



# Novi prepares to ring in holiday season

By Victoria Sadlocha  
STAFF WRITER

Holiday spirit is heading to Novi in a new, sparkling package.

The city's annual holiday celebration is scheduled for next week, featuring many enhancements including an electric light parade.

The Thursday, Dec. 5 event, appropriately titled, "Ringing in the Holidays," is a great way to gear up for the season whether you are 5 or 75.

"The event will offer something for everyone," said Randy Auler, director of the City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department. "From the young to the old, our hope is for the entire community to come out and kick off the holidays, share the spirit of the season and enjoy some good, old-fashioned fun."

What was once known as the "Main Street Holiday Walk" has evolved into a large-scale production.

Attendees at the Main and Market

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Novi Parks & Rec

streets event will enjoy plenty of sensory delights inside and outside of the downtown festival area.

The night begins at 6 p.m. with caroling, music and complimentary samples from many of Novi's best restaurants.

Food booths lining the Main Street area offering some of their best known stomach fillers will include Mesquite Creek, Lazy Lizard Cantina, Guernsey Farms Dairy, BD's Mongolian BBQ, Red Lobster, Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar, Cottage Inn Pizza, Coffee Trader, Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro,

Panera Bread Company and McDonald's.

Sheryl Walsh, City of Novi communications manager, said everything from pizza to soups to kettle corn to biscuits to chicken wings to hot fudge sundaes will be available.

At 6:30 p.m., the city's first electric light parade complete with floats and marching bands from Novi schools will begin.

The parade, beginning at Market Street and turning right onto Main Street, will feature self-created luminary floats from many groups and organizations including Schoolcraft College, The Prisoner of War Committee of Michigan, Novi Lions and local Boy Scouts.

The city's 25-foot-tall holiday tree will also begin to glow in a special lighting ceremony at the corner of Main and Market featuring a visit from a very special guest.

"Santa Claus will make an appearance from the North Pole," Auler said.

As the night continues, area residents may enjoy another new feature, horse-drawn carriage rides.

Inside of the Main Street shopping area will be a craft boutique, Girl Scouts bake sale, Kris Kringle workshop and T-Mobile will give all revelers the chance to call their loved ones, wishing them happy holidays for free.

The Kris Kringle workshop will offer children the opportunity to make their own complimentary holiday gift which will be wrapped by elves so the petite crafters may present their treasures as gifts to someone special.

Walsh said the workshop will be supervised in case parents want to drop their children off and hit the craft fair where more than 30 area artists and crafters will display and sell various items including toys, jewelry, clothing, miniature trees and wreaths, gourmet foods and children's books.

Santa Claus will also make his way inside to hear children's wish lists and photos will be taken and given to all

who sit on the jolly ol' St. Nick's lap.

"It is a lot different than what it was in the past," Auler said. "We're really hoping to have a great turnout."

Other favorite features of event organizers include the appropriateness of the event for residents of all faiths and the event's wide appeal.

"There really is something for everybody," Walsh said. "If dads want to wait in line with their kids to see Santa, moms can go to the craft fair. It will be a first-class, quality event for the community."

The downtown multi-cultural, seasonal event begins at 6 p.m. and will conclude at 9 p.m. in Novi's downtown area.

For more information about this free, community event, call (248) 735-5628.

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## Correction

A story in the Oct. 31 edition of the *Record* said that Darlene Denning was the owner of Farmington-based Spiritual Reflections. In reality, the business is owned by Deborah J.

Janicki.

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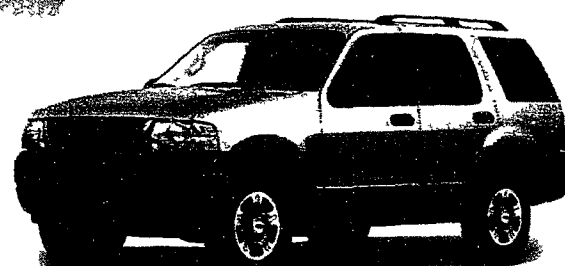


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# Fantasy of Trees returns for Christmas '02

By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

O, Christmas Tree!  
The Friends of the Northville District Library are making holiday preparations a little easier for a few lucky area residents.

Sally LePla-Perry, president of the Friends organization, said the 2002 Fantasy of Trees fundraising raffle is now underway. The fundraiser is geared to assist the Northville District Library's operation.

"The Friends raised money to be able to buy books and CD's and tapes to add to the library's collection," said LePla-Perry. "It's a lovely way to combine working with the Northville merchants, creating a holiday tradition and raising funds to enhance the library."

From now until Dec. 14, decorated artificial trees of varying heights and themes will be displayed in the stores of participating merchants and at the Northville District Library, officials said.

LePla-Perry said several area businesses have opted to decorate trees for the Friends' fundraiser.

This year, the trees are located inside the library and some are displayed in local shops downtown.

According to LePla-Perry, the Friends have increased the number of trees in response to the requests of merchants.

Fresh attractions to this year's event have been added as well.

"New to the offerings are the three topiaries that could provide year-round elegance to the winners' homes and the gold mesh tree at Orin Jewelers," said LePla-Perry, within a press release. "Each of the trees is different than those decorated in preceding years. Also new, is that the merchants themselves decorated their own trees. Each has its own distinct style, reflecting that merchant's own talents."

A total of 15 trees have been decorated for the fundraiser.

LePla-Perry said a brochure with a map is available for residents to do a walking tour and visit the trees in the library and participating stores. In addition, there are albums in the library with photographs of all of the trees.

On Dec. 14, the Friends are slated to host a Holiday Dessert and Music Gala from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the library to culminate the Fantasy of Trees. The Friends of the Northville District Library will be in attendance when Santa

arrives at 8:30 p.m. to draw the tree winners' names. Choral students from Northville High School are expected to perform and lead the guests in song to celebrate the season, officials said.

Tickets for the Fantasy of Trees raffle are on sale at one ticket for \$3.00, two tickets for \$5.00, five tickets for \$10.00 and 25 tickets for \$40.00. Final ticket sales will take place at the Dec. 14 Friends evening gala.

"It's a major fundraiser and the nice thing is that the people that are contributing are supporting literacy," said LePla-Perry.

Officials said in order to win one of the decorated trees, individuals must purchase at least one ticket and include their name, telephone number and desired tree on their ticket stub. Stubs may be returned to any one of the Fantasy bins located at the merchants' stores or the library.

Prior to the drawing on Dec. 14, the ticket stubs will be sorted into separate bins for each tree.

In a press release, Peggy Koppy, chair of the event, said, "This is an important source of funds for the Northville District Library...The Friends are so grateful to the participating merchants for providing the exquisite trees that have made this event possible."

## TREE LOCATIONS AND DESCRIPTIONS:

- Bee's Knees: A Teacup Christmas, Value: \$350. Owner Linda Langston and her friends hand-painted the beautiful ceramic teacups and saucers that adorn the tree. [Located in the Store Front Window on Main Street]

- Fraser Inn: Sugar Plum Visions, Value \$250. This is a beautiful 4-foot topiary of frosted fruits atop a stem wrapped in plaid ribbon and trimmed in gold. [Located at the Library]

- Friends of the Northville District Library: Winter Dance, Value \$230. Mirrored balls and crystal teardrops illuminate this all-silver, 6-foot tree. [Located at the Library]

- Gardenviews: gardenview magic, value \$350. Sugar plum fairies dance in this 5-foot flocked tree in a backdrop of grape clusters, glistening icicles and mauve accents. [Located in the Library]

- Genitti's: Come Home for the Holidays, value \$490. This 7.5 foot tree is loaded with homey decorations and topped with bows and red streamers. [Located in the restaurant.]

- Gordon Landscaping of



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Linda Langston, owner of Bee's Knees, and Peggy Koppy, Chair of the Friends of the Northville District Library's Fantasy of Trees fundraiser, frame the beautiful tree that Linda decorated with handpainted tea cups and donated to for the Fantasy of Trees raffle.

Plymouth: A Poinsettia Christmas, Value \$265. This beautiful traditional, 7-foot slim tree features red and gold balls, acorn clusters and red poinsettias and ribbon. [Located at the Library]

- Helen's Uptown Cafe: Christmas Tea, Value \$200. Crowned with a gold mesh tea cup ornament, this 4-foot tree has hand-colored ornaments, beaded fruit and roping, and tea bags. The tree winner will also take home a teapot and four matching cups.

- Long's Fancy Bath Boutique: Victorian Christmas, value \$500. This 6-foot Victorian tree is graced with dainty hats, roses, medallions and feathered boas in a

tearose color theme.

- Margo's of Northville (donated by Helen Mueller): Christmas of Gold, value \$275. Shiny and frosted gold balls, maroon bows and a gold-beaded wreath adorn this 6-foot slim tree. [Located at the Library]

- Northville Pharmacy: A Gardener's Christmas, value \$150. Hand-blown Bronner ornaments and miniature gold balls decorate this 3-foot tree.

- Orin Jewelers: Bejeweled Christmas, value \$50. This 3-foot contemporary tree is made of gold mesh in a pyramid that glitters with gold, red, and teal "gems."

- Pamplemousse: Crowning

- Glory, value \$450. This 2-foot topiary in a red velvet pot is elegantly loaded with jeweled earrings, bobby pins, ponytail holders, barrettes and hair clips. [At the store on Main Street]

- Pear-aphernalia: Christmas Fruit Topiary, value \$175. A lovely vase is topped with frosted fruit arranged in a stylish tree shape. [At the store on Center Street]

- Plymouth Nursery: Golden Elegance, value \$400. St. Nicholas ornaments are set off with long icicles and gold berry branches in a tree crowned with a gold bow and streamers. [Located at the Library]

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- Blue!, value \$175. This is the 3-foot tree that every loyal University of Michigan fan craves. [Located in the Store]

Tickets are available at participating merchants' stores, at the library, and at a Friends table on weekends at Great Harvest Bread, among other locations. For more information, call Peggy Koppy at (734) 420-2225 or the library at (248) 349-3020.

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## Grief During the Holidays

### Part I - WHY DO THE HOLIDAYS MAKE LOSS SEEM ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT?

Holidays are a time when the world seems to slow down. We concentrate on what is important. Time is typically centered on relaxing and enjoying ourselves with family and dear friends. We nurture and celebrate our relationships, undistracted by everyday life. Consequently, any losses are felt more acutely during this time. If the pain is related to the loss of a relationship, the holidays can make the hurt more painful.

It is not unusual to feel as if we are "going crazy," especially if we have lost someone we love. However, any loss may turn our world upside down: that of a pet, a job, or a physical ability; any kind of broken relationship; possessions; or a sense of safety and security. Other occurrences can cause upheaval, including miscarriage or abortion; life plans gone awry; missing an important event; or the loss of hope, freedom, or even sobriety. Missing anything that has become familiar to us, even alcohol, cigarettes or an unhealthy relationship, can be very painful.

Loss causes many changes in our lives and can alter how we perceive the roles we play. If my child is dead, am I still a mother? Am I half a person without my life's partner? If I have lost my job, am I still a valuable member of society? Our self-esteem may plummet and we may question our identity.

If we are mourning the death of someone we love, the circumstances surrounding the death have an important effect on our grief experience. If the death was due to an illness, we may have watched the one we love suffer many debilitating changes. Terminal illness typically steals bodily functions as well as the ability to move, swallow, and communicate. It is not uncommon to have difficulty at first recalling what our loved one looked like when they were healthy.

If the death was sudden, unexpected, traumatic or violent, we are wrenched into a new reality. How can we ever feel normal again? How can anything, including the holidays, ever feel special once more? If we believe we were somehow responsible for the death, every morning is a painful reminder. While we may not be truly suicidal, we may wish for an end to our pain, because we cannot imagine ever feeling differently than we feel right now.

As we struggle to find meaning connected to our loss, we may find our faith battered. Why is it that something so unfair has happened to us? How could our God let something this painful occur? If we feel this way during a holiday that is set up around our faith, bitterness and anger may build.

Holidays are often a time of great beauty. Everything glitters with the richness of light and love. When we are in the depths of anguish and despair, we may find it hard to

experience beauty. It seems that everyone around us can enjoy the festivities and this magnifies how alone we feel.

Our experience with grief is unique to us. No one else can feel exactly what we feel. Also, as individuals, every loss we have will be a different experience from all our other losses. Another person cannot completely understand how we feel.

When we lose a loved one or abilities, dreams or possessions, we must eventually learn how to move on. Somehow, we must get through our everyday routines despite the absence of this person or this thing. Similarly, the holidays make us revisit the mourning process. We must adjust, once again, to this "hole in our lives" at what previously may have been a very special time.

Food, the centerpiece of many holiday gatherings, is a nurturing, life-sustaining celebration of our relationships. But in the wake of a great loss, even if we can taste the food we eat, we may have neither the appetite nor the energy to come to the table.

Just as we cannot anticipate the extent of a loss, we cannot be completely prepared for how fragile we may feel during the holidays. However, just knowing it may happen and not being surprised by this can help.

We must be gentle with ourselves and with each other. We may have lost a piece of ourselves, but chances are that, in that death or change, we have been given something as well. If we can find out what that is, we can honor it. It is our own priceless holiday gift to ourselves.

### Part II - WHAT CAN I DO TO GET THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS?

We have suffered a major loss of a loved one or something special in our lives. How do we get through the holidays, when we are still grieving? First, do nothing. Simply feel what you feel. It is a simple notion, but not necessarily an easy one. It may be the very last thing we want to do. If we are surrounded by people who want to distract us, because our pain makes them uncomfortable, it can also be a very lonely time. They may want us to return to being our happy selves again as soon as possible, but we cannot be exactly the same persons we were before this happened. And so we need to feel. Actually feeling and even exploring that feeling are the best ways to reach the point when we are not overwhelmed by our emotions.

Second, express what you feel. This is called mourning and it is absolutely critical. If we bottle up and try to ignore our feelings, they will come out in other, perhaps unhealthy or even dangerous, ways. Our pain is real and deserves a voice. There are many ways to express grief: talking, crying, writing, praying, singing, living with intentional awareness, or expressing appreciation for what we have. Expressing grief can

be done privately -- in a journal or in a silent prayer. It can occur in a more public fashion -- support group meetings, remembrance services, or visiting memorials. Some of our world's most memorable music and works of art were created during a time of incredible loss in an artist's life. We give ourselves a gift when we create space in our lives to allow our feelings to surface, whatever those feelings may be. If we stay busy or numb our feelings with drugs and alcohol, it only delays the inevitable.

It is also very important to take care of our physical selves during this time. Our immune system can be affected by grief and we are more vulnerable to illness and accidents. As much as we are able, we need to eat balanced meals and drink plenty of fluids, especially water. We need rest and may find ourselves sleeping more than usual. We should try to stay away from alcohol and other substances that numb our pain.

Sometimes grief counseling is suggested for someone who seems to be having a difficult time coping with a significant loss. Keep in mind that grief is not a problem to be fixed, nor is it a disease to be cured. Grief is not the same as depression and cannot be permanently alleviated with medication. We may or may not need a grief counselor. What we can mostly likely benefit from are having companions during our grief. Those individuals can listen with their whole being. Lt. Col. Dave Grossman, U.S. Army (Ret.), puts this concept into an easy-to-remember formula: "Pain Shared = Pain Divided. Joy Shared = Joy Multiplied." When and however we express and share grief, we benefit from its gifts and experience growth.

Ideally, families are a built-in support system. When a death occurs in the family, everyone mourns the loss of the same person. However, the relationships between the person who died and the remaining family members were different for each of them, and their manifestation of grief is different. A display of emotion -- or lack of it -- can cause misunderstandings and hurt feelings, even in well-adjusted families.

Sometime we want our pain to remain private. Having a place to be where no one knows what we are going through can be a haven. But, what about those times we do not want to be alone in our grief? Can we say to another person, "I'm hurting. I'm having a really hard time." We need to look for support from those who can give it. We should find a support group, or a trusted individual who will be a companion and give us their quiet presence during this difficult time.

If we're mourning the death of someone we love during the holidays, there are many special ways we can acknowledge our loss. Here are a few.

\* Change some holiday traditions; keep some of the old ones and create new ones.

- \* Develop a special ritual that remembers the loss/person who is gone.
- \* Light a candle daily and spend a few minutes in quiet reflection.
- \* Hang an ornament that represents what was lost.
- \* Set your missing loved one a place at the table.
- \* Say a special prayer in memory of the relationship you are missing.
- \* Give a gift your loved one would have liked to someone in a nursing home.
- \* Create something that has special meaning to you.

Perhaps the most valuable holiday gift we can give ourselves is that of preparation. Whom do or don't we want to spend time with during the holidays? What do we want to be sure to do or not do during this time? Perhaps we can overlook some of our traditions this year, if they feel too painful or simply too tiring. We can always resume next year.

The best gift we can give others during this time is to take good care of ourselves.

### Part III - HOW CAN I HELP SOMEONE WHO IS GRIEVING DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON?

It can be difficult to see someone we care about in pain, because they are mourning a loss. It can be uncomfortable and make us want to do something to ease that person's suffering. It is important to be aware of the difference between our experience of someone else's pain and how they really feel. It is one thing to want to help, but it is quite another to initiate action because we want to relieve our own discomfort. It may not be helpful, or even desired, by the grieving individual.

Grieving individuals want and need space, both literal and figurative, in which to grieve and mourn their loss. Create for them a "healing environment" in which they will not be the inevitable distraction of noise, activity and daily life.

Maintain a calm and peaceful presence. Be available as an understanding, non-judgmental and listening companion should they choose to talk. Or simply sit with them in silence. If we fill the space with words, we may exhaust them further.

Try not to have expectations of how long a person's grief will last. They are forever changed by their loss and may never completely "get over" it. They will have good days and bad days. Even years later, the memory of a loved one may be triggered by a song or a smell, and there may be a period of reliving some of that more intense grief.

It is also not helpful to compare losses. Pain cannot be measured, and nothing is gained by saying one loss is greater or less than another.

Be willing to talk about the person who

died, or listen to the grieving person reminiscing.

When in doubt, ask the individual what he or she needs at that time. We must recognize we do not have all the answers and that we cannot "fix" this for them.

Loss is part of the human experience and grief is a normal reaction. We cannot know the meaning or purpose behind the loss and the grief. Do not try to take that away from anyone. Just witness their pain and simply be a grief companion.

### Part IV - DOES GRIEF GIVE GIFTS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON?

Sometimes I wonder if all the technological advances our society has made have not actually arrested us emotionally and spiritually. How many of us, in the wake of a great loss, keep up the frantic pace of our lives, distracting ourselves with activity and sound? Do we fill every waking moment with something in order to avoid feeling?

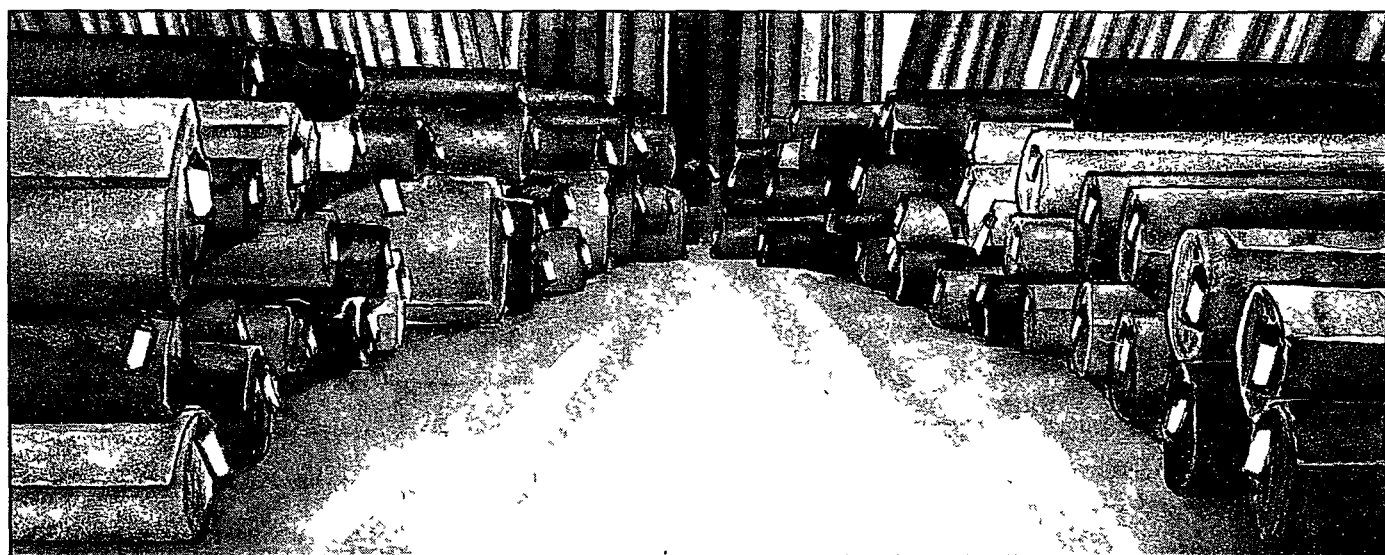
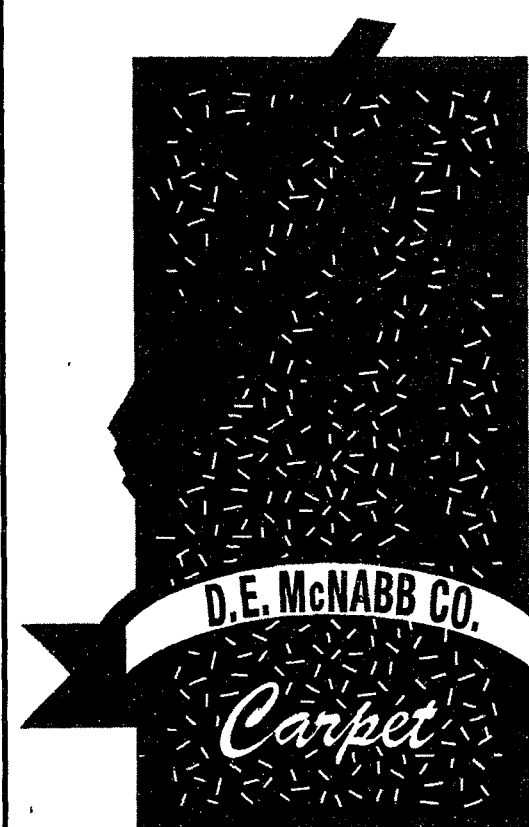
What did our ancestors do after dark before the discovery of electricity? I imagine a small band of people of all ages sitting around a fire. In times of great loss and sadness, they perform rituals, make music and sit together in wordless silence, staring into the fire, perhaps wondering about their own ancestors. The coming of the night provided a natural and regular time and space to celebrate their relationships and connectedness to each other and the world in which they lived.

Grief is often a time of great darkness. The holiday season is typically a time when we slow down and live with more reflective awareness, appreciating the people around us. Is it possible that this could be a gift?

We do not enjoy feeling pain, especially the deep throbbing ache of the absence of someone we love. However, grief is something we cannot outrun. Regardless of the distractions we arrange, be they activity, passive entertainment or substance abuse, when we look over our shoulders, grief is still there.

What if, like our ancestors, we recognized our cycles of living in darkness? Perhaps we cannot see a future of hope and brightness. What if we sat very still and listened? What if we trusted that something greater is at work and we do not need to control everything? Can we imagine simply feeling?

Sometimes our families and friends who cannot understand our grief are, out of ignorance, not supportive of the journey on which we find ourselves. This can make holiday time especially difficult. There are, however, others who can give us what we need. They are strangers only because we have not met them yet. Their own journeys may be more similar to ours than the people with whom we regularly share our lives. Their friendship and support can be gifts to us.

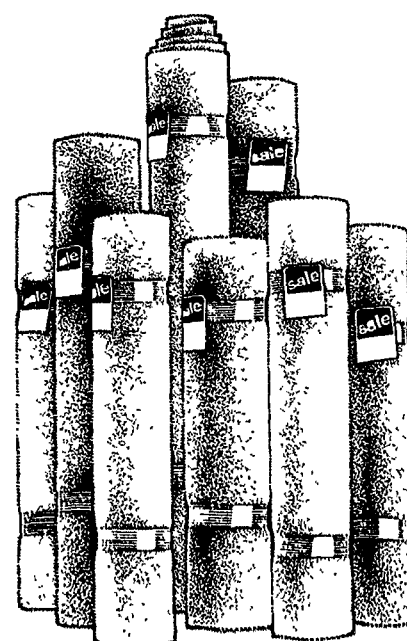


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# Expo Center given go-ahead by Novi officials

By Victoria Sadlocha  
STAFF WRITER

Comic book heroes, pro golfers and championship chihuahuas will be only some of the attractions coming to a brand new Novi Expo Center in years to come.

The recently revamped design, including the addition of a circular drive with covered main entrance, was approved by members of the city council last week, giving Novi Expo Center President Blair Bowman the long-awaited site-plan approval and wetlands permit he needed to move forward with his plan to relocate the existing Novi Road business.

Bowman said the center's current plan has struck the delicate balance of accommodating community concern, economic feasibility and appearance considerations.

"It's a much better project for the longterm," he said.

Other changes from the original plan include more accessible handicapped parking, a landscaped parking lot, an improved wetland mitigation area and a progressive facade.

The split-face block exterior comprised of concrete masonry units planned for the center has been used to construct many prominent buildings including the headquarters for The Gap, the St. Louis Rams and the upcoming buildings for the Atlanta Falcons and the Baltimore Ravens.

Locally, the type of exterior may be seen on the Budco building in Highland Park.

Chris Cedargreen from Forum Studios said the material offers a tremendous capability when forming and shaping the center.

The facade material was one of the many project details listed out in a document issued by the Novi Planning Commission with its recommendation to deny Bowman's approval request.

Other items on the list include:

- The west drive proposed angle is 73 degrees versus the required 90 degree angle;
- The front entrance to the building should be enhanced;
- Provide for lower lighting poles realizing there is an excess of 25 parking spaces; and
- Explore the alternative of a parking structure to preserve additional woodlands and wetlands on the east side of the building.

Former commissioner Robert Churella disagrees with the commission's current negative recommendation, saying the exposition center is a very successful business that will increase the city's tax base, bring in auxiliary businesses and offer all the benefits of an exposition center without the city paying the bill.

Churella said most exposition centers are municipally owned.

Current planning commissioner David Ruyle also denounced the negative recommendation, appearing before members

of the council on Nov. 12, reminding them the planning commission decision was not unanimous.

"I hope we get overturned tonight," Ruyle said.

Novi City Councilman Craig DeRoche said he is in favor of the new center and feels comfortable giving his approval.

The councilman said the process has been going on for three years and he knows other cities have made offers.

He also said he feels placing too many council-mandated restrictions is not always the right way to go, stating he feels James Chen, developer of the city's downtown project, lost some opportunity along the approval process.

"I want to see that (Expo Center) there for a very long time," DeRoche said.

City of Novi Mayor Pro-Tem Michelle Bononi and councilwoman Laura Lorenzo voted against approval on Nov. 12 stating traffic concerns as their primary reason.

The one thing I can not compromise on

in good conscience is traffic flow and traffic safety, Lorenzo said.

Bononi agreed traffic is a concern stating she does not feel someone needs to be a rocket scientist to see the bottleneck that may be created in front of the center.

"This is the opportunity to get it right," she said.

Bowman said even without any changes to his current plan, the traffic situation would be better than the current Novi Road site.

The about 319,000-square-foot complex will house exposition halls, banquet facilities, administrative offices and warehouse space on the 55-acre site located at Grand River Avenue west of Taft Road.

Construction is scheduled to commence next year.

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## Stat: Novi boasts 93.1% college-bound

By Ramez Khuri  
STAFF WRITER

How's this for an impressive statistic: 93.1 percent of Novi High School's Class of 2002 graduates were college bound this fall?

That's just one of many facts revealed in the Novi Community School District's 2001-02 Public Information Report issued on Oct. 17. It contains vital information about each school in the district, including a profile for each school, school improvement, goals, staff development core curriculum, parent involvement, SAT and ACT results for the high school and MEAP results.

The class of 2002 highlights also include:

- one White House Presidential Scholar Semifinalist
- seven National Merit Scholarship Finalists and eight Letters of Commendation
- 175 Michigan Competitive Scholarship qualifiers
- 52 valedictorians and 16 salutatorians
- 68 students graduating summa cum laude, 58 magna cum laude and 63 cum laude
- the average ACT Composite was 23.1 and the average SAT was 565 for the verbal section and 602 for the math section.

"Each school in the district is expected to do a report of what's been happening in their schools," Dr. Rita Traynor, assistant superintendent for Instructional Services said. "We had to do one for the district which includes a report from each of the individual schools."

According to the report, the dropout rate of students in Novi three years, adjusting for those who have moved in or out of the district, has averaged .06 percent. The breakdown for the last three years is, 1999 = .01 percent, 2000 = .003 percent and 2001 = .004 percent.

It also states that the average attendance at parent-teacher conferences in the elementary (K-6) is 96.7 percent. The middle school

averages about 70 percent for the two yearly conferences and the high school averages about 54 percent parent attendance at two yearly conferences.

"We certainly want to follow our core curriculum and state standards benchmark," Traynor said. "Parent involvement in Novi is very high at conferences and also in volunteers. It's probably one of the highest in volunteers in the county. You can see that if you look at parent involvement in the district—the average attendance and parent/teacher conference in elementary K-6 was 96.7 percent, which is fabulous."

Although the MEAP test will change come this January, Coordinator of Curriculum and Assessment Jane Hesse is happy with the 2002 scores. She explained the difference between the MEAP test and the SAT and ACT tests.

"The ACT and SAT tests are national tests and the MEAP test is just in Michigan," Hesse said. "Even though we went up very minute degrees in the scores, we have improved, and that's important to us. If you were to look at the SAT and the ACT, they look pretty much the same as they did many years ago, except a few changes perhaps. The MEAP on the other hand, has had a lot of changes. We know that you can't compare one year's scores to the other because you're comparing different children."

Hesse said that instead of measuring the reading and writing sections of the test separately, as it was done in the past, in January it will measure reading and writing together.

"There won't be a year-to-year measurement," Hesse said. "There is no MEAP test in kindergarten, first, second or third grades. They geared it to where there might be some curriculum changes and growth and comprehension, so it usually starts closer to the fourth grade and the end of third grade."

## Warding off family violence at heart of Novi's 2003 CDBG

By Victoria Sadlocha  
STAFF WRITER

The City of Novi 2003 Community Development Block Grant spending program has been allocated, placing the focus on city services including fighting family violence.

Once again, HAVEN will receive a portion of the \$109,749 federal funds Novi will allocate for the upcoming year.

The organization, dedicated to building violence-free communities one family at a time, will receive \$12,000, an increase of \$1,000 from the 2002 program year.

"We're very pleased that they will be continuing to utilize a portion of the Community Development Block Grant funds to support the victims of domestic violence and child abuse that so desperately need HAVEN's help," said Hedy Nuriel, HAVEN president and CEO.

HAVEN started receiving funds from the city during fiscal year 1994-1995.

According to data provided by Nuriel, from July 1, 2001 through

July 20, 2002, 126 individuals from families in the City of Novi sought assistance from the organization.

Nuriel said Novi is about the sixth largest community utilizing HAVEN's services and within the top ten of all communities in Oakland County.

The total CDBG funds allocation for the new year including HAVEN includes:

- \$9,000 to OLSHA for the manager of the city's senior center
- \$6,000 to Novi Youth Assistance for the benefit of specialized counseling and camp scholarships
- \$20,000 to the Senior Van Program for senior transportation services
- \$62,749 to the Minor Home Repair program for residential home repairs
- \$12,000 to Haven for the benefit of battered and abused spouses

The organizations chosen to receive money remained the same from last year, with some changes in the dollar amounts.

This year, Novi Youth

Assistance and HAVEN will receive \$1,000 more than last year while the city's senior center manager will receive the same amount in 2003.

The senior van program will receive close to \$10,000 less than last year's amount and Novi's minor home repair program will receive close to \$8,000 more in the 2003 program year.

"The Minor Home Repair Program reflects an increase over the money that was funded last year because the committee is very pleased with the success of that program and there is a reduction to the senior van program, which was not based on the merit of the program, but on the fact that they had to find the money to increase the minor home repair program," said Craig Klaver, program liaison and City of Novi chief operating officer.

The city received 31 requests for assistance through the city's minor home program and the senior van program serviced 10,069 passengers last year.

Representatives of Novi Youth Assistance said they have received CDBG funds for moder-

ate to low income and special needs youth since 1994.

According to information provided by Claudia L. Walter, M.S.W., a Novi Youth

Assistance youth and family caseworker, this year 44 families benefited from specialized scholarships to send children to Summer camps and by offering skill building activities and supportive programming.

The youth organization is pleased to be chosen again for further funding.

Oakland County serves as the initial recipient of the grant money and provides financial oversight for the expenditure of the allocated funds.

The allocation along with organization choice was submitted to the city by the Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee, a group comprised of five members of the community.

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# Novi recoils after murder-suicide at business

By Victoria Sadlocha  
STAFF WRITER

Police are wrapping up their investigation into the tragic events unraveling last week when a confrontational employee killed his supervisor and then turned the gun he was carrying on himself shortly after being fired from his job.

Novi police said they are wrapping up some details, but the investigation of the crime rare to this community is coming to an end.

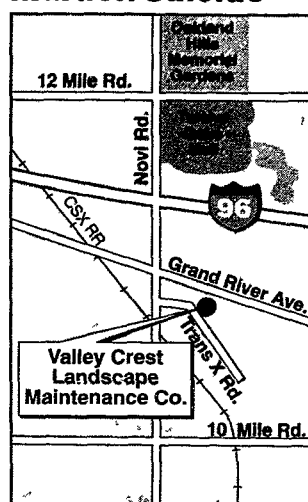
"We've had confrontations of disgruntled employees before," said Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer, "but nothing that raises to this type of magnitude."

On Nov. 21 at about 4 p.m., ValleyCrest Landscape Management employee Michael Henley walked into the Trans X Drive trailer office and shot 24-year-old Bryan Bowden of Madison Heights before killing himself with a single gunshot wound to the head, police said.

Shaeffer said it appears the 36-year-old Westland landscape employee was fired from his job about one hour before the shooting occurred.

"Apparently [Henley] confronted two of the supervisors when asked to perform a particular activity," Shaeffer said. "He became very irate and confrontational and it was decided then he needed to be dismissed."

## Murder/Suicide



SOURCE: Novi Police Dept

Henley later returned to the trailer carrying a .22 caliber semi-automatic rifle, witnesses told police.

According to a press release issued by the city, a female employee of ValleyCrest was standing with her back to the door when she heard loud noises believed to be gunshots.

She then saw Henley chase Bowden into an office, heard gunshots and saw the man fall to the floor.

"As soon as he finished shooting Bowden, he pointed the gun at the secretary," Shaeffer said. "He was very agitated at the time."

Shaeffer said Henley dictated a letter to the woman talking very despairingly about a couple of other employees not in the office at the time.

"There is no doubt in my mind we would have a much greater tragedy if the other employees would have been at the scene," Shaeffer said. "It could have been much worse."

Police said the gunman let the woman leave after the note was complete because he told her she had been nice to him.

"We've been in business for 53 years, and we hope this is the first and last time our company ever experiences anything like this," said Renu Nallicheri, ValleyCrest Landscape Management assistant chief operating officer. "We're just trying to help out in any way possible."

Nallicheri said the president of the company along with a corporate safety officer were flying from the company's Calabasas, Calif. headquarters to be with employees during the difficult time. Counselors were also scheduled to arrive at the office.

Henley had been with the company less than four months and Bowman, an account manager, had been with the company for more than two-and-a-half years.

Police did not believe Henley has any related prior incidents.

The Novi police dispatch center

originally received two 911 calls reporting the shooting.

When officers arrived at the scene, it was unknown where Henley was.

According to the city's press release, officers established a secure perimeter around the trailer and a tactical team was assembled before approaching the trailer.

Police said they could see two people through the windows, neither

of whom were moving, with blood around them.

Before police confirmed Henley's whereabouts, ValleyCrest employees and nearby workers were kept inside Fifth Avenue Ballroom and Billiards, around the corner from the location.

Investigators at the scene had management lock the doors to the bar, only allowing patrons to enter

and exit with assistance from a member of the staff.

Doors were reopened around 6 p.m. after Henley's body was found. The trailer was released back to ValleyCrest before 10 p.m.

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## Library staffers stage Sunday picket protest

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library materials, access to technology, the maintenance of the building and other needs," said Herrin. "Nevertheless, the library has made very generous proposals to the union, including establishment of additional insurance benefits."

Hirschelmann said she and her fellow employees know the

library has the funds available to pay them the wage they are asking and are looking forward to the state's Fact Finding sessions scheduled for Feb. 27 and 28.

"They admitted to us early in negotiations that they knew we are underpaid but they said that they couldn't afford to pay us in the middle range," said Hirschelmann. "We expect to accept whatever the fact finder

recommends and we are hoping that the library board will do so also. We know that they have the money. It is a matter of them choosing to see us as a priority."

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### LIBRARY HOURS:

The Northville District Library is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and open Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. The library will be closed on Nov. 28 for Thanksgiving. Located at 212 W. Cady St., near Northville city hall, with parking off Cady St. For detailed information about programs or services, or to request or renew library materials, call 349-3020.

### THE GIFT OF READING

The library is now collecting books for distribution to children for whom books are not readily available through the Detroit Free Press annual Gift of Reading campaign. Please bring in new, unwrapped books suitable for children up to six years of age. Some bookstores offer discounts on books for this project. The deadline for donating books is Dec. 16. Forms are also available for monetary contributions.

### LEARN A TEST ONLINE

A new online source, "Learn a Test", is now available for all Michigan residents who have a computer with Internet access. Provided by state funds, this online database includes a wide variety of standard tests for practice, including the SAT, ACT, AP, GMAT, and ASVAB. Anyone wishing to take a practice test should begin at the library by setting up an individual account. After that, they may access the database from their home or office. For more information, call the library or go to the library's home page at <http://northville.lib.mi.us>

### SO MANY OPTIONS: GETTING CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET

Richard Truxall, Internet consultant, will provide an overview of how to find an Internet Service Provider on December 5 at 7 p.m. Please call the library at 349-3020 or stop in to register for this free program.

### FRIENDS ANNUAL FANTASY OF TREES RAFFLE

Tickets are now on sale at the Library for the Friends annual fundraiser, the "Fantasy of Trees". Six beautifully decorated theme trees are on display at the library, with 9 others in downtown shops, where tickets are also available. The drawing will be held on Sat. Dec. 14, during a special Friends Holiday Gala in the library after hours.

### EVENING DROP-IN STORYTIME

Families are welcome to come with little ones in pajamas to this monthly program, next offered on Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. Designed for preschool children and older with their caregivers, this half hour program does not require any pre-registration—just drop in!

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Join us on December 12 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. for this special storytime geared to little ones from 10 months to 2 years old, along with their caregivers. Just drop in to enjoy music, beanbag fun, and simple stories. Infants and older children are also welcome to attend.

### WINTER STORYTIMES

Schedules for the upcoming Winter Storytimes will be available at the library starting December 1. Programs include Little Me Storytimes for the very young, TOT storytimes for children ages 2 and 3, and a series of Storytimes for children ages 4 and 5. In addition, the library offers Kids Club for first and second graders, and drop-in evening storytimes for the whole family once a month. Registration for winter Storytime programs will begin in January 2003.

### LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Northville District Library Board of Trustees will be Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend these monthly meetings, which are typically scheduled on the fourth Thursday of the month.



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# Township grants abatement to Japanese auto supplier

By Pauline Lupercio  
STAFF WRITER

Another tax abatement was granted by the Northville Township board of trustees at its Nov. 21 meeting in the hopes of bringing more research and development to the community.

"The benefit to the township would be an increase in research and development which would help diversify our tax base," assistant township manager and finance director Thelma Kubitskey said, referring to the decision to grant the abatement.

The board approved a tax abatement to ZF Technologies earlier this year. This month's abatement was granted to the Japanese-based Akebono Corporation for a period of eight years. The company, which currently has a Michigan location in Farmington Hills, reported more than \$570 million in brake component sales in North America and \$1.4 billion worldwide.

But unlike the ZF abatement, which included all taxing entities, Akebono representatives requested that their abatement not include the school tax base due to the company's belief of the importance of education.

According to Akebono director of administration Alan Scwiech, the company is in need of expanding its North American operations and the former Nanovations facility located at Beck and Five Mile Road is in competition for consideration with a location in Kentucky.

Nanovations, a Florida-based firm, set up shop in Northville Township, but quietly shut down its operations only two years after start-

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Alan Scwiech  
Akebono

ing. Based on the cross-state competition, the Michigan Economic Development Corporation may decide to offer Akebono a Michigan Economic Growth Authority Grant, otherwise known as a "MEGA" grant, in order to secure the Northville Township expansion. The decision will be made on Dec. 17.

The township will not know until then if Akebono will move its 163 employees to Northville and hire an additional 190 new engineering, administrative, and technical professionals with personal projected annual wages and benefits averaging \$76,000 over the next eight years.

According to Akebono representatives, a presentation will soon be made to the members of the Akebono board in Japan. The decision between Kentucky and Michigan will be

made contingent upon the approval for the MEGA grant.

"A property tax abatement together with a Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA) award will provide support to convince Akebono parent in Japan to move from Farmington Hills and locate the project here, and not in an out-of-state lower cost alternative location," read information presented to board members.

Kubitskey was confident that the grant will be awarded.

"The MEGA grant is contingent upon local government participation. Now that they have the local participation then the state will probably step in as well," she said.

Although the local decision may have been unanimous, township manager Chip Snider said that board members considered all aspects of the abatement.

"Trustees looked at the financial impacts on the community as well as the health and longevity of the organization," said Snider. "The board was also adamant that Akebono become a good community neighbor."

Scwiech said that they have every intention of following through.

"Everyone seemed supportive which is extremely important to us," Scwiech said. "We like to think of ourselves as good cooperate citizens and having supportive community leadership makes it that much easier."

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## Police Reports

**CHILD NEGLECT:** Police responded to the First United Methodist Church in Northville on a report of a possibly intoxicated female picking her two-year-old child up from the day-care facility on Nov. 22. The

female subject's husband, who had been observing his wife's unoccupied vehicle in the parking lot, met officers when they arrived at the church. Officers proceeded to speak with the woman who initially denied hav-

ing consumed any alcohol but eventually agreed to a PBT test. Results of 0.198 percent were obtained. Officers spoke with the husband again, who stated his wife was currently having problems with excessive alco-

hol consumption. The husband was allowed to transport his wife and child to the family's South Lyon home. Officers reported the incident to the Oakland County Family Independence Agency.

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## Community Events

### • THIS WEEK •

**Friends of Northville District Library Fantasy of Trees**  
DATE: Ongoing through Dec. 14

**LOCATION:** Various locations through Northville

**TIME:** Call for info  
**DETAILS:** Artfully-decorated artificial trees will be displayed at various merchants in Northville (Bee's Knees, Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall, Helen's Uptown Cafe, Long's Plumbing, Orin Jewelers, Pamplemousse, Pear-aphernalia, Ultimate Toys & Gifts, Great Harvest Bread, Northville District Library). The trees will be raffled. Tickets for the raffle are \$3 each, two for \$5, five for \$10 or 25 for \$40. On Dec. 14, a holiday desert and music gala will be held. Winners will be drawn at 8:30 p.m. that night. Proceeds benefit the Northville District Library.  
**PHONE:** (734) 420-2225

**Youth winter basketball league signup**  
DATE: Ongoing through Nov. 29

**LOCATION:** Northville Parks & Recreation (303 W. Main)  
**TIME:** Call for info  
**DETAILS:** Girls groups are broken down into grades 6-8 and 9-12. Boys are broken into grades 8-9 and 10-12. A 10-game schedule will be played, beginning on Jan. 18. Registration after Nov. 29 will incur a \$10 late fee. Volunteer head coaches are also needed.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-0203, ext. 1405

**Stage performance — "Christmas On Main Street"**  
DATE: Various dates; Nov. 29 through Dec. 21

**LOCATION:** Marquis Theatre (135 E. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 7 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** The musical performance takes on a Christmas theme.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-8110

**Northville High School Class**



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**Members of the Mother's Club of Northville induct their new members. The club is sponsoring its annual All Aglow event to sponsor Northville education, which culminates with a Dec. 13 lighting of the All Aglow tree in downtown Northville.**

**of 1997 5-Year Reunion**

**DATE:** Nov. 29  
**LOCATION:** Local Color Brewing Company (42705 Grand River, Novi)  
**TIME:** 8 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Admission is \$30 per person, which includes food all night and drinks between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m.  
**PHONE:** (248) 767-9080

**Handel's "The Messiah"**  
DATE: Dec. 1  
**LOCATION:** First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 7 p.m.

**DETAILS:** The Northville Concert Choral will be featured in this holiday oratio. The chorus will be joined by the Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra of Ann Arbor and professional guest soloists. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors age 65 and up and \$10 for students and children under 18. All tickets sold at the door are \$15.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-0911

**Adult holiday grief workshop**  
DATE: Dec. 2  
**LOCATION:** Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church (40000 Six Mile Road); Room E515  
**TIME:** 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Adults who have experienced the loss of a loved

one are welcome to attend the free workshop. The evening will end with a special time of remembrance. Registration is not necessary. The event is sponsored by New Hope Center for Grief Support.  
**PHONE:** (248) 348-0115

**Leadership in Life Seminar**  
DATE: Dec. 3  
**LOCATION:** Call for info  
**TIME:** 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Seminar leaders will focus on professional and personal interaction, enhancement and learning to relate to life with confidence, calmness and personal success. Concepts from the book "A Course in Miracles" will be integrated into the discussion. Registration is required.  
**PHONE:** (734) 420-2935

### • COMING UP •

**Free financial education seminar**  
DATE: Dec. 5  
**LOCATION:** Call for info  
**TIME:** 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** The workshop will teach people how to have a good working relationship with money and with their own finances. Couples are encouraged to attend, but attendance is limited to 10 persons per

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session. The event does not entail solicitation. Registration is required.  
**PHONE:** (248) 347-1852

**Basic skiing / snowboarding clinic**

**DATE:** Dec. 5  
**LOCATION:** REI (17559 Haggerty)  
**TIME:** 7 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Ski expert Justin Hamborsky will present the basics of selecting skiing or snowboarding equipment and clothing. No advance registration is necessary, but seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis.  
**PHONE:** (248) 347-2100

**Northville Woman's Club meeting (Guest Day)**

**DATE:** Dec. 6  
**LOCATION:** First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 1:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Lisa Reed Tucker of Michael's Angel Attic will be the featured speaker of the event. The event chairperson is Rigmor Cuolohan.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-3064

**Holiday open house to benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support**

**DATE:** Dec. 12  
**LOCATION:** Northville Hills

Golf Club model home (call for info)

**TIME:** 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** The evening will include a walking tour of the model home, hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, silent auction, complimentary valet parking and the Angel of Hope memorial tree. Admission is \$25 per person, along with an item from New Hope's Kidz Program wish list.  
**PHONE:** (248) 348-0115

**Stage presentation — "Ebenezer"**

**DATE:** Dec. 12-14  
**LOCATION:** Northville Christian Assembly (41355 Six Mile Road)  
**TIME:** 7 p.m. (Dec 12, 13); 3 p.m. (Dec. 14)  
**DETAILS:** The play is an adaptation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."  
**PHONE:** (248) 348-9030

**Mothers Club All Aglow 2002 enrichment support for Northville schools**

**DATE:** Dec. 13 (special designation given for donations made by Dec. 1)  
**LOCATION:** Downtown Northville bandshell  
**TIME:** 6 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** The Mothers' Club of Northville fundraiser provides additional funding to Northville school children. Donations may be made in amounts of \$5 ("sapphire"), \$10 ("emerald"), \$25 ("ruby") and \$50 ("diamond.") Those making contributions by Dec. 1 will have their names placed on an illuminated board in front of the bandshell. The All Aglow tree will be illuminated on Dec. 13.  
**PHONE:** (248) 344-4982

**Snowmobile safety class**

**DATE:** Dec. 17, 19  
**LOCATION:** Northville Community Center (303 W. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Students age 12 and up who wish to be certified in snowmobile operation are eli-

gible to participate. (Certification is required for persons age 12 to 16 who wish to operate a snowmobile on public land.) Students should bring \$10, pencil and paper to class.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-0203, ext. 1411

**Northville Woman's Club Meeting**

**DATE:** Dec. 20  
**LOCATION:** First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 1:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** The annual Christmas tea will welcome new members. The meeting's theme is "Christmas Music with Darlene."  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-3064

**Northville Nite 2003**

**DATE:** Dec. 31  
**LOCATION:** Northville Recreation Center at Hillside (700 W. Baseline Road)  
**TIME:** 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Tickets to the family-style New Year's Eve event are \$14 for adults and \$9 for children ages 10 and younger. Food, entertainment, a carnival, a magic show and swimming will be part of the evening.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-0203, ext. 1411

**38th annual Northville-In-Florida Reunion**

**DATE:** Feb. 21 (reservations due by Jan. 30)  
**LOCATION:** Hotel Jacaranda (19 E. Main Street; Avon Park, Fla.)  
**TIME:** Call for info  
**DETAILS:** The annual reunion of persons with ties to Northville will take place in a private dining area at Hotel Jacaranda. Tax and gratuity for lunch is \$12.50 per person. Accommodations can be arranged with the assistance of the reunion organizers. (Avon Park is located about 75 miles south of Orlando, Fla.)  
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## Northville School Briefs

### THORNTON CREEK TURKEY TROT

Thornton Creek Elementary will be hosting the ninth annual Thornton Creek Turkey Trot today. Participants will be trotting from 9 a.m. until approximately 11:30 a.m. This activity is designed to promote physical fitness and school spirit.

In conjunction with the Turkey Trot this year, Thornton Creek is also working to sponsor a canned food drive for the Northville Civic Concern.

The course is slated to proceed through the Royal Crown subdivision and conclude at Thornton Creek. Upon returning

to the gymnasium, the students will be provided with hot chocolate and have a chance to visit with a turkey from Maybury State Park.

### MEADS MILL TURKEY TROT

The 10th annual Meads Mill Turkey Trot to fight breast cancer is scheduled to take place today at 1:40 p.m. on the school soccer field.

The trot/walk is geared to promote fitness and family togetherness. The students, teachers and families of Meads Mill are invited to join in a one-mile jog around the area of Meads Mill Middle School.

Following the turkey trot, a drawing for prizes will take place in the cafeteria.

Donations will be accepted for the Josephine Ford Cancer Center on behalf of Cheryl Walro.

### CHECK SCHOOL CLOSINGS ONLINE

The Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) announced the launch of new on-line services at [www.michigan.gov/scm](http://www.michigan.gov/scm) that allow citizens to look up school contact information and temporary school closings.

CEPI developed the School Closings

(weather and other delays) application as part of the newest version of the School Code Master, the state's repository for official data about schools and other educational facilities. The School Closings application, previously known as the Michigan School Closing System, is the state's system for managing announcements about temporary school closings, including those due to inclement weather.

### NHS ALL-NIGHT PARTY

Tickets to Northville High School's 2003 Senior All Night Party are on sale through Dec. 31 at the price of \$55. Send your check payable to Linda Temple,

46023 Northvalley, Northville, Mich. 48167. Please write your student's first and last name on the memo line. If you wish to drop off your check at the school there is a 2003 Senior All Night party box in the office.

Ticket prices for this night of activities for graduating seniors will increase to \$65 beginning Jan. 1.

A variety of assignments are still available for parent volunteers who would like to assist with the party. To find out how you can be involved in the NHS senior tradition, contact Senior All Night Party organizer Jeri Johnson at (248) 349-6294.

# Legos yield trophies for Amerman students

By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

Students at Amerman Elementary School earned two trophies at the recent FIRST Lego League Robotics Challenge and earned the right to contend at the state level competition early next month.

Steve Anderson, principal of Amerman Elementary, said the school was invited to participate in the state meet after Amerman's team-built robot earned the top score in a portion of the contest.

During the competition, each team's robot is required to perform certain tasks and maneuvers.

"There's various sections to the whole competition," said Anderson. "Their robot got the highest score in the board challenge."

In addition, participating students were also required to give a presentation to judges on design and programming principles along with a presentation on the team's research project.

Anderson said the group's study project is centered on the ecology and water quality of the Rouge River.

Although the group from

Amerman was not the top scorer overall, participants did take home two trophies — one for a first place finish in the board challenge and the other for programming design.

"I'll have to get my trophy case started here," said Anderson.

The Nov. 16 contest in Monroe marked the team's first attempt in competing in a regional competition.

The state tournament competition is slated to take place Dec. 7 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center.

Anderson said teams from Michigan and Ontario are expected to attend.

Amerman students were elated when they learned they had qualified to proceed to the next level of competition.

"I think it's a pleasant surprise and it's a wonderful experience for my kids," said Anderson. "They were higher than a kite. We learned a lot of things. There's a lot of team spirit."

The team has also received plenty of support from parent volunteers.

"They got very lucky," said Sharon Darga, one of five team

coaches. "On their very first round of competition, they scored the highest score of the day. That earned them the right to go to the state competition."

"I think it's exceptional for the kids. They're very excited about this. I think we've got a lot of work to do to beef up our technical and research presentations."

Darga said the research project asks team members to look at a problem and design a solution based on robotic technology.

In addition, Darga said when the team competes at the state level competition, they will be contending against an estimated 60 teams.

"It'll be a lot of fun," she said. "They've worked very hard on this. They're very excited to be representing Amerman. It has definitely been a team effort. Everyone has contributed specific and unique skills. The kids will be better prepared and they'll know what to expect."

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## Sing a song of the season



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Students of Northville's Marquis Theatre sing Christmas Carols after Friday night's parade. Dressed in Dickensian garb are Jillian Reed, 10, Sarah Ring, 14, Michelle Garrison, 11, Alexander Borroillo, 7, Madeline Moore, 10, and Katherine Ring, 9.

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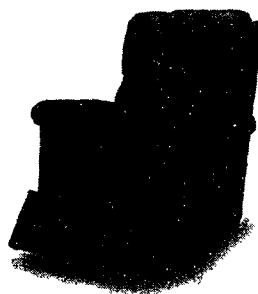
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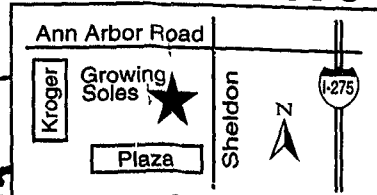
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# Exotic animals pay visit to Winchester

By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

A South American boa constrictor was spotted at Winchester Elementary Monday, and she brought a few friends with her.

During a special assembly, first grade students at Winchester Elementary were visited by some four-legged critters and some without legs.

The presentation, entitled "Animals and Our Environment" was conducted by Jon Oliver, an educator affiliated with Mobile Ed Productions.

"It helps them be more aware of what's going on around them."

Diane Borman  
teacher

The assembly, which was part of the school Junior Enrichment Series, was geared to help students understand the delicate balance between humans and animals.

Diane Borman, a first grade teacher, said the presentation is aligned with science coursework and was well-received by the students.

"It's great," she said. "They love this. It helps them be more aware of what's going on around them."

Borman said the students have been studying organisms, woodland creatures and plants.

Students were also eager to pet the various animals, when permitted to do so.

Junior enrichment series coordinator Carol Taylor said the program provided an ideal way to teach students about the interactions of people, animals and the environment.

"Each animal has a special place," she said. "It's not just a pet."

Taylor also lauded Oliver's manner with the first grade students.

"He's wonderful with the kids," he said. "[The students] really have interacted with him and the animals."



photos by JESSICA VOOGT

ABOVE: First grade students at Winchester Elementary inspect and touch a South American boa constrictor Monday morning. The snake was brought in by Jon Oliver, a presenter with Mobile Ed Productions.

LEFT: Oliver shows off a baby iguana to the Winchester first graders.

## Hardware couple heads to retirement

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They are nice people." The husband and wife team have decided to close the doors to this chapter of their lives on Dec. 15. They will be moving to the Republic of Panama in mid-January. The may not know any Spanish, but they do know that they love the country that will soon become their home.

"Panama is great. It's good weather and low cost-of-living," said Black, adding that he and his wife are having a house built that is almost completed. "The Caribbean Sea is our front yard."

Marned in 1974, the Blacks are parents of three grown daughters. They said their business is closing and not being passed on to the next generation partially because their children don't have an interest in the business.

But Bob's wife Donna said it is not the business itself that will be missed — it's the customers they have come to know over the many years in the community.

"Since we have announced the retirement, there has really been an outpouring of support from our customers. We didn't expect that," she said. "We just thought we were a business of convenience but we obviously had an impact we were not even aware of on our customers. And knowing that feels good."

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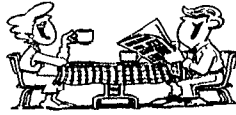
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# Fundraiser gives students McIncentives

By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

Thornton Creek Elementary students were rewarded with a limousine ride to McDonald's last week as a result of selling a large amount of merchandise to promote a school fundraiser.

Thornton Creek PTA vice-president Donna MacDonald, said 74 students qualified for the prize of taking a limousine ride to lunch.

The special student outing took place over a two-day period, in order to accommodate all participating students.

MacDonald said the fundraiser is geared to support educational assemblies, teacher grants and various gifts to the elementary school.

"It was a record-breaking year for us," she said. "This is the only money-making project that we do at this school."

In order to qualify for the limousine ride award, students were required to sell \$200 worth of merchandise.

The students were transported from Thornton Creek Elementary School to the McDonald's located near the Five Mile and Beck Road intersection. Two white stretch limousines — a Lincoln Navigator and a Ford Excursion — were supplied by A-One Limousine. The two limousines were driven by Mark Radford and Mike Furlong.

The fundraising event was sponsored by the school PTA organization.

Third grade Thornton Creek student, Eric Johnson, and second grade student, Bianca Sarrecchia, sold the highest amount of merchandise for the school fundraiser. The student's final sales totalled \$502 each.

Judy Johnson, mother of Eric Johnson, said her son set his sights

**"It was a record-breaking year for us. This is the only money-making project that we do at this school."**

**Donna MacDonald**  
Thornton Creek PTA vice-president

on winning the chauffeured luncheon.

"This year, he wanted to win this limo ride," she said. "He went to people at our church. They were more than happy to help."

Johnson's final total was further assisted by generous family members and friends.

In addition, Judy Johnson said her son received a \$100 gift certificate and commended the event organizers.

"They did a very nice job putting it all together," she said.

Florence Sarrecchia, mother of Bianca Sarrecchia, said her daughter was also determined to secure a seat on the luncheon outing.

"[Bianca] was highly motivated to get the limo ride," she said. "She's very competitive."

MacDonald thanked the work crew at the McDonald's restaurant and the many participants who contributed to the fundraiser's strong success.

"I'm just so shocked our school did so well," she said.

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Lauren Evasic, a fifth grader at Thornton Creek Elementary School, gets out of the limousine that brought her and her classmates to McDonald's for a special promotional lunch.

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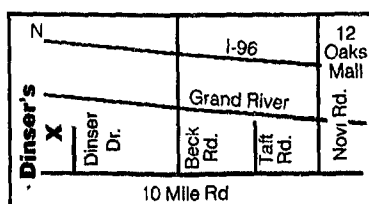
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## Theater time

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**Genitti's Hole in the Wall Theater presents their kids' show: Shirley Holmes, Girl Detective to a packed house last Friday morning. Actors are Jamie Dietsch, Joel Mitchell, Lindsey Pyrkosz, and Millie Debenedict.**



# Millennium Park moves ahead

By Pauline Lupercio  
STAFF WRITER

Northville Township board members authorized the professional services of Russel Design of Northville for future improvements to Millennium Park at their Nov. 21 meeting. The approval comes on the heels of the passage of the land acquisition renewal proposal, which voters OK'd last month.

"The direction from the township board after notification of the successful millage to this office was to immediately work in conjunction with the recreation director to formulate a plan which will take into consideration our funding to heighten the quality of recreational amenities in Millennium Park and surrounding parks," said township manager Chip Snider. "The consultant selected will evaluate the best uses, given the land available and immediate needs of the recreation community."

A focus of immediate need is that of the Soccer Association. The parks and recreation commission has already endorsed the concept of constructing replacement soccer fields on the six extra acres available at Millennium

## Soccer gets wish for practice fields

By Pauline Lupercio  
STAFF WRITER

The Northville Soccer Association will soon have the much-needed practice space after approval was given by the township board to allow for construction of temporary practice fields at Fairweather Center. The cost of development and operation is to be covered by the Soccer Association.

"The township board is anxious to try and facilitate soccer's needs as it relates to additional fields and improving those existing fields," said township manager Chip Snider. "Allowing practice fields on the Fairweather property will be one rapid, short-term solution to their ongoing problem to help them with the shortage of fields. The only concern that I have, is that soccer understands clearly that this short-term solution promises no expectations of permanency."

The township currently owns the 16 acres of Park.

Supervisor Mark Abbo also publicly thanked Northville Soccer Association president Steve McGuirk for his work and support in the recent passage of the land acquisition millage renewal.

"We are working on getting those soccer fields for you," Abbo

said to McGuirk, who was present at the meeting.

The Millennium Park improvement plan will also look at pathway and parking lot development, landscaping, and a possible irrigation system.

"Once approved by the township board, this plan would facilitate a strategic plan to accommo-

date the needs of recreation and would take into consideration the terms of the recent millage renewal passed by the residents," said Snider.

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## City / Township Briefs

**DECORATOR AWARD:** Peggy Robison and Kay Scaffidi of Preferences on Main Street were recently selected for having decorated the "favorite" house during the Northville Community Foundation's Holiday Home Tour. Robison and Scaffidi delighted guests of the tour with special touches such as snow decorations in the laundry room and crystal in the bathroom.

**INCREASED BOND RATING:** Northville Township recently received notification from Standard and Poors that their bond rating was increased from a 'Double A minus' to a 'Double A.' The increase resulted from the annual review by the rating agency. Reasons cited for the upgrade are rapid growing tax base, strong financial performance, manageable tax base, and professional administrative and legislative management of the township. Finance director Thelma Kubitskey believed the increased rating will result in lower borrowing costs the township for any future debt issuance.

**GOOD WISHES:** The Northville Township board of trustees approved a resolution honoring Joseph Nosel at its Nov. 21 meeting. Nosel was honored for 12 and one half years of service to the township as a plumbing and mechanical inspector in the building department.

**EAGLE SCOUT HONORED:** Mark Andrew Schovers was honored with a resolution approved by the board of trustees on Nov. 21 for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Schovers was recognized for organizing and leading a group of 46 volunteers in building a bridge at Veteran's Park to enable the community to enjoy the nature trails for years to come. The project entailed more than 264 man-hours of labor. The rank of Eagle Scout is obtained by only 2 percent of all Scouts.

**CORPORATE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR:** David Spivey, CEO of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, was honored with a resolution approved by board members in recognition of being named corporate citizen of the year. The resolution offered Spivey congratulations and thanks for "giving so much back to the community."

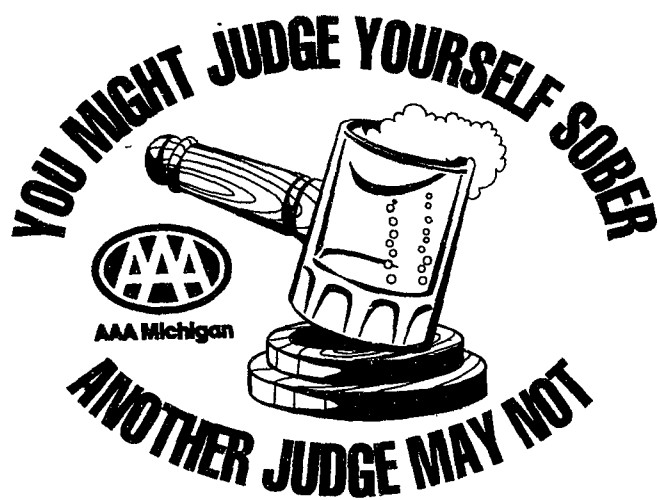
**LOOKING FOR BELL RINGERS:** The Salvation Army is looking for a few good bell ringers for its Christmas Kettle Campaign. Ringers are particularly needed during the weekday hours. The campaign begins Nov. 22 and continues until Dec. 24. The four sites in Northville for bell ringing are the Northville Post Office, Hiller's on Center Street, the Great Harvest Bread Company and Farmer Jack on Haggerty Road at Six Mile. All funds raised during this campaign will remain in the Northville/Plymouth area. Anyone interested in participating is asked to contact call (248) 348-2678.

**CHRISTMAS TEA:** Meadowbrook Congregational Church will be hosting "Tables, Tea, and Thee: A Christmas Celebration" on Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. Twenty holiday-themed tables will include styling and decorations by Changing Seasons, Kitchen Witch, Preferences, and gardenviews. Desserts, coffee, and tea will be provided as well as musical entertainment by Heartstrings. Carols will be performed by the women of the Meadowbrook Chancel Choir under the direction of Minister of Music Patrick Kuhl. Tickets are \$12 each and are available at Meadowbrook Congregational Church (21355 Meadowbrook Road) and Kitchen Witch (134 East Main Street).

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**NEW YEAR'S VOLUNTEERS:** Northville Parks and Recreation is looking for volunteers 18 and over to donate their time to work at the sixth annual New Year's Eve event. Job assignments include ticket taking, games, family photos, food service, and other activities.

Volunteers are needed Dec. 31 from 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center at Hillside, 700 W. Baseline Road. Volunteers may also purchase a specially discounted dinner ticket for \$8. For more information, please contact Sue Taylor at (248) 349-0203, ext. 1411.



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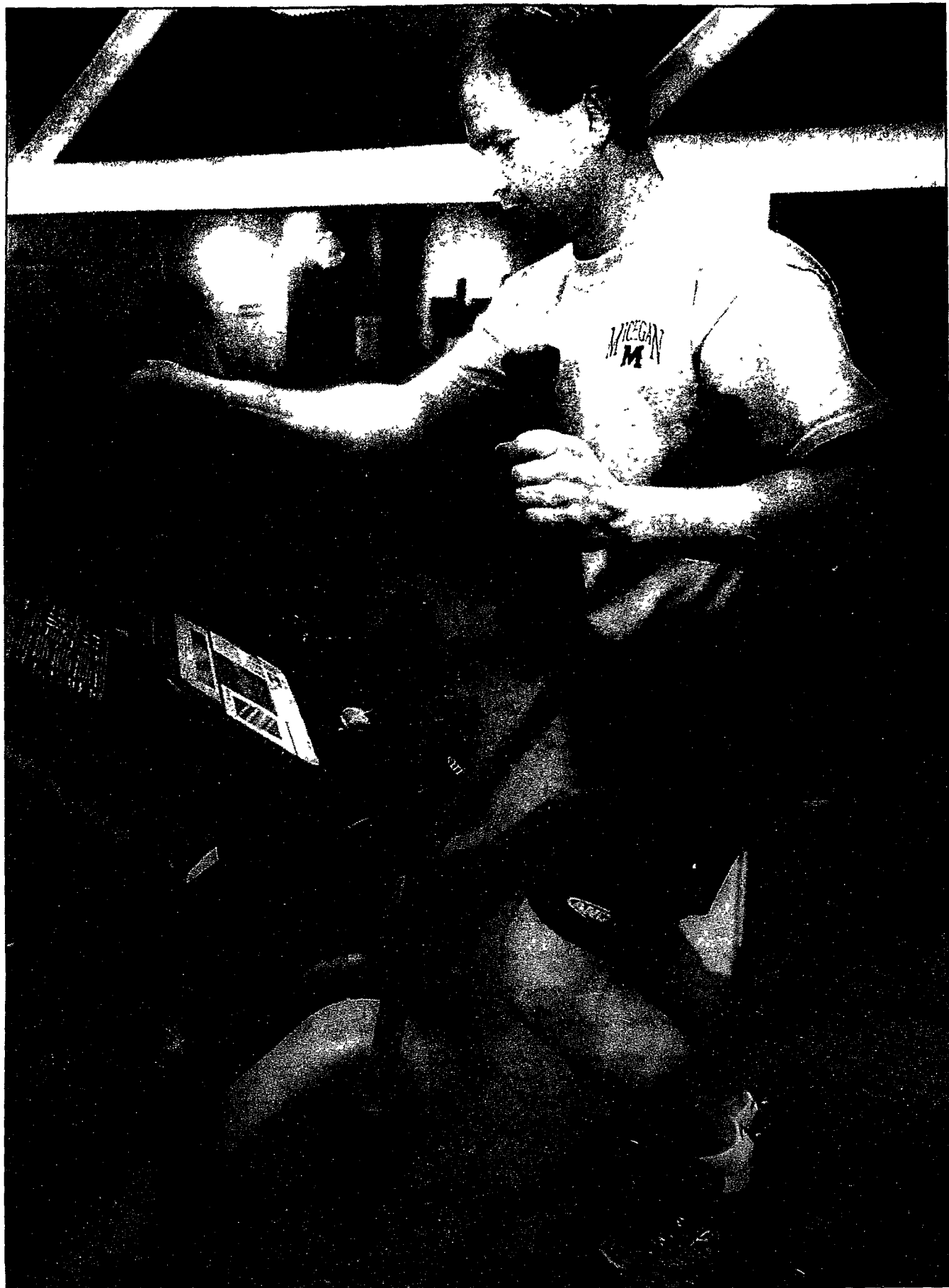
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Joe Rodes works out at the Water Wheel Health Club in Northville. Experts say eating in moderation and continuing to exercise during the holidays are key to avoiding packing on unwanted pounds.



## Exercise, moderate eating key to avoiding weight gain

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body weight. "And that can be done with easily with a spoon of fudge here, a serving of gravy there or even a tiny sliver of pecan pie. It adds up."

Klebba suggests sticking to a long range plan in order to fight the pounds before they appear.

"The holidays typically encourage people to indulge in high-fat, high-calorie foods that are low in nutrients," he said. "This combined with the most likely time to skip exercise contributes the average weight gain every holiday season."

But stick to the exercise, said Klebba, and odds are better the numbers on the scale will stay closer to where they should.

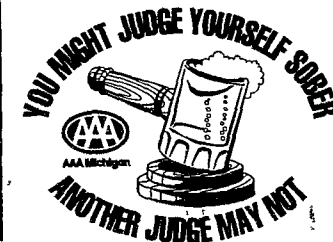
Klebba also suggests moderate consumption.

"Don't pass up favorite holiday foods or deprive yourself completely," he said. "Moderate consumption is the key. If you overdo it at the main holiday meal just make sure you go back to your regular plan the next day and increase your activity."

Moderation should also be followed when it comes to favorite adult holiday beverages.

"Alcoholic beverages pack on the calories, so stick to a light beer or a champagne spritzer. And watch the egg nog," Klebba said. "It is high in calories and fat. But most importantly, make sure you enjoy the season, and not just the food."

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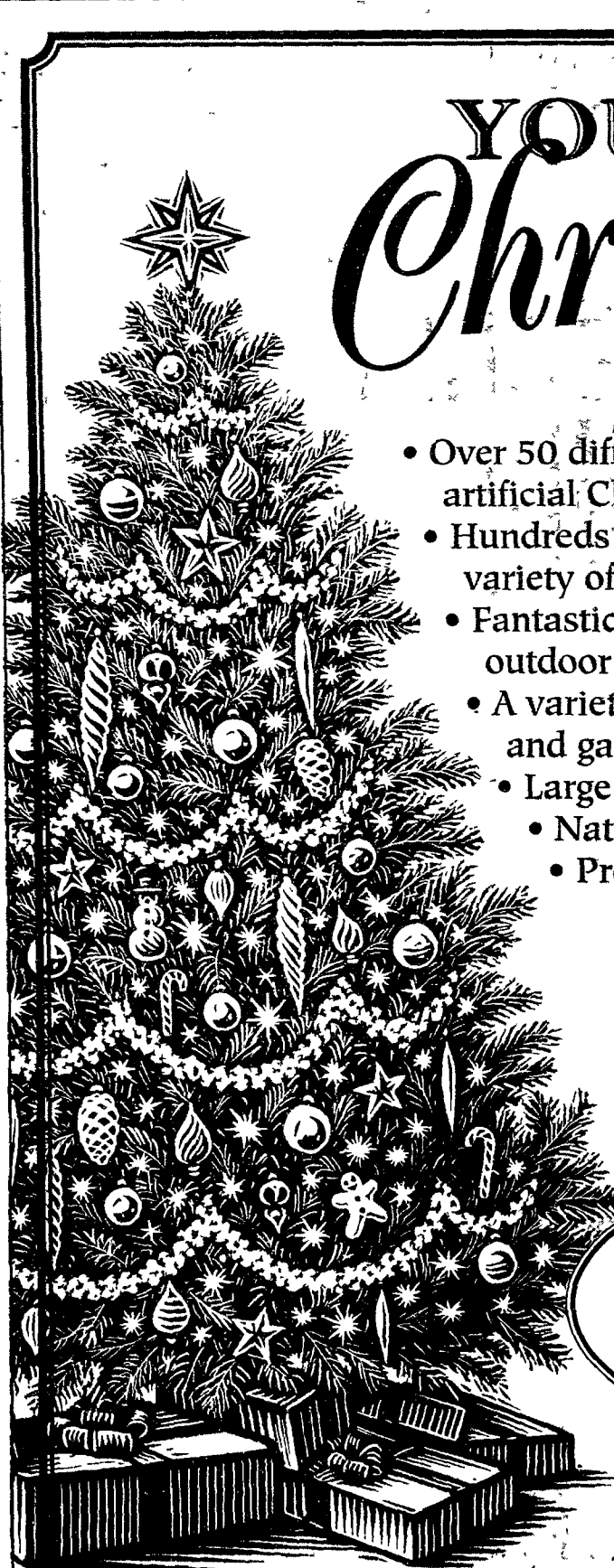
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## SHOES

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Large selection of ladies' boots from Nine West,  
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IN WOMEN'S SHOES

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Great selection of ladies' boots and shoes from  
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IN MEN'S

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IN CHILDREN'S

## DOORBUSTER 50% OFF

Holiday dresswear from Parisian Bebé, Goodlad,  
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## Full-time work, full-time salary

Four years ago, we advocated Northville Township's hiring a township manager, for the simple reason that having part-time leadership in a community that hums 24-7 was no longer sufficient. After months of costly searches and surveys, the township finally found a suitable candidate in former public safety director Chip Snider. We were relieved and happy.

Now comes the matter of the township clerk — a position held by Sue Hillebrand for several years, during which time Northville Township has transformed itself from a western Wayne County speck on the map to a vibrant bedroom community of 25,000.

Unfortunately, Ms. Hillebrand's official status as a part-time clerk hasn't changed, and neither has her salary. As the board tabled a motion to make alterations to the job description. This, we feel isn't consistent with all other aspects of township life and business, which have (thankfully) taken decisive steps forward into the 21st Century.

"If the full-time issue was premature, then the tabling of this issue indicated no resistance, but a great deal of willingness on the part of the township board to further research the fit of a full-time clerk to this township," said Mr. Snider after the township board meeting last week where the issue was raised.

We hope Mr. Snider is correct, and that this issue will be resolved...and sooner than later.

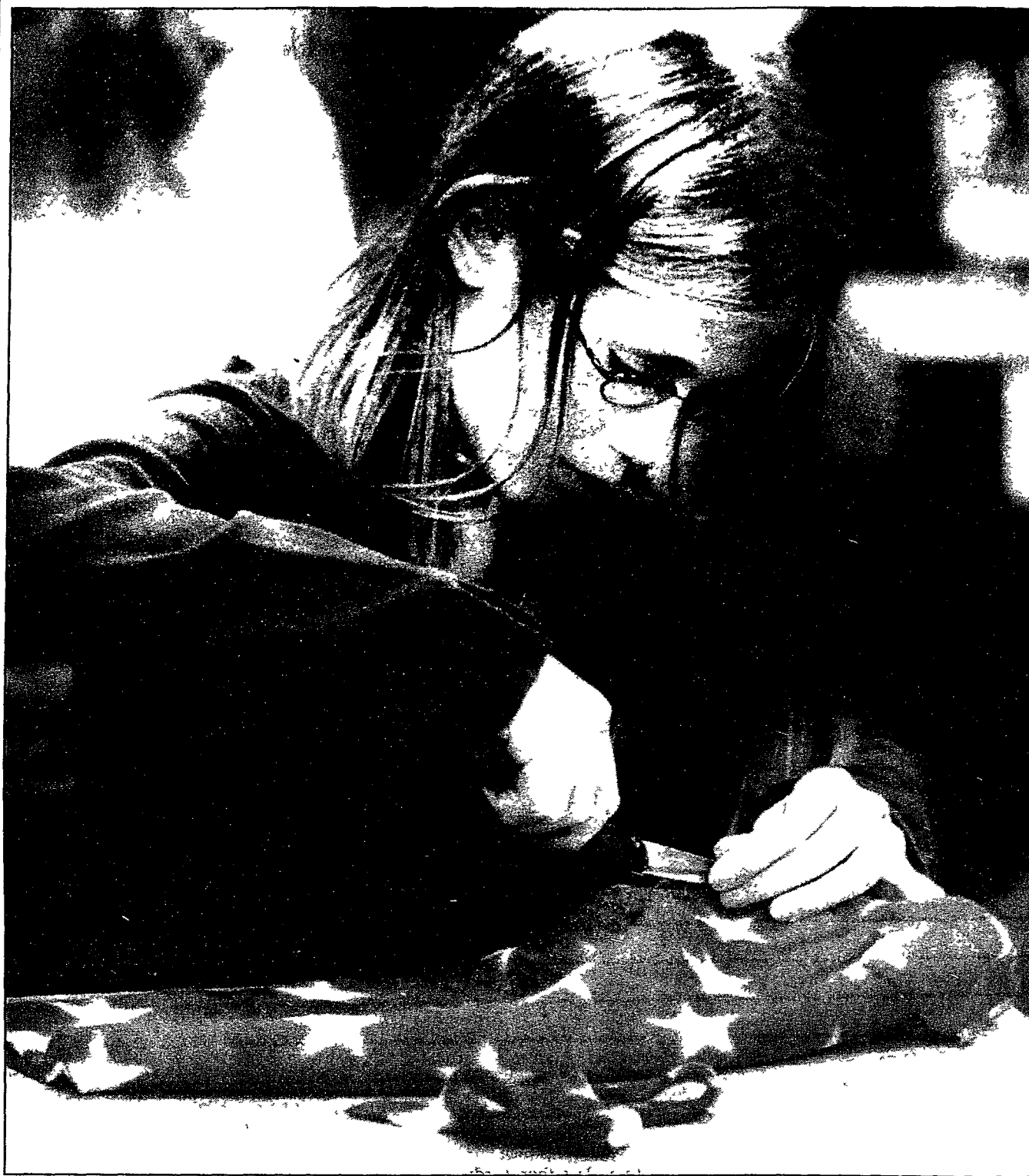
In our opinion, worries of

division of power between the clerk's and manager's office is ungrounded. Both Ms. Hillebrand and Mr. Snider have proven themselves to be mature and stable leaders who have established themselves through years of hard work, during which time they have no doubt forged a respect for each other. In the unlikely event a dispute would arise, we have every bit of confidence it could be worked out quickly and professionally.

Ms. Hillebrand hasn't worked a bona fide part-time week for years on end, and her paychecks reflect that fact. To be realistic, her workload regularly goes over the 40-hour hump. Nearly anyone employed under similar circumstances in the private sector would have thrown in the towel a long time ago. What motivates Ms. Hillebrand to carry on, we can't say, but we could hardly blame her if she wakes up one morning simply out of patience.

We hope the Northville Township board of trustees moves quickly to make the clerk's position a legitimate full-time job with pay commensurate with the responsibilities. With companies beating a path to the township's door and new families unloading their U-Hauls on a daily basis, the need for stable, educated, and yes — full-time — leadership is going to be all the more necessary.

Township leaders often comment about the growth and development of the community around them. It only makes sense that the government of such a community reflect that growth.



Novi Meadows' student Nicole Woodruff puts the finishing touches on her hat that school was to donate to Neinas Elementary School in Detroit. Behind Woodruff is student Lisa Copeland.

## LETTERS

### Winchester fall social was smashing success

The weather couldn't have been better and the crowds couldn't have been bigger. The Fall Social had plenty of entertainment for everyone including a moonwalk, slide, D.J., games, food and the Silent Auction. Just seeing the smiles and feeling the excitement in the air made this event worthwhile.

We are very thankful to all of the parents and staff that volunteered their time to help out with the activities of the evening. It is always a pleasure to see the terrific support we have in the Winchester community.

With over 55 beautifully decorated baskets, the Silent Auction was full of winners. Congratulations to all of you! The Fall Social Committee would like to sincerely thank all of the Winchester families and Staff for their wonderful donations. We would also like to give special recognition to the following local businesses for their generous donations: Bahamma Breeze, Papa Vito's, Northville Hills Country Club, Walter's Home Appliance, Target, Meijers, Busch's, Al's Party Rental, M-Den, MacKinnon's, Office Depot, Justin York Salon, Country Fare Home Store, Mothers Pizzeria, Novi Sports Club,

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Thanks to all of you for making this another fun and successful Fall Social.

Laura Kronner  
Linda Zalewski  
Donna MacDonald  
Fall Social Co-Chairs

### Honor is great, but protection is better

That's great to see that Northville honored

Sheryl Chomiuk for helping the girls in the car accident. She was truly an angel that knew what to do. But what about the next time? Will she be able to be there also?

I think that by the time they decide about what to do up at [Northville High] school, for a light, crossing guard, etc. there will be another accident. I was at the Novi Ice Rink last Monday and they have a light there. It is a long light and there are not half as many people that enter and exit that rink and health center as there are at the Northville high school five days a week. Come on — it doesn't take a brain surgeon to figure out what to do at the school, even if they do put a light in, they can keep it blinking on and off when school is not in session. The kids have the right idea to put a petition together for a light. They know that it can work. It is better then nothing there.

Don't look for the negatives of a light. Just go ahead and do it, for the rest of the parents that have kids at NHS. We don't need another nightmare at the school. This time we were lucky.

Ginny Engelland  
Northville

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# OTHER OPINIONS

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Thursday, November 28, 2002

## Time to get DTW really flyin'

"Vision without action is a daydream, but action without a vision is a nightmare."

Nearly 100 heavy hitters from Southeastern Michigan gathered last week at the University of Michigan-Dearborn's Henry Ford estate to listen to John Kasarda,



Phil Power

Director of the Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise at the University of North Carolina and the world's leading authority on the ways airport complexes drive economic development.

Kasarda posed fundamental questions that go to the heart of economic policy for Michigan:

- Will our economy remain rooted in traditional manufacturing or will it evolve into the "new economy" of high-tech, R&D and information-intensive business services?
- How can both our manufacturing base and emerging high-tech and white-collar service industries compete effectively worldwide?
- Will Michigan's job creation in the 21st century match in quantity and quality what we did in the first half of the 20th century, when the state was the envy of the nation?

His answer was simple. By treating the combined resources of Detroit Metropolitan Airport and Willow Run as an "aerotropolis," an integrated passenger and freight transit facility linked to a variety of business clusters, the region could successfully meet each of these challenges.

Kasarda has a history lesson in mind. Seaports were the great economic drivers in the 18th century, railroads in the 19th century and highways in the 20th century. With aviation, globalization and time-intensive competition all characterizing today's economic competition and business location, airports will be the key growth engines of the 21st century.

This isn't an academic fantasy. Consider some emerging "aerotropoli" around the world:

- Los Angeles International Airport is responsible for 400,000 jobs in a five-county region and \$60 billion annually in regional economic activity.
  - Las Colinas, a development just east of the Dallas-Ft. Worth Airport has attracted 2,000 companies into 21 million square feet of office space, 8.5 million feet of light industrial space, 1.3 million feet of retail space and 3,700 high class hotel rooms.
  - Along the 26-mile corridor between Dulles International Airport and Reagan National Airport, employment grew from 50,000 jobs in 1970 to 600,000 in 1996, a 1,100 percent increase compared to 59 percent average U.S. suburban employment growth over the same period.
- Other similar developments are now taking shape near Sao Paulo, Brazil, in Hong Kong, near Seoul, Korea and Paris, France.

Kasarda ranks the potential of Detroit Metro/Willow Run "as equal to or better than any place else on earth."

Within the proposed ring road — running along I-94 and Ecorse Road to the north and Eureka Road to the south — lie 25,000 acres of development potential. The Pinnacle Aeropark, a 1,300-acre development just south of Detroit Metro, could over a 10-year period produce a total of 25,000 full-time jobs in office, research, technology, transportation, logistics and retail — a payroll in excess of \$500 million.

One of the hidden but fundamentally important aspects of the newly created Wayne County Airport Authority was that it oversees both Detroit Metro and Willow Run airports. This allows the authority to manage both in a coherent manner to maximize the region's development potential "inside the airport fence."

So what needs to happen now? Kasarda recommends creating a regional authority to coordinate development "outside the fence." All kinds of things need to be put together in an integrated way: land use planning, zoning, road and rail transit links, design, branding and promotion.

Kasarda is right. Vision without action is pointless, but action without an informing vision is chaos. The time is now to start planning for what could be the future of Michigan.

Phil Power is the Chairman of the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or at [ppower@homecomm.net](mailto:ppower@homecomm.net).

## Time to check up on my resolutions

Never let it be said I'm not a man of my word.

Back in January, I hammered my New Year's Resolution column. I committed myself to make four changes in my life during 2002, and — here's the hot tamale — I said I'd file a report on how I did at the end of the year.

Okay...so it's not Dec. 31. It's not the end of the year — quite. Even so, it's time for me to make an assessment as to how I did over the last 11 months doing a Dr. Phil-esque metamorphosis. Read on.

Chris C. Davis

**1. I will shed 15 pounds during the year — and keep it off.** I'm in pretty good shape for a 28-year-old guy with a stressful job, but I could stand to peel off some weight, just the same. By Christmas 2002, look for a leaner Northville Record editor.

Well, it wasn't 15 pounds. It was more like 10. I'll blame this one on tailgate parties and my getting a little too crazy with the barbecue. I think I'll overdose on the salad and pass on the stuffing and gravy later today.

**2. I will be friendly and more businesslike to everyone who contacts**

**me.** This may come as a complete shock, but there have been moments in my career when I haven't exactly been Mr. Rogers in dealing with the public. I know that's not right, so I'm going to put readers first and me second.

I'm not batting 1.000 in this department, either. I know I was probably something less-than-cordial with a few folks who were catching me in a foul mood. I can only hope my tone on the phone or in person didn't convey annoyance. On the other hand, I surprised myself along the way, too. Thoughts of having to fess up at the end of the year for being curt kept a smile on my face, even when I was a split-second away from blowing a fuse.

**3. I will purchase a good or service from one Northville merchant every week.** Maybe it won't be a Rolex watch or a new car, but a Northville business will have a bit of my money each and every week.

In this area, I've been faithful. I've made it a point to head out to the stores at least once every seven days to pick up a bite to eat, a new CD, a book or a gift for a friend. I'd like to think I've done my part to help out the Northville and Northville Township economies.

**4. I will use my daily planner in a more diligent manner.** I've managed to avoid most catastrophes so far, but I know I can stay on top of my own life much more effectively if I utilize that black book on my desk the way it's supposed to be used. Watch for greater productivity and fewer dropped balls.

I'm gonna fry for this one. Until the last few days, there have been weeks

where I didn't ever open the doggone thing. I guess Lady Luck was continuing to smile on me, as I continued dodging cataclysmic scheduling snafus, but I won't be chancing it any longer. According to the planner, I have exactly 13 minutes left to finish this column, before it's on to Item 12.

So in the end...was it worth it? Yeah — it was. I think making the resolutions kept me on track, if only mildly. It was certainly more difficult contentiously doing things that were going to interfere with my succeeding in sticking to the resolutions.

What will I resolve in 2003? Probably to improve on my 2002 resolutions. See you next year. Same time, same place.

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**I committed myself to make four changes in my life during 2002, and — here's the hot tamale' — I said I'd file a report on how I did at the end of the year.**

## I've been warned...am I listening?

I gotta love my job. I learn so much from so many different people in the community. And thanks to Chris Klebba, owner and operator of the Water Wheel Health Club, I now know that I am not the only person in America wondering why my rear-end expands each and every holiday season.



Pauline Lupercio

Happy holidays, good will towards men, and egg nog are not exactly low in calories, if ya know what I mean.

According to Klebba, the average American gains between five and 10 pounds between Thanksgiving and the end of January. (And then I spend the rest of the year trying to lose it...it's a vicious cycle.)

Hence the ever-popular and often

comical New Year's resolution to lose weight! (It's one of my favorites.)

Klebba had some really good suggestions for a fun and healthy holiday season.

"The holidays typically encourage people to indulge in high-fat, high-calorie foods that are low in nutrients," he told me. "This combined with the most likely time to skip exercise contributes the average weight gain every holiday season."

Makes sense. But I'm famous for doing what I want anyway and crying about it later.

I'm not saying that I'm going to completely abandon my quest for fitness during the holidays. But I will be honest and admit that I am a mere human with little will-power and will most likely be taking a tasty but fattening detour (or five) while celebrating the holidays with family and friends.

Will I follow Klebba's advice and stick to my workout plan? I'd better. Or I'll be hurting while I try to zip the jeans that fit me now after my Thanksgiving meal. Then I will be trying just to get them on after Christmas dinner. Come my birthday the day after Christmas I will have given up on those jeans after a slice of birthday

cake and a nice big cup of egg nog and just slip into some nice jogging pants while I curse the holiday calorie fairies.

Get the picture? I know I will be indulging. This means I either sweat off the consequences or deal with them after they attach themselves to my behind.

So I will work out. Even if it is only once...I will. And I will be proud.

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**Will I stick to my workout plan? I'd better, or I'll be hurting while I try to zip the jeans that fit me now after my Thanksgiving meal.**

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 170 ARTICLE 6 ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS (R-1 THROUGH R-3)

Date: December 3, 2002  
Time: Immediately following the public hearing at 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road

A public hearing will be held on December 3, 2002 immediately following the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. The Planning Commission will consider an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Article 6 One Family Residential Districts (R-1 through R-3).

The public is invited to attend this hearing and express their comments and questions. Written comments regarding the proposed changes will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

LISA ANDERSON, CHAIR  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
(11-14 & 11-28-02 NR HT00024370)

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP

Date: December 3, 2002  
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A public hearing will be held on December 3, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. The Planning Commission will consider amendments to the Zoning District Map. The following parcels are under consideration by the Planning Commission for rezoning:

77-066-99-0001-001 Southeast corner of 6 Mile and Ridge Roads from B-1 to R-3, a portion of this parcel to remain B-1

The public is invited to attend this hearing and express their comments and questions. Written comments regarding the proposed changes will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

LISA ANDERSON, CHAIR  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
(11-14, 28-02 NR HT00024373)

### Western Townships Utilities Authority Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Synopsis 3:00 p.m. Monday, November 18, 2002

Regular meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.  
Present: Terry Bennett, Steve Mann, Richard Henningsen  
Agenda - adopted as presented:  
Minutes of regular meeting of October 28, 2002 - approved.  
Minutes of regular meeting of October 31, 2002 - approved.  
Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$2,102,491.16 - approved.  
Operations & Maintenance Report for October 2002 - received and filed.  
Director's Report for November 2002 - received and filed.  
Lower Rouge Pump Station; Bar Screen Replacement - approved.  
Accountant Position Recruitment - approved.  
Construction Management Observer - approval to amend the budget to reflect wages and benefits for the position of Construction Management Observer.  
YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed.  
The regular meeting was adjourned at 3:52 p.m.  
Chairperson Alternate,

TERRY BENNETT

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187  
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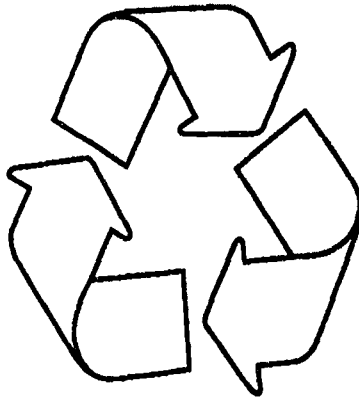
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## Now is the time to think about the future generation



# PLEASE RECYCLE



# Weather goes indoors for Winchester

By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

Second grade students at Winchester Elementary took a trip to the stars last week without ever leaving the school building.

In order to help students further learn about the affects of weather patterns, Rod Bisher, owner of Star Dogs Astronomy Club, brought a mobile planetarium into the school gymnasium.

Bisher, a Lansing resident, was contracted through Dynamic Assemblies to present the program.

The assembly was hosted within a portable, inflatable dome called Starlab.

Using a combination of humor, various props and lighting techniques Bisher taught students about the relative size of the Earth, sun and moon; the cause of day and night; the motion of Earth and the moon around the sun and how seasonal changes occur.

"Astronomy is becoming more popular," he said. "I'm going to

show them how big things are in the universe."

During the presentation, Bisher also discussed constellations and how to locate them in the night sky.

Lillian Knoth, a second grade teacher at Winchester Elementary, said this assembly is closely tied to school curriculum.

"We do a unit in science, called 'Changes Over Time,'" she said.

Within that coursework, she said students study such concepts including how the appearance of the moon and sun can change.

Knoth also praised the caliber of the student assembly.

"I thought it was excellent," she said. "It reviewed things and it was wonderful to have all those visuals to help them."

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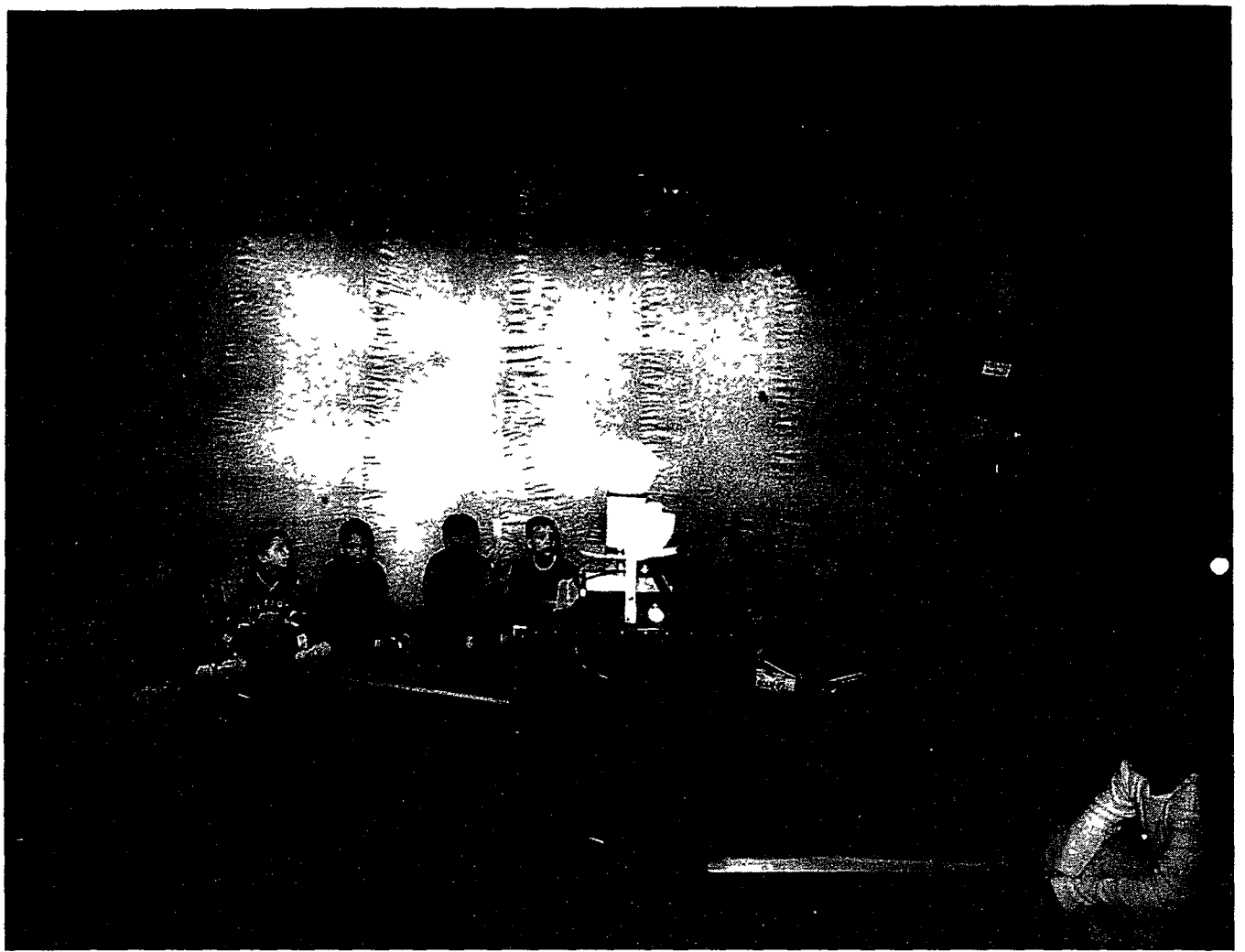


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Dynamic Assemblies' Rod Bisher stands inside his portable dome Thursday morning at Winchester Elementary School about to present visuals of weather system to pupils.

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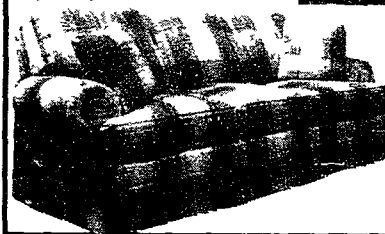
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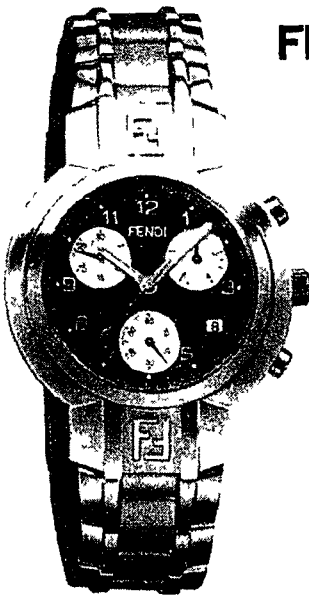
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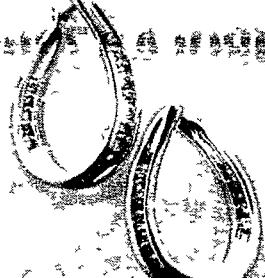
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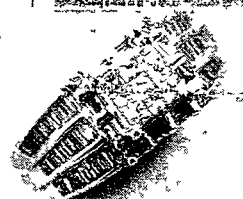
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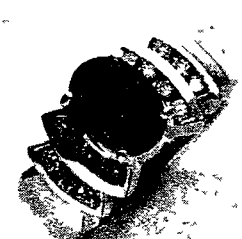
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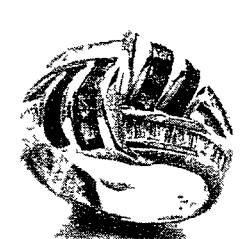
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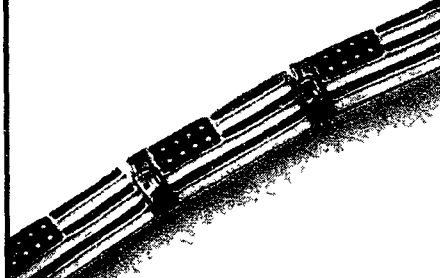
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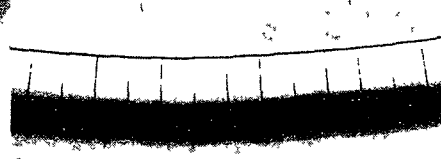
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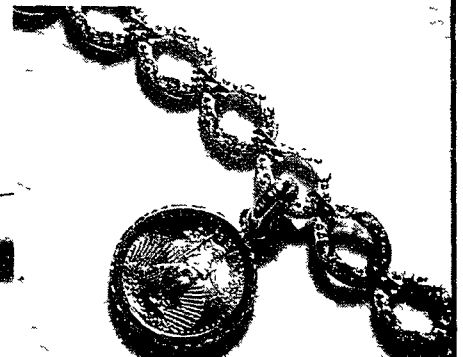
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**Contact:** Al Qualman  
Phone: (248) 349-8437

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS**

Phone: (248) 626-0877

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN - NORTHVILLE/NOVI BRANCH**

**What:** Promotes equity for all women and girls, life-long education and positive societal change.

**Contact:** Mary Jane Kearns  
Phone: (248) 449-8693

**AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION - NOVI OAKS CHARTER CHAPTER**

**What:** Bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow professionally.

**Where:** Wyndham Garden Hotel, 42100 Crescent Blvd., Novi.

**When:** Every third Monday of the month

**Contact:** Bettie Johnson  
Phone: (248) 960-9559

**AMERICAN LEGION NORTHVILLE - POST 147**

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**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA TROOP No. 755**

**Where:** First Presbyterian Church of Northville  
**Contact:** Alan Bennett  
Phone: (248) 349-7568

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**Contact:** Marlene Kunz  
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**What:** An evening gardening club which discusses community gardening as well as hosting speakers and seminars on gardening issues.

**Contact:** Yvonne DeMattos  
Phone: (248) 348-1946

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**Contact:** Marjorie Faessler

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**NORTHVILLE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

**Contact:** Pat Allen

Phone: (248) 348-1325

**NORTHVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**What:** To discover, collect, observe, advance and disseminate knowledge of history of the Northville Region. The group's focal point is Mill Race Historical Village.

**Contact:** Juliet Culp

Phone: (248) 348-1845

**NORTHVILLE LIONS CLUB**

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**NORTHVILLE NEWCOMERS**

**What:** To help newcomers to the area as well as current residents who would like to

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**When:** Once a month, September through May. Meeting dates vary. Social interest groups meet once or twice a month.

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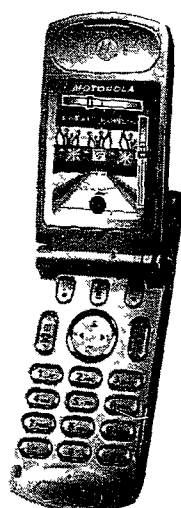
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## Obituaries

### Corrine W. Saunders

Corrine Saunders of Howell died Nov. 22 at Alterra Nursing Home of Farmington Hills. She was 89.

Ms. Saunders was born May 29, 1913 in Detroit. She later married Harold A. Saunders, who preceded her in death. Ms. Saunders worked as a bookkeeper and was a member of First United Methodist Church of Howell.

Ms. Saunders is survived by her children, Michael (Diane) Saunders of Northville, John (Nancy) Saunders and Marilyn (Jerry) Davis; 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service for Ms. Saunders was held Nov. 25 at Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home of Farmington, which handled funeral arrangements. Pastor Charles Jacobs officiated the service. Interment will be at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Michigan.

### Virginia B. Humphrey

Virginia Humphrey died at her home on Nov. 22. She was 90.

Ms. Humphrey, a long-time resident of Northville, was born in Walnut, Ill., to Joseph and Edith (Little) Stonebreaker on May 2, 1912. An employee of Northville State Hospital, Ms. Humphrey was a mother to five children and worked at NPH for more than 20 years.

Ms. Humphrey is survived by her children, James (Barbara) Fulkerson of Northville, David (Darlene) Fulkerson of Northville, Ruth Cole of Northville, Jane (Stanley) Barker of South Lyon, and Dorothy

(Trev) Zander of St. Louis, Mo.; 17 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, and five great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her grandson, Jared Cole.

A memorial service for Ms. Humphrey was held Nov. 25 at Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. Lance Rubinger of Salem Bible Church officiated the service. Interment was at Washtenaw Cemetery in Ann Arbor.



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## Township keeps clerk at part-time

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or 10, since that is what my pay is based on."

Although Hillebrand said she understood it was a business decision and had no problem if the board did not support her move to full-time status, she did say that she would have preferred to have been notified prior to the meeting.

"I was hoping to put in place the things needed to be done in the township to make the clerk's office successful and efficient in order to the township's needs. I was under the impression that the board was more in support of it," she said. "I do wish they would have spoken to me prior to the meeting as to their decision. They had this information for a week. I thought at the very least that they could have given me the consideration of calling me and letting me know."

The board may have decided not to make any decision at this time, but that doesn't mean that Hillebrand will stop working the extra 23 hours over what she is actually paid for as township clerk each week or the 40 to 50 she puts in during elections.

"It's just not possible to do all I need to do in a 10 hour time span. And I can't just stand back and let the clerk's office fall apart," said Hillebrand.

With an ever-growing population and a staff that has not increased in size in over 20 years, Hillebrand believes something will eventually need to change.

"There are close to 1,300 townships in Michigan and a huge percentage have full-time clerks. We are not reinventing the wheel here," Hillebrand said. "But it is a decision of the board and I respect that. If they don't want to move that way than that's fine."

Supervisor Mark Abbo, who had been in support of the motion, also stated his belief that the issue was brought before the board prematurely.

"Something clearly needs to be done. If we want to stay compliant with the requirements of the state of Michigan and statutory requirements, we need more resources in the clerk's office," he said. "I believe that this was a good resolution. But there are some issues that need to be vetted before we make a decision."

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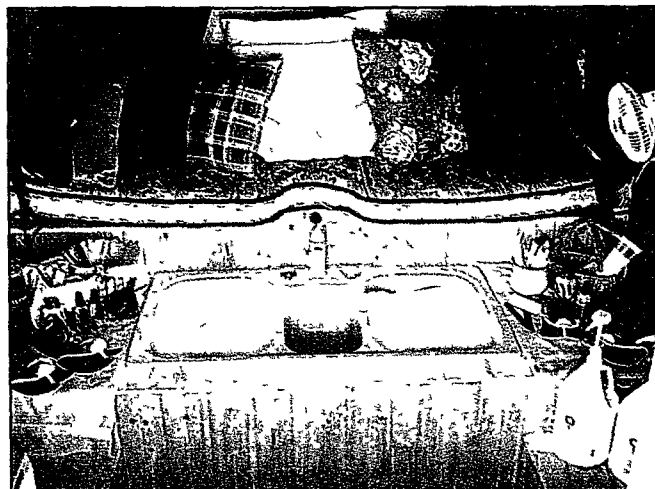
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## Faris on Business

### Putting Unfair Competition Out of Business

By Jack Faris

Americans love competition. We thrive on it. It sparks our elections, generates pride in virtually every national sport and is recognized as the bedrock of our free enterprise system.

No one loves competition more than small-business owners do. That's why there are more than 22 million of them operating today. Their confidence and their ability to find the right business niche drives our economy to greater heights each year. They love going head-to-head with competitors and testing their mettle.

But some competitors of small business don't share those ideals of fair play. For example, federal pris-

ons. They had a sweet deal with the Department of Defense. Their labor was provided by convicts, their overhead was paid by tax dollars and, most importantly, they didn't have to worry about competition.

That is, until the small-business group NFIB challenged their unfair practices and won the right for small firms to compete for contracts that had been automatically handed over to the prisoners.

Government is not the only place where unfair competition exists. Last year, NFIB raised the specter of anti-competitive practices going on among Rural Electric Cooperatives (RECs). Yes, those good old co-ops created in 1914 to help bring electricity to

rural areas.

Determined to shed light on the chicanery among RECs, NFIB alerted the IRS that some were using their tax-free status to compete against small businesses by selling appliances, satellite TV receivers, propane gas, heat pumps, water heaters, natural gas, Internet services, credit cards, personal computers, digital cameras, electric and gas grills, fireplaces and landscaping services. In one southern state, a co-op even had the arrogance to offer customers an electric water heater for 99 cents a month, with service and installation, and a replacement when needed. No small business could compete against that.

In a study for the Tax

Foundation, economist William Orzechowski reported that REC business operations created serious problems for the propane industry. He described how the co-ops use the substantial assets they have acquired, such as a huge customer base, for low-cost marketing.

They engage in "crafty cross-subsidization," taking advantage of federal and state income tax exemptions, loan guarantees and interest rate subsidies. Orzechowski found that the co-ops used preferential access to federal power, and monopoly franchises "to enter the propane market and drive out private companies."

Clearly, the competition from co-ops and other tax-exempt organizations is a threat to tax paying, free-market entrepreneurs.

NFIB, along with eight other

organizations, took their case directly to the Commissioner of the IRS, Charles Rossotti, appealing for him to reverse previous IRS rulings that allowed electric co-ops to sell propane under their tax-exempt status. He agreed and on Aug. 30, the agency made propane sales by co-ops subject to taxation.

That and a companion ruling against a telephone co-op are the first steps toward forcing non-profit organizations to compete fairly or stay out of such businesses. This is not the end of the story; it's another chapter in the continuing effort to keep unfair competition out of business.

Jack Faris is president of NFIB (the National Federation of Independent Business), the nation's largest small-business

advocacy group. A non-profit, non-partisan organization founded in 1914, NFIB represents the consensus views of its 600,000 members in Washington, D.C., and all 50 state capitals. More information is available on-line at [www.nfib.com](http://www.nfib.com).



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| Dec. 1  | 10 a.m.-12 p.m.  | Mill Creek Community Church                | Church             |
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| Dec. 4  | 9 a.m.-1 p.m.    | Mill Race Basket Guild                     | Cady Inn           |
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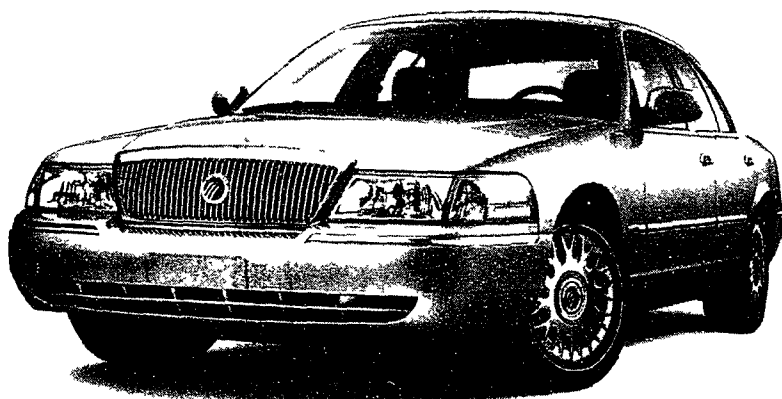
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# And then there were four

Four tankers take ninth in state finals and set four school records; Shannon Hogan proves to be the best of the best in the 50 free

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

Now that's simply impressive.

The Northville Mustangs had only four swimmers hitting the pool in the state finals held at Eastern Michigan University last weekend, but that wasn't going to stop them from having the times of their careers.

Seniors Jenny Carr, Erin Schubert and Shannon Hogan along with freshman Sarah Carr swam their way to a ninth-place finish in the states with both of their relay competitions placing as well as Hogan taking two impressive finishes in the 50 and 100 free.

"I am ecstatic," Hogan said of her first-place 50-yard freestyle finish in a time of 23.48. "It was just so exciting. I honestly think that was the best day of my life.

It was just amazing and it was a wonderful thing. It might have been the best meet I have ever had."

Hogan wasn't finished with that for her individual performances as she managed to take fourth in the 100 free with her time of 51.62.

"Shannon swam amazing, like she always does," Schubert said. "I thought all of us did well. It was a great meet."

The Mustangs, all four of them, took fourth in the 200 freestyle with a great time of 1:38.85 before packing together for an impressive run of 1:50.88 for their ninth-place 200 medley relay finish.

"We had our best times ever," Jenny Carr said. "It was a big surprise for us in the 200 freestyle relay. We wanted to swim our best and we did."

Not only did the Mustangs set their personal best times with the swims, but all four of the events also set school records. And, for all of those sitting down out there, they did even more than that. The 200 free relay time was good enough for an automatic All-American mark while the 200 medley swim was an All-American consideration mark. Hogan also notched automatic All-American times with both of her individual swims as well as making the cut for the Senior Nationals.

"The Senior Nationals are pretty much the highest level (of competition) before the Olympics," Hogan said. "I was just as excited about my time as I was about winning."

Though all three seniors had made the trip to compete in the state finals before, this was Sarah Carr's first, hopefully of many, treks to the finals.

"It was pretty exciting, getting to go with three seniors," Carr said. "I thought it was a lot of fun."

And not only fun, but Sarah's first state meet and the final swim of her first varsity year coincided with older sister Jenny's last state meet and the final swim of her last year.

"I do think that it's cool," Jenny Carr said. "We'll have both of our names up on the board since we broke the record together."

For Schubert and Jenny Carr, this culminated approximately eight years of swimming together.

"We used to be neighbors," Schubert said. "We've pretty much been swimming together since we were nine. It was great to end it this way."

The Mustangs, who sported what was probably the largest team in school history this season, will be losing their top three swimmers to graduation and only Sarah Carr will have state experience come next season — but that's not going to deter the Northville tankers any.

"I think they still have a lot of potential," Jenny Carr said. "The younger swimmers, especially the sophomores, improved a lot this season."

Hogan agreed. "They are a talented group of girls," she said. "I have no



Photo by ERIC CHERNENKOFF

Northville's Shannon Hogan (above and below) not only set the mark as a member of two relays for Northville, but also broke her own marks in the 50 and 100 freestyle events. Hogan finished first in the 50 free in the state finals.

**"Shannon (Hogan) swam amazing, like she always does. I thought all of us did well. It was a great meet."**

**Erin Schubert**  
Northville swimming and diving captain

stellar senior tanker Amanda Smith making waves in the state finals.

Her time in the 100 freestyle earned Smith a 15th-place finish as she competed the sprint in a time of 54.28 seconds.

Smith also managed to get a good mark in the 50 free as she collected a 14th-place finish with her time of 24.63 in the very highly competitive event.

Though only sporting a single swimmer in the final day of the state finals meet, the Wildcats managed to walk away with a 35th place finish out of the best teams in the state as Smith collected five points for her team and her coaches.



doubt that they will be just as strong next year as we were this year. They have a lot of growing to do and a lot of room for improvements, but they have the talent."

Schubert, who was one of the captains this year as was Hogan and Carr, said she thought the Mustangs were going to be competitive no matter their graduation loss.

"I definitely think they have what it takes to continue winning," she said. "They have lots of potential, but hopefully they can get some girls to step up into leadership roles. They have a lot of girls swimming year-round now, and that will help them a lot."

And, no doubt, thanks to Sarah Carr's experience with her trip to the states, she will have to take on a leadership role even as a sophomore — a role that she is going to be willing to take in stride.

"Yeah, I think they will (look to me for some leadership)," she said. "I hope that there are some girls that will get their state times and swim with me. There are some that have really moved up this year and a bunch that are really close to (Jenny, Erin and Shannon's) times."

The Novi Wildcats were also represented at the meet, with

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# Mustangs take fall versus Canton

## Game of two halves as Chiefs pull away from cagers late

Sam Eggleston  
STAFF WRITER

was the fitting ending to a tough year for the Northville Mustangs. They came out of the gates as strong as they ever have against a Canton Chiefs team tough and managed to keep the game down to a 19-14 deficit heading into the locker room — unfortunately it was there on out that the Mustangs controlled the game. The Mustangs did what they needed to do but found that the eventual district champion Chiefs were not the kind of team to let victory slip through their fingers. They walked away with a 55-20 victory. It was a tough game."

Northville coach Pete Wright said. "They are a talented team with a lot of things going for them. I am really proud of the way our girls played today, but we just didn't have what it takes to beat a team like Canton."

The Mustangs had the game right where they wanted it heading into the half, having given the Chiefs the lead off of a couple of shots that shouldn't have fell, but when they came out of the locker room it seemed like a different team had emerged.

"We came out flat in the second half," Wright said. "You can't do that against a team like this and expect to win."

The Mustangs were the first to score in the quarter with six minutes, 15 seconds remaining in the third, but didn't get

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Pete Wright  
Northville Coach

another score until over four minutes later — during which time the chiefs put up eight points. The next two minutes found Northville going score-

less and the Canton squad adding eight more points to their lead.

"Their defense was very solid," Wright said. "We didn't get the looks at the basket that we wanted and when we tried to move the ball around it would end up in their hands."

The fourth quarter was one the Mustangs will try to soon forget as they failed to get a bucket until there was only 2:55 left in the game. In the minutes leading up to that, Canton added 11 more points to their victory margin before tacking on 10 more in the final three minutes of the contest.

"This group of kids have hung in there all year," Wright said. "They were right there with us while we tried new things and did a lot of changing right from the beginning."

The Mustangs will graduate a slew of seniors, including Nicole Cauzillo, Lauren Temple and Laura Lemasters.

"We are going to miss all of the seniors," Wright said. "You are around them for so long, it's tough to see them go after they graduate."

But the Mustangs will be looking to bounce back even tougher come next year.

"We have a lot of talented kids that were underclassmen this year as well as on the J.V. team," Wright said. "We have a lot of confidence that we will be able to play at a higher level and that we will be able to compete."

The Mustangs, who fell before Nov. ended up beating Salem, weren't the only team to fall to the Chiefs. The Wildcats felt the sting of their wrath as well as Canton stomped over them with a 60-29 victory to take the title November 22.

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Northville's Andrea Watts goes up against a Canton high School defender in last week's district playoff game.

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ing Dominique Derisa, right, consoles teammate Nicole Cauzillo during their sea-sick loss in the district playoffs last week to Canton High School.

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# Watza is the definition of dedicated player

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

Northville senior Matt Watza, quite simply put, is the embodiment of Northville football.

A top-shelf player that found himself adjusting to a role he wasn't quite used to nor expecting as he entered his senior season, Watza still played the game to the best of his ability and to his fullest potential. The thing that is very intriguing about a player like Watza is although his love of the game runs deep into his body and spirit, it's come often with hardship and tough decisions.

In his junior year, one of Watza's biggest fans, his grandfather, died. Always present at his games and always there to push Watza to play his best, his grandfather's funeral fell on the day of a football game.

"I sat down and talked it over with my dad (Mike)," Watza said. "We both decided that there was no doubt about where my grandfather would want me to be. So, I went and I played football. I could feel him there and I knew from that moment on, he would always be with me."

This year, even more problems

arose. Getting prepped to play a very strong Plymouth Salem squad, Watza was informed that his girlfriend, Ashley Morris, was brought to the Children's Hospital in fear she may have cancer.

"Thankfully, she didn't," Watza said. "It was pretty scary and it was tough to go out there and play."

But he did, and with the blessing of Morris. By the end of the season, that wasn't the only thing working against Watza's football season. During a drill in practice, he found himself catching a football and coming down hard and as he hit the ground he felt pain in his shoulder.

"We went to the doctors and they told me that I could either take the pain and finish the season or have it scoped out and not play," Watza said. "I chose to play."

And if that weren't enough, he damaged the other shoulder in much of the same fashion just days later in a game — making it a tough year to be the second-leading tackler on the football team and with two blown-out shoulders.

"It was tough, but I never want to take a play off," he said.

With hope in his heart, Watza has put together a couple of his game

tapes for coaches at the collegiate level to view. Right now, he has talked to both the Albion and Hope College coaches and hopes to speak with the Grand Valley University coaches as well.

"I would love to play college football," Watza said. "It will matter if my shoulders are up to it or not. If they aren't, I might take a year off (from sports) and work at getting them back to the right condition."

Watza's goals at this point are to become a teacher and to one day pass on all of the things he has learned through football to other young men as a coach.

"Football taught me how to carry myself and how to be a man," he said. "I would love to pass that on some day. It's through football that you can learn to face tough situations and come through them just fine."

Just like this season. Watza, being an All-Conference runner last year as well as an All-Area selection, found himself playing a completely different role in 2002 with the new program brought in by first-year coach Clint Alexander. Instead of pounding the ball between the tackles as the Mustangs have done in

years past, Alexander's program opened up the passing game and brought a more modern approach to the game to the Mustangs — not that Watza's complaining.

"This program is going to win a lot of games once everyone has learned it," he said. "It's tough to figure out in a year, but once it catches on it will do fine."

With his speed and strength, any college would be lucky to have a dedicated player like Watza on their roster — it just comes down to the shoulders at this point.

"I'm going to the orthopedic surgeon to have them checked out," Watza said. "We'll know a lot more from there and be able to make plans for the future."

Watza isn't all football though. Like every student, he has a personal life — one that has a lot to do with Morris.

"It's her birthday on Thanksgiving," he said. "I won't be there because I'll be out of town, but I would like to wish her a happy birthday."

Well then — happy birthday Ashley Morris, from Watza and all of us here at HomeTown Newspapers.



Matt Watza

## Ryan Ramsay leads Whalers to victory

Ryan Ramsay continued his hot play, and that has been instrumental in fueling the Plymouth Whalers, who collected their fourth-straight victory November 22, defeating Sault Ste. Marie 5-4 in an Ontario Hockey League game at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

Ramsay scored the Whalers' first two goals in the game and added a third to complete the hat trick near the end of the second period. He also had an assist in the game.

Ramsay has six goals in Plymouth's four-game win streak, which has pushed their record to 15-6-2-1 overall, second in the OHL's West Division.

The first two goals scored in the opening period, both came on the power play. James Wisniewski (from Canton) assisted on both, with Cole Jarrett and Karl Stewart also



getting assists.

The Greyhounds battled back to knot it at 2-all in the second period on goals by Bill Krellove and Jeff Doyle before the Whalers again asserted themselves. Chad LaRose recaptured the lead for Plymouth, scoring with 4:35 left in the second (assisted by Mike Letizia); Ramsay scored shorthanded with :52 left in the period (from Jarrett) to make it 4-2.

Stewart's third-period,

power-play goal increased the Whaler lead to 5-2 (from Ramsay and Jarrett). A late flurry by the Greyhounds, with goals coming from Trevor Daley and Brad Staubitz, narrowed the gap but couldn't change the outcome.

Paul Drew made 21 saves in goal for the Whalers. Adam Munro had 20 stops for Sault Ste. Marie.

November 21 found Drew turning away 24 shots to lead the Whalers to a 5-0 shutout of the Saginaw Spirit in Saginaw.

Wisniewski, a defenseman, was offensive-oriented in this game, getting a goal and two assists. Ramsay contributed a goal and an assist, with John Vigilante, Stewart and Jonas Fiedler scoring goals.

LaRose and Jarrett each picked up two assists for the Whalers, who led 2-0 after two periods. Tyson Kellerman had 23 saves in goal for the Spirit.

## Fall sports were just amazing this year



Sam Eggleston

Wow, what a fall sports season this was. The Northville Mustangs and the Novi Wildcats sure made this year and interesting one right out of the gates as they showed us fast-paced offenses, stifling defenses, key punts on the green and surprising runs in the playoffs.

As a collective group, I have to say that this was the best sports season I've ever had the chance to cover from start to finish. The Novi football team brought me nearly as far as I've ever been as a reporter as they blasted one team after another on their way to the first district championship in 14 years. The Northville Mustangs football team has shown me that this level of football can be just as fast paced as the big boys as they started to build what looks to be a promising offensive scheme under the guidance of Clint Alexander.

The basketball teams made great runs too. A tough Canton squad managed to end both of their seasons, but neither team is the lesser squad for it. Yeah, both teams had their ups and downs and both squads will be losing some very key players that have been with their programs for some time now, but the future looks so bright for these teams that a District Championship could be in the very near future.

And what of tennis? Both squads not only have great seasons this year by winning their leagues and beating some of their oldest foes, but both managed to scrape their way out of the two toughest regional in the state of Michigan and make some noise at the state competitions. Wow. Though another crew that will be losing some great seniors, they always seem to bounce right back with a solid core of talent returning every year.

Let's not forget the soccer teams. Yeah, both the 'Cats and the 'Stangs fell in their district tournaments, but both made one heck of a run through the regular season. Led by some of the most talented players in their respective conferences, both the Northville and Novi soccer squads have a lot of pride from this season. The never let a loss bring them down and they never let wins get to their heads. Simply put, these two squads are what other teams should strive to be.

Cross country was just amazing this year. The Northville girls and boys had strong season with the boys even pounding out a conference victory under the guidance of Christopher Cronin. The girls, on the other hand, just showed that though they didn't win the title this year, they are probably the favorites for it already for next year. The Wildcats girls had a tough year with injuries hampering them, but it never stopped them from running their collective heart out. The boys, on the other hand, followed the lead of some surprising youngsters and pounded out a third-place finish in the state of Michigan.

Both girls swim teams had good runs this year as well, qualifying a fine amount of girls for the states. The Novi Wildcats had the strong beat of Amanda Smith to follow this year as she managed to lead

them through a season without a single home meet and even placed in the state finals. The Mustangs followed Erin Schubert, Jenny Carr, Shannon Hogan and Sarah Carr to another top-10 finish in the state with the two relay teams comprised of these four girls placing as well as Hogan taking a first in the 50 free and placing in the 100 free.

The Northville Mustangs had a tough year in golf this season, but they managed to make some noise and show that though they didn't get out of their regional, that isn't a reason not to have fun in a sporting season. A good example to follow, the Mustangs never gave up, no matter who the competition was.

Now, who could I be forgetting? Just kidding - it's hard to forget a team like the Novi Wildcats golf team. State champions all the way, Jack Tyler and Brandon Cigna combined as a one-two punch all year long as they led their team to the top of the mountain to claim their crown. This was the first state-championship I've had as a reporter in Michigan, and I have to say congrats to the victors and all they accomplished. To tell you the truth, they look to be a tough team come next year as well.

Thanks a ton to all of these teams and all that they managed to accomplish this season. It was my best yet as a writer around here, but I'm sure both the winter and spring teams will be looking to make this year even better. Go Mustangs and go Wildcats!

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# Something to be thankful for

## Newest Bond flick a refreshing addition to dry movie selection

By Sam Eggleston  
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

The things that amazes me about the James Bond series is the way it has withstood the test of time. In a day and age where a computer only stands up on the market for about six months, Bond has been a staple in our movie watching since before I was born.

In fact, Bond was part of a booming movie franchise when John F. Kennedy was president, when George Lucas was still in high school and "Star Trek" was only a twinkle in the late, great Gene Roddenberry's eye.

The Bond series has weathered through five major starts, the filming of all the original Ian Fleming novels, Vietnam, the end of the Cold War and now September 11. Not only does it blow away all other movies in the case of longevity, it has also given us the most influential formula and aesthetic in cinema history. The Bond series simply wrote the book on the contemporary action blockbuster. Movies like *Die Hard*, *Mission: Impossible*, and *X&X* look up to Bond and call him daddy. And ever more amazing is the way that after 20 Bond movies and 41 years of on-screen action, it still comes off as smooth as butter.

*Die Another Day* is the first to kick off the fifth decade of Bond domination, and also the first movie in the series to cost over \$100 million to make. Oh yeah — and this Bond girl, which is normally a flake role, is an Oscar-winning actress in the form of Halle Berry as Jinx.

When all is said and done, who cares about the plot? A familiar melee with Bond in continent-hopping conflict with a fantastically well-heeled villain out to conquer the world. Something about diamonds and a DNA-identity-changing device and a death-ray satellite are also mixed in there, but who

**Like all Bond movies, this one has a flair for the action and the quick-witted humor that viewers have come to love about the British secret agent. This time, his adventures brings him in contact with (gasp!), an Oscar-winning Bond girl in Halle Berry.**

cares? It's James Bond.

I never had the beauty of growing up with Sean Connery as James Bond — only in reruns — so I have come to love Pierce Brosnan in the role. Yeah, some would say he's too stuff for the character, but he's British, right?

The action is great, the chase scenes are marvelous, and the locations are wonderful. And the gadgets? An invisible Aston Martin, a glass-shattering sonic ring, an arsenal of laser weapons — need I say more?

With John Cleese as the new "Q," Judi Dench better than ever as a dowager "M," several evocative London settings and a dandy duel in a Mayfair fencing club, Bond 20 also marks the return of an element that's been sorely lacking from the series for years: its essential Britishness. That's what has made Bond in the past, and that's what will keep him rolling probably far longer than I am wandering about on this planet.



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Pierce Brosnan is back again as James Bond in the 20th film of the longest-ever series. There is no drop-off in the quick wit Bond provides, nor his sexual innuendos.

Though probably not the greatest Bond movie ever in the way of writing and such, it's a wonderfully respectful movie that looks to its own past for

guidance as it builds a future for generations to come.

If you've been a fan of Bond in the past, this movie is sure to please. And for those who have

never watched Bond in action? Where you been? Hiding on the moon?

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# Rebels without a Claus



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Ice Cube is back in another Friday movie — which is surprisingly energetic and still manages to make you laugh.

By Sam Eggleston  
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

Looking back, old-school style, some might remember Run DMC busting a rhyme with "Christmas in Hollis," (1987) that gave us Christmas in the hood — "It's Christmas time in Hollis, Queens; Mom's cooking chicken and collard greens."

Fifteen years later, writer/actor/rapper Ice Cube brings us yet another Christmas set in the hood. Friday After Next is the third film in Ice Cube's laid-back "Friday" series that reminds some viewers in many ways of the cherished National Lampoon series. This film will probably follow suit, and become a holiday favorite just as Chevy Chase and his family has become a staple of our holiday television watching.

This movie has a way of mixing moments of feel-good Christmas cheer with the fact that real life often doesn't bother to take the holidays off. It opens with a well-done animated title sequence that could remind some viewers of an old-fashioned Christmas cartoon — if that particular cartoon were rather dark and twisted.

Ice Cube is back as Craig Jones, a regular guy that is just trying to

get by. He lives with his cousin Day-Day (Mike Epps), who is back from the second film *Next Friday*, in the projects. Early morning on the Eve of Christmas, a burglar dressed as Santa Claus breaks into their apartment and steals the rent money, which is unfortunate for them. More unfortunately is that they are already behind paying the rent and a muscle-bound son of the landlady is recently freed from the prison system. If Jones and Day-Day don't come up with the dough by the end of the day, they will get kicked-out as well as just plain kicked.

Well, that forces them to land jobs and, a funny twist of events; they end up working as unarmed security guards for an outdoor strip mall. Their employment lands them guarding establishments such as a barbecue donut shop and the bar-becue nb joint owned by Jones' father (played by John Witherspoon) and Day-Day's father (Don Curry).

Though lacking compared to 1995's original *Friday* movie, it earns a wealth of respect with the Christmas theme. Writer Ice Cube and director Marcus Raboy manage to get the right mix of Christmas joy and real life and the result is as tasty as eggnog (if you like eggnog).

By Brian Renner  
THE MOVIE INSIDER

Coming to theaters this weekend is the animated holiday comedy "Adam Sandler's Eight Crazy Nights." Davey Stone, a 33-year old party animal, finds himself in trouble with the law. The judge gives Davey one last chance at redemption-spend the holiday performing community service as the assistant referee for the youth basketball league or go to jail. Davey thinks he's gotten off easy until he meets Whitey Duvall, the unusual, elf-like head referee. Adam Sandler voices the three lead characters in the film, Whitey, Davey, and Whitey's fraternal twin sister Eleanor. It is a Sony Pictures release and rated PG-13 for frequent crude and sexual humor, drinking and brief drug references.

Spooky futuristic thriller "Solaris," centers on psychologist Chris Kelvin (George Clooney) who is dispatched to investigate unexplained behavior of key scientists on a space station orbiting the planet Solaris. Once aboard, he too falls victim to the unique world's mysteries, as well as an erotic obsession with someone (Natascha McElhone) he thought he had left behind. "Solaris" is a 20th Century Fox release and rated PG-13 for sexuality/nudity, brief language and thematic elements.

Disney's latest animated adventure "Treasure Planet" reinvents the classic novel by Robert Louis Stevenson into outer space with some new sassy cartoon sidekicks. The legendary "loot of a thousand treasures" inspires an intergalactic treasure hunt when fifteen-year-old Jim Hawkins stumbles upon a map to the greatest pirate cove in the universe. "Treasure Planet" is a Walt Disney Pictures release and rated PG for action and peril.

Extreme sports take on a new meaning in "Extreme Ops," when a film crew travels to a mountain top in Europe to film three extreme sports enthusiasts as they outrun an avalanche for a digital video camera commercial. What they don't know, however, is that they're filming near the secret hideout of Slobodan Pavle, a Serbian war criminal. Accidentally catching him on film, they become locked in a life-or-death chase through the mountains that includes skiing, snowboarding,

sky diving, white water rafting, helicopters, motorcycles, and base jumping. "Extreme Ops" is a Paramount Pictures release and rated PG-13 for violence/peril, language and some nudity.

Engrossing, offbeat drama "Ararat" tackles issues of identity, history, and denial as a film-within-the-film portraying the WWI-era genocide of Armenians by Ottoman Turks, while in modern-day Toronto the ancestors still wrestle with the event's legacy. "Ararat" is a Miramax release and rated R for violence and nudity.

**Next week**  
"Analyze That" (R) and "Equilibrium" (R).

**Video and DVD**  
The energetic, computer-animated "Ice Age" (PG), comedy "Juwanna Mann" (PG-13), dysfunctional comedy "Lovely and Amazing" (R), sci-fi action-comedy sequel "Men in Black II" (PG-13) and prison and boxing drama "Undisputed" (R).

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For more information, please log on to *The Movie Insider* at [www.themovieinsider.com](http://www.themovieinsider.com). Please direct any questions, comments, and/or feedback to [brian@themovieinsider.com](mailto:brian@themovieinsider.com).

# Get over here! Mortal Kombat is back!

By Sam Eggleston  
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

The blood and gore is back, though with a lot less complaining from the general public this time. Mortal Kombat: Deadly Alliance was recently released for the Playstation 2 and other game systems in hopes of rejuvenating a once prosperous market.

The newest addition to a series that seemed to drop off after *Mortal Kombat 3*, *Deadly Alliance* brings back some old faces and some new ones as well, all combined with a game play that is familiar and comfortable to learn.

Everybody's favorite character, Scorpion, is back for another chance to avenge the death of his

family, as well as Johnny Cage, Sonya Blade, Kano and Shang Tsung. New faces, as far as can be told, include Quan Chi, Nitara (a vampire) and a ninja woman named Frost — trained in the cold arts by none other than Sub Zero. Though there are a host of other villains and heroes in this new addition.

The story follows the same tale as all the previous installments, with the forces of evil hoping to take over this plane of existence by beating our champions in *Mortal Kombat*. The first step in that undertaking is the murder of our greatest hero, Liu Kang. Well, that's when good-old Raiden steps down from his position as elder god to lead our forces in *Mortal*

*Kombat* in hopes of stopping the overtaking of this realm. That's where you come in. Taking control of your favorite character, you can start out by jumping right into the action via Arcade or Versus mode, or you can hone your skills in the practice rounds. A great addition to this edition of the *Kombat* games is the Konquest level. Here, you can learn the importance of using both martial arts styles that your fighter employs as well as the use of their deadly weapon. Unlike other games in this series, this Konquest that you undertake eventually even shows you how to use the special attacks like Scorpions spear or Sub Zero's freezing attack. The one thing they don't reveal is your fighter's fatality move, which they sug-

gest you experiment to find.

This game really doesn't bring anything new to the fighting-game genre, but *Mortal Kombat: Deadly Alliance* manages to bring back a little bit of faith in the game series.

Though not the greatest idea for little Johnny's stocking stuffer, *Mortal Kombat: Deadly Alliance* is a great gift for that fighting video game fan in your life as well as those who grew up with *Mortal Kombat* being their first major fighting game since *Street Fighter*.

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## Summer humidity pools into wintertime woes

By Gene Gary  
 Copley News Service

Q. I read with interest your column dealing with moisture problems in the bathroom. We need help in combating excessive moisture that is evident during winter throughout the house.

It is especially a problem on windows where the water collects and runs down. It can actually pool on the floors beneath. What causes this and is there a reasonable, inexpensive way to correct this condition?

A. Your problem is one that we have addressed before. Since we receive frequent inquiries about condensation, I am happy to repeat the information.

In many climate zones, summer weather is humid and hot and moisture builds up in our homes — penetrating wood, drywall and concrete. Outdoor humidity drops and moisture begins to dissipate when the first cold days of fall arrive.

Windows are the first place to show condensation that forms. When warm, humid air trapped inside meets a cold surface.

Windows are usually the coldest part of our homes, having the least insulating value. Consequently, water condenses on windows.

Insulated windows may help, but they don't cure the problem. As we progress from fall into winter, the moisture that has penetrated your home during the summer usually dries out and less condensation is apparent.

Overnight condensation is normal. It forms at night when outside temperatures drop.

Because outside temperatures cool the window glass, your windows will appear foggy or damp in the morning. However, with the return of daylight hours, warming outside, increased interior heating, and added circulation, condensation typically evaporates.

Condensation is harmless when it evaporates. But when it fails to evaporate, condensation is a sign of trouble.

Persistent levels of moisture can damage your home structurally, resulting in dry rot, paint problems and mold and mildew growth. If you have a continual problem with excess condensation on your windows, you are likely to have problems hidden inside your walls and attic, too.

Newer homes are more prone to condensation problems. With efforts to make homes more energy-efficient, we have created interior environments that are too tight and lacking in significant air leaks. There just isn't enough infiltrating air to flush out moisture. The rate of escaping warm interior air is greatly reduced, causing condensation on cooler wood sheathing, framing, attic interiors, etc.

When warm weather arrives, the moisture-laden interior is a breeding ground for fungus. Older homes with air leakage — cooler air entering that is less humid and warm; humid indoor air flowing out — aren't damaged as much. When indoor air flows out, creating an overall warming to interior structural parts, less condensation collects and fungus-nurturing moisture evaporates faster.

Basically, the solution to controlling condensation is to reduce and control indoor humidity. Showering, cooking, laundry, indoor plants, pets, an aquarium, and human population are humidity-producing factors. A back-drafting furnace or water heater is a problem.

Gas- and oil-fired appliances release water vapor. A high level of condensation on these appliances might indicate that they are not vented properly and should be checked.

Many furnaces have a central humidifier designed to keep interior air from getting too dry. Humidifiers can be out of adjustment, releasing too much moisture.

Damp basements and crawl spaces are another source of unwanted moisture. Make sure that rain runoff is led away from the foundation. Make sure concrete basement walls and floors are treated with a masonry sealer and that crawl spaces are covered with 6-mil plastic.

Limit the number of indoor plants. Your bathroom, whirlpools, saunas and hot tubs need adequate fans to vent damp air outside. Clothes dryers and combustible device should also vent outdoors.

Staggering activities that produce moisture can help, i.e. no simultaneous showering, cooking or laundry tasks. Often, the solution can be as simple opening a window for five to 10 minutes to air out the house when condensation builds up.

Ceiling fans operating on reverse cycle are helpful in keeping warm air from collecting near the ceiling and circulating down past walls and windows. If excess condensation remains after reducing moisture sources, you will need to install venting fans to force moist air out — or use a dehumidifier.

More expensive retrofits to combat the problem would be window replacement with tight-fitting storm windows, insulated windows with two panes, or even a third pane (triple glazing).

With forced-air heat you can use automatic methods. A heating professional can hook up a humidistat (a device that measures relative humidity) to a fresh air vent coupled to your furnace ductwork.

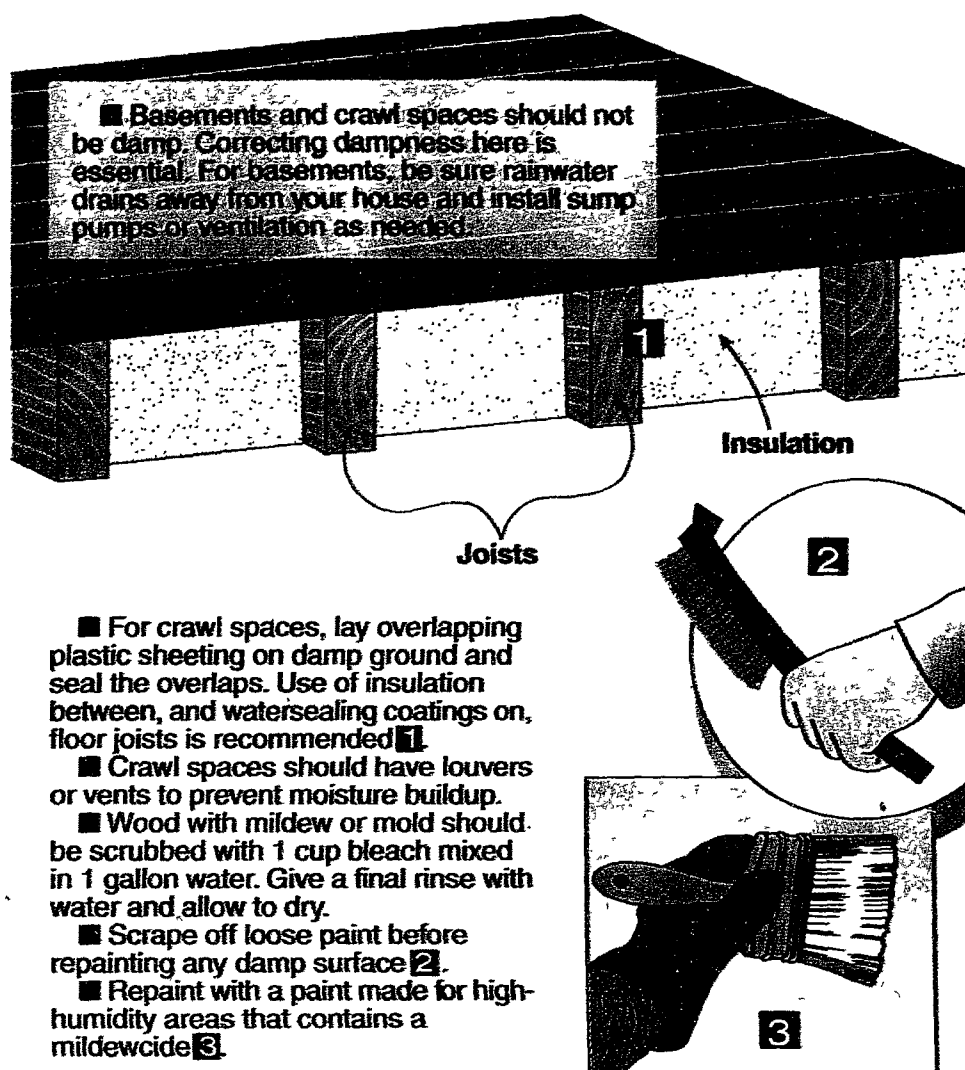
The humidistat opens the vent when humidity rises too high. Or, a ventilating fan, so automatically switches on, so you don't have to monitor humidity yourself. If your home is relatively new, be aware that new construction contains more moisture in the building materials — concrete, wood, paint — that dries out over a year or two.

