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Schools finalize boundaries

Four subdivisions affected by increased enrollment, addition of Ridge Wood building

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

After months of discussion, public meetings and community input, a new set of attendance boundary lines has been established for the Northville Public Schools district.

Among the changes approved by school board officials: the

Mystic Forest and Brookland subdivisions will attend Amerman Elementary. Fox Hollow residents will now attend Ridge Wood Elementary and East Northville Hills students will be rerouted to Winchester Elementary.

School officials said redrawing the boundary lines was necessary due to rising enrollment figures, overcrowded conditions at exist-

ing buildings and the arrival of Ridge Wood Elementary.

By redistricting the student population, school officials said the new boundary configurations will help keep class populations as low as possible.

"The class size issue still remains a top priority for all of

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WHO'S GOING WHERE?

New boundaries lines for the Northville Public School district were adopted at the Northville Board of Education meeting Jan. 28.

Some of the subdivisions affected by the change are as follows:

- Mystic Forest and Brookland subdivisions will attend Amerman Elementary
- Fox Hollow residents will attend Ridge Wood Elementary.
- East Northville Hills students will be rerouted to Winchester Elementary.

HOT STUFF



Detroit man flees courtroom after DUI charges

By Pauline Lupercio
STAFF WRITER

Glenn Shomo walked out of Judge John E. MacDonald's 35th District Court room and into a world of trouble.

Shomo, a 34-year-old Detroit resident, had already pleaded guilty to driving while under the influence, attempting to resist and obstruct a police officer on Jan. 27, when he chose to walk out of the courtroom prior to being sentenced on Jan. 30.

"He left the courthouse when he was supposed to report to the judge's courtroom for sentencing," said Detective Sergeant David Fendeleit of the Northville police department. "Now there is a criminal bench warrant in the computer for his arrest."

The trouble began on Jan. 5 when Northville officers pulled Shomo over for driving a Ford Escort with plates registered to a 1991 Pontiac. Instead of complying with officer instructions, Shomo chose to run.

A foot chase ensued, during which Shomo tried to escape near the Fairbrook apartment complex located on Seven Mile Road by swimming across the apartment complex's pond.

"With the help of additional officers, the area was surrounded and Shomo complied with orders to exit the pond," said Fendeleit.

A "very strong" odor of intoxicants was detected on Shomo and two open bottles of beer were discovered in the vehicle he had been driving.

Shomo was taken into custody, and then to the Providence Hospital in Novi for treatment of a broken wrist and other minor injuries he sustained while running from the police. And since he had previously refused a Breathalyzer test, a blood sample was also taken showing results of 0.15 percent blood alcohol level.

Shomo was originally arraigned on charges of enhanced drunk driving — due to a previous alcohol conviction, driving without a



Glenn Shomo

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

R & R Fire Truck Repair's Ton Studt stands inside a truck and lubes the main water pump bearings of a Sutphen fire engine made in Columbus, Ohio.

Northville fire truck repair facility keeps best, bravest on the road

By Pauline Lupercio
STAFF WRITER

Fire truck giving you a little trouble? Just give Rickie and Nancy Roselle a call.

The husband and wife team are owners of R & R Fire Truck Repair, which has been located on Doherty Drive in Northville since February of last year. The Northville Township couple originally opened their business in 1992.

"You fix what?" is a question that the Roselles said they hear a lot.

The business, which services approximately a quarter of the state's 1,000 fire departments, began almost as an accident.

Ricke Roselle, a licensed mechanic and firefighter for 26 years, is currently a paid-on-call firefighter with the Salem Township Fire Department. He began his career in Northville Township and worked his way up to the rank of chief.

During his tenure with the Northville Township department, Roselle began servicing fire trucks by referral while off duty. The referrals kept coming and after Roselle left his position with the town-

ship, he and his wife continued to work hard to make R & R Fire Truck Repair a success.

They worked from home with Rickie's wife, Nancy, taking care of the details of running a business and Rickie servicing fire trucks in his mother's garage. With satisfied customers spreading the word, the business grew and the couple was able to open the doors to their new storefront last year.

"I think we are top in the state and our guys."

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Seniors' golden years saluted at birthday

By Pauline Lupercio
STAFF WRITER

With cake, music, and laughter, Northville's "Grand Seniors" recently celebrated together at a very special party held in honor of those 95 years and older.

Seniors from Allen Terrace, American House of Northville, Starr Manor, Sunrise Assisted Living of Northville, Marriott's

Brighton Gardens of Northville, and Alterra Winwood braved the frigid weather Jan. 22 at the Northville Community Center for the second annual celebration.

"It's just a way of recognizing the special people in the community," said Allen Terrace housing director Joanne Inglis, adding that the seniors like to celebrate.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

95 year-old Helen Spicuzza, right, talks with the director of Northville's Allen Terrace Joanne Inglis at last month's 95-and-older birthday party at the Northville Community Center on West Main Street. Inglis was getting a quick biography of Spicuzza in order to introduce her to the gathering.

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Firefighters respond to smoky odor in city



Northville firefighters climb to the rooftop of Traditions, after a scent of smoke was detected. There was no fire. Authorities said Tuesday's repeated power outages may have generated the odor.

By Pauline Lupercio
STAFF WRITER

High winds and resulting power outages throughout downtown Northville were attributed as the possible cause for a suspicious smoke odor detected on Tuesday by Traditions owner Karen Slack.

Traditions, located at 120 N. Center, is directly across the street from the Marquis Theatre, which was temporarily closed last month to due to smoke damage from an accidental fire in the box office area.

Firefighters responded to a 12:38 p.m. call, which closed down Center Street from Dunlap to Main for approximately one hour in order to conduct the necessary investigations.

According to fire inspector Jon Sabo, normal procedure was followed during the investigation of the

BREEZY BROWNOUT

DTE representatives said that high winds experienced on Feb. 4 affected approximately 14,000 customers throughout southeastern Michigan, leaving many without power.

"We've had power outages scattered through out the day due to the high winds," said Scott Simons, spokesperson for DTE.

A full complement of crews out restoring power to those customers in need, said Simons. And only ten customers were reported to have lost power in the Northville community

heating and cooling systems. No fire was found and no smoke damage was suffered by Traditions, said Sabo.

Firefighters went door to door to question neighboring businesses on the incident, verifying that no other

complaints of smoke were made.

Geri Turnbull, owner of Your Michigan Connection, located at 136 N. Center, stepped out of her store and into the cold to make sure her business was not in danger of catching fire.

"It's kind of scary with what already happened to the Marquis [Theatre]," she said. "All of these buildings are really old."

But it was soon back to business as usual for Slack, who said she was grateful the fire department did a thorough job during the investigation.

Said Slack: "I was glad they came and found nothing."

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DINNER/THEATRE: Blues artist Robert Jones will be performing at Little Geniti's Theatre on Feb. 9, at 3 p.m. Concert tickets are available for \$8. Those interested in a fine meal and nice glass of wine before the show can purchase a \$29.95 ticket that includes a seven-course family style meal, which includes a free glass of wine and a concert ticket.

Robert Jones is a singer, storyteller, blues historian, teacher, and the radio host of WDET's "Blues from the Lowlands" program.

Area Briefs

Concert-tickets only are available at the door or in advance at the Northville Parks and Recreation office Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dinner-package reservations are available by calling Geniti's Hole-In-The-Wall at (248) 349-0522.

RED HAT PARTY: Join Van Dam's and milliner Gena Conti for an afternoon of fun and style including Valentine's Day ensembles and red hats perfectly suitable for women of the Red Hat Society. Red treats and special giveaways will be provided to those who attend on Feb. 6 from noon to 6 p.m. Van Dam's is located at 111 East Main Street in the city of Northville. Call (248) 449-4282 for more information.

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Northville physical therapists and members of the Northville Presbyterian Church review photos from their medical mission to Haiti last December.

Church members head south to assist the needy in Haiti

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

In late 2002, two Northville men volunteered to participate in a medical missions trip to Haiti and said the opportunity to serve others provided an experience they won't forget.

Physical therapists Terry Heaton, 60, and Dennis Engerer, 50, ventured to Haiti representing First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

Slightly smaller than the state of Maryland, Haiti is one of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere.

Heaton said he and Engerer journeyed with a medical missions group from the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor.

"They came to the First Presbyterian Church of Northville and did a Power Point presentation about their five previous trips to Haiti," said Heaton. "They introduced this to the membership at our church. Dennis and I decided that we would like to go help out."

Heaton said the group flew into the Haiti's capital city, Port-au-Prince, and then traveled to Léogane, where the group volunteered their skills at a hospital.

The hospital featured 120 beds and mission members worked with primarily pediatric patients and some burn victims, Heaton said.

During their trip, Heaton said he was also able to visit a school for multiply handicapped children in Jacmel, located in southern Haiti.

"Of the 30 students that were there, I would say almost every one of them had some form of cerebral palsy," he said.

Time was spent evaluating and establishing exercise programs for the afflicted children.

The school had no electricity or running water, he said.

Heaton said the mission trip was beneficial and he plans to return.

"It was worthwhile and we will be going back," he said. "We will be returning next December."

"I've been blessed and so I figure the least I can do is to try to assist the less fortunate."

Due to poor sanitation and high health hazards in Haiti, Heaton said he was required to take medications before the trip and continues to do so.

Engerer shared a similar reason in volunteering for the medical mission trip.

"It just sounded like it was a legitimate need that we might be able to help out with," he said. "It was a real adventure. They have little or nothing in the way of medical services. The citizens of Haiti are very pleasant, dignified people despite their terrible plight. The conditions are desperate."

Engerer and Heaton also said they were able to travel to rural areas in the mountains and visit patients in their homes.

"We covered a lot of territory," said Engerer. "It was very pleasant. The people are great. They need just some assistance. It's very rewarding in that regard. We just tried to teach the parents and teachers how to get the kids back on their feet and stronger."

"It did more for me probably than it did for them."

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Weddings



Kurzawa-Gentile

Kimberly Kurzawa and David Joseph Gentile were married Oct. 5 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Northville. Rev. Thomas Lubeck officiated the service.

The bride is the daughter of Arlene Kurzawa and the late Mitchell Kurzawa of Northville. She is a graduate of Michigan State University and is employed by Powers Distributing. The groom is the son of Joseph and Karen Gentile of Naperville, Ill. He is a graduate of MSU's Detroit College of Law and is employed by Shermetta, Chmick & Adams, PC.

The maid of honor was Emily Anderson. Bridesmaids were Sarah Boyle, Kristen Workman, Jennifer Jarema and Kaitlyn Workman. The best man was Brian McInerney. Groomsmen were Richard Workman, Jim Weaver and Neil Gass.

The couple honeymooned in Aruba.

NYA seeks new volunteers to mentor Northville kids

By Pauline Lupercio
STAFF WRITER

Making a difference in the lives of the community's youth is the driving force behind the Northville Youth Assistance. The organization is currently looking for volunteer mentors to contribute to the program.

Program director Mary Ellen King said that the difference made in the lives of the young people involved is amazing.

"Every kid that I have met that has had such a positive experience," she said. "The bottom line is that after skills are learned during mentor training, the mentors need to care about the kids."

INTERESTED IN HELPING?

Anyone interested in attending the next mentor training session for the Northville Youth Assistance is asked to contact Mary Ellen King, director of the program, at (248) 344-1618 or e-mail the office at youthassistance@mich.com for more information.

But the program not only benefits the mentees, said township resident and current mentor David Bugert. He became involved in the program when he first moved to the community in order to get

involved.

"I wanted to help out people in need," said Bugert, who was also involved in a similar program as a college student. "This was just kind of a way to keep that going because I enjoyed it."

Bugert said he meets with his mentee once a week.

"We work on projects and just hang out," he said. "It is a time commitment but it is worth it for both the mentee and the mentor. It is not hard at all and really rewarding."

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Community Events

• THIS WEEK •

Northville Woman's Club meeting
DATE: Feb. 7
LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)
TIME: 1:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Sylvia Durant will be speaking on "A Better Woman." The event's chairperson will be Mildred Astbury.
PHONE: (248) 349-3064

Soup bowl silent auction
DATE: Feb. 9
LOCATION: First United Methodist Church of Northville (777 W. Eight Mile)
TIME: 10:30 a.m.
DETAILS: Soup bowls painted by volunteers earlier in the month will be sold by silent auction. Winning bidders will be served homemade soup at 12:30 p.m. All money raised from the auction will benefit homeless charities. (First United Methodist will host the homeless in the spring.)
PHONE: (248) 349-0455

Northville Genealogical Society meeting — German research
DATE: Feb. 9
LOCATION: Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street)
TIME: 2:30 p.m.

Got a non-profit or community event coming up you'd like people to know about? We'd be happy to help you. Send basic information (date, time, cost, overview and a contact telephone number) to:

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DETAILS: Author Terry Stollsteimer, who has traced his lineage back to the 1500s and author of the book "Washtenaw County, Michigan Relatives," will teach how to access vital records in Germany. A computer class at 1:15 p.m. and a class for newcomers to family research will precede the class at 1:30 p.m.
PHONE: (734) 595-7806

Northville Garden Club meeting
DATE: Feb. 10
LOCATION: Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street)

TIME: Noon
DETAILS: Kay Sicheneder, a 1980 Northville High School graduate and former scholarship winner, will be speaking on trees. She has held numerous educational positions in horticulture and tree science.
PHONE: (248) 349-7709

Gardeners of Northville & Novi meeting
DATE: Feb. 10
LOCATION: Novi Library (45245 Ten Mile Road, Canton)
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Southern Michigan DayLily Society president Nikki Schmith will be the event's speaker. The meeting is open to the public.
PHONE: (248) 348-2426

American Association of University Women meeting
DATE: Feb. 11
LOCATION: Northville Senior Center (215 Cady Street)
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: The group will host Dorothy Walker, who will speak on "The Spirit of the Black American Artist." Membership in the AAUW is open to any person holding a baccalaureate degree or higher. Student membership is available to persons currently enrolled in college.
PHONE: (248) 924-2180

• COMING UP •

Valentine's Day auction to benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support
DATE: Feb. 14
LOCATION: Blue Willow Auction (8465 Lilley Road, Canton)
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: Persons having items to donate — such as antiques or furniture — can call (734) 326-9890 for pickup or delivery information. A portion of the auction's proceeds will benefit adults, teens and children who are grieving after the loss of a loved one. Ladies will receive a free Valentine's Day flower. A free pre-auction buffet will also be provided.
PHONE: (248) 348-0115

Sarah Ann Cochran
Northville-Plymouth Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Awards Reception
DATE: Feb. 17
LOCATION: St. John's Episcopal Church (574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth)
TIME: 10 a.m.
DETAILS: All DAR members and potential members are welcome to attend. The day's speaker will be Virginia Bailey Parker, who will speak on "The Writing Life."

PHONE: (734) 455-5525

Johnson Creek Protection Group meeting
DATE: Feb. 24
LOCATION: Northville High School cafeteria (45700 Six Mile Road)
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: The meeting will be the third annual Volunteer Rally and Informational Meeting.
PHONE: (734) 761-1010

Northville Arts Commission art lecture series — Frederic Remington
DATE: Feb. 19
LOCATION: Hillside Middle School (775 N. Center Street)
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Lectures are \$10 for adults or \$5 for students. Call for additional information.
PHONE: (248) 449-9950

Northville Woman's Club meeting — Guest Day
DATE: Feb. 21
LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)
TIME: 1:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Ruth Mary Atchison, Evelyn Harper and Marge Bolton will be speaking on the history of the club and the memories of past club presidents. The event's chairperson will be Shirley Lipa.

PHONE: (248) 349-3064

Northville Woman's Club meeting
DATE: March 7
LOCATION: Call for info
TIME: Call for info
DETAILS: The group will be taking in a pewabic pottery tour and have lunch at Sinbad's. A morning departure is planned. The day's chairperson is Shirley Hartley.
PHONE: (248) 349-3064

Northville Arts Commission Lecture Series — Frederic Remington
DATE: March 13
LOCATION: Hillside Middle School (775 N. Center Street)
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Lectures are \$10 or \$5 for students.
PHONE: (248) 449-9950

Northville Youth Assistance mentor training
DATE: Begins March 13 (runs for five consecutive Thursday evenings)
LOCATION: Call for information
TIME: 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
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Northville School Briefs

PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The Northville Presbyterian Preschool will host an Open House for families Saturday, Feb. 15 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Children's Center of First Presbyterian Church. You will have an opportunity to tour the new facility and meet the teachers. Registration will take place for fall classes for 2, 3, and 4-year-olds. One, two, and three-day sessions are available. The church is located at 200 E. Main Street in downtown Northville, but enter the Preschool from Cady Street. For more information, call the church at (248) 349-0911.

TOWN HALL MEETING FEB. 27

In January, parents, teachers and students were surveyed to gain information and opinions about the late start concept.

The Late Start Committee has scheduled a second town hall meeting at 7 p.m. on Feb. 27 in the Northville High School theater to present the results of the survey.

All are invited to attend this meeting. The committee will report to the board of education in late March or early April.

ST. PAUL'S ROUNDUP

St. Paul's Lutheran School will be hosting a kindergarten roundup on Feb. 7 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. or Feb. 10 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The school is located at 201 Elm Street in downtown Northville.

Please contact the school office for more information (248) 349-3146.

COFFEE N' CONVERSATION FEB. 7

The Northville Council of PTAs First Friday Gathering will be taking place at Starbucks in downtown Northville from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. The next two dates will be Feb. 7 and March 7.

At the March 7 meeting, Bob Somson, executive director of special education, is slated to discuss "Differentiation and Risky Behaviors." Participants are invited to bring a friend and gather for coffee, Danish and conversation about issues within

the school district.

NCS TOUR FEB. 20

Northville Christian school will hold an open house on Feb. 20 from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Interested parties may call for a personal tour at (248) 348-9031.

The school staff, students and their parents welcome families interested in viewing our child-care, preschool, elementary and middle school programs.

The school is located at 41355 Six Mile Road. For more information, call (248) 348-9031 or visit www.northvillechristian.org

HILLSIDE KMO RESULTS

The Hillside Middle School Knowledge Masters Open Team competed Dec. 4. The team finished fourth in the state out of 25 Michigan participating schools and 34 internationally out of 851 teams from around the world.

Members included: Ashwin Arab, Michael Bohnert, David Breitenbeck, Connor Bush, Andy Cauzillo, Daniel Dulzo, Andrew Flynn, Andrew Kelly, Mara Weber, Antone Lamerato, Joe Lucas, Marcello Marchesini, Zach Matyiku, Kari Rayner, Alex Shashlo, Matthew Swartz and Albert Tang.

KIDS NIGHT OUT

"Kids Rocking Night Out" is a collaborative project organized by the Northville Parks and Recreation, Hillside Middle School and the Water Wheel Health Club. All Northville middle school students from Hillside and Meads Mill are invited to attend this health focused event on March 14 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Activities will include rock climbing, volleyball, dance lessons, aerobics, kick boxing, healthy snacks and a DJ.

Admission is \$6 through Parks and Recreation and registration is limited due to space available. For more information, call (248) 349-0203 ext. 1411.

ALL NIGHT PARTY

Tickets to Northville High School's 2003 Senior All Night Party are on sale through the end of March at a price of \$65. Send checks payable to Linda Temple, 46023 Northvalley, Northville,

Mich. 48167. Please write the student's first and last name on the memo line. A 2003 Senior Party drop box has been placed in the Northville High School office for those persons wishing to deliver payments in person.

Ticket prices for this night of events for graduating seniors will increase to \$75 beginning April 1.

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.

EARLY CHILDHOOD REGISTRATION

The Early Childhood Center will begin enrollment for Summer and Fall 2003-2004 Programs. Programs include Kids' Club, Wondergarten, Child Care, Preschool and Parent/Child Classes.

Families with children currently enrolled in ECC Programs will register Feb. 24 through March 7. Class size is limited.

Registration for "new" families will take place on March 22 at 8:00 a.m. at the Early Childhood Center (Board of Education Building). The entrance and parking for registration will be on the Cady Street side of the building. Informational signs will be posted with the number of available openings by each program. Children will be placed based on availability on a first come, first serve basis beginning at 8 a.m. A \$50 registration fee (check or money order) will be required for registration.

For more information visit: www.northville.k12.mi.us or call (248) 344-8465.

H.M.S. CARNIVAL/AUCTION MAR. 28

The Hillside Carnival is slated to take place Mar. 28 from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. The Silent Auction is continuing and will be a substantial portion of the carnival. All proceeds will be used to provide academic enrichment opportunities for students.

MEADS MILL ORIENTATION

On April 15, the fifth grade students will visit and tour Meads Mill Middle School. Fifth grade orientation will be May 22

at 7 p.m.

GIRLS EMPOWERED

Northville Youth Assistance is presenting "Girls Empowered" a program designed to encourage healthy living and personal empowerment for girls through workshops on self-defense, friendships and cliques, hip-hop dancing and nutrition.

Northville Youth Assistance is sponsoring the program with a substantial financial subsidy. Participants will be charged \$30. Scholarships are available in the event of hardship. The after-school session for girls in grades 6, 7, and 8 will be Tuesdays Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25 from 3 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. in Room 188 at Hillside Middle School.

The sessions for girls in grades 4 and 5 will be Wednesdays Feb. 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. in Room 188 at Hillside Middle School.

Registration is limited and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. To register, call (248) 344-1618.

NORTHVILLE MONTESSORI LAUDED

Students from practically every state and foreign countries competed Jan. 22 in the 28th Elementary Knowledge Master Open academic competition. The teams, consisting of fifth and sixth grade students, used computers to answer 100 questions from all curriculum areas.

A team of 11 students at Northville Montessori Center scored 664 out of 1,000 possible points. The team placed 7th in Michigan and 94th internationally. Northville Montessori scored better than any school with a total enrollment under 100 students.

Students on the team included Mike Fox, Etienne Lussiez, Andrew Ray, Nina Dutta, Danny Parrinello, Rob Kaylor, Briana Combs, Ayana Garcia, Lauren Perugi, Maria Szatkowski and Shamik Ganguly.

The Knowledge Master Open was designed to stimulate enthusiasm for learning and recognition for academic accomplishment.

ART LECTURE SERIES

The 2002-2003 Art Lecture Series featuring Michael Farrell is coming soon.

Farrell is slated to present Charles Russell as part of the 2002-2003 Art Lecture Series on the art of the American West. The lecture is Feb. 19 at 7:30 p.m. at Hillside Middle School Forum in Northville.

Farrell is an associate professor of art history, University of Windsor; adjunct curator, Detroit Institute of Arts; and instructor, Art House of Detroit.

Other lectures in the 2002-2003 series include Frederic Remington on March 12 and Native American Art on April 16.

The Northville Arts Commission sponsors this lecture series. All lectures are on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at Hillside Middle School in the Forum. Lectures are \$10 or \$5 for students or \$45 for the series package or \$25 for students.

For more information on this and other art-related community events in Northville, contact (248) 449-9950.

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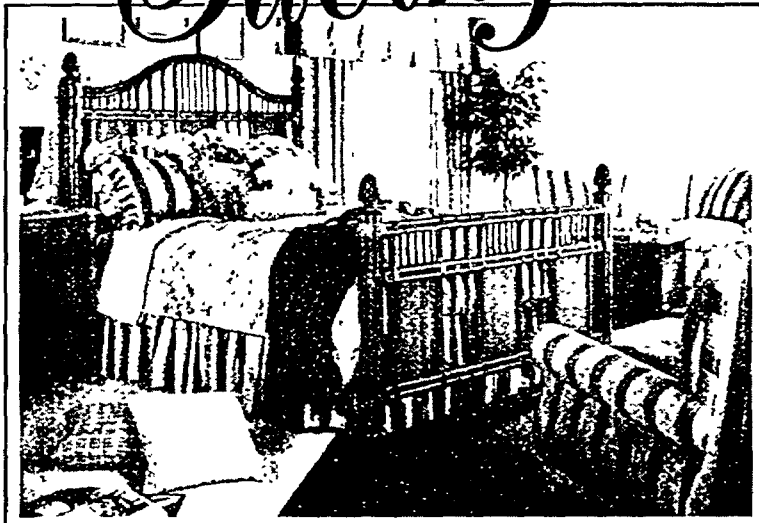
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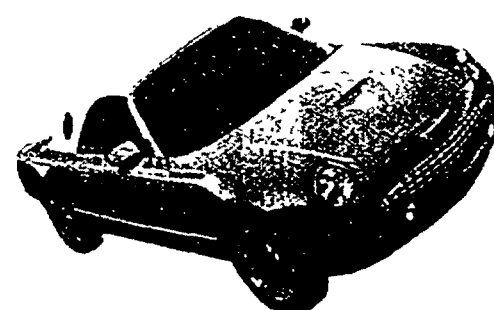
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School board finalizes new boundaries

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us," said Northville schools
superintendent Leonard
Rezmierski.

Board of education president
Judy Handley agreed.

"We are committed to keeping
the class sizes low and [maintain-
ing] the quality of education that
we are known for," she said.

The meeting, which was hosted
at Silver Springs Elementary, was
well attended by area residents
and parents.

Some audience members pub-
licly commended and thanked the
school board for their efforts in
the redistricting process.

Assistant superintendent David
Bolitho addressed building
capacities at the board meeting
and provided information on ele-
mentary class sizes.

He also commended the level of
civility shown by area residents
during the redistricting process.

