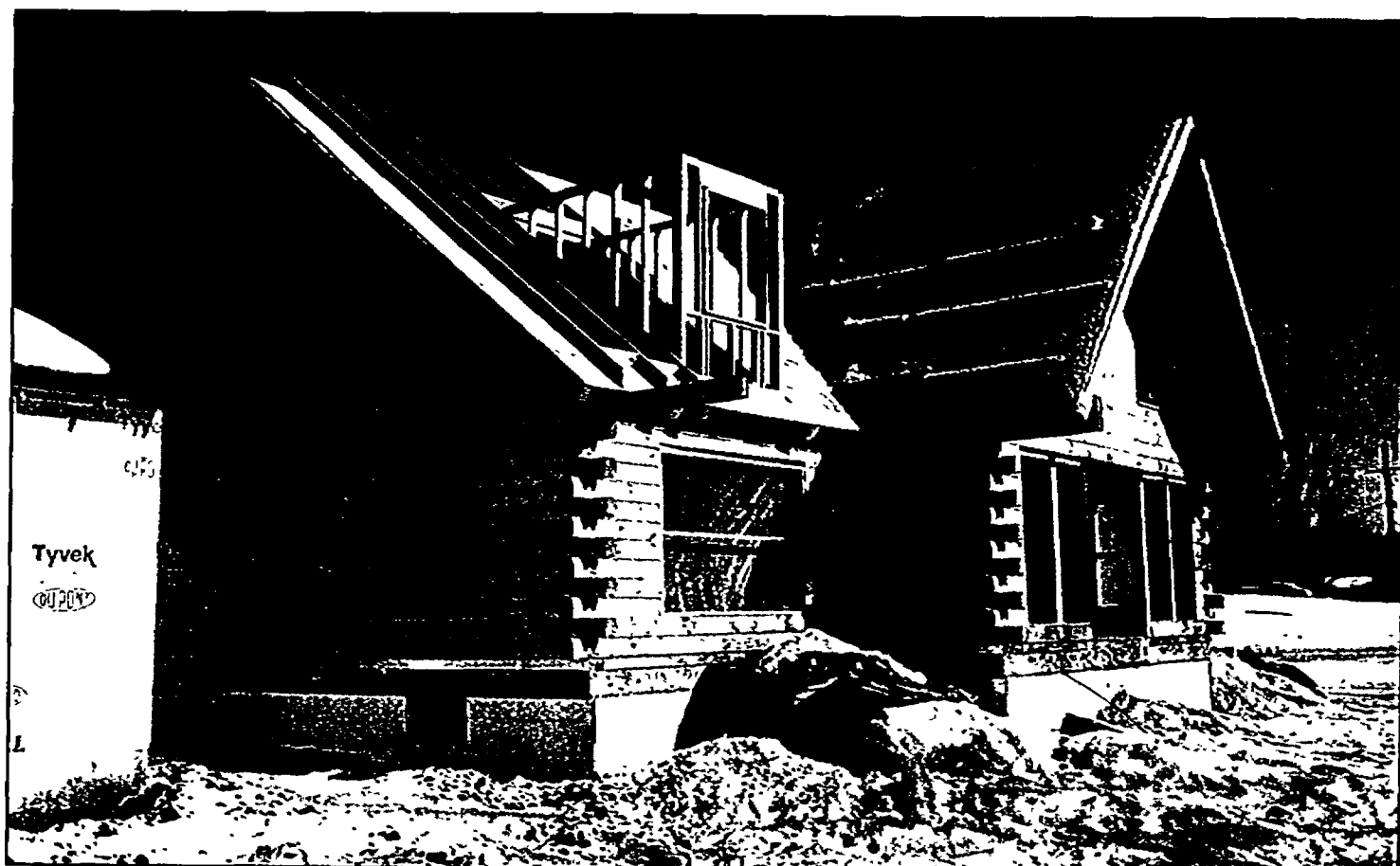
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# HOMETOWN





To facilitate the home's assembly, the logs arrived numbered and pre-cut.

Photo By HAL GOULD

# Life Size Lincoln Logs

Unique Milford home offers family more space and lots of charm

By Annette Jaworski  
SPECIAL WRITER

For years, the McCartney's have dreamed of owning a log home. It's something Kevin McCartney and his wife, Devarae, have talked about for years. So when they began searching for property they knew exactly what they wanted to build on their Milford lot.

They found a four-bedroom 2400 square foot home that perfectly suited their family in a log home book. The McCartney's sent the blueprints to a company called "Real Log" who customized it for them. When the home arrived, all the logs were cut, they were stacked and assembled and ready to go, like a giant jigsaw puzzle.

"They were lettered and numbered for do it yourselfers and comes with an instruction manual," Devarae McCartney notes. "Kevin and his dad are real handy so they've been putting it up."

Kevin McCartney and his father have worked hard on weekends and their spare moments to erect the structure, which is a little like putting together big

Lincoln logs. Volunteers from the Pontiac Rescue Mission, where McCartney volunteers also contributed many hours of labor.

"We got a lot of help from the residents of the Rescue Mission, without them, it wouldn't have happened," said Kevin McCartney.

After many months of labor, the couple and their four children will soon be moving into their four-bedroom, 2400 square foot home. With two bedroom upstairs and two bedrooms downstairs, it will give the growing family more space. The natural logs on all the exterior walls and ceiling and the loft area will give the home its own warmth and charm.

The home is unique in other ways. As the wood dries, the logs will actually shrink; so small adjustments will have to be made in the walls until the wood has cured. Placing the utilities and ductwork has to be carefully planned to accommodate the solid wood logs. In addition, the basement used the new technology of insulated concrete forms.

With today's high heating costs, consumers are looking for more ways than ever to increase their energy

efficiency. Terry Johnson of TechBLOC Stay in Place ICF Systems says homeowners are turning to Insulated Concrete Form building in larger quantities. In 1999, about 12 per cent of the homes built used concrete forms, as compared to 20 per cent or more this year.

Homeowners are the ones that are really pushing the changes, according to Johnson. The system can be used with any type of exterior finish, from vinyl to brick.

"It's no different than working with concrete or plywood, the foam holds the cement in place until it dries, then you have it for insulation," said Johnson.

Metal edges help reinforce the corners and hold the forms in place until the concrete hardens.

Initially the trend began with basements, such as the log cabin home that Kevin McCartney is building in Milford. However, Johnson notes that the same techniques are being applied to above ground walls as well.

"We've poured as much as 12 feet high without blowouts," Johnson said.

The system can even be adapted for use on floors, he added. In this case, radiant heat is usually installed.

New technology and improvements in this field are developing rapidly, he adds.

In addition to the approximate R45 value that the basement gives, there's also the safety feature of concrete buildings during severe weather, being more stable and nearly impossible to puncture. It's also great with sound and noise reduction. The large seven-inch thick logs used in the home will also increase the structure's R-value to something like R13 or better, McCartney notes.

Presently he's planning on using forced air heat on the first floor and radiant baseboard heat on the second floor since the heat will rise and the heat efficiency of the home should keep them nice and toasty.

For more information on the TechBLOC Stay in Place ICF System, contact Terri Johnson at (248) 249-5700. Johnson will be one of several vendors featuring the system at the Home Improvement Show at the Pontiac Silverdome being held from Thursday, February 22 until Sunday, February 25.

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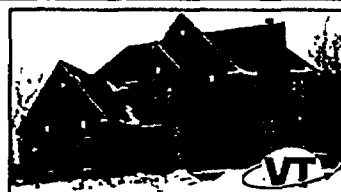


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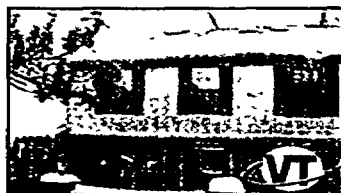
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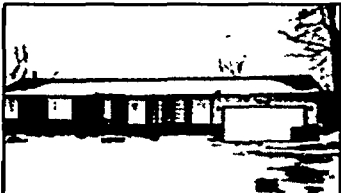
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# Windsor-style chair reflects long English tradition

By Anne McCollam  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q. I have enclosed a photo of a wood chair that has been in my family for around 50 years. Beneath the chair seat are the following words "S. Bent & Bros., - 1867 - Gardner, Mass." The chair is painted black with a gold design on the back and gold rings on the spindles and legs.

I would like to know if my chair is valuable.

A. S. Bent and Bros. Inc. produced Windsor-style chairs from the 1800s to the early 1900s. They made large quantities of Colonial Revival Windsor chairs from around 1880 to 1910. Windsor chairs are often referred to as "stick chairs" and were constructed of plank seats, spindle backs and turned legs. They were first made in Windsor, England, in the 1700s, thus the name. By the 1800s, they had become popular in America. There were variations on the theme, including the ubiquitous captain's chair, followed by the comb-back, bow-back, fan-back and arch-back. Early chairs were frequently painted, green being one of the favorite colors. Reproductions of Windsors are made today.

Your circa 1900 chair would probably be worth about \$225 to \$325.

Q. I would appreciate any information on a silver teaspoon that belonged to my mother. On the handle is the

image of a man in a tuxedo and top hat. The words "Charlie McCarthy" are also in the handle. "Duchess Silverplate" is marked on the back of the spoon. My son, who is in his 30s, used the spoon when he was a child. I would never part with it for any value and will pass it along to my son.

A. From the 1930s to around 1970, ventriloquist, Edgar Bergen and his dummy, Charlie McCarthy, provided entertainment on the radio, in movies and television. Their popularity generated a huge market for Charlie McCarthy-related items that included banks, dolls, spoons and toys.

Your silverplate teaspoon was made in the 1930s and would probably be worth about \$25 to \$45.

Q. This mark is on the bottom of a porcelain falcon that I have. The falcon is standing on a branch that forms the base and the overall height is 11 inches. He has blue-gray feathers on his head and tail, his wings are the color of bitter-sweet and he has a buff-colored breast. What can you tell me about its value?

A. Your falcon is a kestrel and was made by F. and W. Goebel Company,

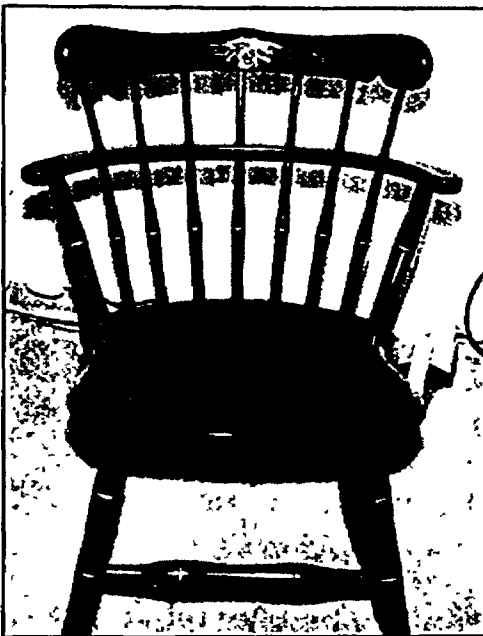
located in Rodental, Germany, around 1969. As a rule, Goebel included the date of the mold copyright on its trademark. Your kestrel falcon would probably be worth about \$125.

Q. Last summer, I bought a box of toys for my granddaughter at a garage sale for \$5. In the box, among other toys, was an "I Love Lucy Packaway Kit" paper-doll book published by Whitman. It has three stand-up dolls, Lucy, Desi and little Ricky. It was in great condition and none of the dolls or clothes had ever been cut out.

Before I let my granddaughter cut out the paper dolls, I thought I should find out if they are of any value?

A. In the early 1900s, magazines such as McCall's, Good Housekeeping, and Ladies' Home Journal, often featured several pages of paper dolls. Paper dolls in book form, with the doll on the cardboard cover and clothes inside, were introduced in the 1920s. Paper dolls representing movie stars rose to fame in the 1940s, followed by radio and television personalities in the 1950s and 1960s. Your paper dolls, in their current condition, would be worth around \$125.

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 \$10 per item (one item at a time).



This Colonial Revival Windsor chair was made by S. Bent and Bros., Inc. around 1900. The chair is worth about \$225 to \$325.

## Book Review

By Anne McCollam  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

When you think about what toy is the most loved and popular, the cuddly teddy bear comes to mind. Even though teddy bears were originally intended as toys for boys, they have captured the hearts of both genders and all ages.

Respected authority and collector Ken Yenke is the author of "Teddy Bear Treasury - Identification and Values." This fabulous new guide is lavished with close to 300 full-color photos, most of which have never before been published.

Yenke has compiled a fascinating history of the evolution of the Teddy Bears. Readers will learn about Teddy's special fourth dimension: the multitude of Teddy-inspired collectibles, and the nuances of collecting.

Also included in this book is a free evaluation certificate, which entitles the reader to a certified evaluation of her or his teddy bear by the author.

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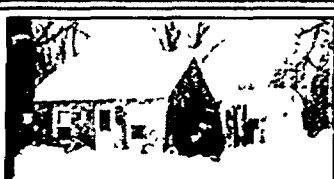
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248-437-4500 Pam Danaher, Manager



**COMMERCIAL.** Great Lake-front property! 3 bedroom, 2 baths, professionally finished lower level w/walk-out, patio, dock on Carroll Clark Lakes. 2 fireplaces. All appliances stay. Truly a must see! \$285,000 (L24Bor)



**FARMINGTON HILLS.** Super sharp, great value is only way to describe this charming 2 bedroom home close to downtown Farmington. Huge country lot w/mature trees. Remodeled kitchen & bathroom. Mechanic's dream garage. Home warranty \$139,900 (L50Rho)

**PLYMOUTH.** Another exquisite Curtis Estate model is ready for you! Beautifully decorated in neutral tones fully landscaped including deck, spacious kitchen w/oversized center island, WI pantry/hourous master bath w/2 walk-in closets, whirlpool tub, double vanities \$439,900 (L76Hd)

**LIVONIA.** 3 bedroom ranch in Windridge Village - 2 1/2 baths, att. 2 car garage, partially finished basement, family room w/fireplace overlooks wood deck & treed yard. Many closets, living room, bay window double vanity in bathroom. \$229,900 (L98Fon)

**REDFORD.** Great starter home in S. Redford. Clean-move in condition. Brick ranch w/2 bedrooms, 2 bath's finished basement w/bath adds to the living space. Fenced yard & nice landscaping \$117,000 (L92Cer)

**COMMERCIAL.** Boating & beach privileges on Lower Strata Lake. Custom all-brick Colonial on huge private lot. Family room w/vaulted ceiling & fireplace, oak circular stairs, 3+ side entrance garage dry walled, enclosed porch, patio \$436,900 (L28Loc)

**REDFORD.** Custom home w/wet plaster cove ceilings in living room, dining room, bay window in dining room, 3 bedroom brick bungalow w/2 1/2 baths. Very nice upstairs w/WIC. Large front porch. Built-in China cabinet. \$147,900 (L09 Luc)

**FARMINGTON HILLS.** Exquisite Great room style Colonial offers 4 bedrooms up incl. Master suite w/large 5th bedroom on 1st floor. Great for in-laws or master suite. 2 way fireplace between great room & kitchen. Popular 2 staircases & daylie basement, plumbed for bath. \$499,900 (L75Ssa)

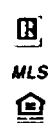
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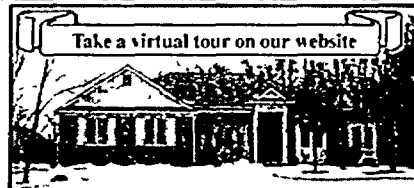
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**SPECTACULAR INSIDE AND OUT.** This park-like setting is a landscaper's dream with Unilock paver walks, patio, walls and driveway. The comfortable interior offers 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, large kitchen/breakfast room, formal dining, living room with gas fireplace and 10 foot ceiling, master suite and more. Relax in the private back yard surrounded by mature trees. GR-2135B \$319,900



**RARE OFFERING!** New construction on all sports lake. Peaceful setting with vast waterfront views. Cape cod home with bright interior, ready to move in. Upstairs awaiting your finishing touches. GR-2120B \$269,900



**BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED COLONIAL** in the city of Brighton. Walk to downtown events, shopping and restaurants only one block away. Rooms 4 bedroom home features lovely woodwork throughout, beautifully updated kitchen with hardwood floors and all appliances, living room with fireplace, enclosed screened porch and much more. GR-2121B \$199,900



**THIS ONE WON'T LAST LONG!** Great family home with 3 bedrooms including a first floor master, 2 full baths, 1200+ s.f. plus finished lower level, living room, open kitchen and breakfast area, ceiling fans in bedrooms and more. Also features 2 1/2 car insulated and heated garage, sprinkler, shed and decks in front and back. Access to One Lake just down the street. GR-2119B \$169,900



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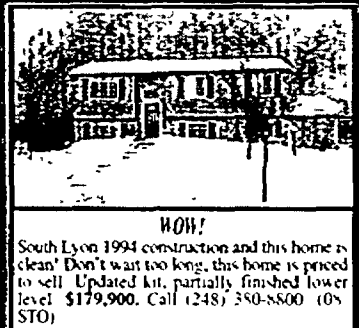
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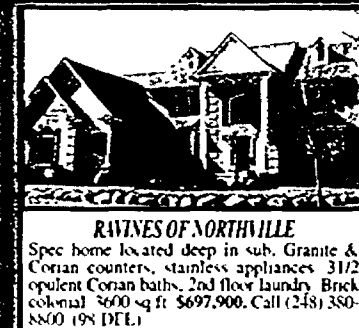
**SPECTACULAR NEW NORTHVILLE HOME**  
Located in Stonewater sub. Features quality throughout! Scenic lakefront setting, dramatic 2 story foyer entrance, HW flooring in foyer plus much more. \$699,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (L55CEA)



**ABSOLUTELY STUNNING!**  
3450 sq ft. Wonderful kit w/maple cabinets, 7 HW floors. Master bed w/skylights & hisher walk in closets. Master bath has Jacuzzi. \$385,000. Call (248) 380-8800 (71 BR)



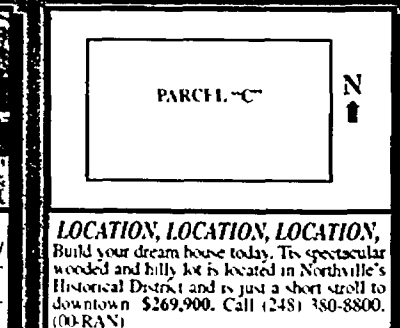
**WOW!**  
South Lyon 1994 construction and this home is clean! Don't want too long, this home is priced to sell. Updated kit, partially finished lower level. \$179,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (05 STO)



**RATIVES OF NORTHVILLE**  
Spec home located deep in sub. Granite & Corian counters, stainless appliances. 3112 sq ft. 2nd floor laundry. Brick colonial. 3600 sq ft. \$697,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (98 DLE)



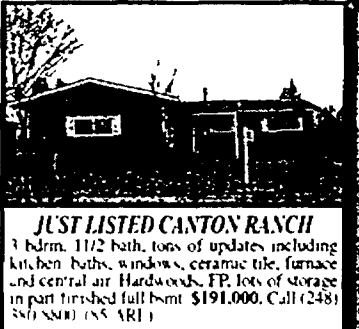
**GREAT LOCATION IN ROSEDALE GARDENS**  
Light carpet over HW floors. Updated kit w/bleached maple cabinets, new floor, sink, dishwasher, stove, & fridge. Updated windows. Copper plumbing. \$163,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (18 LOV)



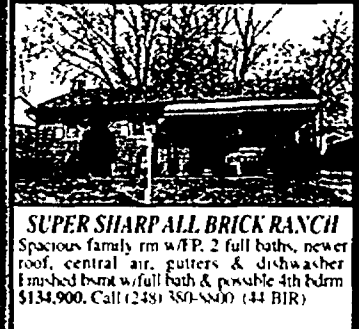
**LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION.**  
Build your dream house today. This spectacular wooded and hilly lot is located in Northville's Historical District and is just a short stroll to downtown. \$269,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (00 RAN)



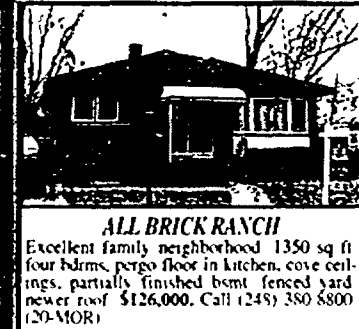
**TRANSFER PERFECT CAPE COD**  
In prestigious Hills of Crestwood featuring certain A Granite kit w/dishwasher & white cabinets. Features 4 bd, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement w/cedar plank grad staircase. \$549,000. Call (248) 380-8800 (L55RED)



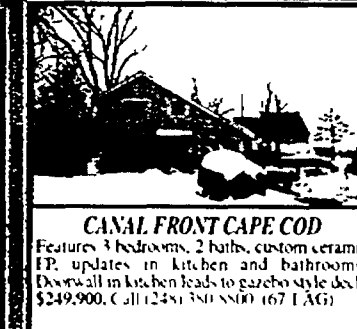
**JUST LISTED CANTON RANCH**  
3 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, lots of updates including kitchen, baths, windows, ceramic tile, furnace and central air. Hardwoods, FP, lots of storage in part finished full bsmt. \$191,000. Call (248) 380-8800 (05 ART)



**SUPER SHARP ALL BRICK RANCH**  
Spacious family rm w/FP, 2 full baths, newer roof, central air, gutters & dishwasher. Finished bsmt w/full bath & possible 4th bdrm. \$134,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (44 BIR)



**ALL BRICK RANCH**  
Excellent family neighborhood. 1350 sq ft four bdrms, perry floor in kitchen, cove ceilings, partially finished bsmt. Fenced yard newer roof. \$126,000. Call (248) 380-8800 (20 MOR)



**CANAL FRONT CAPE COD**  
Features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, custom ceramic FP, updates in kitchen and bathrooms. Downfall in kitchen leads to gazebo style deck. \$249,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (67 LAG)



**COLONIAL BACKING TO WOODED COMMONS**  
Neutral colors, open floor plan. Updated kit, cabinets, countertops, sink, faucet, tile & floor. Recessed lighting thru-out. \$239,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (90 TIT)



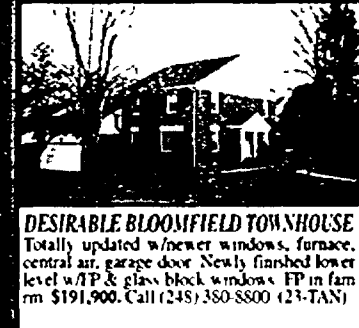
**CHARMING CENTURY OLD HOME IN NORTHVILLE'S HISTORIC DISTRICT**  
Just blocks from downtown Northville. Extensive updating. Features include spacious rooms, newer 9' ceilings, FP in back, much more. \$449,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (14 MSL)



**MAGNIFICENT HOME IN POPULAR OAK RIVER SUB**  
Features include a 2-story entry, great rm w/dual staircase, FP w/marble surround, beautiful study w/oak walls & bookshelves. \$659,000. Call (248) 380-8800 (00 FET)



**NORTH DEARBORN HIGTS. 3 BEDROOM BRICK RANCH**  
Spacious home with lots of updates. 2 car garage. Florida rm, finished basement, FP, updated kitchen. Must see! \$179,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (23 ROT)



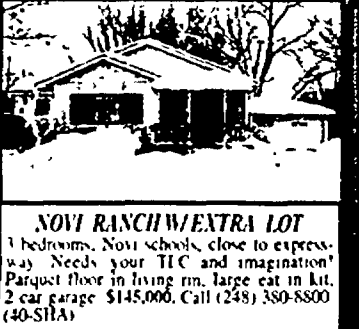
**DESIRABLE BLOOMFIELD TOWNHOUSE**  
Totally updated w/newer windows, furnace, central air, garage door. Newly finished lower level w/FP & glass block windows. FP in fam rm. \$191,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (23 TAN)



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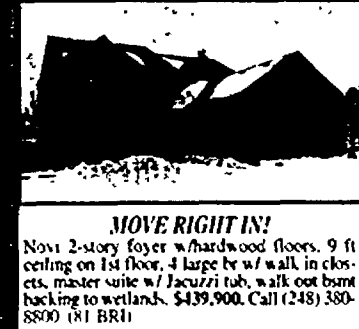
**YOU DREAM IT, WE'RE BUILDING IT!**  
New Northville construction on one acre backing to Maybury State park. 3551 sq ft plus WO lower level. 4 bdrm, oak staircase, great rm, plus much more! \$779,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (58 JON)



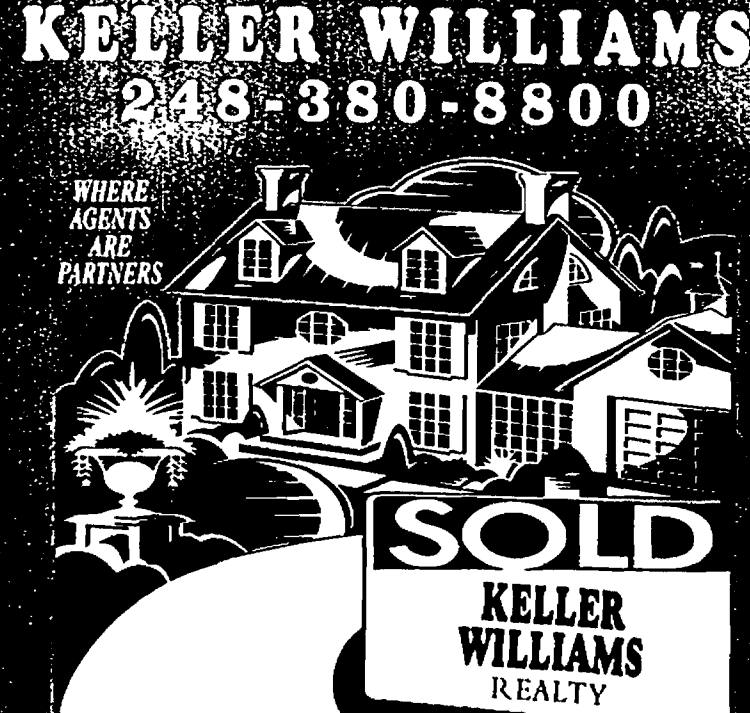
**NOVI RANCH W/EXTRA LOT**  
3 bedrooms, Novi schools, close to expressway. Needs your TLC & imagination! Parquet floor in living rm, large eat in kit, 2 car garage. \$145,000. Call (248) 380-8800 (40 SHH)



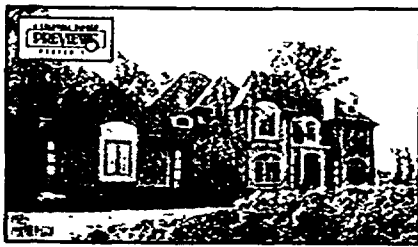
**ENVIALE WORRY-FREE RANCH!**  
Completely updated. Enjoy summers outside on your sharp 16x32 wood deck. Truly a great buy! \$92,500. Call (248) 380-8800 (40 LEN)



**MOVE RIGHT IN!**  
Novi 2-story foyer w/hardwood floors, 9 ft ceiling on 1st floor, 4 large bed w/walk in closets, master suite w/Jacuzzi tub, walk out bsmt backing to wetlands. \$439,900. Call (248) 380-8800 (01 BR)



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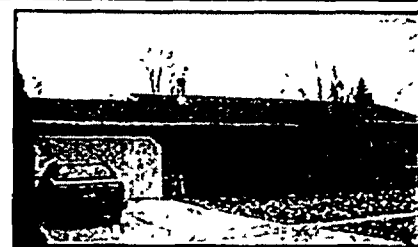
**NORTHVILLE** \$1,390,900  
What a setting, Awesome Northville Estate on 1.36 acre. Heavily wooded lot near downtown. 3 flpc, gorgeous landscaping, circular dr, huge study, granite & slate of the art thru-out. (BGN3SMAI) 248-347-3050



**NOVI** \$600,000  
**CUSTOM ELEGANCE!** Prestigious sub location, 3600 sq. ft, 4br, 3.5 baths, 9 ft ceilings, full Oak staircase, gourmet kitchen, eat-in nook, 2-story family room, 3 car garage. (BGN10ABE) 248-347-3050



**LAKE ORION** \$175,000  
Great Home in great location! This home is right on all Sports Long Lake & has a 34' dock. The home has been totally remodeled & would make a great home or cottage. (BGN94LOH) 248-347-3050



**NORTHVILLE** \$279,900  
Beautiful & well cared for, Finished basement w/2 br, family room & game room. Large kitchen area w/oak cabinets. Large deck & above ground pool. 2.5-car garage. 1 year warranty. (BGN12LAK) 248-347-3050



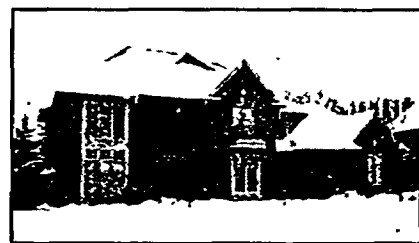
**SOUTH LYON** \$349,900  
Custom built w/all the extras! Very desirable floor plan. Formal living rm. & dining rm. Library w/french doors, soaring ceilings, 4BRS, master suite w/jetted tub. Upstairs laundry. Built 2000! (BGS111LON) 248-437-4500



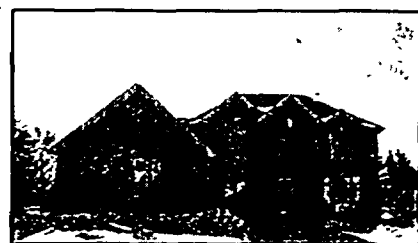
**NORTHVILLE** \$1,200,000  
Over 3 acres of riverfront! Is the setting for this quality home. Fabulous vaulted family rm, master ste w/adjoining sitting rm. One of a kind location and home. Breathtaking. (BGN87PIC) 248-347-3050



**NORTHVILLE** \$539,500  
Center Stage- Colonial! 3521 sq ft grand foyer, gourmet kitchen w/double oven, family room, 2 story living room, library, dining room, Master ste. w/glamour bath, 4br, 2.5 bath. (BGN75RED) 248-347-3050



**NORTHVILLE** \$539,900  
Immediate occupancy, Northville Colonial in hills of Crestwood. Situated on walkout lot backing to woods. Bridge overlooking family rm w/2-story wall of windows. (BGN78RED) 248-347-3050



**NOVI** \$434,900  
Best Buy In Chase Farms! Colonial! Immediate occupancy, private lot, 2 story foyer, patio & deck, huge open kitchen, extensive Crown Molding & built by Scaccia. (BGN77ASf) 248-347-3050



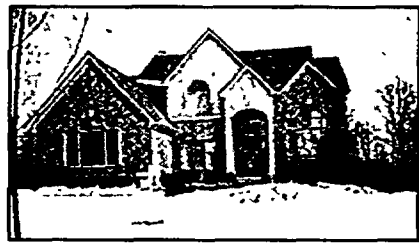
**SOUTH LYON** \$289,900  
This house has it all! Contemporary colonial, 4BR, 2.5 baths, 1st floor laundry. Great room, den, dining room, spacious master suite, workshop in garage, enclosed porch. (BGS187COL) 248-437-4500



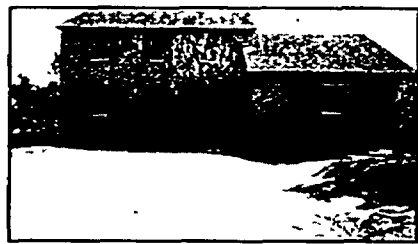
**NOVI** \$1,100,000  
Paradise Found! Privacy & Seclusion! On 1 acre pond setting! 4 car garage. Custom detailing & design, 1st floor Master, 3 fireplaces, gourmet kitchen, bsmt w/3, 3.5 bath (BGN58VAS) 248-347-3050



**NORTHVILLE** \$504,900  
Custom Condo On Lake! Best view in complex, 2 story fireplace in great room, 1st floor master suite, Oak kitchen, awesome walk-out bsmt, immediate occupancy & 4 full bath. (BGN79BLU) 248-347-3050



**NORTHVILLE** \$489,900  
Gorgeous Lot Backing to Woods! With a great location in the sub. 4br, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, built in 1999. Move-in condition, neutral decor through-out! (BGN34BRO) 248-347-3050



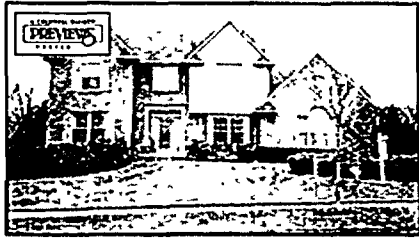
**NOVI** \$375,000  
Fabulous Colonial, On a 1/2 acre lot. 3-car attached garage. Full basement. 3 br, 3 full ba. Custom kitchen w/light oak cabs, sun rm. Natural fireplace. (BGN93CAR) 248-347-3050



**SOUTH LYON** \$269,900  
Better Than New! This Colonial with 2.5 baths is less than 2 years old & is better than new w/the custom window treatments, neutral decor & extensive landscaping & deck. (BGN05STA) 248-347-3050



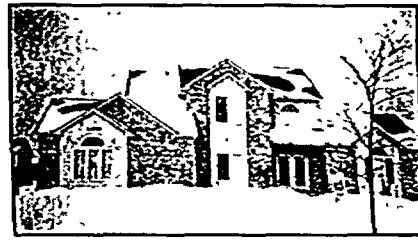
**NORTHVILLE** \$899,900  
Best lot Pheasant Hills! 6br, 4.5 bath w/exec. office, 22 ft ceilings in LR. Beautiful L.L. w/oak bar & indoor pool. Backs to preserve. Gourmet kitchen w/nice views. New gazebo & deck. Custom touches galore! (BGN49MCD) 248-347-3050



**NORTHVILLE** \$449,000  
BETTER THAN NEW! This almost new home is better than new with over 3,000 sq. ft., a large private yard & an additional 1,200 sq. ft. in the finished walk-out bsmt. (BGN01WYN) 248-347-3050



**NORTHVILLE** \$429,900  
Traditional New England style. Salt box on a gorgeous 1-acre lot siding to a golf course. 3 br, 3-car garage, large flpc, hardwood floors, close to shopping & expressways (BGN83SMO) 248-347-3050



**NOVI** \$354,900  
Stunning home! Unmatchable style & quality 1996 built, 2-story w/3 br, 2.5 baths, great room w/fireplace, dining room, library w/French doors, deck, sidewalks! Hurry! (BGN08WOO) 248-347-3050



**SOUTH LYON** \$204,900  
QUALITY, New construction on a dead end street. City conveniences. 3 BR, 2.5 bath. Fireplace, daylight windows in basement. Immediate occupancy. Really nice home. (BGS1Y-26JEA) (248) 437-4500



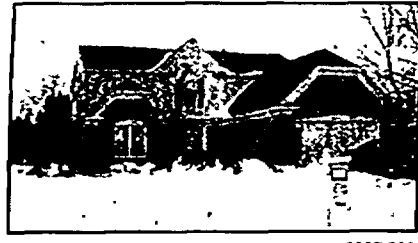
**NOVI** \$885,975  
PRESTIGIOUS MASTERPIECE! 4br, 4.5 baths & a curved staircase is only the beginning! Elegant marble entry, gourmet kitchen, 9 ft ceilings, fully landscaped, new build. (BGN50CHE) 248-347-3050



**BRIGHTON** \$399,900  
Have It All! Gopher's dream on Arthur Hills designed honors golf course - Oak Pointe. 4 bedrooms, master bath w/jacuzzi, dining, 2 way fireplace (BGS1Y-79OAK) 248-437-4500



**NORTHVILLE** \$375,000  
Enjoy the views! Of the Towering trees from this spacious home. Walk to downtown Northville & award winning schools. Corian counters, updated master bath & fabulous settings. Privacy. (BGN56GRA) 248-347-3050



**NOVI** \$327,500  
Preferred Cape Cod Now Available! Features included hardwood, natural fireplace, separate shower in master, rec room & wet bar in finished basement & loft. (BGN60ROU) 248-347-3050X2



**SOUTH LYON** \$116,500  
PRIME LOCATION! Perfect for country estate. 2.50 acres conveniently located, natural gas & electricity. (BGS1YVASEV) 248-437-4500



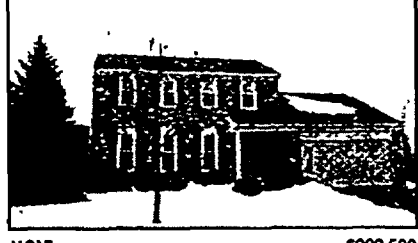
**SOUTH LYON** \$650,000  
Award Winning Design w/Golf Course! 4br, 4.5 baths, 1st floor master ste., w/glamour bath, great room w/gas fireplace, finished lower level w/game room, sauna, gazebo, deck. (BGN08COU) 248-347-3050



**BRIGHTON** \$244,900  
CLASSIC DESIGN, Master ste on main, formal dining, great room with fireplace. Loads of large windows makes this open and airy. Outstanding for commuters. Ready to move in. (BGS1Y-74DUR) (248) 437-4500



**NOVI** \$334,900  
Sought after detached condo in Country Club Village. This 3 BR ranch has hardwood, leaded glass, jacuzzi, double sinks & front-entry brick courtyard. (OEN45COU) 248-347-3050



**NOVI** \$288,500  
This is a lot!! Totally updated! Newer carpet, new ceramic tile, new deck, updated landscaping, all new kitchen, newer roof, new windows, updated bath. Shows like brand new! (BGN36CLO) 248-347-3050



**WIXOM** \$274,900  
Simply the finest, Custom 3br, 2.5 bath, 1st floor master ste w/glamour bath, 2 story great room w/bridge, fireplace, loft area w/balcony, formal dining, almost 1 acre. (BGN55WHI) 248-347-3050



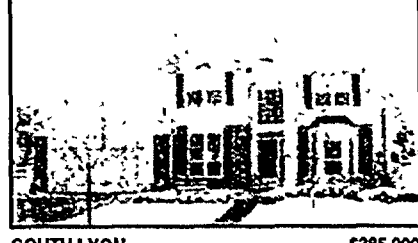
**NOVI** \$634,975  
EXCELS FOR ENTERTAINING! Still time to customize this new build! 4010 sq ft, 4br, 3.5 baths, 9 ft ceilings, 2-story family room, 2-staircases, 3 car garage. Gorgeous (BGN10CHE) 248-347-3050



**KEEBO HARBO** \$149,900  
Updated Ranch w/West Bloomfield Schools! W/Cass Lake privileges features new kitchen, baths, electrical, floors. Cozy finished basement & heated drive through garage. Fenced (BGN62PIN) 248-347-3050



**NORTHVILLE** \$324,900  
What a lot, Northville home situated on a 3/4 acre lot. Features immed occup, freshly painted int/ext, deck, newer ceramic tile in foyer & kit, fin bsmt, 1st flr, laundry, new carpet t/o. (BGN69CHI) 248-347-3050



**SOUTH LYON** \$385,000  
QUALITY-QUALITY-QUALITY. This is your dream house. Expert craftsmanship-extensive upgrades throughout. Gourmet kitchen, open floor plan. Covered brick patio, paved walkway to gazebo & hot tub. (BGS1Y87STA) 248-347-3050



**WIXOM** \$189,900  
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358 Lakeland/Westland  
361 Apartments for Sale  
362 Condos  
363 Mobile Homes  
364 Lots & Acreage/Vacant  
367 Real Estate Wanted  
368 Land

- Real Estate For Rent  
400 Apartments/  
Unfurnished  
401 Apartments/Furnished  
402 Condos/Townhouses  
405 Homes  
406 Lakeland/Westland  
Homes  
407 Mobile Homes  
423 Commercial/Industrial  
454 Misc. For Rent

**500-598**  
EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

- 570 Attorney/Legal  
Counseling  
574 Business Opportunities  
582 Business &  
Professional Services  
586 Childcare Services  
Unlicensed  
587 Childcare/Babysitting  
Services

**700-778**  
MERCHANDISE

- 538 Childcare Needed  
560 Education/Institution  
564 Elderly Care &  
Assistance  
530 Entertainment  
564 Financial Service  
530 Help Wanted  
582 Help Wanted/Clerical  
Office  
526 Help Wanted/Couples  
504 Help Wanted/Dental  
524 Help Wanted/Domestic  
510 Help Wanted/Health &  
Fitness  
536 Help Wanted/Medical  
528 Help Wanted/Movers/  
Light Hauling  
520 Help Wanted/Part-Time  
522 Help Wanted/  
Part-Time Sales  
511 Help Wanted/  
Professionals  
538 Help Wanted/  
Restaurant/Hotel/  
Lounge  
512 Help Wanted/Sales  
534 Jobs Wanted -  
Female/Male  
588 Resumes/Typing  
542 Nursing Care/Homes  
566 Secretarial Service  
576 Sewing Alterations  
532 Students  
550 Summer Camps  
572 Tax Services

**600-678**  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 645 Began  
628 Car Pools  
630 Cars of Trucks  
602 Happy Ads  
642 Health/Nutrition  
632 In Memoriam  
644 Insurance

**780-798**  
ANIMALS/PETS/LIVESTOCK

- 780 Animal Services  
782 Birds/Fish  
781 Breeder/Dressery  
783 Cats  
784 Dogs  
785 Farm Animals/  
Livestock  
787 Horse Boarding  
788 Horses & Equipment  
789 Household Pets/Other  
789 Lost and Found  
789 Pet Grooming/  
Boarding  
790 Pet Services  
791 Pet Supplies  
792 Pets Wanted

**800-899**  
AUTOMOTIVE/REG. VEHICLES

- 800 Airplanes  
802 Antique/Classic  
Collector Cars  
818 Auto Financing  
815 Auto Misc  
876 Autos Over \$2,000  
816 Auto Truck/Parts &  
Service  
878 Autos Under \$2,000  
817 Auto Rentals/Leasing  
819 Autos Wanted  
892 Boat Motors  
804 Boat On/Off Marinas  
803 Boat Parts/Equipment/  
Service  
805 Boat/Vehicle Storage  
812 Campers/Motor  
Homes/Trailers  
814 Construction/Heavy  
Equipment  
806 Insurance/Motor  
828 Jeeps & Wheel Drive  
820 Junk Cars Wanted  
824 Mini-Vans  
807 Motorcycles/Mini  
Bikes/Golf Carts  
808 Motorcycles/Pets &  
Service  
809 Off Road Vehicles  
810 Recreational Vehicles  
811 Snowmobiles  
830 Sports & Imported  
822 Trucks For Sale  
826 Vans

**300-498**  
REAL ESTATE

Homes

**810-227-3444**  
**3 Lots Left**

**Erwin Orchard**  
Packages Starting  
In the \$250's  
\$0 DOWN  
Financing Available

## BRIGHTON AREA

NEW CONSTRUCTION

- 1700 s.f. colonial
- Close to town
- Sewers
- Sidewalks

Priced from  
**\$179,000 to**  
**\$209,000**  
**810.225.8944**

GENOA TWP. - Builder own 4  
year old 1740 sq. ft. ranch  
w/ walk-out on 2 acres. 3 br., 2  
bath, open floor plan with cathe-  
dral ceiling, central air, fire  
place, skylights, whirlpool  
appliances, water softener, pro-  
fessional landscaped, large  
deck, 6 person hot tub, 2.5 car  
garage \$265,000. 1 mile off of  
Grand River on Kellogg Rd. Call  
(517) 545-5910 for appointment  
or info. No agents please

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## 303 Open Houses

BRIGHTON - OPEN Sun. 1-4  
Walk to schools. 4 br., 2 bath  
updated colonial. Beautifully  
landscaped w/ brick paver patio  
& built in gas grill. Brick & alumi-  
num maintenance free exterior.  
Twp. taxes. Brighton schools.  
Golf & skiing just around the  
corner. 4596 ML Brighton, off  
Brighton Rd. 1/4 mile E of Bauer.  
\$237,500. (810) 220-0834

BRIGHTON'S BEAUTIFUL &  
serene Huron's Pk. presents  
7635 Huron's Pk. a pillared  
vestibule welcomes you into an  
elegant 2 story foyer, 2800  
sq. ft., 3 br., 3.5 baths, formal  
dining room, library w/ French  
doors, built in computer center  
& bookshelves, both great room  
& living room look out private  
wooded back yard. Maple chef  
kitchen with heartwood, center  
island, door to brick patio,  
master suite adjoins huge mas-  
ter bath w/ large corner jacuzzi,  
walk-in closet, bonus room.  
Finished basement includes  
gourmet bath w/ 6 person corner  
sauna, also exercise room, rec.  
room, work room & walk-in  
closet. 3.5 car garage, arched  
drive, paver brick entrance,  
walkways & patio, profession-  
ally landscaped, also gorgeous  
perennial gardens throughout.  
Interior has custom window  
treatments/corner panels, re-  
cessed lighting, hardwood &  
tile flooring, many more ameni-  
ties. Priced low \$400's.  
Open Sundays 1-6. By owner.  
(810) 220-8289, no agents