The bottom line: Control of excess condensation is necessary to protect your home.

Send e-mail to copleysd@copleynws.com or write to Here's How, Copley News Service, P.O. Box 120190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190. Only questions of general interest can be answered in the column.

### Reducing interior moisture

Bad air circulation or excessive crawl space moisture can make any room, especially a bathroom, mildew-prone and a candidate for structural damage.



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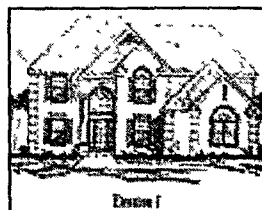
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**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS!** Brighton Lake Road S. of Franklin, W. of Third 5 lots make up this scenic treed walkout building site \$52,000  
**FOWLerville SCHOOLS!** Herrington Road, S. of Brimley & W. of Stow Conway Township Two 3.2 acre parcels available. Peaceful country setting \$38,000 & \$42,000 Call today!

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### THIS WEEK'S FEATURED HOME



**JUST REDUCED, HOWELL** New construction, 1858 s.f. spacious ranch model overlooking golf course. Many updates. Free golf & over \$12,000 landscaping included \$259,900.

**JUST REDUCED: BRIGHTON:** 4 bedroom, 1825 s.f. well-maintained home on over 1/2 acre mature lot. Situated at end of quiet cul-de-sac, close to town and expressways. Just reduced to \$198,800

**NEWLY LISTED!** New construction in the village of Pinckney. Beautiful ranch w/3 BRs, 2 baths & a full bsmt. Wrap-around porch, garage & more. Start the new year in your brand new home. Won't last long! \$187,900.

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**Cassady Place Plymouth**

30 Luxury Condominiums conveniently located in the city of Plymouth. Cassady Place is situated on the site of the historic Cassady House, and is just moments from downtown Plymouth. Stop by and see our model, beautifully decorated by Gabriela's Park View Gallery.

For information call 734-416-9118

**Features:**

- Two bedrooms
- Two full bathrooms
- Open floor plan
- Garage
- Basement

Our model will be open daily from 12-6 pm

Grand Opening on Sunday, November 17th

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A Premier Development In Lyon Township  
**NEW MODELS NOW OPEN!!**  
From The \$230's

**Braeburn** 1 of 3 Models

**Cortland** 1 of 3 Models

**Paragon** 1 of 3 Models

**Regent** 1 of 3 Models

**Baldwin** 1 of 3 Models

**Tolman** 1 of 3 Models

**Empire** 1 of 3 Models

**Interior**

- 9' ceilings on first floor • Somerset 3/4" hardwood foyer, powder room • Plush wall-to-wall carpeting with 1/2" - 6 pound rebond pad • Full basement with 7' 10" poured walls • Six, four panel colonial doors • Elegant classic door handles • First or second floor laundry with laundry tub (per plan) • Telephone prewire in kitchen, family room, den and all bedrooms • Cable prewire in kitchen, family room, den and master suite • Crestline maintenance-free vinyl windows with full screens • Spacious walk-in closet in master suite • Custom interior lighting fixtures
- Stained oak handrail to second floor in foyer • Smoke detectors on each floor and in all bedrooms • Prewire for ceiling light/fan combo in master bedroom and family room/great room
- Decora light switches • marble surround fireplace with custom wood mantel • Structured wiring (2 locations)

**Exterior Features**

- Four sided brick per elevation • Attached two-car front or three-car entry garage • Prewire and outlet for garage door openers • Steel roll up garage door with rubber sweep • Insulated steel entry door with full weather stripping and dead bolt
- 25 year asphalt roof shingles in a wide variety of colors • Curved concrete walkway from concrete driveway to front porch
- Two ground fault interrupter electrical outlets
- Fully finished garage • Stone and/or cedar siding per elevation

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### FANTASTIC CAPE COD!

Brighton! 3 BR, first floor master, all double closets, 2 baths, neutral decor, 1906 sq. ft., 0.68 acre, C/A, fireplace, first floor laundry, 2 car attached garage. \$228,500.

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Fowlerville 3160

**BANK OWNED - 1998** Two story, 1890sq ft., 3 acres \$209,900 Drive by, 9432 VanBuren Call Atlas, (810) 767-3209

**LAND CONTRACT TERMS** On newer 3 bedroom, 2 bath Call on this one! Rockford Realty, (616) 874-6296

**NEWER,** 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car, air, fireplace, Land Contract \$851/mo. \$2,000 down NDB. 816-392-5509

Highland 3210

**PARK-LIKE SETTING** Picturesque & private, located at 2100 Addaleen Dr., 2 acres, completely remodeled, 2100 sq.ft. ranch w/ 1700 sq.ft. finished lower level, 3 full baths, 1 half bath, 3 bedrooms, 2 fireplaces, large deck. \$369,000. 248-867-3890.

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**4 Bedroom 2.5 bath colonial,** on cul-de-sac in Rolling Oaks Sub., many upgrades. \$255,000. 617-545-9488

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Howell 3230

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Macomb County 3530

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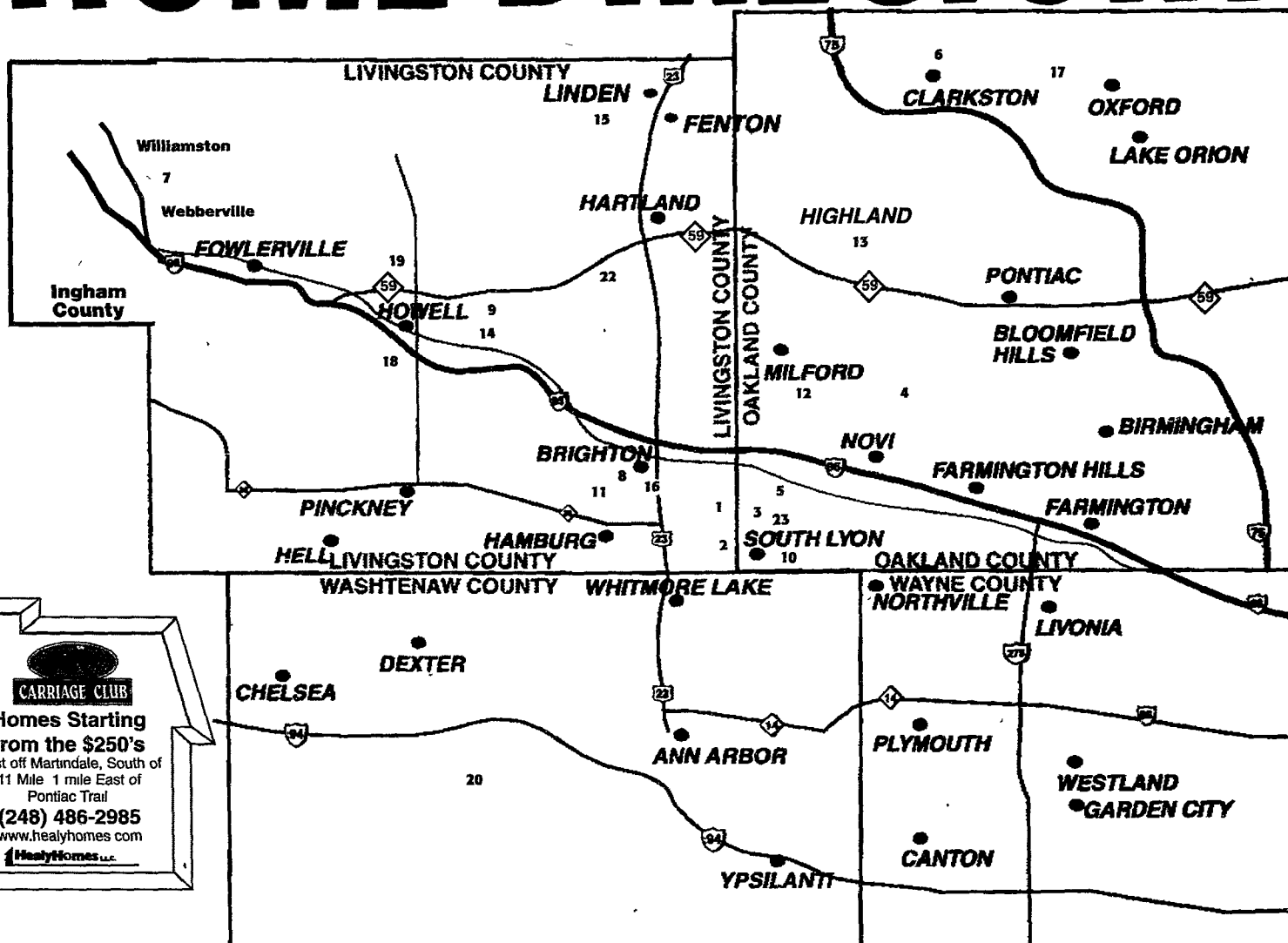
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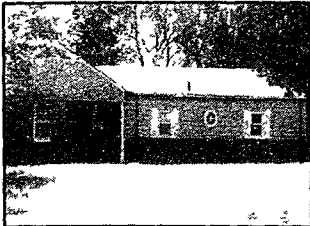
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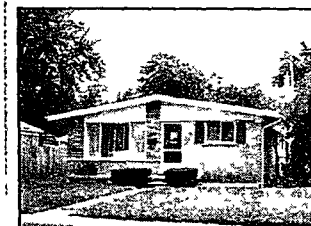
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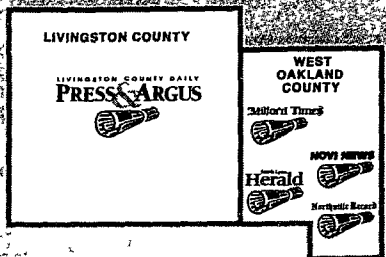
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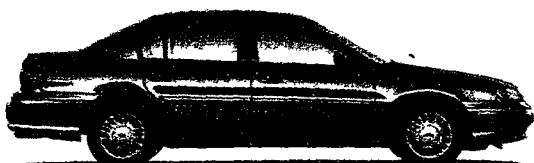
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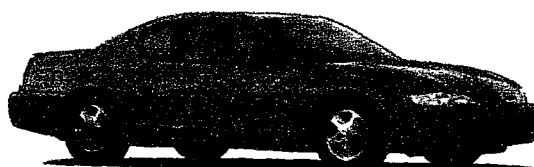
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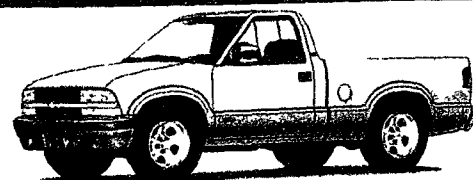
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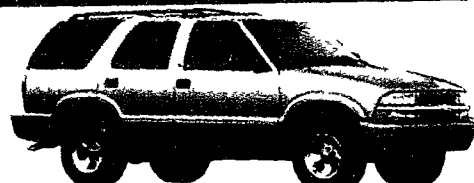
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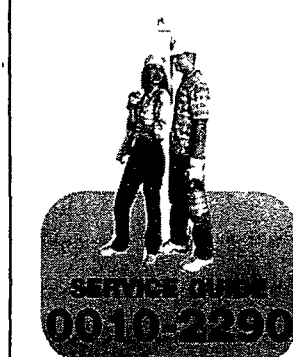
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## 7100 Estate Sales (7100)

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Garage Sales (7110)

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BRIGHTON - Classic Window Overstocked windows, doors & building supplies at 5936 Ford Court, Brighton at lower lever in rear of building Dec 5 & 6, 9-4pm Dec 7, 9-1pm

MILFORD Pre-Christmas Sale Fri-Sat Nov 29-30, 11am-5pm Toys, rods & reels, movies, X-Mas decor & more 991 Panorama (off Milford Rd & Sweetbriar) (248) 676-0328

Moving Sales (7130)

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Household Goods (7160)

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Appliances (7180)

COMPACT FREEZER - GE, 33"x23", exc cond 1 yr old \$100 (810) 229-1732

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Christmas Trees (7420)

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Firewood-Merchandise (7440)

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Craft Show

6th Annual Show

Saline Middle School, 7265

Saline-Ann Arbor Road, Saline

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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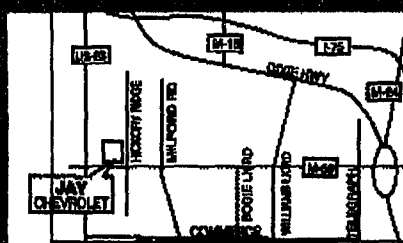
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### No-fuss fitness

By Susan Aschoff  
ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

She stands almost an inch taller and she can now touch the floor with her fingertips when she squats. After two months on an exercise program designed just for her, 76-year-old Juanita Reynolds is, literally, walking tall.

"I know it's helping. Whether it's doing anything for me physically, it's doing something for me mentally," says Reynolds of Brandon, Fla., one of the first clients in a new program at the Physical Therapy Center of the University of South Florida.

Open to all ages but targeted at older adults who are sedentary or intimidated to visit gyms and health clubs, the Exercise Screening and Prescription program tailors fitness to the individual.

Participants attend two sessions with a therapist. The first is a screening and physical examination to assess the client's condition and goals; at the second screening, a personalized exercise plan and instructions are presented.

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"The doctor will look at preventing disease. We will look at staying healthy," says center director Pat Arthur.

The risk of injuries doubles after age 40, statistics show. About 77 million baby boomers will retire in the next 12 years. Physical activity improves joint motion, flexibility, strength and endurance, balance and coordination. It builds strong bones and hearts.

The program at USF is particularly useful for people who, like Reynolds, don't want to fuss with health club fees or super-jock agendas.

Most of the "middle-age and older adult population (is) not comfortable going to a gym and they don't have a lot of home exercise equipment," Arthur says. Exercises prescribed by the center can be done at home with a chair, a stretchy cord or in any open space.

Reynolds signed up in June. Her goals are to alleviate arthritis pain and to prevent changes in her posture. A bonus would be lowering high blood pressure. At a minimum, her workouts will help her stay energetic and flexible, she says.

She's no slouch. She also goes to line dancing and tai chi classes every week, but "I dropped the yoga because it was too much for me."

The exercises are real-world fare. No barbells. No pretzel positions. Push-ups are done against a wall while standing. Weight lifting means pulling two ends of a stretchy cord tied to a doorknob.

Each client's prescription varies, depending on his or her condition and goals. But the target will always be movement and function, not bulk or speed, says Arthur. If a client is still exercising three months after the initial appointment, Arthur says he's accomplished his goal.

Arthur told Reynolds her workout would take about 10 minutes.

"It takes me 30 minutes," she says, laughing.

## HEALTH BRIEFS

### Low-fat diets and PSA levels

The first study to look closely at the issue casts doubt on the value of a low-fat diet in preventing prostate cancer, at least in the short run.

Researchers at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York found that after four years, there was no difference in prostate specific antigen, or PSA, levels among 689 men who ate a diet made up of 20 percent fat and five to eight servings of fruits and vegetables a day and 661 men who were just given written instructions on a healthy diet.

Previous studies had implicated fat in the development of prostate cancer.

### Just two beers risky for drivers

Drinking only one or two beers can significantly impair driving skills, especially one's ability to make split-second decisions, a Texas A&M University study has found. The study compared the driving of 19 men and women while they were sober and also at a blood alcohol level of 0.04, half the legal limit in some states. A 120-pound woman can reach that level after only one beer; a 150-pound man after two.

At 0.04, the drivers' ability had declined significantly. So a person doesn't have to appear drunk to be a highway danger. "They can still mess up in a decision-making situation," says Maurice E. Dennis, a Texas A&M researcher.

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Dr. Thomas T. Haider is a surgeon who enjoys music during operations. Haider likes listening to soft rock as he works.

# SOUND MEDICINE

By Mike Schwartz  
THE (RIVERSIDE, CALIF.) PRESS  
ENTERPRISE

From Mozart to Springsteen, many surgeons use music in the operating room to ease pressure and anxiety while they work

microscope to belt out a tune by Roy Orbison or Elvis.

While portable CD players are ubiquitous, some hospitals pipe music into operating rooms over speakers. Anesthesia equipment also can be purchased with optional stereo system included.

Although most hospitals do not prohibit music during surgery, some are concerned that patients may feel it is unprofessional. Others contend there's insufficient evidence it's beneficial.

There is some research, however, suggesting that music may aid surgery. One study published in the September 1994 Journal of the American Medical Association had surgeons perform stressful tasks in a lab experiment. They performed better while listening to music of their choice than they did in silence.

Other researchers have found that music has a calming effect during times of stress for doctors and patients alike. And there is evidence that it also aids pain control.

Most of Storkersen's patients, who usually are sedated but awake during surgery, enjoy his selection of tunes. "It also aids them in relaxation," he says. "Of course, the narcotics help, too."

Many patients will sing along. "Usually, if we're having a good time, they'll chime in, too," Storkersen says.

Patients sometimes balk at what they hear. One of Siambanes' spine patients awoke after surgery to the strains of Godsmack. "It was so distasteful to her that on her first post-operative visit she brought me a Dixie Chicks CD," he says.

(Haider's) soft music slows me down," Siambanes says jokingly.

Some surgeons find vocals too distracting and stick to instrumentals. But many, such as Siambanes, love vocals and sing along as they operate.

Dr. Catalino D. Dureza, a neurosurgeon at Desert Regional Medical Center in Palm Springs, Calif., occasionally leans back from his surgical

### Music to cut by

Dr. Kris Storkersen's operating room CD pack:

- Enya, "Watermark"
- Shania Twain, "Come on Over"
- Garth Brooks, "The Hits"
- Eddie Money, "Unplug It In"
- Gipsy Kings, "Love & Liberté"
- Jackson Browne, "The Next Voice You Hear: The Best of Jackson Browne"
- John Mellencamp, "The Best That I Could Do"
- Bruce Springsteen, "Greatest Hits"
- Paul McCartney, "Wingspan"
- Tina Turner, "Simply the Best"
- Good Rockin' Tonight, "The Legacy of Sun Records"
- Yanni, "Yanni Live at the Acropolis"
- Soundtrack: "Honeymoon in Vegas"

calpel." "Sponge." "Sutures." "Gipsy Kings." Gipsy what?

The traditional commands of the surgeon at work are likely to include requests for favorite tunes — from Bach and Beethoven to the Gipsy Kings' Latin rhythms.

Many physicians and their operating-room assistants count portable CD players among their indispensable surgical accessories — right up there with cardiac monitors, catheters and latex gloves.

Dr. Kris Storkersen, director of ophthalmology at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center in Colton, Calif., says music and medicine can be a potent combination.

"It has a powerful ability to change mood and alter personality," he says. "Music is not only relaxing to the surgeon, but brings an overall calm to the OR."

Storkersen has "burned" several CDs filled with his favorites that he jokingly calls "Music to Cut By."

Songs likely to waft through the Arrowhead surgical suite during delicate eye operations include Sting's "Desert Rose," R.E.M.'s "Man in the Moon" and Bruce Springsteen's "Secret Garden."

"If it's a difficult case I'll put something mellow on, like Enya, instrumentals or classical," Storkersen says. "If it's easier, I'll want something upbeat like the Gipsy Kings, Garth Brooks or Shania Twain."

Usually, eye operations last 10 minutes to an hour. So, one CD is enough to get Storkersen through a case. However, Dr. Waldo Concepcion, a liver surgeon at Loma Linda University Medical Center in Loma Linda, Calif., keeps at least 10 CDs on hand during operations, which can last six hours.

In the early stages of surgery, Concepcion enjoys classical music by composers such as Vivaldi, Handel and Mozart. But for his "closing music" he wants something livelier — say the Pointer Sisters or Fleetwood Mac. His taste also runs to Miles Davis and Wynton Marsalis.

"Beautiful music puts you in a zone," Concepcion says. "You can focus. It keeps you at peace and in sync with what you're doing without anxiety or pressure. Music gives a cadence to surgery."

Orthopedic surgeons Thomas T. Haider and David Siambanes of Riverside, Calif., are a smooth-functioning team. Yet a slight generation gap ensures they don't always appreciate each other's music.

Haider prefers soft rock. Siambanes' selections range from mellow Coldplay and the Dave Matthews Band to what he calls angry-youth music such as Godsmack, Staind and Powerman 5000.

"If it's upbeat, it keeps you working at a steady pace. But his

walk down the staircase. Every step you take, you get more and more relaxed. You feel yourself being drawn deeper into the chair."

And just like that, the hypnotic state is reached.

Where you go from there is up to you.

For some, hypnosis leads to freedom from cigarettes, overeating, hypertension and pain. It's a tool used by therapists to overcome these problems and more.

"We disconnect the anchors

that are causing the problem," said Bay, who has helped people with a variety of ailments. "Often there are conditioning behaviors paired with some other activity — like you only smoke during your break at work, when you get stressed, when you're drinking. It's just one therapeutic technique."

One that's worked for many people, including Tim Riley, a Redding businessman.

"I was going through a divorce, some substance abuse issues," said Riley. "I guess my

first thought was I didn't want any of that woo-woo stuff. But for me it was a shortcut to releasing a lot of tension and seeing myself more closely. Doors opened up more quickly than in regular sessions."

Robert Grosch, a marriage and family therapist in Redding, has been using hypnosis in his practice for almost 18 years. However, he said he doesn't "hypnotize" patients but rather "assists people to go into a trance state where they are focused."

Grosch also warned prospective clients to be careful of people who "guarantee" the process and to always look for properly licensed personnel.

"You want to look for certain things," Grosch said. "One: They should be a marriage, family therapist, or a clinical social worker. Two: There is no license called hypnotherapist. Also, check how much training a person's had. Find out if they've had experience in working with people in various ways. Ask if they will work with your physician."

## Altered state allows the mind's eye to see what needs to be done

By Molly Rupert  
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

There was no dangling stopwatch. No altering, mind-control tape playing in the background. Just the smooth, lulling voice of the therapist.

"OK, you are standing at the top of a staircase. Notice what you are wearing. What is on your feet? What does the banister feel like? What is it made of?" said Patricia Bay, a licensed marriage and family therapist in Redding, Calif. "Now you're going to



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MONEY

## System offers hope for those fighting with personal debt

By Loretta Kalb  
SACRAMENTO BEE

Dressed smartly, with briefcase and company car keys in hand, no one knew that the woman in San Francisco's financial district was anything but successful.

Truth was, Karen McCall spent every paycheck before it arrived. She was deeply in debt. And she was perpetually on the lookout for ways to turn plastic into cash.

As money problems threatened to ruin her life, she began a process of profound self-discovery, one that led to what she calls a "spiritual connection" that helped her turn her financial life around.

McCall founded the San Anselmo, Calif.-based Financial Recovery Institute in 1988 to train counselors and financial planners to help resolve clients' debts.

And this year she produced the "MoneyMinder Financial Recovery" system aimed at helping consumers permanently shed their debt.

"This process shows you how to save money while you are getting out of debt," said McCall. "It's the key to getting out of debt. Otherwise, the day will come when you have to use that credit card again."

Such insight is clearly needed. Consumer debt, \$1.2 trillion five years ago, now exceeds \$1.7 trillion, according to Federal Reserve data. Credit card offers have become a staple of consumers' mailboxes. Not surprisingly, buying on credit has become part of the nation's consumer culture.

That culture and the problems that arise from carrying too much debt have, in turn, spawned an entire industry, of get-out-of-debt books.

McCall's 249-page "MoneyMinder/Financial Recovery Workbook" and related materials (Financial Recovery Press/\$79 or \$99), are intended to be both inspirational and practical, giving readers the immediate tools and understanding to take action on their own behalf.

The \$79 system has wallet-sized cash trackers and a CD-ROM that includes forms, worksheets and templates to reshape spending priorities month by month and year by year. (For those who can't use a CD-ROM, the institute provides a binder filled with a year's worth of financial recovery worksheets in the \$99 system.)

For McCall, recovery means achieving understanding and clarity: Understanding your spending and being clear about what is most important in your life. Each chapter allows readers to decipher their motivations and feelings while digging deeply into or climbing out of debt.

It explains the key concepts in developing a spending plan, including setting money aside for periodic expenses. It gives the strategy behind saving while reducing debts. And it helps individuals achieve their utmost desires so that deprivation isn't the focal point of the financial turnaround.

"Solutions come to people that they can't even imagine," said McCall. The resulting emotional rewards, she explained, are hard to measure.

A reward might be simple, as in avoiding credit-card interest charges by saving money for a car repair or a vacation.

But the overall gains can be great. "This changes people's lives," she said. The system "gives permission" to meet desires that go beyond life's basic necessities.

McCall said she initially thought the system would be most useful to people in deep financial trouble. But she said many individuals have adopted the plan because of its systematic and organized approach to managing spending.

\$1.2 trillion

Total U.S. consumer debt in 1997

\$1.7 trillion

Total U.S. consumer debt in 2002

14.04%

Percentage of U.S. household disposable income used for debt payments

By Doug Kreutz  
ARIZONA DAILY STAR

A monsoon storm rips through your neighborhood, toppling your prized backyard tree, blowing part of the roof off your house, flooding a family room with runoff and scaring your parakeet literally to death.

What's covered by insurance, and what isn't?

Insurance policies vary, but it's likely you'd be covered only for the damage to the roof. Typical homeowner's policies won't protect you against windstorm damage to trees, the loss of pets or flooding.

Recent destructive storms and a host of other threats, ranging from fire to theft, slam home the importance of having insurance — and knowing exactly what it covers.

Homeowners and renters can benefit from some basic insurance savvy.

"Look very carefully at what you're buying. Don't be pressured and don't hesitate to ask questions about what's covered," says Vista Brown, spokeswoman for the Arizona Department of Insurance.

"The amount of coverage you buy depends on how much risk you want to share with the insurance company," Brown says. "You have to decide how much risk you'll pay the company to assume, and how much you assume yourself."

Brown and other insurance experts emphasize that there's not a fixed slate of coverage for all homeowner's and renter's policies. Your coverage will vary depending on the insurer you choose, the value of your home and such factors as deductibles — the dollar amount of loss for which you assume responsibility.

But here's a rundown on what's typically covered for homeowners, renters and dorm residents, according to the Arizona Department of Insurance, industry organizations and the University of Arizona.

Most homeowner's policies include four types of coverage: dwelling and personal property, liability, medical payments, and additional living expenses if you must temporarily move out of a damaged house.

Dwelling / personal property

**Homeowners insurance policies are all over the map when it comes to what exactly is covered**

"The typical homeowner's insurance policy covers you for direct losses due to fire, lightning, tornadoes, windstorms, hail, explosions, smoke, vandalism and theft," says Jim Frederikson, spokesman for the Arizona Insurance Information Association, a non-profit trade group. Frederikson says the amount of insurance taken out on a home is typically less than its market price. "That's because people don't need to insure the land on which their home is located," he says. "The best way to determine the amount is to ask: What would it cost to rebuild your home?"

• Personal property coverage Brown says, pays for home contents including furniture, clothing and other personal belongings. The amount of insurance is usually 50 percent of the policy limit on your dwelling.

Most policies provide more limited coverage — about 10 percent of the dwelling policy limit — for personal property that's stolen or damaged while you're away from home.

• Liability: Homeowner's insurance provides personal liability coverage applying to non-vehicle accidents if the injury or damage is caused by you, a family member or your pet.

"The liability coverage in your policy pays both for the cost of defending

you and paying for any damages a court rules you must pay," says the Arizona Department of Insurance's "Consumer's Guide to Homeowner's Insurance."

"The basic limit is usually \$100,000 for each occurrence, but you may request higher limits, which are normally available for an additional cost," the guide says.

• Medical payments: This coverage kicks in if someone outside your family is injured at your home. It pays for medical expenses, with coverage generally limited to \$1,000 for each person. The coverage doesn't apply to you or members of your household, Brown emphasizes.

• Additional living expenses: Typical homeowner's insurance policies will pay "reasonable and necessary" living expenses if you must move temporarily into a motel or apartment because of losses covered by your policy.

Now for the small print. Under a section called "Common Exclusions" on the Arizona Department of Insurance's Web site, you'll get the bad news about what's not covered:

"Most homeowner's policies do not cover loss to animals, birds, fish or automobiles. Damage caused by flood, surface water, overflow of the body of water, or spray from any of these is usually excluded. Water damage due to backed-up sewers or drains also is excluded.

"War, nuclear hazard, neglect, earth movement or power failure damage is not covered."

Although most insurers don't offer flood insurance, homeowners may be able to purchase it through the National Flood Insurance Program. To qualify, buyers must comply with federal guidelines for flood prevention. Insurance agents can provide details.

Renter's insurance provides similar coverage to a homeowner's policy with one obvious exception: You don't need protection against damage to the building itself.

Rates for homeowner's and renter's insurance vary depending on the value of property and the level of coverage you choose. Renter's policies cost considerably less annually than homeowner's insurance, he says.



## Smile! It's a mystery shopper

By Devona Wells  
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Mystery shoppers — people paid by companies to observe and evaluate service in writing — have long mingled with consumers. But now this secret army brings along cameras so small they fit inside a shirt button.

The technological leap forward means companies increasingly watch their employees and get a peek at the people hired to shop.

Within a year or two, video shopping equipment will become even smaller and lighter and wireless, predicts Charles Tinsley, president of Shadowshopper.com, which sells the cameras. Instead of putting shopping excursions on tape, they'll go on the Internet for downloading, he said.

"We are a society that loves photo and video technology, and we want to see it now and we want to see everything. It's just the right time for it," he said.

Mystery shopper David Gilstrap contracts with various companies for enough paid shopping to supply him with full-time work. He stays mostly in Southern California but has made trips to Chicago, Seattle and San Francisco, where he conducts at least 10 shopping excursions per trip.

Gilstrap, of Murrieta, Calif., started getting paid to shop in April. He doesn't plan to make a career out of mystery shopping but likes the flexible hours.

When shopping, Gilstrap carries a video recorder and battery on a hidden belt. A microphone is pinned to his shirt, which also is outfitted with black buttons — one of which holds a tiny camera taking in arrival to departure.

"It's pretty well-concealed. You need to be aware of where the sales associate is and keep them in your camera's view," he said.

This view allows companies to see their stores and employees just as customers do. Greg Goodwin, president of Friar Tux Shop based in Anaheim, Calif., likes this perspective — from looking at displays to how busy the store is to what goes on when nobody appears to be watching.

For six years or so, Friar Tux has evaluated customer service by phone, assigning a caller to inquire about products from one of its 24 stores. Earlier this year, the company began using in-person video shoppers after a short stint with written evaluations at its four shops.

"Video shopping has given us assurances we're doing what we should in all these small pods flung about Southern California," he said.

To those who perform well on tape, Friar Tux hands out restaurant gift certificates or cash. Employees are told, Goodwin said, they may be shopped by someone using a video camera.

Video removes the subjectivity from a shopper's written evaluations, said David Russell, president of Texas-based FYI Video Shops. Plus, it allows company executives to pick up on what they might not think to ask a shopper to look for, such as employee coats hanging where merchandise should go.

FYI opened in 1995 with a host of investigation services and got its start in video shopping about five years ago. Now, video shopping comprises easily 75 percent of the company's business, Russell said.

As competition in retail continues heating up, so will the need to stay on top of customer service, said Lars Perner, visiting marketing professor at the University of California at Riverside.

Dominating chain stores particularly like mystery shopping, he said, to assert control over stores often far removed from corporate managers.

"The service component in shopping is very important. People can be very easily turned off," he said.

Hundreds of companies conduct thousands of shopping evaluations weekly at just about every kind of business, including restaurants, apartment buildings and hotels, said John Swinburn, executive director of Mystery Shopping Providers Association in Dallas.

"Typically, companies are not anxious to reveal who they are because competitors would like to know," he said.

Shadowshopper.com began selling tiny video-shopping cameras and accompanying recorders about two months ago. Previously, the company offered larger cameras not as easily hidden, typically part of a large purse, said Tinsley.

Most shopping companies continue to rely on paper-and-pen evaluations. But as the technology catches on, Tinsley expects videotape use will grow from an estimated 3 percent of the country's 500 mystery-shopping companies.

"This tool isn't designed to go in and find people messing up. It's to show exactly what's happening on the showroom floor," Tinsley said.

## Call center doesn't take morale sitting down

*Increased focus on what makes employees happy helps Albuquerque service center keep staff in place*

By Shea Andersen  
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Sometimes it's all about the chair.

When you spend the bulk of a computer day parked in front of a computer and a phone, a seat can become a mighty important piece of equipment.

Most desk jockeys would pine for the chairs that the workers at PNM's customer service call center in Albuquerque, N.M., have. They've also got a comfortable office with well-decorated cubicles and a fun atmosphere.

It wasn't always this way.

Lynn Wood still remembers her first day at the call center of PNM, New Mexico's largest utility. "It was horrible," she says. "It was like working in a morgue."

That was May 2001, and Wood was starting her new job as the center's new supervisor, overseeing 130 customer service representatives.

Except that if you called a year ago, you'd be waiting more than three minutes to actually speak to someone. When you did, that someone might have just gotten the job,

since the center was experiencing a staff turnover rate of between 30 and 50 percent at the time.

Wood describes the staff at the time as "very down, very depressed."

"It was just a slow degradation of service," she says.

On Friday of that first week, Wood took a baby step: she met with each rep and gave each one a pair of movie tickets for the weekend.

Staff members, unaccustomed to seeing a supervisor unless they were going to be fired, were stunned. But Wood had their attention.

More simple steps followed, like new chairs for everyone.

Before Wood came along, staff had to "earn" a new chair. But they didn't know what they

had to do to get one. "It seems like for a call center, a chair is pretty basic equipment," Wood says.

Today, callers wait an average of 25 seconds to speak to a rep. Instead of answering just 83 percent of incoming calls (the rest just hung up, frustrated by the wait, presumably) the center gets 96 percent of them. And turnover is down to 7.5 percent for the year so far.

While the chairs are the most visible change, Wood instituted a variety of other alterations. There were new procedures, new performance goals and new incentive programs. The pay went up and the recruitment strategy changed.

Wood says she no longer necessarily looks for people with basic math and computer

skills. "We're about to say that might not be important. We can teach that," she says. Instead, she's looking for folks with an interest in helping people.

These changes haven't gone unrecognized; PNM was among three utilities nationwide singled out by a recent study for the high customer satisfaction.

Wood says the best part about the survey was not the way it crunched numbers about minutes, call load or turnaround times. "Our ranking was determined by customers' opinions of us. It had nothing to do with numbers. It's all customer opinion," she says.

And that's what counts, more than anything, she says.

That, and maybe a nice chair.

# Plus

HomeTown

## Speech-based software's growing pains

By Dave Gussow  
ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

Using speech-recognition software is a lot like raising your kids. It doesn't always hear what you say. It doesn't always do what you want. And it requires a lot of time and patience.

"You talk, it types," IBM prominently promises on the box for ViaVoice for Windows, Pro USB Edition. Yet until you put many hours into "training" the program in your talking technique, it's more "You talk, it may type" or "You talk, and it asks you to repeat" or "You talk, and it ignores you."

The good news for those waiting for the right speech-recognition software is that ViaVoice has improved since I last checked it out in early 2000. That's particularly important since the market is down to two major players, IBM and Dragon's NaturallySpeaking.

We've checked out such software from time to time for two reasons: It's an interesting gauge of how well, or fitfully, personal technology is advancing for everyday users. And it's also an important alternative to typing for many disabled people.

Installation and setup of the new ViaVoice were easy, taking about 20 minutes. An important part of the setup is reading onscreen text aloud so the program can learn your speech patterns. It was made easier with an included, good-quality Plantronics headset and microphone that connects to a USB port. (The whole package that we tested costs \$189.95.)

Theoretically, you're then ready to go. In reality, you and the program still need more time to learn each other. I didn't have to talk robotically, one word at a time, though I found myself speaking louder and in a clipped rather than natural, conversational tone.

I lost count of the "Remember to speak clearly and try again" and "Pardon me" messages that flashed on the ViaVoice bar at the top of the screen.

As I did in the previous test, I challenged ViaVoice with the well-known "The rain in Spain falls mainly in the plain" lyrics from "My Fair Lady."

Sure, it took six attempts to get it almost right. (In the end, "plane" instead of "plain" was the only error.) Among the first five efforts, the software came up with: "Lorraine and Spain stays mainly in the pipeline" and "The rain in Spain stays mainly due bloodshot the plane."

The more I worked with the software, the better it responded, though there are still significant problems to overcome. Among those:

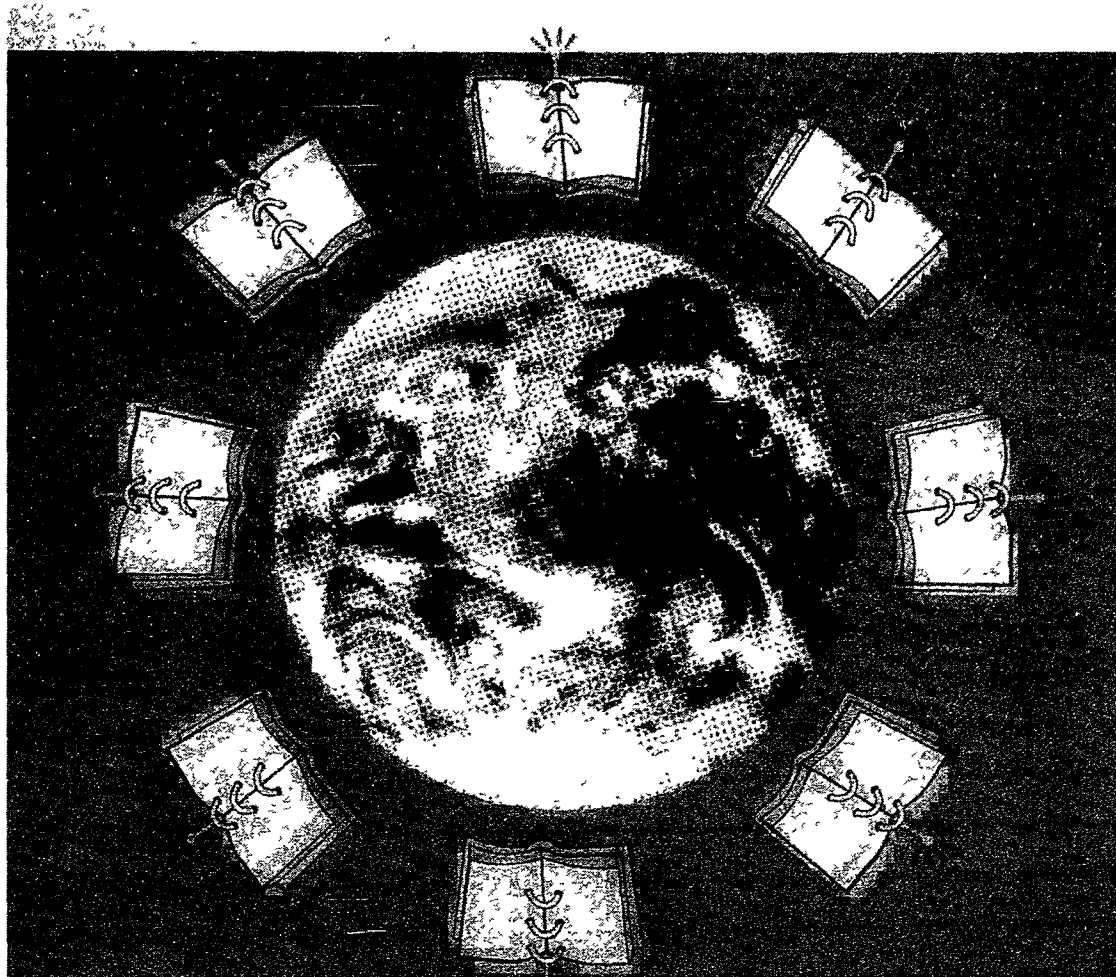
■ It wouldn't let me dictate into Microsoft Word or the Outlook e-mail program even though it's supposed to be compatible. Instead, I had to use its Speakpad, then cut-and-paste the text into my destination program.

■ Voice command of programs was only partly successful. For example, saying "Surf the Web" opened the Internet Explorer browser. It navigated my Favorites so I could move around the Web. But it wouldn't open a news story on the New York Times site. In addition, it would open some programs, such as Word and Outlook, but wouldn't close them.

■ It still has an annoying cartoon pencil called Woodrow that pops up to give you help, sometimes not so successfully. It's like that irritating animated paper clip that appeared in several generations of Microsoft Office.

■ Using Help functions also brought some strange results. Asking "What can you teach me?" brought up my browser's History list. Asking "What can I say?" brought up the time.

I want to do more work with the program to see if I can master it well enough to dictate 100 words a minute or more with 95 percent accuracy, as some users have reported. With as much time as I spend on a keyboard, I'd like to give my hands a rest on occasion.



# Blogging On

Online journals, called Blogs, serve a variety of functions, including group therapy and business networking

By Dave Gussow  
ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

Web logs, or blogs, are the personal pages that some say will change the way we communicate. But the digital diaries can range from insightful to insipid.

RaeAnne Thompson keeps a diary, writing down her most personal and private thoughts almost daily. Then she posts them online for the world to see.

"It's a very strange, strange thing," says Thompson, 21. "I had a lot of issues and feelings. I think it's more a form of therapy than anything else."

Her father died in January, and a few days later her fiancé broke up with her. Thompson, a University of South Florida student, turned to her lifelong love of writing to share her feelings on her Web log, or blog.

A blog is a personal Web page that some say will change the way people communicate online. Maybe so, but there are as many different types of blogs as there are different books on Amazon.com. And the writing can range from inspirational to insipid.

Blogs can be personal journals, such as Thompson's. Or they can be someone's opinions on the news of the day. They can be used for business (including sharing notes from meetings written as they happen). Groups with a common interest, such as computer geeks or journalists or fans of particular TV shows, can share information through blogs.

Most have links to other blogs, and many have the authors' opinions. While blogs have been around for a few years, Sept. 11 spawned new interest and a group called war bloggers, who share information and opinions about the war on terror. One of the trademarks of the blog is that they are made up mostly of short items, easy to write and supposedly easy to read.

In short, blogs can be anything bloggers want them to be.

"Everyone truly needs a place on

the Internet that they can call their home page, a place where they reside," says John Robb, president and chief operating officer of Userland, which makes blog software called Radio. "It's space controlled by the individual. No one has the ability to publish counterarguments. You won it. You own the space."

E-mail to groups of people can be cumbersome, not to mention the potential of recipients mistaking it for spam. Bloggers can choose to invite responses and to post them, but they don't have to deal with the people who disrupt newsgroups with off-topic discussions and the often-obscene attacks known as flames.

"If people are interested in reading what I'm thinking, it's passive," Robb says. "They can come or not. They can read at their convenience."

Blogs also are a lot easier to set up than a personal Web page used to be, when users had to learn coding and other tricks to set up their page. Most blogs can be set up for free.

Userland's Radio software costs \$40 after a 30-day trial. At Blogger.com, people can set up a basic blog without software and at no cost, or sign up for more elaborate bells and whistles for a \$50 annual subscription.

About 500,000 people have started blogging, according to most estimates.

The power of the blog comes from the fact that anyone can do it and use it for just about any purpose. John Mudd of Pinellas Park, Fla., for example, is trying to build a public relations and marketing business, with his blog as a key mechanism.

"You can easily spread the word very quickly using blogs," says Mudd, 27. "They're a great publicity tool."

One thing that makes blogs powerful for building a business is the way the popular Google search engine works, zeroing in on Web sites that are updated often. Because blogs are updated frequently and often contain links to other sites, Google's software picks up on the content.

"Let's say I have a client who has a product, and they want to tell the world about the product," Mudd says. "Naturally, I want to get the product in

traditional media, but sometimes that's harder to do than to get it listed on virtually every blog that's out there. Sometimes just put a little blurb on your blog, and it'll end up on 50 other blogs."

Mudd says the site goes beyond business. He says bloggers have developed a sense of community.

"It's almost like electronic gossip," Mudd says. "Because you can tell your friend about something, then they tell their friend. All of a sudden it's on Web logs all across the world."

Thompson hasn't had quite that reaction. An old friend found her blog and called, but not many people have discovered her writings. Her ex-fiancee did, was not amused and threatened to sue. She was undeterred.

"The issue comes up in almost every single diary" online, Thompson says. "Why am I doing this? It's because, at one point, you always tell yourself, 'I'm doing it for me. I'm not doing it for anybody else.'"

She finds it fascinating to read other blogs — "It's definitely a way of seeing what's out there" — and to work on her writing.

"I think it's a very empowering thing," Thompson says. "For someone who wants to be a writer, just to have someone read my stuff, it's an ego boost."

**"If people are interested in reading what I'm thinking, it's passive. They can come or not."**

## PRODUCT REVIEWS

By Katy Marquardt | SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

### AN EXTRA SET OF EYES

You can track your driving mileage and more with a record-keeping device that attaches to your car. TravelEyes2, a little black box about the size of a pager, uses the satellite-based global positioning system (GPS) to report miles driven, destinations, and other travel information like tax-deductible mileage for medical or charitable activities, all for around \$400.

The gadget can also be used as a spy device since it can track a vehicle to the nearest address and tell how long it remained there. It also has a trip-planning feature that creates custom map routes and directions, and all data can be downloaded to a computer.

### A NEW SPIN ON THE MOUSE

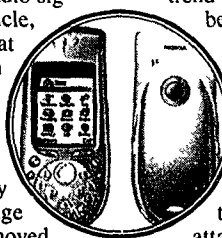
Considering the time most people spend clutching a computer mouse, it makes sense that companies are constantly coming out with newer and more ergonomically sound versions. Fellowes' Micro Trac, about \$30, looks like a video-game controller and has a built-in track ball that makes it possible to operate while not in contact with a surface.

On the high end is Logitech's Cordless Presenter, around \$200, which is more like a remote than a mouse and fits in the palm of your hand. A mouse alternative is the No Hands Mouse, which is controlled by foot pedals and costs \$250-\$300.

### KEEPING TABS ON YOUR CAR

LoJack, known for its car-recovery transceiver that emits radio signals from a stolen vehicle, now offers a product that can notify you when your car is on the move.

The Early Warning Recovery System sends owners an alert by phone, e-mail or page when their vehicle is moved without permission. The wireless system, around \$800, includes a motion sensor as well as a keypad that must be used before operating the car; otherwise the system sends out an alert.



### NOKIA ADDS PHOTOS TO PHONES

Mobile phone companies, riding the trend of multimedia gadgets, will soon be offering phones with built-in digital cameras.

Nokia is slated to introduce the 3650, which has a camera lens attached to the back and uses its face as a viewfinder, giving it the ability to take still shots as well as short video clips that can be sent as an e-mail attachment. AT&T wireless has already come out with its mMode Pix, a service that lets users attach a lightweight, miniature digital camera accessory to the bottom of the phone.

## TECHNOLOGY

### GAME REVIEWS

★=Poor ★★★★★=Excellent



### Prisoner of War

Platform: Microsoft Xbox

Publisher: Codemasters

Genre: Action

ESRB Rating: Teen



So much promise, so little delivery. That pretty much sums up Prisoner of War, a game that manages to make life in a P.O.W. camp look as boring and uneventful as possible.

The pretense is great: escape from a World War II P.O.W. camp where you and other Americans are being held. Working together, you pick up clues and hints, get your hands on valuable contraband and find a way to freedom.

The game plan is to learn the prison routine, then take advantage of breaks in the schedule to accomplish missions to aid your escape. These include climbing fences (be sure to avoid the guard towers) to access forbidden materials, crawling around in the dark after lights out and even hitching a ride on a supply truck.

However, the awful camera work makes moving around unseen impossible. The camera is supposed to center itself behind you at the click of a button, but often refuses to do. As a result, you'll run into guards that could have been avoided.

Each time you get caught or shot, you have to spend a few days in either solitary confinement or the infirmary. Since the goal is to get out of the camp as fast as possible, these little side trips cost you points in the end.

Basically, the game is pretty boring and mundane, with most of your time spent re-doing the same failed attempts to finish objectives until you get them right. Not exactly a thrill a minute, and not exactly like what most of us expect a P.O.W. camp to resemble.

### 4x4 Evo 2

Genre: Driving

Platform: Gamecube

Publisher: Universal Interactive

ESRB Rating: Everyone



4x4 Evo 2 is not the strongest racing game out there right now. It's just that simple.

The depth of the career mode seems strong, since you start from nothing and have to make a name for yourself in the off-road racing world before being "noticed" by the big-name teams to consider picking you up.

For those unfamiliar with off-road racing, the career mode will come across a bit confusing, since you are given money to buy and upgrade your truck with products that you don't know anything about. So beginners will have a hard time knowing what's worth the price and what's unneeded.

The controls are easy to grasp and smooth, although your truck gets caught on seemingly the most meaningless terrain objects. Trucks should be able to ride over some rocks and other objects. That's why you're riding off-road, not street racing.

The mission mode caters more to pickup-and-play lovers, as you take your truck into various locales and accomplish tasks like saving stranded hikers in Alaska or deliver food to families who are victims of an earthquake.

But beyond these fun missions, this title is more a renter than a buyer.

### Freekstyle

Genre: Extreme Sports

Platform: Gamecube

Publisher: EA Sports

ESRB Rating: Everyone



Freekstyle may have a catchy sounding name, but outside of the look and feel of the game, not much is to be desired from this title.

A personality problem seems to be in place here, as this game wants to draw in the fans of extreme sports games, but does not want to stick to what makes those games successful. Instead, Freestyle takes motocross racing into the fantasy world, and it falls short here.

The setup is basic: It falls a fast rider and you have to race others on different tracks. Fair enough. But there are problems with this game that are too much to overlook.

To start, there are only six tracks, and while you can unlock others, it takes an astounding amount of points to do so, after which the wait is not worth it. And once you ride the tracks a couple of times, you get the right feel on how to win almost every time.

Then there is the speed factor. You can really tear it up on the course. So fast that you are literally leaving flames in your wake. While that is good and all, it almost gets to be too much, as you find yourself losing control and running into invisible barriers.

Lastly is the AI of the game, which could be the most disappointing. No matter how fast you go, your wins or losses will always be close, which is sad. To burn that much trail and still have to fight it out for a chance victory is silly. Extreme G-3 is a better buy and more of what Freestyle should have avoided trying to imitate.

—By Kelly Martin and Chris Campbell  
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE





Scott and Keyke Campbell enjoy movies in their basement home theater. Scott used his skills as an illustrator in designing his basement.

## LANDDOWNUNDER

Finishing touches elevate basements to star status

By Jay Dedrick  
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

**T**he unfinished basement stores the boxes you packed the move before last and haven't opened since. It provides an inconspicuous spot for the cat's litter box or Dad's workbench, a burial ground for yesterday's toys.

Not all homeowners limit their lower-level environs to such ordinary status, though. Many take the downstairs to new heights by refinishing, creating lavish spaces that rival — if not top — the floors above.

The basements in two suburban Denver homes underwent dramatic custom finishing treatments last year. One, at Mark and Debbi Steffensen's Evergreen, Colo., home, echoes the natural terrain of the Rockies, while the other, at J. Scott and Keyke Campbell's place in Golden, Colo., rockets back to the future.

### THE CAMPBELLS

Simply by descending the stairs at his Golden home, J. Scott Campbell enters a monster's lair, a tiki lounge, a starship pilot's cockpit, a globe-trotting adventurer's library. This basement serves as both work space and play space, but it's a blurry line.

Typically, his lines are razor-sharp, as seen in his artwork for such venerable comic books as Batman and Spider-Man (his drawings of the web-crawler appeared in Time magazine last spring) and his own creation, Danger Girl.

The illustrator's taste for fantasy flows throughout his surroundings, lined with shelf after shelf of toys and action figures. Everything from Frankenstein's monster to Homer Simpson stand guard over Scott's drawing board.

"Being surrounded by this stuff keeps my imagination going," says Scott, 29. Among the fuel for fun: an Indiana Jones hat and whip, a life-size replica of "Star Wars" villain Boba Fett and two working pinball machines.

Scott's wife, Keyke, 26, may not share an equal passion for classic movie monsters and superheroes, but she enjoys the pinball machines as much as her spouse. And she had fun customizing bar stools by adding leopard-print fabric to the seats.

Eye-popping color throughout the 1,105-square-foot basement suits the pop-culture potpourri. Deep blue-purple covers most of the walls, with raspberry on some for contrast; tan within the coffered ceiling panels mirrors the tan carpet. Thick, wine-colored velvet drapes block sunlight from the east-facing windows of the walk-out basement; the dark conversion is critical for enjoying movies on the home theater's 106-inch screen. Cherry cabinets and black granite bar tops add to the richness.

The east-facing wall, the walk-out side of the basement, already featured a sliding glass door, but its location was too close to the home theater's screen. The door was replaced with a window and a door was added within the adjoining game room, which gained a bay window.

"When the windows were put in, it went from being a cave to a space with all this light," Scott says.

The studio is fully equipped. A custom-made maple art desk is stationed in one corner; a bank of office machines nestles in a custom cabinet.

Campbell wanted a hardwood floor — uncommon in basements because of moisture's damaging effects. But a subfloor and a special sealant made it possible.

For the bar, the Campbells found a stylish trio of gold cigar lights, which complement the funky collection of tiki cocktail pieces behind the bar.

The Campbells originally budgeted about \$80,000 for the basement project. By the time they had everything they wanted, it totaled about \$100,000.

Key in elevating the budget: the elaborate home theater, with its three deep chairs — including cup holders — and a purple sofa on a riser trimmed with running lights.

"I'm not into cars or boats," Scott says. "I'm into home theater."

Both are award-winning products of the homeowners' wishes and the work of Finished Basement Co., a Denver business that finished 110 basements last year.

"The biggest thing we've seen since starting up is that people are putting a lot more value on their basements — period," says Patrick Condon, president of Finished Basement. "We'll have clients who are buying new homes because of the unfinished basements. Then they want to have it finished so it's as nice as — or nicer than — their upstairs. They want to show it off to their neighbors."



The basement in Debbi and Mark Steffensen's home in Evergreen, Co., mirrors the home's mountain setting.

### THE STEFFENSENS

The basement at the Steffensens' Evergreen home makes a statement: Welcome to the mountains.

A faux evergreen sits behind the comfy green sectional. Knotty pine borders windows and is pieced over support beams. The silhouette of Mount Evans climbs high on a wall that houses a home theater system. Images of moose and bears are scattered throughout.

Like the Campbells, Mark and Debbi Steffensen worked with Finished Basement on their 1,200-square-foot space.

"None of their clients had wanted anything so rustic before," says Debbi, 40. "I think they enjoyed being able to do something a little different."

"They definitely wanted to bring that more natural feel inside," says designer Gina Schroeder of Finished Basement. "Usually, the post in the basement is wrapped in drywall, but we did a pine-wrap treatment."

The Steffensens were the first occupants of the home when they moved in almost seven years ago. The basement was unfinished, but its high, 9-foot ceilings invited finishing.

A door from the TV-watching area leads to the guest bedroom, which adjoins a bathroom with fully tiled shower with seat. A kitchenette — with tile counter, stainless-steel sink and wood cabinets with display shelves — sits in a cozy corner at one side of the landing. Carpet covers the theater area and guest room, while ruddy slate tile fills the rest, which also includes a bay window with striking vistas of the surrounding pine-dotted terrain.

Closeted space behind the 53-inch TV and under the stairs provides access to the electronics and storage for videos.

Placing the bathroom in the strategic spot between the landing and the guest room meant moving the basement's existing plumbing — an expense of \$8,000. The slate tile ran around \$10,000. The project totaled \$60,000 to \$70,000, Mark says.

"It was better to do it now and enjoy it for 10 years than wait to do it and not be able to enjoy it," he says.

## A new 'method' for cleaning

By Angelica Pence  
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

They're gone — the days when Windex blue and Mr. Clean's beaming bald look were icons for cleaning-product fashionistas.

The once-dowdy consumer staples are going upscale, flaunting chic packaging, aromatherapy scents and pricey designers. And at least two companies are leading us down the fragrant path.

Take Method, a company that harvested immeasurable hype last year when its Bamboo Kitchen Cleaner was spotted in the neatly kept kitchen of TV's prettiest clean freak: Monica Gellar, of NBC's "Friends" fame.

Started in 1999 by Eric Ryan and Adam Lowry, Method is the first brand created for Generation X and upscale audiences, who make up 42 percent of the \$5 billion household cleaner category, they say.

Now, Ryan and Lowry have come out with their latest offering for the increasingly crowded kitchen of tres-cool cleaners: \$5 liquid dish soap in a package designed by the "poet of plastic," industrial designer Karim Rashid.

"The idea is to change the domestic landscape, the 21st century and the time we live in," says Rashid, whose client list includes Armani, Prada, Sony and Estee Lauder. "Times have changed. The banal is now much more beautiful. A lot of our everyday products are so high-performing and aesthetic that all of us are design conscious."

The Jetsonesque bottle is stored inverted so it's always at the ready. Squeeze the 25-ounce container and a valve pops open, spouting a small amount of grapefruit, cucumber, mint or lavender-scented soap. Stop squeezing and the dime-size hole automatically reseals.

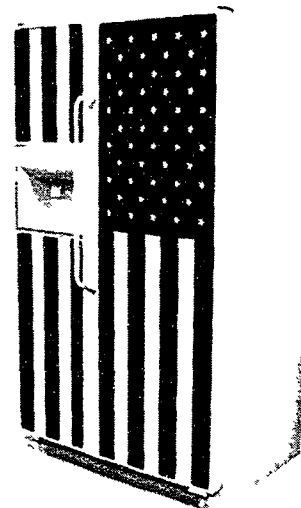
Williams-Sonoma was among the first companies to introduce personal cleaning products for the aesthetically conscious cook. The company's Essential Oil Collection includes liquid hand soap and dish detergent, bar soap and a candle, which helps neutralize cooking odors.

"Like fine perfumes (or fine wines for that matter), they contain an array of carefully balanced aromatic components with top, middle and bass notes," Williams-Sonoma says.

The San Francisco housewares giant this year added cleaning products to its collection packaged in classically shaped plastic bottles with apothecary-style labels designed by Caldrea, a Minneapolis company.

These include countertop and floor cleaners and a basil-verbena window wash. All are biodegradable and available in elegant scent pairings of mint, basil, lemon verbena, rosemary, pine and grapefruit.

The products retail for between \$8 and \$12.



## The 'Old Glory' fridge

Flag-waving kitchen appliances say, 'Patriotic and proud!'

By Lynette Evans  
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

What better way to keep ourselves focused on our civic duties than to make patriotism the focal point on the kitchen? Yes, fellow Americans, now thanks to Frigo, a company that makes custom frame and panel sets for refrigerators, you can turn your fridge into a huge American flag.

Along with Frigo's Festive Fridge Holiday Collection, which includes Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day and Easter panel themes, the Brewerton, N.Y., company is offering the "Spirit of America" flag design.

Thanks to Frigo — (800) 836-8746 or [www.frigodesign.com](http://www.frigodesign.com) — you no longer have to suffer with that old white Kenmore or the custom wood-paneled Sub-Zero.

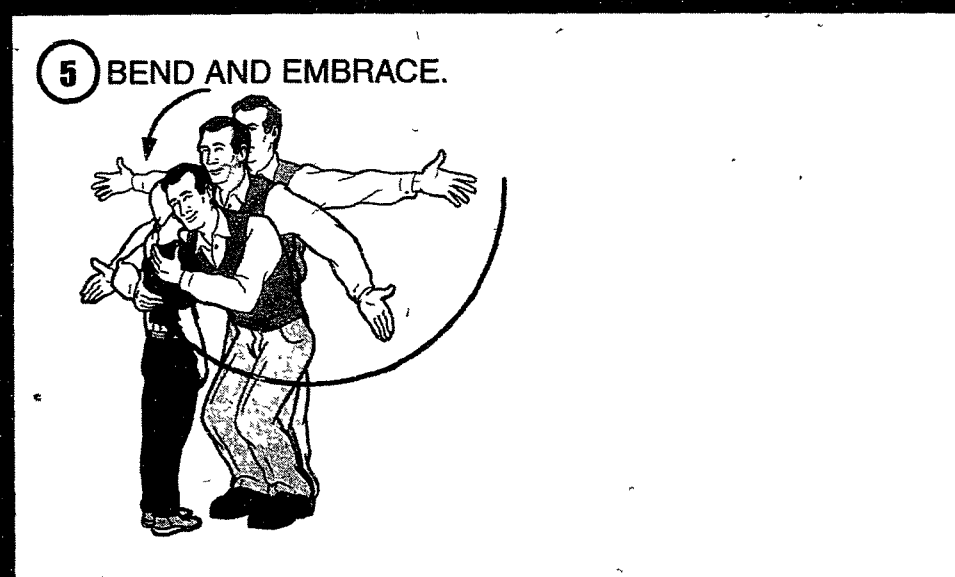
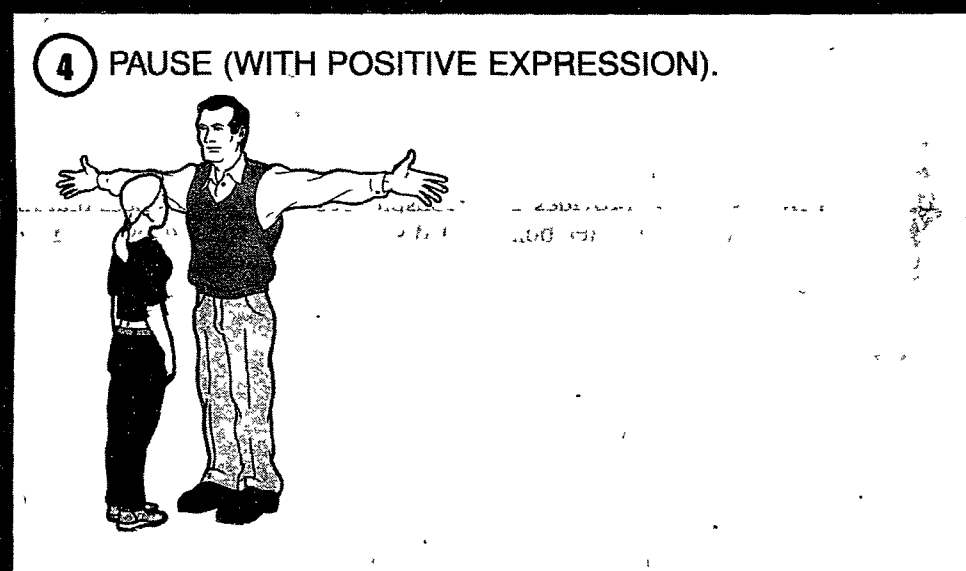
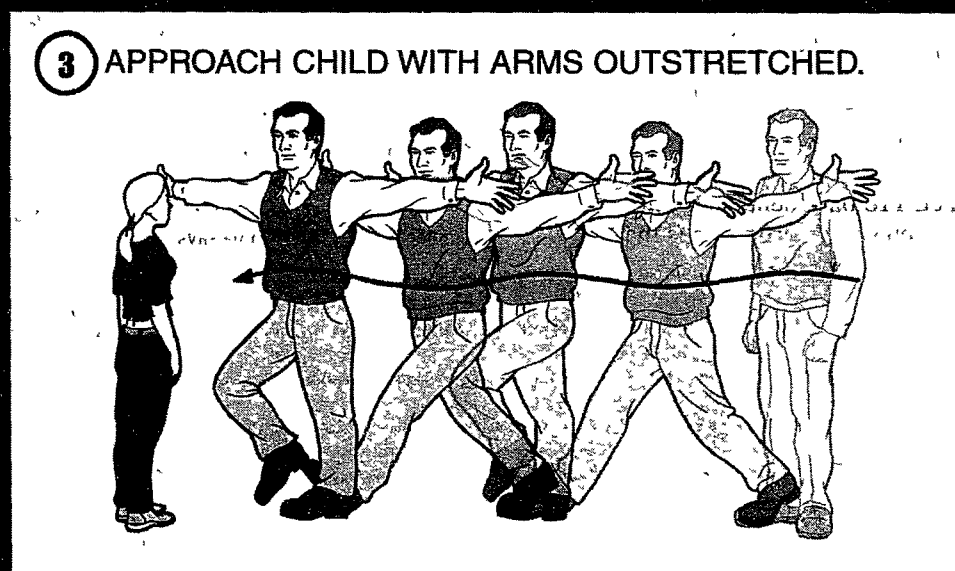
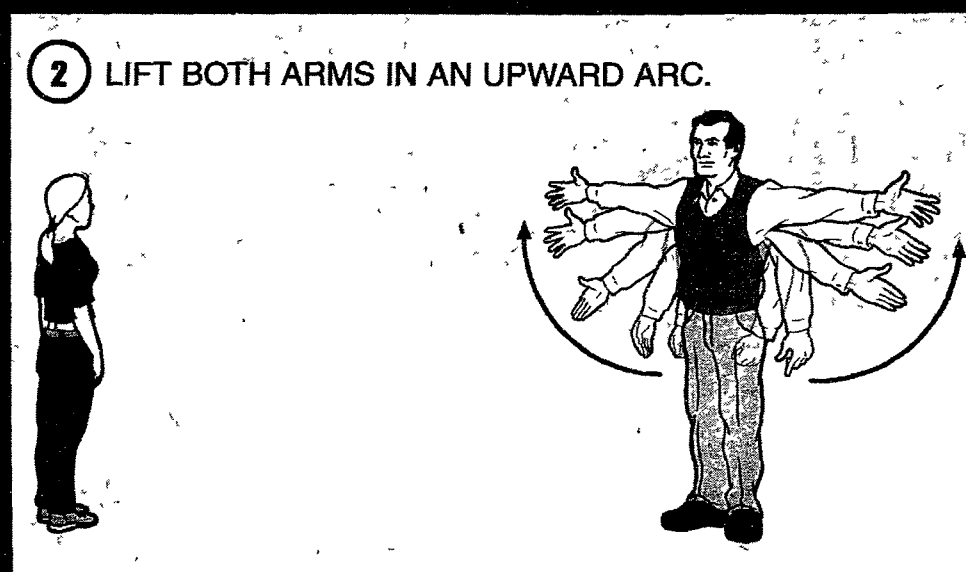
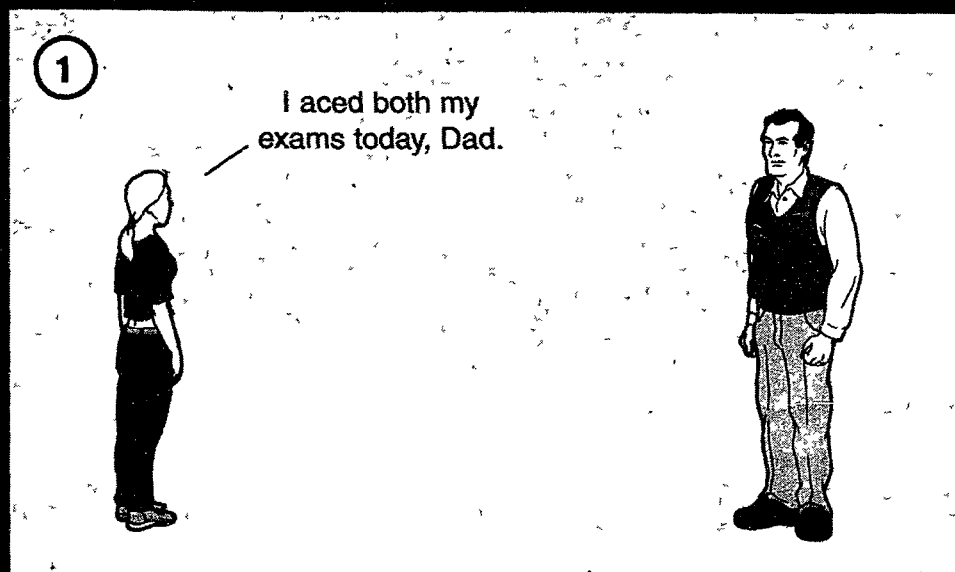
Provided it's built to accommodate custom door panels, for only \$329 you can convert your side-by-side fridge into a huge Old Glory. It's \$449, if the fridge isn't made for custom panels, but, what's another \$120 when you're making your patriotic point?

Heck, the \$30 to \$40 shipping charge (depending on the model) is nothing, either, when you consider that you'll be able to salute the flag every time you reach for a Bud.

Parental Guide #27

# "THE SUPPORTIVE HUG"

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Nothing says  
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like crab cakes

# Crab Cakes

(REAL OR FAUX)

By Jessica Wehrman  
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Blue crabs are more than just a part of life on the Chesapeake Bay, and for those who live in the region crab cakes are more than just food.

Although "Callinectes sapidus" are found from Maine to Texas, Chesapeake Bay residents know crab cakes like Midwesterners know corn on the cob.

Chef John Shields says most restaurants in Baltimore serve crab cakes — even the Greek pizza place serves a crab cake sub. "People here are totally fanatical about crab," he says, adding that crab cakes are the No. 1 seller at his Baltimore restaurant, Gertrude's.

Greg "Cowboy" Richardson, chef at the Rams Head Tavern in Annapolis, Md., insists that blue crab is the only way to go when making crab cakes. Not Dungeness or King crab, which are found on the West Coast, but the Chesapeake Bay's treasure.

Whether served in a sandwich with slaw and fries or as a sweet, moist entree, chefs agree the key is quality crabmeat, preferably lump or backfin. Because crab is a sweet meat, it should be the star of the show. All other ingredients are merely filler.

Katherine Alford, head of the Food Network's test kitchens, warns that "The hardest thing about making crab cake is the stunner shock. You want to get the best quality you can afford."

Alford advises would-be crab cake-crafters to avoid surimi — the imitation crabmeat. Instead, she suggests jumbo lump crabmeat. The larger the lump, the more expensive it is.

Because of the decline in blue crab harvests in recent years, it's getting more and more expensive — about \$22 per pound for Maryland-caught jumbo lump crabmeat last summer, for example.

More groceries are marketing refrigerated pasteurized lump crabmeat — a better option than many frozen brands offered in huge lumps, says Shields, author of "Chesapeake Bay Cooking with John Shields."

"This product is so amazing," he says. "It is like one degree away from fresh picked crab."

The other key is the binder — the stuff that holds the crab cake together. Some recipes call for bread, others for cracker meal or flour. Traditional Southern crab cakes include cracker meal — it gives the cakes a toasted, nutty taste. Other binders include panko, a type of Japanese bread crumb, and even leftover mashed potatoes.

The less filler, the better, Alford says. Use only enough to hold the cake together, she suggests, but not enough to mute the crabmeat's flavor. For an extra kick, include some onions, celery and spices.

Some chefs deep fry crab cakes, others pan fry or saute until heated through. Others broil them. Alford suggests pan-frying, since deep frying mutes the flavor.

Shields says sauteing and broiling both make great crab cakes, but frying is the favorite among native Baltimoreans. "Those who grew up eating crab cakes at the fire hall or church hall always eat them fried," he says. "It gives this wonderful crispy flavor."

Richardson is well aware that his crab cakes come under the scrutiny of some of the toughest crab cake critics around.

"In this town, they'll let you know whether you've got good crab cakes or not," he says.



Crabcakes and corn on the grill dinner at the Ram's Head in Annapolis, Md. (SHNS photo by Bill Clark / Scripps Howard News Service)

Photo by Bill Clark / Scripps Howard News Service

If your budget is thin, try faking it with fish, not crab

By Janet K. Keeler  
ST PETERSBURG TIMES

There's no question that the folks of Maryland have something to brag about in their luscious crab cake, a Chesapeake Bay original that leaves a big impression wherever it migrates.

Big lumps of cooked crab, not those shreds from a can, are what make Maryland's legendary crab cake so delicious. But the expense of lump crabmeat encourages experimentation with other seafood.

Filler is frowned upon in an authentic Maryland crab cake. It is natural to want to stretch the expensive meat, but it's blasphemy to cover up the richness of crab with bread crumbs from a box. That's the thinking in Maryland.

Less expensive seafood doesn't create such a dilemma. Frozen cod at \$5.50 a pound and calico scallops for about \$4 make it easy to experiment and far less painful if the results are less than perfect.

Almost any seafood can be molded into a cake, held together with eggs and sometimes mayonnaise, then flavored with everything from fruity hot sauces to Asian spices. Because it's not expensive crabmeat, we don't have philosophical problems with adding bread crumbs. Our goal is to get the finicky cakes to stick together.

Chunks of tangy brie added to whichever meat your wallet allows change the profile of the traditional cake. Grated ginger and water chestnuts give an Asian flair to cakes made of shrimp and scallops. If it's the sea you want to taste, go easy on the additions and limit flavorings to salt, pepper, garlic and onions.

Seafood cakes have three elements: cooked seafood, binder and flavorings. We like our flavorings to come from a combination of spices and veggies such as colorful peppers, scallions, shallots, leeks, celery or water chestnuts. Dice everything small and uniformly so the pieces cook evenly during the brief time they are heated. Bread crumbs do help keep your cakes together, despite the protestations of purists. Unflavored crumbs are the most unobtrusive, but then maybe you want Italian seasonings for your halibut cakes. Egg is also a binder and the only ingredient that needs to be cooked.

We like the coarse, untoasted Japanese bread crumbs called panko. Panko is light, almost tasteless, and the larger crumbs make the cakes crunchier, a good thing if you are broiling, rather than frying, your cakes.

We figured on 2-1/2 cups of bread crumbs for the amount of seafood but started with 2 cups. The remaining 1/2 cup was added because the mixture was too loose. We were finally confident when a tablespoon of the mixture held together when compressed by hand. The final ratio was 2-1/2 cups of bread crumbs to about 1-1/2 pounds of seafood.

Seafood, whether it be fin fish or shellfish, should be cooked before being mixed with other ingredients. We sauteed the cod fillets in a little olive oil, let them cool and then flaked the meat into the mixing bowl. Raw seafood lets off too much moisture during cooking, plus it requires more cooking time, which will burn rather than burnish the cakes.

Cooked shrimp and scallops should be chopped coarsely before being added to the cake mixture.

Take the extra time and chill the molded cakes before frying. It makes the difference between failure and success.



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## Crab Cakes

Servings: 4-6  
Source: Food Network  
Kitchens

1 lb. crabmeat  
4 tablespoons unsalted butter  
1/2 cup finely diced onion  
1 stalk celery, minced  
1 tablespoon minced garlic  
2 large eggs, beaten  
1/2 cup heavy cream  
2 tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice  
2 tablespoons whole-grain mustard

1 tablespoon minced fresh flat-leaf parsley  
2 teaspoon chopped fresh dill  
Hot sauce, to taste  
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste  
3/4 to 1 cup cracker meal, plus more for dredging the cakes  
1 to 2 tablespoons vegetable oil

Spread the crabmeat out on a pan and pick over it to remove any shell. Transfer to a medium bowl.

Melt 1 tablespoon of the butter in a small skillet over medium heat. Add the onion, celery, garlic, and cook until soft, about 5 minutes. Cool slightly and add to the bowl of crab.

Add the eggs, cream, lemon juice, mustard, parsley, dill and hot sauce to the crab mixture and mix together. Season with salt and pepper. Add 3/4 cup cracker meal to make a moist mixture. (Add the remaining 1/4 cup of meal if the mixture is very wet.)

Form into 2- to 3-inch round patties (cakes) about 3/4 inch thick. Place the crab cakes on a parchment or wax paper-lined pan, and refrigerate for 1 hour.

To serve: Dredge the cakes in the cracker meal. Heat a large skillet over medium heat and add the remaining butter and oil. Cook the crab cakes, in two batches, turning once until golden brown and heated through, about 3 to 4 minutes per side. Serve with tartar sauce.

For cakes:  
1 lb. cod fillets (can substitute other firm white fish such as halibut, grouper or sea bass)  
8 tablespoons olive oil  
6-ounce can crab meat  
3 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley  
1 cup chopped green onions  
1/2 cup yellow peppers, diced small  
2 tablespoons flour  
2 large garlic cloves, chopped  
1-1/2 teaspoon grated lemon peel

Sprinkle cod fillets with salt and pepper. Heat 2 tablespoons olive oil in heavy large skillet over medium-high heat. Add fillets and saute until opaque in center, about 4 minutes per side. Transfer to plate; cool. Wipe skillet with paper towels.

Flake fillets into large bowl. Mix in crab meat, parsley, green onions, peppers, flour, garlic, lemon peel and mayonnaise. Mix in 2 cups bread crumbs. Season with salt and pepper, mix in egg. Add remaining 1/2 cup bread crumbs if you need them.

Shape into 10 3-inch-diameter cakes and chill in refrigerator for 30 minutes to an hour. While cakes chill, make sauce by combining all ingredients. Chill. To cook cakes, heat remaining 6 tablespoons of oil in skillet over medium heat. Add fish cakes and cook until brown and crisp, about 4 to 6 minutes per side.

1/4 cup mayonnaise  
2-1/2 cups panko bread crumbs or fresh bread crumbs from crustless bread  
Salt and pepper  
1 large egg  
For sauce:  
1 cup mayonnaise  
1 tablespoon capers, drained and chopped  
2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1 clove garlic, minced



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## Seafood Cakes with Caper Sauce

Servings: 10 cakes  
Source: St. Petersburg Times

## 'Cup' teems with comfort

By Marty Meitrus  
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

When Jay Weinstein, a chef and food commentator for National Public Radio, was asked by the publisher to participate in "A Cup of Comfort Cookbook" (\$12.95, Adams Media Corp.), he thought it would fill a need created by the Sept. 11 attacks.

The cookbook, one in a series of "A Cup of Comfort" books, is a combination of inspirational stories and recipes.

"It's stories from people across America or even some outside America, about experiences in their lives that were distressing that they overcame," Weinstein says. "The stories describe how people have turned to food to bring that settled feeling into their lives."

The recipes are for well-known comfort foods, "the recipes that people turn to in times of stress," he says. To find stories, the editors put out an all-points bulletin to cooking clubs, sewing societies, chat rooms on home cooking, families and friends.

"We got many times more submissions (than we could use)," Weinstein says. "It was an avalanche of responses, but some of the universal kept repeating. We could do an all-meatloaf cookbook based on their submissions."

Weinstein was in charge of defining the comfort foods and adjusting the recipes. "We got a lot of regional recipes, but I felt it was important that these be universally recognized recipes, a touchstone for people," he says.

Based on an unscientific review of the submissions, Weinstein would name the top 10 comfort foods, in order, as mashed potatoes; roast turkey with stuffing and gravy; milkshakes; apple pie; sweet potato pie; grilled cheese sandwiches; chicken soup; bread pudding; spaghetti and meatballs; and brownie sundaes.

The common denominator is that "they're rich, they're stick-to-your-ribs food," he says. "Everyone has to decide what foods they're going to reach for when a difficult time in their lives sends them into the kitchen."

Most people's top 10 are in the book, he says, including barbecued ribs, pot roast, glazed ham, fried chicken and casseroles and his favorite comfort food, roast chicken.

## Roasted Chicken with Lemon and Thyme

1 chicken (3 1/2 to 4 pounds)  
1 tablespoon oil  
2 tablespoon dried thyme  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper  
1/2 lemon

1/2 head of garlic, cut in half lateral-ly  
1 medium onion  
1 tablespoon cornstarch, dissolved in 1/2 cup cold water

Heat oven to 450 degrees. Rub the chicken inside and out with oil, thyme, salt and pepper. Place the half-lemon and half-head of garlic in the cavity. Place the chicken, breast side up, in a small roasting pan, along with the unpeeled onion. Cook 20 minutes on top rack of oven; lower heat to 325 degrees.

Cook 35 to 45 minutes more, until juices do not appear pink when tipped from the cavity and a thermometer reads 180 degrees in the thigh. Transfer chicken to a cutting board to rest for 15 to 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, add 1 cup of water to the roasting pan. Use a wooden spoon to scrape up all browned bits; transfer to a small saucepan, along with the lemon and garlic from the chicken. Thicken by adding the cornstarch solution. Simmer 10 minutes and season.

Serve the carved chicken with the roasted onion, quartered, and gravy. Serve

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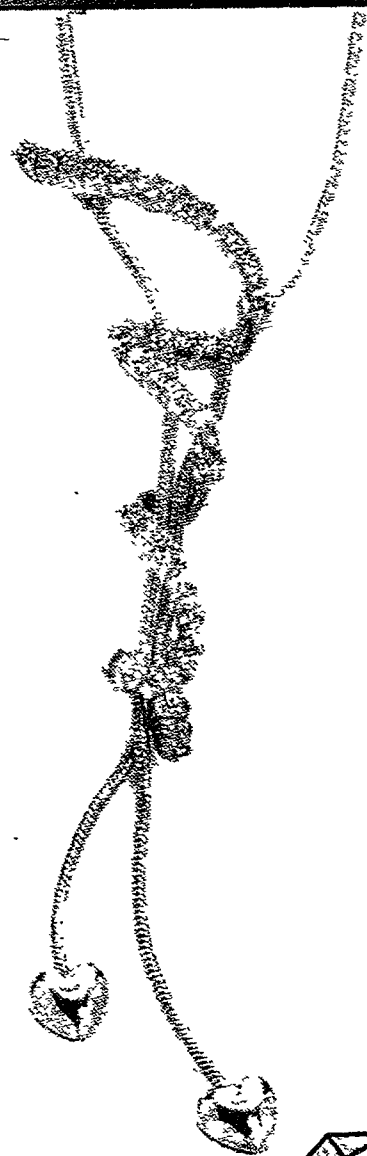
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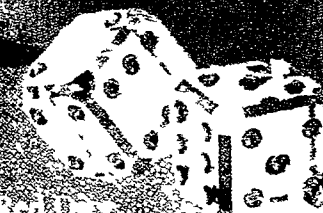
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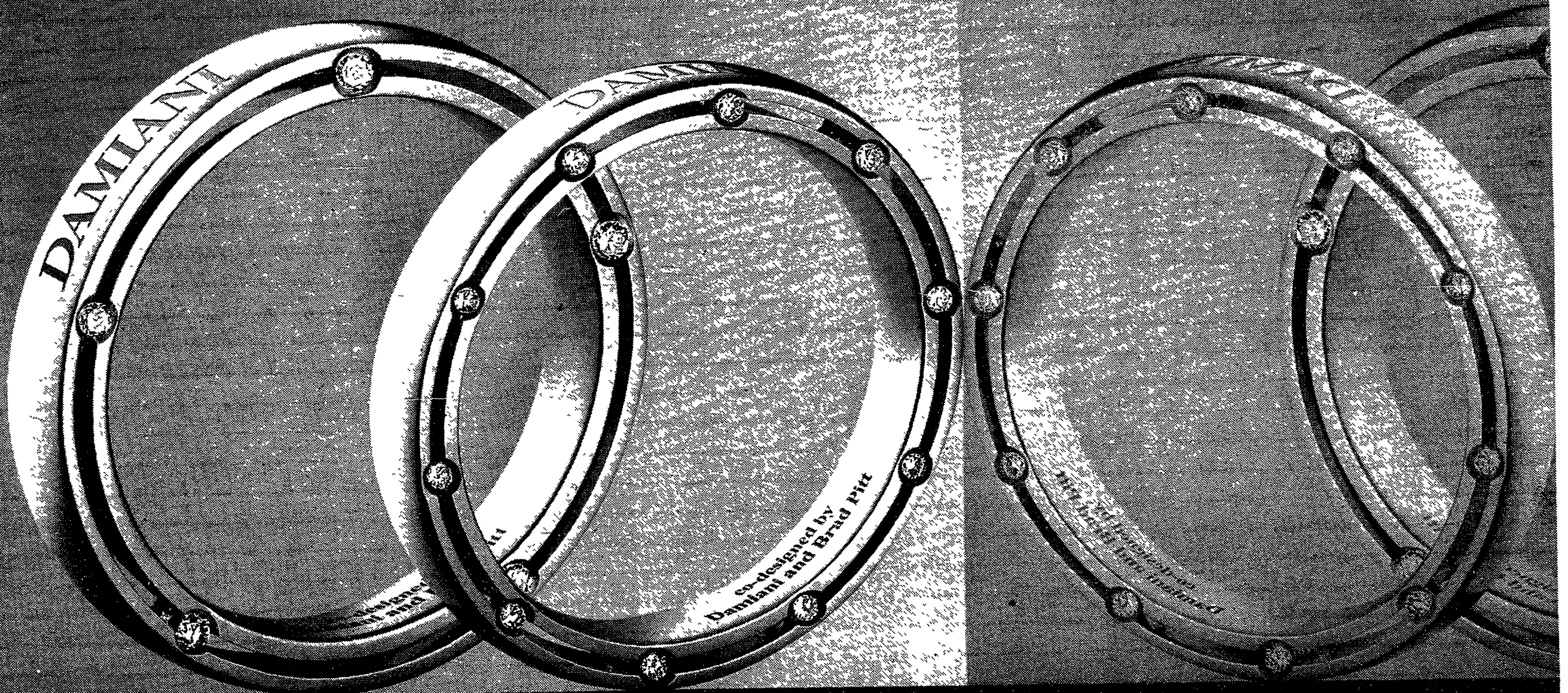
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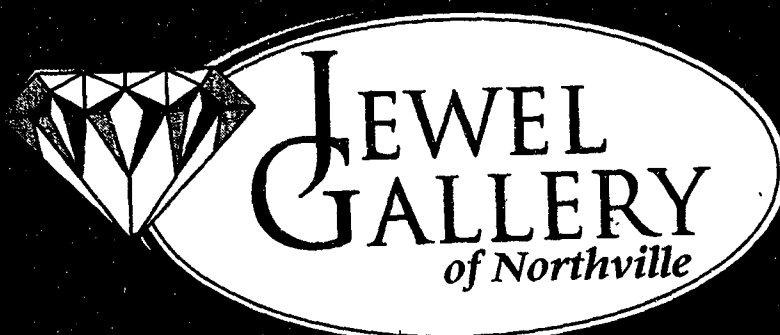
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# Spruce up the house for the upcoming holiday season

By Linda Neff  
SPECIAL WRITER

If the thought of holiday decorating and entertaining in worn, tired-looking rooms seems a little discouraging, why not consider giving gifts for the home this year?

The installation of new window treatments can bring renewed life to almost any room and the addition of a new sofa, chair or dining set provides comfortable and cozy seating for family members and guests.

It's not unusual for couples to forego annual gift-giving to each other in favor of making some major purchases for their home.

Others may simply put off redecorating until the thought of holiday entertaining presses them into action.

Lee Ryden, owner of Auntie Em's in White Lake, said his experience has been that people do tend to get in the redecorating mode around the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

"You wouldn't think it would be on their mind," he said, but his business does see an increase in business starting in November when people are busy getting

## DECORATING HELP

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■ Huron Valley Furniture, 319 N. Main St., Milford. Call (248) 684-2265.

ready for the holidays.

Auntie Em's is a Hunter Douglas Gallery selling drapery and blinds by Hunter Douglas and other manufacturers. And for those unsure as to what type of window covering will work best for their home and lifestyle, Ryden can help.

"We would talk through what their true needs are and how they've been using things in the past," he said. "Find out if they're a drapery person or blind person."

Just as having the right window coverings can provide a sense of privacy and elegance to a room, comfortable seating and good lighting can provide a cozy space

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—Lee Ryden  
Owner of Auntie Em's

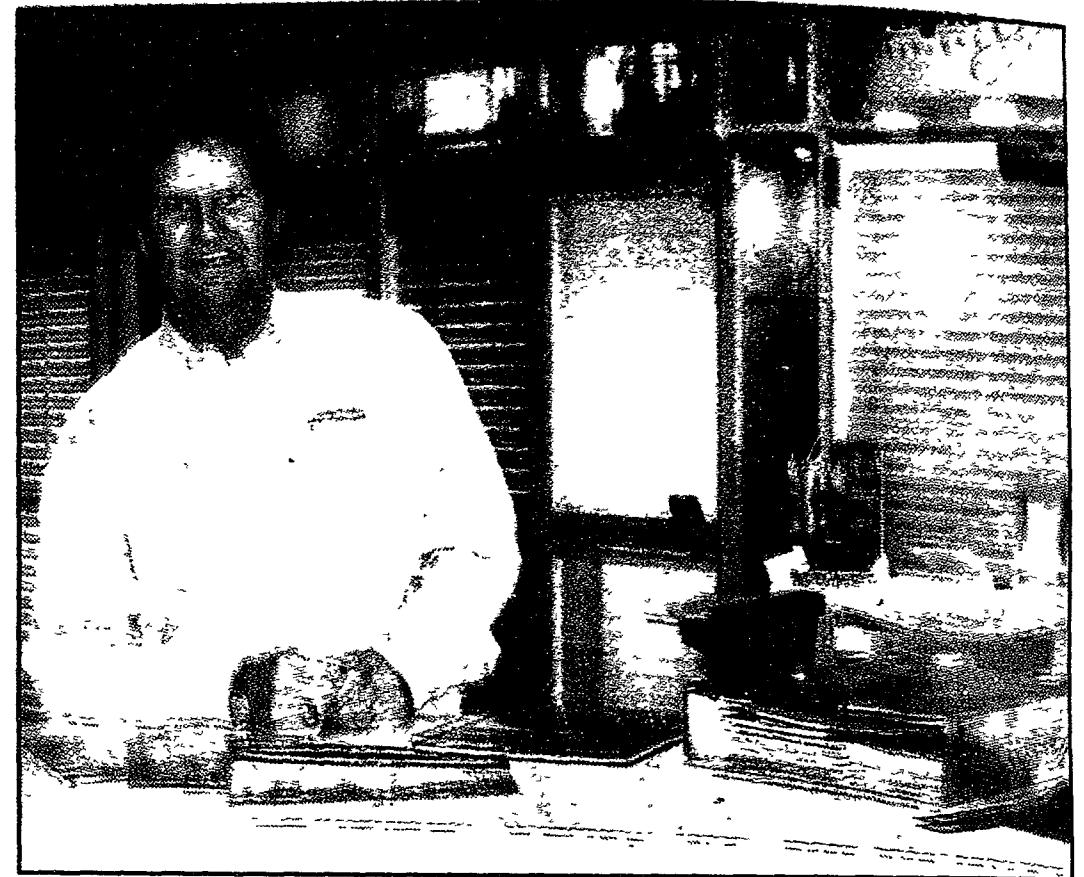


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Lee Ryden of Auntie Em's in White Lake is ready to help each customer select the perfect window coverings for their home.

for family and friends to gather.

This is the time of year when dining tables often take center stage in the home, showcasing beautiful holiday centerpieces.

Slip covers and holiday tablecloths can often be used to mask worn and tired furniture giving it new life and sprucing it up for the holidays.

But this is the time of year when homeowners often buy gifts for their home such as sofas, chairs, dining and bedroom sets.

"Furniture (pieces) they buy for themselves," said Chuck Sherman of Huron Valley Furniture in

downtown Milford.

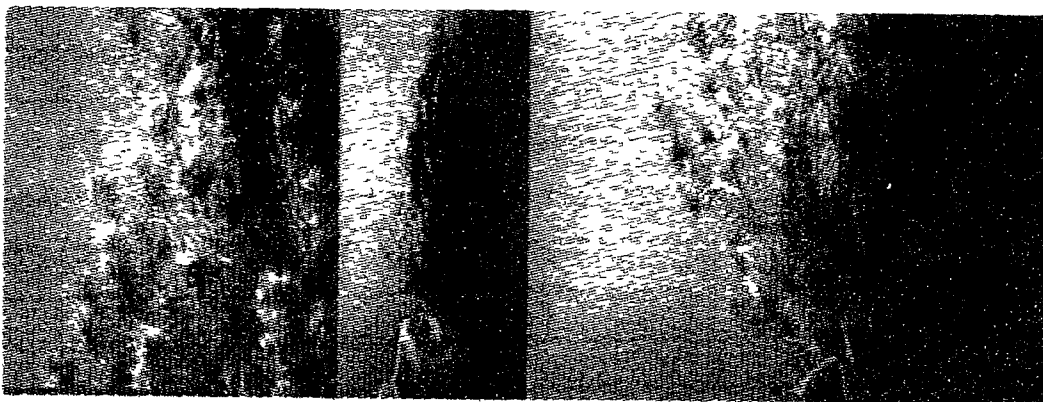
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# Shopping simple for person who has everything

By Linda Neff  
SPECIAL WRITER

Everyone has at least one of them on their Christmas shopping gift list — that person whose name sits there day after day throughout the Christmas shopping season, never seeming to get crossed off.

Every year it's the same old tune; you search and search for the perfect gift, but never find it. Eventually you break and buy something they'll never use.

Rather than put yourself through the ringer again this year, give some thought as to what this person does during the course of their weekday.

Are they a business person going to work each day? Retired and spending their time outdoors? What hobbies do they enjoy? Do they drive a car? Do they enjoy movies? Think about their regular daily activities and let that be your guide as to what type of gift they might find useful and enjoyable.

Gift certificates are becoming quite common but at the same time they are extremely useful.

Think about it, wouldn't you rather receive a gift you could actually use rather than one that is packed away in the closet only to be found when you pack up to move to your retirement home?

Sanford Chandler, whose family owns the newly renovated Howell Theater in downtown Howell, said the theater sells gift cards that are used like a debit card.

He recommends purchasing them in amounts needed to purchase tickets and snacks, such as the \$22.25 date combo.

"A date combo is a large popcorn, two medium soft drinks and two movie tickets," he said.

And even if that person has it all, a gift of discounted golf or a ski lift ticket would always be appreciated if they enjoy such sports such as golf, skiing or snowboarding.

Rob Bruhn at Mt. Brighton and The Jackal Golf Club on Bauer Road in Brighton, said the resort offers an all-inclusive gift certificate that can be used for skiing, golf or dining at its new restaurant, the Bauery, scheduled to open sometime in November.

Diners can take in the spectacular view overlooking the golf course in summer and the ski resort in winter and the menu will offer appetizers as well as lunch and dinner entrées.

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have such a variety to spend it on."

Specialty gift baskets are always fun to receive and James Joseph who owns Sharp Presents in Brighton recommends them for anybody on your list — hard-to-buy-for or otherwise.

He has a large line of gourmet food items he always suggests for someone you're not quite sure about simply because "everybody loves food," and if they don't like it they can simply put it out for any party they may be throwing over the holidays.

Sharp Presents opened in July and is taking holiday gift basket orders. In fact, there's a 10 percent discount on all Christmas baskets ordered by Dec. 1.

Baskets can be filled using gourmet food items such as teas, coffees, cocoas, cookies, chocolate, crackers, cheese and pretzels along with gift items such as tea cups and other specialty items.

"In addition, I put can put in some small interior design pieces such as candles, picture frames, beautiful mugs and hat boxes,"



Photos by LINDA NEFF

Above, creating luscious-looking gift baskets is a specialty of James Joseph who fashions baskets for holidays, special occasions or just to say "you're special."

At right, gift certificates are available at Mt. Brighton/The Jackal Golf Club in Brighton, or Sharon Porter can help shoppers select from a wide array of ski, snowboard and golf accessories.

Joseph said. "I also have a full line of bath and body products."

Baskets can be ordered by visiting the store, by phone and also by ordering directly from the Sharp Presents Web site, [www.sharppresents.com](http://www.sharppresents.com).

And who wouldn't appreciate a gift certificate for their favorite restaurant or maybe for a restaurant they haven't visited yet?

Crossing over the boundary between Oakland and Livingston counties isn't that much of a stretch for a leisurely lunch or dinner at some of the area's favorite eateries.

The Appetaseer Restaurant and Flat's Grille in Milford and Lu and Carl's in Brighton, all owned by Chris Angelosante, offer gift certificates in any denomination.

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the restaurant it was purchased for.

And if you would like to treat someone to dinner in a quiet comfortable atmosphere, consider giving a gift certificate for Bistro 127

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# Where did Christmas cards, gift exchanges come from?

From candy canes to brightly decorated gingerbread houses to Santa Claus on every street corner, the holiday season brings some wonderful things.

However, it also ushers in many time-consuming tasks — cooking the holiday meal, picking out the Christmas tree, and especially, buying the perfect gifts for loved ones and writing out holiday cards to faraway friends and family members.

Have you ever wondered about the origin of exchanging gifts and cards?

According to Donald E. Dossey, Ph.D., author of "Holiday Folklore, Phobias and Fun," by the 12th century, the practice of giving gifts had become common on Christmas, as well as on New Year's Day.

"It was believed to have come from the scriptural account, in Matthew 2:11, of the Three Magi who offered gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the Christ Child," says Dossey.

The origin of sending Christmas cards, he says, began in England.

"Edna Barth in 'Holly, Reindeer, and Colored Lights: The Story of Christmas Symbols,' says that in England, schoolboys away from home sent Christmas letters to their parents."

The letters were printed on paper that had Bible scenes on it, written in their best penmanship. In the hopes of receiving money and gifts, they would tell their parents of their progress at school.

It was in 1839, after the introduction of the penny post in England, that the true Christmas card tradition of sending cards to loved ones developed.

"One thousand copies of the card designed for Sir Henry Cole were sold. Usually regarded as the first of its kind, it was made by J.C. Horsley, a member of the Royal Academy," says Dossey.

In spite of its success, the custom did not

## CHRISTMAS SUPERSTITIONS

Superstitions and folklore have a way of patterning our lives — from avoiding black cats to walking around ladders. Christmas is a time for cheer, but it also is filled with lots of folklore. The following "Christmas Magic" is courtesy of "Holiday Folklore, Phobias and Fun," by Donald E. Dossey, Ph.D.

■ Roasting chestnuts in a open fire, named for the available persons you know, is a great divination ploy. The first one that pops will be the one you marry.

■ If there is a full moon on Christmas, expect a poor harvest.

■ If you do any household repairs on Christmas Day, the trouble will not be cured and even may get worse.

■ Hang a sprig of mistletoe over the door. It will chase away the evil spirits and bring good luck.

■ If you were born on Christmas Day, your life will be a happy and healthy one.

■ Keep your Yule log burning all night. If it goes out, expect bad luck.

■ Eat plenty of pies on Christmas. It is believed to bring good luck.

become widespread in America until after the English royal family began sending cards.

## Give encouraging words and gifts

The holidays are here again. A time of happiness and cheer — but not for everyone. For some people, the holidays bring on a major case of the blues.

Whether it's from the stress of the season — not enough money for gifts, lack of time from too much rushing around — or from feeling lonely and missing faraway family and friends, not everyone gets swept up in the holiday spirit.

Do you have a friend or family member who is a little down in the dumps this season? It's time to cheer him or her up with some truly thoughtful and unique holiday gifts. Here are some ideas to get you started, courtesy of Robyn Freedman Spizman, author of "When Words Matter Most."

• Smart cookies — Send someone a box or arrangement of cookies with a note that says, "You're the smartest cookie I know."

• Penny for your thoughts — Go to the bank and get a bunch of shiny new pennies. Give

them out to "shining examples" of people you appreciate. Tell them they shine in your book.

• Tea's the season to be jolly — Put together a basket of gourmet flavored teas. This gift is certain to warm up that special person on your gift list.

• All wound up? — Send a windup toy to someone who is stressed out. Add a note that says, "In case you get too wound up, wind this up instead."

• Think the world of someone — Give someone a map of the world tied up in a ribbon with a note that says, "I think the world of you."

• Warm wishes — Send your warmest wishes with a basket filled with your favorite soup, gourmet coffee or anything that will warm someone up.

• Deliver a dictionary — Give someone who is extraordinary a dictionary and underline with a highlighter all the words in it that describe that individual. Add a note that says, "I've underlined words from A to Z, to show how much you mean to me."

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# Prevent tragedy: Follow these tips to stay safe during holiday season

Candles, lights and decorations are an essential part of the holiday season.

Unfortunately, they also increase the risk of fire and injury.

In fact, the United States Fire Administration reports that holiday fires injure more than 2,000 people and cause more than \$500 million in property damage each year.

To help you and your family to have a safe, healthy and happy holiday season, follow these safety tips, courtesy of the Insurance Information Institute.

## Candles

- Check candles frequently to make sure they don't burn down too far or drip hot wax.
- Snuff out all candles before going to sleep.
- When burning candles, make sure they are placed in sturdy, noncombustible holders away from decorations and other combustible materials.

## Fireplaces

- Never burn wrapping paper in the fireplace; this may release fire-starting embers or produce a

buildup of dangerous chemical fumes in the home.

## Entertaining

- If you entertain guests who smoke, provide large ashtrays and check for cigarette butts in upholstered furniture before going to bed. Cigarette fires are the leading cause of fire fatalities in the home.

- Don't leave the stove unattended when cooking for guests; in the excitement of holiday entertaining, it is easy to forget about the stove.

## Children and Pets

- Place all ornaments out of reach of small children and pets. Small or breakable ornaments easily can be knocked down. This can result in cuts or choking.

- Be sure to anchor the tree to the wall and ceiling — curious children and playful pets can topple a tree in seconds, causing serious injury.

- Beware of toxic decorations. Mistletoe and holly berries may be poisonous if more than a few are swallowed. Old tinsel may contain lead. Fire salts (which

produce a multicolored effect when thrown on burning wood) contain heavy metal, which if swallowed may cause serious gastrointestinal problems and vomiting.

Get into the habit of checking the batteries on smoke detectors.

Print a list of emergency numbers like the poison control, police and fire departments and place them near each telephone in the home.

This will help you give your family the most important gift of the season — the gift of safety.

# Share the joy of gift giving with children

The holidays are an opportunity to gather with family, friends and loved ones and share special moments while creating memories that last a lifetime.

They represent a time to reflect upon the past, take joy in the present and renew hope for the future.

To some, the holidays mean gathering around the table for a festive feast, while to children, the holidays mean, well, what else — gifts!

This season, share the joy of gift giving with your child by providing the tools to make gifts for others.

Loved ones will appreciate that their gifts were made with them in mind, while children can take delight in knowing that they've accomplished a project of their own creation.

Most importantly, the steps and time

involved in making a gift for a loved one teaches a child that the best gifts of all — whether given or received — are those that come from the heart.

Following are some creative gift ideas to share with your child — they're sure to make any recipient proud.

- Coupon book — A child's homemade, self-illustrated book of coupons to be redeemed as household chores may be the perfect gift for mom or dad. For example, a child can design a coupon that's good towards one day of taking out the trash and another that's good towards cleaning up the living room.

- Homemade picture frame — There's nothing more touching than receiving a photograph from a child or grandchild.

Help a young one make the experience unique by providing the materials to make a homemade picture frame. Marbles, popsicle sticks and beads all are items that easily can be glued in decorative patterns onto a picture frame to create a personalized, one-of-a-kind gift.

- Drawings — Help a child create a masterpiece for grandma or grandpa by providing unique items which the child can use to create a collage. Scraps of fabric, yarn, buttons, cotton balls or any other household items can turn an ordinary crayon drawing into a three-dimensional work of art.

- Homemade cookies — Take a day to bake with your child. A young one can take pride in having baked his or her own gift batch of cookies, not to mention practicing measures and the importance of following

directions.

- Storybook — Have a child write and illustrate his or her own story. For a truly memorable gift, once the child has added the final artistic touches to the story, take the book to the local copy center where the pages can be bound inexpensively into a booklet, or even duplicated to share with other family members.

- Herb garden — An herb garden is an inexpensive, exciting gift for a child to give when he or she is the one who has planted the seeds. Show the child how much water and light the seeds require, and watch the child take pride in raising the seeds into edible herbs.

A word to the wise: In the event that something should go wrong, it wouldn't hurt to have a backup gift just in case!

# Brighten up holiday table with homemade candles

During Christmastime, the exterior of many homes are decorated in brilliantly colored lights, tinsel and animated figures.

However, you also can "make every corner" inside the home "beautiful with simple ideas that say Merry Christmas," says Barbara Milo Ohrbach, author of "Tabletops."

One of the easiest ways to brighten a table is with candles.

"Candlelight on the table at holiday time creates a festive mood," says Ohrbach.

Whether on your holiday table, or

as a gift for a loved one's home, making beautiful and unique candles is simple.

The following holiday candles make use of everyday, normal items, like cinnamon sticks, cranberries and ribbons, to turn simple candles into something special.

## Cinnamon Stick Wrap

- 3-inch cinnamon sticks
- 2-inch pillar candle
- Rubber band

Wired ribbon or natural raffia

1. Stand the cinnamon sticks next to one another halfway around the candle, and rubber band them tight-

ly into place.

2. Add the remaining cinnamon sticks, covering the rest of the candle.

3. Tightly tie wired ribbon or raffia around the middle and bow.

## Cranberry Star

- Bag of dried cranberries
- 12 inches of florist wire
- 18 inches of satin ribbon

1. Thread the cranberries onto the wire through their center, leaving 1 inch of wire at each end.

2. Twist both ends together securely, making a loop with the wire.



This Cinnamon Stick Wrap candle will create a festive mood when placed on any table this holiday season.

3. Sharply indent the wire five times to make a star pattern.

4. Tie a ribbon through the loop and onto a candlestick.

# Special holiday events

Parades, raffles and Santa make shopping locally fun

By Candy Parent  
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

*"You better watch out;  
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In addition to toys and games, Santa is bringing a variety of festive events and activities for all to enjoy. Don't miss them.

## Northville

• **Fantasy of Trees**, through Dec. 15. Visit the Northville Public Library and enter to win a professionally decorated Christmas tree.

• **Visit with Santa**, through Christmas. Santa is at the gazebo from 6-9 p.m. Fridays and noon to 3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays courtesy of the Northville Central Business Association and the Northville Rotary Club.

• **Holiday Treat**, Dec. 6. Children are invited to a special holiday concert from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Community Center on Main Street. Tickets are \$6 each. Call Northville Parks and Recreation at (248) 349-0203 ext. 1411 for more information.

• **Handcrafters Craft Show**, Dec. 13-15. Shop for unique, handmade items at the Northville Community Center on Main Street. Call (734) 459-0050 for more information.



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Continued on page 10 Each year, Northville District Library holds the Fantasy of Trees raffle.

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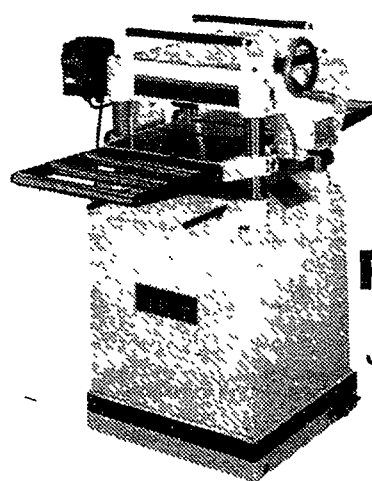
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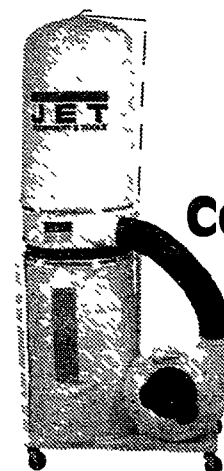
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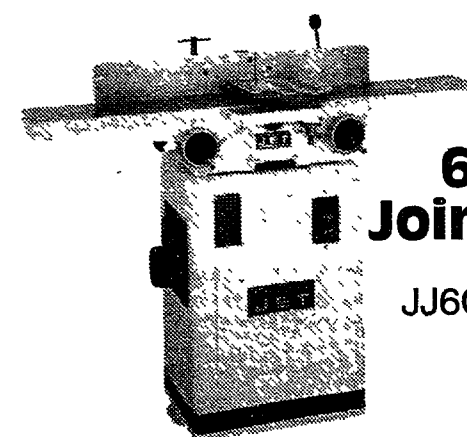
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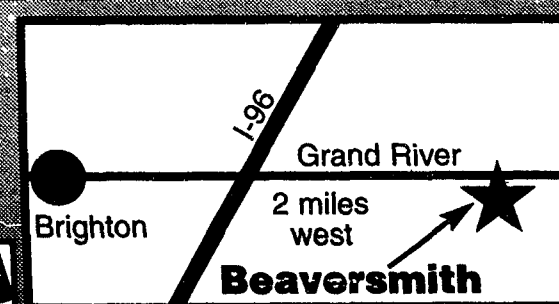
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# Special events provide entertainment for the entire family

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• **All Aglow Illumination for Education**, Dec. 13. The Mothers' Club of Northville will hold a tree illumination ceremony at 6 p.m. in the gazebo.

• **Candlelight Shopping**, Dec. 13. The Northville Central Business Association invites all to shop, dine and enjoy holiday entertainment from 6-11 p.m.

## Highland

• **Tree Lighting Ceremony**, Dec. 2.

The Highland Business Association's annual holiday event begins at 7 p.m. at Highland Firestation No. 1, located at the corner of Livingston Road and St. John Street.

The event includes a tree lighting ceremony, holiday sing-along led by local school choirs, and the arrival of Santa Claus on a fire truck.

Participants are asked to bring a canned good item for the Highland Goodfellows. There is no other charge for this program.

• **Red Box Food Drive**, through Dec. 13.

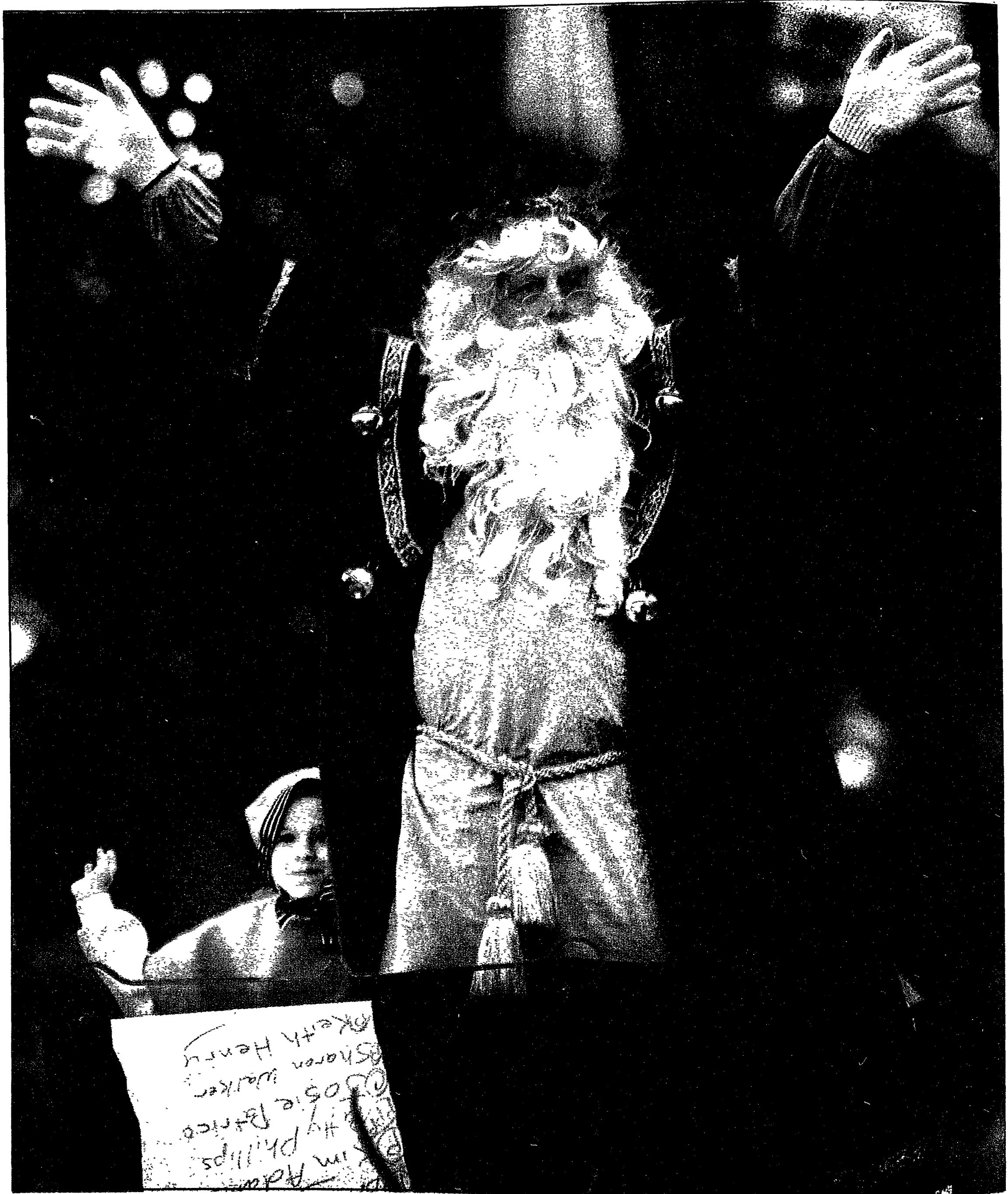
The Highland Business Association distributes red plastic boxes to its members to collect canned and non-perishable food items from employees and customers.

The red boxes are picked up by the Goodfellows (Highland fireman) who use the items to create holiday baskets. Last year, 125 baskets were delivered in time for Christmas.

## White Lake

• **Christmas party**, Dec. 7. The White Lake Township Business Association invites the public to its annual party from 1-4 p.m. at Independence Village, located at 935 Union Lake Road, White Lake.

Activities include a visit with Santa, holiday sing-along and light refreshments. There is no charge for the program.



Santa arrives for last year's parade in downtown Milford. This year's event is Saturday.

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## Santa Claus is coming to Novi

Rachel Murray seems to be having a jolly old time visiting with Santa Claus after Novi's Main Street Holiday Walk and Tree-Lighting ceremony last year. Kids young and old lined up inside Novi's Main Street shopping area to visit with the man from the North Pole.

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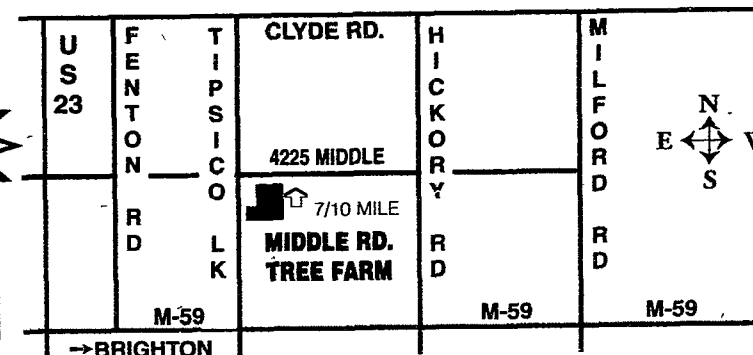
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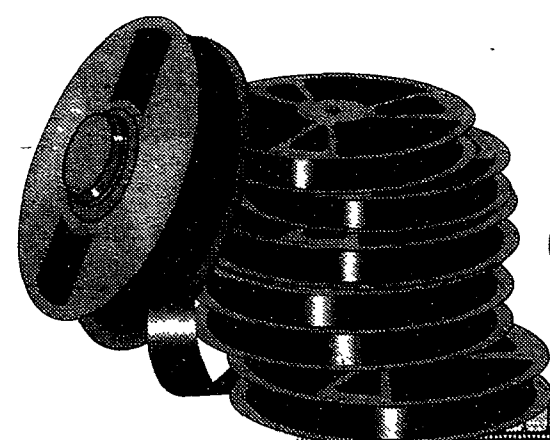
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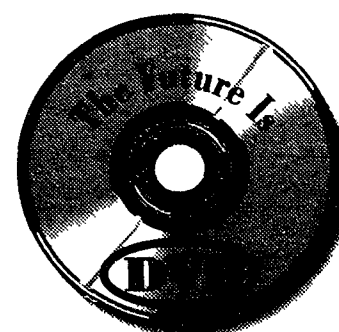
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# Don't forget the pets during this holiday season



Pat Curry, owner of Pet Stop in South Lyon, offers many gift ideas for pets and pet lovers.

By Candy Parent  
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**T**winkling lights, sparkling tinsel and elegant ornaments may be beautiful to look at, but they are dangerous for pets.

Brian Slater, president of Pet Supplies Plus in Howell, encourages owners to think of pets as children.

"Use common sense," he said. Just as one wouldn't leave children without supervision, pets should be watched when they play or eat.

Christmas trees create all sorts of temptations for dogs and cats.

"Cats love to climb in them and dogs love to drink out of the tree stand. Both of these things can knock a tree over," said Amy Otto, a volunteer with the Humane Society of Livingston County.

Pets need to be kept away from the tree when owners leave — even for a short period of time — and watched closely when they are home. The lights can burn a pet's nose, warns Slater, and they could choke on the ornament hooks. Of course, a dog or cat could also injure themselves on a glass ornament and the water in the tree stand could be toxic if fertilizers are added.

"Try putting the tree in a room that the animals don't go into much, or keep it closed off while you are not home," recommends Otto.

Otto also recommends wrapping cords securely and hanging glass and food ornaments, like candy canes or bread dough, up high in the tree.

Additionally, extra care should be taken when placing packages under the tree. Long ribbons should be hidden or left off so they don't attract kittens, said Otto. Any presents containing food will also attract pets who have more sensitive noses

than humans.

"Also, any stuffed animal could be bait for your pooch to go under the tree and get himself a new chew toy," warns Otto.

Pat Curry, co-owner of Pet Stop, located at Eight Mile and Pontiac Trail in South Lyon, adds that many plants used to decorate for the holidays, including poinsettias, holly, ivy and mistletoe, are toxic and should be kept away from pets.

Once the dangers of Christmas are addressed, however, it's time to celebrate Christmas with pets.

### Holiday treats for pets

"People spoil their pet at Christmas just like they would a child," said Slater. "Christmastime is the busiest time of the year for pets."

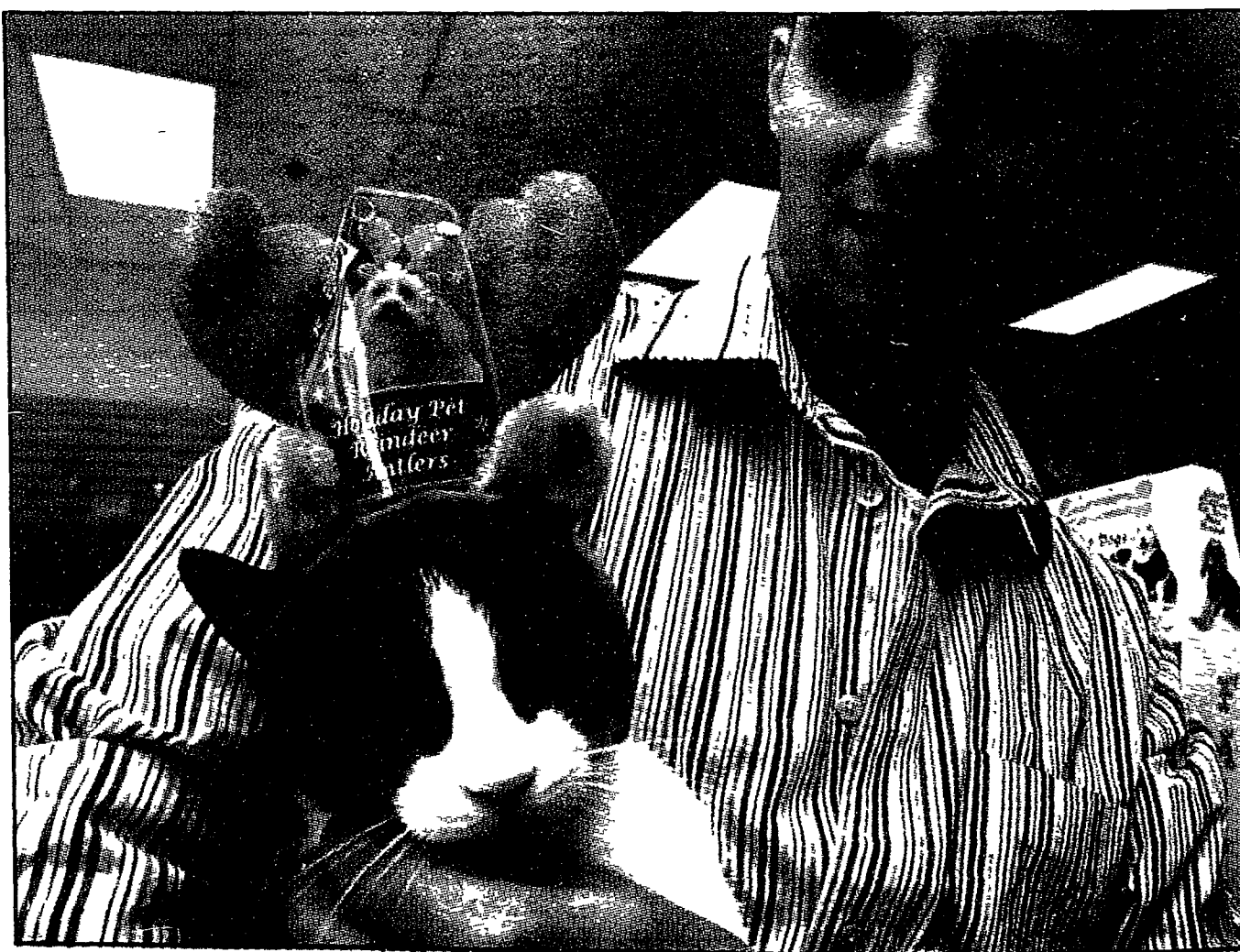
Pet Stop has a variety of toys, treats and pre-filled stocking ready for pets. The store even offers rope bones in Christmas colors.

Pet Supplies Plus in Genoa Township offers a variety of dog and cat toys, including the Yuppy Puppy Food Dispenser — a toy that dispenses treats. Dog antlers and jingle bells are available for those who wish to turn their dog into a rein-



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**Above, Ed, an African spur desert turtle, is ready for Christmas. Dressed in his festive wear, he walks around South Lyon's Pet Stop ready to assist customers. At right, Pet Stop employee Ryan Genson shows off his favorite cat, Bob, at Pet Stop with a pair of reindeer antlers.**



deer. And cats are sure to love a castle, tree or other climbing structure the store offers.

Otto reminds pet owners not to give dogs and cats leftovers, especially poultry bones.

"If you want something special for your four-legged friend's dinner, go to the pet store first and pick it up there," she said.

### Giving pets as gifts

And, when it's time to buy gifts for the pet lovers on your list, Pet Stop offers birds, fish and reptiles, but Curry doesn't recommend giving someone a pet as a gift.

"I don't recommend it unless the recipient is aware they're going to get it and they want it. To just sur-

prise someone with a pet is not a good plan," she said.

Parents should also keep in mind they will be the primary caregiver and make sure they're ready to accept the responsibility before purchasing a pet for their child, said Curry.

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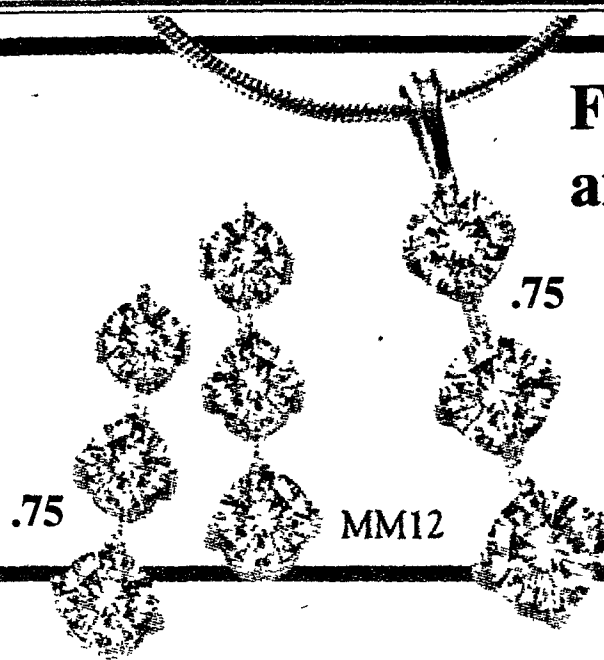
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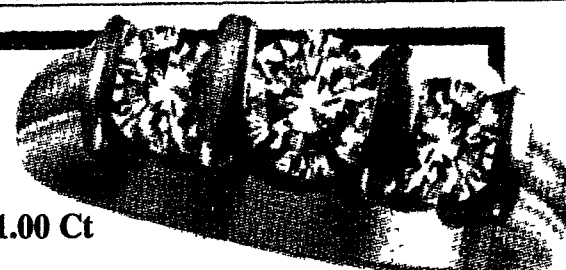
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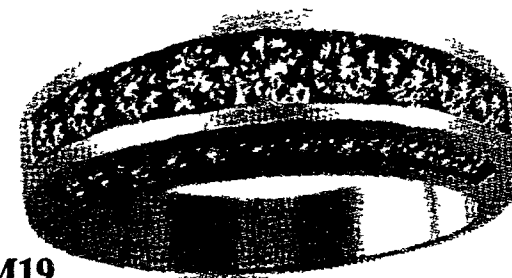


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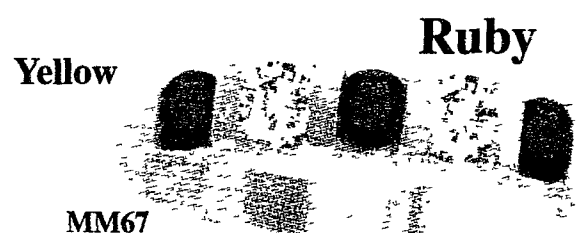
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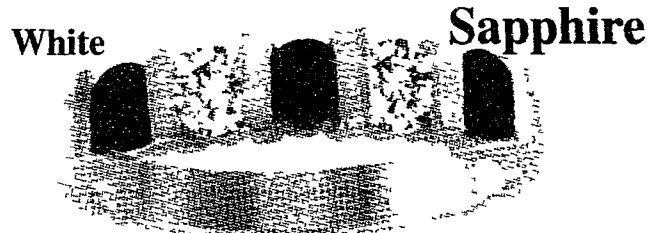
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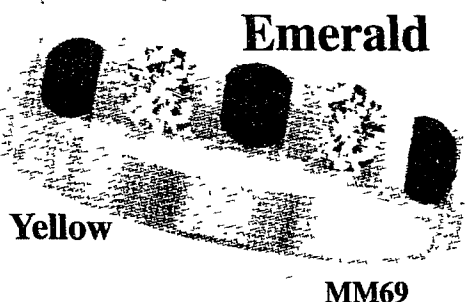


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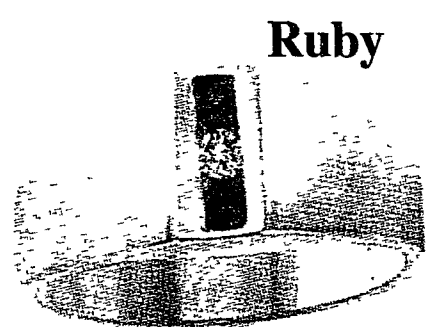
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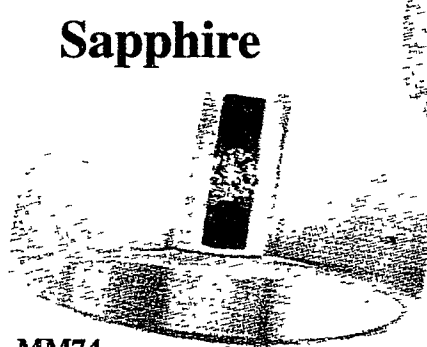
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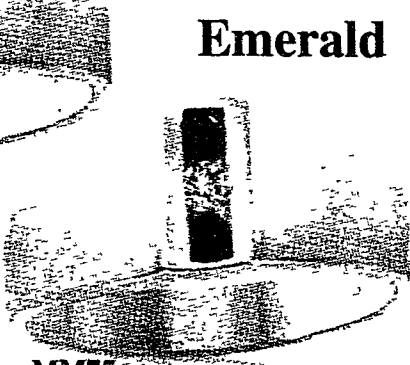
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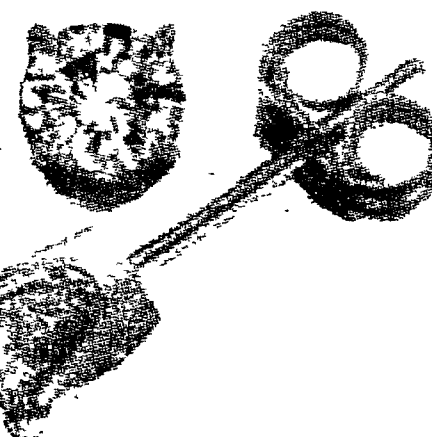
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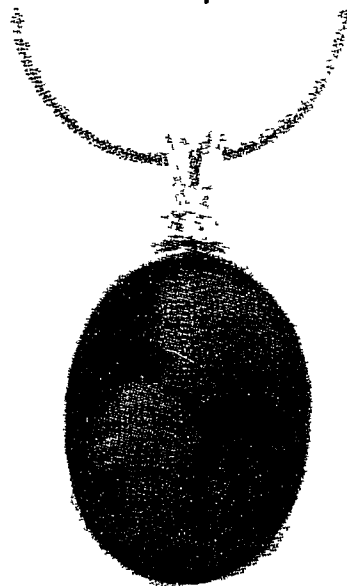
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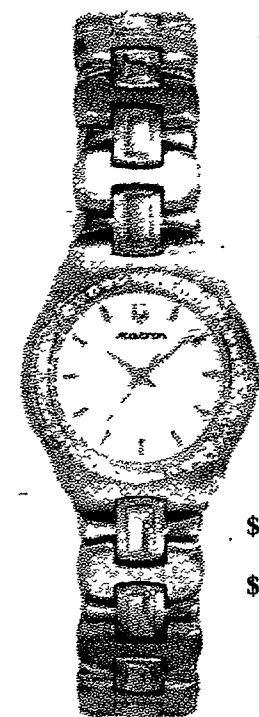
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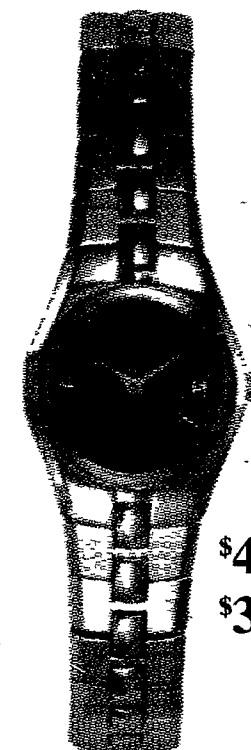
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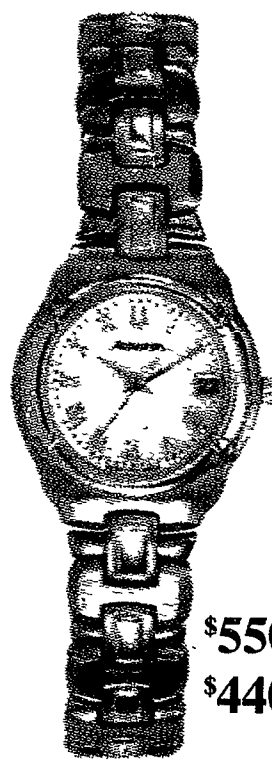
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Diane's Doll House in South Lyon offers both collectible dolls and the hottest toys for children and adults of all ages.

# These toys are sure to be a hit with kids

**By Hope Lash**  
SPECIAL WRITER

**G**roovy Girls, YuGiOh, LRC and Z might sound unfamiliar now, but they're hot items to include on any kid's wish list according to local toy store owners.

"YuGiOh collector cards are the hottest thing out there for boys," said Lou LaChance, owner of Ultimate Toys & Gifts in Northville.

YuGiOh cards, which LaChance described as an update to Pokemon cards, are available in starter decks and booster packs.

Groovy Girls, 12-inch soft dolls with trendy clothes, are "very, very popular with the girls," noted Diane Roest, owner of Diane's Doll House in South Lyon.

The reasonably priced dolls are available in all hair colors and styles with a large assortment of outfits to select from, as well as groovy accessories like a VW Bug car, motor scooter and bed.

Roest said that Madame Alexander, Ginny, Madeline, life-like baby dolls by Lee Middleton and "Get Real Girls" are also popular choices for a favorite niece or granddaughter at Christmastime.

"Of course, American Girl is the most popular," LaChance added.

"Z" cards will make great stocking stuffers for boys and girls. Five scenic "Z" cards come in a pack with pop out pieces and are packaged in themes like animals, airplanes and birds.

"They've been selling like hotcakes," LaChance said.

Other sure bets for quality children's gifts include classic wooden puzzles, Smithsonian science lab gifts for girls or boys older than 6 years old, and toy soldiers. Model trains, remote control planes, rocket kits and K'nex construction sets are always good choices for future Thomas Edisons and architects.

When in doubt, though, buy a game. At the Northville toy store, a great new family game called "LRC - Left, Right, Center" has been

*"I have a U-M and MSU chess game that's adorable."*

**-Diane Roest**

Owner of Diane's Doll House in South Lyon

hard to keep in stock.

"It's incredible," said LaChance about the new dice game with chips. "We sell four or five dozen per month."

In South Lyon, Roest stocks many board games with a regional twist.

"I have a U-M and MSU chess game that's adorable," she said.

Corvette, NHL, Wizard of OZ, NASCAR, Elvis and Scooby Doo are just some of the Monopoly games titles available with a specific focus.

## SHOPPING FOR TOYS

■ **Diane's Doll House**  
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# Pets don't always make the perfect Christmas present

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Curry recommends fish, certain lizards and small birds for first-time pets for children, as long as they are supervised while playing with the pet.

If parents decide to adopt a

dog or cat as a gift, Otto recommends placing a stuffed animal under the tree and taking the child to the shelter to adopt the pet after the holidays.

Parents might even include an interactive CD book such as "Tricks and Tips for Dog

Training," available at Pet Stop.

"People should be aware that the holidays are a stressful time for people and animals and it's not always a good idea to throw a young animal into that situation," Otto said.



## Stock the sock . . .

Let your imagination run wild with any number of wonderful ideas for holiday stockings. A Christmas tradition, stockings can be used for any of the winter holidays including Chanukah and Kwanzaa. Wrap one up in pretty tissue paper and give as a house-warming gift or home for a child's favorite doll or stuffed animal. Revive an old sweater by making a stocking from its prettiest parts. Stockings made from cardigans (center and right) need no embellishment. Their collars are the stockings' cuffs, their buttons the decorations. The chest pocket of a pullover becomes a handy holder for candy on a ribbed-sweater stocking (left).

## Get trapped in a spider's web

Each Christmas morning children bound down the steps, anxious to see what wonderful gifts Santa has left for them.

Oftentimes, family members take turns being "Santa." Santa calls out the name of the person to whom

the present belongs, and each person in the family gets a chance to be Santa until all of the gifts are distributed.

This year, take a different approach to handing out Christmas goodies — one that has existed since the late 1800s.

The December 1876 issue of St. Nicholas magazine

included a story that described the distribution of gifts via a spider's web.

Bright ribbons hang from a chandelier, each attached at its far end to a wrapped package.

Each recipient must find the ribbon with their name on it, and follow it to their gift.

## Book giving takes research

Giving books as gifts is always a good idea, but it's not always easy to know what to look for.

Before you go shopping, be sure to take a few minutes to verify the recipient's tastes.

For example, you may both share an

interest in American history, but your interests may diverge in time periods.

It's also a good idea to check how much your intended likes a particular topic.

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# Santa science

So many kids, so little time, how does he do it?

By Scott Hilyard  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

The question is inevitable. Sooner or later your child will ask — and you're hoping, for lots of obvious reasons, that it comes more early grade-school age than late college — the following question:

"How can Santa Claus make and give presents to every child in the world using only elves, flying reindeer and his sleigh?"

As a parent you have two options. Two possible answers. Two avenues of response.

Here's the first one:

(Many of the facts and calculations appeared years ago in a newsletter published by the National Association of Scholars in a form found, usually without attribution, all over the Internet. We trust the World Wide Web data is accurate, which, we know, is a little like trusting that a certain species of wingless, fur-bearing and potentially, if rarely, red-nosed reindeer can fly.)

There are 2 billion children age 17 and younger in the world, but only a small percentage actually receives gifts from Santa. Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist and Jewish families don't celebrate Christmas and thus have established other traditions by which to impart youthful necessities — such as Tickle Me Elmo and Xbox — on their children.

"That reduces the workload to 15 percent of the total, or 379 million, according to the Population Reference Bureau," the newsletter reads. "At an average (worldwide) census rate of 3.5 children per household, that's 108 million homes."

Now we're working with hard data.

Racing ahead of the approaching dawn by moving in the opposite direction of the rising sun, Santa has 31 hours to make his deliveries. Global time zones and the Earth's rotation give him a longer-than-24-hour Christmas Day. Adrenaline, bottomless lattes and a sugar cookie buzz give him the ability to stay awake throughout the trip.

Do the math: Santa has to make 967.7 visits per second.

Next comes Santa's second-biggest problem, keeping up the pace on a trip that takes him not just around the world, but to every continent, every country, every city, every dinky little town and remote area on the planet.

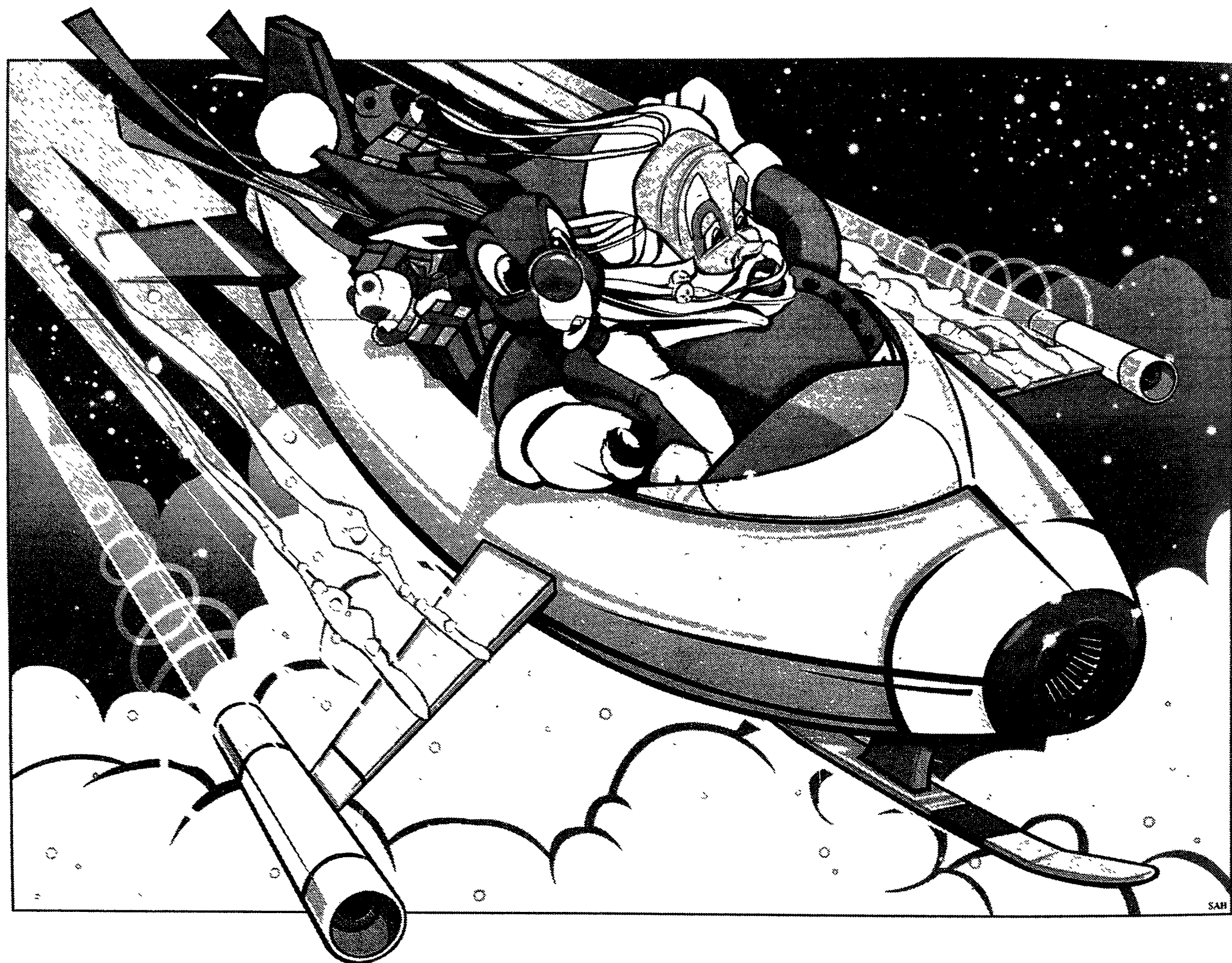


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**When children do the math, many discover that Santa's worldwide delivery schedule just doesn't add up.**

The scholar association newsletter, using an assumption of .78 miles between households (Santa still has to cross oceans and mountain ranges, which up the average distance between stops) calculated the total distance of his trip — from North Pole back to North Pole — at 75.5 million miles. To accomplish that distance in 31 hours means his sleigh must travel at 650 miles a second, or 3,000 times the speed of sound.