"During the course of the last
several months, I had the oppor-
tunity to meet a lot of new peo-
ple," said Bolitho. "Many have
provided excellent suggestions
for us to look at. I'd like to
acknowledge the community for
their civility. I appreciate, in this

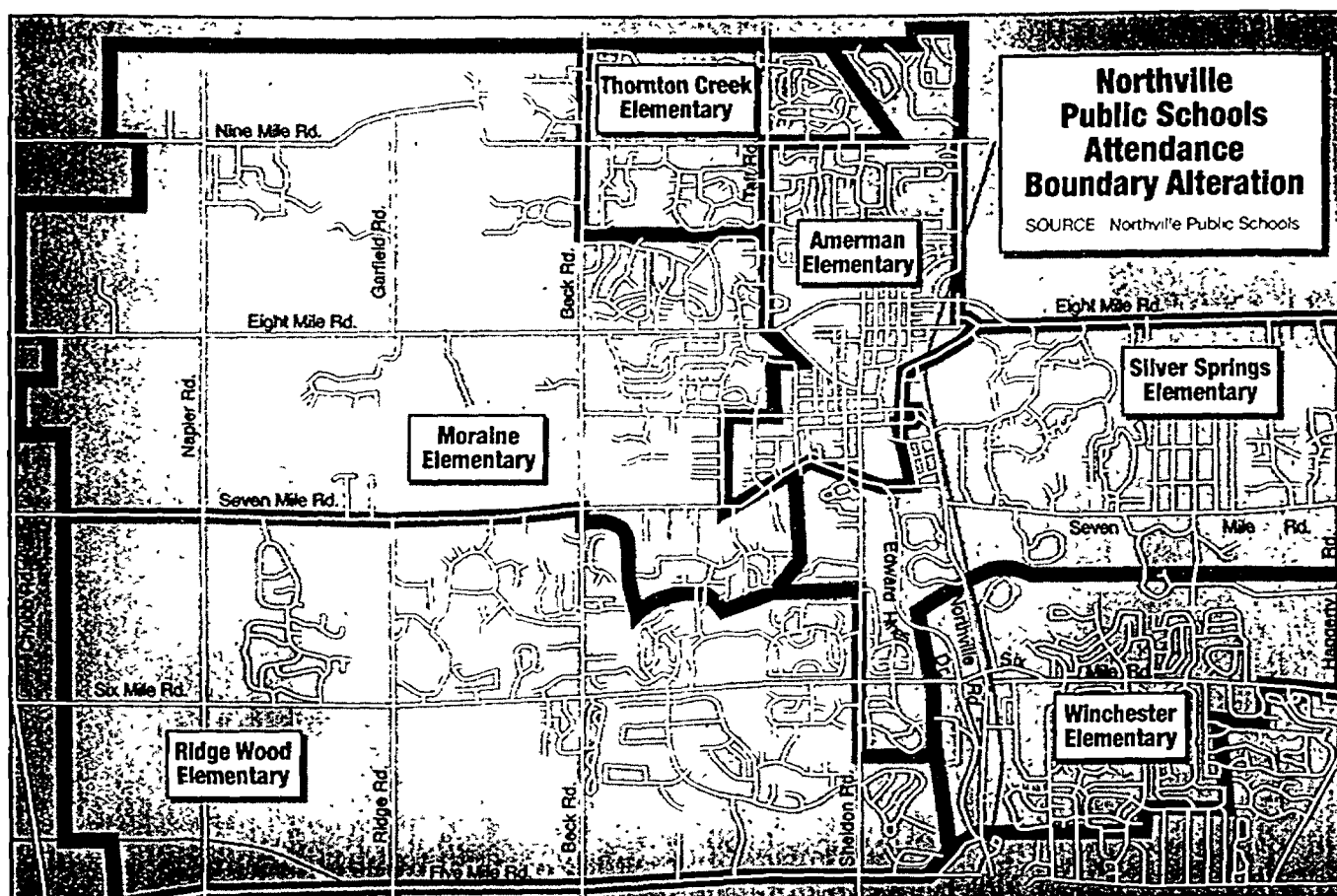
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Judy Handley
Northville board of education

emotional issue, how these issues
do affect individuals and their
families."

In an interview, Bolitho said,
"Even though some people
weren't happy, they were for the
most part very nice. That is defi-
nitely a very positive attribute of
this community."

Jennifer Norris is a staff writer
for the Northville Record. She
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ris@ht.homecomm.net



NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Northville Public Schools is soliciting sealed bids for the follow-
ing:

• Purchase and Installation of Playground Equipment, 501 West Main
Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. Bids should be returned to the
Operations Office at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, no later
than 4:00 p.m., Monday, February 17, 2003. A public bid opening will take
place on Tuesday, February 18, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., 501 West Main
Street, Northville, Third Floor Conference Room A.

Sealed bids should be submitted to the Northville Public Schools
"Operations Department" at 501 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.
Please contact Chris Gears at (248) 344-8445 if you have any ques-
tions.
(2-6-03 NR 37461)

INVITATION FOR BIDS CITY OF NORTHVILLE

SUBJECT: 2003 Tree Planting Program
REFERENCE NO. 200303

Sealed bids will be received in the City of Northville Council
Chambers, City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until
2:30 P.M. local time on **Wednesday, February 19, 2003** for the City's
2003 Tree Planting Program as specified. This invitation for bids with all
pages, documents, and attachments contained herein, or subsequently
added to and made a part hereof, submitted as a fully and properly exe-
cuted bid shall constitute a contract between the City of Northville and the
successful bidder when approved and accepted on behalf of the City by
an authorized official or agent of the City.

All bidders shall complete the Bid and Award page and submit all
information requested herein in order for a bid to be responsive. Failure
to do so may result in the bid being rejected as non-responsive. The bid
document shall be returned in its entirety, in a properly identified and
sealed envelope to the City Clerks Office, 215 W. Main Street, Northville,
Michigan 48167. This bid shall bear the inscription "2003 Tree Planting
Program." Bids must be received before the time of the Bid Opening.
Late bids will not be considered. The City reserves the right to postpone
the Bid Opening for its own convenience.

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Each proposal must be accompanied by an acceptable bid secu-
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bid bond made payable to the City of Northville in the amount of not
less than five percent of the base bid submitted.

The City of Northville reserves the right to waive any irregularity or
informality in bids, to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, or to
award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be deemed in
its best interest to do so.

JAMES P. GALLOGLY, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
(2-6-03 NR 36926) DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

INITIATION FOR BIDS CITY OF NORTHVILLE

SUBJECT: 2003 Tree and Stump Removal Program
REFERENCE NO. 200302

Sealed bids will be received in the City of Northville Council
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2:30 P.M. local time on **Wednesday, February 19, 2003** for the City's
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Michigan 48167. This bid shall bear the inscription "2003 Tree and
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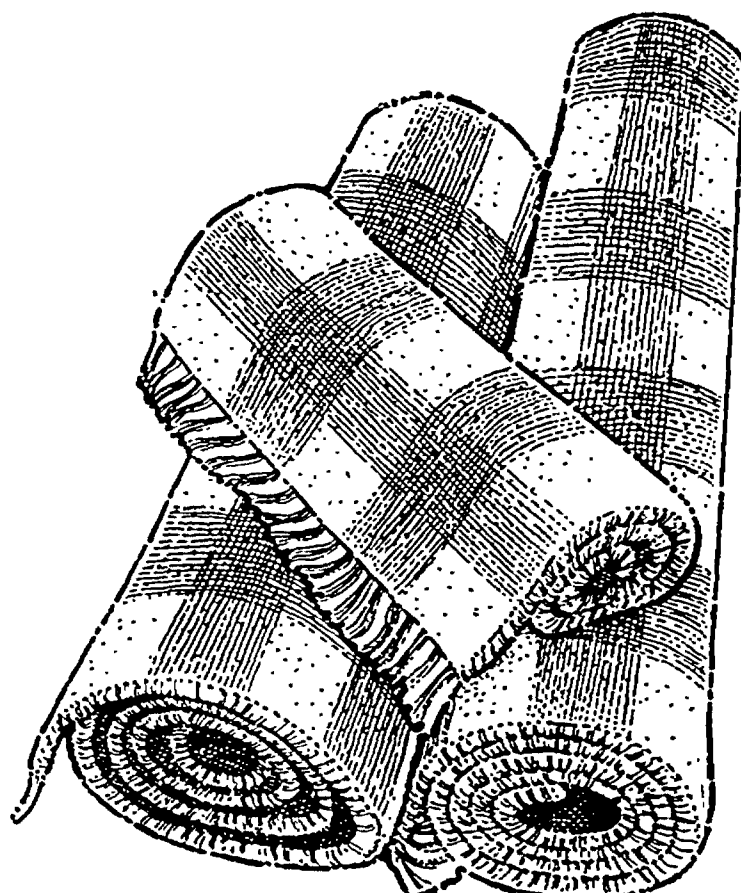
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NHS late start gets hearing at public forum

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Northville Public Schools' Late Start Committee has scheduled a second town hall meeting Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. in the Northville High School theater to present the results of a community survey conducted last month.

In January, parents, teachers and students were surveyed to gain information and opinions about the late start concept.

All are invited to attend this meeting. According to school officials, the committee will report to the board of education in late March or early April.

Assistant superintendent David Bolitho said the meeting's agenda is slated to report the findings of the survey given to middle and high school students, families within the school district, and all faculty from the elementary, middle, and high school level.

Bolitho said Wayne County RESA is tabulating the data from the survey and will submit the information to the district. Members of the late start committee will examine the survey's outcome, he said.

TOWN HALL MEETING

The Late Start Committee has scheduled a second town hall meeting at 7 p.m. on Feb. 27 in the Northville High School theater to present the results of the community survey.

All are invited to attend the meeting.

The survey was used as a way of gathering opinions and resident's input on the late start issue.

"What we were charged with from the board is to review the merit of a late high school start," said Bolitho.

Although the surveys have been turned in, a great amount of work remains before the town hall meeting occurs.

"We have to put all that together," said Bolitho. "There's a lot to be done."

Jennifer Norris is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 107 or by e-mail at jnorris@ht.homecomm.net.

Spirit



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

The Northville High School varsity pom-pom team takes the floor during halftime of last week's basketball game against Livonia Stevenson.

WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 3:00 P.M. MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2003

Regular meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.
Present: Thomas Yack, Steve Mann, Mark Abbo
Agenda-adopted as amended, changing the order of items under reports.
Minutes of regular meeting of December 16, 2002-approved.
Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$1,425,197.81-approved.
Audit (FY Ending September 30, 2002)-approved.
Operations & Maintenance Report for December 2002-received and filed.
Director's Report for January 2003-received and filed.
2002 Year In Review-received and filed.
Bond Debts Payment Budget Amendment-approved.
WTUA/YCUA Agreement; Third Amendment-approved.
Accountant Position Recruitment-approved.
YCUA Plant Expansion Update-received and filed.
The regular meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Chairperson,
THOMAS J. YACK

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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Case No. 02-244564-CK STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION,
a Delaware Corporation,
Plaintiff,
v.
THOMAS ALKIRE, DBA TOMMY TREE CO.,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED SERVICE OF PROCESS

Plaintiff Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation filed a lawsuit against Defendant Thomas Alkire for the delivery of property consisting of a model 2060 Mustang Skid Steer, serial number SE98M001848, a Model 2400 Morbark Brush Chipper, serial number 3438, a Model RG50 Rayco Stump Cutter, serial number RG5000950699 and a Model RG50 Rayco Trailer, serial number 115XW210055, and for money damages for unpaid payments on the property, interest, costs and attorney fees. On January 27, 2003, Wayne County Circuit Court Judge William J. Giovan granted an Order allowing substituted service of process on Defendant by publication and by mailing the Summons and Complaint and Order by registered mail, return receipt requested, to Defendant's last known address. Defendant may obtain a copy of the Summons, and Complaint by contacting Brian Martinuzzi, Dickinson Wright PLLC, 500 Woodward Ave., Ste 4000, Detroit, MI 48226, (313) 223-3500. Defendant must answer or take other action permitted by law within 28 days after the last date of publication. Failure to do so may result in a default judgment against Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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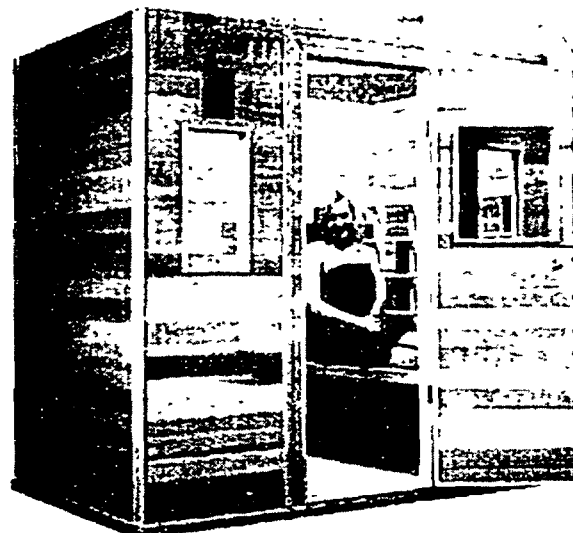
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Obituaries

Elaine M. Gronski

Elaine Gronski of Northville Township died at her home Feb. 1. She was 57.

Ms. Gronski was born in Detroit on March 30, 1945, to Ernest and Margaret Cote. She worked for General Motors in the purchasing department.

Ms. Gronski is survived by her two daughters, Cathy (Richard) Kulik and Cheryl (Darren) Peltier; her grandson, David Peltier; and three brothers, Gerald (Fran) Cote, Charles Cote and Donald Cote.

Visitation for Ms. Gronski was held Feb. 4 at Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Charles P. "Chuck" De Land

Charles "Chuck" De Land of Northville Township died Jan. 25 at University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was 61.

Mr. De Land was born March 17, 1941 in Detroit to Harold W. De Land and Mary Ann Stanek. He later married his high school sweetheart, Rosemarie De Land, on July 25, 1964. She survives him.

A resident of Northville for 30 years, Mr. De Land was a heavy truck engineering supervisor for Ford Motor Company. He was a graduate of the University of Detroit and held various engineering and management positions with the heavy truck design, development, vehicle engineering and product planning offices.

Mr. De Land served as chairman of the Northville Township Planning Commission from 1988 to 1992, was a member of the American Association of Planning Officials, president of his neighborhood subdivision association and was the winner of the President's Award as president of the Kiwanis Club of Northville.

In addition to his wife, Mr. De Land is survived by his mother; his son, Charles P. Jr. (Beka) DeLand of Farmington Hills; his sister, Charlene (Ron) Bell of Key West, Fla.; and his grandson, Josh De Land.

A memorial service for Mr. De Land was held Feb. 1 at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville. Father Ernest Porcari officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Michigan Hospital, c/o Dr. James Wooliscroft, executive associate dean, Lyle C. Roll, professor of medicine, M4104 Medical Science Building 1, 1301 Catherine, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48106. A notation on contributions should indicate that the contribution is a memorial to Charles P. "Chuck" De Land.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.

Frosty friends



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Carol Welsch and Johnelle Brewster take a cross country ski across Northville's Mill Pond last Friday afternoon. The pond's been a popular hangout recently with its snow cover and more than seven inches of ice for skiers and skaters.

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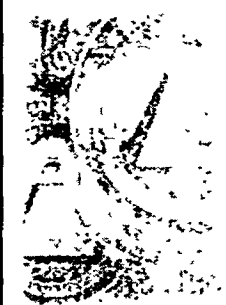
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Batzloff, Patina call it a career working beats

By Pauline Lupercio
STAFF WRITER

With a little over 28 years of serving the Northville Township community as an officer of the law, the morning of Jan. 27 must have been a little different for Lieutenant Gary Batzloff.

After serving his last official shift on Jan. 26, Batzloff had no alarm clock to answer to, no uniform to get ready for a day's work, and no chief to report to but himself the next morning.

"I have had a good career and am looking forward to my retirement," said Batzloff. "Throughout the years I have made many friends and the township was a good place to come and work."

During his years of dedicated service to Northville Township, Batzloff served in the patrol division, detective bureau, and emergency management coordinator. He also served as acting chief of police from July 2000 to January 2001.

Batzloff, who was one of the original officers hired when the department organized in 1969, was recognized as officer of the year in 1984. A retirement party is planned for April 10.

"[Batzloff] was a valuable member of the department for many years," said police chief John Werth. "He's leaving a good foundation for the Northville Township police department to continue on."



Gary Batzloff



Marty Patina

Tennies joins township police

By Pauline Lupercio
STAFF WRITER

A growing community such as Northville Township can only benefit from an equally growing police department and newly hired officer Paul Tennies said he is proud to be the latest addition.

A graduate of the Wayne County Regional Police Academy at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, 21-year-old Tennies was recognized for finishing first in his class with a \$500 scholarship from the Wayne County Chiefs of Police Association.

"The quality of recruits that we are getting at Schoolcraft College has been outstanding and our last two recruits prove that," said chief of police John Werth, referring to officer Matt MacKenzie who received the same award. "[Tennies] is a young officer that comes to us with a lot of energy and we are

looking forward to having him on board with this department."

Tennies, who grew up in the Plymouth/Canton area, said his interest in law enforcement was peaked when he joined the Canton Police Department's Explorer Program at the age of 15.

"That really developed my interest and outlook on law enforcement," he said. "Since then it has just been a progressive goal."

Prior to attending Schoolcraft's police academy, Tennies worked with the University of Michigan Public Safety Department, which is where he said he was planning to return to after graduation until the Northville opportunity presented itself.

"I was excited to get hired by the department," said Tennies. "It is a growing community with a department to match and I see a lot of opportunities."

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NOW HIRING

The Northville Township police department is currently accepting applications due to recent retirements. Interested individuals should report to the Finance building located at 41660 Six Mile Road and ask for the human resources department for more information.

Also celebrating his retirement from the township police department is 25-year veteran police officer Marty Patina.

"Marty chose to put in his 25 years and retire to the warm comforts of Florida where he is currently enjoying his retirement," said Werth.

Patina held various positions in the department during his 25 years, including positions with the patrol division, Western Wayne

Auto Theft, and was also considered a valuable friend and training officer and accident investigator.

"[Batzloff] trained several of the officers that are still here today," said Werth. "He leaves us all with a wealth of knowledge."

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DUI suspect flees court after hearing charges read

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license, and attempting to resist and obstruct a police officer on Jan. 7. With bond set at \$5,000 or 10 percent and not enough money to keep himself out of jail, Shomo was taken into custody by Wayne County until his Jan. 27 pre-trial with Judge MacDonald, police

record said.

In what Fendelet said was likely to be a "slam-dunk" case, Shomo pled guilty and was released on \$25,000 personal bond. He returned for the pre-trial investigation, said Fendelet, but did not stay for sentencing.

"We are currently putting the local area departments on notice

and of course with the bench warrant. It is in the national computer," said Fendelet. "It is now just a matter of picking him up."

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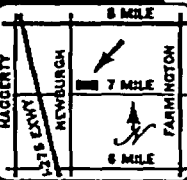


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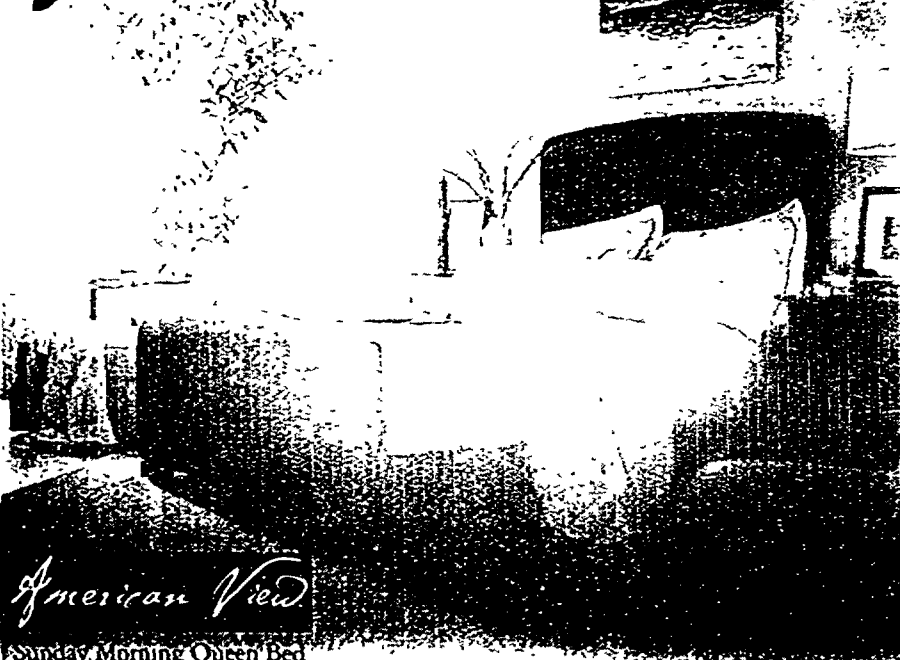
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Northville High School student Katty Ghobad reads her adaption called "The Adventures of Harry Potter" to Moraine Elementary student Simone Young. Ghobad was part of a group of students who wrote and illustrated children's book as part of their high school curriculum.

Gift of reading given from high school pupils

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Almost every elementary age child loves a good story. Especially when those stories have been written and read by Northville High School students.

On Jan. 16, Northville High School English teacher Terri Castron organized a special outing for students in her Individual Reading course. The group of high school students visited Moraine Elementary to read books to students in lower elementary grades.

But you won't find these books in any library.

Castron said the high school students wrote their own children's book, which was based on a book they previously read.

Northville High School senior Spencer Enderle was among the

"It's just nice to have older students as role models for them to look up to."

Paula Beck
Moraine Elementary

high school group that visited an elementary classroom at Moraine.

"I'm used to talking to kids," he said. "It's kind of nice to express myself to a younger audience."

Castron said the class consists of juniors and seniors and involves extensive independent work.

"They read and write every

day," she said.

Paula Beck, a first grade Moraine teacher, said she welcomed the opportunity to have high school students visit her classroom.

"We think it's pretty exciting," she said. "The students were excited. It's just nice to have older students as role models for them to look up to."

"It's also nice for them to instill the joy of reading at an early age." Beck also said the opportunity benefits all students involved.

"It gives the high school [students] more of a purpose for their writing, to know they're going to have an audience," she said.

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Library Lines

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 is located at 212 W. Cady Street, near Northville city hall, with parking off Cady Street. For detailed information about programs or services, or to request or renew library materials, call (248) 349-3020.

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Information Desk.

VALENTINE CRAFTS FOR KIDS

Children of all ages are invited to make a Valentine for someone special in the library's meeting room at 4 p.m. on Feb. 12. Children ages 4 and younger should attend with a caregiver. No pre-registration is required for this hour-long program.

EVENING DROP-IN STORYTIME FOR FAMILIES

Wear your pajamas and join us for this monthly evening storytime, on Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. Designed for preschool children and older with their caregivers, this half hour program does not require any pre-registration.

BETWEEN THE LINES

Join us every second Monday of the month for this entertaining book discussion group. On Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. we will be discussing "Warriors Don't Cry," the autobiography of Melba Beals, one of the students who helped desegregate Little Rock's Central High School in 1954.

LITTLE ME STORYTIME

Little ones from 10 months to 2 years of age, along with their caregivers, can enjoy music, beanbag fun, and simple stories on Feb. 13 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Infants and older children are also welcome to attend. There is no registration needed for this monthly event.