## CHARMING NOVI colonial on

premium cul-de-sac lot backing  
partially to protected wood-  
lands! Features include 3 br.,  
1 1/2 baths, ceramic floor in foyer  
and kitchen, neutral decor, par-  
tially finished full basement,  
ingrained sprinkler system, two-  
bered cedar deck, central air,  
newly painted w/ never carpet  
and upgraded padding through-  
out. Newer washer, dryer, re-  
frigerator, hot water heater and  
sump pump. 1,364 sq. ft. For  
sale by owner at \$219,900.  
Open house Sun., 2/25 1-5PM  
45167 Yorkshire in Jamestown  
Greenwood. N. of 10 Mile, W. of  
Novi Rd.  
Evenings, (248) 348-0924.  
Days, (248) 202-7700

**COLDWELL BANKER**  
BRIGHTON, TOWN & COUNTRY

Howell - Saturday 2/24/01 2-5pm  
- 5361 Universe, S. of  
Triangle Lk. W. of D-19. Newer 3  
BR 2 story, stone accented ex-  
terior, Palladium windows, soaring  
ceilings. 1 acre in wonderful coun-  
try sub (L7487) \$229,900.  
Sunday 2/25/01 2-5pm  
Brighton - 642 Spring Trace N.  
of Hwy. E. of Hacker. Quiet  
neighborhood of fine homes &  
manicured lawns. Loaded  
w/ extras! Approx. 3450 sq. ft.  
plus 1100 sq. ft. finished walkout!  
(L7401) \$379,900.  
Milford - 3099 Beach Lake N. of  
Stobart, W. of Kensington. Drop-  
dead gorgeous home! Built by  
Renaissance Builders. New, elegant  
4 BR in The Oaks at Beach  
Lake. (L7504) \$619,900.  
(810) 227-1111

**COLDWELL BANKER**  
BRIGHTON, TOWN & COUNTRY

\$149,900 Brighton. Open. 3  
BR, ranch with large great room  
w/ corner gas fireplace and it's in  
desirable location, close to town,  
access to 2 lakes & backs to  
wooded area & state land.  
(L7471)  
\$174,900 Brighton. Country feel,  
city close! Perfect home for the  
growing family! 3 BR, 2 story,  
neutral decor, full basement, 2  
car attached garage, fenced yard.  
Access to 2 lakes! (L7477)  
\$129,900 Brighton. Large lot, large home!  
4 BR on tranquil Hope Lake.  
Great location, close to town.  
Large yard leads to lake. 3  
car att. garage. Park area within  
sub (L7473)  
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Immediate occupancy! Brand  
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3 BRs, hardwood floors, 1st floor  
car entry, formal dining/living. Full  
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garage. Paved driveway, grass in!  
(L7490)  
\$577,900. Don't accept sec-  
ond best when you can own this  
4 BR, 3 1/2 bath Renaissance  
build masterpiece. In The Oaks at  
Beach Lake. This exceptional res-  
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3 BEDROOM, 1 1/2 bath brick  
colonial in popular Fairway  
Trails Sub. Approx. 1600 sq. ft.,  
neutral decor throughout. Large  
kitchen with breakfast bar, fin-  
ished basement with new Ber-  
ber carpet. Large fenced yard  
with new 18 ft. above-ground  
pool & a paved basketball court.  
Priced at \$199,900. 1000 Apple  
Drive, By appointment only.  
(810) 227-7505

3 BR., Living room, kitchen, 1 1/2  
bath, full bsmt. Freshly painted.  
New windows, siding, carpet,  
furnace and air. 2 1/4 car garage.  
On half acre lot. \$174,900.  
(810) 229-9629

BRIGHTON CITY. Better than  
new 4 br., 2.5 bath, 2 story built  
in 1999. Large country kitchen.  
Great room w/ fireplace and 9th  
ceilings. Library w/ hardwood  
floor and french doors. Profes-  
sional landscaping. \$251,900.  
(810) 225-8396

BRIGHTON SCHOOLS, 1990,  
4 br., finished walkout, new  
kitchen, hardwood floors, granite  
pool, \$299,500. (810) 227-8152

BY OWNER - Close to down-  
town, 2.5 bath, new kitchen &  
bath, hardwood floors, fenced,  
1 1/2 car garage. \$135,000.  
(810) 225-4826

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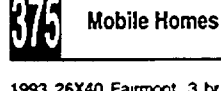
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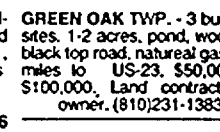
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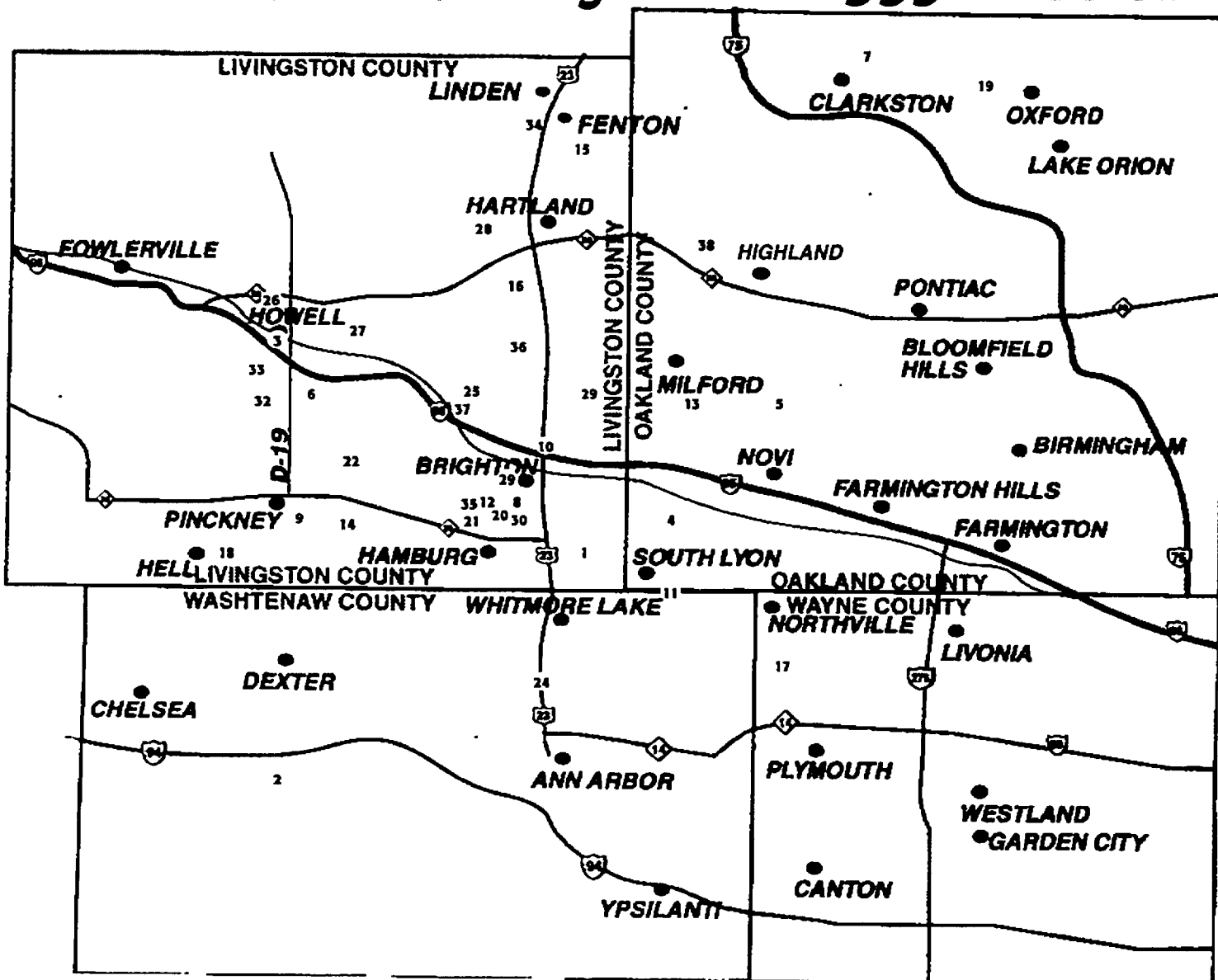
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**VERY DESIRABLE RANCH CONDO** with extremely functional floor plan. Open living with vaulted ceilings, all kitchen appliances & lighting fixtures included. Air conditioning, guest room, other models available.  
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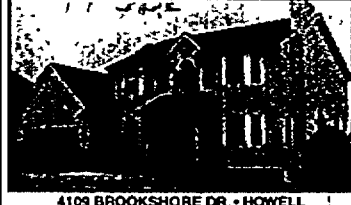
**6001 KEVIN VALLEY CT. • BRIGHTON**  
 2-5 PM  
**IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY** - Newer brick & vinyl colonial - offers 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths - master has whirlpool wood floors thru foyer & dining - gas FP in great room - deck - full brmt, CA, sec. & sprinklers. Brighton Lake Rd. W. of town to Kevin Drive - left.  
 Price: \$274,900 Code# 20081070  
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**12025 BRANDYWINE DR. • BRIGHTON**  
 2-5 PM  
**IMMACULATE 4 BEDROOM**, 2.5 bath, brick & vinyl colonial in desirable Brandywine Farms - 1 acre breed adjacent nature preserve - new roof - oak & carpet in kitchen, carpet & bath linens, FP in lan. rm. - spa tub on deck - Pleasant Valley N. of 96 1/2 mile - great location.  
 Price: \$294,900 Code# 21009373  
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**3311 MERROW LANE • HOWELL**  
 2-5 PM  
**PREMIUM LAKEFRONT** - Custom 1.5 story - fine brick detailing - FP's in master & LR - wood flrs. thru foyer, library & DR multi-season room, 3 car gar, CA, sec. dock, gazebo, Grand River to Don S. to Crooked Lake W. 1/2 mile.  
 Price: \$799,000 Code# 21001866  
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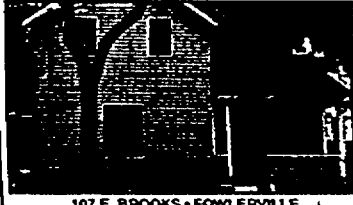
**4109 BROOKSHORE DR. • HOWELL**  
 2-5 PM  
**BUILDER'S CHALLENGE** - New brick & vinyl - 4 bedroom - 2 full & 2 half baths, master has whirlpool - wood floors thru foyer & kitchen island kitchen - FP's in great room & ln. walkout, Deck overlooks pond - CA, sec. & sprinklers, mobile fence.  
 Price: \$294,900 Code# BROOKSTONE  
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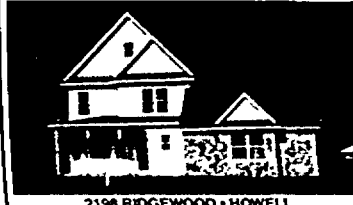
**7683 LANGE RD. • FOWLERVILLE**  
 2-5 PM  
**SPACIOUS OPEN FLOOR PLAN** in this impressive 3 bedroom 2.5 bath home! Full basement: 3 car garage, sits on 3.6 acres, Mason Rd. to South on Bull Run to East on Lange Rd. to South on Private Drive  
 Price: \$204,900 Code# 20058197  
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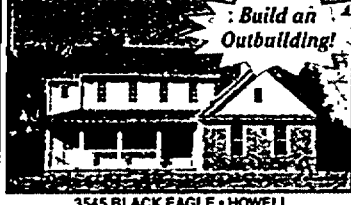
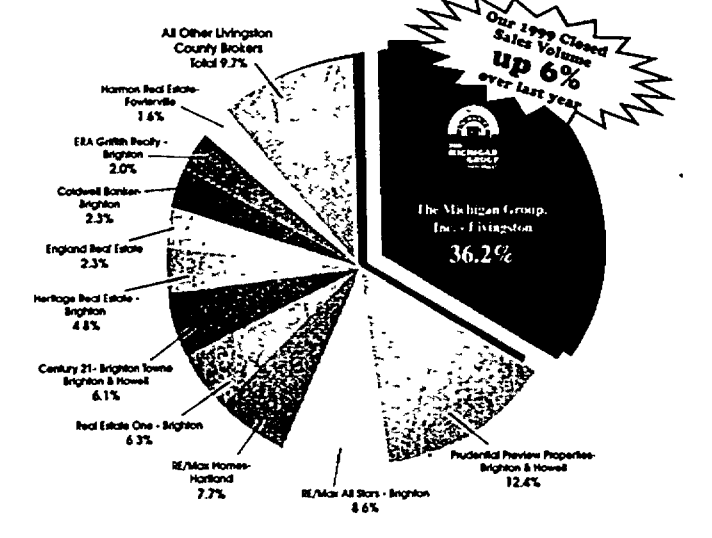
**1975 SUNDANCE RIDGE • HOWELL**  
 2-5 PM  
**QUALITY BUILT 4 BEDROOM**, 2.5 bath colonial, full basement, central air, fireplace, D-19 to west on Coon Lake Rd. to South on Sundance Meadows to Sundance Ridge  
 Price: \$239,900 Code# 20079471  
 Hostess: Diane Heing - Ext. 218



**107 E. BROOKS • FOWLERVILLE**  
 2-5 PM  
**LIKE A NEW HOUSE** and less expensive! One World charm completely rebuilt from the studs. Features: 1228 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, formal dining room, new kitchen, neutral decor, possible future 1/2 upstairs (plumbing in place), brmt. & a 2 car detached garage. Directions: N. of Grand River & E. of Michigan Ave.  
 Price: \$134,900 Code# 20071691  
 Hostess: Connie Pikkarainen - Ext. 342



**2196 RIDGEWOOD • HOWELL**  
 2-5 PM  
**COME AND VISIT! COUNTRY ESTATES** Take County Farm to Sexton or D-19 to Coon Lake, go west to County Farm then north to home. Looking for a "custom" home in a "spec" market? This is it. BEAUTIFUL!  
 Price: \$297,500 Code# 20073754  
 Host: Bob Waltz - Ext. 688



**3545 BLACK EAGLE • HOWELL**  
 1-4:30 PM  
**THIS FABULOUS 4 BDRM HOME** features 2nd fl. laundry, large master suite w/alcove, 1 acre of property, paved roads, natural gas, room for pole barn. Maple flooring in kitchen & nook, also in formal dining. Lots of Extras! Ready Today! Bring Offers.  
 Price: \$309,900 Code# 20053819  
 Hostess: Dina Sabuda - Ext. 251



**9538 BIRCH RUN • BRIGHTON**  
 2-5 PM  
**PASSES THE WHITE GLOVE TEST.** The best of Ravenswood. Take Old US-23 north of Hilton or south of Hyne Rd. to Birch Run. 4 bedrooms with 1st floor master!  
 Price: \$437,000 Code# 20081720  
 Host: Carl Vagnetti - Ext. 253



**2859 BLACK EAGLE VALLEY DR. • HOWELL**  
 1-4:30 PM  
**ALMOST 2,400 SQ. FT. OF LIVING** in this 4 bdrm home w/great rm. & transoms. Full walk-out basement. This 1 acre lot is completely secluded from paved rd. and neighbors. Features hardwood floors, deluxe kitchen island, jacuzzi suite w/whirlpool, wood brick exterior. Immed. Occupancy.  
 Price: \$309,900 Code# 20053806  
 Hostess: Dina Sabuda - Ext. 251



**11301 FAUSSETT ROAD • FENTON**  
 12-4 PM  
**"MOTIVATED SELLERS"** - Will look at all offers, "im. occupancy" - 3 bdrm, 2.5 BA, brick & cedar w/out ranch home situated on a pretty, gently rolling & partly wooded 4.80 ac parcel. Offering amenities such as: new "poured" concrete, custom carved oak mantels, oak trim, oak home bar, pool & tennis court. Hardwood floors.  
 Price: \$248,000 Code# 20069293  
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**774 FRANCIS RD. • HOWELL**  
 2-5 PM  
**TAKE EXIT D-19 SOUTH TO FRANCIS, EAST TO HOME.** Secluded country setting on 61 wooded acres, close to town. 3.6 construction, 4 bdrm, 2 owner's & marble BA, oak cabinets, lung & groove ceilings in LR & ln. fully room walkout, plush carpeting. AC home warranty most appliances incl.  
 Price: \$229,900 Code# 21007077  
 Hostess: Maureen Henning - Ext. 260



**3007 WEST ST. • HIGHLAND**  
 1-4:30 PM  
**NEW CONSTRUCTION - MUST SEE.** Take 196 to Midco exit, then N. toward Midco to G.M. Rd. then left (or west) to Hickory Ridge Rd. N. or right to Honeywell Rd. Right on Honeywell to West St. Can also come off M-59 (Highland Rd.) S. to Honeywell on Hickory Ridge Rd. turn left (east bound) to West St. then N.  
 Price: \$189,850 Code# 20069272  
 Host: Ron Laroche - Ext. 257



**2797 SCOTTWOOD PLACE • BRIGHTON**  
 1-4 PM  
**4 BEDROOM COLONIAL WITH FIREPLACE.** Many updates and move-in condition. Grand River west of Hacker Rd. turn left immediately on Colingwood. Follow signs to 2797 Scottwood Place.  
 Price: \$199,900 Code# 20080266  
 Hostess/Host: Barb & Rick Gray - Ext. 644-646



**1250 PIN OAK BLUFF • HOWELL**  
 2-5 PM  
**BEAUTIFUL CONTEMPORARY W/FULL FINISHED** walk-out basement features 3 BR & 3.5 baths. Gas FP in great rm., 2 car set, gas, 1 yr home warranty. Take Grand River, N. on Pin Oak Bluff (E. of M-59/Grand River Intersection). Listing agent: Lamy Buckmaster ext. 271  
 Price: \$209,900 Code# 20085073  
 Hostess: Rose Hart - Ext. 637



**3700 BLACK EAGLE DR. • HOWELL**  
 2-5 PM  
**BEAUTIFUL, BRAND NEW CONSTRUCTION.** Ready to move in! Home features 4 bedroom, 2.5 baths, 2 way fireplace & 3 car garage on one acre in new sub. Take D19 to Coon Lake Road, west to County Farm Road, north to sub (on right).  
 Price: \$293,000 Code# 20055964  
 Host: Larry Buckmaster - Ext. 271



**3305 FOX BLVD. • COMMERCIAL**  
 1-4 PM  
**BRING YOUR BOAT TO THIS FANTASTIC HOME** w/3 BRs, 1 1/2 bath on double fenced lot in Commerce Twp. With swimming & boating privileges on beautiful all sports lake. Status lake just steps away. Take Commerce Road west of Union Lake to Fox Blvd. Immediate occupancy. Bring all offers.  
 Price: \$168,900 Code# 20063257  
 Hostess: Bonnie Lane - Ext. 207



**2772 TURNBERRY • HOWELL**  
 1-4 PM  
**M-59 TURN SOUTH ON OAK CREST** turn left on Turnberry. Gorgeous 2000 sq. ft. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, new construction in Howell. First floor laundry. 9 ft. ceilings on main level, see through fireplace, hardwood floor, 22x24 garage with 8 ft. high garage door.  
 Price: \$232,900 Code# 20064197  
 Hostess: Elaine Hawkins - Ext. 250



**7961 FAIR OAKS DR. • HAMBURG TWP.**  
 1-4 PM  
**WEST ON 8 MILE FROM US-23**, north on Hall Road to Fair Oaks turn right. Rare find! Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath ranch on a secluded 1.77 acre park like setting. Formal dining room, first floor laundry, 3 season room, large garage with work shop.  
 Price: \$249,999 Code# 20060638  
 Hostess: Karen Wing - Ext. 630



**1999 BRICK & VINYL COLONIAL** featuring: 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths (bathrooms with entry level) new wood floor, kitchen & 1st fl. laundry formal dining rm., great rm. w/ fireplace, library, cent. air, ceiling fans, sec. alarm sys., gas forced air ht., full brmt w/daylight windows, new sod, sprinkler, one year warranty.  
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 Hostess: Sandy Smith - Ext. 285



**2300 SF, 5 bedrooms**, 2 1/2 bath, dutch colonial, w/basement and 2 car garage, full wall brick FP, all situated on 9.10 acre lot in country sub close to town and shopping.  
 Price: \$219,900 Code# 00955390  
 Host: Randy Meek - Ext. 220



**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
**SHAPE HOMES!** Just move in & enjoy! Over 1200 sq. ft. of living space w/2 BRs & 1 bath. Lots of updates w/in last 18 months. Extra deep lot with room for a garage. Lake access to all sports lakes. All appliances stay!  
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 Host/Hostess: Tim Kraft/Lynne Terpstra - Ext. 213-224



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**"NEW LISTING"** 123 sq. ft. on all sports chain of lakes 3 car garage over 1800 sq. ft. and 2 full baths. Close to Ann Arbor.  
 Price: \$224,900 Code# 21006804  
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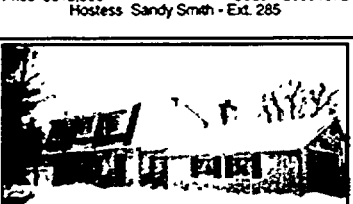
**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
**JUST LISTED.** Special Cape Cod on almost 6 acres. Very private setting. Full finished walkout, new carpet in walkout, new kitchen floor, Fabulous inground pool - pool house, outbuilding. Great Buy!  
 Price: \$294,000 Code# 21003979  
 Host: Carl Vagnetti Ext. 253



**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
**EXCELLENT FAMILY HOME** in prime Brighton location. Move-in condition, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 1st floor laundry, gas fireplace, door to deck in family room, rec. room in lower level, central air, breed site, good occupancy.  
 Price: \$234,900 Code# 21000340  
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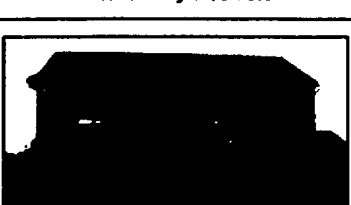
**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
**EXCELLENT LOCATION!** Big 4 bedroom home on almost an acre ready for your growing family.  
 Price: \$170,000 Code# 21003714  
 Hostess: Patty Collins, Ext. 300



**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
**SPACIOUS** 5200 SF, 5 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, dutch colonial, w/basement and 2 car garage, full wall brick FP, all situated on 9.10 acre lot in country sub close to town and shopping.  
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**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
**STATELY COLONIAL** on quiet corner lot in quiet picturesque Milford. 2000 sq. ft., 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath, basement, hardwood floors throughout. 1998 updates include new kitchen, main bath w/whirlpool tub, new windows, large tiled breakfast room, wonderful 2nd level family room, truly a house to "come home" to!  
 Price: \$234,900 Code# 20084241  
 Host/Hostess: Tim Kraft/Lynne Terpstra - Ext. 213-224



**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
**BRAND NEW!** Many upgrades include underground sprinklers & landscaping, central air, etc. nice corner lot w/master suite, city water & sewer, sidewalks. Can't be duplicated at this price, ready to move in & enjoy. Finished lower level w/walkout. Similar home available around corner w/walkout same price.  
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**SMILE, YOU FOUND IT...** Well maintained colonial located walking distance to schools and town of Northville. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Great family neighborhood. Private fenced backyard that is nicely landscaped. \$235,000 (92ELY) 248-349-5600



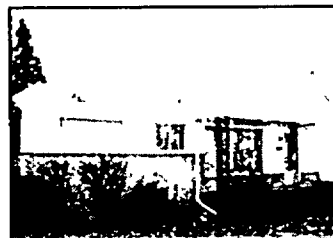
**VINTAGE COLONIAL!** Worth seeing! Well kept home in Boston-Edison features. Newer: furnace, block windows, natural woodwork. Huge finished 3rd level-used as master bedroom with walk-in closet. Beautiful oak front door. \$149,900 (10ATK) 734-455-5600



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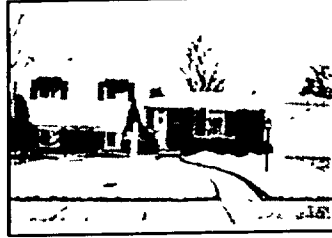
**LOCATION! LOCATION!** 2 blocks from Downtown Plymouth! Rare private treed deep lot! Spacious LR & DR w/bay window. Remodeled kitchen w/newer cabinets, master BR w/WIC. Updated 1/2 BA. FR opens to brick patio. Perennials & garden house! \$259,000 (22SHE) 734-455-5600



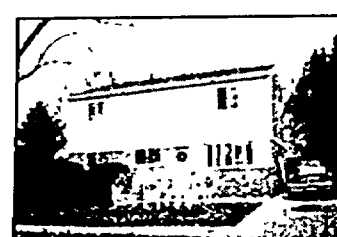
**WANT A FIXER-UPPER?** This could be your big break. 3 bedroom brick ranch with full basement and a 2 car garage. Newer furnace and C/A. Immediate occupancy. Better hurry folks, this one's going fast! \$119,500 (77BR) 248-349-5600



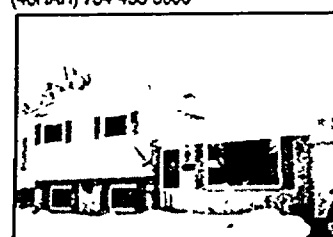
**BROOKLAND FARMS RANCH.** 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, living room w/fireplace, family room w/bow window, dining room, 1st floor laundry, large kitchen. Beautiful setting on large lot. 2 car side entry garage. Northville schools. \$229,000 (64CHE) 248-349-5600



**HONEY-STOP THE CAR!!** This is it! Gorgeous 3 bedroom brick home in prime sub on a super lot. Totally updated thru-out: windows, flooring, kitchen & baths, exterior, too. Florida room, security system & sprinklers. \$214,999 (53FAI) 248-349-5600



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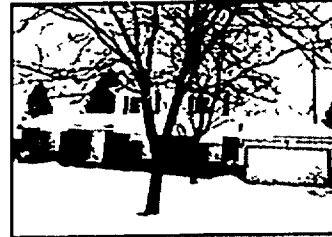
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**TOTALLY UPDATED 3 BR** bungalow in "Copper Canyon", immediate occupancy. Updates: C/A, vinyl siding, roof, windows, kitchen, furnace, glass block windows. Neutral colors thru-out. \$89,900 (68LAM) 734-455-5600



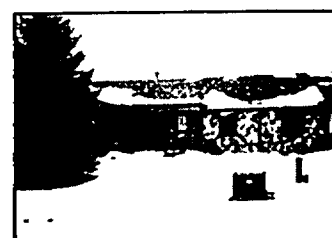
**OPEN FLOOR PLAN!** California natural fieldstone FP w/raised hearth in FR. 4 BR, 2 BA ranch w/newer vinyl windows & ceramic tile. Doorwall to deck, lower finished basement w/walkout. Merlot cabinets, bay window, storage galore. HPP. \$209,999 (51SOM) 734-455-5600



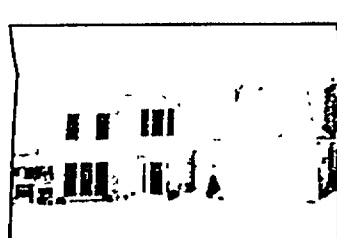
**CHARMING CAPE COD.** This home is very nice! Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car garage. Some newer windows, newer furnace, hot water tank, updated baths, some newer concrete, roof & lots more. This home is worth a look at \$112,900 (31MID) 248-349-5600



**SUPER RANCH IN HOWELL.** 3 BR, 2 BA home w/finished basement w/possible 4th bedroom, full bath also wet bar. Built on 1.5 lots w/big fenced yard. Full lake privileges on all sport lake. \$159,900 (03SOU) 248-349-5600



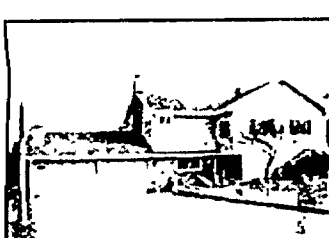
**PHASE II walkout ranch.** Clean with neutral decor. All appliances stay. Extra closet storage in family room. Lower level partially finished, just waiting for your choice of use. Central air, single car garage. Clubhouse with many activities. 55+ community. \$145,000 (32LEX) 248-349-5600



**BEAUTIFUL CANTON COLONIAL!** Homes & Gardens 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath located on quiet street in Glengary Sub. Spacious family room with fireplace, bay window in formal dining room, drywall from kitchen to custom low maintenance deck. 1st floor laundry, master suite, full basement. \$294,900 (69BEN) 734-455-5600



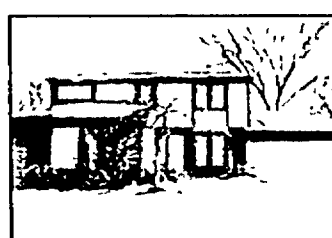
**PERFECT CANTON FAMILY HOME!** 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA w/many updates thru-out: Pella windows, 6 panel doors, flooring natural FP in FR, roof, open floor plan. Newer: landscaping, HWH & garage door. 2 car garage. \$219,900 (12NEW) 734-455-5600



**OUTSTANDING 4 BR!** Cape Cod, open floor plan, wonderful neighborhood, Livonia schools. 1st floor master suite w/garden tub, enormous kitchen & cabinets, 1st floor laundry, loft overlooking FR, showpiece fireplace, privacy fence, sprinklers. \$264,900 (48TIM) 734-455-5600



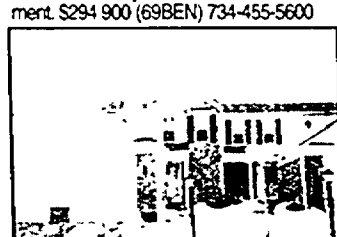
**BEAUTIFULLY REMODELED.** This home has newer vinyl windows, roof, furnace, garage built in 96, w/loft storage. Oak kitchen with ceramic floor, updated baths, new driveway, 2 decks and pool. \$109,900 (29EHA) 248-349-5600



**SUPER NOVI COLONIAL.** Well-cared for 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA home in Turtle Creek. Richly appointed with many updates which include: A/C, roof, furnace, HWH, sump pump, interior & exterior paint, carpet & kitchen floor. Master suite w/large WIC. Great floor plan. \$324,000 (62EHA) 248-349-5600



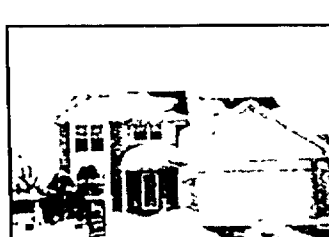
**BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY SETTING.** Desirable home w/lots of trees on double lots. Newer white kitchen cabinets, newer doors including garage door. Cozy all season breezeway. Huge deck. \$158,900 (15NOR) 248-349-5600



**PRESTIGIOUS CANTON LOCATION!** 2 story townhouse w/private entrance. Ceramic foyer, sunlit oak kitchen. DR w/bay doorwall to deck. Spindled staircase. Spacious master BR. WIC. Ceramic baths. Clean & bright! \$147,500 (67CHR) 734-455-5600



**SPECTACULAR 2 BEDROOM, 1 1/2 BATH RANCH CONDO!** New 2001 light oak kitchen w/double ceramic sink, appliances, doorwall to private deck, newer windows throughout, updated main bath, master bedroom w/walk-in closet. Family rec room w/dry bar. \$134,950 (36NEW) 734-455-5600



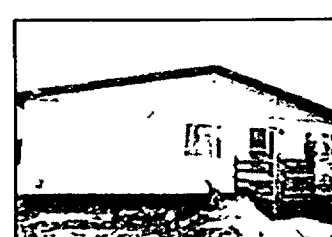
**BEAUTIFUL UPDATED HICKORY KITCHEN!** 3 BR ranch home w/family room fireplace. Updated baths, newer doors, heated garage. Custom garden workshop. Private backyard. Home warranty. Half bath in finished basement. \$164,900 (50TON) 734-455-5600



**RANCH CONDO.** Fresh paint, carpet and more in end unit with attached garage and Florida room. Enjoy clubhouse and beach on Crooked Lake. Adult Community. \$114,500 (44ARL) 248-349-5600



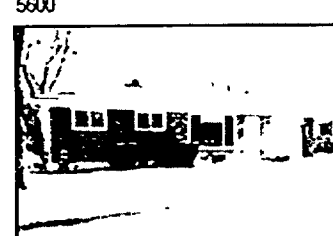
**ADULT CONDO ON Crooked Lake.** Ranch style with garage and 2 full baths. Clean and neutral, ready to move into and enjoy the easy life. \$127,500 (52CAM) 248-349-5600



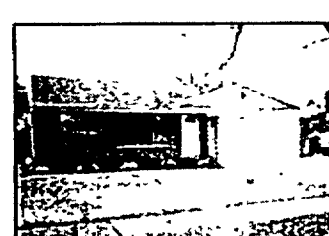
**LIVONIA offers this 4 BR, 1 1/2 BA** ranch w/large lot, oversized garage, newer furnace, freshly painted. Newer furnace '98. Mechanic's dream garage. \$144,900 (10ORG) 248-349-5600



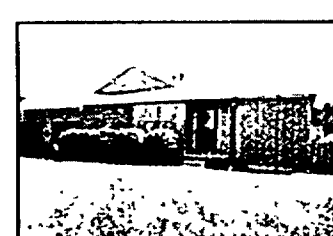
**HEY! CHECK IT OUT!** Many updates on this Plymouth ranch! 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Totally redone full bath with custom cabinets and counter. 2 story pole barn - 7 ceilings upstairs. 2 car attached garage. Huge family room, fireplace in living room. \$249,900 (48CLC) 734-455-5600



**PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP SHINES!** Clean & bright 3 BR ranch. Freshly finished basement w/full bath. New doorwall to deck. Fenced yard. Updated, copper plumbing, electrical, windows, roof. Neutral decor. Attached garage. \$179,900 (49PRO) 734-455-5600



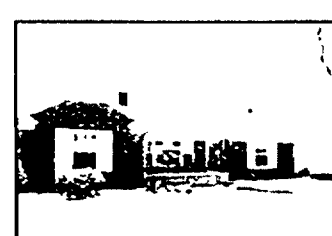
**BREATHTAKING INTERIOR & LAYOUT!** 4 BR, 4 BA colonial w/South Lyon schools, sitting on 2 acres. Too many amenities to mention! Master suite w/2 WIC & Jacuzzi, professionally finished walk-out. Cedar deck, 3 car side entrance. \$595,000 (68TUS) 734-455-5600



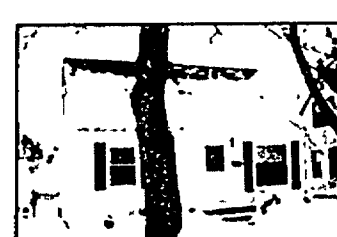
**1994 CUSTOM BUILT CONTEMPORARY** on a dead end street with no thru traffic, cathedral ceilings, C/A, hardwood floors, white bay kitchen, formal dining room & LL prepped for even more bedrooms. \$189,900 (21JAC) 248-349-5600



**BEAUTIFUL WOLVERINE LAKE** is the perfect setting for this stunning 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home w/partially finished basement and 2 car attached garage. Many updates including baths and kitchen. Newer Berber carpet, furnace & hardwood flooring. \$229,900 (60DEL) 248-349-5600



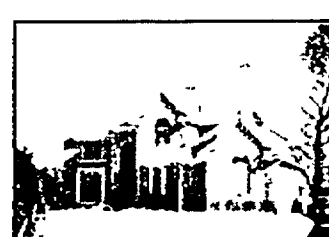
**CUSTOM RANCH-stop looking.** Warm & cozy w/fieldstone fireplace, 3 bedrooms & den/dining room. 1.5 baths, 2 car heated attached garage-a guy will love! Plenty of updates & newer kitchen. Prime NW Livonia neighborhood. Walk to everything. \$204,900 (81SHA) 248-349-5600



**CLEAN AND TOTALLY UPDATED!** Cape Cod. Berber carpet & beautiful hardwood floors. Custom wood trim moldings, newer: furnace, C/A, windows, copper plumbing, circuit breakers, freshly painted and updated BA. Price includes hot tub. Home Warranty. \$113,000 (81FEN) 734-455-5600



**COUNTRY LOT IN CENTRAL LIVONIA!** Over 1/2 acre, 3 BR, 2 BA, circular drive ranch home. Clean & bright, open floor plan. Beautiful FP in center of home. Newer electric, C/A, roof, hardwood floors in living room, dining room & hall. \$188,500 (40SCH) 734-455-5600



**FORGET ABOUT RENTING!** Easily affordable. Good schools, taxes & easy to maintain, yet lots of room. 4 bedrooms & 2 full baths. Basement & 2 car garage w/loft. Nice neighborhood, close to activity center. \$134,999 (42ELL) 248-349-5600



**PERSONAL STATEMENT -** Amenities abound in this newer 4 BR colonial. Soaring ceilings, 2 staircases, granite counters, plantation shutters, brook patio/wrought iron accents, cul-de-sac location. Professional landscaping & Northville schools. \$621,000 (97AUT) 248-349-5600



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# Preserving memories of loved ones

O'Brien Funeral Home in Novi has spent a quarter-century caring and counseling bereaving families

By RANDAL YAKY  
Staff Writer

With street cars clickety clacking along the old rail lines of the Del Ray district in southwestern Detroit, the O'Brien story begins.

It's a journey across time and place that leads to Grand River Avenue in Novi and the place where for the past 25 years John J. O'Brien has been making sure memories of those who have died are secure in the minds of friends and relatives.

The O'Brien Sullivan Funeral Home at 41555 Grand River has established the business of caring and counseling families in this area for the past quarter century.

O'Brien agreed it does take a certain kind of personality to become a funeral director because of the grief the clientele may be suffering.

"It's the worst time in a person's life," O'Brien said. "You have to be caring, compassionate and you have to take the problems out of their hands. Funerals are for the living. It's an old cliché but it's true. The funeral is a celebration of a life lived and you see more and more of that. People bring in picture books, golf clubs; things that celebrate what that person represented."

There was a time when the family members were still laid out in the 'parlors' of the home and the funeral director came out to the house and took care of the family's needs. It was the turn of the century and that's when O'Brien's predecessors, the Sullivan family, opened the business he runs today.

"We're no different than doctors or lawyers," O'Brien, 70, said. "People will say 'yeah, he's my undertaker.'"

O'Brien, who joined the Ted C. Sullivan funeral home in the 1950s, said he started looking into the business while he was at St. Mary's of Redford. In the school newspaper there was a story on a man named John Maus who

## FOR MORE INFO

The O'Brien Sullivan Funeral Home staff is available seven days a week, 24-hours a day to better serve their community's needs. For more information, please call at (248) 348-1800.

seemed to resemble O'Brien.

"He had horn-rimmed glasses," O'Brien said, "and I had horn-rimmed glasses. All the kids said, 'Hey, you look like John Maus.' Well, one day I went over to talk to him and he told me how to get into mortuary school and find a job."

"We started in the Del Ray neighborhood and then moved to the Montgomery and Vicksburg area of Grand River in Detroit," O'Brien continued. "Back then, you didn't have funeral homes, we would go to the house. The body never left the house until the day of the funeral. They still had home funerals in the fifties but after that they started building these little two-three bedroom homes."

By 1981, the O'Brien name was joined with Sullivan at the current Grand River location.

He said he remembers the stories told to him about horse-drawn funerals and street cars that would carry mourners to the cemetery.

"There used to be funeral street cars," O'Brien said. "The street car would pull up in front of your home and the pall bearers would carry the casket out and you would go out to the cemetery at the end of the line."

The current facility was opened in the 1976, three-quarters of a century after the business was established.

O'Brien's son, John P. O'Brien, has learned the business from his father. John J. said it is important that the deceased's children understand the wishes of the family member that has passed away.



Photo by JOHN HEIDERC

Comparing some notes in their O'Brien funeral home brochures are John J. O'Brien left, son John P. far right and Bridget and Mike O'Brien Watt.

John P. added O'Brien Sullivan Funeral Home offers funeral planning, which may help make the difficult decision of making funeral arrangements a less stressful situation for family members who are in the grieving process.

"You need to tell your kids," John J. said. "It is very important to tell them what your choices are."

We can handle all that for the family. Planning a funeral for the future is important. And it makes it easier on the kids if they know what the (parent) wanted."

Randal Yaky is a staff writer for the Novi News. His e-mail address is ryaky@nu.hometown.net.

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Fee tutorials offered

Welduction Corporation in Novi is offering customers free induction tutorials at their facility. Subjects covered by Welduction include basics of induction, gear hardening, quench systems, and new camshaft and crankshaft induction technology. For more information, call Ellen Kominars at 1-800-798-3042 or e-mail at weldn@welduction.com.

### PACE names Hayes Lemmerz finalist

Hayes Lemmerz International, Inc. has been named a finalist for the prestigious 2001 Premier Automotive Suppliers' Contributions to Excellence (PACE) Awards for its innovation of the Full Face Cast (FFC) Aluminum Wheel.

FFC is a patented process used in combining a spun aluminum rim with a cast aluminum center disc. The innovation provides an improved wheel assembly that offers high styling flexibility afforded by casting with the higher strength to weight ratio of the rim afforded by metal forming processes.

Winners of the 2001 PACE Awards will be announced at an awards ceremony at the Detroit Opera House on March 5.

### Business start-up workshop scheduled

Word Processing, Etc. (WPE) is offering a "one-stop" two hour evening basic business start-up workshop at Novi Continuing Education on Monday, March 5 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. For more information call (248) 449-1206 or visit WPE's Web site at www.wsf.com/ideas2paper.

### Value Stores closing in Howell

Value Sales in Howell is going out of business.

The furniture store will close permanently in the next three to four weeks.

"We're not real sure when we'll close. It just depends on how it continues to go," said Jeff Dittmer, owner.

He said the store will finish out its time with a "fabulous" sale on all furniture.

The store is closing because the original manager died in December 1999 and Dittmer has to make the trek from J and J Appliance and Furniture, his other store in Lansing, to oversee the store.

"With losing Roger (the original manager) it just made it a little tougher to do," he said.

Value Sales originally opened in the Whistle Stop plaza. "We've been in the area for over seven years and love the area," Dittmer said.

From there the store moved to its present location in Barnard Station, 225 North Barnard Street.

## Father knows best: Conserving energy is smart

By Tim Kissman  
SBAM Director of Publications

Dad knows best when it comes to saving energy.

My dad could teach small business owners a thing or two about saving money on energy bills in the winter. He was the king of stretching pennies.

The most obvious example I can think of is the balmy 64 degrees he kept the house at during the winter. My teeth chatter just thinking about how cold we were some nights. I tried to turn up the thermostat a notch, but he wouldn't have anything to do with it.

"But, dad," my brothers and I would say, "our lips are turning purple."

His response: "Put on another sweater."

Hot showers were limited to a minute, too. That's if we were lucky. Heaven forbid if it went on beyond that time. In mid-lather a giant hand would swoop in from above the shower curtain and turn our water off.

"But, dad," my brothers and I would say, "the soap is stinging our eyes."

His response: "Wipe it off with your sweater."

The charcoal grill was another fine way of

keeping energy costs down. Why use the stove when the grill is outside? It adds up over time. Come rain, sleet, snow or freezing cold weather, we'd grill. Sometimes we had to shovel through snow just to find the grill, other times we threw my youngest brother onto the deck and forced him to tunnel through the drifts to where we thought it would be.

"But, dad," my brothers and I would say, "just use the stove, please. We just want pancakes for breakfast."

His response: "Keep it up and you'll be eating your sweater."

With rising oil and natural gas prices and California's power showing us what could happen in the future, small business owners are looking for ways they can pinch the penny on energy bills. Those that use large amounts of energy for their business are already feeling the crunch that everyone is sure to experience at some time.

Be nice to your employees and try conservation methods my dad doesn't know:

- Use energy efficient products. SBAM's Energy Star Web provides small business owners with resources an information about using energy efficient products and prac-

tices. The site is located at [www.sbam.org/energystar.html](http://www.sbam.org/energystar.html) and is a valuable resource to anyone who is looking for energy efficient products. It even provides examples of places to buy the products.

- Turn the lights off. Dad was right on a few points, especially when it came to making sure lights and other equipment were turned off when not in use.

- Close doors and registers in unused rooms. I like to think most businesses would keep thermostats a bit higher than 67 degrees, but depending on your business, that may not be a bad idea.

- Renovate. If your office or home is costing you a fortune to heat, either look to move to a more energy efficient one or renovate. I've seen offices located in older houses that are desperate for insulation and modern updates. The money you spend fixing up your house to make it efficient could save you a lot in the long run. If it doesn't, then it might be time to move.

Otherwise, you may have to move to a dress code, and tell your employees to wear plenty of sweaters.