"For purposes of comparison, the fastest man-made vehicle, the Ulysses space probe, moves at a pokey 27.4 miles a second," according to the newsletter.

The space shuttle completes one orbital swoop around the globe every 90 minutes, a fact that seems to open the door to the possibility of Santa's daunting task. The whole world? Ninety minutes? And Santa has 31 hours? Hmm ...

"It's the starting and stopping, the braking and accelerating that are going to be Santa's problems," said Sheldon Schaefer, the director of science at Lakeview Museum in Peoria, Ill.

That and Einstein's theory of relativity.

"Say Santa traveled at speeds approaching

the speed of light (186,282 miles per second)," postulated Schaefer. "At that speed, time for the traveler (Santa) stands still while everyone else ages at a normal rate. Santa would return unchanged to find Earth had aged 500 years."

That's a problem. So is what it would take for Santa's reindeer to pull a sleigh loaded down with gifts at a rate of 186,282 miles per second. "It would take an infinite amount of energy," Schaefer said.

The sleigh's cargo adds another "interesting element," according to the newsletter.

"Assuming (3 pounds of gifts per child) the sleigh is carrying more than 500,000 tons," the newsletter says.

If Santa's reindeer could pull 10 times their normal amount it would take not eight or nine Donner and Blitzen, et al., but 360,000 reindeer increasing the weight of the sleigh to an unwieldy 600,000 tons. By comparison, that's seven times the weight of the Queen Elizabeth ocean liner.

Which can only mean one thing: Santa's reindeer are not just freakishly aerodynamic, they're real strong, too.

Finally, Santa must have found a way to mitigate the problem of air resistance.

According to the newsletter, "600,000 tons traveling at 650 miles per second creates enormous air resistance. This will heat the reindeer up in the same fashion as spacecraft reentering the Earth's atmosphere. The lead pair of reindeer will absorb 14.3 quintillion joules of energy, per second, each."

That would, under normally applied laws of physics, cause the reindeer to burst "instantaneously into flame, exposing the reindeer behind them, and create deafening sonic booms in their wake. Santa, meanwhile, will be subjected to centrifugal forces 17,500.06 times greater than gravity, and would be pinned to the back of his sleigh by 4,315,015 pounds of force."

That's the scientific explanation of the potential problems Santa must overcome to accomplish his yearly trip.

Here's the second way to answer the "How can Santa Claus ..." question:

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# Good book perfect gift for reader on list

"All good books are alike in that they are truer than if they had really happened and after you are finished reading one you will feel that all that happened to you and afterwards it all belongs to you: the good and the bad, the ecstasy, the remorse and sorrow, the people and the places and how the weather was. If you can get so that you can give that to people, then you are a writer."

— Ernest Hemingway  
author

By Candy Parent  
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Ernest Hemingway knew what was required to so captivate a reader that they ignored all obligations and became one with a book.

Although thousands of books are written and published each year, few of them command the undivided attention of the reader. These can't-put-it-down, forget-to-eat,

won't-go-to-sleep books are good for more than just rainy days or quiet, no-television evenings: They also make great holiday gifts.

Of course, separating the incredible from the so-so is not an easy task.

Fortunately, the experts are here to help.

## Books for men

Todd and Jane Gyulveszi, owners of

Little Professor Book Center of Brighton, recommend the following selections for men:

- "Tales From Michigan Stadium," by Jim Brandstatter. Brandstatter offers numerous short stories heard through the years at the University of Michigan's stadium.



- "Kill It and Grill It — A Guide to Preparing and Cooking Wild Game and Fish," by Ted and Shemane Nugent. This book includes hunting recipes, anecdotes and tips for cleaning and cooking wild game.

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# Time to play

## Men are never too old for toys during the holidays

By Linda Neff  
SPECIAL WRITER

**B**e honest — shopping for the man in your life is not always fun.

They often have hobbies that are of little or no interest to their spouse or children who are therefore left out in the cold, literally, when it comes to buying their Christmas gift.

Some men while away their free time playing games or doing "research" on their computers.

Others may spend their time outdoors boating, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling or traveling.

And unless they're the type to drop an abundance of hints, you may have no idea just what it is that would really make their day come Christmas morning.

Gabe Kish, who owns the Gun Barn in Highland, started a wish list a few years back that his customers find useful just for that reason.

"The guys come in and put their name in the wish book and what they want," he said. "The wives come in and look to see what's in the wish book."

But if your guy didn't make his wishes known in the wish book, the Gun Barn still offers loads of guns, knives and accessories for the sports person in your life.

Kish said he carries pretty much anything that's sport-related and that includes some archery and some fishing.

The Gun Barn has more than 500 knives to choose from and about 4,500 guns.

"And with 4,500 guns, you pretty much have a choice of any kind you want," he said.

Gun prices start at about \$59 and can go as high as \$3,000. But, there are plenty of items like scopes, slings, gun cases, pocket knives, magazines, cleaning kits available for less than \$30.

"It's not all high-end," Kish said.

And if you're still not sure, there's always the gift certificate that seems to be real popular.

Now, if your guy likes his power tools, check out the local hardware stores and home improvement centers for items like drills, saws and wrenches.

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Prices range from \$599 and up.

And what about a new Weber barbecue grill? Grebeck said it's a real popular seller for him at Christmas time.

"There are some people who just won't buy themselves something nice like that," he said.

Peter's True Value carries the traditional charcoal as well as a full line of gas grills.

But, if you're looking for a different kind of guy toy, check out the displays at New Hudson Power in New Hudson. Rick Cavora said he sells big trains, the G-scale.

So, do guys really like their trains?

"Yes, you'd be surprised," Cavora said. "And I got a bunch of gals too. They put them out in their garden. They can go indoors or outdoors."

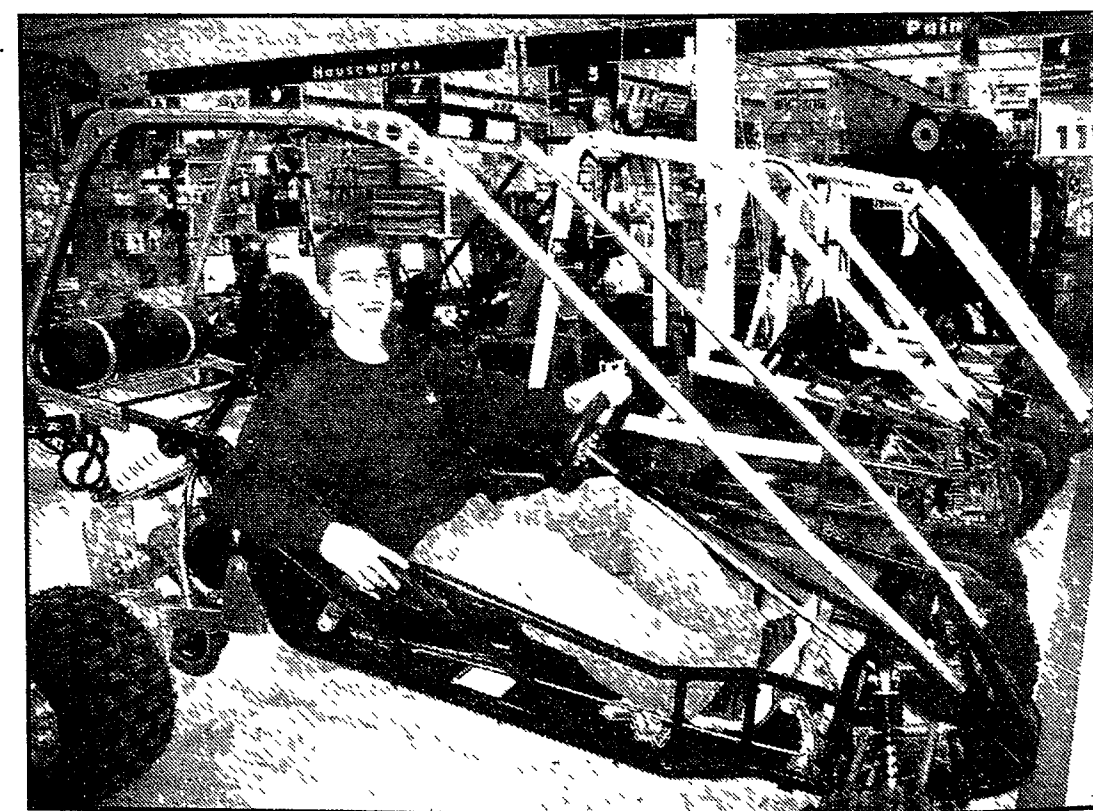
The track is brass and the trains are all water proof and have a plastic body that won't fade in the sunlight. The most inexpensive train set starts at about \$140 and the next one up from that is \$160, which seems to be the most popular seller.

Cavora said accessory items are a big seller too, including Christmas add-on cars such as a gondola, caboose or box car. Then there are items like little people and extra track and specialty cars that play birthday or Christmas music.

There's also a toy train series that



Above, trains can bring out the little boy in any man. G-scale trains available at New Hudson Power are no exception. Owner Rick Cavora has several sizes on display. At right, Bryan Charlick sits in one of the many go-carts offered at Peter's True Value Hardware in Highland.



Photos by LINDA NEFF

kids can get involved in.

Cavora said most of trains and accessories he carries are LGB, along with some USA and some Aristo. But, he said, LGB is made in Germany and is a very high-quality product.

New Hudson Power also carries items for that special man in your life, including lawnmowers, garden tractors, zero turn mowers, generators, string trimmers and chain saws.

"My customers tell me I sell 'big boy toys,'" Cavora said.

But for those who enjoy looking their best while at the office or spending a night on the town, a gift of men's jewelry or accessory item may be in line.

Most men like the look and feel of a stylish gold bracelet or neck chain,

but it is something they normally would not purchase for themselves.

A popular length for the chains tends to be 18-20 inches, said Bob Kwalton at Kolt Jewelers in Howell.

Kolt Jewelers carries a good selection of merchandise geared toward the male species, including rings, pen and pencil desk sets, an extensive line of watches as well as pocket watches, money clips, key

rings, desk clocks and tie tacks.

"We can also make tie tacks," Kwalton said.

Kolt Jewelers stocks a large selection of charms that can be made into specialized tie tacks that highlight the person's hobby or interest.

Wrist watches are always appreciated and Kolt carries a nice selection of those as well as pocket watches.

Prices start at about \$100.

# Pick up these books to entertain everyone during the holidays

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• "Red Rabbit," by Tom Clancy. Clancey's newest thriller explores the story behind the attempted assassination of Pope John II in 1981.

• "John Adams," by David McCullough. This biography explores both the heroic acts of Adams and his relationship with Thomas Jefferson.

• "Why is the Stanley Cup in Mario LeMiux's Swimming Pool? How Winners Celebrate with the World's Most Famous Cup," by Kevin Allen. Allen tells what really happens after the celebration ends.

## Books for children

Mary Ellen Ahmad, owner of Aria Booksellers in downtown Howell, compiled this list of must-have books for children:

• "Dear Mrs. LaRue," by Mark Teague. "This lovable story about Ike, who just can't accept obedience school, will tickle dog lovers, Teague lovers, and humor lovers alike," said Ahmad. It's recommended for children from pre-

school to third-grade.

• "The Three Questions," by Jon J. Muth. Muth takes children on an adventure to determine when the best time is to do things, who is most important and what is the right thing to do. Recommend for ages 4-8.

• "Coraline," by Neil Gaiman and Dave McKean. Coraline travels through a mysterious door where she must save herself, her parents and the souls of others. Recommended for children over 10.

• "Saffy's Angel," by Hilary McKay. Saffron, 13, learns she is adopted and travels to Italy to find her past. Recommended for ages 9-12.

• "Fair Weather," by Richard Peck. Peck, a Newbery winner, tells of the Becketts and their humorous adventures in Chicago in 1893. Recommended for students in grades 4-7.

• "The Christmas Humbugs," by Colleen Monroe, illustrated by Michael Glenn Monroe. Brighton's author and illustrator couple make sure the Humbugs

don't dampen Christmas cheer. Recommended for ages 4-8.

• "The Twelve Days of Christmas," and "The Night Before Christmas," gift pack by Robert Sabuda. Sabuda, from Pinckney, takes children of all ages on another fantastic pop-up adventure.

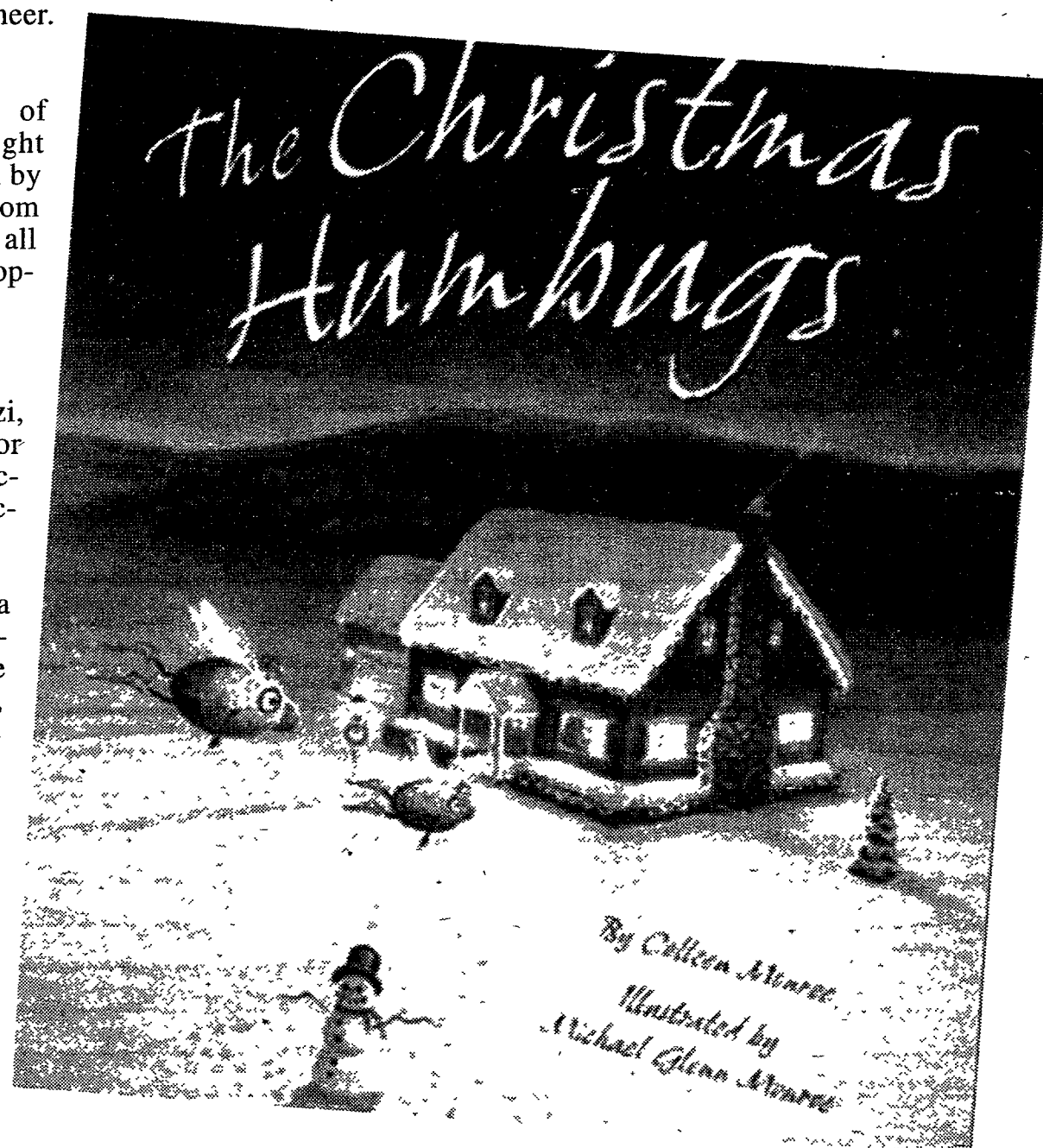
## Books for women

Todd and Jane Gyulveszi, owners of Little Professor Book Center of Brighton, recommend the following selections for the ladies:

• "The Red Tent," by Anita Diamant. This historical fiction novel examines the life of Jacob's daughter Dinah, mentioned briefly in the Bible.

• "The Lovely Bones," by Alice Sebold. This novel follows the existence of Susie Salmon, 14, as she watches over her grieving family and follows the investigation after she is raped and murdered.

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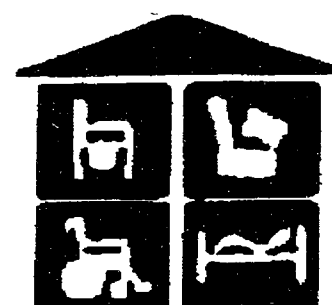
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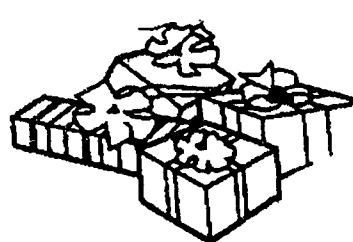
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As the legend evolved, so did Santa's wardrobe, eventually to a more stylish red suit.

# Don't miss these recommended books

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• "Standing in the Rainbow," by Fannie Flagg.

This 1940s novel is by the author of "Fried Green Tomatoes."

• "Quentins," by Maeve Binchy.

Binchy readers will find mention of characters from her previous novels in this modern-day fiction book.

• "Milk Glass Moon: A Big

Stone Gap Novel," by Adriana Trigiani.

The third book in the fiction series continues the story of Ave Maria Mulligan MacChesney in the small town in southwest Virginia.

• "Hard Eight," by Janet Evanovich.

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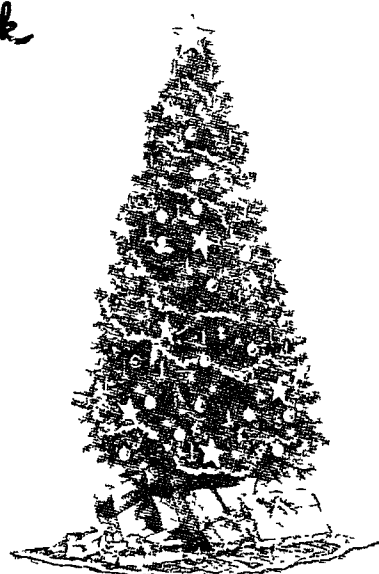


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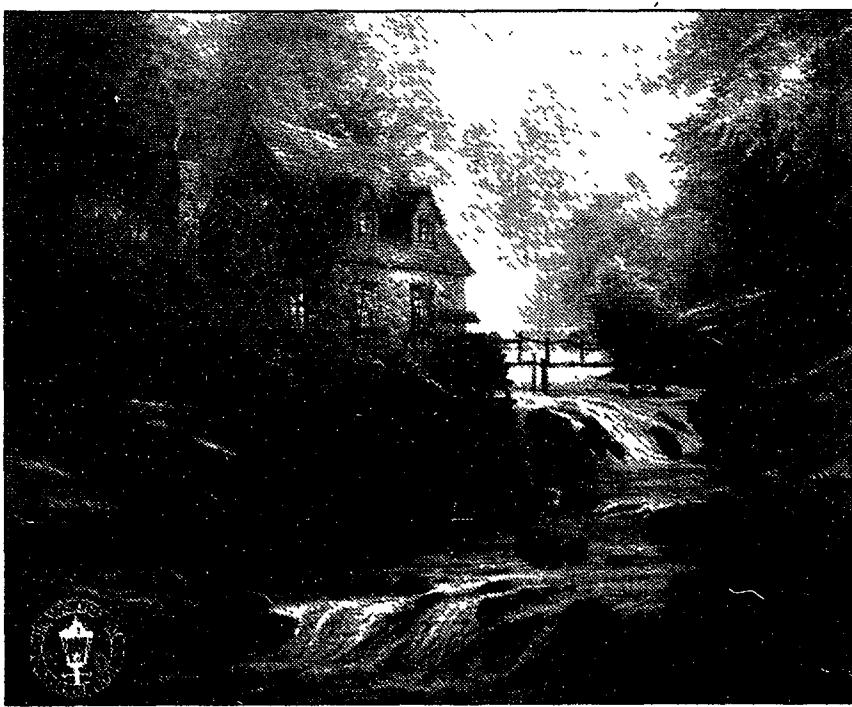
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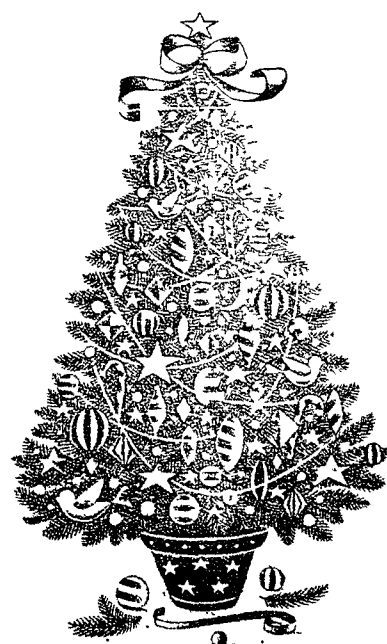
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# Holiday stress

## Follow these tips to keep holidays cheerful and reduce stress

By R.J. Ignelzi  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

**T**he holidays are supposed to be a time of family, friends, fun and festivities. Unfortunately, for a lot of us, the hectic month between Thanksgiving and New Year's ends up a blur of family, friends, fighting and frustration.

"During the holidays there's a lot going on for people. Often, too much going on," says communications expert Barbara Pachter, author of "The Power of Positive Confrontation." "There's more to do. More people to see. More money to spend. More to eat. More to drink. And, all of this can contribute to stress and conflict."

While this can be the season for dwindling patience and rising tempers, it doesn't have to be.

"Before the holiday craziness begins, you have to decide to do something about the things you can influence and just accept the things you can't," Pachter says.

"So you have to listen to Aunt Mary's story about her childhood year after year. So what?" Pachter says. "It's only once a year. Just put up with it."

However, tolerating Uncle Harry's drunken, rowdy behavior at every holiday dinner is another story.

"You can help do something about that. You and your family shouldn't have to make that part of the family tradition," she says.

Pachter offers her list of the top 10 causes of conflict during the holidays and how to make them a little less stressful.

### 1. Holiday meal moochers

One of the biggest complaints involves family members who don't do their fair share. They don't offer to host the dinner, they don't bring anything to the meal, and they never offer to help clean up.

"You need to be honest and upfront on this," Pachter says. "If you want help, confront Sister Sue and just say, 'I'd like you to bring the dessert this year.'"

If someone continues not to do his or her part, etiquette and protocol consultant Catherine Albertini suggests having the meal at a restaurant and everyone split the bill.

"That way nobody gets stuck with all the work," she says.

### 2. Not sharing family time

With divorce, remarriage and families scattered across the country, sharing holidays with family members can be a difficult juggling act.

Sometimes it may mean devising a fair rotation schedule and sticking to it.

"In the case of divorce, maybe the kids can spend Christmas Eve with one parent

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author of "The Power of Positive Confrontation"

and Christmas Day with the other," Pachter says. "Come up with your own system and try to avoid conflict by putting the children in the middle."

It's also important to be inclusive of others. Remember those family members and friends who are alone or old.

"Try to be thoughtful and make time for them out of respect," Albertini says.

### 3. Drinking too much alcohol

From spiked eggnog to rum punch, it's easy for cups to overflow with holiday cheer. Drinking too much liquor can cause some people to say and do things that cause problems for themselves and others.

Pachter suggests trying to be responsible for your own behavior.

"If people set a drink limit for themselves before they walk into the event, they can usually avoid a problem," Pachter says. "However, if you don't have a limit, it's easy to just keep on drinking because after the second or third drink, who cares?"

Albertini suggests that the host or hostess take responsibility for the alcohol supplied at holiday gatherings.

"Take control of serving the liquor and limit the amount of alcohol you serve in your home. Don't have an overabundant supply available," she says. "The guests should have to go to the host to get a drink."

Having lots of nonalcoholic beverages on hand, serving only wine instead of hard liquor and eating early are other ways to cut back on alcohol consumption.

### 4. Ignoring RSVPs

Failing to respond to RSVPs and then showing up or saying that you will attend and then not showing up can cause major problems for a host this time of year.

"The host is trying to plan the party. Not to notify them you are coming or not coming is just very rude," Albertini says.

### 5. Gift-giving faux pas

Gifts are supposed to make people feel good, but at this time of year, gift-giving can be the source of a lot of holiday stress.

People who give inappropriate gifts to

others, such as items that are too personal for co-workers, can cause conflicts. People who agree to not exchange gifts, and then show up with one can embarrass others. People who have different expectations of the appropriate amount to spend for a gift can cause frustration.

One solution is to give something that you've made — your perfect pecan pie or a piece of needlework. Or, offer a gift-in-kind, such as seven nights of baby-sitting or two weeks of walking the dog.

And, as for the dilemma of receiving a gift without having one to give, Pachter says, "Don't be embarrassed. Simply say 'thank you' and accept it. And, don't feel like you have to run out and buy them something."

### 6. Not saying "thank you"

Receiving gifts and not saying "thank you" or not sending thank-you notes is just bad manners, Pachter says.

While a verbal "thank you" is OK when the gift is presented, it's better when followed up with a written note.

"A hand-written personal thank-you note goes so far," Albertini says.

And, forget the e-mail thank-yours.

"E-mail thank-yours are just not appropriate. The person who gave you the gift took the time to shop, buy and wrap it. It's so simple for the recipient to send a nice thank-you card," she says.

If you send a gift and don't receive a thank-you note, Albertini says it's fair to call in a couple of months and ask if they received the gift.

"Tell them you were worried it was lost in the mail, and just wanted to make sure they received it," she says. "This should sufficiently embarrass the recipient."

### 7. Holiday slackers

Co-workers who take three-hour lunches to finish holiday shopping or who call in sick to avoid working the holiday only make the holidays more stressful for their colleagues.

"More than any time of the year, it's important for everyone to do their fair share to avoid creating more work for others," Pachter says.

### 8. Scrooges

Every year, there's always one. The person who refuses to get into the holiday spirit, and complains about how much he dislikes the holidays.

"A Scrooge causes frustration and stress for everyone around," Pachter says.

You can try to ignore the more subdued Scrooges. However, you may need to tell the more vocal ones to leave the party or keep their comments to themselves.

"It's rude to sit there and complain and ruin other people's good time," Pachter says.

She suggests people make an effort to take part in some festivities. Attend the neighborhood or office party. Participate in group gifts. Wish people happy holidays.

"You may end up having a good time, despite yourself," she says.

### 9. Rude shoppers

Shopping during the holidays is a whole new consumer game. People are rushed, surrounded by crowds and tempers can flare. Impatient shoppers who take their frustrations out on salespeople and other shoppers can take the joy out of the season if you let them.

Before you "lose it" with the pushy woman next to you at the perfume counter, Pachter says to stop and ask yourself, "Is this really worth getting upset about?" Or, "Does this person really mean to be a jerk or is she just really stressed out, too?"

One of the best ways to not get stressed out and grumpy while holiday shopping is to plan your outings, Albertini says.

She suggests scheduling your shopping trips at times when stores are least busy — weekday midmorning or midafternoon instead of evenings and weekends.

Make a list of what you're buying for whom.

Try to narrow your gift shopping to just two stores instead of running all over town.

"Although it takes a lot of self-discipline, take a deep breath and try to be patient," Albertini says. "And if it doesn't work and you just get too overwhelmed, take a break and come back to it later."

### 10. Forgetting what really matters

With stores putting up holiday decorations before Halloween and television commercials endlessly promoting the latest gift gizmos, it's easy to take a materialistic view of the holidays.

"Losing the true meaning of the holidays ends up making people depressed, stressed out and irritable," Pachter says. "People who focus on giving to others, being with family, and doing nice things for other people are the ones who enjoy the holidays with the least amount of conflict."

# Glory Days

## Ways to celebrate season religiously

By **Sandi Dolbee**  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

**T**his time of year brings a smorgasbord of holidays overlapping in a rich buffet of light and miracles, enlightenment and spiritual discipline.

Depending upon your tradition, you'll burn yule logs, fast during daylight, light candles after sundown or sing carols about a baby and a manger.

Is this intersection coincidence? In some respects, yes. On the other hand, there are those who contend that setting Christmas around the festival of yule and the winter solstice was on purpose.

History tells us that it was in the fourth century that Pope Julius I fixed Dec. 25 for the celebration of Christ's birth (the Bible doesn't give an exact date for his birth). As one resource put it: "There is little doubt that he was trying to make it as painless as possible for pagan Romans (who remained a majority at that time) to convert to Christianity."

With the help of reference books, Internet sites and other sources, we have compiled a guide to this season of holidays and holy days. Oh, and this isn't all of them. But it should give you a pretty good idea of just how diverse our community is.

### Ramadan: Nov. 6-Dec. 5

The ninth — and holiest — month in the Muslim year began Nov. 6 (the date shifts each year, depending upon a lunar calendar).

During Ramadan, Muslims abstain from food, drink, smoking and other sensual pleasures from dawn to sunset as a way of learning discipline, self-restraint and generosity. Fasting is one of the five main tenets, called pillars, of Islam. Each evening of Ramadan, the daily fast is broken with traditional foods, celebration and prayer. Children, the elderly and pregnant women are among those who are exempt from fasting.

It was during Ramadan that Muslims believe the first revelations of the Koran were revealed to Mohammed. The end of Ramadan is marked by one of Islam's major festivals, called Eid al-Fitr, which this year will arrive about Dec. 5 (depending upon the sighting of the new moon).

### Bodhi Day: Dec. 8

The Buddha is said to have reached enlightenment under a bodhi tree. He sat there for days, and as he did, he came to realize what would later become the founding principles of Buddhism. The anniversary of his attaining Buddhahood is called Bodhi Day and is celebrated by some (though not all) traditions of Buddhism on Dec. 8.

### Hanukkah: Nov. 30-Dec. 7

The eight-day Jewish festival of lights commemorates the victory of the Maccabees, Jewish warriors who overthrew their oppressors in about 165 B.C. When they won the battle, the victors also reclaimed their Temple in Jerusalem. But, as the story goes, there was a problem — the Temple lamp only had enough oil to burn for one day. Miraculously, the lamp burned for the eight days of celebra-

tion and rededication.

Each night of Hanukkah, a candle is lit on a special candelabrum, or menorah, with nine candles — one for each night of the holiday and a servant candle, called the shamash, to light the others. Latkes and other foods cooked in oil are eaten, gifts exchanged, dreidels (tops) are spun, songs are sung and the story is recounted. The Jewish calendar is based on a lunar calendar, which means holidays shift in relation to the Gregorian calendar. Hanukkah often falls sometime during December; this year, it begins at sundown Nov. 30 and ends at sundown Dec. 7.

### Yule: Dec. 21

The pagan holiday of Yule celebrates the rebirth of the sun. Also known as the Winter Solstice, this is how Robyn Roche Paull of San Diego describes her family's observance: "We wake up on the Solstice morning before the sun rises and wait outside for the sunrise. We give a blessing that the sun has indeed risen again this day. Then we go inside and open our presents and have a big breakfast." The rest of the day is spent enjoying family time, capped off with a big dinner and the Solstice ritual "of lighting the yule log and praying to our deities for continued happiness, well-being and blessings."

### Christmas: Dec. 25

When it comes to American holidays, this one takes the award for the most mixing of the sacred and the secular. There are jingle bells, reindeer and Santa Claus, along with the religious symbols of the Nativity, the star in the east and the shepherds watching over their flock.

Christmas is Christianity's celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ, its Messiah. The holiday is marked with the giving of gifts (an imitation of the Magi's bringing of gifts to the Christ child), the singing of carols, children's pageants that retell the birth stories in the Gospels and special church services. It's an important time for Christians, but it's not the holiest day of their year. That honor belongs to Easter. On the Western calendar, Christmas is Dec. 25 (some Eastern Orthodox traditions celebrate Jan. 7). As for "the 12 days of Christmas," they run from Christmas Day to Epiphany on Jan. 6. Advent, a four-Sunday season to prepare for the coming of Christmas, begins Dec. 1.

### Kwanzaa: Dec. 26-Jan. 1

This African-American holiday was created in 1966 by Maulana Karenga, a professor at California State University Long Beach, as "a cultural message which speaks to the best of what it means to be African and human in the fullest sense."

Kwanzaa is a blend of culture, heritage and faith. Lasting for seven days, beginning the day after Christmas, a candle is lit each night to symbolize one of seven principles: unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity and faith.

It's a joyous time, which includes gift-giving and home decorations.

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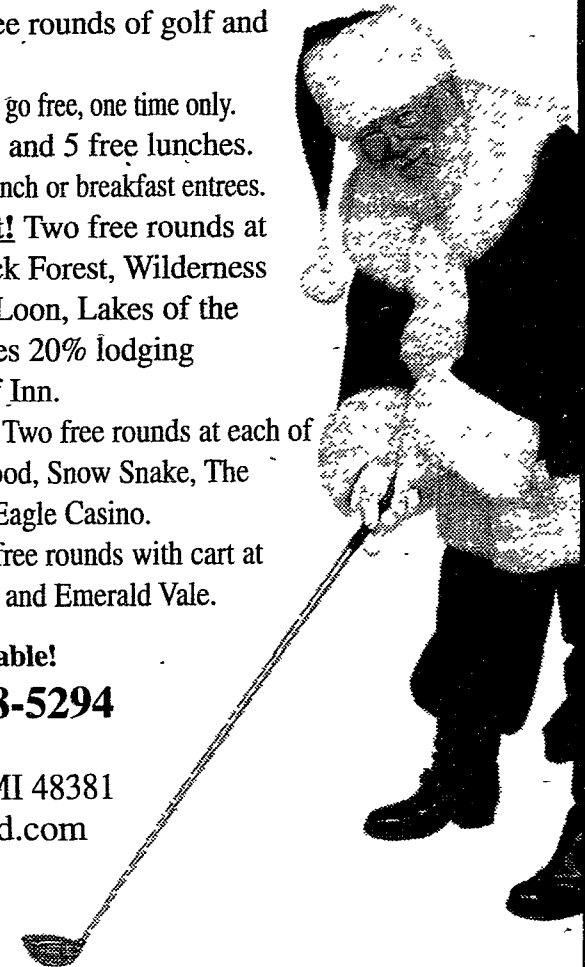
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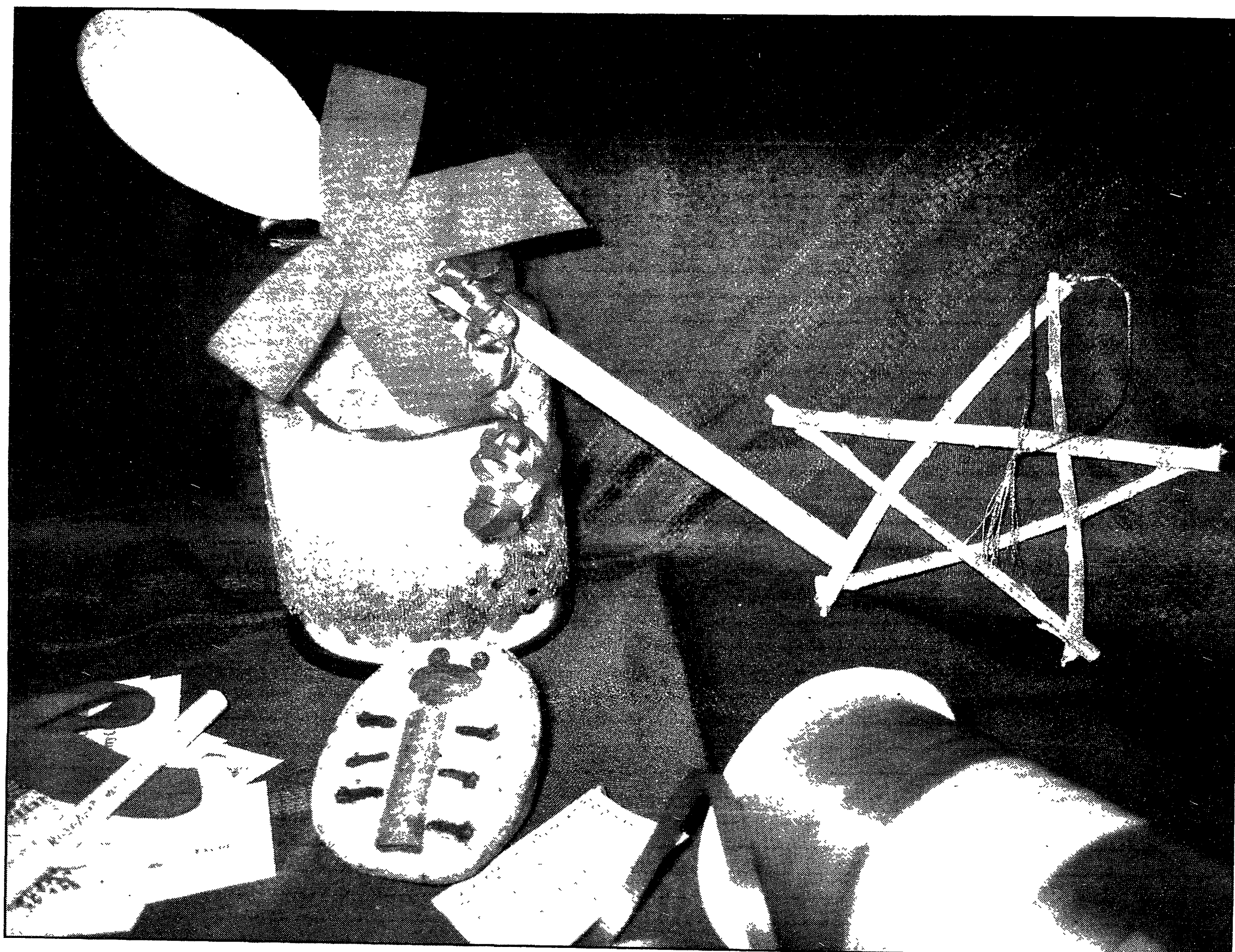
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# Gifts from the heart

## Simple gifts made by hand cherished during the holidays

By Linda Neff  
SPECIAL WRITER

There's nothing quite like spending an evening with the kids or alone creating hand-made items for gift-giving or holiday decorations. Gifts from the heart are appreciated year-round, but are even more cherished at holiday time.

Many hand-crafted items can be made from materials found around the house or even in the outdoors. Materials are also available at discount and dollar stores, hardware and home improvement stores and even the local grocer.

Some ideas may look complicated but are actually relatively easy to make, allowing the children to get involved.

What grandparent wouldn't appreciate a willow star or cinnamon ornament from their precious grandchildren? And it's a gift that can be used to adorn the Christmas tree year after year, bringing back fond memories of years past.

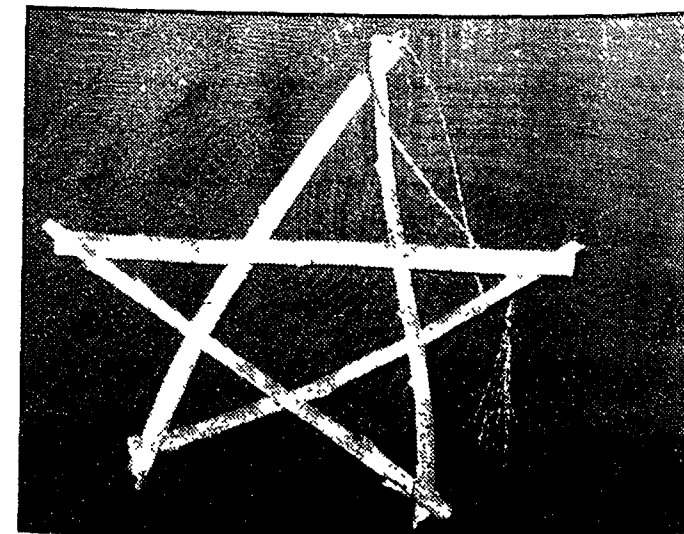
The following are some gift ideas that take very little time to create and most are simple enough that the kids can get involved.

Add your own unique personal touches or place each gift in a basket with other items such as new measuring spoons, a gift cer-

tificate to a local grocer, a beautiful glass pitcher for serving, candles or picture frames to create a gift anyone is sure to love.

### Willow Star

This star can be made from willow twigs but just about any green twig will do. Measurements do not need to be precise; star can be made to any size.



The willow star is simple to make.

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# Show them you care with gifts from the heart

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Twigs, about 1/4 inch thick, more or less  
1/2-inch brads (very short nails)  
Hammer  
Embroidery thread, decorative ribbon or  
cording  
Tiny eye screws (optional)  
Small can of paint or colored stain-of  
your choice (optional)  
Glitter (optional)  
Recycled Styrofoam carry-out tray for  
paint dipping (optional)

1. Cut twig into five, 6-inch sections.
2. Using 1/2-inch brads found at your  
local hardware or improvement store, nail  
twigs together at corners forming a five-  
point star.
3. Little eye screws can be inserted into  
top for cord or simply string cord through  
top opening.
4. Thread cord (embroidery thread)  
through eye screw or top for hanging.
5. To paint, dip star in colored wash (one  
part paint to two parts water), sprinkle with  
glitter if you wish and hang to dry.

## Cider Beetle

The cider beetle is used in creating a  
delicious drink to warm you on those cold,  
snowy afternoons.

Brown sugar  
Whole cloves  
Cinnamon stick  
Whole almond

Orange  
Begin by halving orange and removing  
the fruit and pulp. Pack each orange half  
with brown sugar, this creates the beetle's  
body.

Cut or break cinnamon stick into about 1  
1/2-inch piece and press into middle of  
beetle.

Using almond and cloves, press each into  
body to create head and legs.

Wrap in colored cellophane and make  
gift tag to attach.

## Beetle Gift Tag

Print the following on a tag and include  
with the beetle:

"To use: Unwrap beetle and drop into 1  
1/2 quart of cider.

"Add 1/4 cup of brandy (optional).

"Simmer 30 minutes. Heat well.

"Remove rind and spices before serv-  
ing."

## Cinnamon / applesauce ornaments

Here's one the kids really like to get  
involved in: Apple / cinnamon ornaments  
(not edible).

Once you've made the clay use your  
imagination to decorate — the possibilities  
are endless.

Ingredients needed:

Applesauce  
Ground cinnamon

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# Handmade ornaments, cookies make special gifts

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Using equal parts applesauce and cinnamon and mix together till clay-like consistency.

For those who bake, it should feel similar to pie crust dough.

If dough feels too dry add a little more applesauce; if too moist add a little more cinnamon.

Using a rolling pin, roll dough to about 1/4-inch thickness.

Cut with cookie cutters and place on baking sheet.

Use a straw or toothpick to make a small hole in top. Once the shape is baked and cooled a ribbon or cording can be run through the hole so the ornament can be hung.

Bake at 150° for about two hours, keeping watch so it doesn't burn. Let dry in a warm place for

a couple days till hard. When completely dry, string with decorative ribbon or cording, finish decorating.

Variations: Add glitter to dough when mixing for a sparkly ornament.

Dough can also be shaped into figures or hand-print plaques.

Use heart and star shaped ornaments and cut out center so child's picture can be glued on after baking.

Also when using shapes not consistent with Christmas, ornaments can be left out to be enjoyed year-round.

## Cookies in a Jar

This is so easy and so delicious! Simply select your favorite, or your recipient's favorite, cookie

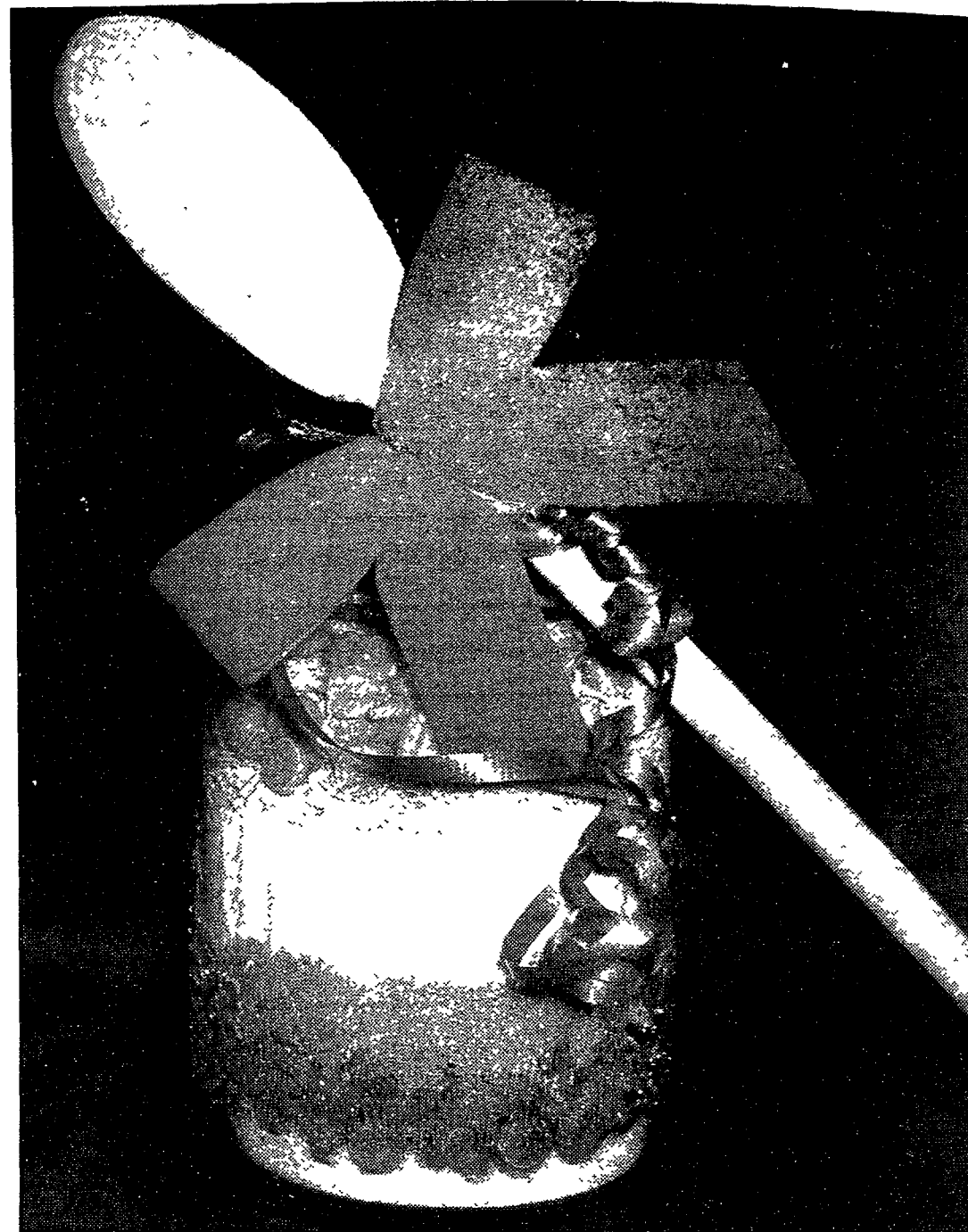
recipe.

Assemble all the dry ingredients needed to make the cookies and layer in a decorative glass jar.

Create gift tag with recipe instructions to complete the recipe and baking instructions and tie around jar top with brand new wooden spoon or spatula.

This idea also works well to create gifts of home-made soups and specialty breads. It's a gift that can be shipped as well.

**Adding a wooden spoon to this cookie jar, or including it in a basket with other baking supplies, makes a great gift.**



# Budget shopping simple if you know where to look

By Linda Neff  
SPECIAL WRITER

For many this holiday season, holiday shopping budgets may be a little tighter than those of previous years.

It can be a little more difficult finding a gift for under \$30 that's sure to please, but it's not impossible. Take some time and consider local businesses you drive by on a daily basis or better yet, those you frequent either out of pleasure or necessity.

What kind of gift could you possibly purchase at Victory Lane Oil Change in Howell?

How about a gift certificate that covers one or more oil changes for your teenage son's or daughter's car? It's a gift that could even be appreciated by an elderly parent or single mom.

Skip Starbird, owner of the Howell store, said the most popular price for a gift certificate is \$26.50, which covers one complete oil service for a standard vehicle.

"I just had a guy come in and buy 10 cer-

tificates to divide between his daughter and son," Starbird said. "He said it should last them for a year."

Then there is the co-worker whose name you drew out of a box. What to buy for them, especially when the office set a limit of \$30?

Well, think what you do just to prepare to get to work each day and go from there. Do you drive your car to the office? Then consider a gas card or a book of passes for the local car wash.

Wash World III in Howell sells a pass book consisting of five washes and two hot waxes for \$25. If your budget is higher, there's also a pass book for 10 washes and three hot waxes for \$35.

Do you like to eat lunch out one of two days a week with friends? Then, chances are your co-workers do too.

Bistro 127 in downtown sells gift certificates and for \$20 you can give a certificate to cover the cost of the restaurant's lunch buffet for three days.

Pen and pencil desk sets and small desk clocks are good choices for people who

work in an office.

Kolt Jewelers in Howell carries a good selection of those kinds of items in addition to other inexpensive gift items such as tie tacks, charms, key rings and money clips.

For the sportsman in your life there is the Gun Barn in Highland that carries about 4,500 different kinds of guns. But you can still pick up a variety of inexpensive but useful items like scopes, slings, gun cases, pocket knives, magazines and cleaning kits for less than \$30.

"It's not all high-end," said owner Gabe Kish said. And if you're still not sure, he said a gift certificate seems to be real popular.

A practical gift for male or female who either owns or rents a home is a personal tool box.

Check out the local hardware stores and home improvement centers for items like hammers, screwdrivers and wrenches or maybe even a little tool box to store the items in to free up space in the kitchen drawer. Fill the box with items like a small box of finishing nails, everyday screws and

picture-hanging paraphernalia, which is usually appreciated along with a small magnetic level.

And if you know someone who likes to play with G-scale trains, New Hudson Power in New Hudson sells a load of accessories from extra track to all different kinds of train cars.

Owner Rick Cavora said accessory items are a big seller. Try Christmas add-on cars such as a gondola, caboose or box car. Then there are items like little people and extra track and specialty cars that play birthday or Christmas music.

Other ideas for inexpensive gifts and stocking stuffers include movie passes to a favorite theater, accessory items from a favorite golf pro shop or ski lodge, a beautiful poinsettia the receiver can display on their desk or table, candles and holder; the list goes on and on.

Shoppers will find there are plenty of items out there available for \$30 and less.

It just takes some thought and imagination to discover what they might be so start early.

## Say Merry Christmas in any language

"Merry Christmas" is just the beginning.

Take a look at how people around the world express the joyous sentiments of the season:

Spanish — Feliz Navidad

Italian — Buone Feste Natalizie

German — Froehliche Weihnachten

Portuguese — Boas Festas

Greek — Kala Christouyenna

Indonesian — Selamat Hari Natal

## Do not forget a present for the postman

As you're checking off your holiday gift list this season, why not take a moment to consider the people who are part of your everyday life — the doorman, the hair-

dresser, the bus driver, etc. Bring a little joy into their day this holiday season by surprising them with a thoughtful gift:

• Gift certificate for coffee

or tea

• Engraved pen and pencil set

• Tickets to a movie or play

• Magazine subscription

• Key chain

# Warm glow of luminarias brightens up holiday season

By Cathy Lubenski  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

**C**andlepower is expressed in more than wax and wick — it's the warm glow that typifies the holiday spirit we strive to kindle in our homes and hearts.

In recent years, candles have lit up the design world with their varied shapes and scents. Now, once again, they've become a mainstay of holiday decorations in the tried-but-true form of luminarias.

A luminaria is a candle in a holder — usually a paper bag with sand in the bottom. During the holidays, many people use them to line their walks or driveways with sparkling light.

Today, the popularity of luminarias has surged, giving them new life as versatile holiday decorations.

Luminarias now come in rusted metal, terra cotta, foil and pottery, and with as many holiday designs as you can think of, from Santas and reindeer to snowflakes and stars. Prices vary from 65 cents for a colorful paper bag with holiday cutouts to \$8 for a metal one from Pier 1 Imports to \$22 for a 6-inch-diameter stylized version carved from alabaster at Smith & Hawken.

And they're not just for holidays. Patti Matteson, co-owner of Ambiance Home Decor in Leaping Lotus of Solana Beach,

Calif., said, "It's a way to say you're welcome at my house. I line my driveway with light to show you the way."

Matteson is stocking her store with paper bag luminarias and metal luminarias with fern, tulip, leaf and other designs that aren't allied with a specific holiday.

Regardless of the design, most luminarias share a common denominator: candlelight.

"I'm a huge fan of candlelight," said Joan Steffend of HGTV. "There's something very basic about candlelight; it makes you feel warm and welcome and special."

And, adds Kitty Bartholomew, another HGTV star ("Kitty Bartholomew: You're Home"), "No matter what your budget, you can get the Christmas spirit."

On her HGTV Christmas special, "A Handmade Holiday With Kitty Bartholomew," Bartholomew showed how to make a simple luminaria out of thin sheets of copper.

An even easier method is decorating an empty Mason jar, and then adding sand or cat litter and a candle.

"Put a little decorative element, like a wired ribbon or perhaps some wired holiday berries you find in craft stores, around the top and then drape them down the side of the jar," Steffend said.

Steffend also suggests "spraying the glass with frosty spray (available at craft stores) to make it look slightly icy."

"Or you can take some wire and make a

hanging luminaria. Just wrap it around the top of the jar, then add wire to make a hanger and hang it from a tree or whatever you've got in the front of your house."

The use of luminarias dates to 17th-century Spain, where cedar boughs were burned along town paths to light the way to Bethlehem for Mary and Joseph. Over the years, that symbolic light was downsized to candles. By the 1800s, settlers in the United States hung Chinese lanterns with candles, but that proved to be too expensive so paper bags were substituted, creating the tradition we enjoy today.

Luminarias always have been most popular in the Southwest.

In Albuquerque, N.M., luminarias line the streets on Christmas Eve. Santa Fe, Taos and Las Cruces hold bus tours to view their luminaria displays to avoid traffic jams.

If your budget only stretches to paper bags, use a 6-pound bag, folded down 3 inches from the top. Fill with 2 to 2 1/2 cups of sand or cat litter and put a candle in the center. Putting the candles in 2-liter sand-filled soda bottles cut down 6 inches from the top will help the candle stand straight.

You can cut snowflakes, Christmas trees or other holiday designs in the bag.

Never use luminarias of any type inside or in an area with dry brush or anything else that could ignite.

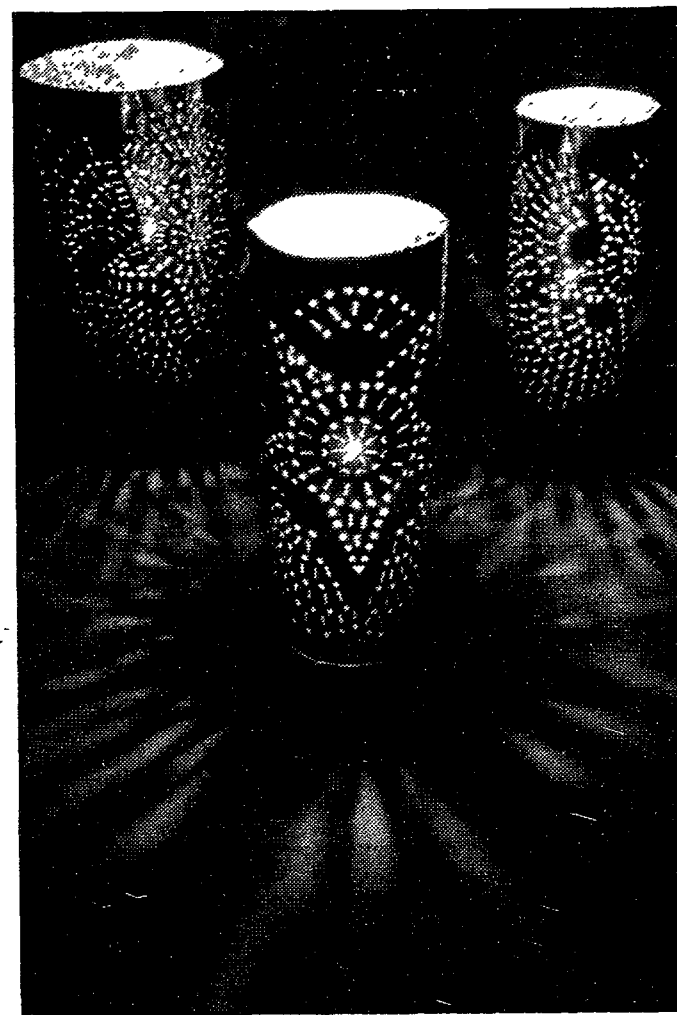


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**Light the holiday nights with the warm candlelight glow of luminarias. Styles vary from simple paper bags with cutout Christmas designs to these more ornate copper models.**

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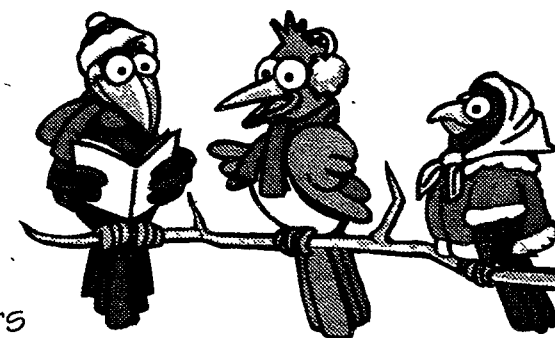
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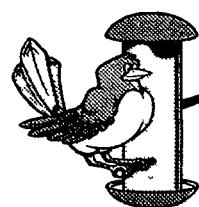
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# Make a dream come true

## Elite gifts provide opportunity to fulfill someone's fantasy

By Candy Parent  
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

**W**hen money is no object, every dream and desire can become a reality.

In fact, when searching for the perfect fantasy gift, the options are only restricted by your imagination.

For starters, you could surprise that special someone with a 2003 Cadillac Escalade from Superior Cadillac — GMC Inc. in Brighton.

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are prepared by a private chef during the flight. Other meals are served in elegant chateaus and historic castles.

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If traveling to Europe isn't enough, you could always buy a castle.

Schloss Matzen, a romantic, medieval castle located in the Tyrolean Alps of western Austria, is for sale.

The castle, with references dating back to 1167, has always been privately owned and is rich in history.



Photo by TODD VANSICKLE

This 9,000-square-foot home in Green Oak Township will be finished just in time for the holidays.

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# Deck the halls

## Holiday decorating easy with tips from the pros

By Linda Neff  
SPECIAL WRITER

Depending on how you look at it, the thought of decorating for the holidays can be a loathsome task or exciting as all get out.

For many, there is nothing more gratifying and just plain fun than taking the family to select the perfect Christmas tree, putting the hundreds of colorful lights on the house for all to see, and displaying the many holiday decorations that have been collected over the years.

For others, they'd just as soon skip the months of November and December and get on with life.

A compromise for households with spouses at both ends of the personality spectrum could be to tone it down a bit.

Take the more traditional and natural approach to holiday decorating and keep it simple.

That's the trend Lori Vogel at Raney's Rainbow Gardens is seeing.

"It seems this year people are going for the more traditional Christmas with natural greens — the real thing — and using red and green as opposed to silver or mauves," she said.

Pine and cedar roping that's all natural can be used to add color and deliver a wonderful pine scent throughout the house. Drape it over a stair banister, lay it across a fireplace mantel or weave it through candelabras. It can also be used in creating an eye-catching centerpiece by putting it in vases or floral foam and mixing with fresh flowers, candles and ornaments.

When it comes to decorating the Christmas tree, Vogel recommends doing something a little different by drawing from hobbies and personal interests to create a themed tree.

"Take something you like and build a theme around that for tree decorations," she said.

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### Keeping the perfect tree

For proper Christmas tree care, Greg Brainer recommends the following:

Make sure your tree starts out with a fresh cut — either at the tree lot or at home.

Use very warm water when watering and if you have a water softener it's best to bypass it because the salt from the softener can dry the tree out faster.

It's also a good idea to add 1/8 cup of sugar, which acts as a natural preservative, to your very warm water each time you water.



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The Greenery at Brainer's in Wixom readies for the Christmas holiday with this river of poinsettia blooms.

For example, use garden items like seed packets, miniature gar-

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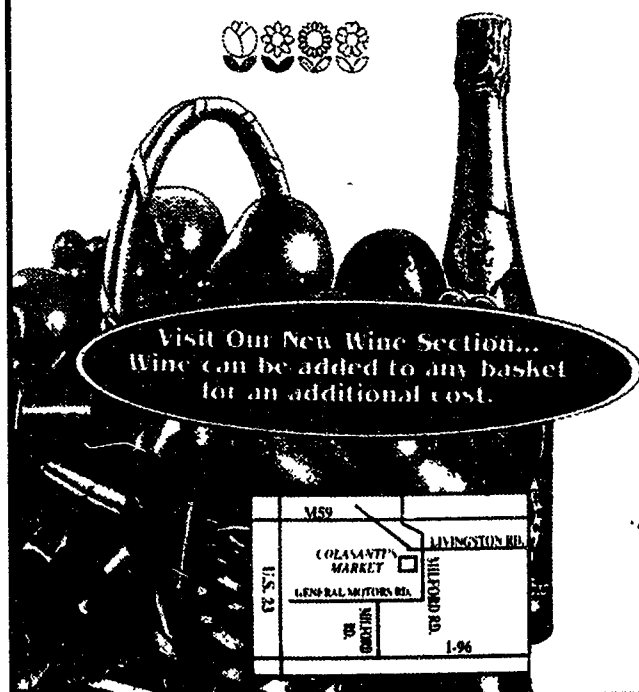
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# Expert tips help holiday decorators prepare for the season

den hats and tools for a garden theme.

Consider using items from around the house or collectibles to create a one-of-a-kind tree that will bring back memories with every passing glance.

Vogel also likes to sprinkle artificial snow on the tree and to use lots and lots of ribbon, which she said makes a big difference in the way the tree looks.

## Christmas Tree

When selecting a cut Christmas tree, Greg Brainer of The Greenery at Brainer's in Wixom, recommends that people ask when the tree was initially cut.

Some growers, he says, begin cutting trees two weeks prior to Halloween and if October stays fairly warm, the trees will dry out faster.

For a good top-of-the-line Christmas tree it's hard to beat a Frazer or Douglas fir. They are generally priced higher than the Scotch pine found on most tree lots.

Brainer said the good Frazer firs are actually shipped here from North Carolina because they grow better in the hard soil on the side of the Appalachian Mountains.

Distinguishing features of a Frazer fir include its bi-color needle that is almost a silver-blue color on the underside and a very deep green on the top. It has a shorter needle with many of the same characteristics of a blue spruce, but is much softer and very full and dense. It has a very long shelf life and can last as long as seven weeks in the home with proper care.

Prices for a good Frazer fir usually start at \$50 and go up.

"If you find anything under the \$50 range you should probably question when it was cut and where it is from," Brainer said.

The Douglas fir is a longer-needle tree and lighter in color than the Frazer, yet it also has very soft needles and a nice shelf life within the home as well.

The Greenery sells both Frazer and Douglas firs.

It's one of the few places that still does Christmas tree flocking, which is a powdered coating sprayed onto the tree to create the effect of snow.

Brainer said the flocking is non-toxic and completely safe.

Prices average about \$8 per foot for flocking that can be done in white, green, powdered blue, pink and even black.

"Every year we flock a pink tree for Aretha Franklin's home," he said. "And it's pink!"

## Roping

Fresh green roping has the ability to bring the outdoors in during the holidays, especially if your family puts up an artificial Christmas tree.

It adds another dimension as a swag either over or under your windows and can be used indoors or out.

But, said Cathie Buzzy, floral manager at Dinser's Flowers and Greenhouse in Novi, "You don't want to use it too early indoors."

Save it for a special occasion such as a dinner party or family gathering.

It will last longer indoors if sprayed with a preservative or flocked.



Photo by LINDA NEFF

**Michele Spear and Bryan Charlick arrange seasonal items for the holiday decorating displays at Peter's True Value Hardware in Highland. The store carries a full line of Lemax little houses, villages, trees and village people.**

*"Every year we flock a pink tree for Aretha Franklin's home, and it's pink!"*

**-Greg Brainer**

The Greenery at Brainer's in Wixom

"Now if you flock it, it's just going to last for weeks," she said.

Buzzy said roping available at Dinser's comes in 50- and 75-foot rolls, which is good for the really big jobs.

In addition to roping, the greenhouse will have wreaths, grave blankets and poinsettias available for the holiday season.

## Poinsettia

When it comes to caring for your poinsettia, Buzzy said they find that most people under water them.

"They let them get too dry and what will happen is they'll see it start to wilt and they'll give it a nice big drink and it drinks and then it drops its leaves," she said.

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"What we educate our customers on is actually the feel of the pot — when they lift the plant we tell them this is how it should feel (by weight). It's the feel of the pot is about the easiest way we've found for people to know; they can tell very easily."

Buzzy said people can actually keep their poinsettias alive well into spring by cutting them back a little when they start to look sickly around the end of January and into February.

The plant will produce new leaves and once the weather warms and danger of frost passes, the plants can be put out on the deck or in the garden.

"They get to be a really lush, full, green plant in the summer," she said. "They're really pretty."

## Artificial Trees, Lights and More

For practical purposes, many people prefer decorating an artificial tree for the holidays.

It can be put up earlier and if they're going to be out of town there's no need to worry about who is going to water it.

A large selection of artificial trees along with all the bulbs, tinsel, tree toppers and lights needed to turn the tree into a shining, glimmering picture of beauty can be found at Peter's True Value Hardware in Highland.

Many of the trees are fully decorated and on display in the store, said Peter Grebeck of the hardware.

"We carry every kind of light from icicle lights to rope lights," he added "We have a very good selection (of Christmas items): stockings, different Christmas decorating ideas, Santa Clauses, roping and table-top decorations."

The hardware also stocks a good assortment of tree toppers, lighted deer, stuffed animals and other gift items.

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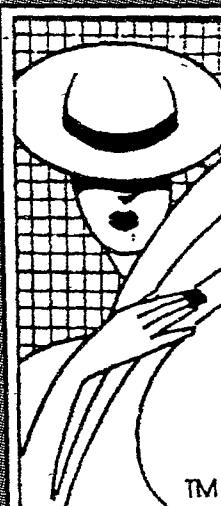
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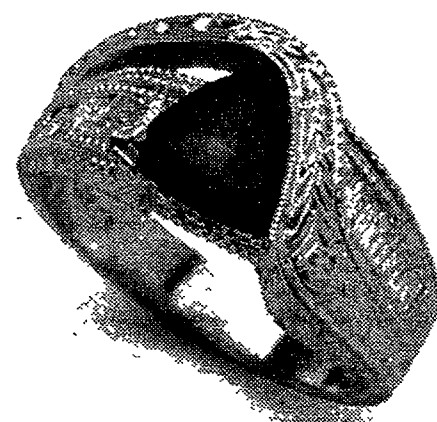
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# Surprise someone special with a unique fantasy gift

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Its Baroque chapel was consecrated by two different bishops who went on to become pope and President Teddy Roosevelt once visited.

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Perhaps you need a watch for the man in your life.

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For example, a Rolex Day-Date platinum watch with a platinum, presidential bracelet and eight round brilliance and two baguette diamonds on the dial, is in stock and can be yours for only \$36,750.

Dean Rotterdam, owner of Rotterdam Jewelers, said it takes a year to make each Rolex.

"It's the finest production watch made out of Geneva, Switzerland," he said.

Or, you could surprise the love of your life with a new home in the Hidden Lake development in Green Oak Township.

This 9,000-square-foot, old-world-style home is located on a one-acre lot overlooking the lake. Earl LaFave, co-owner and developer of Hidden Lake, expects the house to be completed just in time for the holidays.

David Compo, builder, said the home is designed for a family who may have elderly parents living with them. Two complete master suites are included, each with his-

and-her vanities, toilets and closets. Hallways and doorways are wider to allow easier wheelchair access and one of the bathrooms features a roll-in shower. Additionally, all four levels of the house are accessible via an elevator.

In addition to the two master suites, the house has three and a half bathrooms and two bedrooms and a bonus room that could easily be made into a third. Two full kitchens, one on the main floor and one in the finished, walk-out basement, make entertaining a breeze.

The house also features an indoor swimming pool, spa, sauna and steam bath, spiral staircases, a four-season porch and a six-car garage.

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And, if the house itself doesn't do it for you, the location certainly will. Hidden Lake is based on a Disney complex in Orlando. It features 7 miles of walking trails, complete with gazebos, bridges, fountains and waterfalls. Compos said LaFave designed Hidden Lake so residents could enjoy the "up north" feeling at home in Green Oak Township.

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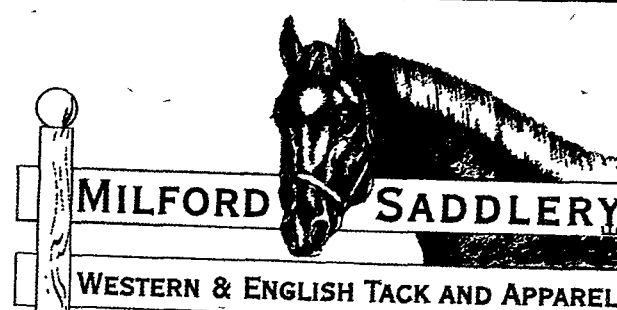
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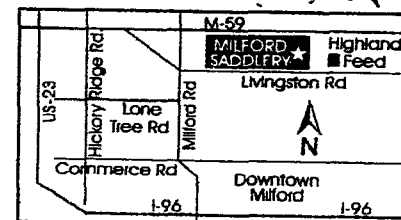
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While traditional wreaths are made of winter greenery, variety can certainly add some spice. The composite wreath pictured here is made up of four wreaths — frosted papier-mache sugar plums, simple faux pine, faux holly berries and real succulent plants.

# Wreaths made rounds since Roman times

By Cathy Lubenski  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

**I**n pagan times, greenery was a symbol of hope in the midst of a barren winter. Christians adopted and adapted the custom of displaying greenery in winter, specifically at Christmas.

The Romans made wreaths of laurel and hung them on their doors as a sign of Jesus' victory over sin and death. Today, wreaths are secular and are among the most popular of holiday decorating accents.

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*"Some incredibly creative things can be done with wreaths. You can personalize them by hanging things on them and then they become almost like a little round Christmas tree."*

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"Some incredibly creative things can be done with wreaths," said Michael Payne, star of HGTV's "Designing for the Sexes." "You can personalize them by hanging things on them and then they become almost like a little round Christmas tree."

Wreaths are as old as the myths surrounding them. At the solstice, the Druids and other pre-Christian

people decorated their doorways with ivy and holly, which was supposed to repel lightning and evil spirits.

The Romans used wreaths made of mint and rosemary after imbibing too much alcohol to clear the brain while a crown of roses was thought to be a headache cure. Ancient Greeks decorated with wreaths to draw in the good spirits

and dispel the bad ones. Both the Greeks and the Romans used wreaths made of silver or gold as eternal tributes to victory or on the grave of an especially brave soldier.

Early Christians realized it was easier to incorporate pagan rituals into Christianity than it was to abolish them and started using wreaths at Christmas as a symbol of eternal life (the never-ending circle).

Portia Harloff, who teaches a class on how to make them, said a succulent wreath is easy to take care of once the holidays are over. "You just soak it periodically in water and add fertilizer every six months or so," she said.

To decorate them, "Use a pick with the decoration on it stuck into the soil and moss. You can decorate it that way with anything, like a big ribbon or ornaments," Harloff said.

Wreaths have an added dimension as a centerpiece. "I just put it on my table and put a poinsettia in the middle with some red candles and it's beautiful." Harloff also uses her succulent wreath for other holidays as well.

If you're interested in making your own wreath or if you've purchased a beautiful wreath, Payne suggests "in true Hollywood style, you add a string of tiny little lights to your wreath. You can literally weave them into the arrangement so when you hang it, it will come alive at night."

Personalizing a wreath will make it uniquely yours.

"If you're a real cat lover, you could have little felines hanging off of it. Or if you're someone who likes those little crystal animals, you could hang them and with the miniature lights refracting off them it would be just fabulous," Payne said.

# Christmas tree continues to grow on Americans

By Paul R. Huard  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

It's green, it's decorated and it's the ultimate symbol of Christmas.

But don't forget that the Christmas tree has a past. Today's tannenbaum has roots deep in Victorian fashion and pagan ritual, as well as Christian tradition.

Rick Dungey, spokesman for the National Christmas Tree Association, said that the origins of the contemporary Christmas tree are as tangled as yuletide tinsel.

"There are many, many cultural influences that produced the American love of the Christmas tree," Dungey said. "It's a lot like Christmas dinner. Lots of flavors combined to make one very satisfying holiday tradition."

Yes, there are people who prefer an artificial tree because of health or aesthetic reasons, said Dungey. But his group, which represents thousands of Christmas-tree farmers, wants Americans to choose a real tree because of its aroma and beauty.

Close to 33 million American families celebrate the holiday season with a fresh, farm-grown Christmas tree each year, he said. Dungey called real trees "food for the soul."

But when it comes to matters of the soul — Christmas is second only to Easter as a Christian holiday — just how did a tree become associated with the birth of Christ?

According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, the use of evergreens as a symbol and celebration of life during winter solstice celebrations

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started in ancient Roman and Egyptian times.

The Egyptians used palm fronds to celebrate this shortest day of the year. Early Romans paid tribute to the god of agriculture by decorating trees with candles and ornaments during the festival of Saturnalia.

Even the Druids, ancestors of the Englishmen, adorned sacred oak trees with fruit at this time to honor their god of harvest.

The early Christians (who for the most part were illiterate) taught religion lessons through morality plays, specifically the "Paradise Play," the story of creation with its promise of redemption.

Central to this story was the single prop — the paradise tree — a fir tree laden with the apples representing the Garden of Eden.

This practice evolved over the centuries to be incorporated in the celebration of Christmas in the Germanic areas of Europe.

Tradition says the German religious reformer and Protestant leader Martin Luther added candles to a tree after a nighttime walk looking at the stars during the yuletide season.

The first recorded display of a decorated Christmas tree was in 1510, in Riga, Latvia, a medieval German colony. Christmas trees were decorated with fruit, cookies and candy that would later be shared among family members as gifts after the holiday season was over.

By the 1700s, the tradition of celebrating the holidays with a Christmas tree was widely used throughout Europe. Decorations included lace, ribbon, tin, food items and lit candles.

Hessian mercenaries brought the tradition to the United States during the Revolutionary War. In 1804, U.S. soldiers stationed at Fort Dearborn in Chicago used evergreen trees in their barracks for Christmas.

But it was the British — specifically Queen

Victoria and her German-born husband Prince Albert — who gave the Christmas tree its greatest boost.

The Christmas tree was rare, even banned, in many parts of Great Britain in the early 19th century. Religious objections and shrinking forests made English Christmas trees the exception.

The custom wouldn't be revived until Prince Albert reintroduced the tree into the royal family's holiday celebration and into their countrymen's hearts. He had the trees shipped from his home in Germany.

Like so many other trendsetting fashions associated with the Victorian Era, it became a huge success in England as well America as people adopted royal tastes.

As a sign of mourning after Victoria's death in 1901, the Christmas tree disappeared from the English scene for about 30 years.

But the popularity of the Christmas tree in America proliferated.

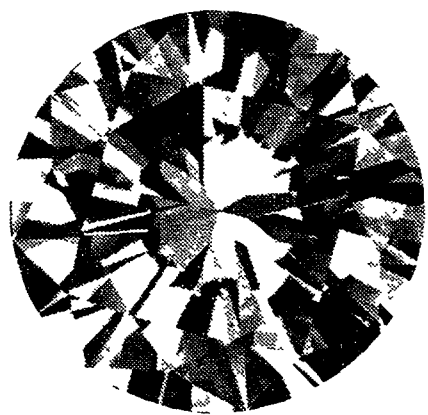
In 1856, President Franklin Pierce brought the Christmas Tree tradition to the White House. In 1923, President Calvin Coolidge started the National Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony now held every year on the White House lawn.

Since 1966, members of the National Christmas Tree Association have presented a beautiful, fresh Christmas Tree to the first lady.

This tree is displayed each year in the Blue Room of the White House.

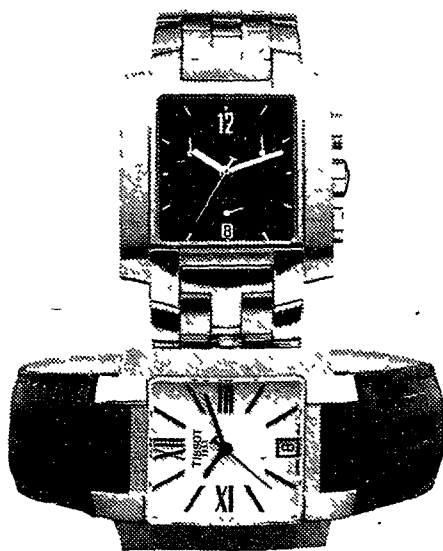
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# Spin on history

## As games go, dreidel is a hard one to top

By Sandy Cohen  
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

**P**erhaps you've heard the song about the little dreidel made out of clay, but how much do you really know about this ancient game?

Well, it's Hanukkah time and prime dreidel-playing season. And the little spinning top actually predates the holiday itself, dating back more than 2,400 years.

"This has been brought down through the generations," said Rabbi Yossi Mintz of the Jewish Community Center in Redondo Beach, Calif. "It's associated with the story of Hanukkah."

The story begins in Jerusalem in 167 B.C.

The Greco-Syrian Seleucid Empire conquered Judea and forbade the Jews living there from studying or practicing their religion.

Jews were forced to hide in the hills to learn their history and traditions. If discovered, they could be put to death.

So, whenever Seleucid soldiers came by, the Jews quickly hid their books, pulled out a dreidel and pretended to simply be playing an innocent game.

"It was really a symbol of courage and sacrifice," Mintz said. "That's why we play it today, to remind us of that courage."

In fact, the entire holiday of Hanukkah is a celebration of courage and religious freedom.

Determined to openly practice and maintain their faith, rather than sacrificing pigs and praying to Greek gods, a small group of Jews fought their oppressors despite terrific odds.

Eventually, the tenacious rebels prevailed, driving out the Seleucids.

The Jews then went about restoring their holy Temple, which had been destroyed. Inside, they found a tiny bit of purified oil to light the Temple lamp enough to last just one night. Miraculously, it lasted for eight nights, thus the eight nights of Hanukkah celebrated today.

Beginning just after sundown on Nov. 30, Jews all over the world will light the Hanukkah menorah, a nine-armed candelabra.

For the following seven nights, a new candle will be added until the entire menorah is lit. The ninth candle, called the shamash, is used to light the others.

### Game of dreidel

Once the prayers are said and the menorah is lighted, it's time to get down to the business of dreidel, a traditional Hanukkah game.

It's actually a kind of gambling, a simple game of chance. Each side of the four-sided top, called "dreidel" in Yiddish and "sevivon" in Hebrew, is marked with a Hebrew letter that tells the players what to do. The letters also represent a message, "A great miracle

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Jewish Community Center in Redondo Beach, Calif.

happened there," referring to the miracle of the Jews' military victory and of the bit of oil that burned for eight nights.

With nuts or coins as currency, the players contribute to a central "pot" and take turns spinning the top. The one with the most loot wins.

### High-profile dreidels

Most American Jews can remember playing the game as children with cheap wooden or plastic dreidels.

But nowadays dreidels have gone high-profile, ranging from the simple to the ornate, from about 15 cents to hundreds of dollars each.

"Every year it gets better," said Audrey Goldman, who runs the Judaica Shop at Temple Menorah in Redondo Beach. "They keep getting fancier and more complicated."

There are spring-loaded "jumping dreidels," doodling dreidels

that leave looping ink swirls behind, and dreidels painted to look like footballs and golf balls. Some even light up and play Hanukkah melodies.

Then there are dreidels just for show, fancy collectibles made from crystal, pewter and porcelain. Some are little keepsake boxes, with room for a tiny gift inside, while others are just for looks, balancing on tiny stands.

The Temple Menorah Judaica Shop carries hand-painted wooden dreidels from Russia and silver filigree dreidel charms to wear.

There are dreidel stickers and coloring books, even dreidel-shaped "party lights" and candles.

"The dreidel is a Hanukkah motif," Goldman said. "There's the dreidel and the menorah."

"But the dreidel is a happier symbol because it's games, it's fun."

### How to play

Start with a dreidel and some

form of currency, such as coins, nuts or chocolate pieces. Each player begins with the same amount of currency.

All sit in a circle, and each contributes two pieces to "the pot" in the center.

Then the spinning begins. No one may touch the dreidel while it is spinning.

What happens next depends on which Hebrew letter is showing when the dreidel falls. If it lands on nun (which looks a bit like a backward 'L'), the player does nothing. If it falls on gimel (a little like a backward 'L' with a tail), the player wins the whole pot.

All players contribute two pieces to refill the pot, and the game continues. If hay (which looks almost like the pi symbol) is facing up, the player takes half the pot. And if it lands on shin (which looks like a 'W'), the player adds two pieces to the pot.

Whoever is bankrupt drops out and the last survivor wins.

# Discover the secrets of giving the perfect gift

**T**o some people, the most difficult aspect of the holidays is finding the perfect gift for friends or loved ones. Not every person is easy to buy for, and hours spent searching the stores can cause even the most steadfast holiday shopper to throw in the towel.

There is, however, a selection of gifts that are appropriate for many, and this may be the answer to your worries about finding the perfect gift.

Of course, no single gift is perfect for everyone.

According to "Present Perfect: The Essential Guide to Gift Giving," by Sherri and Larry Athay, the best gifts share several common characteristics: appropriateness, perceptiveness, selflessness, generosity, indulgence, surprise and evocation.

- **Appropriateness** — The perfect gift is fitting for the occasion and the relationship. A tin of homemade Christmas cookies to a coworker would be a thoughtful gesture.

- **Perceptiveness** — A gift that reflects the giver's attention to the tastes and prefer-

ences of the recipient is preferred. In essence, it's a compliment that says, "When I saw this, I couldn't help but think of you!"

- **Selflessness** — The giver should only desire to please the recipient — expecting nothing in return.

This "no-return" policy includes any satisfaction the giver anticipates from the observations of others about the extravagance of the gift or the generosity of the giver.

- **Generosity** — Resourceful gifts reveal

how special the recipient is to the giver.

Often, endowments of the giver's time, effort or creativity are the most generous and memorable characteristics of a gift.

- **Indulgence** — It pampers, it humors; it appeases, it satisfies — the perfect gift says there is something extraordinary about the recipient in the eyes of the giver.

- **Surprise** — Careful and discreet planning can catch even the most suspecting recipient off guard.

A spontaneous gift even can be more fun.

# Enjoy fun, holiday events for the family

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## Milford

• **Christmas Parade**, Nov. 30. This year's parade, sponsored by the Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce, begins at 10 a.m. in downtown Milford.

• **Christmas Open House**, Dec. 5. Milford's annual Christmas Open House runs from 5:45-9 p.m. in downtown Milford.

Candle, Can and Caroling begins at 5:45 p.m. Volunteers will serenade visitors to Milford in exchange for non-perishable food for the needy.

Additionally, Santa will be available at the Village Center Mall to hear each child's Christmas wish.

And strolling entertainment and refreshments provide fun for the entire family.

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The combined choirs of Hillside and Meads Mill middle schools sing Christmas Carols during the 2001 Northville Mothers' Club tree-lighting ceremony at the gazebo in Northville. This year's event is scheduled for Dec. 13.





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Above, Dan DeClark, owner of Legends of Time in Milford, displays a Native American blanket that makes a great gift for the holidays. At right, Sandy Richards of Milford looks around for a gift for her son at Legends of Time.



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By Candy Parent  
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Finding the perfect gift is not difficult if you know where to look. Specialty stores and gift shops offer a variety of unique, collectible and handmade items sure to please even the hardest-to-shop-for people on your list.

Typically, these stores offer items from a few dollars to several hundred, making staying within your budget simple.

Shopping for a collector is easy.

After finding out the items or brands a person collects, you can buy an addition to the collection.

Not only is it simple, but you are virtually guaranteed they will love it.

Northville Candle and Gifts, located in the Edward Jones Building on Center Street in downtown Northville, offers a variety of items for collectors.

Beverlee Lindeen, owner, specializes in unusual cookie jars, snowmen, nutcrackers, Raku Pottery from South Africa, night lights, door knockers, Wizard of Oz figurines, moose and bear items and much, much more.

Lindeen also offers a variety of pottery, T-shirts, hats and postcards featuring Northville and the surrounding area.

Of course, Lindeen also carries a variety of candles including Yankee, Village, Lang,

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Jobi's Collection, Blue Star, Concord, A. I. Root and Swan Creek. Along with the candles, she offers an assortment of shades, tins, holders and toppers. New candle toppers that can be left on the jar even when the candle is burning have just arrived. Northville Candle even carries cards that arrive with tiny candles and a candle holder.

Just down the street, Pear-aphernalia, Inc., carries Northern Lights and Bullfrog candles and many other accessories for the home.

One popular item, said owners Pat Finnegan and Lori Stempien, is Counterart

— a cutting board for the kitchen with an artwork design. Although completely functional, Finnegan said some customers put them on a pedestal or hang them on the wall.

Finnegan and Stempien also offer nativity scenes, Santas, angels and snowmen for collectors of holiday items.

For lovers of Native American items, the perfect gift is waiting at Legends of Time in downtown Milford.

Dan DeClark, owner, offers "everything that is Native American."

From baskets to wolves, DeClark has it and most of it is made by Native Americans.

DeClark purchases items from "148 different nations throughout the United States and Canada," including dream catchers and pottery made in Michigan.

Black Hills jewelry, Navajo rugs, clocks, drums, bracelets, figurines, books, music,

Christmas cards and artwork are available.

"We even have incense to make your home smell good during the holidays," DeClark said.

For some on your list, the perfect gift might be a one-of-a-kind, handmade creation.

Northville's Pear-aphernalia, Inc. offers several locally handmade items. Hand-painted ornaments featuring Northville, northern Michigan and America are available by Pat Gardner, an artist from West Bloomfield. Pear-aphernalia, Inc. also carries pottery by Ken Barnes of Northville, jewelry by LeAndra Williams of Detroit, wreaths from J B A Designs in Novi and beaded napkin rings from Sharon Lawoar.

Northville Candle also offers artist's items including carved birds by Ralph and Betsey Barber of Fenton and hand-painted glass vases, candleholders and accessories from Hazel Munro of Northville.



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Morgan Hewitt, 4, is a little nervous about sharing her Christmas list with Santa during last year's tree lighting ceremony in White Lake.

# Don't miss these family-fun events

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## Twelve Oaks Mall

• **Visit Santa**, through Dec. 24. Santa is available from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday through Dec. 23.

On Dec. 24, Santa will be available from 9 a.m. to noon.

Photos are available.

Each child will receive a gift from Verizon Wireless.

• **Toys for Tots**, Dec. 2, 5, 12.

Bring a new, unwrapped toy to the Lifestyle Cafe and listen as WMGC 105.1 FM and WNIC 100.3 FM broadcast live from the mall. Broadcasts are from 6-10 a.m. Dec. 2 and Dec. 12 and from 3-8 p.m. Dec. 5.

• **Holiday hours**: Twelve Oaks will be closed Thanksgiving Day.

The mall will be open 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Nov. 29; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Nov. 30; 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 1; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 2-

4; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Dec. 5; 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Dec. 6-7 and Dec. 9-14; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 8; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 15; 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Dec. 16-21; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 22-23 and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 24.

## South Lyon

• **Christmas Tree Raffle**, Nov. 29 through Dec. 13.

• **Holiday Jingle**, Dec. 7.

1-4 p.m. Photos with Santa at Grilled Tomato

1-4 p.m. Carriage rides

5 p.m. Parade

6 p.m. Tree lighting ceremony

## Novi

• **Ring in the Holidays**, Dec. 5. This Christmas festival is from 6:30-9 p.m. in the Main Street area.

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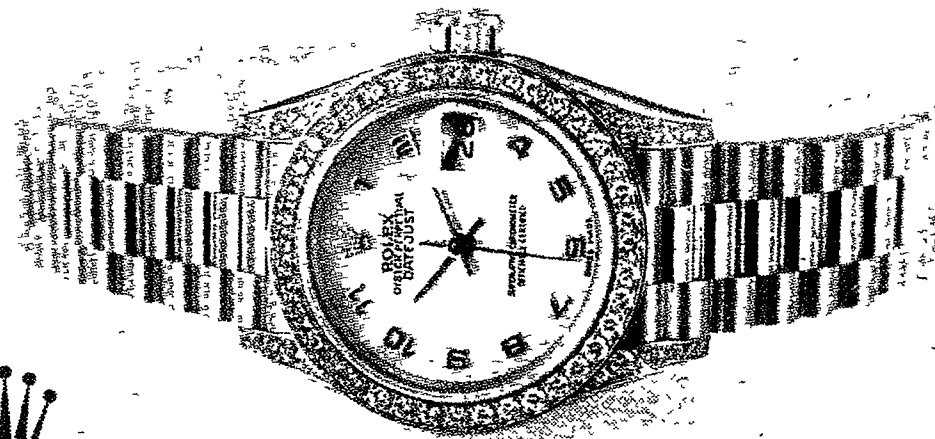
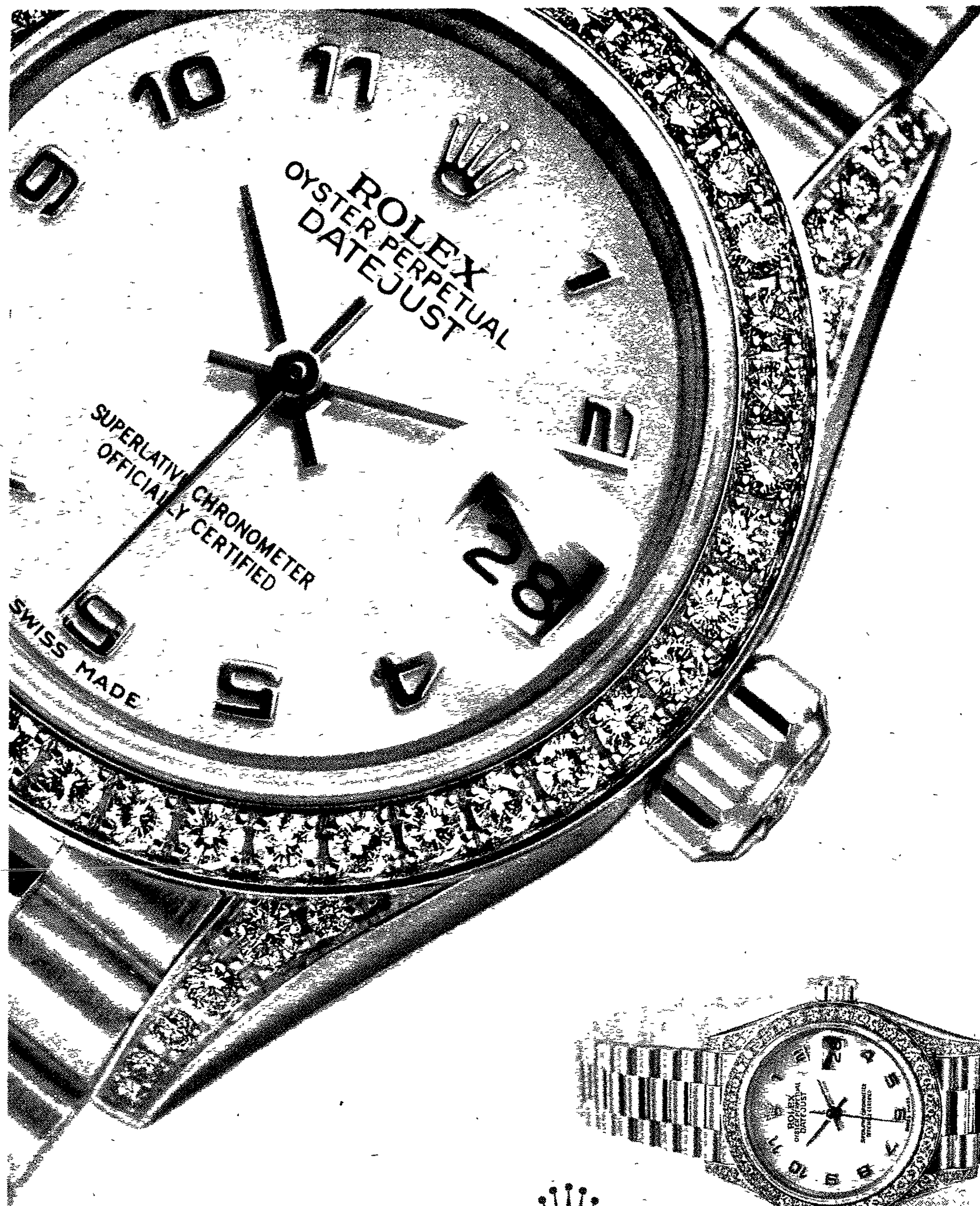
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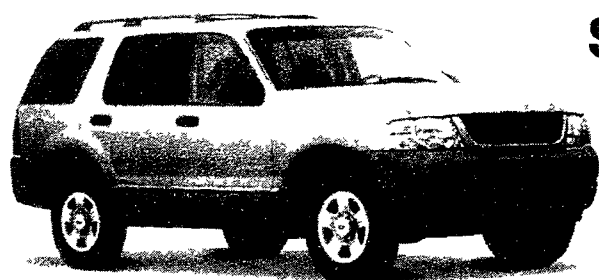
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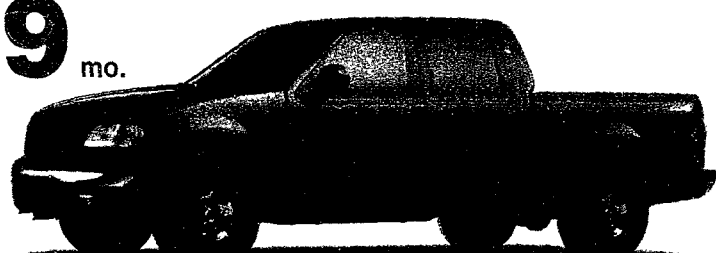
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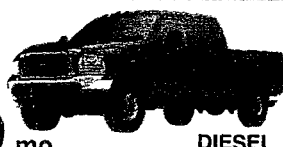


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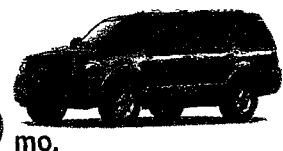
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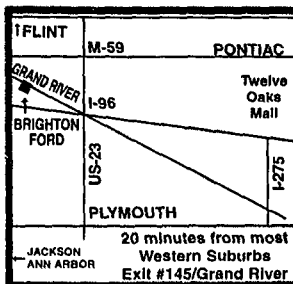
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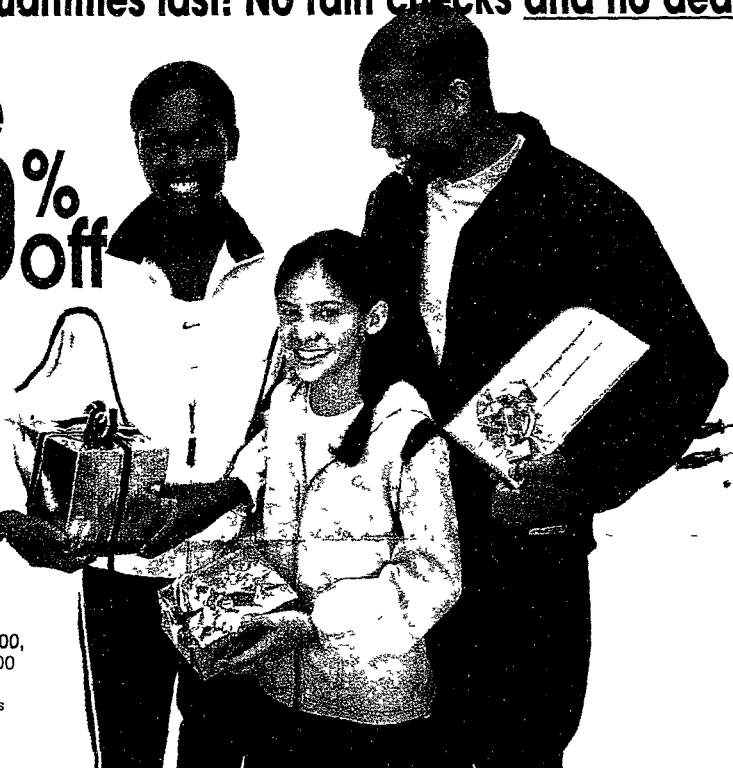
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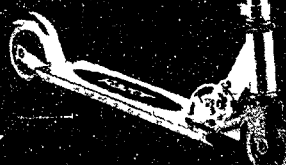
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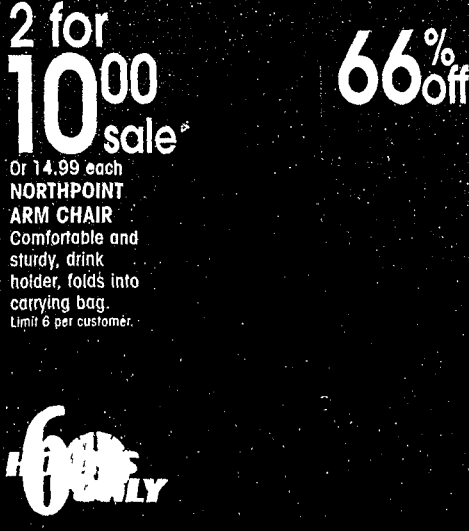
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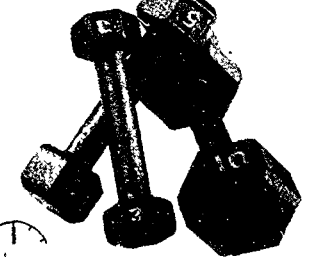
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MEN'S OR  
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KNIGHT  
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16-PIECE COMBO  
380cc graphite shaft  
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Thin face design,  
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SP-700 titanium, large  
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48" COMPOSITE FRAMED  
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MIL-AIR REARTE  
COBRA  
GMRS 2-PACK  
Up to 5 mile range,  
22 channels,  
38 privacy codes,  
VOX and water  
resistant 2-pack  
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QUICK SHADE  
WEEKENDER TO  
10' x 10' shelter, fully assembled frame,  
no loose parts, 100% UV protection canopy  
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STARS AND STRIPES  
ARM CHAIR  
Comfortable and sturdy,  
drink holder, folds  
easily into carry bag  
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HEAVYWEIGHT  
JACKETS  
Also available  
in black/grey -  
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MEN'S OR WOMEN'S BIBS OR PANTS  
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**KNIGHT XTERRA/SOLARUS 16-PIECE COMBO**  
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All-mountain performance, 360° edge protection, easy to turn.  
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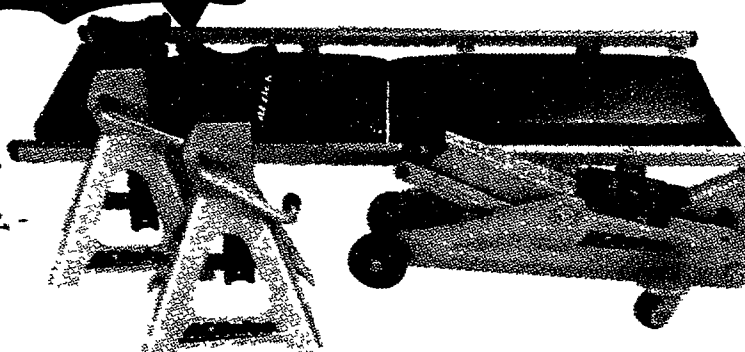
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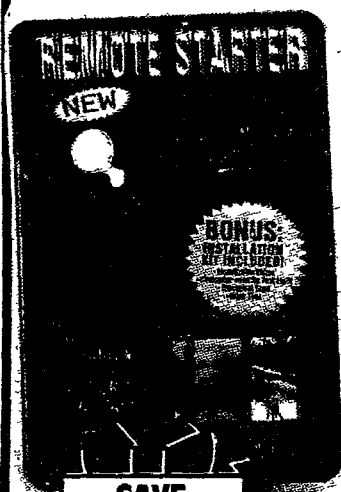
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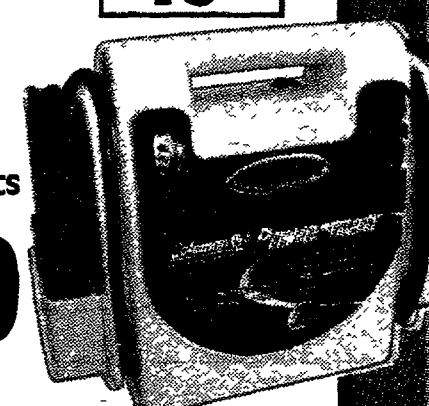
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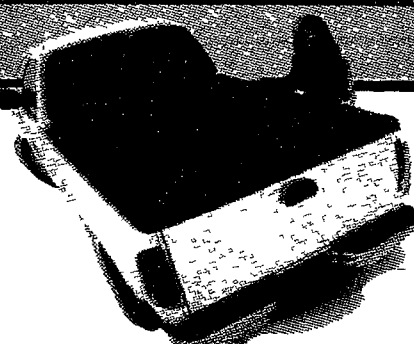
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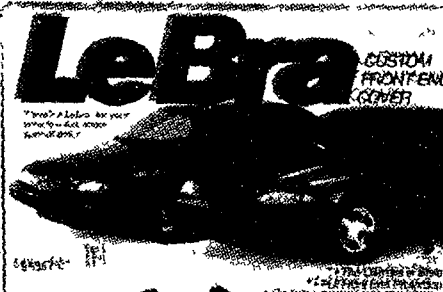
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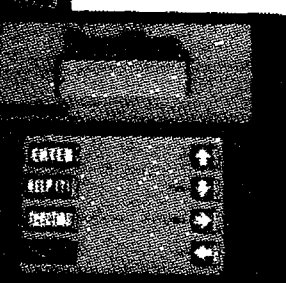


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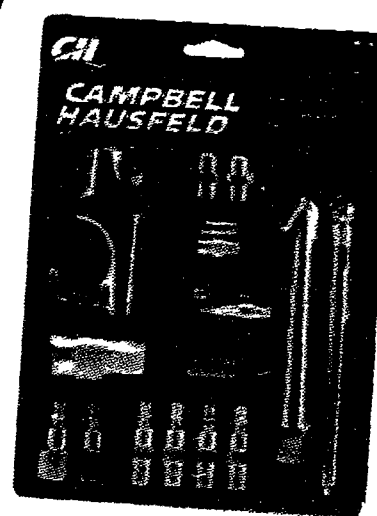
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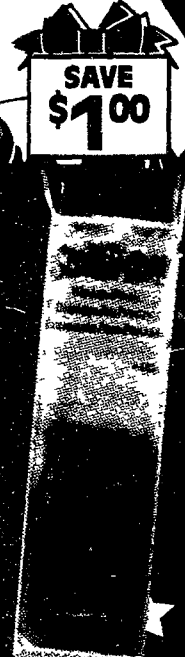
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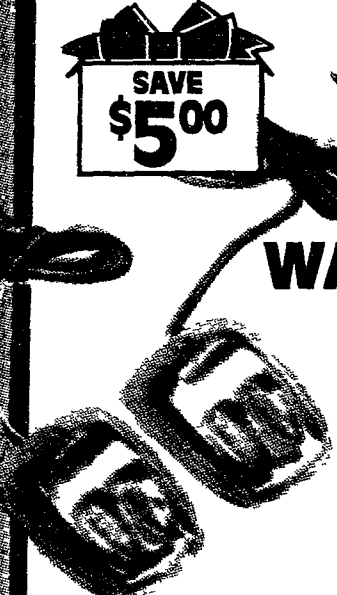
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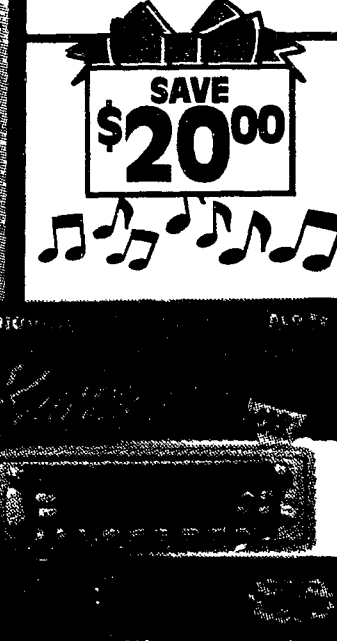
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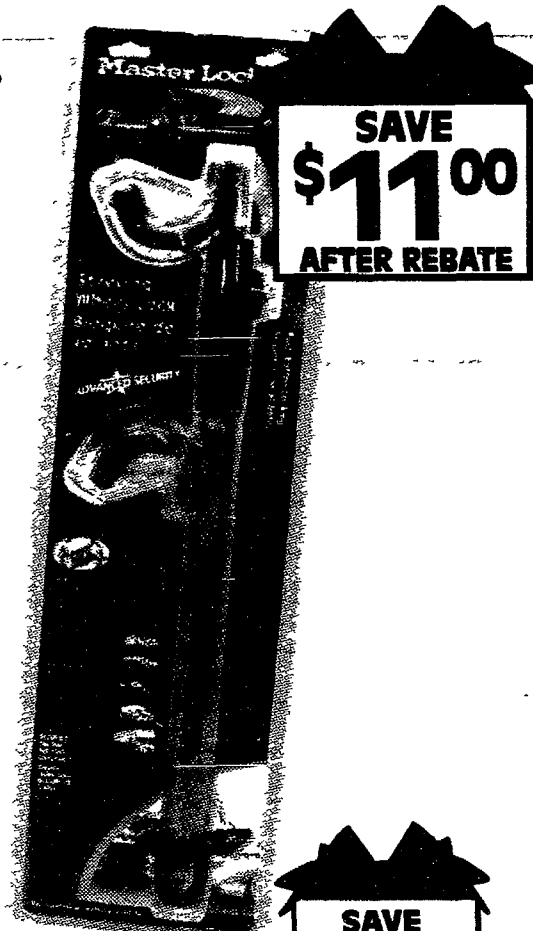
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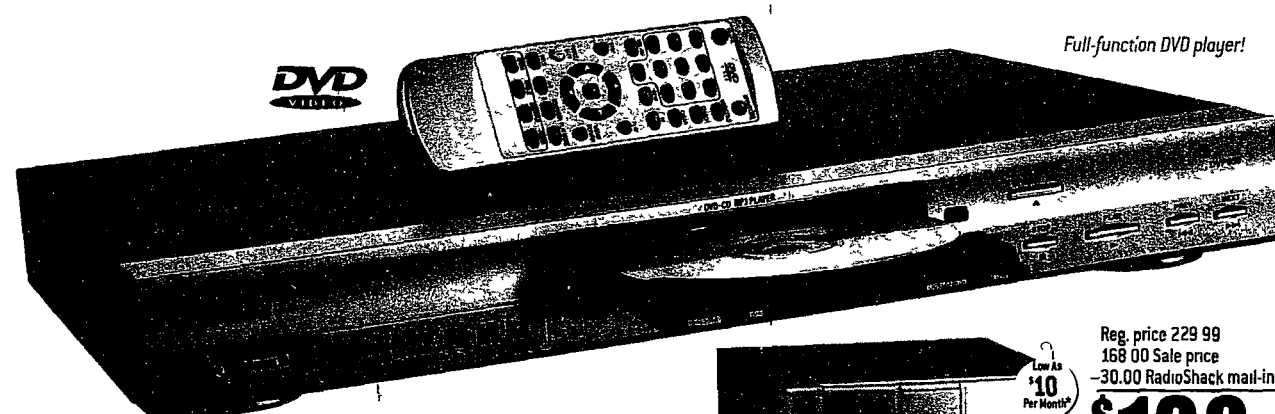
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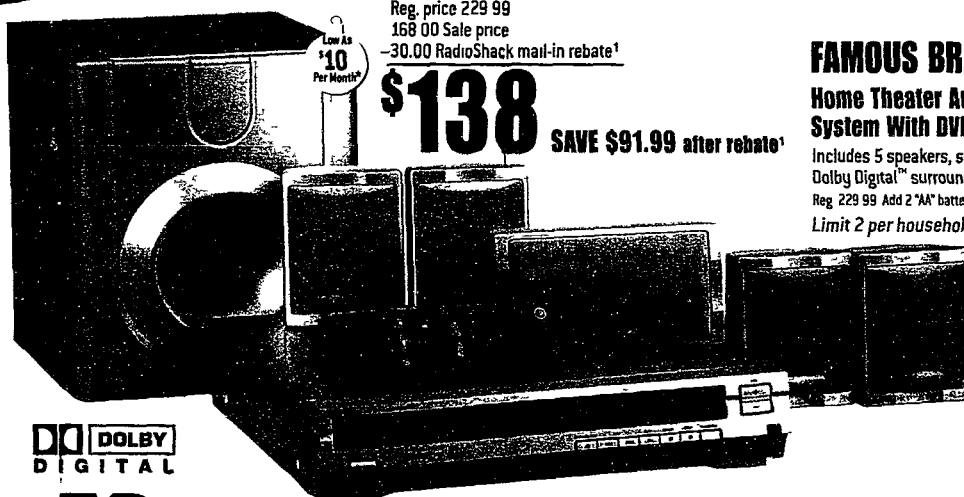
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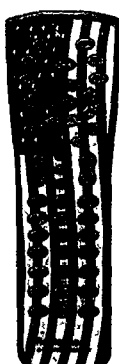
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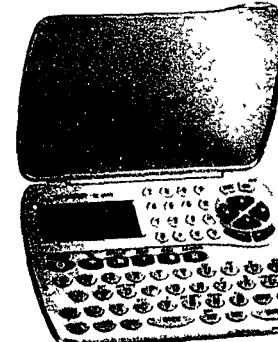
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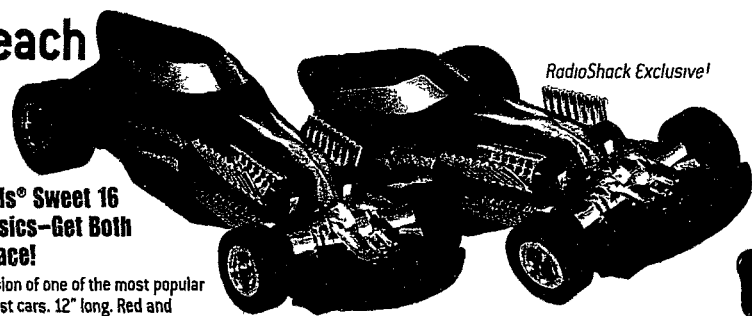
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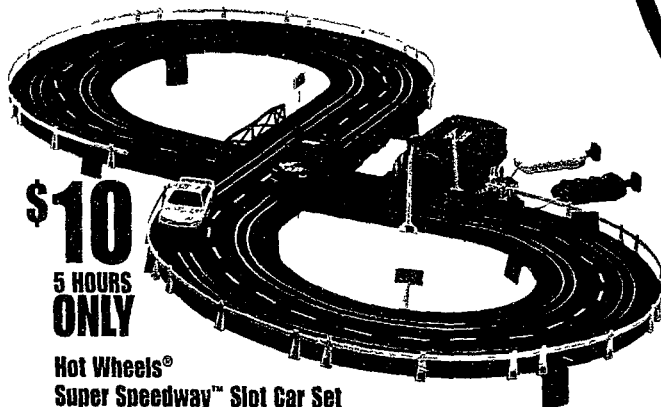
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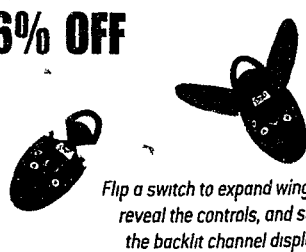
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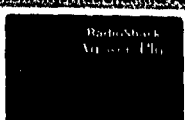
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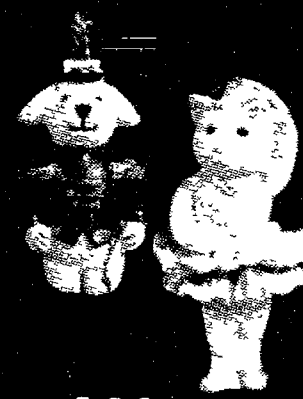
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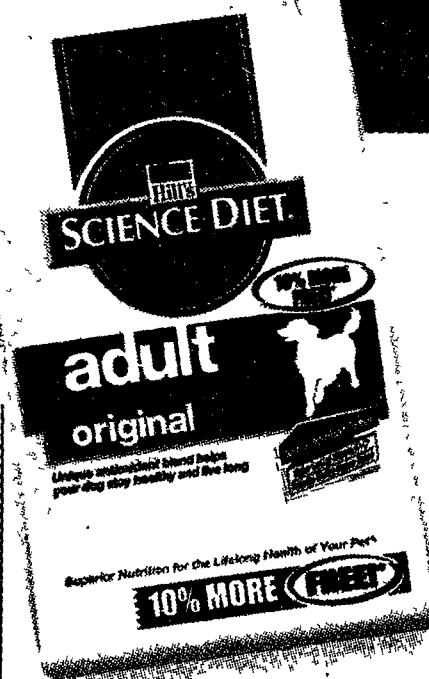
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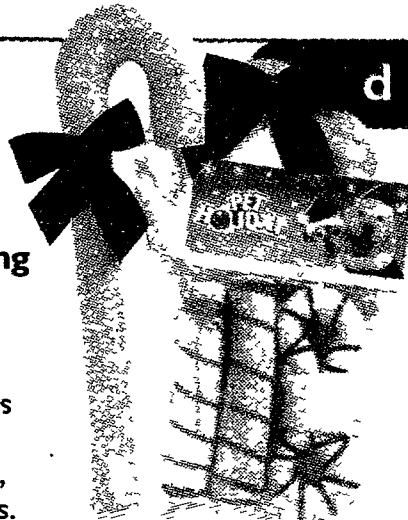
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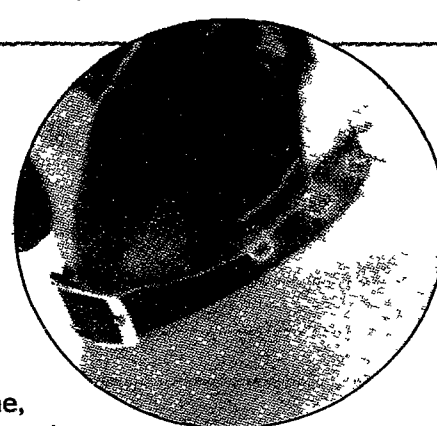




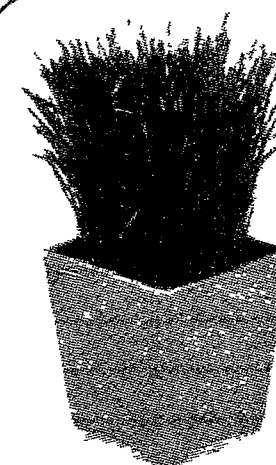
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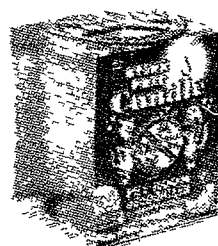
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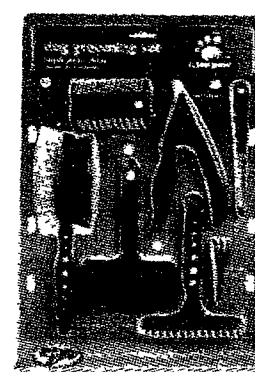
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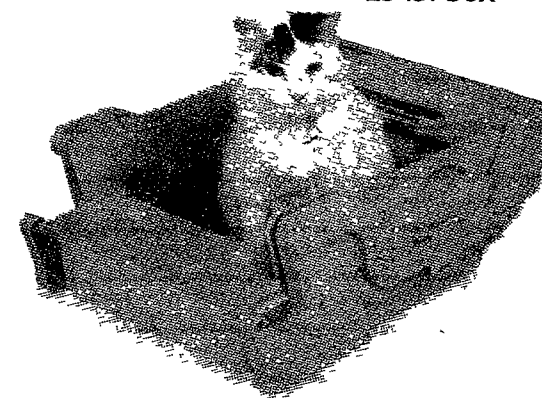
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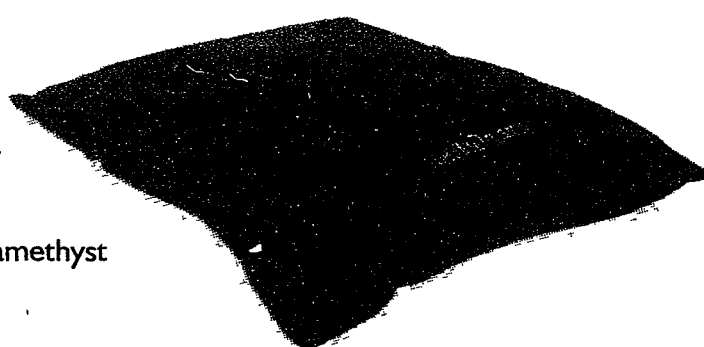


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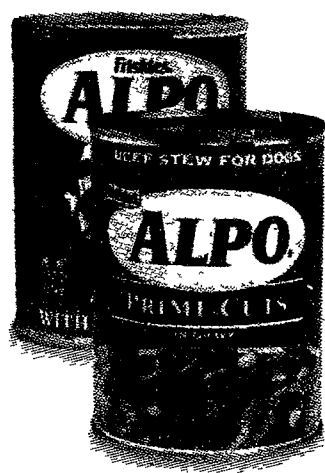
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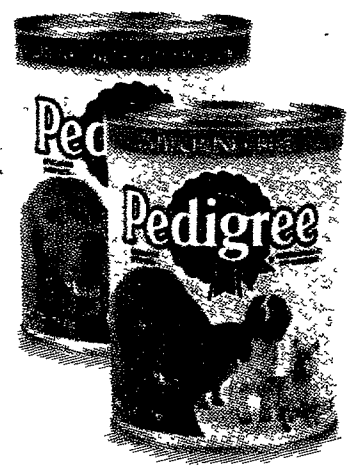
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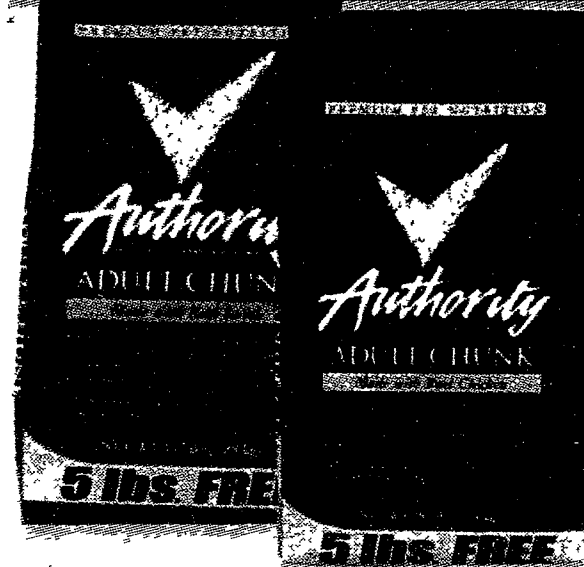
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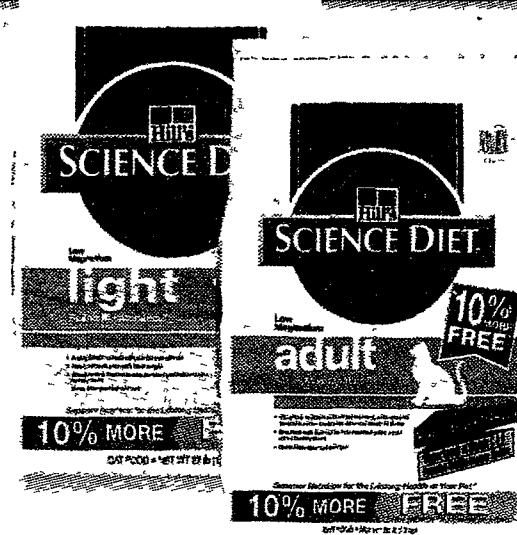
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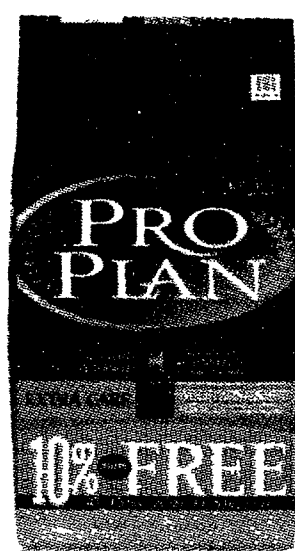
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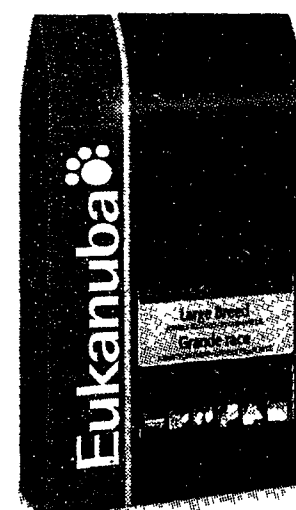


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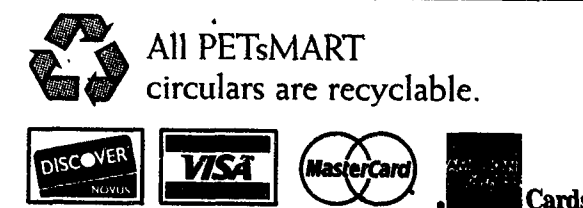


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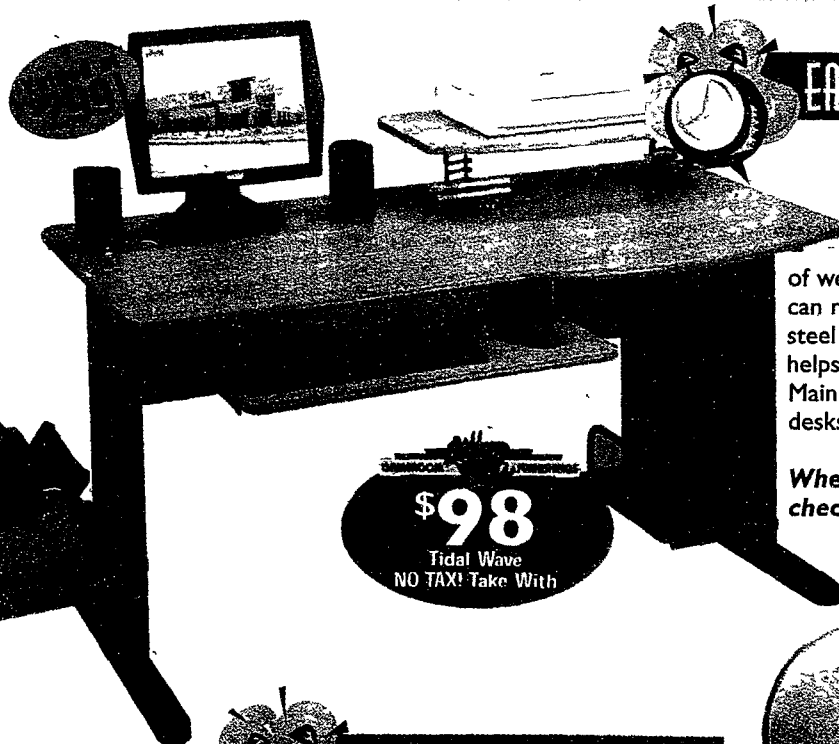
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*Tidal Wave*

This super sized desk provides plenty of workspace with adjustable shelving that can mount either inside or outside the tough steel frame. A top shelf with CD storage also helps maximize desktop space. 59"W x 29"D Main Worksurface. Limited quantity of 100 desks total at all locations

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Pewter finish. Five star base with casters. Full height adjustable. Limited quantity of 300 chairs total at all locations.

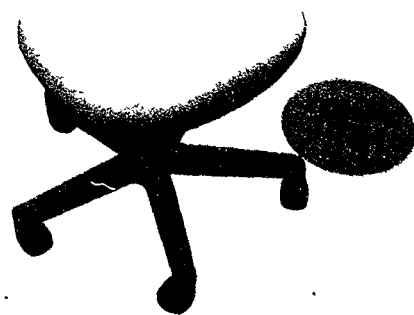
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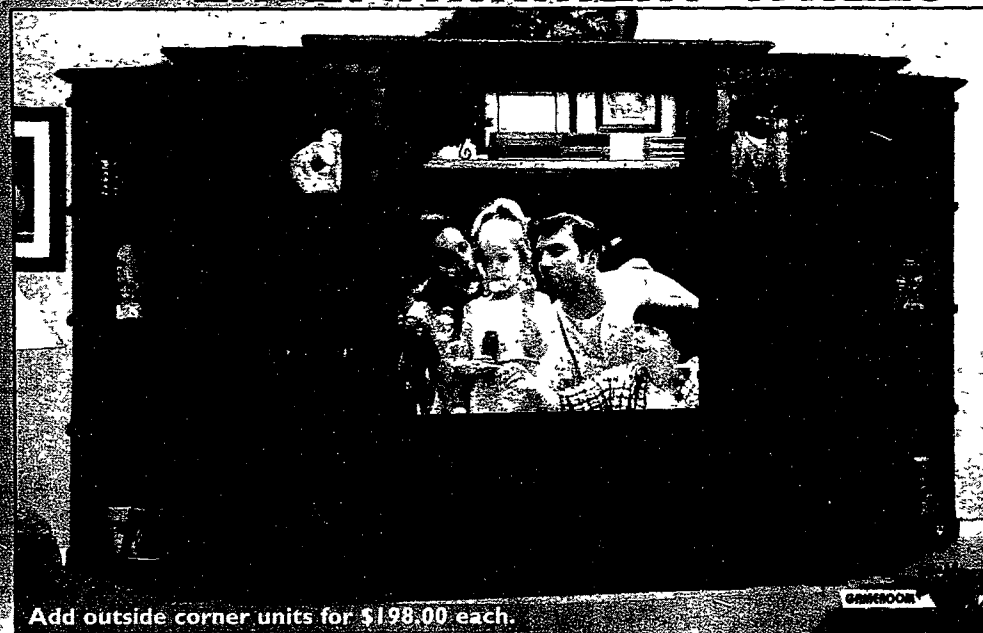




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## Big Screen ENTERTAINMENT WALLS



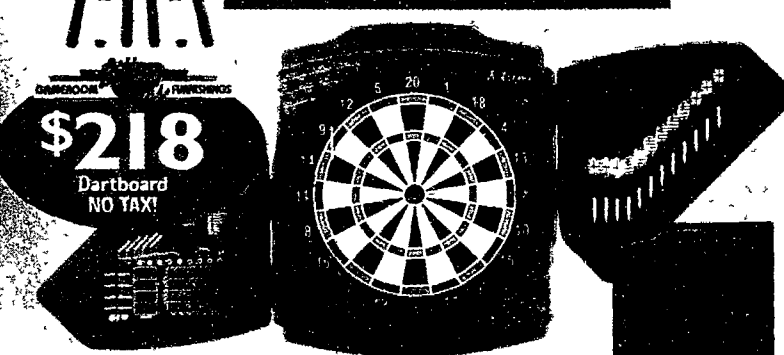
Add outside corner units for \$198.00 each.

### Arts & Crafts Big Screen Wall

- Lighted display areas
- Beveled glass doors
- Central lighting control
- Removable speaker panels
- Authentic pewter finished hardware
- Spice correct for time finished oak
- Expands to hold big screen from 40" to 60" wide
- Tape storage libraries hold 120 VHS tapes or 240 CDs
- Extra deep audio pier to accommodate large components

**\$1698**  
4 Piece Wall  
NO TAX!

## Gameroom GOODIES!



**\$218**  
Dartboard  
NO TAX!

### The X-Treme™ Dartboard

Plays 38 games/166 options/16 play cricket LED display includes six sets of darts and game manual. Wood doors conceal game when not in use.

### 3 in 1 Game Table

Multi functional, beautifully finished, space saving party centers. Imperial's 3 in 1 table converts instantly from a dining table with beautiful book matched veneers to an 8 position poker table with the flip of the top. Removal of the top exposes one of the most skilled games ever designed, Bumper Pool! Bumper pool is one of the most challenging cue sport games ever invented. You skill levels will soar as infinite angles are calculated and executed.

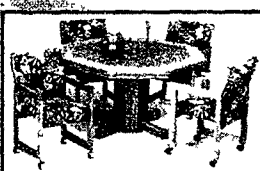
**\$698**  
3 in 1 Game Table  
NO TAX!



**\$698**  
Table Soccer  
NO TAX!

### Granite Pro Table Soccer

- Rubber grip handles
- Solid wood handles
- Side ball return
- Wood scoring beads
- Two drink holders
- Balanced playing men
- 16" cabinet with heavy support
- 4 3/4" heavy duty postlegs

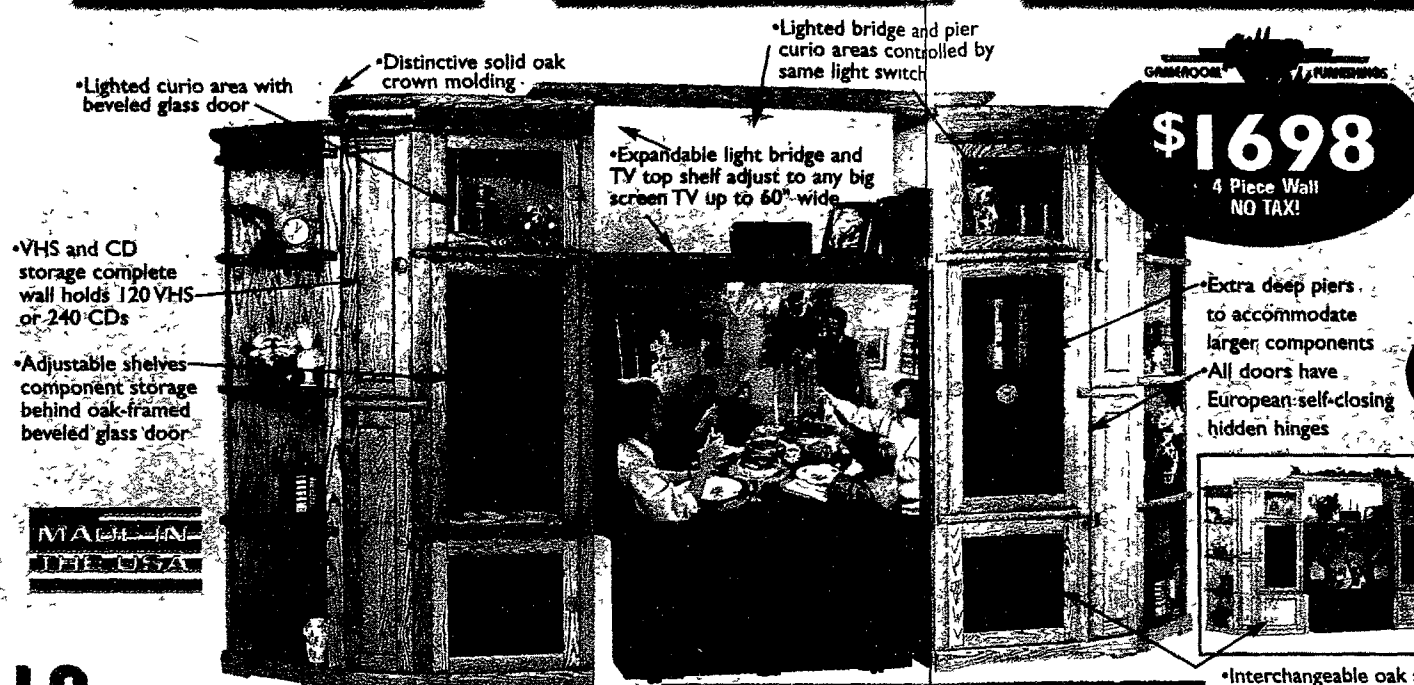


**\$198**  
Caster Game Chair  
in Pool Ball Color  
NO TAX!



### Five Piece Solid Oak Game Set

Five piece set includes 52" octagon two-in-one solid oak table, one side for casual dining, flip it over for serious game playing on other side and four casino styled casters game chairs.



**\$1698**  
4 Piece Wall  
NO TAX!

- VHS and CD storage complete wall holds 120 VHS or 240 CDs
- Adjustable shelves component storage behind oak-framed beveled glass door
- Distinctive solid oak crown molding
- Lighted bridge and pier curio areas controlled by same light switch
- Expandable light bridge and TV top shelf adjust to any big screen TV up to 60" wide
- Extra deep piers to accommodate larger components
- All doors have European self-closing hidden hinges
- Interchangeable oak and speaker grille inserts

Add beautiful accent corner wedges \$248.00 ea.

### New Century Home Theater

Gather the family around our "New Century" Home Theater Wall! The beautiful styling, massive size and unique features bring home entertainment more enjoyment for your friends and family than you can shake a remote control! Built to last a lifetime, truly a home theater experience to enjoy in the New Century!



**\$1898**  
As Shown  
NO TAX!

### Traditional Oak Big Screen Wall

- Rich medium oak finish
- Lighted display areas with dimmer control
- Vertical tape drawers holds 222 CDs or 90 VHS tapes (includes Disney)
- Solid oak raised panel doors
- Fits all big screens up to 60" wide
- Removable speaker inserts
- Surround sound ready

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## 36" MONITOR A/V Unit

**\$698**  
A/V Unit  
NO TAX!



**\$798**  
Traditional Oak Center  
NO TAX!

### 61" Monitor Size Entertainment Center

- Rich golden oak finish
- Crafted with solid oak and select oak veneers
- Accommodates 36" monitors
- Beveled brass and glass doors
- VCR storage
- 61" W x 21" D x 61" H

### Traditional Oak Entertainment Unit

- 61" W x 74" H x 21" D
- Lighted display storage
- Twin vertical tape drawers
- Brass and glass audio door
- VCR storage
- Holds 36" big screen
- Made in the U.S.A.

### New Century Medium Oak Entertainment Center



### Mission Oak Spice Finish Entertainment Center

**\$598**  
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Billy Bob's went to the Orman-Grubb factory with the idea to manufacture an entertainment unit with loads of storage. Compact in size, each unit is 60" W x 56" H x 21" D, has a 36" monitor capacity with lighted display area with touch light dimmer switch, roll out VCR and disc storage, removable speaker panels. It is surround sound ready in styles and finishes to fit any decor and at a price to fit every budget. Constructed in the USA of oak solids and select oak veneers.

## Rack 'Em UP!

### Your Choice! 4' x 8' Pool Tables

The most beautifully finished tables in the industry. Take a close look! Standards in quality furniture tables.

- Wide, sculptured back rails
- Genuine diamond mother of pearl sights
- Full profile master speed K-66 cushions
- Solid wood rail caps with detailed blind aprons permanently attached
- 1 1/2" main frame aprons with detail routing
- Solid wood crossmembers with center stringer for extra frame rigidity and slate support
- Hand carved and meticulously finished legs
- Full 1 inch thick 95" x 51" oversize slate with backers

The perfect compliment for your pool table!



### 4' X 8' QUEEN ANNE IN MAHOGANY

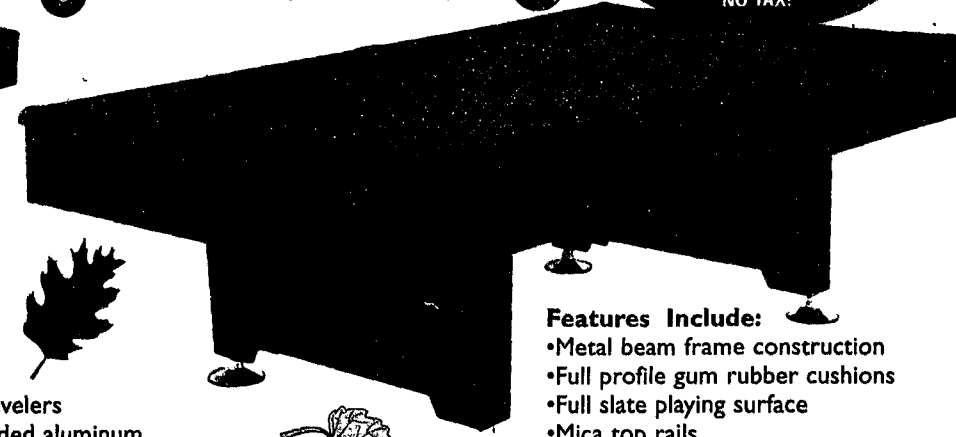
All these features add up to a fantastic table, but the final finish closes the deal. Each table makes six trips in and out of the spray booth. A graduated polishing compound applied between coats is what produces the "Best Finished Tables in the Industry!" The final test — Feel The Finish. Anywhere!

**\$1998**  
4' x 8' Pool Table Your Choice  
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### 4' X 8' BALL & CLAW IN HONEY MAPLE

## The Eliminator™ 7' Pool Table

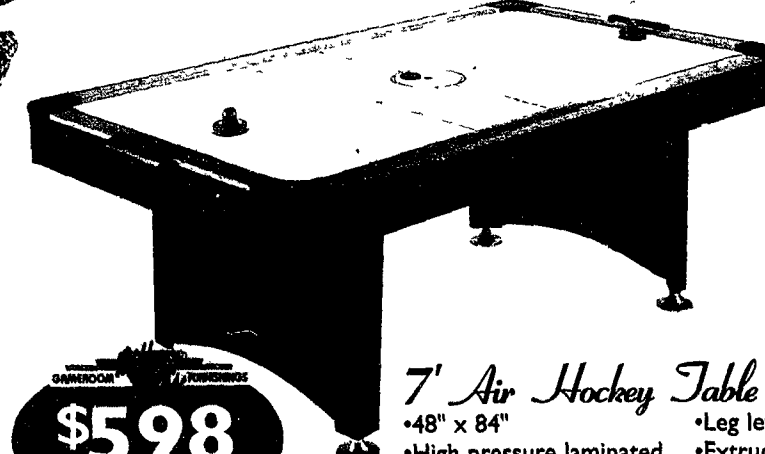
**\$1098**  
The Eliminator  
NO TAX!



### Features Include:

- Metal beam frame construction
- Full profile gum rubber cushions
- Full slate playing surface
- Mica top rails
- Metal corner caps
- Hours of family fun
- 4' x 8' size available at \$1198.00

## You GOTTA see THIS PLACE!



**\$598**  
7' Air Hockey Table  
NO TAX!

### 7' Air Hockey Table

- 48" x 84"
- High pressure laminated playing surface
- Even air distribution
- Two turbo fans
- Leg levelers
- Extruded aluminum handrails
- Includes pucks and paddles

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## Nestle creek HOME OFFICE BY ORMAN GRUBB

Nestle Creek Home Office is new from Orman Grubb is crafted of birch and alder select hard woods and veneers then finished in a rich nutmeg color. Features include large roll out keyboard tray, heavy duty drawer slides, wide tower areas, legal size file drawers. All crafted with pride in America.