JUNIOR BOOKS CHAT AND CHOW

Kids in the fourth grade and up are invited to this fun monthly book discussion group, with treats provided. At the next meeting on Feb. 26, we will talk about "Wanderer" by Sharon Creech. The program runs from 4:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sign up and pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Northville District Library board of trustees will be Feb. 27 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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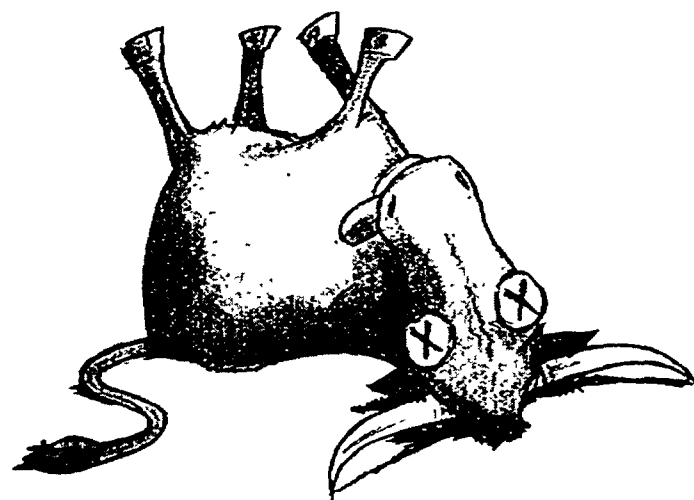
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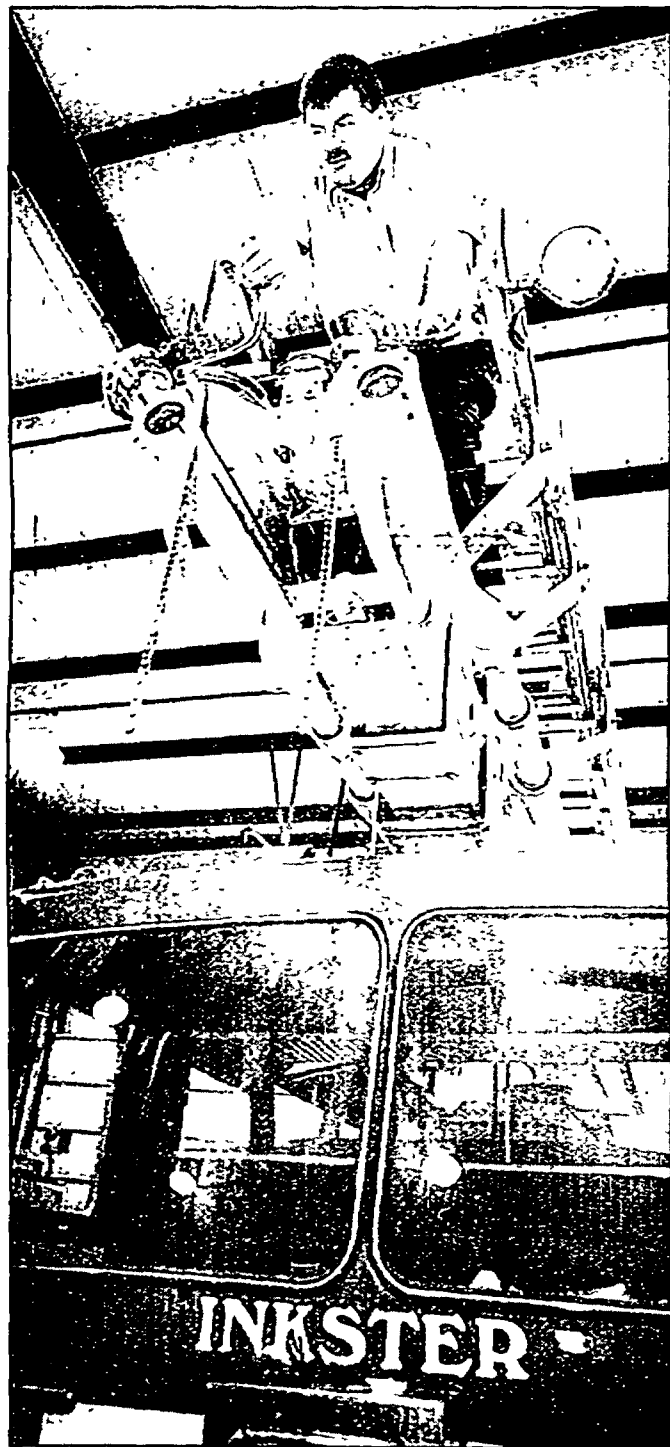


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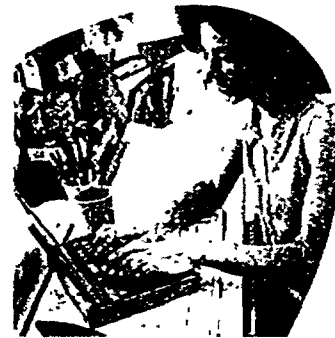
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At Hillside Middle School's international foods taste-test Bridget Dalton spoons some Russian apple dumpling for student Libby Wilson.



International taste slides into Hillside

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Hillside Middle School students got a taste of the world Jan. 22.

Under the direction of HMS teacher Dena Jones, students prepared a "Taste Fest" as a way of celebrating cultural diversity.

Students in Jones' Consumer Education class prepared foods typically prepared in Mexico, Italy, China, Russia and Australia.

Jones said she and the students had been anticipating the first annual Taste Fest.

"I've been wanting to this for a few years, but it took so much preparation to tie it all together," she said.

The event drew a crowd of about 60 students. A \$3 charge covered the cost of food. A limited number of tickets were available.

During the Taste Fest, musical performances were given by Playback, a band consisting of three eighth grade students.

Band members Tabé Harold, Graham Bechler and Nate Drake said the music group started in

September and have been practicing since. The Taste Fest marked their first performance.

Eighth grade student, Steve Arnold, said he was involved in helping set up and arrange the event. "I think it went good," said Arnold. "We thought that nobody was going to come. We didn't think anybody would buy tickets."

But throngs of hungry students filled the large classroom and school hallways.

Ron Ketelhut, an eighth grade Hillside student, shared a similar opinion as his classmate.

"This is awesome," as he stood in the bustling classroom. "It's a good turnout. We're celebrating so many different ethnicities from around the world."

Eighth grader, Danielle Matley, said plenty of effort preceded the event.

"We had to do a lot out of school to prepare for the Taste Fest," she said.

Jones said she was pleased with the festivity's outcome.

"It turned out well," she said. "It really did. I'm happy."

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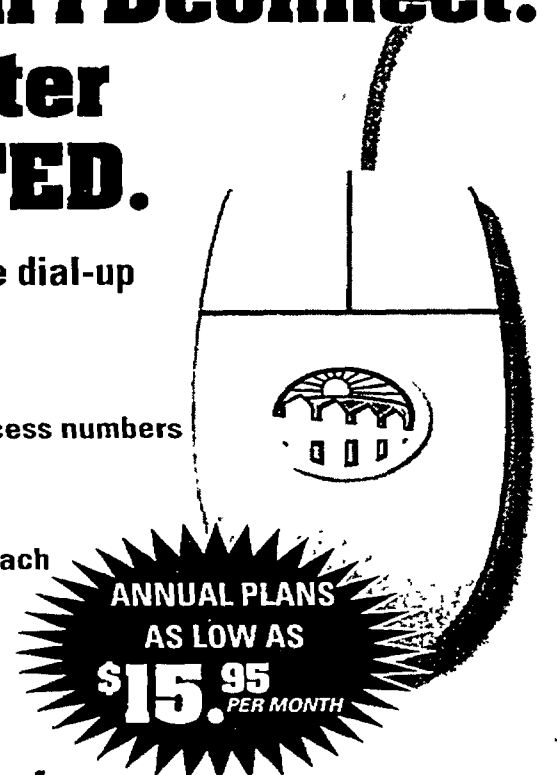
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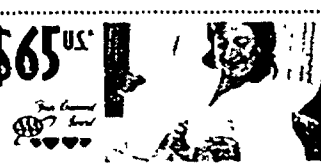


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A new school isn't that awful

Ask anyone who's been through a K-12 program, and you'll be hard-pressed to find a single person who hasn't experienced some kind of setback, disappointment, unexpected change or disruption of normalcy. That's just the way things go. It's not inherently bad or good. Rather, it's the way the world operates.

Such is the case with the Northville school district's decision on redistricting its elementary school boundaries. The process, which took several months to research and fine-tune, was announced this week. Students in four subdivisions will be affected by the changes, which are being made as a result of both growing enrollment in the district and the construction of Ridge Wood Elementary (itself a byproduct of bigger numbers.)

Parents, administrators, educators and support personnel stand firm on the belief that smaller teacher/student ratios make for better students. If that's the case (and we happen to share that sentiment), then there have to be places to put those students. As it is, the pie is only so big. The addition of Ridge Wood will make the pie bigger — but as a result, someone may not get the slice of it they were hoping to have.

That's exactly what's upsetting a certain number of parents and students, who will be affected by the changes. For some, it may be the second or third such switch they've experienced in a

very short period of time.

Is this a good thing? Not really. But it's hardly the end of the world, either.

We wouldn't disagree with the notion that children are sensitive to change around them, nor do we discount the hurt feelings some students are going to experience as a result of the switches. But we also have faith that the school district will do whatever it can to ease students into the transition.

What's more, we notice a growing interest on the part of parents to have their children get involved with different groups as a means of connecting on a variety of levels. The friends they have in class are probably different than the ones they have on the soccer team, the church group, the Scouts and the ones they play with after school. (We contend that adults, too, function in much the same way.)

A new school filled with new faces can be a difficult prospect to face from the start, but there's plenty of reason to believe the overwhelming majority of students will make the switch and adjust in a relatively short amount of time. Kids, we think, are tougher than we give them credit for.

When parents need to relocate on account of a job transfer, they often tell their children, "You'll make new friends." Invariably, that very thing happens. We're confident the same thing will happen this time around, too.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Jenna Boyd is skates around Mill Pond last Friday afternoon with a little help from her golden retriever Jake.

LETTERS

Love your country? Help a vet next week

As America's military forces deploy overseas, we are reminded of the brave men and women who bear the burdens of war so that we, as a nation, may live free from fear. Our active duty and reserve troops carry the burden today, just as America's veterans did in the past.

We at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System are honored to spend our days caring for America's veterans—men and women who bore the burden at places like Utah Beach, Pork Chop Hill, and Khe Sanh. We invite our surrounding communities to join us in honoring them during the National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans, during the week of Feb. 9-15.

You can join our "Visit a Vet for Valentine's Day" program or stop by anytime during the National Salute to visit with hospitalized veterans and remind them that their sacrifices have not been forgotten.

We strive to provide veterans with the best quality health care as a way of demonstrating our gratitude for their service. You, too, can show that you care by spending time with veterans during the National Salute. A visit from school children and other community groups does so much to lift the spirits of hospitalized veterans.

Show you care by calling our Voluntary Service office at (734) 769-7100, extension 5860, to schedule a visit or learn more about how you can participate in the National Salute.

James W. Roseborough
Director, VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System
Ann Arbor

another. They have donated food, donated money or have adopted our families for the holidays. With such generosity from this community, we were able to help those in need.

In addition a very special thank you to the Northville Record for educating the public about Civic Concern, for the Record's wonderful staff who volunteer their time to help us and for providing the paper for the Goodfellows.

We thank all of you from the bottom of our hearts and we hope for your continued support this year.

Marlene Kunz
Northville Civic Concern Committee

when we ordered our tickets last November as well as planning this pizza party.

Lynn Thomas
Winchester Elementary Girl Scouts
Troop services director

A new elementary is far from a bad thing

I am a parent of two elementary school children in Northville schools who happens to agree with Jennifer Norris on the topic of the new school. While my "blood didn't boil" over the opinions of the petulant, adolescent whining of some parents, I do truly pity them and their children as well. To Ms. Elanges, I can only say I hope she will learn to feel "lucky" about living in Northville and her children attending our schools. All of us who live in this community are blessed. I know many who work as hard as her husband, and have far less. Why aren't they "entitled" to what you have?

I would encourage Ms. Elanges to get to know some of the immigrant families in this community — the families whose children come to this area speaking no English, leaving their families, their friends, their culture, and all that is familiar to them for the opportunity that is only available in this incredible country of ours. Those children have had to adapt, and those of us who have had the incredible privilege of watching them grow and learn are truly amazed. They will be able to teach you a lot about overcoming hardship. Receiving a brand new, beautiful school is a treasure, not a tragedy.

Of course, we as parents have the right and duty to participate in the meetings regarding changes in our school district. But what would you have the district do? The schools are overcrowded. We need a new school. All of this is being done so that all of our children will have the best education possible. It is normal and acceptable for your child to be apprehensive and even sad about some changes. It is your job as a parent to help your child learn adaptive skills and to look at change as an opportunity. I am willing to bet that your child is better than you think at making friends, learning and adapting. It would truly be a pity if you were to one to prevent that natural growth by instilling your fears and anxieties in your child.

Allow your child to be disappointed about leaving a happy environment, then do your job as a parent and help your child to look forward to the wonderful adventure ahead. Your attitude has a great deal to do with whether your child views this change as a positive or a negative. And finally, Ms. Elanges, I hope you never have to learn the hard way just how lucky you really are. That's just my opinion — mom-to-mom

Anne L. Randall
Northville

Northville must be rolling in the dough

How nice to know I live in such an affluent community that the only concern left for Parks and Recreation, and the tax payer, is a "doggie park" for the recreational and socialization needs of our pets. Evidently all other recreational needs of community residents, young and old, have been met, and no further millages for this shared service will be requested.

Joann E. Dayton
Northville

Girl Scouts had a blast with Plymouth Whalers

Last night (Jan. 29) our Girl Scouts from Winchester Elementary and Meads Mill Middle School received a Pizza Party with the Plymouth Whalers Hockey Team. The girls won this by selling the most group ticket sales at a 'Scout Night' Whalers game last November.

The players joined the girls after their practice and sat with them to enjoy pizza, pop and breadsticks. Afterwards the girls were able to ask questions and get autographs from the players. The players (ranging from 17 to 21 years of age) were great with the girls. One of the players even asked a girl when her birthday was so he could sign that date on the Whalers calendar they were handing out to all the girls. (They also received posters).

This was an exciting experience for our girls, one they won't forget — especially when these players are one day in the NHL, and these girls can say "I met him when..."

For more information on the Whalers you can go to www.plymouthwhalers.com or contact Charlene Merkel at (734) 453-8100 for group sales. Charlene was great to work with

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A special thank you to all the teachers, staff and students at our local schools for the food drives and other fund raising events to support Civic Concern.

Thank you to all of the Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, the local churches, the United States Post Office, Northville Community Foundation, Goodfellows, Rotary, the city and township police and all of the other local organizations, businesses and homeowners for their support. Almost every group in our community has assisted us in one way or

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A chat with the practical saint

"I agree with you that there is a natural aristocracy among men. The grounds of this are virtue and talents."

— Thomas Jefferson

He's not particularly well known (in part because he prefers to operate behind the scenes), but through his virtue and talents Paul Hillegonds is the closest thing I know to Michigan's indispensable man.

Paul who? A reasonable question.

Slightly built with a high forehead and short brown hair crowning a pair of circular eyeglasses, Hillegonds is not physically prepossessing. But the laugh lines at the corners of his eyes suggest a wonderful (and active) sense of humor, and his thoughtful way probably arose from his father, who was a distinguished Presbyterian pastor.

Hillegonds' career in public life goes way back to 1979, when he was elected to the Michigan House of Representatives from a district in Allegan County, on the west side of the state. An ally of former Gov. William Milliken, he became Republican leader in the House in 1986, served as Co-Speaker of the House in 1993-94 when evenly split Republicans and Democrats agreed on a novel power-sharing deal. He became Speaker in 1995-96 when the GOP took over control.

In 1997 he left the legislature to become president of Detroit Renaissance, a nonprofit civic organization made up of southeastern Michigan's main business leadership that works on economic development and public policy issues. Married with two children, Hillegonds lives quietly in Plymouth Township.

That skeletal resume does not even hint at the remarkable impact he has had on Michigan in recent times. I had heard of Paul Hillegonds for years, of course, as one of the truly sane people on the Michigan political scene. But recently it has seemed as though literally every time I went to a worthwhile meeting, Paul Hillegonds was there, sitting quietly for the most part but occasionally saying something extremely sensible in his thoughtful, low key way.

We had a long talk last week about his career and interests. Here's a sampling of where he has devoted his time, energy, common sense and extraordinary network of contacts throughout the state.

Ready to Succeed is a coalition of community leaders working to help policy-makers realize that little kids learn best from a very early age and that a K-12 school system that starts only at age 5 makes little sense. "There are compelling research findings about where we should put public support to help our kids learn best. But governments tend to be reactive and to form budgets from one year to another, rather than to focus on the long term best, most cost-effective solutions for public policy."

Hillegonds was one of the organizers of the University Investment Commission, another coalition of business, labor, government and media heavies that urged state budget makers to avoid the reflex to slash support for colleges and universities. "I'm concerned about the importance of higher education to the future of our state. It's tempting to look at university budgets on a year-to-year basis, depending on revenues available. But we really do need to pay long-run attention to the

enormous impact higher education has on every young person in Michigan and on the future of our economy."

Hillegonds serves with me as a member of the Executive Committee of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, a bi-partisan outfit widely recognized as among the very best state economic development groups in the country. "Our purpose there is to formulate for policy-makers a long-run economic development strategy that goes beyond any given administration or political party."

Being President of Detroit Renaissance is tough, given Detroit's problems. The price of the racial and economic divide between Detroit and the rest of the state is very high, as well as the great complexity of the politics of race in southeastern Michigan. But I'm hopeful that the young people who are just starting to move in will relish diversity and be a force for progress.

As a trustee of the Michigan Chapter of the Nature Conservancy, "The Conservancy has a fundamental commitment to conservation based on market reality and good science that will benefit Michigan for hundreds of years."

Paul Hillegonds seems to be everywhere where good people with common sense are doing their best to help Michigan over the long run. Over the years, I've talked to a lot of people about Paul; uniquely in my experience, I've never heard anyone anything nasty about him.

As a newspaperman, I often try to sum up an interview after it's over. At the end of my conversation with Paul Hillegonds, I wrote three words at the bottom of my notes: "A practical saint."

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Getting to the heart of the newsroom

In a case of awful irony, the 10 a.m. Michigan Press Association seminar I attended last Saturday was entitled, "Getting The Most Out Of Your Newsroom When There's Not A Disaster." Only 30 minutes prior to my sitting down in the



Chris C. Davis

between listening to the anchors describe what had happened and joining the rest of my print brethren down the hall.

In the end, realizing there was little I could do about the situation from my little corner of the world in Grand Rapids, I grabbed another cup of coffee and pulled up a chair to listen to the panel.

I don't mind telling you that everyone else in the room seemed to feel the gravity of the disaster, too. That was evident from the moment I stepped inside and saw the long faces and looks of concern and disbe-

lief.

Though my mind kept drifting back to Texas and Florida, I eventually focused in on the speakers and took in what they were saying.

Mickey Hirtten of the *Lansing State Journal* said he demanded a commitment to excellence on the part of everyone in the newsroom. Making reporters, photographers, page designers, graphics folks and editors aware of their role in the newspaper process, he said, let everyone know about the critical need to be great in all facets of the job.

I agreed.

Joe Bauman, a good friend of mine and managing editor of the *Eccentric Newspapers*, provided suggestions for getting reporters out of the office and out in the streets, where they belonged.

I liked what he had to say.

Both Joe and Mickey were speaking on what to do when buildings weren't tumbling down and spacecrafts weren't disintegrating on re-entry into the atmosphere. But they were speaking about what goes on in newsrooms everywhere, including ours here in Northville. They were speaking about the need to keep reporters energized and to give readers information they want about the communities in which they live. They were speaking about finding the scandals and the tear-jerkers and everything in between.

I'd like to think we provide a balance of featurey, light-hearted material, as well as

the hard news and localized coverage of national and global events. Providing too much of any one thing isn't a good thing. I encourage reporters to dig deep and ask tough questions — questions that may get

folks riled, but the ones that are on the minds of people who want to know what the heck is going on in their town.

Before I knew it, the seminar was over, and I was back in the lounge

area, eyes once again fixed on those white streaks against a brilliant blue sky. But I stopped myself from getting sucked into the audio-visual world.

Davis, I told myself, you're not as big as the *News* and you don't come out as often as the *Eccentric*, but you've got a job to do. Go do it.

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GUEST COLUMN

There's peace in the world — really

With all of the events right now, with the conflict in parts of the world where it looked like the road to peace was being traveled, all people are challenged to think about peace in the world and in their own lives.



Paul Melrose

There is a relationship between the kind of peace one feels in one's heart and the kind of peace, which one lives in one's life. Some might say that with so many homes in turmoil, where there is not anything like the quality of relatedness which we believe in and yearn for, it is no wonder that people speak and behave in ways which seem to make a home of peace, much less a world of peace, a pipe dream, or a goal that is impossible to strive for.

Yet, expressions of peaceful acts and relationships abound. Look at the prayers of peace offered by so many people's and faiths. Prayer services for

peace continue, taking on even more significance in the wake of efforts to heal the deep wounds of Sept. 11. People in my office, and those of my colleagues, are angry and hurt by their behaviors and those of others they love and wish to see if they can change it in some way to make it better. They wonder if they can be a family that can live at least within tolerable limits of the pain that comes from love and intimacy. Peaceful gestures such as community meetings set up for people of different faiths and national backgrounds to come together to learn about each other. Giving of money and time and items of need to the various charities with renewed emphasis are ways to create peace.

In the home there are things which we can do to create a peaceful environment. Be thankful for those around you who love.

If there is one in your circle of family or friends who you do not feel at peace with, this may be the time to reach out with an olive branch. Help your children to learn safe and constructive ways of disagreement and conflict resolution. Let them watch you and your partner as you practice such behaviors.

Actions do speak louder than words and behaviors geared toward peace are examples of the possibilities as well as results of different motives. What do you value most: the satisfaction of your own

needs exclusively, or the gift of life itself?

Peace in one arena bodes well for peace in the other. If you love your neighbor as yourself you may be able to contribute to both.

Paul Melrose is director of clinical services at the Samaritan Counseling Center of Southeast Michigan. The center has an office in Northville. The staff of the center can be reached at (248) 474-4701 or www.paulmelrose.com.

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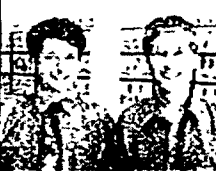
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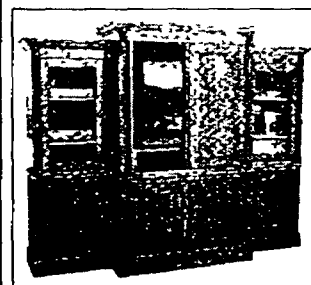
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All of that portion of Caldwell Road (platted as Colonial Road), 60 feet wide, adjacent to Lots 49-53 and the previously vacated Wellington Road, 30 feet wide, HILLCREST MANOR SUB. of part of the S. 1/4 of N.E. 1/4 of Sec. 4, T.15S., R.8E., Northville Twp., Wayne Co., Michigan, recorded in Liber 62 of Plats on Page 27, Wayne County Records, more particularly described as, All that portion lying Northerly of the prolonged South line of Lot 49 to the centerline of Caldwell Road and that portion lying Northerly of the prolonged South line of Lot 53 to the centerline of Caldwell Road to the Easterly plat boundary line of said Hillcrest Manor subdivision.

Therefore, it has been decided a Hearing to be held on **Tuesday, February 25, 2003, at 10:00 a.m.**, at Wayne County Department of Public Services, 415 Clifford Street, 3rd Floor, Detroit, Michigan 48226, and that a Hearing Examiner of the county shall hold said hearing and obtain all necessary facts and information concerning the advisability of either granting or denying said petition, and shall report all findings of fact to the Board of Wayne County Commissioners

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

105 year old Star Manor resident Clara Dickerson shares a smile with staff member Carol Purnell on a recent Friday afternoon. Dickerson and Purnell share more than Star Manor in common, they were both born in the same town in West Virginia: Beckley.

When Dickerson was born, McKinley was U.S. president

By Pauline Lupercio
STAFF WRITER

Birthdays have never really been a big deal to Northville Township resident Clara Dickerson. But things have changed since she was born in West Virginia in 1897. With each passing year, Dickerson says she is just happy to be alive.

Dickerson, who will turn 106 on May 21, is a resident of Star Manor of Northville. She was one of many seniors from the community recently honored at the second annual "95 and Older" party.

The "grandest" of the "grand" seniors, Dickerson simply chuckled when asked by a fellow honoree if

her longevity could be attributed to a certain brand of beer.

She is still here, she says, because of progress made in medical care, technology, and nutrition. More importantly, Dickerson said she is still here because she has not yet fulfilled her purpose.

"You never do all you need to do until you stop breathing," she said. "Maybe you can't work or garden, but you can always say 'Have a pleasant day.'"

Star Manor admissions director Carol Narduch said she believed positive attitude and a "joy of life" are part of Dickerson's secrets.

"I think she is a remarkable woman who has seen a lot of adver-

sity in her life," said Narduch. "We all have a purpose and [Dickerson's] is to reach the rest of us how to be."

Dickerson said she was looking forward to her 106th birthday and hopes to celebrate with a cruise to Hawaii. No stranger to vacations, Dickerson was treated to an Alaskan cruise by "The Regis and Kathy Lee Show" for her 100th birthday.

"I would love to travel to Hawaii but my pocketbook is too small," she said with a laugh.

Star Manor staff said they hope to be able to garner the attention of "The Oprah Winfrey Show" to make her birthday wish come true.

"She deserves to go. The more people that meet her, the more people that will benefit from her wisdom," said registered nurse Carole Lamphier, a consultant for Star Manor. "I think this is an opportunity for people to see a person of [Dickerson's] age to be so cognitive, wise, and full of life."

And full of life is exactly what Dickerson is.

"Age doesn't stop you from having a good time," she said.

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Community's elder statesmen celebrate b-day

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Honorees were interviewed prior to the party and were individually introduced to those in attendance.

Birthdays, special moments, years married, and great-grandchildren were details shared with party-goers.

"It enabled us to be able to tell everyone a little bit about [the seniors'] lives," said Inglis.

Resolutions honoring the communities grand seniors were also passed by the Northville city council and Northville Township

board of trustees, recognizing them for the love, compassion, wisdom, and depth of memory offered by the honorees.

"I just think it's a nice way to honor all of our seniors and especially those 95 and older," said Sue Koivula, senior center coordinator. "They really are an inspiration."

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High school students escape car-bus crash without injury

By Pauline Lupercio
and Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITERS

Twenty-five high school students escaped injuries Monday when a car collided with the rear end of the school bus in which they were traveling. Police and fire personnel responded to the scene of the accident on Eight Mile and Beck Roads in Northville Township, closing off Beck Road to control traffic at the scene.

Fire chief Bill Zhmendak said emergency personnel arrived at the scene at 2:37 p.m. and immediately checked students on the bus and drivers of both vehicles for injuries and found none. Even the driver of the car, who had been

struck from behind and pushed into the school bus, escaped injury as well.