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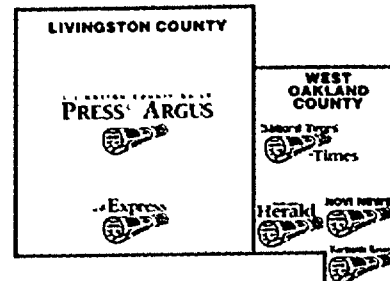
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Great Oaks Landscape is looking for an exp. landscape equipment operator with a CDL Class A. The right person will have several years experience as a loader, dozer, or front end loader operator.  
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**SHINGLERS WANTED.** Must have truck & tools. Please call (810)231-3600

**SHIPPING & RECEIVING CLERK**  
Established company is looking for a motivated individual to work in the shipping and receiving department in 2nd shift. Responsibilities include verifying receipts, logging receipts, issuing return authorizations, and logging and reconciling orders. Minimum High School graduate, 2-3 year shipping and receiving experience. Computer experience a must. Working knowledge of Excel and Word. Excellent Pay, Benefits, 401K, Profit Sharing, and More. Please send resume to: ATTN: Receiving Clerk, P.O. Box 700713, Plymouth, MI 48170. Or fax to (734)416-3810 Email hr\_abs@hotmail.com EOE

**SIDING INSTALLERS & HELPERS** needed. Locally based construction co. Wages based on exp. (517)404-3810

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**SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVERS.** 10:00 hour. We provide training. Apply to Personnel Office, 4111 N Highland Way, Howell.

**TEACHER ASSISTANT** needed part or full-time for accredited church child care center. (517)546-1310

**TELEPHONE INTERVIEWER**  
to work in Farmington Hills law office. Excellent phone skills. (248)965-0850

**TRAVEL AGENTS**  
Full part-time or outside sales. Experience preferred. 800-874-6470 Carlson Wagonlit Travel

## TELLERS

Novi Community Credit Union has immediate openings for part-time tellers. Light typing, good math aptitude and member service skills required. Great opportunity for working Moms. Flexible scheduling. Competitive wages.  
Applicants may call (248)348-8500, ext 301 to schedule application and interview process.

**TITLE INSURANCE.** Full time entry level position for Typist Searcher Examiner. Excellent typing and computer skills required. Benefits and 401K. Send Resume to: TitleAmerica, 8137 W. Grand River, Brighton, MI, 48116 or fax (810)229-6360 or Tamerica@landam.com

**TITLE INSURANCE.** Full time closer/processor position for Livonia office. Great benefits and 401K. Send Resume to: TitleAmerica, 8137 W. Grand River, Brighton, MI, 48116 or fax (810)229-6360 or Tamerica@landam.com

**TOOLMAKER**  
RAPIDLY growing gage mfg. co. located in Brighton needs highly skilled Toolmakers fully experienced on Lathe & Bridgeport for close tolerance detail work. Also seeking Millhand with Protolac exp. for semi-production parts. Grinding exp. a plus. Clean A/C shop. Top pay for right person. BCBS, dental, company matching 401K, vacation & holiday pay. Call Sam-4pm: (810)229-6822

**TREE CARE** - Full-time spray applicators & tree trimmers. No experience necessary. Paid medical & retirement. Also seasonal positions available. Good driving record needed for all positions. Mistry Ridge Tree Service Inc. (248) 486-6115

**TRUCK DRIVER/ MAINTENANCE**  
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**TRUCK DRIVERS.** CML of Pinckney has immediate opening for Class A licensed drivers. 5 day work week. No overnights, Sundays or major holidays. Position includes a full range of benefits. Premium rate achievable in 2 yrs. Call (734)878-1885 for additional information. Ask for Manager.

**UNDERWRITING ASSISTANT**  
Argonaut Insurance Company  
A leading provider's compensation carrier (A 10 Best rating), has an immediate opening for an enthusiastic team player to provide administrative & underwriting support in our Southfield office, the successful candidate will demonstrate excellent organizational & math skills, a proven ability to manage multiple tasks, and will have a high degree of computer literacy. Previous underwriting assistance experience preferred. This position offers great opportunity for growth along with an excellent compensation & benefits package including 401K and stock purchase plans. For immediate consideration please fax resume & cover letter with salary expectations to: Argonaut Insurance Co., Attention: M. Johns, Fax: (248)355-0380

**WAIT STAFF PREP COOK & ASSISTED CARE AIDES**  
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**WAREHOUSE ATTENDANT**  
Various duties. Receiving & maintenance for a window company. \$10 per hr. Call Phil at: (248)478-6600

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## 500 Computer/Info. Systems

**NETWORK ENGINEER**  
Successful and growing company in Howell has a network engineer position open in its IT Dept. This is a challenging position. Successful candidate will need to demonstrate outstanding hands-on knowledge of circuit ID's, WAN over frame relay, network switches, hubs, server configurations (NT), mail routing, exchange, SOL and general network operations. Position also requires good support skills of general users and technical support. Knowledge of AS/400, VPN, and/or Telco a real plus. This is a career oriented company with a excellent opportunity for growth and advancement. Please submit resumes in MS Word Format to: thook@tshc.com

## Assistant Director of Admissions, Operations

Clear College is seeking a programmer interested in working within the Admissions area, using Microsoft development tools with relational databases; supervise the data processing of all information from prospective students. Bachelor's degree in computer science or closely related field and 2-4 years of professional work experience is required. Send resume and cover letter to: VP/ Marketing/Enrollment Services, Clear College, 3601 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 or fax to (734)332-4646 or apply on-line: www.clear.edu.

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## 502 Help Wanted Clerical/Office

**A CHAIR IS WAITING FOR YOU**  
...with a friendly staff that needs full time administrative assistance in their sales and marketing department! Rapidly growing company offers good starting pay. Strong organizational & computer skills needed, including Word, Excel and job costing (creativity helpful). Please mail resume to: MTI, 7965 Kensington Ct., Ste. A-2, Brighton, MI 48116.

**A/R SPECIALIST**  
Growth oriented position for sharp individual for construction related company in Farmington. Fast learner, self-starter with Word, Excel & strong organizational skills. Exc. payroll benefits. Fax resume to U.S. Concrete at (248)592-9130.

**ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT**  
Fast moving, detail oriented, accounting position, casual, fun, exciting environment ... does this list interest you? If your answer is yes, you will be a part of our team. Web-oriented MicroSoft Office background a must. Fax resume to: (248)684-5481. Call (248)685-0123 or email carol@kda.com Troy Clog Landscape Associates LLC, Wixom.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.** Full time. Must be detail oriented. Accounts payable. Office Professional 2000 & construction experience needed. White Lake area. Call (248)363-8343, fax resume to: (248)363-6132.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
Seeking an energetic individual to fill receptionist position at expanding manufacturing facility. Knowledge of MS Word necessary. Excel helpful. Mon-Fri. 8:30am-5pm. Benefits/ vacation/ holidays Brighton. (248)446-8503

**ADVANCE IN A CAREER**  
• Admin. Assistant \$11-\$15  
• Receptionist/Secretary  
• Medical Assistant \$8-\$12  
• Clerical/Data Entry \$8-\$12  
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**ANIMAL HOSPITAL** looking for Receptionist/Technician. Nov. Full or part-time. Experience great but will train. Start a career that you will enjoy. Send resume to: Linda, 43377 Grand River, Novi, MI 48375 or call (248) 349-5900.

**ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST**  
FOR Optometric office. Full time. Benefits. South Lyon. Please fax resume to: (248)437-0738

**AUTO BILLER** - Auto biller position for GM dealership. Biller or banking experience preferred. Will train right person. ADP computer background helpful. Full-time position offer: BCBS, 401(k), paid vacations & holidays. Apply in person at: Waldecker Pontiac, Buick Inc. 7885 W. Grand River Rd. Brighton, MI 48114. (810) 227-1761

**BOOKKEEPER** 20-25 flexible hrs/week. Exp. necessary. A/P, banking, various other duties. Send resume w/salary requirements to: P.O. Box 1116 Farmington, MI, 48336

**CLERICAL FRONT** Office personnel needed. Light computer knowledge. Part-time. Send resume to: P.O. Box 131, Hartland, MI 48353.

**CLERICAL/BOOKKEEPING**  
Applications accepted. Full & part-time, pay based on experience. Call (517) 552-0336.

## Auto Dealer OFFICE PERSONNEL

GM Auto Dealer seeks additional office staff with previous dealership experience. Reynolds & Reynolds experience a plus. Excellent benefits including 401K with match. Qualified candidates can rely by mail, Fax or E-mail. No phone calls please. Goodnow Automotive Group, Attn: Debbie Noble, 3120 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor, MI, 48104. Fax resume to: (734)677-3625 or E-mail to: dnoble201@hotmail.com

**CORPORATE OPENINGS**  
Seek creative entry-level candidate to assist with marketing projects for major clients. Desire MS Office. Some marketing or advertising experience beneficial.

**'ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE**  
Major company seeks sharp candidate with marketing background, client experience and computer skills. Excellent communications to deal with top clients.

**'ADMINISTRATIVE, ASSISTANT**  
A nationally recognized employer seeks assistant for Director of Sales and Marketing. Desire Word/Excel skills. Some internet a plus.

**'BOOKKEEPING** - Established company seeks individual with some experience in A/P, invoicing, payroll and general office. Top benefits.

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Midwest area's largest hydraulic seal distributor is seeking a customer service oriented person to assume responsibility for pricing, quoting, accepting orders and delivery follow-up for our customers. Computer experience helpful. Mechanical ability is a plus. We provide a modern, smoke-free office with excellent benefits package. We promote a drug-free environment. Substance abuse testing is part of the pre-employment process. If you are interested in working with a fast growing, thriving company, please submit your resume to: Mary Stoops, P.O. Box 486, Farmington Hills, MI, 48332-0486 or email: msloops@zatkoff.com

**CUSTOMER SERVICE**  
Retail Furniture Chain Expanding Full Time Office Staff at Livonia Location. Hays Locates & Data Entry  
Contact Susan or Scott. Phone: (734)525-3999 Or fax: (734)525-4707

**CUSTOMER SERVICE ORDER ENTRY**  
Opening in Wixom. Requires attention to detail. Some computer skills. Experience helpful. Will train. Good benefits. Fax resume to: (248)380-7501 or call: (248)380-7500

**CUSTOMER SERVICE**  
Brighton/South Lyon area. Full time, Mon-Fri, 8-4:30  
• Profit Sharing  
• Health Insurance  
• Paid Vacation  
Send resume to: Pete Anderson (734) 525-3999  
Brighton, MI 48116 or Email to: pete@msids.com

**CUSTOMER SERVICE** Support person for surgical products in Livonia, MI. Requires good typing, language, and computer skills, with spread sheet a must. Only quick learners. Send resume and apply. Hourly rate, based on experience. Fax resume to: (248)676-0359 Attn: Glenn

**DATA ENTRY**  
NGK, an expanding parts supplier, seeks Data Entry Clerks. MS Office proficiency required. Will process PO's. Excellent work environment. Submit resume with requirements to: HR, NGK, 46929 Megellan, Wixom, MI 48393 or fax (248)926-6910 EOE

**DIVERSIFIED CLERICAL**  
Must have computer knowledge, be well organized, detail oriented, capable of performing multiple office duties. Southfield location. BCBS. Call Barb (248)352-1466

**EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN**  
Church seeks additional support staff. Weekday morning availability for approx. 10-12 hours. Strongly prefer experience in MS Word, MS Publisher, a plus, excellent phone and people skills. Please fax a resume to (248)437-2423 or mail to Personnel, 22200 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon, MI 48178.

**FRONT DESK** Coordinator at busy day spa. Full time with benefits. Apply within: Wed/Thurs, 8am-6pm, Fri/Sat, 8am-6pm. Polished Outlook Inc., 119 E. Washington, Milford.

## EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Novi area company seeking a professional, highly motivated, independent person as an Executive Secretary. Excellent knowledge of Windows based Word, Excel, PowerPoint. Access. Must have a high degree of confidentiality, be very flexible and willing to take on many assignments. Excellent wage and benefits. Send resume via fax to (248)478-4683 or email: karen.e.boll@cummings.com EOE

## GENERAL OFFICE

Distributor in Novi has immediate full time opening in office. Duties include phone & general office. Good benefits. Call Ellen, (248)347-6600.

**GENERAL OFFICE.** Full time help in Novi needed. Typing, skills a must. Light computer work. Starting wage \$8.50/hr. (248)344-0044

## Look What's NEW HUMAN RESOURCE ASSISTANT

Entry level position with great potential as a Human Resource Assistant. Looking for an energetic, self-starter to work in our new facility in Wixom, Michigan. Successful candidate will have some college, be detail oriented with some exposure to workers compensation and payroll a plus.

Proficient in Word and Excel. We offer excellent compensation & benefits. Interested candidates, please include salary expectations to:  
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c/o The South Lyon Herald  
101 N. Lafayette  
South Lyon, MI 48178

**IDEAL POSITION** in Highland. Exc. potential. No travel. Pleasant environment. Flexible schedule. Professional verbal skills a must. (248)887-7236

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Receptionist/Customer Service, full or part time. Will train for career position. Must have office skills or sales exp. Good salary & all benefits. (248)363-5746

**LEGAL SECRETARY**  
Southfield Plaintiff Personal Injury Firm is looking to hire a legal secretary. Social Security experience a plus. Good benefit package. Please send resume to: Office Administrator, 100 Galleria Officecentre, Ste. 411, Southfield, MI, 48034

**LEGAL SECRETARY** needed for Farmington Hills law firm. Seeking highly motivated, experienced and organized person. Competitive salary and benefits. Fax resume to (248)442-0518 or forward to: 37000 Grand River Ave., 48350, Farmington Hills, MI 48335

**LIGHT OFFICE** help wanted. New Hudson area, male or female. Full or part time. (248)437-1602 after 7pm.

**LOOKING FOR full time** clerical help for busy office. Exc. pay full benefits, including major medical & IRA. Send resumes to Box #5654, c/o The South Lyon Herald, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178

**MAIL PROCESSING/ CLERICAL BAKER**  
Part-time Data entry operators needed. Must be able to type 40wpm. Contact Kristie (248)437-3000 ext. 358.

**MARKETING SECRETARY**  
needed for insurance agency in Novi, full time. Exc. communication and organizational skills, including working knowledge of MicroSoft Office. Exp. in life insurance helpful. Contact Theresa at 1-800-462-8255.

**NEW BUSINESS** Processing Clerk. Does Quality work done with a smile describe you? National firm seeks reliable person for a full time position in the new business department. Position entails data input and follow-up of new business applications. Professional team oriented environment. Competitive compensation and benefits. EOE. Email, fax or mail resume to: AnnArborExch@aol.com, fax (734)669-0299, Rodger Burkey, New Business Clerk, P.O. Box 1111, Ann Arbor, MI 48106</



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**SECRETARY -** Hiring 2 full time secretaries for large landscape office. Seeking highly motivated, organized persons for very fast-paced setting. Duties include accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll, light accounting, answering phones and all other daily office functions. Must be very flexible and able to work 6 days/week. Rotating schedules in 2 week increments to cover office from 6:00am to 9:00pm. Looking to fill both positions in early March. Qualified individuals please forward resume to:

**Todd's Services**  
P.O. Box 608  
Hamburg, MI 48139  
Phone (810)231-2778  
or fax (810)231-4778

**TOMRA MICHIGAN,** Howell, is looking for a motivated and detail oriented individual to fill the vacant position of Barcode Administration Department. This person would be responsible for maintaining retail and distributor files, data entry, customer/vendor support and meet with vendors. MicroSoft Word and Excel are a must. All interested applicants please send resume & salary requirements to: pge@tomra.com or fax to (517)552-1485

**WIXOM FIRM** has an immediate opening for a Service Secretary. Computer knowledge mandatory. Must have excellent customer service skills. Competitive wages. All benefits. E-mail resume to: anathan@natsol.net or fax to (248)380-6268

**503 Engineering**

**MANUFACTURING ENGINEER**  
Metro airport area experienced in future and looking design. Must be familiar with AutoCAD, excellent fringe benefits, paid hospital, dental, vacation, sick days, holidays. 401K available. Fax resume to: (734)945-0922 or call (734)946-2100.

**504 Help Wanted Dental**

**ATTENTION RDH!** Progressive Howell dental office with a great staff is seeking an experienced, independent team player 2 days per week. Please call (517)546-7211.

**DENTAL ASSISTANT** expanded duty full time Monday-Thursday, top pay, call (248)348-3784

**DENTAL ASSISTANT** Livonia specialty office desires people-oriented person. Full time. No weekends. Benefits. Become part of our caring team. Experience preferred but will train. Call (313)522-7345

**DENTAL ASSISTANT - RDA or CDA** X-ray certified. Full & part-time. No evenings. 1 Sat (AM) per mo. Top salary & benefits. Farmington Hills. (248) 651-6446

**DENTAL ASSISTANT** Full time. No experience necessary. Will train the right highly motivated person to help out in all areas of our busy Nov office. (248)669-4030

**DENTAL ASSISTANT** Our team is searching for the right person to join us. Part to full time in Plymouth. If you have excellent clinical and communication skills and are excited about quality dentistry, call (734)455-2890

**DENTAL ASSISTANT** Great opportunity for person interested in beginning a new and challenging career. Excellent starting salary and benefit package. Brighton area - full time (810)229-7800

**DENTAL ASSISTANT** full time, Mon-Thurs, for our growing practice in downtown Midland. Please call (248)685-2035

**DENTAL ASSISTANT - Midland area** Mon-Thurs-Wed. Please call (248)685-7273 or fax to Barbara (248)685-2035

**DENTAL HYGIENIST** Full time. If you are enthusiastic, caring, dependable and you enjoy a challenge in a patient centered practice, please call (248)685-2035 all inquiries kept confidential

**DENTAL HYGIENIST** Needed for general dental office in Novi. Must be an upbeat, enthusiastic team player. Call Maureen (734)394-1027

**DENTAL HYGIENIST** Part time for Livonia office. Call Cheryl (734)261-9696

**DENTAL HYGIENIST** Part time. 2 shifts available. Call (810)229-6740 Dr. Laura Ely

**TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY** for outstanding person to fill Full Time Patient Coordinator position in dynamic, people-oriented dental practice. We value energy, cheerfulness & open communication. Please call Chris Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm at (810)229-9346

**506 Help Wanted Medical**

**ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR/ RECREATION THERAPIST** Immediate opening for dept. head position for 37 bed nursing home in the Nov/Novi area. Home like environment, low stress, excellent starting package with benefits for the right person. Must have experience. Call (248)348-8145 or fax resume to (248)349-1663

**ASSISTANT** Medical assistant for busy pediatric office in W. Bloomfield. Full or part-time, experience preferred. Debbie (248)855-7416

**BUSY NORTHVILLE Clinic** with 5 young doctors. Experience preferred. \*RECEPTIONIST \*RECEPTIONIST/SUPERVISOR \*X-RAY & ULTRASOUND TECH. Some evenings until 7:30. Fax resume (248)380-9365 call Susan H. (248)349-0627

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Full time position in Howell. Must be experienced and willing to travel within Livingston, Northern Washington and Western Oakland Counties. Excellent benefit package, tuition reimbursement, sign-on bonus. Call toll free (866)800-1288 or fax resume to (734)677-3560

**MERCY HEALTHCARE**  
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**CLAIMS SUPERVISOR**  
Midwest Health Plan located in Dearborn has an immediate opening for an experienced Claims Processing Supervisor. 3-5 Years of claims processing and supervisory experience required. Experience with Medicare and a plus. Competitive wage and benefit package. Qualified candidates should fax resume to: (313)581-8699, or mail to:

Human Resources  
5050 Schaefer  
Dearborn, MI 48126

**CR/ART**  
Full time & pm. night positions available for SNF volunteer unit. Howell Health & Rehab (517) 546-4210 or fax (517) 546-7661.

**Dementia Unit Program Director**  
Heartland Health Care Center of Ann Arbor is currently seeking a program director for our dementia unit. This is a full time salaried position. Mon-Fri., with a weekend in-house administrator rotation every 12 weeks.

Responsibilities include planning and coordinating a therapeutic program schedule for residents with social, spiritual, emotional, physical and intellectual needs of our dementia residents as well as accurate and timely documentation which complies with state and federal guidelines. The director will also assist the dementia unit staff by assessing educational needs, coordinating with staff development to provide services, and providing a full time afternoon X-Ray Technician. Some on-call and weekend hours required. Excellent opportunity for the right candidate. Competitive wage and benefits package including paid vacation, 401K, paid holidays, etc. Please fax resume to (313)581-6013 or mail to:

Administrator  
P.O. Box 251268  
W. Bloomfield, MI 48325

**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT** For great dermatology office in Livonia. Dermatology exp. required. Part time to possible full time. Fax: (734)464-0335

**RADIOLOGY TECHNICIAN**  
Fast paced ambulatory medical center is currently seeking a full time afternoon X-Ray Technician. Some on-call and weekend hours required. Excellent opportunity for the right candidate. Competitive wage and benefits package including paid vacation, 401K, paid holidays, etc. Please fax resume to (313)581-6013 or mail to:

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**RECEPTIONIST -** Mature person wanted for private optometrist office in Novi, will train. (248)380-3900

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**RN PART-TIME** needed for busy multi-position nursing unit. Fax resume to Debbie (734)434-1037

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**FRONT DESK RECEPTIONIST**  
Full-time for Oak Park podiatry office. Competitive wages. Fax resume to: (248) 548-0819

**HOSPICE RN**  
Due to significant program growth, Heartland Hospice has openings for full time & per diem RN Case Manager positions & full time RN on-call positions. Heartland offers a competitive wage & benefit package. Current MI license & prior nursing experience preferred. Please fax resume to (248)945-3333, Attn: Gloria EOE

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**MEDICAL ACCOUNT** Rep needed for outpatient physical therapy clinic in Brighton. Full time, with benefits. Medical billing exp. required. Please fax resume to: Marnes & Dean PT, (810)220-5805

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**MEDICAL ASSISTANT** Busy Oncology office looking for mature adult part time afternoon MA. Please fax resume to Diane at (248) 344-9809

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
Seeking mature, outgoing individual for full time position, EKG, X-Ray, PPTs, blood draws. Experience a plus. Northville area. Fax resume to (248) 735-9101

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Experience preferred for friendly, fast paced office. Highland. Please call (248) 887-6997.

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
Part-time for busy Novi podiatrist office. Competitive wages. Fax resume to: (248)548-0619

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Seeking mature, self-starting, experienced writer to work in our pleasant Farmington Hills office. Team environment, work schedule flexibility available. Knowledge of medical terminology a plus. Must know how to use Word, computer, fax. Fax resume to: (248)638-9019 or e-Mail: mrc@earthlink.net

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**Physical Therapy Ass't/ Massage Therapist**  
Hands On Center for Physical Therapy in downtown Plymouth has a full time position available.  
Fax resume: (734)455-2924 Or call (734)455-8370

**PHYSICAL THERAPY TECHNICIAN/AIDE**  
Orthopedic outpatient physical therapy clinic located in Novi looking for hardworking responsible person part-time, 20-25 hrs. per week. Must be flexible with late morning/late afternoon hours. Will train the right person. (248)380-3550

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Full time for retirement community. Prep group preparation required. Call The Grand Court Farmington (248)476-7478

**PRIVATE COUNTRY CLUB**  
Seeking full and part-time Cooks, Bakers, Pastry Chefs & Dishwashers. Good pay and benefits. Apply in person at Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 W 8 Mile Rd., Northville

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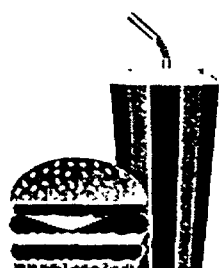
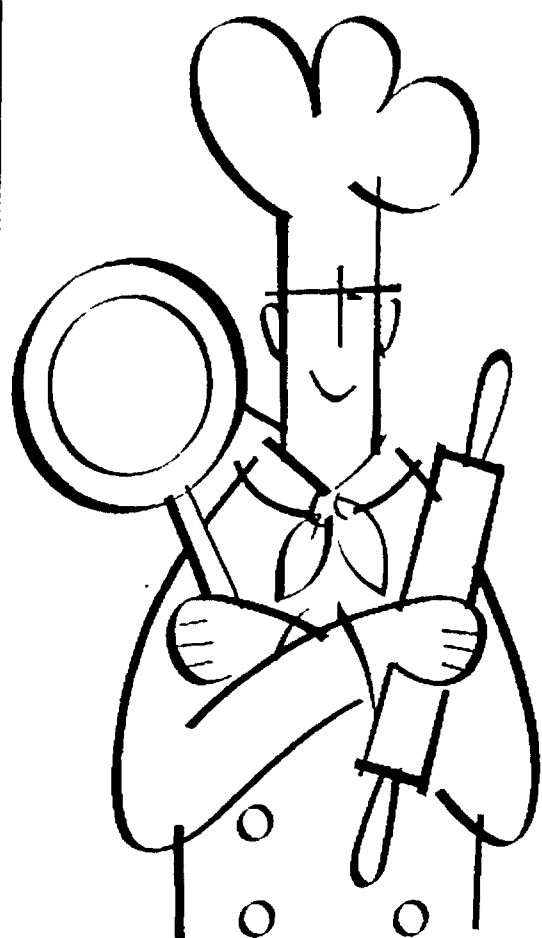
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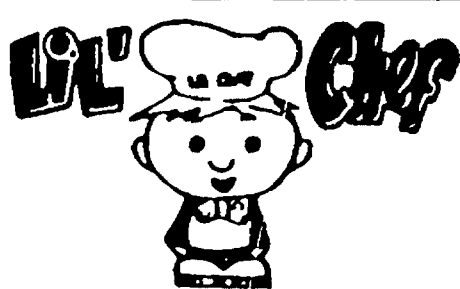
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Stk #T96635 Was \$23,641.00

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Total Due \$1500.00

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Now **\$18,370<sup>02</sup>\***

## NEW 2001 MALIBU



V6, 4 speed automatic, air conditioning, AM/FM Stereo, tilt, rear defogger, tinted glass, much more.  
Stk #96928 Was \$17,645

Lease  
**\$199<sup>15</sup>MM**  
Total Due \$1500.00

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Now **\$14,097<sup>50</sup>\***

## NEW 2001 IMPALA



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Stk #X97377 Was \$19,999.00

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**\$214<sup>53</sup>MM**  
Total Due \$1500.00

Lease  
**\$185<sup>00</sup>MM**

Now **\$16,403<sup>27</sup>\***

## NEW 2001 BLAZER LS



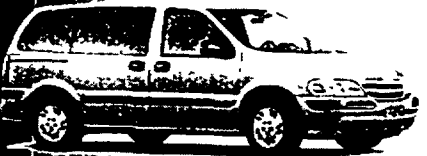
Vortec engine, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo, cassette, center console, tinted glass, luggage carrier, aluminum wheels, pass lock theft deterrent system, anti-lock brakes, much more. Stk #T97344 Was \$20,800

Lease  
**\$152<sup>07</sup>MM**  
Total Due \$1500.00

Lease  
**\$121<sup>84</sup>MM**

Now **\$14,497<sup>85</sup>\***

## NEW 2001 VENTURE



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Lease  
**\$244<sup>31</sup>MM**  
Total Due \$1500.00

Lease  
**\$217<sup>63</sup>MM**

Now **\$18,075<sup>28</sup>\***

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Lease  
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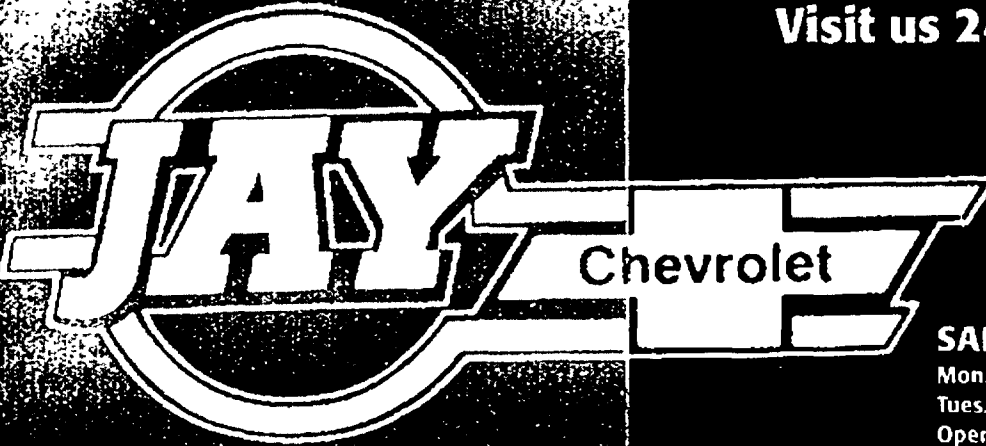
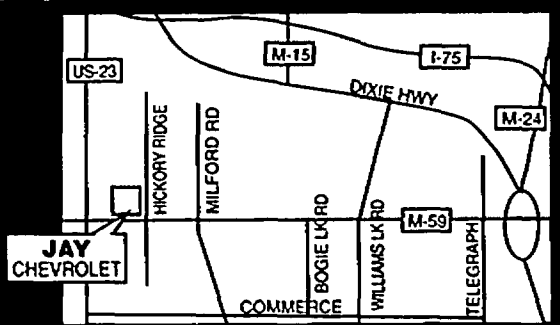
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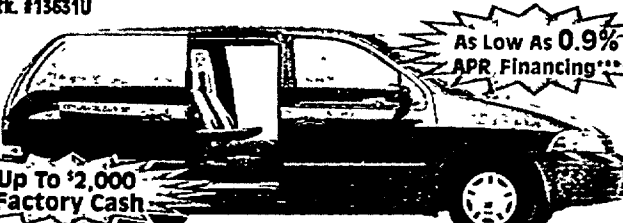
APR	24 Mo. Lease
\$164*	\$186*
MSRP \$19,690	SAVE \$3,744
PURCHASE \$15,946**	

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APR	24 Mo. Lease
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MSRP \$27,045	SAVE \$4,927
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APR	24 Mo. Lease
\$144*	\$167*
MSRP \$25,880	SAVE \$5,519
PURCHASE \$20,561**	

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APR	24 Mo. Lease
\$118*	\$139*
MSRP \$25,070	SAVE \$6,587
PURCHASE \$18,483**	

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APR	24 Mo. Lease
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MSRP \$32,455	SAVE \$8,684
PURCHASE \$23,771**	

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APR	24 Mo. Lease
\$304*	\$325*
MSRP \$38,960	SAVE \$7,647
PURCHASE \$31,313**	

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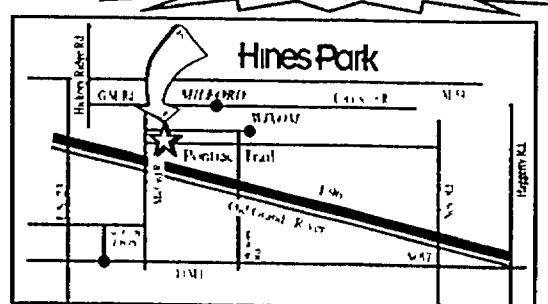
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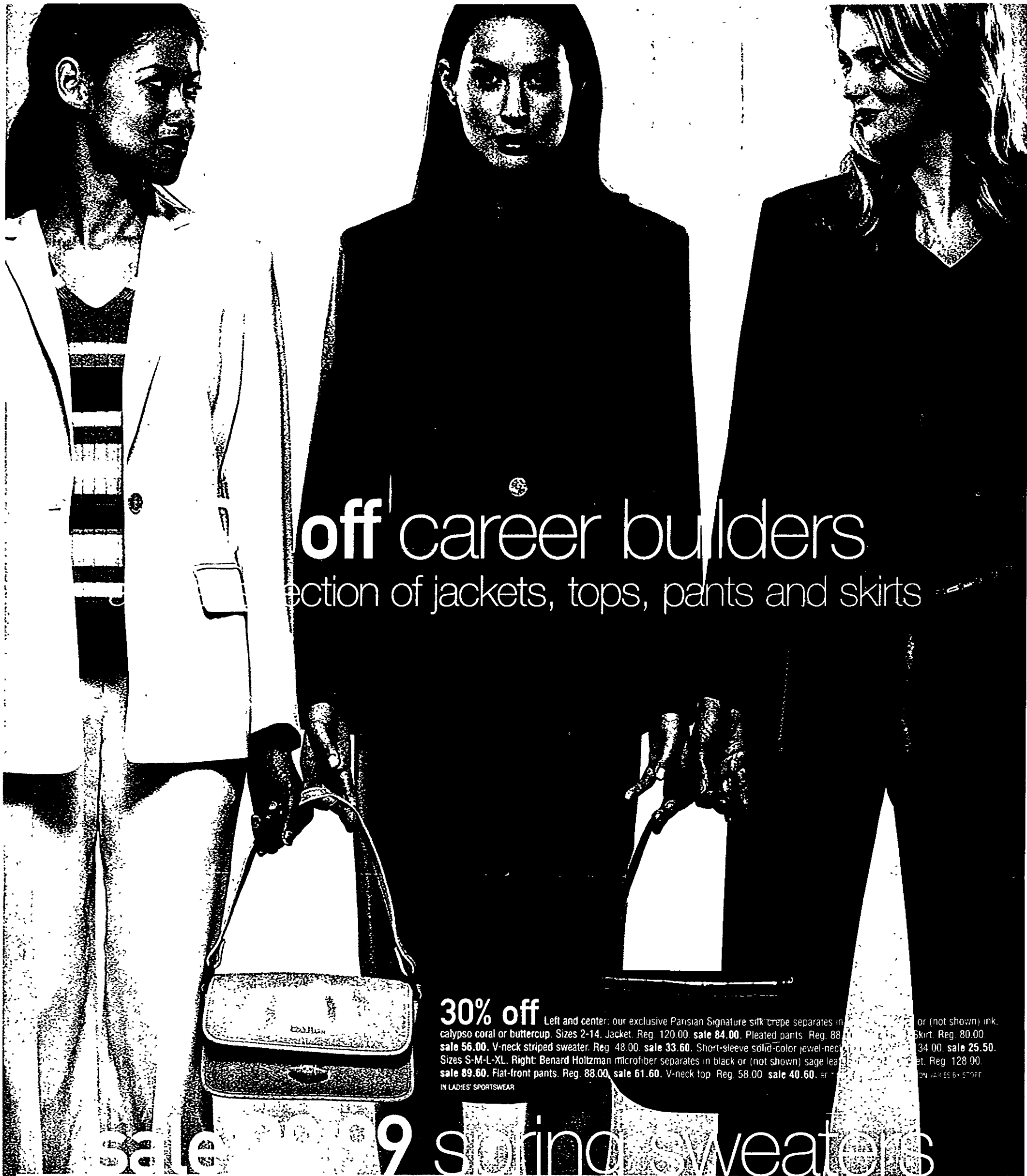
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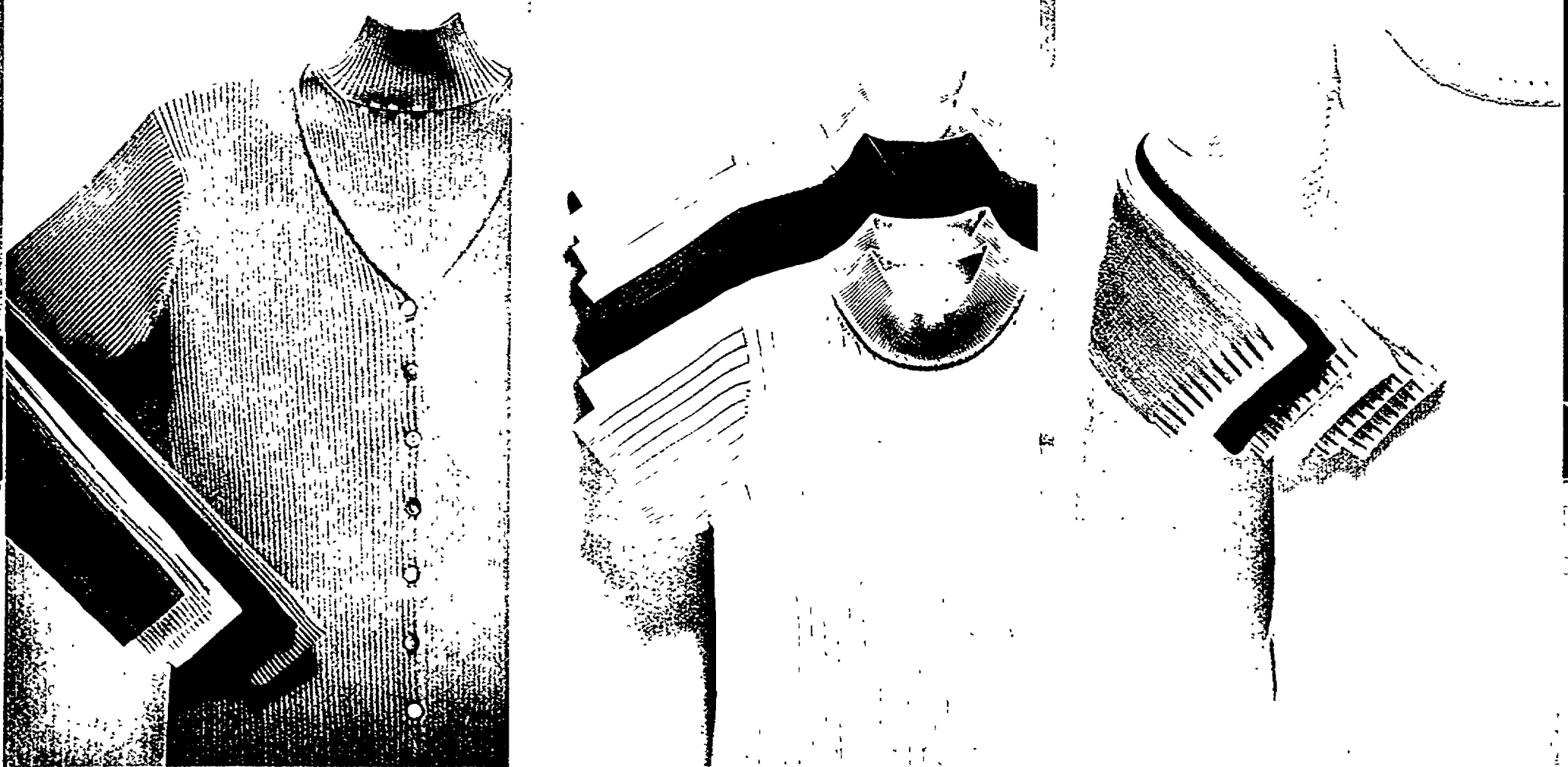
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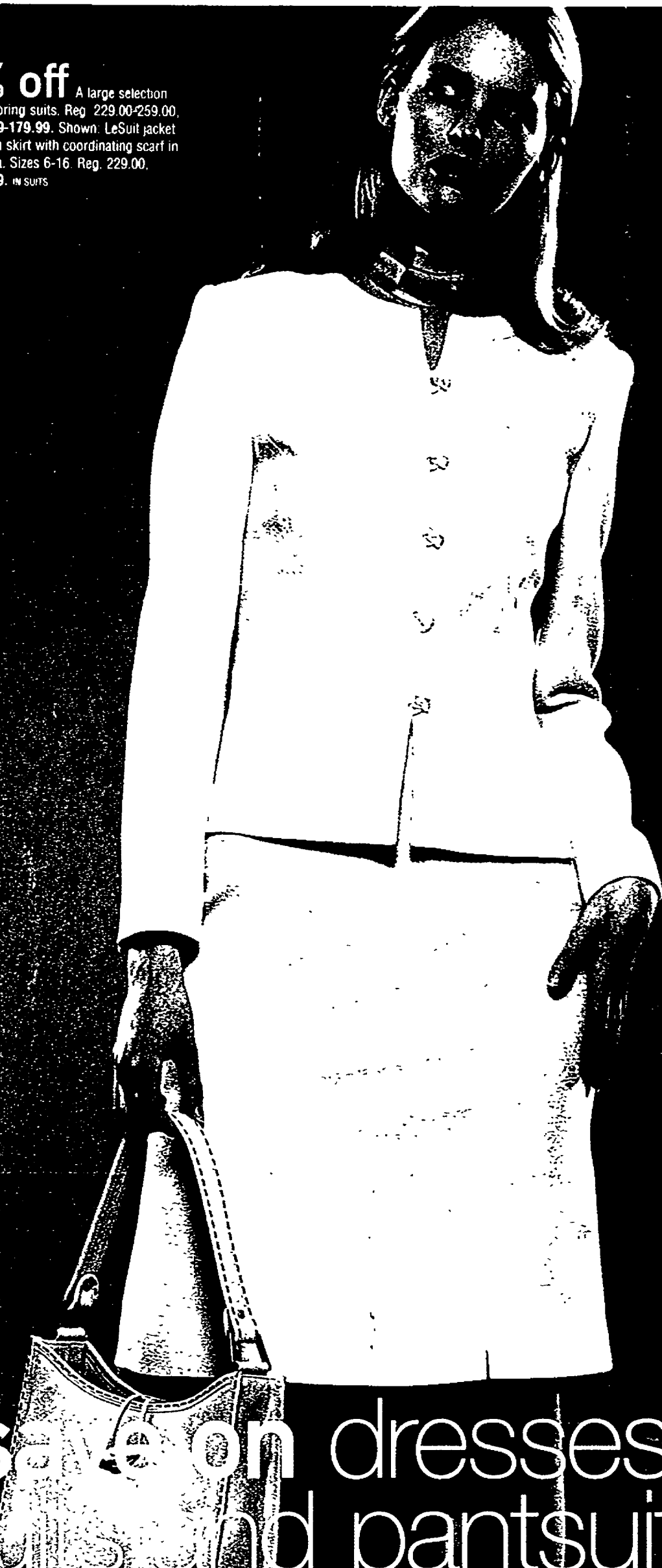
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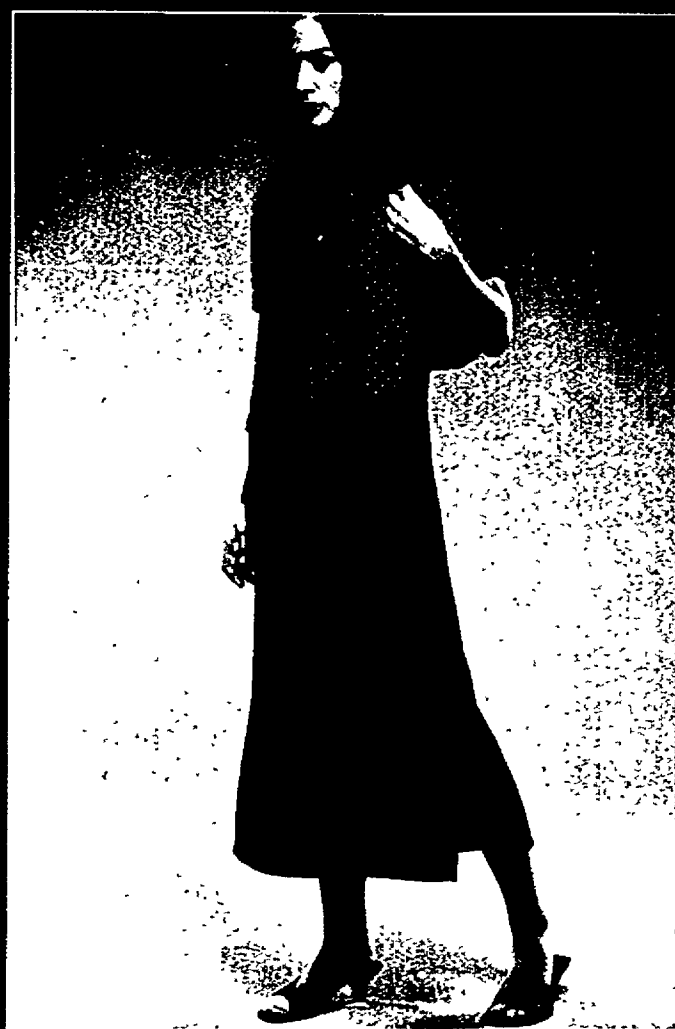


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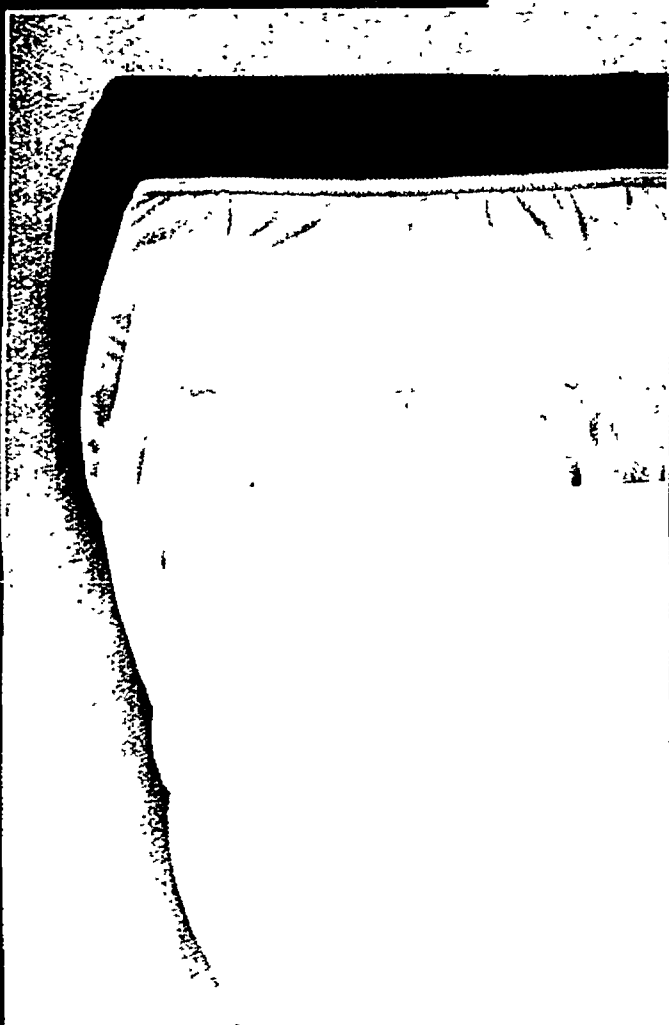