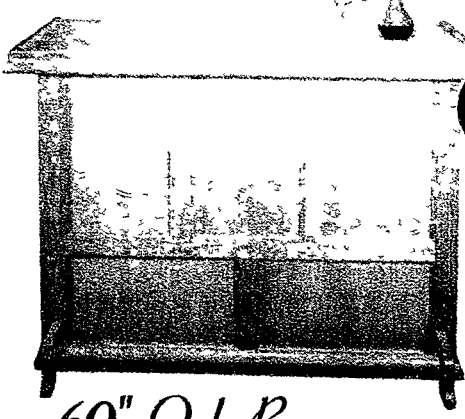


**\$748**  
Desk & Hutch  
2 Piece Set



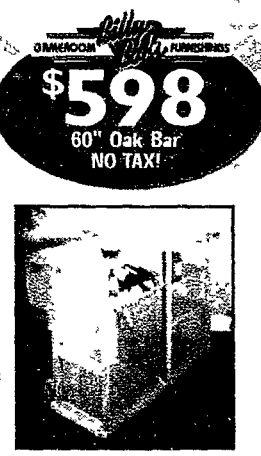
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Home Office Armoire  
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## Bars & STOOLS



### 60" Oak Bar

- 60" real oak counter bar
- Wine rack
- Brass foot rail
- Adjustable back shelves
- Crafted with oak solids and select oak veneers
- Large 24" x 60" counter surface
- Limited quantities/40 units available

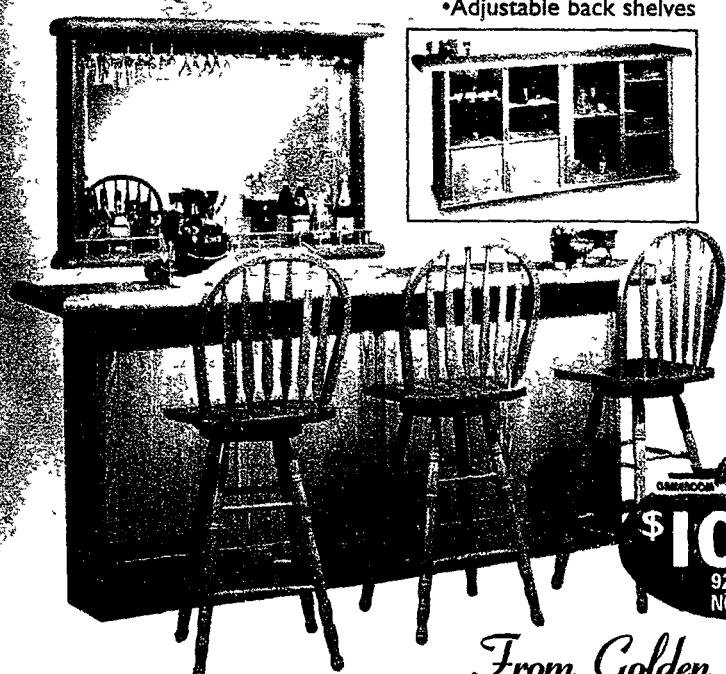


**\$598**  
60" Oak Bar  
NO TAX!



**\$218**  
Solid Oak  
Swivel Bar Chair  
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*Solid Oak Swivel Bar Chair*  
Extra deep seating stocked in 30" bar height or 24" counter height.



**\$1098**  
92" Bar  
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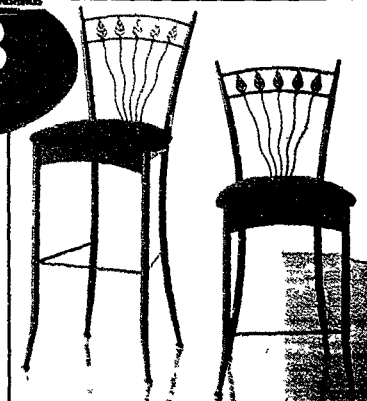
### From Golden Oak

New introduction exclusive to Billy Bob's! Just the right item for in home entertaining. Crafted in oak solids and select oak veneers, the 92" bar features brass foot rail, locking liquor cabinet, wine rack, glass rack and lots of storage space. The back bar mirror features bottle storage and glass racks. The oak arrow back swivel for easy access. In stock and ready to entertain your guests.

Oak arrow back bar stool .....\$98.00  
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 50" back bar mirror .....\$498.00



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Design Stool  
24"H or 30"H  
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**\$118**  
Aspen Stool  
24"H or 30"H  
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**\$198**  
Oak Poolball Bar Stool  
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**\$78**  
Arrow Back  
Swiveling Bar Chair  
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### Arrow Back Swiveling Bar Chair

24" counter or 30" bar heights. Stocked in white or natural.



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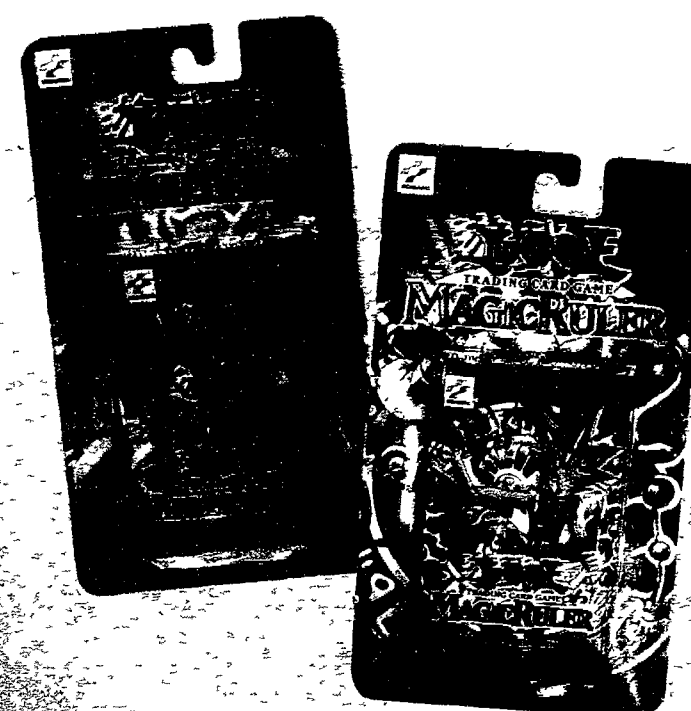
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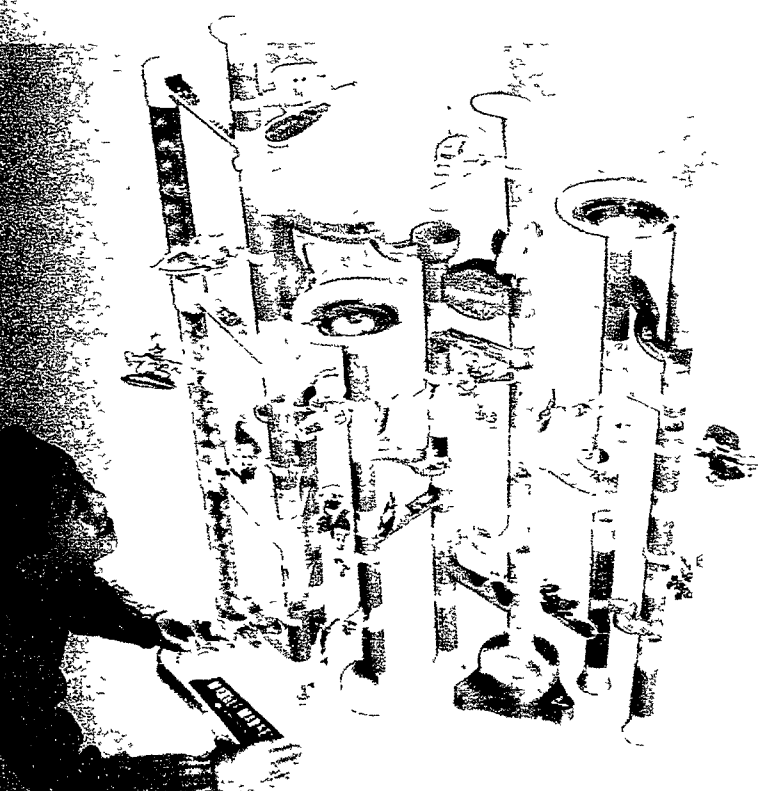
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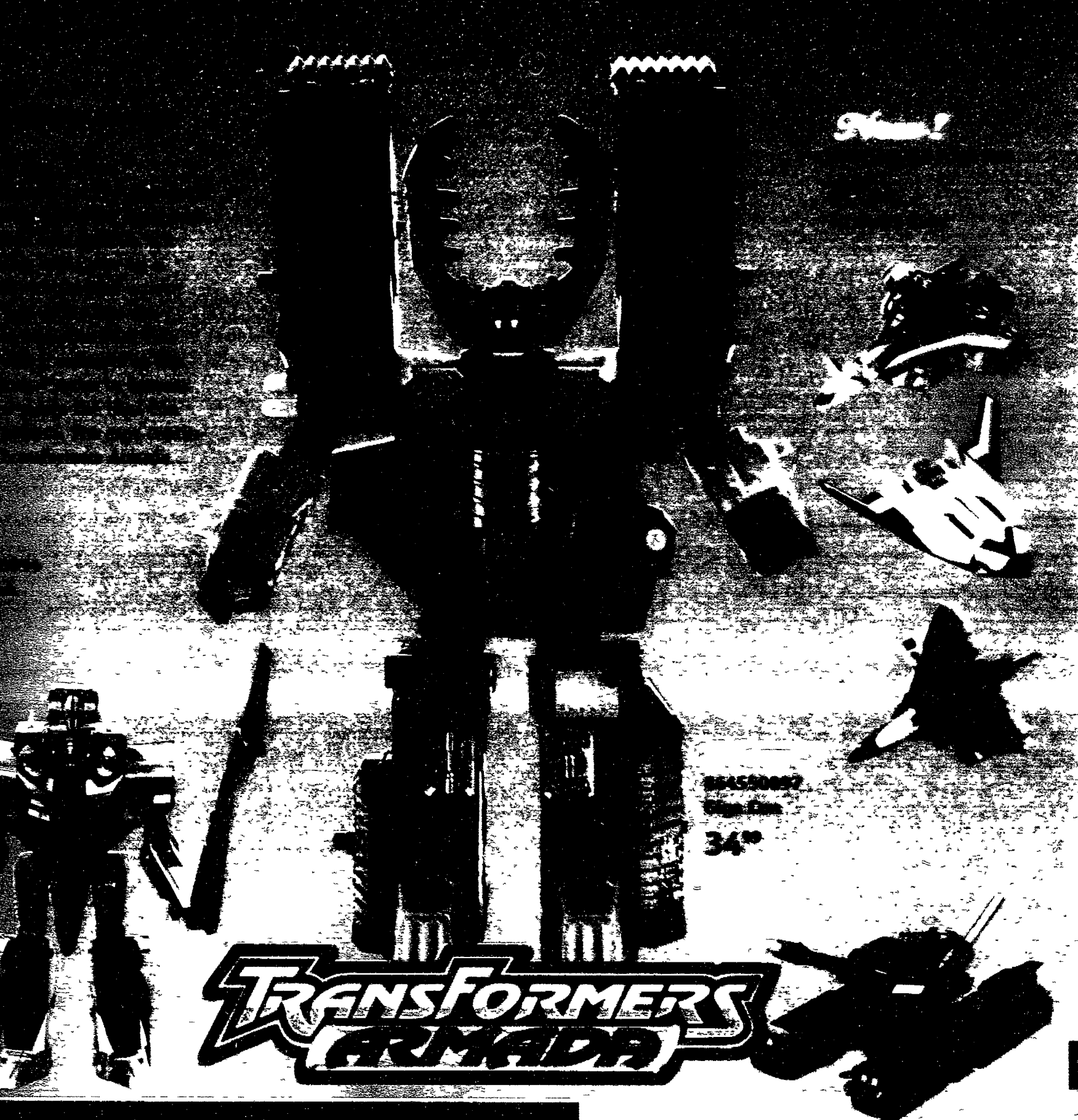
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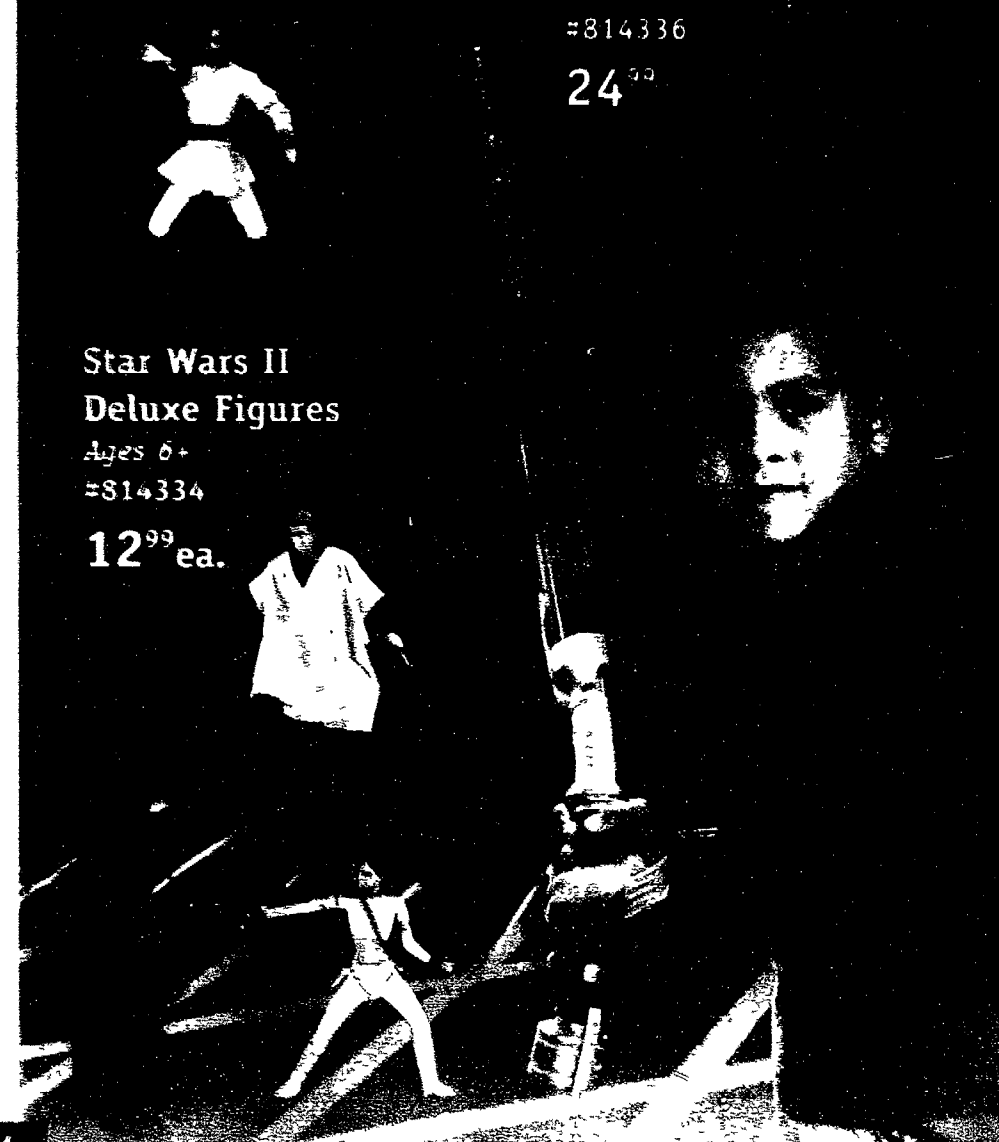
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**New!**

**RC Street Savage**

**Ages 8+**

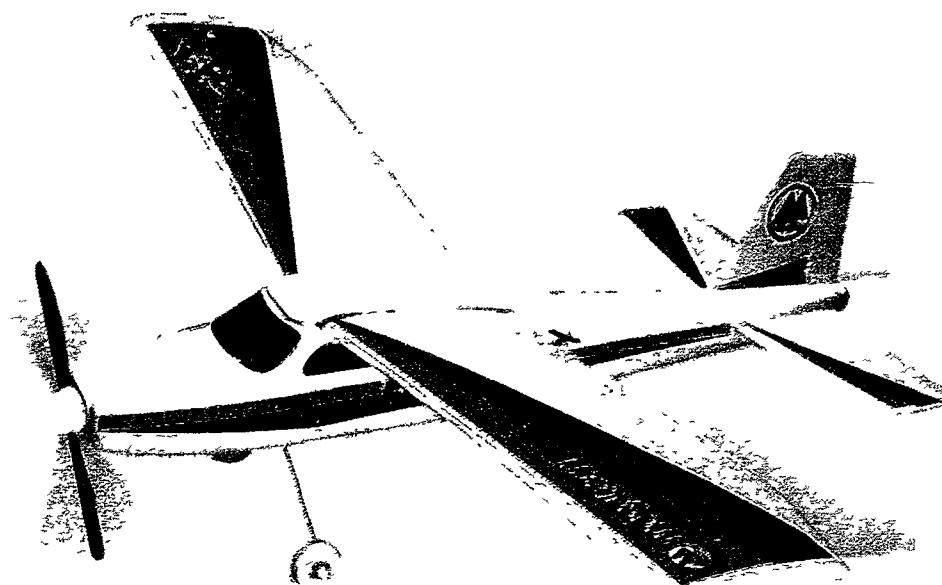
This full-function remote control car has uniquely articulated rear wheel steering to perform incredibly tight spins and wheelies. Ready to run battery pack and charger included.

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**Ages 8+**

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**RC Mega Turbo Racers**

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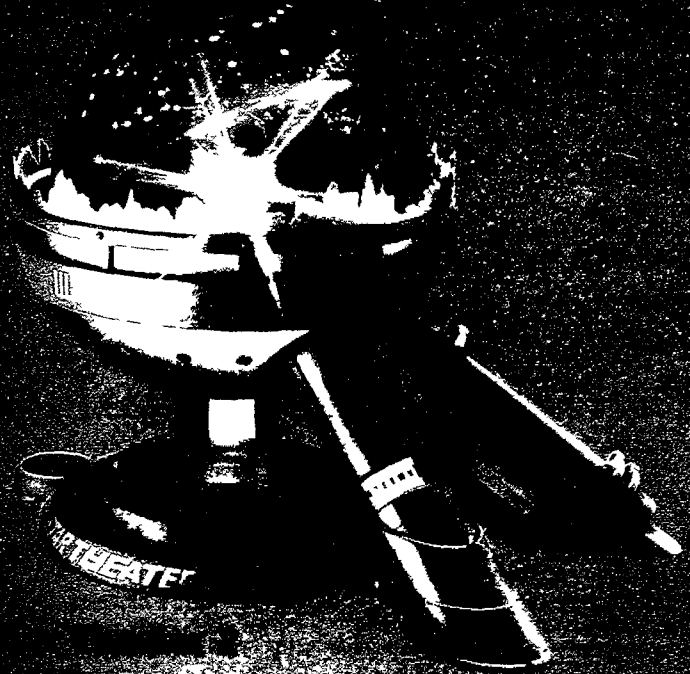
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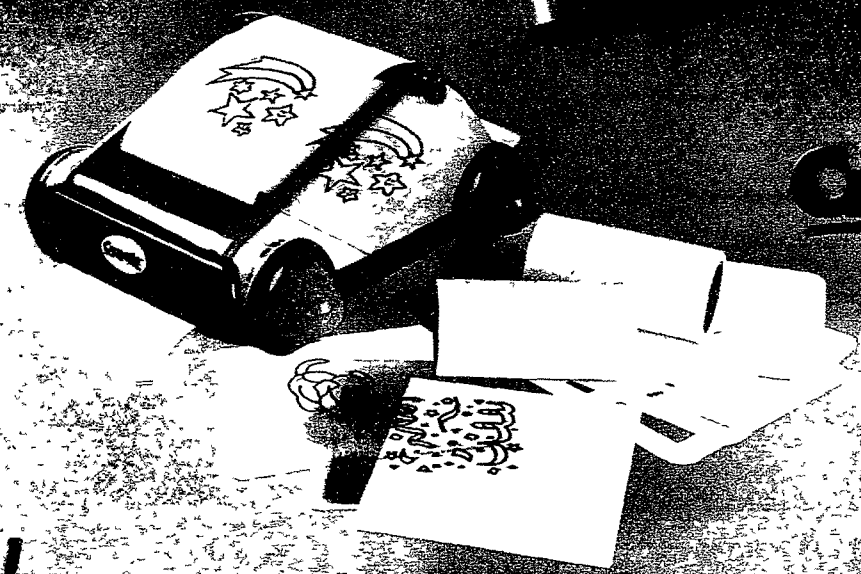
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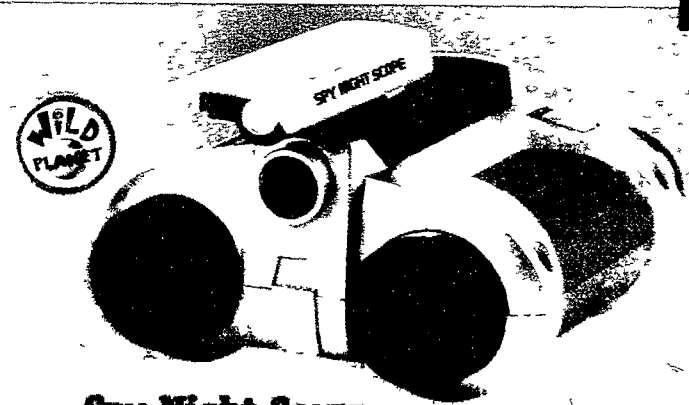


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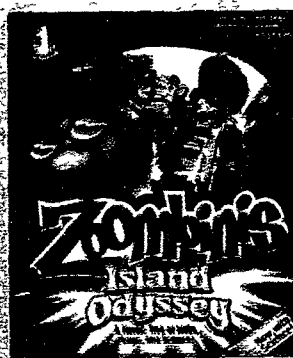
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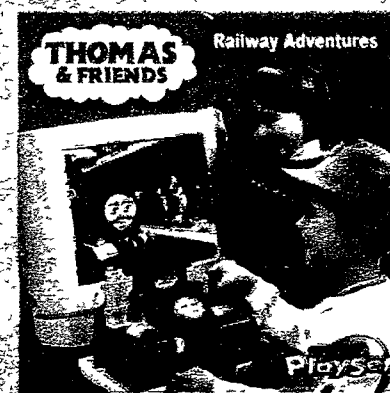


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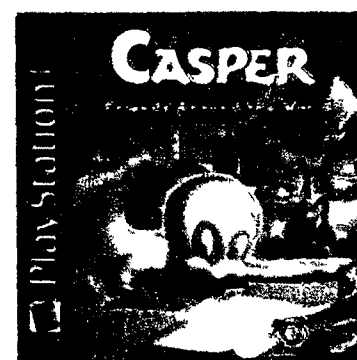
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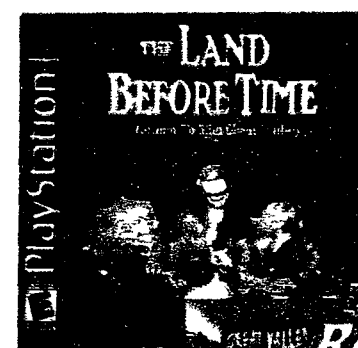
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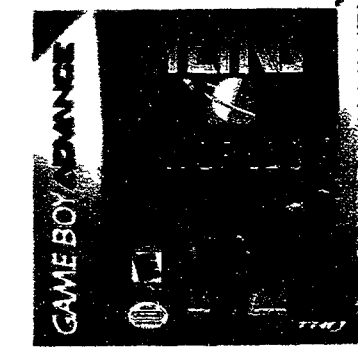
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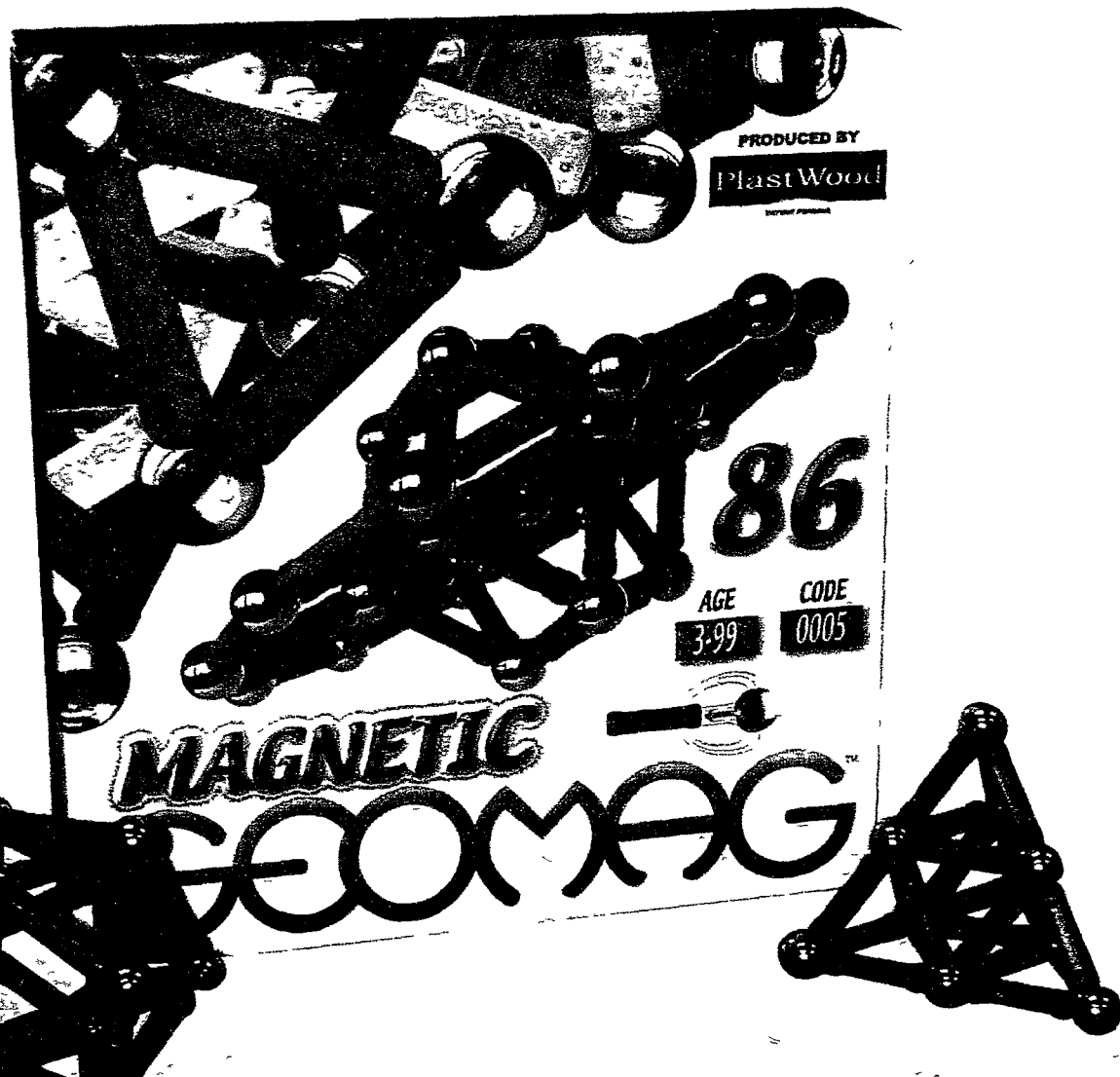
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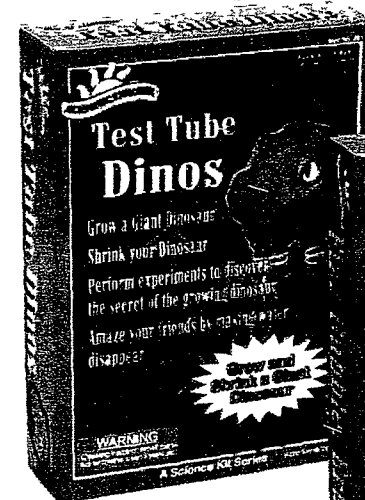
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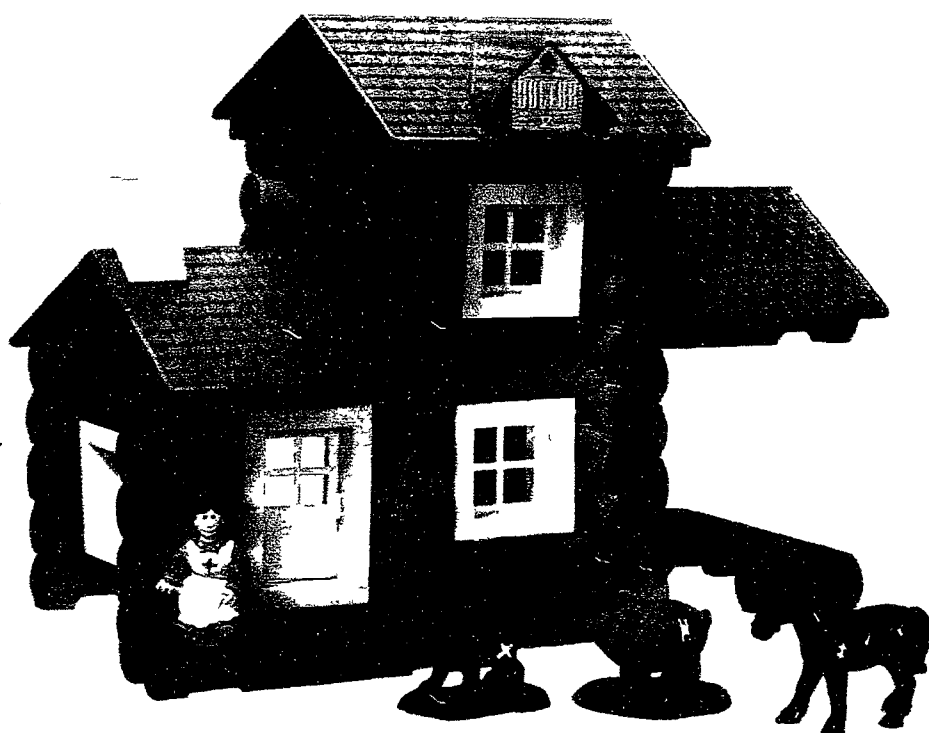
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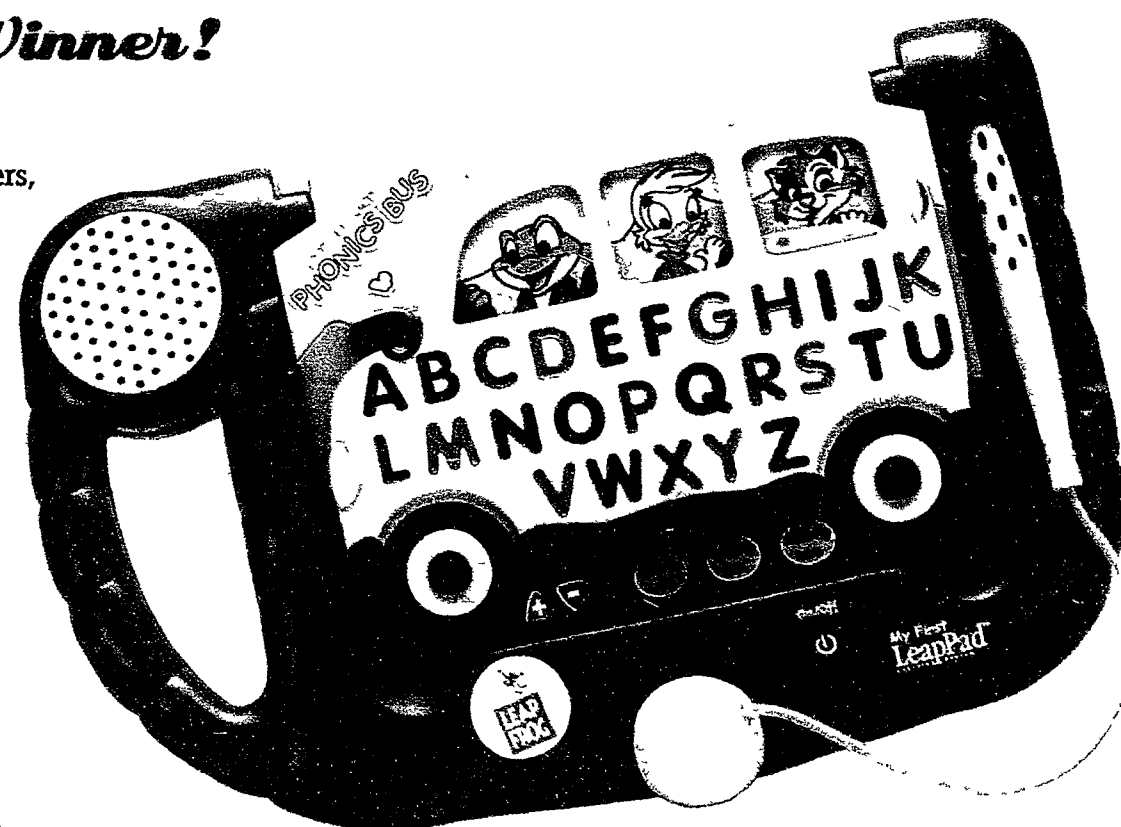
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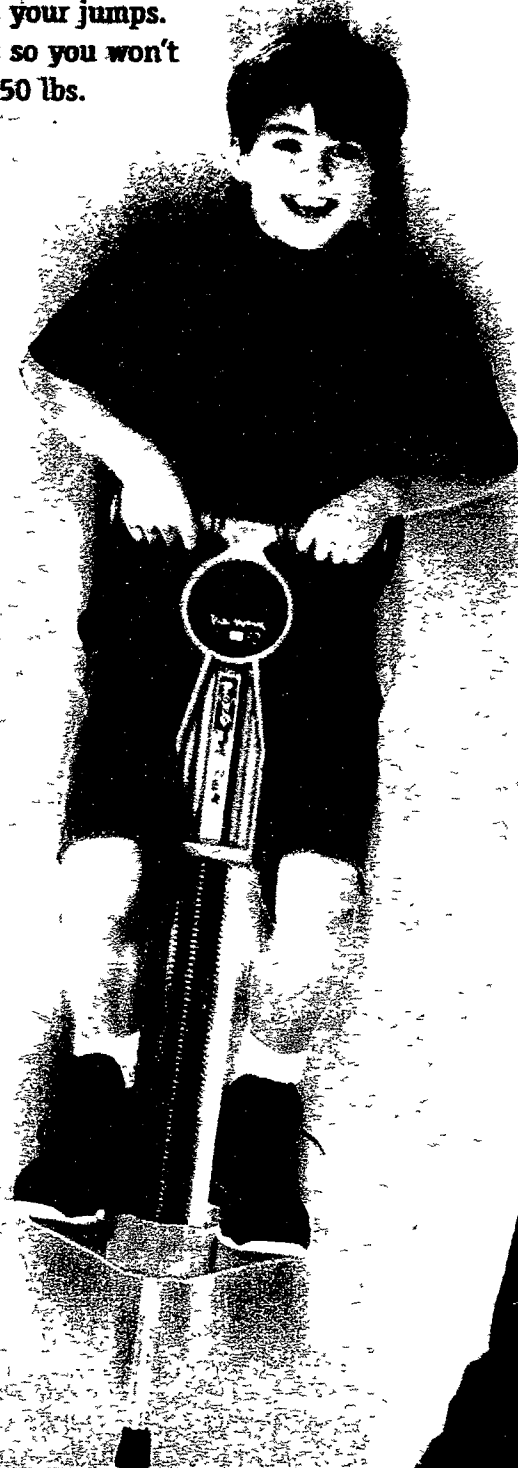
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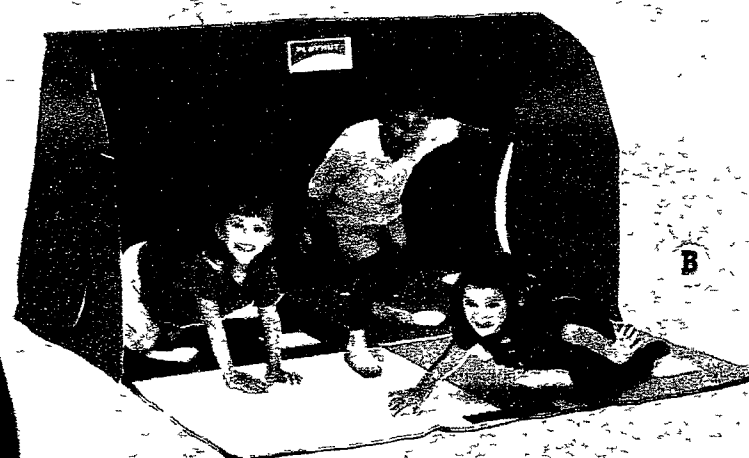
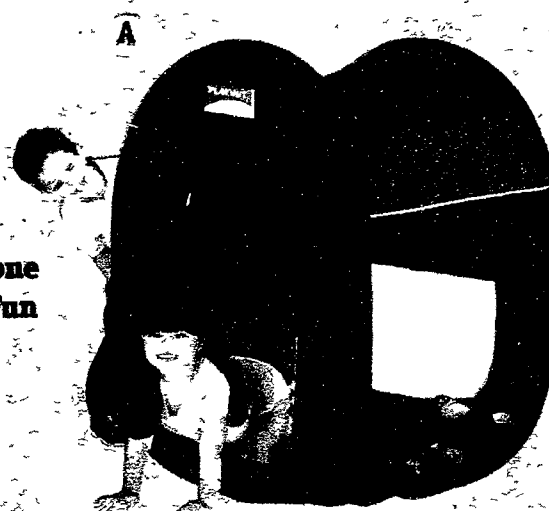
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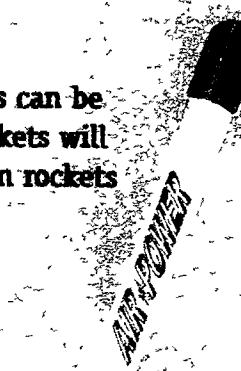
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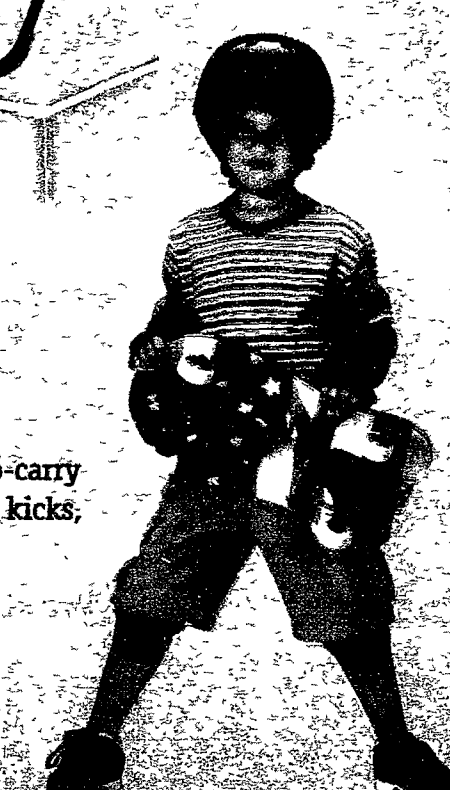
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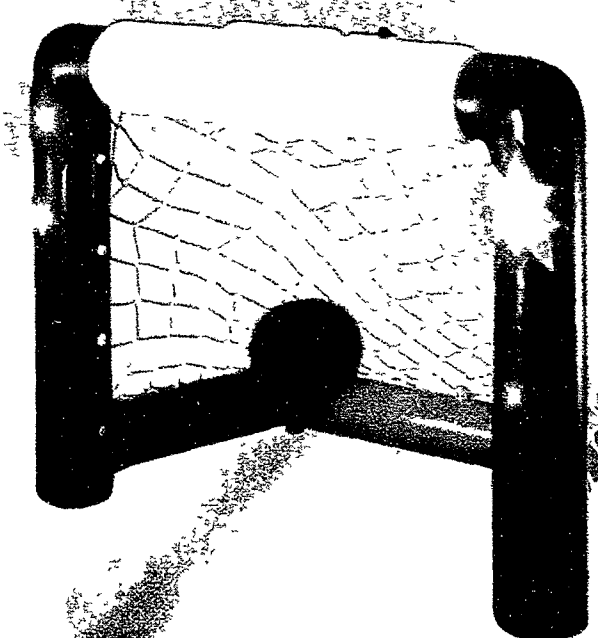
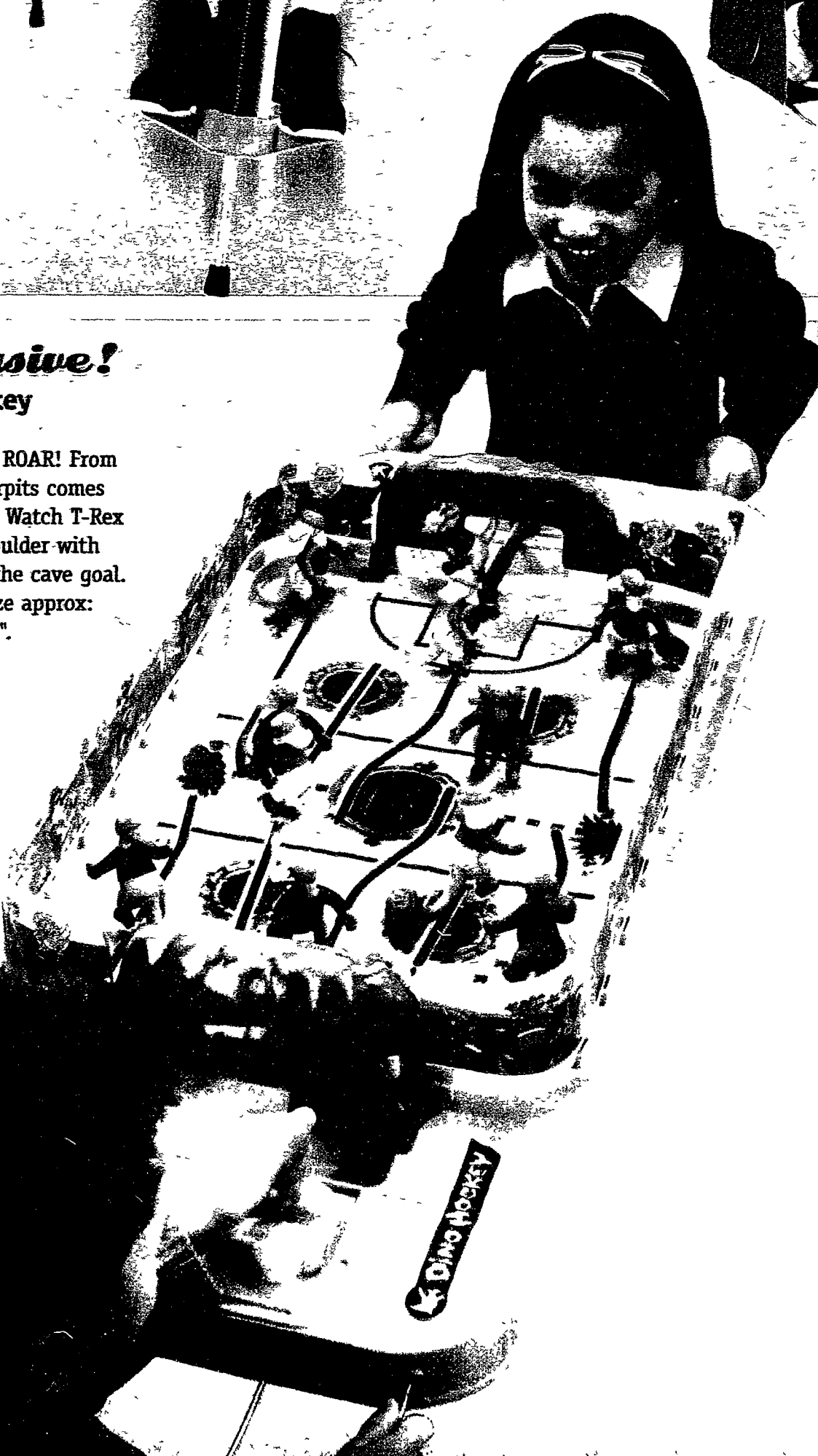
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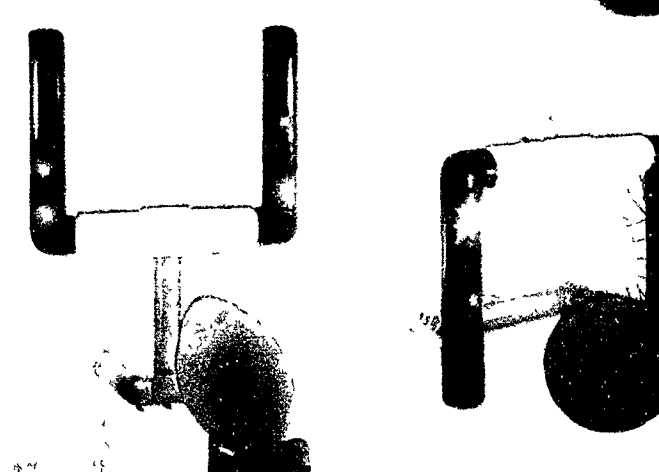
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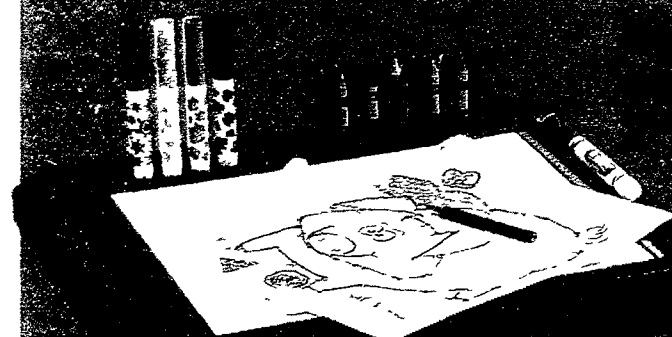
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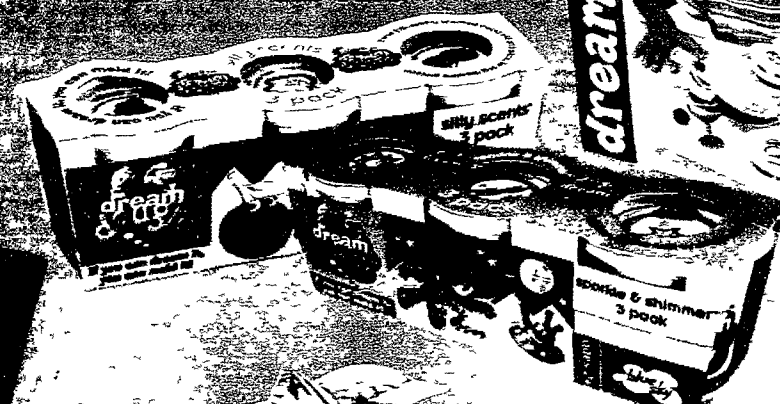




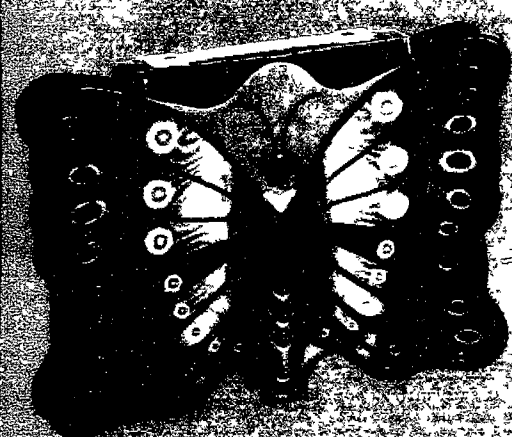
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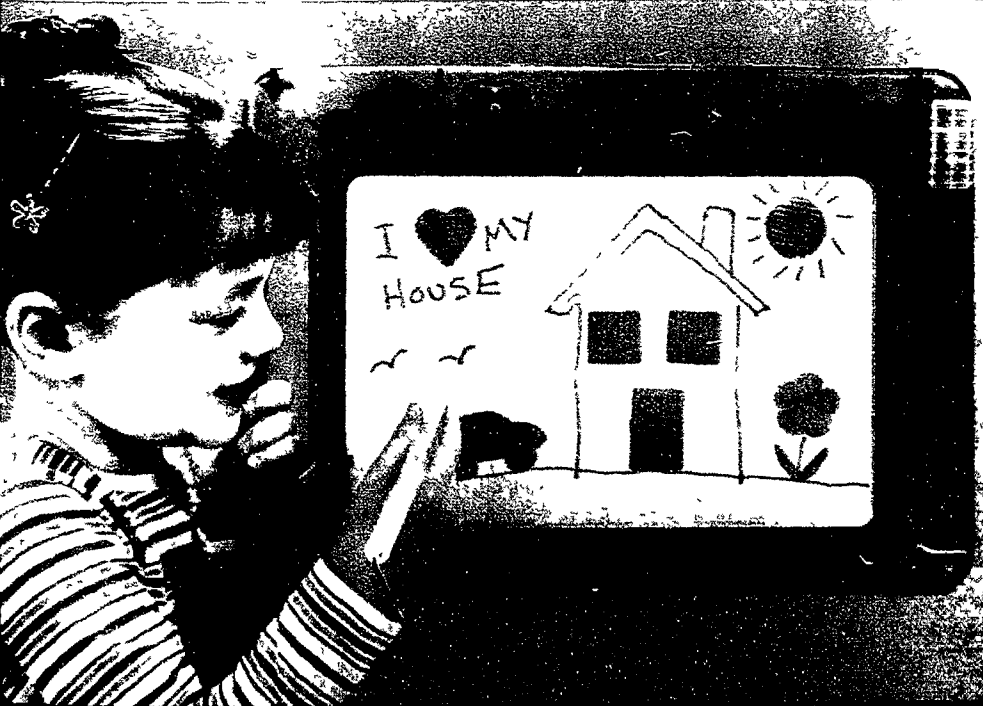
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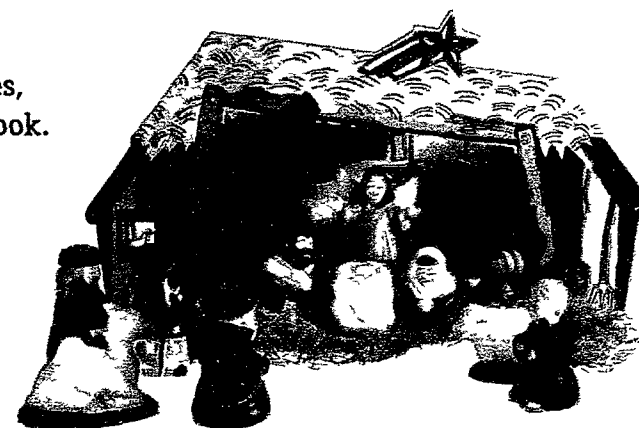
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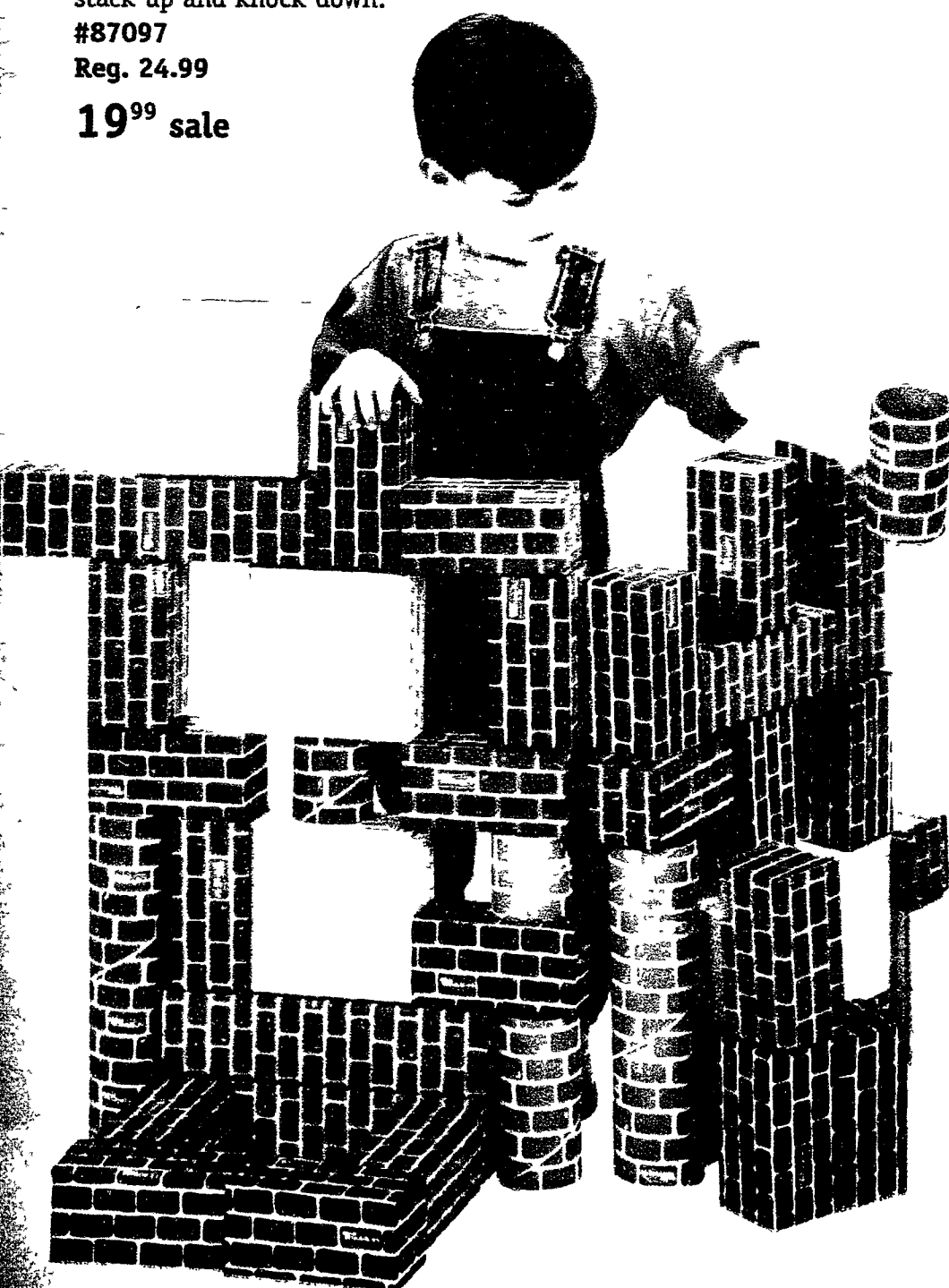
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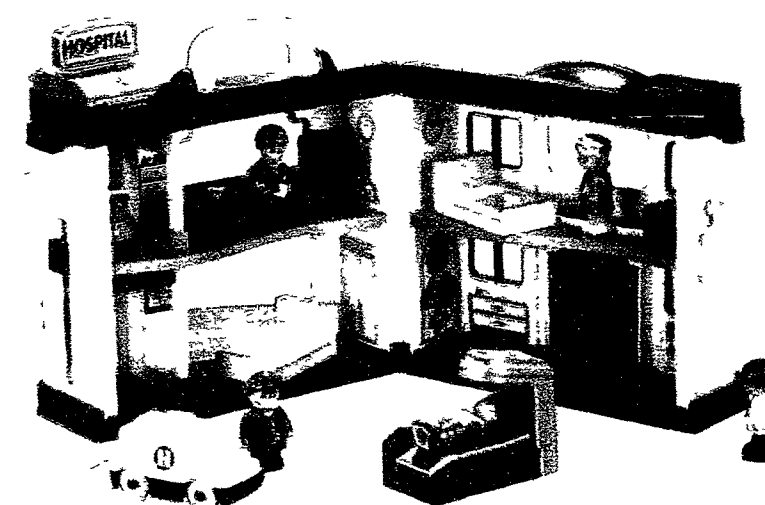
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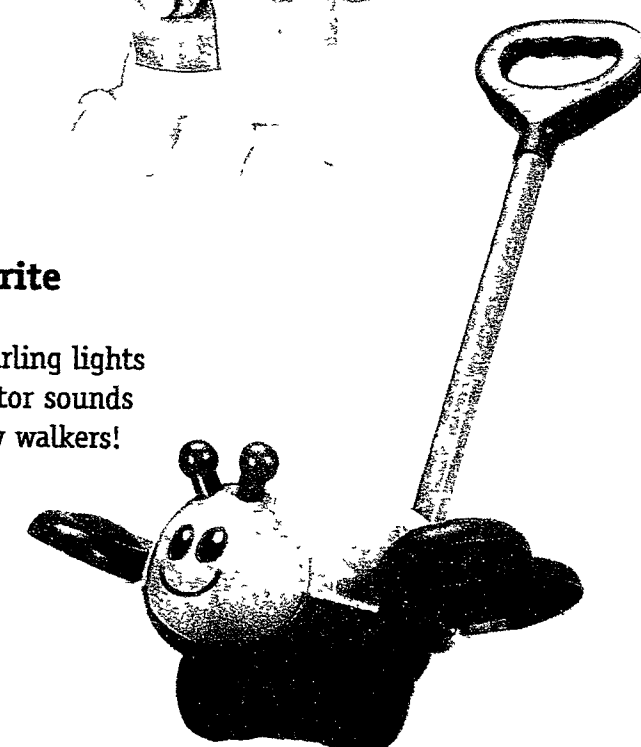
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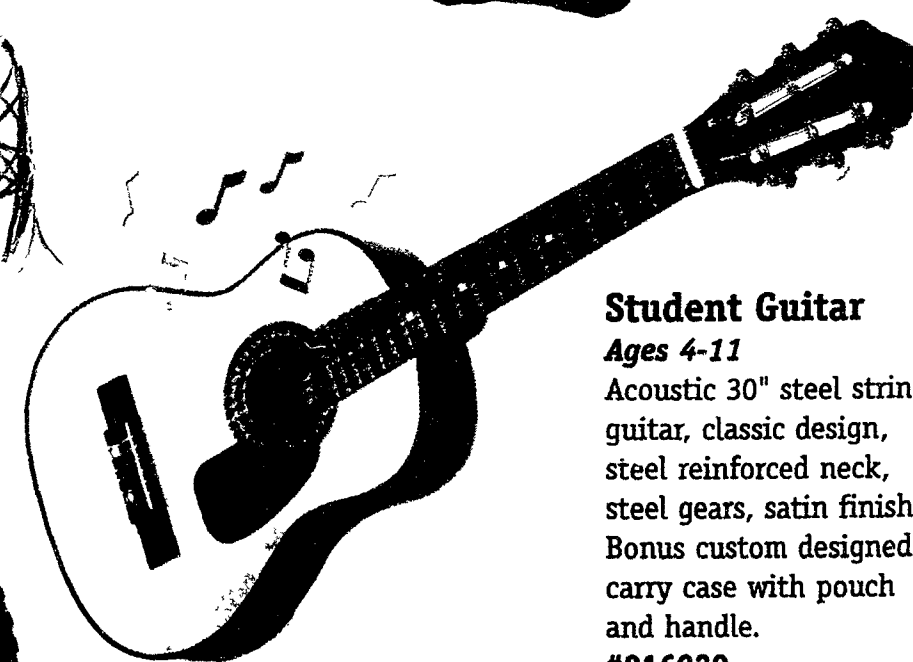
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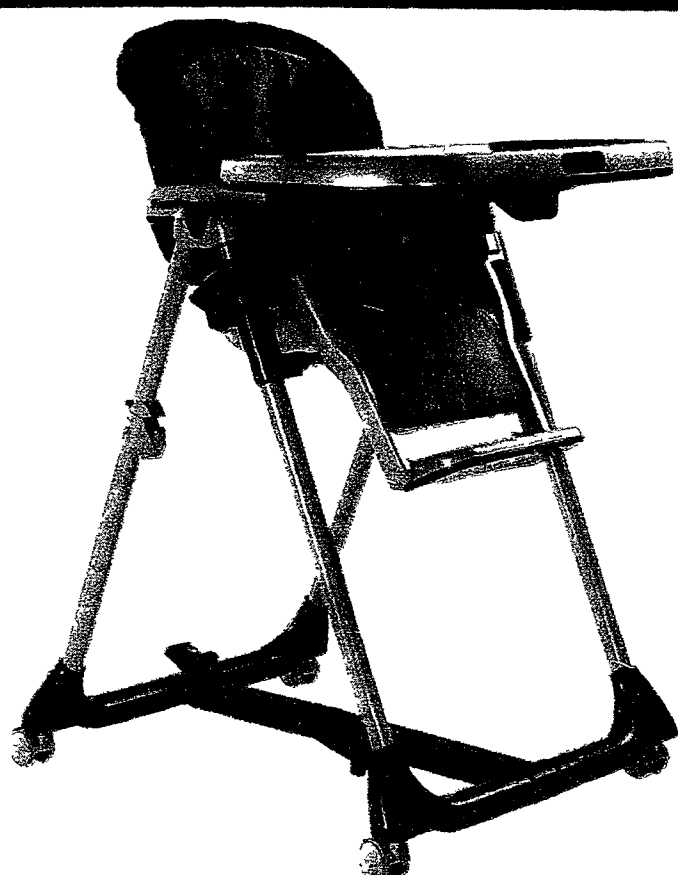




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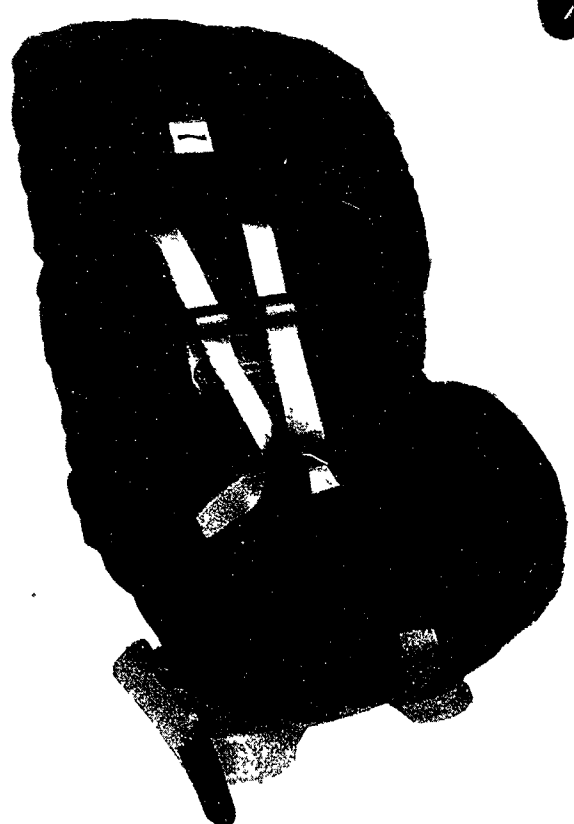
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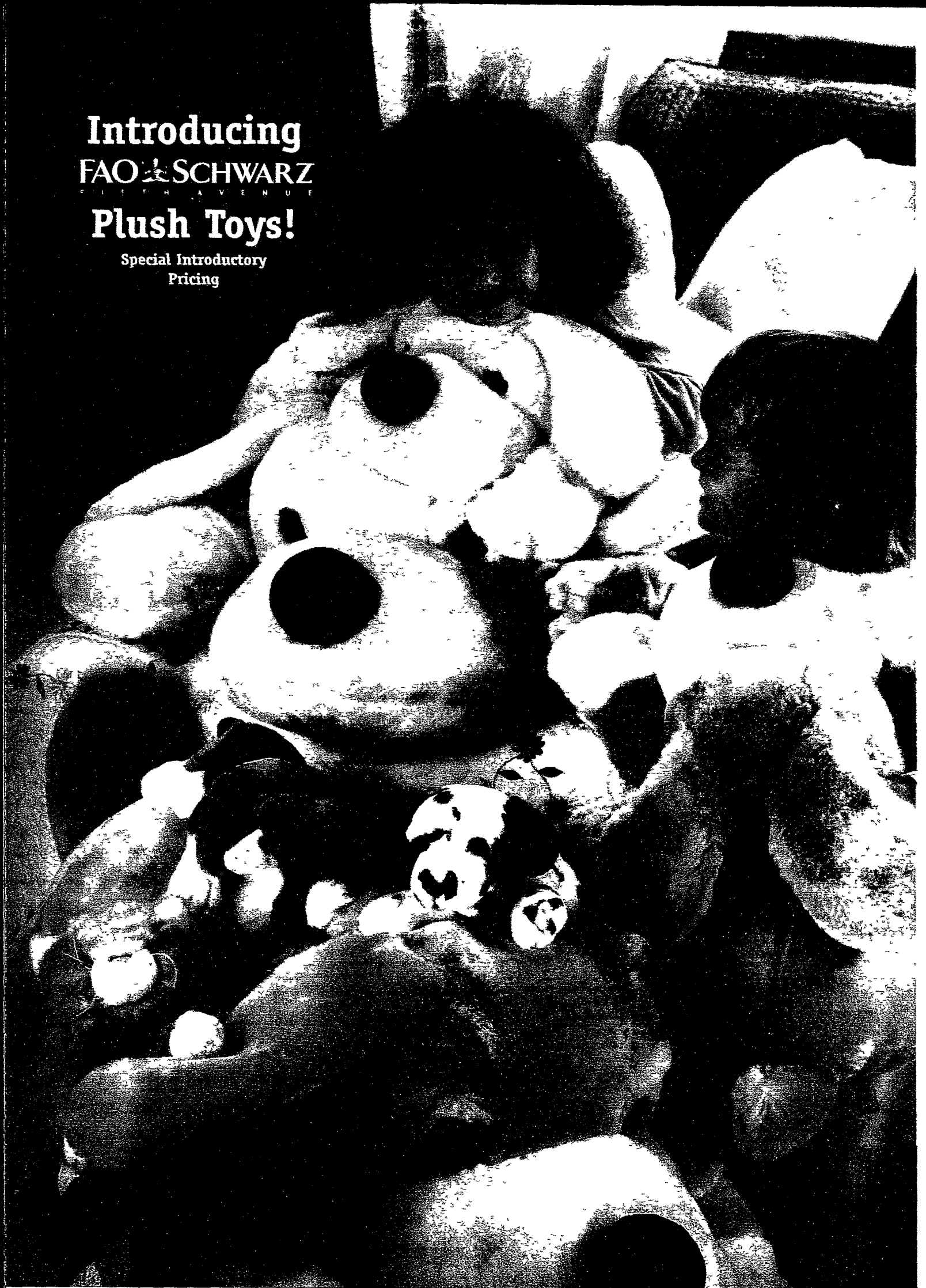
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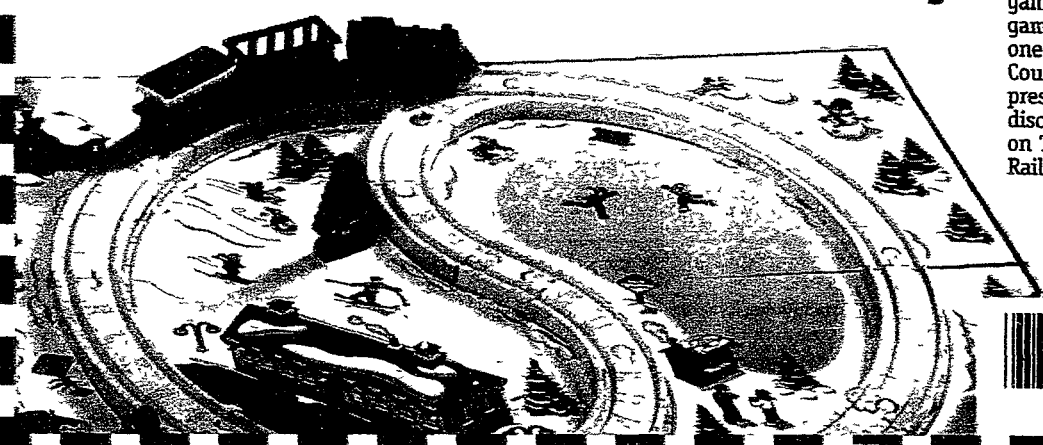
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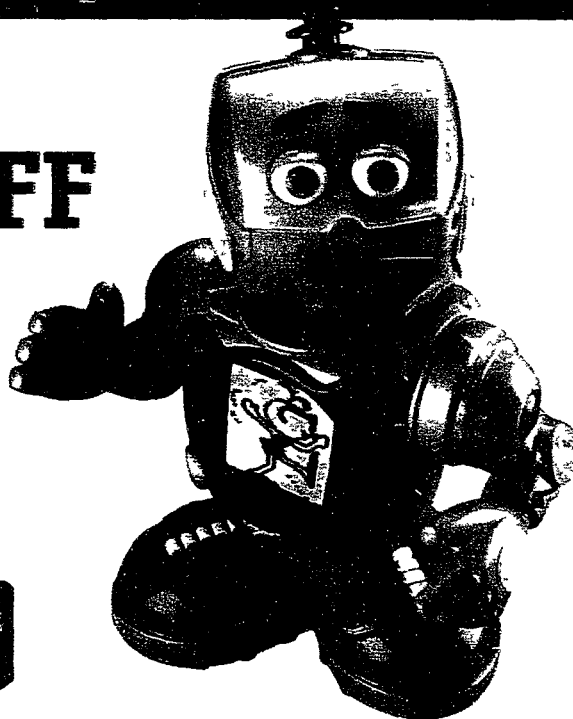
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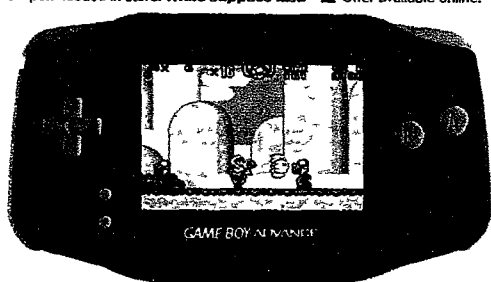
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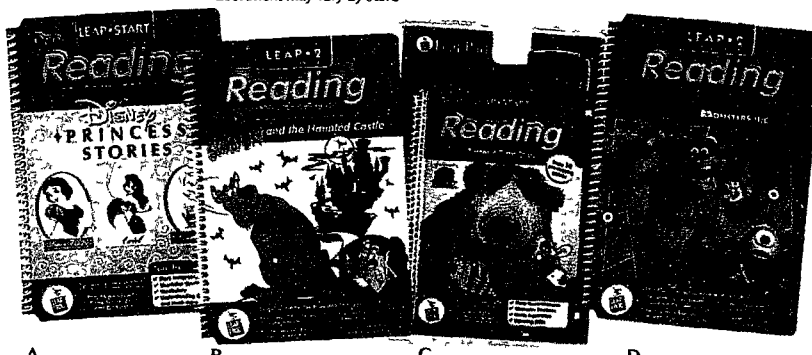
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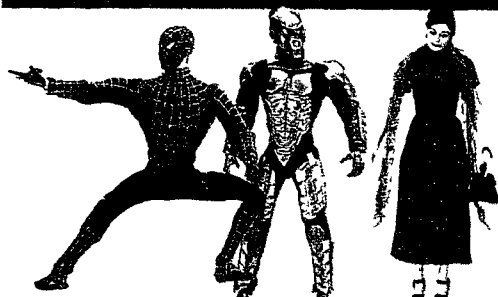


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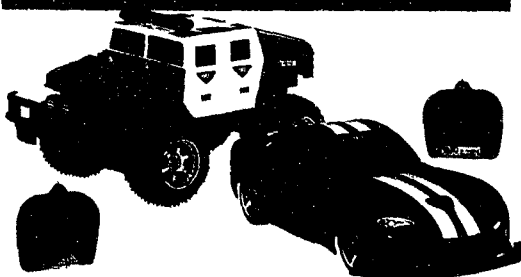


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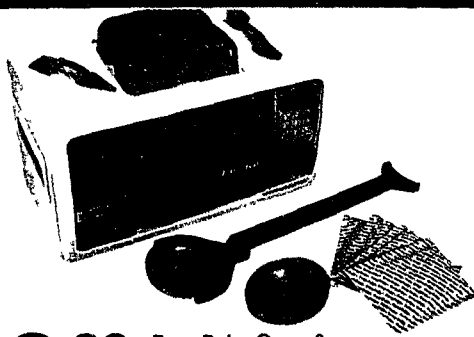


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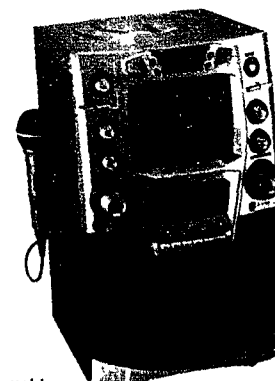
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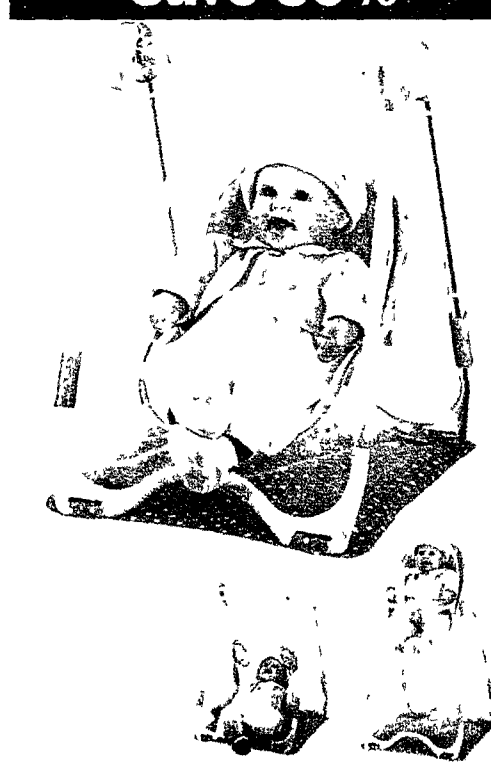
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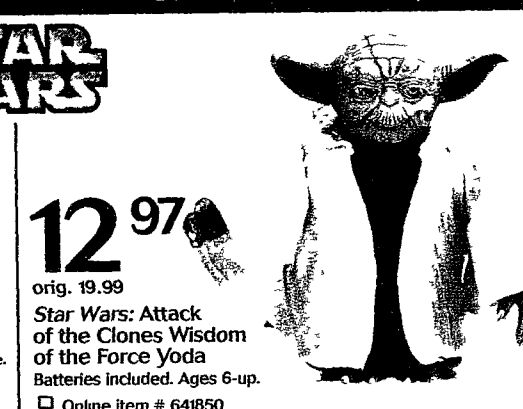
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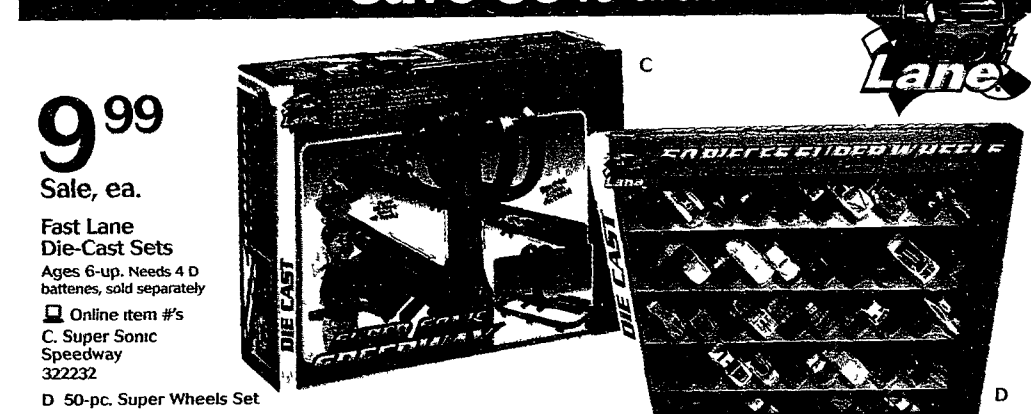
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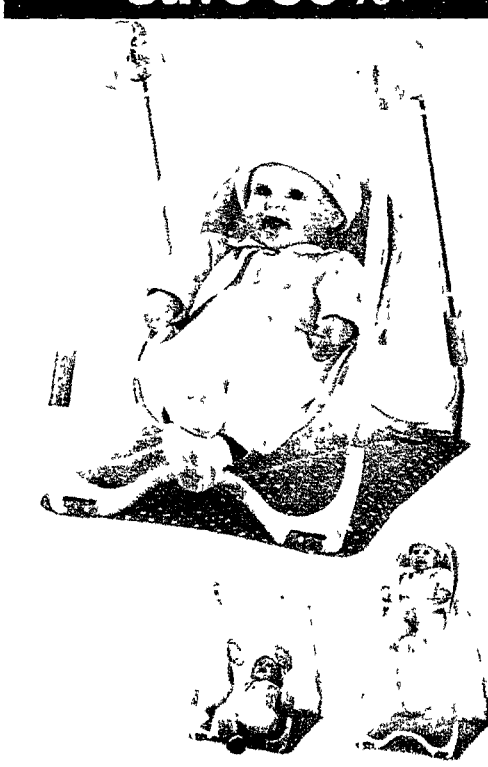
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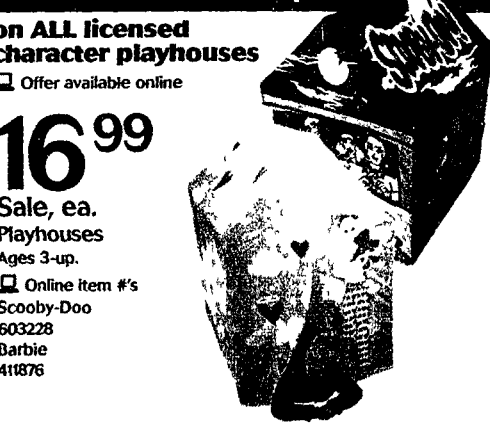
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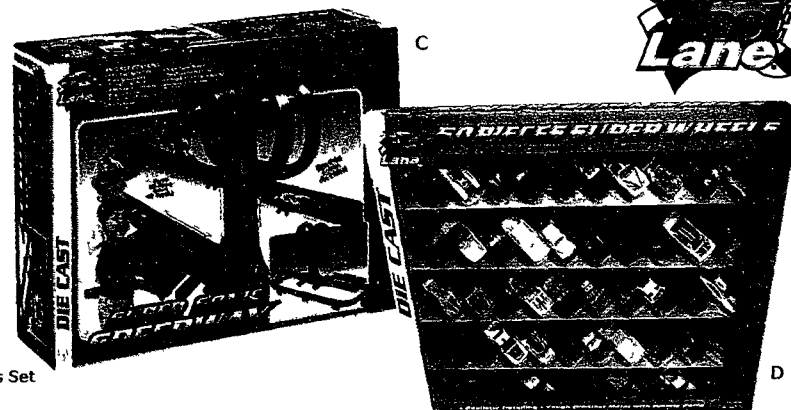
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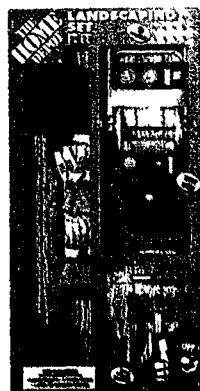
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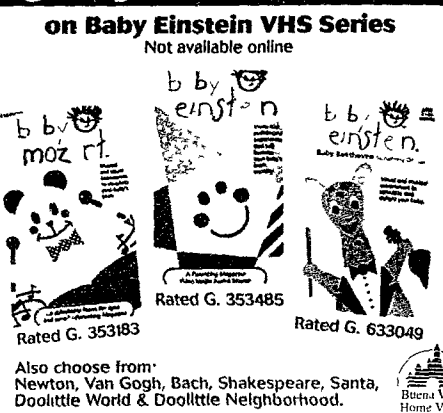




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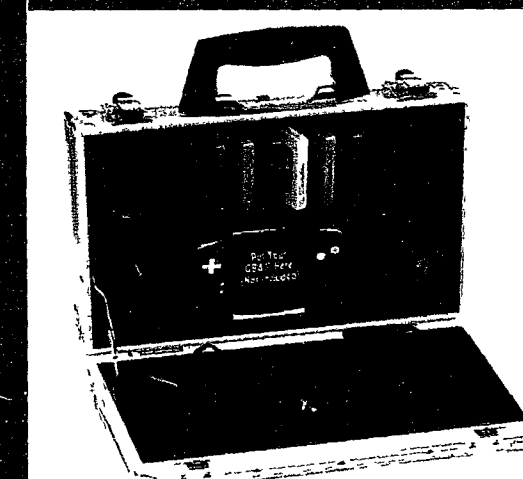


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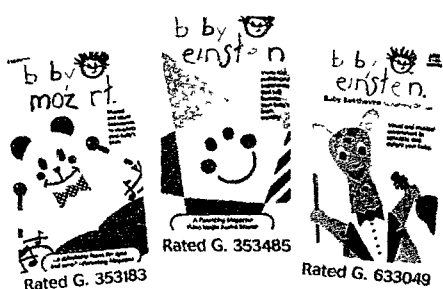


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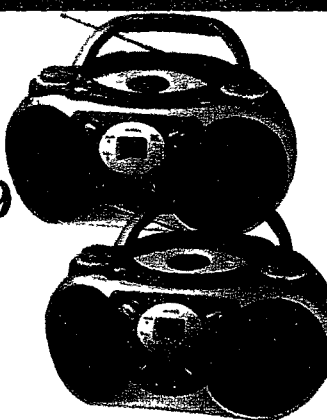


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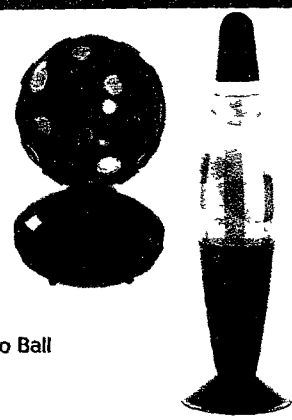
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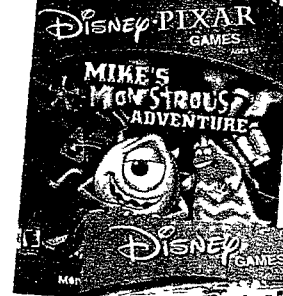
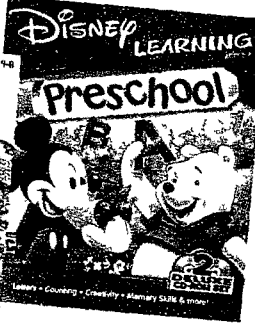
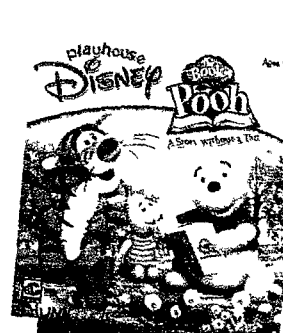
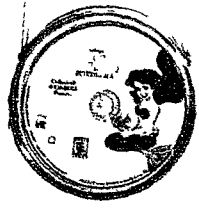
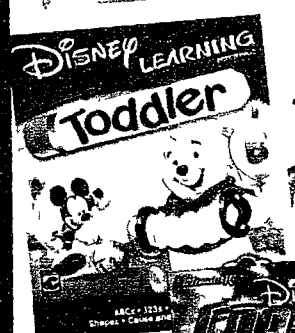
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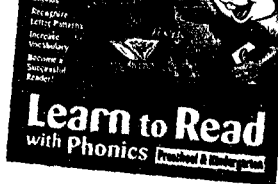
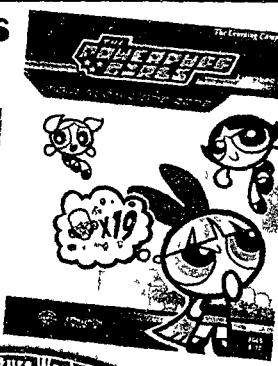
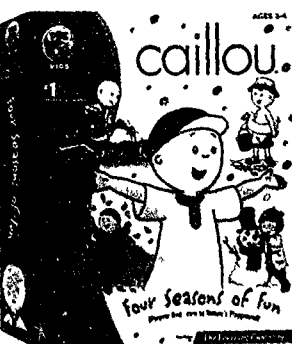
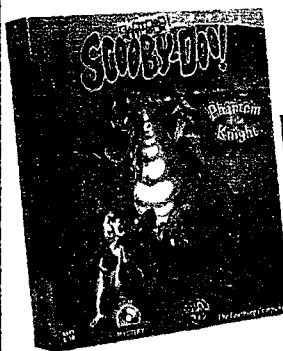
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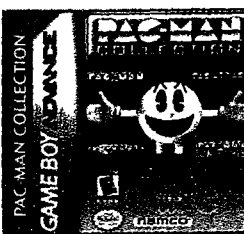
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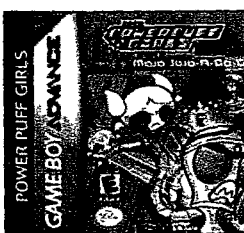
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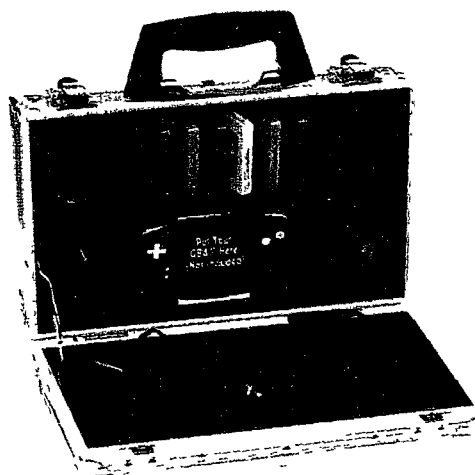


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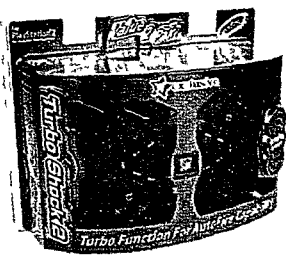
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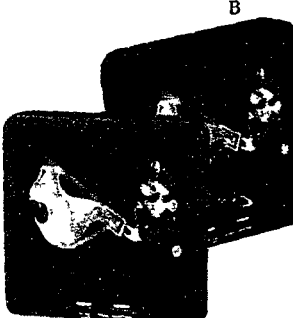
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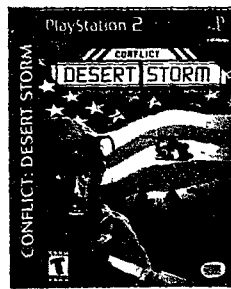
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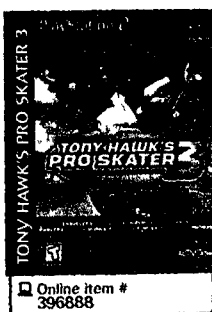


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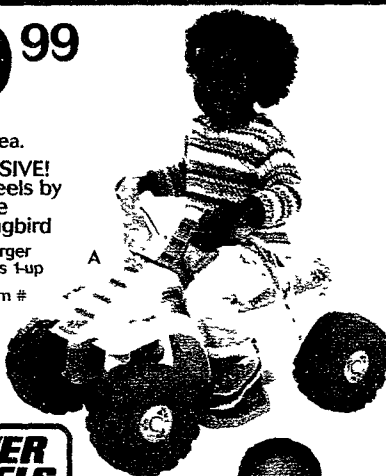
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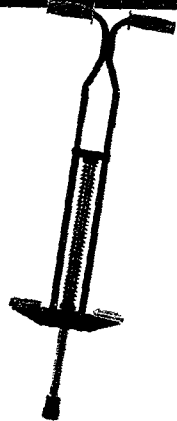
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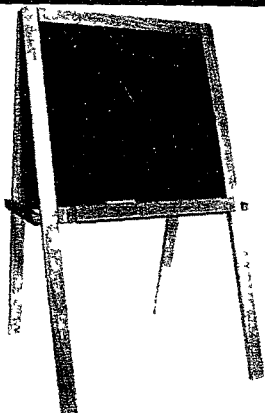


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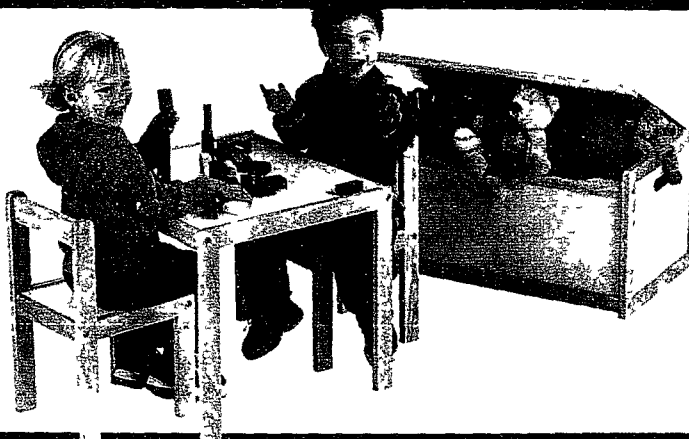
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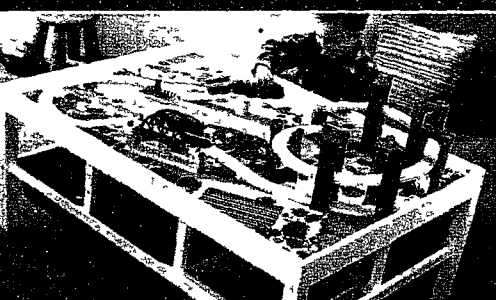
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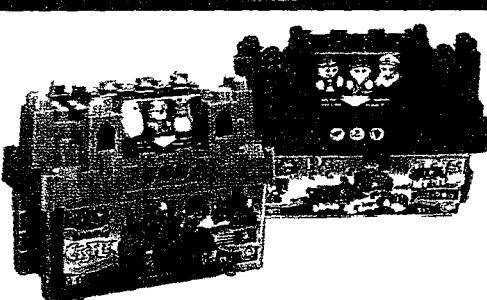
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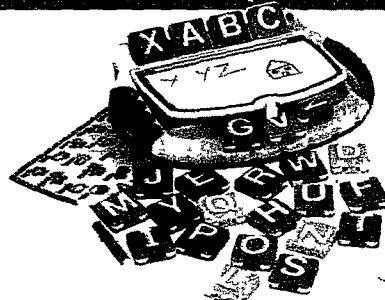
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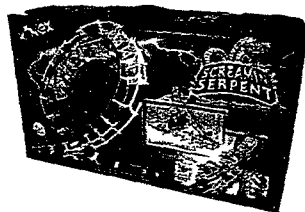
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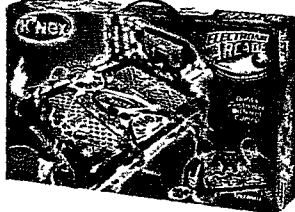
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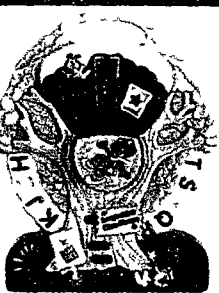


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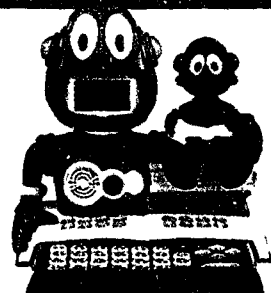


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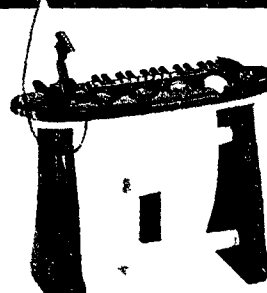
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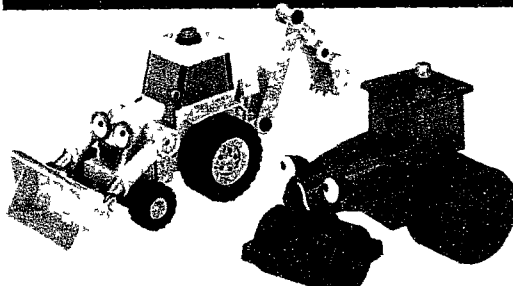
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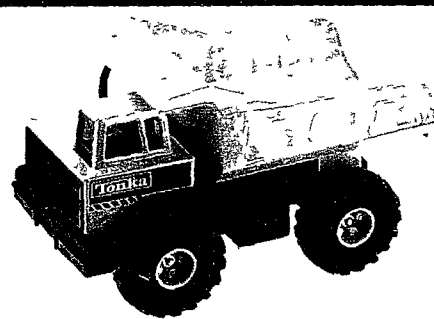
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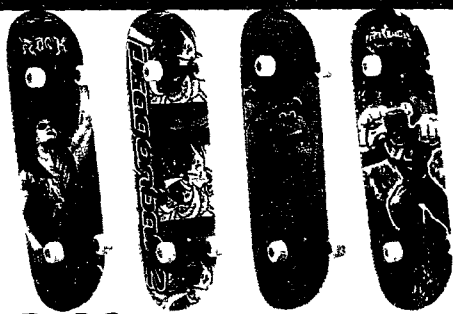


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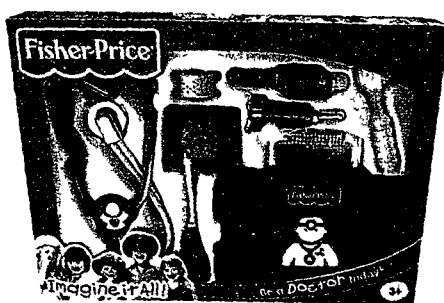


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Friday, Nov. 29, 6am-11pm & Saturday, Nov. 30, 8am-11pm

# early bird specials

Friday,  
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See back cover & pages 2-21 for more Early Bird Specials.  
Early Bird pricing available online 6am-1pm EST, Friday, November 29.

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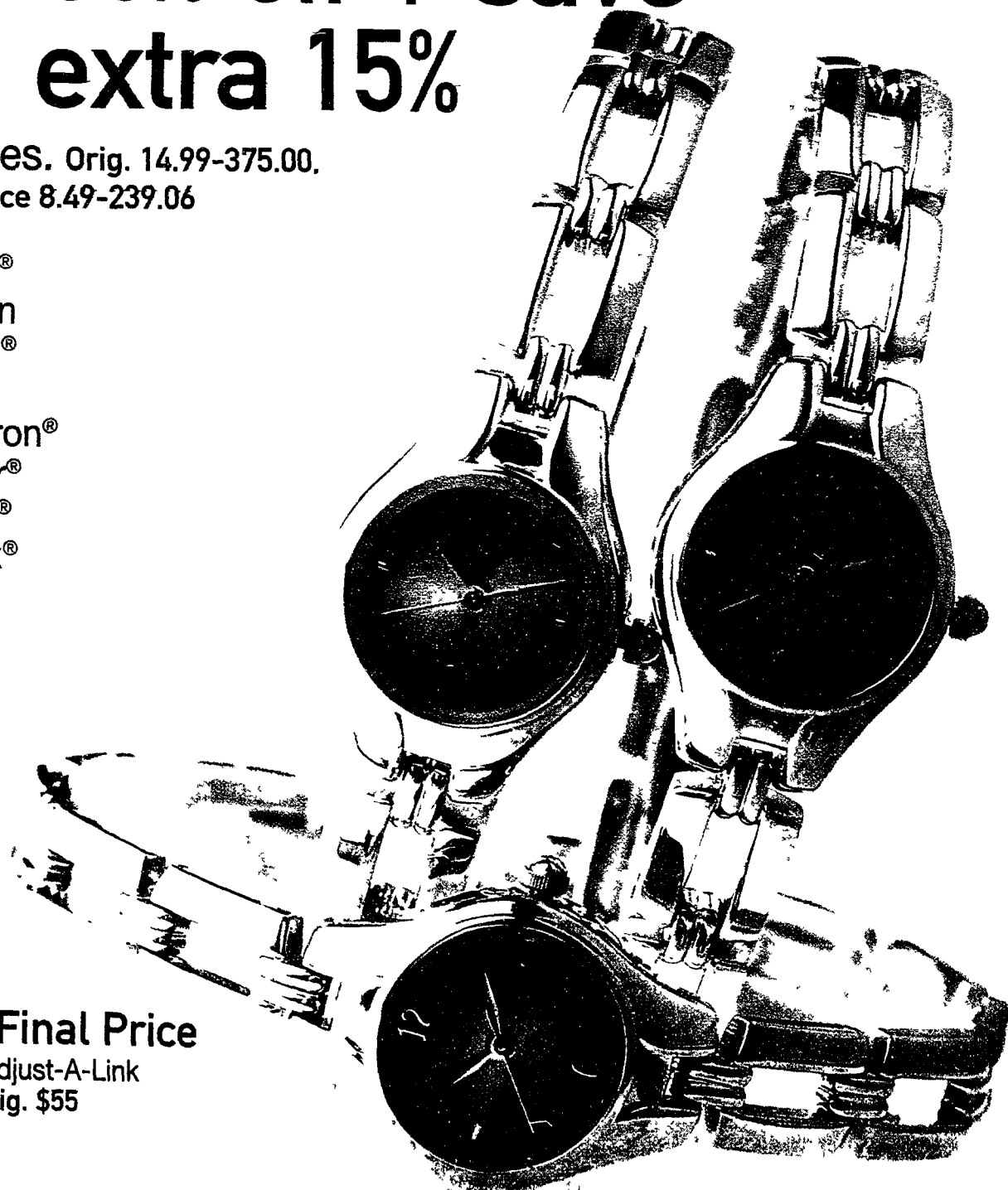
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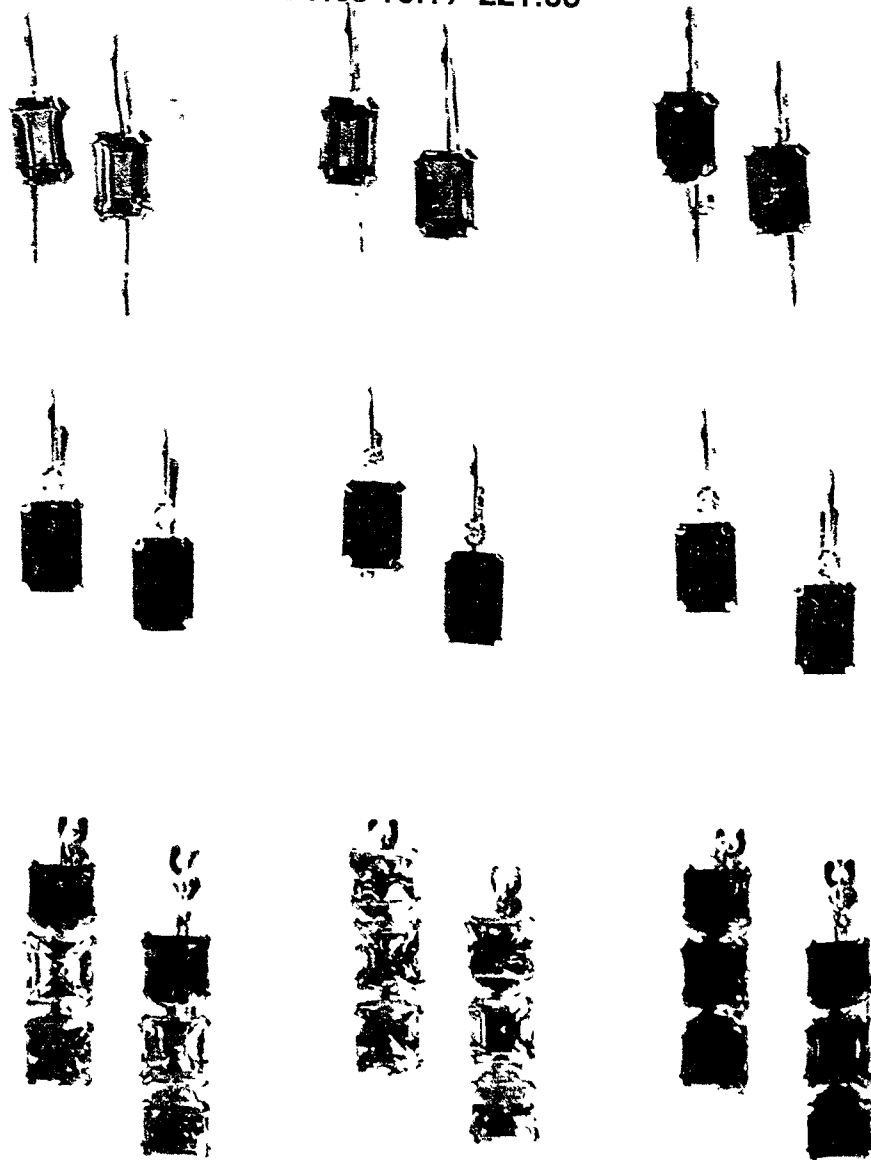
14k gold earrings.  
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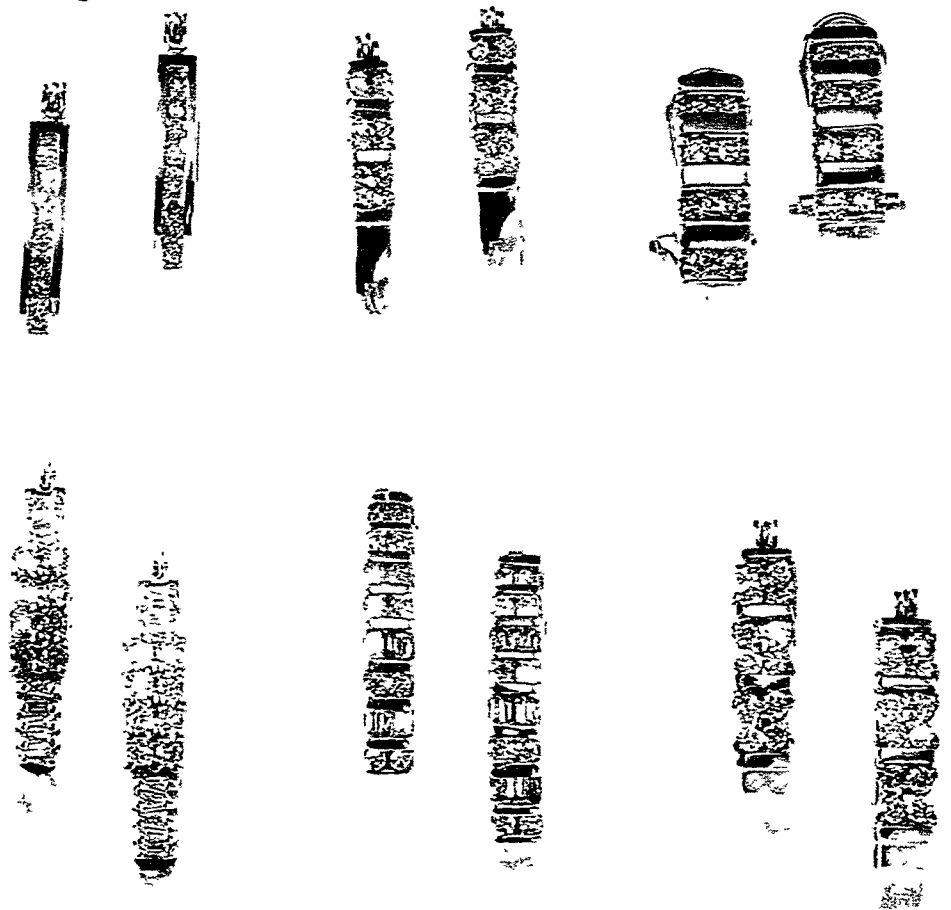
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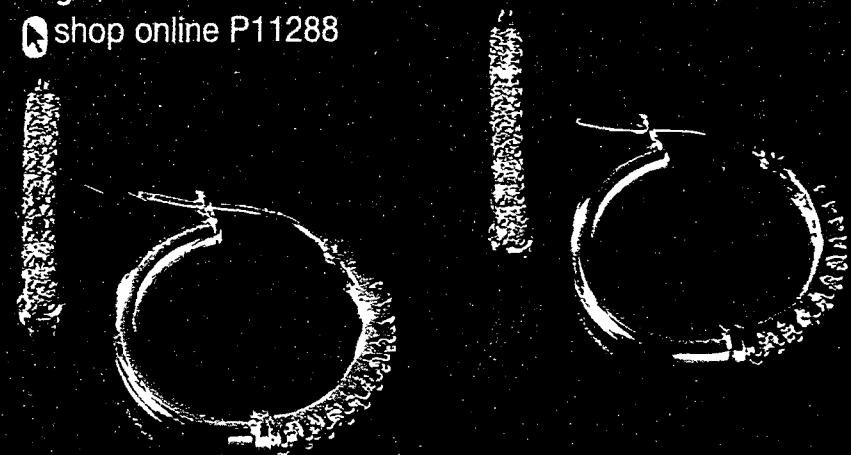
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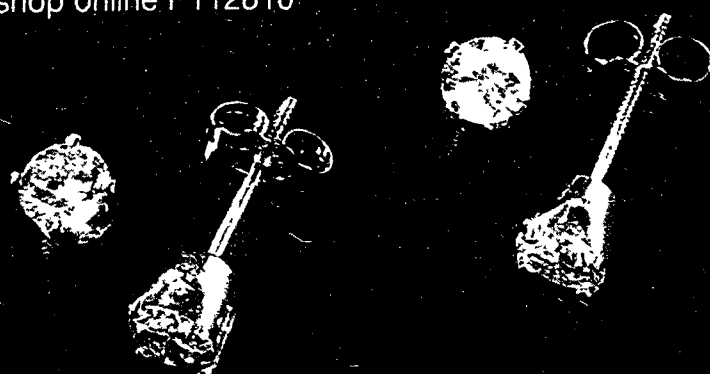
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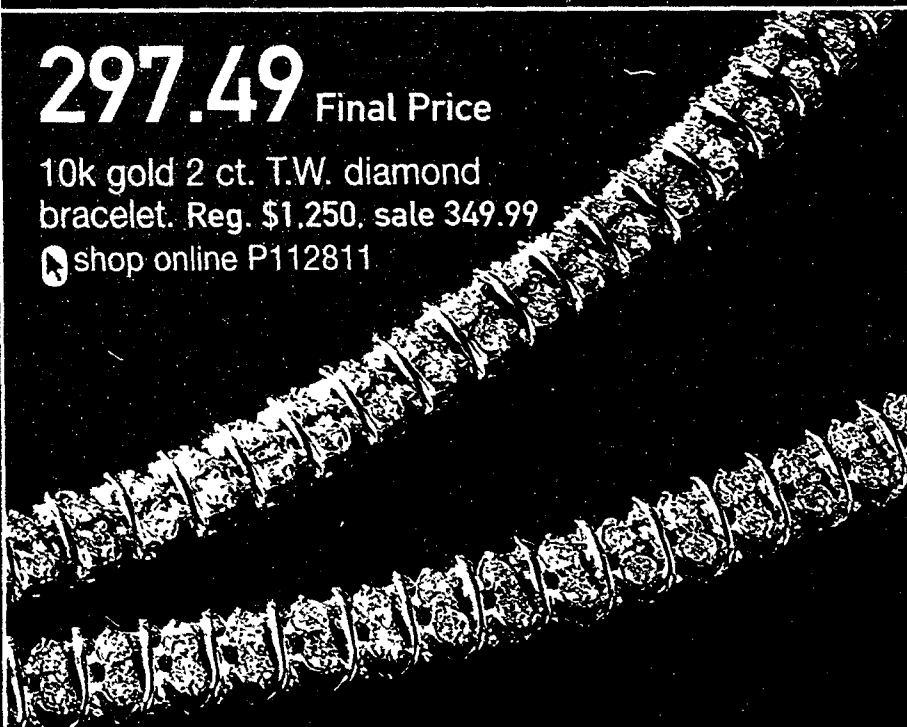
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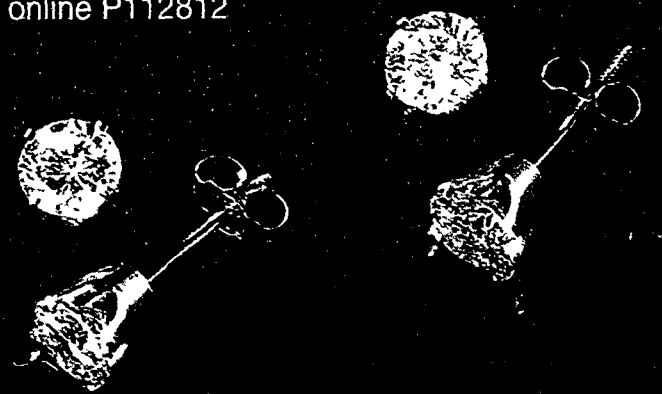
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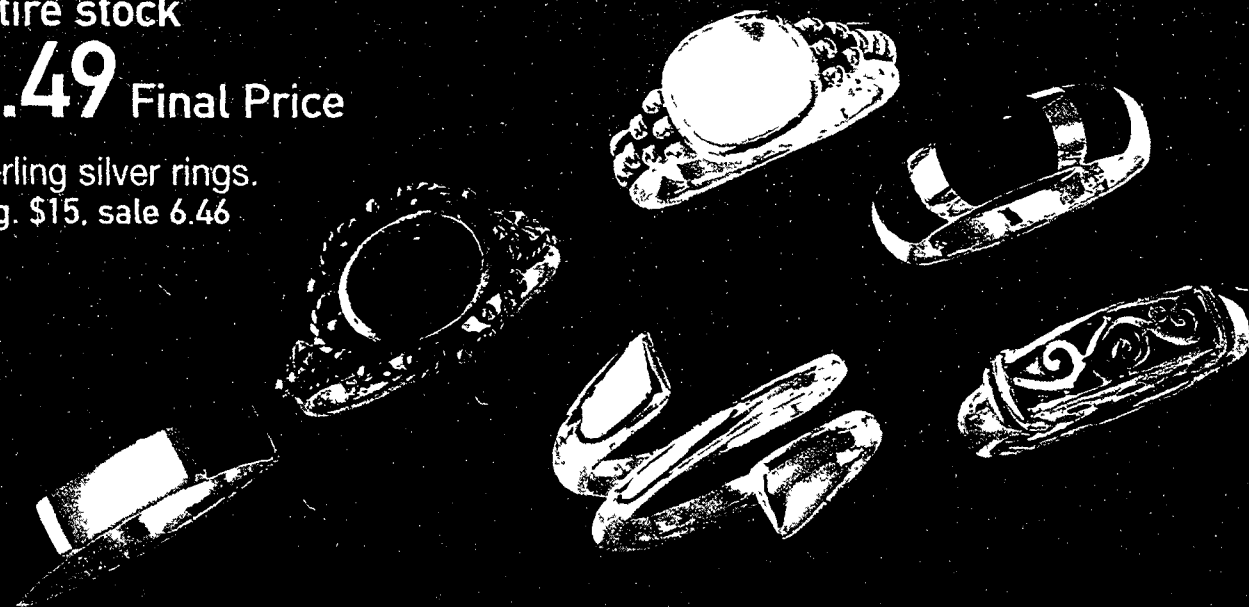
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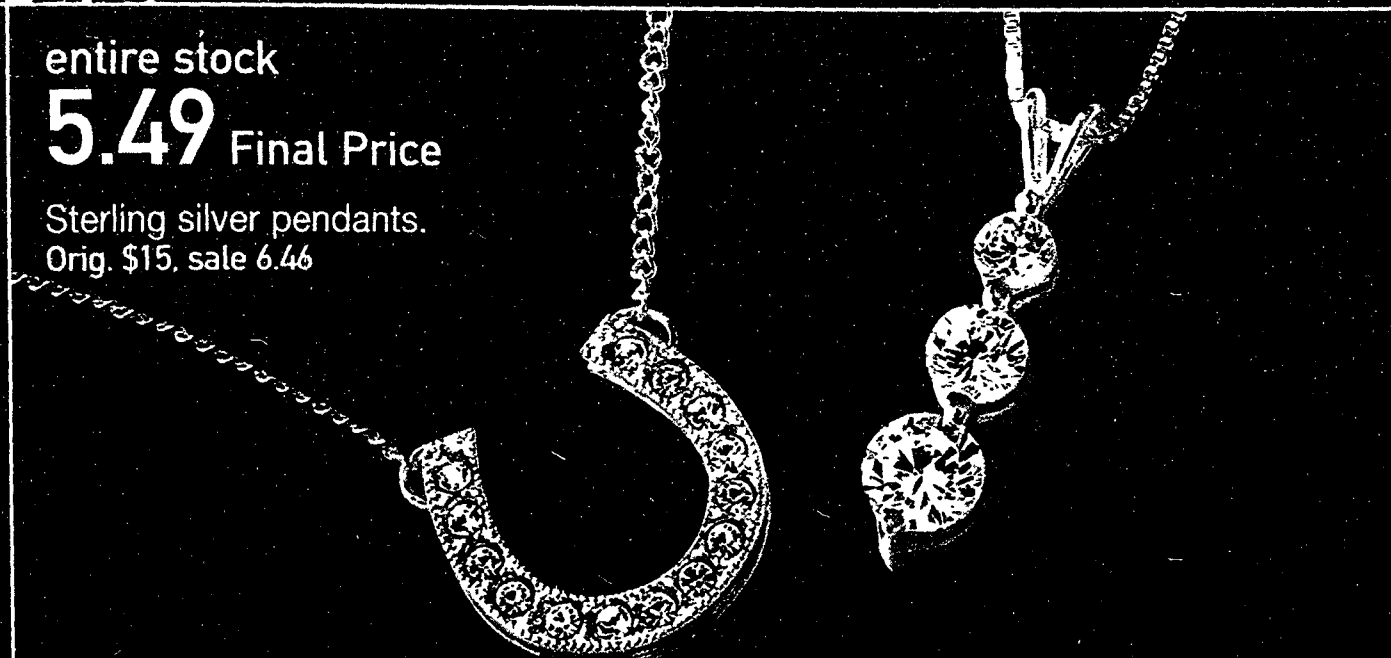
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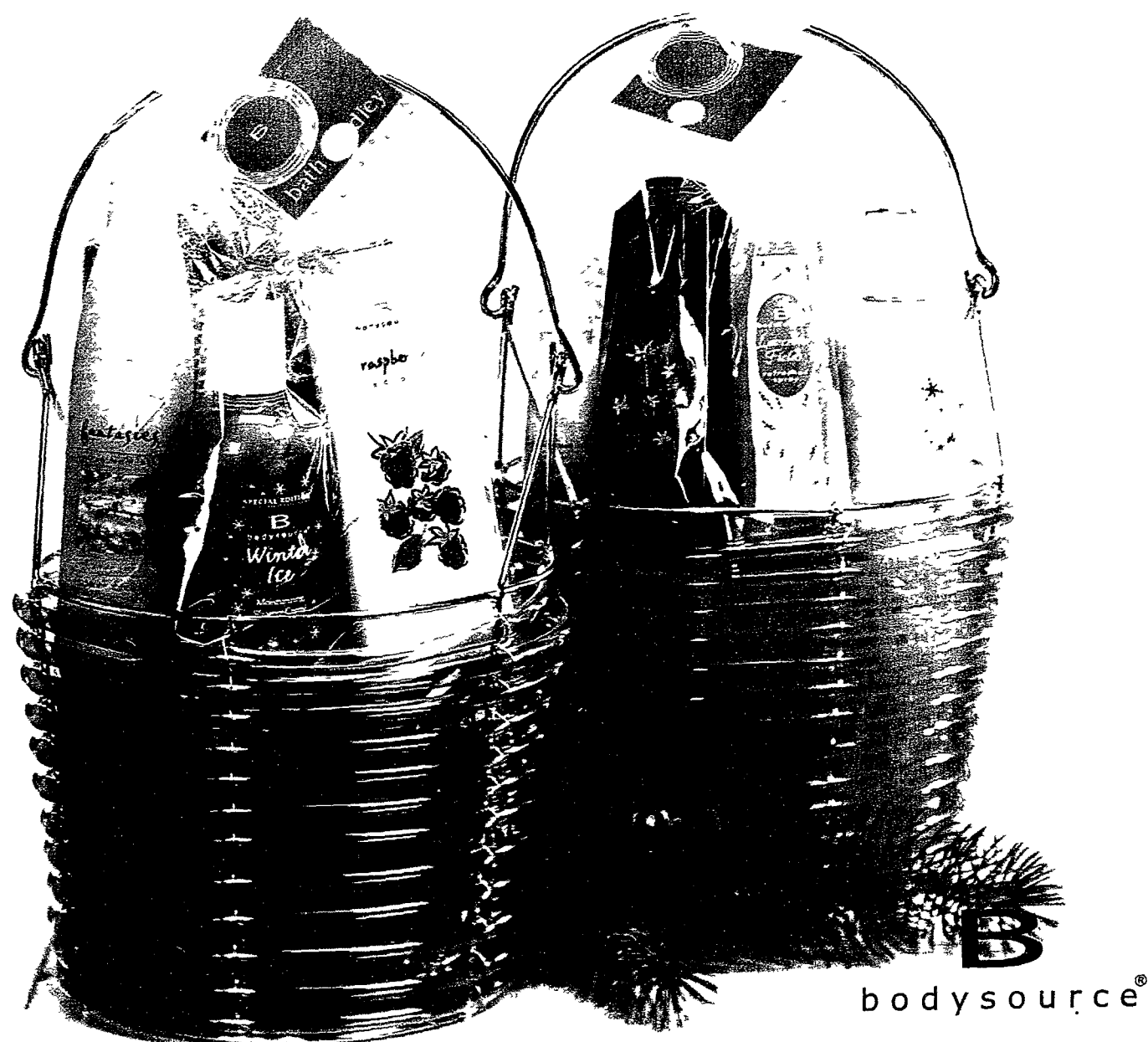
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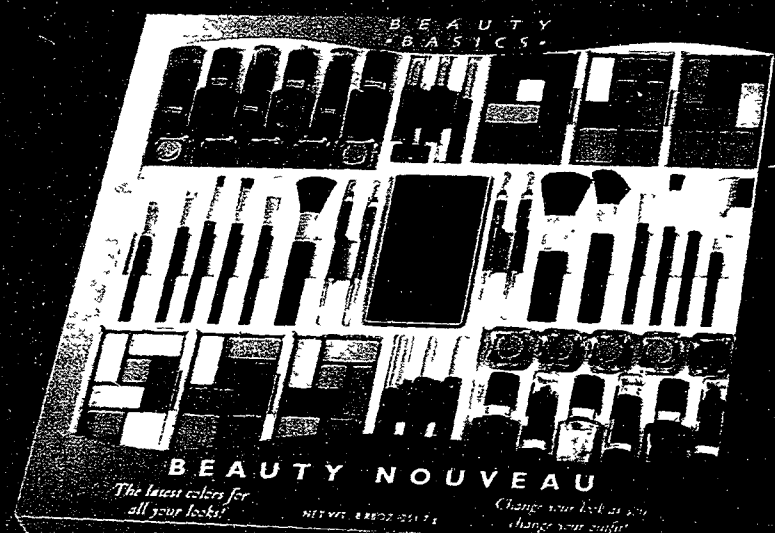
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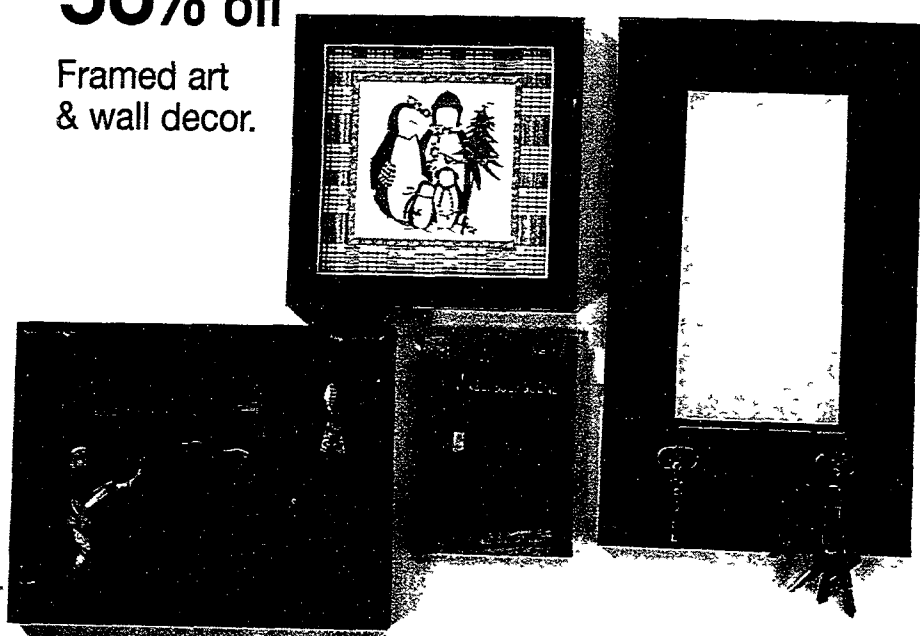
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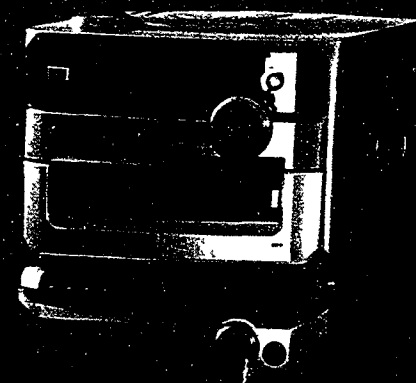
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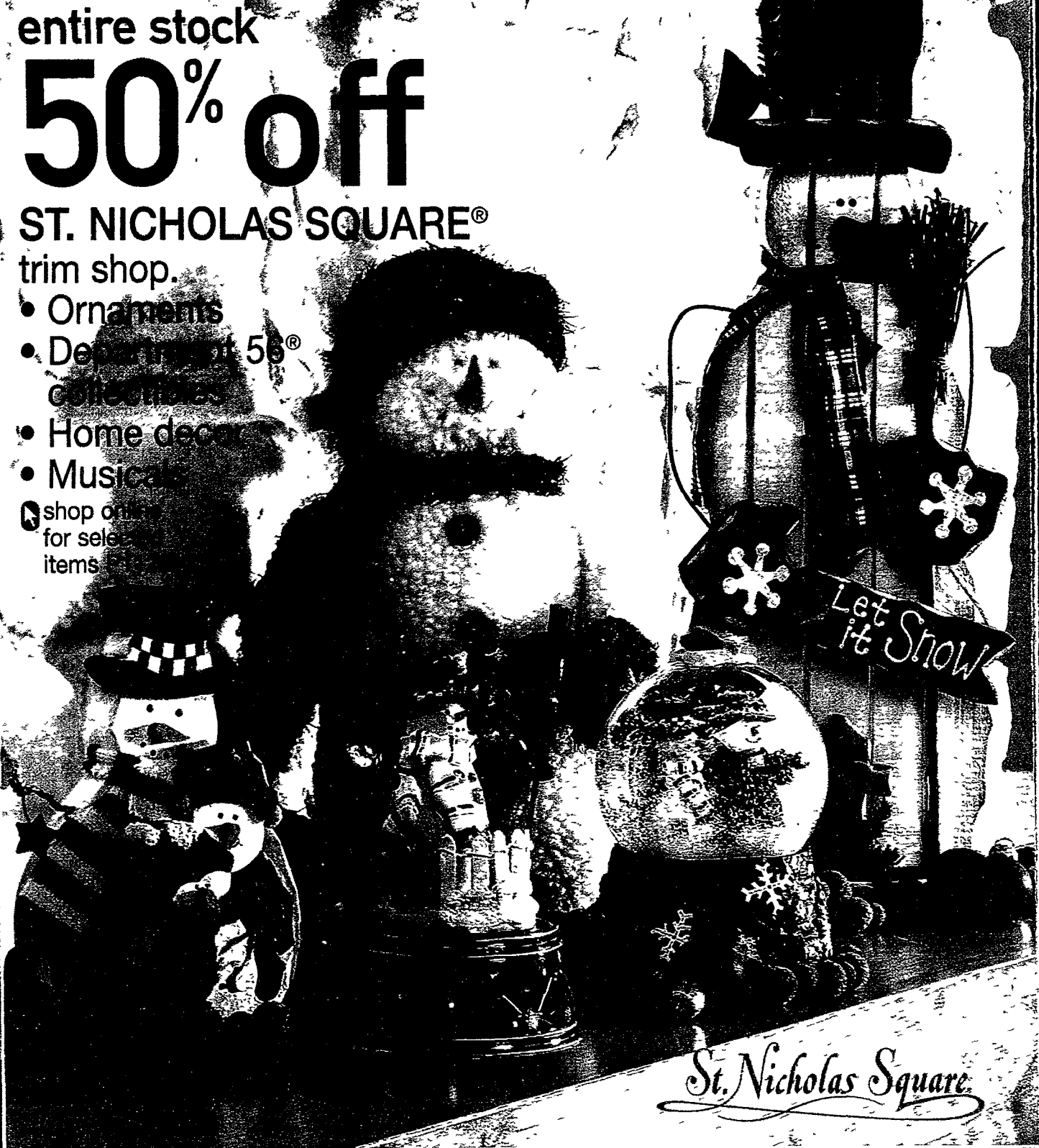
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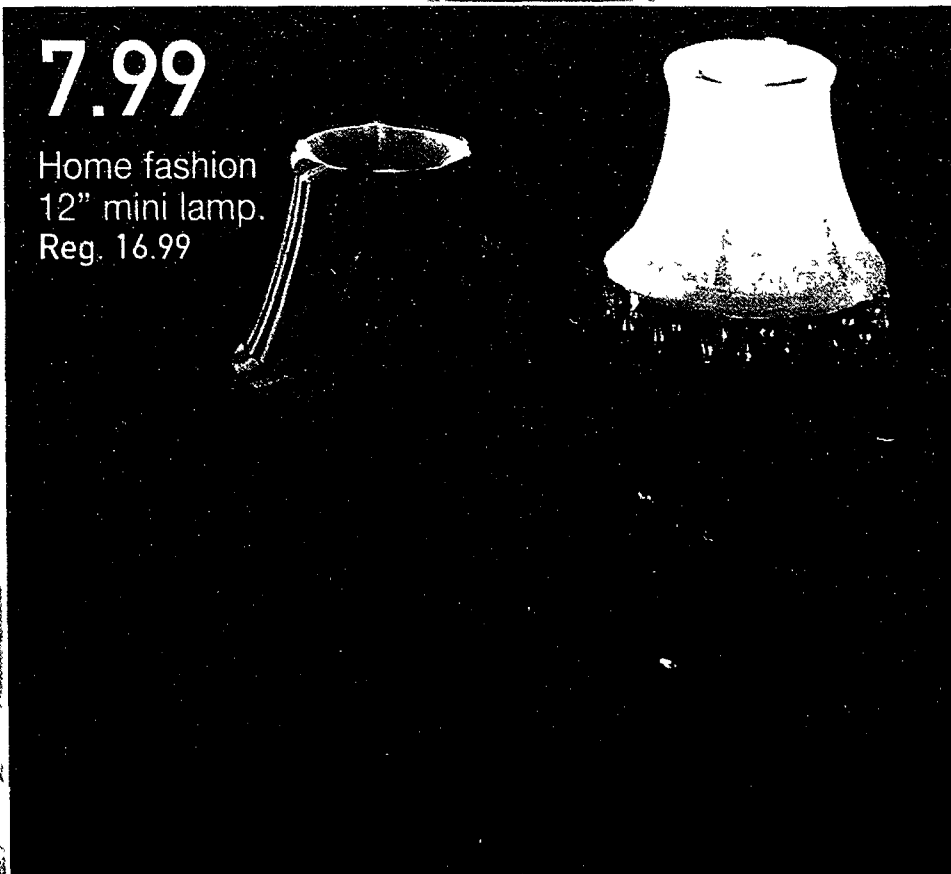
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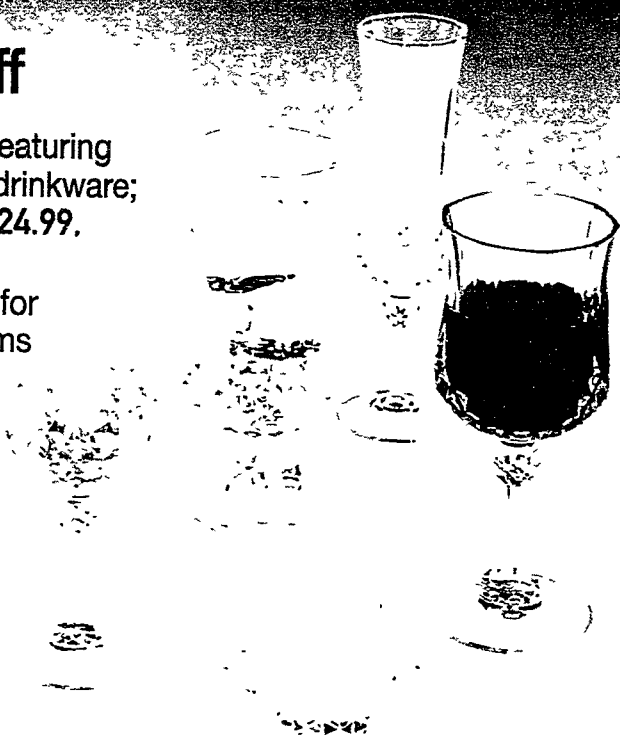
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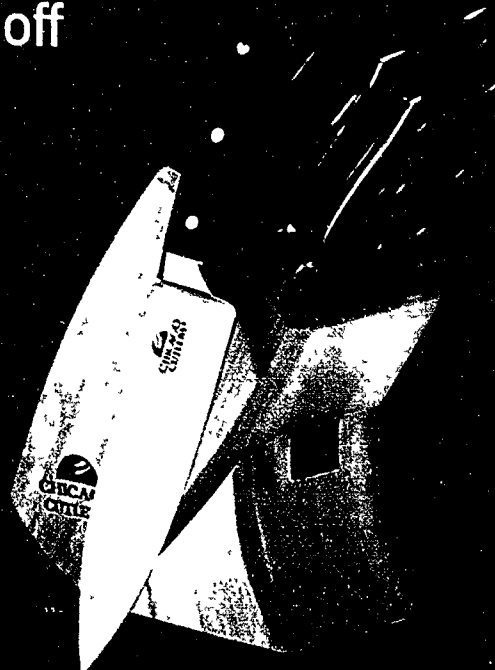
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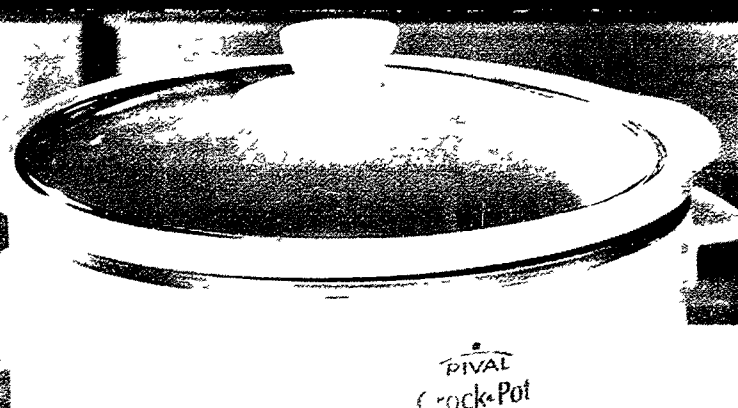
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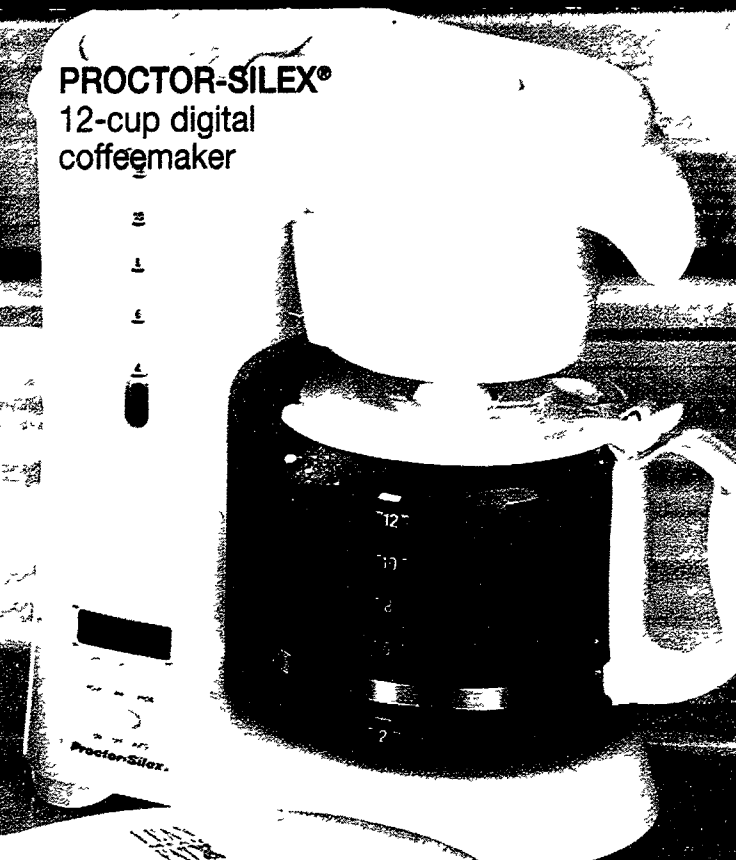
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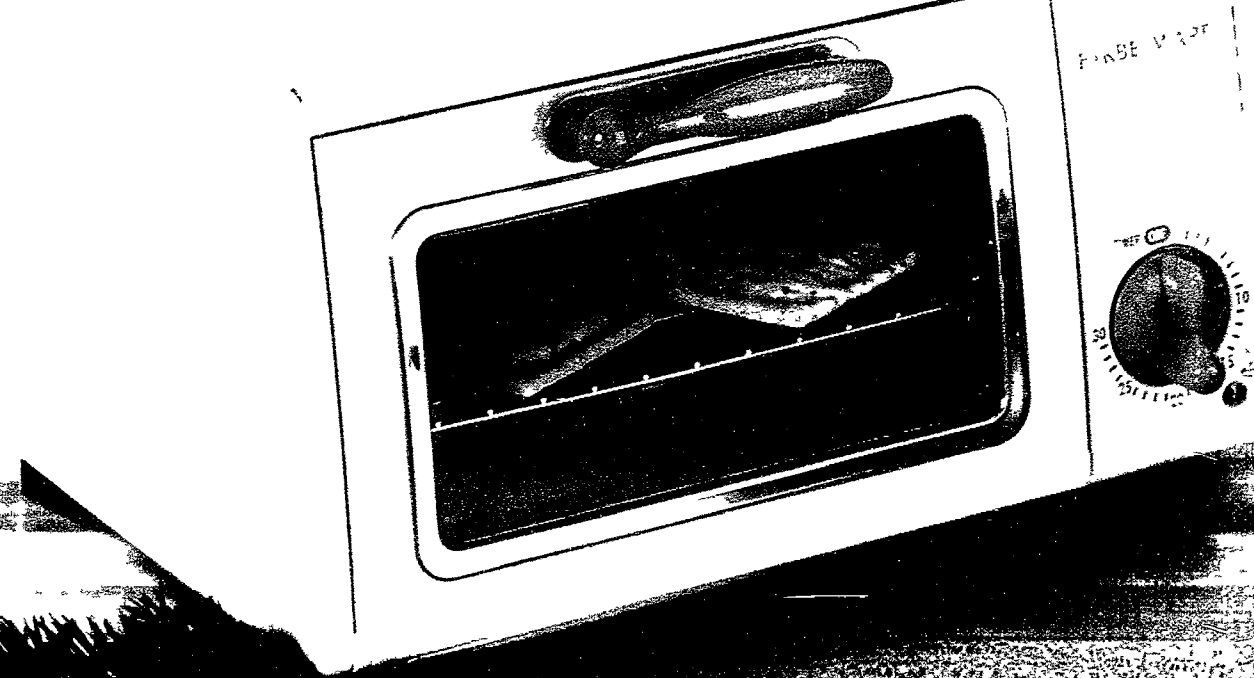
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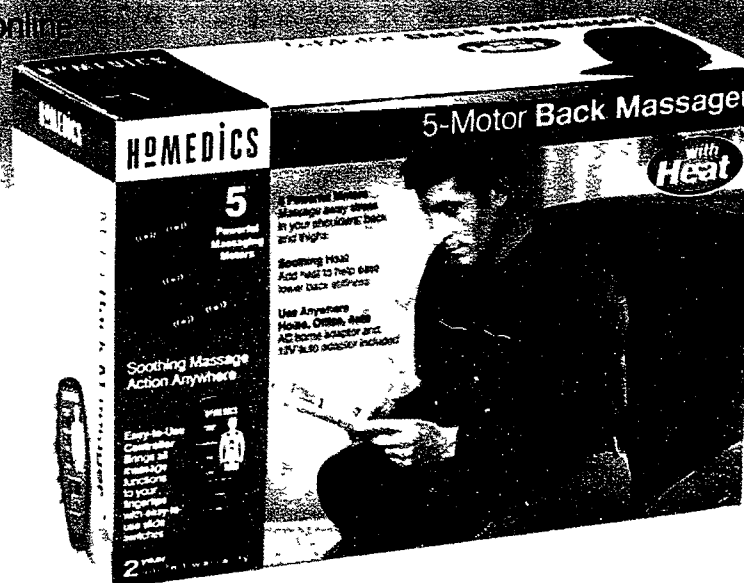
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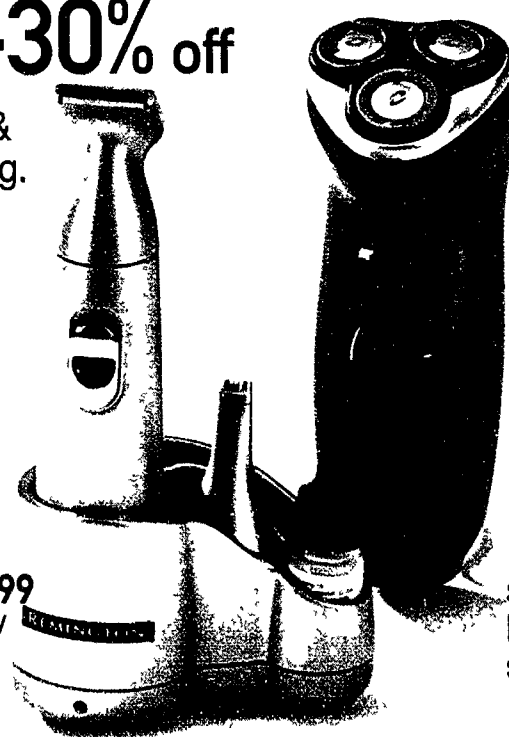
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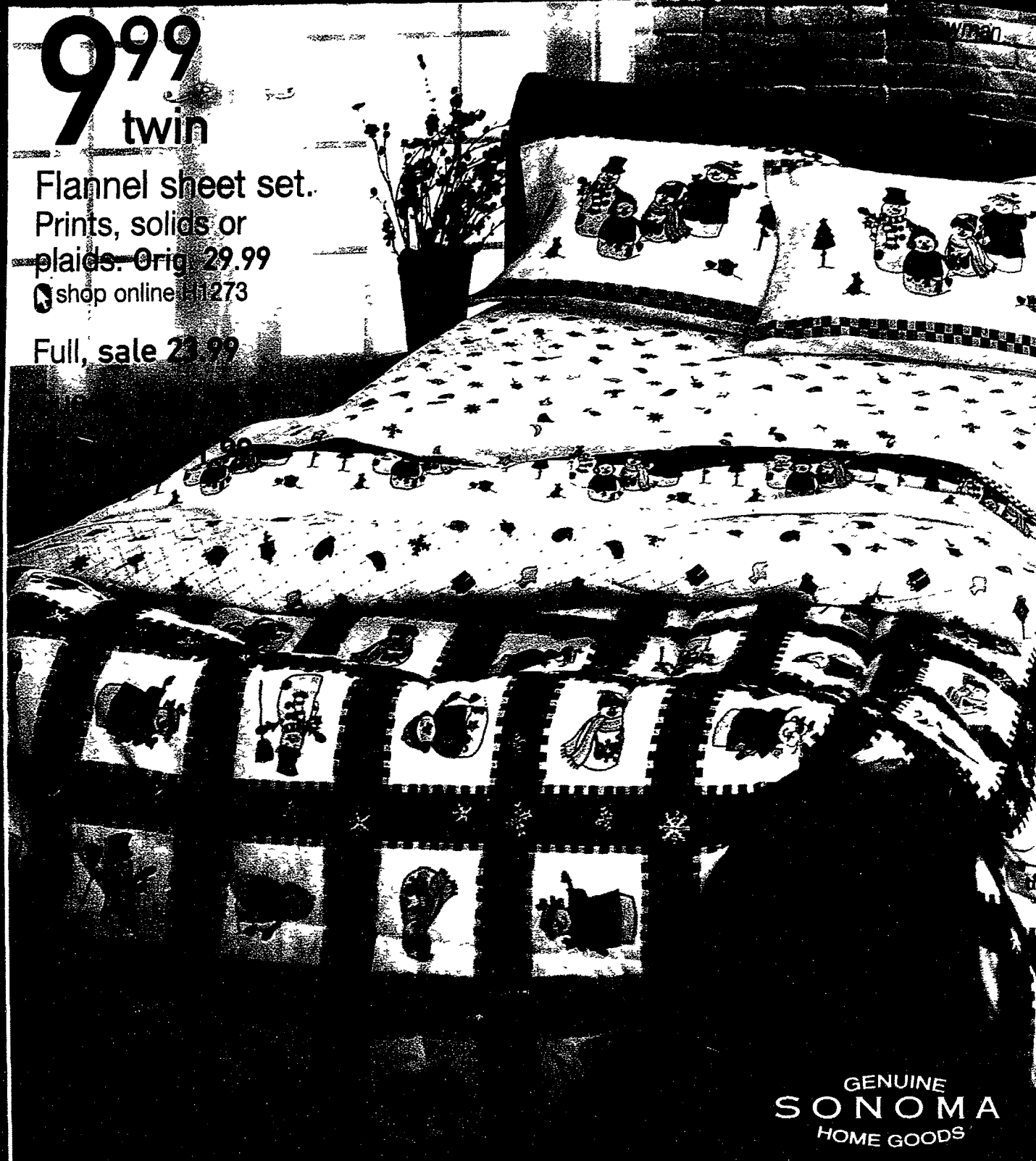
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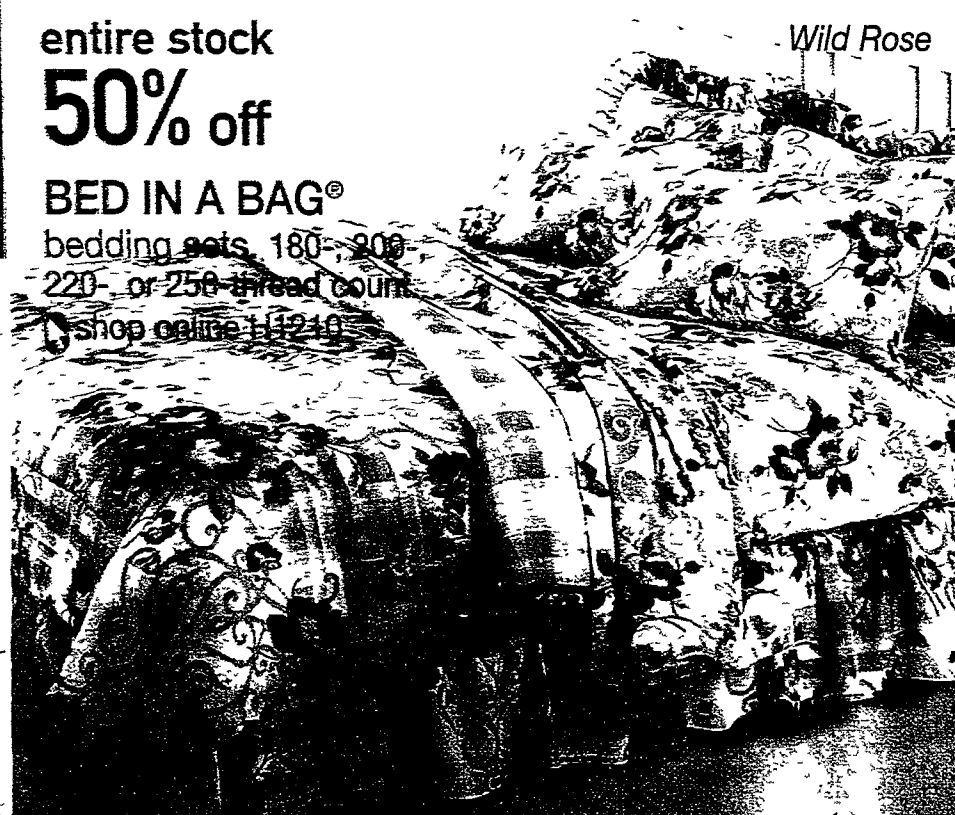
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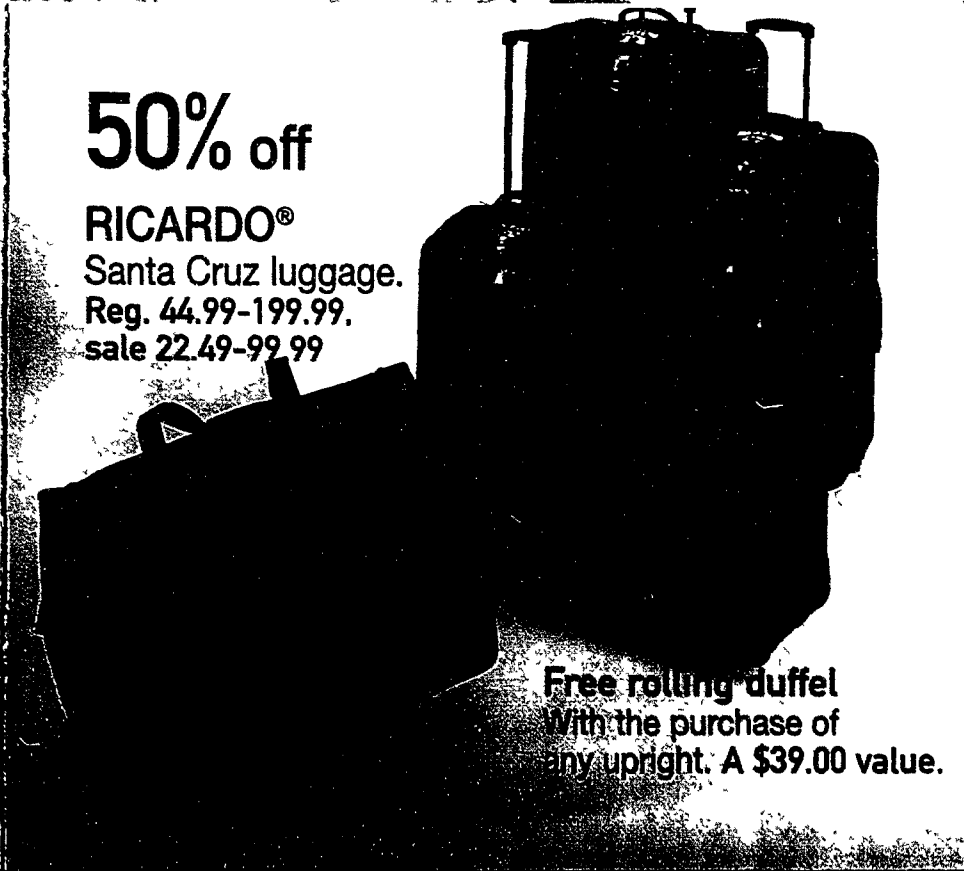
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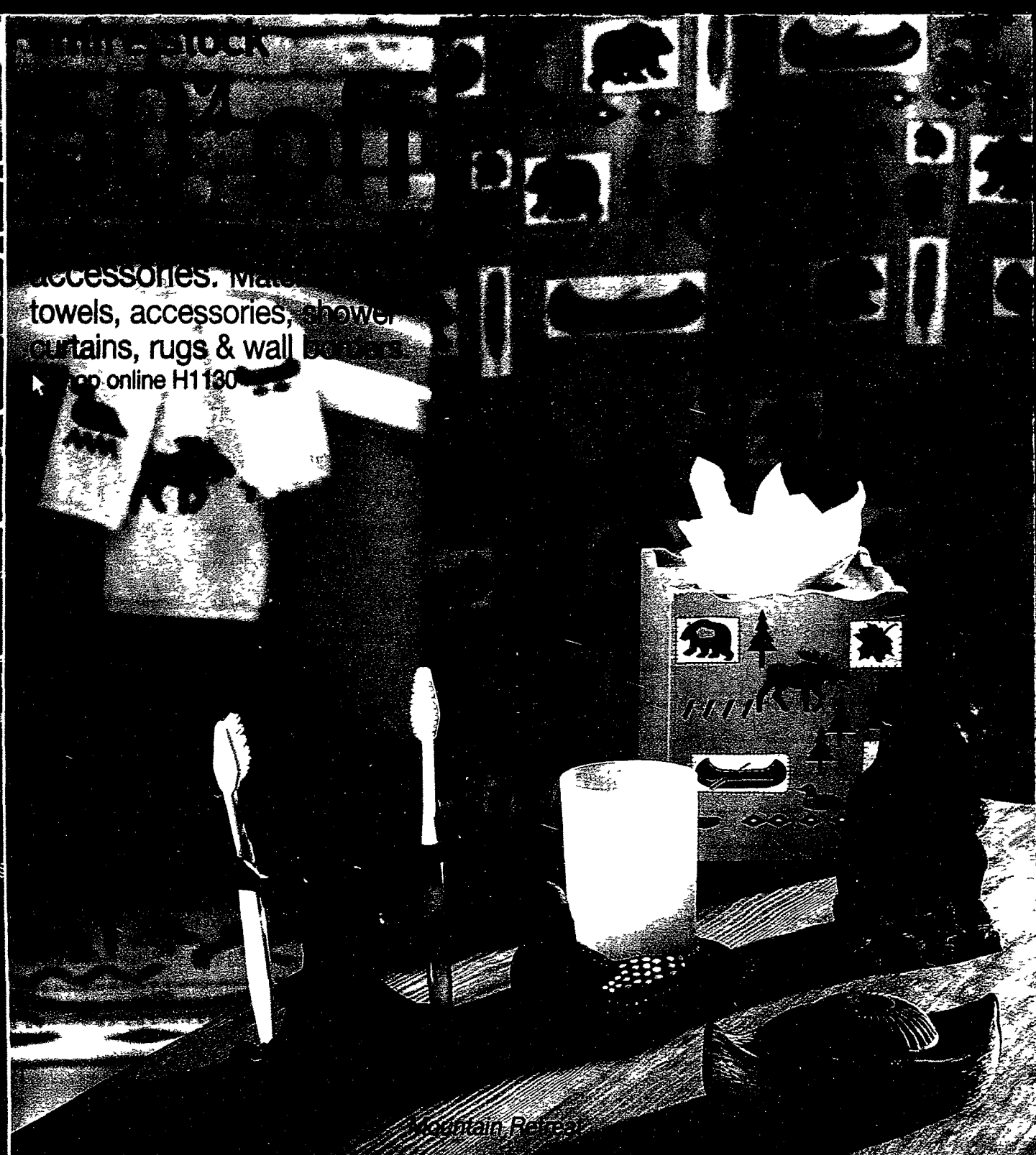
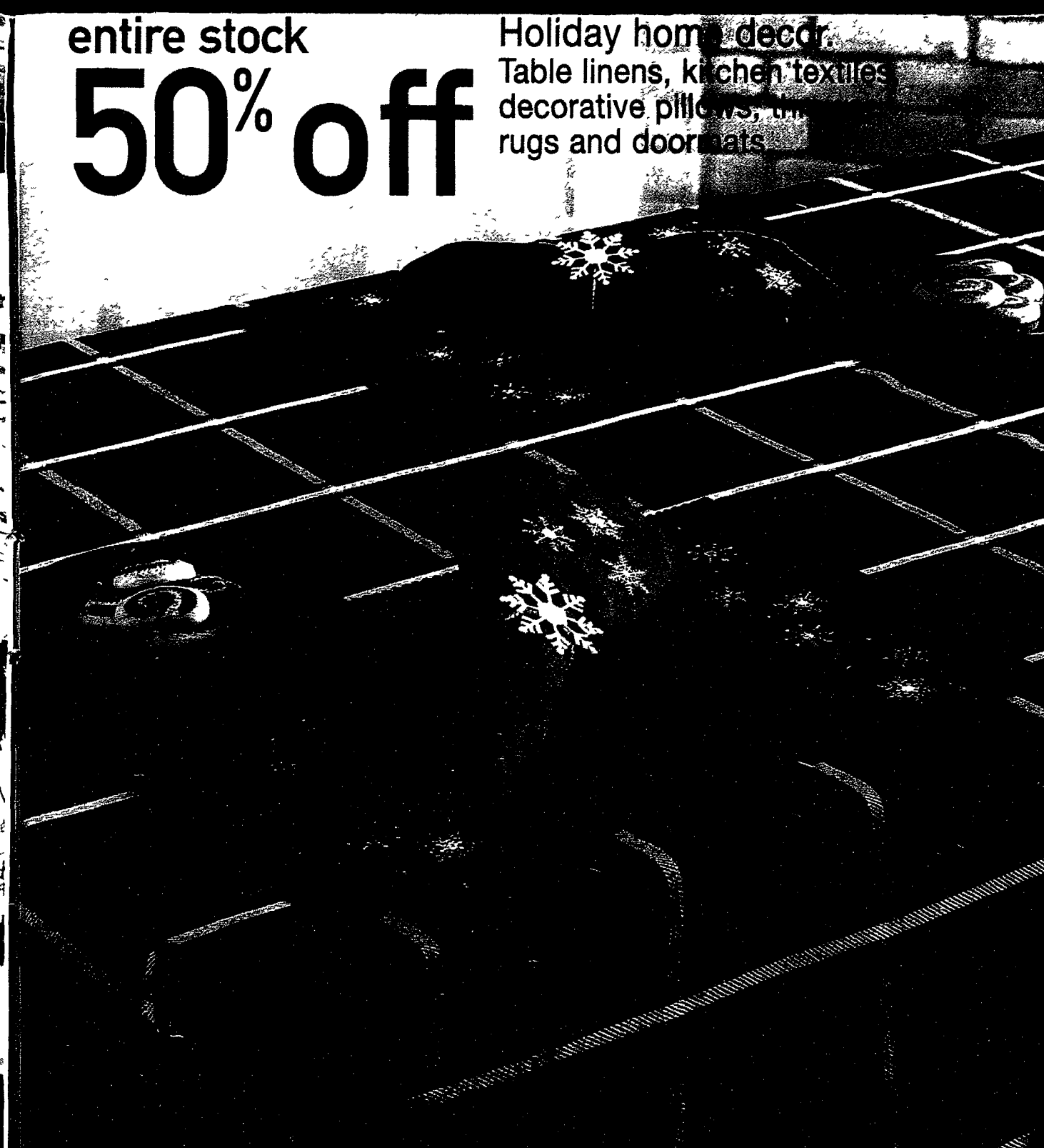
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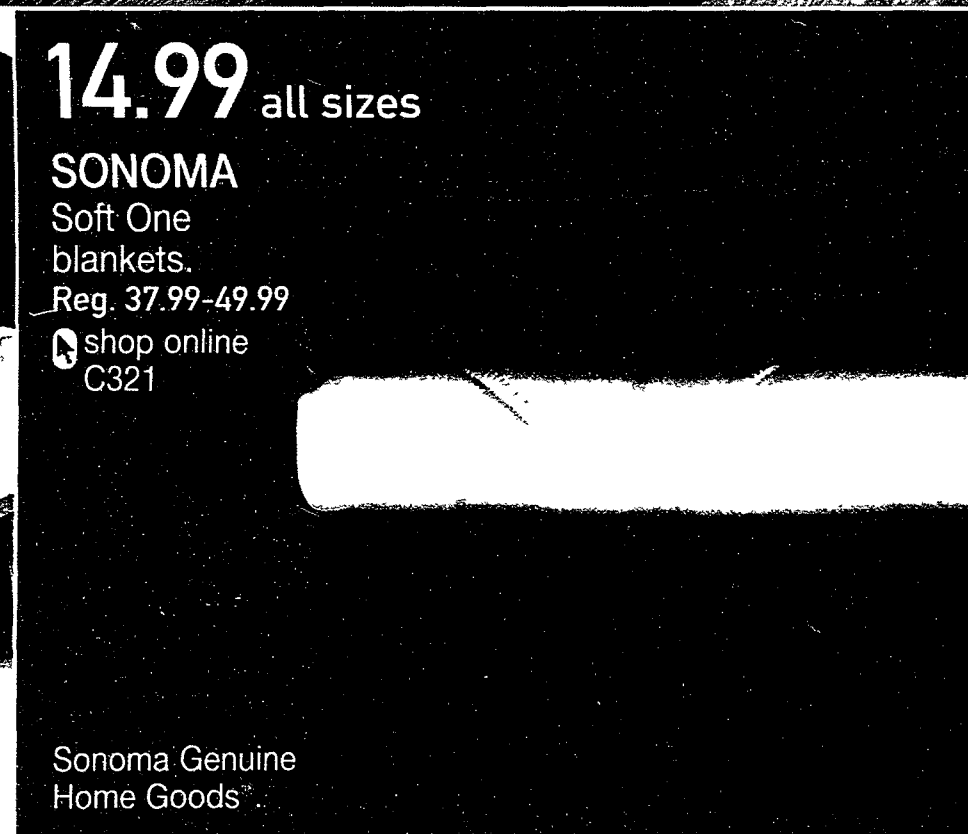