"It was nice to get a run like that with no injuries," said Zhmendak. "But I think the biggest thing was how well the school worked with us on this incident."

According to Zhmendak, many Northville school board members arrived at the scene and played a large role in the smooth handling of the accident by assisting in providing another school bus to transfer the students from the scene.

Mayflower Towing assisted in transporting the school bus, which sustained approximately \$4,500 in damages to the rear bumper.

Chris Gearn, administrative assistant for operations for

Northville Public Schools, also said he was pleased to hear that no injuries occurred.

"The safety of the bus is very well thought out," said Gearn. "They do very well in accidents. You don't see a lot of injuries in minor accidents. Those buses hold up really well when they're struck."

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Business Briefs

Northville Township-based ZF Group North American Operations — a regional division of leading automotive supplier ZF Friedrichshafen AG — promoted Tom Gorman to vice president Chassis Components North America, and Kurt Mueller to vice president Chassis Systems North America. Both positions are within ZF Lemforder Corporation, the passenger car chassis division at ZF.

Gorman joined ZF in October 2000 as general manager of the chassis components business unit, after 17 years with Dana Corporation. He earned a bachelor's degree from University of Detroit Mercy and a master's degree from the University of Michigan. In his new position, he is responsible for ZF Lemforder manufacturing plants in Brewer, Maine; Duncan, S.C.; Lapeer, Mich.; and Toluca, Mexico, as well as service departments in Northville.

Mueller joined ZF in 1997 as a project manager, after 20 years with Dana Corporation. In 1999, he was promoted to general manager of the chassis systems business unit. He earned a bachelor's degree from Ball State University and a master's degree from Bowling Green State University. In his new position, he is responsible for ZF Lemforder manufacturing plants in Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Duncan, S.C. and the new Chicago facility — opening in March.

Northville resident Amy K. Hunt has been elected as one of the new shareholders in the Detroit law firm of Butzel Long. She practices complex commercial, antitrust and appellate litigation.



Michael B. Carlson has joined Camaco LLC as cost estimating manager, according to Camaco President and CEO Arvind Pradhan. His responsibilities include cost estimating of new designs and changes as well as establishing cost targets for all parts and assemblies. Camaco is the largest independent supplier in North America of engineered seat frames, headrests, armrests and other metal structures to the automotive market.



Carlson had been a senior cost estimator at the Nissan Technical Center, North America, working in the Parts Cost Management Group.

Carlson's previous positions included management and engineering posts with Excel Industries (Southfield, Mich.), Atwood Automotive Industries (Rockford, Ill.), W.G. Carlson and Sons (Rockford, Ill.) and the Reliable Machine Company (Rockford, Ill.).

Carlson began his career as a tool and die maker in the mid-1960s, and later served in supervisory positions as plant manager, process engineer and model shop supervisor.

PS Baskets & Such, a business that creates specialty gift baskets, stocks fragrant candles, has an inventory of country themed gifts, and tart burners officially opened their doors at 825 Pontiac Trail, Suite 2, in Walled Lake on Monday. They will celebrate their grand opening on Monday, Feb. 10 from 2 p.m.-6 p.m. and light refreshments will be served.

Patrick and Susan Russo, proprietors of PS Baskets & Such moved their year-old basket business into Downtown Walled Lake from Wixom.

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"People first" is the philosophy of the staff: (L-R, front row) Julie Taylor, Barb Lewandowski, Dr. Landi Heller, Susan Grove; (back row) Mary Michniewicz, Heidi Krause, Ann Schwartz and Christa Roberts.

South Lyon's newest dentist is a smile specialist

By Elizabeth Heer
SPECIAL WRITER

Dr. Landi Heller is South Lyon's newest dentist to set up shop, having recently purchased the practice of Dr. Richard Petricca, a long time practitioner in the area. While practicing as an associate dentist for the past 15 years, Dr. Heller developed a "people first" philosophy, and is dedicated to providing a high quality of care that is specific and unique for each and every patient's dental and cosmetic desires and needs. She and her staff are committed to making every dental visit comfortable. "We regularly use headsets, nitrous oxide, pillows, empathy, and anything else we can to make people comfortable. We even have electric hand pieces (dental drills) that cause less noise and vibration so that people can relax more during their appointments," Heller said.



Dr. Landi Heller, DDS works on a patient.

As a "Smile Specialist" Dr. Heller believes that a warm, kind and attractive smile leaves a lasting impression, and her entire staff enjoys giving smiles as much as creating them.

"The smile is the first thing I notice on someone," says Heller. "It's very simple to brighten, change, or upgrade your smile."

Teeth that are chipped, stained, or discolored (even tetracycline discoloration), rotated or gapped can be restored to create a fabulous smile without necessarily spending a lot of money. Improving a smile may consist of any combination of bleaching (whitening), bonding, reshaping or contouring teeth, or applying porcelain veneer or crowns. Besides home bleaching, patients now may have their teeth whitened by several shades in the dental office through a procedure called "Zooming".

Dr. Heller stresses and practices preventive dentistry.

"In our parents' generation, people went to the dentist only when they had a toothache or cavity," Heller said. "Now people realize that with regular preventive care, such as a professional cleaning to remove calculus (tartar) as well as checking for bacterial growth below the gum line, they can actually save money in the long run."

For every dollar spent on preventive dental care, eight dollars in restorative care can be saved. Dr. Heller's goals are to help her patients keep their natural teeth for their lifetime and to create beautiful smiles.

"It's an exciting rite of passage to lose a tooth as a child, but it can be quite traumatic as an adult," she said.

With current advances in den-

istry, including different methods of fluoride application, preventive sealant and resins as well as methods to detect problems early when they are easily treatable, tooth decay and tooth loss can be rare occurrences. She notes that most adult tooth loss is due to periodontal disease — a bacterial infection that causes gum tissue to detach from the teeth and the supporting bone to dissolve. The first sign of this is bleeding gums during brushing or flossing. Over 75 percent of the adult population is affected to some degree with periodontal disease.

"We know that the progression of periodontal disease can be prevented," Heller said. "We can detect it earlier than ever, and therefore treat it before too much damage is done."

Patients often express that they really notice a difference and improvement in how their mouths and gums feel after having periodontal therapy.

For those who have unfortunately lost teeth due to periodontal disease or tooth decay, there are many options for replacing lost teeth. Crowns and bridges are the most routine method as well as removable partial and complete dentures, but more and more people are opting for implant-retained dentistry.

In keeping with her philosophy of treating people, not just teeth, and recognizing the correlation of dental health with general physical health, Dr. Heller likes to spend time educating people about their dental needs. Children are especially catered to in the practice.

"Kids actually have fun here! I would like all my young patients to have positive experiences in

my office so they may become a lifelong advertisement for exceptional dental health and well-being," she said.

Prepare for some pampering in the newly redecorated office. Staff members comment that patients have noticed the changes and like the feminine touches she has added. Long-time patients of the practice are happy to see that their friends and familiar faces are still at work, along with a few new, smiling faces. The warm and friendly staff makes each visit comfortable and fun.

A 1987 graduate of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, Dr. Heller grew up in the dental field having worked from age 12 in the Detroit suburban practice of her father, Dr. Clifford Heller. She has completed over 100 hours of continuing education courses in cosmetic, general, and implant dentistry including attending the Pacific Aesthetic Continuum at the University of the Pacific in San Francisco.

"I really believe in keeping current and continually updating my knowledge as well as that of my staff. We've already taken three continuing education courses together," Heller said.

Dr. Heller is also always on the alert for new, state of the art equipment and procedures. The

DETAILS

The dental office of Dr. Landi Heller, located at 505 S. Lafayette in South Lyon, enthusiastically welcomes new patients. Appointments are available 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, as well as one Saturday each month. Call (248) 437-2024 for appointment information.

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Dr. Heller enjoys doing anything outdoors, especially cycling and hiking. She holds memberships in the American Dental Society, Michigan Dental Society, Oakland County Dental Society, and the Tri-County Implant Restorative Study Club.

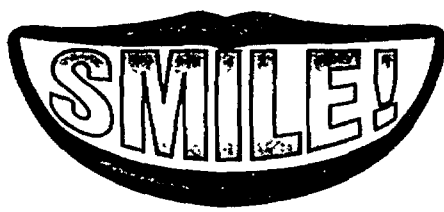
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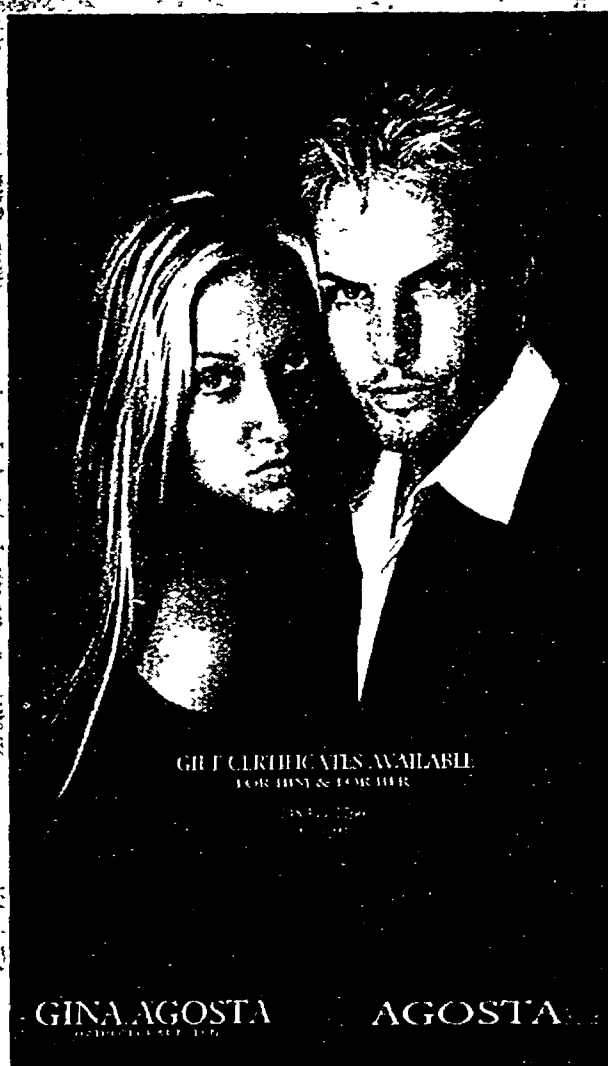
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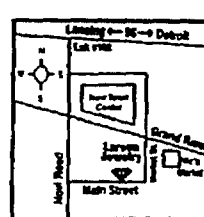
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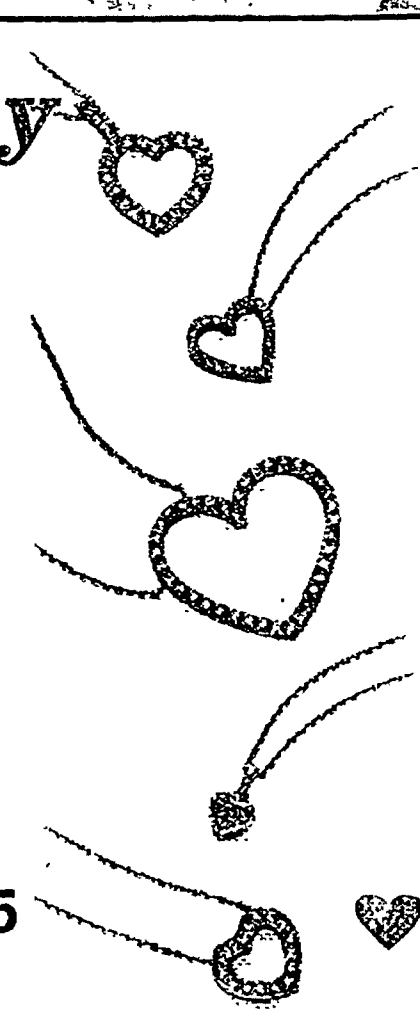
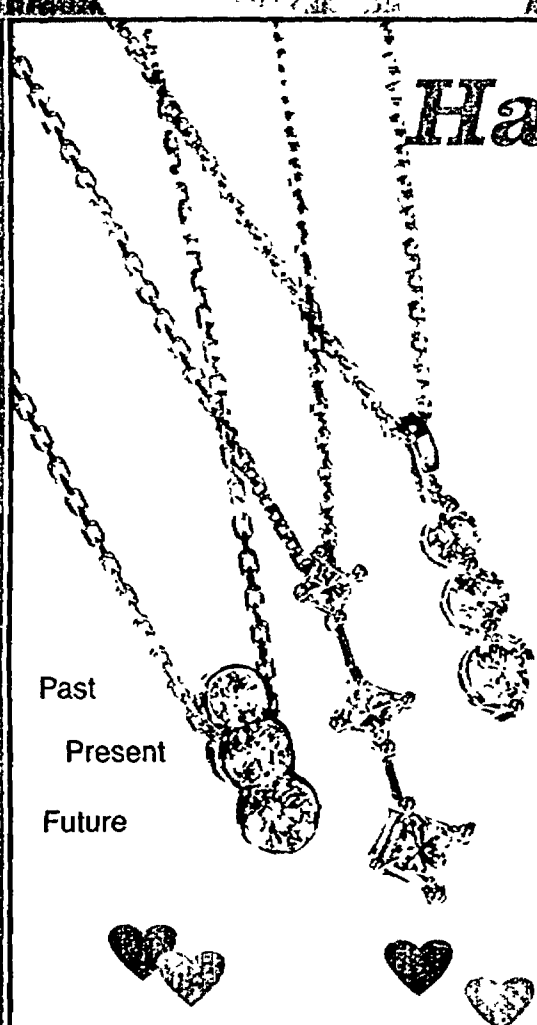
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Grapplers earn second

Northville wrestlers put pre-season predictions behind them

By Kita Mason
and Sam Eggleston
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Who would have ever dreamed it could be true?

Picked to finished seventh in the eight-team field of the Western Lakes Activities Association by pre-season pundits, the Northville Mustangs have shown that a previous season's record means nothing this year. Instead of falling to their knees and accepting the predictions, the 'Stangs rode hard and with determination until they found themselves vying for the top spot against a very tough Walled Lake Western squad January 30.

In the end, the Warriors scraped away with the very tough victory, earning a 36-33 win over Northville. The Mustangs didn't flinch though, as they earned the second-place slot in the division. To all who have watched and read about the Mustangs from last season to now, it's clear that these wrestlers have completely redesigned their goals and their squad to be a competitor at all levels.

For the Mustangs, they now know how much a single match can mean. A 36-33 loss is the difference of one match. If one three-point loss had been a three-point win, this meet may have gone in a different direc-

tion.

Wrestling is an unforgiving sport. It was a solemn Mustang crew at the end of the evening, everyone looking inward — everyone wondering what they each could have done differently. It's hard to rejoice over how far you've come when you realize it's still not enough.

The senior leaders showed their mettle throughout the meet. Rick Riegner put Northville's first three points on the board with a determined 5-3 victory in the 152-pound division. Dave Quick, wrestling at 189, pinned his opponent to tie the match at 15.

Marc Mueller, Northville's heavyweight, charged into

motion from the opening whistle and pinned his match in 33 seconds to grab a 21-18 lead for the Mustangs. Josh D'Anna, 119, pinned for six-points, pushing the Northville lead to 33-21.

It was a nerve-racking, back and forth battle for victory throughout the game. Western clawed their way back into the match with 15 unanswered points to take the victory 36-33, and the first-place division standing. Though a loss on the record, the Mustangs can notch this entire season as a victory for their program and for those who haven't given up this year.

Northville's JV continues to show promise for next year's Mustang wrestling squad. Bill

Riegner, 152, won 10-0 against Walled Lake Western. Back on January 23 against Livonia Franklin, Joel Schanne, 112, and Justin Swanson, 130, pinned their matches. Mike Didia, 119, and Stefano Giammarco, 135, won on points. Against the Plymouth Salem JV, Justin Swanson won 7-5, and Ben Mason, 189, pinned his opponent.

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It's just got to be the heart

These guys just don't know when to quit, do they? Of course, in their situation, that's a good thing.

The Northville Mustangs wrestling team has shown that no matter where you might get ranked or where the "experts" think you are going to end up when all is said and done, the only way to find your spot is to give it your all and wait for the outcome.

The Northville wrestling team has done just that. They come into each and every meet looking to wrestle to the best of their abilities as they get in the hunt for some team recognition this year. They've been beaten and bruised in years past, and even now and again this time around, but they never give up.

Northville has proven to be one of those teams that you don't look past when it comes to wrestling this season. Last year, many teams came against the Mustangs and pretty much rolled them — this year they go in there knowing that this squad is capable of defeating any given team on any given day.

My thoughts on how come they have turned everything around definitely fall to the determination and dedication of this team. They are the kind of players that every coach wished they had on their team — focused and willing. Beyond ability, they have something that I consider more important than being better than your opponent. They have more heart than most.

Northville has shown me that they are capable of producing athletes that have heart. They want it. They live for it. They breathe sports because that's what makes them tick inside. These Northville wrestlers are no different. They want to prove that they are rivals with the best of them. Sure, they might not be bringing home a state title this year, but you can bet your bottom dollar that they are going to give everything thing they have to at least make an attempt at it.

It's teams like these that make a job like this worthwhile. They give it there all and they ask for no glory or reputation for it. They just want to wrestle.

Northville can thanks a solid coaching staff and a great group of leaders for what they have accomplished this year on the mat. They aren't going to be limping away quietly into the darkness at the end of this season. Instead, no matter what the final outcome of the 2002-03 wrestling schedule is, they should be held in the spotlight for other athletes to look to when trying to decide just how it is they should model themselves.

It only this collective heart were part of every team and shared with every athlete in this state — heck, in this country. Then, we would never have to worry about prep stars playing for Hummers or scholarships or throw-back jerseys. Instead, we'd have athletes that wanted to play.

Keep up the good work, wrestlers.



Sam Eggleston

Wild 'Stangs still looking sharp

Squad has been good in most recent meets

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Though the Novi-Northville Wild 'Stangs aren't looking to blow anyone out of the water this season, they are still looking to win.

Solid performances, increasing scores and overall determination by these gymnasts throughout the season has yielded steady improvements and a promising future. Against Brighton January 23, the Wild 'Stangs had another good showing but fell 138.90-137.55. The squad also had a nice showing at the Farmington Invitational two days later.

Against Brighton, the Wild 'Stangs turned in a slew of impressive marks. For the A-squad, Trish Brownfield collected an 8.5 on the beam, while Rachel Deneau notched an 8.3 in the same event as well as an 8.45 with her floor exercise.

Marcie Fink recorded an 8.55 on the vault for the combined squad, while Jessica Glancy earned an 8.8 in that event and an 8.55 on the floor. Sarah Ilkhani-Pour was awarded an 8.35 for her efforts on the bars, and an 8.75 on the beam. Jenn Mehl collected an 8.1 on the bars.

Maggie Mills had impressive marks on the day, notching an 8.35 on the bars, an 8.85 with her floor routine and an 8.75 on the vault. Sara Wilchowski continued with her stellar marks, earning an 8.45 on the beam, and 8.9 on the vault and a team-best 9.0 on the bars.

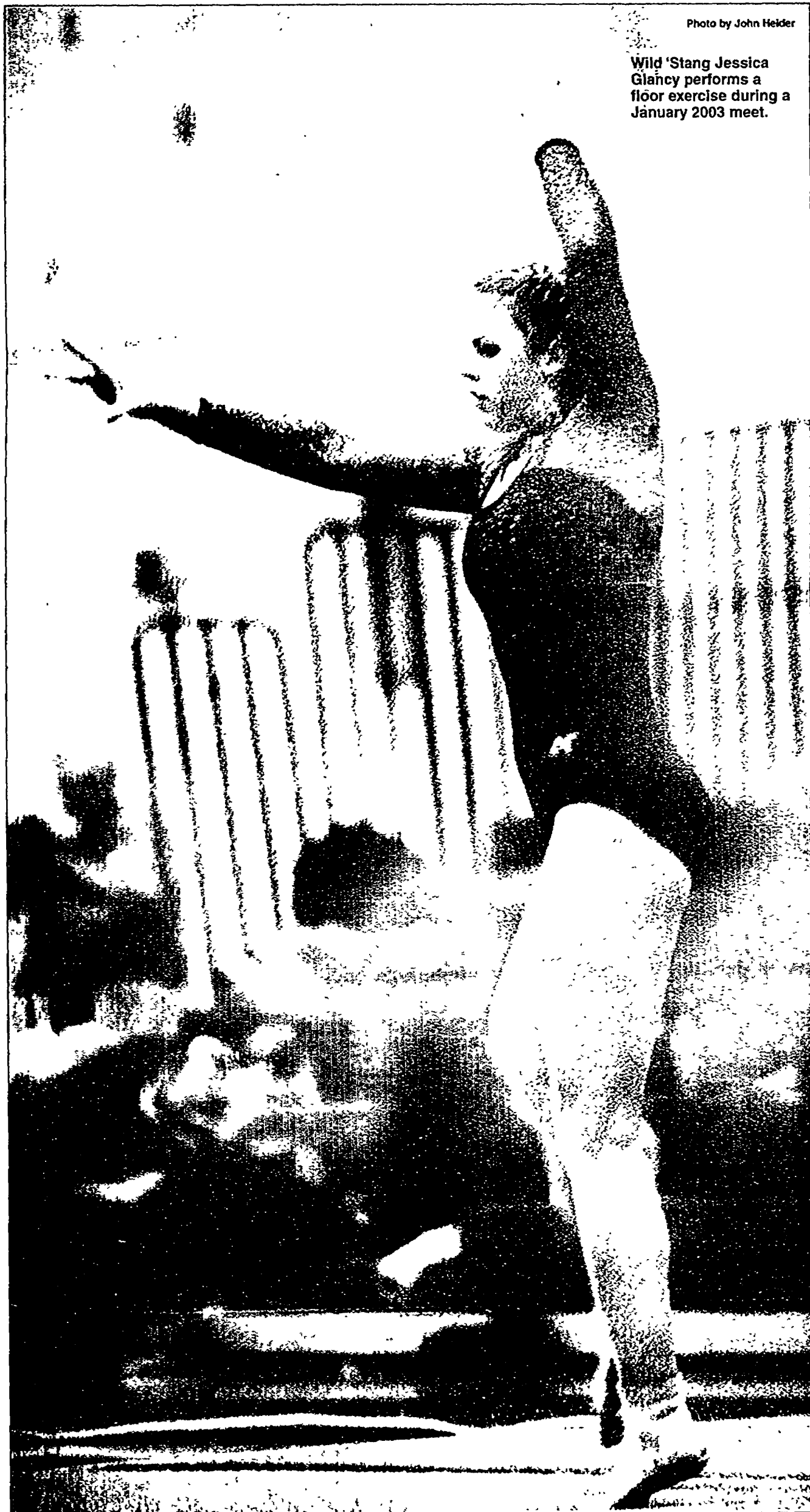
Highlights for the B-team were Amanda Crawford's 7.3 on the bars, 7.65 on the beam and an 8.7 on the vault. Nika Frimenko earned an 8.05 on the floor as well as a 7.9 on the beam while Adrienne McHenry earned a 7.45 on the bars and an 8.4 on the floor. Courtney Paul notched a 7.25 on the bars and an 8.6 on the beam while Megan Wallen collected a 7.7 on the bars, Erin Yankovich earned an 8.7 on the floor and an 8.25 on the vault. Amy Wild notched an 8.3 on the vault and Lindsay Yusko collected an 8.0 on the beam.

At Farmington, the squad highlights included Brownfield's 9.0 on the floor as well as Crawford's 8.75 and Deneau's 8.95 in the same event. Fink collected an 8.75 on the vault, while Glancy earned an 8.5 on the floor and an 8.90 on the vault. Ilkhani-Pour notched an 8.65 on the bars, while Jenn Mehl carved an 8.7 on the vault. Mills earned an 8.10 on the bars, while Wallen notched an 8.55 on the vault and Yankovich earned an 8.6 on the floor. Wilchowski led her squad with an 8.7 on the vault, and 8.9 on the beam, a 9.0 on the bars and a staggering 9.25 on the floor.

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Wild 'Stang Jessica Glancy performs a floor exercise during a January 2003 meet.



GAME OF THE WEEK



Northville Mustangs

WRESTLING

Back on track

Cagers' streak hits 3 games

By Tyler Carter
SPECIAL WRITER

Coming off a win against Walled Lake Western, the Mustangs stormed Plymouth and came away with victories over both Salem and Canton last week.

Nearing the final leg of the season, the Mustangs have some great momentum with a three game win streak and a 10-4 record. Keeping the winning trend alive will be crucial for the Mustangs at districts in early March.

The contest in Salem on Tuesday was a great one. With both Adam Konst and Roger Garfield perfect from three point land as they hit two apiece, the Mustangs had all the offense they needed to jump to an early lead and secure the 61-56 win. Junior Mark Sorenson was the leading assist man (5) and Brett Asher dominated the offensive boards and added 6 points of his own.

Both Konst and Scott McNeish had big games, putting up 16 points each. Northville's 11 of 16 free throw shooting, including stellar shooting from Konst and Asher (both 2/2), helped the Mustangs on their way to victory. Despite Salem's David Hoskins coming away with 27 points, the Mustangs went to Canton on Friday with a two game win streak in tact.

The Mustangs seemed to fill Canton's spacious gymnasium on Friday night. A close, well played game kept Northville's most loyal fans on their feet the entire game.