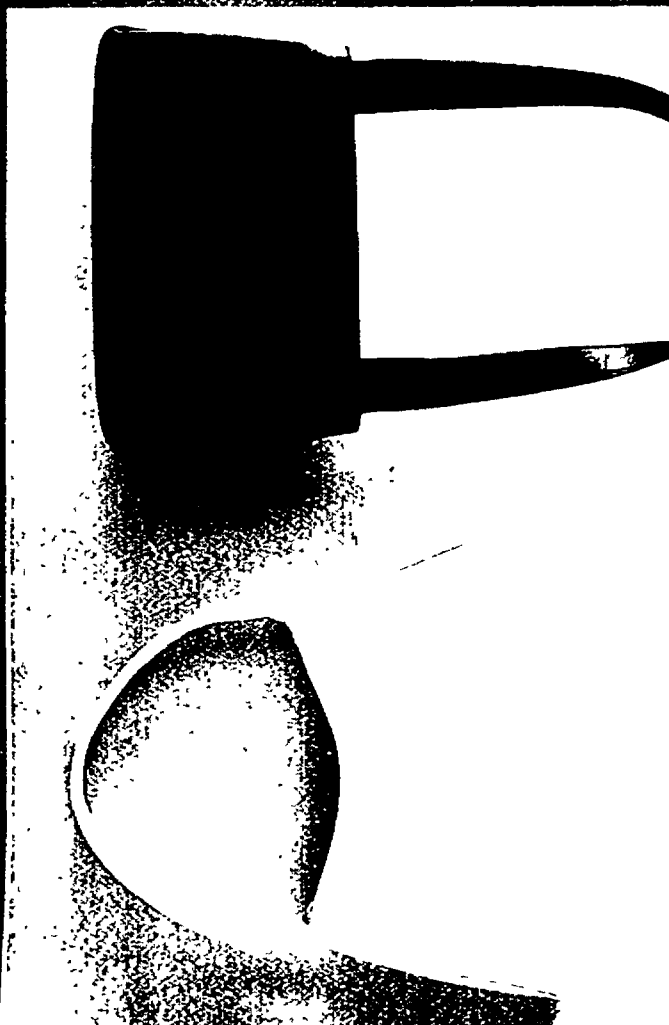
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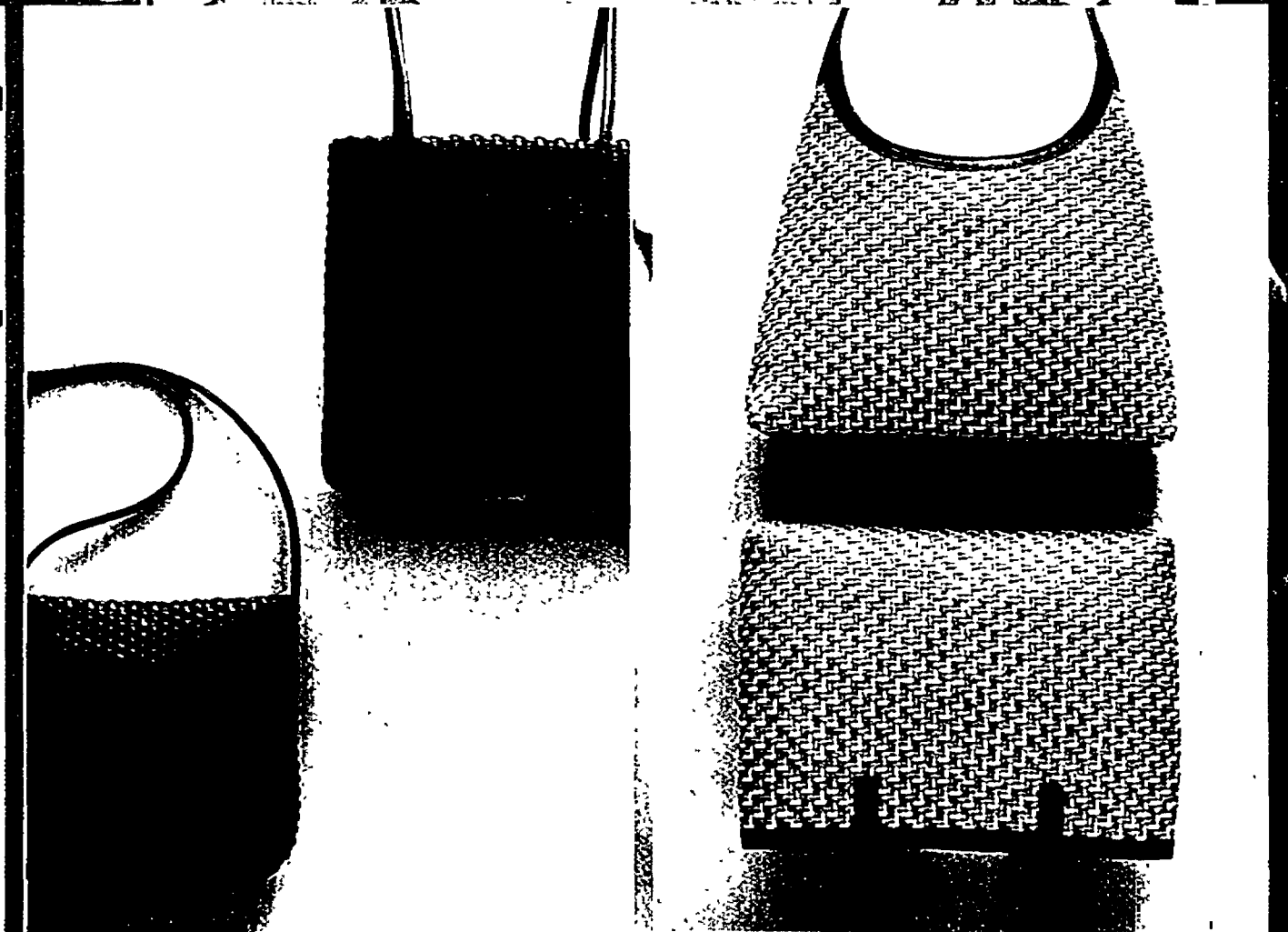
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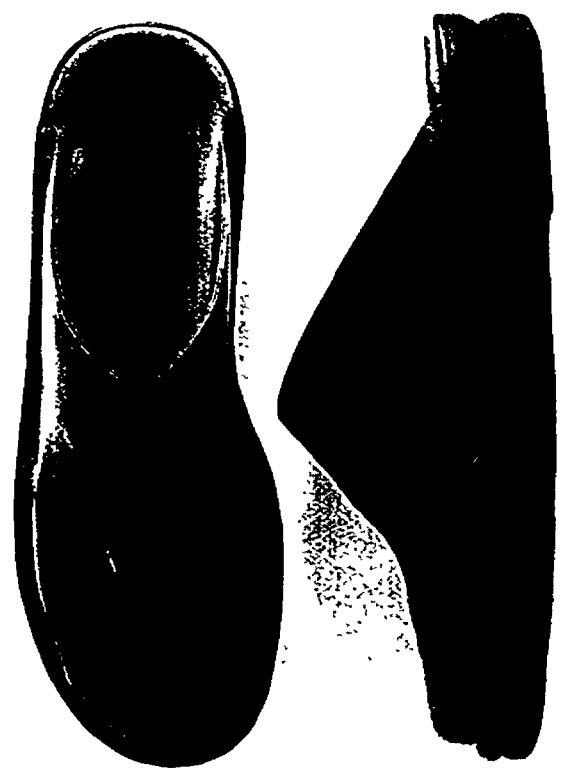
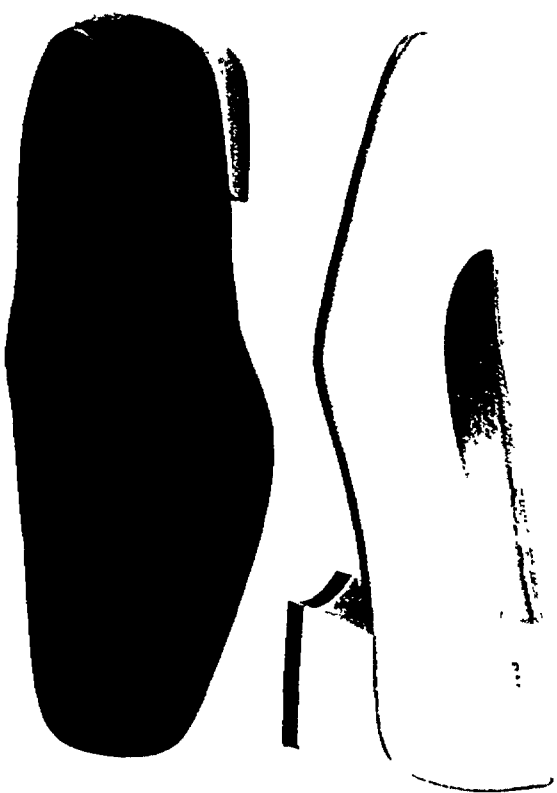
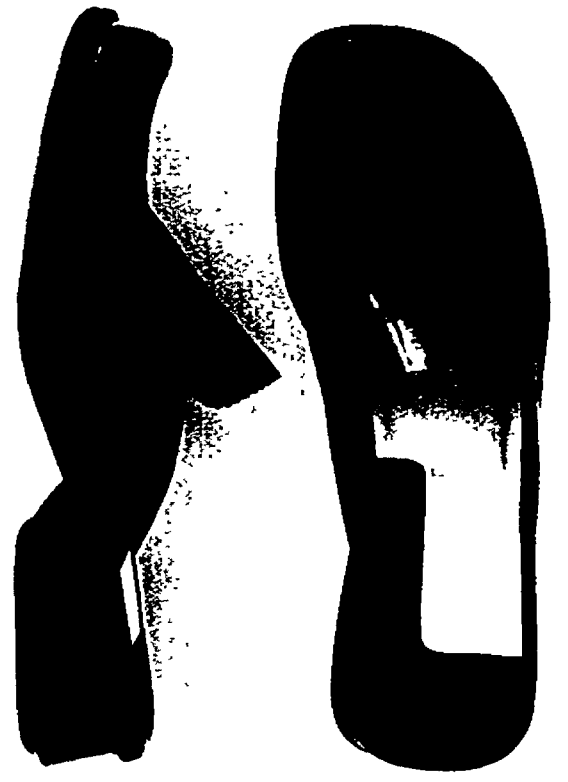
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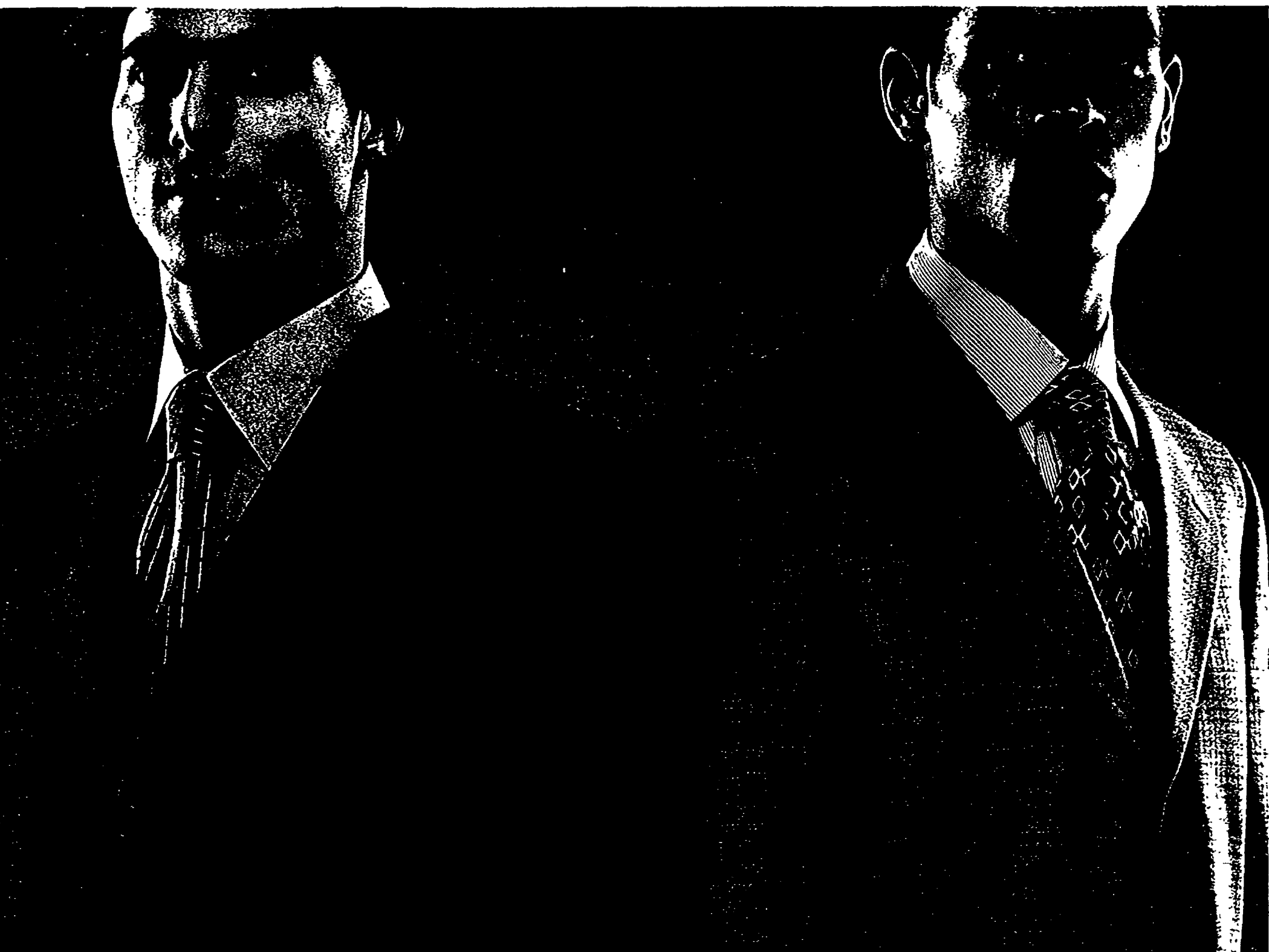


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Choose from a large selection of Bill Blass silk neckwear. Reg. 35.00-45.00. **sale 19.99.** STYLES MAY VARY BY STORE. IN MEN'S.

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A large selection of wool dress suits in solids or spring patterns. Sizes 32-40. Reg. 100.00-150.00. **sale 70.00-105.00.** STYLES MAY VARY BY STORE. IN MEN'S.



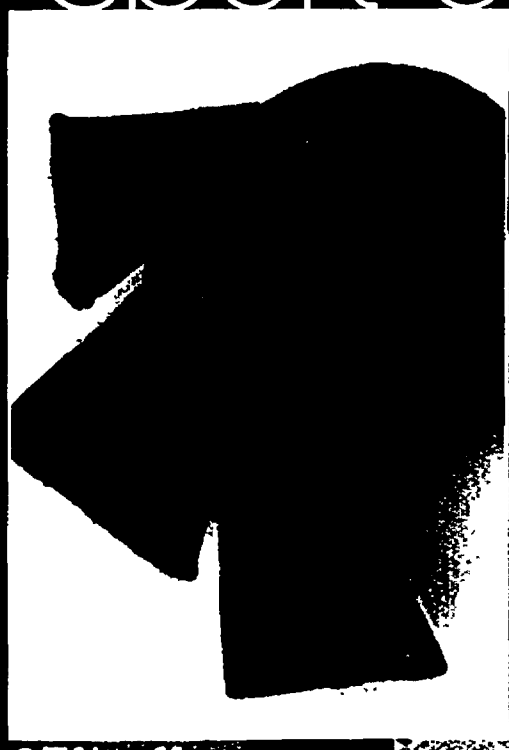
# wardrobe sale

## \$100 off sport coats

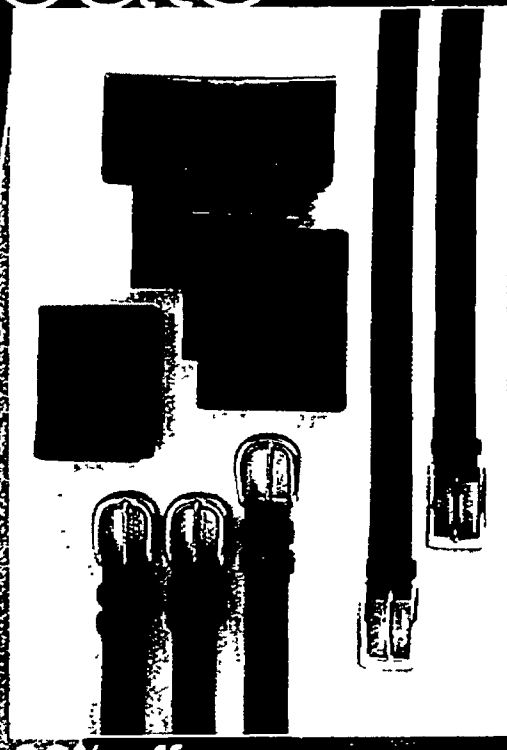
**\$100 off** A large selection of two- and three-button spring patterned sport coats in all wool and wool-blend fabrics. Sizes 40-46 regular, 42-46 extra long. Expert alterations available. Reg. 350.00-450.00, sale 250.00-350.00. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE. IN MEN'S AT ALL STORES EXCEPT FLORIDA MALL. SALE ENDS THURSDAY, MARCH 1.



**30% off** Champion® underwear bonus packs. T-shirt six-pack. Reg. 36.00, sale 24.99. Brief six-pack. Reg. 29.00, sale 19.99. IN MEN'S



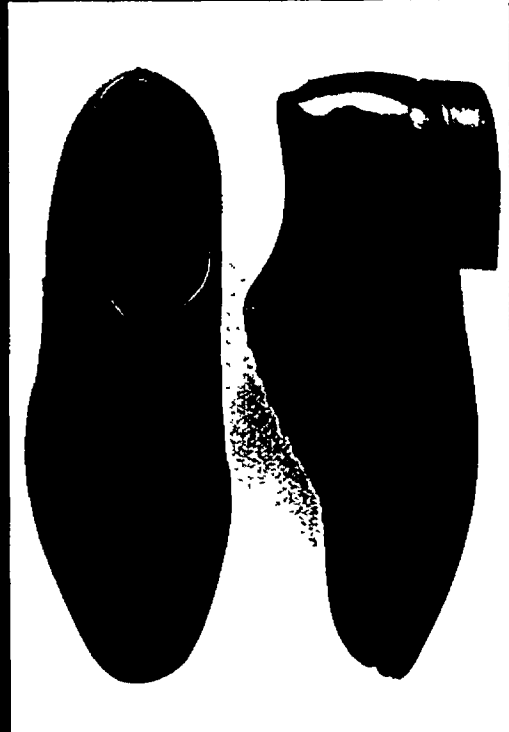
**25% off** Men's Gold Toe® hosiery. Assorted styles. Reg. 6.50-22.50, sale 4.87-16.87. IN MEN'S



**30% off** Preswick & Moore leather belts, braces and small leather goods. Reg. 22.00-68.00, sale 15.40-47.60. IN MEN'S



**30% off** A large selection of men's Bass, Bostonian®, Johnston & Murphy®, and Timberland® dress and casual shoes. Snapper Bostonian®. Alden®. burgundy leather. Reg. 115.00, sale 80.50. IN MEN'S SHOES



**30% off** Men's Johnston & Murphy "Leigh" black leather. Reg. 185.00, sale 129.50. IN MEN'S SHOES



**30% off** Men's Bostonian® and Johnston & Murphy® black leather. Reg. 115.00, sale 80.50. IN MEN'S SHOES

**30% off** Designer price reduction on Cezani leather shoes and dress shirts. Sizes 12-14, XL-XXL. Cezani leather shoes. Price range \$115-195, sale 19.60-119.00. IN MEN'S SHOES





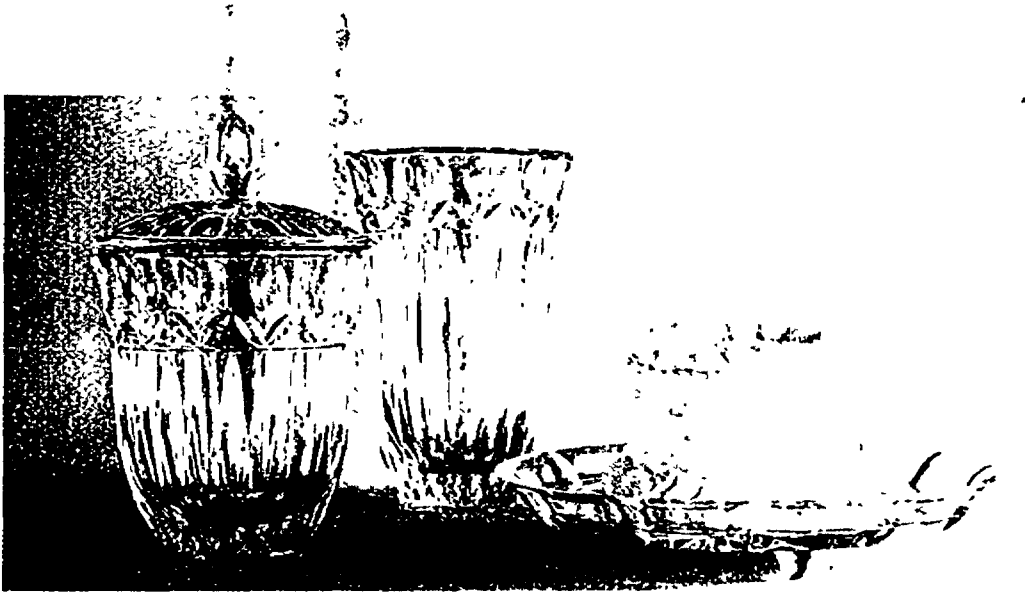
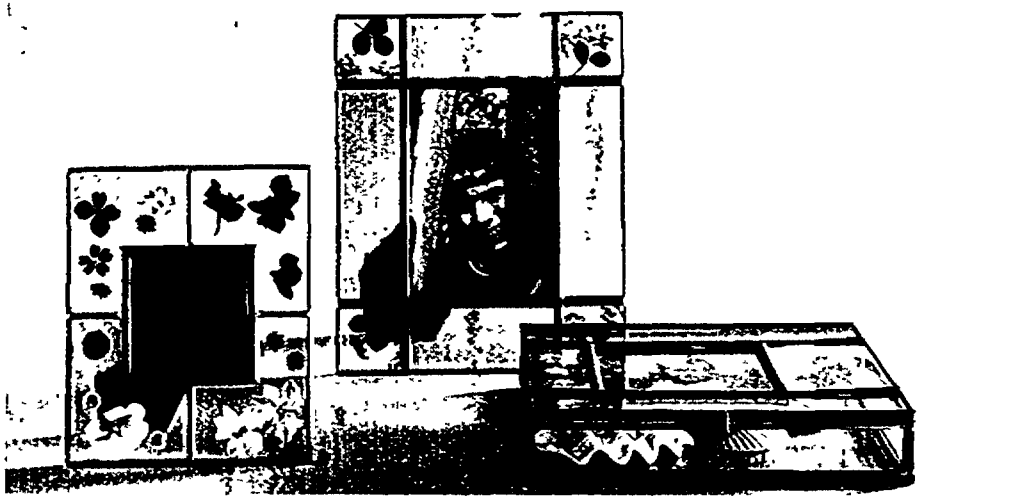
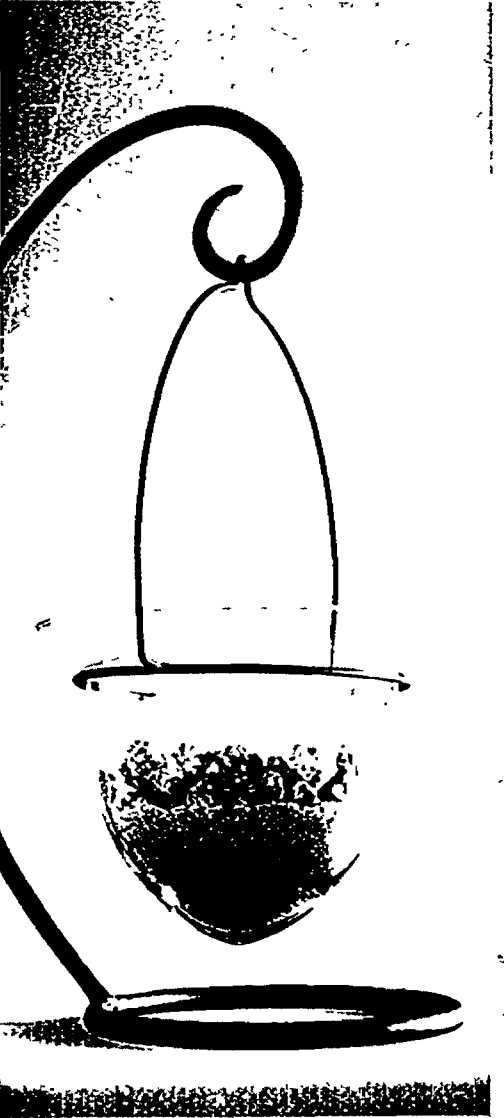
**sale 14.99** Large selection of Parisian Bébé creepers and sets. Reg. 20.00. IN CHILDREN'S



**sale 14.99** Large selection of Parisian Bébé creepers and sets. Reg. 20.00. IN CHILDREN'S



**sale 14.99** Bonkers short-sleeve "poodle" tops in great colors. Girls' sizes 4-16. Reg. 20.00-22.00.  
**sale 16.99** Zanadi and I.e.i. gingham, twill and denim capris and shorts. Girls' sizes 7-16. Reg. 24.00-28.00. IN CHILDREN'S





# the DESIGNPLACE<sup>SM</sup>

kitchens • baths • window coverings • lighting • flooring





# New at The Home Depot®...

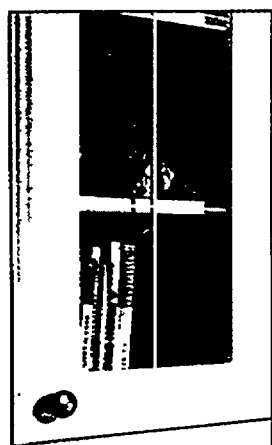
For nearly a century, the Thomasville name has stood for finely crafted home furnishings that blend form and function in beautifully distinctive ways. Ours is a uniquely American heritage, one that embodies the highest quality craftsmanship, a skilled sense of style, and a meticulous eye for detail.

## The Courtyard Collection

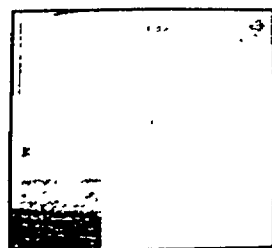
Florence Gloss White

**\$53** Per Month\*  
Total Price \$2105

## Design Elements



Grid Pattern Glass  
Door with Copper  
Copper Tone Knob



Fluted Columns with  
Rosette Blocks



step into a new style...



# Cabinets built to order

**Thomasville**  
CABINETS

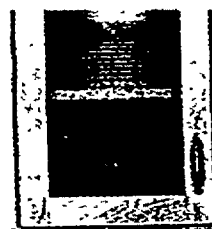
Fern glass accent doors, crown moulding built-up above wall cabinets and round-edged shelves make this both stylish and functional. Brushed steel pulls and a matching wood insert panel on the dishwasher front, are just a few of the meticulous "Thomasville"™ details.

## The Meadow Collection

Silken Maple with Natural Finish

**\$72** Per Month\*  
\*Total Price \$2878

### Optional Accessories



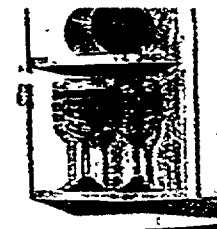
Fern glass accent doors



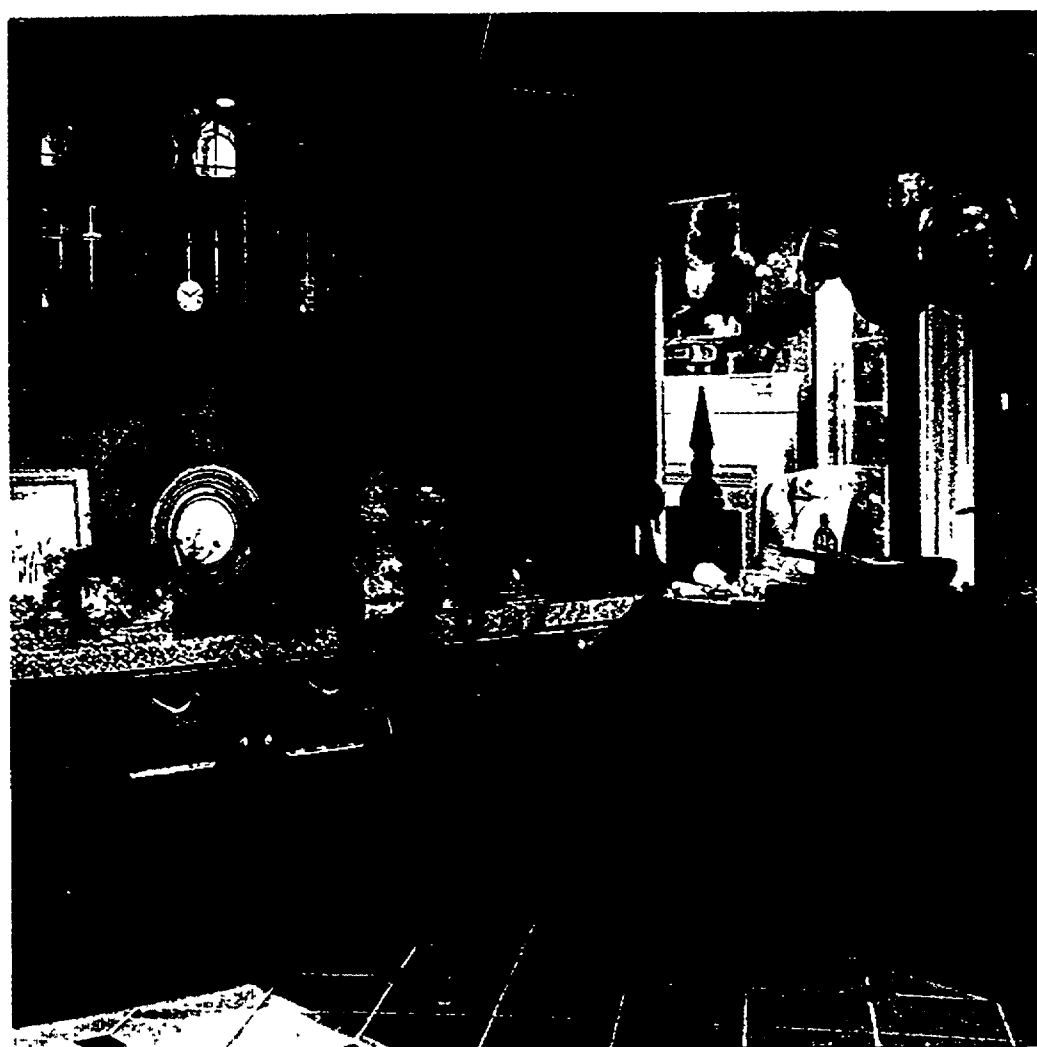
Crown moulding built-up above wall cabinets



Matching wood insert panels on dishwasher



Round-edged shelves



**Thomasville**  
CABINETS

Remember when you first realized that the word "splendid" could be applied to a kitchen? Reserve™ Cherry boasts a solid raised-panel door, with a picture frame moulding and bordeaux finish.

## The Estate Collection

Reserve™ Cherry

**\$89** Per Month\*  
\*Total Price \$3559

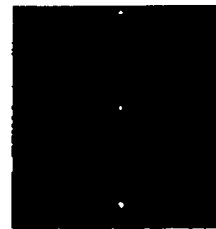
### Optional Accessories



Alcove glass accent doors



Decorative valance above sink



Vertical group of spice drawers



Bronze swirl pulls and knobs

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# dream it...

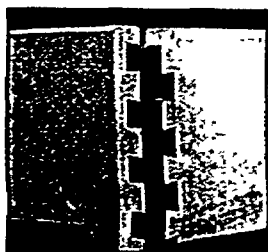


Bay Harbor Cherry

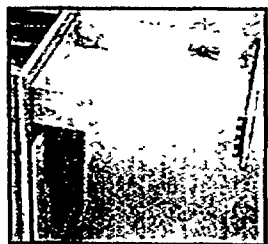
Cathedral Autumn Blush on Cherry

**\$93** Per Month\*  
Total Price \$3692

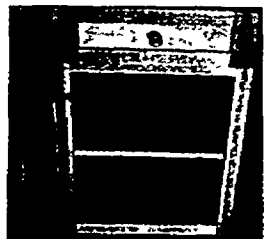
## Cabinet Features



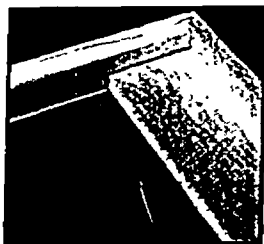
Art Wood Detailed Design



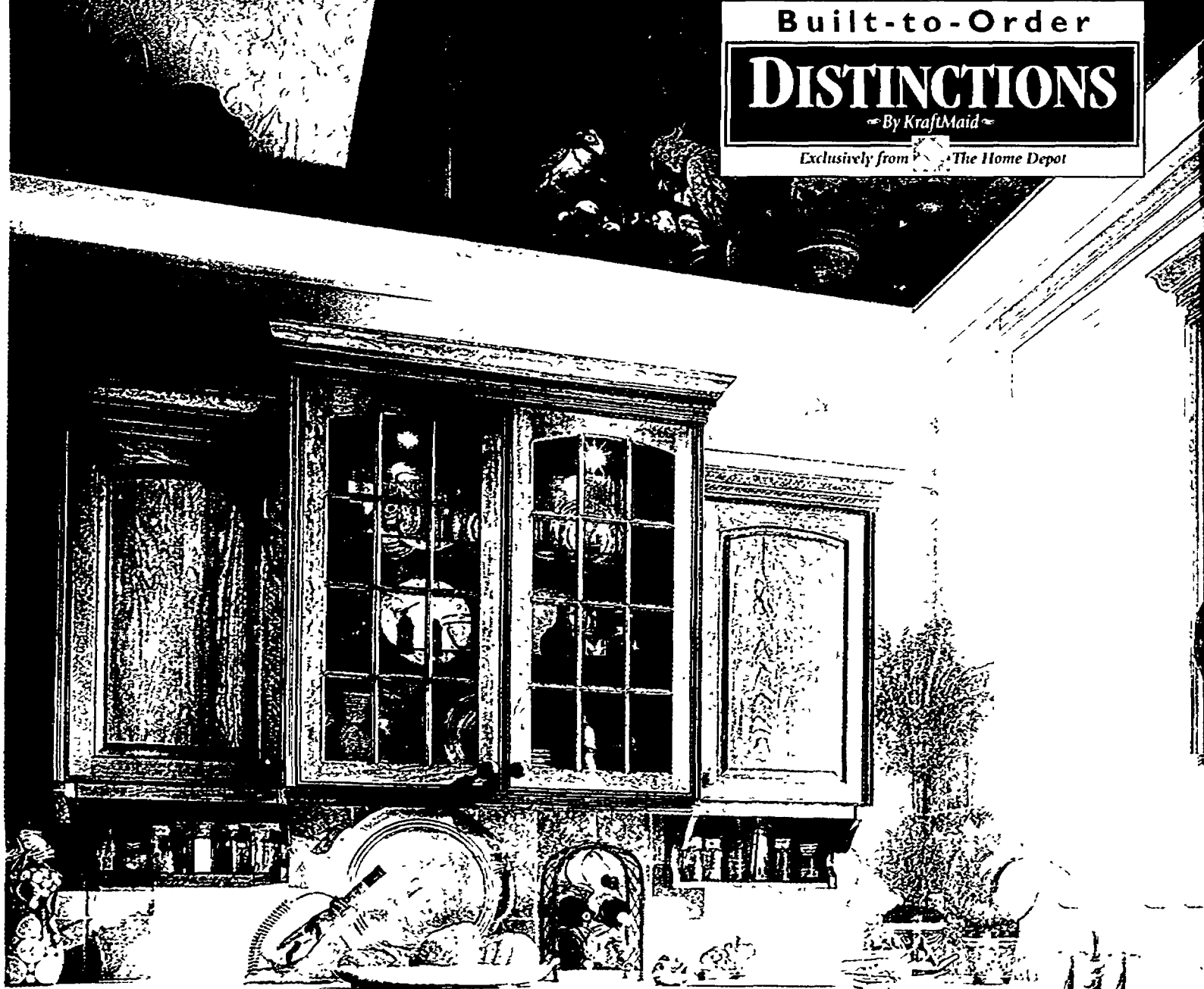
16" Full Depth  
Base Shelves



Full Depth Base Shelves



I-Beam Construction



## Styles and Colors to Choose From

Bay Harbor Maple -  
Natural

Bay Harbor Oak -  
Sandrift

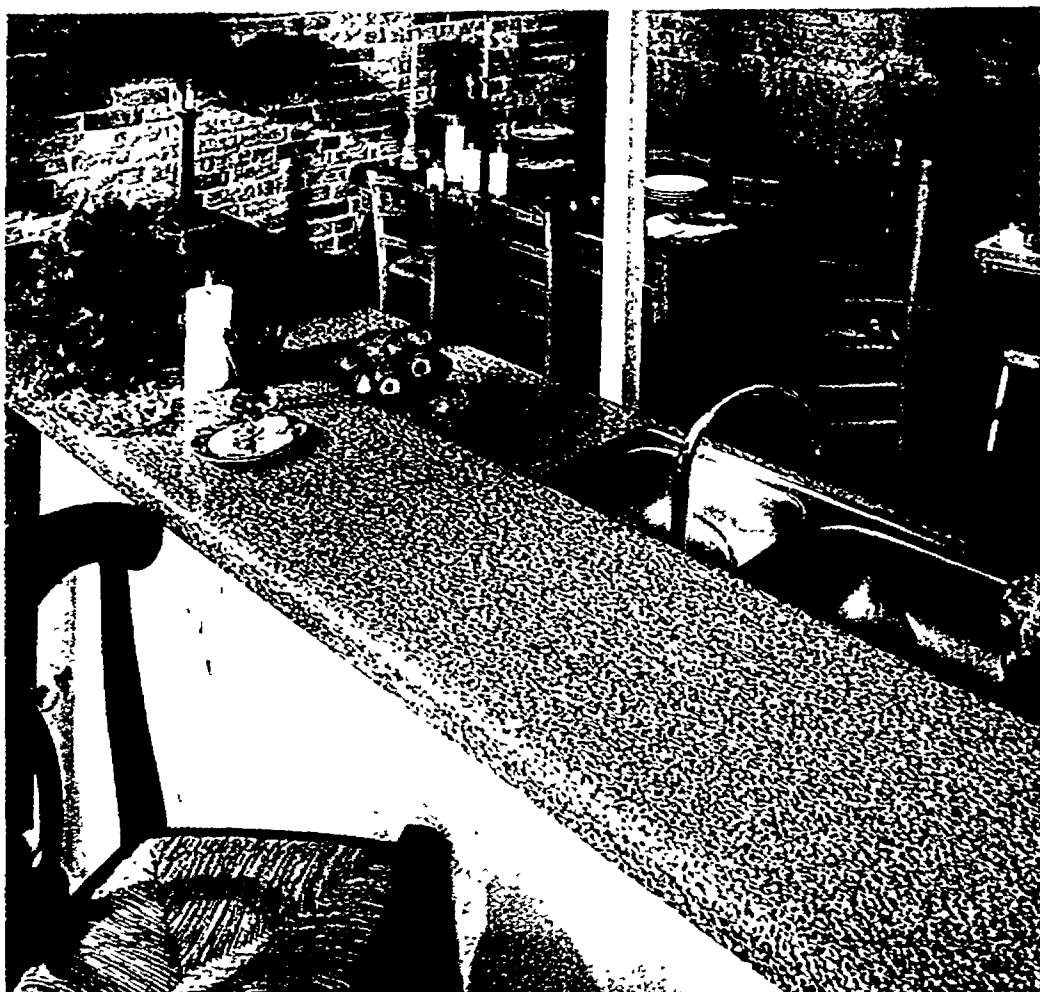
Lennox Court  
Cherry - Sunset

Lennox Court Oak -  
Honey Spice

Traditions Oak -  
Fawn

Traditions Birch -  
Natural

envision the possibilities...



# Counters have it installed

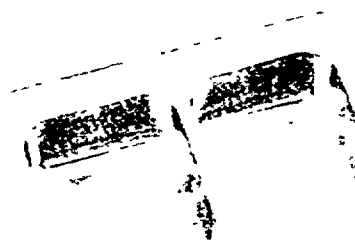
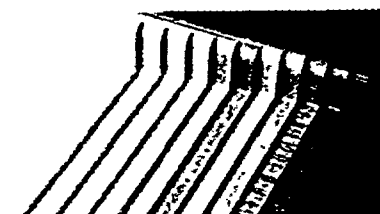
Get today's new standard in design with laminate countertops. A variety of colors, finishes and edge styles are available; including rolled, square or bevel front edge. Built to your specifications.

## Laminate Countertops

A variety of styles and colors

Starting at...

**\$37<sup>50</sup>** \*\*Per lin. ft.



## Stainless Steel Sink

Double bowl  
33" x 22" x 8-1/4" deep

**\$119** (170097)

*Signature  
ELKAY*



Whether you're remodeling an existing kitchen or designing a new one, start your project at the top with Etura's solid surface tops. No other solid surface can match Etura's beauty, durability and lifetime warranty.

## Countertops

The solid surface top you can live with for a lifetime  
Starting at...

**\$89** \*\*Per lin. ft.



FREE kitchen sink with purchase of 25 lin. ft. of countertop. (EK33)

## Eight Available Edge Styles



Roman O.G. Edge



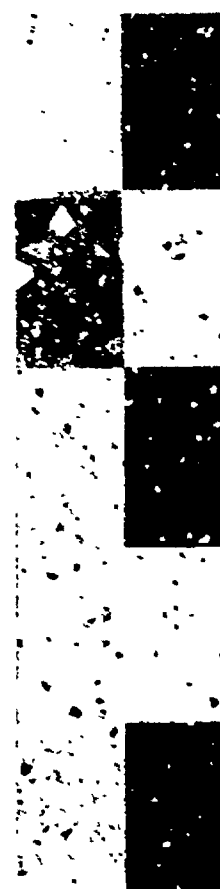
Double 1/4"  
Round-Over Edge



Top and Bottom  
45° Bevel Edge

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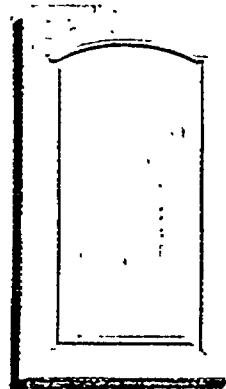
## Popular Colors



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# design it...