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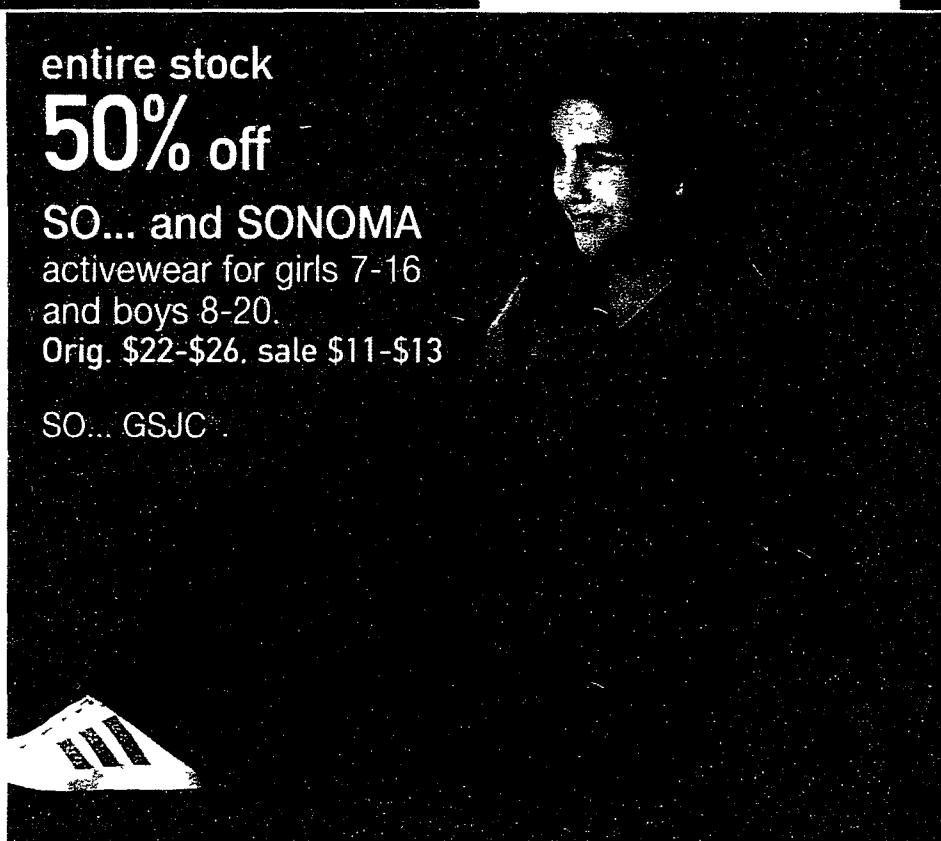


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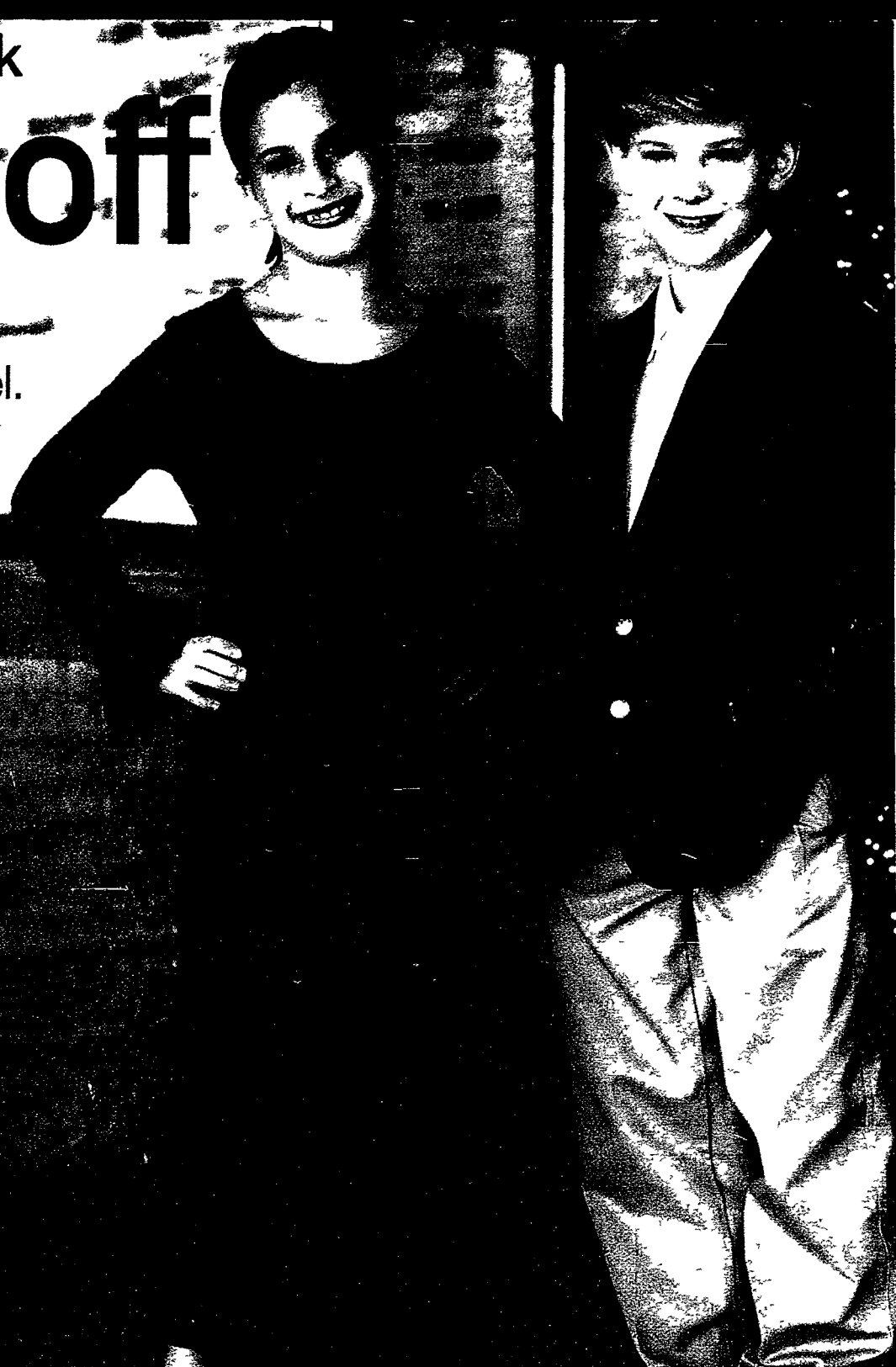


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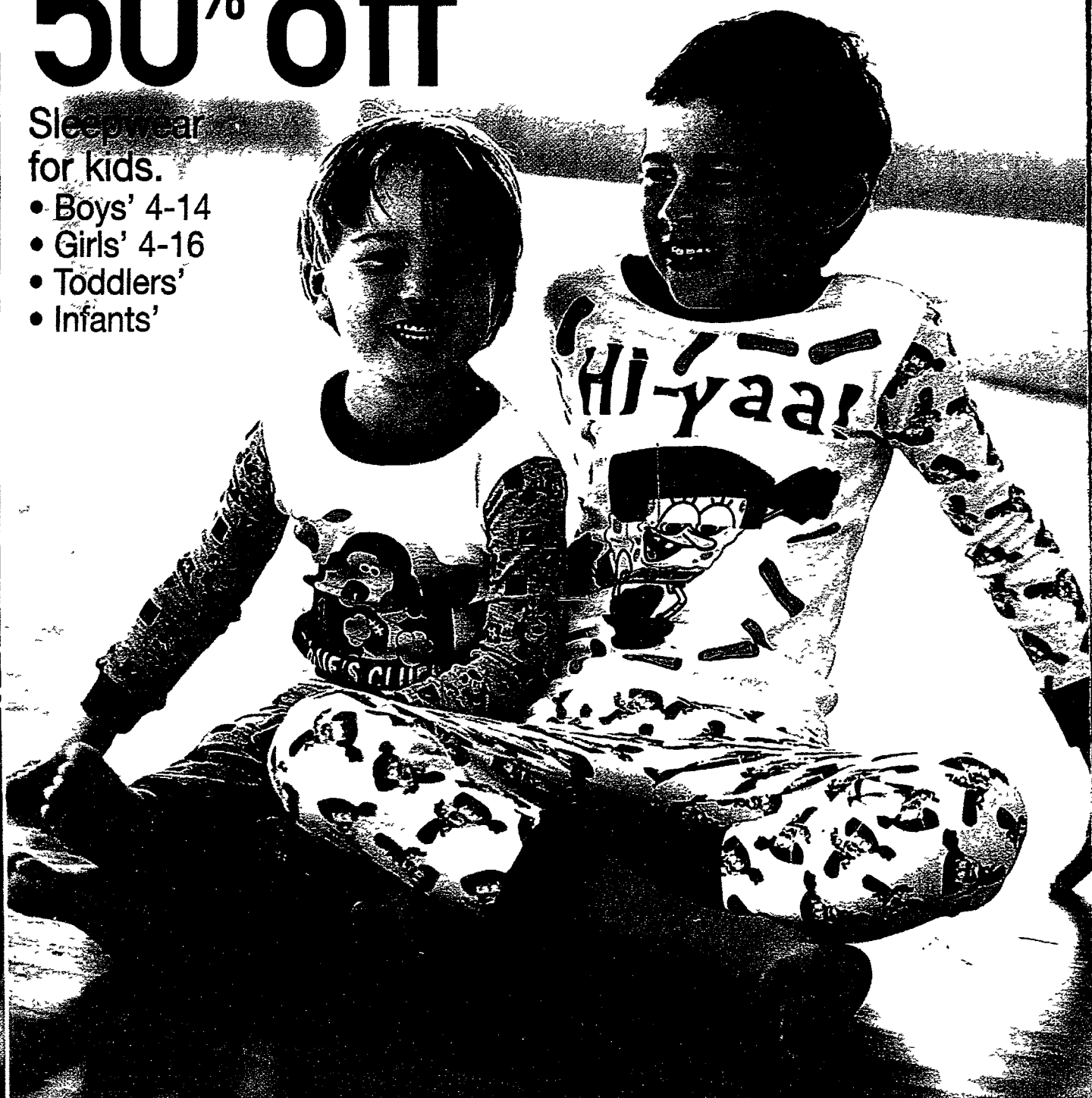


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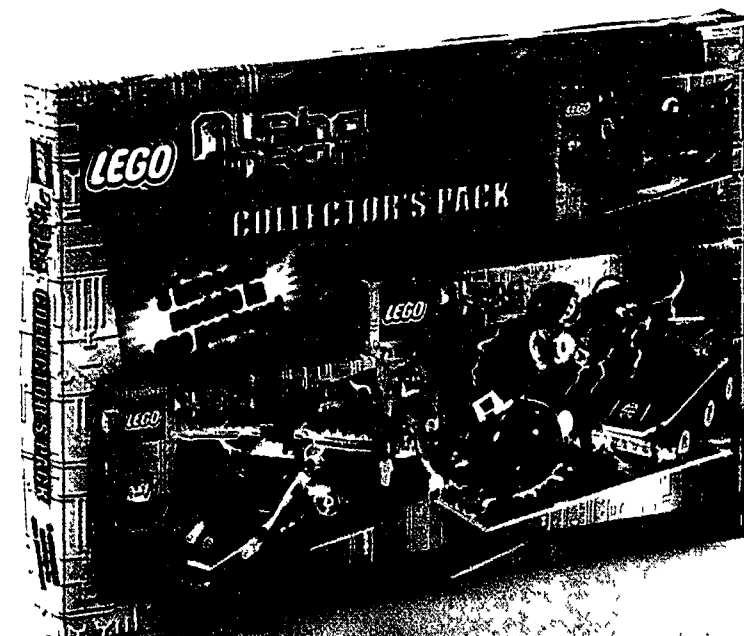
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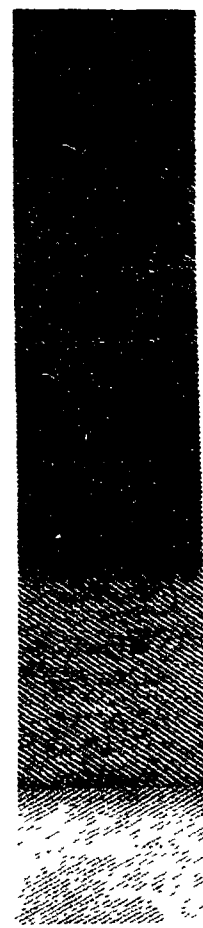
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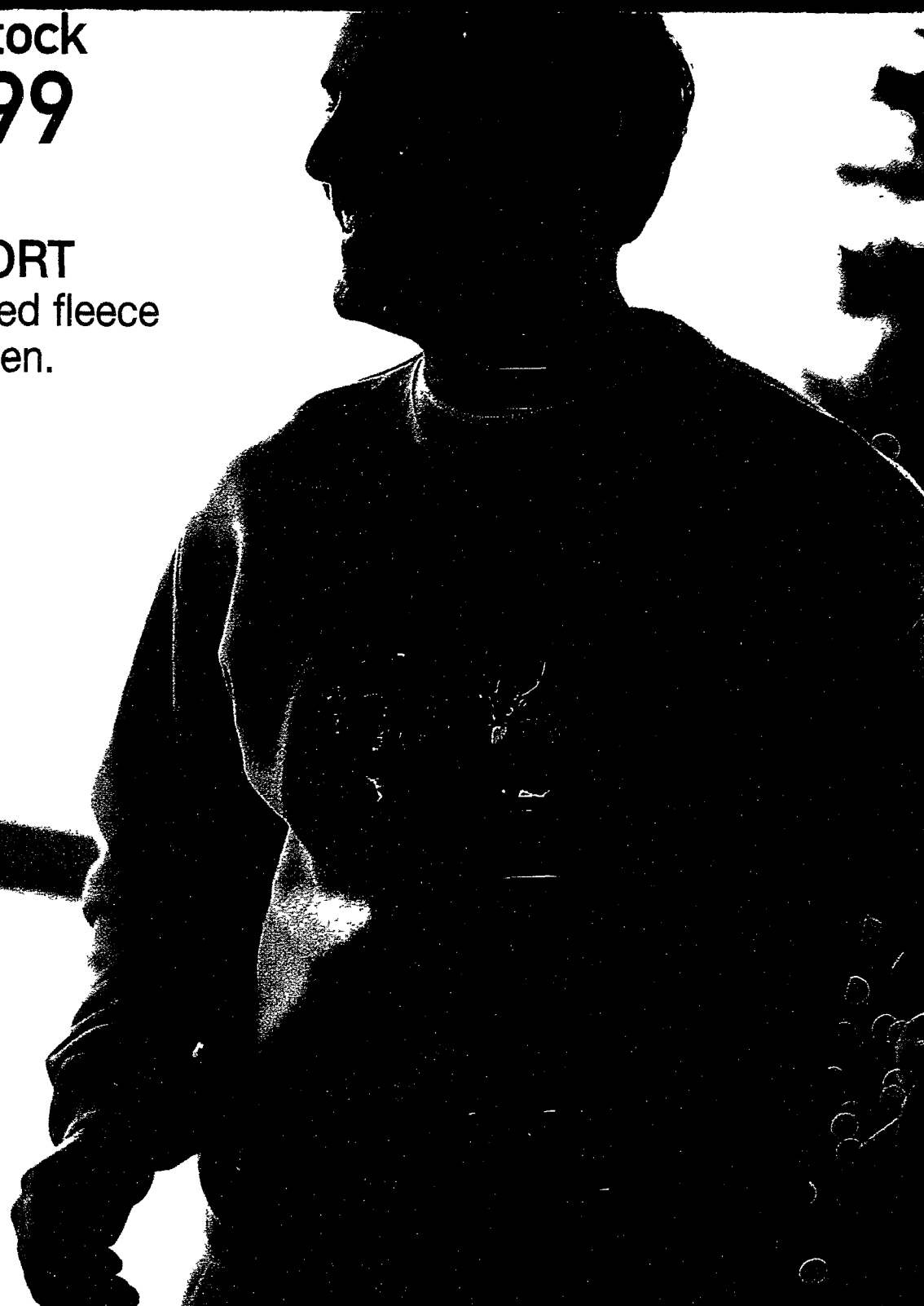
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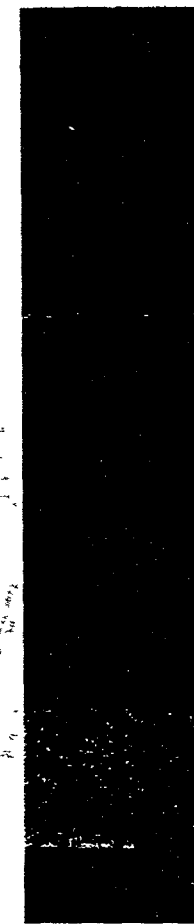
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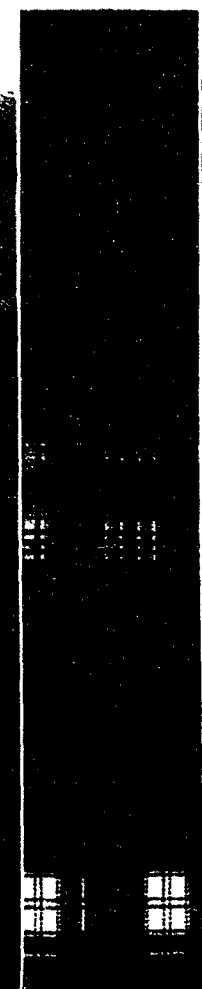
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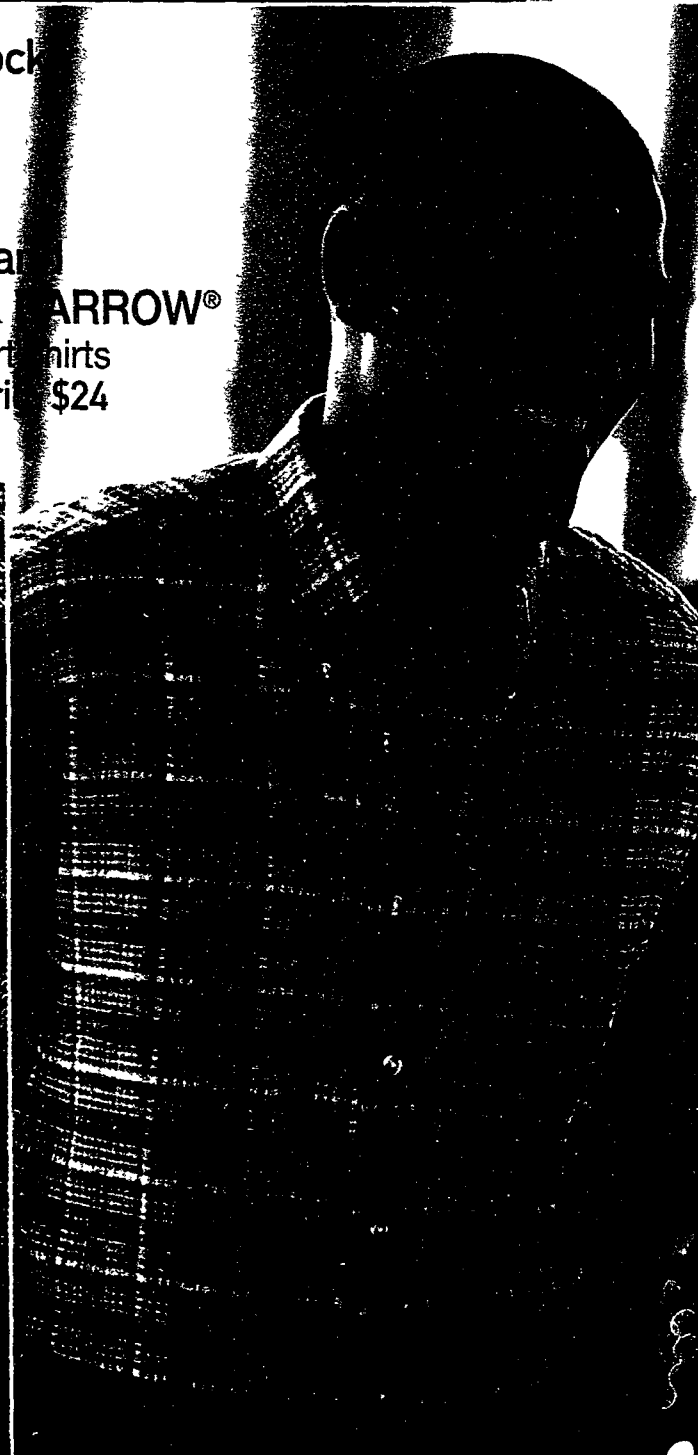


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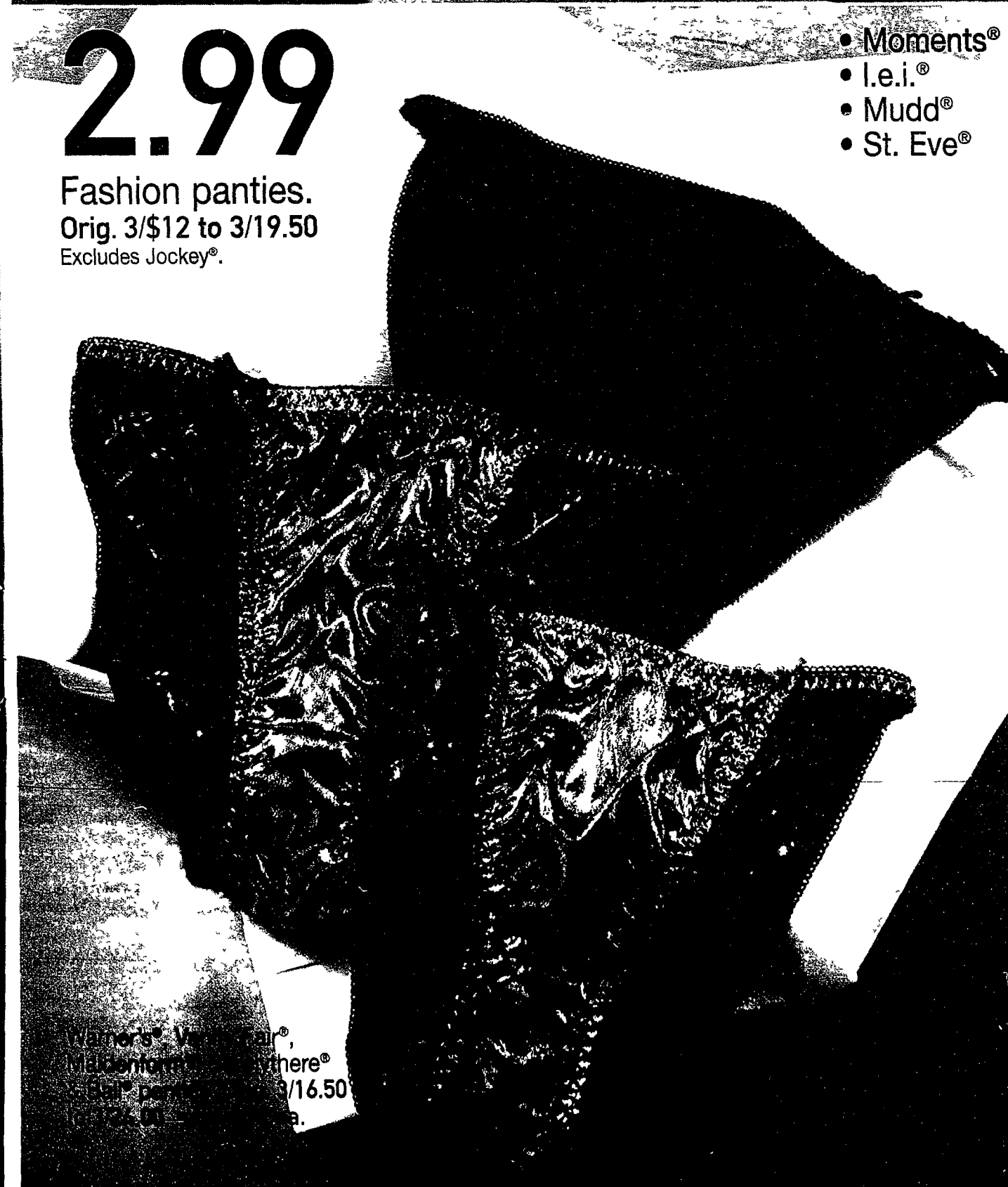
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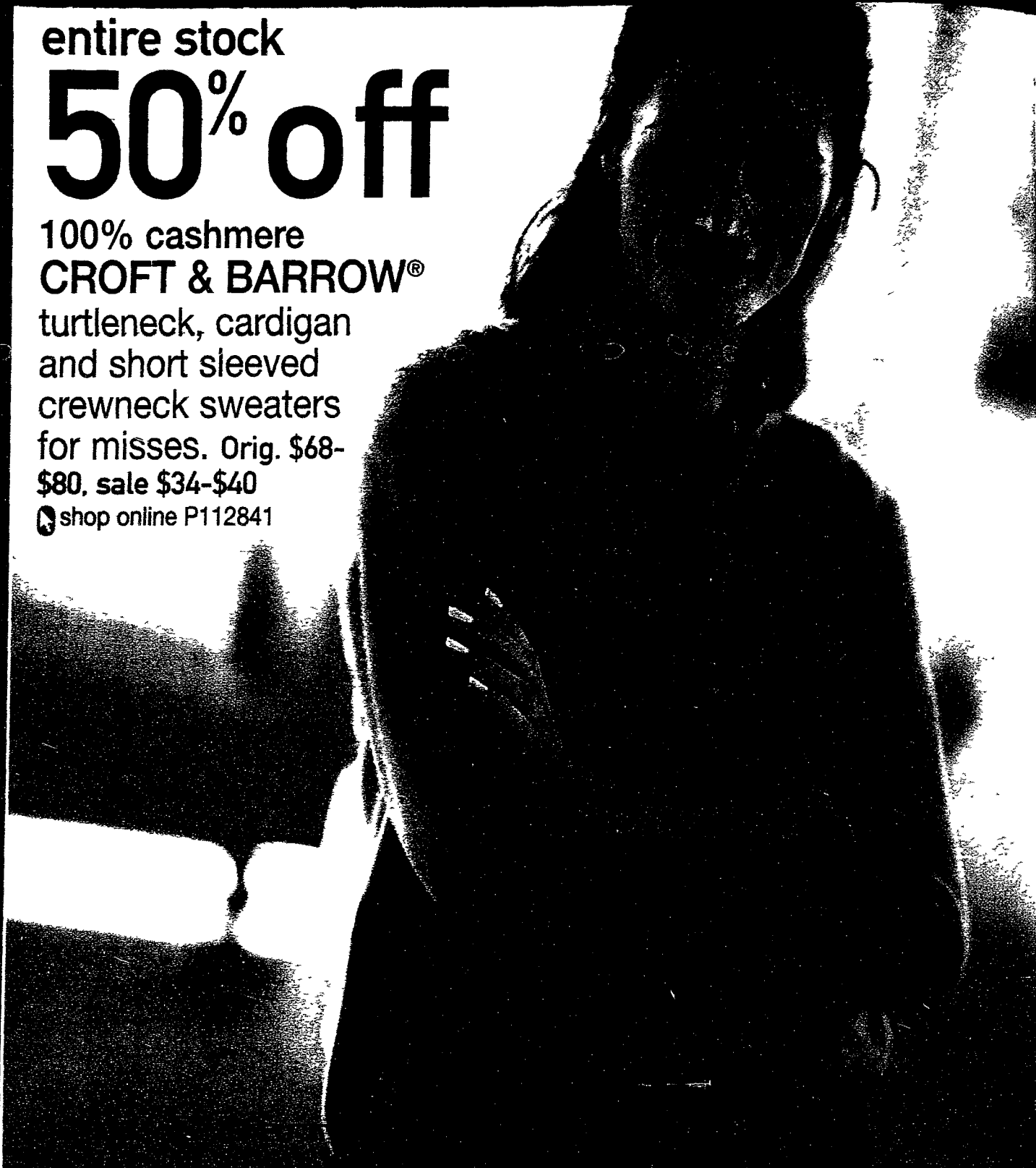
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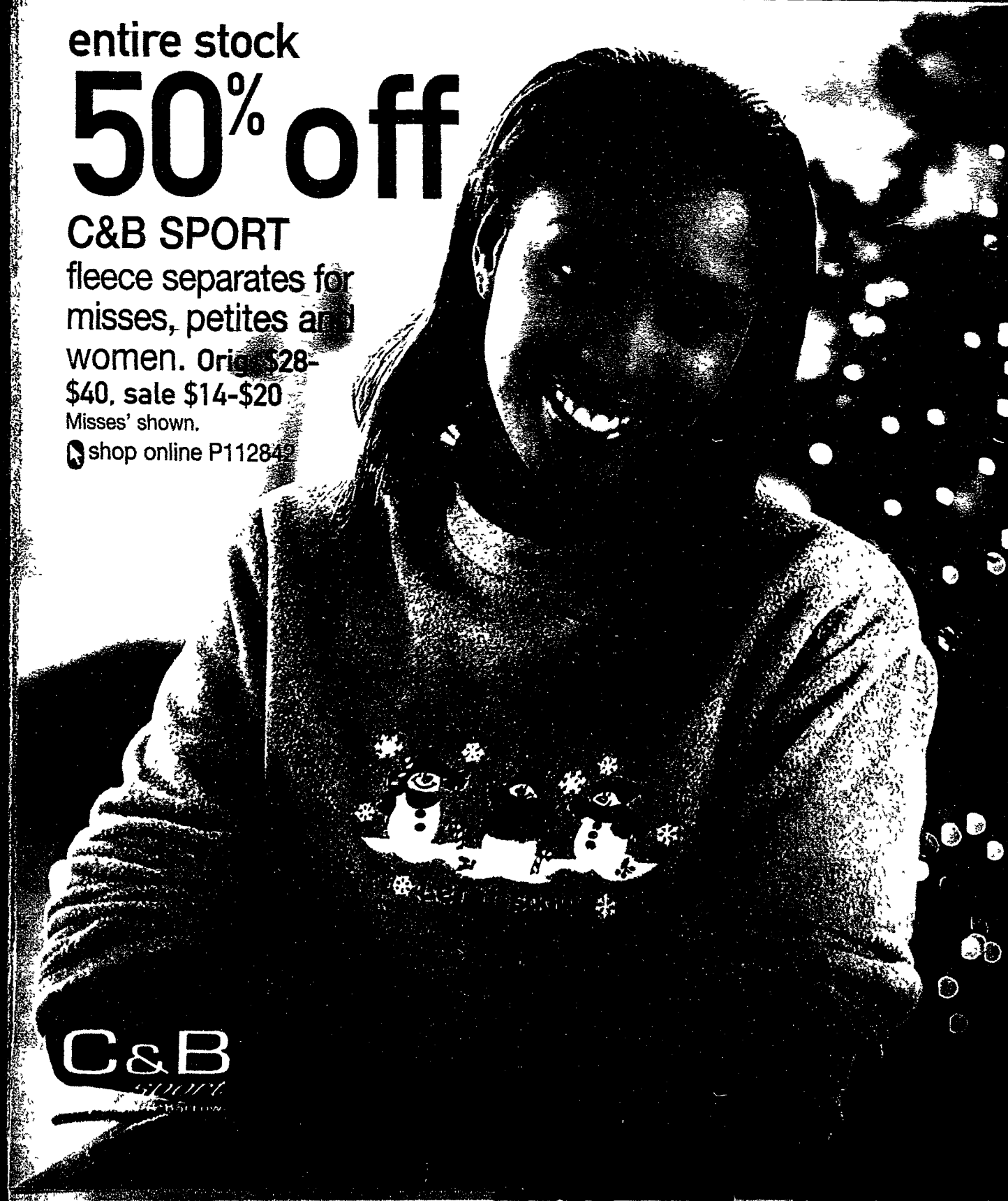
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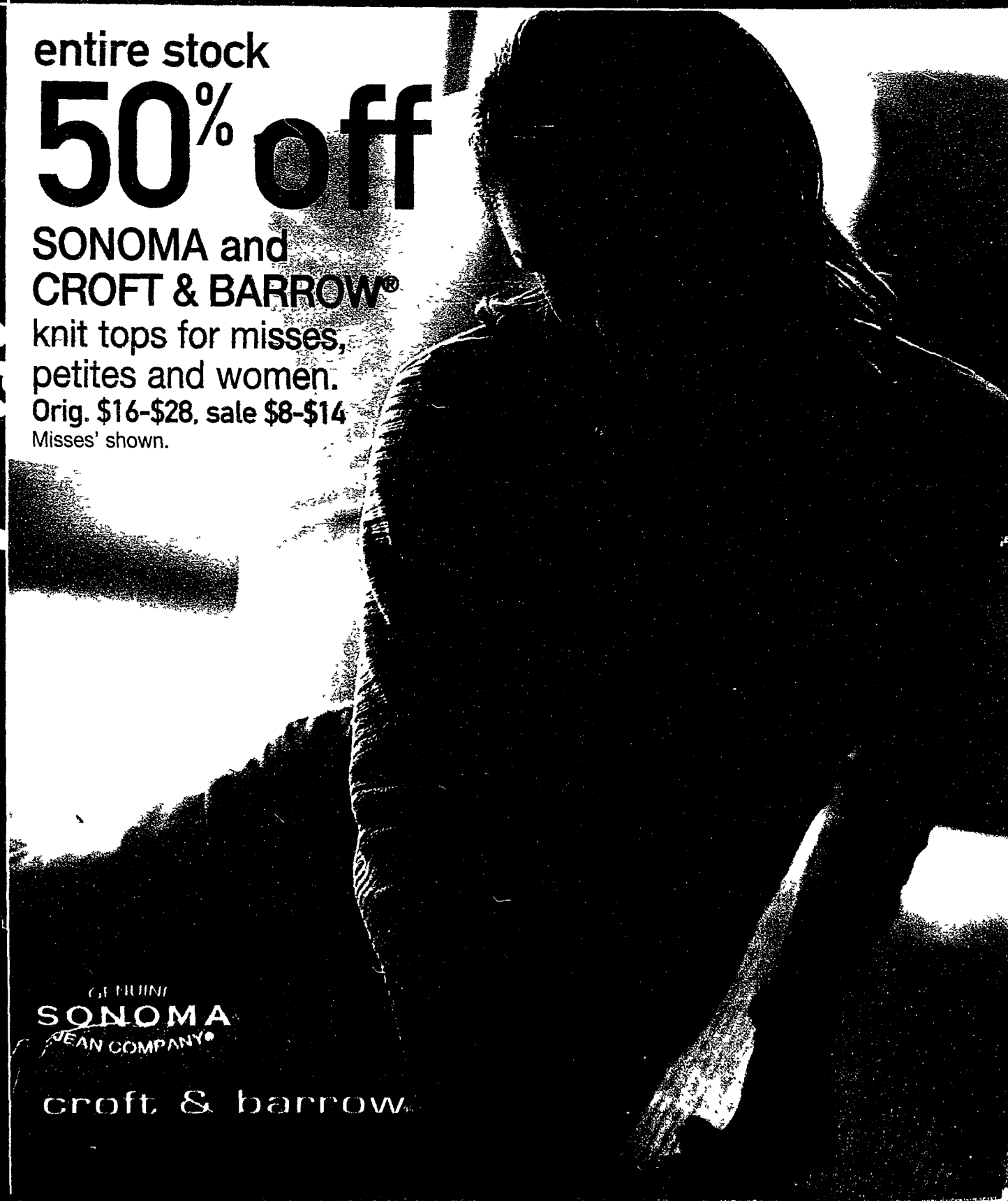
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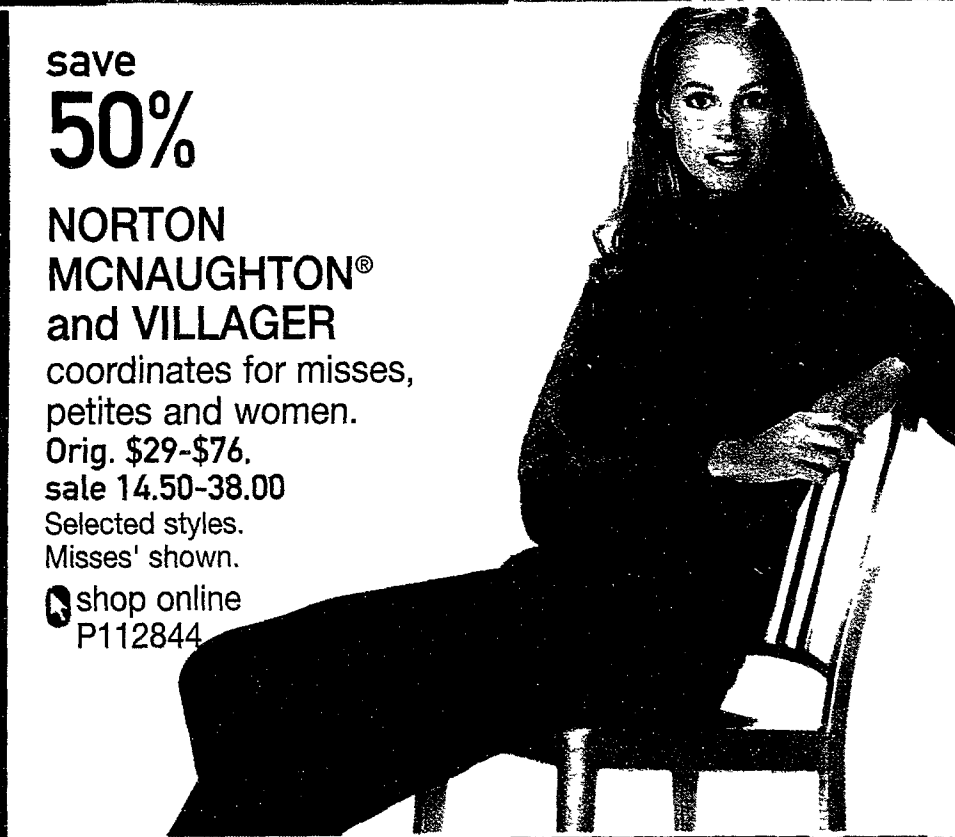
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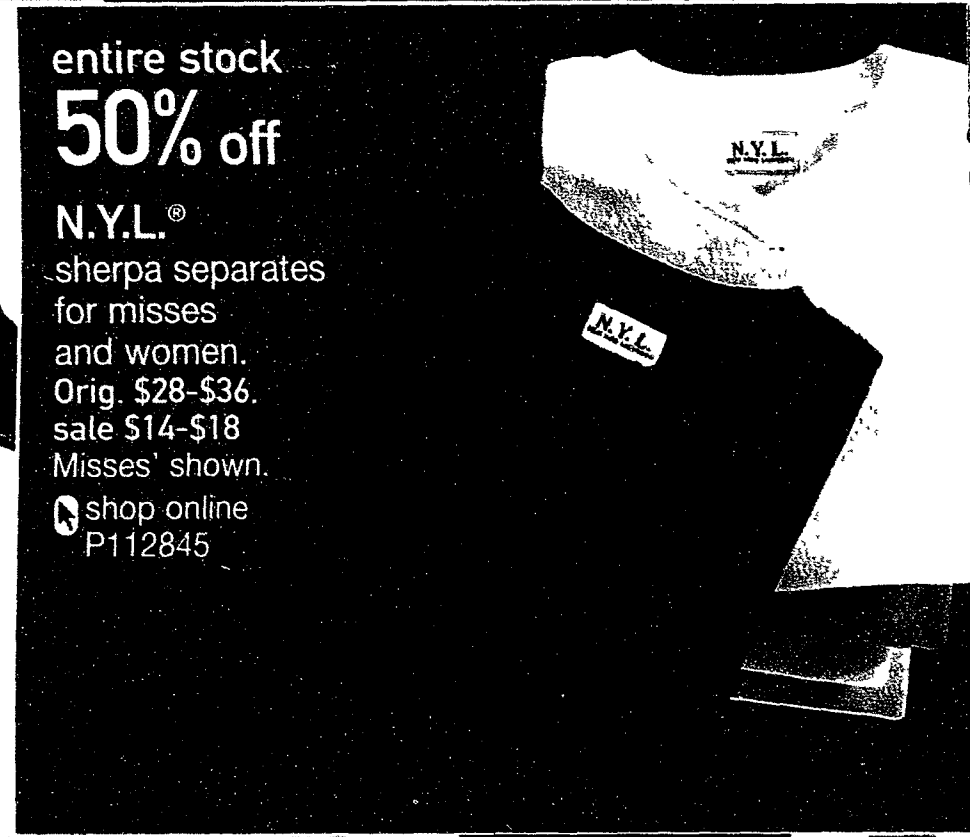
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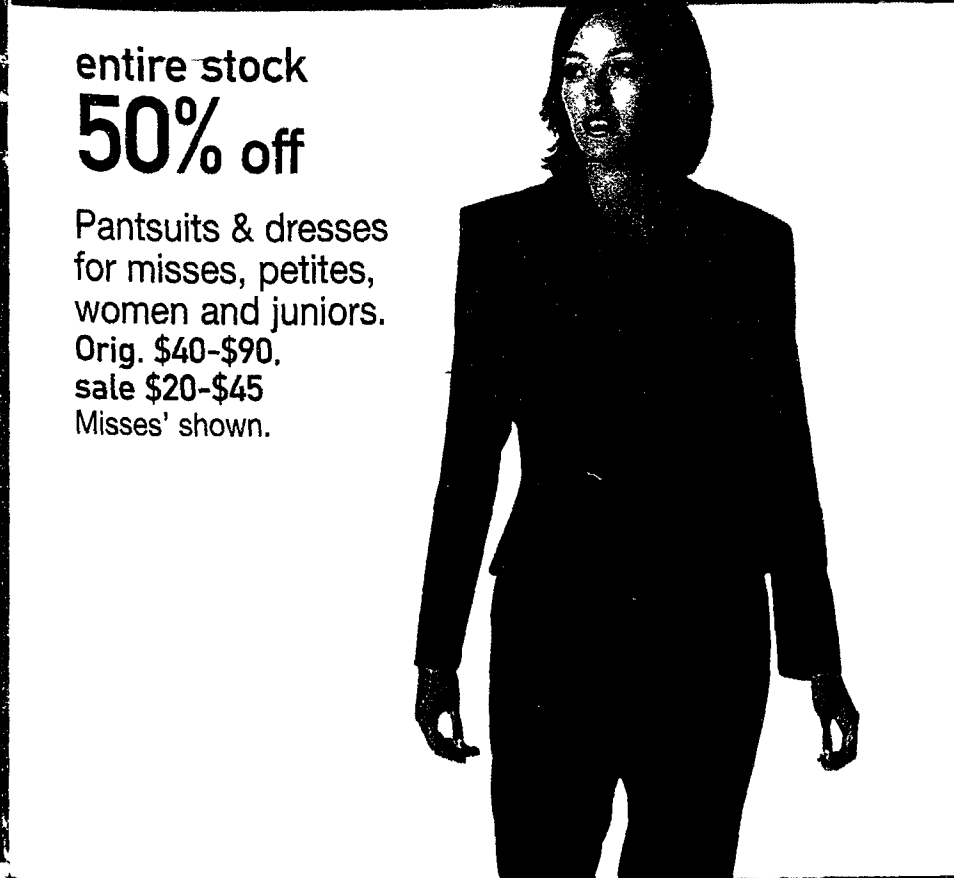
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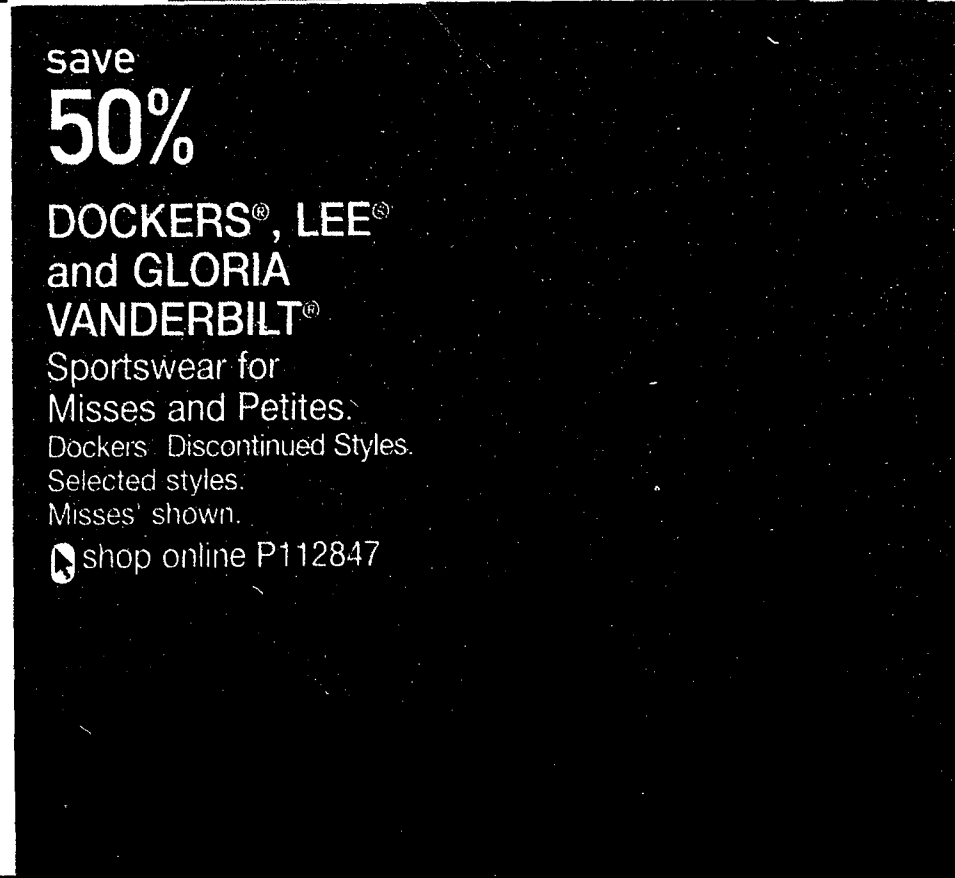
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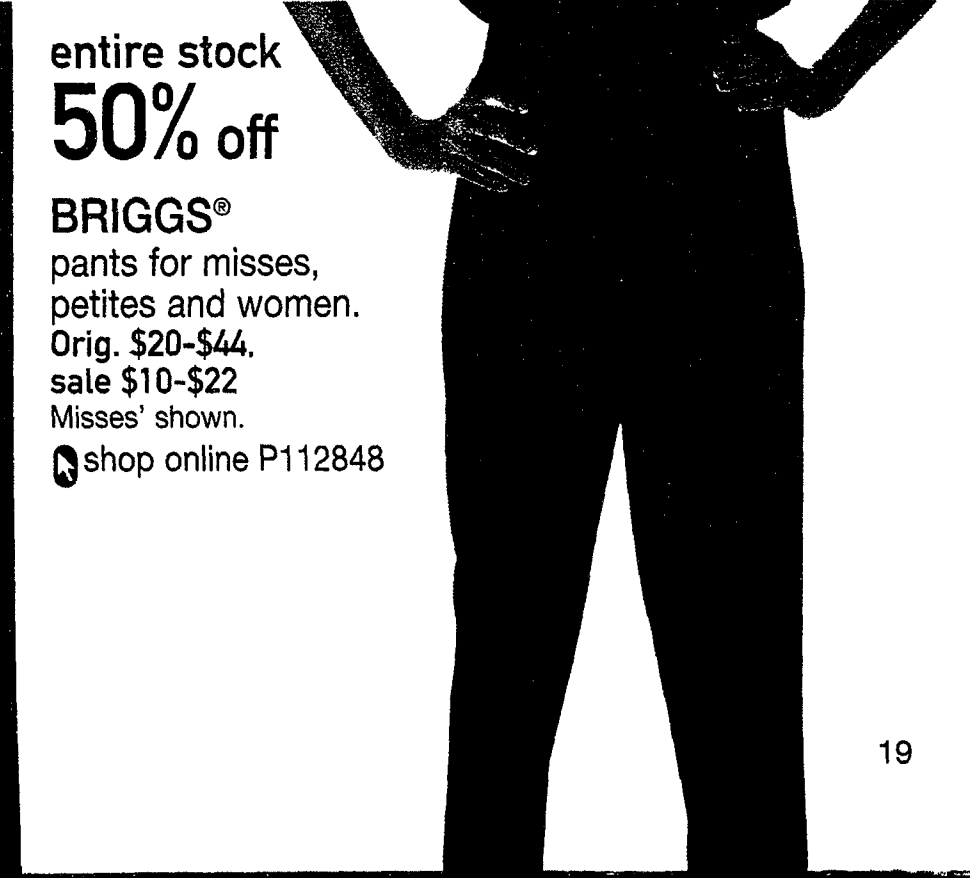
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- SO...
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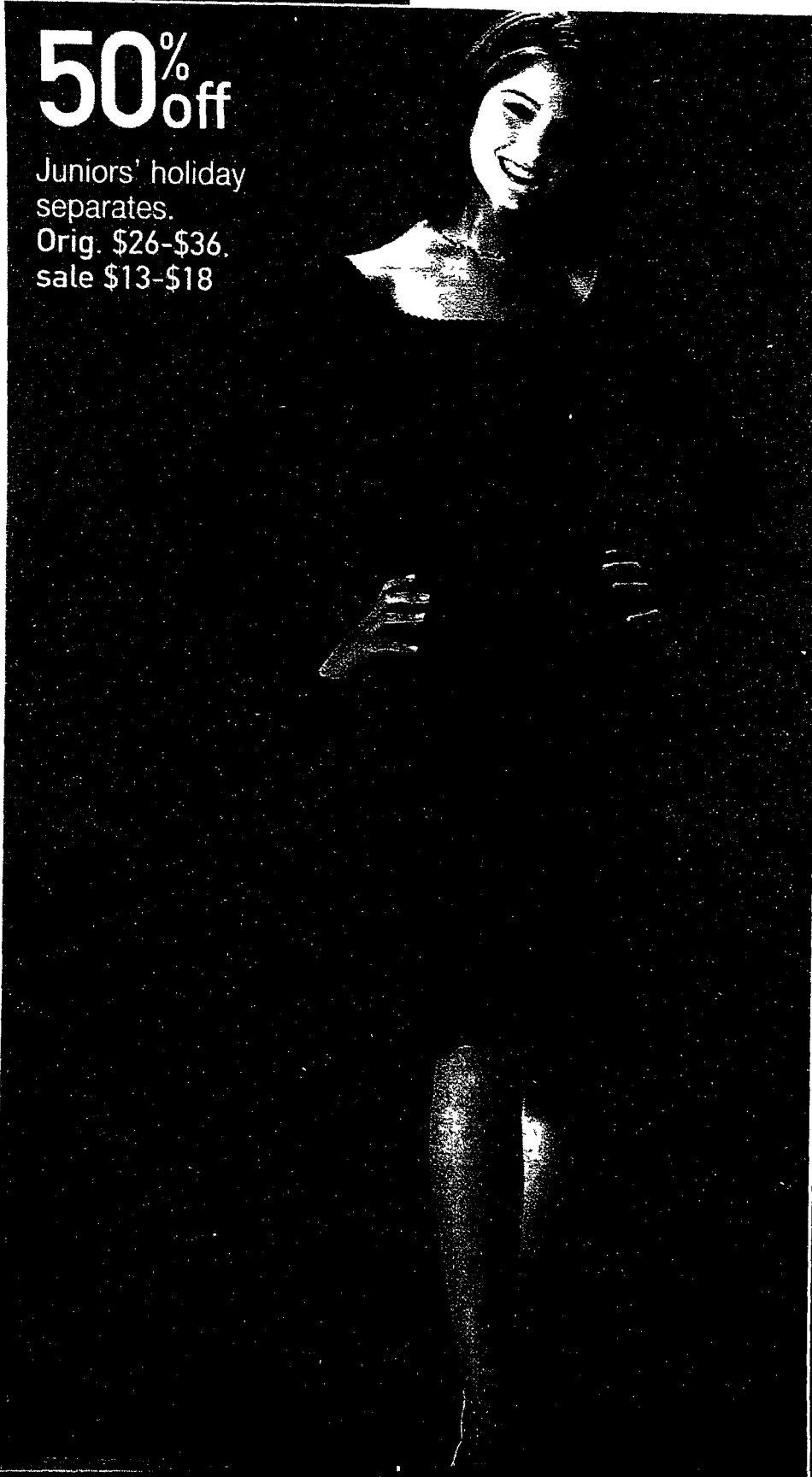
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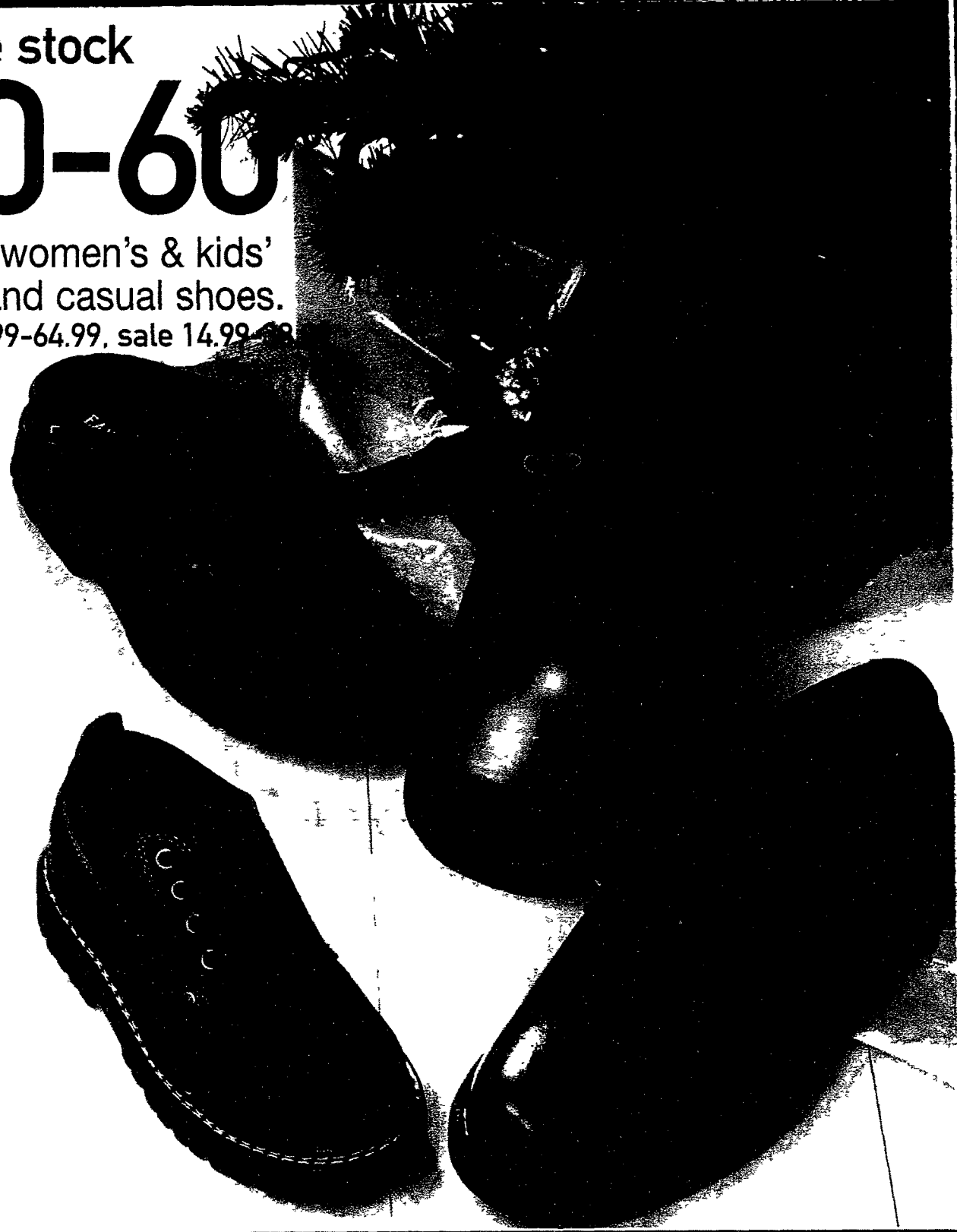
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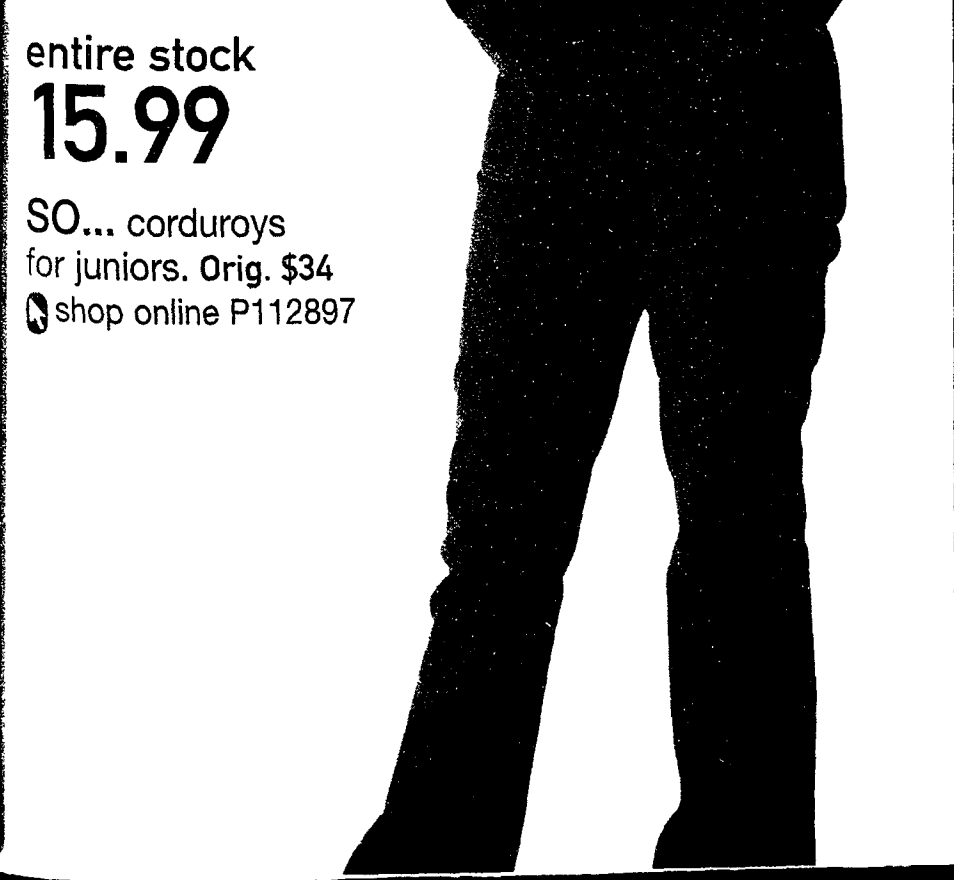
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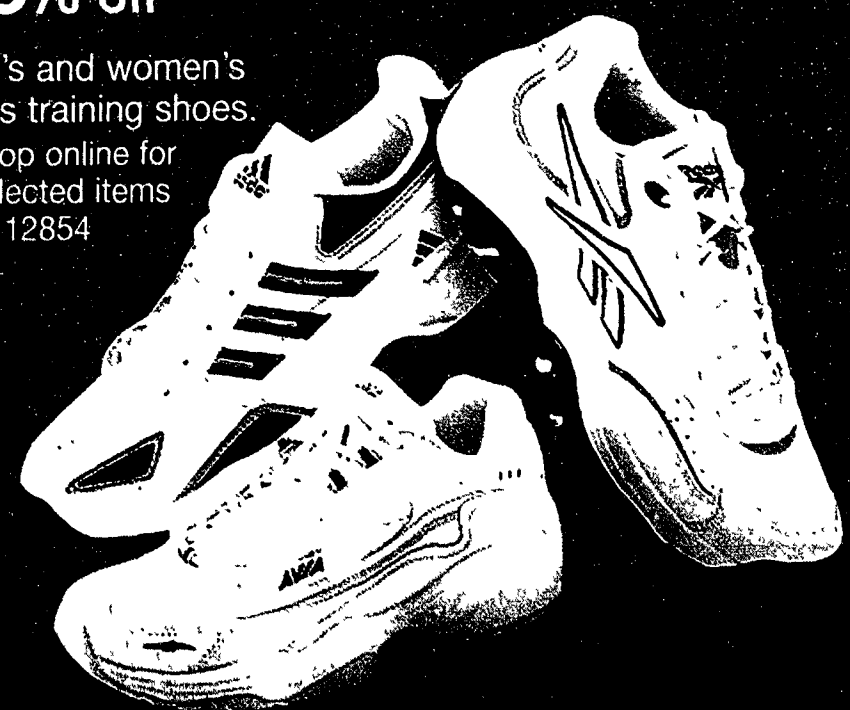
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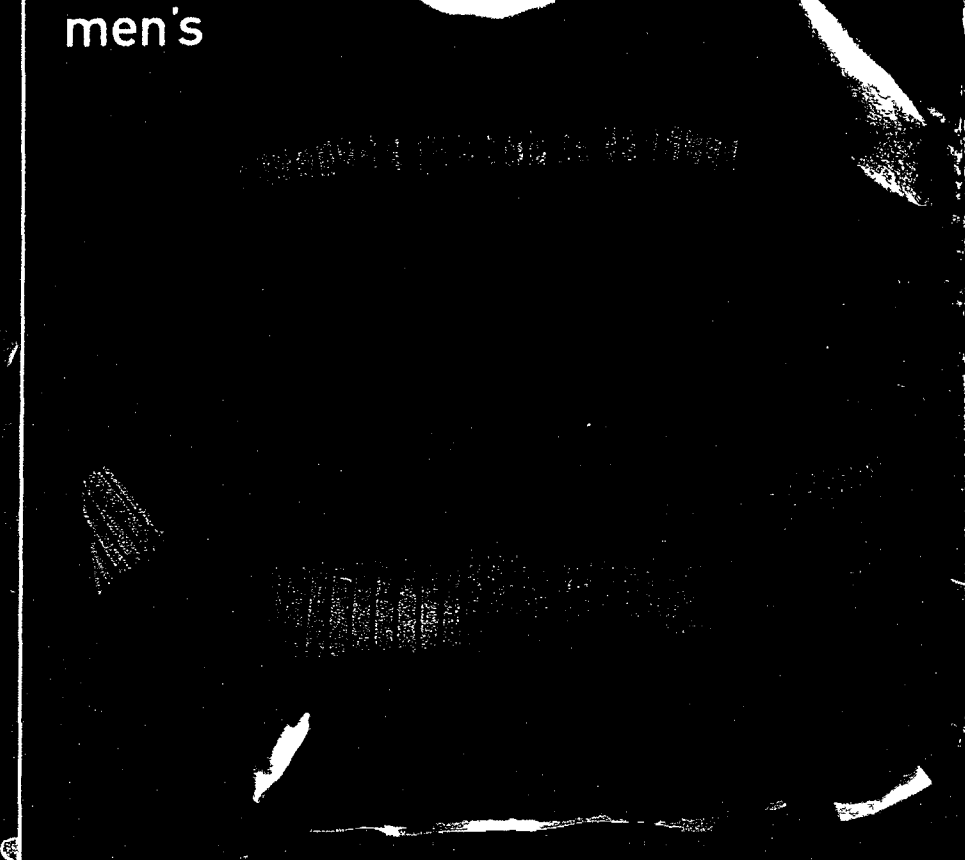


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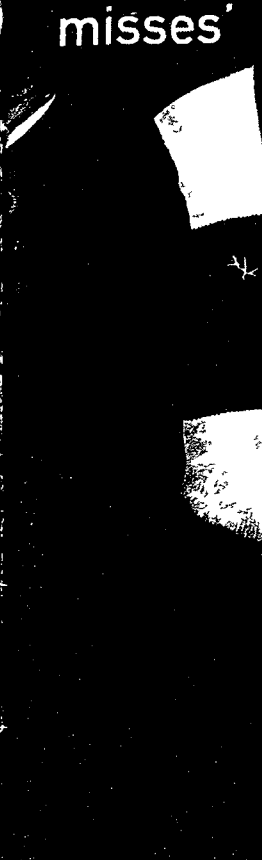
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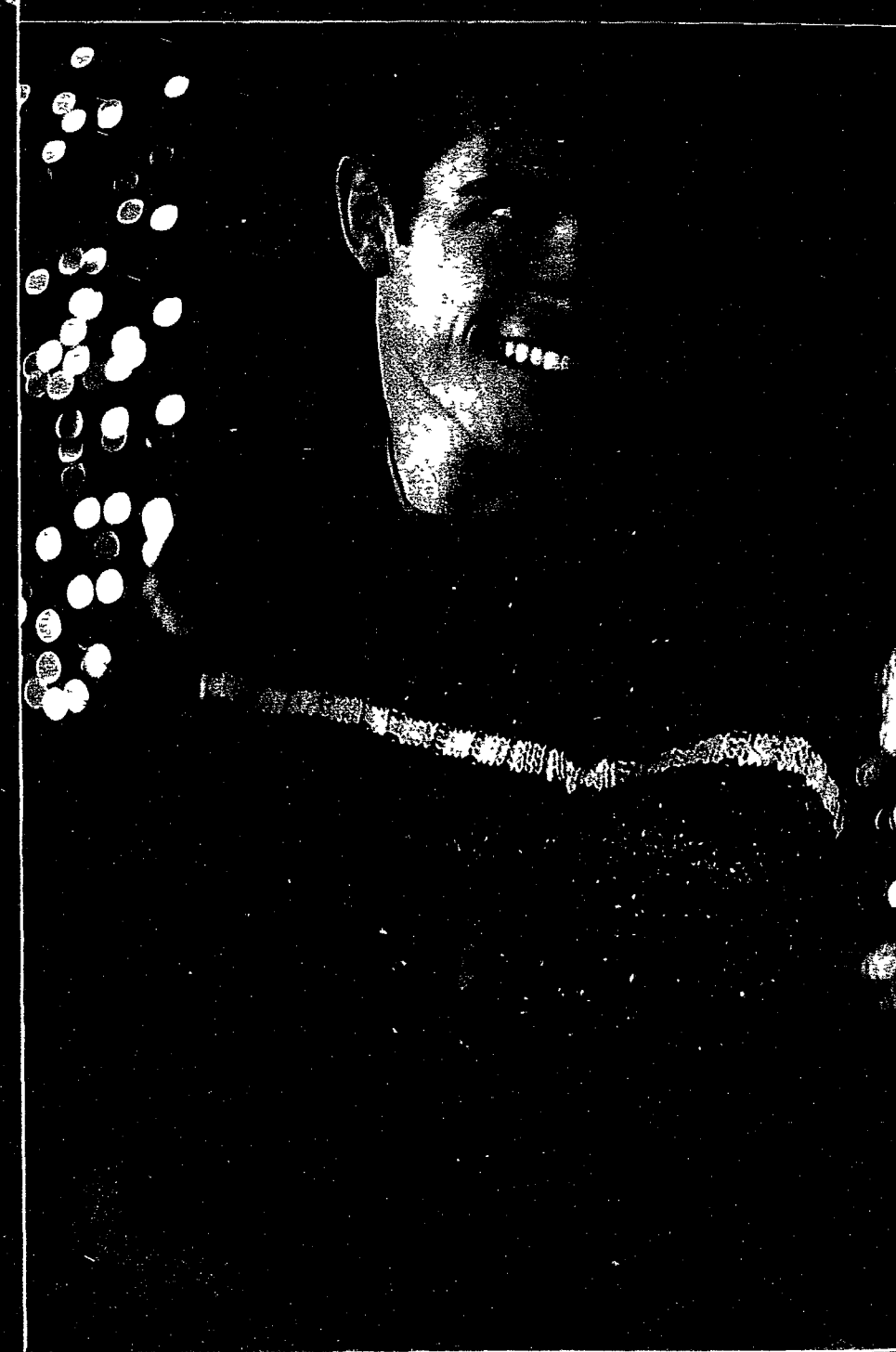
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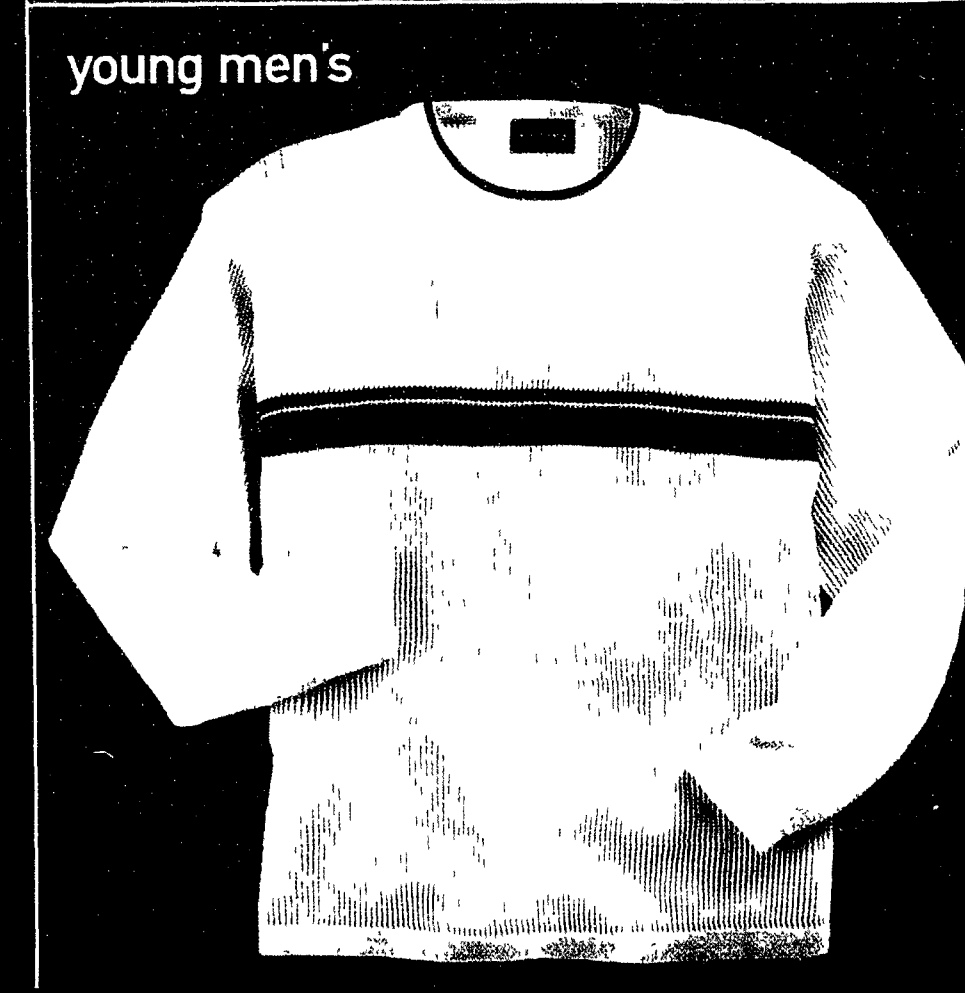
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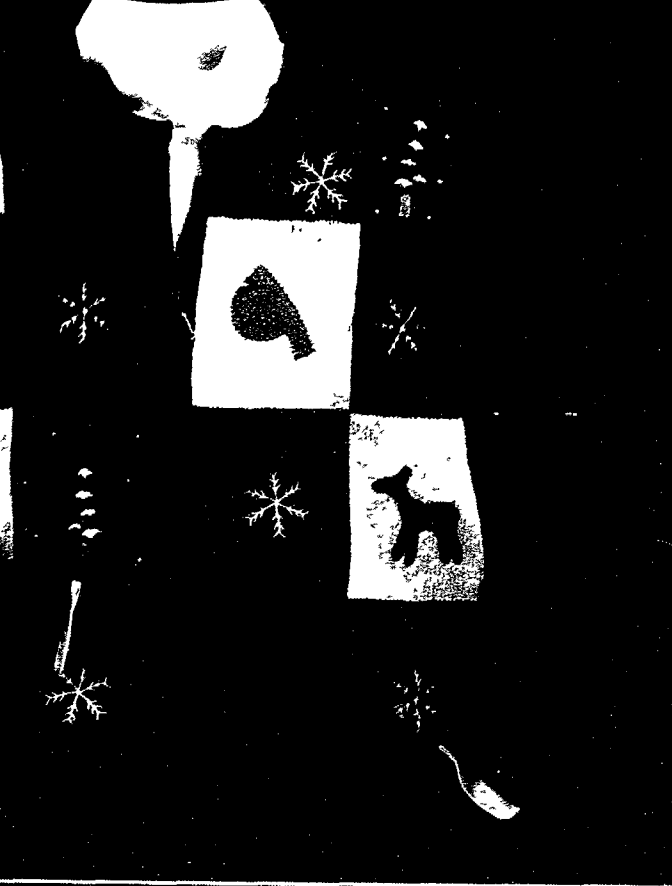


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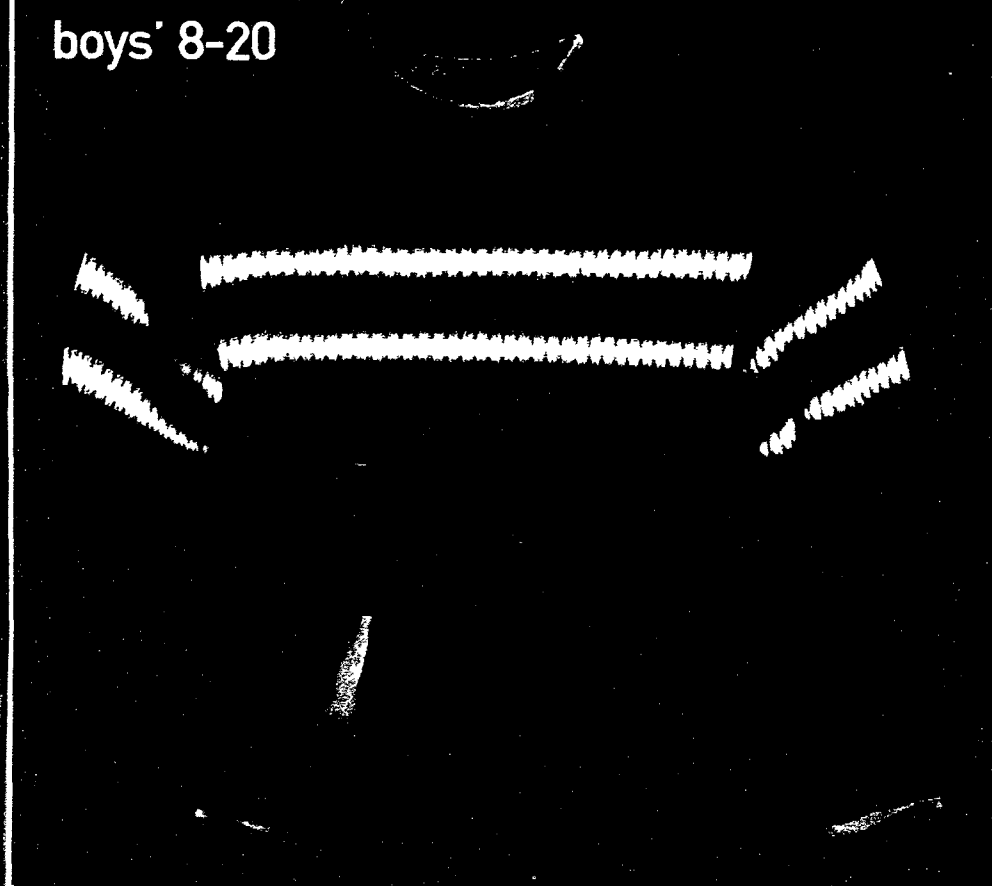


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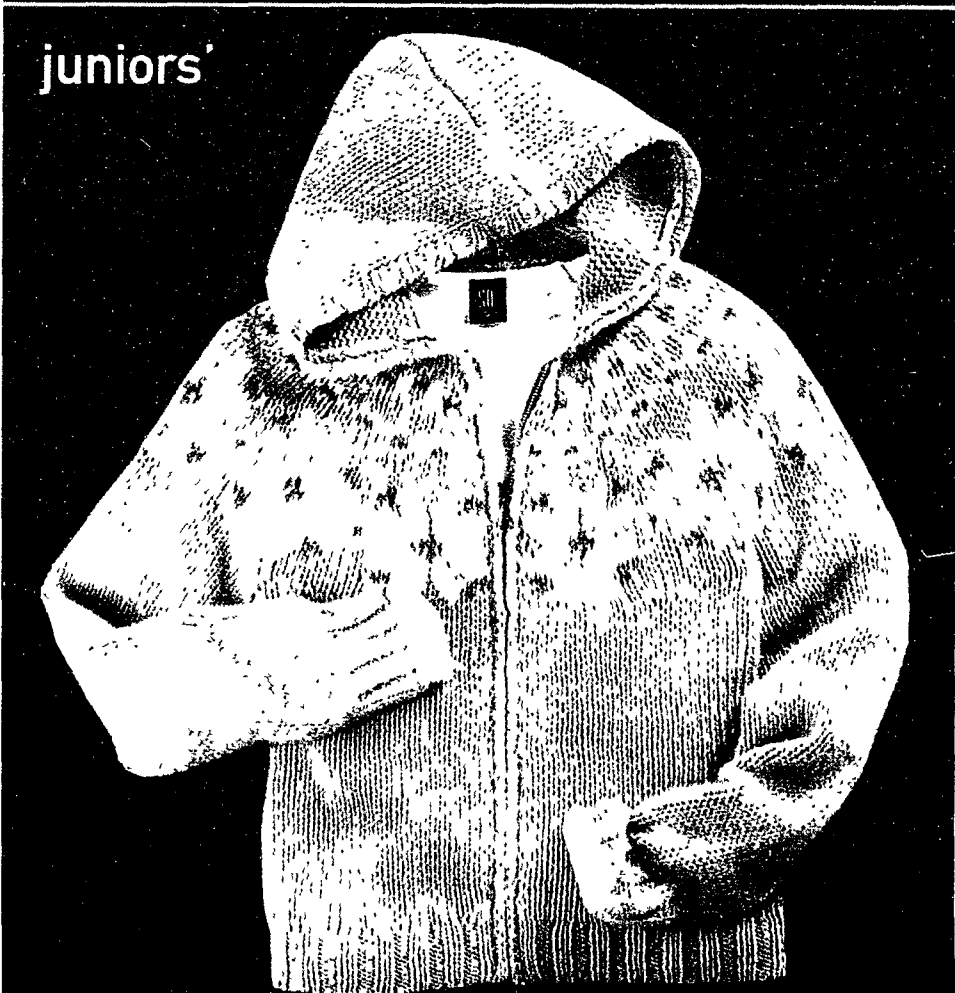
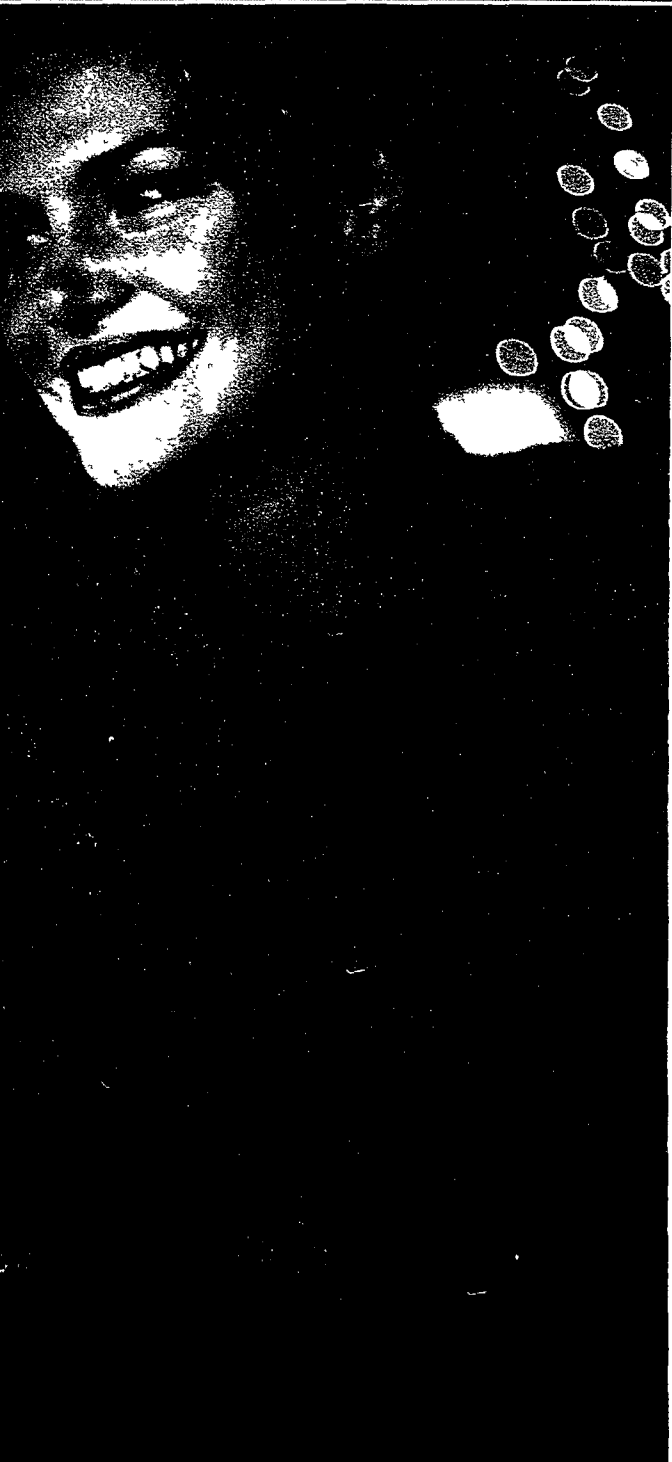




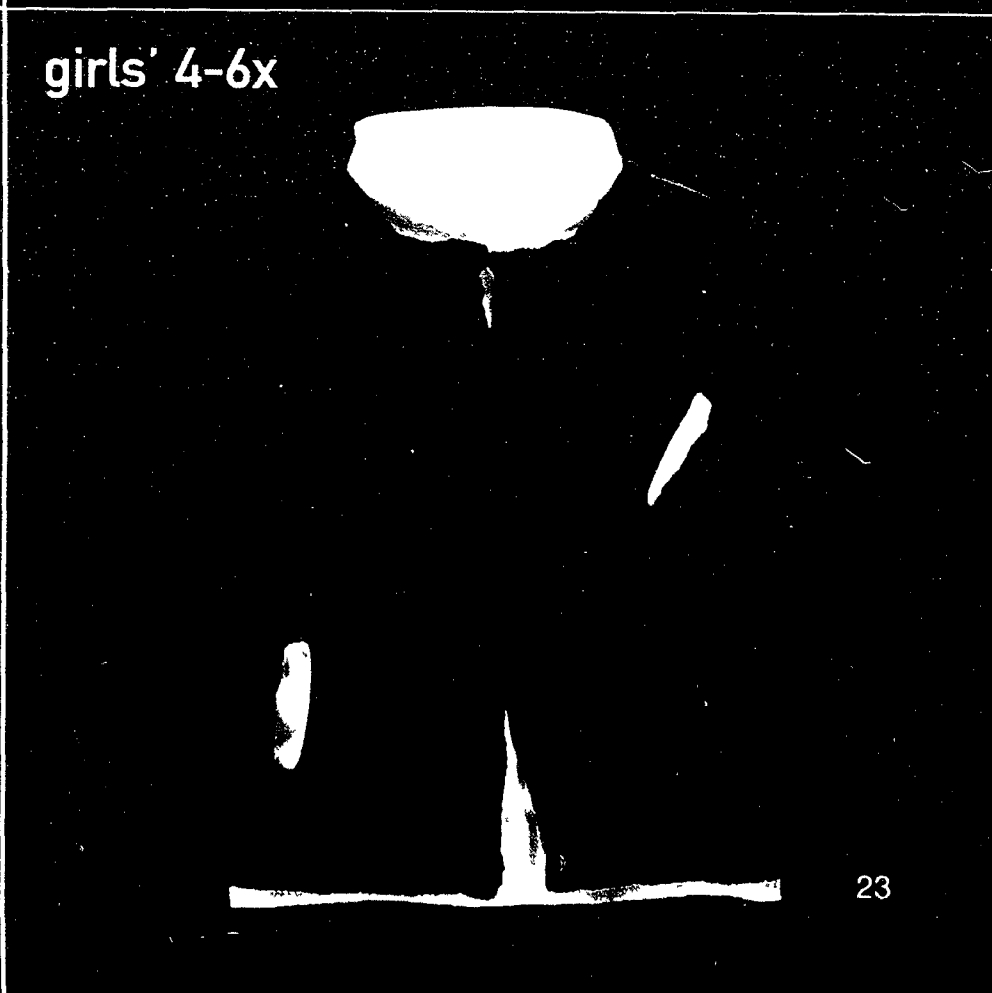
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juniors'



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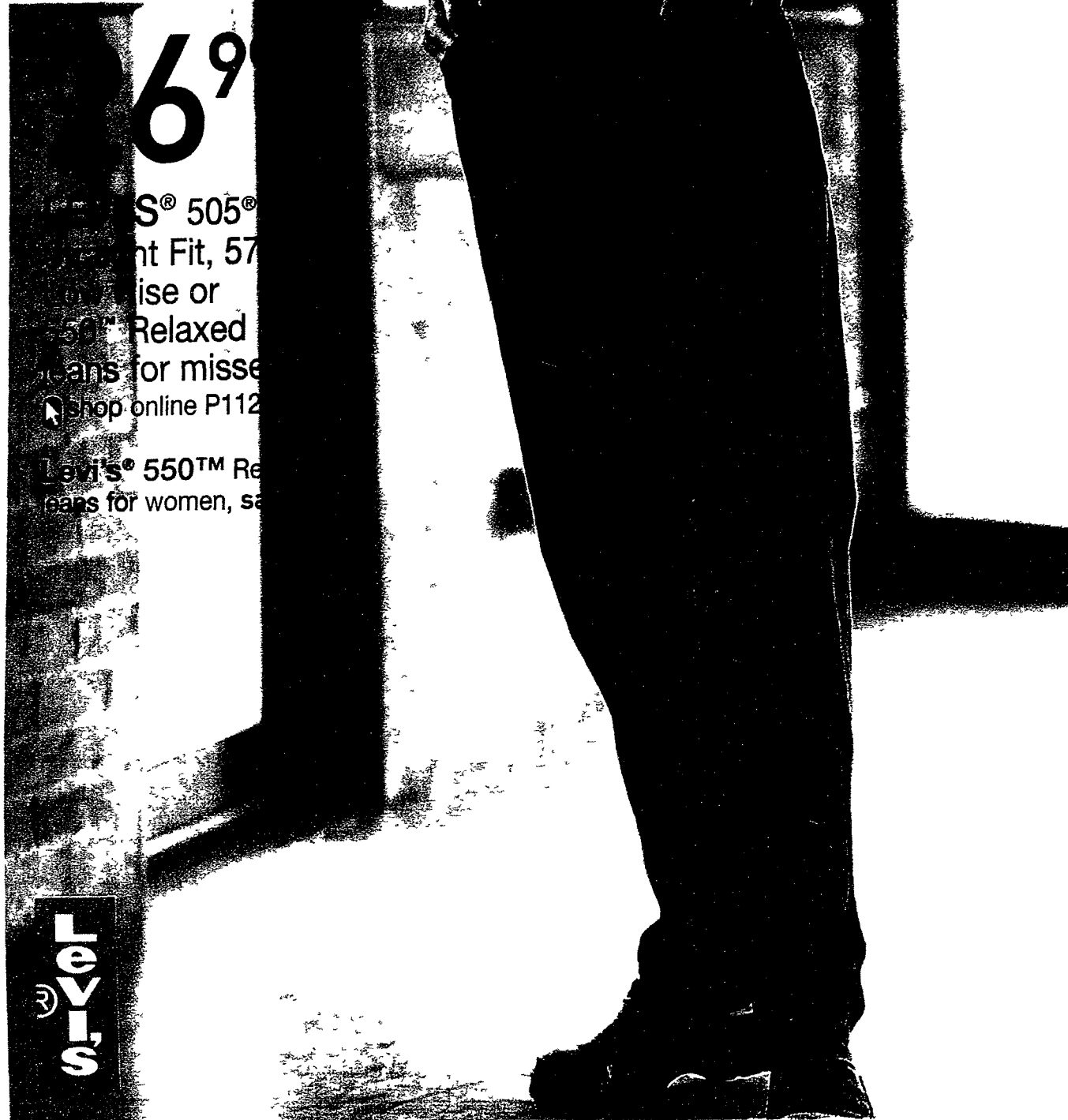
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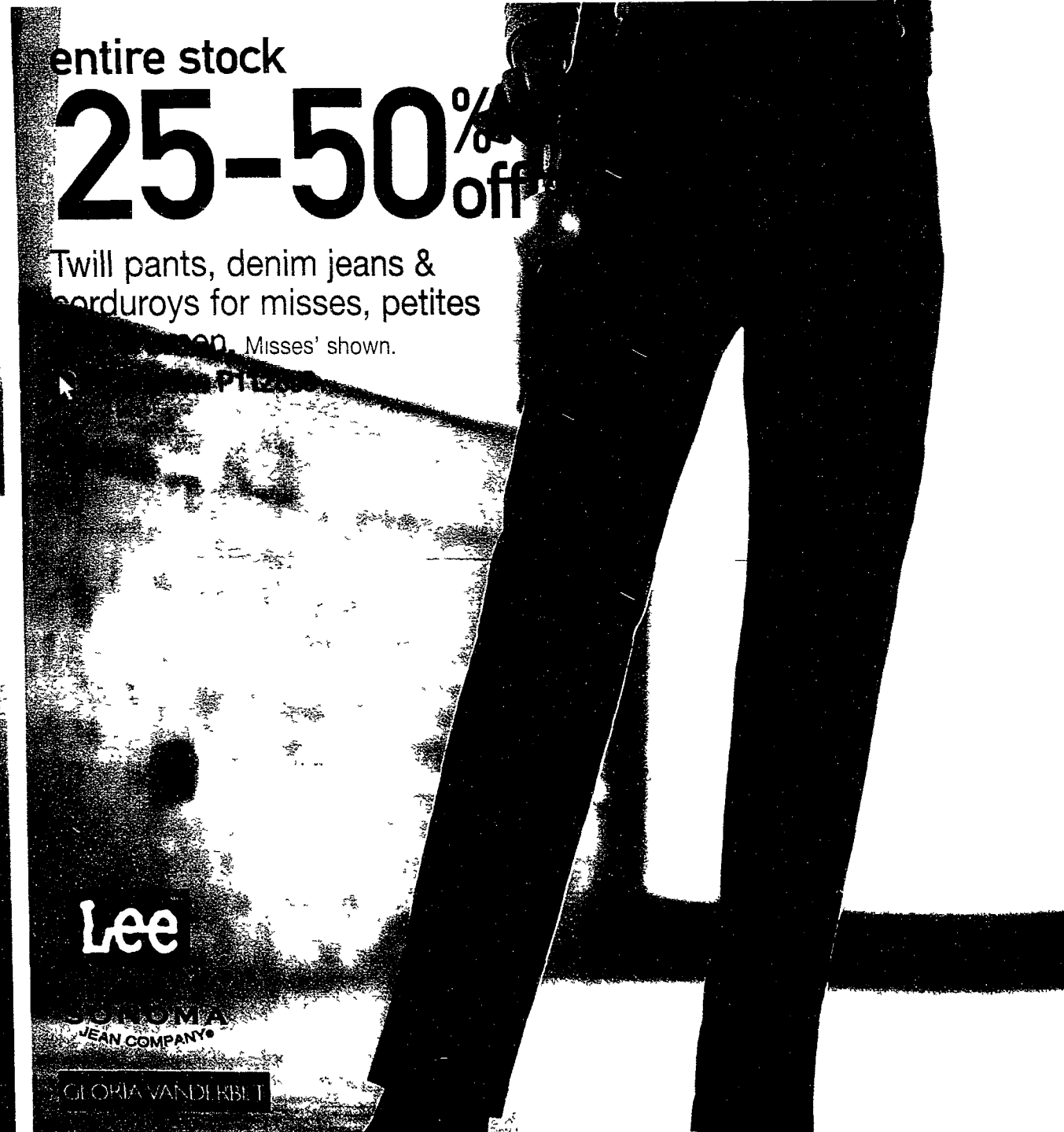
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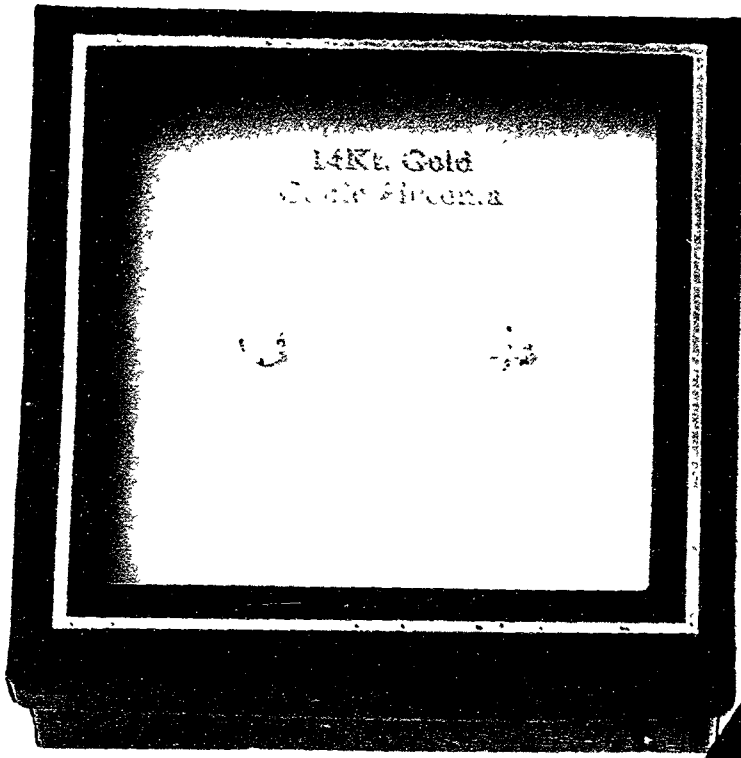
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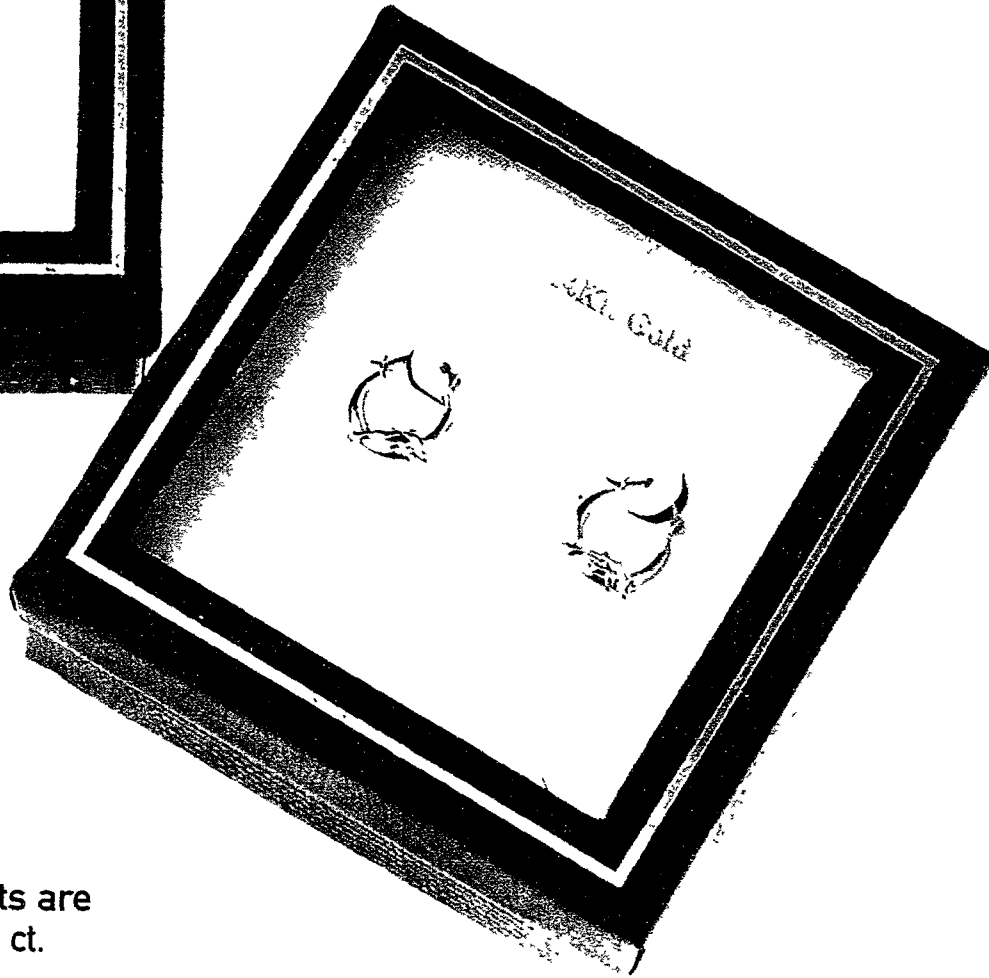
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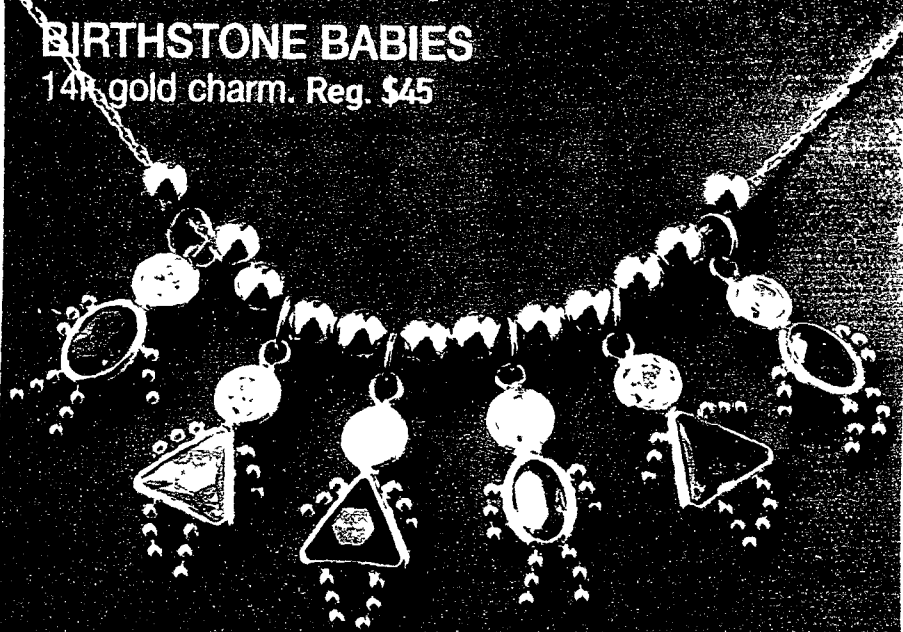
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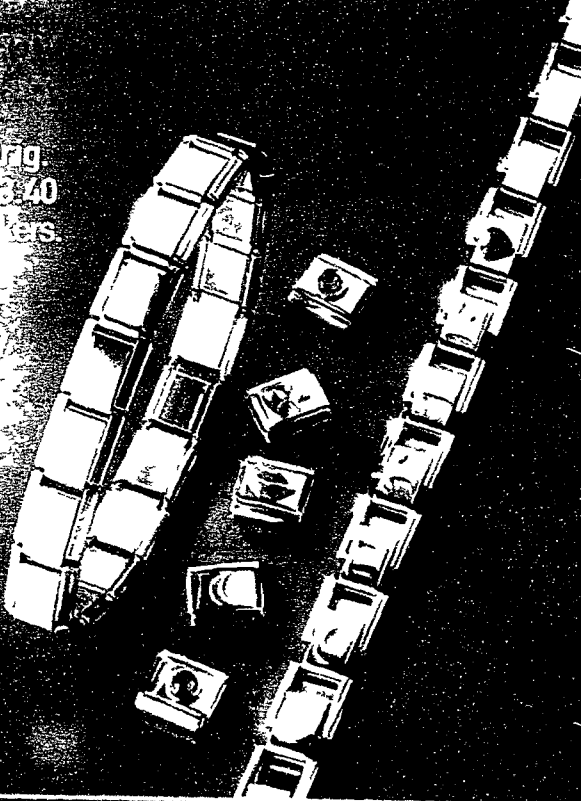
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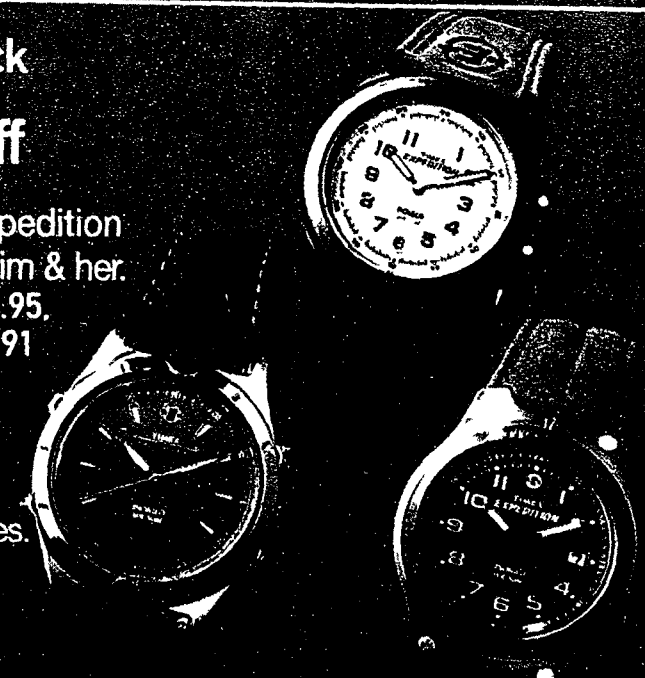


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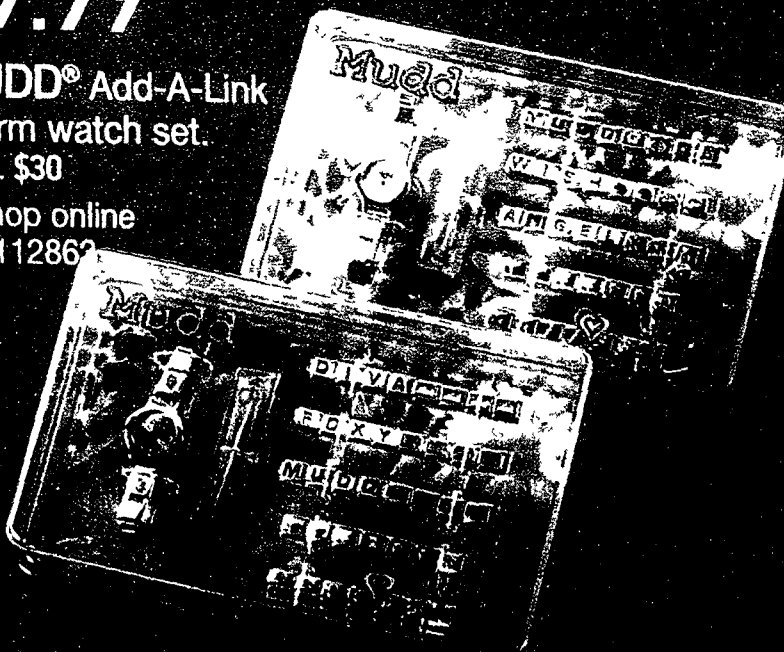
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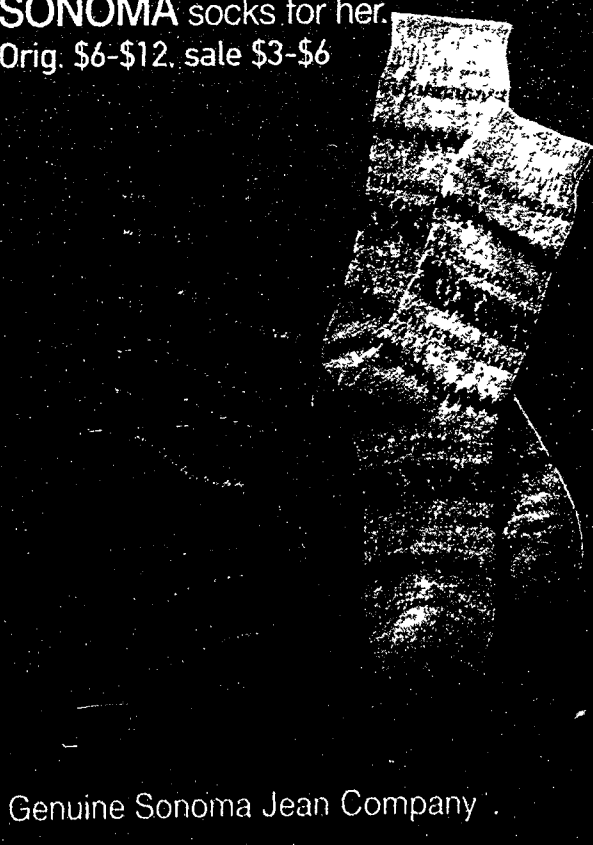
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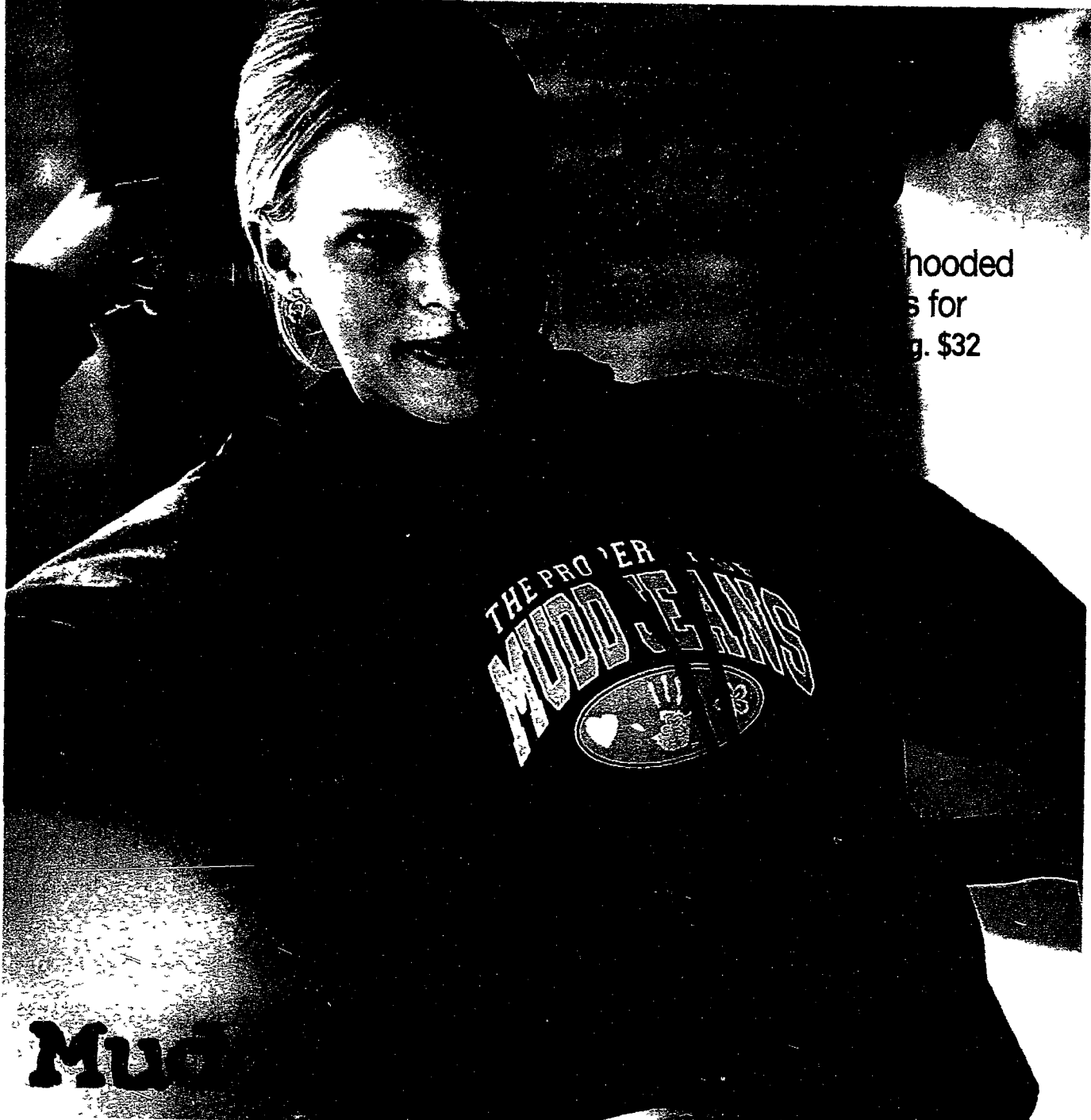
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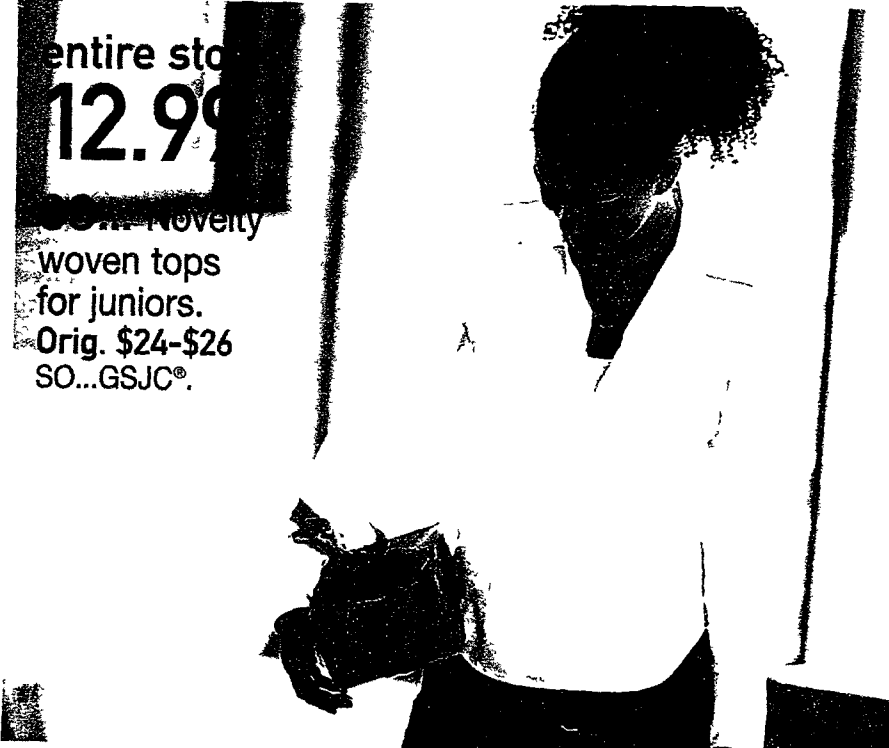


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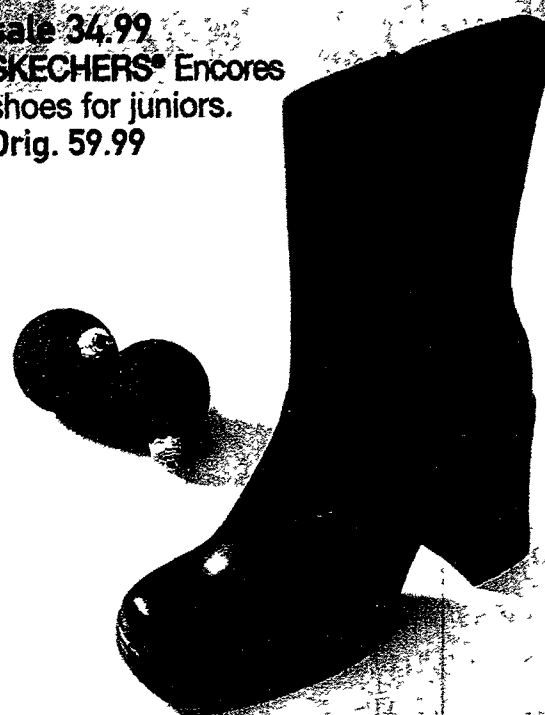
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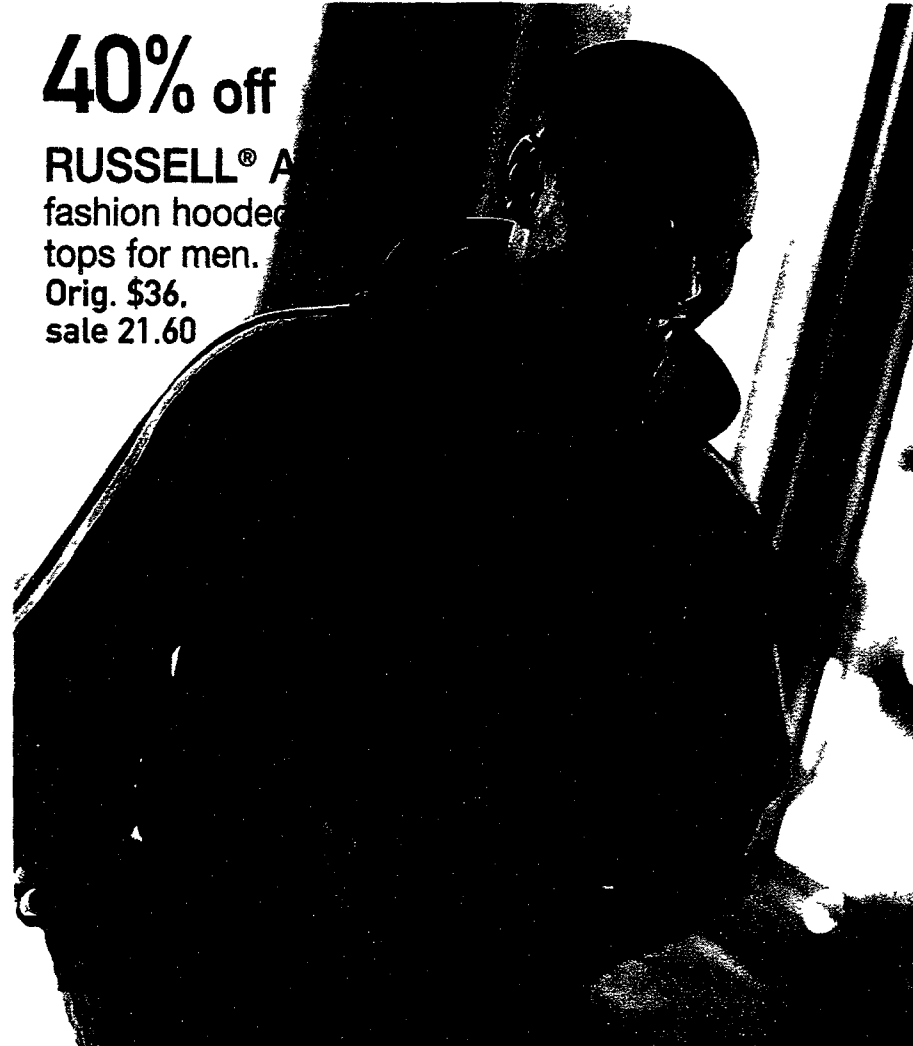