When Coach Darryl Schumacher said early in the season that in any given game anyone could be a star, he meant it. On Friday, no Mustang stole the show. Nobody, in fact, scored over seven points (Konst was Friday's leading scorer). The game was won by Northville because there were seven different Mustangs



Mustang Chris Jacobs takes the ball to the hoop against Livonia Stevenson last Tuesday night. Northville lost in overtime.

with five or more points.

Tim Singleton and Jeff Varley contributed with 6 and 5 points, respectively. Singleton played a big role, coming up with a pair of steals and even pulling down a rebound. Varley had Northville's only three pointer on the night: a momentum changing bomb that couldn't have come at a better time. At half time, the Mustangs trailed by two in what turned out to be a defensive struggle.

The Chiefs were able to keep the Mustangs quiet in the third quarter and led by a count of 33-26. An explosive fourth quarter was enough to put the 'Stangs back on top secure a 45-42 victory.

Marcus Davis, Garfield, Konst,

Scott McNeish, Sorenson, Varley, and Singleton all contributed to the offensive attack. Sorenson again led with assists (5) and Garfield was able to pull down a team-leading 5 rebounds.

With their second win over Canton on the season, Northville's division record improved to 4-1. The Mustangs look to start February out on the right foot as they take on Walled Lake Central on Tuesday and have Churchill at home on Friday. The Mustangs took care of Churchill in the interest in early January, and it will be interesting to see how far we have come since then. Both games this week begin at 7 p.m.

Icers fall victim to 'Dog attack'

By Kita Mason
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

It's never easy to take on one of the best teams in the state, especially when it seems you are still in the process of finding yourselves.

The Northville Mustangs were the wrong end of a 9-1 beating administered by the sixth-ranked Division I Brighton Bulldogs February 1. Though the score may indicate that this was a tale of a swift and brutal domination by the 'Dogs, it was truly the tale of two games. The Mustang's strategy for the night was to make a game of it, to work hard and keep up with the high flying Bulldogs. Even though Brighton was putting on a passing clinic at Northville's expense, for two periods, the strategy was working.

The Mustangs stayed as close as possible to the Bulldogs. Some amazing saves in net limited the Brighton score to 2-0 at the end of one period. The Brighton tallies

were 5 on 4 powerplay goals. Determined defense played by every Mustang on the ice, and a focused goalie was frustrating the visitors.

The defensive theme continued through the second period. Brighton was only able to put one goal into Northville's net; another powerplay point with 23 seconds left in the period. The Mustangs were down 0-3 at the end of two periods — not bad against a Division I hockey powerhouse.

The third period may as well have been a different game altogether. The team's energy and spirit seemed to be gone. Five minutes into the third period the Brighton Bulldogs had scored 3 full-strength goals.

Northville's only offensive highlight of the game mid-way through the third when Donny McKinnon sent a picture perfect breakout pass up the middle of the ice, catching Jimmy Riehl in full stride behind the Brighton defense. Riehl made the goalie commit with some quick fore-

hand/backhand moves, and scored Northville's only goal of the night.

The celebration was short-lived when Brighton answered with another full strength goal 30 seconds later. By then the momentum was firmly on Brighton's side and before the Mustangs could change the tide, the game was over.

Brighton is not only ranked by the coaches association, but also on the verge of doing something that no other team has ever accomplished. They are about to be undefeated in the Kensington Valley Conference if they stay the course they are currently traveling. Though it's a bitter pill to swallow, the Mustangs proved to be a bump on the road to Brighton's title hunt.

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Movies and munchies

Jimmy Riehl and friends don't mind relaxing with some tacos and a flick

By Krystin Jarrell
SPECIAL WRITER

Like the old adage says: Practice makes perfect.

Northville senior Jimmy Riehl started a skating program at the age of six and was already involved in travel teams by eight years old. Since then, as one of Northville's hockey captains, he has definitely had a lot of practice. His team may not be sitting at the top of the conference standings, as Northville's record is seven wins and nine losses thus far, with the Regional game rapidly approaching, but they have a lot of energy and determination.

"We are playing a lot better and we are a lot stronger than we were in the beginning of the season," said Riehl of the team. "We find out who we play for Regionals in a couple of weeks and I hope we play well enough to go on."

With the center's ability there is no doubt that the season will be a success. Last year his travel team won the State Championship and traveled all

the way to San Jose, California for the National tournament. They came home winning one game and losing two.

"I love my travel team," Riehl commented. "We get kids from all over with a lot of talent. We've traveled to Chicago, Toronto and California. I have met some cool people playing from playing hockey."

One of his favorites, Mike Marquardt, is also his future roommate at Grand Valley State University. Riehl's 3.3 grade point average and 24 ACT score made him a great pick for GVSU. Neither Riehl nor Marquardt are decided on whether or not they are going to play hockey in college.

Riehl said, "Grand Valley only has a club hockey team and we would both love to play, it just depends on how much time we have."

Riehl plans on majoring in either teaching or business.

"If I teach, coaching would be a definite possibility, and if I go into business I want to own my own company someday," Riehl said of his future career.

When Riehl is not being sent to the penalty box for roughing, he is busy sending other players there. He gets paid to referee hockey games in his free-time.

"It's so much fun," he said. "I really enjoy the sport."

Aside from hockey, Riehl takes pleasure in doing typical teenager things, such as hanging out with his friends and playing golf. He loves watching Top Gun and eating tacos.

"We go to Taco Bell and watch movies," Riehl answered when asked what him and his friends can be found doing on a boring Friday night.

No matter what they always have fun.

"High school has been the best," Riehl said. "It's flown by. I will be sad when it's over, but I'm also ready for a change."

Krystin Jarrell is an intern for the Northville Record and the Novi News. Comments can be directed to the sports department at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.

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Another tough loss

Mustangs still playing solid volleyball

By Roger Garfield
SPECIAL WRITER

The Northville Mustangs volleyball team has a plethora of talent. This season however, the team has struggled. Talent has not been their downfall; the Mustangs have continually been unable to concentrate and finish out games in which they have led.

Franklin traveled to Northville January 29. The Mustangs trailed early, losing the first game 15-6. In the second game, the lead was in Northville's possession. Unfortunately, they blew the margin and the Patriots came storming back to win, 15-13. The third game went to Northville, 15-11, but Franklin triumphed overall, taking the match 2-1.

"That was a very disappointing loss," said Coach Rick VanderVeer. "We didn't play our game. Mentally, we were never in the match."

The loss sent the Mustangs' league record to 1-3.

Schoolcraft College hosted a tournament with teams from all over the state of Michigan

February 1. The Mustangs took on four tough squads from around the area. They played a solid game against Monroe, hung tough with Woodhaven, and were ousted by Ladywood and Fenton. They failed to win a match on the day, and they blew a few leads, but overall, VanderVeer was pleased with their efforts against the tough competition.

"On the whole, the team play much more soundly," he stated. "Katie Kneisel had an outstanding tournament. She was blocking and hitting as well as she has all year."

VanderVeer noted that seniors Lauren Temple and Kristen Moran were bright spots, and junior Jessica Morga added a great spark off the bench.

"Jessica had a very good day," VanderVeer commented.

The 'Stangs hit the road to play Livonia Churchill February 3. Churchill, the best team in the WLLA, came prepared. They took all three games from the Mustangs to maintain their undefeated conference record.

"They're a very strong team who has done really well," said

VanderVeer. "I'm happy with the fact we competed well. But we had some lapses where we lost focus."

Sophomore Evonna Karchon had a tremendous evening. She completed over 50 percent of her kills, according to VanderVeer.

Despite the losses of late, VanderVeer believes his team will start to win some more games.

"We're coming around, it's just slower than I expected it would be. The main thing we need to work on is closing out games. When we have a team down, we need to put them away. It's a mental skill."

The Mustangs hoped to improve on their conference record of 1-4 as they hosted Livonia Stevenson on Wednesday. Their next match is away on Monday, February 10 versus Salem.

Roger Garfield is an intern for the Northville Record and the Novi News. Comments can be directed to the sports department at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.

Remember when?

It was a typical winter day when this photo was snapped. January 6, 1994 and Dennis Colligan still looks as cheerful and youthful as today. Out of all the people that could be sitting in a principal's chair, Colligan's respect for the people sitting across from him brings, in return, the respect back to him. Colligan wears the orange and black of Northville with pride, and the fans are always proud to see him sporting those colors.

We've had the chance to work with Colligan on a few different issues, and he's always been as respectful and courteous as anyone we've ever met. It's always a pleasure when you run into him. And did we mention how fit and trim he looks? That should keep us out of detention for at least another week!



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Sports Shorts

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Club Hockey

By Jim Stevenson
SPECIAL WRITER

The Northville Mustangs Club Hockey Team took a road trip to Muskegon and came away with one victory in three attempts.

In the first game on February 1 at L.C. Walker Arena, Northville faced a combined team from Muskegon Catholic Central and Spring Lake. Nick Karebian opened the scoring as he skated out from the left corner and fired a wrist shot from a difficult angle, assisted by Kenny Papich.

The Crusaders came back with a powerplay goal to tie the score and that was how the first period ended, thanks in large part to some excellent goaltending by Robert Davison. Unfortunately, Northville did not play well in the second period and the Crusaders scored four unanswered goals to take a 5-1 lead.

Mike Sklut got the Mustangs back in the game in the third period when he broke in on the right wing and went hard to the net for a goal. Sklut then cut the deficit to 5-3 when he took a pass from Mike Bernabei and scored again, taking advantage of a poor line change by the Crusaders. However, Northville ran out of time and couldn't mount a further comeback.

In their second game of the day, the Mustangs took on the Mona Shores Sailors at the Lakeshore Sports Centre in

Muskegon.

Northville started the game with excellent pressure in the Sailors zone and were rewarded when Alan Kursu knocked in a rebound with assists to Chris Wilson and Mike Sklut. Mona Shores came right back though with two quick goals to take the lead. The Mustangs pulled even at 2-2 when Kenny Papich scored on a breakaway. They then took the lead at the end of one period as Craig Hofmeister deflected a shot from the point by Grant Baidas into the net.

In the second period, Mona Shores again tied it up with a quick powerplay goal. Northville got back on top when Jim Stevenson hustled to dig the puck out of the corner and made a nice centering pass to Chris Wilson, who one-timed a shot for a 4-3 lead.

The see-saw match continued as the Sailors pulled even and then scored two more unanswered goals for a 6-4 lead after two periods. Northville had a chance to get back in the game when they went on a powerplay at the start of the third period, but Mona Shores scored two shorthanded goals to go up 8-4. Mike Sklut scored on a wrist shot from the left circle to close the gap, with an assist to Chris Wilson. In the end, the final buzzer sounded with an 8-5 loss for the Mustangs.

In the final game of the road-trip on February 2, the Mustangs had a rematch against the combined Muskegon

Catholic Central/Spring Lake team. This team had lost only two games this season coming into the weekend. The Mustangs played one of their best games of the season and came home with a hard-fought victory. Northville opened the scoring when Jim Stevenson dug the puck out of the left corner and hit Matt Bray in front and he knocked the puck in.

The Crusaders tied the game at 1-1 later and that was how the first period ended. The second period was evenly played, with strong play from Northville defenseman Grant Baidas, Zach Barry, Mike Bernabei, Andrew Gasparato, Richard Grajewski, and Ryan Serge, and excellent goaltending from Robert Davison as well as his Muskegon counterpart.

With four minutes left in the period, Muskegon pulled ahead with a short handed goal. Northville came right back though as Kenny Papich scored from a sharp angle. Assists on the play went to Nick Karebian and Ryan Pyatenko and the period ended knotted at two

goals a piece.

In the third period, the Mustangs jumped back on top as Jim Stevenson came streaking out of the penalty box and took a nice pass from Pyatenko. Stevenson broke in alone on the right wing, faked left and then fired a shot over the glove hand of the Muskegon goalie for a 3-2 lead.

With 10 minutes left in the game, the Crusaders tied it back up after a turnover in the Mustang end. However, Northville came back and scored the game winner on a powerplay with five minutes left. Alan Kursu scored on a pass from Mike Bernabei to take a 4-3 lead. The Mustangs and goalie Robert Davison held on and handed the Muskegon team a rare loss.

January 30 found the Mustangs at the Arctic Pond in Plymouth, as they defeated the Avondale Yellowjackets 6-1.

The Yellowjackets started off the scoring with their lone goal four minutes into the game. After that the Mustangs dominated play. Scoring began when

Richard Grajewski passed the puck around the back of the net to Matt Bray, who fired it in. Within minutes, Grajewski passed the puck to Nick Karebian, who shot and scored as the two broke in on the Avondale goal. Karebian then fired in his second goal with assists from Kenny Papich and Sean Hohl making the score 3-1 at the end of the second period.

Most of the play was in the Avondale end with the Mustangs giving their goalie a workout. Mike Sklut and Grant Baidas passed the puck to each other on a two man breakaway

and Baidas scored to make it 4-1 just seconds into the third period. Later, Jim Stevenson passed to Baidas at the point and he fired in his second goal of the day making it 5-1.

The last scoring occurred when Alan Kursu passed the puck to Chris Wilson who was waiting out front to backhand in a goal with a minute left to end the game at 6-1.

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Shanghai Knights is worth it

Like many buddy-flicks, this one touches on cheesy, but pulls audiences along well enough with laughs to make it work

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

It's the kind of movie that you just hate to like.

Cheesy coincidences of history and characters, stupid one-liners and tiring and over-acted kung-fu scenes all fill "Shanghai Knights." Yet, you find yourself laughing and nodding because you know exactly where they are coming from in the film. That's why you just can't say it's bad, or good for that matter.

"Shanghai Knights" finds the duo of Chong Wang, played by Jackie Chan, and Roy O'Bannon, played by Owen Wilson, teaming up in the sequel to their surprisingly popular and very funny buddy-flick "Shanghai Noon." Instead of taking on baddies in the wild, wild West, the two-some head overseas in search of the murderers of Wang's father. Their quest brings them to London, England where they track down Wang's sister, Lin, before they find out that the murderer is none other than the 10th in line for the throne in the form of a rather dastardly duke.

Fight scenes abound in this movie, starting in New York City where Roy has found himself working as a waiter/gigolo instead of living high on the hog on the gold the duo recovered in the first movie. Soon, they are running from the cops and hitchhiking aboard an England-bound ship, which is also known as being stowaways.

Soon, Roy is pickpocketed by a young orphan, while Wang must find a way to free his sister from Scotland Yard as well as get revenge for his father's murder. Another fight scene finds the duo



Courtesy Photo
Just take a look at these guys and you know they are looking for trouble. They find plenty in "Shanghai Knights."

being escorted to the Yard by none other than Inspector Doyle, who has found a new way of investigating called deductive reasoning.

Needless to say, Roy and Wang find themselves getting into plenty of trouble throughout the show, with Wang and his sister getting them out of the majority of it. Roy, being his old self, just manages to crank out the funniest lines throughout the show.

Now, there are some very funny moments throughout this movie, but there also some of those great things that make an audience member groan. One of those things is the soundtrack. I've

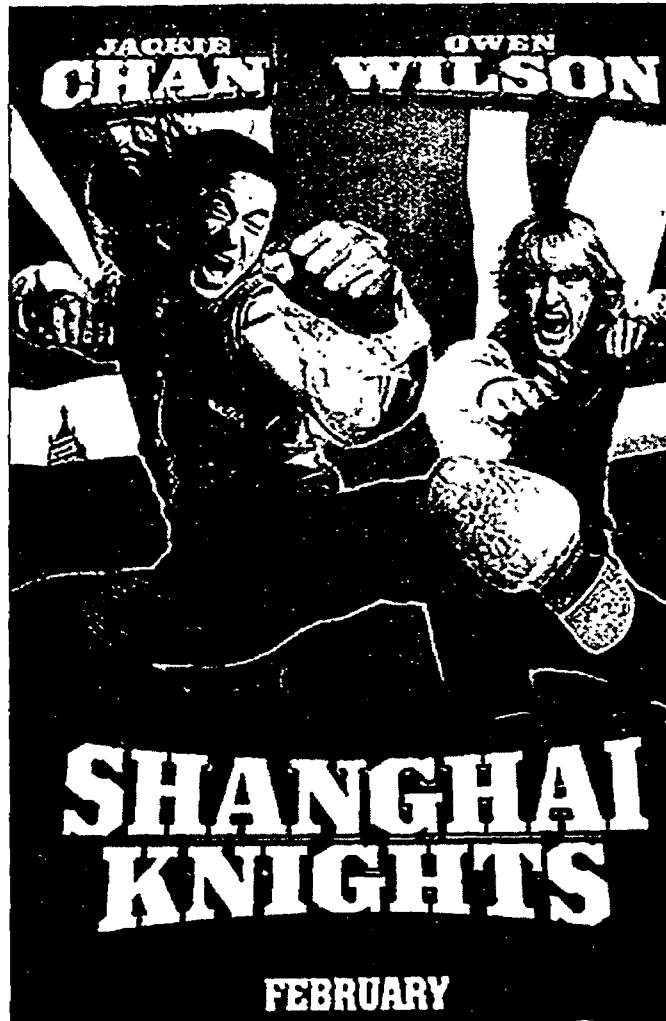
never been a big fan of modern music in movies based well before our time. This show manages to bring on that music and bring it extra thick. Another thing is the "coincidences" of characters. Roy and Wang not only rub elbows with Inspector Arty Doyle, who is knighted to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle by the time things are all said and done. Another character is the young Charlie Chaplin, as well as the origin of Sherlock Holmes' character name.

The positives are some gut-busting laughing moments, some good fight scenes and a very good

feeling when you leave the theater knowing that for eight bucks you can still get a laugh.

Though this movie isn't going to be winning any Oscars, it's good enough to bring your family to if they are wanting to see some well-choreographed fight scenes that are enough to make you shake your head with a chuckle at time, and are just plain ridiculous at other times. The acting, as it always is the Jackie Chan, is palatable with Wilson doing a good job to pick up the slack.

Overall, I'd say this movie is a good one to catch, especially if you liked the first "Shanghai"



Courtesy Photo
Jackie Chan and Owen Wilson are back in this sequel to the surprisingly big hit "Shanghai Noon."

movie or just enjoy buddy-flicks.

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Screen Beat

By Brian Renner
THE MOVIE INSIDER

Coming to theaters this weekend is the romantic comedy "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days." The film follows Andie Anderson (Kate Hudson), Composure Magazine's 'How-To' columnist, who has an unusual assignment and a quick deadline. She has to write a firsthand account of all the things women do to drive away men, she has to find a guy, make him fall in love with her, then get dumped... all in 10 days. But little does she know that her target, ad agency executive Benjamin Barry (Matthew McConaughey), has just made a high-stakes bet with his boss that he can make any girl fall in love with him in 10 days. "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days" is a Paramount Pictures release and rated PG-13 for some sex-related material.

After taming the Wild West in the comedy "Shanghai Noon", Chon Wang (Jackie Chan) and Roy O'Bannon (Owen Wilson) are back in "Shanghai Knights." When a Chinese rebel murders Chon's estranged father and escapes England, Chon and Roy make their way to London with revenge on their minds. Chon's sister, Lin, has the same idea, and uncovers a worldwide conspiracy to murder the royal family, but no one will believe her. Chon gives Victorian Britain a kick in the pants as he attempts to avenge his father's death and keep the romance-minded Roy away from his sister. "Shanghai Knights" is a Touchstone Pictures release and rated PG-13 for action violence and sexual content.

Contemporary romantic comedy "Deliver Us from Eva" centers on a group of men who plot to rid themselves of their mates' gorgeous but meddling sister Eva (Gabrielle Union). The plan to pay a man (LL Cool J) to romance and distract Eva goes awry, leading to surprising consequences and unexpected complications. "Deliver Us from Eva" is a Focus Features release and rated R for sex-related dialogue.

Next week
Martial-arts adventure

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"Daredevil" (PG-13), sequel to the 1967 Disney adaptation "Jungle Book 2" (G), French romantic thriller "He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not" (NR) and comedy-drama "It Runs in the Family" (PG-13).

On Video and DVD shelves "Formula 51" (R), drama "Ighy Goes Down" (R), family drama "Little Secrets" (PG) and romantic comedy "Sweet Home Alabama" (PG-13).

Premiering on DVD "All in the Family: The Complete Second Season" (3-DVD Set) (NR), "Blue's Clues: Blue's Big Band" (NR), "The Complete Musketeers" (2-DVD Set) (PG), "Dora the Explorer: Dora's Map Adventures" (NR), "Good Times: The Complete First Season" (2-DVD Set) (NR), "Jane Doe" (NR), "Joey" (PG), "Larger Than Life" (PG), "Married with Children Vol. 1: The Most Outrageous Episodes" (NR), "The Money Pit" (PG-13), "Predator 2" (R), "Sanford and Son: The Second Season" (3-DVD Set) (NR), "Six Feet Under" (First Season) (NR), "Straight to Hell: The Alex Cox Collection" (4-DVD Set) (NR), "Ultimate X" (PG) and "The Wiggles Magical Adventure! A Wiggly Movie" (NR).

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Food For Thought

HOW 8 GLASSES A DAY KEEPS THE FAT AWAY

Ingredients:

Water

Morning:

1 quart consumed over a 30 minute period.

Noon:

1 quart consumed over a 30 minute period

Evening:

1 quart consumed between 5 and 6 p.m.

Bon appetite!

We are fortunate to live in a country where the accessibility of portable water is readily available. In most third world countries people rarely have more than one quart of water per day for all their needs. This includes cooking, personal hygiene, drinking and laundry. One quart. A mere pittance to us, gold to them. Bread may be the staff of life but water is life itself. Our bodies are a bundle of cells chock full of this marvelous liquid that transports minerals, vitamins and toxins to and from.

In addition to the obvious functions water performs it also may be the single most important catalyst in losing weight and keeping it in check. In this day of a zillion diets all claiming to be the answer for weight loss, consider these facts.

When the body gets the water it needs to function properly several miracles happen. Most important, to the dieter it suppresses the appetite and assists the body in metabolizing fat. Our kidney's, a natural filter, removes impurities as they flow through them. If the kidneys go "thirsty" part of their workload

is transferred to the liver whose main job is to metabolize stored fat into useable energy. If it works overtime less fat is metabolized, more is stored and weight gain results. A good point to bear in mind is that the overweight person has a larger metabolic load and requires more water to assimilate fat. Also, remember that drinking water fills your stomach, which sends an "I'm full" message to the brain.

While it doesn't seem to make sense, drinking an optimum amount of water also helps your body to eliminate stored fluids. If bloating is a problem load up on nature's purest nectar. Water flows through the kidneys taking excess sodium with it. When in-

flow is not adequate our brain signals our cells to shut down the out-flow and thus we suffer from swollen feet, hands and tummies. The more salt you eat, the more water you need. Too much water is never an issue. Other functions of water include maintaining muscle tone and riding the body of waste. Many times with weight loss, skin becomes saggy and dull. Water assists muscles in retaining their ability to contract and remain firm. Skin looks healthy rather than drab. Your complexion will benefit too! Loosing those excess pounds creates another monster - waste.

So, how much water is enough? For the average person eight, eight-ounce portions a day should do just fine. If you're overweight add an additional glass for each 25 pounds. Remember that heavy exercise and hot weather increases perspiration and fluid loss so drink some extra. Cold water is absorbed into the system more quickly than warm and studies have shown that it actually helps burn more calories. Remember that thirst is a late warning sign of not drinking enough water.

Drinking the ideal amount of water synchronizes your bodily functions perfectly. Fat is burned, fluid retention eliminated, stored water flushed, wastes and toxins are washed away, and a loss of hunger is experienced. Try the following "recipe" borrowed from "The Snowbird Diet" by Donald Robertson, MD and Carolyn Robertson.

Mary Brady is a certified executive chef and co-owner of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro in the Novi Town Center. If you have culinary questions or comments for chef Mary Brady, you can contact her via e-mail at djbistro@aol.com.



Just Chilling

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Actor and filmmaker Jeff Daniels prepares to meet yet more media during a premiere of his new film Super Sucker on the night of January 23rd at Novi's E-magine theater.

Don't Miss...

Want to hear some music live?

Novi's very own 9 Miles 2 Go is bringing their music right to Novi tomorrow night at the Novi Civic Center along with bands Desktop Heros, Paperbag Lunchbox and One Too Many.

The live music, coming via the "Mid-Winter Mayhem" Fest will start at 6 p.m. February 7.

9 Miles 2 Go will also be playing Saturday around 9:30 p.m. at the Northville American Legion Post.

They are also scheduled to play live at the store Music Go Round at the Novi Town Center February 22.

The band is scheduled, though a date has not yet been decided on, to play at Vans Skate Park in Novi's Fountain Walk Mall.

Check out their website at www.9miles2go.com for play dates and band information. Their CD can be purchased there as well.

Backyard birding

Brighten up
 your feathered
 friends' winter

By Annette Jaworski
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

While many humans and some birds head south, a surprising number of our feathered friends remain behind to brighten up with winter scenery.

"All of our favorites are still here, like cardinals, chickadees, blue jays, nuthatches, juncos, mourning doves and woodpeckers," says Ernie Kramer of Backyard Birds in Milford.

In fact, February is National Bird Feeding Month, a perfect time of year to enjoy this national pastime. It's also a time when they need our help.

"Birds spend their whole life looking for food. In the winter food is scarce," Kramer said.