Newport Series

Natural Maple Cathedral Arch

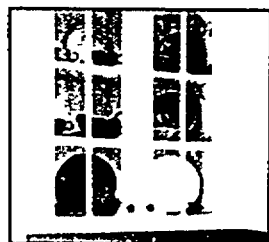
**\$61**

Per Month\*  
Total Price \$2418

## Optional Accessories



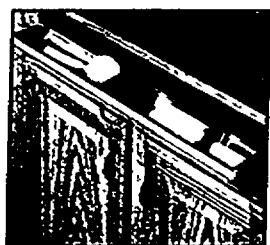
Slide-out shelves



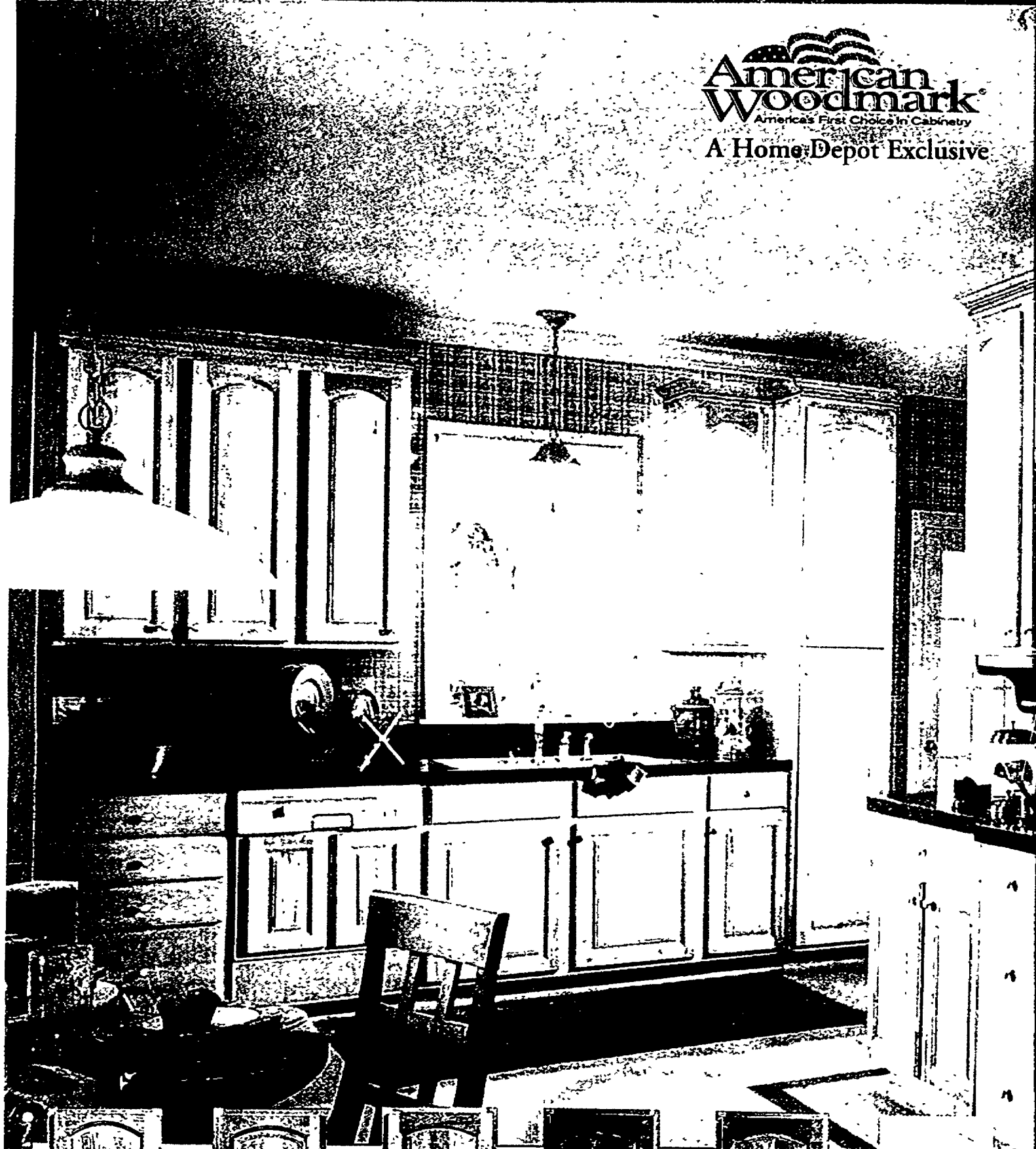
Multi-paned glass door



Lazy susan



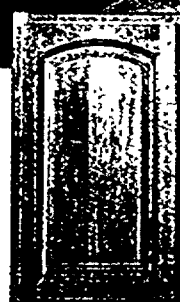
Tilt-out utensil tray



**American  
Woodmark**  
America's First Choice In Cabinetry  
A Home Depot Exclusive



Newport -  
Honey Oak



Newport -  
Maple Spice



Newport -  
Hickory Natural



Newport -  
Cherry Spice



Newport -  
Cherry Bordeaux



Newport -  
White

## Styles and Colors to Choose From

develop a new style...



# Cabinets built to order



## Essence

Cherry Cathedral Arch

**\$79** Per Month\*  
†Total Price \$3127

The richness of solid cherry is brought to life through stylish features like raised panel doors and drawer fronts. A variety of finishes and specialty cabinets allow you to put your personal stamp on your new design.

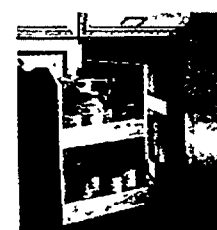
### Optional Accessories



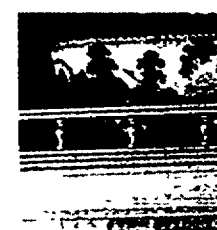
Pull-Out Pantry



Spice Rack



Base Swing Out



Spindle Rail  
Moulding



## Gentry

Natural Oak Arch

**\$76** Per Month\*  
†Total Price \$3010

The solid oak beauty of Gentry, features raised panel doors and drawer fronts. Behind its beauty lies legendary Schrock durability and craftsmanship.

### Optional Accessories



Corner Tombour  
Cabinet



Wall China Display  
with Spice Drawer



Base Open Basket  
Cabinet



Wine Rack

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# customize it...

## Depot Direct

Stainless Steel Appliances

Built-In Double Oven

**\$2248** (444584)

30" Built-in CleanDesign Cooktop

**\$758** (444565)

Combo Microwave/Convection Oven

**\$734** (442433)

Built-In Dishwasher

**\$698** (442012)

Side-by-Side Refrigerator with Dispenser

**\$2298** (726630)

## Design Elements



Stainless Steel Sink  
Double bowl undermount  
by Elkay Signature  
Special order (EUT43120R)



Enfax Kitchen Faucet  
by Kohler  
**\$129** (314357)



Deluxe Matchstick Shades  
by Lewis Hymen  
**\$1397** (691961)



imagine the results...



# Appliances

The way you shop for brand name refrigerators, stoves, ranges, washers and dryers is about to change! The Home Depot now carries a full line of appliances at rock-bottom prices every day, guaranteed.

In-stock appliances are ready to take home today - or there are over 1,000 choices available through Home Depot's Depot Direct order program!



Kitchen Cabinets

Newport Maple Spice

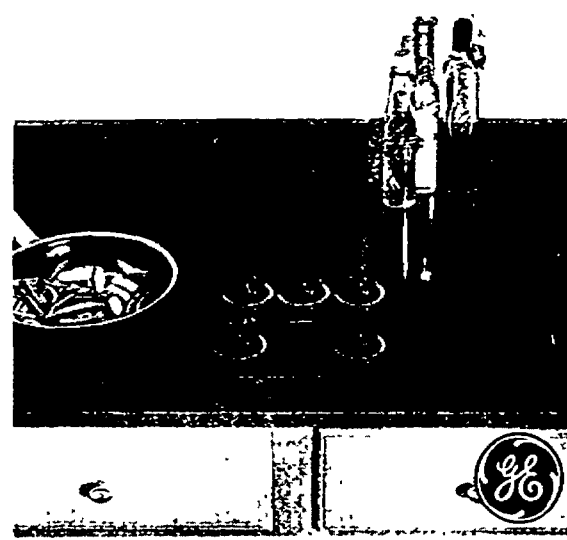
**\$61** Total Price \$2418



## Refrigerator

22 cu. ft. refrigerator with LightTouch ice and water dispenser

**\$1528** (643099) **\$3.99** Per Month

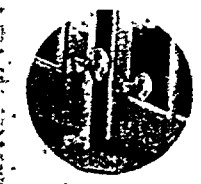


## 36" Cooktop

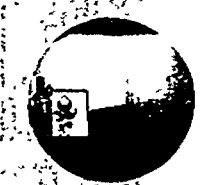
Built-in electric cooktop with smooth surface glass-ceramic CleanDesign

**\$1298** (442016) **\$3.99** Per Month

## Project Essentials



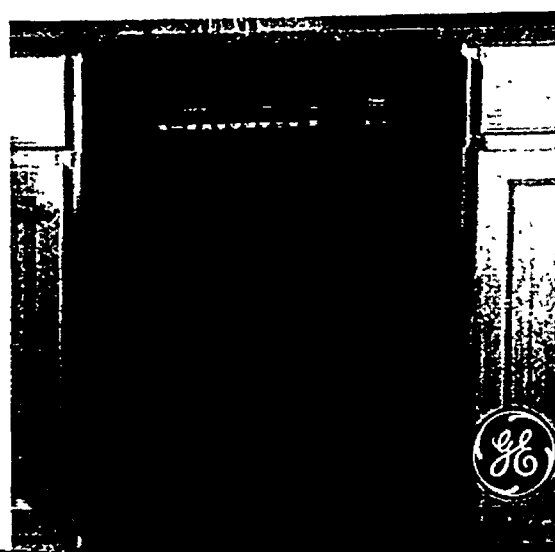
Solid Brass Knobs **\$3.87** Ea. (800127)



Under Cabinet Lighting - 3 lights **\$19.95** (148652)



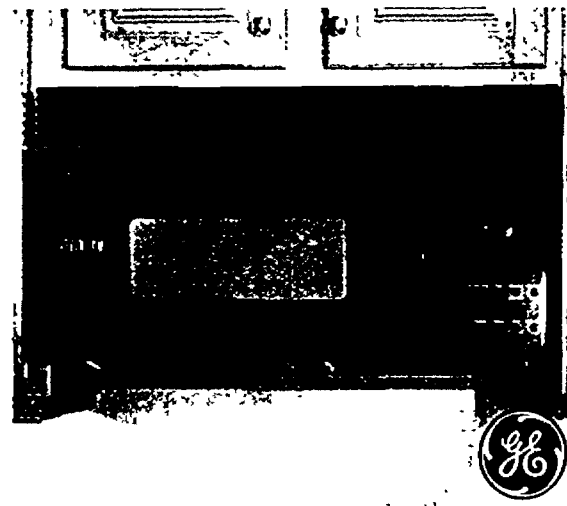
Delta Single Handle Faucet **\$184** (471119)



## Dishwasher

Built-in dishwasher with TriClean™ wash system

**\$428** (439822) **\$1.99** Per Month



## Advantium Oven

Speedcook technology delivers great-tasting food in an average of one-fourth the time of conventional ovens, with no preheating

**\$1588** (796888) **\$4.99** Per Month

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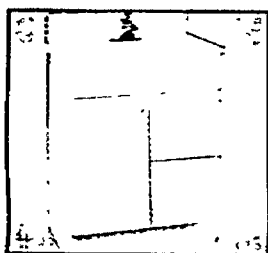
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48" x 18" Vanity

2 door, 6 drawers; Classic White  
Special order

**\$188<sup>70</sup>**

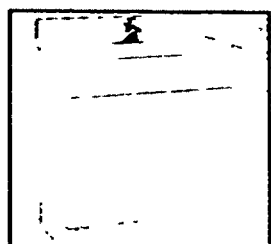
Also Available



24" x 18" Vanity

1 door, 2 drawers; Classic White

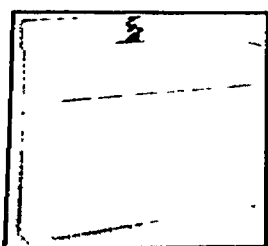
**\$92** (156919)



30" x 18" Vanity

1 door, 2 drawers; Classic White

**\$112** (156936)



36" x 18" Vanity

2 doors, 2 drawers; Classic White

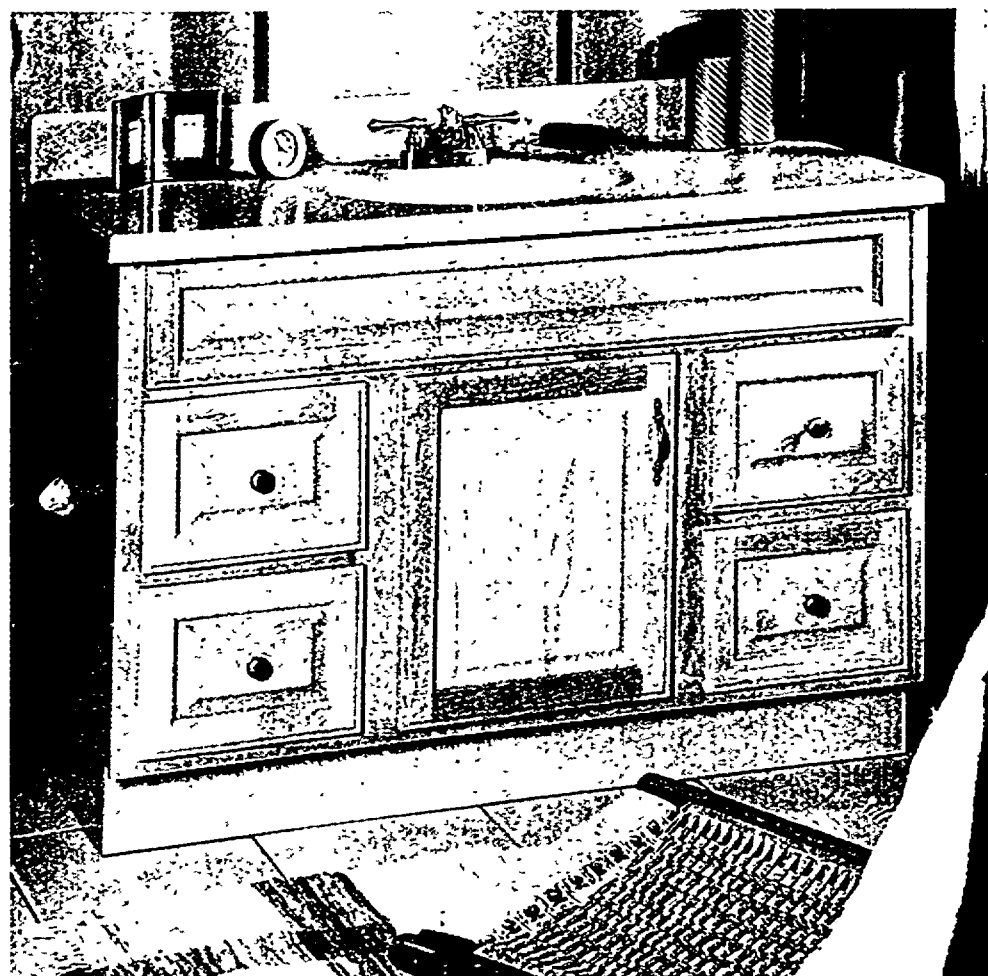
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**MILL'S PRIDE**  
Quality Cabinets Made Easy



a whole new look...



# Vanity Tops

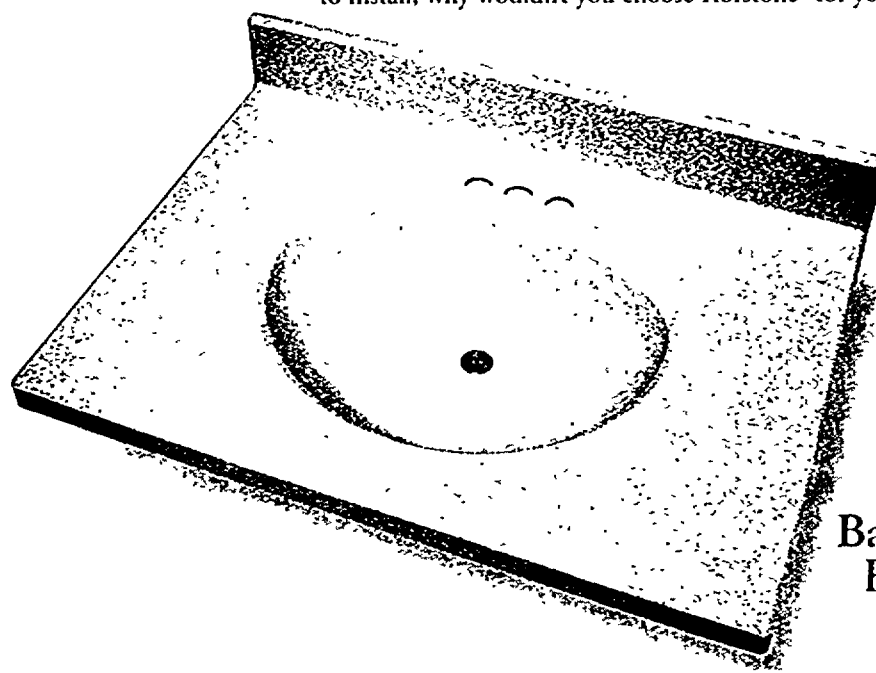


**KORSTONE**

beauty that lasts for the life of the home

Korstone® Vanity Countertops are designed to impress, designed to last and designed to be affordable. The durable solid surface is stain, chip and burn resistant. The deep, rich nonporous matte finish cleans easily and withstands abrasive cleaners.

With 16 colors to choose from and standard sizes that make it easy to install, why wouldn't you choose Korstone® for your bathroom?



## Bathroom Faucets



Delta  
**\$139** (517430)



Price Pfister  
**\$99** (784888)



Moen Decor  
**\$99** (411752)

## Sizes Available

19" x 25"  
22" x 31"  
22" x 37"  
22" x 49"

## Finishes Available



Flurry



Dune



Amber



Twilight



Coral



Mojave



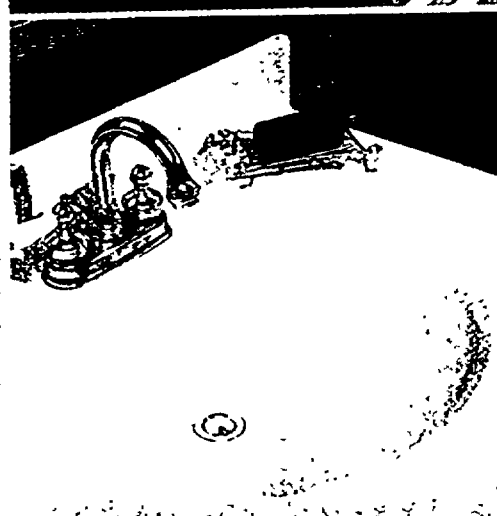
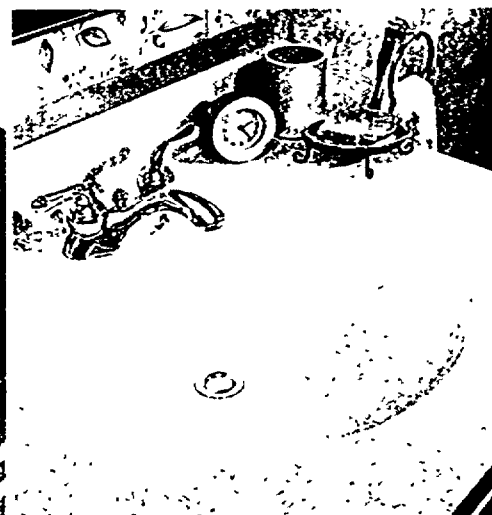
Emerald



Sapphire

Sizes and colors will vary in price.  
See a Home Depot associate for details. Faucets and sinktops sold separately.

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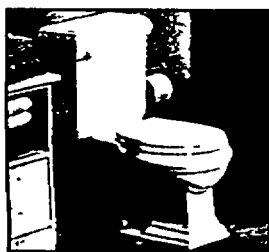
THE BOLD LOOK  
OF **KOHLER**

*Memors Pedestal*

Memors Pedestal  
White Finish 268486-452110

**\$285** \$12 Per Month

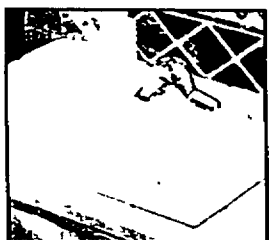
Design Elements



*Toilets*  
Memors Round Two Piece  
White Finish

**\$218** (2-9532-453088)

\$14 Per Month



*Faucets*  
Memors  
White Finish

**\$115** (685044)



Faucet  
Revival 8" Widespread

**\$282<sup>86</sup>** (R16102-1PB)

\$1 Per Month



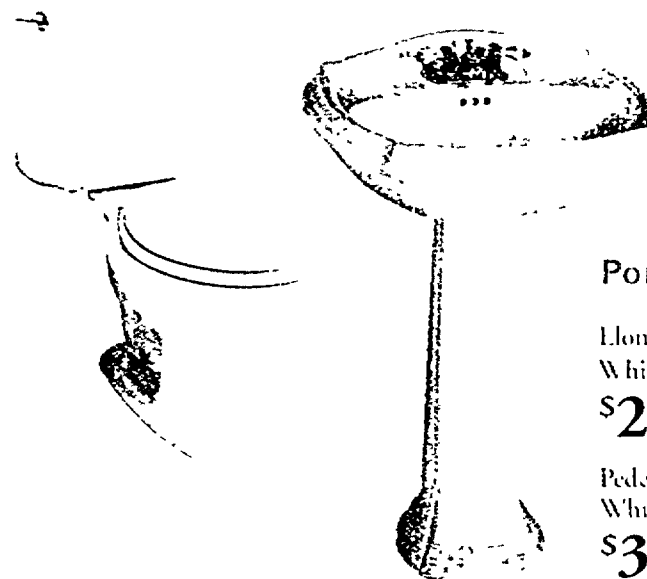
with classic elegance...



# Bathroom

THE BOLD LOOK  
OF **KOHLER**

Take the guesswork out of bathroom design with fixtures that complement each other. Kohler offers ensembles with style and price to please every client. With help from our Kitchen and Bath experts, choose the style you like and the whole room follows suit.



## Portrait Collection

Elongated Toilet  
White finish

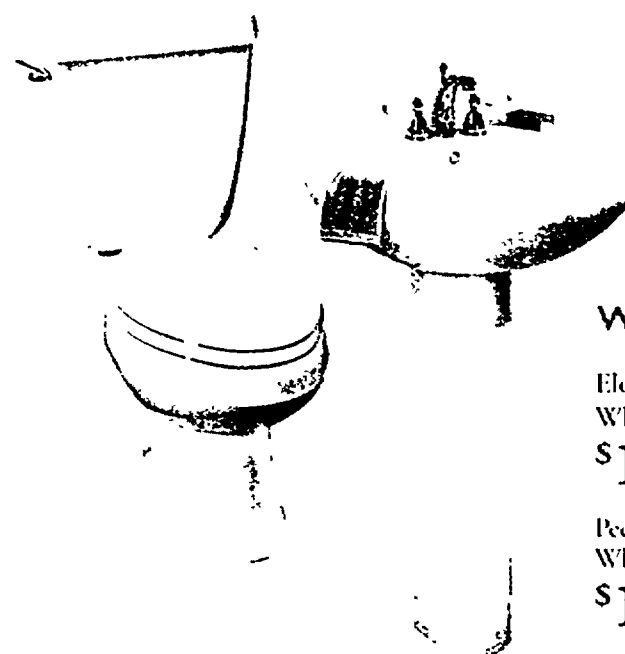
**\$274** (684951\_684983)

**\$1**  
Per  
Month\*

Pedestal Lavatory  
White finish

**\$348** (577211\_577225)

**\$1**  
Per  
Month\*



## Wellworth Collection

Elongated Toilet  
White finish

**\$127** (807311\_805505)

Pedestal Lavatory  
White finish

**\$139** (744567\_641976)

## Medicine Cabinet

20" x 26" One-door Beveled  
Medicine Cabinet

**\$79** (245982)

Faucets, toilet seats and accessories sold separately

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# realize it...

Beech Blocked



Oak Blocked



Red Oak Blocked

Pergo Presto  
Beech Blocked

Also available in Red Oak and Oak  
(789145/124/099)

**\$2<sup>97</sup>**  
Per Sq. Ft.

## What is Pergo® Presto?



Pergo® Presto has specially engineered grooves that you snap together. These grooves ensure a tight fit at the joints.



It's easy! Simply insert tongue into groove, and rotate downward.

15-year Triple-Plus warranty against stains, fading, wear-through and water damage.

Cuts installation time by up to 50%.

Available in 3 popular designs.



the warm look of wood...



# Bruce<sup>®</sup> Wood

**Bruce**  
hardwood floors  
A Division of Triangle Pacific Corp.



Let the only thing underfoot be a new oak plank floor. Bruce<sup>®</sup> flooring gives you beauty and durability with total ease of installation. The tongue and groove milling makes installation a snap. Plus you can enjoy your floor by walking on it immediately. Colors: Natural, Gunstock.

3/8" x 3" Simply Natural Oak Plank

**\$4<sup>20</sup>**

(284886)

Per Sq. Ft.

**Self Stick Plank:**  
Tongue and groove milling locks each piece of wood into position



It's so easy to add the style of hardwood floors to your home. The warm wood tones of the 2-1/4" planks supply you with rich beauty. The tongue and groove, eased edge square end, ensures a smooth, tight installed fit. Colors: Natural, Gunstock, Butterscotch.

Pre-Finished 3/4" x 2-1/4" Thick Strip

**\$3<sup>95</sup>**

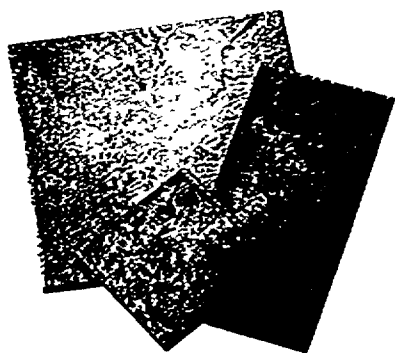
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Per Sq. Ft.



**Dura Luster<sup>®</sup>** This is over ten times more abrasion resistant than traditional urethane finishes. This remarkable finish is so durable, it comes with the best finish warranty provisions Bruce<sup>®</sup> has ever provided.

# visualize it...



12" x 12" Orleans

060576

**\$2<sup>47</sup>**

Per Sq. Ft.

6" x 6"

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6" x 12"

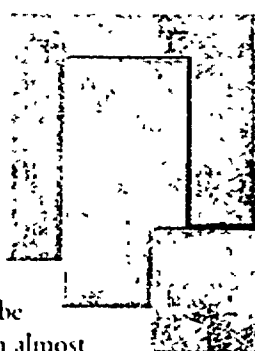
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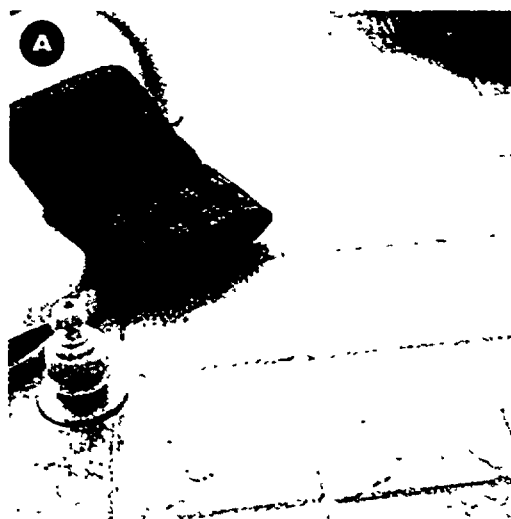
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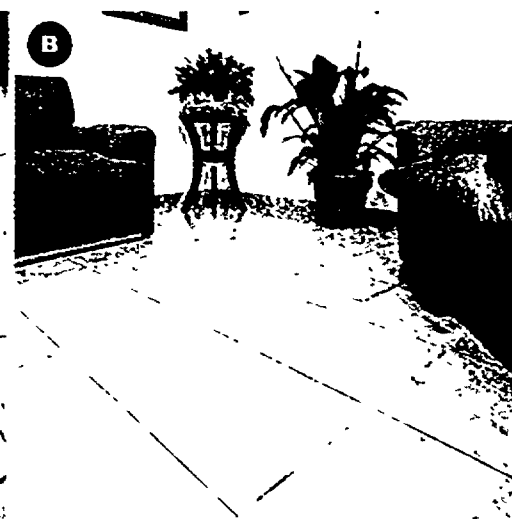
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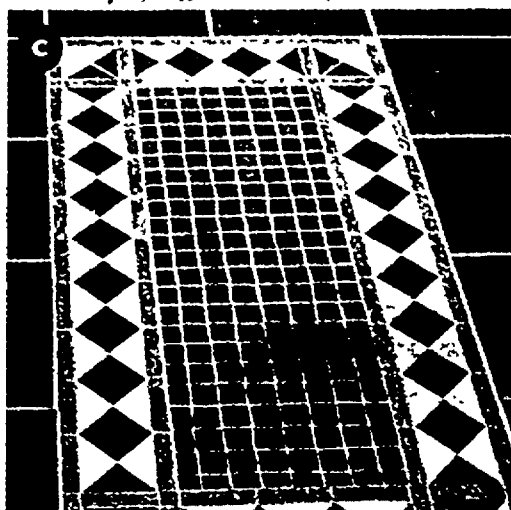
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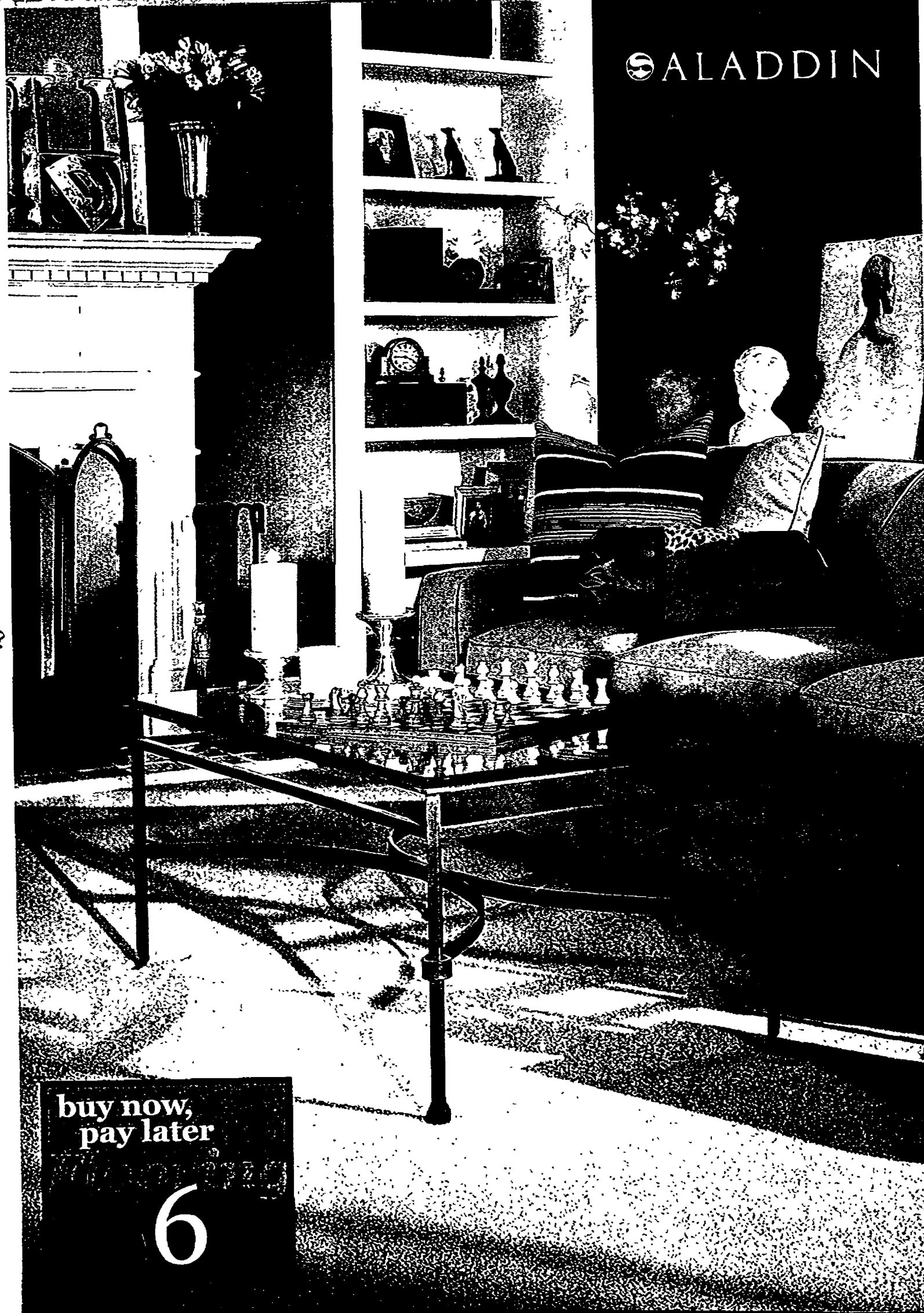


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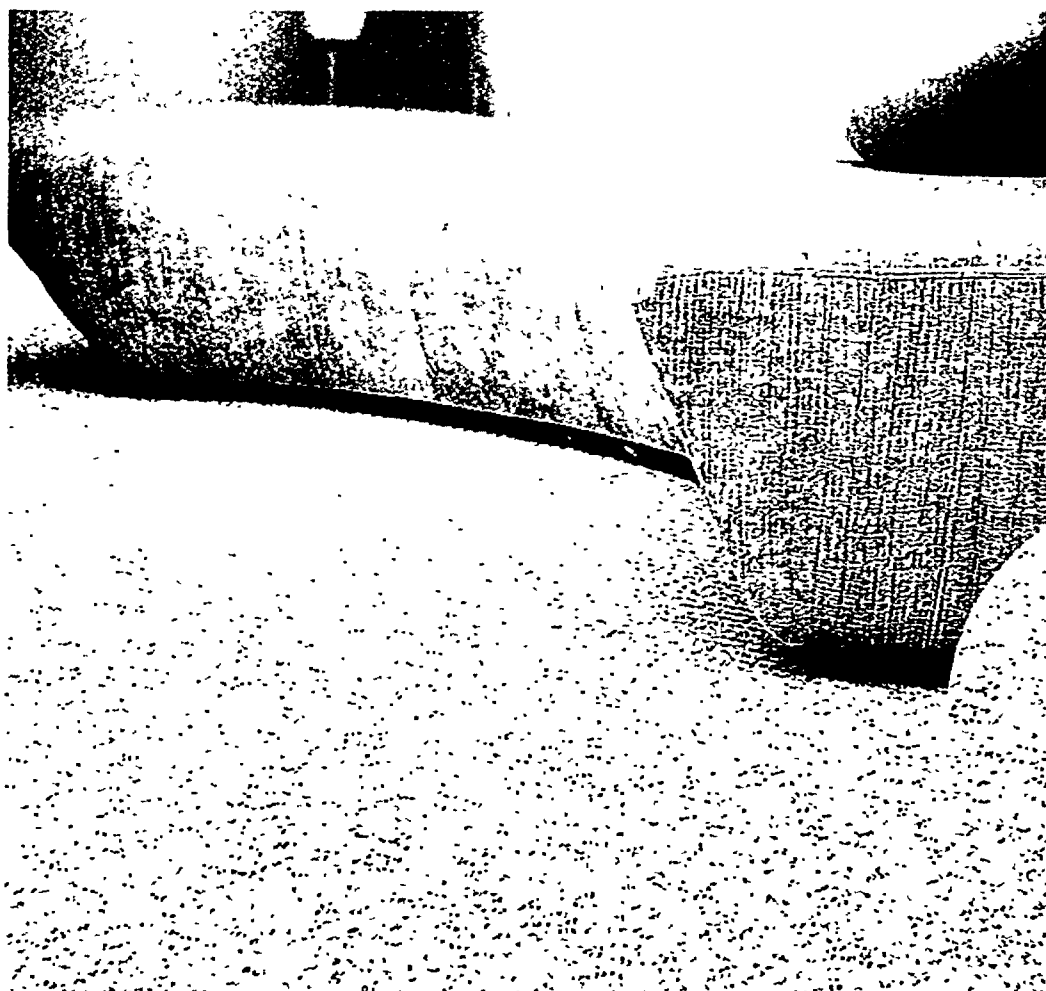


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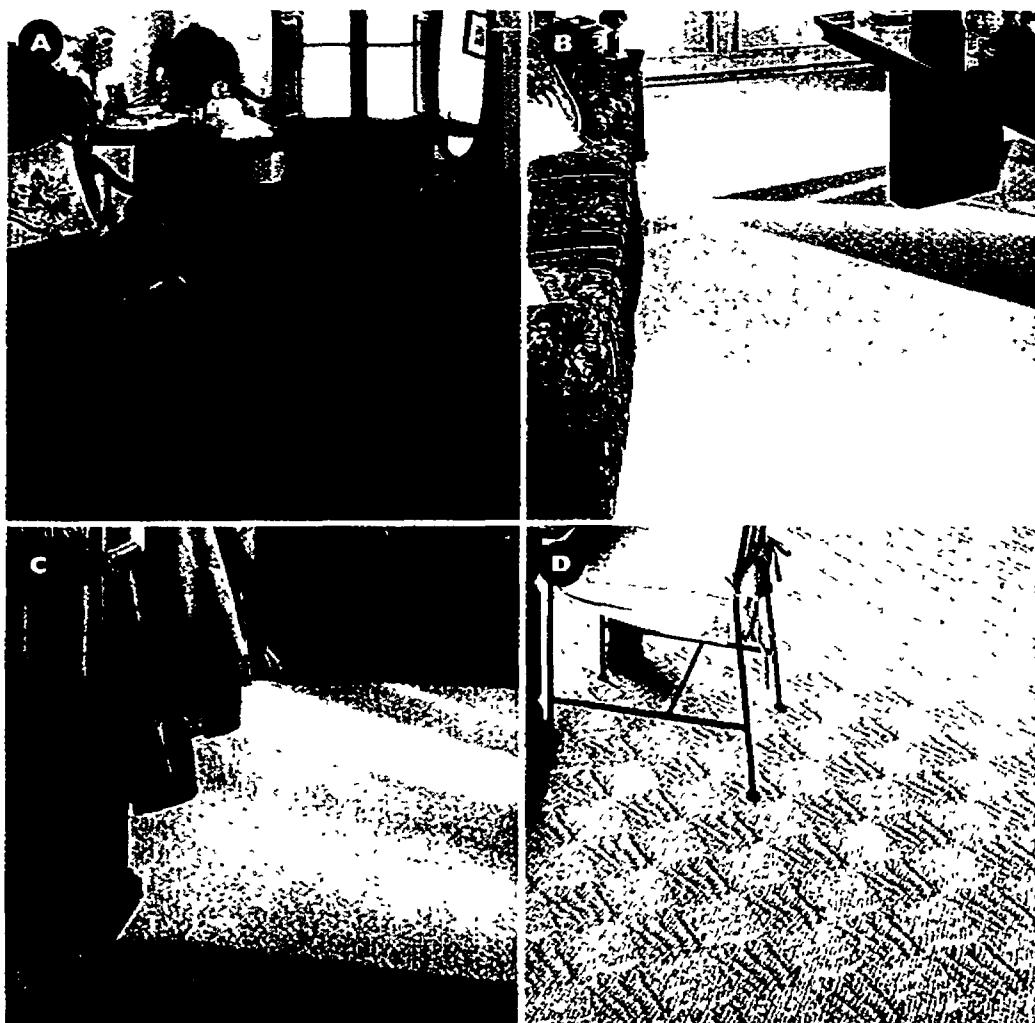


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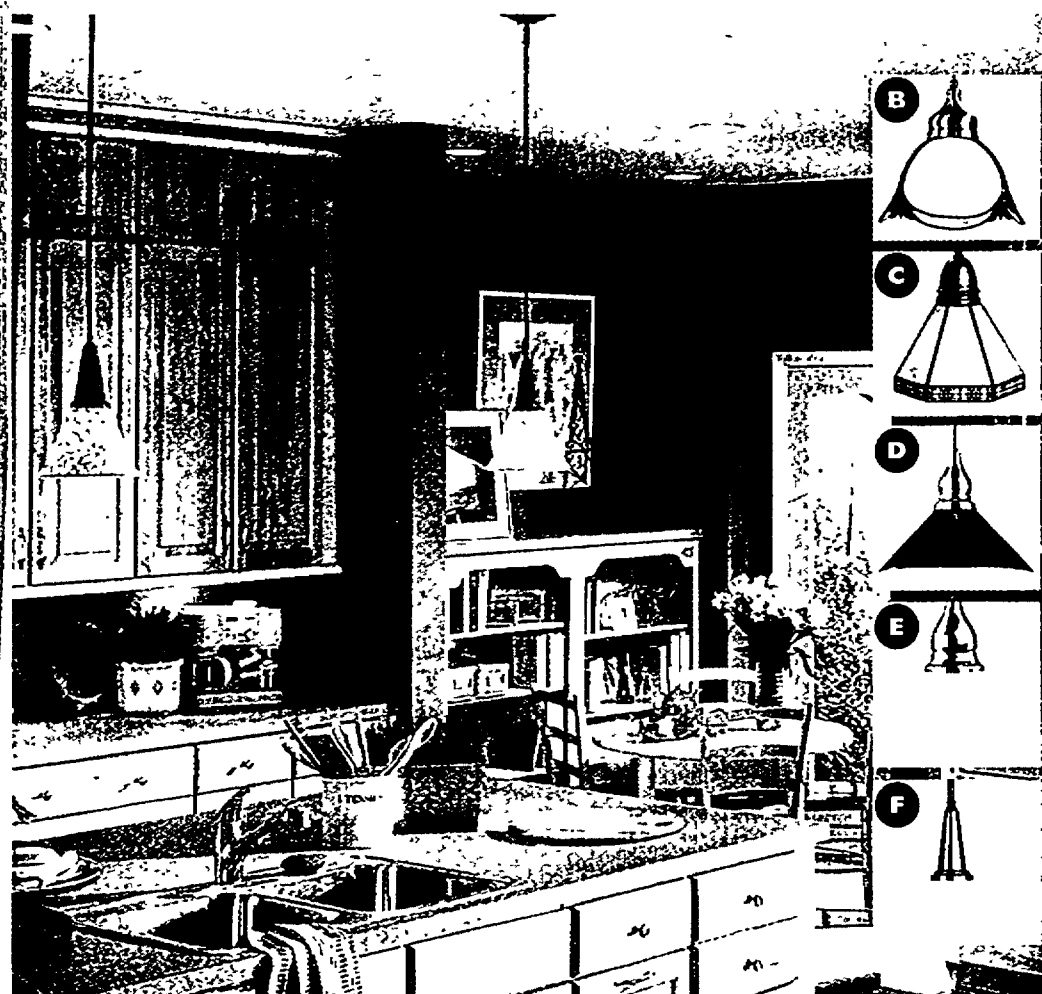
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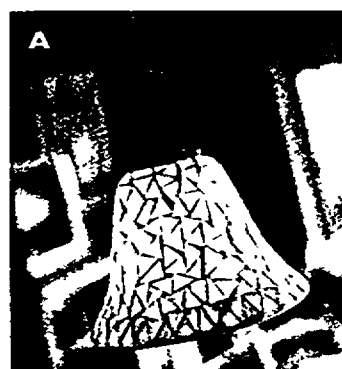