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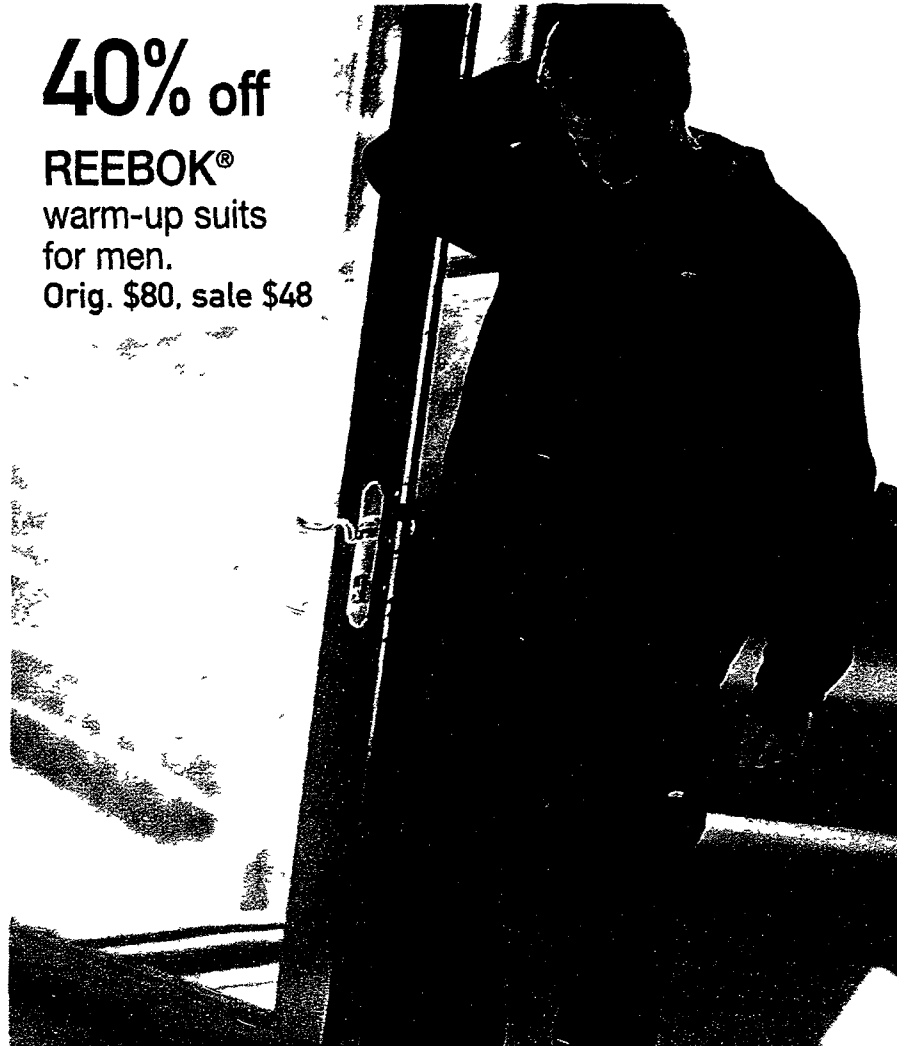
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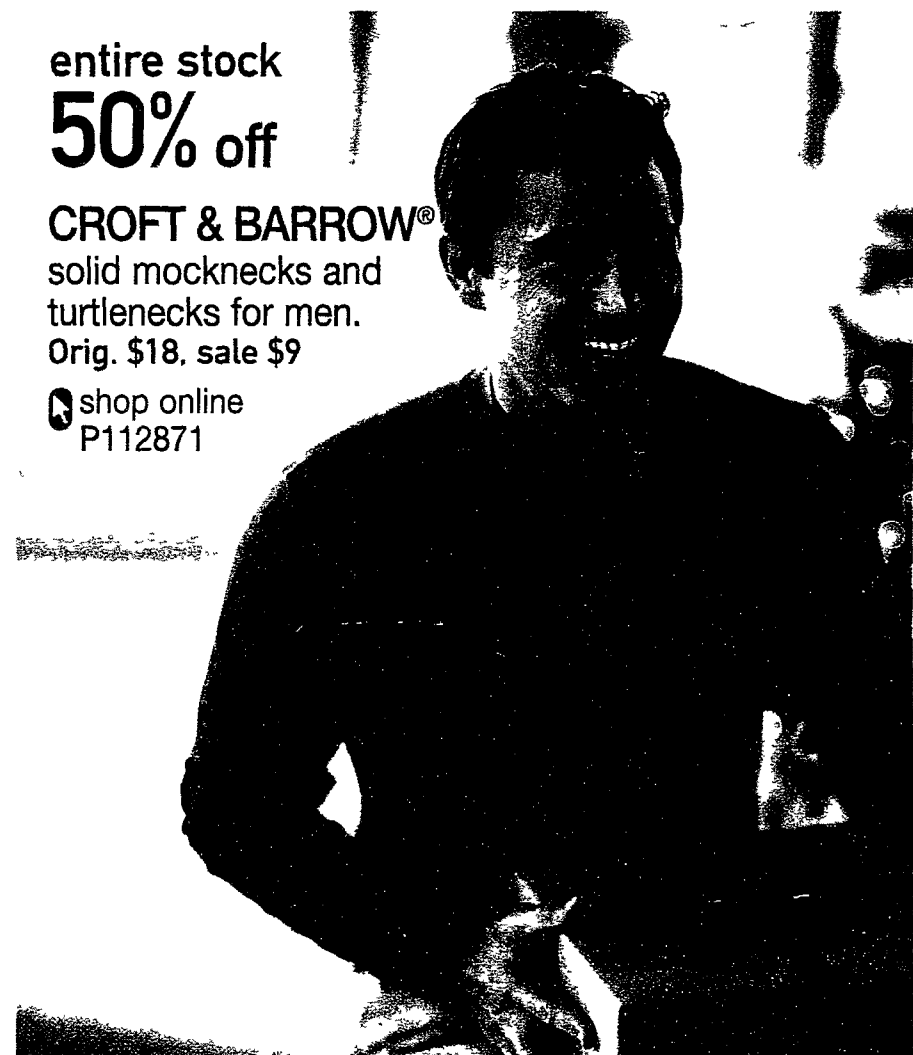
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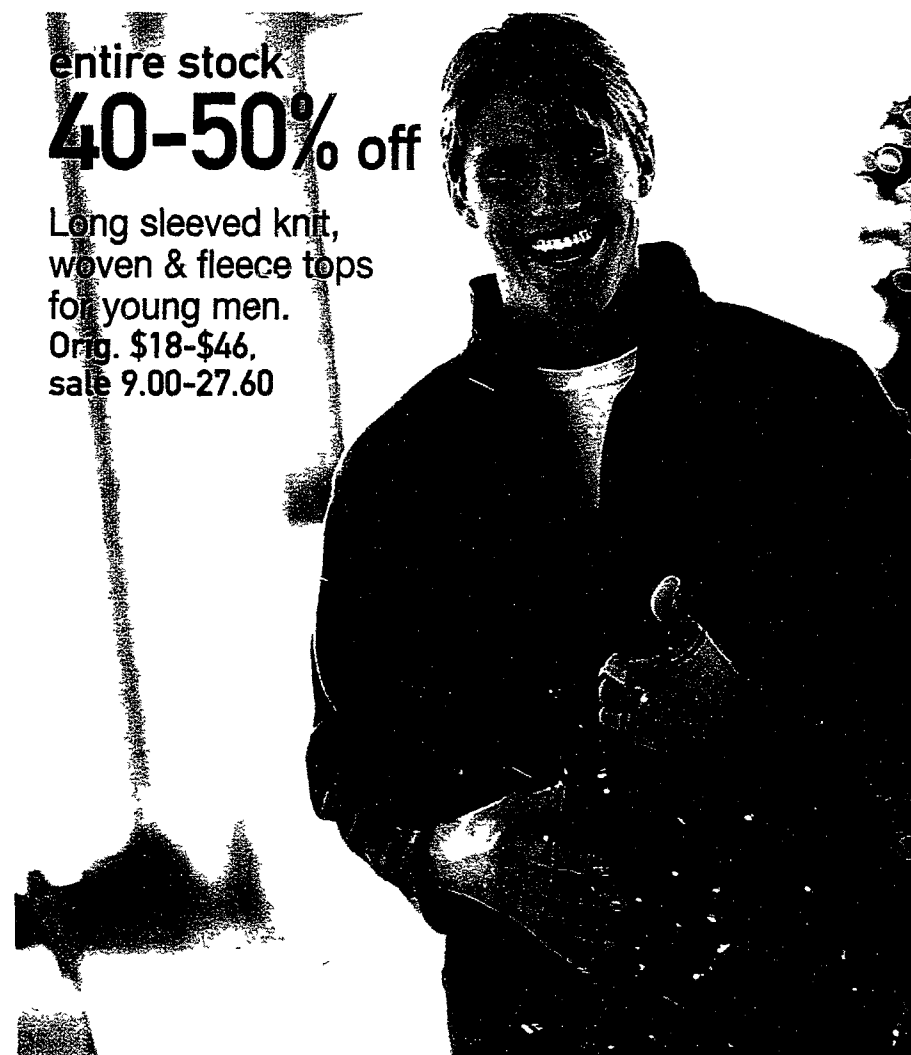
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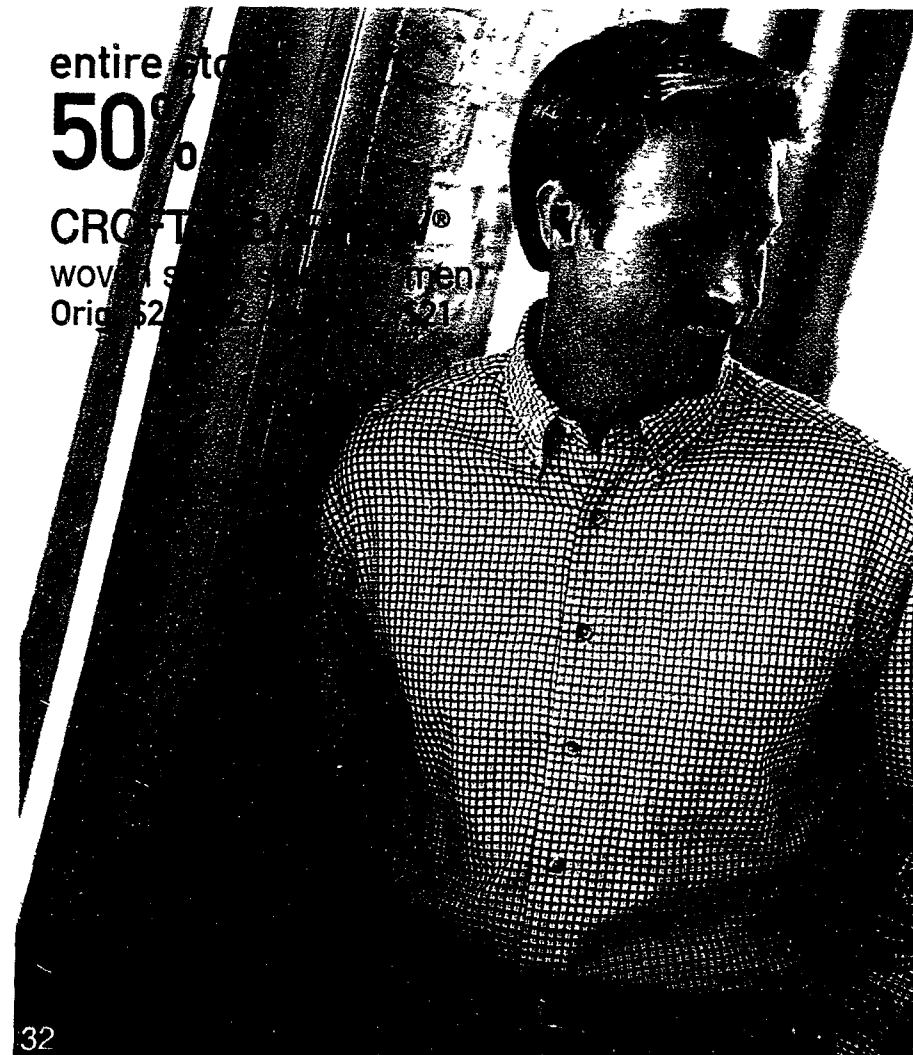
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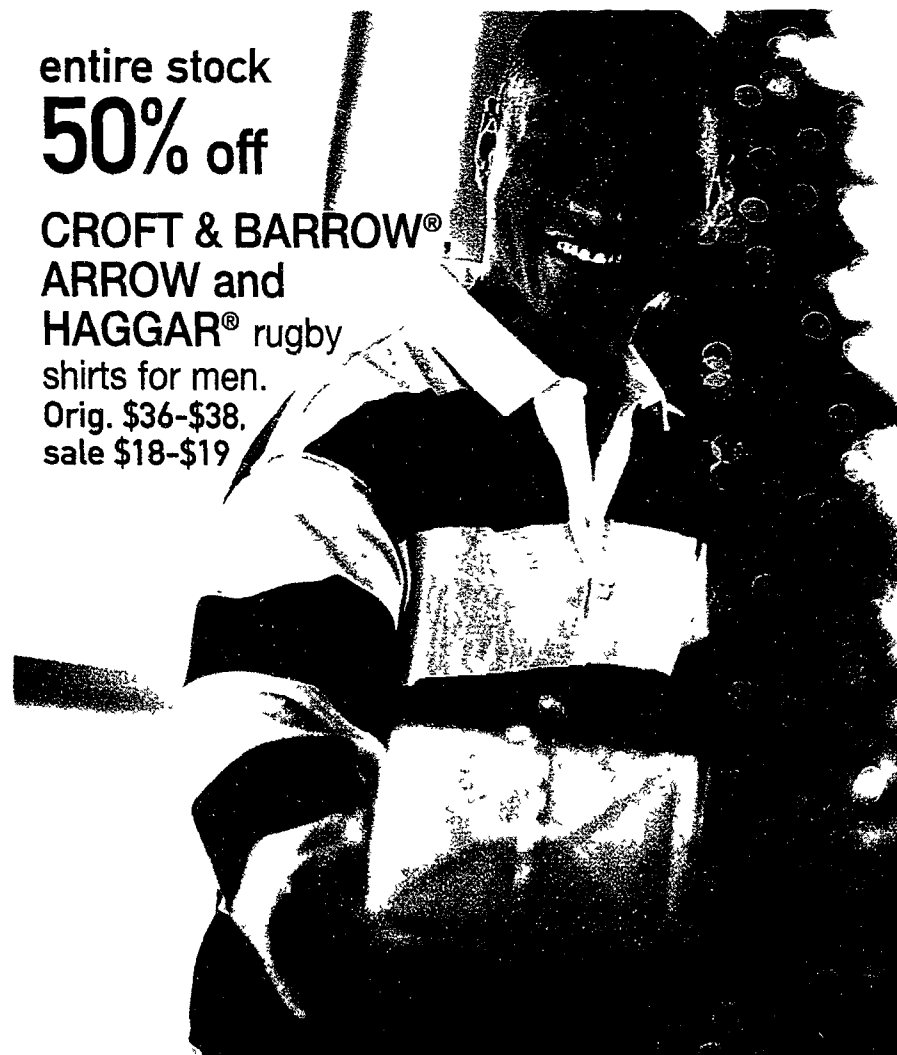
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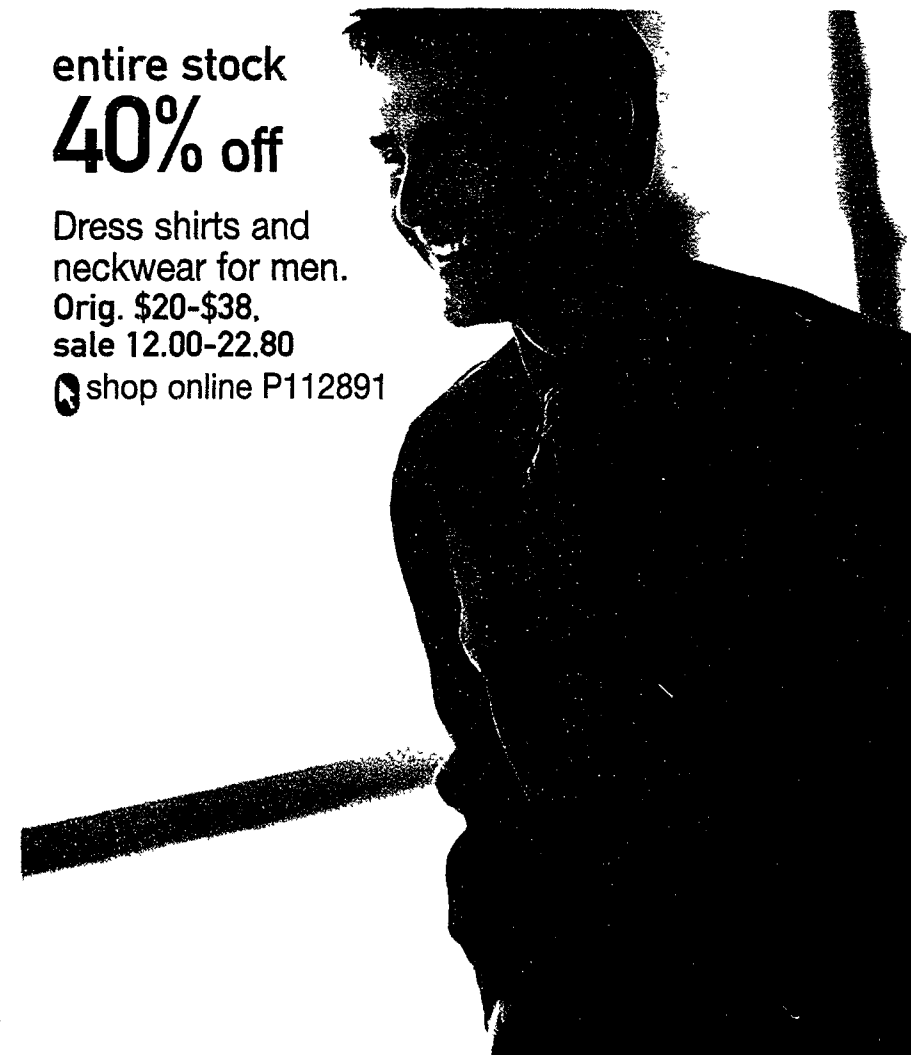
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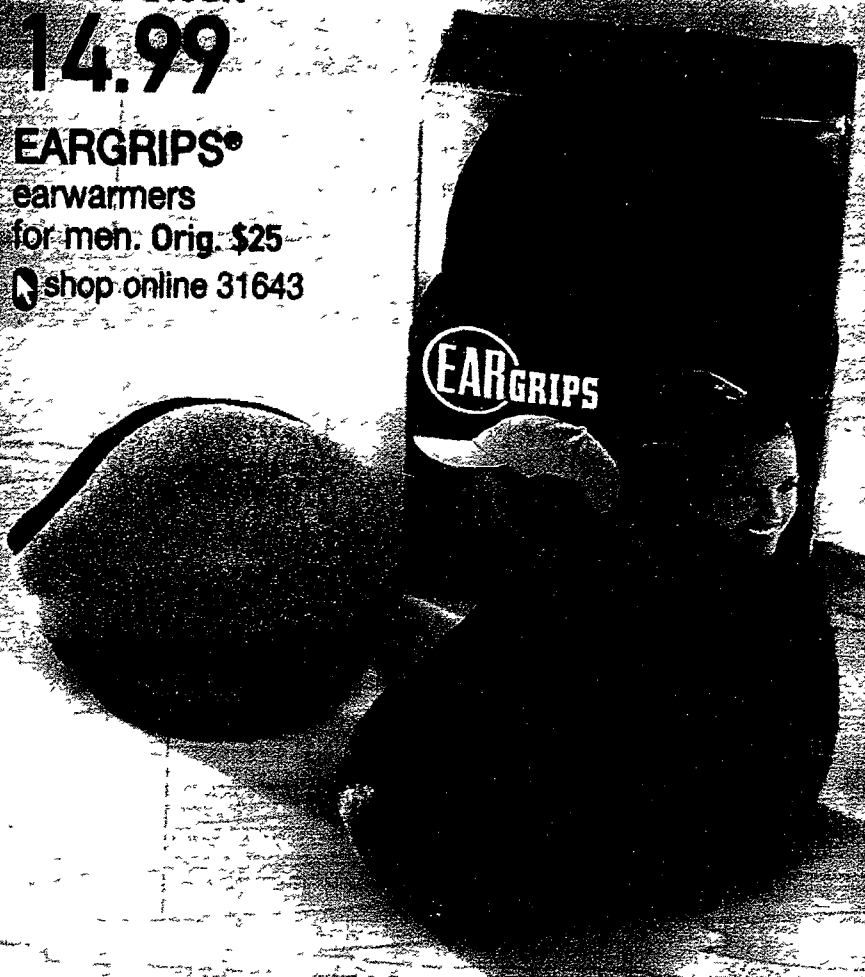
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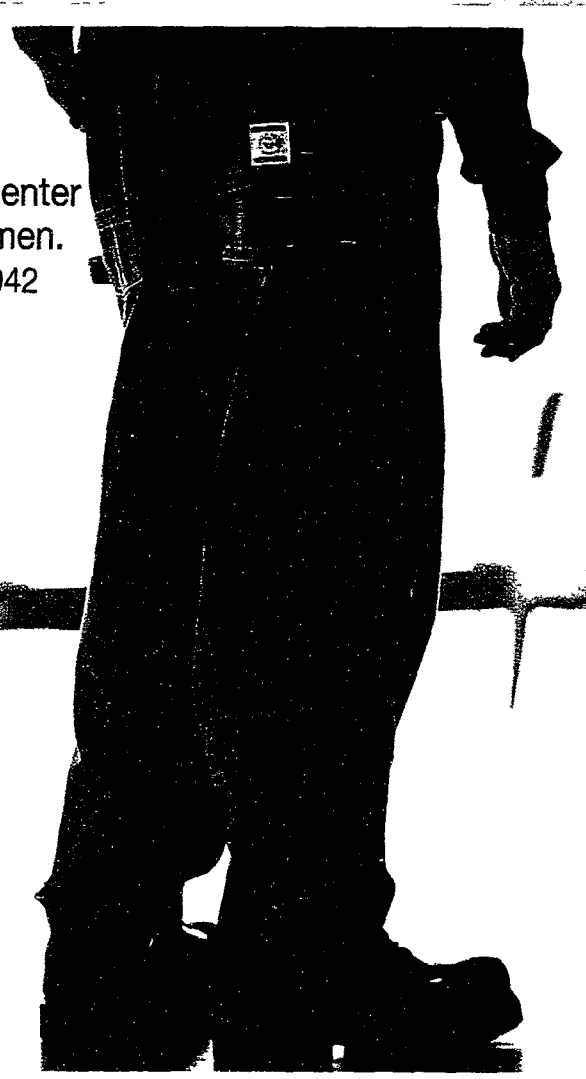
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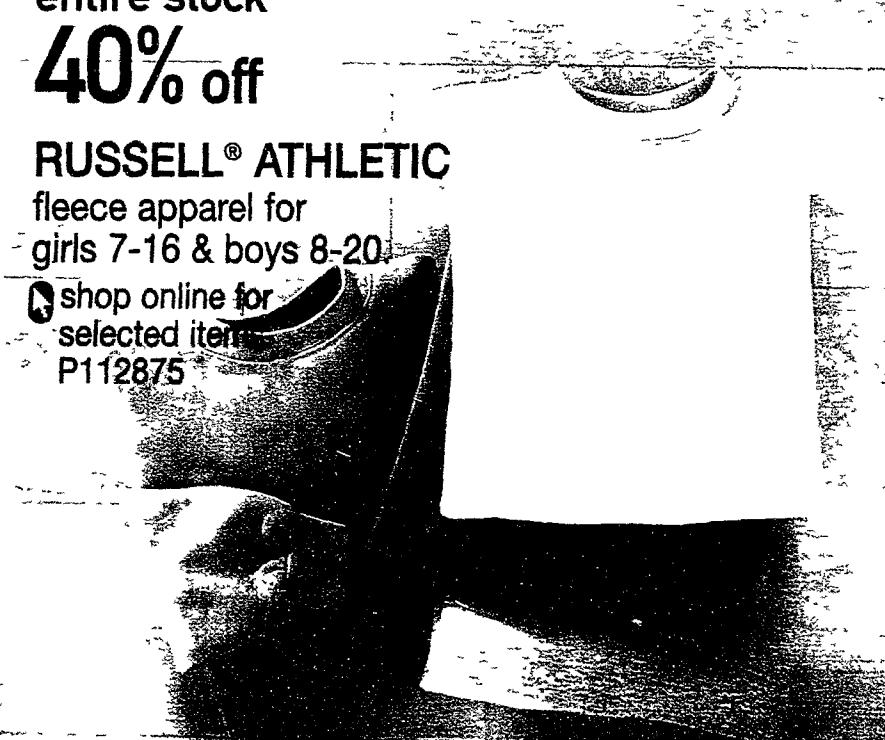


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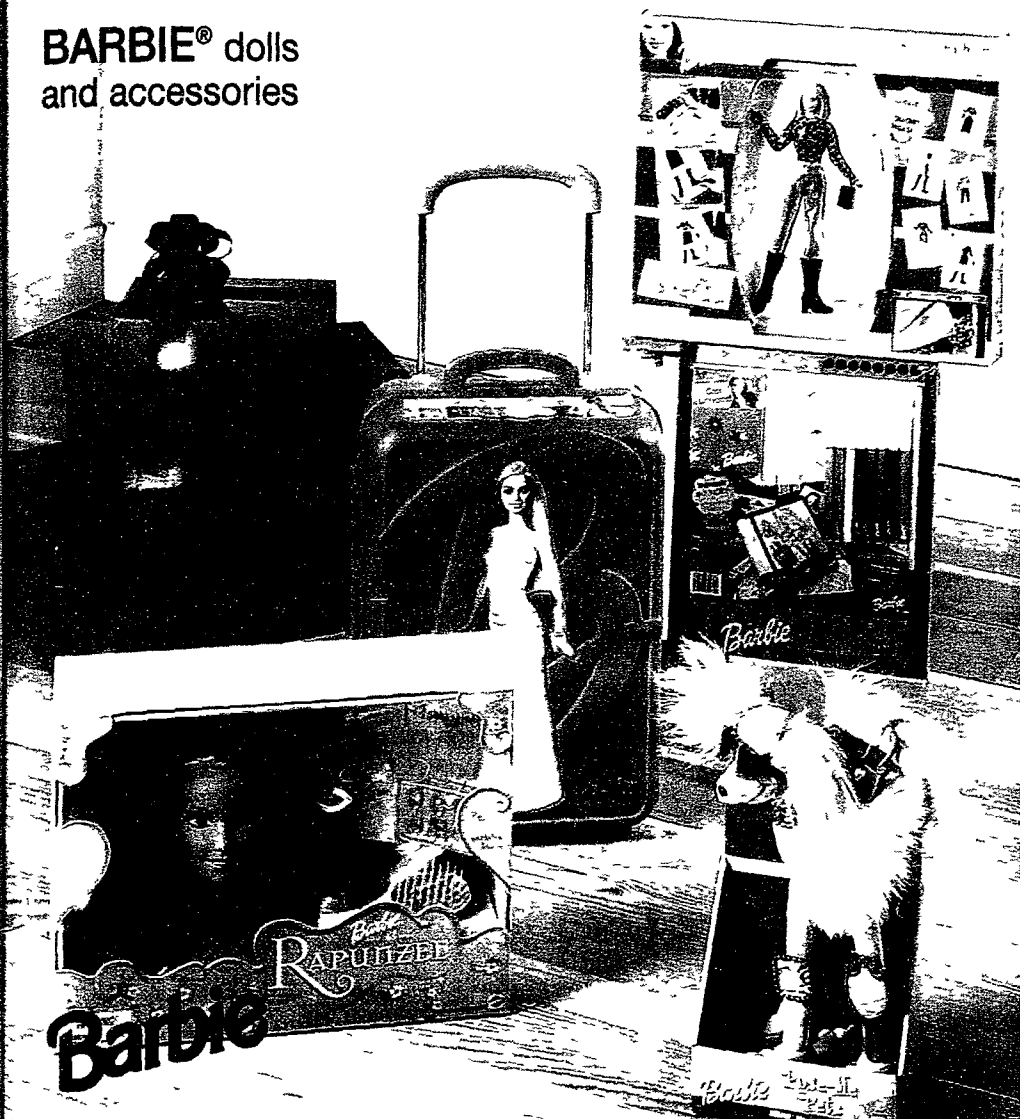


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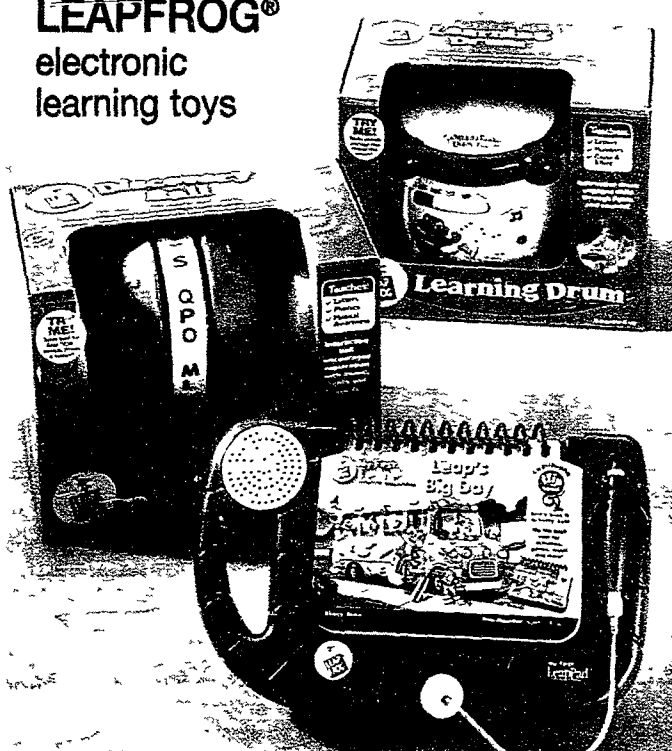
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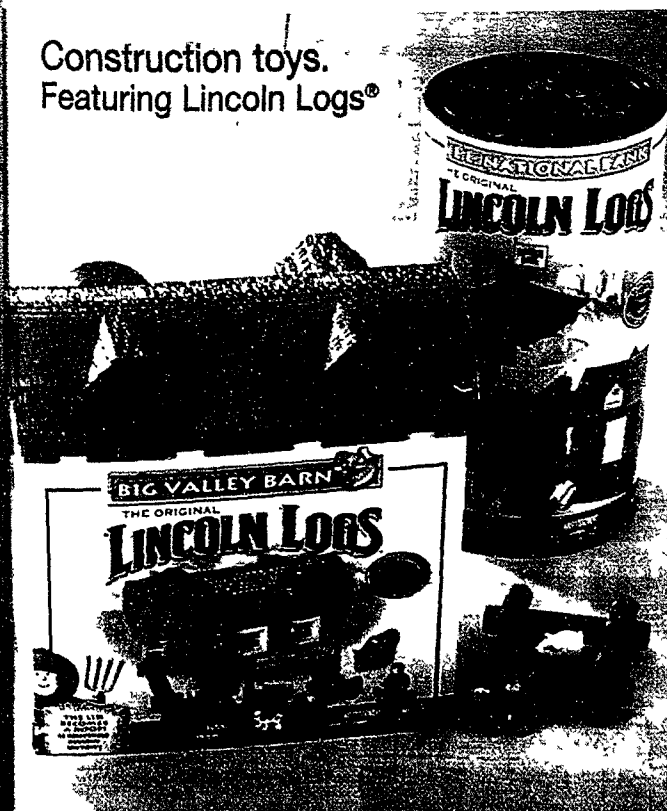
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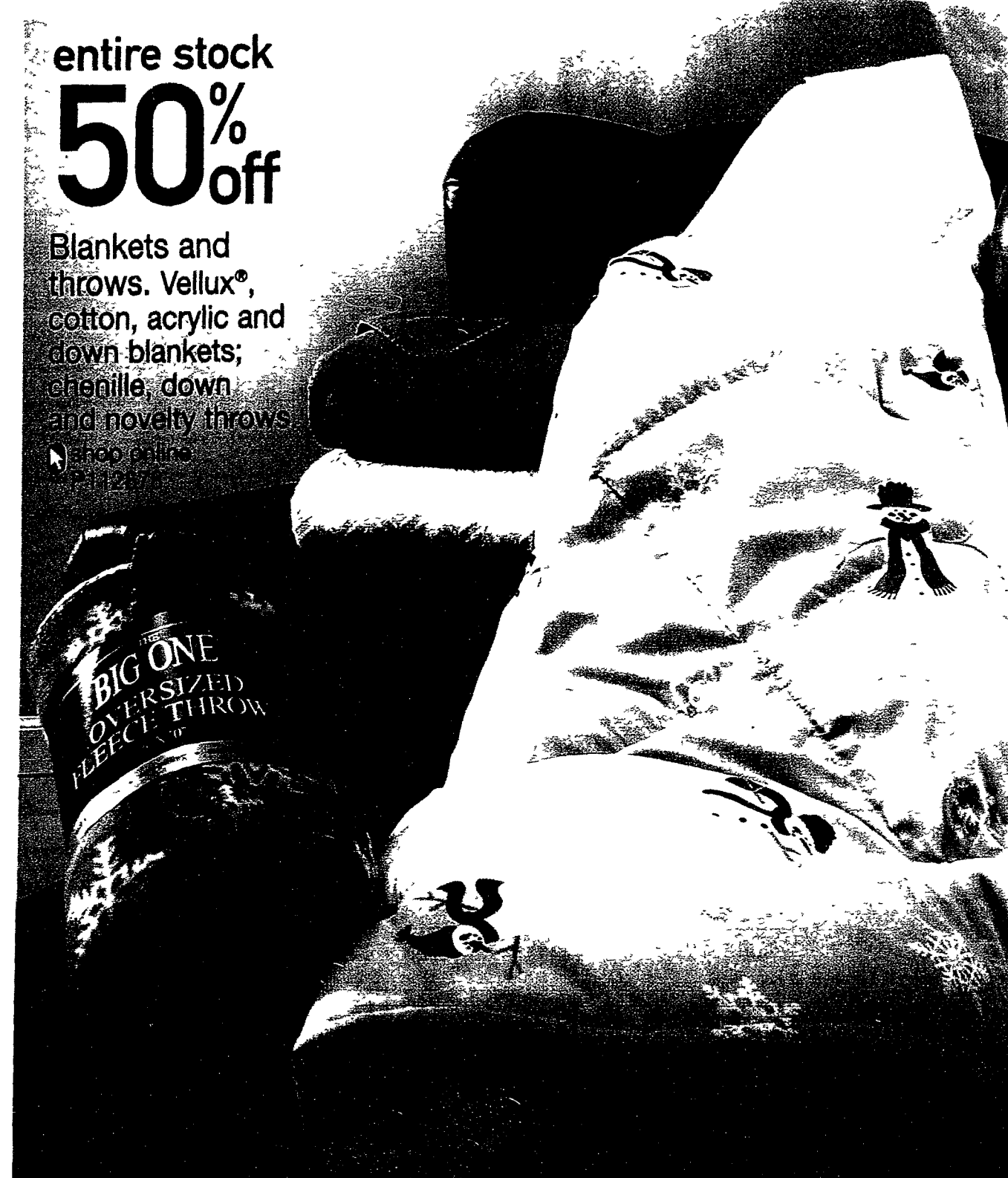


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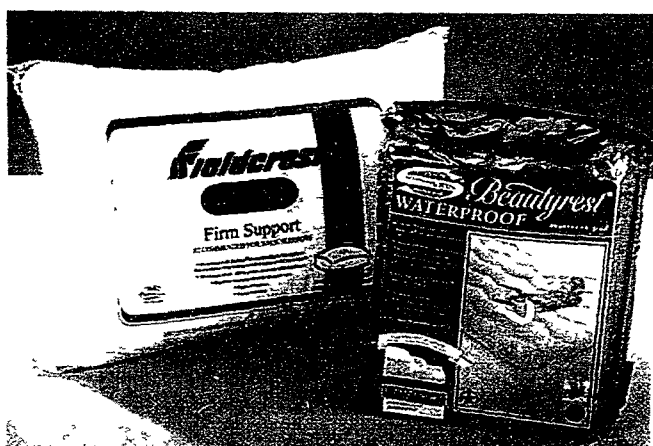
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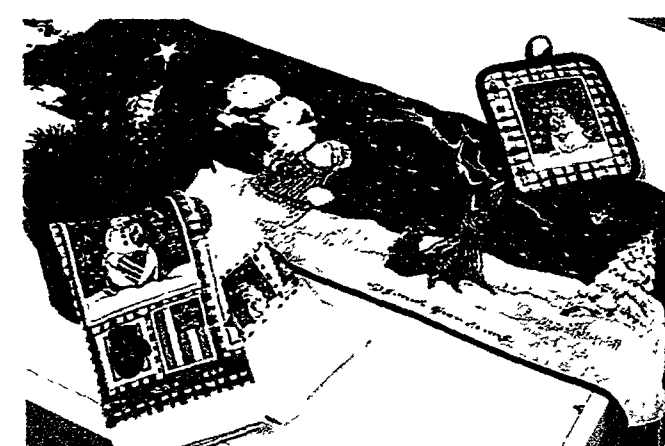
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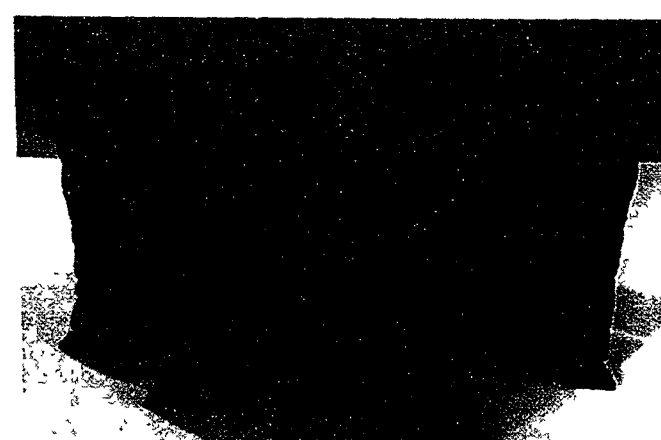
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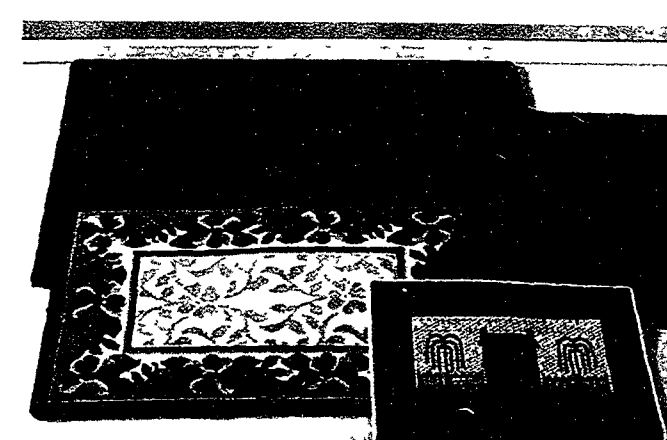
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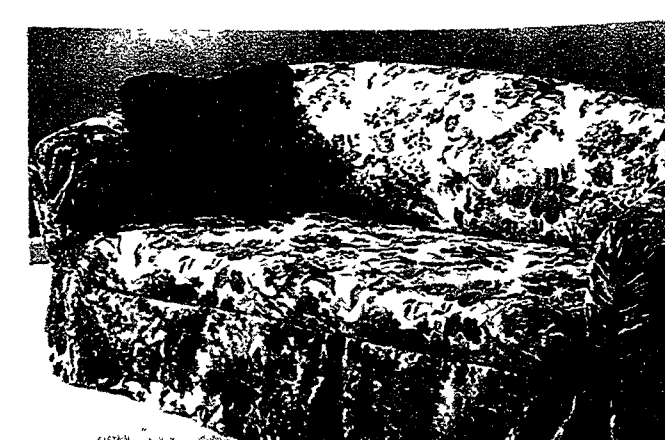
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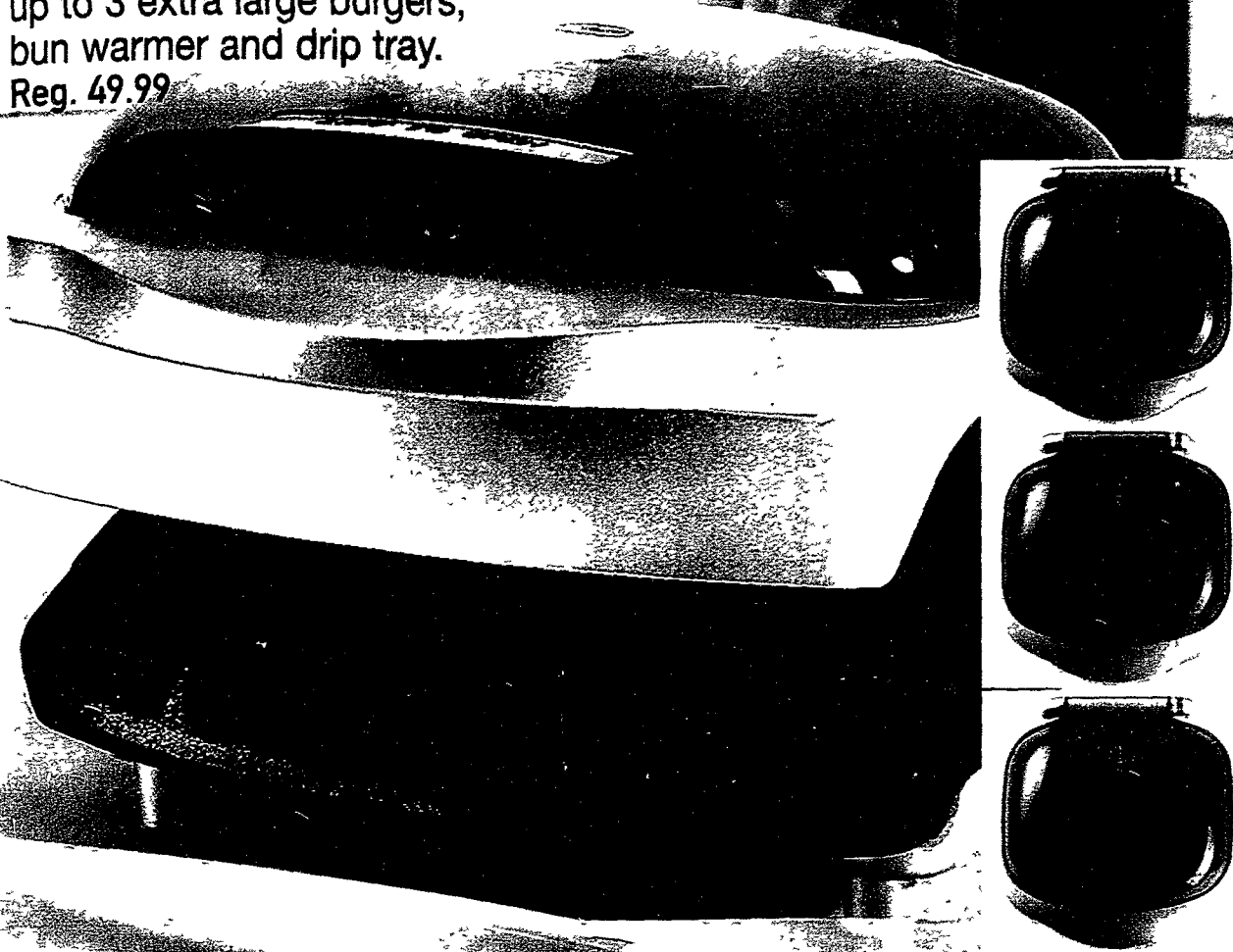


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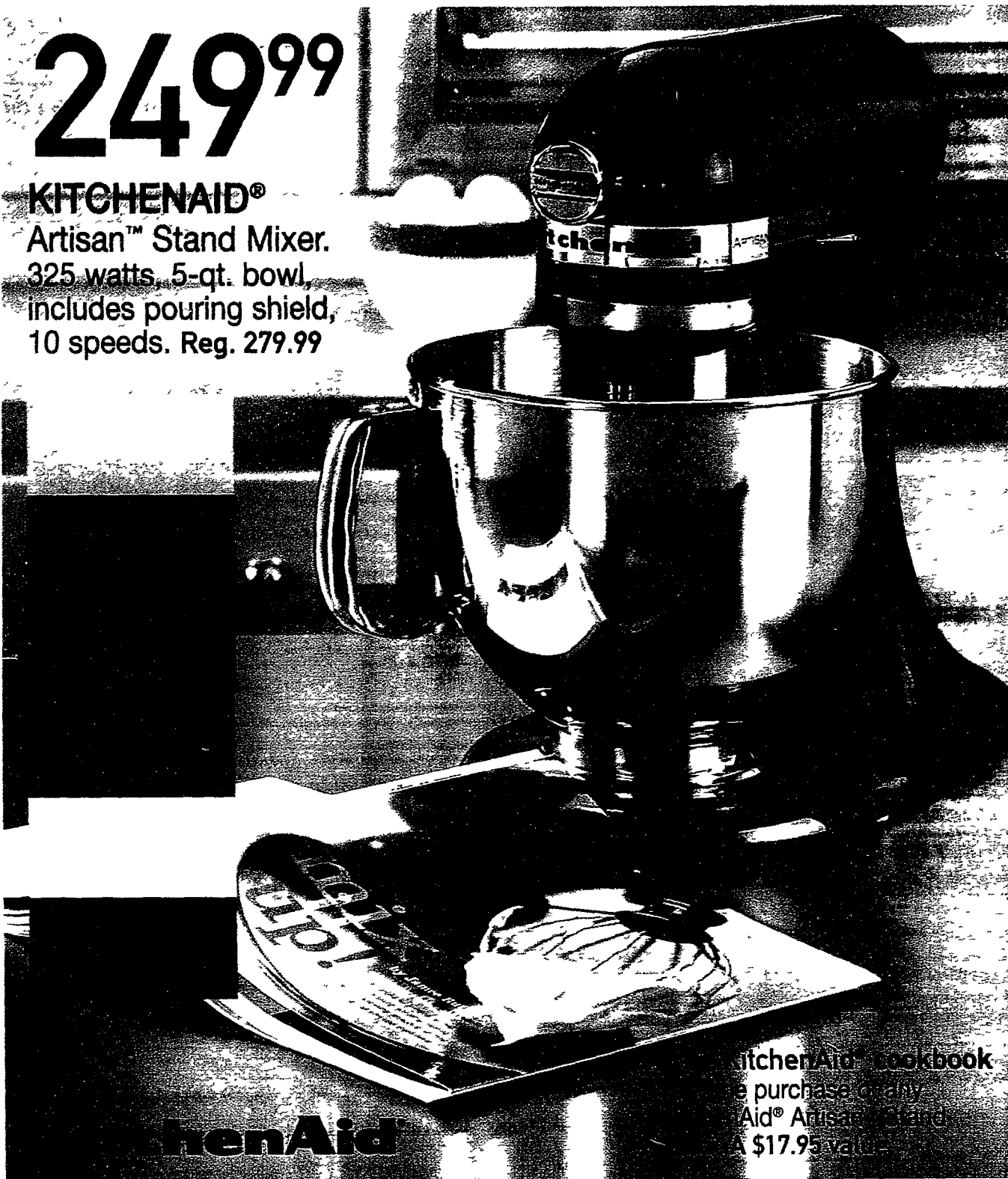


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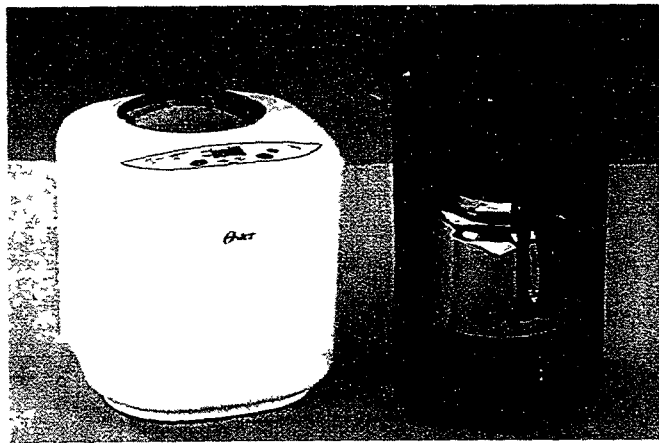


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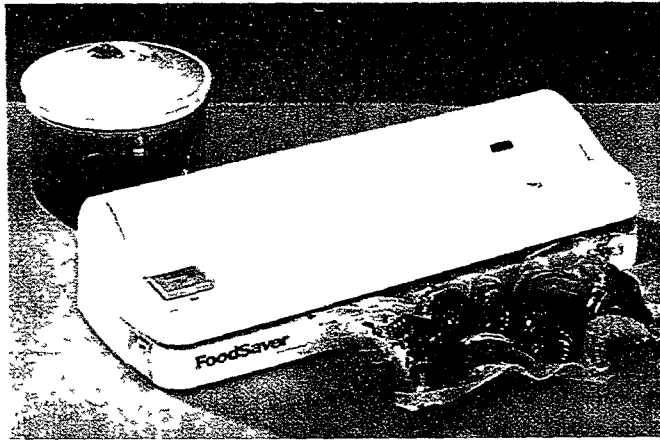
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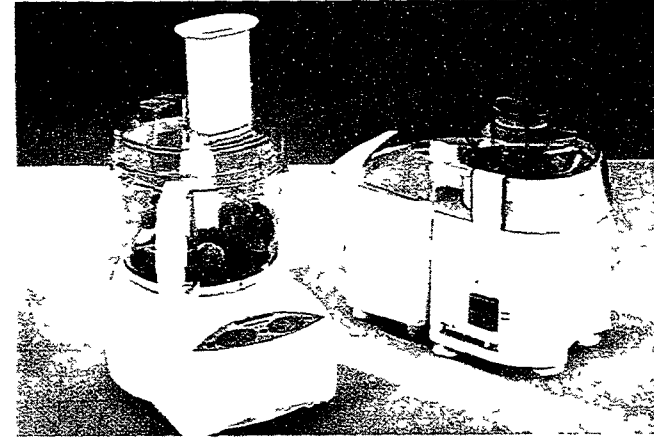
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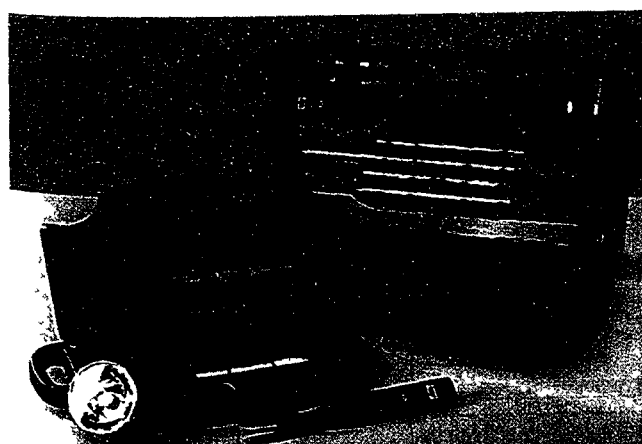
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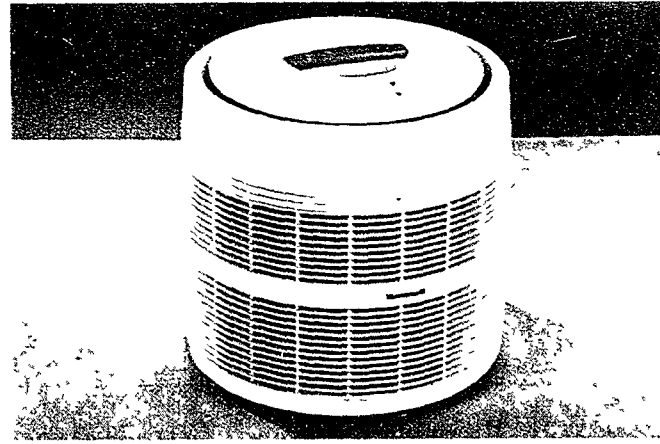
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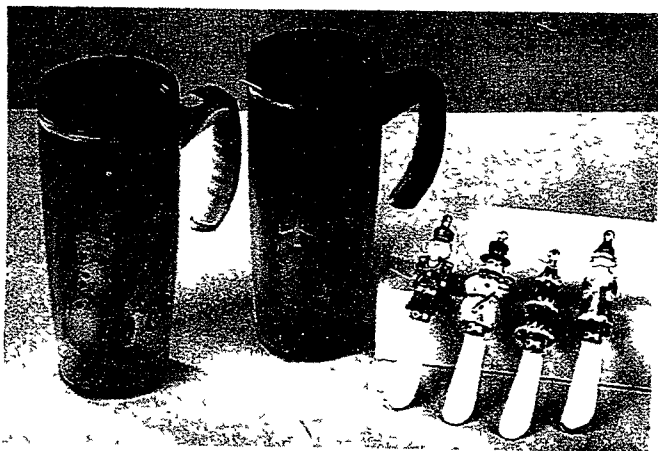
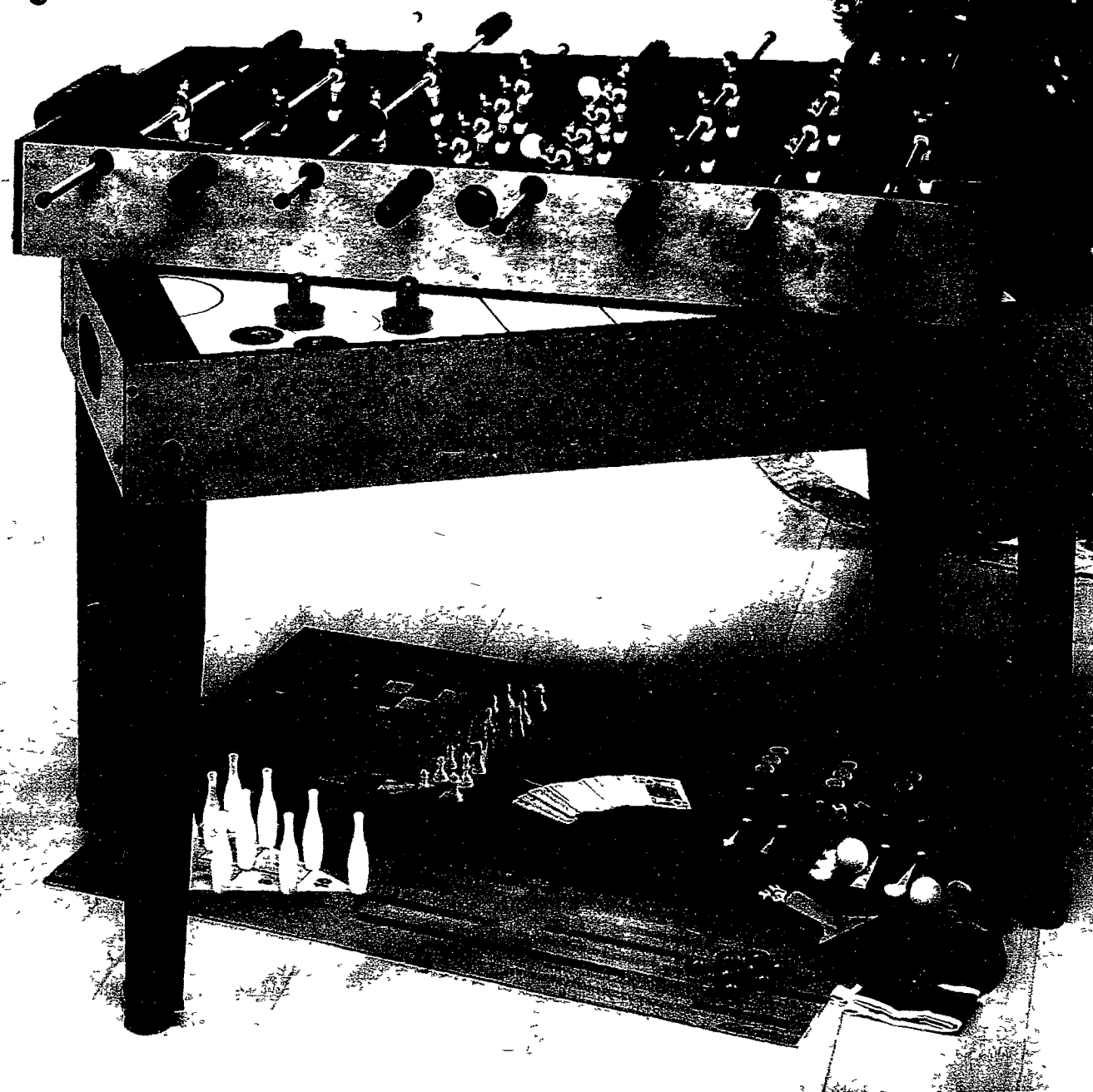
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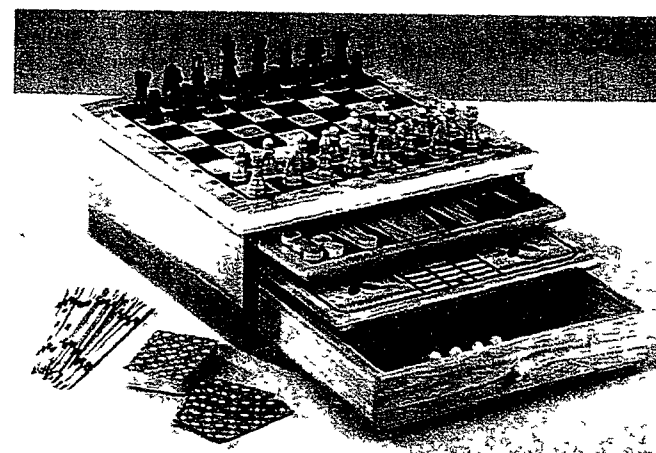


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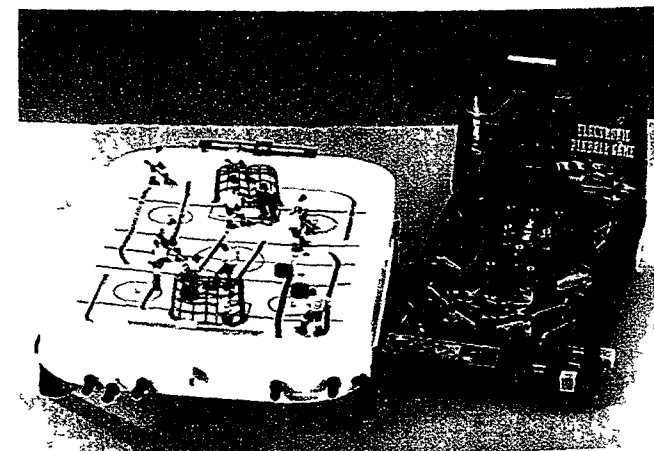
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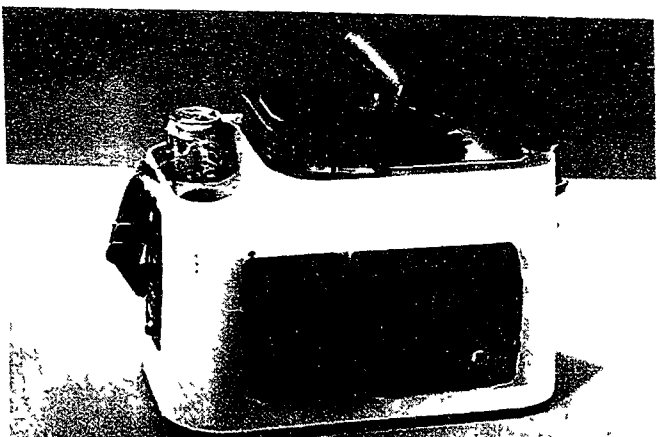
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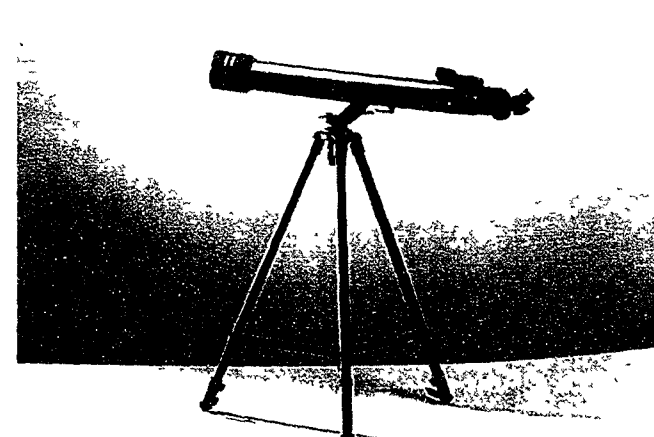
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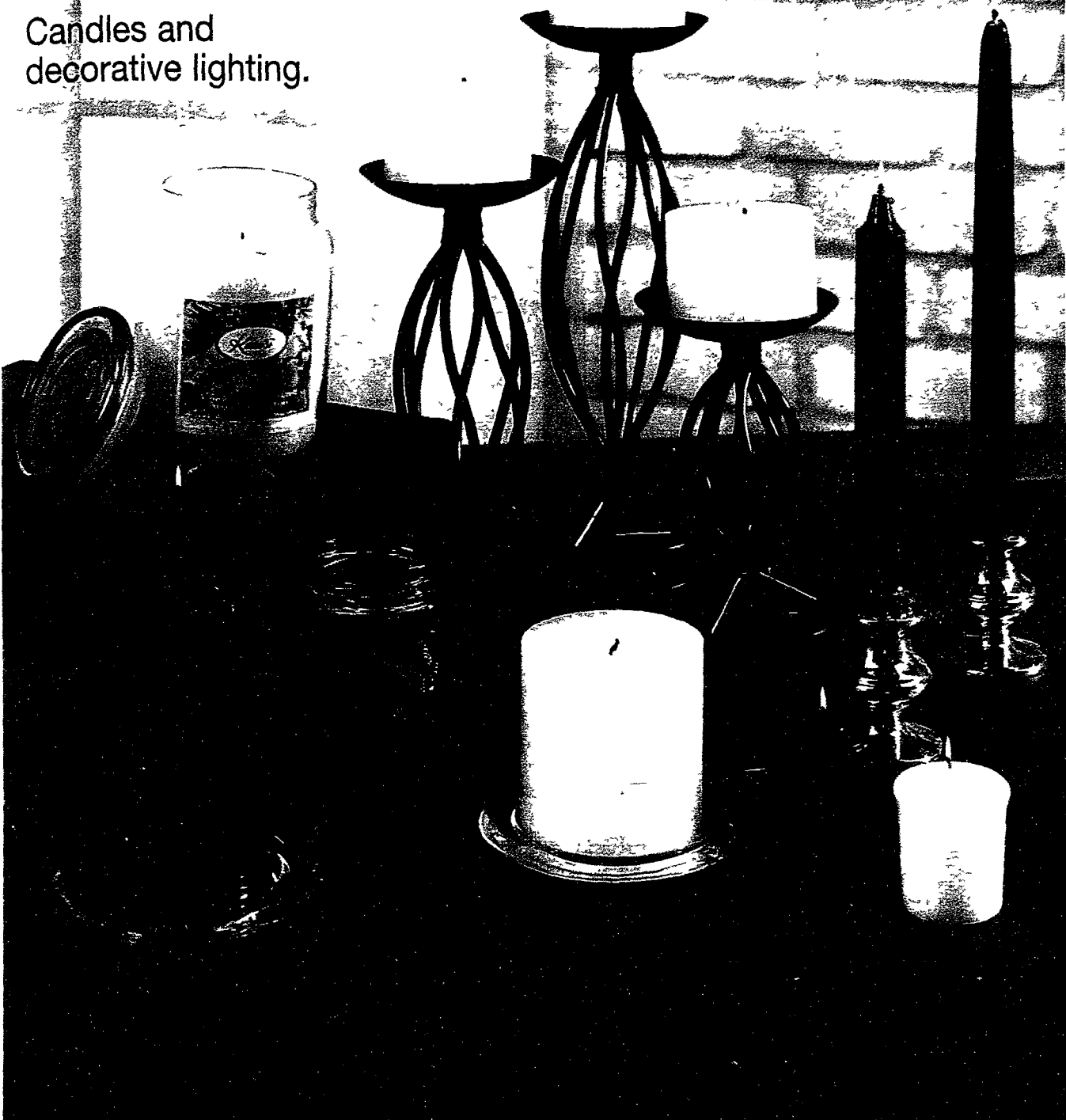
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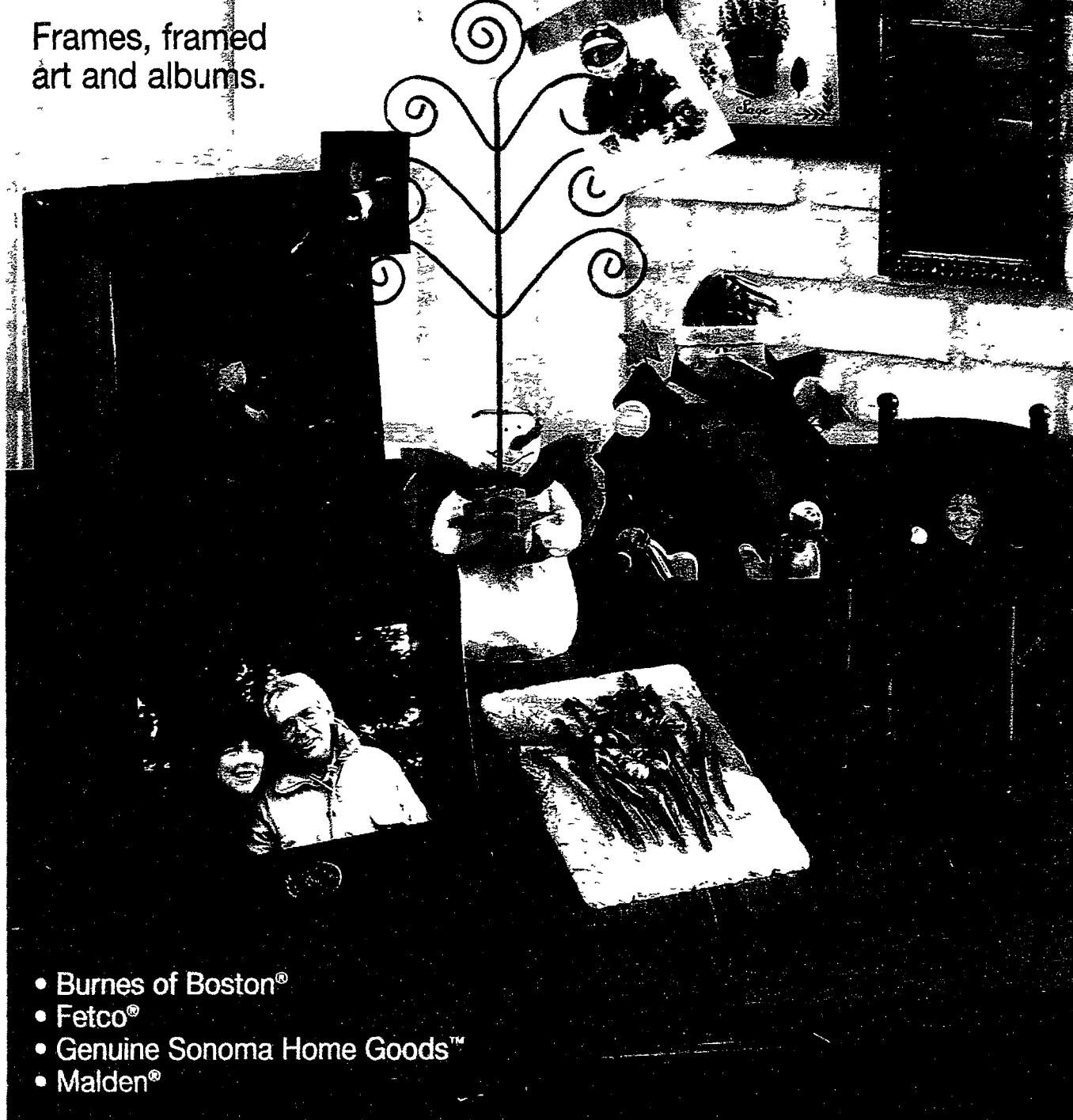
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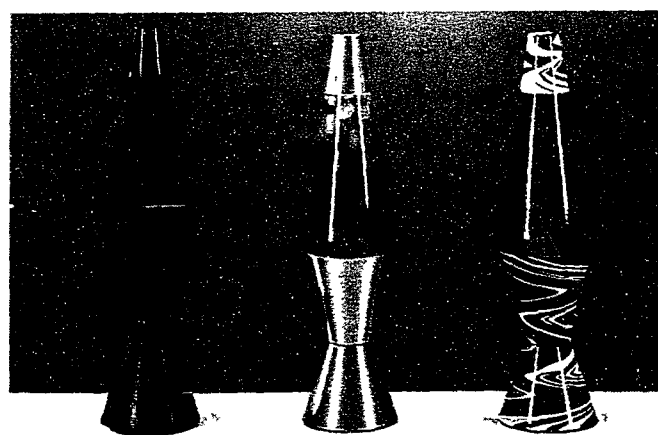


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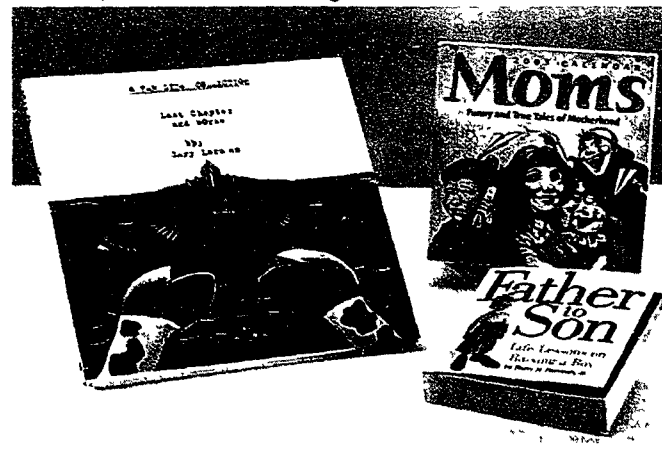
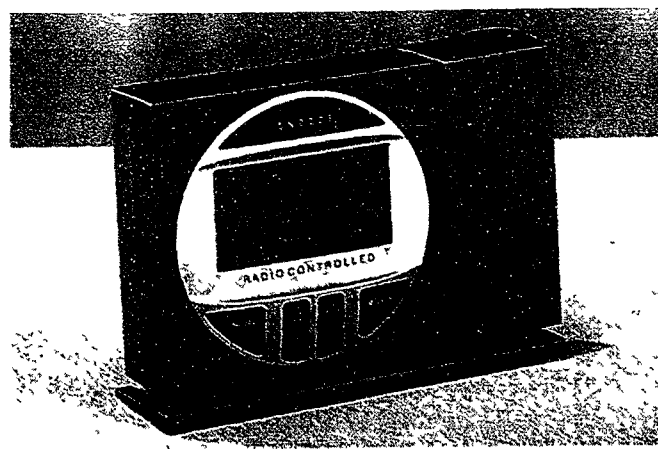
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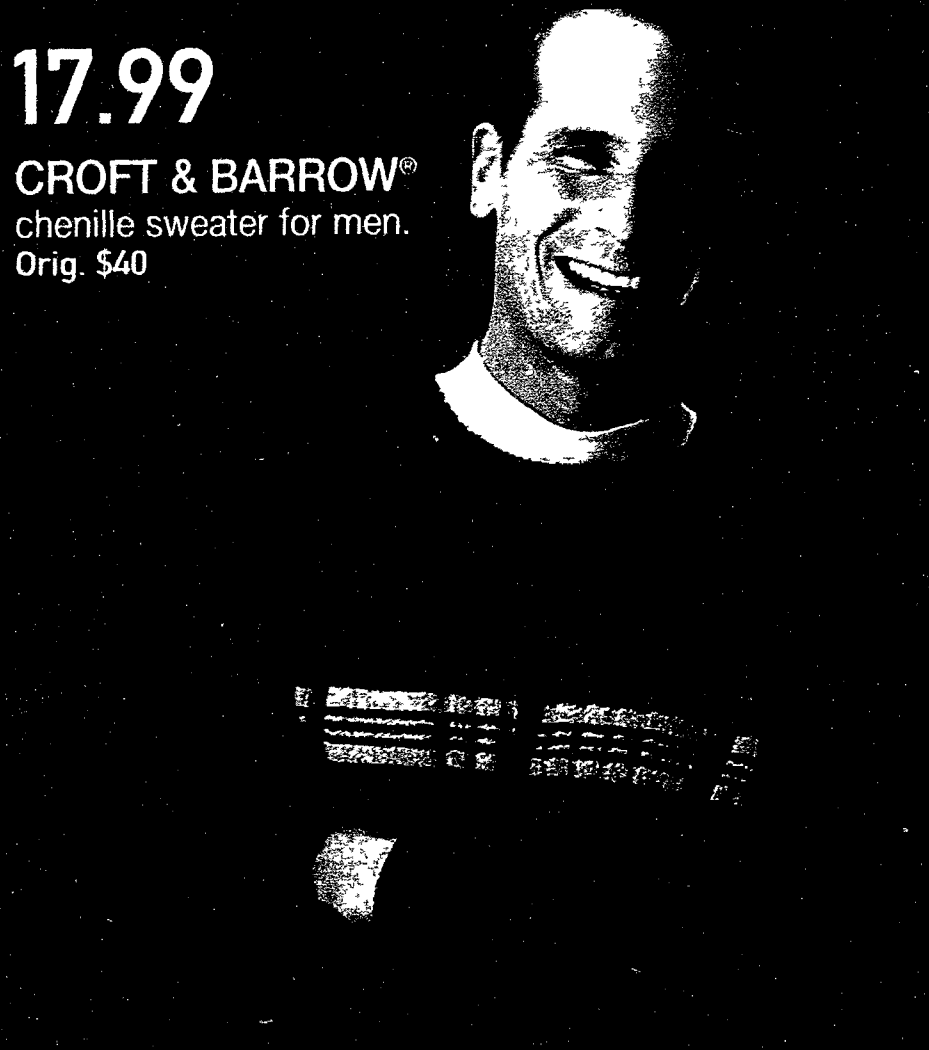
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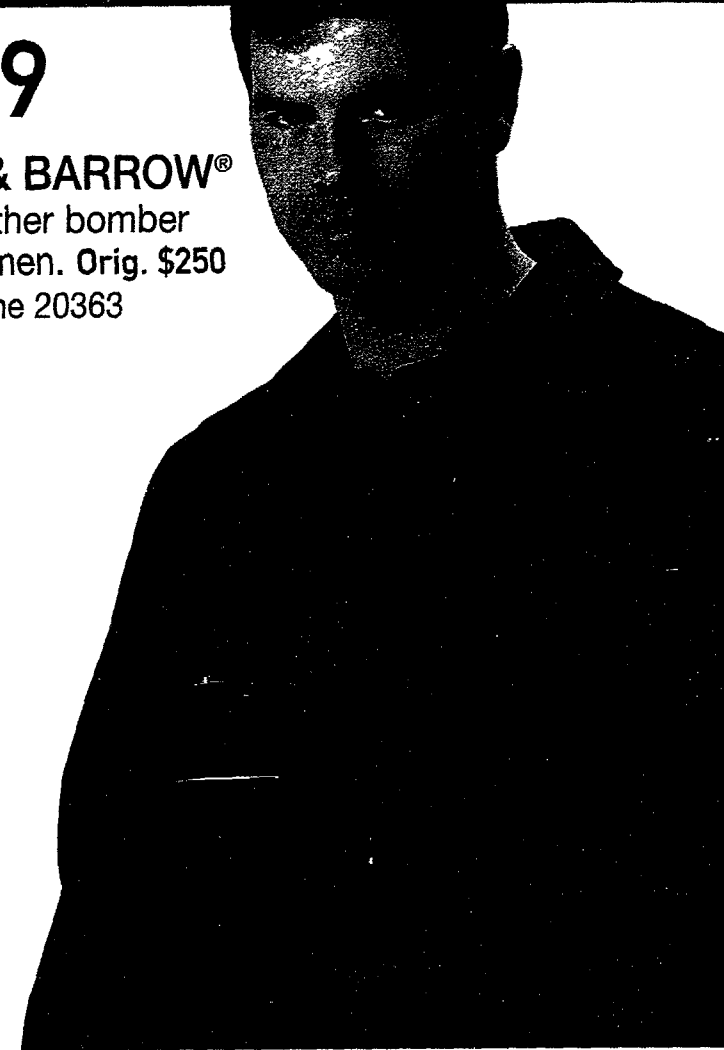
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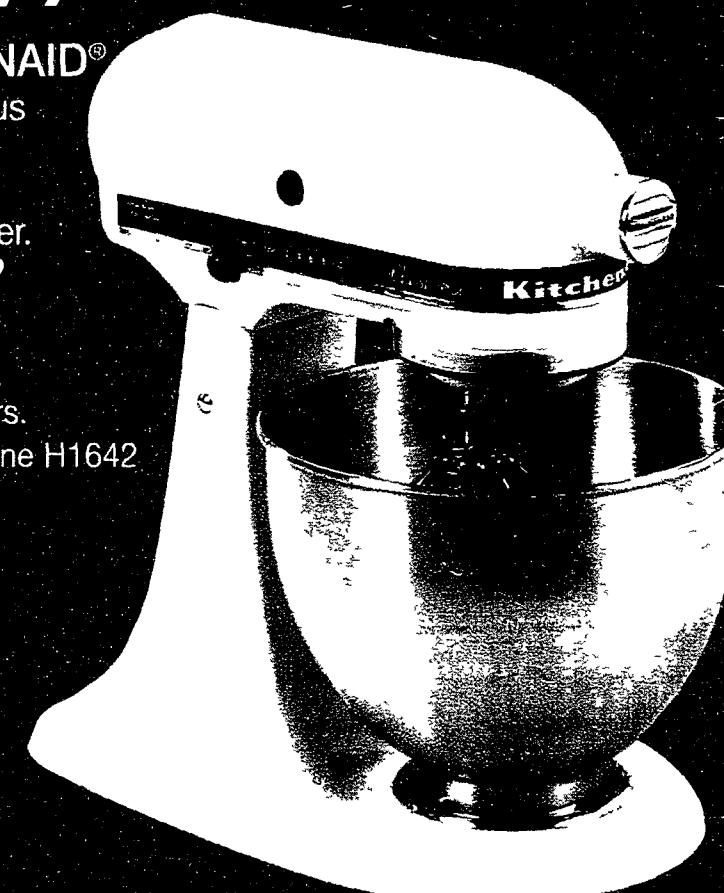


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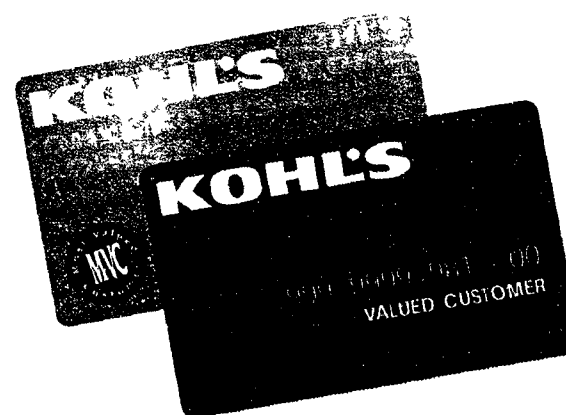
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ALL HASBRO, MILTON BRADLEY OR PARKER BROTHERS BOARD GAMES  
Buy one at the reg. price and get the second one (of equal or lesser value) FREE.

**70% off**  
fine &  
precious  
jewelry\*

\*November 28, 29 & 30, 2002

Prices reflect offering prices at which sales may or may not have been made. Jewelry shown is representative of assortment. Jewelry photos are for illustrative purposes only. Jewelry shown is representative of assortment. Jewelry photos are for illustrative purposes only. Jewelry shown is representative of assortment. Jewelry photos are for illustrative purposes only.

**40% off**  
all family  
outerwear

LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**13<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 59.99  
10-KT. GOLD 7" OR 8" 3.2MM FIGARO  
OR HERRINGBONE BRACELET  
Matching 18" or 20" necklace, Was 159.99, Sale 33.99  
Matching 24" necklace, Was 179.99, Sale 43.99



**BUY ONE, GET ONE 50% OFF**  
ALL HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS

Buy one single or multipack of ornaments at the reg. price and get the second one (of equal or lesser value) at 50% OFF the reg. price.



Free Extra! pillow with purchase of any Bed-In-A-Bag. A 4.99 Value.

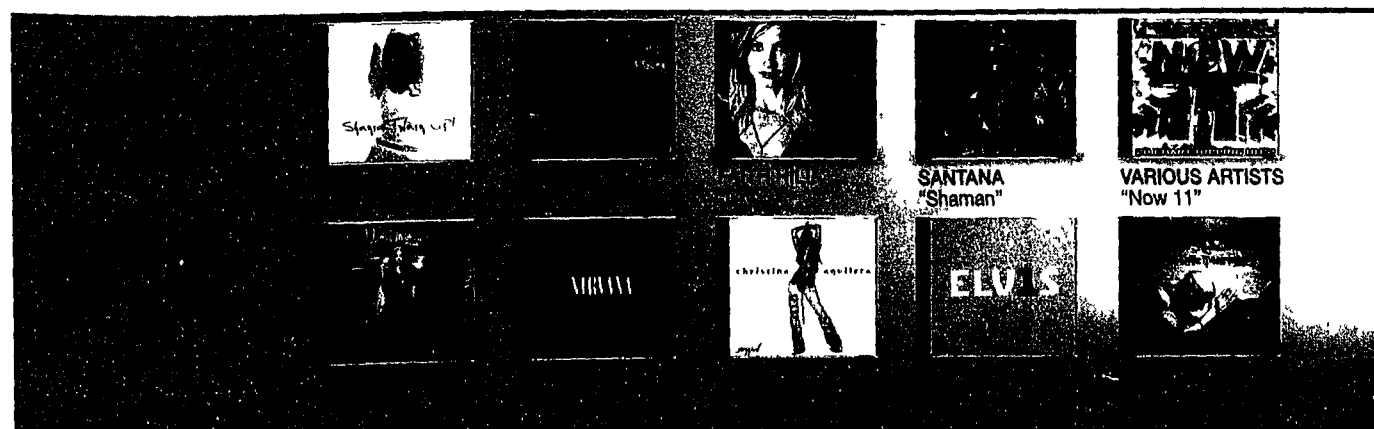
SAVE \$35  
**39<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE  
Was 74.99

**BED-IN-A-BAG SET WITH FREE EXTRA! PILLOW**

Set includes:  
• Reversible comforter  
• Sheet set  
• Bedskirt and sham(s)  
Other Bed-In-A-Bag with 210-thread count sheet set. Sale 69.99



**ONE 50% OFF**  
DAY LIGHTS



**99<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 119.99  
**APEX 20" TV**  
•AV jacks  
•Sleep timer

Prices effective Thursday, November 28, 2002

ALL MERCHANDISE ADVERTISED IN THIS CIRCULAR IS ALSO AVAILABLE AT OUR Kmart SUPER CENTER LOCATIONS.



# 40% off

**Hanes**

**ALL LADIES' HANES HER WAY BRAS & SHAPEWEAR**

## 2/\$9 SALE

Was 5.99 ea.  
**BESTFORM INVISIBRA**  
Featured colors only.  
25% off all other Bestform Invisibras

*Bestform*  
**\$4.50**  
VALID NOVEMBER 28, 2001 ONLY

## 1/2 PRICE SALE

**6.49**  
Was 12.99  
**LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® HOLIDAY SCREEN FLEECE**  
Sizes S-XL. Screens may vary by store

## \$5 SALE

Was 6.99  
**LADIES' FRUIT OF THE LOOM 6-PAIR OR ASHLEY TAYLOR™ 5- OR 6-PAIR PACKAGED PANTIES**

## SAVE 41% 9.99 SALE

Was 16.99  
**LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® CHENILLE SWEATERS**  
Sizes S-XL.  
Colors may vary by store

## 40% off

**ALL LADIES' COLD-WEATHER ACCESSORIES**  
-Styles may vary by store  
Sold in the Fashion Accessories Dept.

## 50% SALE

**8.99**  
Was 17.99  
**LADIES' FRUIT OF THE LOOM 6-PAIR OR ASHLEY TAYLOR™ 5- OR 6-PAIR PACKAGED PANTIES**

## all family outerwear

**Men's Sale 38.99**

**Ladies' Sale 17.99**

# 70% off fine & precious jewelry

## NEW! 19.99 SALE

Was 79.99  
**DIAMOND-ACCENT EARRINGS WITH PORCELAIN GIFT BOX**  
10-kt. gold. Jewelry is enlarged to show detail.

## 39.99 SALE

Was 139.99  
**DIAMOND-ACCENT AND SYNTHETIC GEMSTONE HEART PENDANT**  
10-kt. gold.

## 59.99 SALE

Was 239.99  
**1/4-CT. T.W.\* DIAMOND EARRINGS.** 10-kt. gold.  
\*Represents a total weight between 23 - 27

## 12.99 ea. SALE

Was 49.99  
**10-KT. GOLD FINGER BANGLE®**  
14-kt. gold Add-A-Ring®, Was 29.99, Sale 8.99 ea.  
Sizes 6-9

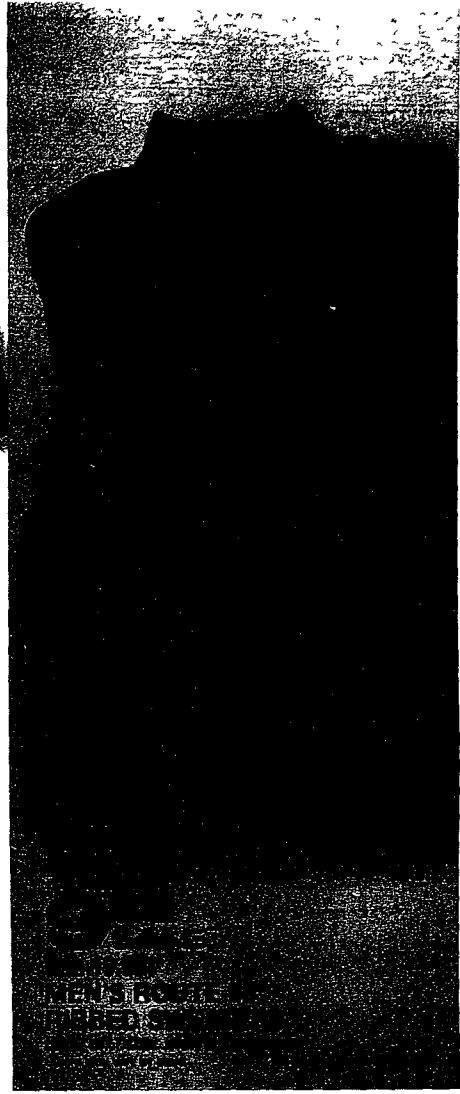
## 14KT. GOLD CUBIC ZIRCONIA 14KT GOLD



SAVE 40%  
**11.99**  
 SALE  
 Was 19.99  
 MEN'S ROUTE 66® FLEECE  
 LINED DENIM OR QUILTED  
 CORDUROY SHIRTS



1/2 PRICE  
**7.49**  
 SALE  
 Was 14.99  
 MEN'S ROUTE 66®  
 FLATBACK RIBBED KNIT TOPS  
 30% off all other men's Route 66® knit tops



**9.99**  
 SALE  
 Was 16.99  
 MEN'S  
 KNIGHTSBRIDGE®  
 FAUX SUEDE  
 SHIRTS  
 Big Men's sizes,  
 Sale 11.99  
 Colors may vary by store



on sale, 40% off

Styles may vary by store. Men's exclude Team Sports and Dickies outerwear



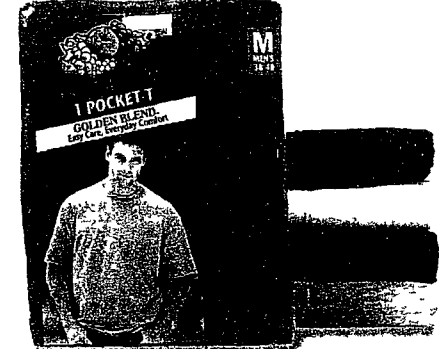
Boys'  
 Sale  
 17.99



Girls'  
 Sale  
 17.99



**BUY ONE,  
 GET ONE  
 50% OFF**  
 FAMILY CHARACTER SLIPPER SOCKS  
 Buy one pair at the reg. price and get the  
 second pair (of equal or lesser value) at  
 50% OFF the reg. price.



**5/\$10** SALE  
 MEN'S FRUIT OF THE LOOM  
 GOLDEN BLEND POCKET TEES  
 Sizes M-XL  
 Big Men's, Sale 2/\$7  
 Colors may vary by store

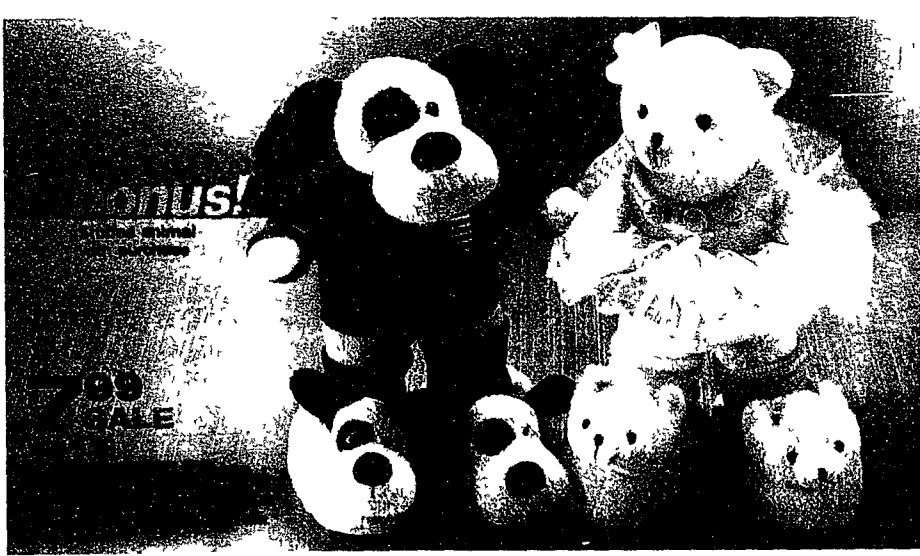
**40%  
 off**

Was 9.99-19.99  
 GIRLS' OR BOYS'  
 SWEATERS  
 Sizes 4-16. Styles may vary by store.  
 Excludes Joe Boxer® sweaters

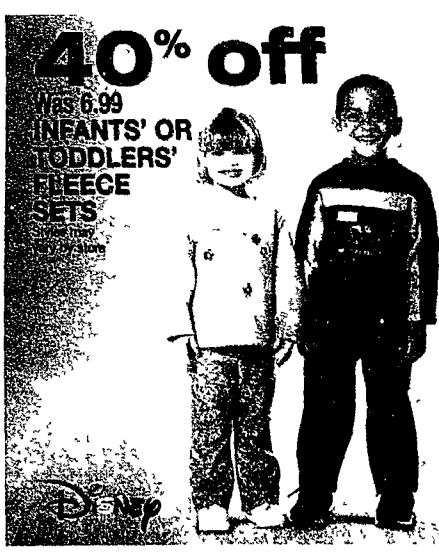
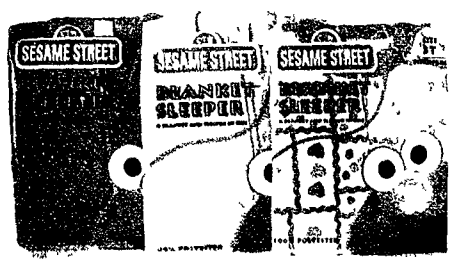


Girls'  
 Sale 7.19

Boys'  
 Sale 7.79



**3.74**  
 SALE  
 Was 4.99  
 INFANTS' OR TODDLERS'  
 SESAME STREET® PACKAGED  
 BLANKET SLEEPERS  
 25% off other blanket sleepers  
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**40% off**  
 Was 6.99  
 INFANTS' OR  
 TODDLERS'  
 FLEECE  
 SETS



**12.99**  
 SALE  
 CHILD'S  
 ROCKING CHAIR  
 Softwood



1/2 PRICE  
**9.99**  
 SALE  
 Was 19.99  
 MEN'S ROUTE 66®  
 SUEDE SLIP-ONS  
 Styles shown only. Not included in the  
 Buy One Get One offer



1/2 PRICE  
**8.49**  
 SALE  
 Was 16.99  
 ALL WOMEN'S SO  
 ATHLETICS  
 (These styles not included in the Buy One Get One offer)



1/2 PRICE  
**4.99**  
 SALE  
 Was 9.99  
 WOMEN'S WIDE-WIDTH  
 SKIMMERS  
 These styles not included in the Buy One-Get-One offer

Shop at [kmart.com](http://kmart.com)

Thanksgiving Day specials 7 am to 9 pm



**69.99**  
SALE

Was 99.99  
7.5' BLUE RIDGE TREE  
20% off all other 6.5'  
and taller trees



*Decorate with deals.*

SAVE 30%

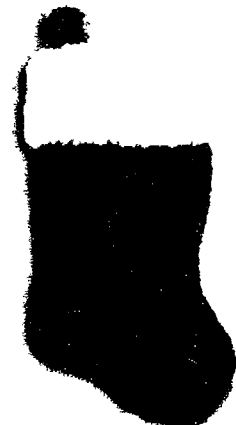
**27.99**  
SALE

Was 39.99  
48" UNDECORATED  
FIBER OPTIC TREE OR  
36" DECORATED FIBER  
OPTIC TREE



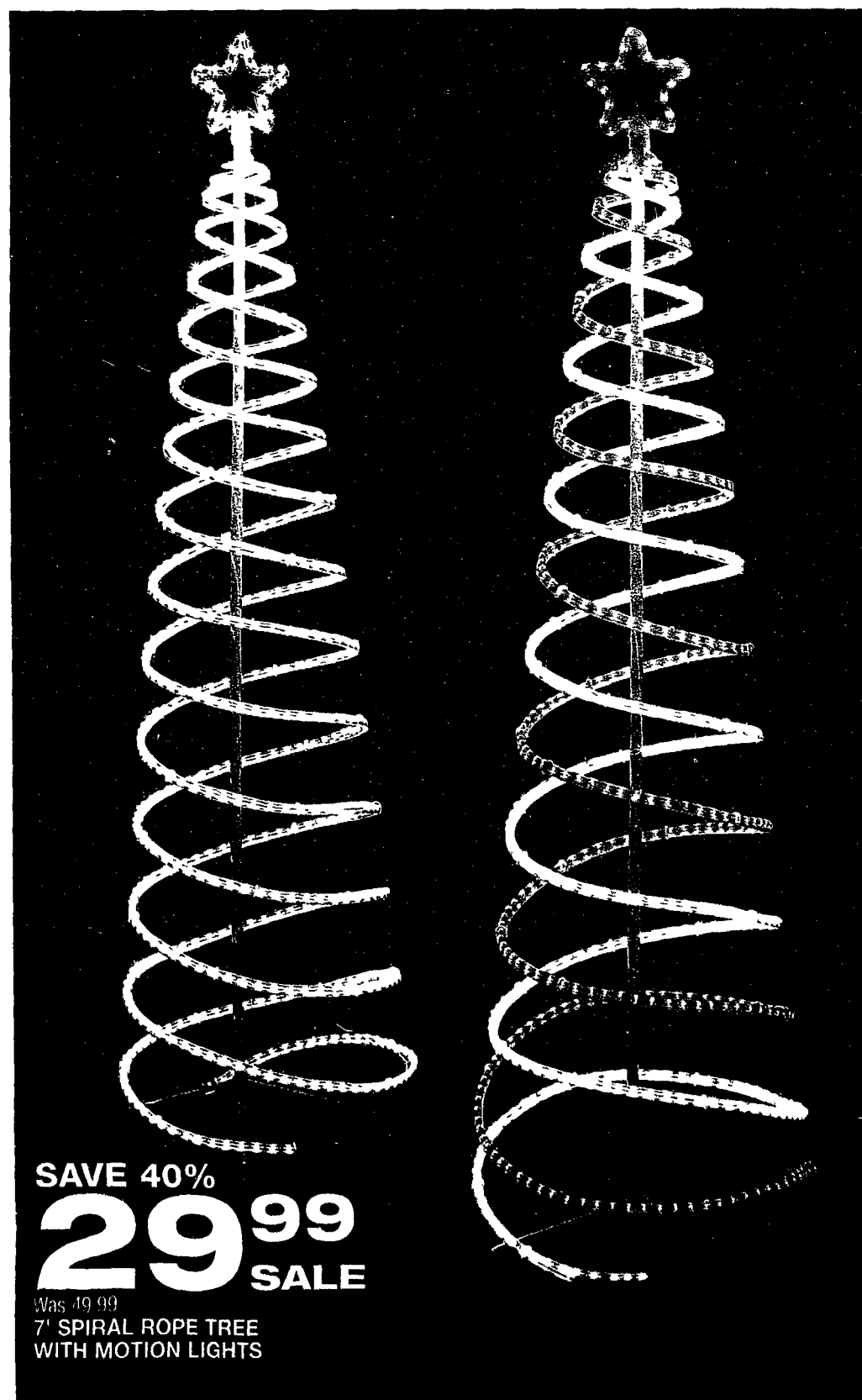
1/2 PRICE  
**4.99**  
SALE

Was 9.99  
TRIM A HOME®  
SUPER PLUSH  
STOCKING



1/2 PRICE  
**7.49**  
SALE

Was 14.99  
TRIM A HOME®  
HOLIDAY  
CHARM ORNAMENTS



SAVE 40%  
**29.99**  
SALE

Was 49.99  
7' SPIRAL ROPE TREE  
WITH MOTION LIGHTS



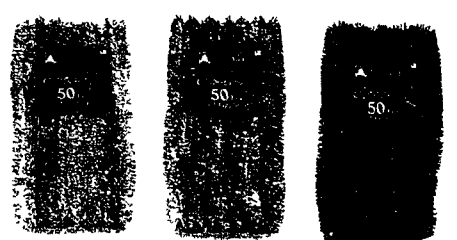
1/2 PRICE  
**6.49**  
SALE

Was 12.99  
TRIM A HOME®  
14" ANGEL OR  
SANTA CONES

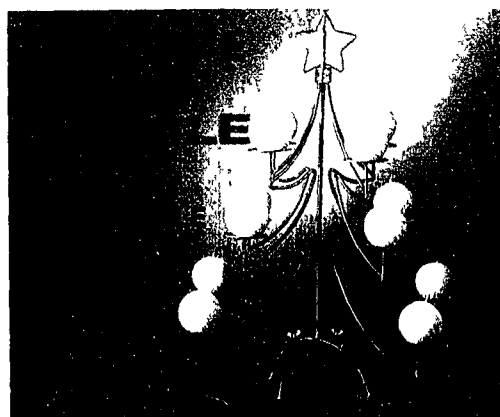
**bonus!**  
35' extension cord.  
A 5.99 value!



**5.99**  
50' OUTDOOR EXTENSION CORD  
WITH FREE 35' EXTENSION CORD

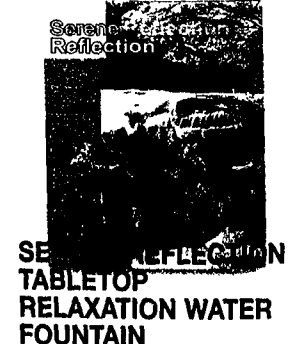


1/2 PRICE  
**2.99**  
SALE Was 5.99  
TRIM A HOME®  
50' TINSEL GARLAND



LOWEST  
PRICE  
OF THE  
SEASON

**7.88**  
SALE



SEER REFLECTION  
TABLETOP  
RELAXATION WATER  
FOUNTAIN

### LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**4<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 9.94  
**BARBIE® POSE ME PETS**  
©Mattel Inc. Reg. TM

**8<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 16.96  
**STROLL 'N PLAY BARBIE® AND KRISSY**  
Stroller transforms into 3 accessories: a stroller, play gym and 2 baby carriers.

**19<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 29.99  
**BARBIE® "DANCE WITH ME" TALKING BOOM BOX**

**9<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 14.94  
**BRATZ DOLL**  
Girls with a passion for fashion.

### SAVE \$30

**69<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 99.99  
**1/8-SCALE RADIO-CONTROLLED ATV**  
Battery and charger included  
Assortment varies by store

### 1/2 PRICE

**9<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 19.99  
**MEGA BLOKS WAVE RACER OR BLUE THUNDER\***  
\*Not shown

**KMART EXCLUSIVE!**

### LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**12<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 16.99  
**FRANKLIN JR. 4-BALL SPORTS PACK**

**BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE POWER RANGERS 5" ACTION FIGURES**  
Buy one at the reg. price and get the second one (of equal or lesser value) FREE. Was 5.99-7.99

### LOWEST PRICE OF THE YEAR

**Dual suspension**  
**V-style brakes**  
**6-speed**

**SAVE 40%**  
**59<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
FOR BOYS' 20" OR 24"

Thanksgiving Day specials 7 am to 9 pm



# 3-pc. Room-In-A-Bag set on sale

**39.99**  
**SPECIAL BUY**

Set includes:  
• Sofa cover  
• Chair cover  
• Decorative table cover

A 119.97 value!

Colina Black

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**6.99**  
**SALE**

Was 12.99  
18" MOTION OR GLITTER LAMP

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**5.99**  
**SALE**

SAVE 40%  
Was 9.99  
**HOME ESSENTIALS™ 4-PACK CHAIR PADS**  
Other Home Essentials™ chair pads and place mats, Sale 89¢-6.99  
Patterns may vary by store

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**99.99**  
**SALE**

Includes mattress!

**WOOD FUTON**

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**1.99**  
**SALE**

**3-Piece Dinner Set**

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**6.99**  
**SALE**

Was 9.99  
**PADDED FOLDING CHAIR**

**2/\$9**  
**SPECIAL BUY**

Was 4.99 ea.  
**CHINTZ SOLID BED REST PILLOW**

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**13.99**  
**SALE**

SAVE 30%  
Was \$19.99  
**BLACK & DECKER 12-CUP COFFEEMAKER WITH PERFECT-POUR CARAFE** DCM2000/DCM2000B

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**54.99**  
**SALE**

Was 79.99  
**GOLDSTAR 1.0-CU.-FT. 1,000-WATT MICROWAVE**  
1-yr. Product Replacement, 7.99  
MA1012W

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**



**54<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
**GOLDSTAR 4-HEAD VCR**  
 Commercial skip, front A/V jacks.  
 1-yr. Product Replacement, 7.99

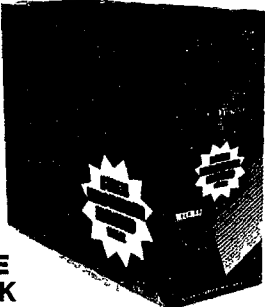


**24<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
**EMERSON CD CLOCK RADIO**  
 Dual alarm, CD with 10 programmable memory



**FREE**  
 COVAIR  
 BIG-BUTTON  
 PHONE WITH  
 CALLER ID

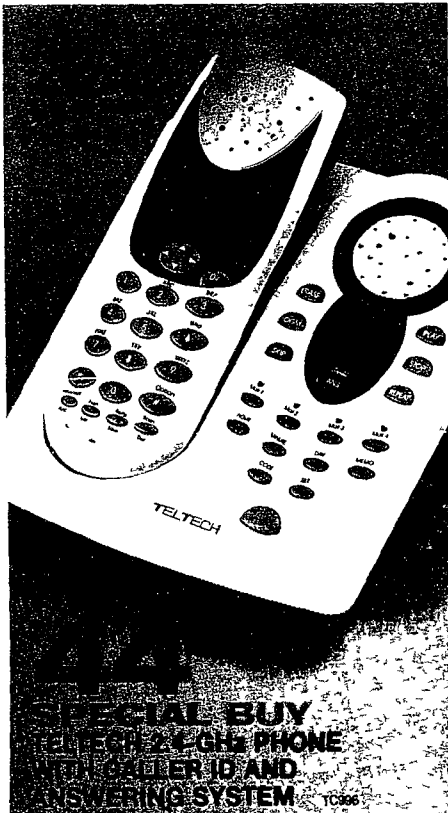
**bonus!**  
 VCR head  
 cleaner included.  
 A 6.99 value!



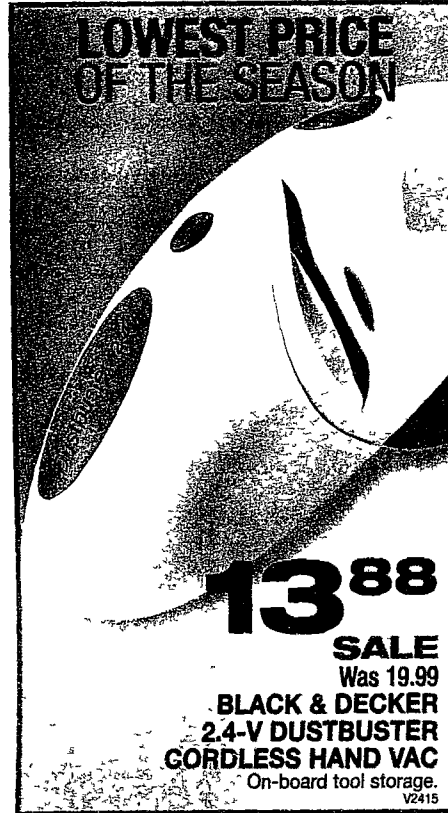
**8<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
**RCA 10-PACK  
 VHS TAPES**



**BUY ONE,  
 GET ONE FREE**  
**BABE 15-CD HOLDER**  
 Buy one at the reg. price of 3.99  
 and get the second one FREE.



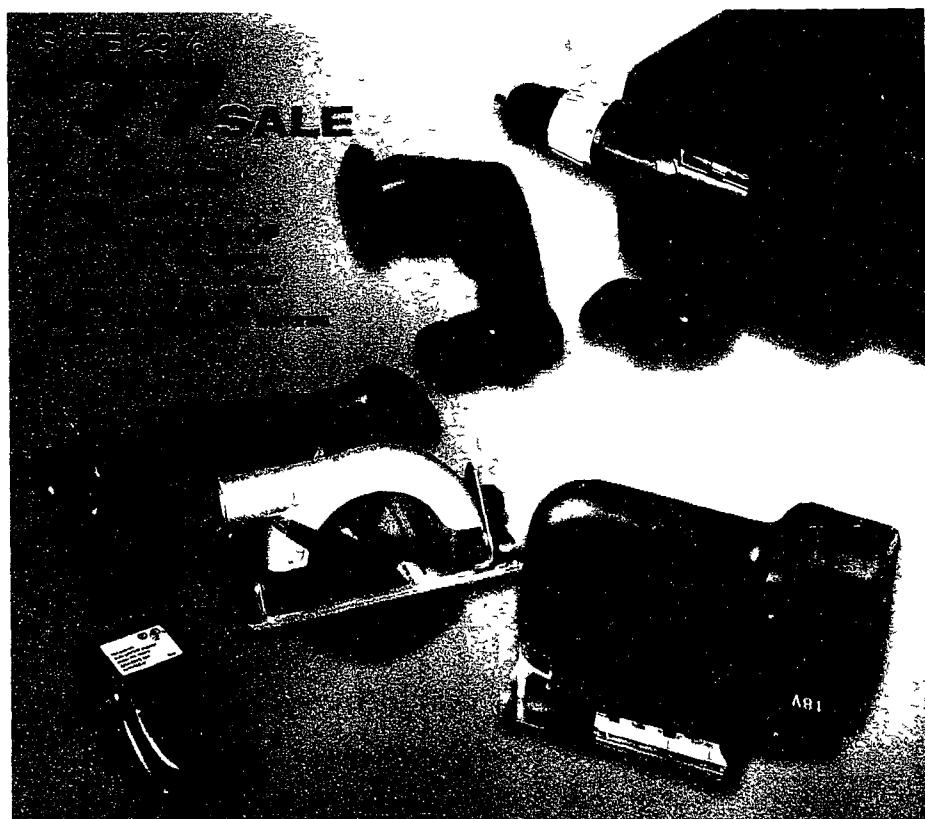
**SPECIAL BUY**  
**TELTECH 2-LINE PHONE**  
 WITH CALLER ID AND  
 ANSWERING SYSTEM



**LOWEST PRICE  
 OF THE SEASON**

**13<sup>88</sup> SALE**

Was 19.99  
**BLACK & DECKER  
 2.4-V DUSTBUSTER  
 CORDLESS HAND VAC**  
 On-board tool storage.  
 V2415



**29<sup>99</sup> SALE**

Was 39.99  
**AC DELCO 4-PC. JACK KIT**  
 Includes 2-ton hydraulic jack, 2-ton jack  
 stands and 4-wheel 36" creeper.



**SAVE \$10**  
**24<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
 Was 39.99  
**TOOL SOURCE 168-PC DELUXE  
 TOOL CHEST AND TOOLS**  
 Removable tray, 100 easy access



**1/2 PRICE  
 9<sup>99</sup> SALE**

Was 19.99  
**UNIVERSAL  
 HANDS-FREE  
 PHONE KIT**  
 Works through your vehicle's FM radio.

**bonus!**  
 Tools and filter  
 cartridge kit.  
 A 19.99 value!



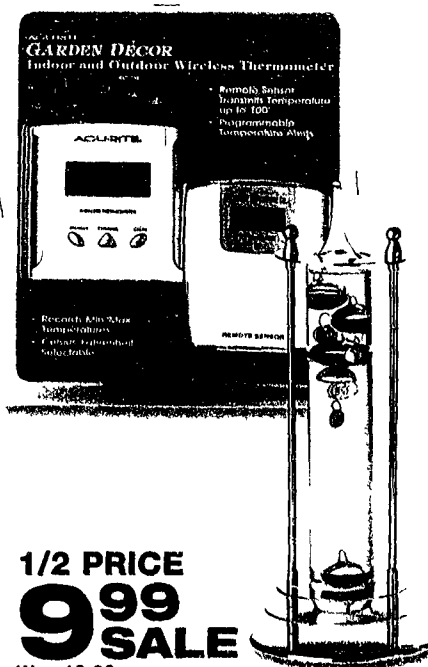
**SAVE \$17**  
**39<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
 Was 56.99  
**10-GAL. QSP SHOP-VAC®**



**LOWEST PRICE  
 OF THE SEASON**

**SAVE \$60**  
**99<sup>99</sup> SALE**

Was 159.99  
**10'x20' CAR PORT**  
 Galvanized-steel frame,  
 UV-rated cover.



**1/2 PRICE  
 9<sup>99</sup> SALE**

Was 19.99  
**GALILEO 14" OR WIRELESS  
 DIGITAL THERMOMETER**



**1/2 PRICE  
 9<sup>99</sup> SALE**

Was 19.99  
**UNIVERSAL  
 HANDS-FREE  
 PHONE KIT**  
 Works through your vehicle's FM radio.

**Thanksgiving Day specials 7 am to 9 pm**






**BUY ONE,  
GET ONE FREE**

**NABISCO RITZ OR CHEESE NIPS™ CRACKERS**


Buy one Ritz or Cheese Nips and get one Ritz or Cheese Nips free. Limit 4 per customer. Offer good while supplies last. ©2002 Nabisco Corporation.



**2/\$4 SALE**

**12, 12-OZ. CANS  
PEPSI PRODUCTS**

Limit 4 Plus deposit or CRV where applicable 12-fl -oz. cans

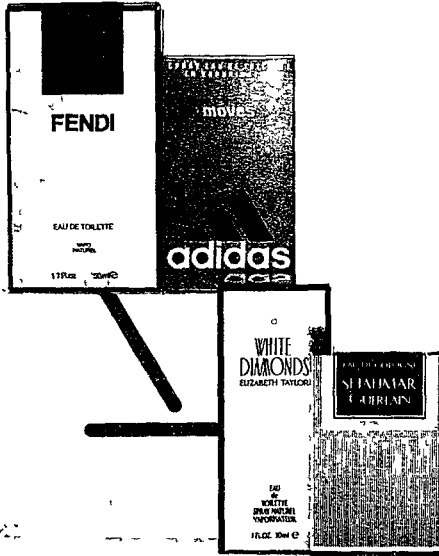
**Thursday, November 28**

The stuff of life

# day only

**Shop 7am to 9pm**

**LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON**

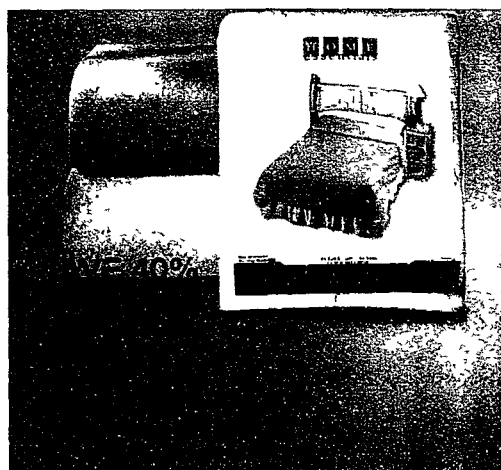


**\$5 off**

**ANY MEN'S OR WOMEN'S  
FRAGRANCE PRICED  
\$15 AND OVER**

Does not include gift sets






**LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON**



**2/\$3SA**

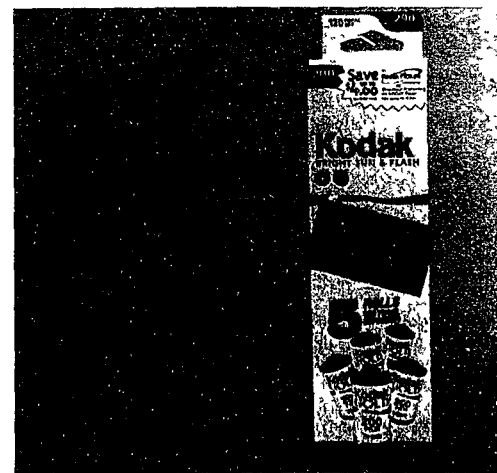
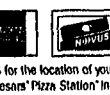
**HOME ESSENTIALS™  
100% COTTON BATH TOWELS**

All other Home Essentials™ towels and bath rugs, Sale \$1-7.99




**1.99 SALE**

**3-PACK GIFT WRAP TAPE WITH  
FREE PRINTED TAPE**

**KMART ADVERTISED MERCHANDISE POLICY**

Special Buy items are volume buys or special deals in which the savings are passed along to the customer. In some cases, Special Buys are available in limited quantities. Price reductions are off everyday low prices unless otherwise indicated. Our firm intention is to have every advertised item in stock on our shelves. However, if an advertised item is not available for purchase due to any unforeseen reason, Kmart will issue a Rain Check on request for the merchandise to be purchased at the advertised price whenever available, or will sell you a comparable quality item at a comparable price. Prices may vary in some stores due to local competition. We reserve the right to limit purchases to reasonable family quantities. Products represented in this circular are available at our Kmart, Big Kmart and Kmart Super Center Locations. ©2002 Kmart Corporation. Prices offered in this circular are not available in the New York City Manhattan, Peoria, IL and White Lake, MI stores.

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The stuff of life

# Friday 5am to

family fleece separates  
buy one, get one free!

Buy one at the reg. price and get the second item (of equal or lesser value) FREE  
Colors may vary by store



JERZEES

5AM-11AM  
FRIDAY ONLY



**1.99 SALE**

4" DOUBLE PRINTS -  
NEXT-DAY SERVICE  
• 24 exps • 35mm

5AM-11AM  
FRIDAY ONLY



**2/\$5**

SALE  
Was 7.99 ea  
SUPERSIZE PILLOW



5AM-11AM  
FRIDAY ONLY

**1/2 PRICE**

**4.99 SALE**

Was 9.99  
MEN'S FIRESIDE™ SUEDE  
MOC SLIPPERS. Style shown

Not included in the Buy One Get One offer



**FREE MARTHA STEWART  
HOLIDAY BAKING  
MAGAZINE WITH ANY  
K MART PURCHASE!**

The first 300 customers to make a purchase on Friday, November 29 (starting at 5 am) will receive a complimentary issue of the Martha Stewart Holiday baking magazine valued at \$5.95.  
Offer good while quantities last Limit one per customer



**BUY ONE,  
GET ONE 50% OFF**

ALL LEGOS

Buy one at the reg. price and get the second one (of equal or lesser value) at 50% off the reg. price.

Look inside for Friday-

We're open around the clock for your shopping co

Prices effective Friday, November 29 thru Sa  
ALL MERCHANDISE ADVERTISED IN THIS CIRCULAR IS ALS



# at the

# 6 hour specials

## 11am Specials

5AM-11AM  
FRIDAY ONLY



**9.99 pr.**  
**SALE**

Was: 59.99

**14-KT. GOLD EARRINGS**

Featured styles only

**LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE YEAR**

**13.99 SALE**

5AM-11AM  
FRIDAY ONLY

Was: 59.99  
**10-KT. GOLD 3MM ROPE  
EARRINGS, RING\* OR  
BRACELETS\*\***

Matching 18" or 20" necklace

Was: 159.99, Sale: 33.99

Matching 24" necklace

Was: 179.99, Sale: 43.99

Ring size 6 only



**LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE YEAR**

5AM-11AM  
FRIDAY ONLY



**SAVE \$40**  
**89.99 SALE**

Was: 129.99

**SWIVEL-GLIDER  
RECLINER WITH OTTOMAN**

# 70% off fine & precious jewelry

**Friday & Saturday -  
All day**

FINE JEWELRY POLICY: Regular prices reflect offering prices at which sales may or may not have been made. Sale does not apply to red-tag price-reduced clearance, gold-filled, family jewelry or class rings. Jewelry photos may be enlarged to show detail. Diamond weights are not exact. Jewelry shown is representative of assortment and may vary by store. If an advertised item is not available at your nearest store, we will be happy to order it for you.

5AM-11AM  
FRIDAY ONLY



**25% off**

**ALL BARBIE® TOYS**

Sold in the Toy Department ©Mattel Inc. Reg. TM

5AM-11AM  
FRIDAY ONLY



**12.49 SALE**

Was: 24.99

**BARBIE® ROSE-ME-PETS  
FUNKY TRUNK**

Includes 10 accessories included.

# Receive a \$10

**with a \$50 purchase or more**

Receive reward Friday, November 29, 2002

Reward valid through December 8, 2002

See store for additional qualifications and exemptions.

\*Only one reward will be received for any purchase of \$50 or more in a single transaction.

**Saturday 2 day specials!**

**Convenience starting Friday 5am thru Sunday 10pm.**

**Saturday, November 30, 2002 - except as noted**

**NOT AVAILABLE AT OUR K MART SUPER CENTER LOCATIONS.**

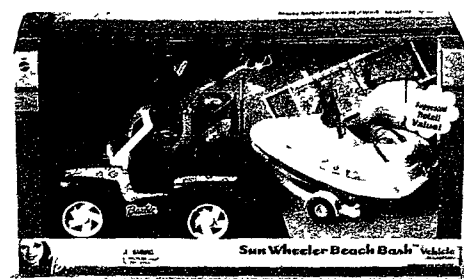
# 2 DAY SALE

# FRIDAY SATURDAY



**24<sup>99</sup> SALE**

Was 34.99  
**DISNEY'S CINDERELLA  
MAGIC CASTLE**



**KMART EXCLUSIVE**

**16<sup>99</sup>**

**SPECIAL BUY  
BARBIE® SUN WHEELER  
BEACH BASH™ VEHICLE**  
©Mattel Inc. Reg TM



**16<sup>99</sup>**

Was 24.99  
**POLLY POCKET  
POLLYWORLD AMUSEMENT PARK**



**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**18<sup>99</sup> SALE**

Was 29.99  
**ZIP N' ZOOM  
SHANNEN**



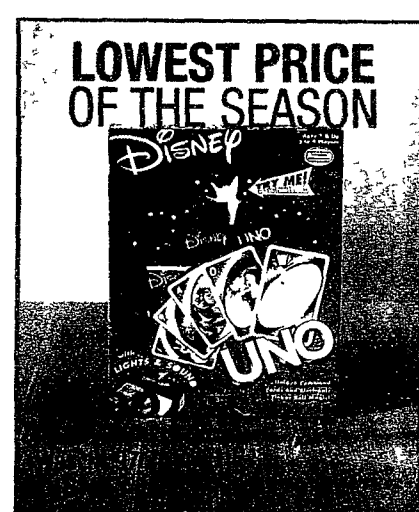
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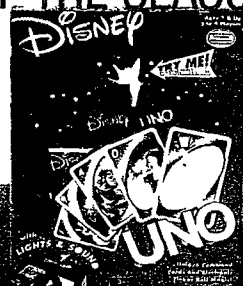
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**19<sup>99</sup> SALE**

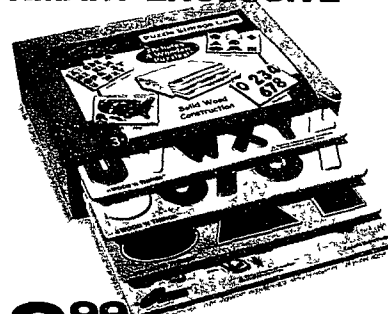
Was 29.99  
**DISNEY MUSIC GAME**



**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**



**KMART EXCLUSIVE**



**9<sup>99</sup>**

**SPECIAL BUY  
Was 17.99  
WOOD PUZZLES WITH  
STORAGE BOX**



**14<sup>99</sup>**

**SPECIAL BUY  
RABINER MEGA PACK**



**KMART EXCLUSIVE**

**14<sup>99</sup>**

**SPECIAL BUY**

**PLAY-DOH**



**KMART EXCLUSIVE**

**4<sup>99</sup>**

**BRITNEY SPEARS  
PEPSI DOLL**



**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**34<sup>99</sup> SALE**

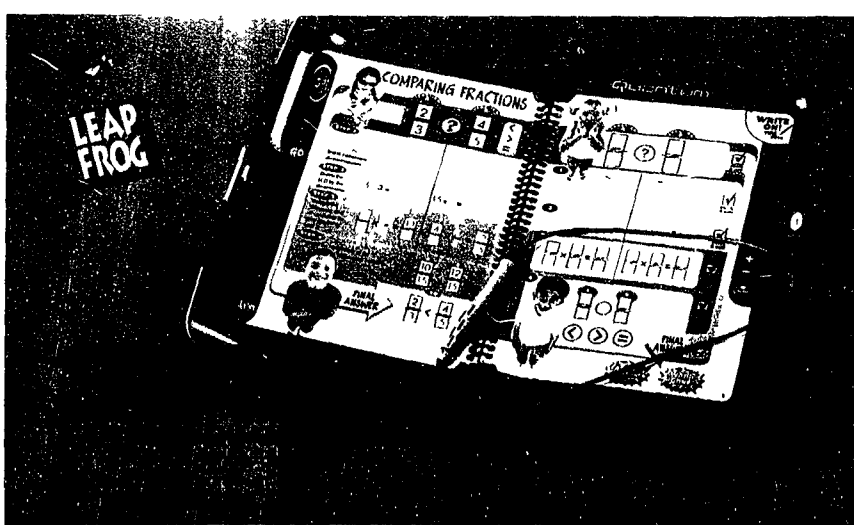
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**HOT WHEELS TURBO  
JET CITY**



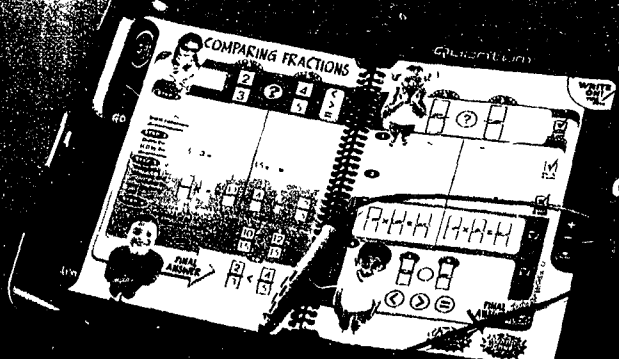
**KMART EXCLUSIVE**

**39<sup>99</sup>**

**VTECH® MASTER PAD™ FM**  
Includes built-in FM radio with stereo headphones



**LEAP FROG**



the Great

**Mania! Adventure**

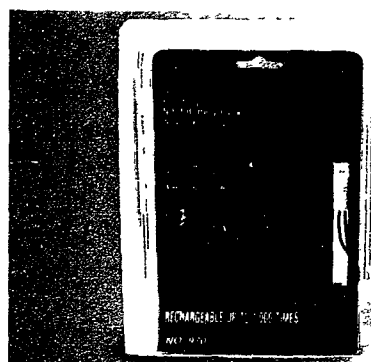


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1/2 PRICE  
**14.99**  
SALE

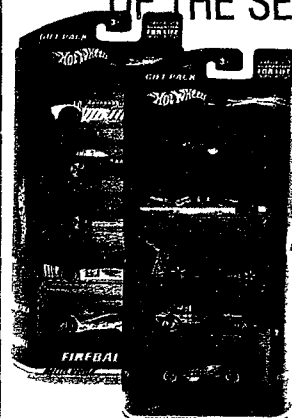
Was 29.99  
TYCO HUMVEE, NEW BRIGHT  
1/16" SCALE, MINICYCLE OR  
TAIYO SURF BEETLE RADIO-  
CONTROLLED VEHICLES  
Assortment varies by store. Batteries sold separately.



BUY ONE,  
GET ONE 50% OFF  
RADIO-CONTROL BATTERIES

Assortment varies by store. Batteries sold separately.

LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON



**2.99**  
SALE  
Was 4.65  
HOT WHEELS  
FIVE-PACK  
CARS

**19.99**  
SALE

Was 24.99-29.99  
MATCHBOX RESCUE COMMAND CENTER,  
HOT WHEELS SUPER HIGHWAY OR  
HOT WHEELS HIDE-AWAY TOY BOX  
Each 1/2 sale or Matchbox 10-car party pack, Sale 5.99

**5.99**  
SALE

**5.99**  
SALE

LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON



**9.99**  
SALE

Was 19.99  
HOT WHEELS SUPER SPEEDWAY OR  
TYCO RADIO-CONTROLLED HYDRO RACER



**16.88**  
SALE  
Was 29.99  
FISHER-PRICE  
ROLL 2 PRO™  
SCOOTER  
Removable training wheels  
help teach kids to ride



KMART EXCLUSIVE  
**19.99**  
SPECIAL BUY  
Was 29.99  
MILITARY VALUE SET

LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON



**7.99**  
SALE  
Was 12.99-14.99  
HOT WHEELS  
MONSTER TRUCK  
OR TECH DECK  
HANDBOARD



**19.99**  
SALE  
Was 29.99  
10" BIG SHOT BIKE

LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON

**78.86**  
SALE

Was 98.86  
THOMAS THE TANK  
Includes a 6-volt  
rechargeable  
battery



LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON

KMART EXCLUSIVE  
**46.99**  
SALE

Was 58.88  
ELECTRONIC THUNDER  
SPRING HORSE  
Ages 2-6 years Maximum weight 60 lbs



LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON



**8.99**  
SALE  
Was 14.99  
POWER RANGERS  
GO-GO! VOYAGE  
HOME PLAY SET

LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON

**bonus!**  
Chalk Included



PLAYSKOOL

LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE SEASON



BUY ONE,  
GET ONE FREE  
ALL NASCAR®  
DIE-CAST VEHICLES  
Buy one at the reg. price and  
get the second one (of equal  
or lesser value) FREE!  
Assortment varies by store

2 day sale • Friday • Saturday

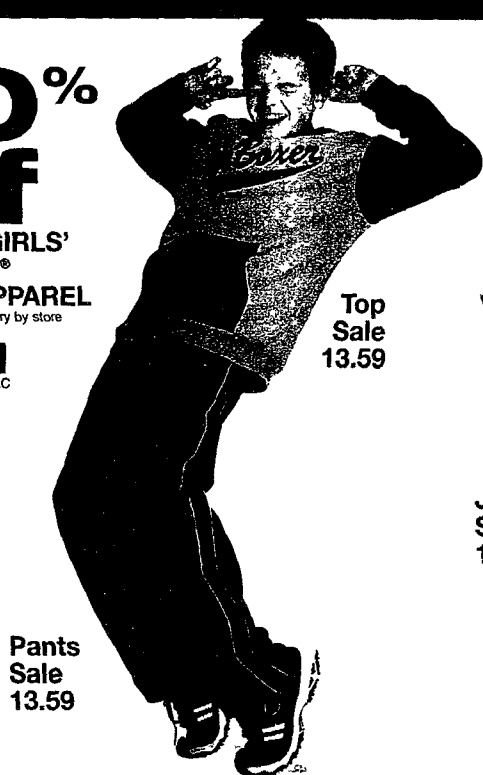
# 2 DAY SALE

FRIDAY SATURDAY

**20% off**

BOYS' OR GIRLS' JOE BOXER® FASHION APPAREL  
Sizes 6-16 Styles may vary by store

JOE BOXER  
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Pants Sale 13.59



Top Sale 10.39

Jeans Sale 17.59



Top Sale 13.59

Pants Sale 13.59



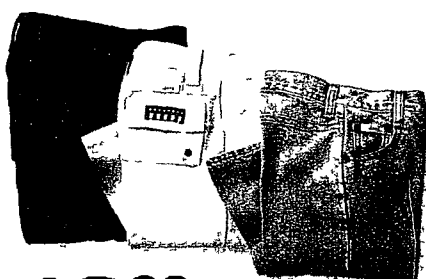
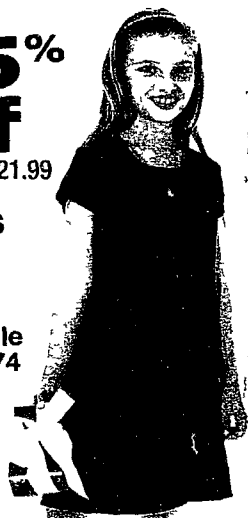
Top Sale 10.39

Skirt Sale 10.39

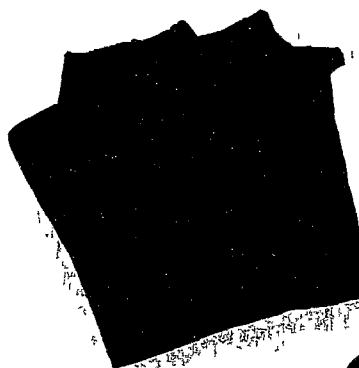
**25% off**

Was 12.99-21.99  
GIRLS' DRESSES  
Sizes 4-16

Sale 9.74



**12.99 SALE**  
GIRLS' RIDERS JEANS



**3/9.99 SALE**

Was 5.99 ea.  
BOYS' OR GIRLS' BASIC EDITIONS® TURTLENECKS OR GIRLS' LEGGINGS  
Styles may vary by store



**8.80 SALE**  
Was 13.49  
BOYS' RUSTLER CARPENTER JEANS  
Sizes 8-16.  
Other boys' Rustler jeans on sale.



Sale 13.49

Sale 11.99

**25% off**

ALL KIDS' SLEEPWEAR  
Styles may vary by store

**25% off**

SESAME STREET® INFANTS' OR TODDLERS' SETS, SEPARATES AND DRESSES  
Styles may vary by store  
Sesame Workshop  
Sesame Workshop

SESAME STREET

#976538



Top Sale 5.99

Jeans Sale 7.49



Set Sale 11.24



Sale 5.99



Sale 5.99

**25% off**

BOYS' CHARACTER TEES  
Sizes 4-16



Sale 7.49

**25% off**

BOYS' CHARACTER SETS  
Sizes 4-12  
Styles may vary by store



**BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE**  
BASIC EDITIONS BOYS' FLATBACK RIBBED TOPS OR CARGO TWILL PANTS  
Buy one at the reg. price of 9.99 and get the second one (of equal or lesser value) FREE.

**3/9.99 SALE**

Was 3.99 & 4.99 ea.  
BASIC EDITIONS® INFANTS' AND TODDLERS' SEPARATES  
Styles may vary by store



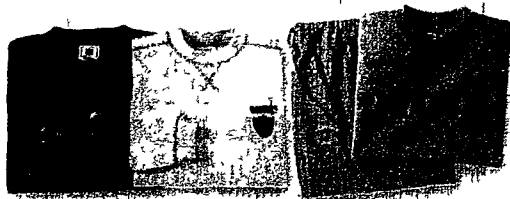
EXTRA VALUE PACK



**5.99 SALE**

BOYS' HANES OR GIRLS' HANES HER WAY 9-PACK BRIEFS; OR BOYS' 5-PACK CREWS  
Girls' Hanes Her Way 3-pack vests, Sale \$4





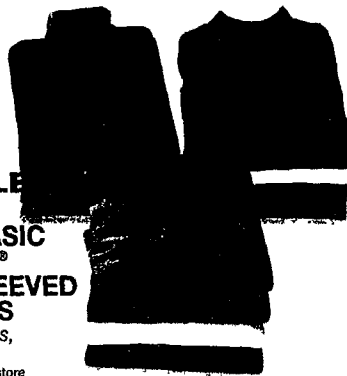
**BUY ONE, GET ONE 50% OFF**  
**MEN'S TEAM SPORTS APPAREL**

Buy one at the reg. price and get the second one (of equal or lesser value) at 50% OFF the reg. price. Team names and styles vary by store.

**6.99 SALE**

Was 9.99  
**MEN'S BASIC EDITIONS® LONG-SLEEVED KNIT TOPS**

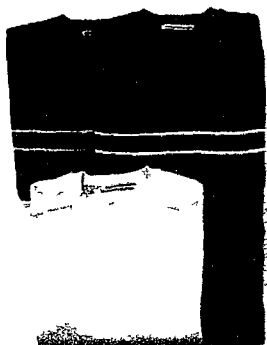
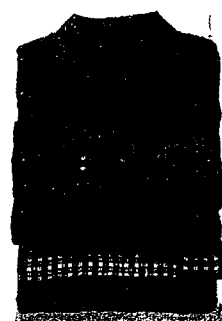
Big Men's sizes, Sale 8.99  
 Colors may vary by store



**1/2 PRICE 4.99 SALE**

Was 9.99  
**MEN'S BASIC EDITIONS® YARN-DYED FLANNEL SHIRTS**

Big Men's sizes 2X-4X, Sale 5.99



**9.99 SALE**

Was 16.99  
**MEN'S KNIGHTSBRIDGE® JERSEY SWEATERS**

30% off all other men's sweaters  
 Colors may vary by store



**9.99 SALE**

Was 11.99  
**MEN'S BASIC EDITIONS® PLAID SPORT SHIRTS**

Big Men's sizes, Sale 11.99  
 Colors may vary by store

**50% off**

**ALL MEN'S BASIC EDITIONS® THERMAL UNDERWEAR**



**BUY ONE GET ONE 50% OFF**

all men's jeans, slacks, dress pants

Buy one pair at the reg. price and get the second pair (of equal or lesser value) at 50% OFF the reg. price. Colors may vary by store.

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|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>1st</b><br>19.99 | <b>1st</b><br>18.99 | <b>1st</b><br>19.99 |
| <b>2nd</b><br>9.99  | <b>2nd</b><br>9.49  | <b>2nd</b><br>9.99  |

ROUTE 66 | Wrangler | RUSTLER | TIMBER CREEK BY WRANGLER | Wrangler

**17.99 SALE**

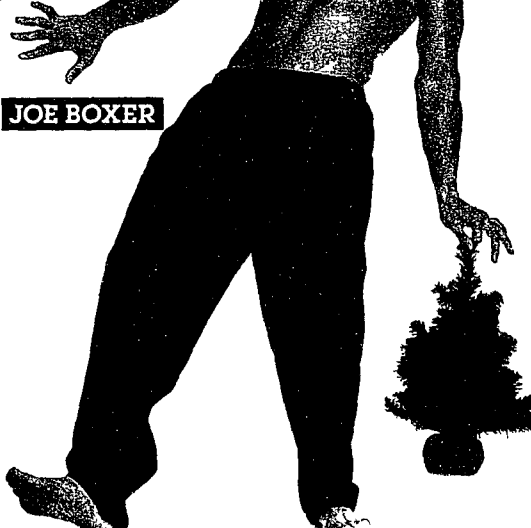
Was 21.99 & 29.99  
**MEN'S THERMAL BOXERS**

JOE BOXER

**6.99 SALE**

Was 9.99  
**MEN'S JOE BOXER® FLANNEL LOUNGE PANTS**

Sizes S-XL  
 Styles may vary by store



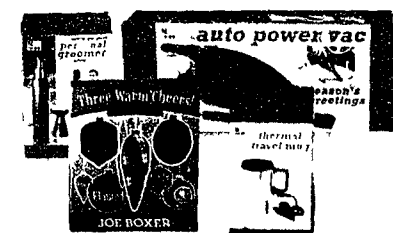
**11.99 SALE**

Was 15.99  
**MEN'S KNIGHTSBRIDGE® FLANNEL PAJAMAS**

25% off other men's pajamas  
 Styles may vary by store

**2/\$11 SALE**

**MEN'S FRUIT OF THE LOOM® MULTIPACK**  
 BRIEFS OR 3-PACK TEES, T-SHIRT OR 4-SHIRT



**BUY ONE, GET ONE 50% OFF**  
**MEN'S BOXED GIFTS**

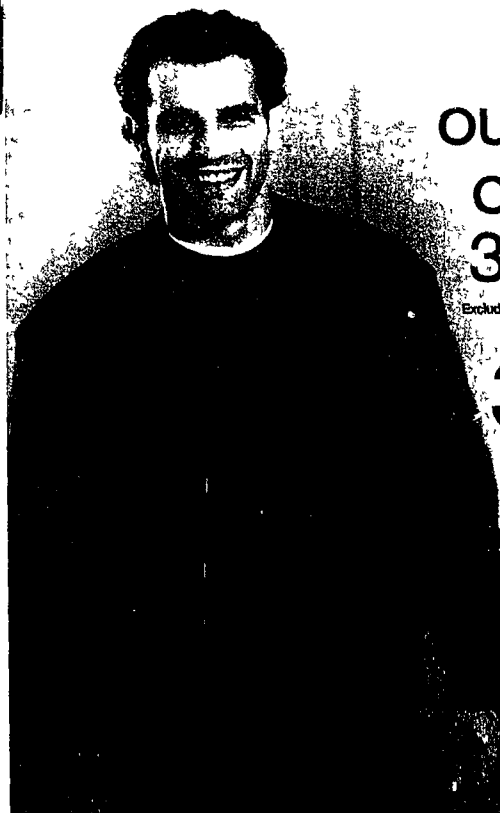
Buy one at the reg. price and get the second one (of equal or lesser value) at 50% OFF the reg. price.



**6.99 SALE**

Was 9.99  
**MEN'S STARTER® HEAVYWEIGHT FLEECE**

Crews, sizes M-XL; pants, sizes S-XL. Colors may vary by store.



**men's outerwear on sale, 30% off**

Styles may vary by store. Excludes Team sports and Dickies outerwear.

**34.99 SALE**

Was 49.99  
**MEN'S LEATHER JACKET**

Sizes M-XL



**9.99 SALE**

Was 14.99  
**MEN'S BASIC EDITIONS® BRUSHED FLEECE TOPS**

Big Men's sizes, Sale 11.99  
 Colors and styles may vary by store



**9.99 SALE**

Was 15.99  
**MEN'S BASIC EDITIONS® QUILTED FLANNELS**

Big Men's sizes, Sale 11.99

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# 2 DAY SALE

SATURDAY

**14<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 21.99 & 24.99  
**LADIES' ASHLEY  
TAYLOR™  
FLEECE ROBES  
OR LOUNGERS**  
Sizes S-XL  
Plus Size,  
Was 24.99 & 26.99,  
Sale 16.99



**5<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 12.99  
**ASHLEY  
TAYLOR™  
FLANNEL  
PAJAMAS**  
Sizes S-XL  
Plus Size,  
Was 14.99,  
Sale 7.99



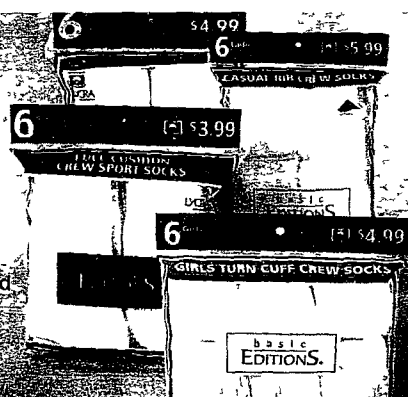
**5<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 9.99  
**ASHLEY  
TAYLOR™  
FLANNEL  
SLEEPSHIRTS**  
Sizes S-XL  
Plus Size,  
Was 12.99,  
Sale 7.99



**BUY ONE,  
GET ONE  
FREE**

**FAMILY BASIC EDITIONS®  
6-PR. PACKAGED SOCKS**  
Buy one package at the reg. price and  
get the second package (of equal  
or lesser value) FREE



**5<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 6.99 & 7.99  
**FRUIT OF THE LOOM  
10-PAIR PACKAGE SOCKS**



**30% off**

**ALL LADIES'  
SHEER HOSIERY**

**KMART  
CASH**  
OFF CARD & MORE

Buy 3 packages  
and get a \$5 Cash Card  
by mail\*

**3/\$9  
SALE**

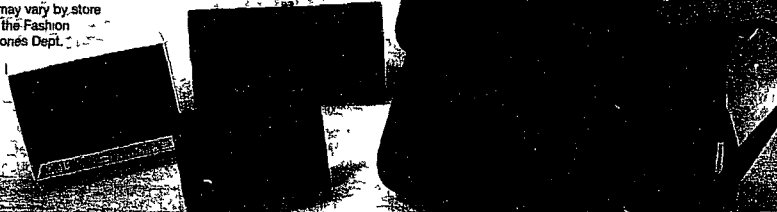
**LADIES' HANES HER WAY  
3-PAIR PACKAGE PANTIES**



**30% off**

**ALL LADIES' BOXED  
LEATHER WALLET AND  
LEATHER HANDBAGS**

Styles may vary by store  
Sold in the Fashion  
Accessories Dept.



**30% off**

**ALL BOXED GIFT SETS**

Styles may vary by store Sold in the Fashion Accessories Dept

**4<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 7.99  
**KIDS' SOCKTOP SLIPPERS**

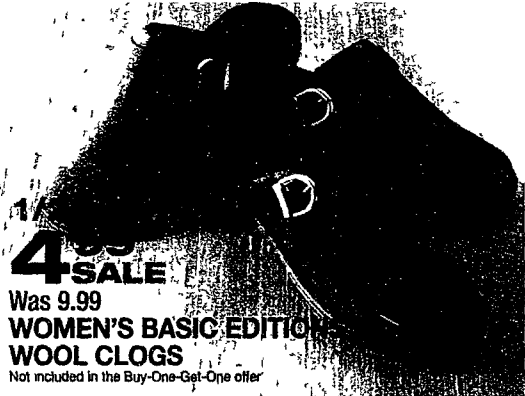
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**1/2 PRICE  
4<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 9.99  
**WOMEN'S BASIC EDITION  
WOOL CLOGS**

Not included in the Buy One-Get-One offer



**9<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 16.99  
**SELECT WOMEN'S EXPRESSIONS™  
STRETCH ANKLE BOOTS**

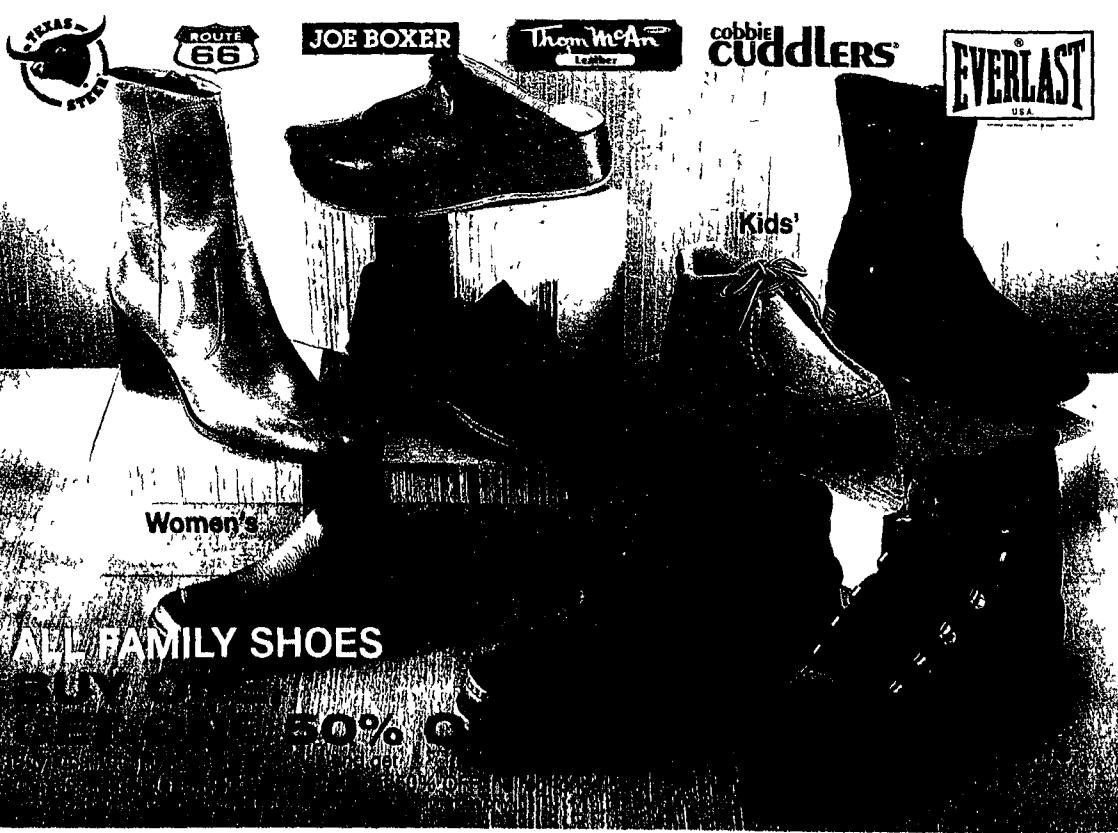
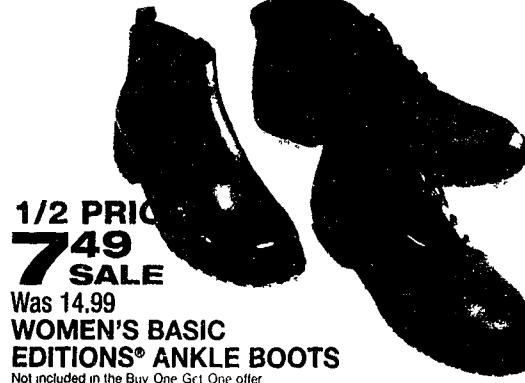
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**1/2 PRICE  
7<sup>49</sup>  
SALE**

Was 14.99  
**WOMEN'S BASIC  
EDITIONS® ANKLE BOOTS**

Not included in the Buy One-Get-One offer



**ALL FAMILY SHOES**

**50% off**



**30% off**  
ALL LADIES' AND PLUS SIZE OUTERWEAR

Sale 69.99

40% off all ladies' cold weather accessories

**30% off**  
SPORTSWEAR

JACLYN SMITH. L.L.B.