It's an ongoing quest, beginning at the first signs of daybreak until the final sunset when they search for shelter. The easier it is to find a source of food, the gentler the harsh weather will be on them, Kramer added.

If a convenient feeding spot is available, birds spend less time hunting, which is great for the birds because hunting burns precious energy needed for survival.

Animal lovers can help by selecting food with a high nutritional value. "You want a lot of oil content in the food — for energy," he noted. "You don't want a lot of cereal fillers."

Sunflower seeds are a particularly good source of oil content, so look for a high content of these in a mix. Backyard Bird's deluxe blend is a good example, and appeals to everything out there, Kramer said. It contains primarily black oil and striped sunflower seeds, white safflower and millet.

It's also a good time to set out suet cakes, since suet is high in fat content. It's an important source of energy for insect eaters like nuthatches, woodpeckers and chickadees. And it comes neatly packaged, so there's no mess. There's also a "critter mix" of peanuts and sunflower



Photos by TODD VANSICKLE

seeds, which covers birds and animals alike. Remember to store your seed in a covered, vermin-proof container.

Feeders can go anywhere from the decorative to the functional, Kramer said. From Plexiglas cylinders to wooden boxes, Backyard Birds has around 60-70 kinds of feeders at any given time.

"We recommend using a variety of feeders out there to prevent the stress of trying to find food," Kramer said.

When placing feeders, consider location. You want them near trees so the birds can find protective cover. However, you don't want them too near bushes, where predators, especially cats, can get them.

A platform feeder with a mesh insert makes a perfect feeding area for other creatures like deer and squirrels. Ground-feeding birds take advantage of this type of feeder as well. Feeding areas and feeders should be cleaned and maintained as part of a regular routine to prevent germs and bacteria. You'll want to wash with a solution of 10 percent bleach and scrub with a wire brush.

Looking for a drink?
 A source of water is an important consideration for survival. As with most everything, even the technology for feeding birds and other animals has advanced. One of the latest gadgets warms the water



At far left: Ernie Kramer, owner of Backyard Birds in Milford, refills a feeder outside his store.

At left: Kramer shows off a birdbath warmer, a must for birds in the winter.

Below: Backyard Birds has special blends of seeds that cater to certain birds. This particular handful is deluxe, which appeals to a wide range of birds.



of a birdbath, making a sort of hot tub for our feathered friends. It's affordable, running from about \$20 to \$49; a five-year guarantee comes with their best model. "Water is important for them. Not only do they drink, but they clean their feathers, too," he added.

To squirrel or not to squirrel?
 Although it's a matter of preference, many people welcome squirrels and deer to the feeder. Corn cobs make good feed for either, and deer particularly enjoy a salt block. Both treats are relatively inexpensive to provide, according to David Miller, owner of Highland Feed and Supply in Highland. A four-pound salt block is \$1.50; a 50-pound block is \$5.85. Corn is available on and off the cob — a 50-pound bag of shelled corn is about \$6, and a 30-pound bag on the cob runs \$5. They also carry deer pellets,

called "deer chow," and deer blocks made of molasses, corn and grain.

Oakland County residents are very fond of their wildlife, spending a good deal of time, energy and money feeding and watching, Kramer said. It's a great hobby for all ages and walks of life.

"It's the closest thing possible that we know of to bring us in tune to nature, in almost a one on one situation," he observed.

Other suggestions
 If you want to attract certain species or discourage undesirable birds, you can offer separate feeds such as cracked corn, sunflower and niger thistle feed. Though not a bird's first choice, they will eat safflower seeds that squirrels won't eat.

During winter months, beef suet is available in the supermarket meat section. It can be hung from branches in netted bags, or you can make your own cakes by rendering and mixing with seeds and bits of fruit and other food for the birds.

Some table scraps can be fed in small quantities. Try cooked potatoes, sweet potatoes, rice, cereal, squash seeds and pieces of fruit. Small quantities are important, or you'll attract unwanted guests.

Backyard Birds is located at 1100 E. Commerce St. in Milford, as well as several other metro locations. Highland Feed and Supply is located at 217 F. Livingston St. in Highland.



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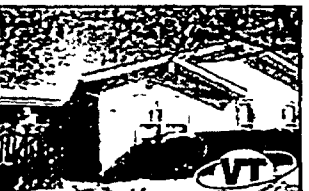
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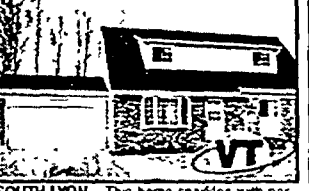
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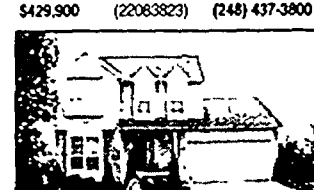
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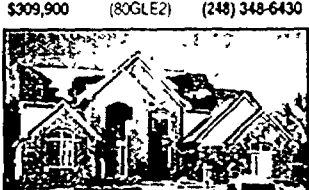
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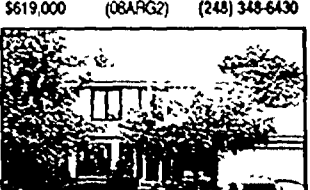
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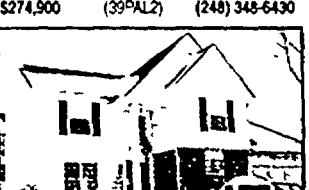
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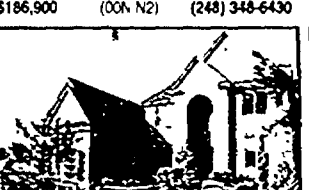
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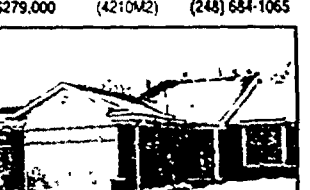
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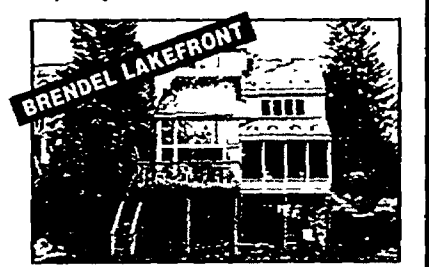
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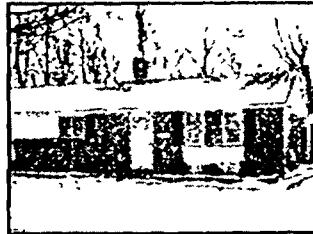
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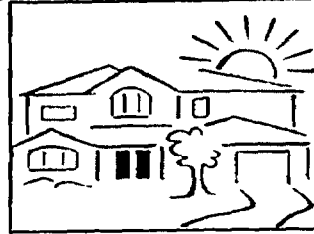
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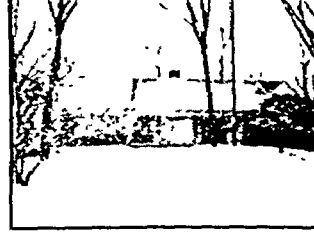
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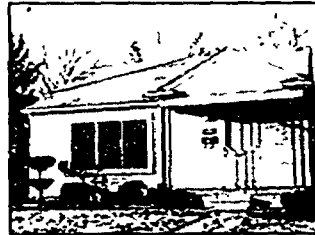
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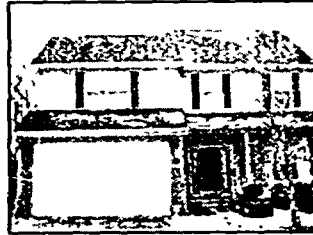
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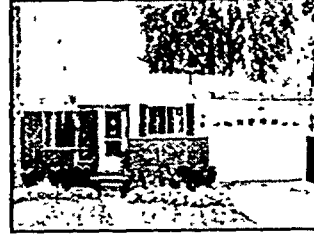
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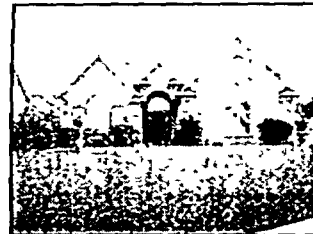
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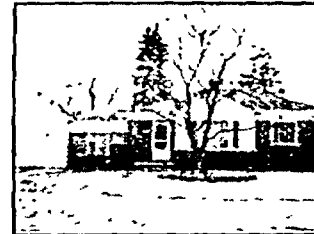
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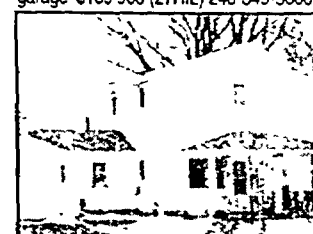
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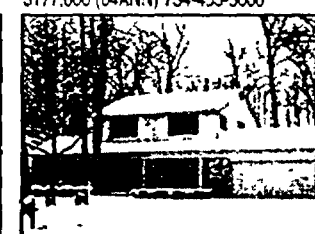
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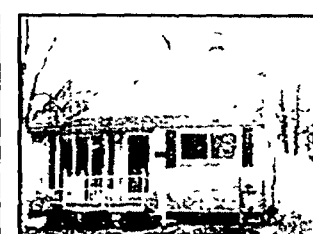
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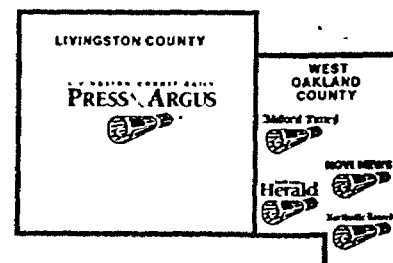
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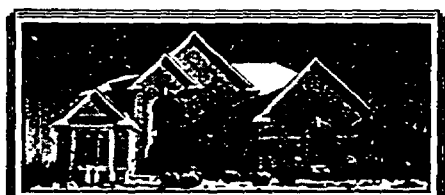
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Mark and Oulai Vasquez walk in the back yard of their Fair Oaks, Calif., home. This retaining wall and fountain are surrounded with Japanese maples and black pines.

Photos by Owen Brewer/Sacramento Bee

harmony achieved

California man labors long and hard to create his stunning Japanese garden

By Dan Vierria
SACRAMENTO BEE

mark Vasquez's garden design ideas arose from an unconventional source — the film "The Karate Kid."

While the film character Mr. Miyagi was teaching young Daniel how to block punches, Vasquez was eyeballing the Japanese garden in the background.

"Mr. Miyagi's back yard is where I got my inspiration," says Vasquez. "That's what really sparked my interest in Japanese gardens."

During the next 15 years, Vasquez would create two fabulous Japanese-style gardens — the first at his former home in Citrus Heights, Calif., and an even more spectacular one at his new Fair Oaks, Calif., home.

Vasquez spent about \$12,000 in materials for the new garden, but not a penny for labor. He and lifelong friend Randy Freeman did all the work, including hand-digging the pond and spa, excavating for the waterfall, laying outdoor wiring and plumbing, adding lighting and installing extensive drainage and irrigation systems.

Vasquez and Freeman, who has a background in landscaping and pool construction, worked nearly every weekend for 3 1/2 years.

Many of the main concepts of the traditional Japanese garden have been incorporated into Vasquez's garden — odd numbers of plants, curving lines, water and the impressions of water, a sense of serenity and calm, and the use of rock, space and plants.

"In the Japanese garden, almost every plant is a specimen plant," he says. "The hardest part is you do it almost without color. Nearly everything is green."



This sidewalk has moss planted between segments in the Vasquez's backyard.

Vasquez says he's long had an interest in Asian culture and gardening. After watching "The Karate Kid," he began researching Japanese gardens to create his own.

Vasquez and Freeman began with a blank canvas. The back yard consisted of a steep slope better suited to mountain goats, a developer-built retaining wall, weeds and an oak tree growing on the spacious side yard. Once Vasquez envisioned the landscape, a blueprint was drawn up.

Vasquez used the slope to his advantage by building a stunning 11-tier waterfall that begins its descent high on the hill and ultimately splashes into a 2,000-gallon koi pond.

The two men excavated the waterfall by filling 5-gallon buckets with soil and carrying them down the hill. "We dug it out by hand," says Vasquez. "Anything to do with that hill was tough work."

Vasquez purchased 15,000 pounds of rock for the waterfall and other areas of the garden. Stone also was used in the custom two-person spa next to the koi pond. Unless you look closely, the spa appears to be an extension of the pond. Formed around the sitting shapes of Vasquez and his wife, Oulai, the unique spa emphasizes personalized comfort in minimal space.

The plants were planted with coast redwoods (Aptos Blue), ceanothus (Carmel Creeper), rosemary, Blue Pacific juniper (groundcover variety) and creeping lan-tana.

To complement his design, Vasquez planted black pine, dwarf spruce and Japanese maples. He intentionally staggered the trees, avoiding straight-line planting, and choosing an odd number (seven) for a sense of natural asymmetry.

A Buddhist monk who blessed the garden told the Vasquezes that the trees, rock placements and water charged it with an abundance of positive energy. The monk also declared that the hill added safety and security.

Vasquez especially relishes the low-maintenance aspects of his Japanese garden. Other than minimal mowing and edging, there's not much to do in the back yard.

"I've got it down to 45 minutes of yard work a week," he says.



The Vasquez's back yard has 11 drop waterfalls that starts on top of steep hill behind home. About 15,000 pounds of rock were moved into the yard to make a waterfall and koi pond and spa. (foreground).

Gardening Japanese style

If you're considering a Japanese-style garden, you may want to ponder these landscaping recommendations:

- Japanese-style landscapes look out

of context with most American homes. They're intended for private settings, such as secluded side yards or back yards, rather than front yards.

- Intrigued by the Japanese garden? Think how you can adapt the idea to your

site. Perhaps you should omit the most overt symbols, such as stone lanterns and highly sculpted trees.

- Plant characteristic plants such as conifers, maples, flowering cherries, azaleas, bamboo, grasses, peonies and

chrysanthemums.

- Avoid culture clash by excluding features that are not within the style, such as petunias, geraniums and common bedding plants.
- For building materials, use stone

(both boulders and gravel), wood and bamboo.

- Consider a quiet pool or pond

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Tips for pet-proofing your home and creating the perfect (alternative) lawn

It's become standard for expectant parents to walk carefully through their homes, identifying and eliminating all potential hazards to their baby's health and safety. But houses and apartments can hold many hidden dangers for our pets, too.

To ensure that our cats and dogs are around for years to come, it's important to take the time to pet-proof our homes.

Nina Munk is the founder and chief executive of Urbanhound: the city dog's ultimate survival guide. Here, she explains a few important steps you can take to make your home safer for your four-legged friends:

Antifreeze: Many pets think antifreeze

tastes sweet and will drink it without hesitation. But this chemical can kill pets very quickly, and should always be kept in a sealed container well out of reach.

House plants: Dogs and cats like to chomp on whatever houseplants they can reach, and while many common varieties are harmless, others can contain harmful — possibly fatal — toxins. Check with your local vet or plant nursery to make sure you don't have any plants that could harm your pets.

Medicines: According to Munk, many people are surprised to hear that pain-relievers like Tylenol, aspirin and ibuprofen can be dangerous to pets and may cause severe stomach ulcers in dogs. Never give

any medicine to your pet if a vet has not prescribed it, and keep drugs where your pet cannot get to them.

Americans love their lawns, but spending all weekend weeding, mowing and fertilizing can be a high price to pay for that rectangle of perfect green grass. Are there satisfying alternatives to the classic grass lawn?

Greg Georgakalis runs a number of Massachusetts lawn and garden centers, including Goldstar nurseries, which cater to professional landscapers and developers. He owns about 800 acres of sod farm, so it's within his interest to champion the idea of big, all-grass lawns. But his sense of landscaping style and love for nature leads him

to suggest the following easy alternatives: **Moderation:** Many of us work hard to maintain gigantic lawns and strive for perfect uniformity. But Georgakalis likes the look of small lawns, a thousand to two thousand square feet of manicured grass that serves a purpose — such as framing a nice garden.

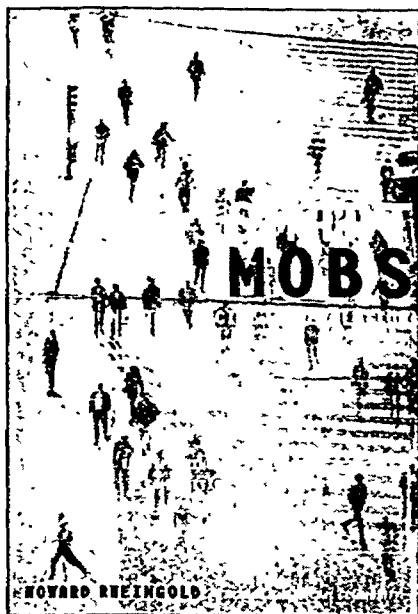
Framing: Green grass used as a framing device can really allow a flower garden to shine, and it's more interesting and eye-catching than a plain rectangle of lawn. Georgakalis thinks many Americans take lawn care too seriously when they should be getting creative with landscape design and creating beautiful spaces.

Nature: Georgakalis believes that if you're sweating and struggling to create that picture-perfect grass lawn, you're

working against nature. In the end, nature will win, since uniformity is not in her plan. Instead, he suggests giving yourself less work and more variety by limiting your lawn to a nice, interesting strip of grass that's integrated into an overall landscaping design. This way you'll have your own version of "the perfect lawn" rather than everyone else's.

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Mobile media breeding 'smart mobs'

By Mike Cote
Scripps Howard News Service

To some people, cell phones and personal digital assistants are either modern conveniences or modern annoyances.

To Howard Rheingold, they're agents of social change, for better or worse.

Thanks to wireless networks in place all over the world, mobile media are changing the way people interact — and organize. Students send each other text messages and converge at a coffee shop in Helsinki. Citizens do the same and stage a protest in Seattle or Manila.

Rheingold coined a term for them, "smart mobs," and it's the title of his new book, "Smart Mobs: The Next Social Revolution." The author, who in two previous books examined the potential impact of the PC and the Internet when both were in their infancy, sees mobile media as the next wave.

The world traveler first noticed signs of new social interaction in 1999 and 2000, beginning with a visit to Tokyo, where he saw people walking down the street looking at their cell phones instead of holding them up to their ears.

"Definitely, for an American, particularly then, that was anomalous," Rheingold said. And he saw similar behavior in Finland.

"Not too long later, I was in Helsinki, sitting in a cafe. All Finns hold their phones in their hands and look at them from time to time, which registered on me, but three teenagers came by and encountered two older adults and started a conversation," Rheingold said. "One of the teenagers looked at his phone while they were talking, and smiled, and then showed the phone to the other two teenagers, who also smiled."

"But he didn't show it to the adults. And the conversation continued normally. That struck me as more than unusual, a signal that there was some norm that has penetrated their society that was new to me."

Rheingold continued to see other evidence of the growing phenomenon, such as news of Philippine protesters in 2000 who helped topple President Joseph Estrada. They communicated by forwarding text messages with their wireless devices.

"That struck a bell because what these teenagers were doing in Scandinavia and in Asia, among other things, was what we've come to call flocking behavior," he said. "They will all show up at the same place at the same time from different directions because they have been coordinating their activities with these phones. Collective action — that seemed to me to be big."

Rheingold wants to bring more attention to these changes. We've already seen the downside of electronic communication, evidenced by terrorists using e-mail to plan the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

He notes that PCs and the Internet were both shaped by the users themselves.

"What will happen when we have billions of devices that communicate at a thousands times the speed (of today's PCs) and people are able to link them together?"

Personal Digital Assistants

When Joe Alvarez isn't out rollerblading, he's at work helping his clients conquer the world of computing. As a computer consultant, Alvarez has worked with universities, film and television makers, art gallery owners and entrepreneurs. That's a lot of clients to keep track of, so he uses a personal digital assistant (PDA) to keep himself organized.

To help you in your quest for digital assistance, Alvarez offers the ABCs of PDAs:

■ **Address book & calendar:** PDAs allow you to have an electronic address book and calendar in the palm of your hand. It's a great organizational tool.

■ **Computer backup:** PDAs have all the features of a paper organizer, with the advantage that you can back the information up on your personal computer.

■ **Web access:** Some models offer Internet access so you can check stocks, news, sports and weather. For those who need to stay in touch on the road, e-mail is also available on some models.

■ **PDA/phone combos:** PDA/phone combinations are now available, allowing you to not only store address book information but also to dial and speak to your contacts.

FINE LIVING



Illustration by Chris Campbell / Scripps Howard News Service

Company creates software that scans a person's body to create suits and other clothing that is more comfortable and better fitting.

By Samantha Thompson Smith
Raleigh News & Observer

Glorina Stallworth is like most women. Finding the right size is a grueling process.

Stallworth, an African-American who lives in Raleigh, N.C., thinks some of it has to do with her race. "Being black, one of the things that people run into is that they have a hard time making clothes fit appropriately. We tend to have heavier bottoms."

Recently, she decided to take matters into her own hands.

She drove to the offices of the Textile/Clothing Technology Corp. or TC2, a non-profit research company in Cary, N.C. That's where she took it all off — jewelry, clothes, shoes — in a dressing room and suited up in some workout clothes. She stepped into an adjoining private room, where strobing white lights and four cameras took her all in, scanning her body measurements in less than a minute to create a 3-D image of her form.

For her time, she was given \$20.

But to Stallworth, the reward was more than just cash. She's one of 4,000 people who have gone through what is called the Size USA body scanning process. The effort could end up changing how clothing manufacturers approach clothes, making sizes more uniform and better fitting.

TC2's goal is to scan people of all races, ages and sizes, although so far they're coming up short in attracting some minority groups as subjects. Having the variety is important.

Because the study will be so detailed, it's possible that clothing manufacturers could use the data to start making clothes that better fit different races and age groups, helping retailers zero in on target customers.

"I was very interested in being a part of this, because I know it will make our lives easier," Stallworth said. "They need to be making suits

for different ethnic groups."

Karen Davis, a TC2 spokeswoman, said she routinely gets e-mail messages from people who want to participate because they're tired of clothes not fitting properly.

Studies conducted by the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and separately by Kurt Salmon Associates, a textile-apparel consultant, show that about half of consumers are dissatisfied with the fit of off-the-rack clothes.

In all, the company is looking for 12,000 volunteers to get sized for the project, which is funded by the U.S. Commerce Department as well as more than a dozen companies.

In about five years, the data will be available to the public.

But clothing manufacturers won't be the only ones interested in what TC2 finds. Automakers want the data to understand how Americans' bottoms have changed over the decades, so they can make seats more comfortable. Same with airplane designers and furniture makers.

One furniture designer has expressed interest in the results so it can create a recliner just for women, Davis said. The medical community also will be able to use the data to better understand human body sizes and shapes.

For people who squirm at the idea of a tape measure spanning their middle girth, the process is painless, because the technology allows participants to be measured in private.

It starts when the subjects step inside the dressing room. There, they slip off their clothes and into a form-fitting outfit specifically designed for the body-scanning process.

For women, it's a pair of gray running shorts and a bra made by Sara Lee. For men, it's a tight pair of workout shorts.

From there, participants move into an adjoining room. They step onto foot outlines on the floor, hold two handles and click a button. A light meter

takes a reading of the person's skin to adjust light levels for the scan.

The lights begin flashing, and in less than a minute, the cameras, hooked up to a computer outside of the scanning room, take more than 200,000 data points on the body: the bust, the waist, the hips, the shoulders. The data are sent to the computer outside the scanning room. There, an image is printed out detailing the participant's measurements, showing a front and side view.

"They way they have it set up, it's not intrusive at all to you," Stallworth said. "They really respect your privacy. It's really comfortable."

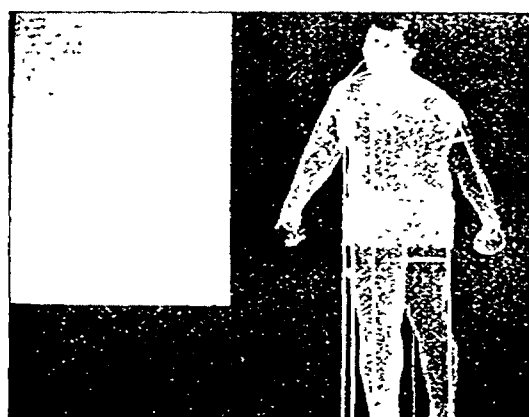


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At TC2, a computer gives a readout of the body measurements of a scanned individual. TC2 is using this high tech scanner to take precise body measurements of thousands of people to get a database of what the "average" American looks like. The data will also be used by clothing retailers.

including Sara Lee, VII Corp., Jockey, Target and Dillard's.

Davis said the company needs older African-Americans as well as Asians, Hispanics and Native Americans. "Anyone who doesn't call themselves Caucasian," she said.

The last sizing measurements are expected to be taken in May. And the results should be out by July, with corporate sponsors getting first crack at the information. TC2 will sell the information as raw data or, if the customer wants, TC2 will analyze it, taking certain measurements or sizes of various ethnic groups or age ranges.

GAME REVIEWS

★=Poor ★★★★★=Excellent

SOA: Soldiers of Anarchy

Platform: PC/Windows
Publisher: Simon & Schuster
Interactive
Genre: Strategy
Rating: T for Teen

★★

Imagine this situation: World War III ended 10 years ago, and you've been living in a bunker with a few other soldiers. You've had no contact with the outside world. You finally get the guts to climb above ground and you find ... nothing.