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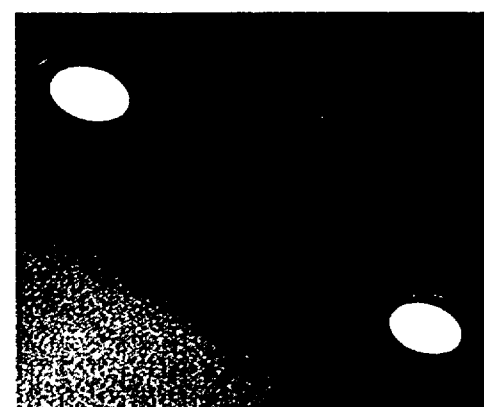
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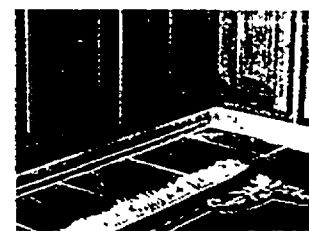
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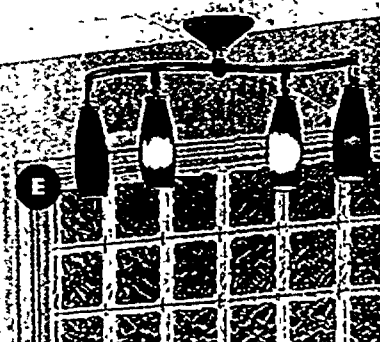
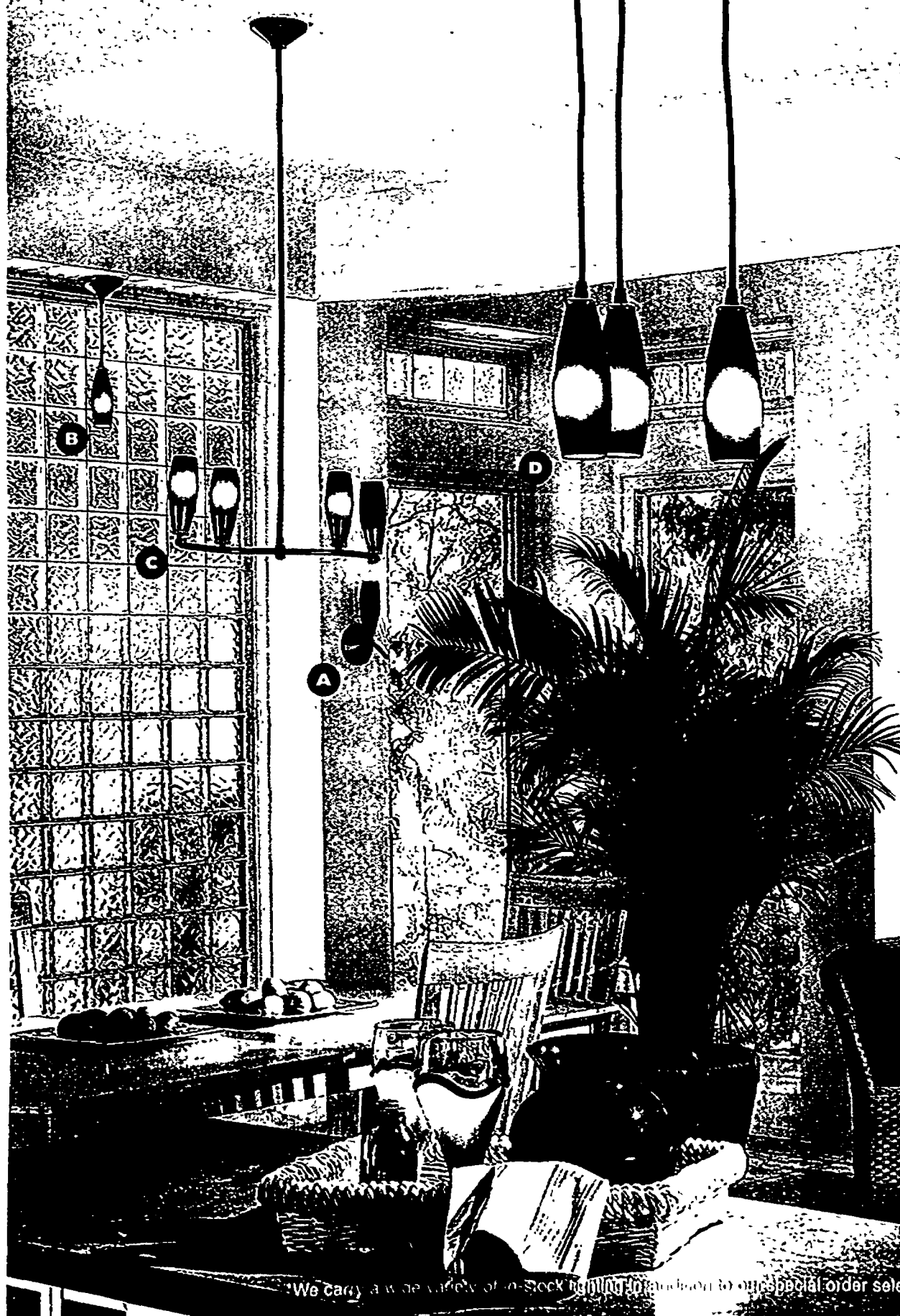
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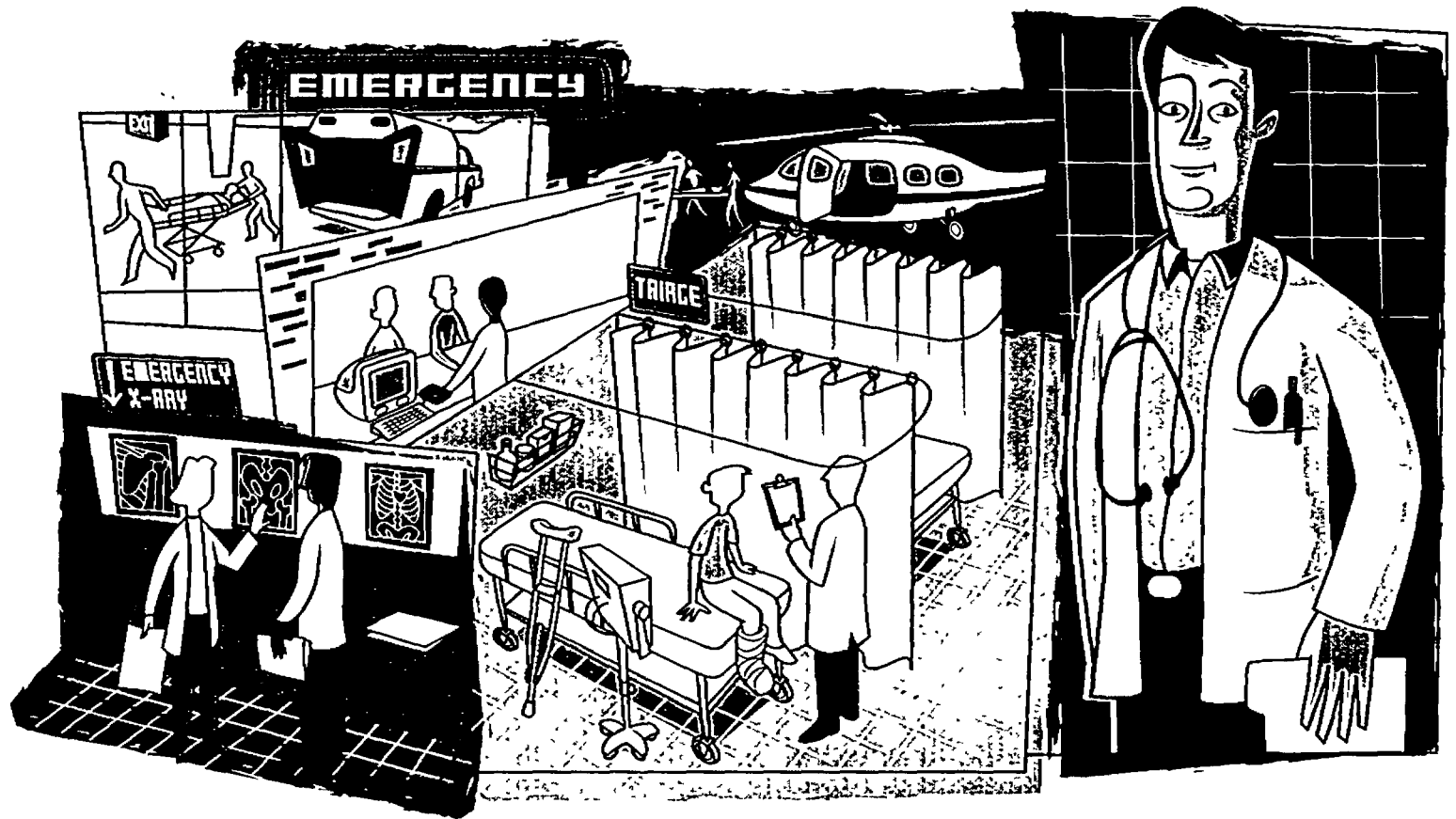


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# the "real-life" emergency department



## authentic real-life drama

For most of the public, a hospital Emergency Department is as dramatic as life gets. This is where the community's injured, wounded and suddenly ill come looking for medical assistance. The medical staff on-duty must "triage" the arrivals, determining the priority of each emergency: who can wait, who can't. And while the drama may not be as well-scripted as on television's "ER," it still affects staff, patient and families

alike as they anxiously deal with the emergency of the moment. But who are the people that come to the Emergency Department? And why are they there?

### There is no shortage of emergencies

Every day across the nation, there are 275,000 visits to emergency facilities; that's 100,000,000 per year, 11,400 per hour, or about 37 visits per year per

100 persons\*. They bring with them a broad spectrum of medical emergencies.

The most frequent reason for emergency visits is abdominal pain, followed by chest pain, fever and cough. One third of the visits are due to injuries, with most caused unintentionally by falls, vehicle wrecks, and being struck by objects or people.

Approximately 2 million emergency department visits are caused by intentional injuries, including 1.6 million

assaults. An additional half-million visits are brought on by self-inflicted causes (poisoning, alcohol intake, for example). And about 1.2 million are due to adverse drug reactions and surgical/medical complications.

At Botsford General Hospital, the Emergency Department (ED) is proportionately busy. As a Level I Emergency Center, Botsford receives nearly 60,000 visits annually and the numbers are increasing, especially

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SEE "Real Life" Emergency*

## Going to the Emergency Department?

## know what to take

Rarely is a visit to the Emergency Department planned in advance, but the possibility of a trip to an emergency facility is something everyone should consider. With that in mind, it might be a good idea to think about what you might need on an emergency run. If at all possible, take the items listed below with you (you might prepare some of

them in advance), but whatever you do, don't jeopardize the well-being of the person needing care by slowing down to gather the items.

Emergency Department visits are not pleasant events. Knowing what to bring or not bring can help make the experience a little less stressful.

### What to bring

- Identification card and your health insurance card if you have one.
- A written medical history, a list of allergies you might have or medications you take. Consider preparing forms like this in advance for every member of your family. If you are unconscious or unable to speak for yourself, this information can be available to emergency personnel.
- Emergency contact - if you go to the Emergency Department alone be sure to provide the name and number of a person for contact if necessary.
- If a child is being taken to an Emergency Department by someone other than the parent or guardian be sure that a "Consent to Treat" Form has been executed by the legal representative of the child. An Emergency

Department will always provide lifesaving care, but a legal representative of the child must consent to other medical care.

- Special needs forms and paraphernalia can be vitally important. If someone has an unapparent physical disability, an allergy, or chronic medical condition, a special needs form, bracelet or necklace may be invaluable in alerting emergency personnel, especially when the individual is unable to speak for himself.
- Something to read. Sometimes you may have to wait a while.
- A special toy for a child. Emergency rooms are often scary places for children whether they are patients or visitors. A toy that offers them comfort can make the situation easier.

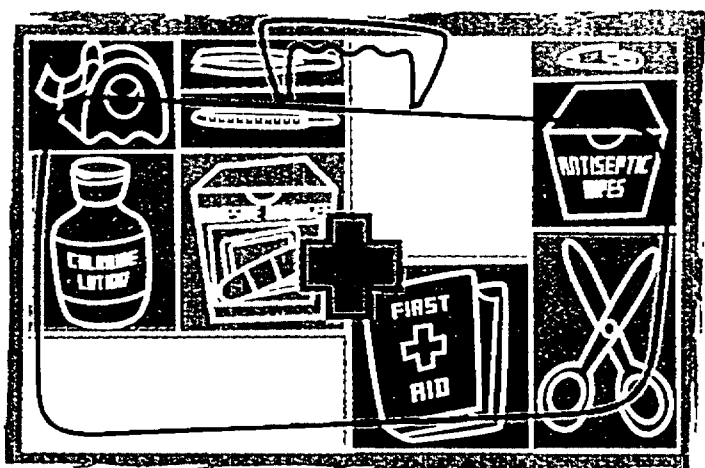
- Valuables. They may be separated from you as you undergo medical procedures.
- More people than you need. Emergency rooms are often busy and tense. Medical personnel can do their jobs more effectively in less congested conditions.
- Radios, cassette/CD players and other noisy distractions. These tend to add to the tension and discomfort of the environment.
- An attitude. Emergency personnel are under tremendous pressure, just as you are. They are committed to providing you with the best care possible and are aware of your pain and discomfort. They'll give you the attention you need as soon as possible.



# First aid kits

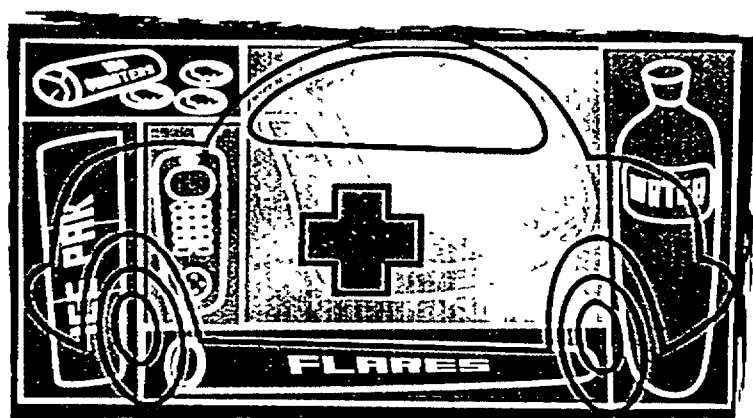
Keep them around!

Everybody knows you should have a first aid kit at home. But, do you actually have one? And if you do, do you know where it is? Can you get it in a hurry? Keep in mind, emergencies can happen anywhere, anytime. You might need to do something before trained help can arrive. While no first aid kit can cover every conceivable situation, the following provides an idea of the items home and automobile first aid kits should contain. Just be sure to remember where you put them.



## Basic Home First Aid Kit

Two 2" and 21" roller bandages (absorbent gauze)	1 box alcohol swabs
Roll of 1" adhesive tape	Calamine lotion
Twelve 3" x 3" sterile pads	2 pairs latex gloves
Large box of assorted adhesive bandages (Band-Aids, Curad, etc)	Antiseptic solution
Six elastic bandages 3"-6" wide	Antiseptic wipes
Thermometer	Antihistamine (for bee stings)
Scissors	Ipecac (to induce vomiting)
Tweezers	Eye goggles
Safety pins	Mouth barrier device
One set thin board splints 30" long (may be broken into appropriate lengths)	Phone numbers for emergency services
	First aid book



## Automobile First Aid Kit

An automobile first aid kit should contain the same things a home kit does along with the following items:

- 2 instant ice packs
- 1 blanket
- Chemical ice pack
- Flares, in case of accident
- A large bottle of water (for drinking or cleaning purposes)
- Insect repellent
- \$1.00 in change for telephone calls (even if you carry a cellular phone—it may not be working properly)

# Children are eager to learn lifesaving skills

Across the country more than 31 million children and adolescents are injured seriously enough every year to need emergency care. Many of these injuries could be prevented. While preventive measures can't stop all emergencies, some preparation and training can help children help themselves and others avoid situations that lead to injuries and also learn what to do in case of an emergency.

For children in particular, learning about bike and auto safety, household dangers, fire prevention, and even chemical hazards is extremely important. Kids need to know about wearing bike helmets and automobile safety belts. They should understand fire safety, the threat of poisons (not all colorful liquids, such as dishwashing soap or paint, are good to drink!), and even how to communicate with a 911 operator. Learning first aid essentials can

be a lifesaver. Keep in mind that the more your children know about safety the more they can help themselves and you in an emergency.

The bottom line is that it's never too early to help children learn age-appropriate skills. Kids are enthusiastic learners and curious about almost everything. With some preparation, they could prevent an emergency from turning into a tragedy or avoid emergencies altogether. Schools and various public organizations, such as Camp 9-1-1, run by Community Emergency Medical Services (CEMS), provide safety programs specifically directed to children.

Get your kids involved now. It's for their protection!

## Adults need to be prepared too.

Emergencies happen. To us, to our family and friends, sometimes to the stranger at the next table in a restaurant. What can we do, what should we do, if something happens? Are you prepared to act in an emergency? Your action could save a life. Please review these tips from the American College of Emergency Physicians.

Prevention is still the best way to deal with an emergency.

Keep yourself and your family in good health. Simply watching your health—getting the right immunizations, taking care of minor illnesses before they get serious—can cut potential emergency room visits. Avoid dangerous situations. Doing things you are physically unqualified to do—certain sports or home repair jobs, for example—could lead directly to the emergency department.

Recognize the signs.

Signs of medical emergencies are many and varied, but don't try and diagnose symptoms yourself. Chest and abdominal pain, shortness of breath, sudden severe pain, unstopable bleeding, persistent vomiting and changes in mental state are just a few signs of trouble. Err on the side of caution. Assume these are emergencies.

Know how to find help.

Keep critical phone numbers in plain view. Know the local emergency number (it's usually 911, but

not everywhere), poison control, fire department, police and the closest emergency facility. Also, make sure to know the route to that emergency department. It wouldn't hurt to make sure your car is in running condition and your cell phone batteries are charged.

Know what to do until help arrives.

Keeping a first aid kit in the house, maybe in the garage and the car, too, is extremely important. It's also important to take a first aid course. While you're at it, learning CPR and choking rescue procedures would help.

And when you're traveling.

Whether you go across the country or around the world, prepare yourself. Wherever you go—especially if you travel with children—learn where the emergency rooms are and learn the emergency phone numbers. Be sure to take a first aid kit and any medications (along with their prescriptions) you require. It's important when traveling abroad to spend a few minutes learning key words in the language of the country you're visiting. "I need a doctor" and other basic phrases could save your life when no one around you speaks English.

There are additional thoughts and suggestions about emergency care throughout this issue of *HealthSource*. We urge you to read the articles completely to gain an awareness of how you need to be prepared.

# What's an emergency?

How do you define an emergency? What is sufficient to justify a visit to an emergency facility? Do severe chest pains call for a dash to the ER? Does a messy, but not dangerous nosebleed qualify?

Federal guidelines define what is an emergency medical condition. An emergency medical situation is one in which the absence of immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected to result in:

- a) placing the health of the individual in serious jeopardy,
- b) serious impairment to bodily functions, or
- c) serious dysfunction to any bodily organ or part.\*

These definitions all leave room for interpretation. This is where common sense steps in. If an individual thinks emergency care is required or the emergency department is the right place to go for treatment, then it is better to be safe than sorry. Chest pains, drug reactions, injuries, and even that messy nosebleed may or may not be genuine emergencies. But only medical personnel can really determine that and such symptoms may warrant a trip to the ER.

Another part of federal guidelines for patients presenting to an emergency department must have a medical screening exam (MSE) to determine the existence of an emergency medical condition. In other words, no one may be turned away from an emergency department without being examined. If screened, the patient must be treated in the emergency department or an appropriate facility (e.g., hospital or doctor's office) for further care.

Rest assured that the Botsford Emergency Department stands ready to help. If you believe it is an emergency, come in.

\*The Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA) was enacted as part of the 1986 Omnibus Reconciliation Act.



## patients say

### Botsford Emergency Department is one of area's best

When a medical emergency strikes, you might not have time to think about where to seek care. That's why it's important to know about the emergency care facilities in your community. For people around Botsford General Hospital, there's good news.

Recently, representatives from a consortium of major employers in the area hired an independent research firm to conduct a patient survey about emergency care in Southeastern Michigan. Thirty-one of the area's larger hospitals—including Botsford—were included. Botsford was one of two local hospitals whose overall performance was above the national average.

## What patients think:

Patients think Botsford ED ranks HIGH in all of the following areas:

**Time waited** – How long it took to see a doctor after being taken to an examination room

**Patient preferences** – Whether patients felt they had enough to say about their care

**Continuity of care** – Whether patients were told about danger signs to watch for when they got home

**Information and education** – Whether patients were given information about their condition, its treatment and results

**Physical comfort** – Whether the patient's pain was controlled

**Emotional support** – Whether the patients were able to discuss fears, anxieties and concerns with caregivers

**Care coordination** – whether one doctor was in charge of their care

When all these areas of concern were combined, surveyed patients responses put Botsford above the national average.

Being responsive, being there to help in time of need, being a key part of a continuum of care, all this is what an Emergency Department should be. An Emergency Department recognized by patients for its good work is another way Botsford serves the community.

## EMERGENCY CARE VS. URGENT CARE

If we think of a medical condition that is life-threatening or causes severe pain, we almost automatically think of going to the Emergency Department. So then, what's urgent care all about? It doesn't sound as serious as "Emergency," but it sure suggests taking care of something right away. What's the real difference between the two?

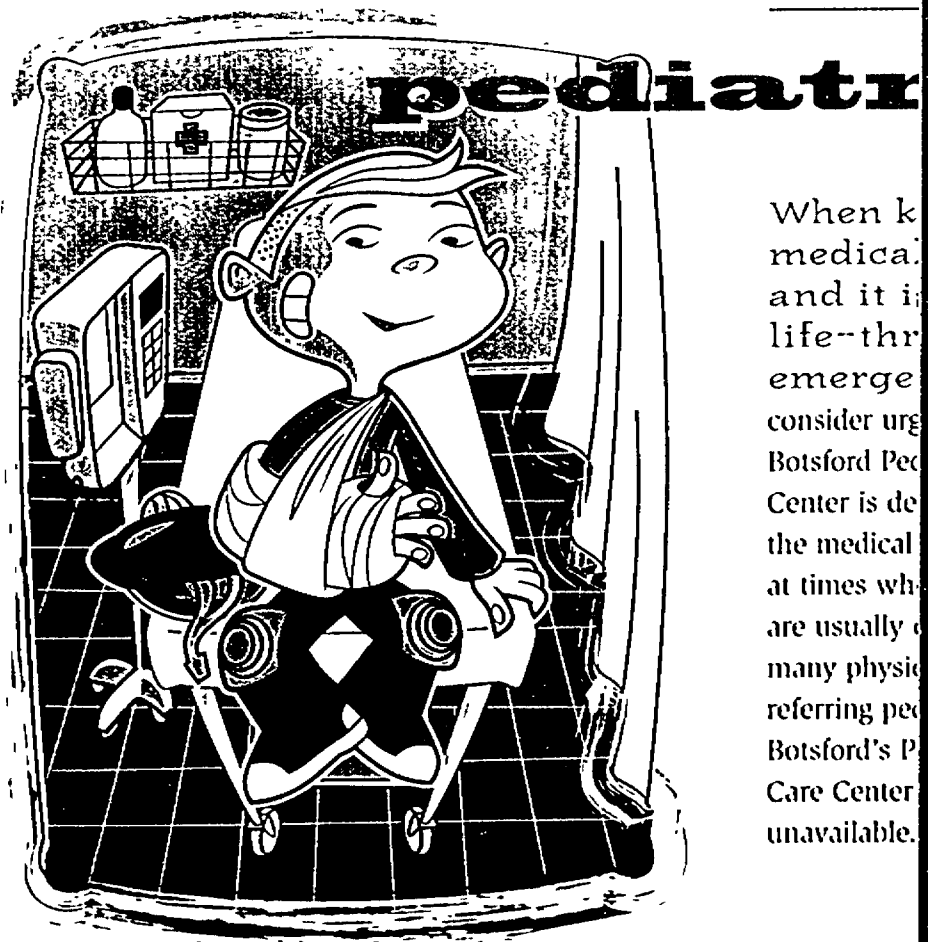
When you need to see a physician, but your condition is not life threatening, you should probably go to an urgent care center—such as the Botsford Urgent Care Center, a part of the Botsford Emergency Department.

An urgent care center is intended to provide non-emergency patients with medical care needed quickly. Typical problems handled at an urgent care center include infections, bites, cuts requiring stitches, minor fractures, burns, sprains, ear aches and other ills that require same-day attention. An urgent care center is

geared to take care of conditions you might see your doctor about if she was available.

In fact, many urgent care centers are open outside their office hours and on holidays when the Emergency Department isn't available. The Botsford Urgent Care Center is open seven days a week from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and releases patients when it's convenient for them. The Emergency Department is available 24 hours a day for patients who are triaged to determine if they need emergent or urgent care.

When illness or injury is not life-threatening or not causing harm, the Emergency Department is not your destination. If you're unsure where to go for the urgent care you need, call 911. They'll help you decide.



When kids have a medical emergency, it's important to get them to the Emergency Department as quickly as possible. Botsford Pediatric Emergency Center is dedicated to providing the medical care that kids need at times when their parents are usually not available. Many physicians referring pediatric patients to Botsford's Pediatric Emergency Center are unavailable.

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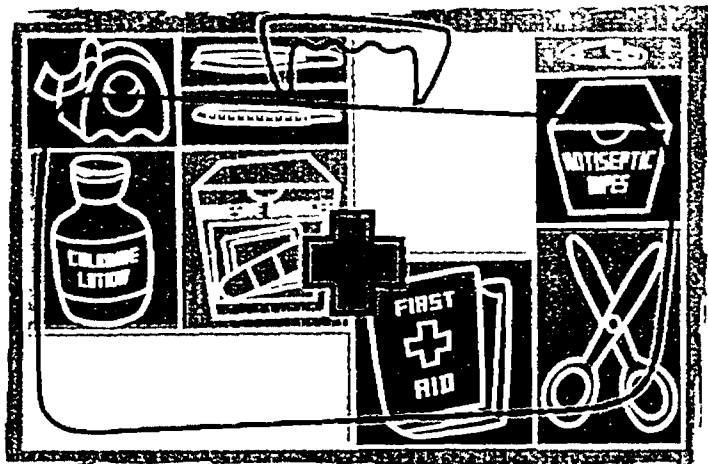
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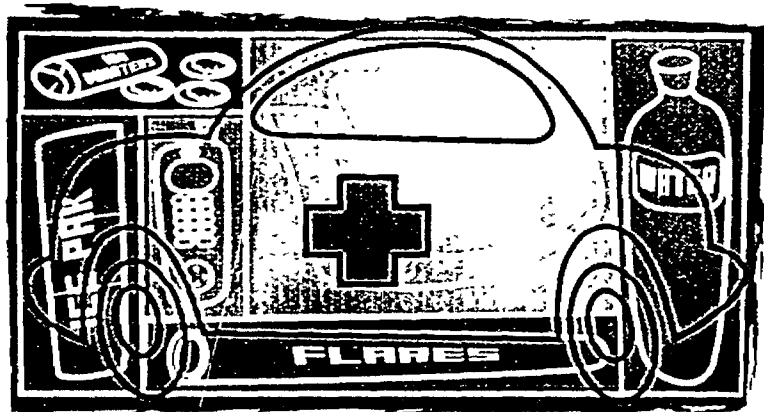
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Everybody knows you should have a first aid kit at home. But, do you actually have one? And if you do, do you know where it is? Can you get it in a hurry? Keep in mind, emergencies can happen anywhere, anytime. You might need to do something before trained help can arrive. While no first aid kit can cover every conceivable situation, the following provides an idea of the items home and automobile first aid kits should contain. Just be sure to remember where you put them.



## Basic Home First Aid Kit

Two 2" and 21" roller bandages (absorbent gauze)	1 box alcohol swabs
Roll of 1" adhesive tape	Calamine lotion
Twelve 3"x3" sterile pads	2 pairs latex gloves
Large box of assorted adhesive bandages (Band-Aids, Curad, etc)	Antiseptic solution
Six elastic bandages 3"-6" wide	Antiseptic wipes
Thermometer	Antihistamine (for bee stings)
Scissors	Ipecac (to induce vomiting)
Tweezers	Eye goggles
Safety pins	Mouth barrier device
One set thin board splints 30" long (may be broken into appropriate lengths)	Phone numbers for emergency services
	First aid book



## Automobile First Aid Kit

An automobile first aid kit should contain the same things a home kit does along with the following items:

- 2 instant ice packs
- 1 blanket
- Chemical ice pack
- Flares, in case of accident
- A large bottle of water (for drinking or cleaning purposes)
- Insect repellent
- \$1.00 in change for telephone calls (even if you carry a cellular phone—it may not be working properly)

# Children are eager to learn lifesaving skills

Across the country more than 31 million children and adolescents are injured seriously enough every year to need emergency care. Many of these injuries could be prevented. While preventive measures can't stop all emergencies, some preparation and training can help children help themselves and others avoid situations that lead to injuries and also learn what to do in case of an emergency.

For children in particular, learning about bike and auto safety, household dangers, fire prevention, and even chemical hazards is extremely important. Kids need to know about wearing bike helmets and automobile safety belts. They should understand fire safety, the threat of poisons (not all colorful liquids, such as dishwashing soap or paint, are good to drink!), and even how to communicate with a 911 operator. Learning first aid essentials can

be a lifesaver. Keep in mind that the more your children know about safety the more they can help themselves and you in an emergency.

The bottom line is that it's never too early to help children learn age-appropriate skills. Kids are enthusiastic learners and curious about almost everything. With some preparation, they could prevent an emergency from turning into a tragedy or avoid emergencies altogether. Schools and various public organizations, such as Camp 9-1-1, run by Community Emergency Medical Services (CEMS), provide safety programs specifically directed to children.

Get your kids involved now. It's for their protection!

## Adults need to be prepared too.

Emergencies happen. To us, to our family and friends, sometimes to the stranger at the next table in a restaurant. What can we do, what should we do, if something happens? Are you prepared to act in an emergency? Your action could save a life. Please review these tips from the American College of Emergency Physicians.

Prevention is still the best way to deal with an emergency.

Keep yourself and your family in good health. Simply watching your health—getting the right immunizations, taking care of minor illnesses before they get serious—can cut potential emergency room visits. Avoid dangerous situations. Doing things you are physically unqualified to do—certain sports or home repair jobs, for example—could lead directly to the emergency department.

Recognize the signs.

Signs of medical emergencies are many and varied, but don't try and diagnose symptoms yourself. Chest and abdominal pain, shortness of breath, sudden severe pain, unstopable bleeding, persistent vomiting and changes in mental state are just a few signs of trouble. Err on the side of caution. Assume these are emergencies.

Know how to find help.

Keep critical phone numbers in plain view. Know the local emergency number (it's usually 911, but

not everywhere), poison control, fire department, police and the closest emergency facility. Also, make sure to know the route to that emergency department. It wouldn't hurt to make sure your car is in running condition and your cell phone batteries are charged.

Know what to do until help arrives.

Keeping a first aid kit in the house, maybe in the garage and the car, too, is extremely important. It's also important to take a first aid course. While you're at it, learning CPR and choking rescue procedures would help.

And when you're traveling.

Whether you go across the country or around the world, prepare yourself. Wherever you go—especially if you travel with children—learn where the emergency rooms are and learn the emergency phone numbers. Be sure to take a first aid kit and any medications (along with their prescriptions) you require. It's important when traveling abroad to spend a few minutes learning key words in the language of the country you're visiting. "I need a doctor" and other basic phrases could save your life when no one around you speaks English.

There are additional thoughts and suggestions about emergency care throughout this issue of *HealthSource*. We urge you to read the articles completely to gain an awareness of how you need to be prepared.

# What's an emergency?

How do you define an emergency? What is sufficient to justify a visit to an emergency facility? Do severe chest pains call for a dash to the ER? Does a messy, but not dangerous nosebleed qualify?

Federal guidelines define what is an emergency medical condition. An emergency medical situation is one in which the absence of immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected to result in:

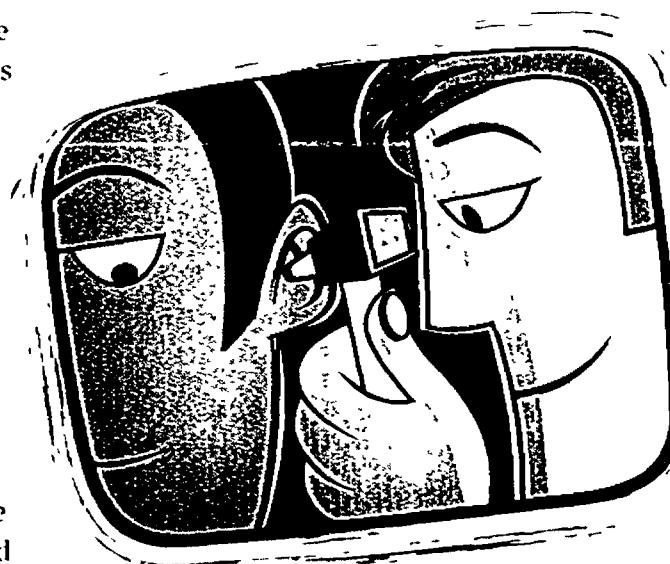
- a) placing the health of the individual in serious jeopardy,
- b) serious impairment to bodily functions, or
- c) serious dysfunction to any bodily organ or part.\*

These definitions all leave room for interpretation. This is where common sense steps in. If an individual thinks emergency care is required or the emergency department is the right place to go for treatment, then it is better to be safe than sorry. Chest pains, drug reactions, injuries, and even that messy nosebleed may or may not be genuine emergencies. But only medical personnel can really determine that and such symptoms may warrant a trip to the ER.

Another part of the same federal guidelines says that patients presenting themselves to an emergency department must have a medical screening exam (MSE) to determine the existence of an emergency medical condition. In other words, no one may be turned away from an emergency facility without being examined. Once screened, the patient is then either treated in the emergency department or directed to another appropriate facility (clinic, urgent care center, doctor's office) for suitable care.

Rest assured that regardless of how you define emergency, the Botsford Emergency Department stands accessible to our community. If you believe it is an emergency, we will triage.

\*The Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act section of the 1985 Consolidated Omnibus Reconciliation Act (COBRA).



## EMERGENCY CARE VS. URGENT CARE

If we think of a medical condition that is life-threatening or causes severe pain, we almost automatically think of going to the Emergency Department. So then, what's urgent care all about? It doesn't sound as serious as "Emergency," but it sure suggests taking care of something right away. What's the real difference between the two?

When you need to see a physician, but your condition is not life threatening, you should probably go to an urgent care center—such as the Botsford Urgent Care Center, a part of the Botsford Emergency Department.

An urgent care center is intended to provide non-emergency patients with medical care needed quickly. Typical problems handled at an urgent care center include infections, bites, cuts requiring stitches, minor fractures, burns, sprains, ear aches and other ills that require same-day attention. An urgent care center is

geared to take care of the things for which you might see your regular doctor if he or she was available.

In fact, many urgent care centers schedule their office hours around evenings, weekends and holidays when most office doctors aren't available. The Botsford Urgent Care Center is open seven days a week from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Its goal is to treat and release patients within 90 minutes. And it's conveniently located adjacent to the Emergency Department where patients are triaged to determine whether they need emergent or urgent care.

When illness or injury could cause serious harm, the Emergency Department should be your destination. When it's less severe, head for the urgent care facility nearest you. If you're unsure where to go, call your doctor. They'll help you decide.

## Botsford offers

## pediatric urgent care

When kids need medical attention and it isn't a life-threatening emergency... consider urgent care. The Botsford Pediatric Urgent Care Center is designed to cover the medical needs of children at times when doctors' offices are usually closed. In fact, many physicians are routinely referring pediatric patients to Botsford's Pediatric Urgent Care Center when they are unavailable.

Located at 23133 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington, the Center is open Monday through Friday evenings from 6 PM–10 PM, and on Saturday and Sunday from noon to 8 PM. Working parents find these hours especially convenient. Unlike most Emergency Departments, the Center is staffed exclusively by board-certified pediatric physicians. The Center accepts patients through age 18 and is equipped to handle

cases which might be typically seen in a doctor's office, including flu, cold, and respiratory ailments, fevers, nausea, and even small fractures and sports injuries.

The Center maintains relationships with area emergency departments and in a true emergency will stabilize the patient and arrange for transfer. To reach the Botsford Pediatric Urgent Care Center, please call 248-476-KIDS (5437).



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# When it comes to Emergency Departments, they're not all alike

When a medical emergency arises, a decision has to be made about where to take the injured or ill person. EMS personnel know emergency departments have different levels of care and specialization, so they are trained to recognize a patient's needs and direct their care to the most appropriate facility in the area. One emergency facility may be more appropriate than another for a given

situation. An athlete with a broken leg may not need the same sophisticated care as a gunshot or heart attack victim, yet all need fast attention.

Based on their documented capabilities hospital emergency departments are categorized by the State of Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services. There are four levels of emergency departments:

**Level I facilities**, of which Botsford is one, is the highest designation a hospital can receive. A Level I Emergency Center provides comprehensive emergency care 24 hours a day for adults, children, infants and newborns. An experienced emergency care physician is on duty at all times. There is also in-hospital physician coverage of medical, operating room/surgical, orthopedic, obstetric/gynecologic, pediatric and anesthesia services, with additional specialties available within 30 minutes. Physical and related emotional problems are provided in-house. A Level I emergency center is often a key facility in the community and the assigned destination of choice by EMS providers.

**Level II facilities** provide emergency care 24 hours a day and always have an experienced emergency room physician on duty. Specialty consultation must be available within 30 minutes. Physical and related emotional problems must be provided in-house. Transfer provisions for moving a patient to another facility must also be available when needed.

**Level III facilities** provide emergency care 24 hours a day with at least one experienced emergency care physician available within 30 minutes. Specialty consultation is available per staff request or by transfer to a designated hospital where definitive care can be provided.

**Level IV facilities** provide the minimal acceptable level of emergency care. They supply reasonable care in assessing whether or not an emergency exists and in performing lifesaving first aid, with appropriate referral to the nearest hospital capable of providing needed services. Physician coverage is determined by the local medical staff.

Similar classification standards are used throughout the United States. The extent and type of emergency service to be provided depends upon community needs and the availability of other services within the area.

## Real Life Emergency

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since the closing of the Sinai Emergency Department. The 14 Botsford ED physicians treat all types of conditions. The most common reasons for adult visits resulting in admission to the hospital are congestive heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, pneumonia and myocardial infarction. For adults not admitted, the most common complaints are abdominal pain, lacerations, urinary tract infections, fractures and back strain. For children under 12, it's ear infections, fractures, lacerations, laryngitis, fever and asthma.

### It isn't always "emergencies."

Many visits to EDs are not necessarily "emergencies" in the old-fashioned sense of heart attack, appendicitis, broken bones or assault wounds. Today, many emergency departments are regarded as primary medical care centers. There are several reasons for this. One is that, by law, no one requesting care may be turned away without being evaluated and referred for further treatment. Consequently, many ED visits are generated by colds, sore throats and minor infections. Many people have no where else to go but the ED for all their medical needs. Plus, the uninsured or underinsured may not be able to find a suitable source of healthcare and have no choice but to go to an ED. Yet another reason, and typical for the times in which we live, is that people don't have time to see a physician during "regular" office hours and rely on the ED because it is open 24 hours a day. Many of these "non-emergency" emergencies are placed on an "urgent care" track within the ED.

### For the welfare of the community

Regardless of what the ED actually does, for whom it does it, or why, today's Emergency Centers have assumed a critical role in the community as havens for those acutely in need of medical care. The Botsford ED, with its board-certified Emergency Medicine physicians, state-of-the-art medical technology, committed professional staff, and even a helistop for patient transfers, stands ready to maintain its position of ED leadership in the community. The Botsford ED is an integral part of the community, relied upon and looked to as a source of care. In the future, as the needs of the community expand, Botsford's ED will also expand to address those needs.

\* National Center for Health Statistic, 1998.

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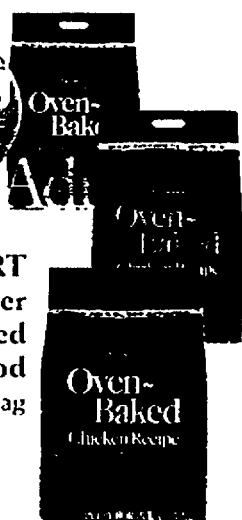
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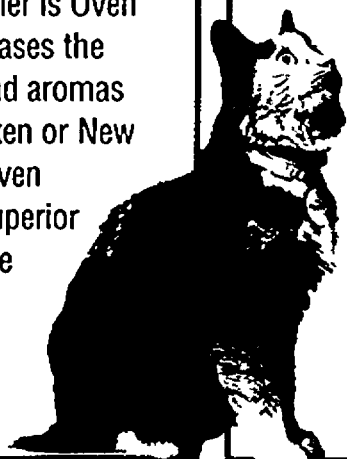


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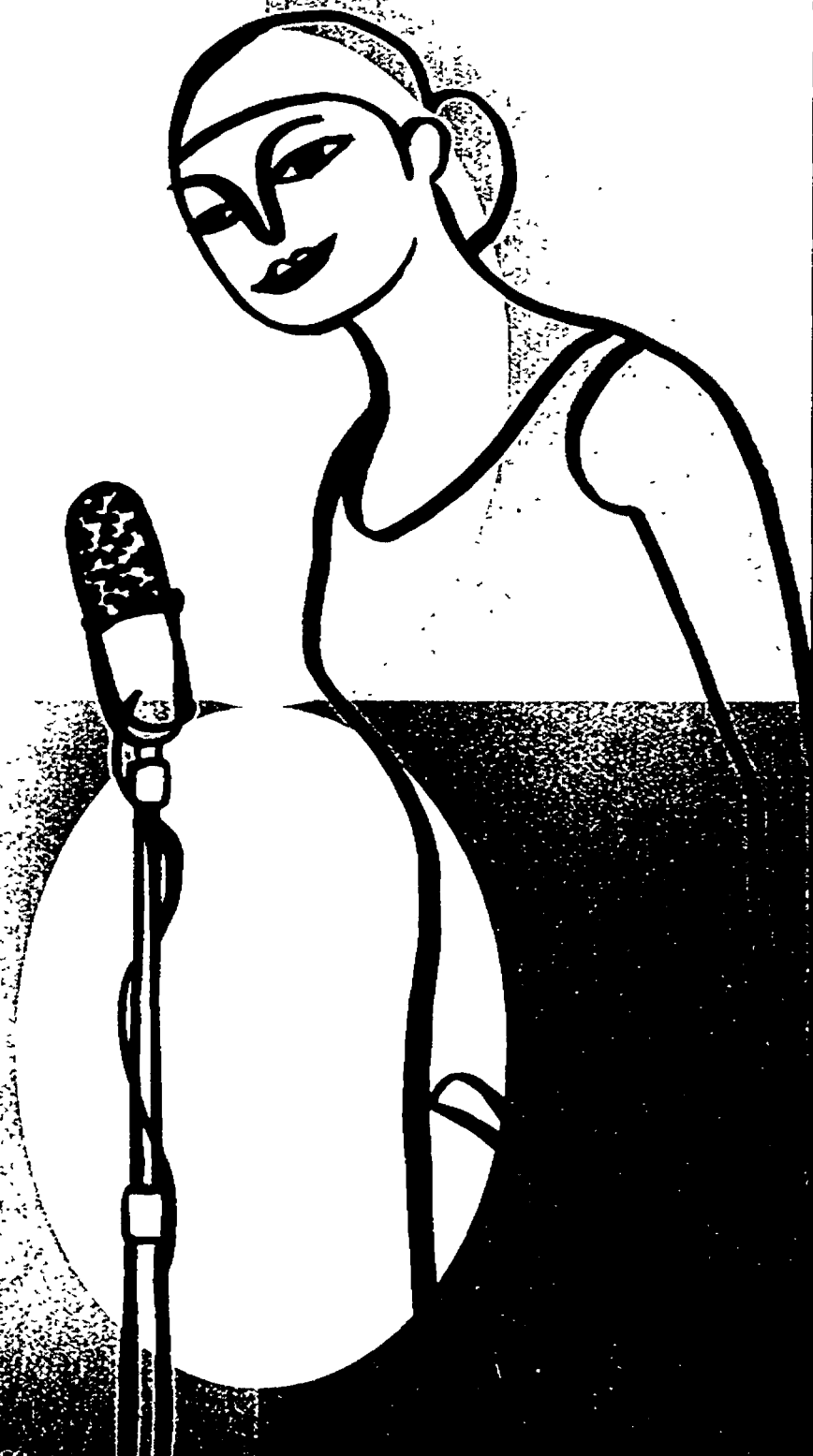
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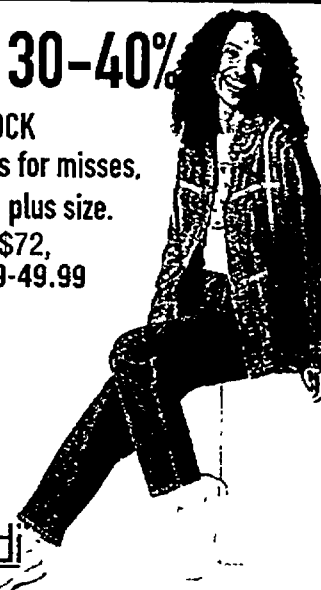