Shirt Sale 17.49

Skirt Sale 13.29

**30% off**  
KATHY IRELAND SPORTSWEAR

Top Sale 13.99

Skirt Sale 11.89

**19.99 SALE**  
Was 29.99  
LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® HOLIDAY SWEATERS  
Sizes S-XL.  
30% off all other ladies' and Plus Size sweaters

**9.99 SALE**  
Was 14.99  
LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® Iridescent SHIRTS  
Sizes S-XL.  
Ladies' Basic Editions® Ottoman pants  
Was 12.99, Sale 9.99



**6.99 SALE**  
Was 9.99  
LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® LONG-SLEEVED TEES WITH LUREX  
Sizes S-XL.  
Colors may vary by store



**4.99 SALE**  
Was 6.99  
LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® KNIT TURTLENECKS  
Sizes S-XL; prints and solids  
Colors may vary by store

**LOWEST PRICE OF THE YEAR**

**7.99 SALE**  
Was 12.99  
LADIES' GITANO 5-POCKET JEANS  
Sizes 8-18.  
Colors may vary by store

**GITANO**

**5.99 SALE**  
Was 7.99  
LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® HOLIDAY EMBROIDERED KNIT TURTLENECKS  
Sizes S-XL.  
Plus Size Basic Editions® knit mocknecks, Was 8.99, Sale 5.99  
Colors may vary by store

**5.99 SALE**  
Was 8.99  
LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® KNIT LEGGINGS  
Sizes S-XL. Colors may vary by store

**13.99 SALE**  
Was 19.99  
LADIES' ROUTE 66® TURTLENECK SWEATERS  
Sizes S-XL.  
Ladies' Route 66® fashion pants, Was 21.99, Sale 16.99

**ROUTE 66**

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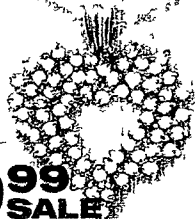
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# 2 DAY SALE

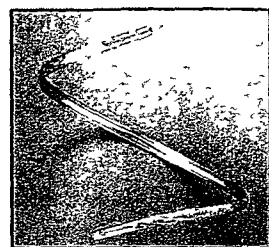
# FRIDAY SATURDAY



**NEW!**  
**69<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 249.99  
1/4-CT. T.W.\* DIAMOND  
HEART PENDANT WITH  
SILVER-PLATED GIFT BOX  
10-kt. gold.  
\*Represents a total weight between .23-.28



**NEW!**  
**119<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 499.99  
1-CT. T.W.\* DIAMOND  
HEART PENDANT  
10-kt. gold.  
\*Represents a total weight between .97-1.02



**19<sup>99</sup> ea. SALE**  
Was 69.99  
10-KT. GOLD 3MM  
FLEX BANGLE  
Available in 3 styles

## 70% off fine & precious jewelry

**NEW!**  
**59<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 269.99  
10-KT. GOLD 4-ROW  
BRILLIANTINA ROPE  
BRACELET



**19<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 699.99  
1-CT. T.W.\* DIAMOND RING  
10-kt. gold.  
Ring size 7-11 only  
Represents a total weight between .97-1.02  
#1209052



**12<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 499.99  
18-KT. GOLD CROWN  
CREATED RUBY AND DIAMOND-ACCENT  
PENDANT, RING OR EARRINGS  
Matching bracelet, Was 99.99, Sale 19.99  
Ring size 8 only

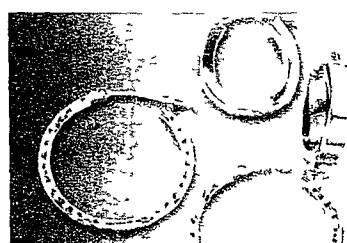
**NEW!**  
**12<sup>99</sup> ea. SALE**  
Was 49.99  
STERLING SILVER MARCASITE  
AND SIMULATED BLUE TOPAZ  
PENDANT, RING, OR EARRINGS  
Matching bracelet,  
Was 99.99, Sale 19.99  
Ring size 8 only



**NEW!**  
**24<sup>99</sup> pr. SALE**  
Was 119.99  
14-KT. GOLD TRI-COLOR  
HOOP EARRINGS



**NEW!**  
**49<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 199.99  
1/2-CT. T.W.\* DIAMOND  
PENDANT AND EARRING SET  
10-kt. gold.  
\*Represents a total weight between .09-.11  
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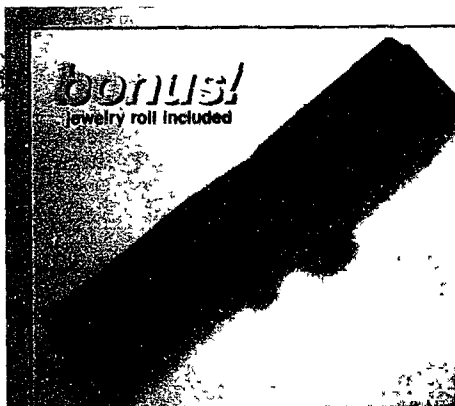
**NEW!**  
**19<sup>99</sup> pr. SALE**  
Was 79.99  
14-KT. GOLD  
HOOP EARRINGS  
Featured styles only



**NEW!**  
**49<sup>99</sup> pr. SALE**  
Was 199.99  
1/4-CT. T.W.\* DIAMOND  
HOOP EARRINGS. 10-kt. gold.  
\*Represents a total weight between .23-.28  
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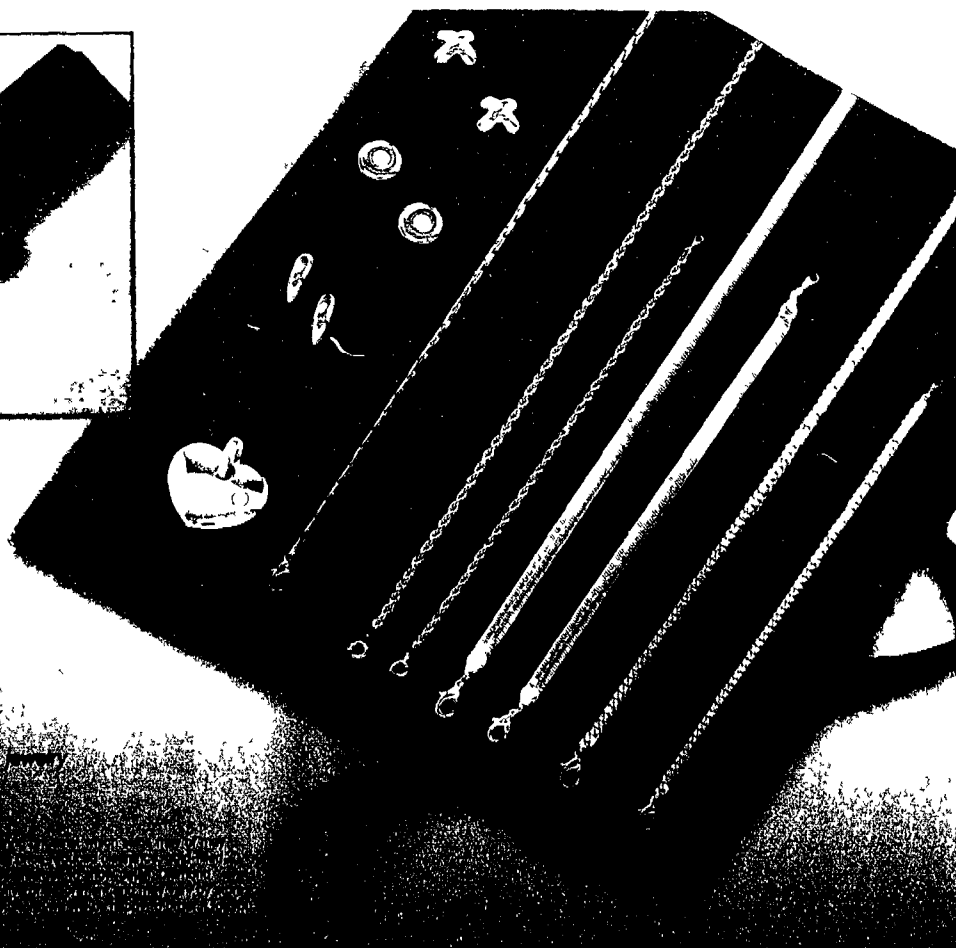
**NEW!**  
**119<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 499.99  
1-CT. T.W.\* DIAMOND  
7 1/4" BRACELET  
10-kt. gold.  
8" available by special order  
Was 529.99, Sale 129.99  
\*Represents a total weight between .97-1.02

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**bonus!**  
Jewelry roll included

**79<sup>99</sup> SALE**  
Was 129.99  
1-PC COSTUME  
JEWELRY SET WITH  
JEWELRY ROLL  
70% off all other holiday costume jewelry



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**NEW!**  
**99<sup>99</sup> ea. SALE**

10-KT. GOLD LADIES' 1/4-CT.  
DIAMOND RINGS





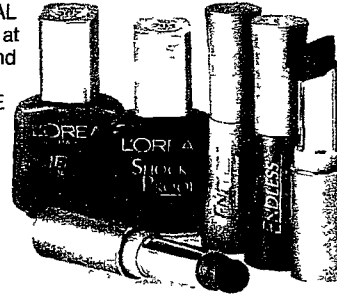
**2/\$9.99**  
Was 4.99 ea.  
**BOXED WATCHES**  
Styles may vary by store



**BUY ONE, GET ONE 50% OFF**  
BODY IMAGE AND FRAGRANCE\* GIFT SETS  
Buy one Body Image gift set and get the second one 50% off. Limit one per customer. \*Excludes Body Image perfume.



**FREE L'ORÉAL BLUSH OR POWDER WITH PURCHASE OF ANY L'ORÉAL FOUNDATION**  
Buy any L'Oréal foundation at the reg. price and get a L'Oréal blush or powder FREE.

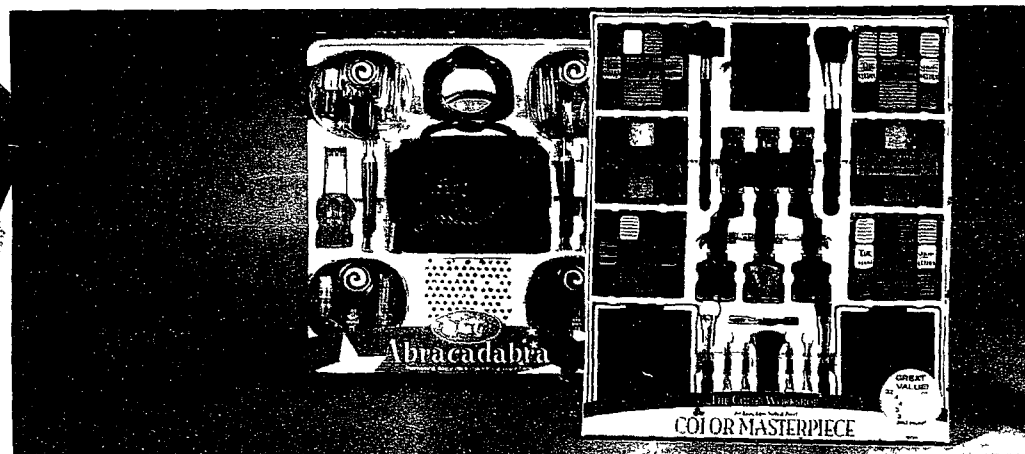


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Buy any L'Oréal Endless lipstick at the reg. price and get a L'Oréal nail polish FREE.

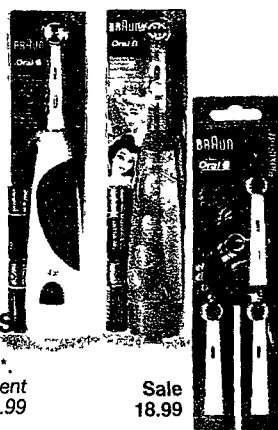
**20% off**  
all brand name watches  
Excludes boxed watches



**1/2 PRICE!**  
**9.99 SALE**  
Was 19.99  
**JEWELRY BOXES**  
25% off all other jewelry boxes  
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**9.99 SALE**  
**BRAUN ORAL-B BATTERY-POWERED TOOTHBRUSHES**  
Adults\*\* or kids' Buzz Lightyear\*\* or Princess\*\*  
3-pack Braun replacement brush heads\*\*\*, Sale 18.99  
\*\*D4011 \*\*D2 \*\*\*EB173



**NEW!**  
**129.99 SALE**  
Was 139.99  
**NORELCO SPECTRA RAZOR**  
The world's only personalized razor with 3 adjustable settings

**54.99 SALE**  
**NORELCO REFLEX ACTION SHAVER**  
Rechargeable Corded/Cordless, 8-hour full charge, pop-up trimmer.



**19.99 SALE**  
**SHAVING NEEDS**  
• Remington Rechargeable Personal Groomer with ceramic coated blades  
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• Remington Rechargeable Personal Groomer with ceramic coated blades



**14.88 SALE**  
**HOMEDICS MASSAGER**  
Handheld\*, infrared handheld\*\*, or sole therapy foot massagers\*\*\*  
\*PM303 \*\*RF6000 \*\*\*FM1

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# 2 DAY SALE

# FRIDAY SATURDAY

**SAVE \$30**  
**44.99 SALE**

**RUG-IN-A-BAG SET**  
Set includes: reversible comforter, sheet set, bedskin and sham(s).  
Other Bed-In-A-Bag sets  
in 210-thread-count  
sheet set, any size, Sale 69.99  
#876217

**All sizes,  
even King!**

**New Pattern  
Sapphire Floral**



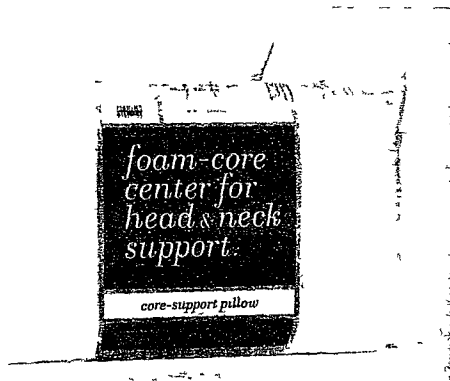
**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**12.99 SALE**

**KIDS' SPIDER-MAN®  
TWIN SHEET SET**  
Twin coordinating comforter. Sale 27.99  
All other kids' bedding. Sale 3.99-36.99

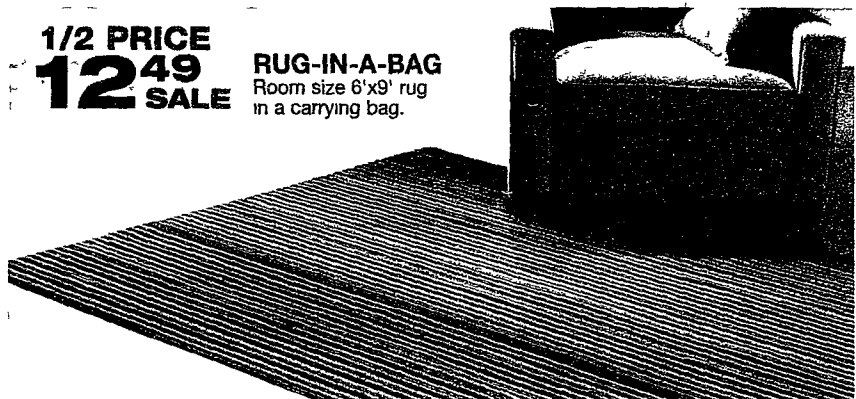


**BUY ONE,  
GET ONE  
50% OFF  
ALL MARTHA  
STEWART  
EVERYDAY®  
3-STAR PILLOWS**  
Buy one at the reg. price  
and get the second one  
(of equal or lesser value)  
at 50% OFF the reg. price.



**1/2 PRICE  
12.49 SALE**

**RUG-IN-A-BAG**  
Room size 6'x9' rug  
in a carrying bag.



**LOWEST PRICE  
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**75¢ SALE**

**HOLIDAY FINGERTIP  
TOWELS**



**BUY ONE,  
GET ONE 50% OFF  
ALL MARTHA STEWART  
EVERYDAY® TOWELS  
AND BATH RUGS**  
Buy one at the reg. price and get the  
second one (of equal or lesser value)  
at 50% OFF the reg. price.



**Any size,  
one price -  
even King!**

**24.99 SALE**  
Was 39.99  
**HAND-PIECED QUILT SET**  
Set includes hand-pieced  
quilt and matching sham(s).

**7.99**

**SPECIAL BUY  
KIDS' TOWEL SET**  
Kids' bath mitts, Sale 4.99



**LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON**

**4 SALE**  
Was 5.99  
**TRIM A HOME®  
SATIN STRIPE  
TABLECLOTH**  
Coordinating napkins, Sale 2/\$5



**6.99 SALE**  
Was 9.99  
**MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®  
HOLIDAY TARTAN PLAID TABLECLOTH**  
30% off all other Martha Stewart  
Everyday Holiday Kitchen Textiles

**All sizes,  
one price!**

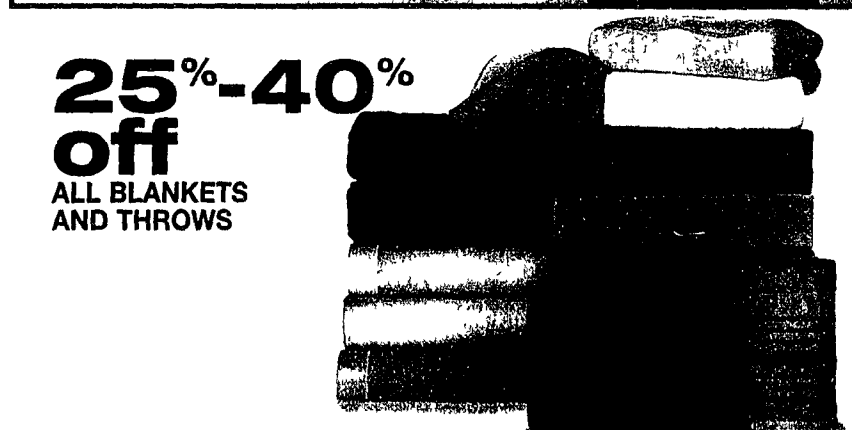


**ANY SIZE,  
ONE PRICE!  
9.99 SALE**  
Was 14.99  
**JERSEY KNIT SHEET SET**

**40% off**  
**ALL HOLIDAY  
DECORATIVE PILLOWS**



**25%-40%  
off**  
**ALL BLANKETS  
AND TROWS**



**LOWEST  
PRICE  
OF THE  
SEASON**

**9.99 SALE**  
**JOE BOXER® TWIN  
FLANNEL SHEET SET**  
All other flannel sheet sets,  
Sale 12.99-39.99



**BUY ONE,  
GET ONE  
50% OFF  
ALL FAMILY  
COLLECTOR  
TOWELS AND  
BATH RUGS**  
Buy one at the reg. price and get  
the second one (of equal or lesser  
value) at 50% OFF the reg. price.





SAVE \$30  
**39<sup>99</sup>** SALE

Was 69.99  
6.5' VERMONT FIR  
OR PONDEROSA  
PINE TREE

Vermont Fir,  
Tree #5A  
1,132 tips

Ponderosa Pine,  
Tree #3A  
826 tips

SAVE \$30  
**39<sup>99</sup>** SALE

Was 69.99  
6' PRE-LIGHTED  
PINE TREE  
400 lights,  
714 tips.

**17<sup>99</sup>** SALE

Was 24.99  
TRIM A HOME®  
7' SPIRAL TREE  
WITH 300 LIGHTS  
Available in clear, multicolor,  
green and green/red.

**25% off**

GIFT GALLERY COLLECTION

Choose from Classic Traditions,  
Classic Noel or Christmas Dazzle.

Sold in Seasonal Dept.

**3<sup>99</sup>** SALE  
LIVE POINSETTIA  
IN 6" POTS

Live Poinsettia in  
8" Pots, Sale 9.99

**20% off**

ALL CHRISTMAS  
CANDLES & ACCESSORIES

Assortments may vary by store



**14<sup>99</sup>** SALE

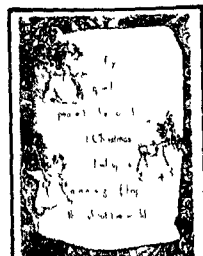
Was 19.99  
OUTDOOR HOLIDAY  
PROJECTOR

Choose from 30 slides.

**5<sup>99</sup>** SALE

Was 8.99  
TRIM A HOME® 20"  
LIGHTED WINDOW  
SCULPTURES

Assorted styles.



**30% off**

ALL HOLIDAY BOXED CARDS

**BUY ONE, GET  
ONE 50% OFF**

ALL SINGLE OR MULTIROLL  
HOLIDAY WRAPPING PAPER

Buy one at the reg. price and get the  
second one (of equal or lesser value)  
at 50% OFF the reg. price.

**9<sup>99</sup>** SALE

Was 14.99  
TRIM A HOME®  
DANCING SANTA



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All entertainment centers, TV stands, desks and office chairs on sale

## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

Holds most  
35" TVs

**79<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 179.99  
3-BAY ENTERTAINMENT  
CENTER

## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

File drawer

CD holder  
Large  
working  
surface

SAVE \$100  
**79<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 179.99  
COMPUTER WORKCENTER  
#1072803

## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**14<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 24.99  
ENTERTAINMENT  
CENTER, 4-SHELF  
BOOKCASE OR 2-PACK  
CORNER SHELVES

**8<sup>88</sup>**  
SALE

3-SHELF  
BOOKCASE

## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**3<sup>50</sup>**  
SALE  
13-GAL. HIGH-TOP  
CHRISTMAS TOTE

## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**17<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 29.99  
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY™  
20-PC. BREAK-RESISTANT  
GLASS DINNERWARE SETS

SAVE \$50  
**129<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 179.99  
MISSION-STYLE WOOD FUTON  
Folds out to a full-size bed. Includes mattress.

#1209679

## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

SAVE \$70

**159<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 229.99  
5-PC. METAL AND GLASS DINING SET

#1180508

## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**58<sup>88</sup>**  
SALE

Was 69.99

T-FAL FUNDAMENTALS  
16-PC. NONSTICK  
COOKWARE SET

7 1/2" and 10 1/2" saute  
1- and 2.1-qt.  
saucepans, 5.3-qt.  
Dutch oven

pan, spatula,  
slotted spoon,  
pot holders,  
hand towel and  
cookbook.

## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**8<sup>88</sup>**  
SALE

Was 12.99  
HOMZ 64-PC.  
POP-TOP FOOD  
STORAGE SET



**8<sup>88</sup>**  
SALE

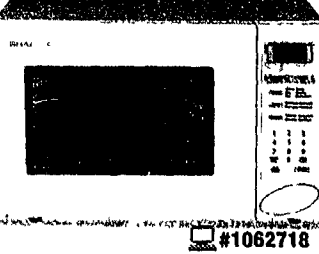
Was 9.99  
HOLIDAY DINNERWARE SETS  
Service for 4. Patterns available:  
Tartan Ribbon, Chilly, Winterville,  
Poinsettia Scroll or 20-pc. Gold Band\*.  
\*Not shown



## LOWEST PRICE OF THE SEASON

**46<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

SHARP  
.8-CU.-FT.  
800-WATT  
DIGITAL  
MICROWAVE  
R214FW



#1062718

## LOWEST PRICE

Carrying case



**14<sup>99</sup>**  
SALE

Was 19.99  
ANCHOR HOCKING 8-PC.  
BAKE & TAKE PORTABLE SET



**LOWEST  
PRICE  
OF THE  
YEAR**



#778130

**29<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 39.99  
**HOOVER® QUIK  
BROOM SUPREME**  
On-board tools, bagless E-Z  
Empty™ dust cup S2535

**LOWEST  
PRICE  
OF THE  
YEAR**



#1159515

**49<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 59.99  
**DIRT DEVIL 12-AMP  
FEATHERLITE™**  
Lightest full-size upright with  
on-board tools; Microfresh filtration

**LOWEST  
PRICE  
OF THE  
YEAR**



Bagless,  
never buy  
bags again

**79<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 99.99  
**EUREKA WHIRLWIND LITE**  
**12-AMP BAGLESS UPRIGHT**  
3-stage filtration system, on-board  
tools, easy empty dust cup.  
4388BT

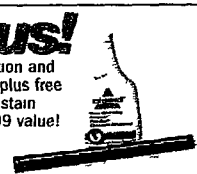
**KMART  
EXCLUSIVE!  
129<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 139.99  
**BISSELL  
POWERSTEAMER®  
CLEARVIEW®  
UPRIGHT DEEP  
CLEANER**  
#1159513



**bonus!**

Bare floor solution and  
tool included\*, plus free  
48 oz pet and stain  
formula A 10 99 value!  
\*Packed inside



**LOWEST PRICE  
OF THE YEAR**

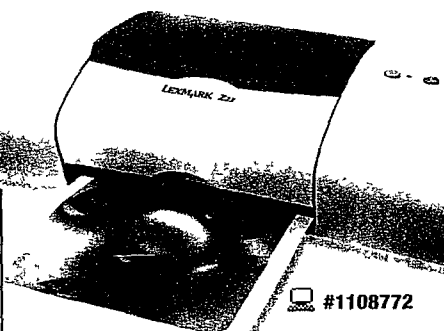


**6<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

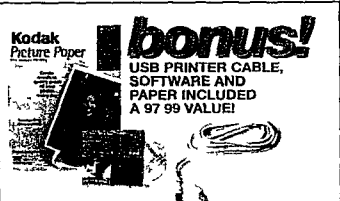
Was 12.99  
**MEMOREX 30-PACK  
DATA CD-R DISCS**

**49<sup>99</sup>**

**LEXMARK Z23  
COLOR JETPRINTER™**  
1200x1200dpi, 8ppm black and  
5ppm color, PC/Mac compatible.



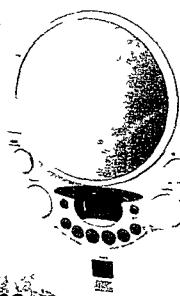
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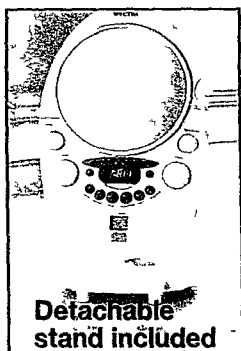
**bonus!**  
USB PRINTER CABLE,  
SOFTWARE AND  
PAPER INCLUDED  
A 97 99 VALUE!

**34<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

**SPECTRA®  
SHOWER  
CLOCK RADIO  
& CD PLAYER**  
AM/FM stereo,  
vertical-load CD,  
water-resistant  
cabinet and speaker.



Fog-free  
mirror, rope  
hanger included



Detachable  
stand included

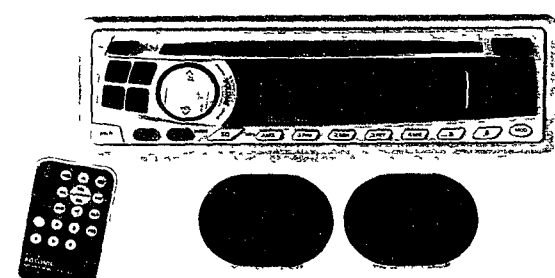
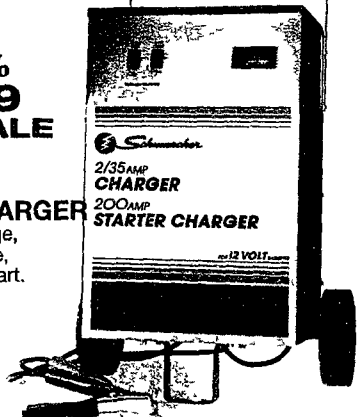


**15<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

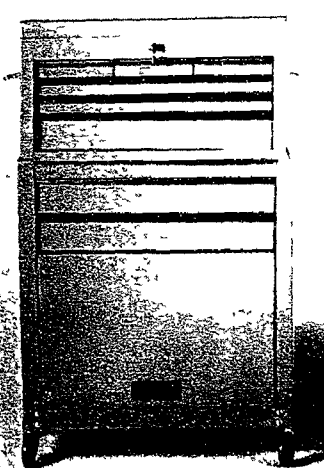
Was 29.99  
**BENCHTOP PRO POWER TOOLS**  
Includes 1/2" drill, 1/4" sander, 1/4" sander, 1/4" sander

**SAVE 40%  
59<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 99.99  
**WHEELED  
BATTERY CHARGER**  
2-amp trickle charge,  
35-amp fast charge,  
200-amp engine start.



**99<sup>99</sup>  
SALE** Was 149.99  
**CAR AUDIO SYSTEM**  
Plays CD/CD-R/CD-RW/MP3  
160-watt receiver, dual 6"x9" tri-axial  
speakers, credit-card-size remote.



**bonus!**  
93-pc. mechanics' tool set

**59<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

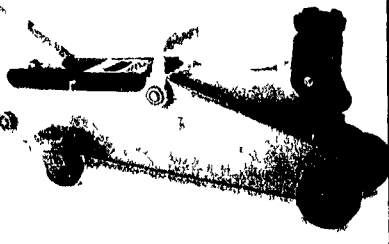
Was 109.99  
**BENCHTOP® PRO  
6-DRAWER TOOL CHEST  
AND CABINET  
COMBINATION**



**18<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**  
SPECIAL BUY  
**BELLSOUTH 2-PACK**  
2-WAY COMMUNICATION  
DEVICES

**12<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 19.99  
**2-TON  
HYDRAULIC  
FLOOR JACK**



**14<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

**ARMOR ALL OR  
MEGUIAR'S HOLIDAY  
CAR CARE GIFT PAC**  
Wax, wheel cleaner, protectant  
and more. A \$24 value when  
sold separately



**1/2 PRICE  
29<sup>99</sup>  
SALE**

Was 59.99  
**SHEEPSKIN  
SEAT COVER**



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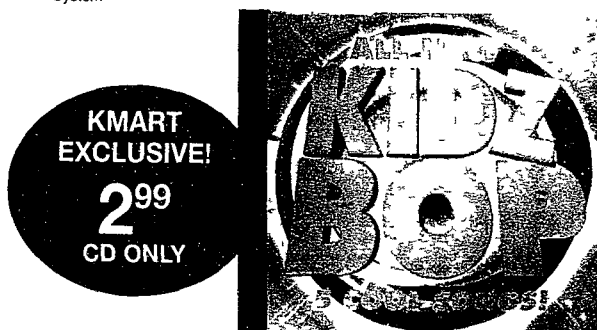
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**TURN  
UP THE HITS!**  
**6<sup>99</sup>**  
**CD ONLY**



**TURN UP THE HITS! CD**  
Great Tracks from  
Today's Hottest Artists  
Plus 2 Bonus Videos  
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Original Songs



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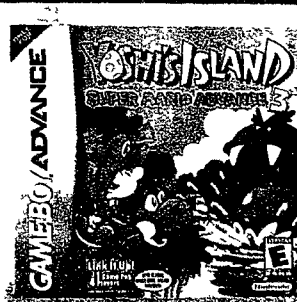


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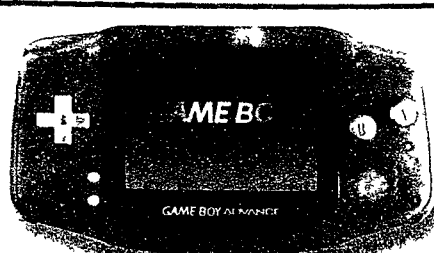


VARIOUS ARTISTS

**149.99**  
**GameCube**  
Also available in Indigo  
**Kmart Exclusive!**  
***bonus!***  
Mini "Nintendo Power"  
magazine plus  
a 3 month trial  
subscription.  
**A 14.85 value!**  
Mail-in coupon in package.  
 **#1158609**  
**NINTENDO**  
**GAMECUBE**



**Sale 26.99**



**69.99 Game Boy® Advance**  **#1168505**  
Colors may vary by store

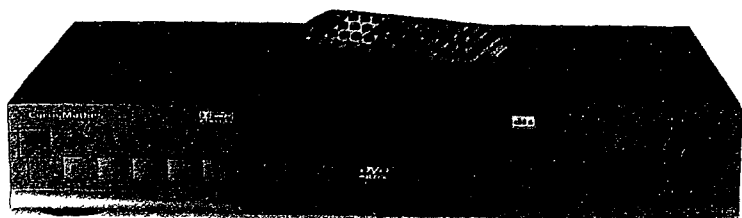
**Kmart Exclusive!**  
**bonus!**  
Includes Game Boy® Advance hardware  
plus a 3 month "Nintendo Power" subscription.  
A 14.95 value. Mail-in coupon in package.



Sale 26.99

**Sale 25.90**

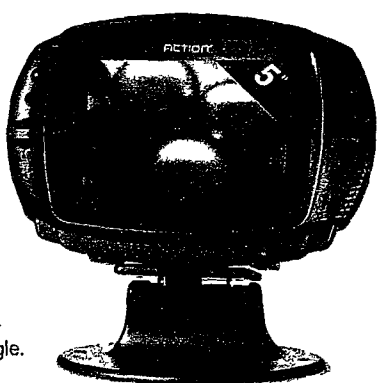




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**119<sup>99</sup>**  
**SALE**

Was 139.99  
**CURTIS MATHES DVD PLAYER**  
Extended Service, 16.99  
RF modulator for connection to TVs  
without A/V jacks, Sale 19.99 M61138



**139<sup>99</sup>**  
**SPECIAL BUY**

Was 159.99  
**5" LCD COLOR TV**  
A/V input jacks, AC/DC 3-way power  
source, swivel stand for free view angle.  
Extended Service, 16.99



#1208030

**29<sup>99</sup>**  
**SALE**  
**ATTITUDES PERSONAL**  
**CD PLAYER**  
"Angel" or "Princess"  
Includes headphones



**84<sup>99</sup>**  
**SALE**

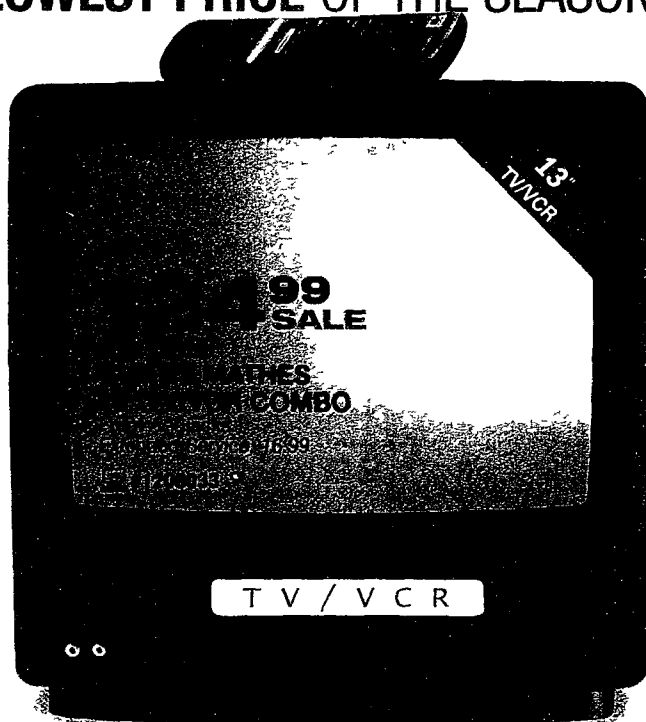
**VENTURER CD/CD-G DUAL**  
**CASSETTE KARAOKE**  
Vertical CD-G player with  
motorized door  
1-yr Product Replacement, 7.99  
#1186750



**44<sup>99</sup>**  
**SPECIAL BUY**

**ELECTRON MICRO STEREO**  
**WITH REMOTE**  
CD player with programmable memory  
and AM/FM radio

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**MATHES**  
**TV/COMBO**

**TV / VCR**

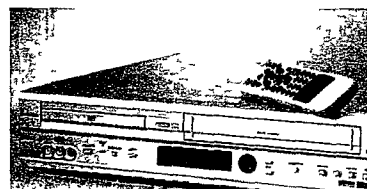
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**298<sup>99</sup>**  
**SALE**

Was 389.99  
**SYLVANIA 19"**  
**TRIPLE COMBO TV/DVD/VCR**  
Front and rear A/V jacks.  
Extended Service, 19.99 SSC719C



**159<sup>99</sup>**  
**SPECIAL BUY**

Was 179.99  
**GOLDSTAR DUAL DECK**  
**DVD/STEREO VCR COMBO**



**LOWEST PRICE OF THE YEAR**

**169<sup>99</sup>**  
**SALE**

#1066325

Was 219.99  
**VENTURER HOME**  
**THEATER WITH DVD**  
Built-in Dolby digital  
amplifier, AM/FM  
tuner, 6-speaker  
system, 130 watts  
total power  
output, remote  
Extended  
Service, 16.99

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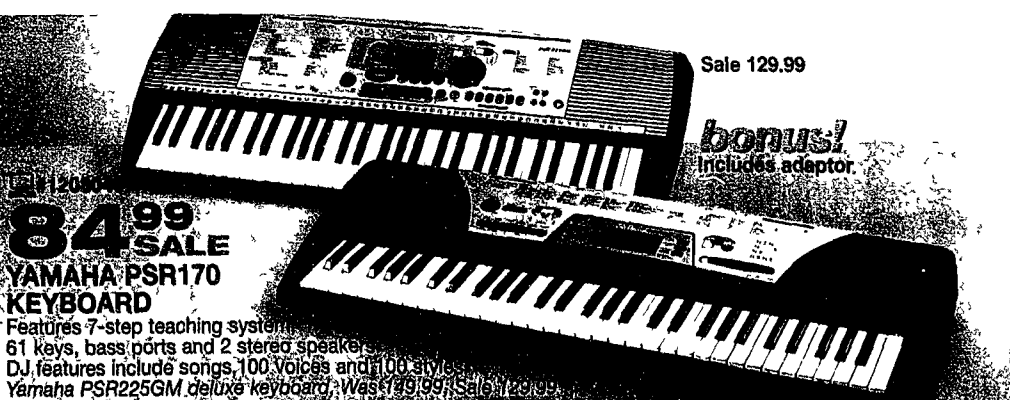
**179<sup>99</sup>**  
**SALE**

Was 199.99  
**PHILIPS 3-CD 280-WATT STEREO**  
**SYSTEM**: CD-R/RW playable, digital tuner  
with 40 presets and max sound technology, 17 watts

After Mr's \$20  
Mail-in Rebate

**59<sup>99</sup>**  
**CLASSIC 6-CD/**  
**CASSETTE**  
**100-WATT**  
**STEREO**  
**SYSTEM**

AM/FM stereo  
with digital tuner.  
Rebate limited to Mr's stipulations.  
\*20.99 less  
\$20 mail-in rebate = 59.99  
#1208034



Sale 129.99

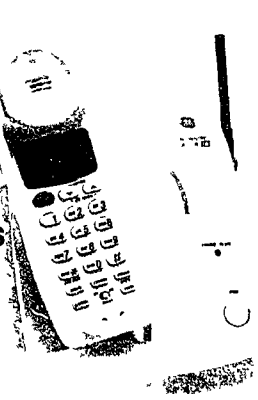
**bonus!**  
Includes adaptor.

**84<sup>99</sup>**  
**SALE**  
**YAMAHA PSR170**  
**KEYBOARD**

Features 7-step teaching system,  
61 keys, bass ports and 2 stereo speakers.  
DJ features include songs, 100 voices and 100 styles.  
Yamaha PSR225GM deluxe keyboard. Was 149.99. Sale 129.99.

**19<sup>99</sup>**  
**SPECIAL**  
**BUY**

**GE CORDLESS**  
**PHONE WITH**  
**CALLER ID**  
40 name and  
number memory.  
26930GE1



**69<sup>99</sup>**  
**SALE**

**TRACFONE®**  
**DIGITAL**  
**WIRELESS**  
**PREPAID**  
**PHONE**

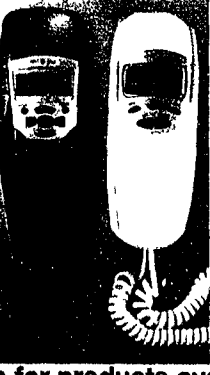
Free ID card and  
caller ID/call waiting,  
nationwide coverage.  
Airtime cards available,  
17.99-79.99  
Nokia 5165/5125/5180



**bonus!**

Accessory kit includes cigarette  
lighter adaptor, earbud headset  
and leather case. A 29.99 value!

**6<sup>99</sup>**  
**SPECIAL**  
**BUY**  
**TELTECH**  
**PHONE**  
**WITH**  
**CALLER ID**



**14<sup>99</sup>**  
**SPECIAL BUY**  
**TELTECH**  
**2.4GHz PHONE**

TC988 Rebate limited to  
Mr's stipulations.  
\*24.99 less \$10  
mail-in rebate = 14.99

**bonus!**  
Headset included.  
A 12.99 value!



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OF THE SEASON

**21<sup>99</sup> SALE**

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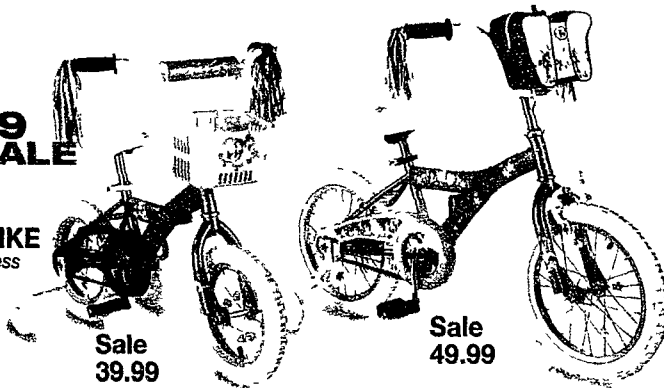
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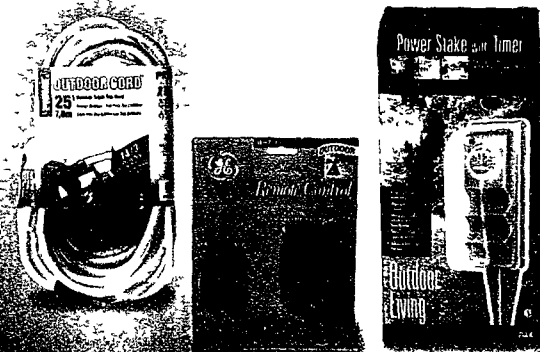


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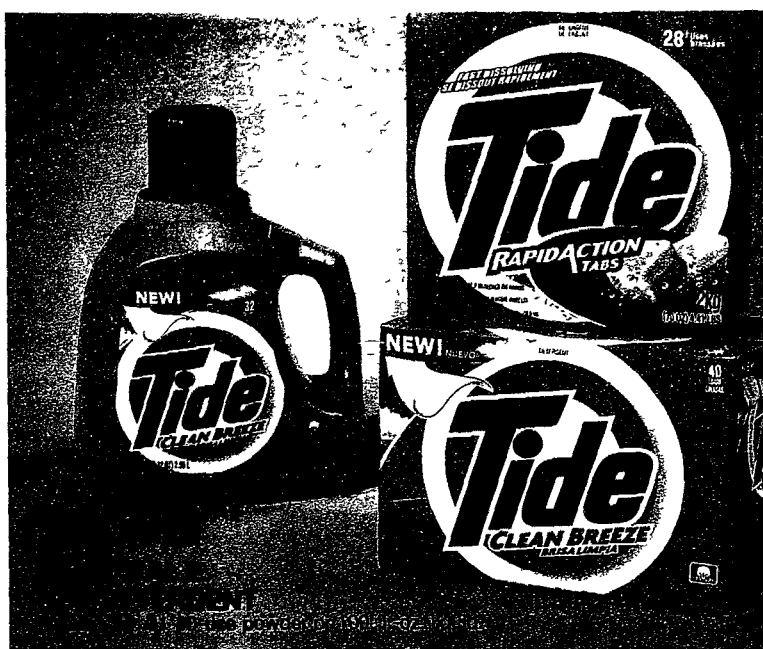
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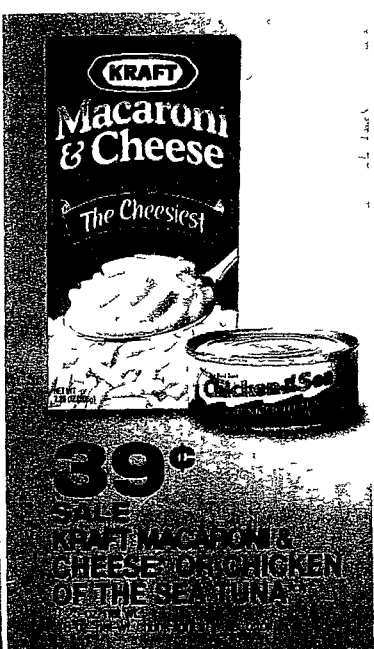




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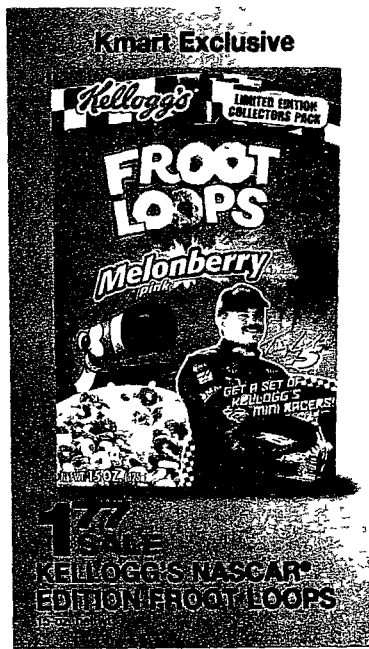
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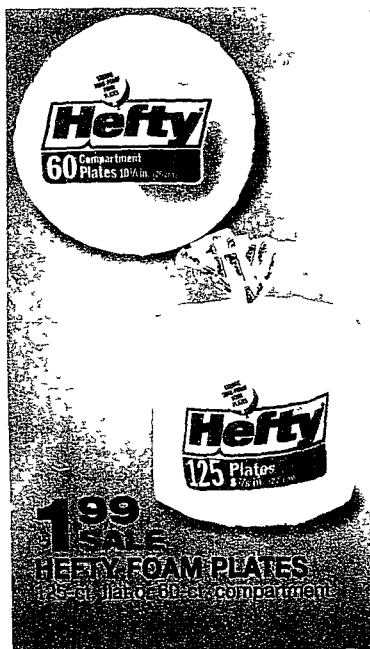
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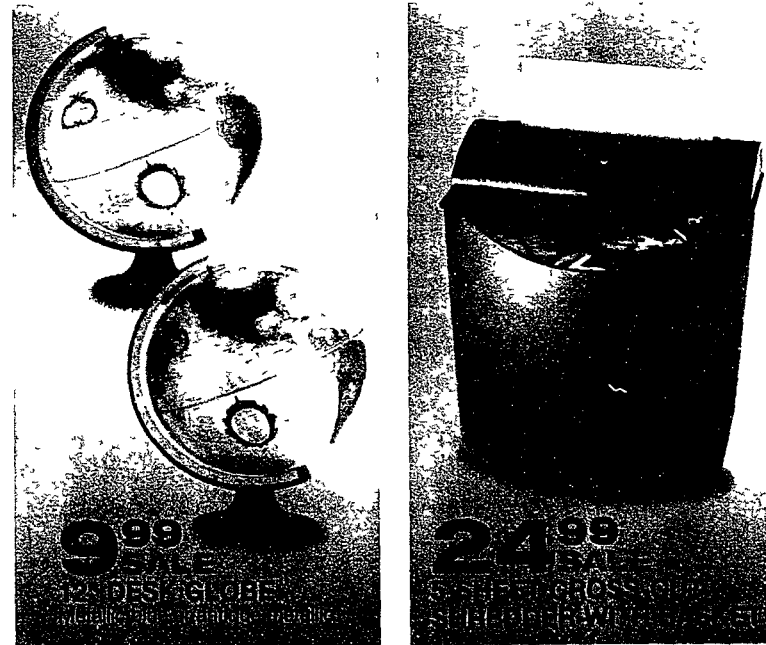
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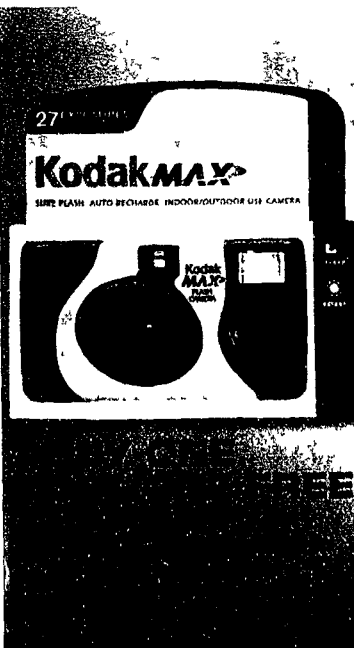


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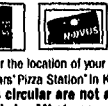


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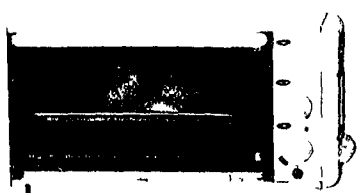


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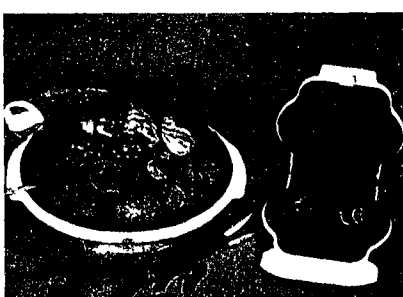
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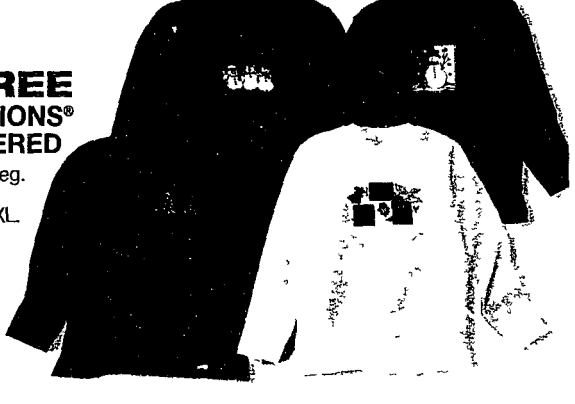
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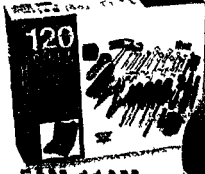
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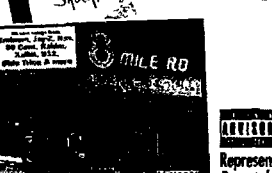
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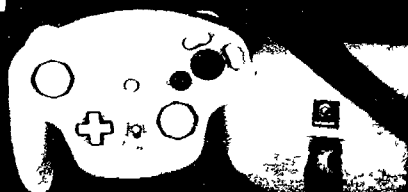
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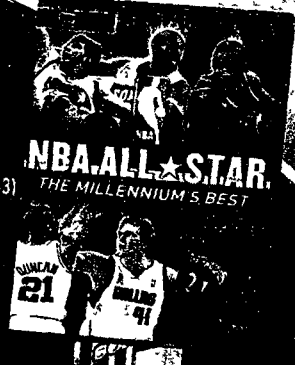
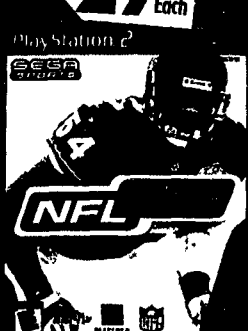


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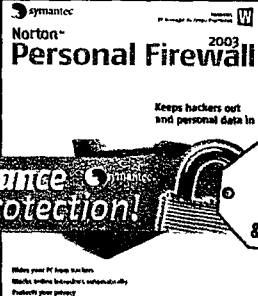
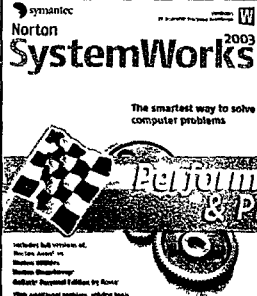
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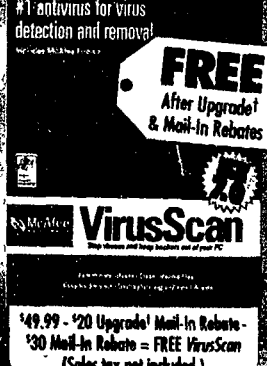
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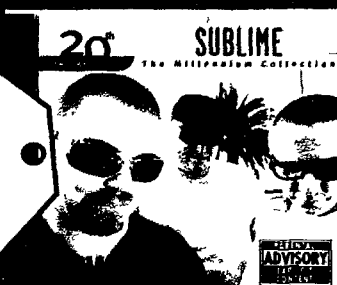
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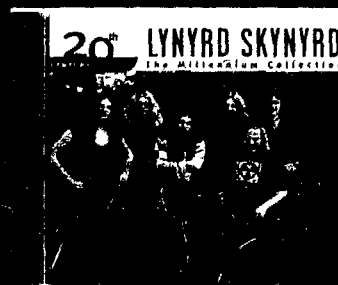
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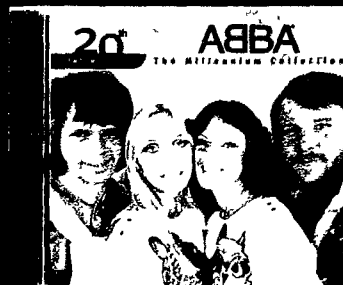
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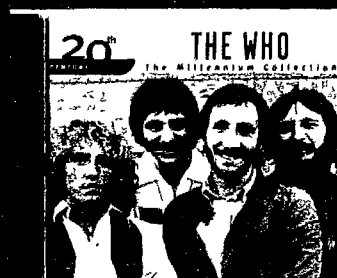
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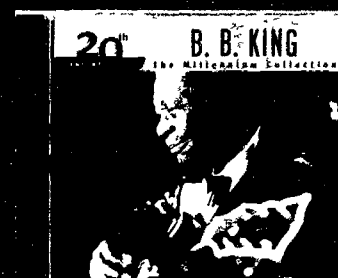
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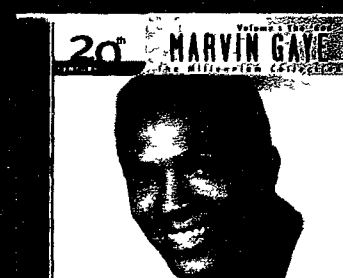
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The Best Of...



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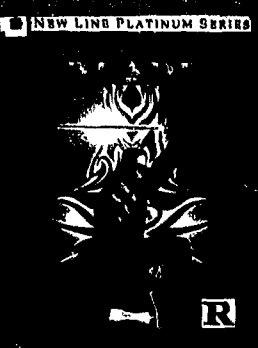
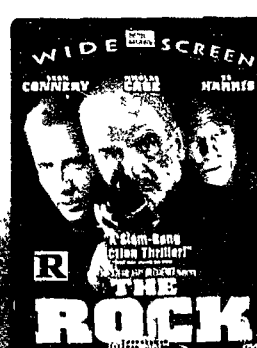
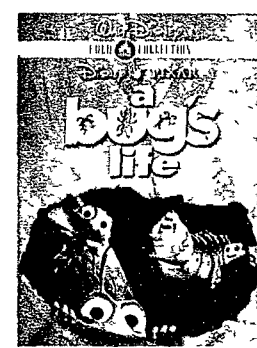
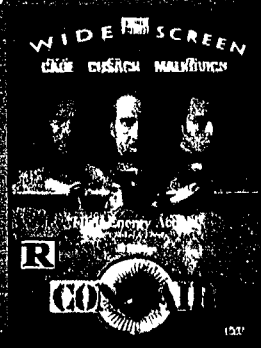
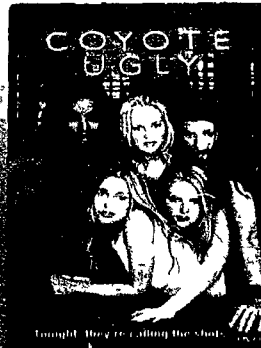
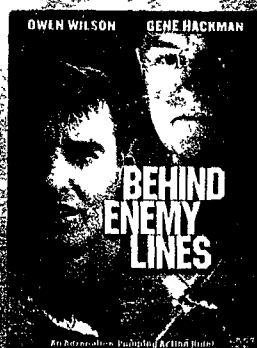
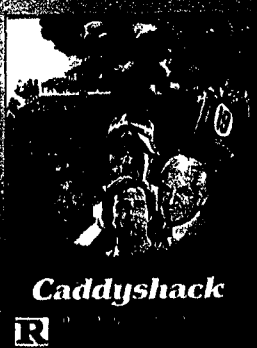
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5-CD  
After Savings

**2 for \$20**  
DVDs

ALSO AVAILABLE: • FROM HELL • HEAT  
• GOLDENEYE • THE REPLACEMENTS

Choose from these advertised DVDs, \$14.99 individually.

Valid on these advertised titles. Must be purchased at same time. Limited to in-stock items.  
Selection varies by store. No rainchecks.





# DVD/CD Player

Featuring MP3 Playback and Component Input (DVD-S221) Minimum 25 per store. No rainchecks.

Save \$20 on DVD/VCR combos

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# LOWEST

SELECT HOME AUDIO

PLUS

Save \$20 on DVD/VCR combos

**79<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate

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## DVD/VCR/CD Combo with MP3 Playback

(4600514) Minimum 25 per store. No rainchecks.  
\$149.99 - \$20 Rebate = \$129.99

KLH

## 500-Total-Watt Dolby® Digital Receiver

(R5100) Main: 100 watts x 5

OUR LOWEST ADVERTISED PRICE

**99<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate

\$124.99 - \$25 Rebate = \$99.99

**\$100** Total Savings

OUR LOWEST ADVERTISED PRICE

**149<sup>99</sup>**  
After Instant & Mail-In Rebates

\$249.99 - \$70 Instant Rebate = \$179.99 - \$30 Mail-In Rebate = \$149.99

## TDK 4X CD Recorder/Player

(DA-5900/DA-5700)

**\$150** Total Savings

## SONY KLH Dolby® Digital/DTS™ Home Theater System

Featuring a 6-Piece Speaker Set  
(STRDE485/HTA-4906)  
Receiver: 100 watts x 5, Subwoofer: 50 watts.

**\$50** Total Savings

## 8" 100-Watt Powered Subwoofer

(YST-SW105) \$149.99 - \$30 Instant Rebate = \$119.99 - \$20 Mail-In Rebate = \$99.99

YAMAHA

**\$100** Total Savings

**199<sup>99</sup>**  
After Savings

EACH **14<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate  
Must Be Purchased In Pairs

KLH

## 3-Way, 8" Bookshelf Speaker

(LB53) \$24.99 - \$10 Rebate = \$14.99 Each

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## 6-Piece Home Theater Speaker Package with Dual Drivers (HS-AP400SW)

## Pioneer 500-Watt Home Theater System with 5-Disc DVD Player (HT-S200V)

Front: 115 watts x 2, Center: 52 watts, Rear: 52 x 2, Subwoofer: 114 watts.

**399<sup>99</sup>**

**FREE \$50**

Gift Card Instantly with purchase of either home theater system

gift CARD

**\$25** Total Savings

**34<sup>99</sup>**  
After Savings

## CRAIG CD+G Karaoke System

Show song lyrics on your TV

(CKG-48216) Minimum 20 per store. No rainchecks.

**399<sup>99</sup>**

YAMAHA  
by Digital  
Surround

No Interest Financing†

# 20 STORE

Purchases Totaling

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# ADVERTISED PRICES

THESE FEATURED TVs



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**499<sup>99</sup>**  
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**15" Flat Panel LCD TV**  
with Cable-Ready Tuner



ADVENT **32" under \$300**

**DVD-Ready Stereo TV**

with Component Video Input (Q328A)

Limit 1 per customer. No rainchecks

OUR LOWEST ADVERTISED PRICE

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\*\*Digital TV requires optional set-top box to receive digital signal.

Some projection TVs may not be displayed in all stores but are available for purchase.

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**TOSHIBA**  
**50" High-Definition 1080i**  
Projection TV Monitor\*\* with 2 HD  
Component Video Inputs (50H72)

OUR LOWEST ADVERTISED PRICE

**1499<sup>99</sup>**

MAGNAVOX

**36" Stereo TV**

(M336525) \$557.99 - \$50 Rebate = \$499.99  
Limit 1 per customer. No rainchecks.

OUR LOWEST ADVERTISED PRICE

**499<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate



MAGNAVOX

**55" PROJECTION TV** Features  
Picture-In-Picture and Component  
Video Input (55P828B) \$949.99 - \$50 Rebate = \$899.99

OUR LOWEST ADVERTISED PRICE

**899<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate



**RCA**  
**2-Room DIRECTV®**

System Installed\* (DSM433RG)

New Customers Only

**FREE**  
After Mail-In Rebate<sup>††</sup>

\*\$99.99 - \$100 Rebate = FREE System  
(Sales tax not included.)

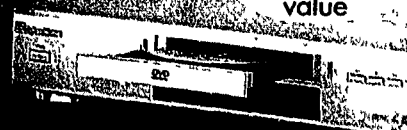
PLUS

**FREE DVD PLAYER**

instantly, with  
purchase of this  
**DIRECTV System**

Now customers only.

**\$99.99**  
value



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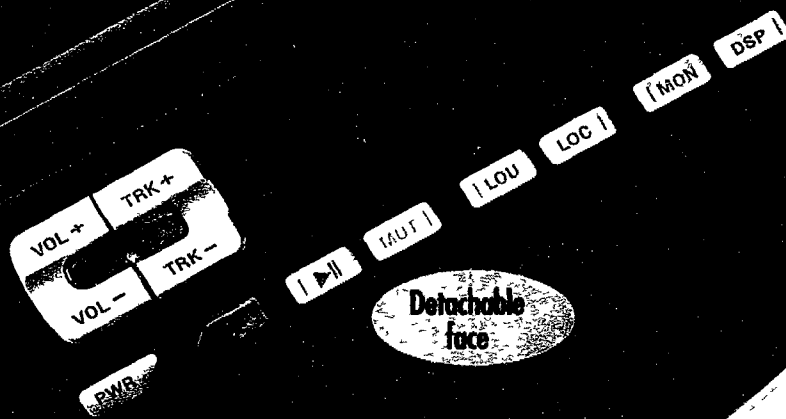
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††Hardware and programming options differ in Alaska and Hawaii.

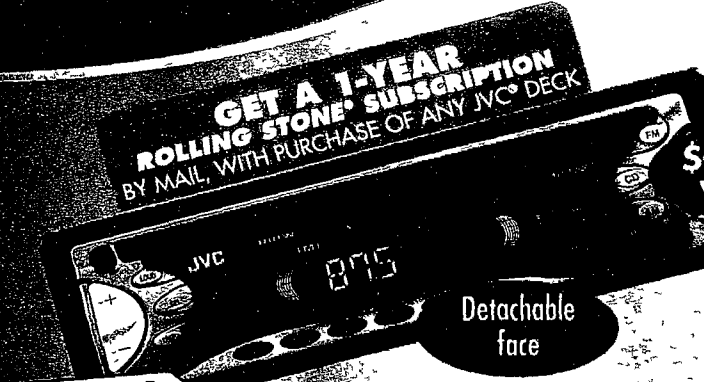
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**CD Deck**  
(RB60) Minimum 20 per store. No rainchecks.



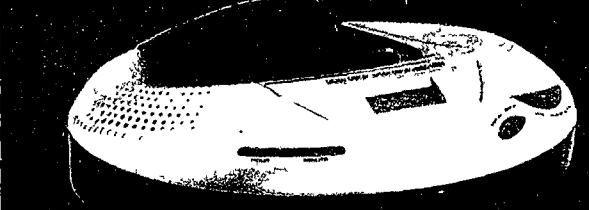
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After Savings

**JVC**  
CD Deck (KD5500)

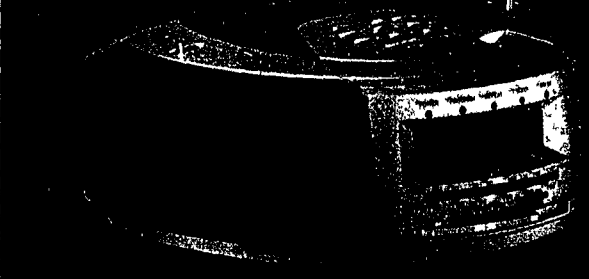
**149<sup>99</sup>**  
After Instant & Mail-In Rebates

Save \$10  
**19<sup>99</sup>**  
Each  
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**CD Players**



AM/FM CD Boombox with Digital Readout (C03) Minimum 18 per store.



Dual Alarm CD Clock Radio (C03101) Minimum 15 per store.

**SONY**  
Cyber-shot® 3.2 Megapixel Digital Camera with 3X Optical/2X Digital Zoom (DSC-F711)

**349<sup>99</sup>**

Take XM anywhere



**129<sup>99</sup>**

**XM Satellite Tuner**  
for Home and Car  
Home and car kits sold separately.  
(SA10000)

**15** Total Savings

**14<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate

**GE**  
900MHz Cordless with Headset (26921GE1)  
\$24.99 - \$10 Rebate = \$14.99



**900MHz Cordless**  
with Headset



Skip-Free® Portable CD Player with FM Tuner (C0311) Minimum 30 per store.

\*Reduces or eliminates skipping during many active uses.



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**12** Total Savings

**17<sup>99</sup>**  
After Instant Savings & Mail-In Rebate

**Panasonic**  
900MHz Analog Cordless Phone  
\$24.99 - \$7 Instant Savings = \$17.99  
\$17.99 - \$10 Mail-In Rebate = \$7.99



**Set**  
**79<sup>99</sup>**



**Set**  
**119<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate

**Panasonic**  
900MHz Analog Cordless Phone

**59<sup>99</sup>**

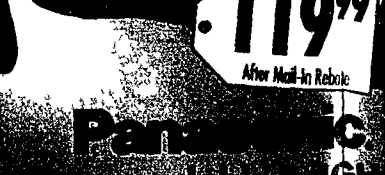


**2.4GHz Cordless**  
with Call Waiting/Caller ID\*\* and TeleZapper®  
(V7230)

**Set**  
**79<sup>99</sup>**



**Set**  
**119<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate



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**Panasonic**  
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**Canon**  
38-85mm Zoom Camera with Kit  
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**79<sup>99</sup>**



**Canon**  
EOS Rebel XS N SLR Camera Kit  
with 35-80mm lens (100-2)

**239<sup>99</sup>**



**Canon**  
Digital Camcorder with Still Camera and 15X Optical/360X Digital Zoom  
(Z640)

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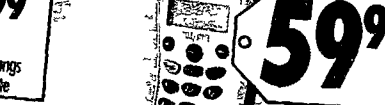


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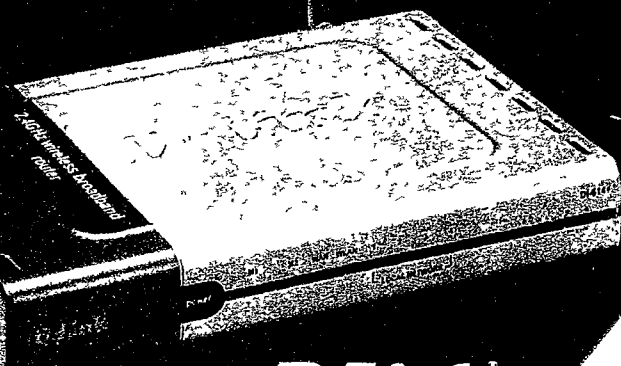
Wireless access points, wired routers, desktop cards, notebook adapters & more

Microsoft  
NETGEAR  
LINKSYS  
D-Link

**\$100** Total Savings

**49<sup>99</sup>**

After Instant & Mail-In Rebates



D-Link

## 2.4GHz Wireless Access Point

with 4-Port Router (DL-614+)

Limit 1 mail-in rebate per D-Link product per customer.  
Minimum 5 per store. No rainchecks.

\$149.99 - \$40 Instant Rebate = \$109.99  
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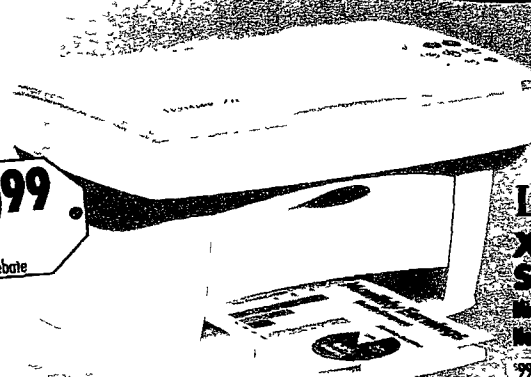
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any 2 identical packs of  
Memorex DVD media.

Includes DVD+R/-RW, DVD-R/-RW and DVD-RAM.



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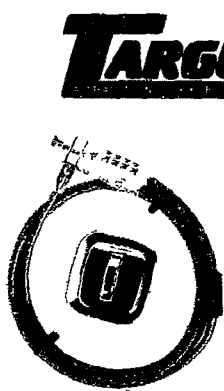
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\$92.97 - \$23 Bundle Instant Rebate = \$69.97 - \$30 Bundle  
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**Notebook Case**  
(OCN1)



**Cable Lock**  
(PA410U)



**Mouse**  
(PAUM002U)

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**39<sup>97</sup>**

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## STORE

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## SAVE \$150

by mail, on all notebooks

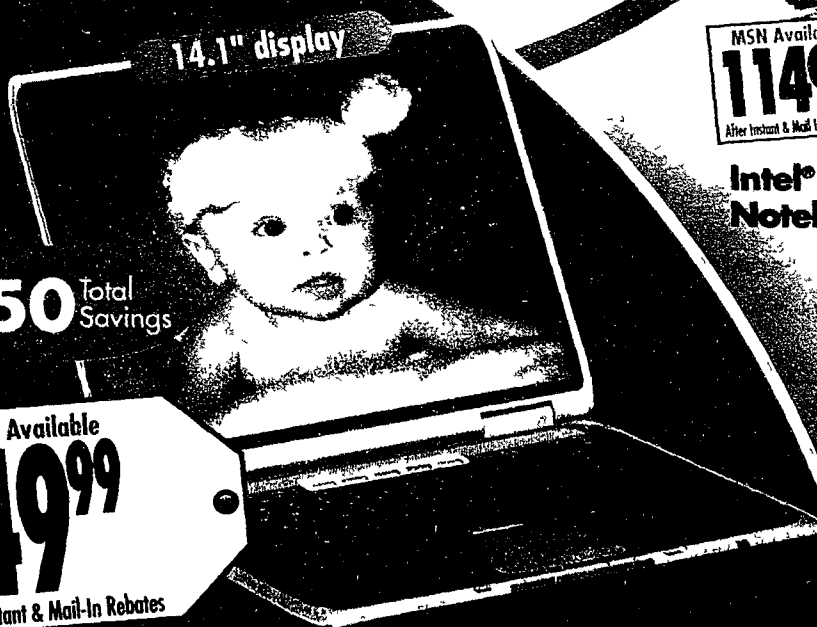
Includes Computer Creation Station  
notebooks. Excludes prior purchases,  
clearance items, demos and  
open-box merchandise.



**\$350** Total Savings

MSN Available  
**949<sup>99</sup>**

After Instant & Mail-In Rebates



**Mobile Intel® Celeron® Processor 1.8GHz Notebook**  
with DVD/CD-RW Combo Drive (XT155)

- 512MB DDR SDRAM memory
- 30 gigabyte hard drive



**\$350** Total Savings

MSN Available  
**1149<sup>99</sup>**

After Instant & Mail-In Rebates

**Intel® Pentium® 4 Processor 2.0GHz  
Notebook with DVD/CD-RW Combo Drive**

- 256MB DDR SDRAM memory
- 30 gigabyte hard drive
- 14.1" display (1516US)

**\$350 TOTAL SAVINGS** | \$1499.99 - \$100 Compaq Instant Rebate = \$1399.99 - \$150 Best Buy Mail-In Rebate - \$100 Compaq Mail-In Rebate = \$1149.99

## INSTANT \$200 SHOPPING SPREE

when you sign up for 24 months  
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TECH TALK

Your digital lifestyle displayed easily on your desktop.

Whether you're surfing, word processing or viewing digital pictures, the amazing image quality and slim design of this monitor make it the focal point of your desktop.



\$150 Total Savings

**399<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate

**17"** LCD  
Flat-Panel Monitor  
8.2" deep. (171v)

\$549.99 - \$150 Rebate = \$399.99

SAMSUNG



\$90 Total Savings

**69<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate

**17" Monitor**  
(15.7" viewable image size) (700FS)  
Minimum 15 per store. Not displayed in all stores. No rainchecks.  
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MAC INNOVATION

COMPUTER  
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Build your dream PC

**COMPAQ**  
Intel® Pentium® 4 Processor 2.0GHz  
Computer with 17" Compaq Monitor  
and HP Color Printer (16" viewable image size) (6000T series/CV7500/3320)

- 128MB DDR SDRAM memory
- 60 gigabyte hard drive
- 16X max DVD-ROM drive
- Integrated Intel® Extreme graphics

Enhance this Compaq configuration

- **FREE Upgrade** to 120 gigabyte hard drive
- **Add** a 48X max CD-RW drive for an additional \$1

**\$250 TOTAL SAVINGS**

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**629<sup>99</sup>**  
After Mail-In Rebate



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**128MB MP3 Player**

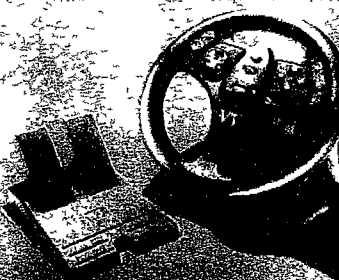
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\$199.99 - \$70 Instant Rebate = \$129.99 - \$30 Mail-In Rebate = \$99.99

**89<sup>99</sup>**  
After Instant & Mail-In Rebates



**GeForce 6600 Graphics Card**  
(ASL404200) Minimum 10 per store. 1 per household. No rainchecks.

\$199.99 - \$55 Instant Rebate = \$144.99 - \$55 Mail-In Rebate = \$89.99



\$22 Total Savings

**7<sup>99</sup>**  
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**PC Steering Wheel with Pedals for PC Gaming**

(720) Minimum 10 per store. No rainchecks. \$29.99 - \$22 Rebate = \$7.99

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\$299 & Up

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**SAVE UP TO \$250**

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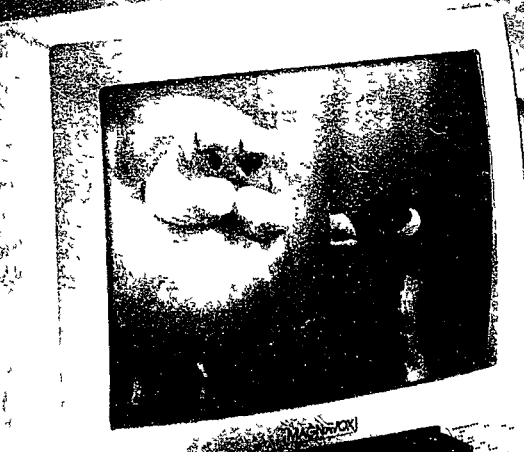
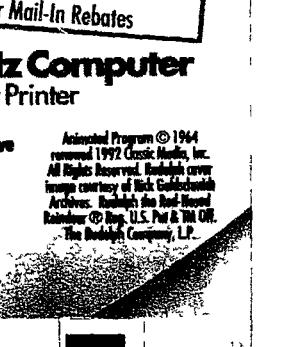
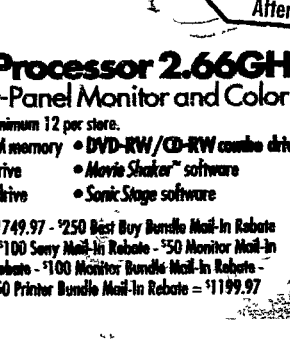
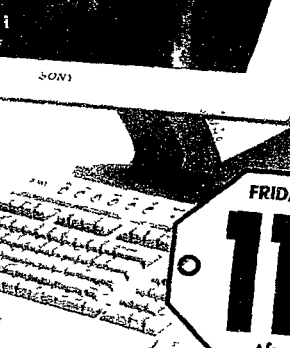
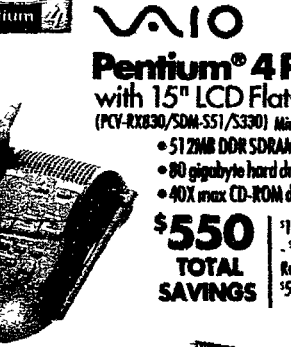
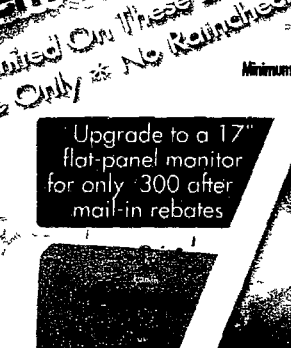
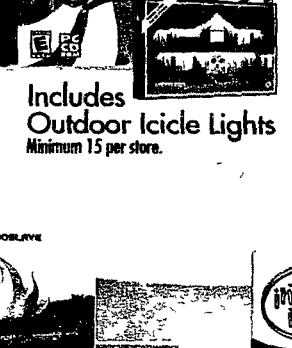
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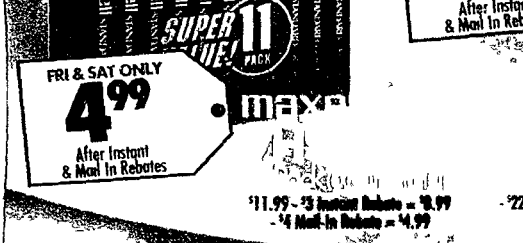
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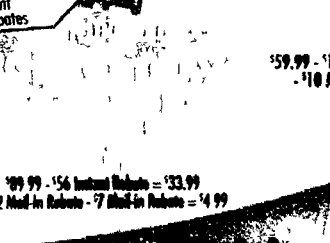
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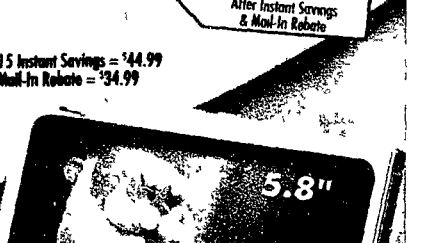
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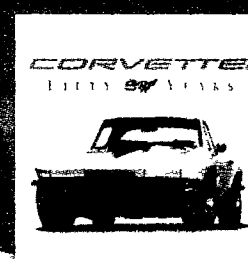
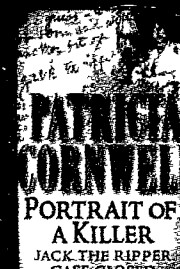
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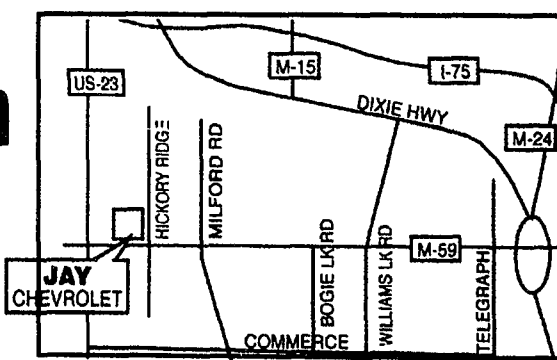
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**BUILDER OF THE MONTH: LIVINGSTON BUILDING COMPANY**

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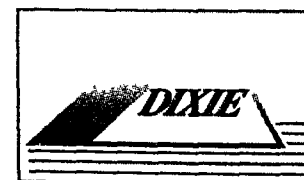
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# BUILDER OF THE MONTH:



## LIVINGSTON BUILDING CO.

*By Molly Tippen*

Cookie cutter houses abound. These variations on the same plans, the same three-arch elevations, can be found on any street and in any new subdivision.

But where are the cookie cutter people?

Brighton-based Livingston Building Co. offers a different philosophy when it comes to new residential construction. This company builds unique plans based on the belief that homes should be a place of pride and distinction and reflect unique homeowners' wants and needs.

This design philosophy is only one of the many ways that Livingston has distin-

guished itself in the homebuilding market. Through attention to detail, expert craftsmanship and impeccable service, this company has built itself a reputation for excellence for homeowners of distinction.

### **Abundant Choices**

Each and every home built by Livingston is entirely custom. From the initial consultations with architects, Livingston is dedicated to building homes that represent homeowners' expectations. When designing a home, the company starts with the ground floor, then the second floor, and creates an elevation to match these plans. In this way, no two

Livingston homes look alike. According to Marcus Yono, of Livingston Building Co., "Since we're not modifying a set plan, we can design an elevation that fits perfectly with a customer's lifestyle and the surrounding landscape, while creating a home that is unique."

Livingston's expertise allows homeowners options. Plans are not limited to common four-wall rooms or what other companies call standard features. The company offers a variety of design elements, including octagon-shaped rooms, two-story arches and stately columns.

And at Livingston, standard amenities are

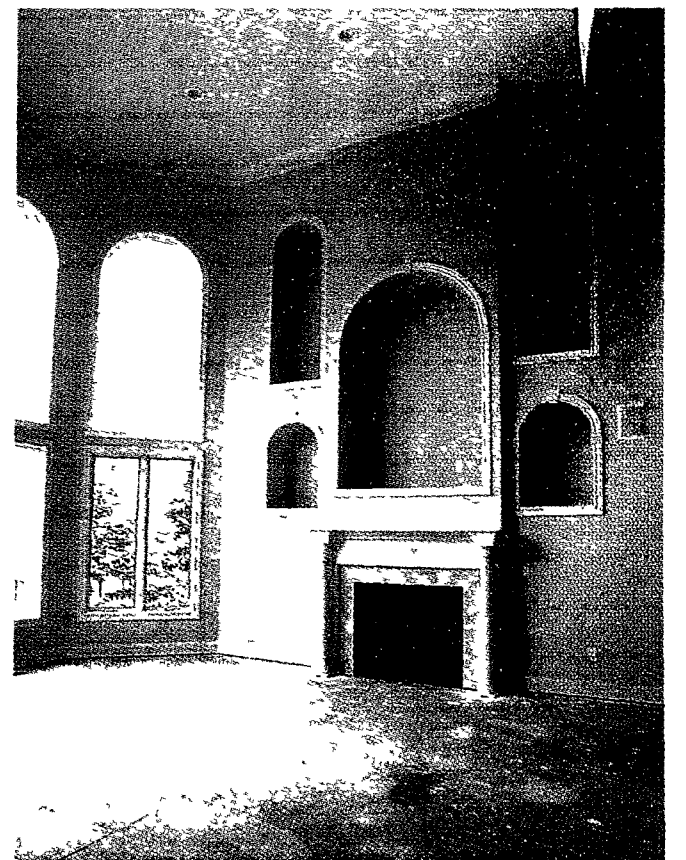


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all exceptional ones. Standard features include oval archways, curved drywall corners, detailed brick and stone designs, extensive use of hardwood flooring and ceramic tile, recessed lighting, angles in rooms, solid wood doors, 8-foot front doors, 8-foot high garage doors and the list goes on!

Once a home is designed, Livingston's team of expert craftsmen turn the dream into reality by painstakingly constructing the home with the finest materials. Envable details are added to each home: Two-toned cabinets, extensive trim work, handcrafted woodwork, stone fireplaces and wrought iron spindles. Each finishing touch represents the beauty, functionality and quality that has become the hallmark of Livingston home-building.

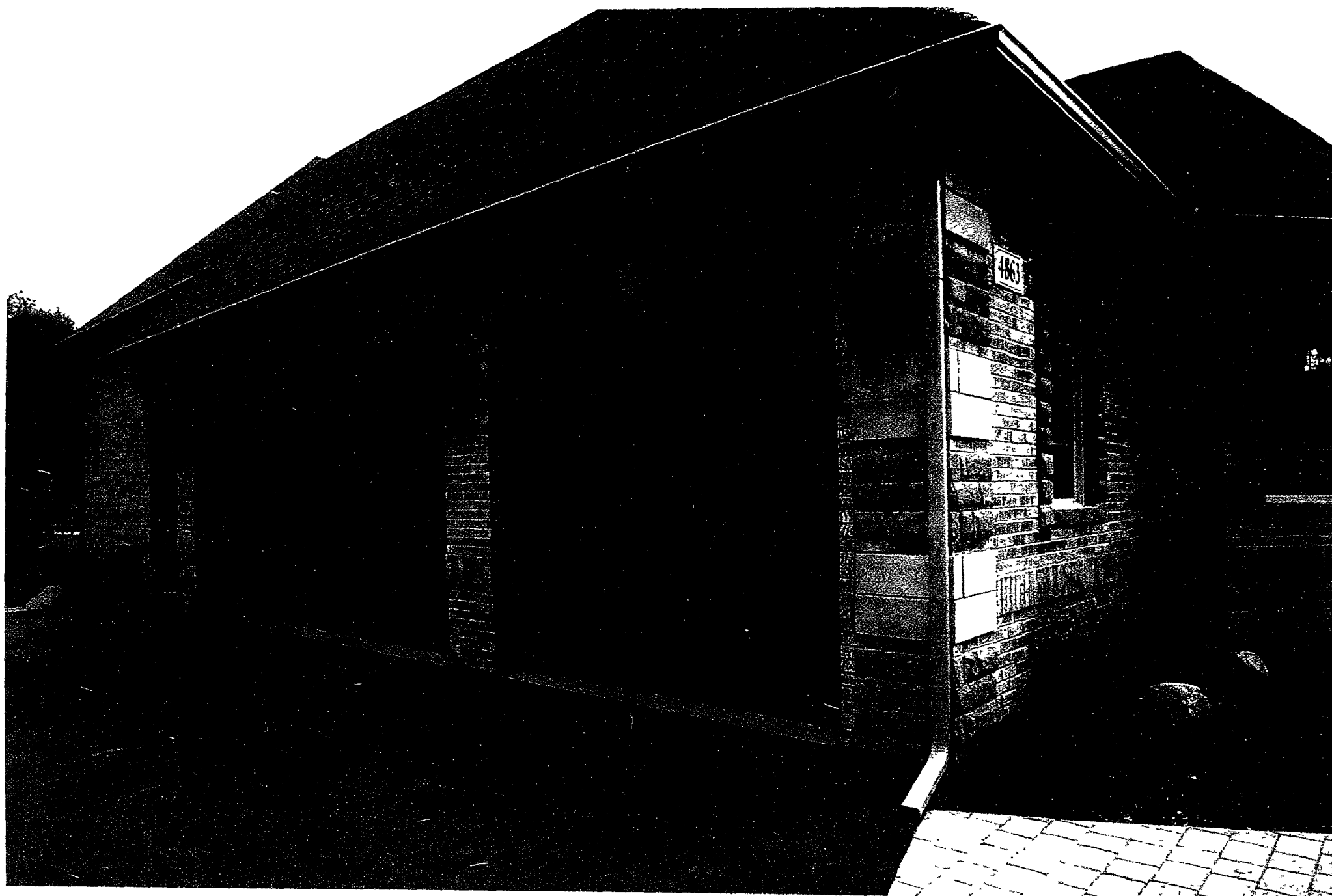
Even the location of a new home is carefully considered to suit homeowners' distinct requirements. While Livingston builds homes in subdivisions, more than half of the homes completed each year are on lots that customers purchased. The site for the home becomes part of the design process, to ensure a house that complements the beauty of the land. In this way, the result is truly one-of-a-kind, whether on a tree-lined neighborhood or a waterfront property.



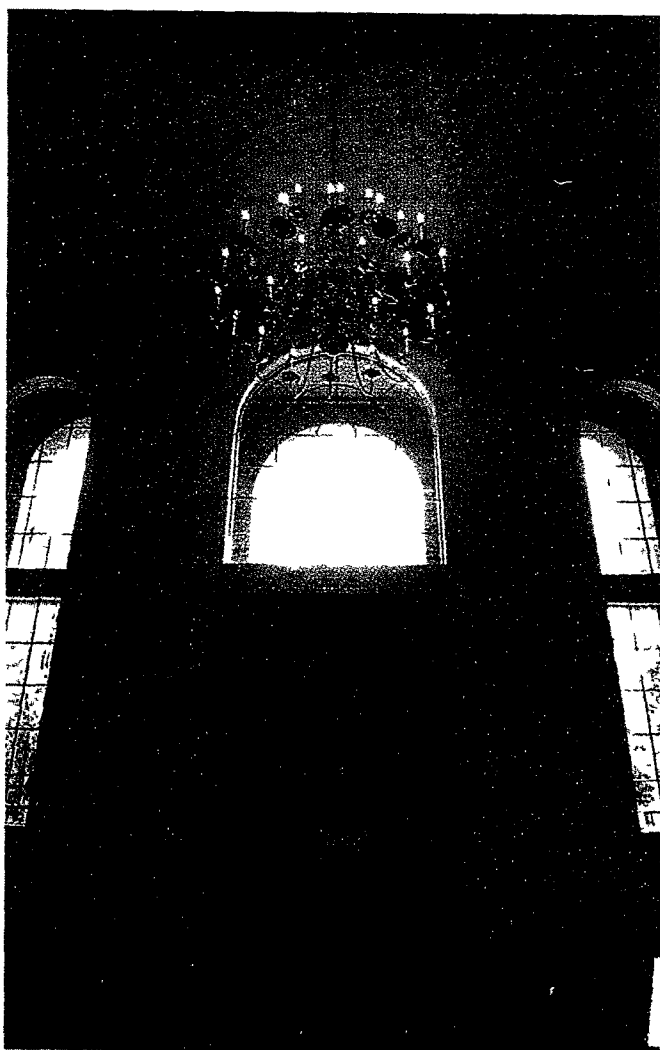
### Exceptional Service

From start to finish, the professionalism of Livingston's staff ensures each buyer enjoys a worry-free experience. A homeowner coordinator, who is also a professional designer, meets regularly with buyers. This individual guides the homeowner through the myriad choices involved in building a custom home, such as determining selections and managing





costs. The homeowner coordinator also works with the field staff to address all homeowner concerns. "Buyers appreciate being updated regularly," Yono explains. "Anything we can do to make the process less stressful for buyers is a priority to us."



Livingston homeowners also appreciate the company's integrity. Construction projects by less reputable companies, with costs spiralling out of control, are the stuff of homebuilding legend. To ease homeowners' concerns, all costs are written down. A lump cost is provided for each home based on a customer's desired amenities and square footage. Any changes or upgrade costs are discussed and presented to the homeowner in writing during various stages of construction, eliminating unpleasant surprises.

This integrity is further illustrated by Livingston's meticulous home inspecting process. A home inspector examines the home at various different stages during the building process. Each stage includes its own checklist with between 12 and 25 items for a truly thorough review. While the homeowners are given access to the site on any night or weekend, many issues they notice have long been discovered during Livingston's inspections. This process also helps to ensure a minimum pre-closing punch list and post closing repairs.

#### **Extraordinary Value**

Since a resale value of a home is often determined by the details, Yono says his company encourages buyers to focus on quality instead

of quantity. "We think buyers are better off with 3,500 square feet and granite countertops and solid wood doors instead of 4,500 square feet with Formica and hollow doors," he says.

Current projects underway include Worden Lake Shores in Brighton, Fawn Meadows in Fowlerville, Parks Edge in



Hamburg, Morgan Lake Estates in Brighton and Nautical Commons in St. Clair Shores. Four new developments are in the design stages - two in Livingston County, Monroe County and Grand Traverse County.

These projects are just a sampling of Livingston's commitment to exceptional quality. "Our overriding goal is to make sure customers have the home of their dreams," Yono says. "Anything less and we're not satisfied." 🏠



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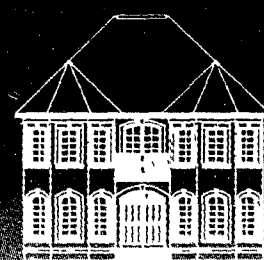
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## Entertaining Trends: *Twists on tips, trends and holiday martinis*

The holidays bring family and friends together to enjoy good company, good conversation and great food and drinks. While the tradition of entertaining during the holidays hasn't changed, that doesn't mean that how you entertain during the holidays must remain traditional.

Renowned party planner David Tutera suggests tapping into the hottest holiday entertaining trends to ensure everyone enjoys a holiday worth remembering.

### Add a splash of contemporary to the traditional

Holiday entertaining often seems like the same old thing. To ensure that family and friends return home for the holidays again next year, Tutera suggests a new twist on an old favorite. This year's holiday parties, he says, will veer away from the standard red-and-green combination and focus on showcasing one color.

Tutera adds that an all-white theme should extend into the foods and beverages served as well. He suggests a Yuletide Martini for a white holiday party, or a Golden Martini for an all gold or copper party.

You can make the Belvedere Yuletide Martini by mixing 2 oz. vodka, 3/4 oz. Godiva White Chocolate Liqueur and 3/4 oz. milk. Shake well. Strain into a martini glass. Garnish with a sprinkle of nutmeg.

To make the Golden Martini, shake 1 1/2 oz. Vodka, 1 oz. Grand Marnier with ice. Strain into a martini glass. Top with 2 oz. of Moët & Chandon champagne. Garnish with a twist of orange.

### Cap off the evening with a dessert party

The holidays are often a very hectic time as families try to find time to trim the tree, visit Santa, hang the stockings and entertain. Tutera notes that this holiday's savvy enter-

tainers will focus on throwing dessert parties, which leave plenty of time for guests to attend cocktail parties and sit-down dinners earlier in the evening without feeling rushed.

Food and beverage pairings at a dessert party are crucial to its success. Tutera suggests serving berries marinated in vodka and chocolates paired with chilled shots of vodka.



### Give your guests a gift

Tutera reminds us that holiday guests typically expect a small gift from their host. Instead of the traditional ornament or candy, this year give your guests something unexpected, versatile and functional – such as a fine wine or liquor. Whether your guests will enjoy it themselves, or in turn make festive holiday drinks for their own guests, this is a gift that will not go unused.

### Holiday entertaining tips

The holiday season is meant to be enjoyed

with family and friends. To keep things merry and bright, Tutera offers the following entertaining tips:

- Plan your holiday party for a weekday evening or Sunday. There are only a few weekends between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Make it easy for your guests to attend your party by planning it for a day and time that they can more easily accommodate.
- Alert your guests well in advance. To ensure your guests can make it to your party, be sure to send out invitations well in advance so they can mark their calendars.
- Consider a tree-trimming or tree-taking-down party. These pre- and post-holiday parties offer freedom from the stress of having the house perfectly decorated and provide a change from the more traditional and formal holiday parties.
- Delegate. If guests ask what they can bring to your party, let them bring something. Delegating will help ensure that you get to enjoy the party just as much as your guests.
- Add plenty of visuals. Be sure to incorporate some of the many opportunities for dramatic visuals the holidays offer – from candles to monochromatic color to tree decorations.
- Offer a bounty of delicious foods and beverages. The hallmark of the holidays is the sharing of delicious foods and beverages; make them memorable both in appearance and flavor.
- Music. Live or recorded, holiday music is essential for creating a festive mood. 🏠

## Make your fête a feat

Whether your merrymaking guests are hundreds of clients and coworkers expecting champagne and foie gras, or a cluster of out-of-town relatives expecting some eggnog and an air mattress, your evening ought to sparkle.

Make this year's festivities memorable with these simple tips from Nancy's Specialty Foods, the world's largest supplier of gourmet quiche and appetizers.

### Party Planning

- Plan on serving two drinks per guest per hour when it comes to mixed drinks, soft drinks, tea, coffee and water.
- For champagne and wine soirées, serve one bottle per two or three guests.
- At cocktail parties, anticipate eight to 10 appetizers per guest. (For a decadent, no-fuss menu, you can serve Nancy's new Champagne

Collection, featuring sumptuous Portabello Mushroom Turnovers, Crab Imperial, Roasted Vegetable Tartlet and Fromage Puffs.)

### Deck the Halls

- Make your house stand out by stringing decorative lights or lanterns along your driveway.
- Place a fresh bar of soap and lotion in the bathroom along with scented candles.

## The Recipe Corner: *Spice things up with buttery basil parmesan puffs*

The increasing availability of fresh herbs is changing the way Americans cook. Simply adding a small amount of herbs creates a tempting fragrance and delicious flavor that turns ordinary dishes into extraordinary ones.

"Incorporating fresh herbs into your recipes is a sure-fire way to engage all of your senses, while adding a thrilling dimension and sophistication to meals," says Jerry Traunfeld, James Beard award-winning chef and author of *The Herbfarm Cookbook*.

Traunfeld has partnered with Dairy Management Inc. (DMI), on behalf of the American Butter Institute to develop a delicious, herb-inspired recipe using fresh basil

a great addition to any meal. Following are some ideas to keep in mind when preparing this recipe:

**Keep it Fresh:** Using fresh herbs can add more flavor than dried ones. Obtaining fresh basil can be as easy as picking it from your own garden, or buying some from the grocery store or local farmers' market.

**Picture Perfect:** To get round, airy puffs, place some of the dough in a plastic sandwich bag, seal it, and cut 1/4 inch off the bottom corner. Then squeeze out about 1 tablespoon of dough per puff.

**Offer a Spread:** Make a delicious butter spread, such as a sun-dried tomato butter, to

complement the puffs. Combine 1 pound of butter, 1 cup of sun-dried tomatoes, 1/2 cup of pine nuts and 1 tablespoon of fresh garlic in a mixing bowl. Mix together, then salt and pepper to taste.

**Plan Ahead:** To prepare now and bake later, unbaked puffs can be refrigerated for up to six hours before baking, or frozen on cookie sheets and baked directly from the freezer. Allow an extra five minutes baking time for frozen puffs.

Unparalleled flavor is achieved when all natural butter is used to create great-tasting dishes. Visit [www.butterisbest.com](http://www.butterisbest.com) for an array of meal ideas for any occasion. Everything from appetizers to entrées is just a click away. 🏠



and simple ingredients like butter and cheese. "This recipe is just the thing for fun, spur of the moment cooking," says Traunfeld. "Basil plays beautifully off the richness of butter, and creates an irresistible aroma that will tempt any palate."

With such a distinct and appealing texture, these Buttery Basil Parmesan Puffs are

### Buttery Basil Parmesan Puffs

**Makes:** 24 **Prep time:** 20 minutes **Bake time:** 30 minutes

*Recipe provided by Jerry Traunfeld on behalf of the American Butter Institute*

- 3/4 cup water
- 6 tablespoons (3/4 stick) unsalted butter, cut in cubes
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 cups basil leaves, gently packed
- 4 large eggs
- 1 cup freshly grated Parmesan

Finely chop basil leaves and set aside. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Bring water, butter and salt to a rolling boil in a medium-sized saucepan. When butter has melted, add flour, all at once, and whisk vigorously over medium heat until mixture forms a smooth thick dough that pulls away from sides of the pan. Transfer dough to the mixing bowl of a heavy-duty electric mixer.

Using the paddle attachment, beat mixture on medium until slightly cool. Add basil and mix until incorporated and dough is bright green. Add eggs, one at a time, to mixture and beat until smooth. Continue to mix for one minute. Add cheese and process until incorporated.

Line two cookie sheets with parchment paper. Drop dough in tablespoon sized balls on cookie sheets, allowing about 1 inch of space between each. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes or until lightly browned and crisp. Serve while still warm. (Dough may be piped onto cookie sheet using a piping bag and plain tip, #8 or #9.)

- Pop cookie dough in the oven 10 to 15 minutes before your guests arrive for an enticing aroma.

- Add accents of color throughout your home with freshly picked flowers, bowls of fruit, or unlit candles.

#### Oh Night, Divine

- Enlist the talents of a few close friends to assist you before, during and after the party.

- Remove fragile objects from tables or shelves to protect them, and your guests.

- Plan for the unexpected-guests bringing extra guests, kids or even pets.

- Consider wearing dark clothes in case you spill, or have a second outfit ready and waiting.

- Keep an extra round of appetizers ready in the oven or refrigerator.

- Consider renting glasses, plates and silverware so you don't have to do the dishes afterward.

- Take a few minutes before your guests arrive to put your feet up and drink a glass of water.

Now that you've done everything to accommodate your guests, go ahead and enjoy the party.

To learn more about Nancy's gourmet appetizers, visit [www.nancys.com](http://www.nancys.com). 🏠



## Decorator's Corner: *Flowers for your home and theirs*

The holidays are a time for personal celebrations and traditions shared with family and friends. Flowers have long played a special role in holiday festivities and are as personal and individual as the people doing the celebrating. This season, start your own traditions with flowers – the gifts that give more all winter long.

1. Greet guests at the door with a wreath holding a personal tree ornament for each of them to take home.

2. Use fresh flowers on your Christmas tree in water vials. Florists can recommend long-lasting varieties and tell you how to add water to vials. Dried or treated flowers are also a beautiful choice.

3. Use wrapped boxes, festive bows and flowers as table decorations. Give wrapped "packages" to your florist in advance and he or she can create floral designs for them. Place your "packages" with flowers under the tree or on the mantle.

4. Wrap the pots of poinsettias or other holiday plants in festive paper and ribbons.

5. For an elegant celebration take advantage of all places where candles could be displayed: Line a walkway with votive candles in luminaries leading up to a door. Place garland on the mantle with fresh flowers and candles to

beautifully grace your room and make the most of light by enhancing the fire. Float candles and flowers in treasured crystal or silver bowls to create a fabulous effect. Place scented candles with fresh blossoms in each powder room.

6. If an open house is on the agenda and many guests will be in a room, it is important to give special attention to the larger display areas such as the front door, foyer, mantle, buffet or serving areas, powder rooms, windows and

staircase. This will help you get maximum impact because with many people in a room smaller arrangements placed around will not be seen at all times. Additionally, by focusing on a few focal areas in each room, more space is made for glasses, cups and food plates...and there is less chance of an accident.

7. As guests leave, have a vase of loose flowers by the door and invite them to take one home as a gift. 🏠

### Holidays From Across the Miles: Florist's card ideas

Tucked inside these flowers are thoughts from afar.

Every time you look at these flowers know that someone far away is thinking of you.

Blowing you a kiss from across the miles.

Sending you a floral hug!

Wish I were there.

The miles cannot separate our hearts!

So far and yet so near you.

Miss you!

Thinking about you is one of my favorite "thinks."

Missing you and sending my/our love. 🏠



# Buying a Poinsettia? *Make it last all season and longer*

Poinsettias are one of the longest-lasting blooming plants available to consumers.

## To choose the perfect poinsettia:

- Pick a plant with small, tightly clustered buds in the center.
- Look for crisp, bright, undamaged foliage.
- Avoid plants displayed in drafty or crowded areas.

## To keep the poinsettia blooming:

- When surface soil is dry to the touch, water thoroughly. Discard excess water in the saucer.

- To prolong color, keep a temperature range of 60 degrees for night and 72 degrees for day. High humidity is preferable.

- Place plant away from hot or cold drafts, and protect from cold winds.

- To rebloom for the next season: During winter, continue to follow holiday upkeep tips.

- March 17 (St. Patrick's Day): When bracts fade, cut stems back to eight inches above soil line.

- Continue to water regularly.

- Lightly fertilize with a good, balanced all-purpose fertilizer every three to four weeks.

- When temperatures are warm, place plant outdoors; first in indirect, then direct sunlight. Avoid temperatures below 50 degrees throughout the summer.

- July 4 (Independence Day): Cut back new growth stems. Repot if needed.

- Early September (Labor Day): Move plant inside. Provide six or more hours of direct light.

- October 1 through mid-December: Confine plant to complete darkness for 14 hours, giving it 10 hours of natural light daily. This will set the buds and cause bracts to color. 🏠



## Did you know? History and Legend of the Poinsettia

Poinsettias were first introduced to the United States in 1825 by Joel Robert Poinsett, amateur botanist and first ambassador to Mexico. He introduced the plant to the United States when he brought some cuttings to his plantation in Greenwood, South Carolina.

December 12 is National Poinsettia Day, an official day set aside to enjoy this symbol of holiday cheer. It was established upon the death of Mr. Poinsett to honor him and the plant he made famous. He died in 1851.

Poinsettias are native to Mexico, where they grow wild. The enchanting legend of the poinsettia dates back several centuries, to a Christmas Eve in Mexico when a little girl named Pepita had no gift to present to the Christ child. Her cousin Pedro urged her to give a humble gift. So, on her way to church she gathered some weeds she found along the road. As she approached the altar, a miracle happened: The weeds blossomed into brilliant flowers. Then they were called Flores de Noche Buena – Flowers of the Holy Night. Now they are called poinsettias. 🏠



# Composite Panel Products: *Help Shape Cutting-Edge Home Office*



Photo provided by All-Star Desk

**T**his is not your father's office. At-home and high-rise offices alike are shedding yesterday's genteel corporate aura for a look more reminiscent of a kindergarten classroom or sleep-over camp than a grown-up work space.

Today's fast-paced, cyber-connected marketplace has spawned a spirited new design direction for the contemporary work arena. Once-staid companies are now featuring brightly colored "playpens" for brainstorming sessions, "sleep tents" for re-energizing naps, and oversized Tic Tac Toe boards to get creative juices flowing. Today's hard-charging home offices are sporting the same spirited new look, with unconventional design elements and bold, colorful furnishings.

To keep stride with a fast-changing economy, businesses, telecommuters and at-home professionals alike are demanding high-style, tech-tonic office set-ups that are not only efficient to install, but can be readily rearranged to meet tomorrow's needs today. Furniture manufacturers are responding with a host of flexible, modular designs in a wide range of exciting styles and finishes.

Composite panel products such as particleboard, medium density fiberboard (MDF) and aggrifiber board are vital team players in these hip new home office offerings, appearing as mobile desks, files and walls as well as multi-purpose units that are easily regrouped for a client meet-

ing or a private work space.

Sauder Woodworking's sleek, contemporary Parisian collection, for example, features modular styling that allows stand-alone pieces to be joined in multiple configurations to meet changing work space demands. The collection creates a hip, versatile home office setting with its clean, uncluttered lines and natural bethel cherry laminate finish.

In fact, laminate finishes are a boon to today's fast-changing work environment. When a growing home business requires additional employees, wood finishes can be difficult to match on new desks and work surfaces. Laminate finishes, on the other hand, guarantee consistency in color and tone, giving the expanding home office a seamless, polished ambience.

In today's techno-centric work arena, computers not only rate prime space, but are inspiring furniture designers. For example, Apple Computer's spare, brightly colored iMac computer has encouraged bolder shapes and colors in office furnishings, industry insiders say. Haworth's if collection is a compelling example, with its combination of organic and geometric forms and colorful new surface options.

The if line addresses key home office issues with a wide range of storage pieces, work tops, tables and screens that can easily be modified to

individual needs and quickly moved from space to space. The collection's work surfaces are designed to rev up the home office: Dynamic patterned laminates add refreshing visual interest and powder-coated accents in vivid shades of red, green and periwinkle punch up the work area with vibrant color.

## Home Office Checklist

According to Michael Allmond of All-Star Desk in Southfield, many factors can impact the appeal and convenience of an office. To aid customers in planning their home offices, they provide a complete home office checklist with thoughtful questions such as: How many electrical outlets are available and where are they located? Is the current lighting adequate? Will guests be visiting the office? How many files are required and are locks necessary? Does new furniture need to match existing pieces in the room?

Another exuberant new home office collection, CreativeWorks by Creative Interiors, also caters to today's cyber-connected business world. The shapely desks, returns, storage and entertainment units provide versatility and flexibility for the home office. And the combination of a wood finish with stylish nickel hardware fits right into the hip 21st century office landscape. ■

## Hints for Homeowners: *Reduce Costs and Increase Comfort This Winter*

**W**inter is approaching and it's time to prepare your home for the cold temperatures, snow, ice and windy conditions. Once cold air moves in, it doesn't take long for heating costs to skyrocket, and stocking your home with essential supplies will better prepare you and your family for the winter months ahead. Many factors need to be considered when choosing how to winterize your home, particularly safety and efficiency.

Purchase items that will save energy costs and keep the area in and around your home safe. According to Discovery.com, the average winter temperature in the United States is 35 degrees. Falling temperatures lead to rising heating bills, but by winterizing your home properly, you can reduce winter energy costs. Every home should have a few basic essentials on hand to help keep costs down and increase safety. Have these items handy and take stock of your winter supplies early and often, so you don't have to fight the crowds and the weather.

**1. Snow shovel.** Buy a shovel that is light and sturdy. Keep your walkways and driveways clear of snow. When shoveling, do not overexert yourself and lift heavy snow by bending at the knees so you do not injure your back.

**2. Salt.** Make sure that you have a bag of salt available throughout the winter to throw down on your walkways and driveways in order to melt snow and prevent icing. Keeping high traffic areas clear lessens the chance of slipping and falling.

**3. Window roll-on kits.** Use window roll-on kits to keep the warm air inside and the cold air out. Window insulator kits are easy to install, and have a pre-taped edge for easy adhesion.

**4. Outlet covers.** Place covers on all electrical outlets. One place heat escapes and cold air enters the house is through uninsulated outlets. Place Duck® brand Socket Sealers directly behind the cover plate to easily increase energy savings in your home.

**5. Weatherseals.** The majority of heat escapes the home through gaps around doors and windows. Seal off these areas with a weatherseal to block these openings and seal heat inside the home. Many brands provide a complete line of self-adhesive rubber weatherseals that come in different varieties to effectively block any size gap. Make sure the surface is clean before you apply to ensure the seal sticks firmly in place.

**6. Water heater blanket.** Insulate your water heater with a water heater blanket. These blankets can reduce operating costs up to 15 percent. Be sure, however, that you note which blankets are appropriate for your specific water heater model.

**7. Automatic thermostat.** Programming the thermostat allows the unit to turn off while you are sleeping or are away from home. This will help reduce energy costs while keeping your family comfortable at home.

**8. Doormats.** Place doormats inside each entrance to your home, making a space to dry wet shoes and boots. This will keep the floors dry and help to prevent slipping.

Most of these items are affordable and available at your local superstore. A well-thought-out winterization plan will not only ensure you have everything you need for winter, but you will also have more time to enjoy your favorite cold weather pastimes in your warm, cozy home. It is never too early or too late to protect your home, your bills and your family from the severe weather. 🏠

## *Preparing sprinkler systems for cold weather*

**H**ome irrigation and sprinkler systems need to be protected from cold weather. As the weather cools, prepare your sprinkler system from freezing temperatures.

Here are some tips from the irrigation experts at Rain Bird that, if followed, should help prevent costly damage to your irrigation system over the long cold winter:

- **Insulate your assets** - Shut off the water supply to the irrigation system and protect the main shutoff valve for your irrigation system against freezing. Make sure it is wrapped with insulation (foam insulation tape and a plastic bag). If you do not have a main shutoff valve, install one and consider it a preventative investment. Any above-ground piping needs to be insulated as well. Self-sticking foam-insulating tape or foam insulating tubes commonly found at home supply stores work well.

- **Stay in control** - If you have an automatic system then you will need to "shut down" the controller (timer). Most controllers have a "rain-mode" which simply shuts off the signals to the valves. The controller continues to keep time, the programming information (start times, valve run times, etc.) isn't lost, and the clock continues

to run. The only change is that the valves will not activate. An alternative to using the rain-mode is to simply shut off the power to the controller. However, if you do, you'll need to reprogram the time and potentially all your other settings when the weather warms up.

- **Drain the pipes** - Remove the water from the pipes and sprinklers so that it won't freeze and break the pipes. There are several ways to drain your pipes: the manual drain valve, the automatic drain valve or the compressed air blow-out method. Since there could be potential safety risks, contacting an irrigation specialist is recommended.
- **Protect freezing preventers** - Insulate backflow preventers and valves if they are above ground. You can also use insulation tape for this. Do not block the air vents and drain outlets on backflow preventers.

Consult an area irrigation specialist before you attempt to winterize your system. For more irrigation tips or information visit [www.rainbird.com](http://www.rainbird.com). 🏠



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**Still time for Clarkston Village Place:** There's still time to make color selections with an interior designer for Clarkston Village Place. These Victorian-Style condominiums are now available and offer amenities such as volume ceilings, two-story foyers and walking distance into town.

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## Office Furniture

When you start thinking about what home office you're going to buy, take a close look at All-Star Desk the Home Office Specialist.

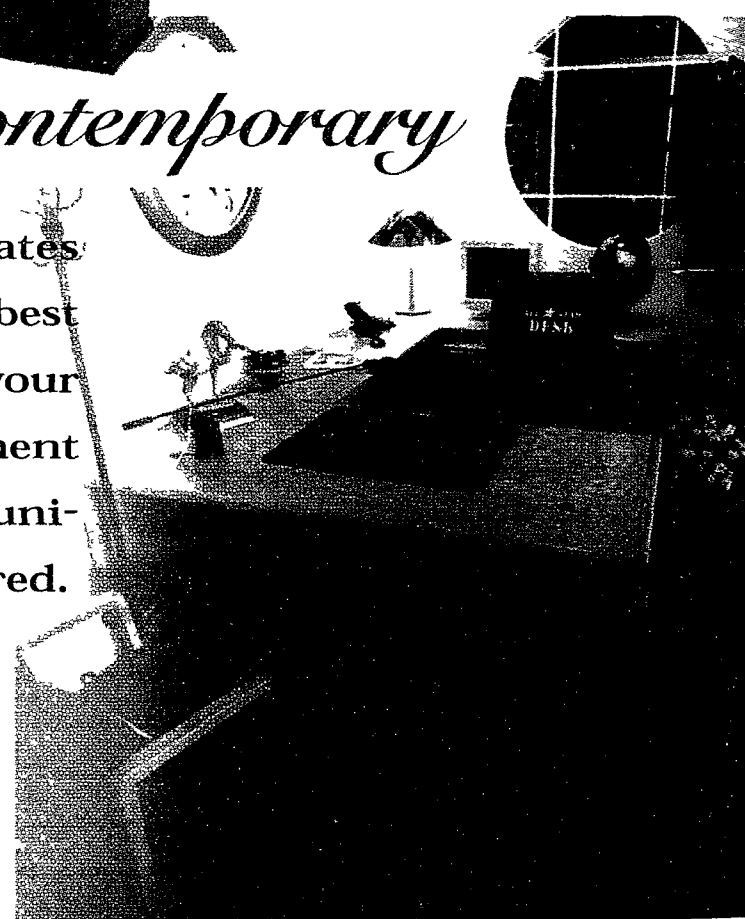


## That Makes Your Home Work™

All-Star Desk offers desks in all price ranges from ready to assemble systems to factory assembled solid wood desk with consistently superior finishes and unparalleled workmanship.

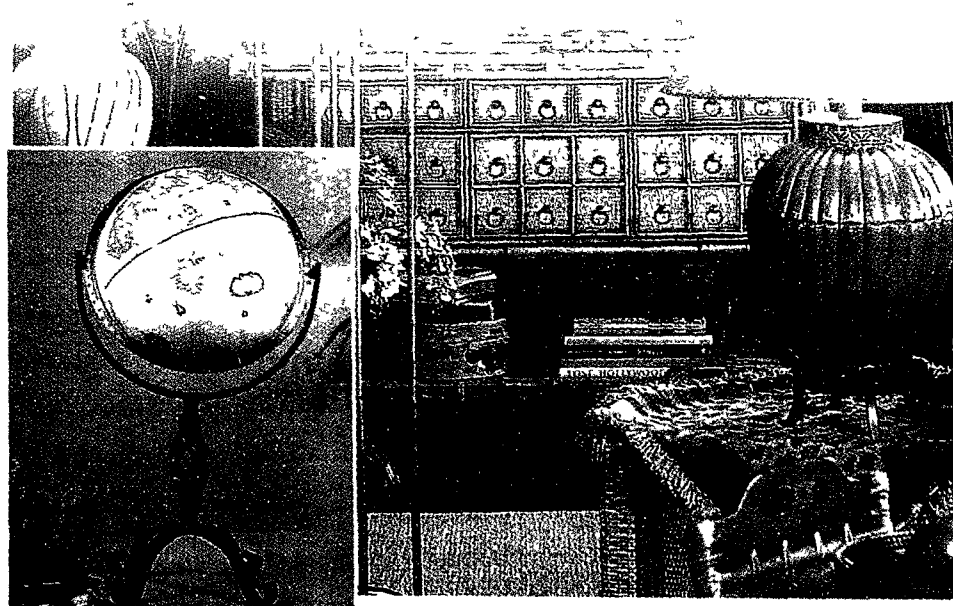
## Traditional or Contemporary

All-Star Desk sales associates genuinely help design the best office layout with you and your work in mind. Your equipment needs, lighting, filing communication, everything is considered.



## Accessories

All-Star Desk has your office accessories — from a huge clock department to a gallery of world globes, tons and tons of lamps and the coolest desk accessories anywhere!



Did we mention All-Star Desk has the largest selection of chairs in Metro Detroit. Task seating, ergonomic, executive, La-Z-Boy, Herman-Miller, we've got them all — on display ready for you to try them out.

# ALL STAR DESK

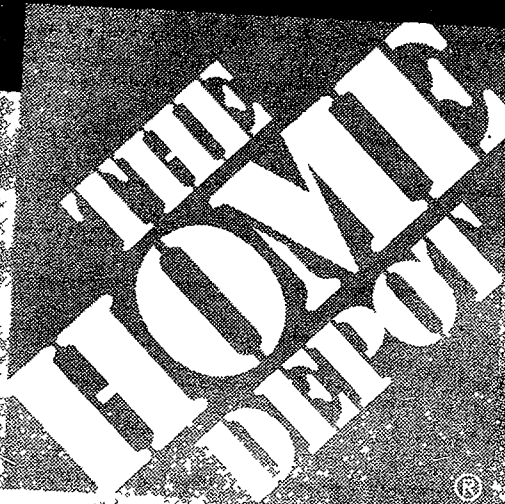
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Minimum purchase \$150  
Expires 12-31-02

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Open Mon-Fri 10-9, Sat 10-6, Sun 12-5

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# Holiday Gift Guide

Driving Down the Cost of Home Improvement

Look At All The Great Gift Ideas Throughout This 2002 Gift Guide!

While quantities last. All items are limited to stock on hand. No rain checks. Product availability may vary by store.

Your Choice

**\$9.97**

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**RYOBI**

**2.4 Volt Stick Driver**

- 24-position clutch
- Includes: double-ended screwdriver bit and charger (312118)

**Vista**

**3.6 Volt Vista Vac**

- Includes: crevice tool and brush attachment (312605)



Prices Below are for This Friday, November 29th Only! Don't Miss Out!

Buy a 10" tropical  
Get a 6" FREE  
A \$4.99 Value!



6" Premium Tropicals  
• Dieffenbachia and Spathiphyllum (183418)

10" Tropicals  
Choose from an assortment of varieties (1873872)

**\$7.48**

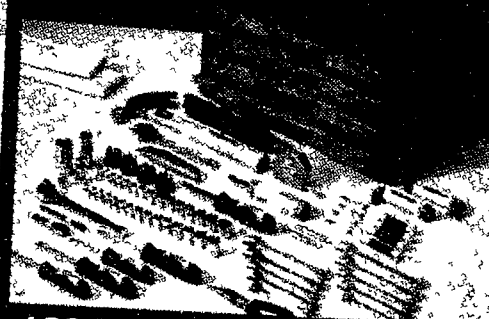
While quantities last. All items



**\$2.97** Ea.

**2'x5' Level Loop Rug**  
• Wide assortment of colors (257644)

Was... \$5.97



**129 Piece Tool Chest Kit**

- Includes: wrench set, socket set, screwdriver set and home kit (780561)

**\$29**

Was... \$59.00



**44 Piece Screwdriver Set**  
(106882)

**\$19**

Was... \$28.88



**2-Pack**

**\$2.97**

**6-Outlet Power Strip**

Was... \$4.97



**2 Gal. Stringer Vac**  
(335204)

**\$19.92**

Was... \$29.97

**6" Poinsettia**

- Choose from an assortment of colors (103035)

**\$3.24**

checks. Product availability may vary



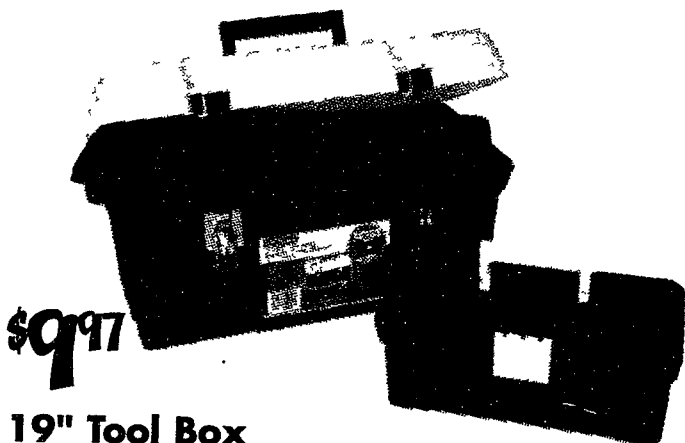


**WorkForce**

### 45-Piece Home Tool and Tote Set

- Includes: (1) canvas tote, adjustable wrench, (7) bit set, tape measurer, (8) hex key wrenches, (10) drive sockets, bit adapter, ratcheting bit driver handle, (5) screwdrivers, (4) combination wrenches, 13oz. hammer, 8" level, snap blade, 10" hack saw, long nose pliers and slip joint pliers (406714)

**\$18<sup>88</sup>**



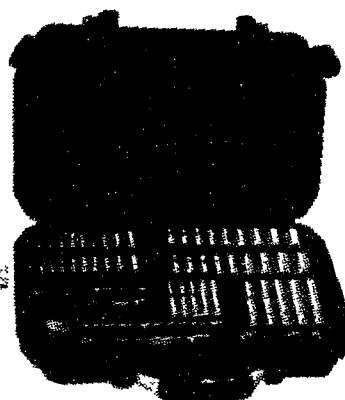
### 19" Tool Box with Bonus Box

- Metal latches (134740)

**\$9<sup>97</sup>**

**WorkForce**

**\$23**



### 78-Piece Socket Set

- Contains both SAE and metric sizes
- Includes: 1/4" and 3/8" ratchets, hex keys, sockets, extension and more (802625)

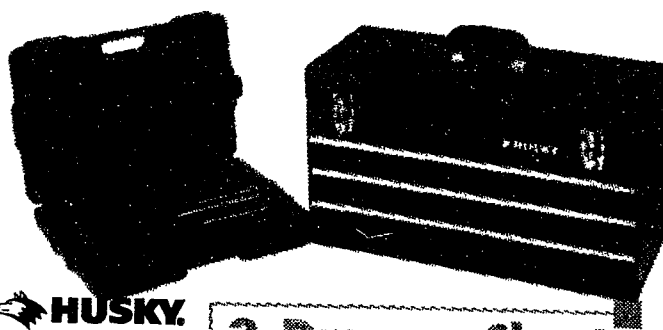


**AMERICAN TOOL**

**\$34<sup>97</sup>**

### 5-Piece Quick Grip Set

- Non-marring, soft pliable pads
- Heat treated bar resists flexing, even when the clamp is tightened to its fullest (281452)



**HUSKY**

**\$99**

**3 Drawer Chest  
A \$39 Value**

### 104-Piece Pearhead Socket Set with Bonus 3 Drawer Chest

- Socket set includes SAE and metric and comes with carrying case
- Chest is 21"W x 8 1/2"D x 11 1/2" H
- 1585 cu. in. storage capacity (492764)

## Gifts Under \$10



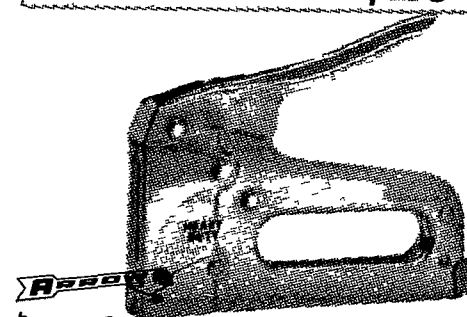
**BUCKBROS.**

**\$9<sup>88</sup>**

### 3-Piece Wood Chisel Set

- 1/2", 3/4" and 1" sizes
- Drop forged, sharp edge high impact black plastic handles (749236)

## Gifts Under \$20



**\$15<sup>96</sup>**

### Heavy Duty Staple Gun

- Shoots 1/4" to 9/16" staples
- All steel body with chrome finish
- Patented jam-proof mechanism
- For hardwood, plastic and soft metal
- High carbon hardened steel working parts (172413)

## Gifts Under \$50



**CHAN NEL LOCK**

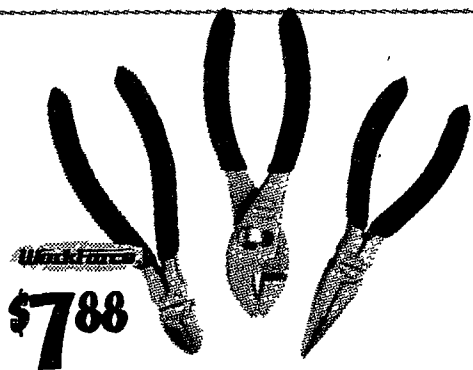
**\$34<sup>98</sup>**

### 4-Piece Plier Set

- High polish professional finish
- Blue comfort grip (183139)

## The Perfect Gift!

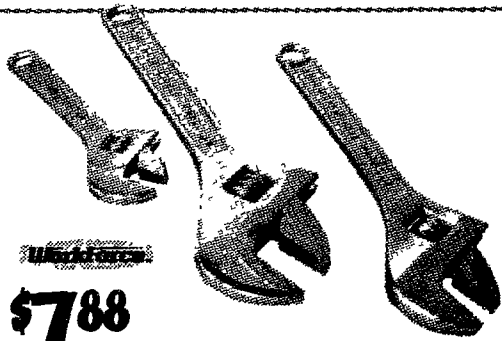




**\$7.88**

### 3-Piece Plier Set

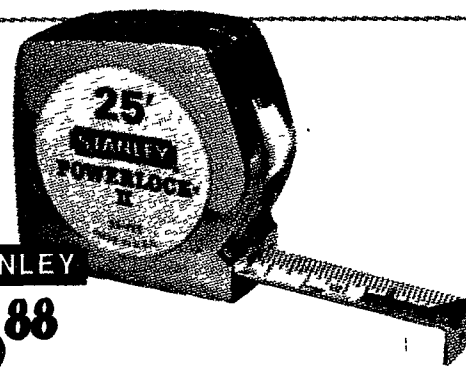
- Heat-treated micro-nickel finish
- Comfortable vinyl grips (840335)



**\$7.88**

### 3-Piece Adjustable Wrench

- 6", 8", and 10" sizes
- Drop Forged Steel
- Hardened and Tempered
- Machined jaws
- Lifetime warranty (597531)



**STANLEY**

**\$8.88**

### 1"x25' Powerlock II Tape Rule

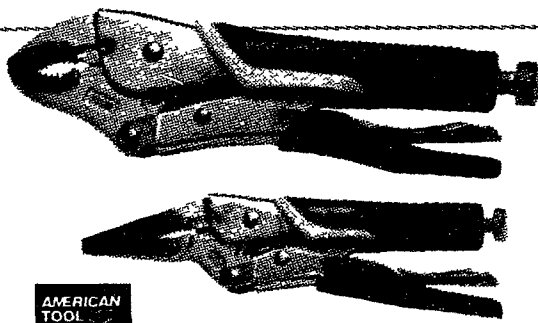
- Stud marking
- Mylar® coated blade for added durability
- Heat-treated spring for longer life 33-425F (185663)



**\$14.88**

### Grip Wrench

- Durable rubber strap
- Fits any size or shape
- Heavy duty polycarbonate handle (302074)

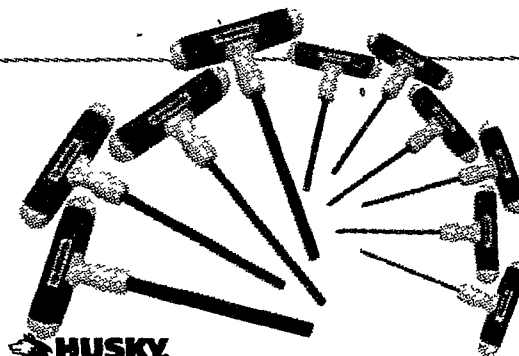


**AMERICAN TOOL**

**\$19.97**

### 2-Piece Vice Grip Set

- Includes: 6" needle nose and 10" curved jaw
- No slip rubberized grip reduces vibrations and hand fatigue (110147)



**HUSKY**

**\$19.97**

### 10-Piece T-Handle Hex Wrench Set

- Choose from SAE or metric
- Manufactured from premium grade steel
- Includes tool holder (545892)



**\$29.97**

### Quick Vise Portable Slide Action Vise

- Over 1/4 ton clamping pressure
- Non-marring jaw pads
- Unique non-slip tightening knob (672730)

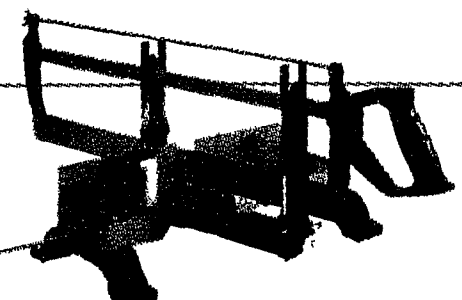


**RIDGID**

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### 3-Piece Robo Grip Self Adjusting Pliers

- Includes: 7", 9" and 10"
- Jaws adjust as quickly as your hand can squeeze (135536)

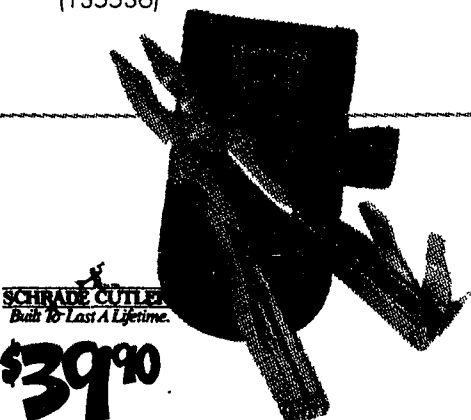


**\$39.97**

**STANLEY**

### Pro Clamping Miter Box

- Non-slip grip for maximum comfort
- Simple angle adjustment—any angle for all applications
- Quick, simple cam clamp to hold work for accuracy (309498)



**SCHRADE CUTLERY**  
Built To Last A Lifetime.

**\$39.90**

### Tough Tool Plier with Nylon Pouch

- 10 total functions: heavy duty shears, small and medium flathead screwdriver, phillips screwdriver, cutting blade, pick, file, tweezers, bottle opener and key ring attachment (307563)



**POWER SHOT**

**\$29.97**

### Pro Electric Staple and Nail Gun Kit

- 10 amp
- Easy drop-in loading
- Soft, non-slip grip
- Will fire 9/16" brad nails (171857)



**\$49**

### Nail Gun with Bonus Kit

- Electric brad nail gun
- Patented jam-proof mechanism
- Kit includes: electric nail gun, (1) box each of 5/8", 3/4", 1" brown and 1" white brad nails and a storage case (773125)



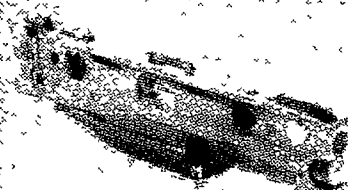
### Laser Line Generator

- Attaches to the wall and projects a straight laser line (375976)



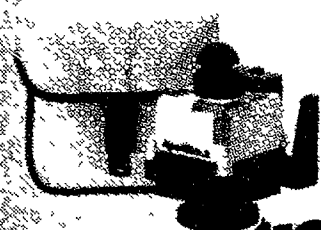
### Auto Laser Level and Stud Finder

- Laser line automatically levels
- Stud finder detects studs through walls up to 3/4" (100045)



### RoboSquare™ 3-Beam Torpedo Laser Level

- Includes: (3) 90° beams reference level, plumb and square (781525)



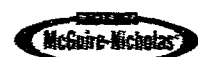
### Rotary Laser System

- Includes: 2-beam level, plumb and square laser and case
- Accuracy: +/- 3/8" at 100' (587869)



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**NEW**

### 3-Bag Combo

- Includes: 16" royal blue/ black large mouth bag, 16" read accessory bag and 12" gray accessory bag
- Extra wide openings
- Protects and organizes more tools than a tool box
- Reinforced bottom
- Ideal for cordless drills and shorter tools (162031)



**CLC**

### 28-Pocket Electrical and Maintenance Tool Pouch \$29<sup>97</sup>

- Box shaped design prevents tipping
- Heavy duty Nylon construction and webbing for long life
- Tools not included (494857)



**CLC**

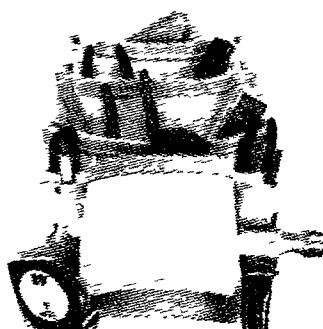
### Hard Cap Clear Gel Knee Pads \$24<sup>97</sup>

- Specially designed gel center distributes weight throughout the pad
- Grab-tab for easy positioning of knee pad
- Super tough ballistic nylon throughout (223186)

**CLC**

### 10-Pocket Carpenters Nail and Tool Bag \$33<sup>97</sup>

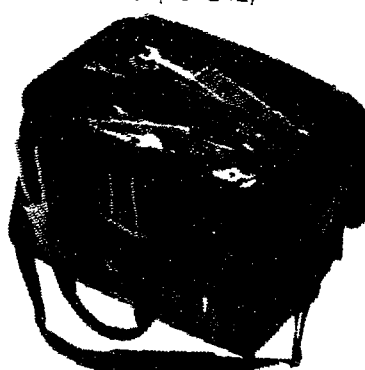
- Made of heavy duty top grain leather
- Double gussets keep front pockets wide open for easy access
- Tools not included (409242)



**CLC**

### 37-Pocket Tote Bag with Inside Top Tray \$39<sup>98</sup>

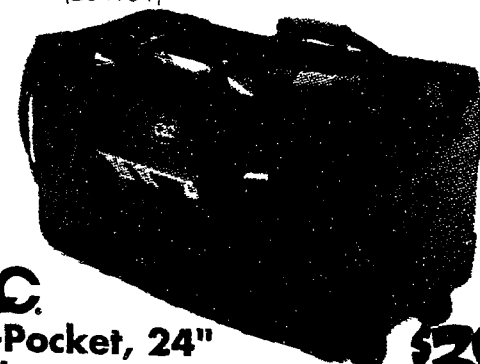
- Removable top plastic tray for easy access to bag contents
- 13 multi-use pockets inside and 23 outside to organize tools
- Tools not included (221818)



**CLC**

### 30-Pocket, 24" Roller Tote Bag \$39<sup>97</sup>

- 23 multi-use pockets inside and 7 pockets outside organize tools and accessories
- Easy roll wheels for maneuverability
- Tools not included (348731)



**CLC**

### Pro-Level Tool Apron \$79<sup>97</sup>

- 5-pocket combo
- Leather belt
- Medium (369857)



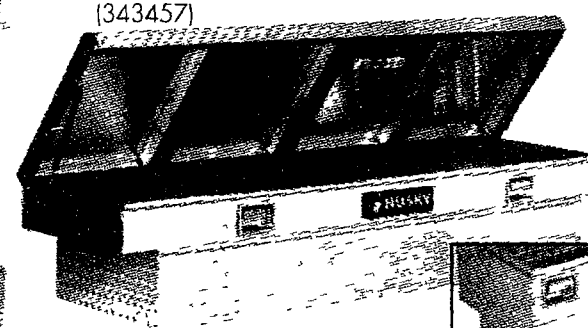
**Free Tool Box  
A \$20 Value**

**ONLY  
\$10  
per month**

**HUSKY**

### Deep Well Truck Box with Free Tool Box \$239

- 16-gauge rust resistant aluminum
- Fits most full size trucks
- New push button access (343457)



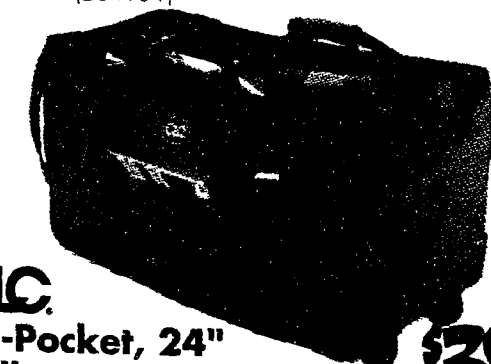
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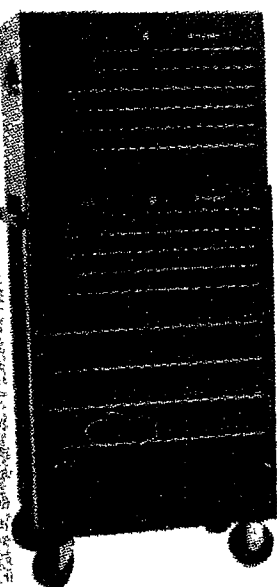
**Flushmount**

### Full Size Single Lid Truck box or Flushmount Truck Box \$197

- 16-gauge rust resistant aluminum
- Fits most full-size trucks
- Two gas cylinders for easy opening (204951)

**Your  
Choice**





HUSKY

**\$598**

ONLY  
\$19  
per month\*

### 19-Drawer Chest and Cabinet Combo

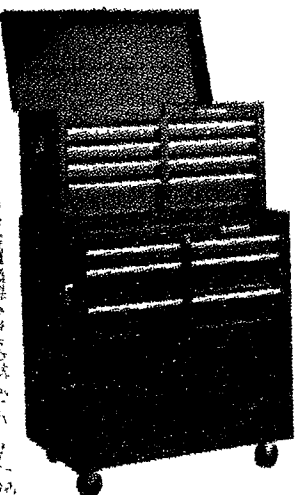
Chest:

- 26 1/4"W x 17 1/2"D x 19 1/4"H

Cabinet:

- 27"W x 18"D x 42 3/4"H

(383376,383317)



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**\$163**

### 7-Drawer Chest and Cabinet Combo

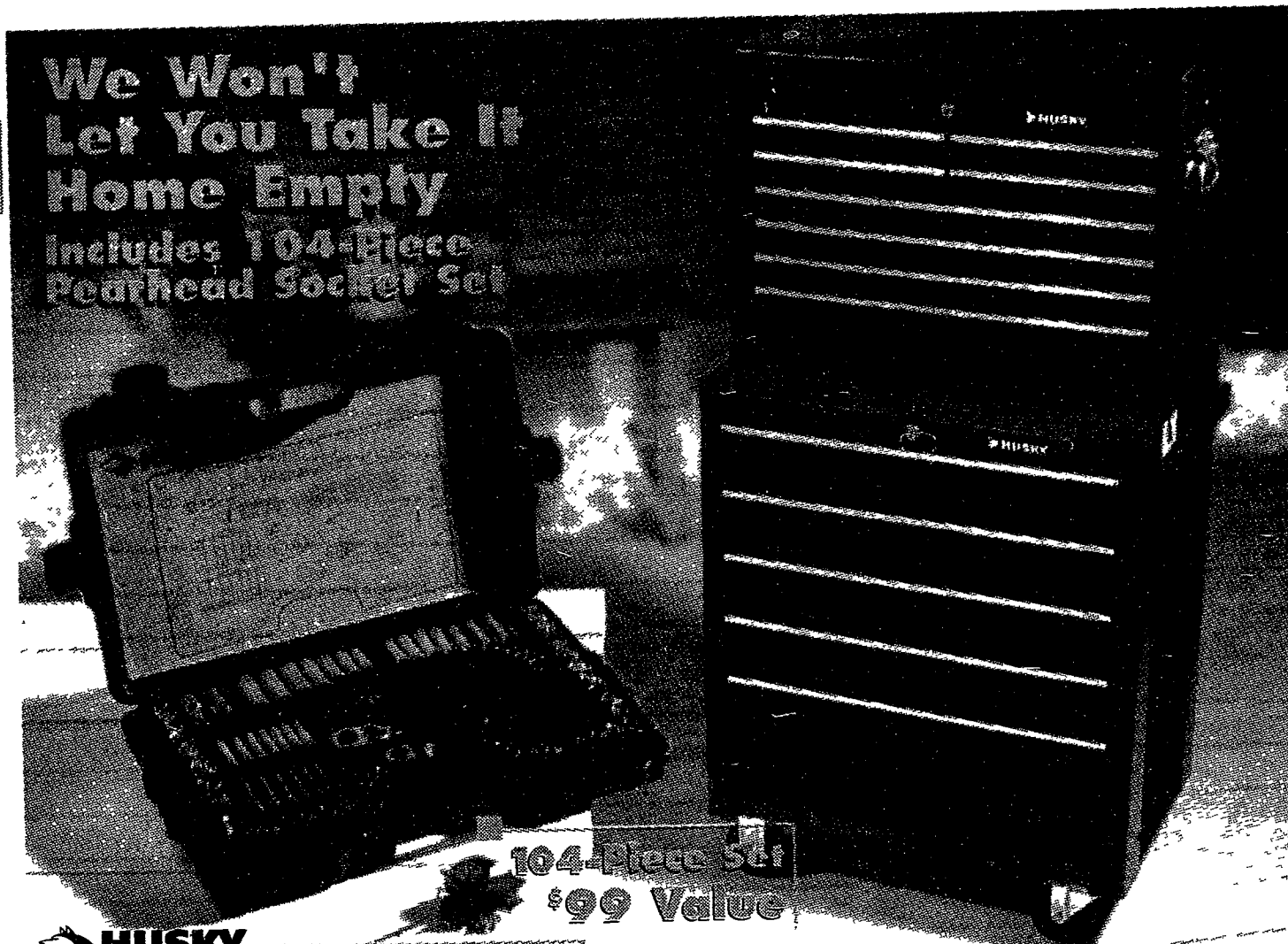
Chest:

- 26-3/8"W x 12-1/2"D x 15-1/8"H
- 12,789 cu. in. storage capacity

Cabinet:

- 27"W x 17-1/4"D x 31-1/2"H

(814664,887813)