Coincidentally, that describes the first two hours of the game. You may fight a few wolves and blow up some obstacles, but that's about it. To make things worse, you have to control multiple characters who have a tendency to wander around aimlessly when you give them commands. It's hard to keep track of your characters because they all look similar from a distance. Voices won't help much either; despite Slavo-sounding names, everyone sounds like they're from Ohio.

It's too bad the details got in the way, because SOA looks good. The terrain is richly textured and you can roam wherever. Once you get in a vehicle, roaming gets better, but not much: Poor camera work makes following the action difficult.

Speaking of action, forget about a battle plan. You can spend all day sneaking up on the various bad guys, but once the bullets start flying it's an all-out melee. Everyone shoots until somebody wins.

The potential was here, but mark SOA down as another pretender.

Evolution Snowboarding

Platform: PlayStation 2
Genre: Extreme Sports
Publisher: Konami
ESRB rating: T for teen

★★★

In the pantheon of snowboarding games, Konami's Evolution Snowboarding sits right in between the great SSX Tricky and the abysmal Dark Summit. It scores points for the high number and variety of missions in its single-player adventure mode, but poor presentation and lack of depth keep this game from reaching the apex.

The adventure mode's premise is fairly ludicrous: It's the future (although a future populated by present-day pro boarders like Danny Kass and Todd Richards) and your mission is to take out the evil creatures that are ransacking a devastated Earth.

Saving the world on a snowboard, we come to find, is no easy task. Each of the game's levels feature 10 missions, some score-based, some speed-based and others based on collecting items or killing thugs. You need to complete only three missions per level to trigger a boss battle and move to the next level, leaving little incentive to polish off the remaining missions.

In combat, the boss battles are easily the highlight. The other combatants don't give you much of a challenge except when they appear in numbers.

But their attacks aren't quite so devastating as your ability to maneuver and strike effectively. Add to that some lackluster graphics and repetitive game dialogue and the result is an uneven gaming experience that, at best, is worth a rental.



War of the Monsters

Platform: PlayStation 2
Genre: Combat action
Publisher: Sony
ESRB rating: T for teen

★★★★

War of the Monsters is a lighthearted but intense series of grudge matches between huge beasts that were accidentally created following a failed alien invasion of Earth.

The giant monsters are modeled after all the B-movie greats — they include an ape, a praying mantis, a lizard, a robot and a pterodactyl. Likewise, the tongue-in-cheek presentation features all the hallmarks of the classic 1950s films those monsters starred in — hordes of panicked citizens running in the streets, dozens of burning buildings, an overmatched army that battles the giant beasts in vain, all set to a dramatic, brass-heavy score.

The levels, while not huge, are finely crafted and highly interactive — you can easily level an entire city in one fight. Nearly everything can be used as a weapon, including trucks, buildings and other structures. Controls take minutes to master, and there many challenging modes of play, including a single-player adventure that takes you through all the monsters and levels, although the game plays best when you battle a friend.

Unfortunately, you can only fight one friend at a time — there is no four-person online play. But that is the sole disappointment in what is one the most clever and entertaining games of its genre. All fans of arcade-style brawlers are strongly encouraged to pick this one up.

Kelly Martin, Jonathan Boho
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System prevents errors caused by bad handwriting

By Christopher Snowbeck
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh has installed a computerized order entry system to help prevent medical errors caused by sloppy handwriting, misinterpreted abbreviations and other shortcomings of paper charts.

It's a step advocated in recent years by numerous groups that promote patient safety in hospitals.

Now, doctors at Children's type orders for medicines and other aspects of hospital care into a computer rather than writing them down. The "Children'sNet" program runs on 400 terminals stationed throughout the hospital.

Entering orders by computer is better than writing them on paper for a host of reasons, said Dr. Eugene Wiener, medical director of the program.

Handwritten orders can be misinterpreted due to sloppy writing or confusing abbreviations.

As an example of how communication can get garbled on paper, Wiener described how medicines are commonly prescribed on either a "QD" or "QID" basis. The abbreviations are similar, but have very different meanings — the first means once a day, the second means four times per day.

When scribbled by a busy doctor whose handwriting isn't necessarily the greatest to begin with, that "I" can look like a period, and a patient might get only one-fourth of the needed medicines, Wiener said.

The system checks every order for errors and missing information. If a doctor prescribes a medicine that could trigger a patient allergy or interact badly with another medicine being taken, the computer alerts the physician to the potential problem.

"This is really a patient safety initiative," Wiener said. "We're doing this to become safer, not because we believe we're unsafe now."

There has been a steady drumbeat from health care quality groups around the country calling on hospitals to use these systems.

But the systems are very expensive. Children's expects to spend at least \$10 million over four years to fully implement its system.

Doctors at Children's have worked during the past year to tailor the system to the needs of pediatric patients. That work included writing a set of pre-defined orders into the computer system that doctors can utilize to guide the care of patients. The orders will help standardize care and make sure all patients get the best medicine, Wiener said, although doctors can deviate from the orders when appropriate.



Photo courtesy of Research Triangle Software

Research Triangle Software's CryptoStick is an electronic file storage unit that fits in the palm of your hand.

Carry your data on a stick

By Jonathan B. Cox
Raleigh News & Observer

A North Carolina company is putting its data-protection software on a stick and is entering the competitive market of small, file-storage devices.

CryptoStick, by Research Triangle Software, is about the size of a pocket lighter and lets users compress, encrypt and store files such as pictures and PowerPoint presentations. It clips in a pocket or on a key ring and comes with various amounts of memory and in multiple colors.

Such storage devices, already sold by other companies, are growing in popularity as consumers look for new and more compact ways to transport data. The products let people leave notebook computers and discs behind when they travel, yet take a useful amount of data with them.

Research Triangle Software chief executive Jeff LeRose said his company's version will be set apart by enhanced security features. It is based on the firm's CryptoBuddy software, which helps customers protect files against unintended users.

"I came up with an idea that the biggest thing that people need was the ability to secure their data in transit," LeRose said. "I think it's a blockbuster, really."

The CryptoStick plugs into the USB port on any computer running Microsoft Windows versions 98, SE, 2000, ME or XP. After it is inserted, a file folder appears on the computer screen. From there, users can save any data they choose onto the memory stick.

Because the encryption tools are permanently installed on the device, there is no need to load additional software onto the computer. The only way to access files stored on the device is to enter a password, LeRose said.

Initially the device will come in three memory sizes, from 32 megabytes to 128 MB with prices starting at \$49.95. Research Triangle Software plans to release a 2 gigabyte version and expects the product soon will work on computers running on operating systems other than those of Microsoft.

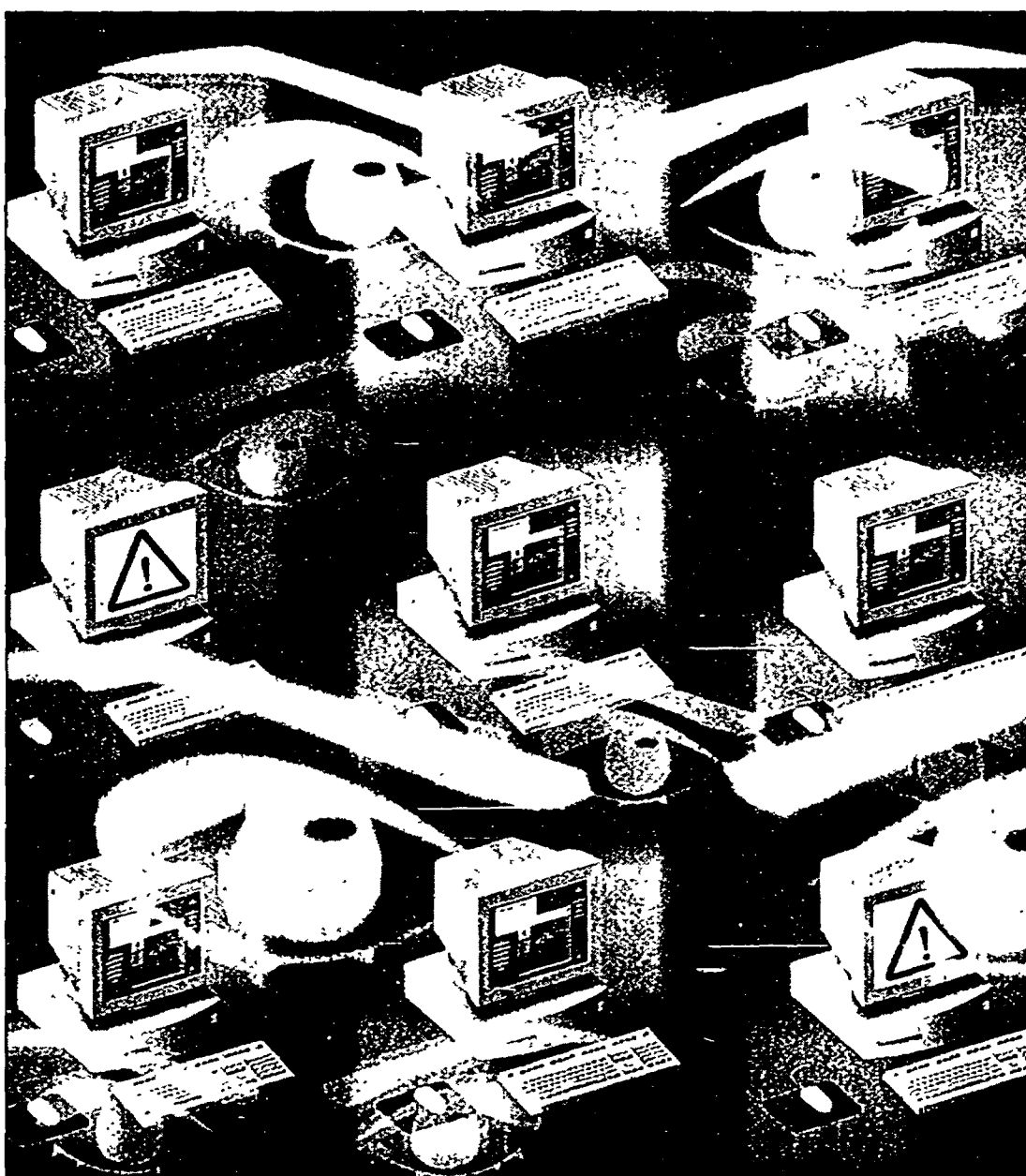


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HARMLESS HACKERS?

Hackers argue they aren't out to hurt people or companies and say they help fight cybercrime by exposing weakness

By Steve Caulk
Scripps Howard News Service

a Colorado Springs, Colo., hacker infiltrates one computer server after another, determined to ply his trade undetected.

In the never-ending hunt for no-cost bandwidth and storage capacity, Tim (who requested that his last name not be used) has even formed a hackers' club, sharing information about pirated software and paths into servers.

Tim employs a classic tree-falling-in-the-forest attitude to declare that hackers who go unnoticed, by definition, cause no harm.

But security experts disagree. Concerned about the vulnerability to such "harmless" hackers, businesses have turned the war against hackers into a billion-dollar industry. Gartner Dataquest estimates that revenues generated by security-related businesses will hit \$3.9 billion in 2004, up from \$1.8 billion in 2001.

"Security was half a percent of people's IT budgets in 1985, and we predict it will be 6 percent by 2006," said Ray Wagner, research director in information security strategies for Gartner. "It's a bigger deal, no question about it, since we all hooked up to the Internet."

Those IT staffs hope to neutralize Tim and his brethren, who use corporate resources and threaten to cross the line from harmless to harmful, depending upon what they might find on the server.

"Treading lightly does not include storing a couple of terabytes worth of MP3 files on somebody's corporate server," Wagner said.

"That comes under the heading of stealing corporate resources in my book. No question, it causes problems. Organizations don't want to hold more resources than they need to do their jobs. If somebody is taking up a big pile of resources, most likely they're using resources the company needs."

Tim disagrees. "A lot of people look at hackers as negative things," he said. "I don't. Anytime somebody comes up with a new security, somebody will try to break it and that's good because it keeps everybody on their feet."

"Corporate America is not investing enough in

protecting themselves," said Erik Schetina, chief technology officer for the network security company TrustWave in Annapolis, Md.

"It's not difficult to protect yourself, but it does take effort. If you're running a brick-and-mortar business and you don't bother putting a lock on the door or installing an alarm system, you come back in the morning and all the stock has been stolen. That's the position a lot of people are in right now."

Gartner categorizes hackers into five groups, with the least harmful falling into an activity called

"Experimentation." The most harmful engage in "Information Warfare." Most hackers fall into the first category.

Tim would put himself and his colleagues into the least harmful group. They want servers capable of holding and distributing videos.

Experimentation hackers typically use automated scanners, searching for vulnerable servers.

Wagner estimated that a new server will attract the notice of those scanners almost immediately, sometimes within five minutes.

Even when a server experiences no real damage, a company can suffer a blow to its reputation if the public becomes aware of the security breach, and consumers can lose confidence in the company.

The total financial damage is hard to assess.

"A lot of financial losses aren't reported because they're embarrassing to the organization that suffered the loss, particularly if it's a financial institution," said Brian Trevey, director of professional services for TrustWave.

So who's winning this war between hackers and businesses? That, too, is hard to determine.

"The awareness (among businesses) is increasing, but there's a long way to go to create an in-depth approach to protecting themselves," Trevey said.

More ominously, he added, "On the hackers' side, the tools are out there, becoming more widespread, easier to use. You see more and more people on the malicious side of things."

Not Tim. He's done a career reversal, making plans to attend college with a major in computer information systems and a focus on security.

"I might as well start making money at it," he said.

TYPES OF HACKERS

Hacker activity falls most frequently into the first group, with descending activity to the last group.

■ **Experimentation:** These hackers download hacking tools and "experiment," generally looking for vulnerable servers rather than specific ones. These hackers are considered the most harmless.

■ **Vandalism:** Their prime motivation is to leave a mark, possibly via Web site defacement, without being caught. This group is made up mainly of younger hackers.

■ **Activism:** These hackers are considered more skilled, and their goal is to slow down or disrupt

operations of organizations, often with political intent.

■ **Cybercrime:** Individuals or organizations who attempt to benefit, usually financially, from the hacking activities.

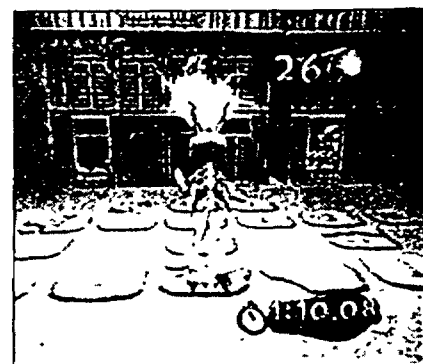
■ **Information warfare:** These hackers want to ruin the information infrastructure.

Gartner Dataquest estimates that 99 percent of hacking activity falls into the first three groups, with considerable movement of individuals between them.

— Source: Gartner Dataquest

GAME REVIEWS

★=Poor ★★★★★=Excellent



Zapper

Platform: Xbox
Publisher: Infogrames
Genre: Puzzle
ESRB Rating: E for Everyone

★★★★

Remember Frogger? How about Frogger 2? In case you've never heard of the classic Atari frog, meet Zapper.

Basically, Zapper is Frogger reincarnated as a cricket. The makers of Frogger 2 reworked a few things and brought us a puzzle game that was actually fun and surprisingly addicting, two qualities Frogger 2 was lacking.

Although geared towards younger (pre-Atari) gamers, Zapper isn't as easy as you'd think. Don't get me wrong; teenagers aren't exactly going to be stumped here, but gamers of all ages are going to need a bunch of extra lives to get through the levels.

Here's the basics: Your kid brother, Zipper, was kidnapped by Maggie the Magpie. Your job is to go find him and pick up all the magpie eggs (so as to avoid little Maggie's from hatching) and release some fireflies.

Luckily, the developers decided to make navigation a challenge, with an array of obstacles including snails, militant squirrels and some nasty-looking hornets blocking your path.

While relatively simple at first, levels become more challenging as you progress, making mastery of the movements a must.

Beside your basic hop from square to square, you have super-hops, egg-finding antennae and a nasty zap attack that can be used to take out predators or open containers.

Secret levels, amusing graphics and a decent soundtrack make Zapper entertaining for longer than expected. A good game for younger gamers or older ones waiting for the next Grand Theft Auto.



NBA Inside Drive

Platform: Microsoft Xbox
Publisher: Microsoft
Genre: Sports

★★★★

Rating: E for everyone

Rebounding from last year's Inside Drive debacle, Microsoft bore down and created a basketball game that may not rival the leaders but is still entertaining enough to make you stick around.

Gameplay is a huge improvement here. Foregoing the ultra-sensational for a more routine approach, Inside Drive finally plays like a real basketball game, with an emphasis on control.

You can call a wide array of plays on the fly, and with a little practice you can execute complex offenses.

Having problems with the other team's inside game? Call a zone defense and collapse on the post. Multiple defenses give you a chance to try out a little strategy and can pay off in the clutch.

Once you get the ball, you're running the show. Passing icons let you thread passes to any target on the court, and with a tap of the button can you throw elbows and alley-oops with ease.

Add in a few pump fakes and a slick crossover and you've got something that looks a whole lot like basketball.

The newly-added franchise mode gives you a chance to test your game against the rest of the league for up to 25 seasons. Player's ratings change from year to year, and free agency and the draft will let you shape your roster to whatever style game you prefer.

Some of the front office control is shaky, though. It's pretty easy to trade superstars on command, and midseason all-star rosters were more of a popularity contest than a reflection of on-court stats, another feature taken straight from the NBA.

Highlight plays still pop up, but now there are more missed layups and blocked dunks. Low-post play is much improved, but you may have to head to the practice court to perfect your hook shot. The passing icons are key if you want to keep turnovers down, and a defender hanging out in the passing lanes can get some quality fast breaks with decent timing.

A nice improvement that's bodes well for what looks like a title on the rise.

— Kelly Martin,
Scripps Howard News Service

Students learn from business' mistakes

By Jeff Jardine
Modesto Bee

In most college business classes, one company surfaces in just about every ethics discussion.

"People will say, 'Like Enron,'" said Janene Wolfe, a finance major at California State University, Stanislaus. "(Instructors) use it as an example."

The scandals at Enron, Adelphia Communications, Global Crossing and WorldCom have given to business professors what the Clinton-Lewinsky scandal provided to Jay Leno: a steady stream of new material.

"And it's still happening, still developing," said Mark Plovnick, dean of University of the Pacific's Eberhardt School of Business.

"We're reviewing what we're trying to do with our ethics classes and will make the appropriate adjustments."

These scandals encompass virtually every area that can test a person's ethics: money, power, trust, deception, career advancement, pressure, whistle-blowing, finger pointing and scapegoats.

The University of the Pacific teaches ethics courses at the undergraduate level and requires at least two ethics courses in its masters of business administration program, Plovnick said. Stanislaus State also requires that its students take ethics courses.

No longer do instructors need to rely on the early 1990s savings and loan scandals or even Watergate in their discussions, said Jack Heinsius, who teaches both business and political science at Modesto Junior College.

"Those don't mean zip (to today's student)," Heinsius said.

"Like Watergate, they read about it. But it was so long ago. To (students), it's sort of like, 'Sure, that was awful, but wasn't it a lot of noise about nothing?'"

Heinsius said he hopes the behavior of political and corporate officials over the past few decades hasn't left people believing it is either good or acceptable.

"When that kind of moral compass can rise to the top of a company, something is really wrong," he said.

So Heinsius and other business instructors are using the actions of the main players in the corporate scandals as examples of what not to do.

The rash of scandals has created a strong stream of consciousness among business students, not to mention tarnished the reputation of chief executive officers in general.

"It makes you wonder about certain business practices in America," said Mark Ahrens, a senior business major at Stanislaus State. "It gets you thinking. It gets you to explore your own ethics."

And because the scandals are in the news so frequently, students ask questions about ethical issues at the various stages.

Randall Brown, who heads Stanislaus State's MBA program, said students can envision themselves in the roles of some of the players in these scandals.

Thus, educators try to warn students that companies might ask them to do things or perform in ways that are unethical, and that the pressure to conform might be implied if not stated.

"There are ways things are done at a company," he said. "You get there and you're told, 'This is the Enron way — the way we do things at this company. If you're shocked by it, you're just not used to it.' You say to yourself, 'If I don't please my superior, I won't get a good review.' But what is your boss asking you to do?"

Randy Harris, an associate professor at the university, said he believes that unethical behavior is learned, not inherited. The key is to help students recognize unethical behavior, enabling them to resist the temptation.

"Aristotle (wrote), 'We are all born with a moral compass,'" Harris said. "We're trained from an early age what is right and wrong. If I can reach out and plant a seed. I find it very rewarding to see the light bulb go on."



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Two kinds of warranties, homeowners' and builder's, can save you anxiety and money when it comes to early home repairs

By Angel Riggs
Scripps Howard News Service

Few transactions carry with them greater expectations and graver doubts than the purchase of a home. But homeowners can hedge their bets somewhat through two insurance products: the homeowners' warranty and the builder's warranty.

A homeowners' warranty could help take some of the anxiety out of buying or selling a home — especially if it's older. The warranties generally insure major appliances in a home — whether the home is new or just new to you.

"The homeowners' warranty cover the mechanics of the home," says Ann Bishop of Ann and Denny Bishop Realtor Group in Wichita Falls, Texas.

"If you're buying my house and I'm offering you a home warranty, I'm willing to provide you one year of trust and insurance," says Dee Ann Martin, a Realtor with Domain Real Estate Services in Wichita Falls.

Real estate agents don't have to use a certain company and don't receive a commission, Martin says. The seller usually pays for the warranty by adding it to the closing costs, but it can be purchased by the buyer.

An increased awareness of warranties has led more buyers and sellers to request them.

Basic coverage can cost several hundred dollars, but the price increases as more optional items — such as a washing machine or swimming pool — are included under the warranty.

"You lose your opportunity for the seller to pay for it if you wait until after closing" to purchase a warranty, Martin says. "That's something to think about when you buy a house."

Often the homebuilder offers warranties on new homes.

"On new construction, most builders that are members of the National Association of Home Builders offer a 10-year ... warranty, and there are several companies that do that nationwide," says Chuck Dennis, president of the Dennis Co. of Wichita Falls, adding that builders' warranties don't lose their value as the home changes owners.

While the homeowners' warranties may not be necessary for new homes that come with a 10-year builder's warranty, they might be worth checking into for those dealing with an older house.

"A homeowners' warranty is primarily written on a one-year basis for repairs to certain aspects of the home such as heating and cooling, appliances, hot water, plumbing, those things," Denny Bishop says. "The real key in making these things work is to understand that they are limited."

Martin also cautions that homeowners' warranties don't cover everything. "But they can be a plus." She noted that not every builder provides a home warranty, and a homeowners' warranty could cover something not covered by the builder's warranty.

However, she says that if a home is just a couple of years old, buying a homeowners' warranty in addition to the builder's warranty might not be necessary. But she advises consumers to consider purchasing one if the house is five years or older, even if it still has a builder's warranty.

A key question for companies issuing the warranties: When does it kick in and what does it cover? For example, an air conditioner that breaks the day after you move in may not be covered by some homeowner warranty companies.

"I know from personal experience with one company I have used that within the first week one of my clients had a water heater break," Martin says. "It was covered, but I think it had not been covered with another company."

Where one company's coverage may not start until 30 days after the home purchase, another's may kick in after two weeks.

The warranties offer a sort of security blanket for both buyers and sellers.

Typically, if something covered under the warranty goes wrong, a call is made to the warranty company, which then sends a repairman with whom that company has contracted. The homeowner would then pay a service fee.

Some companies, such as American Home Shield, also offer sellers' liability coverage, which covers attorney fees and judgments to a specified amount for one year.

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Beastly attraction springs from dreams gone wild



Photos by Joe Howell / Scripps Howard News Service

Bill Lucey opened RainForest Adventures in Tennessee featuring some 600 individual reptiles, exotic birds and amphibians representing about 200 different species. "Big Bird," a Moluccan Cockatoo, is one of his favorites.

By Matthew S.L. Cate
Scripps Howard News Service

After nearly 20 years in the home improvement industry, Bill Lucey quit his job, pulled out his savings and moved his family to Sevierville, Tenn., to fulfill a lifelong dream and make a little money.

In June 2001, Lucey opened RainForest Adventures, an attraction that brings the wildlife of the world's rain forests to those who can't quite make the drive to the Amazon.

"It's been my passion ever since I was a kid to do this kind of stuff," he said as he held and petted Big Bird, a Moluccan cockatoo perched on his right arm.

An all-indoors exhibit, RainForest Adventures features some 600 individual reptiles, exotic birds and amphibians representing about 200 different species.

Visitors can see a tomato frog from Madagascar, a Chinese fire-bellied toad, yellow-footed tortoises and other creatures, including deadly snakes such as puff adders, cobras and pythons.

"There's some bad, bad, bad creatures here," he said.

For those with a softer side, there's Zabu, the lonely ring-tailed lemur who's in search of a girlfriend.

Lucey obtained animals from private collections, donations — even a few from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Unlike the no-touch exhibits seen in most zoos around the country, Lucey's attraction offers a sideshow at which attendees can hold, touch and smell animals typically kept on the other side of cold glass.

"That's what this thing is," Lucey said. "It's sort of the Discovery Channel meets National Geographic."