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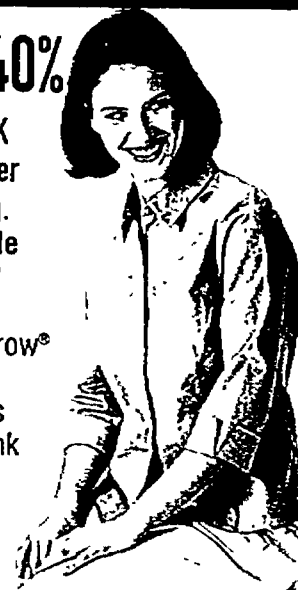
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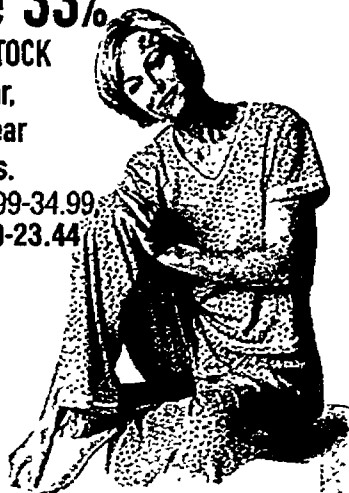
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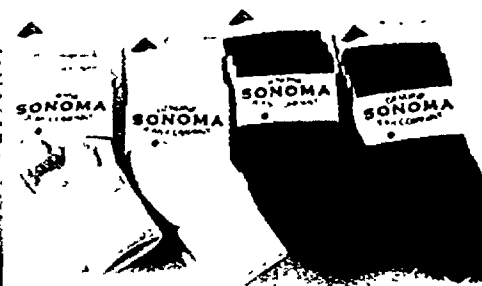
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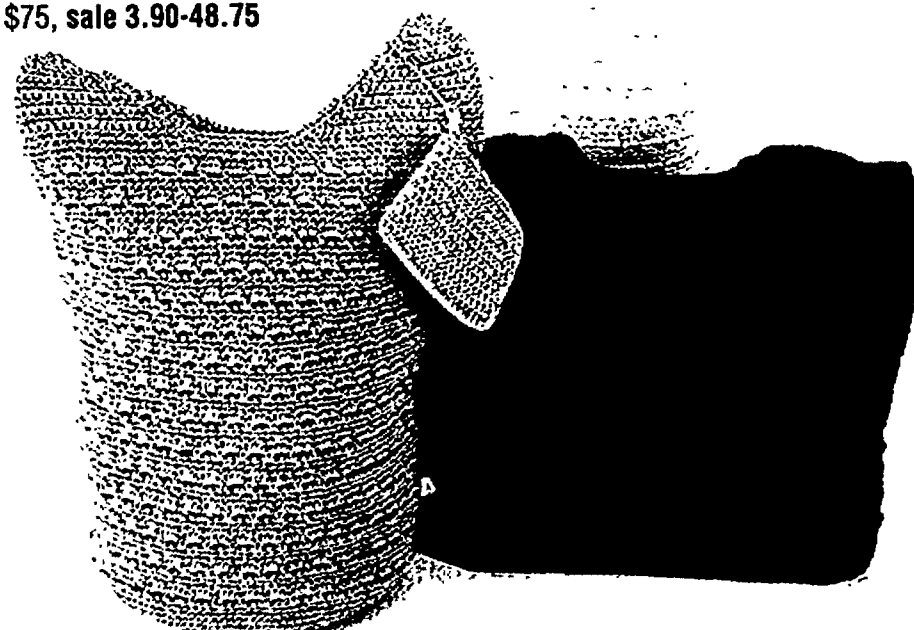
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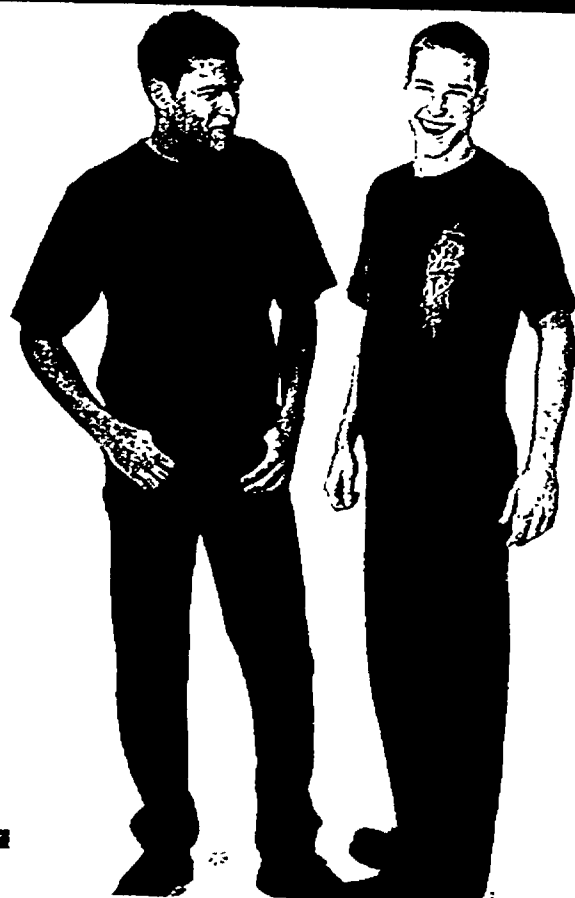
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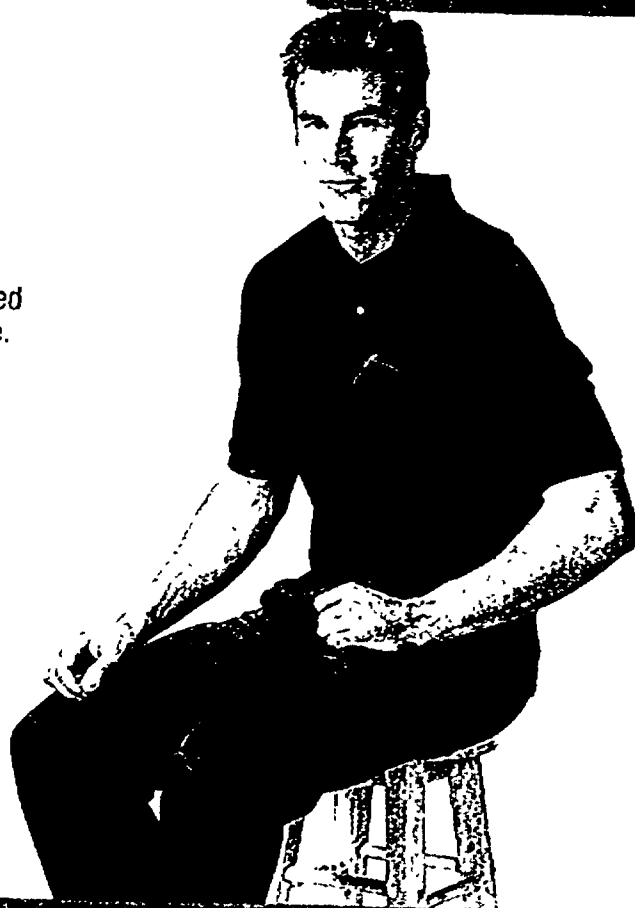
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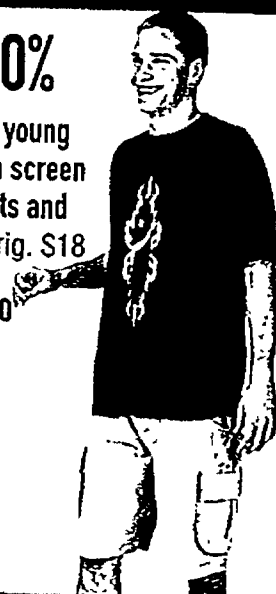
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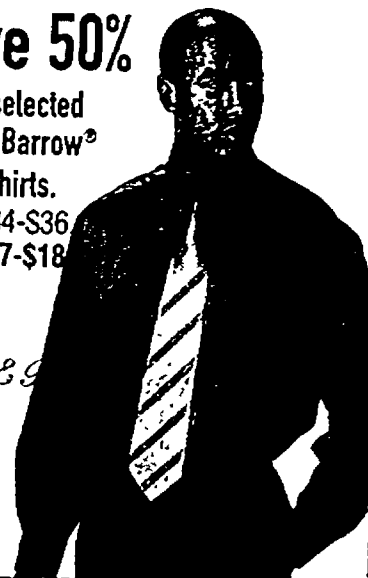
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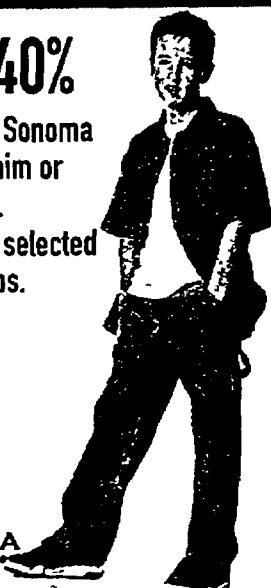
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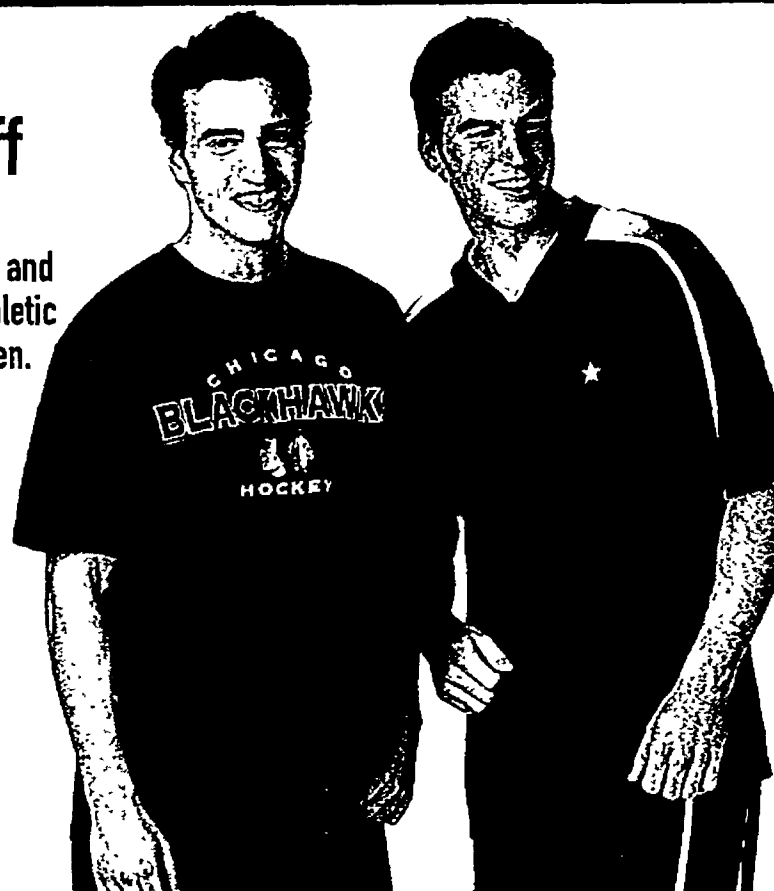
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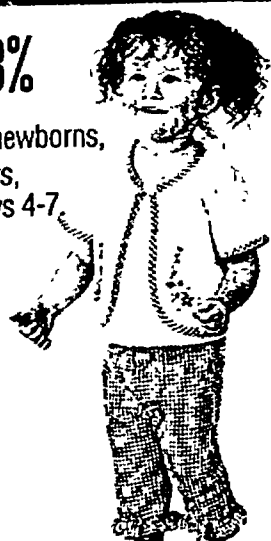
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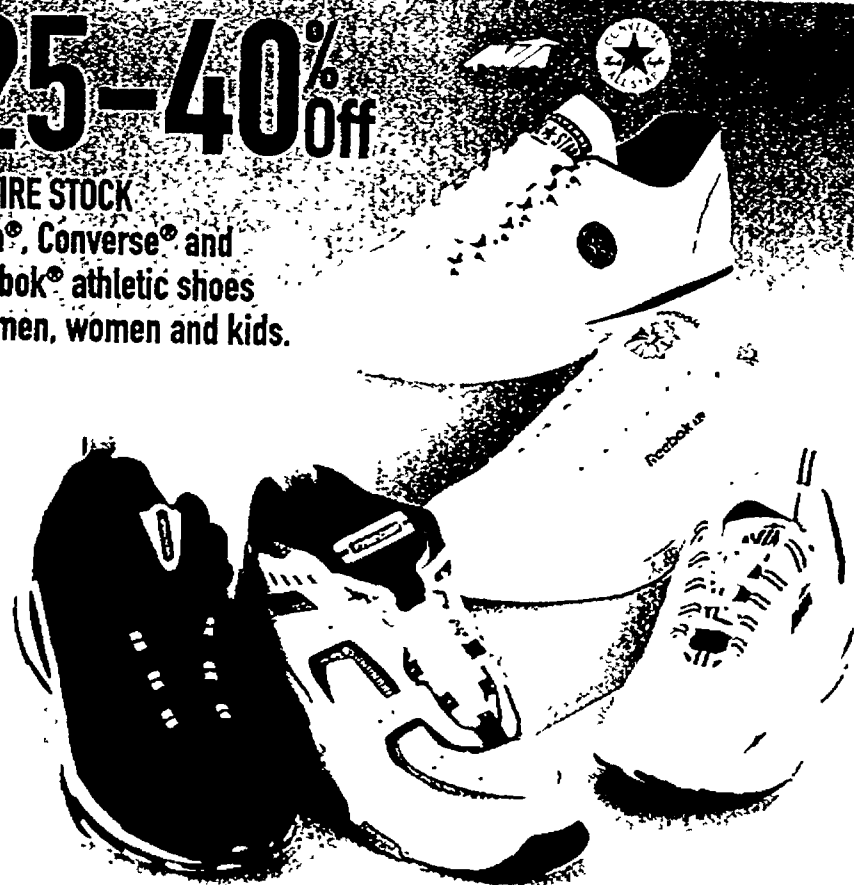
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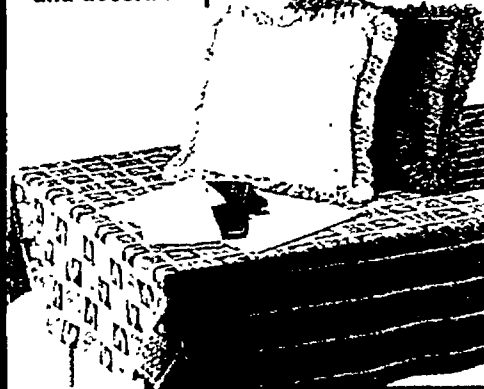
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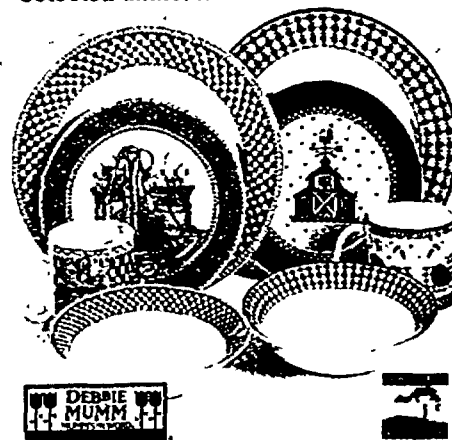
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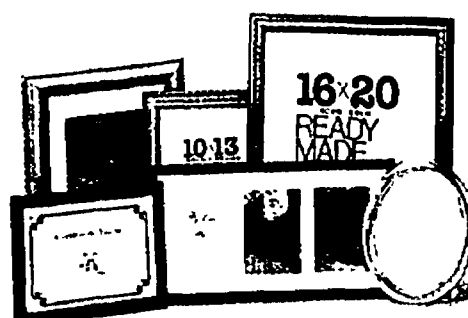
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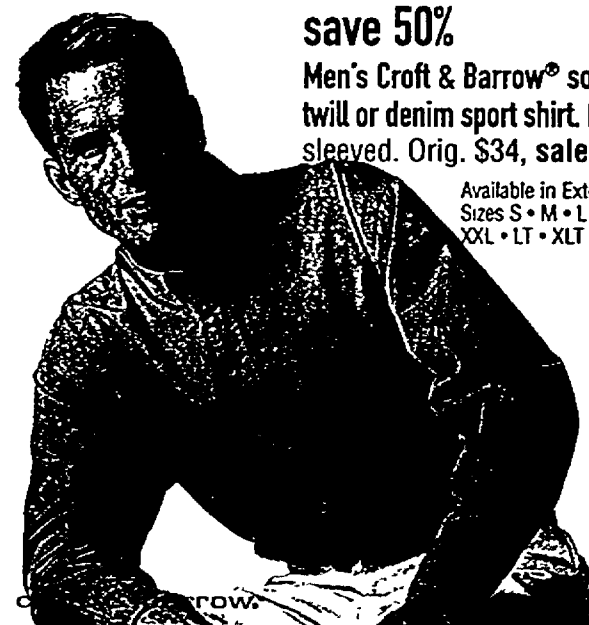
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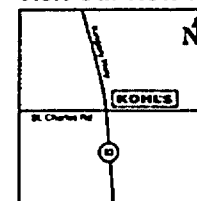


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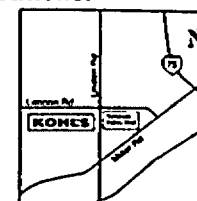
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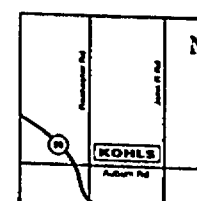
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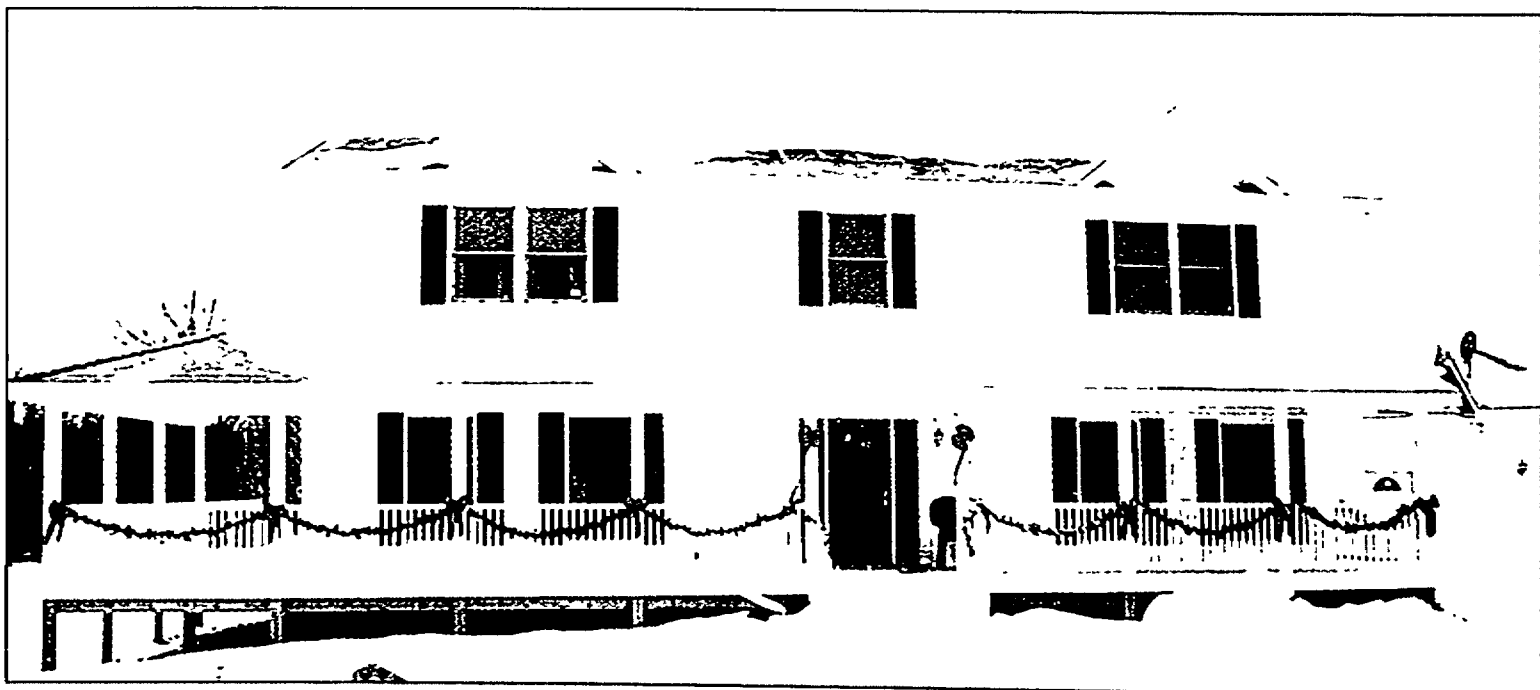
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# The MORTGAGE STATION



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## The Mortgage Station: An Old Fashioned Business

By Jeremy Hull

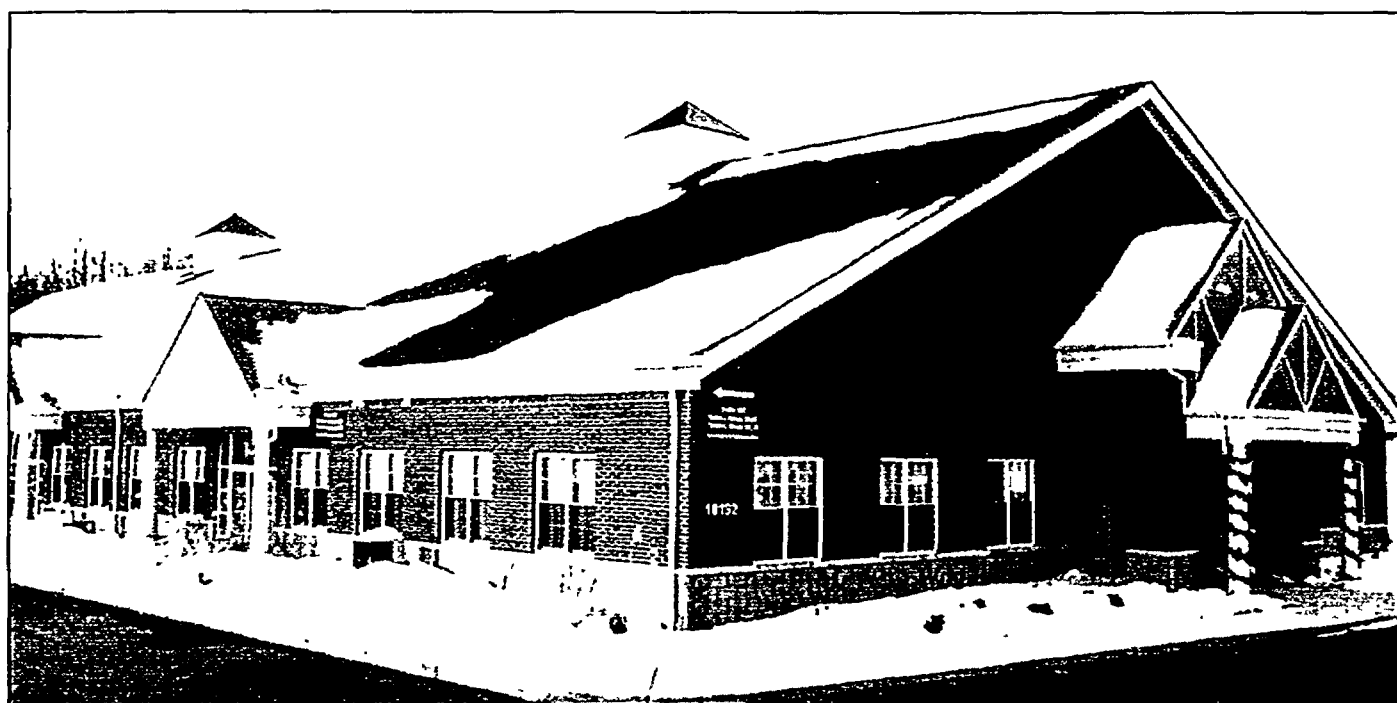
**W**ith so many mortgage companies promising fast loans through the computer or over the telephone, it is good to know that DeLeo Mortgage, soon to be The Mortgage Station of Brighton, is accessible and ready to do business face to face.

"We believe that if you're going to be making the biggest decision of your life, you need to sit in front of somebody," says Cathy

DeLeo, who along with partner Carol Morgan, owns and operates The Mortgage Station. "You need to know who I am, where I am, and where you can find me at all times," says DeLeo.

Utilizing a combined 50 years of experience in the mortgage industry, DeLeo and Morgan joined forces in August of last year to start creating a company with a renewed promise to the customer, someone they felt many mortgage companies had lost in their mad

## MORTGAGE COMPANY OF THE MONTH



The Mortgage Station in Brighton.

dash toward large commission checks. Unlike other mortgage companies that are only interested in the quick buck, The Mortgage Station is dedicated to providing the homebuyer with the best possible service, Morgan says.

"I truly believe that customer service is our number one goal," she says. "We want our customers to be our family," she adds.

Describing the company as a "hometown lender," DeLeo says that with DeLeo Mortgage she wanted to focus on one county and build the business before moving into other areas. The Mortgage Station will continue its strong presence in Livingston County, Morgan's hometown, while at the same time branching out into Oakland, Wayne, and Washtenaw counties. They are looking forward to opening new offices in these counties in the future.

### A Simple Procedure

The process of obtaining a mortgage can be confusing and humbling for most people – a process The Mortgage Station makes simple and painless. Through first-time homebuying seminars conducted by one of their eight mortgage specialists, customers are educated on the terminology of the mortgage industry and what options are available. In addition to providing homebuyers with the knowledge required in making intelligent decisions, DeLeo says that objectives and goals are also discussed.

By listening to customers and learning their circumstances, it is easier to meet their needs. "We find out what their concerns are," DeLeo says. "We listen to them and find out enough about them so that we can offer them several choices."

With all of the quick ways there are to get people into homes these days, The

Mortgage Station is careful to choose the right program and interest rate for each customer. Without the proper education, homeowners could end up financially strained in the future. The Mortgage Station prefers to counsel their customers instead toward a smaller rate, knowing that credit counseling paves the way toward an easier start in a new home.

"We'll do a follow up with them in a year, find out how they're doing, and see if they're on track," DeLeo says. "If they are, we'll tell them what else we can do for them."

### Handled With Care

The Mortgage Station believes care and respect is the best way to build a business. Many of their clients have come through referral, some from as far away as East Tawas City. And since the company has never had a single foreclosure, The Mortgage Station



Cathy DeLeo and Carol Morgan

# MORTGAGE COMPANY OF THE MONTH



First-time homebuyers with Carol Morgan.

is well respected by lenders and investors alike. As a former lender herself, DeLeo understands their concerns and knows the industry enough to get everything right the first time around.

"When we send out a file to [lenders], it's together and all there," she says. "There is a good enough relationship if they are willing to trust...my word."

DeLeo Mortgage had a strong commitment to the community, just as strong as the one to their customers. They have participated in projects such as "Christmas in April," helping to fix up homes for the elderly and disabled once a year within Livingston County. They believe giving back to the community is an important aspect of their business.

## Building on experience

DeLeo was named as Affiliate of the Year by the Livingston Association of Realtors in 1997, and became the only mortgage broker to obtain a certified construction resource (CCR) designation in December of 2000. Usually a designation for Realtors' or real estate agents, DeLeo says that having a CCR will give her greater knowledge when

working with clients on new construction.

In addition to bringing more than 20 years of experience in the mortgage indus-

try, Morgan has a strong background in new construction, and even built seven homes. Before starting The Mortgage Station with DeLeo, she worked as a loan officer with a major financial institution in Livingston County where she received the Premier Mortgage Loan Originator Award from 1996-98 for top sales, and the President's Award in 1999.

DeLeo says that Morgan's principles are identical to her own, and like herself, is a mortgage "lifer."

"There are a couple of us who have been in the business so long that we learned the old way of doing things," she says. "And that ultimately helps you when you have to be creative when making a deal work."

Morgan says because she and DeLeo share many of the same ideals and concerns in regards to business, they are extremely compatible with each other. And whatever the industry has dealt them they have weathered it all together.

Morgan says, "We've still persevered and moved forward." ▲



Jim Detzel from Commander Construction of Michigan with Cathy DeLeo.



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# Tips to Help You Care for Your Hardwood Floors

By Sharon Emeigh

**T**ake it from anyone who has just spent a weekend sanding floors and the following week recuperating: take the simple necessary precautions to keep your wood floors in good shape.

Maintaining your hardwood floors is simple. Make sure to keep floors free of grit and dirt. According to Jim Moody at Paynter



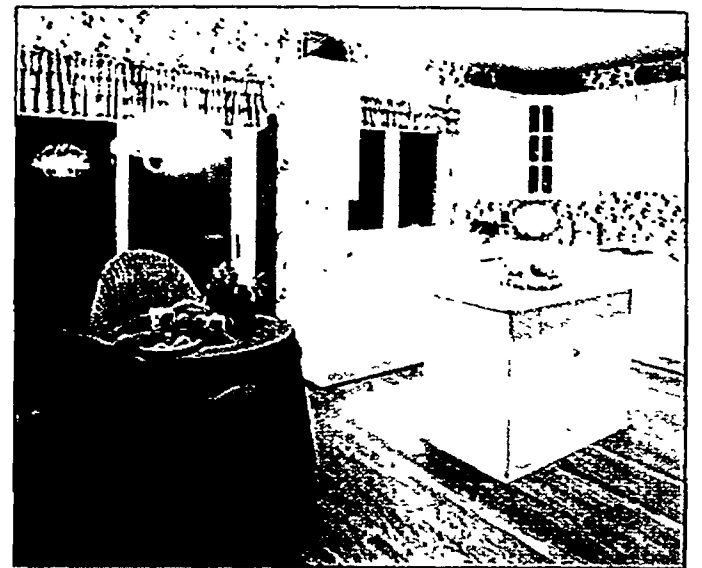
Floors, Inc. in Novi dirt and grit are a floor's "worst enemy" and work like sandpaper to dull your floor's finish.

There are plenty of ways to keep dirt and grit off your floors. One decorative way is incorporating the use of throw rugs at your entryways or using dirt-trapping walk-off mats at all exterior doors.

Cleaning your floors daily is not necessary depending on your traffic. Generally, dry dust as often as you dust, and do a wet cleaning every two to three weeks. Vacuuming your floors is a good way to pick up dirt. You can do this as often as you vacuum carpets and preferably with a brush attachment. Sweeping or dust mopping is good too, but don't use dust treatments because they may cause your floors to become slick or dull the finish. Also, spills should be promptly wiped up with a dry cloth or paper towel. If it's a sticky spill, a slightly dampened cloth is recommended.

A big no-no in your wood floor maintenance regimen is wax. Do not use any product that includes wax as it creates a buildup that attracts dirt and dust and is almost impossible to remove. The floors will have to be completely sanded down to raw wood in order to restore them. If a little general maintenance is kept up on your floors, a re-coat of polyurethane every few years may be the only maintenance that you want done. Notably, if you do have an original wax finish on your floor, re-waxing by your contractor will, in most cases, rejuvenate your floor.

For a general cleaning of your floors, use



the method recommended by your floor company if you know it. Otherwise a general wood urethane wood cleaner such as Minwax is a good solution. In a pinch, try a vinegar and water solution: a 1/2 cup of white vinegar to 1 gallon of warm water. The vinegar cuts grease, the water mops the dust and it doesn't leave a film. Be careful with this method as the vinegar's acidity can also damage your floors. The most commonly recommended product that duplicates this vinegar and water process is Bona Kemi Floor Cleaner. Dip a clean cloth or sponge mop in the solution and wring it nearly dry. Then clean the floors and wipe them dry with a towel as you go. Greg Cameron of Cameron the Sandman in

## Tips for keeping your hardwood floors beautiful

### Mop on, mop off

Too much moisture on your hardwood floors will cause floors to expand and turn black between the boards. Use a spray bottle when applying cleaner, as Dave Ohlinger, sales consultant at Riemer Floors in Bloomfield Hills, suggests to control the amount of water on your floors. If you must use a mop, Ohlinger recommends that you mop on and quickly mop off. "The quicker it dries, the better it is for your floor," says Ohlinger.

### Don't be so harsh

If grease or magic marker spots appear on your floor, don't use steel wool or any other abrasive cleaner. Ohlinger suggests you try charcoal lighter fluid dabbed on a rag.

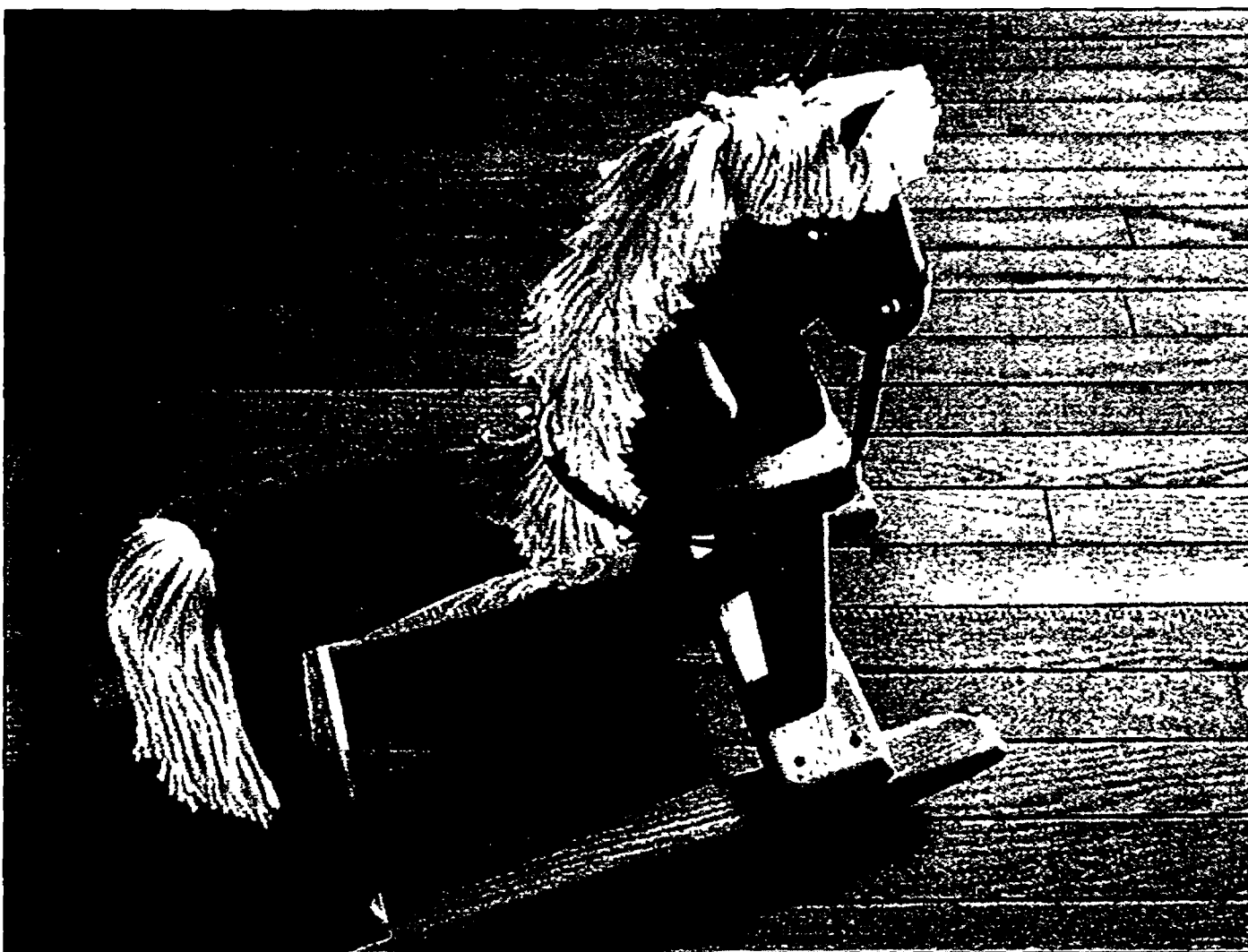
### Use a humidifier

Beautiful floors have as much to do with environment as they do maintenance. If your home is too dry – your lips are dry, your floors are splitting and plants are dying – you'll need to use a humidifier. Hardwood floors need a balance of moisture for total beauty.

Farmington Hills recommends any light floor soap without oils or residues.

Beware also of the damage furniture can cause to wood floors. Fabric-faced glides can act like mini area rugs on your furniture's feet and will allow your furniture to be moved easily without scuffing your floors. Make sure to clean the glides regularly because grit can become embedded in them. Moody warns that ball-type casters may cause damage to your floor and you should avoid any type of plastic caster. He recommends grey, non-marking rubber casters as the best prevention.

"The big thing," says Moody "is not to tramp dirt on the floor and as soon as you see wear, see a professional." If you keep these tips in mind, your wood floors should easily maintain their finish for a long time. Your wood floors are the most durable and easily maintained of floorings, adding beauty and elegance to your warm, inviting home. 🏠





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# Choosing an Area Rug

By Sandra Tolbert

Whether it's the hand weave from an Afghanistan woman or the perfect pattern of knots from a machine, the quality of the wool makes the difference in a fine area rug. It's a fascinating story beginning with sheep that feed on lush green grass and drink plenty of water.

"The better the sheep eats, the better the wool and the better quality rug," said Mondy Miller from Heirloom Oriental in downtown Brighton. "A good quality 8-by-10-foot rug takes from one to one and a half years to weave."

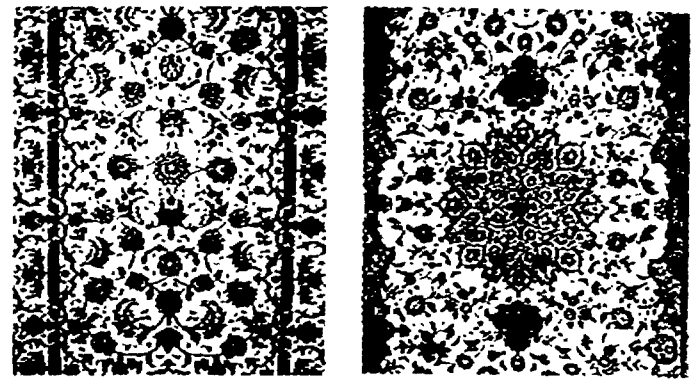
But for Miller there's so much more to this story. She describes tribal rugs woven by nomads in large tents as they travel from place to place seeking nutritious grass for their sheep. Once camped, the men shear small portions of wool from the sheep and dye the wool in earth colors taken from their natural habitat. The women

then begin the hand knotting from memorized patterns, usually of people and animals.

They weave a few weeks before moving on and the cycle begins again – move, shear, dye and, finally, weave. A fine handwoven rug will have between 175 and 400 knots per square inch.

As the nomads seek new terrain to feed their animals, the rugs take on the story of their journey with various earthen shades and patterns. Each piece is an original collector's rug according to Miller, whose favorites come from Afghanistan.

City rugs are equally as elegant, but have a different story. Their wool comes from all over the world – India, New Zealand, Iran – and is woven with a machine by a master craftsman following a written pattern. Unlike the hand-woven tribal rug, the finished piece is a perfected harmony of patterns and colors that can be matched to any



swatch. Most popular today are larger patterned rugs colored with vegetable dyes and woven in India, most suited for the newer, bigger home.

According to Miller, the wool should feel smooth, not bristly, from the natural lanolin giving a protective oil and luster. A tribal rug will always have wool fringe. She advises customers to always check the back of the rug for evenness of knots and unwanted holes. "Ask lots and lots of questions and talk with someone knowledgeable," she suggests.

Katrina Kuderko-Coy, interior designer and manager of Classic Rugs and Décor in Howell, has found the machine-made synthetic area rug can mimic an expensive look for a more reasonable price. It's perfect for the high-traffic areas of young families with children.

"Styling is changing with antiques into a transitional eclectic style," said Coy, who as a designer looks for elements of the room: fabric, texture, colors, style. Their designers can come to your home for a consultation or customers can bring in swatches and pictures. She suggests that customers try the rug in their home before purchasing, since lighting in the day and evening always casts a different hue than when in the store.

Whether choosing tribal, city or an eclectic synthetic look, it's wise to remember that fine rugs are like art. They add warmth and color to any room, and reflects the owner's taste. ■



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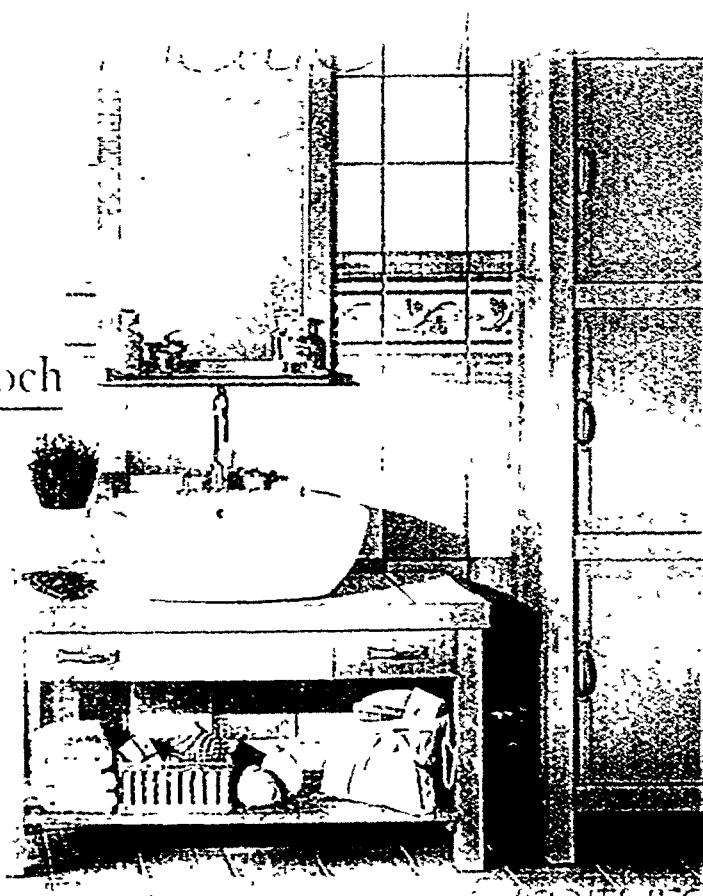
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# Saving Money Stylishly with Log Homes

by Gretchen Van Monette



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If a young, beardless Abe Lincoln is the first image you have when you hear "log home," you need to take a drive and see the wonderful advancements in log housing.

Much has changed since the original log home – a one-room, sparsely furnished place with a Franklin stove in the corner.

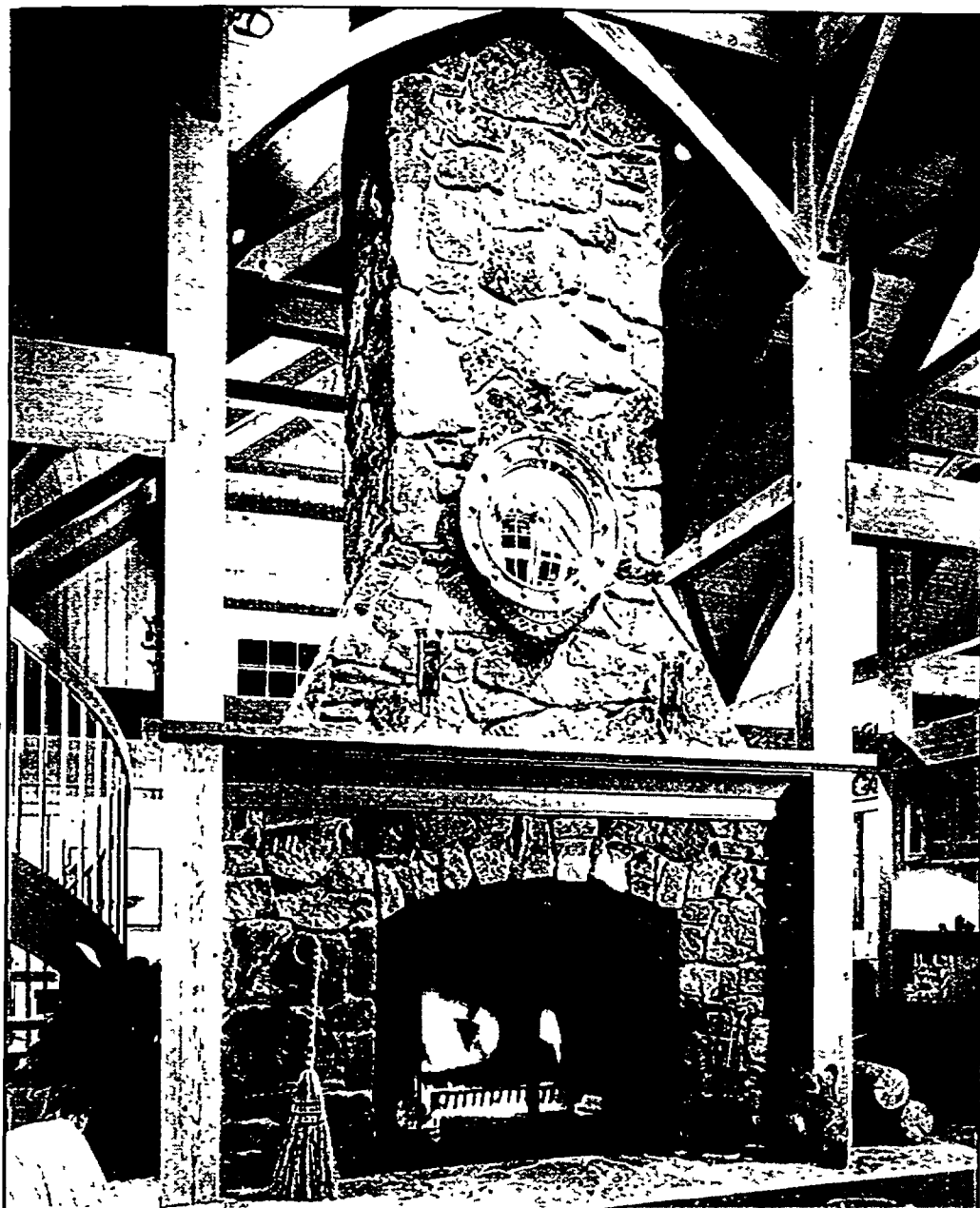
Nowadays, log homes more than 5,500 square feet are being constructed in the suburban sprawl of some north Oakland lake areas as well as further up north and other areas.

As John Kacic, president of Heritage Log Homes, says "(Owning) a log home is like coming home to a vacation every night."

Many people, he says, are tired of driving hours to their dream log home up north; they want it every day. This explains why construction of log homes is at an all-time high.

Because of the style and essence of log homes, the right type of property – at least an acre with lots of trees – is needed to properly





show off the beauty and warmth of a log home, suggests Gordon Merritt, Merritt Contracting, Howell.