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### 13-Drawer Pro Tool Chest and Cabinet

ONLY  
\$12  
per month\*

**\$299**

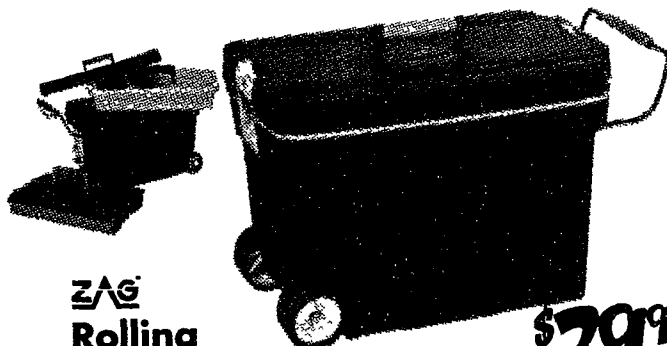
- All welded steel construction for added strength and security
- 13,600 cu. in. storage capacity
- Durable powder coat finish for durability and finish
- Rear locking mechanism acts independently of lid so you can access all drawers when lid is locked (253872)



### MasterCard Combination Tool Cart

- Removable organizers
- Multiple storage areas
- Cord wrap
- 18 x 10.6 x 24.4"

(612736)



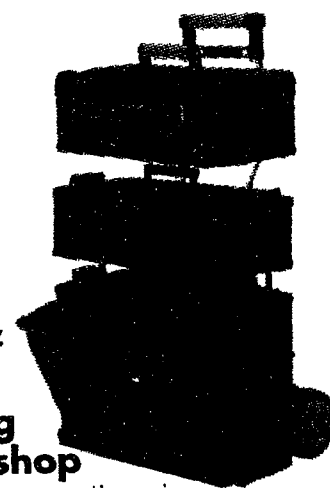
ZAG

### Rolling Contractor Box

- Durable top to use as a work surface with built in storage
- Removable tray to keep tools organized
- Deep main storage for larger power tools

(411978)

**\$29.96**



HUSKY

### Metal Rolling Workshop

- 3 storage options in 1 detachable tool box, drawer and large tool storage
- Large, heavy duty rubber wheels

(778834)

**\$59.97**

ZAG

### Folding Workbench

- 27.6" x 4.2" x 32.4"
- Large work table
- Extra stool storage
- Heavy duty fiberglass reinforced clamps

(649394)



**\$29.99**

NEW

BLACK & DECKER

### Lightweight Workmate

- 350 lbs weight capacity provides a sturdy work surface
- Quality steel construction for durability
- Durable wheels for easy mobility
- Opens and closes easily with one motion for simple set-up and clean-up
- Folds flat for easy storage and convenient for portability (369236)

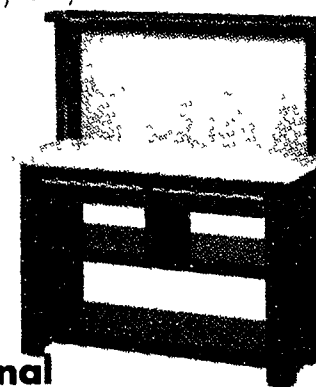


**\$59.91**

STACK-ON

### Professional Workbench

- Large work surface: 54"W x 23"D x 1-1/4" thick
- Pegboard back wall provides additional storage for hanging tools and supplies (839391)



**\$179**

\*When purchased with your Home Depot Consumer Credit Card  
Additional terms apply. See page 24 for details





**A 12 Volt Drill with Hand Vac Kit**

- Includes: (2) double ended screwdriver bits, crevice and brush nozzles, (2) rechargeable batteries, charger and case
- Keyless chuck (313041)

**\$59<sup>97</sup>**

**B 18 Volt Drill with Flashlight Kit**

- Includes: (2) rechargeable batteries (1) 1-hour charger, 1/2" keyless chuck and case
- Patented mag tray design to hold bits and screws on board (840961)

**\$79<sup>97</sup>**

**C 7.2 Volt Drill Kit and 28-Piece Bit Set**

- Includes: (28) assorted accessories, (1) rechargeable battery, charger and case
- 3/8" keyless chuck, 24 clutch settings
- Built in bubble level (190904)

**\$25**

**D 9.6 Volt 3/8" Cordless Drill with Flashlight Kit**

- Includes: (1) rechargeable battery, charger and case
- Maximum torque of 200 in./lbs. (190901)

**\$39<sup>97</sup>**

**E 3.6 Volt Stick Driver with Flashlight Kit**

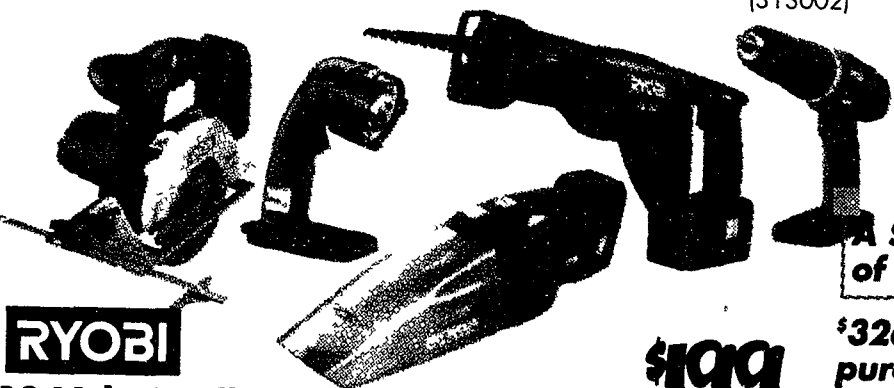
- Includes 23-piece bit set
- Pivoting shaft for maintaining correct angle
- Auto spindle lock for manual use
- Wall mount charging station with bit storage (313002)

**\$24<sup>97</sup>**

**F 14.4 Volt Drill with Flashlight Kit**

- Includes: (2) rechargeable batteries (1) 1-hour charger, 3/8" keyless chuck and case
- Patented mag tray design to hold bits and screws on board (675923)

**\$99**



**RYOBI**

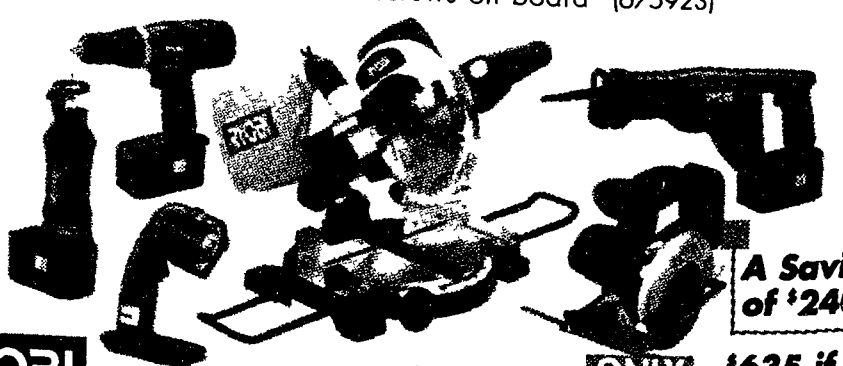
**18 Volt Cordless Super Combo Kit**

- Includes: 1/2" drill with bits, 5-1/2" circular saw with carbide-tipped blade, edge guide, wrench, tool-less blade change reciprocating saw with (2) general purpose blades, "Tuff-Sucker" wet/dry vac with crevice tool and brush, flashlight, (2) rechargeable batteries, (1) 1-hour charger and case (200706)

**\$199**

**\$326 if purchased separately**

**A Savings of \$127**



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**18 Volt Cordless Six Pack**

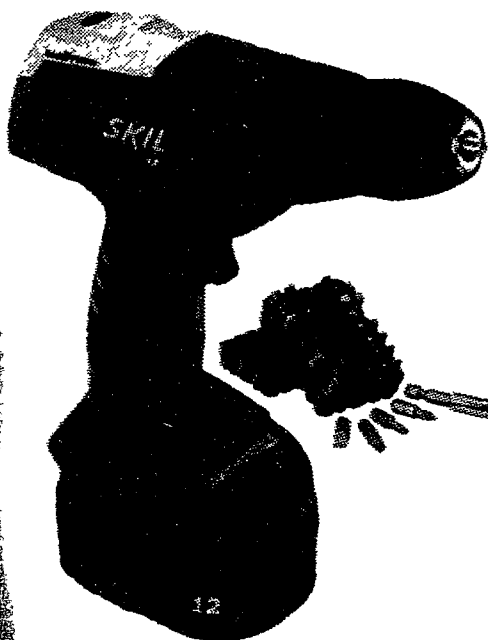
- Includes: reciprocating saw with (2) general purpose blades, 24-position clutch drill, compound miter saw with 40-tooth carbide blade, circular saw with 18-tooth carbide-tipped blade, speed saw with 1/8" and 1/4" collets, flashlight with high-intensity Krypton bulb, (3) rechargeable batteries, (1) charger and mobile work station (312712)

**\$399**

**ONLY \$17 per month\***

**A Savings of \$240**

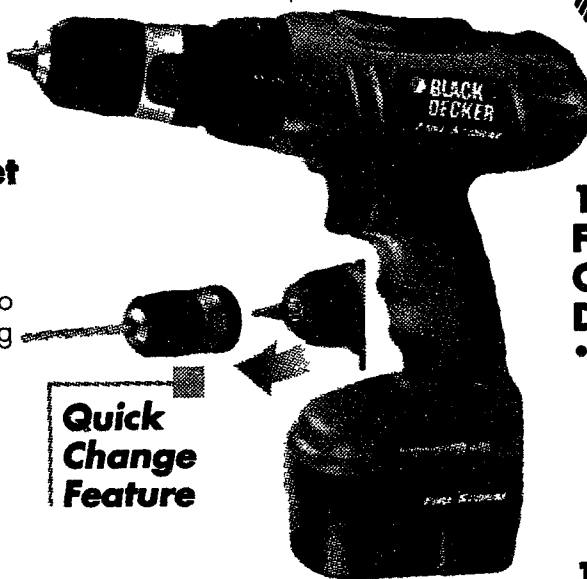
**\$635 if purchased separately**



**SKIL**  
**\$49.97**

**12 Volt Drill with Stud Finder and 33-Piece Bit Set**

- Includes: (1) rechargeable battery and case
- 6 torque settings to match screwdriving power to the job (138164)



**BLACK & DECKER**

**\$69**

**12 Volt 3/8" Firestorm Cordless Drill/Driver Kit**

- Includes: (2) rechargeable batteries, double-ended screwdriver bit, charger and case (296732)

**14.4 Volt \$89.00**  
(296778) . . . . .

**Quick Change Feature**



**\$49.97**

**9.6 Volt Drill with Screwdriver and Holster**

- Includes: 9.6 volt drill, 2.4 volt screwdriver, (2) double-ended screwdriver bits, rechargeable battery, charger, holster and tool belt (135322)



**Makita**

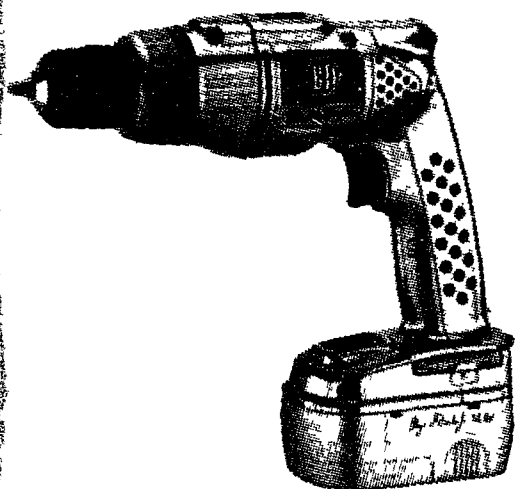
**\$169**

**12 Volt M-Force Drill/Driver Kit**

- Includes: (2) rechargeable batteries, (1) multi-voltage charger, Phillips/Slotted bit, battery cover and case
- Keyless chuck (319271)

**14.4 Volt \$199.00**  
(318698) . . . . .

**FREE MECHANIX<sup>®</sup> GLOVES**



**BLACK & DECKER**

**\$99.97**

**Limited Edition 14.4 Volt Retro Drill**

- Includes: (1) double-ended bit, (1) rechargeable battery, charger, polishing cloth and case
- Keyless chuck (134379)

**DEWALT**  
High Performance Industrial Tools

**\$169**

**14.4 Volt 3/8" Cordless Compact Drill/Driver Kit**

- Includes: double-ended screwdriver bit, (2) compact batteries, 1-hour charger and case (349103)

**18 Volt \$199.00**  
(345529) . . . . .



**DEWALT**  
High Performance Industrial Tools

**\$269**

**18 Volt XRP 1/2" Cordless Drill/Driver Kit**

- Includes: (2) XRP batteries, 1-hour charger, double-ended screwdriver bit, 360° side handle and case (366435)

**Hammerdrill/Drill/Driver Kit \$289.00**  
(367422) . . . . .

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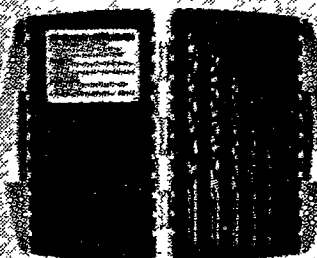


**RYOBI**

**7.2 Volt Cordless Vac**

- Cordless for easy clean up
- Easy-clean reusable filter (312903)

**\$29.97**



**DEWALT**

**14-Piece Gold Ferrous Drill Bit Set**

- Gold ferrous oxide finish for longer life (416457)

**\$16.97**



**RYOBI**

**Fast Connect 22-Piece Drill Accessory Kit**

- Fast connect adapter (679745)

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**81-Piece Blue/Clear Drill Accessory Set**

(707673)

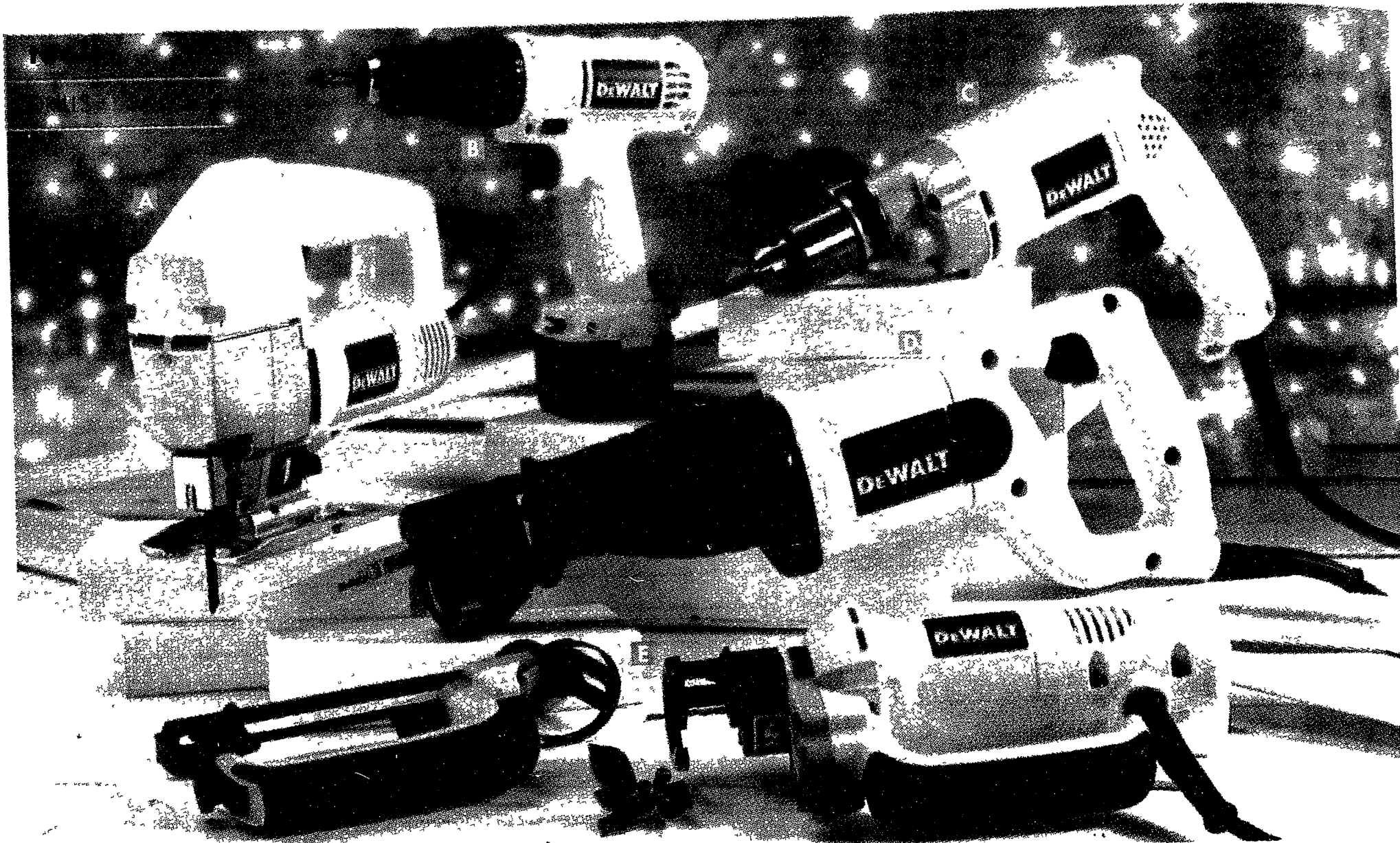
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**A Jigsaw Kit**

- 4.5 amp, 0-3,100 spm
- Variable speed with 1" stroke for fast cuts
- 4-position orbital action
- 100% ball-bearing construction
- Includes case (589360)

**B 9.6 Volt 3/8" Drill/Driver Kit**

- Variable speed: 0-300/0-1,000 rpm
- Maximum torque of 200 in./lbs
- Compact and lightweight: only 3.7 lbs
- Includes: (2) rechargeable batteries, charger and case (704744)

**C 1/2" Heavy Duty Drill**

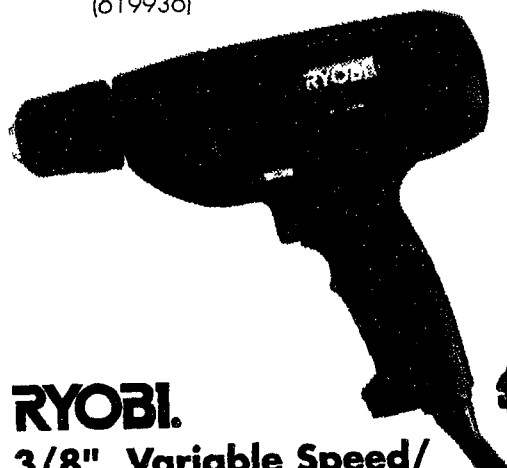
- 7.8 amp motor
- Variable speed/reversing
- Metal gear housing for increased durability
- Two finger rubber trigger for increased comfort
- Includes 360° locking side handle (619936)

**D Reciprocating Saw Kit**

- 7.5 amp, 0-2,400 spm
- Keyless blade clamp for easy blade changes
- Variable speed for cutting different material
- Includes (1) metal cutting blade and case (299965)

**E Cut-Out Tool Combo Kit**

- 5 amp, 30,000 rpm
- Tool free bit change
- Turn-on bump off switch for safety
- Accepts 1/8" and 1/4" shank cut-out bits
- Includes: circle cutter, side handle and case (298346)



**RYOBI**

**3/8" Variable Speed/Reversing Drill Kit**

- 4.5 amp motor, 1,400 rpm
- Keyless chuck
- 2 built in levels for vertical and horizontal applications
- Includes case (430040)

**\$29<sup>96</sup>**

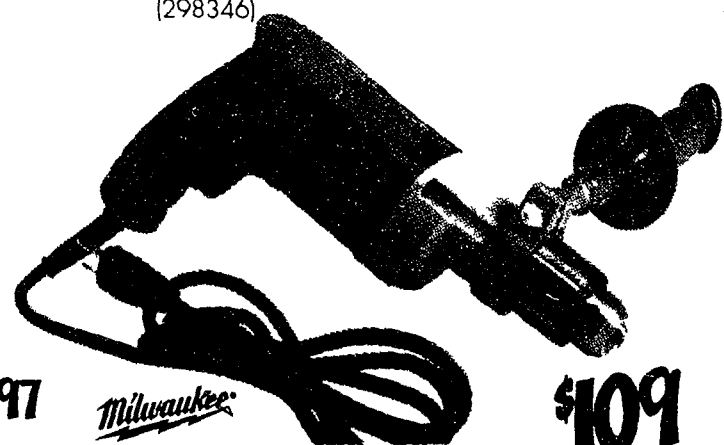


**BOSCH**

**3/8" Variable Speed/Reversing Drill Kit**

- 5.5 amp, 2,500 rpm
- Keyless chuck
- Comfortable, contoured grip minimizes fatigue
- Includes case (403891)

**\$49<sup>97</sup>**



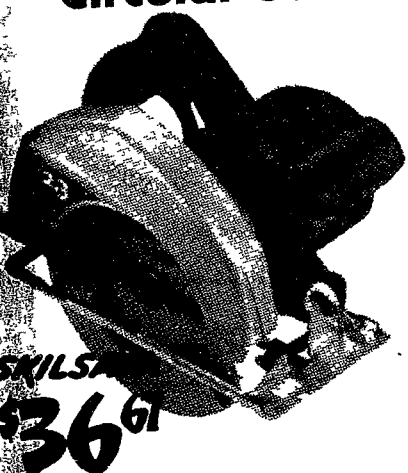
**Milwaukee**

**1/2" Heavy-Duty Drill**

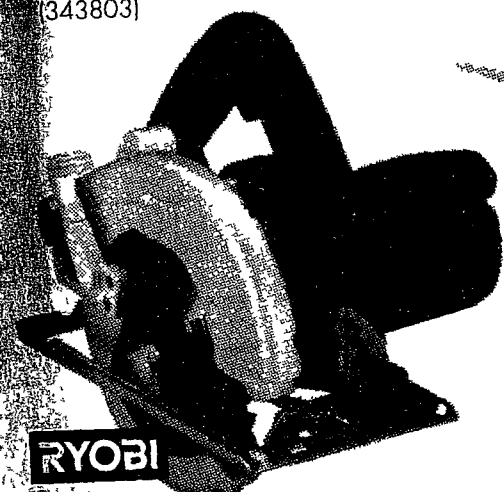
- 8 amp, 0-850 rpm
- Heavy-duty keyed chuck
- All metal gear case and diaphragm
- Includes 360° locking side handle (825624)

**\$109**

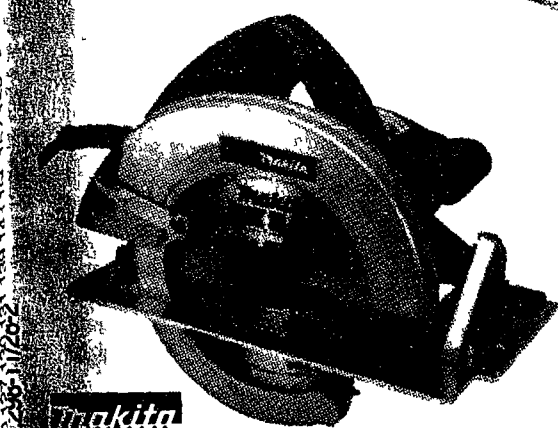
## Circular Saws



- SKILSAW**  
**\$36.61**
- 7-1/4" Circular Saw**
- 12 amp, 4,600 rpm
  - 2 point line of sight for straighter cuts
  - Safety lock-off reduces accidental starts
  - Clear-view depth adjustment and anti-sag lower guard
  - Includes 20-tooth utility blade (343803)



- RYOBI**  
**\$49.97** WAS \$69.97
- 7-1/4" Circular Saw**
- 12 amp
  - Contoured design with frontommel handle
  - Spindle lock for easy blade change
  - Includes: blade, wrench and case (418540)



- Makita**  
**\$118**
- 7-1/4" Circular Saw**
- 13 amp, 5,800 rpm
  - Shaft lock for easy blade replacement
  - All ball bearing and needle bearing construction
  - Includes: carbide-tipped blade, wrench, rip-fence and case (201826)

## Reciprocating Saws



- RYOBI**  
**\$49.97**
- Reciprocating Saw Kit**
- Now with tool-less blade change
  - Heavy duty motor with cast aluminum housing
  - Variable speed control dial
  - Front and rear rubber overmold grip
  - Includes: wood cutting blade, metal cutting blade and case (530253)



- Milwaukee**  
**\$109**
- Original Sawzall® Kit**
- 6.5 amp, 0-2,600 spm
  - Heavy duty Quik-Lok™ blade clamp for fast and easy blade changes
  - Includes case (193048)
- Sawzall® Plus Kit** **\$139.00**  
(611550)



- Milwaukee**  
**\$179**
- Orbital Super Sawzall® Kit**
- 11 amp, 0-3,200 spm
  - Smoothest operating and most vibration free
  - 1-1/4" stroke length
  - Gear protecting clutch
  - Includes: (2) blades and compact soft sided case (587989)

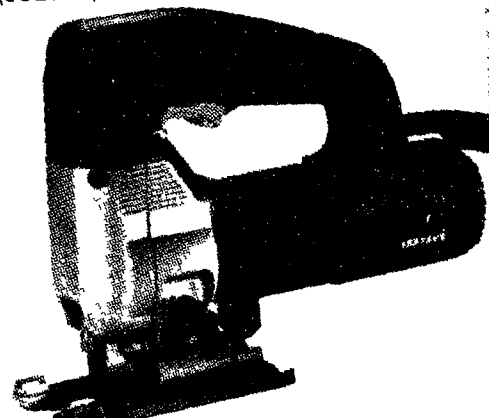
## Jig Saws



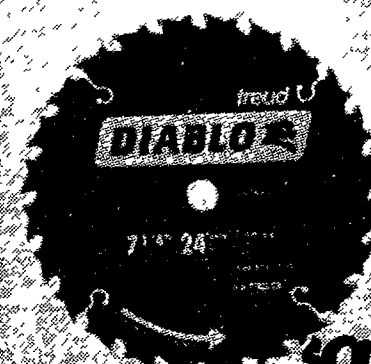
- SKIL**  
**\$39.98**
- Orbital Jigsaw Kit**
- 3.7 amp, 800-3,250 spm
  - 5-position orbital action
  - Tool-less blade change
  - Includes case (352899)



- SKIL**  
**\$69.97** **NEW**
- Orbital/Scrolling Jigsaw with Site-Light**
- Integrated sight-light
  - 5 amp, 3,600 spm
  - Tool-less blade changes
  - New soft grip design for added comfort and control
  - Includes (2) blades and case (332660)



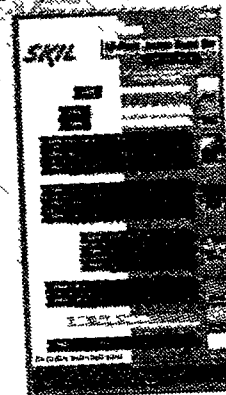
- BOSCH**  
**\$159**
- Orbital Jigsaw Kit**
- 5 amp, 500-3,100 spm
  - Variable speed control for cutting different materials
  - Includes: blade and case (628015)



- freud**  
**\$9.97**
- 7-1/4" 24-Tooth Diablo Carbide Blade**
- Use in framing work
  - Super thin laser cut kerf gives extremely fast, durable and clean cuts (793616)



- DEWALT**  
**\$9.97**
- 7-1/4" 24-Tooth Carbide Blade**
- Use in framing work
  - Made in USA (603803)



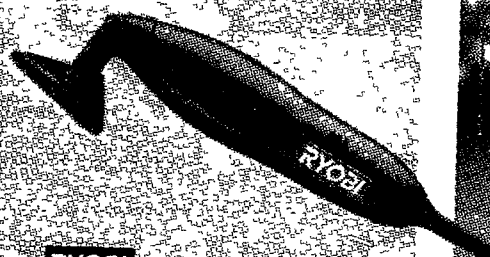
- SKIL**  
**\$9.97**
- 16-Piece Jig Saw Blade Set**
- Large assortment for basic household projects
  - Fits all major brand u-shank jig saws (495695)





## tools

### SANDERS | GRINDERS



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#### Detail Sander

- Buffs, scrapes, clears, removes rust and polishes
- Triangular head gets into nooks, corners and tight spots (942423)

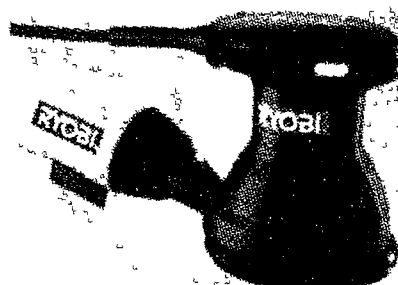


RYOBI

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#### Corner Cat Finish Sander

- 12,000 orbits per minute for quick, efficient sanding
- Dust-protected on/off switch
- Various attachment pads for multiple uses (840126)



RYOBI

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#### 5" Variable Speed Random Orbit Sander

- Variable speed 7,000-12,000 (no load) to optimize sanding efficiency
- Spin control pad breaking system
- Accepts both adhesive backed and hook and loop sandpaper (209494)



**RYOBI**

#### A Oscillating Sander

- Large case iron work surface for added convenience and extra stability
- Quiet, powerful permanent magnet motor for extended use
- Dual action (rotary combined with up and down) for fast, burn-free contour sanding
- Built-in dust port to maintain a clean work area
- Includes: assorted spindles and sandpaper, (6) throat plates, wrench and washer (148859)

**\$99**

#### B 4" x 36" Belt/Disc Sander

- Belt can be positioned horizontally or vertically between 0° and 90°
- Adjustable die cast aluminum table with miter gauge can be positioned for use with either belt or disc
- Belt tension release lever allows for quick and easy belt change
- Built in dust port for vacuum hook-upback
- Backstop included for horizontal flat sanding
- Cast iron base (281657)

**\$99**

#### C 3" x 21" Belt Sander

- Electronic variable speed control
- Powerful dust collection system
- Includes: 80 grit belt and dust bag (164763)

**\$99**

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#### D 3" x 18" Belt Sander

- 5 amp
- Belt tracking system allows the user to maintain belt alignment during sanding
- Includes: dust bag, circular dust port for vacuum hook up (247708)

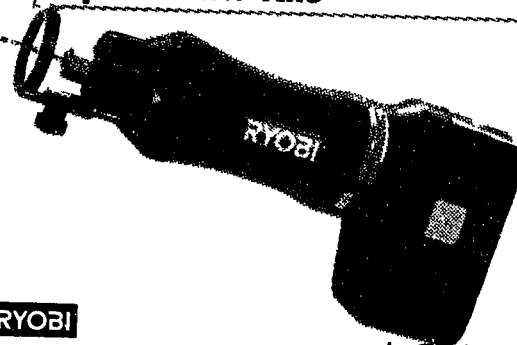
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#### E 3-1/4" Hand Planer

- 5 amp
- Oversized depth adjusting knob works as auxiliary handle
- Includes: extra set of blades, edge guide, dust bag and case (247995)

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#### Speed Saw Kits

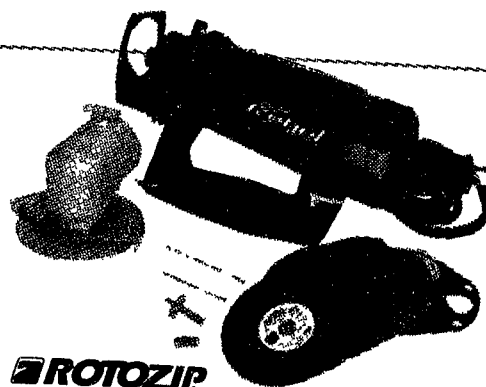


RYOBI

#### 18 Volt Cordless Speed Saw™

- Includes: Speed Saw™, 1/8" collet, 1/4" collet, 1/8" plywood bit, 1/8" drywall bit, circle cutting guide, wrench, (1) battery, (1) 1-hour charger and case (200705)

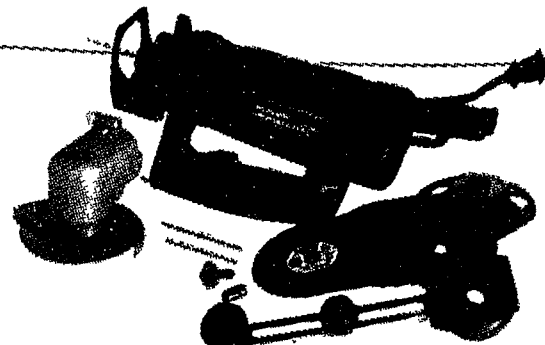
**\$89.97**



#### ROTOZIP Rebel Spiral Saw Combo

- 2-speed: 25- & 30,000 rpm
- Includes: Zip Mate attachment and wheels and case (779955)

**\$129**



#### ROTOZIP "Revolution" Spiral Saw Combo

- Includes: Revolution tool, Zip Mate angle attachment, assorted wheels for sanding, grinding, and polishing, carrying case and circle cutter (758236)

**\$159**

## Router Kits



### RYOBI.

#### 1-1/2 HP Router

- 8 amp motor, 25,000 rpm
- Dual depth indicator ring
- Die-cast aluminum base
- Includes: wrench and case (530076)

#### Plunge Router

(192070)

**\$59<sup>97</sup>**

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#### 1-3/4 Peak HP Fixed Base Router

- 11 amp, 27,500 rpm
- New lever release height adjustments
- Dust sealed switch
- Includes: 1/4" and 1/2" collets and case (215118)

**\$128**

### PORTER-CABLE

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#### 1-3/4 Peak HP Fixed Base and Plunge Base Router

- 11 amp
- Variable speed with soft start
- Includes: 1/4" and 1/2" collets, fixed base, plunge base, edge guide, collet wrenches, allen wrench and case (327784)

**\$199**

## Sanders



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#### 5" Quicksand Random Orbit Sander

- 2.4 amp
- Sandtrap™ dust collection system is easy to clean
- Random, swirl-free sanding action gives smooth finish
- Includes dust bag (196554)

**\$61**

### Makita

POWER TOOLS FOR THE LIVING ROOM

#### 3" x 18" Belt Sander

- 5.6 amp
- Lightweight and well balanced for easy operation
- Designed for flush sanding to a wall
- Includes dust bag (356670)

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### PORTER-CABLE

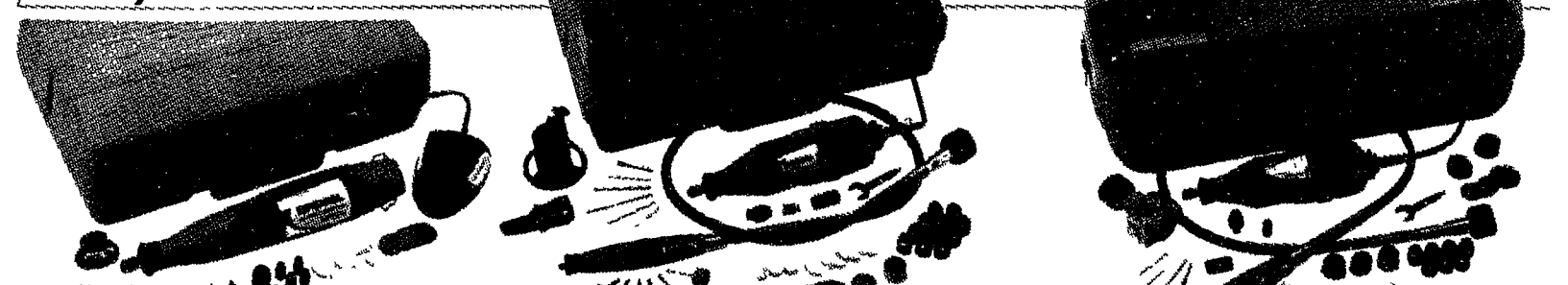
PROFESSIONAL POWER TOOLS

#### 3" x 21" Belt Sander

- 7 amp
- Variable speed: 850-1,300 sfpm
- Dust pick-up bag minimizes cleanup and swivels 360°
- Quick release belt-change lever
- Includes dust bag (672407)

**\$186**

## Rotary Tool Kits



### DREMEL

#### 9.6 Volt Cordless MultiPro™ with Dremelite

- Variable speed 5,000 to 25,000 rpm
- Includes: dremelite, (1) battery, charger, (25) accessories, project book and case (605670)

**\$59<sup>99</sup>**

### DREMEL

#### MultiPro™ Super Rotary Tool

- Variable speed; 5,000-35,000 rpm
- Includes: flex shaft, lawn mower and garden tool sharpener, cutting guide, (77) accessories, project book and case (755041)

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### DREMEL

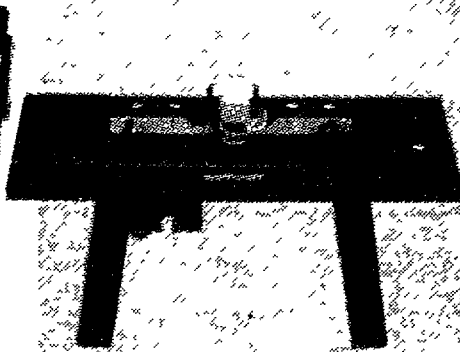
#### MultiPro™ Mini with Dremelite

- Variable speed; 5,000-35,000 rpm
- Includes: flex-shaft, mini saw, dremelite, (132) accessories, project book and case (755028)

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**\$99<sup>99</sup>**

**FREE Edge Guide - A 49.97 Value\***



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#### Router Table

- Universal mount accepts most routers
- Adjustable fence
- Front mounted switch
- Includes mitre gauge (703607)

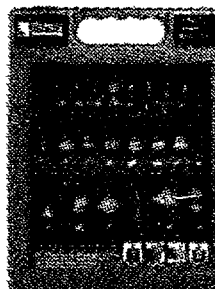


### Oldham

#### 12-Piece Carbide Router Bit Set

- Anti kick back feature reduces splintering (645679)

**\$79<sup>95</sup>**

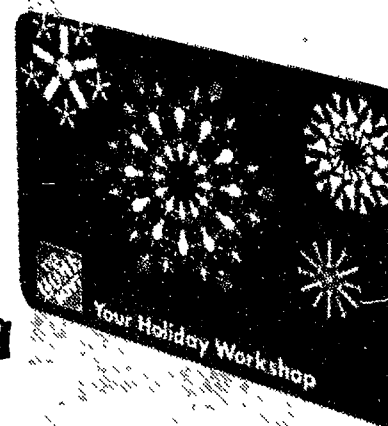


### Oldham

#### 24-Piece Carbide Master Set

- Set includes straight, roundover, cove and dovetail bits (624651)

**\$99**



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## SAWS

### TABLE

## How To Choose a Miter Saw

### Compound Miter vs. Miter:

On a compound miter saw the blade tilts (bevels). This feature will allow cutting a bevel—an angle cut across the face of a workpiece.

On a miter saw the blade will not tilt, and of course, cannot be used to cut bevels.

### 10" or 12": Which Do You Need?

Of course there is more capacity with a 12" diameter blade compared to a 10" diameter blade. But do you really need that extra capacity?

If you are cutting base molding, making picture frames, or cutting materials up to 4x4's or 2x6's a 10" is fine.

However, if cutting large crown molding or hip rafters, the extra capacity and power of a 12" compound miter saw will be appreciated.



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### 12" Sliding Compound Miter Saw

- 15 amp, 4,000 rpm
- Mitres 50° to the left and 60° to the right
- Dual vertical rails for accuracy and control
- 0-48° bevel capacity to the left and right
- Electric brake stops blade quickly for safety
- Crosscut 12"x5-1/4" at 90°
- Includes: 60-tooth carbide blade and blade wrench (104389)

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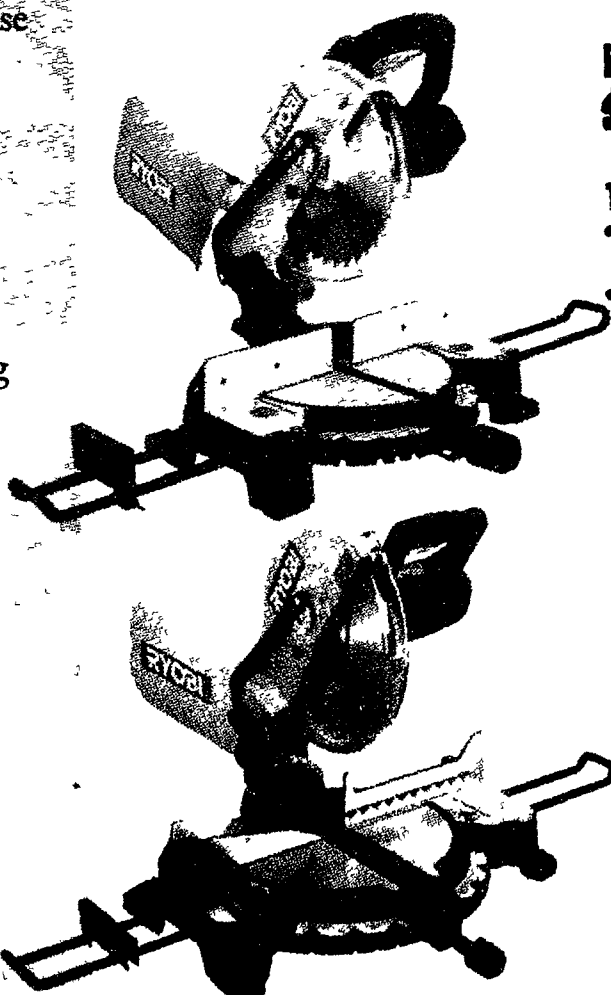
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### 12" Compound Miter Saw

- 15 amp
- Long life stainless steel miter scale with 9 positive stops
- 0-48° left and right miter versatile cutting angles
- Extra tall sliding fence allows 5-1/4" crown mouldings
- Works great with the DW730 Miter Saw Workstation (771401)
- Includes: 60-tooth carbide blade, dust bag and extension (771401)

**\$299**



**RYOBI**

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### 10" Miter Saw

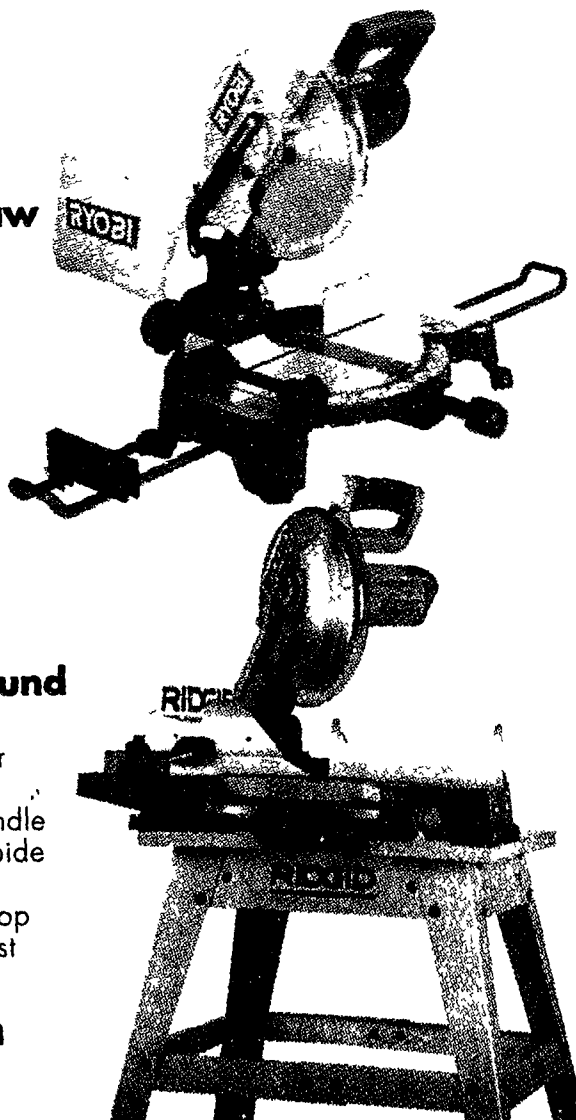
- 14 amp motor, 5,000 rpm
- Electric brake to stop the blade quickly (793591)

**RYOBI**

**\$199**

### 12" Compound Miter Saw

- 15 amp motor
- Ergonomical "D" shape handle
- Includes: carbide blade, table extensions, stop block and dust bag (312608)



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### 10" Compound Miter Saw

- 15 amp
- Ergonomic horizontal "D" handle for superior comfort (844127)

**RIDGID**

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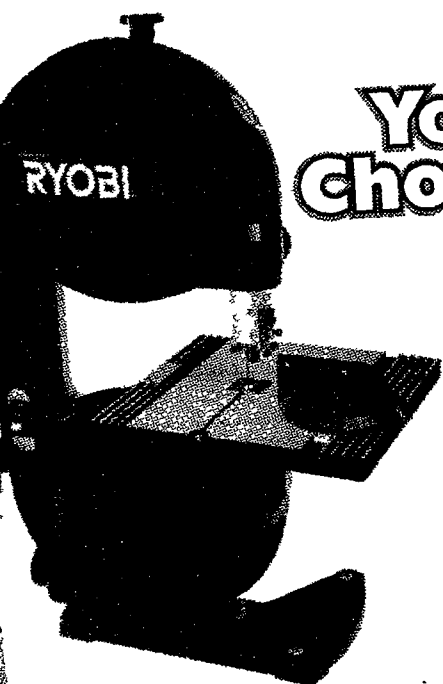
### 12" Compound Miter Saw with Stand

- 15 amp
- Includes: dust bag, 40-tooth carbide blade, universal leg stand and 10' power cord (787662)

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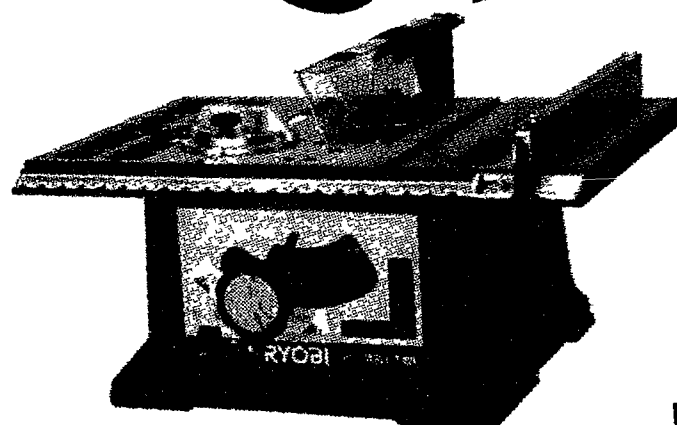
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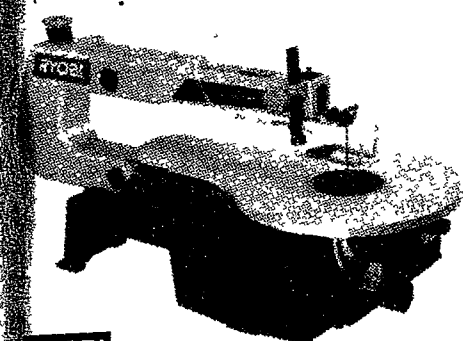
### 10" Portable Table Saw

- 13 amp
- Lightweight for easy transportation- only 40 lbs!
- 3" maximum cut at 90 degrees
- Includes 24-tooth carbide blade (839879)

**RYOBI**

### 9" Precision Bench Top Band Saw

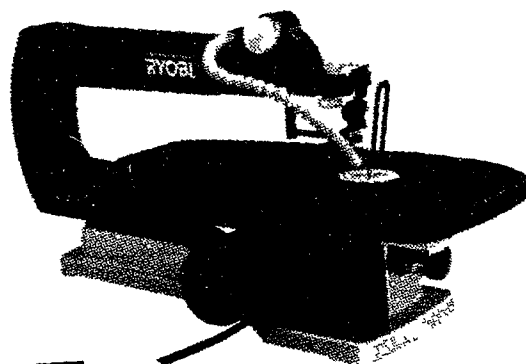
- 2.5 amp
- Quiet 1/3 hp induction motor
- Independently adjustable upper and lower Tracklock® blade guides
- Includes: miter gauge and 1/4" blade (496766)



**RYOBI**

### 16" Scroll Saw

- Variable speed: 400-1,600 spm
- Rapidset® toolless blade clamp
- Includes: on-board blade storage and (6) pin-end blades (490654)



**RYOBI**

### 18" Scroll Saw

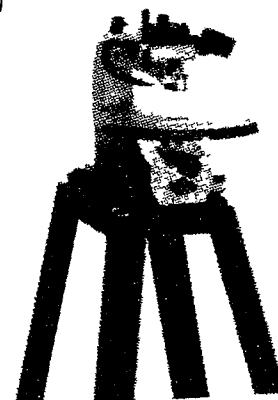
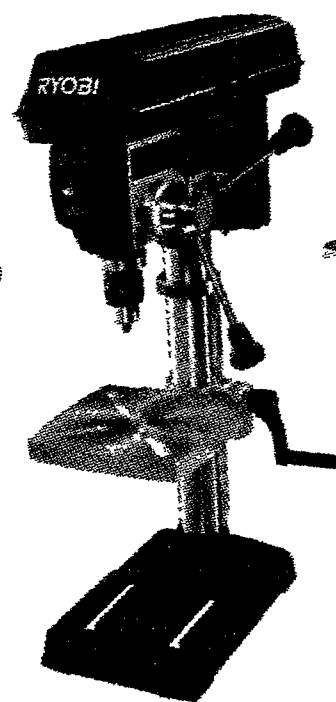
- Variable speed
- Teflon tabletop with palm rests
- Integrated blower and light tube (312610)

**\$159**

**RYOBI**

### 10" Drill Press

- 115 volt, 1/4 hp motor
- 5 speeds: 540-3,600 rpm for drilling different materials
- Heavy-duty 1/2" chuck (220416)

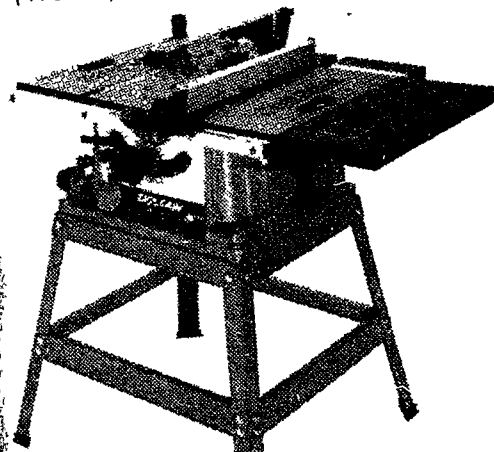


**DREMEL**

### 16" Variable Speed Scroll Saw

- Variable Speed: 500-1,600 spm
- Tool-less blade holder
- Includes: 12 blade assortment and bonus leg stand (689002)

**\$189**



**SKILSAW**

### 10" Table Saw with Stand

- 15 amp
- Self-aligning quick-set fence with soft grip handle and magnifying glass
- All ball bearing construction motor
- Includes: 28-tooth carbide blade, heavy duty steel stand and extension (551414)

**\$189**



**RYOBI**

### 10" Table Saw with Stand

- 15 amp motor
- Triple axis self aligning rip fence automatically locks fence into alignment with blade
- Includes: 36-tooth carbide-tipped blade and metal stand (348281)

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### 10" Deluxe Table Saw with Stand

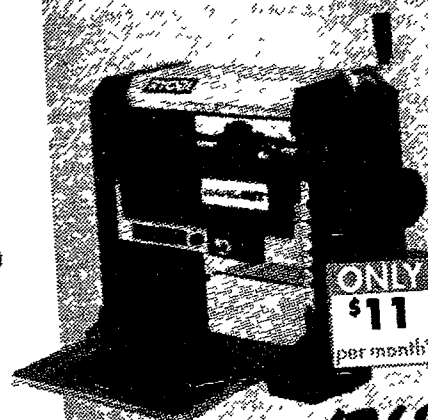
- Includes: 40-tooth carbide blade, stand and patented Herc-U-Lift™ casters (306360)

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### 10" Table Saw With Stand \$429.00

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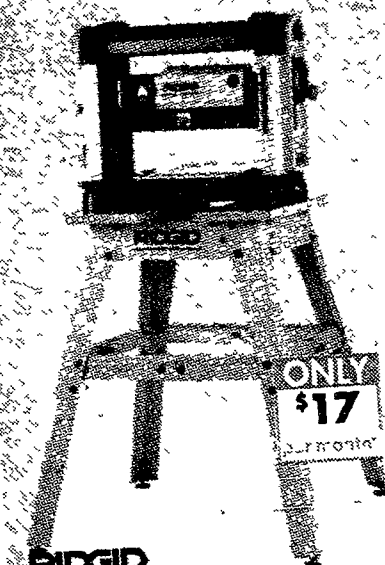
**RYOBI**

### 13" Surface Planer

- 15 amp motor with externally accessible brushes
- Features RapidSet blade changing system
- Integrated storage compartment for tool and pencil storage
- Rear mounted cord storage for easy transport
- Replane set gauge allows for 8 depth stops for thickness up to 1-3/4" (348277)

**ONLY \$11 per month\***

**\$269**



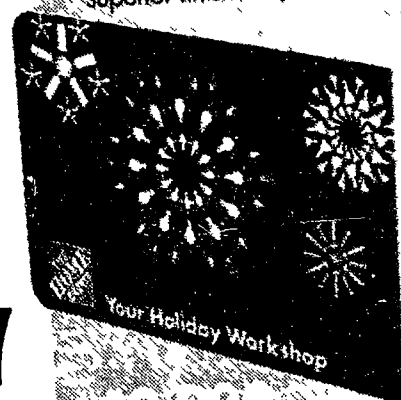
**RIDGID**

### 13" Thickness Planer and Universal Leg Stand

- 15 amp motor for heavy duty use
- Bench top use with extra large in-and-out feed tables to support work
- 13"x6" cutting capacity with 66 cuts/in. for superior finishes (787659)

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## tools

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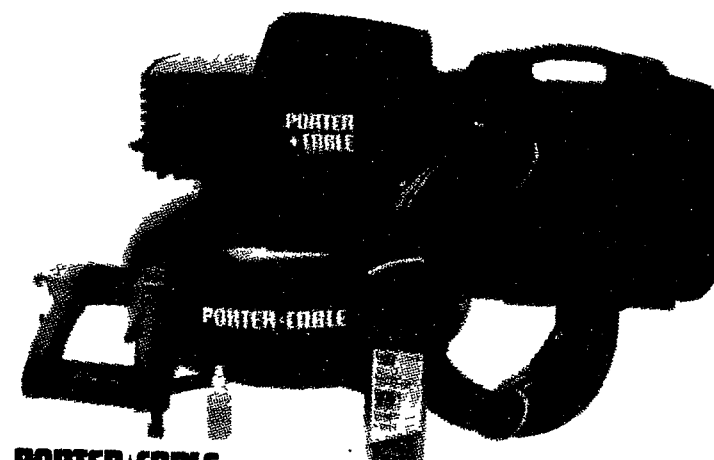
### 2 Peak HP Compressor and 2-1/2" Finish Nailer Combo Kit

- 6 gallon pancake oil free compressor delivers 3.7/2.7 scfm at 40/90 psi, oil-free design, ASME safety valve, air regulator and gauges
- 2-1/2" finish nailer drives 3/4" to 2-1/2" 16 gauge finish nails, adjustable depth of drive, quick release for jams and easy load magazine
- Includes: 2-1/2" finish nailer, 6-gallon compressor, 25' PVC hose, nail gun oil, all couplers and fittings and (1) box of 1,000 count finish nails (761940)

Includes 17  
Extra Accessories

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per month\*

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**PORTER-CABLE**  
PROFESSIONAL POWER TOOLS

**\$219**

### 2 Peak HP, Compressor and Brad Nailer Combo Kit

- Includes: 1-1/4" brad nailer, 6-gallon compressor, 25' PVC hose, nail gun oil, all couplers and fittings and (1) box of 1,000 count brad nails (712465)

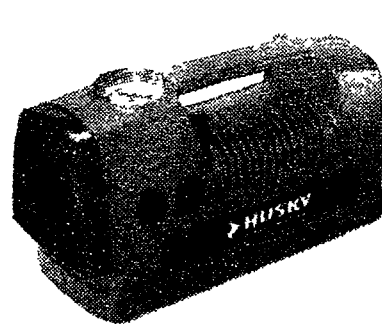
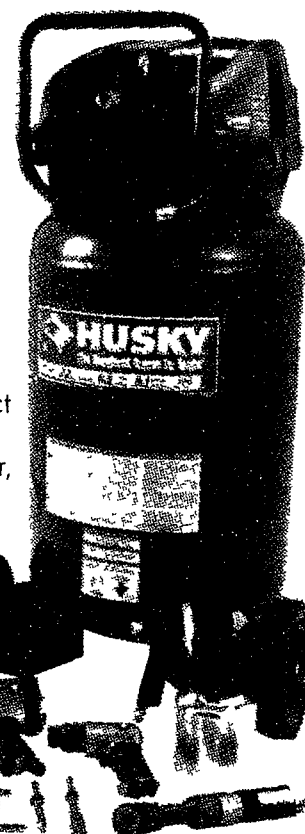
**HUSKY.**

**\$299**

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### 5 Peak HP, Oil Free, 22 Gallon Air Compressor with Bonus Kit

- Bonus Kit includes: 3/8" air ratchet, 1/2" impact wrench, air chisel with bits, spray gun, tire chuck, coupler, (F) plug, 5 (M) plugs, teflon tape, air hose, tire gauge, tool oil, blow gun and socket set (287839)



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### Airxpress™ Inflator with Safety Light

- 12 volt air compressor plugs into car cigarette lighter
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### Portable/ Tankless Air Compressor

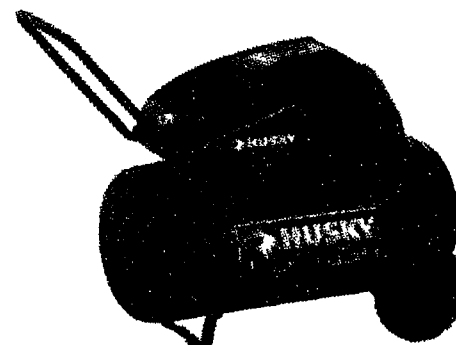
- Maintenance free oilless pump
- Next generation twin cylinder pump delivers 125 psi to perform multiple jobs around the home (361471)



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### 4-Gallon Oil Free, Tank Mounted Air Compressor

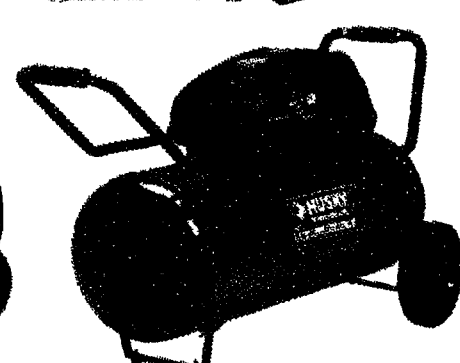
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### 5 Peak HP, Oil Free, Air Compressor

- 13-gallon portable ASME approved tank
- Air delivery: 6.5/5.1 SCFM at 40/90 psi
- 125 psi maximum pressure (708783)



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### 5.5 Peak HP, Oil Free, Vertical Air Compressor

- 26-gallon vertical portable ASME approved tank
- Air delivery: 6.5/5.1 SCFM at 40/90 psi
- 150 psi maximum pressure (158936)

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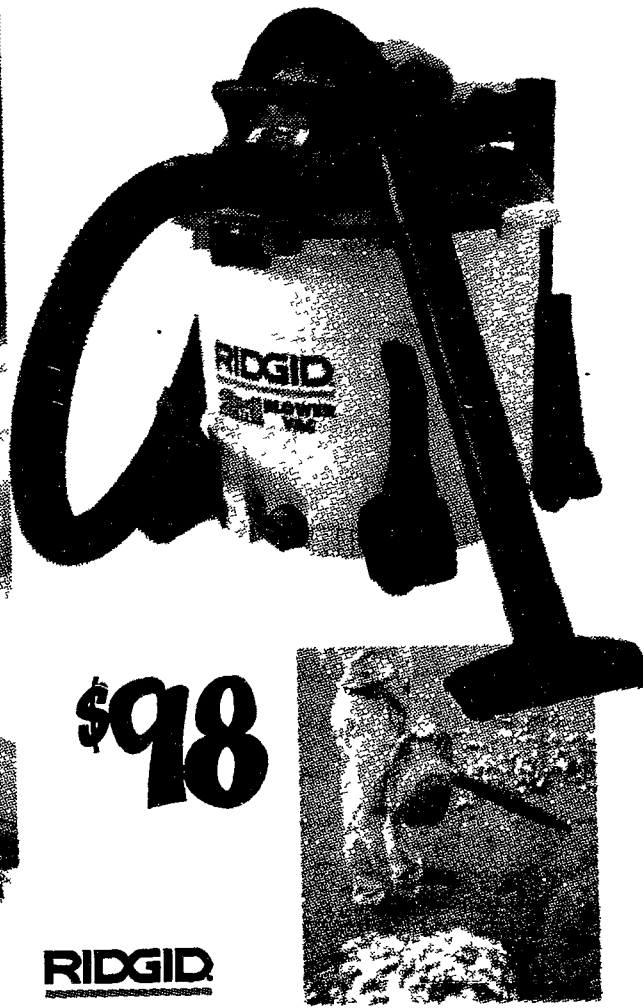


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**5 Peak HP 12-Gallon Wet/Dry Vac with Hand Vac**

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**2 Peak HP, Oil Free, Contractor Air Compressor**

- 4-gallon pancake style tank
- Air delivery: 4.3/3.1 SCFM at 40/90 psi (509094)

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**3 Peak HP, Oil Free, Contractor Air Compressor**

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- Air delivery: 7.6/6.2 SCFM at 40/90 psi (750068)

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**5 Peak HP, Oil-Lubricated Belt Drive Air Compressor**

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- Solid cast iron (723883)

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**7 Peak HP, Oil-Lubricated Belt Drive Air Compressor**

- 60-gallon vertical ASME approved tank
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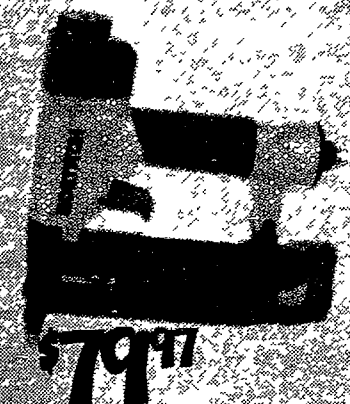
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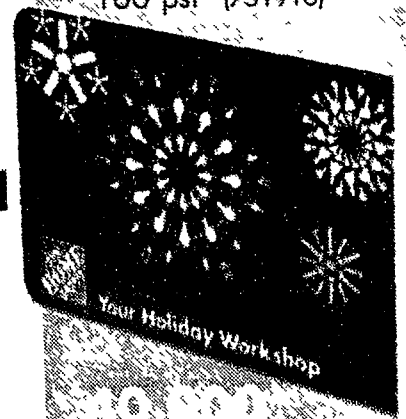
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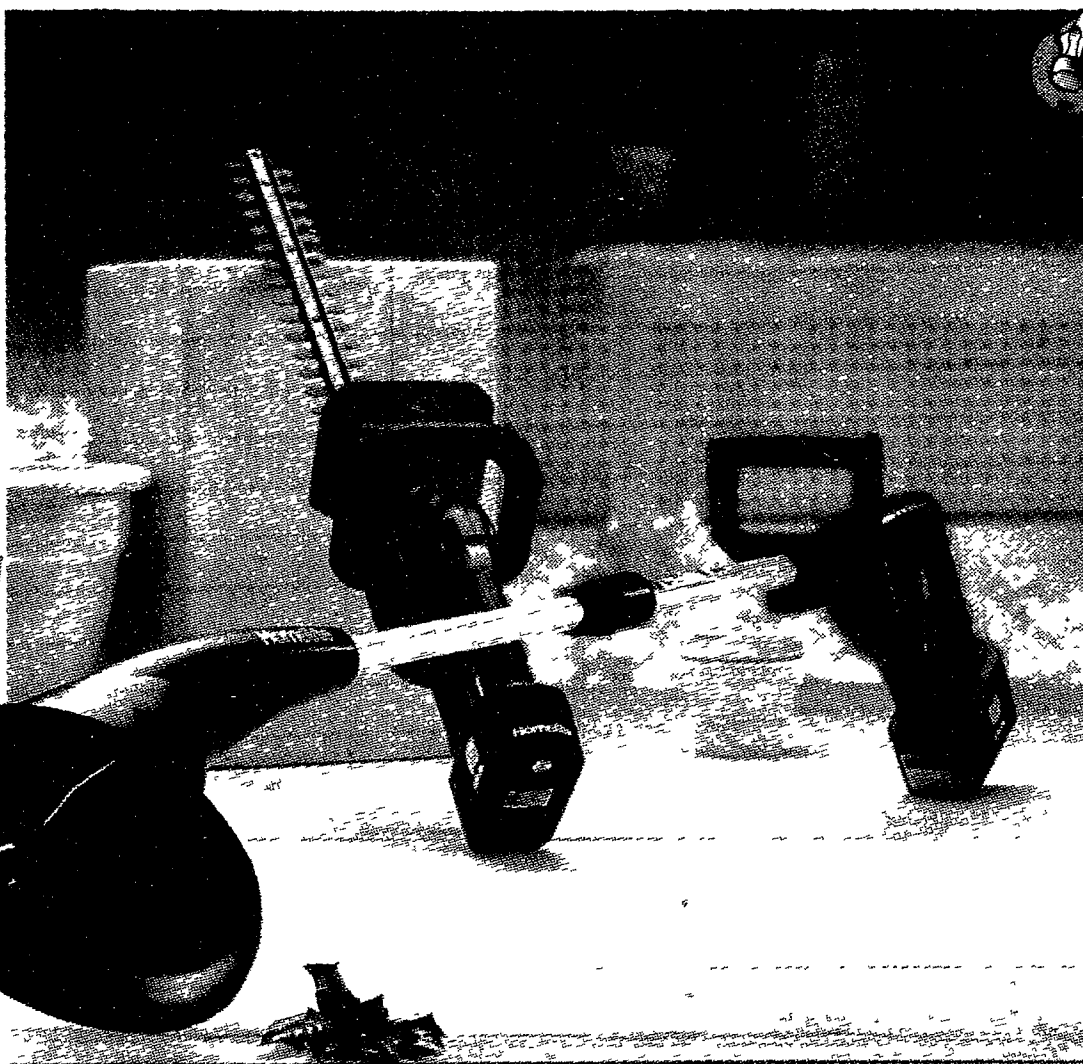
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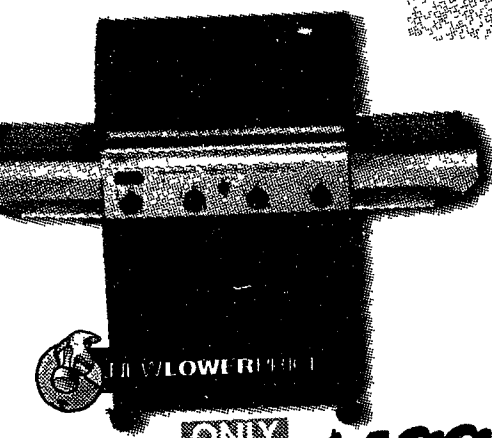
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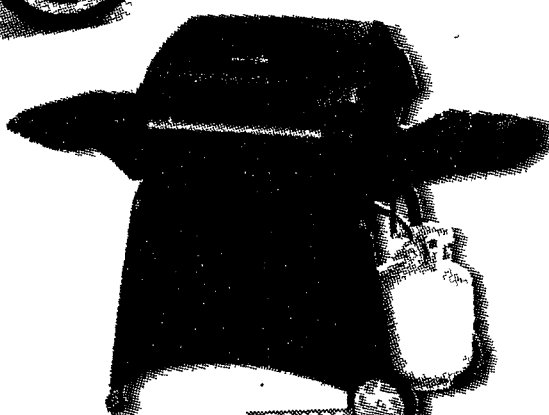
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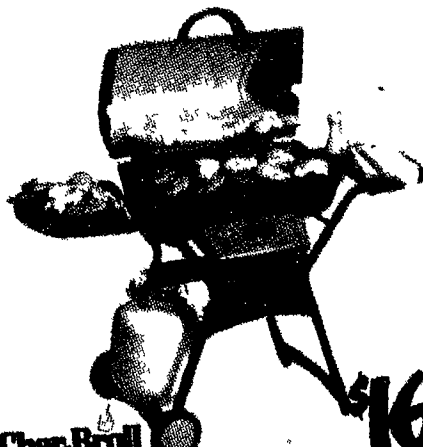
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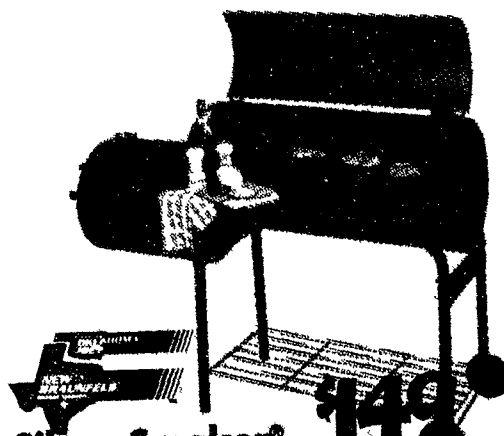
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• 32,000 BTU  
• 585 sq. in. cooking surface (539668) **\$199**



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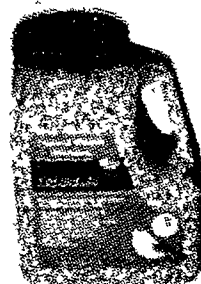
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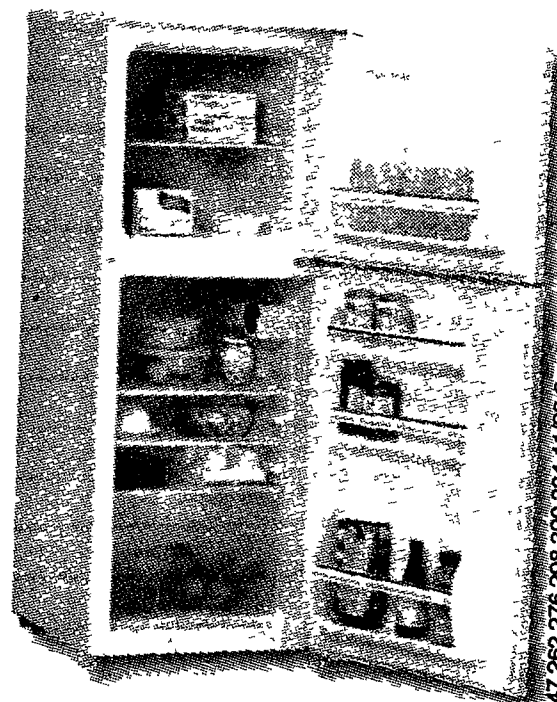
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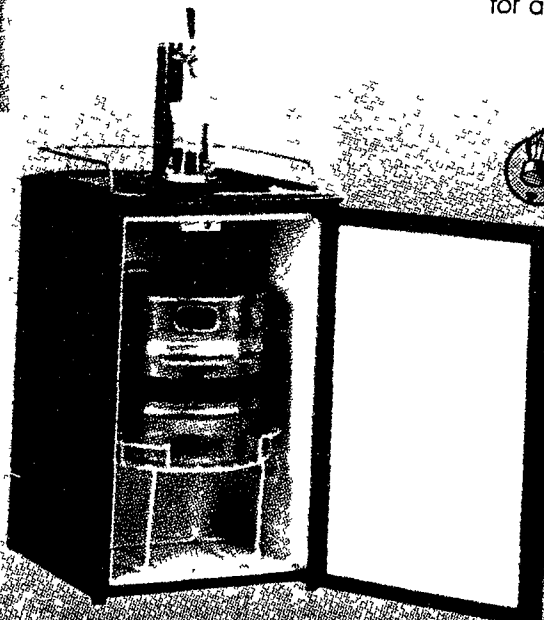
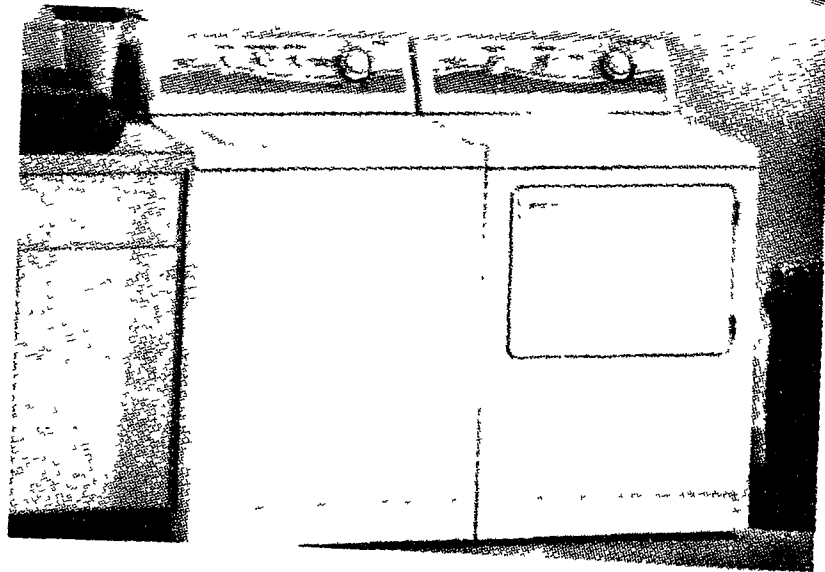
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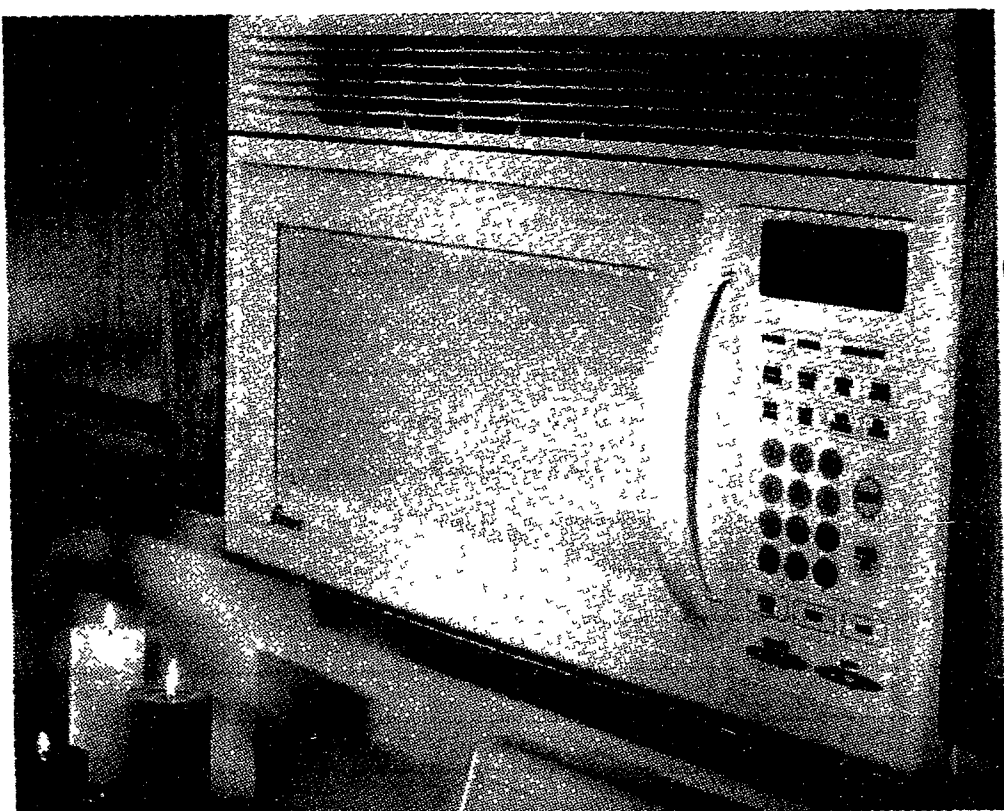
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**1.3 Cu. Ft. Over-the-Range Microwave**

- Choose from white or black
  - 1,000 watts, 10 power levels
  - Turntable
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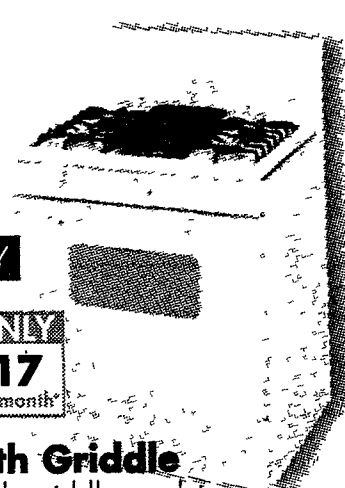
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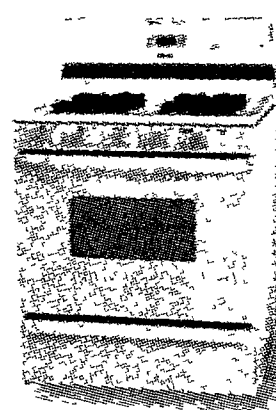
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**Gas Range**

- Electronic clock and timer
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- 12 AMP motor
- 15" cleaning width
- On-board attachments
- Brush roll on/off control
- 2-year warranty (114311)



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**FloorMATE™ Hard Floor Cleaner**

- Vacuums, washes, dries
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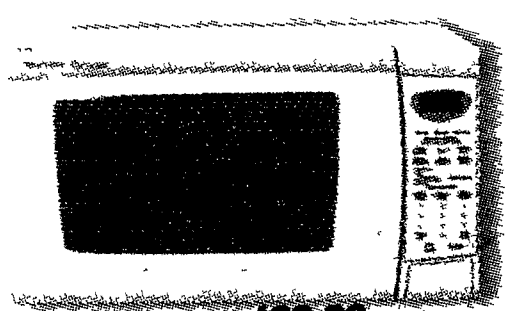
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**DUSTBUSTER™**

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**9.6 Volt DustBuster® Cordless Floor Vac**

- Can be used as a hand vac or floor vac
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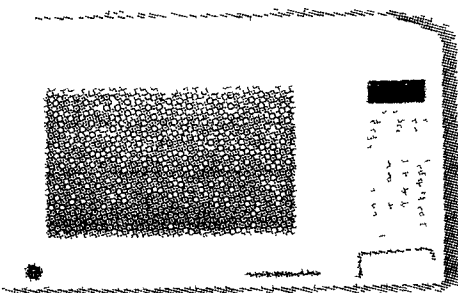


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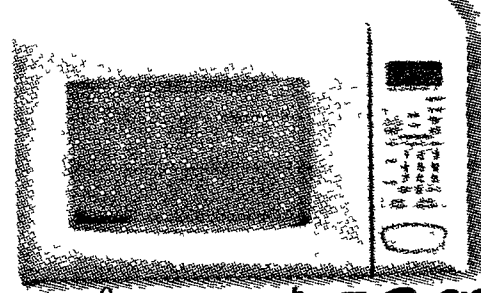
- Choose from white or black
  - Auto-Touch® control panel
  - 7 Instant Action™ keys
  - Programmable for 3 cooking stages
- R410EW (738835, 733487)



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**1.0 Cu. Ft. 1100 Watt Microwave**

- Glass turntable
  - 10 power levels
  - 6 1-touch convenience pads
  - Clock/LED display
- JES1034WF (276437)



**Magic Chef®**

**.7 Cu. Ft. 700 Watt Microwave with Turntable**

- 10-power levels
  - 3-menu, 1-touch pre-programmed cooking
  - 5-auto cooking menu
  - Supplies limited
- MCB770W (519000)

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**TriClean™ Dishwasher**

- 3 direct-feed wash arms
  - 6 wash levels
- GSD5800GVW (238294, Depot Direct 249046)

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**JetClean® 3-Level Dishwasher**

- Choose from white or black
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**Dishwasher**

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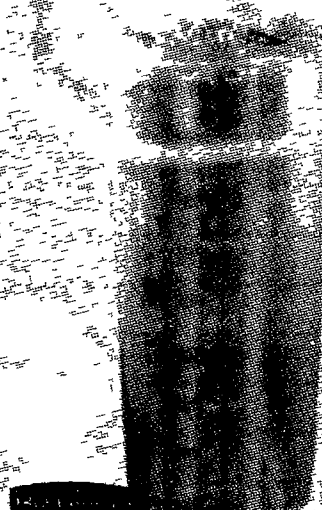


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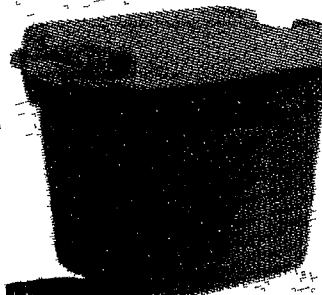
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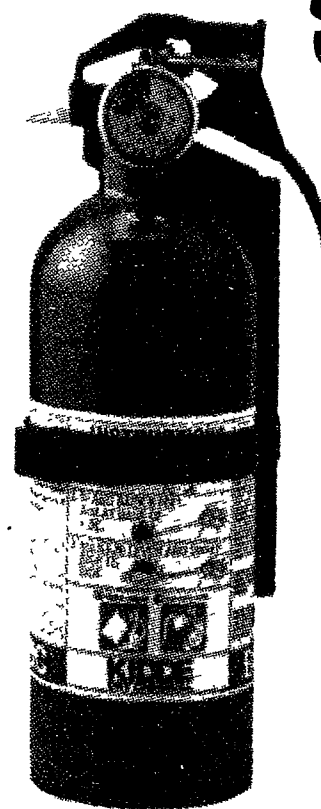


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- Flexible hose to direct spray
- Heavy duty protection for home, office or boat
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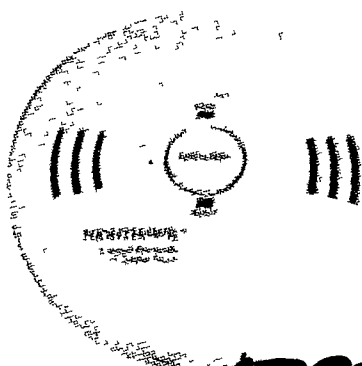


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## KIDDE

### Fire Away 10 Fire Extinguisher

- UL rated 1A:10B:C
- Fights all common fires
- Good for kitchen, auto or boat
- Weighs 3.9 pounds (547514)

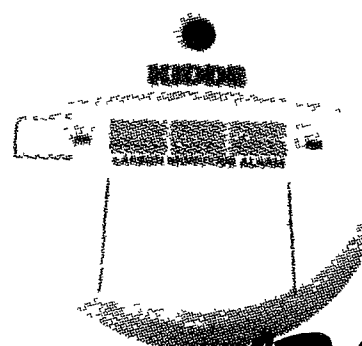


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## KIDDE

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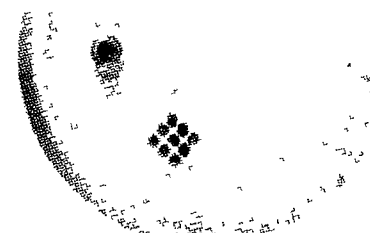


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### Lifesaver Carbon Monoxide Detector

- Installs anywhere
- Permanent sensor - no replacement necessary
- Multi-stage indicator warning system (184804)



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### Fire Sentry Smoke Detector

- 9 volt battery included
- Easy to install
- Low battery indicator (182262)

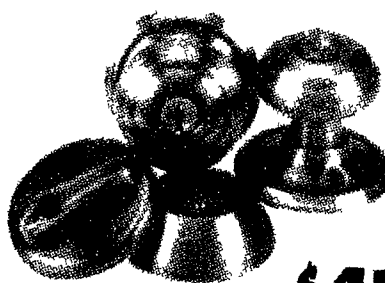


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## SCHLAGE

### Plymouth Handleset with Keyed 1-Side Deadbolt

- Bright brass finish
- Full lifetime mechanical and finish warranty
- Plymouth knobs on interior (272089)

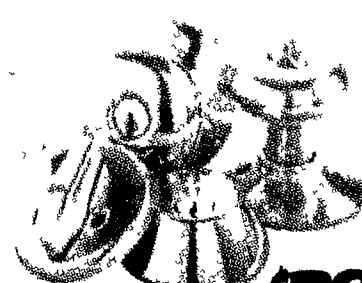


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## SCHLAGE

### Max Security Georgian Entry and Keyed 1-Side Deadbolt Combo Pack

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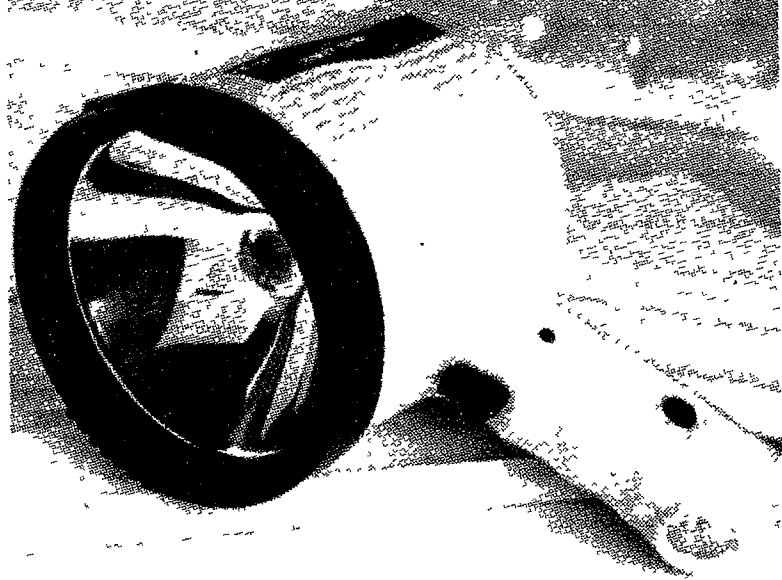
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## SCHLAGE

### Max Security Plymouth Entry and Keyed 1-Side Deadbolt Combo Pack

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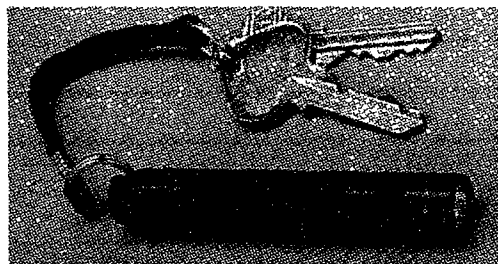
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### Mag-Lite Black Combo Pack With Holster

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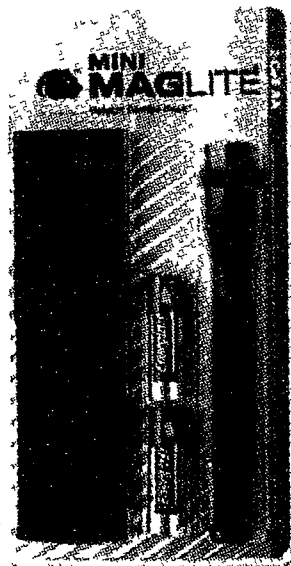


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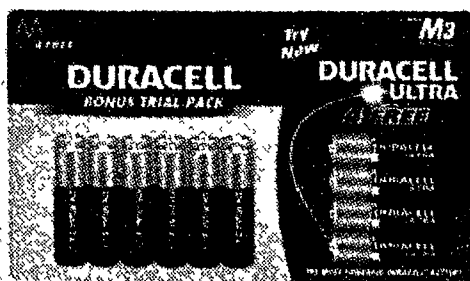
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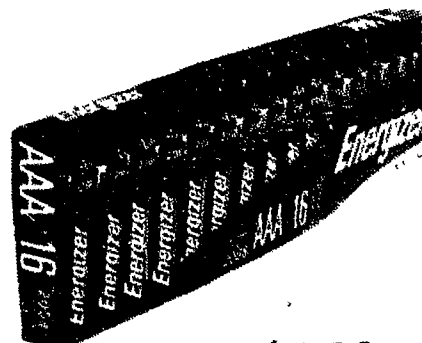


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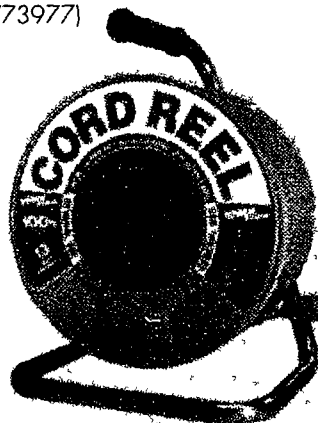
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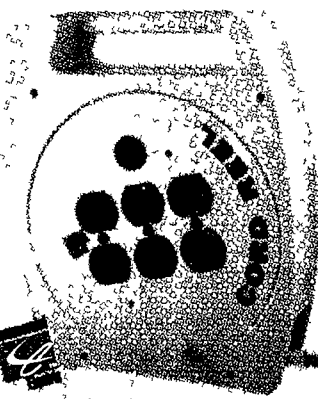
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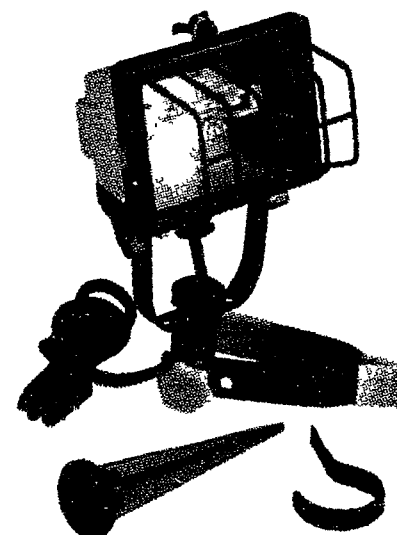
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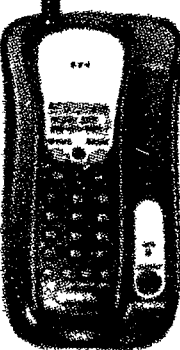


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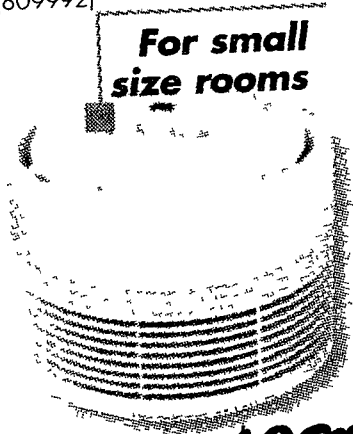
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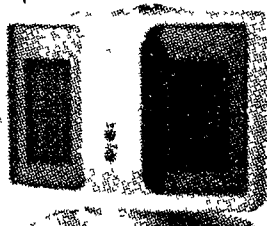


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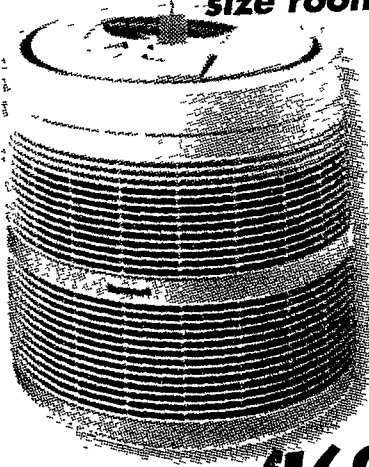
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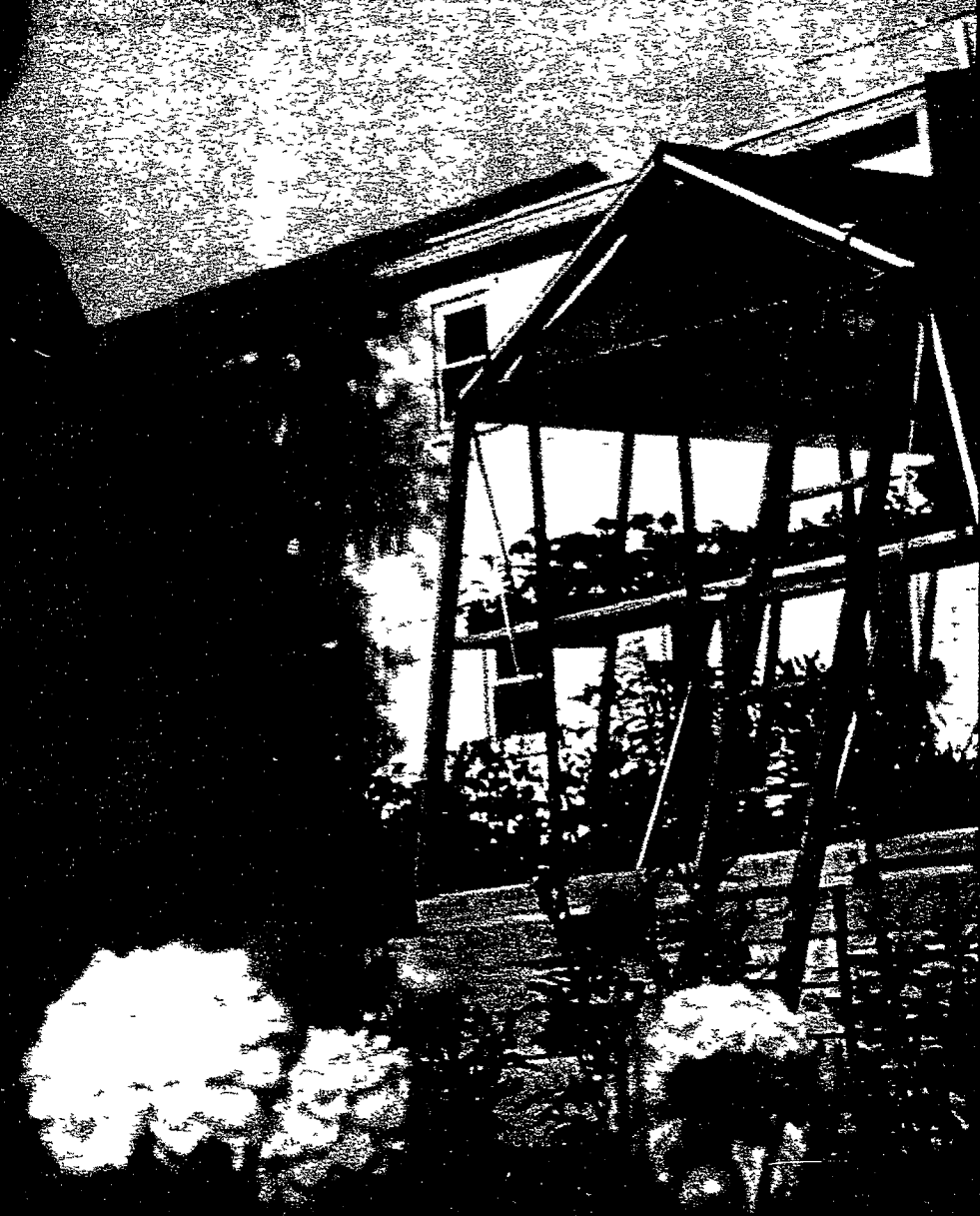


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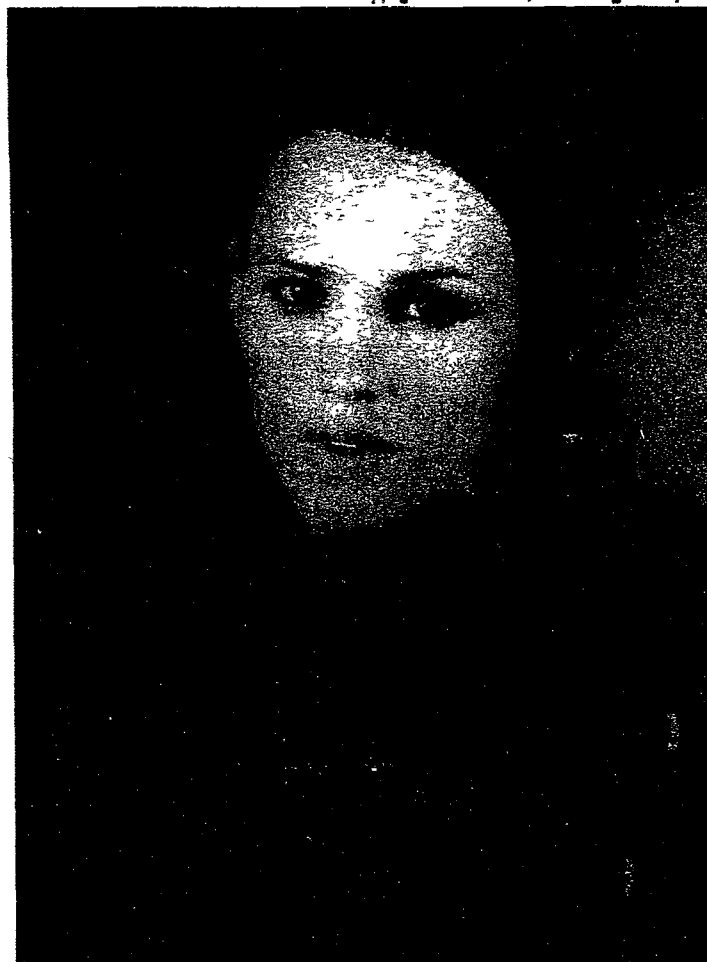
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**Alias' Jennifer Garner is no "maverick."**

**Q Please tell me about Jennifer Garner, who stars on the series *Alias*. Is she James Garner's daughter? We love the show.**

—Sam R., California

Jennifer Garner isn't James Garner's daughter. The Houston native was raised in West Virginia by her mother, a retired English teacher, and a father who is a former chemical engineer. Garner studied ballet for nine years while growing up, then enrolled at Denison University in Ohio as a chemistry major. Her love of the stage was stronger than her love for science, so she became a drama major. Garner moved to New York after graduating in 1994 and was a restaurant hostess while pursuing an acting career. She then moved to Los Angeles and later got a part on the WB show *Felicity*, where she met her husband, Scott Foley. Before hitting it big with *Alias*, Garner was in the short-lived series *Significant Others* and *Time of Your Life*. Her movie credits include *Pearl Harbor* and *Dude, Where's My Car?* She can be seen later this year in *Catch Me If You Can* with Leonardo DiCaprio. She and Foley live in the Los Angeles area with their two dogs and one cat.

**Q What has happened to Joseph Wambaugh? I thought he was one of the best crime writers.**

—Wesley A., Minnesota

Your opinion is shared by many readers and critics who were thrilled to see new work from the 65-year-old writer after a six-year hiatus. *Fire Lover: A True Story* came out earlier this year. It moves from the police department to the fire department, offering the true story of John Orr, an arson investigator in California who was exposed as a serial arsonist, responsible for four deaths. His crime was

**Joseph Wambaugh**

discovered when he allowed too many details to leak into his firefighter-based novel. Wambaugh, a former detective with the Los Angeles Police Department, wrote his first novel, *The New Centurions*, in 1971, after 10 years with the department. His first nonfiction book, *The Onion Field*, was a follow-up success, and he left the force to be a full-time writer in 1974. He continued to write both fiction and nonfiction, adapting his books for the movies and television. When he heard the story of Orr, he was inspired. "Here was a guy that wanted to get on the LAPD, where I was, and he wrote a novel," Wambaugh said in an interview with [www.thebookreport.com](http://www.thebookreport.com). "I'm thinking: the guy wants to be me." Wambaugh lives with his wife in Rancho Mirage, Calif. He isn't working on a new book, but who knows what may inspire him in the future.

**Q Is actor Clint Walker still living? If so, how old is he, and what is he doing now? He was in the old Western series *Cheyenne* and one of my favorite movies, *The Night of the Grizzly*.**

—Betty B., Alabama

The 75-year-old Walker is alive and very well, thanks to his interest in a healthy lifestyle. He and wife Susan live in Grass Valley, Calif., and both are well-schooled in the ways of herbal medicine, vitamins, and nutrition. A native of Hartford, Ill., Walker worked as a merchant marine sailor, a sheet metal worker, carpenter, deputy sheriff, and oil prospector before breaking into the movies. His good looks and muscular build soon landed him leading man roles in both television and film. He remains active and creative and is currently working with Western author Kirby Jonas on how to adapt an idea of his into a book called *Yaqui Gold*. ☆

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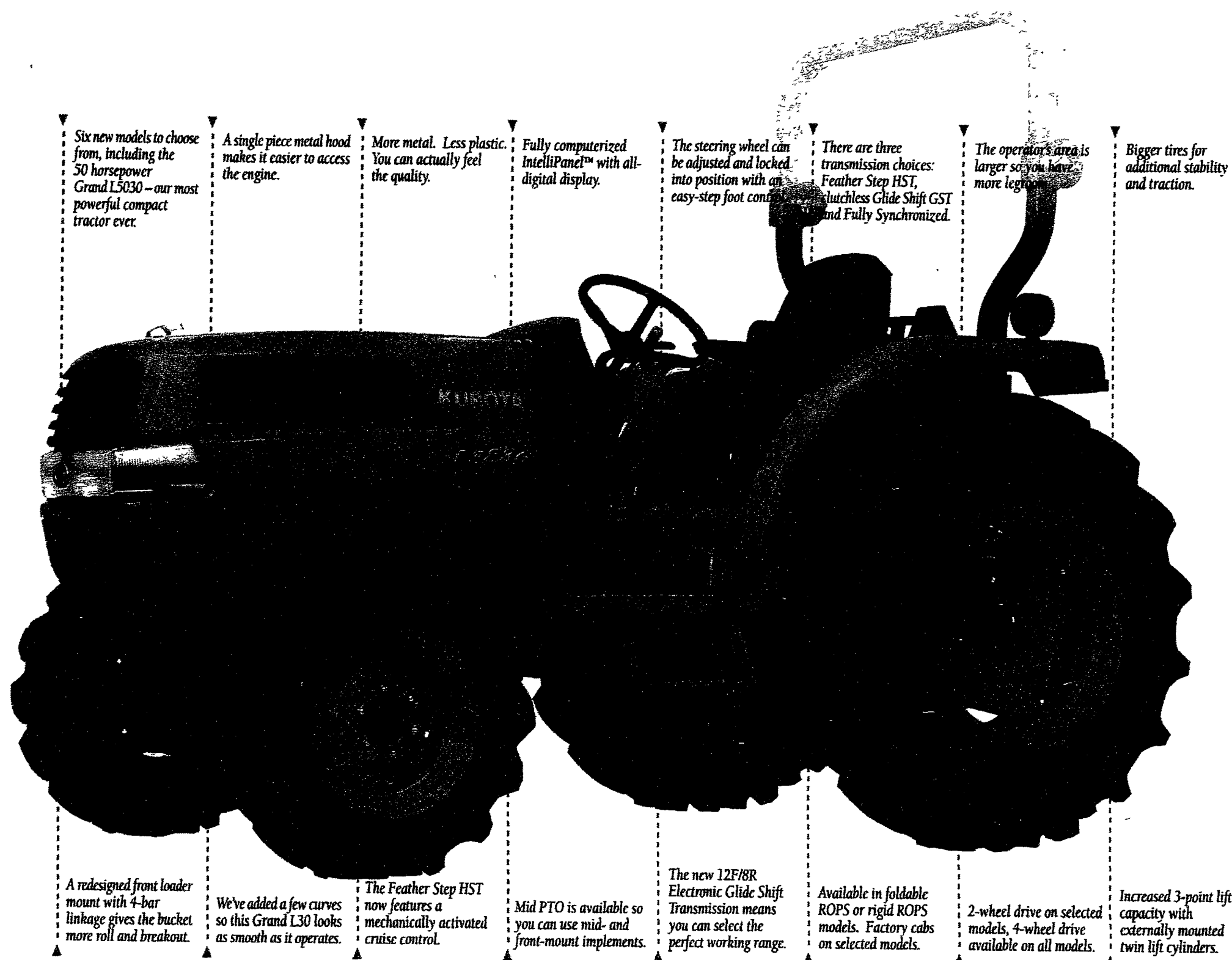
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# Hometown Hero

by ROBERT HENRY

## The Graduate

When high school dropout Cecil Smith took the test in January 2002 for his GED (General Educational Development) degree, the equivalent of a high school diploma, an essay question on the test asked, "What have you learned since high school?"

Describing what he had learned since high school in the space allotted would be impossible, Smith realized, because he had been out of school for 80 years.

"I had room for only a couple of hundred words," he says.

At age 94, he was also concerned about his penmanship. "I couldn't read my own writing," he recalls. But his handwriting was up to the task: Smith passed the test and was awarded a diploma.

"We can't find anyone older than Cecil who's gotten his GED," says Ben Justesen, a director for the national GED Testing Service.

Smith's penmanship problem is what got it all started. His handwriting never had been good, so his wife had taken care of the couple's writing requirements. Then after 61 years of marriage, his wife died, and Smith was stuck. He wondered if he could go back to school and fix his penmanship.

Smith of Westlake Village, Calif., (pop. 8,368) had been living with his nephew, Dick Kirkland, when the latter heard of an 80-year-old student receiving his GED at Conejo Valley Adult School in nearby Thousand Oaks, Calif. Kirkland suggested that Smith give the school a try.

"It was pretty amazing," says Michele Arso, the school's Learning Center program coordinator. "We thought having an octogenarian student was something—then Cecil came along."

Smith quickly went from wanting to improve his penmanship to wanting to get his high school diploma. After giving him a practice test, the Learning Center staff came up with an individualized approach for Smith.

"We have great staff and facilities," Arso adds, "but it's a lab environment, where each student has to study individually. Cecil did all the work himself."

Smith had dropped out of high school when his parents died. At age 14, he had to fend for himself.

"I had to learn a trade," Smith says, "So I moved from Indiana to Michigan and learned to be an upholsterer."



Cecil Smith, 95, went after a high school diploma, with plenty of help from teachers.

After he got married as a young man, Smith's wife wanted to move to California, so the couple settled in Los Angeles. "This was in the middle of the Depression," he says. "We camped on the beach for three days until I got a job."

Soon, Smith bought two acres of land in Malibu, Calif., which he still owns. "Originally I raised goats and poultry on that land while I worked as an upholsterer," he says. "Even (raised) bees. Survived earthquakes and brushfires. But I got a hip replacement and had to give up the animals."

After Smith passed the GED test and earned his diploma, Arso and the rest of the staff threw him a party.

"They had balloons, a cake, reporters, TV people," he says.

"It was quite something."

"Cecil really surprised us," Arso says.

"Here he was, this quiet, focused student, and at the ceremony he was wearing a tuxedo, and we saw how much energy and charisma he had. He charmed everybody."

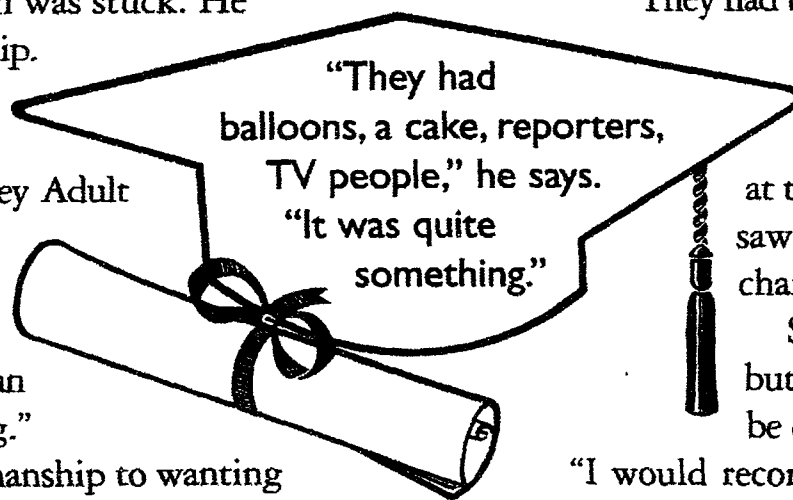
Smith hadn't intended to become a role model, but if he inspires others to get their diplomas, he'll be delighted.

"I would recommend going back to get your diploma for anybody—it does a lot of good just to know you did it," he says.

Now with his high school diploma finally in hand, Smith isn't about to stop learning. "I went out and bought one of those electric cars," he says. "I'm up for any scheme that will improve the environment."

His future academic plans call for computer classes. "I'll study up on computers next," he says. "Things are changing all the time, you know." ☆

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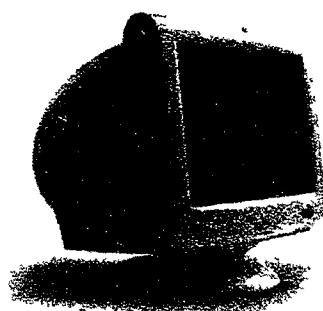


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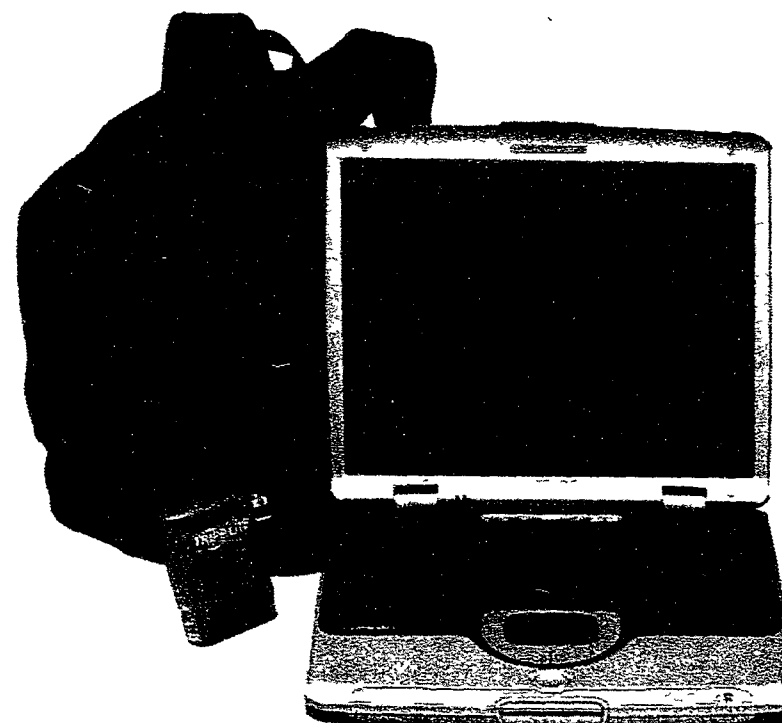


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# The Year-Round Green Thumb



Marie Fowler knows what each seedling needs to grow a healthy plant.

In November, when the dazzling colors in most flower beds are a distant memory, Marie and Keith Fowler still are cutting and selling beautiful blooms at their local farmer's market.

They take the whimsy of flowers very seriously and have made them more than a spring and summer hobby. Aided by two greenhouses, grow lights that mimic sunlight, and eight large flower beds, the Fowlers of Belchertown, Mass., (pop. 12,968) indulge their passion for flowers practically year-round. They grow annuals, perennials, and herbs to create bright fresh bouquets, dried arrangements, and flavorings for Marie's specially made vinegars, oils, and mustards.

Indeed, cold weather—even brutal New England winters—don't keep Marie from her flowers. "I do all my ordering in December and get the seeds in January," Marie says. Thousands of seeds are planted in February and germinated in their house under grow lights.

In February through about mid-March, seedlings are nurtured in their heated greenhouse (the other is unheated). When the weather warms, most are transplanted to waiting flowerbeds; others are placed in tiny pots and sold for \$1 each at the farmer's market.

Like Marie, most gardeners who own hobby greenhouses grow from seed, says Thomas Eckert, president of the National Hobby Greenhouse Association.

Eckert, whose third and current greenhouse measures 48 by 22 feet, has had greenhouses since 1978 at his home in Dillsburg, a central Pennsylvania community of 2,063. "I've always lived in a country setting and I like to see plants grow," he says. "It came down to economics ... I can't afford to buy flats and flats of plants (at a garden center), but I can get several flats out of one pack of seeds."

He also uses the greenhouse for overwintering—housing outside plants, such as ferns or potted annuals that he wants to keep rather than losing them to winter's freezing temperatures. Some plants have lasted 15 years.

"I enjoy the quiet times in the greenhouse in the wintertime," Eckert says. "It's fun to putter around in there."

He trims and doctors overwintering plants infested with disease or insects and plants seeds to get a head start on spring. "Before you know it," he says, "it's spring again."

At the Fowler home, *is it ever*.

The Fowlers are transforming the once-overgrown back yard of their large white farmhouse, part of which dates back to 1843, into a pastoral, color-filled landscape. An herb garden contains basil, lavender, and rosemary. Another grows primarily flowers for drying: cock's comb, strawflowers, sunflowers, and Keith's dahlias—the only flower he grows. Others are filled with annuals and perennials such as lilacs, butterfly bushes, foxglove, asters, and assorted grasses.

Tending the flowers is only part of this very busy hobby: Beds must be built; compost piles created; seeds bought and planted; greenhouses stocked; seedlings transplanted; flowers fertilized, harvested, and arranged; and the truck loaded for the farmer's market.

"It's a pretty serious commitment," Marie says.

## 'I always loved flowers'

Her Italian heritage accounts for at least part of Marie's love for raising beauty from the earth's soil, she says. Her Grandpa Rocco grew acres of tomatoes for his extended family, and her grandmother preserved enough for an entire year for the whole family. "I think seeing his love and the sharing with the garden really kind of made me want to do something like that," Marie says.

Marie began exploring her gardening roots once she married Keith and they bought a house with a bit of land. "I didn't grow vegetables because the property we had was very shady and had horrible soil and any attempt to grow vegetables was just really a disaster," she says. "But I always loved flowers."

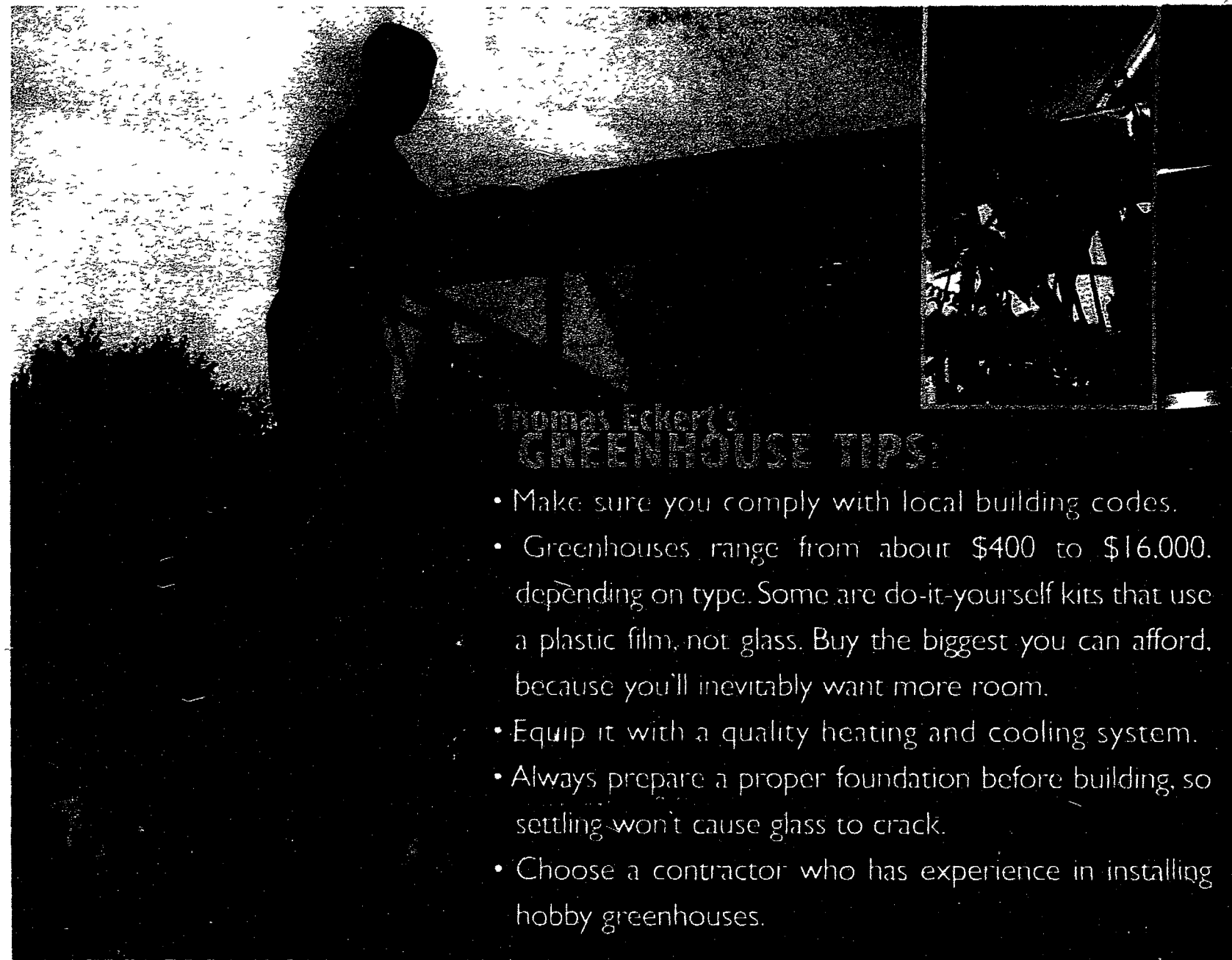
The turning point came about 15 years ago when they bought their second home, with its sunny yard and good soil. "I wanted a small cutting garden and (Keith) ... rototilled a huge area for me as a birthday present," she says. "He does everything huge. He put a big fence around it and said, 'Okay, here you go.'"

Marie enrolled in the horticultural program at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, where she works in the registrar's office. "I took courses one by one while I was working," she says. "I learned how to grow."

She planted, cultivated, and raised blossoms for two years before deciding, in 1990, to try selling them at the Amherst Farmer's Market. She was surprised at how quickly her zinnias, cosmos, and bachelor's buttons sold. "It was kind of infectious," she remembers.

To minimize labor, Marie planted mostly perennials (plants that return and bloom year after year) and filled in the rest of the garden space with annuals (which last just one season). "Once you get perennials in, you don't work quite so hard at planting," she says.

She also quickly set herself apart from other market vendors who also sold flowers. "They generally were just selling cut flowers, not in bouquets," she says. "Another one of the courses I took was floral designing, and I got lots of practice. I knew I could make bouquets, and this would set me apart from other flower growers."



Keith Fowler, the visionary of the family, tills the soil and Marie plants the seeds to make their gardens grow.

Not for long, though, she says with a wry smile. "Everybody who sells flowers just sells bouquets now."

## Doing her homework

Turning flowers into bouquets is work. Keith, who handles maintenance for a real estate agency, primarily builds their flower beds and maintains compost piles. "We do a lot of organic farming," he says.

"He's the one who has the vision. He can look at the yard and say, 'Here's where the next one's going to go.' He has the big picture," Marie says. "I amble over to look at the bed and say, 'Here's what I want to do with it.'"

It was Keith who envisioned what their current home on 47 mostly wooded acres could become. When they bought the property two years ago, Keith immediately, with his tractor and backhoe, cleared the large, overgrown backyard area of sumac, thicket, brambles, and poison ivy, creating an inviting, lovely environment.

Marie has filled the back yard with strategically grown cutting flowers. "A lot of perennials that you grow from seed don't flower the first year, but I try to select some that will flower the first year, combined with those that won't, so I have something to work with for bouquets for the year."

She also must become familiar with each plant. "You really have to do your homework because they have different germination requirements," she says. "Some like cool to start, some hot. Some need dark, some light, some grow slowly, some fast."

## Thomas Eckert's GREENHOUSE TIPS:

- Make sure you comply with local building codes.
- Greenhouses range from about \$400 to \$16,000, depending on type. Some are do-it-yourself kits that use a plastic film, not glass. Buy the biggest you can afford, because you'll inevitably want more room.
- Equip it with a quality heating and cooling system.
- Always prepare a proper foundation before building, so settling won't cause glass to crack.
- Choose a contractor who has experience in installing hobby greenhouses.

She also must alternate planting times to ensure a constant flow of flowers for market. Marie staggered a batch of 150 Oriental lily bulbs, which take about 90 days to mature, so they would last each week through the end of November.

What may sound like a lot of work to some is pure enjoyment for Marie—so much that she continually tries to stretch her knowledge. "I like to challenge myself each year and grow some things I know are going to be difficult," she says.

Marie admits it's sometimes a little difficult to snip the blooms. "But that's the beauty of it, especially with annuals. Lots of them are 'cut and come again,' like with zinnias. You need to cut them because the more you cut, the more they come back.

"With perennials, it's not the same, because you usually get one bloom each year and that's it. That's why I really like to keep a combination of annuals and perennials. A lot of serious gardeners don't want to deal with annuals, but they do have pluses."

The effect her flowers has on her customers makes the extra effort worth it, Marie says. "I just really get a kick out of bringing a smile to people's faces when they see the flowers and when they see what we can do," Marie says. "I love to make people happy, and I think when they see what we do, it definitely brings a smile to people's faces. I guess that's the key.

"I want to be happy and that's my goal," she says. "That's what it's all about." ✨

Carol Davis, who can barely grow marigolds, is national editor of American Profile.



# Hometown Spotlight

by SHARON MCDONNELL

## The Pequot: COMING *Back* Home



The life-like dioramas at Mashantucket's museum celebrate 11,000 years of Pequot heritage.

Long before Europeans arrived, the Pequot Nation inhabited southeastern Connecticut. Yet so vivid is Connecticut's Colonial past it's possible to miss its rich American Indian heritage, even though it lives on in so many names—towns such as Pawcatuck and Mystic (the latter from Mistuket, for great river), and the state itself, Quinnepituck (beside the long tidal river). But today, a remarkable museum in Mashantucket (much-wooded place) brings that heritage home.

The Pequot (pronounced "peekwhat") Museum and Research Center opened in 1998 and quickly earned the praise of the Smithsonian Institution. William Sturtevant, curator of ethnology at the Smithsonian, calls it "the best exhibit of North American Indian materials in the Northeast, and among the very best anthropological museum exhibits anywhere." The museum is owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation, a community in its own right, today numbering about 1,000.

Among the museum's exhibits is a re-created 16th-century village of the Pequot tribe—51 life-size figures cooking at campfires, taking care of

children, and making tools. So real is this multi-sensory exhibit, visitors smell cooking and hear forest noises. In other dioramas, hunters from 11,000 years ago stalk caribou or shiver on a glacier where water drips and wind howls.

"The museum was a vision and a mission of our tribe—it was always in our heart," says Theresa Hayward Bell, executive director of Mashantucket's museum since 1994, when construction began. "We wanted a special place to house the histories of many tribes, not just our own."

A program of more than 100 cultural events is held each year, including demonstrations of such American Indian crafts as bone carving and pottery making, lectures by visiting scholars on history and folklore, Boy and Girl Scout activities, and American Indian storytelling. Archeology walks and concerts by American Indian musicians are held each summer. Singer and songwriter Buffy Sainte-Marie, a Cree, and singer Rita Coolidge, a Cherokee, have performed here.

An active archeology program is under way, notes Dr. Kevin McBride, the museum's director of research and an associate professor of anthropology at the University of Connecticut. Sites as old as 9000 B.C. and as recent as 19th-century settlements are studied, and efforts to locate American Indian coastal villages are being conducted with the Mystic Aquarium & Institute of Exploration.

Four hundred years ago, southeast Connecticut was home to about 20,000 American Indians, including the Pequot and Mohegan tribes. But by the early 1970s, only Elizabeth George and her sister

remained on the Mashantucket reservation, whose original 3,000 acres—granted in 1666—had dwindled to 213.

When George's grandson, Richard "Skip" Hayward, was elected tribal leader in 1975, he sought to bring members back to Mashantucket, but with only two houses on tribal land, no electricity, water, or roads, and no businesses, it was slow going. Still, some began to return—many of them nieces, nephews, and grandchildren of Elizabeth George.

A boost came for the Pequot when 15 federally subsidized homes were built in 1981. More important, federal recognition of the Pequot Nation came with the Land Claims Settlement Act of 1983, and the Pequots were able to re-acquire 800 acres of former tribal land.

For a time, it was hard going. Raising pigs, tribal vegetable farming, making maple syrup, and starting a pizzeria were businesses the Pequots tried, with modest success. Then they found the enterprise that changed their fortunes. They opened a bingo hall in 1986, which, by 1992, had grown into Foxwoods Resort Casino. Thanks to Foxwoods, the Pequots were able to invest \$193 million to build their museum.

"This is a culmination of a dream, to tell the largely unknown story of the Pequots and preserve our culture and history," Bell says.

Today, to celebrate the diversity of American Indian culture nationwide, the Pequots sponsor the Festival of Green Corn and Dance each August, drawing thousands from 500 tribes. The bull-riding contest is the most famous of more than 40 events, which include drumbeating and song in American Indian dress.

Mashantucket today has not only become a home for the Pequots, but also a place of revival for traditions as old as the land. ☆

Sharon McDonnell is a writer in New York City.

Director Theresa Hayward Bell sees the museum as a vision from the heart.





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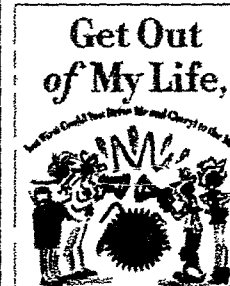
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## Our Picks



## Books

**Get Out of My Life, But First Could You Drive Me and Cheryl to the Mall?**  
Anthony E. Wolf, Ph.D.  
Farrar, Straus, and Giroux

A guide to living with and helping teenagers, this updated version of a 1991 best seller uses humor and compassion to explain teenage behavior, while offering concrete advice for coping with it.

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**Hip To Knit**  
Judith L. Swartz  
Interweave Press



While many Americans turn to yoga or other relaxation methods to relieve stress and slow down, more and more are picking up the knitting needles. Knitting offers soothing, repetitive, hands-on movement and is not just your grandmother's pastime; the number of knitters under age 35 rose more than 400 percent between 1998 and 2000, says the Craft Yarn Council of America, and knitting clubs for young professionals, working moms, and teenagers are forming across the country.

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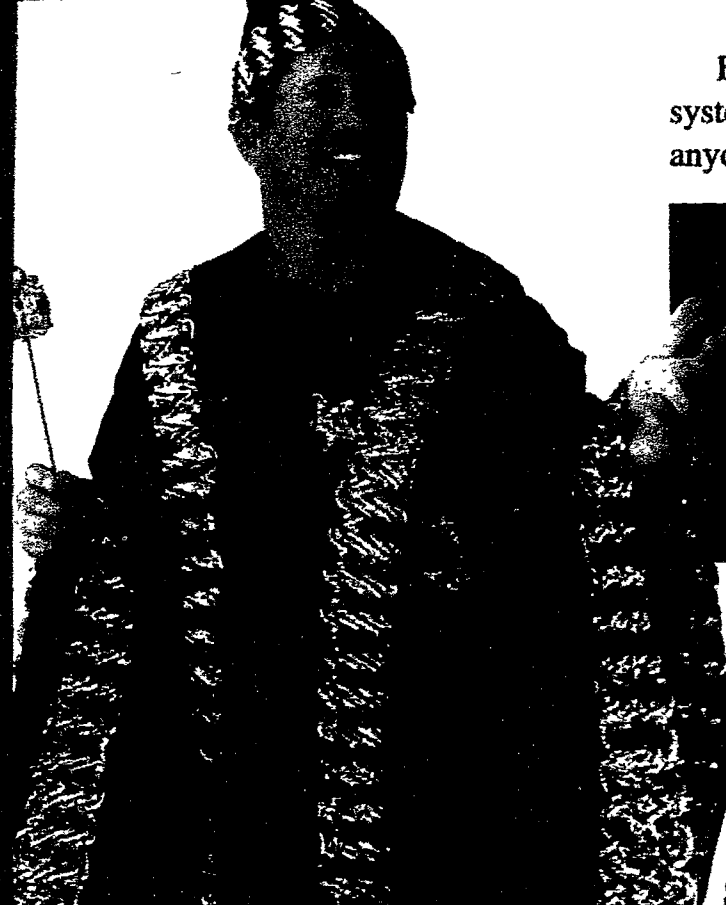


At her mother's request for songs that would create a comforting, relaxing environment, Koz, whose brother (Jordan's father) is musician Jeff Koz, and other artists created *Golden Slumbers*.

Tracks include *When You Wish Upon a Star*, *Brahm's Lullaby*, *Hush Little Baby*, *You'll Be in My Heart*, *Blackbird*, and *Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star*, all performed by artists who recently have become fathers, godfathers, or uncles. ★

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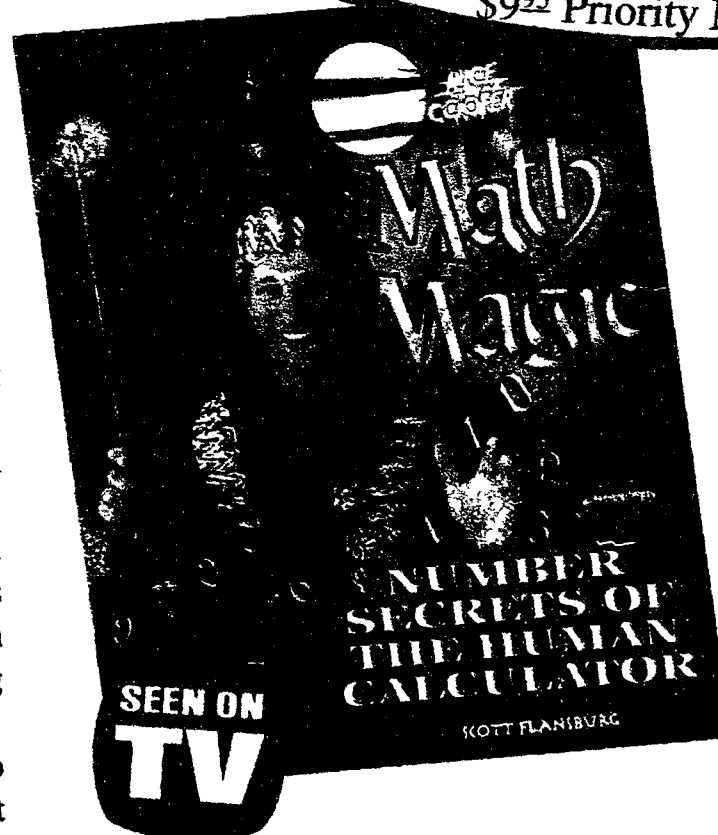
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**Lucia Fest**—Lindsborg, Dec. 14. Experience an 18th-century Swedish Christmas featuring ethnic music, folk dancing, and food, and the crowning of Lucia, a symbol of light and hope to the Swedish people since the Middle Ages. (888) 227-2227.

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**Holiday Homes Tour**—Grand Haven, Dec. 7-8. Tour eight historic or unusual homes decorated in their holiday finery during this annual event. Shuttles depart from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Tri-Cities Historical Museum. (616) 842-0700.

## MINNESOTA

**Feeding Winter Birds**—Centerville, Dec. 8. Bring a 2-liter bottle, plastic milk jug, or gourd and create a backyard feeder for winter birds during this hands-on program from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Wargo Nature Center. (651) 429-8007.

## MISSOURI

**Festival of Lights**—St. James, Dec. 7-25. Drive, or take a walking tour, through a festive Christmas light display at St. James Park, 320 Bourbeuse St. (800) 480-3899.

## NEBRASKA

**Christmas on the Prairie**—Wahoo, Dec. 7-8. In its 13th year, this event will feature Czech entertainment and displays, a quilt show, vintage fashion show, and children's activities at the holiday-decorated Saunders County Museum. (402) 443-3090.

## NORTH DAKOTA

**North Star Classic**—Valley City, Dec. 6-8. A livestock show featuring cattle, sheep, and swine competitions, commercial exhibitors, and a beef cook-off contest at the North Dakota Winter Show Building. (701) 845-1401.

## OHIO

**Holidays Festival**—Dalton, Dec. 7-8. The spirit of the season comes alive with a Christmas parade, entertainment, a country-style breakfast, Mrs. Claus Pantry, and fireman's ham dinner. (330) 828-2444.

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## Tidbits

### Did You Know...

**ILLINOIS**—In 1836, New Philadelphia in Pike County became the first town founded by an African-American. "Free Frank" McWorter, a Virginia slave, saved \$800, bought his freedom, and mapped the town, which survived until 1885 when the railroad bypassed it.

**INDIANA**—The 1811 Salisbury courthouse in Centerville (pop. 2,427) is the only remaining log cabin courthouse in the Northwest Territory—which included Indiana prior to statehood.

**IOWA**—In 1928, the *Des Moines Register and Tribune* became the first newspaper in the country to own and operate an airplane. Dubbed the *Good News*, the five-seat Fairchild monoplane promoted aviation in Iowa and hastened newsgathering.

**KANSAS**—The world's longest grain elevator stretches more than one-half mile in Hutchinson.

**MICHIGAN**—Established in 1911, Owasippe Scout Reservation near Whitehall (pop. 2,884) is the nation's oldest Boy Scout camp.

**MINNESOTA**—Three TV moms—Barbara Billingsley of *Leave it to Beaver*, Marion Ross of *Happy Days*, and Debra Jo Rupp of *That '70s Show*—popped open a giant can of Spam in June to officially open the \$8 million Spam Museum in Austin (pop. 23,314), home of Hormel Foods.

**MISSOURI**—Known as the "Voice of the St. Louis Cardinals," Hall of Fame announcer Jack Buck broadcast Cardinals baseball for KMOX radio from 1954 until his death June 18 at age 77.

**NEBRASKA**—The People's or Populist Party held its first convention July 4, 1892, in Omaha.

**NORTH DAKOTA**—In 1913, a Northern Pacific Railroad official named Zap (pop. 231) after Zapp, Scotland, because both places had coal mines.

**OHIO**—In 1972, Burt Reynolds autographed a hot dog bun at Tony Packo's Restaurant in Toledo, and today some 1,000 famous big-name buns adorn the restaurant, famous for its Hungarian hot dogs.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**—Completed in 1924, the Meridian Bridge at Yankton (pop. 13,528) became the state's first bridge to span the Missouri River and completed the link for travelers on the International Meridian Highway between Mexico City, Mexico, and Winnipeg, Canada.

**WISCONSIN**—At the 52nd Kraut Festival last June in Franksville (pop. 1,789), Brenda Lashley ate more than a pound of kraut in two minutes to win the women's world kraut-eating championship. ★

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# Hometown Recipes

from CHERYL POMERENKE

## Chicken Spaghetti

When I was a grill cook for a restaurant in Crawford, Texas, I was asked to make this recipe for Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia, who was a guest of President George W. Bush at his Crawford ranch. This dish was one of the daily specials at the restaurant. ☆

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### RECIPE: Chicken Spaghetti

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Cheryl Pomerence  
McGregor, Texas



- 3 cups cooked chicken (I use chicken tenders)
- 1 12-ounce package thin spaghetti
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 tablespoon chopped pimento
- 1 28-ounce can cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup milk
- 1 1/2 cups Velveeta or similar product
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Cheddar cheese, grated

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large saucepan, cook chicken in boiling water until done. Drain, saving water. Chop chicken into small pieces. Add spaghetti to chicken water and cook until done, following directions on package. In another pan, melt butter and sauté celery and onion. Stir in pimento. Add chicken, soup, milk, Velveeta, salt, and pepper. Drain spaghetti and add to chicken mixture. Pour into a greased 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Sprinkle Cheddar on top. Bake for 20 minutes. Serves 8 to 10 people.

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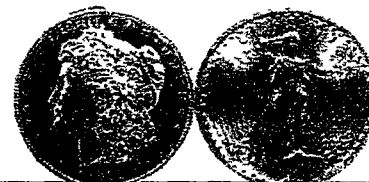


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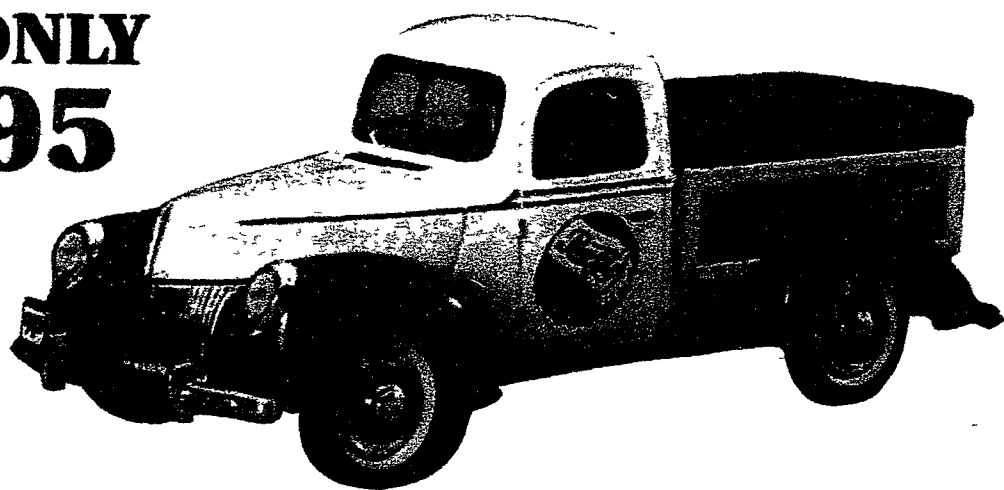
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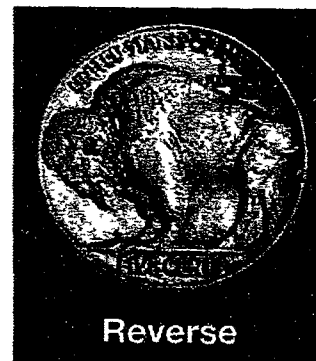
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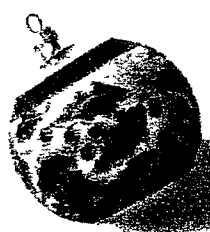
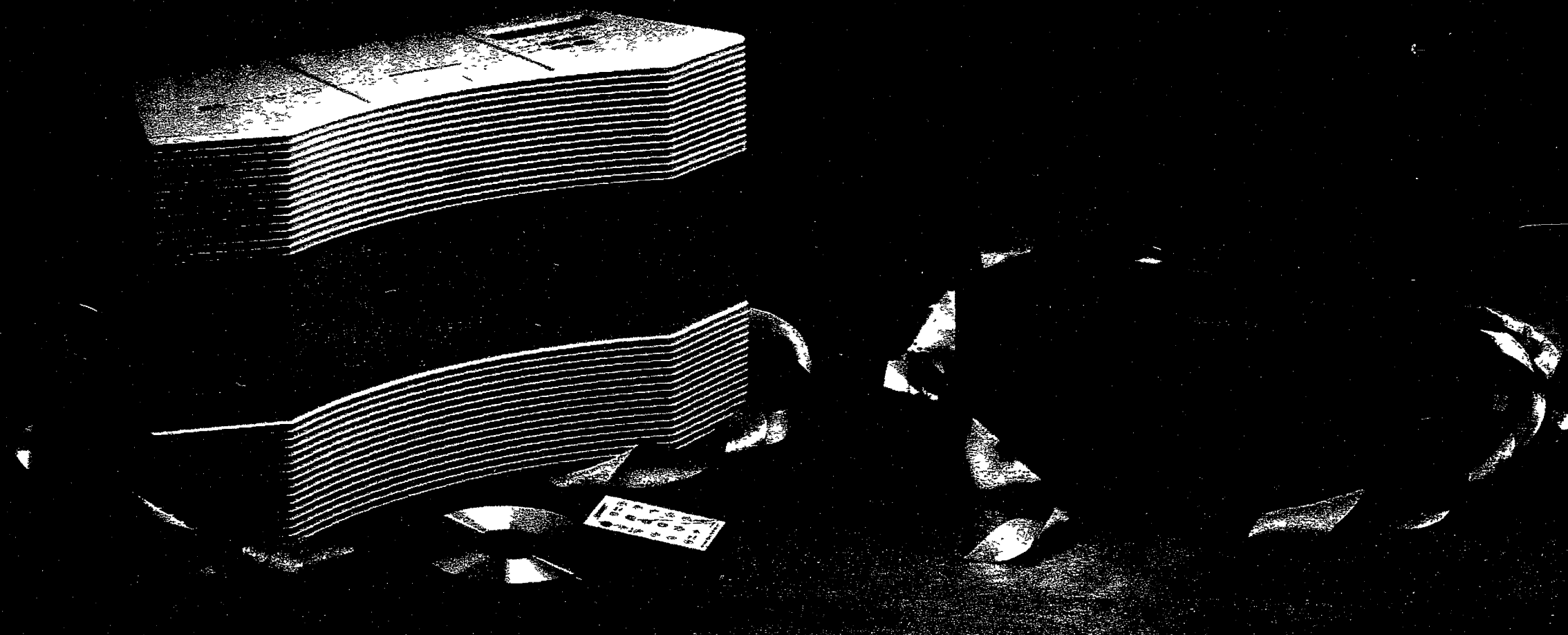
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