Your gas bill is another way to show off the warmth of a log home. Bob Beck with Expedition Log Homes in Oostberg, Wisconsin compares how a log home is actually more energy efficient than a regular home with vinyl. An Expedition log home can enjoy an R factor between 31-36. A 2 x 4 stud construction house with vinyl siding tops out around R-19.

How does Expedition Log Homes obtain such a high R factor? In addition to the 5-inch thick logs, Expedition homes utilize a 2 x 6 stud construction frame that offers another 6 inches of insulation. In addition, the 3 inches of resin foam used between the logs offers as much protection as 6 inches of fiberglass insulation.

"In the winter, our wood-burning fireplace heats the whole house," says Beck. A framed log home also allows for indoor decorating options including knotty pine or a dry wall with oak trim. Framed log homes, such as those Expedition builds, where the logs are spiked to the frame, can also ease concerns insurance and lending companies may still have regarding log homes, including settling and sealing issues, he says.

Even without a wood frame and the extra insulation that comes with it, the best insulated homes are log homes, says Merritt, because the growth rings trap and radiate heat. Every 1/3 inch of log equates to one R factor, he says. Obviously, thicker is better.

"The higher gas prices go, the more these homes make sense," he says.

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Log homes are energy efficient because as they warm up, the heat is trapped within the growth rings and pores and maintains the warmth. Initially it takes more time to heat up a log home, but the logs will retain the heat, keeping the inside cozier longer, Merritt says. This characteristic of log homes is referred to as thermal mass property. In the summer, the process is reversed. When the hot rays of the sun strike the sides of the log home, the first few outer inches of the log will heat up and keep the heat there, which helps maintain a cooler temperature inside.

Most log homes are constructed of white pine, red pine and/or white cedar. Logs can come from as close as Northern Michigan or

from groves in California. White cedar is a premium wood for log homes because the cells of the wood are very small, making it more weather- and insect-resistant. Of course, white cedar has a premium price tag, too.

A complete log home, with all the trimmings and fixings, will cost around \$120-130 a square foot, says Kacic. Most log homes being built are between 1,800 and 2,800 square feet and take about five to seven months to complete.

The most critical factor in constructing a log home is the joining, says Merritt. "If the joining isn't right, air can come in and out like Swiss cheese," he says, as well as energy and dollars.

There are various ways of building a log home and every builder differs. For instance, Expedition homes combine a frame with the logs. Heritage uses a thru-bolted design, which has bolts continuously running through the logs, keeping them in constant tension that eliminates settling and such. The most challenging log home to construct is a hand-crafted log home. These log homes use hand-scribed logs, meaning each log is carved out specifically for the unique characteristics of the other log, to make the tightest fitting house. ▲



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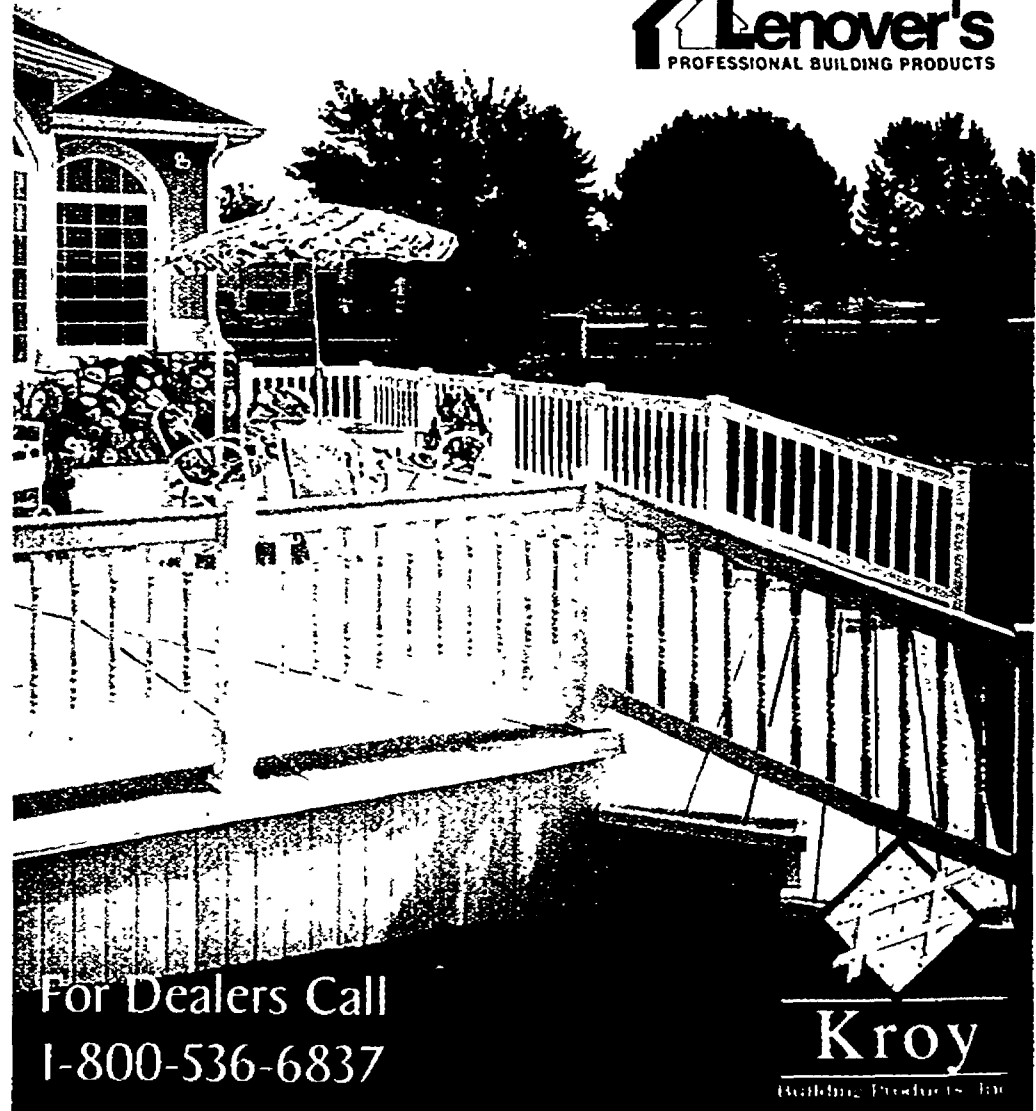
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# Wood furniture for your home

By Gretchen Van Monette

**T**he High-Country Lodge look is the hottest trend in interior design and not just for cottages and cabins up north, says Sarah Verlinden. She should know, having recently returned from a furniture show in Atlanta where she showcased the hand-crafted American Log Furniture Designs, Inc. furniture.

What does High-Country Lodge mean? It means wood – lots of it and in every room possible. Log beds, futons, sofas, dining and coffee tables, chairs, shelves, lamps, mirrors. Wood allows for many decorating options, including mixing textures, colors and styles.

Working from a large workshop in the back of their showroom in Novi, Verlinden and her husband Mike use Idaho lodgepole pine for their pieces. The lodgepole pine name comes from the Native American Indians who would use the very straight and tall logs for the center pole in teepees.

While there is a plethora of log furniture makers, American Log Furniture Designs, Inc. is the only local company that offers a full line of furniture for every room in a home. Some of the pieces, such as dining room tables, can be customized.

According to Verlinden, many parents are placing their designs in children's rooms because of durability and safety. There are no sharp corners on any of their pieces, from the Log Camp bunk beds and Timber Ridge Trundle to desks and dressers. For adults, Verlinden's most popular piece is the Ironwork bed. This clean lined bed comes with a headboard that can be customized with iron figures, like moose and pine trees.

Along with the quality and craftsmanship of the log furniture, the style is also very easy to mix and match with other "rustic" furniture. In addition to their own line, the American Log Furniture Designs, Inc. showroom also hosts consignment artists who work with wood. These pieces, as evident in the displays, prove that wood pieces can be mixed. For example, a hand-crafted rustic four-drawer dresser and mirror with white birch bark and dogwood red accents goes nicely next to the light colored pine canopy bed with the red-checkered bedspread.

"Our furniture is not so rustic that it won't lend itself to other decors. You can take in a lot of different directions," Verlinden says. Accessories like antler chandeliers, either real or faux, also help maintain the High-Country Lodge movement. And moose – gotta have moose.

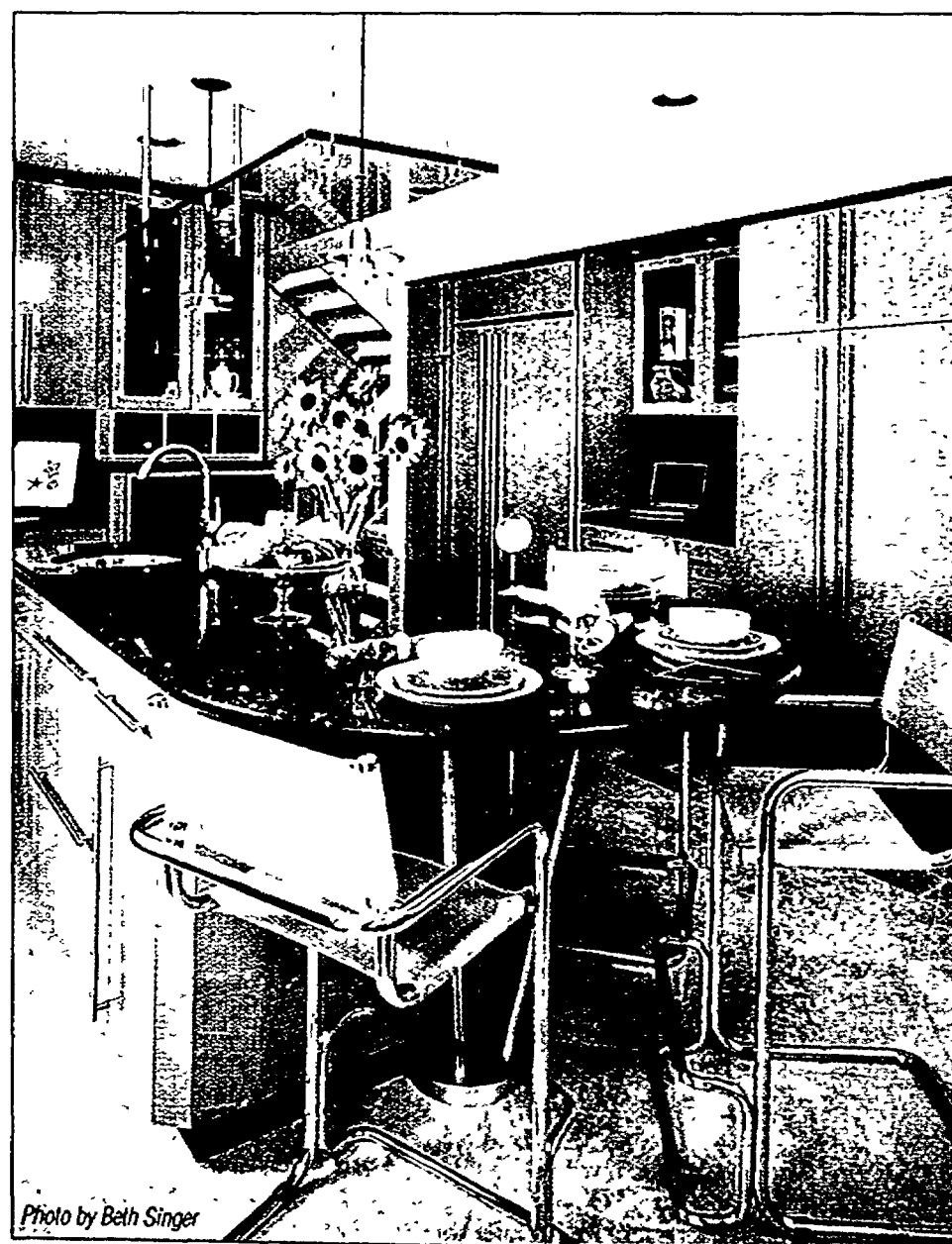
Wooden furniture does not have to remain inside. For exceptional beauty and endurance of the elements, teak is the wood of choice for outdoor patio furniture, says Frank Mantel, owner of La Pergola Exterior Design. A quality teak bench or patio set can be considered a treasured family heirloom. The bench can even go inside the home, stationed in a mudroom or even the living room.

"Teak is the strongest wood and doesn't crack or warp," says Mantel. It can be left outside all year long and there would be no damage to it, save perhaps for a natural sheen that is easily removed if you don't appreciate it.

"When people buy teak, they've done their homework and know what they want," he adds. That could be because of the price tag. The qualities of teak that make it so wonderful also make it very expensive.

Beautiful on its own, La Pergola is mixing elements and adding accents of aluminum to offer a more modern look to their line. La Pergola also designs trellises and pergolas (wooden arbors) to add character to the outside of a home and protect patio furniture from the damaging sun. 🏡

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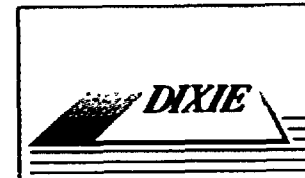
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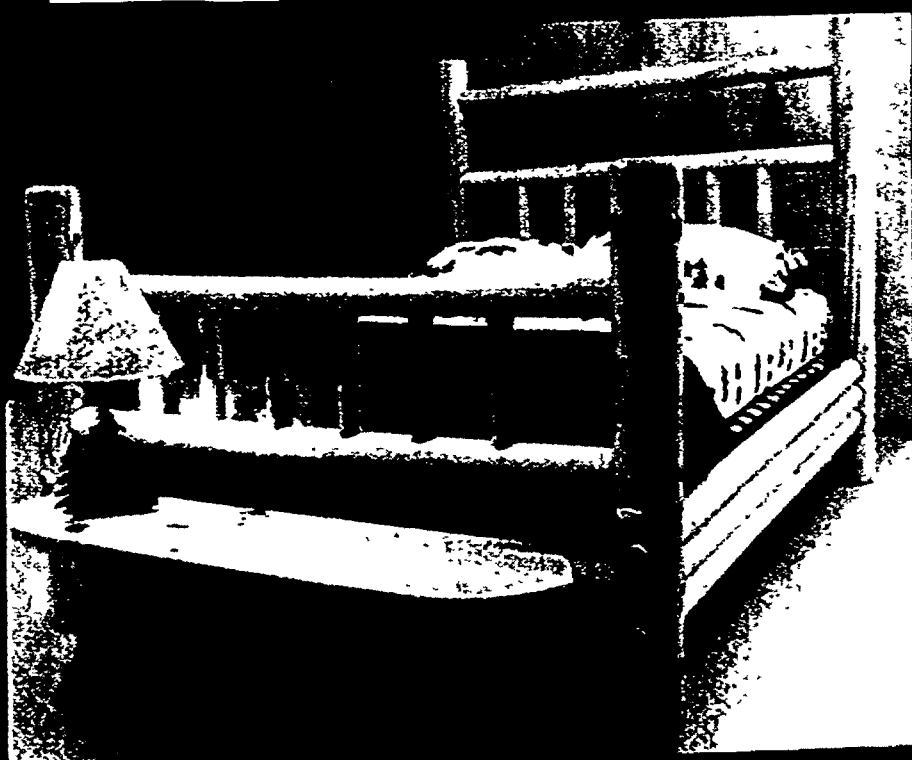
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# Ask the expert: *Waterproofing for your basement*

Spring is here and in some Michigan houses that means worrying every time it rains that you'll be dealing with soggy basement carpets, mops and mess. Not necessarily.

A waterproofing system can be the ounce of prevention your basement needs to stay dry, according to Gwendall L. Brown, president of Basement Cracks & Leaks, Metro Inc.

## But isn't my home already waterproofed?

Most homeowners are not aware that when a new home is being built that most building code requirements do not require a "true waterproofing" of the vertical foundation walls. The minimum code requirements usually require a "damp-proofing application" that is typically sprayed on. While the damp-proofing does provide a limited amount of protection, these applications fall far short of providing the protection a Michigan home needs to keep the below grade space dry, warm, comfortable and most importantly, livable.

## Is waterproofing really important?

Aside from the obvious benefits of having a dry basement, waterproofing provides a clean dry basement that can be used for recreation, office or additional living space.

Additionally, waterproofing your basement will improve your home's indoor air quality. Undesirable conditions such as mold, mildew, and stagnant water that are prevalent in a wet basement are conditions that can be controlled or eradicated by the important step of waterproofing your basement.

## How do I know if my home needs waterproofing?

Most homeowners are usually aware of the need to "do something" regarding the water problems they face. The obvious signs of a "problem base-

ment" are water dripping, running and puddling into the interior of the basement. More subtle signs are mold and mildew (various colors) on the walls or floor, damp spot discoloration (walls or blocks look damp dark or wet), mineral deposits (brownish or other wise) or efflorescence (formation of a white flaky substance that may flake off when touched).

## How does water enter my basement?

Water can enter the basement interior from many places, including:

- Running over the sill plate and spilling down the vertical foundation walls
- Penetrating imperfections in the walls, such as cracks, rod holes, snap ties or honeycombing
- Penetrating electrical piping and plumbing holes intentionally placed in the walls
- Cracks emanating from beam pockets or windows pockets
- Water pushing up at the "cove joint" where the floor slab sits on the footing and butts up against the vertical foundation wall
- Floor slab cracks and or honeycombing
- Cracked mortar joints or blocks

## How do cracks form in walls?

Poured foundation walls are subject to many internal and external forces that can cause cracking. One of the most common reasons is shrinkage. A shrinkage crack is most common because as concrete "cures," water slowly evaporates from the surface. If this water loss happens too quickly, cracking can occur. A concrete wall is usually "curing" for 28 days. This means that at the end of the 28-day period, the wall has cured and should be close to its maximum strength potential. The longer the curing process is allowed to continue, the stronger the wall will be.

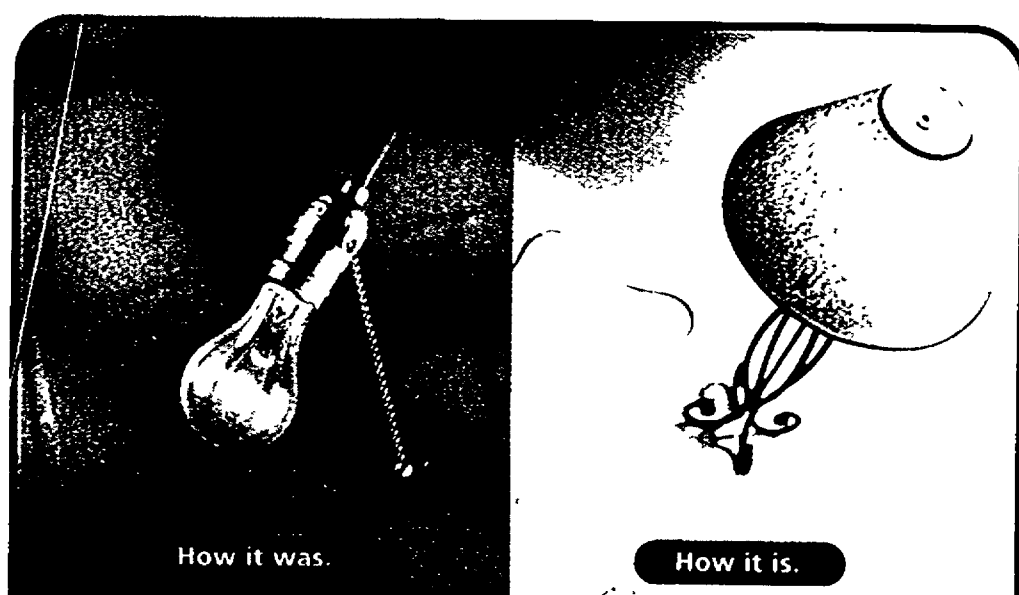
Structural cracks happen for different reasons. A structural crack can result from improper or premature loading on the walls, premature back-filling, below grade soil or water conditions along with imperfections in the footing, such as cracking or deterioration.

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## How does a homeowner choose a waterproofing system?

Homeowners can protect themselves by arming themselves with good information. Choose a contractor willing to customize an approach to solving water problems, one who offers a variety of products, including: interior and exterior drain system, epoxy crack injection, exterior membranes, caulking, excavation and structural repairs. Also, choose a knowledgeable contractor willing to educate you on the repair process being suggested for your home. 🏠



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# Eight steps to clean and organized kids' rooms

**U**ndoubtedly, toys are the biggest source of clutter for kids. Before the kids load in their haul of toys, spend a few hours organizing what they've already got.

1. The first step in getting your kids' closet back in shape is to pare down. You probably have the space you really need in there; it's just that the shelves, racks, and other spaces are filled with clutter from the last time it was cleared. Empty out the entire closet – and decide if toys and old clothes should be kept, given to family or neighbors or sold at a yard sale. Chances are you can minimize your storable items dramatically. After you've pared down, consider having a yard sale.

2. Make space for storage. Are you giving your child enough room to store the things she has? Many parents don't give their kids enough room to accommodate the toys and games that they collect, according to Jeff Duncan at The Closet Factory in Sterling Heights. If your child's things are spilling out of the room and must be stored in your room or the attic, chances are you both could benefit from more storage options.

3. Create a system that grows with your child. Many custom closets, like the ones The Closet Factory specializes in, offer adjustable shelves, rods, baskets and other accessories that will change with your child's height and storage needs.



4. Organize toys in clear plastic containers. Label with masking tape and organize by category, such as "dress-up," "cars," and "puppets." Create short stacks of toy-filled containers for kid-friendly access.

5. Don't forget untapped space potential. The area under your child's bed is a great place to uti-

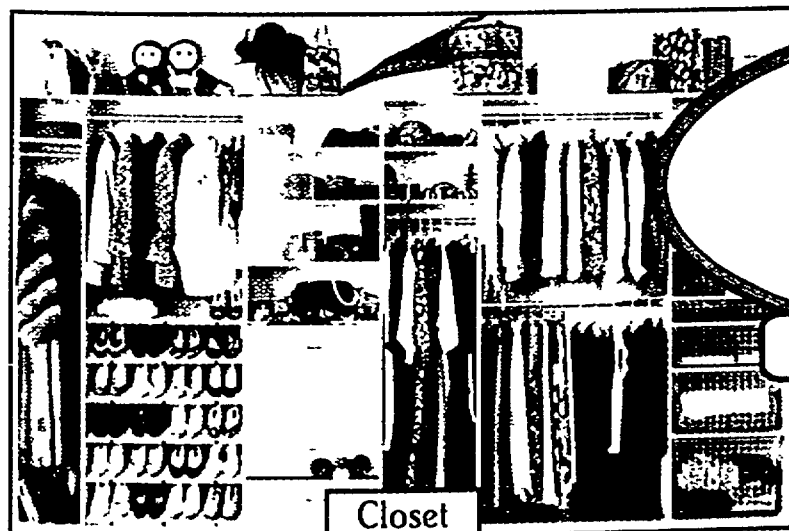
lize. Purchase inexpensive plastic containers that will easily slide under the bed. Depending on your bed, look for sturdy, see-through containers about 6 to 7 inches in height at your local discount store. This solution will help your child control underbed clutter and make it easier for you to vacuum and move furniture.

6. Get creative – use everyday items in new ways. Ice trays make great storage containers for a girl's jewelry and even craft supplies. Empty plastic milk containers (cut off to a desired height) work well for storing items you'll keep in cabinets, including crayons, pens, markers and more.

7. For quick-find hand-me-downs or a future yard sale, store kids' clothes in containers (see-through or not) labeled by age and season. For example, if your daughter just grew out of her latest set of clothing, you'd label this batch as "Girl's Size 5, Winter." Store on upper closet shelves or in the garage.

8. Whatever organization you decide on, encourage your kids to participate in determining the way items are stored, labeled, etc. Not only will they have a better sense of where things are, they'll learn how important organization is. You may encounter resistance, but their involvement will pay off in the end – for parent and child alike! ▲

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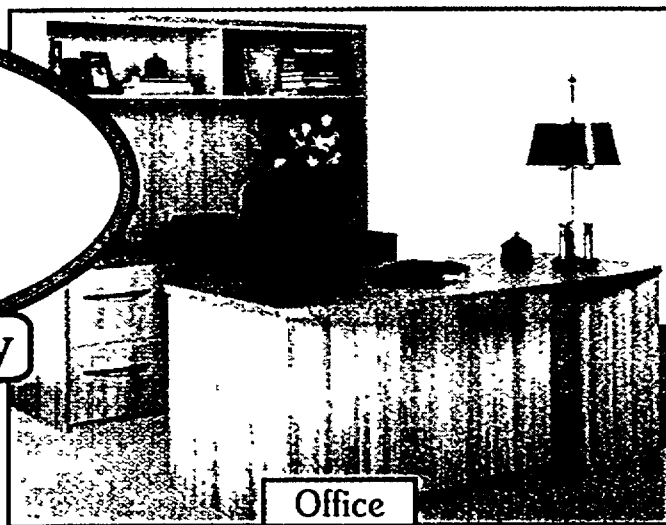
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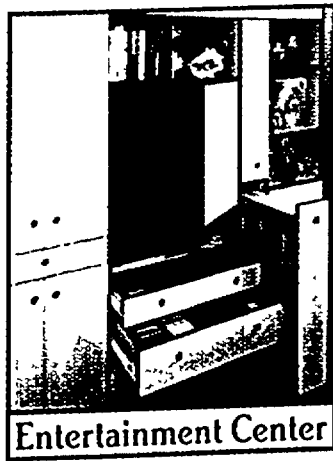
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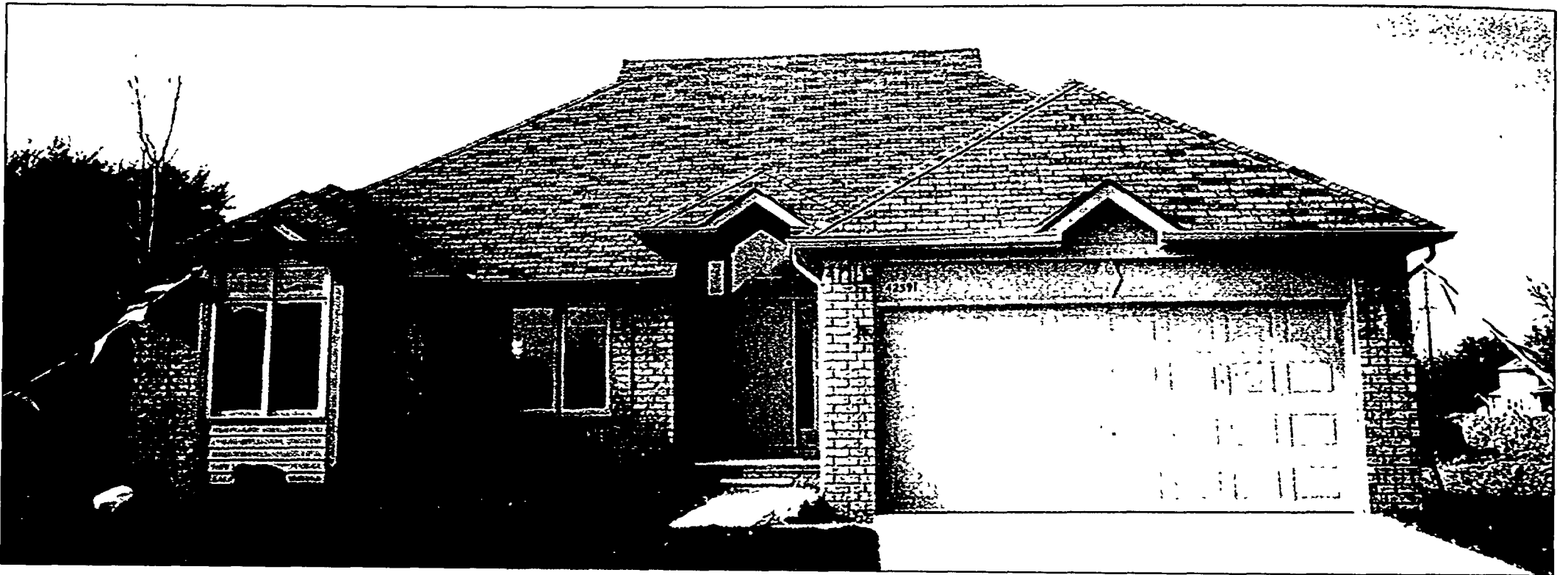


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**M**ost burglars are lazy: they'll enter your house whichever way is easiest. Many thieves will slip in through windows but that doesn't mean you leave your doors vulnerable to a break-in.

The mere sight of a sturdy door outfitted with a dead-bolt lock may be enough to make an intruder walk away in search of an easier target. And that's precisely the impression you want to make with all of your home's entry doors – not just the front door, but service doors from the garage, French doors, old cellar and coal-chute doors, and doors to three-season porches as well. Just as important as the door and its lock are an entry's other components – the door frame, nearby windows, and the surrounding walls. One weak spot may be all a thief needs to gain entry.

## Replacing Hollow-Core Doors

The first step in evaluating an entry door's security is determining its composition. If it's a hollow-core door, replace it; hollow-core doors are just too easy to break through. Also consider replacing a solid-wood door if it's not at least 1-3/4 inches thick, if it's an older door that's seen better days, or if it has floating panels, which will break if kicked. Better choices are:

- **Metal-clad doors.** These consist of a steel exterior-plain or embossed to resemble wood-attached to a solid-wood frame and a fiber core. They're the most secure replacement door you can buy.
- **Solid-core wood doors.** Wood doors are the choice for homeowners who want security without feeling they are living in a fortress. Newer wood doors combine the security of a reinforced solid core with wood panels or look-alike composite materials. They're the best way to get the protection you need with the beauty of wood. Harold Haftka, sales and marketing manager of Hardwood Door and Bevel, Inc. in Utica suggests mahogany, oak, maple and cherry. These doors, "while intrinsically safe and secure, set themselves apart by the beauty of the wood and design. They add tremendous visual appeal and value to the home."



Look to replace the wood in your frame as well. As Henry Tarnow of Tarnow Doors in Farmington Hills points out, if a thief wants to kick a door in, the frame will break before the lock. Replace those pine frames and look for a stronger wood, such as oak.

Once all of your entry doors pass muster, also consider outfitting your bedrooms with solid-core doors and dead-bolt locks. (Or, if there's a single door that separates the living area from your bedrooms, beef up only that door.) It's one more barrier for an intruder, and it buys you time to call the police – and for them to arrive – if someone breaks in during the night.

## Special Doors

Your home may have one or more entry doors that you can't easily secure with a standard dead-bolt lock. Sliding glass doors that lead to a deck or patio, double doors, doors that open to the outside – and the often-overlooked garage door – are all potential points of entry that need special protection.



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### Sliding Glass Doors

Some thieves will try to lift sliding glass doors right out of their tracks to gain entry. To keep that from happening, insert strong metal spacer plates between the doors and their top tracks. To install them, with the sliding door open, screw two plates per door into the top track where you've predrilled pilot holes. To prevent a burglar from forcing open a sliding glass door, insert a steel pin into a hole you've drilled through the inside door frame and partway into the outside frame. Be sure to drill at least 5/8 inch away from the glass so you'll clear any glass that extends into the frame. For still more protection, place the proverbial broomstick handle in the lower inside track.

Heavy-duty keyed locks mount with "one-way" screws on the inside edge of the inner frame (at either the top or bottom). To secure the door when it's partially open for ventilation or pet access, drill a series of holes for the lock's bolt at intervals along the upper frame.

### Double Doors

With double doors, you'll need to double your defenses, securing each door separately and in different ways. Protect the door you use most often as you would any hinged entry door – with a dead-bolt lock, high-security strike plate, and reinforced hinges. Secure the other door with a sliding bar or barrel bolts at both top and bottom.

### Out-Swinging Doors

Burglars like out-swinging entry doors because they have exposed hinge pins. No matter how strong the lock, they can simply pull out the hinge pins and work the door away from its frame. You can derail their plans by installing a steel door pin adjacent to each hinge. When the door is closed, the protruding pins mate into their own "strike plates" to prevent the door from being pried out even with the hinge pins removed.

Another vulnerable component of out-swinging doors is the door jamb. Unlike doors that open to the inside, there's no stop along the jamb to protect the door's latch or bolt from a pry bar or a hacksaw blade. To protect the lock, install a metal guard secured to the outside of the door with one-way screws or other hard-to-remove fasteners.

### Garage Doors

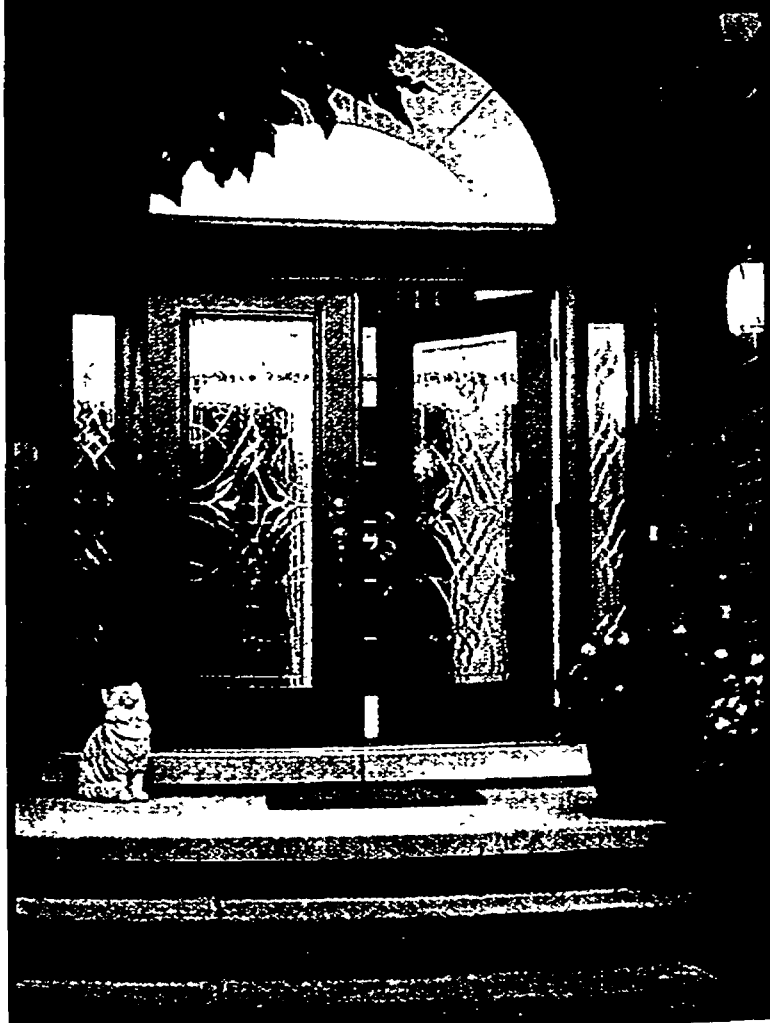
To a burglar, your garage is a triple treat. It's likely home to bikes, lawn equipment, and tools he can easily move and fence, it's usually unoccupied so he can break in with less risk of detection, and – best of all – if it's an attached garage, it gives him a concealed entry point to the rest of your house.

Make sure your garage door is solid and in good repair, with no loose, damaged, or inadequately secured panels that a burglar could climb through without opening the door. Treat your garage's access doors, windows, and the interior door that leads to your house as any other vulnerable point of entry.

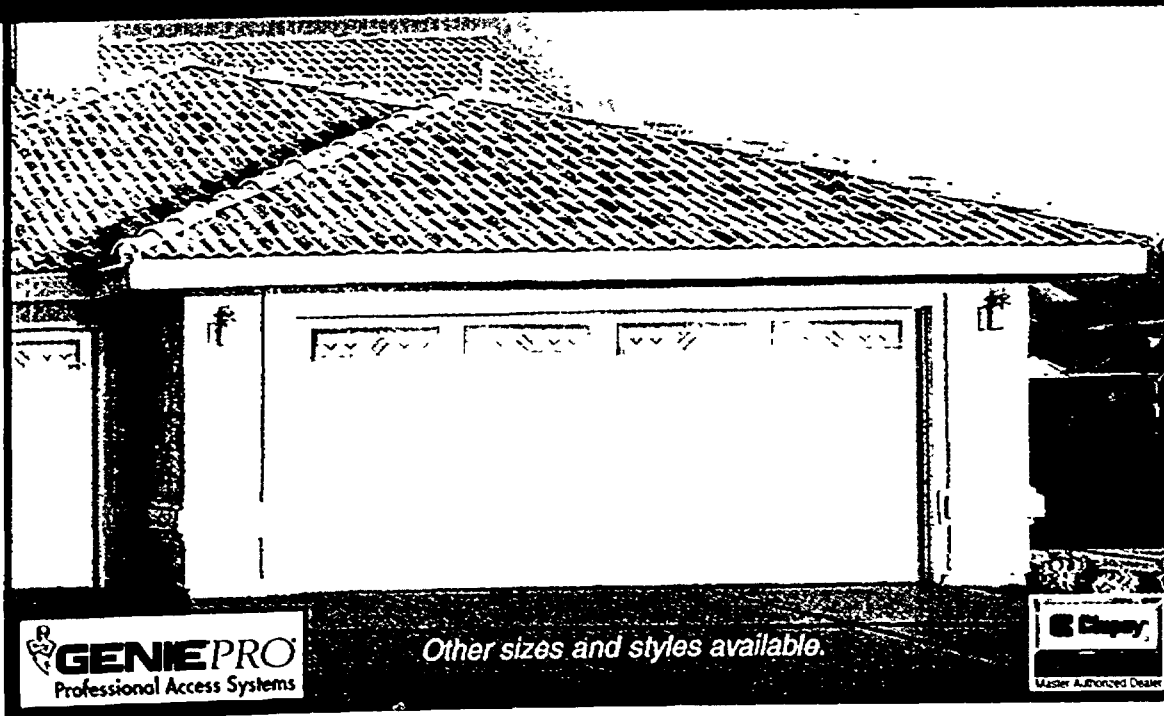
Finally, burglar-proof your automatic garage-door opener. The preset code it had when it came from the factory was meant to be changed. Savvy thieves know the factory codes of most brands, and using openers that duplicate them is one of the first ploys they'll try to gain access.

There are so many choices and no one door will provide 100 percent security. If you are shopping with security in mind, bring a picture of the door you'd like to replace and ask the experts there to help you make that entry as secure as possible, as Tarnow's Dave Patton suggests. And don't forget, as Haftka reminds, that your home deserves all the comforts of security and more, including "the beauty and esthetics of a handcarved furniture-quality hardwood entry door." 🏠

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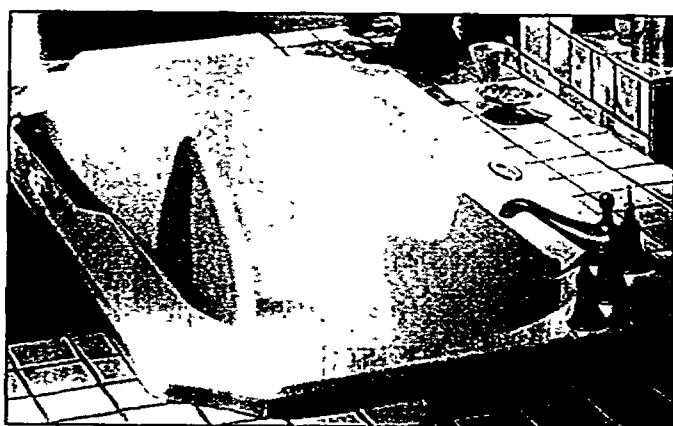
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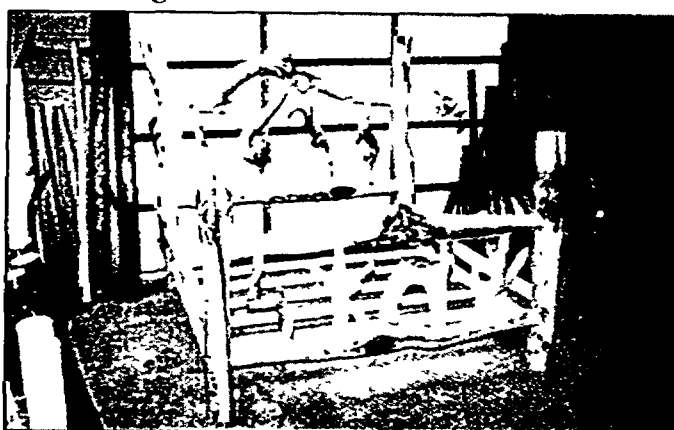
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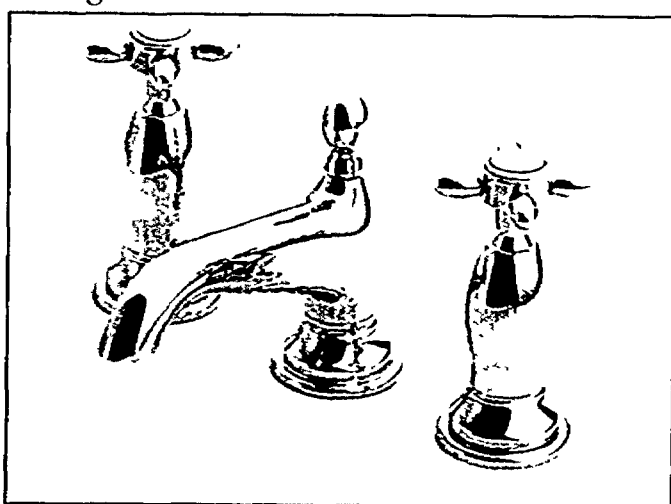
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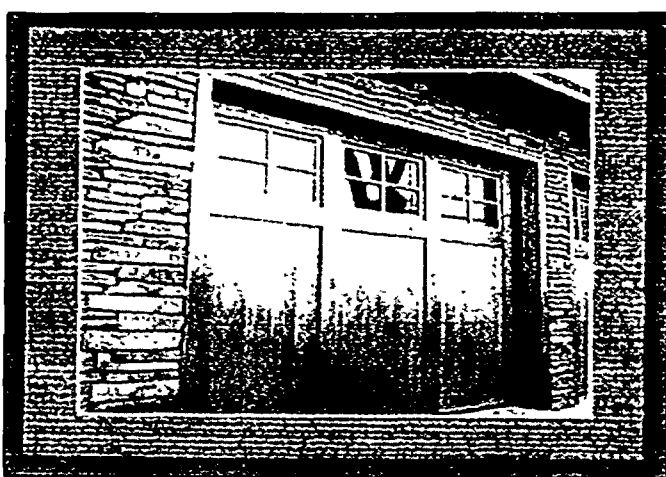
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## A custom dry bar

This custom dry bar is made from solid cherry with a custom cherry stain. The unit features crown and dental moldings, a U-line wine cooler, stainless steel hardware and granite countertop. The ceramic tile backsplash follows a wine theme.



To learn more, contact Kitchens Plus at 248/474-0646.

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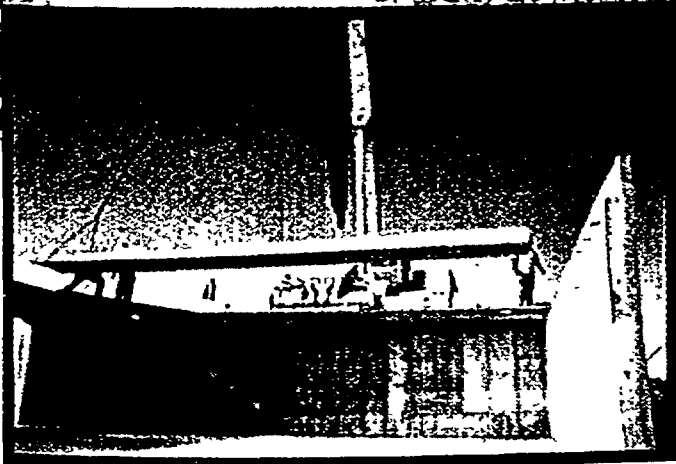
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# Expand Your Design Possibilities

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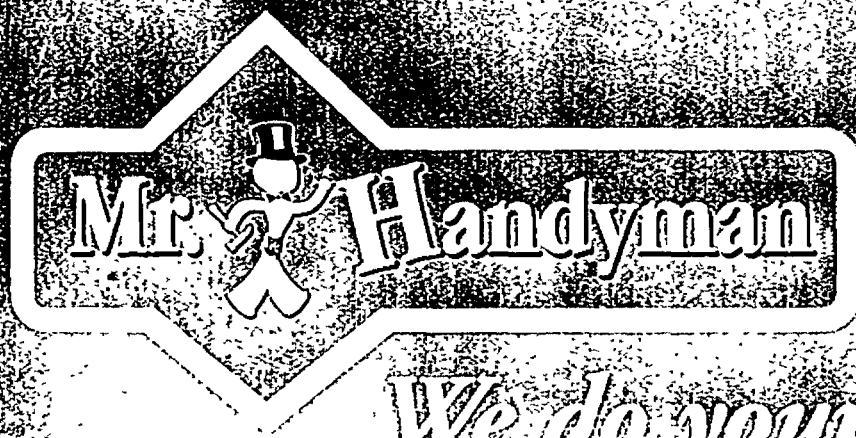
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