Lucey was working in management at Lowe's Home Improvement headquarters in Wilkesboro, N.C., in July 1998 when he began to kick around the idea of opening the wildlife attraction. He spent about a year researching the market and searching out investors.

"Banks wouldn't touch it," he said. "It's too speculative when you talk about snakes, and there's no other business model to follow."

Lucey found about 10 private investors, and they covered the \$3.2 million price tag. He said the cost of the land alone was \$1.6 million. He invested about \$500,000 of his own money. He owns 54 percent of the company and serves as president.

Builders broke ground in October 2000, and after spending about \$300,000 to hire Disney contractors to dress up the attraction a la "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom," Lucey's dream opened for business.

One of the reasons Lucey moved his family — wife, Jeanne, and daughters Amanda, 5, and Kelly, 7 — to Sevierville, he said, was because he'd always wanted to be



T.J. Bregg, 9, and his sister Heather Bregg, 6, touch a Red Footed Tortoise at the RainForest Adventures as Don Middaugh, reptile curator, holds the animal.

his own boss. "I was 39 years old when I left Lowe's," he said. "I got to go to work in shorts now."

Despite an economy that's less than kind to the tourism industry, Lucey said RainForest Adventures is enjoying success so far. He expects that the year will end with attendance figures of about 70,000.

"I thought, worst-case scenario, I'd be 41 or 42 years old if this didn't make it, and I could go back to work in home improvement," he said.

Will he ever go back?

"No," he said, "this is doing just fine. I wake up in the morning, and I haven't lost the kid in me."

Is there a Safe and Effective Dietary Supplement Available Now to Regulate and Maintain These Body Functions?

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- **HELPING TO ATTAIN AND SUSTAIN IDEAL WEIGHT & CREATING A TRIMMER, FIRMER, LEANER BODY**

by Richard Bullock,
Medical Science Editor

Why are so many people today feeling tired and putting on excess weight? It's the same reason that too many people develop heart disease or diabetes: Most people are deficient in the essential trace element *Chromium*. However, an effective and safe dietary supplement is available to correct this common deficiency while speeding fat loss, building muscle, lowering cholesterol and optimizing blood sugar. This supplement is *Chromium Picolinate* (pronounced either "pick-o-LIN-ate" or "pie-Col-lin-ate") and is also patented by the (USDA) United States Department of Agriculture's Human Nutrition Laboratory. The United States patent numbers are as listed; *Chromium Picolinate* reduces body fat and increases lean body mass, (U.S. Patent # 5,087,624) - *Chromium Picolinate* reduces elevated blood sugar, (U.S. Patent # 5,087,623) - *Chromium Picolinate* lowers elevated cholesterol, (U.S. Patent, # 5,175,156).

Scientists led by Dr. Gary Evans at the USDA's Human Nutrition Laboratory in Grand Forks, North Dakota have repeatedly warned that most people are not getting adequate amounts of *Chromium* in their diets. Many minerals that are essential for humans are also essential for plants. *Chromium*, like iodine and selenium is not essential for plant growth. Many plants grow healthy in *Chromium*-deficient soil but

contain very little *Chromium*.

USDA studies have found that 90 percent of U.S. diets were below the lowest level of the recommended daily *Chromium* intake. Grains, cereals, fats and sugars in their whole or natural unrefined state are good *Chromium* sources. However, food processing removes up to 80 percent of the *Chromium* in these whole foods. 70 percent of what the average American consumes is either sugar or fat. Consumption of these food processed high sugar and fat diets increases the *Chromium* excreted by the body by 10 to 300 percent. The body needs this *Chromium* to burn these foods for energy, instead the body must try to use these foods without



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Chromium. Unfortunately, the food energy is converted to the stored form of energy, which is fat.

The Importance of Chromium Picolinate

How can one nutrient affect health so much? The reason is that biologically active *Chromium* is an essential insulin cofactor. The hormone "insulin" helps control hunger, and regulates energy production, fat burning, muscle building and cholesterol utilization. Many people know that severe insulin malfunction can produce diabetes, few realize that even mild insulin dysfunction results in low energy levels, fat production, craving for sweets and high cholesterol levels. *Chromium* deficiency also contributes to wild swings in blood sugar levels that can result in serious mood changes.

Insulin is like a doorkeeper that controls the passage of nutrients and other important compounds through the walls of your 70 trillion body cells. Your cells won't be fired up with energy if enough fuel (blood sugar) can't enter the cells. If the blood sugar cannot be burned as energy, it is converted to fat and stored in fat cells. If adequate amino acids can't enter the cells, then muscles can't be built, no matter how hard you exercise.

If the cholesterol produced in the liver for delivery to the various cells does not pass through the cell walls, then it builds up in the bloodstream. The longer cholesterol is carried in the blood, the greater chance that it and the lipoproteins that transport it can become oxidized. Oxidized cho-

lesterol and oxidized cholesterol-carrying lipoproteins can damage artery walls and result in cholesterol deposits. Studies have shown that restoring optimal amounts of *Chromium* to the diet can remove cholesterol deposits in arteries.

Losing Excess Body Fat

Scientists were surprised to learn in their studies that *Chromium Picolinate* was found repeatedly to reduce body fat without dieting or exercising. *Chromium Picolinate* also acts to reduce fat while preserving vital organ tissues and building the muscles that shape the body. When losing weight we just don't want to be smaller, we also want our shapes back.

There are two principal modes of weight loss action of *Chromium Picolinate*. The first mode happens in the appetite control center of the brain where *Chromium* helps blood sugar pass into the brain cells thereby turning off hunger. Secondly, by increasing the metabolic rate, the body needs more calories to operate and draws upon the energy stored as fat in the fat cells.

Chromium works to build more muscle tissue on the body. Muscle tissue demands more energy even when the muscles aren't being used. The more muscle you have on your body, the more calories that are being burned even as you sleep.

The Yo-Yo Syndrome

Unfortunately losing weight is not the only solution for having a shapely body. The problem with losing weight is that we lose almost as much lean tissue - muscle and organ tissue - as we lose fat. Fat distorts our shapes and can give us a pear shape. We want to become smaller, but also looking and being lean.

With low-calorie diets, as much as 30 percent of the loss is lean tissue. Not only are muscles lost that firm women's curves and give men their characteristic physique, but health is also compromised. Some of the lean tissue that is lost may come from the heart, kidneys and other vital organs which may lead to heart disease and possibly death.

Evidence shows that the amount of fat stored in the body increases with each cycle of up-and-down dieting. When a person loses weight, both fat and muscle tissue are lost. When the weight is put back on, it tends to be made of a greater proportion of fat and less muscle, leaving the person "fatter" than ever.

Consider a 5-foot-5 woman weighing 145 pounds, of which 51 pounds are fat, or 35 percent of her total body weight. After a few months of dieting, she loses 20 pounds-13 in the form of fat and the rest in muscle tissue. She now weighs 125 pounds including 38 pounds (30 percent) of fat. During the next six months all the weight creeps back. The regained weight consist of 17 pounds of fat and only 3 pounds of muscle tissue. The woman weighs now what she weighed originally but she's carrying more fat-55 pounds, or 38 percent. Each time the cycle is repeated, she's likely to become "fatter".

With *Chromium Picolinate*, studies show the lean muscle is preserved and even increased. With the metabolic rate increased, the weight is easier to keep off-and the vicious cycle is broken.

Building Muscles

Building muscles is not just for body builders and athletes. Who wants a sagging belly, a bad back or losing lean tissue in important organs such as the heart? *Chromium Picolinate* helps build this vital lean tissue for our physique and vital organs.

Chromium Picolinate means there is a safe alternative to steroids even though the results are not as dramatic as the results with steroids but are completely safe and still produces significant gains.

At Bemidji State University (Minnesota) 31 off season football players were involved in a study. Two

groups were randomly assigned. One group received *Chromium Picolinate*, the other received a placebo (a placebo contains no active ingredient whatsoever). Neither the players or the researchers knew who was getting the *Chromium*. All athletes trained with weights for one hour, four times a week. When the study was completed, the athletes receiving the *Chromium Picolinate* had a 44 percent greater increase in muscle tissue than the group not receiving it.

A later study at a San Antonio weight loss clinic shows that *Chromium Picolinate* increases muscle tissue without an increase in exercise. In two test groups with one group receiving *Chromium Picolinate* and the other group receiving the placebo, the lean tissue shown a 28 percent increase in the group receiving *Chromium Picolinate* than the other group which received the placebo.

In animal studies conducted at Louisiana State University, animals show the same results. *Chromium Picolinate* was added to their diets with no training or exercise. Lean tissues increased between 7 to 8 percent with carcass fat decreasing by 21 percent.

Lowering Cholesterol

Studies show that if blood levels of *Chromium Picolinate* reach normal levels, heart disease is extremely unlikely. Further studies also show that *Chromium* helps the body to cleanse and remove existing cholesterol deposits in the arteries.

Researchers at Ohio State University and The Medical College of Ohio measured the *Chromium* in 32 patients scheduled for angiography, (injecting dye into the coronary arteries). Only the patients free of coronary heart disease had levels of *Chromium* above 5.5 micrograms per liter of blood with the patients having heart disease with much lower blood *Chromium* levels.

A later French study showed an even more striking relationship between blood *Chromium* levels and the incidence of cholesterol deposits. Patients suffering from the symptoms of coronary artery disease were referred to the Division of Cardiology in Bordeaux-Gradignan. The patients were evaluated by angiography to determine which showed blockage of coronary arteries. A blood sample was taken during the angiography procedure to be used for *Chromium* analysis. In those patients proven to have coronary blockage, the average plasma *Chromium* level was only 1.05 mcg/liter; in those without coronary blockage it was much higher, 8.51 mcg/liter. This study clearly shows the importance of *Chromium* in the body.

Strengthening the Immune System and Increasing Lifespan

Chromium Picolinate may well contribute to your health by strengthening your immune system, protecting you against bacteria, viruses, colds and even cancer.

Many of the different kinds of cells in the immune system need insulin to stimulate production of interferon, an important component of the immune system.

Chromium Picolinate helps prevent life-shortening diseases such as heart disease and diabetes and there is also evidence that low *Chromium* will accelerate the aging process.

An interesting fact was learned when scientists fed laboratory animals large doses of *Chromium Picolinate* looking for the level of toxicity that would be detrimental to their health. Everything has a limit of safety eventually, however no such toxic level was found. After 30 months, half of the animals fed low doses (9 of 20) had died while only one animal (1 of 30) had died in the group receiving the high dosage. The more *Chromium* they fed to the animals, the longer they seemed to live.

Safety of Chromium Picolinate

The many studies in humans and other animals show that *Chromium Picolinate* is indeed effective and extremely safe. No university or hospital review committee would never allow such studies if the product being tested was not clearly shown in advance to be safe.

The National Research Councils' booklet entitled *Recommended Dietary Allowances* states: "the toxicity of *Chromium Picolinate* is so low that there is a very substantial margin of safety between the amounts normally consumed and those considered to have harmful effects."

In the booklet entitled *Toxicants Occurring Naturally In Foods*, "the toxicity of *Chromium Picolinate* is found to be 3,500 to 14,000 times the safe and recommended range listed in USDA's *Recommended Dietary Allowances*. *Chromium Picolinate* ranks with Vitamin C and Vitamin E in terms of proven safety and is the safest off all trace minerals."

Chromium Picolinate is not a drug. It is a biologically active form of an essential nutrient. Like Vitamin C or iron - air and water, we need *Chromium Picolinate* to control our weight, blood sugar, and most of all as an inexpensive health insurance policy.

The Product

CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN HERBAL ENERGIZER features a blend of 18 synergistically blended herbs in a formulation with the all

natural bio-wonder, *Chromium Picolinate*. The benefits are astounding and far reaching. Weight reduction, converting fat tissue into lean, increased energy, stamina and endurance are just a few of the reported benefits. The ingredients play an important role in regulating many of the body's major organs.

The Ingredients...

Chromium Picolinate - Insulin cannot do its job without this mineral. Transports glucose to the cells, prevents and lowers high blood pressure. Offsets sugar cravings. Involved in metabolism of glucose, needed energy. Vital in the syntheses of cholesterol, fats and protein. This essential mineral maintains stable blood sugar levels through proper insulin utilization in both the diabetic and the hypoglycemic. Low chromium blood plasma levels are an indication of coronary artery disease.

Astragalus - Acts as a tonic to protect the immune system. Aids adrenal gland function and digestion. Increases metabolism, promotes healing and provides energy to combat fatigue.

Bee Pollen - Effective for combating fatigue, depression, cancer, and colon disorders. Bee pollen is an excellent source of energy.

Bladderwrack - Increases thyroid activity and absorbs water in the intestines to produce bulk. Used in the treatment of obesity.

Capsicum - Stimulates the production of gastric juices, improves metabolism, high in Vitamin C.

Echinacea - Stimulates the immune system. Increases the body's ability to resist infections. A natural antibiotic.

Garlic - (deodorized) Has a rejuvenating effect on all body functions. Used for infections, elevated cholesterol levels, high blood pressure, diabetes.

Ginkgo Biloba - Increases blood flow to the brain, resulting in an increase in oxygen and glucose utilization.

Ginger Root - A good digestive aid, helps relieve upset stomachs.

Gotu Kola - Aids in elimination of excess fluids, shrinks tissues,

decreases fatigue, depression, and increases sex drive. Used for mental disorders, high blood pressure, rheumatism, urinary tract infections, insomnia and stress. (Not to be confused with Kola Nut.)

Guarana - Increases mental alertness and fights fatigue.

Hyssop - Used as a valuable cleansing agent for the lungs and throat. Good for fevers, colds, nose and throat infections.

Licorice Root - Pain reliever, exhibits hormone-like effects and has been used to cleanse the colon.

Ma Huang - Lifts metabolism and burns fat over the other fuel sources in the body. Breaks up adipose (fat) tissue and stimulates the release of fats in the blood. This process transforms your fat stores into fuel for your "metabolic furnace".

Myrrh - Valuable as a cleansing and healing agent to the stomach and colon. Helps soothe inflammation and speeds healing process.

Rehmannia Root - This herb is used to treat anemia, fatigue and to promote the healing of injured bones.

Reishi Mushroom - Helps stimulate liver activity and lower stress; cleanses and beautifies the skin. Also strengthens the immune system.

Siberian Ginseng - Increases sexual functions, stamina and is a good energy source. This herb is also believed to relieve mental stress.

White Willow Bark - Fever reducer and alleviates pain.

Natural Herbs - Fact or Fiction?

Many plants contain compounds that have a high degree of medicinal value. It is generally unknown that for the past 25 years, 25% of all prescription drugs sold in the United States have contained active ingredients obtained from plants. In 1980 alone, Americans paid more than \$8 Billion dollars for prescription drugs obtained from plants.

Since a plant cannot be patented, very little research has been done this century on plants for medicinal value by the large American pharmaceutical firms. Since a crude herb provides no economic reward to these firms,

the crude herb never reaches the marketplace.

The History of Herbs

The use of herbs actually dates back for several thousands of years B.C. The Chinese Sumerians and Egyptians all used plants for medicinal purposes. In 2700 B.C. a Chinese book on herbs lists over 300 plants with their medicinal values.

Herbs are nature's remedies or God-given remedies and have been placed here by an all wise "Creator". There is an herb for every disease that the human body may be afflicted with. Herbs were mentioned in the *Bible* from the beginning of creation. After man was driven from the *Garden of Eden* and had no longer the access to the Tree of Life, God added herbs to man's diet to keep him from getting sick. "Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field" (*Genesis* 3:18). David, in the *Psalms*, wrote "That the grass was caused to grow for the cattle, and the herbs for the service of man" (*Psalms* 104:14). The prophet Ezekiel said "That the fruit of the tree was for man's meat (food), and the leaves for man's healing" (*Ezekiel* 47:12). (*I Kings* 21:2), (*2 Kings* 19:26), (*Deuteronomy* 11:10) and (*Luke* 11:42) are just a few of the other passages where herbs are spoke of in the *Bible*. Medicinal Herbs have not come into existence only within our lifetimes.

Leaner and Firmer

Because many people gain muscle with *Chromium Picolinate*,

their weight loss in pounds doesn't accurately reflect the benefits of *Chromium*. Most users report that even a modest weight loss as shown on the bathroom scale is accompanied by lost inches and smaller clothing sizes. They look and are leaner and firmer. *Chromium Picolinate* promotes fat loss, while enhancing the muscle that helps to assure a trim physique.

Many of the nation's most respected and widely read newspapers have devoted articles to *Chromium Picolinate* including *The Los Angeles Times*, *Washington Post*, *USA Today*, *San Diego Union*, *San Diego Tribune*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Detroit Free Press*, *Phoenix Gazette* and *Houston Post*.

Three million readers of *Cosmopolitan* (May 1991) read a discussion of *Chromium Picolinate's* value for dieters under a heading "A Miracle Mineral?" The cholesterol-reducing effect of *Chromium Picolinate* was highlighted in *Ladies Home Journal*, *Longevity* has praised it as a safe alternative to anabolic steroids. *American Druggist* and *Drug Store News* ran a similar article. A large number of publications for athletes and health food shoppers have also run feature articles on *Chromium Picolinate* including *Prevention*, *Better Nutrition*, *Whole Foods*, *Today's Living*, *Total Health*, *Muscular Development*, *Runner's World* and *Velo News*.

Chromium Picolinate has also been recommended as the *Chromium* supplement of choice in recent books by distinguished physicians, includ-

ing *The Doctors' Vitamin & Mineral Encyclopedia*, by Sheldon Saul Hendler, M.D. Ph.D. (Simon & Schuster), *The Chromium Program*, by Jeffery A. Fisher, M.D. (Harper & Row), *The Princeton Plan*, by Edwin Heleniak, M.D. (St. Martin's Press), *The Doctors' Book of Home Remedies*, by Ronald Hoffman, M.D. (Rodale Press). *The Purification Prescription* by Sheldon Saul Hendler, M.D., Ph.D. (William Morrow & Co.), *The New Super Nutrition*, by Richard Passwater, Ph.D. (Simon & Schuster).

How To Take

Take 3 caplets of CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN with breakfast each morning. This supplies you with the 200 Mcgs. of *Chromium Picolinate* the USDA has recommended in combination with 18 synergistically blended herbs. You're not forced to abandon habits and disciplines you've developed over a lifetime. Simple, yet very effective.

Company Has Rights to Sell

Physicians Nutrition International has acquired the rights to sell and distribute CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN and has a sufficient supply available. The price for a one month supply is \$29.95 which is only \$1 per day. The company is so sure that everyone will be pleased with the product that you may try it without risk for 30 days. Just return the unused portion for a full refund. ■

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"I was taking another product I had ordered from a TV ad when I was first introduced to CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN. That product had too much kick and left me feeling very jittery and nervous. I switched to CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN and have been very pleased. I now have a much higher energy level. This is a very desirable product. Love it." P. Bates, Oregon.

"Since I was a teenager I've been addicted to sugar just as an alcoholic is addicted to alcohol and a drug addict is addicted to drugs. I've lost 14 pounds and also the addiction to sugar in 3 weeks. I'm looking good and know and feel it." T. Davis, Virginia.

"This stuff really works! I lost 30 pounds in 3 months. But what I can't understand is that I am 64 years old and was completely worn out by noon. Since using CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN, I can go all day and still feel good. I feel 20 years younger." -J. Brookes, Kansas.

"I have lost 8 pounds and I am much more energetic. I do not have an empty feeling or tiredness caused by other diet programs. This program has improved both my physical fitness and my self image. I would recommend it to all who are interested in losing those pounds that prevent you from enjoying your life to the fullest." J. Oster, Nevada.

"I've received a lot of compliments from family and everyone lately about the extra pep and energy I have. I

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am convinced that this energy boost I have is from taking CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN regularly. I feel better from head to toe." -T. Emerson, South Carolina.

"High cholesterol has been a problem for me since 1985. I'm 46 years old. Within a 10 week period of taking CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN my cholesterol level has dropped 26 percent. I've also had a loss of 14 pounds on the bathroom scale with my body being firmer than ever. All of this convinced my wife she needed to start taking CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN which she has started last week. We Thank You Greatly." - Mr. and Mrs. J. Neel, Pennsylvania.

"I was at the point where all I could do was sit down at the end of a working day because I was so tired. But now that I have started taking your product, I feel like a new person and I've noticed that I'm more attracted to my husband! Thank you!" -Mrs. J. Owen, Florida.

"I have lost 27 pounds in just 11 weeks! I'm wearing clothes that have not fit for three years." A. Collins, New Jersey.

"CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN has started me off to a better lifestyle. I've lost 34 lbs. so far and still counting! Thanks to your program I'll never be fat again!" P. Ford, Tennessee.

"I've lost over 20 pounds and 3 inches in my waist in approximately 6 weeks. It's an effortless way to lose weight." M. Gordon, Pennsylvania.

"I am not only 22 pounds lighter but mentally I feel good and do look good. When I look into the mirror each morning I suppose that what I see makes me happy and gives me a good feeling to carry out the day with confidence and pride. Thank You CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN." R. Evan, Georgia.

"I love CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN! I now have the energy that I need to get past that 3 PM slump, (I used to nap every afternoon), and I have lost 15 pounds! I just had to write and tell you, I will be a customer forever." D. Sutton, New York.

"After trying diet after diet, I have not been under 200 pounds for the last 12 years. CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN works! I've lost 12 pounds and now weight 194 and I'm still losing. There have been no changes in my diet or exercise. My energy is up and my weight down!" G. Carson, North Carolina.

"This CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN product is great. I first bought this product because I needed something to give me more energy. Not only do I have more energy, but I also have lost 15 pounds. Thank You." D. Hall, Michigan.

"I have dropped three dress sizes in just 3-1/2 weeks. I was so excited that I rewarded myself with a new suit!" I. Jones, North Dakota.

"I work out regularly and have noticed a definite firming of my legs and an increase in energy. My appetite has been decreased especially my cravings for chocolate!" S. Bell, Louisiana.

"Walking is my exercise - usually 4 miles at 15 minutes a mile. After taking CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN I have lost weight and have cut my walking time to less than 13 minutes a mile." M. Morton, Alabama.

"I want to thank you for introducing me to CHROMA CRYSTAL-LEAN. I love it! I have lost weight and have noticed a definite improvement in muscle tone and an increase in my energy levels. I have increased my productivity and have cut down greatly on my caffeine intake. I feel great again. Thanks." C. Tyson, South Carolina.

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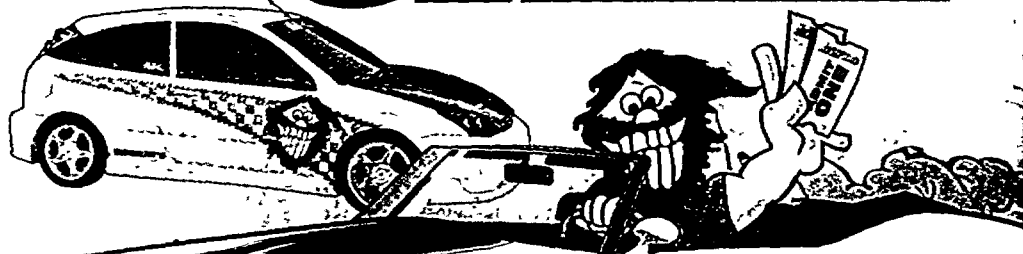
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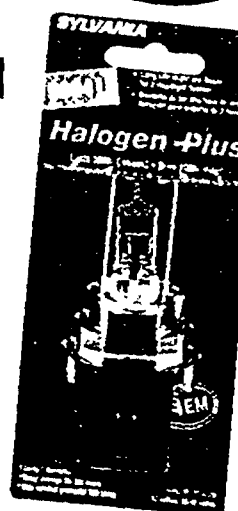
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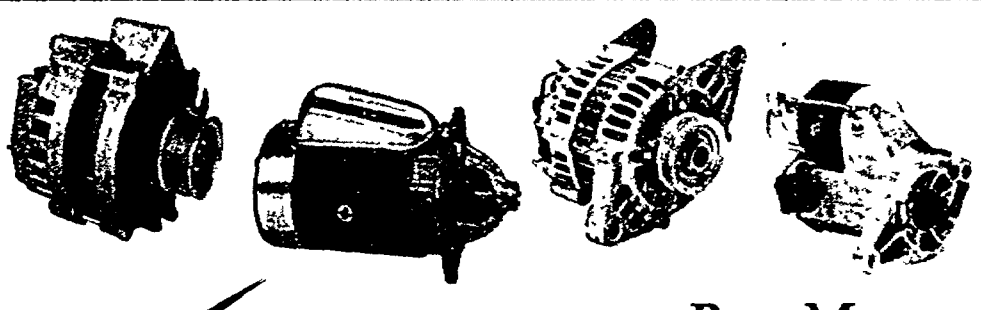
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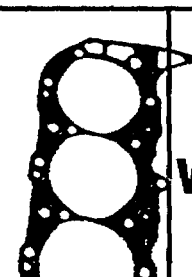


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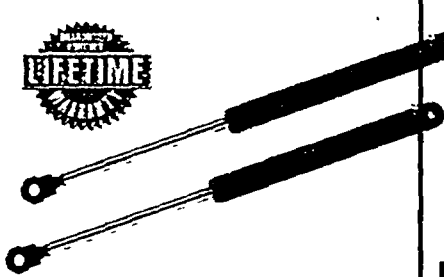
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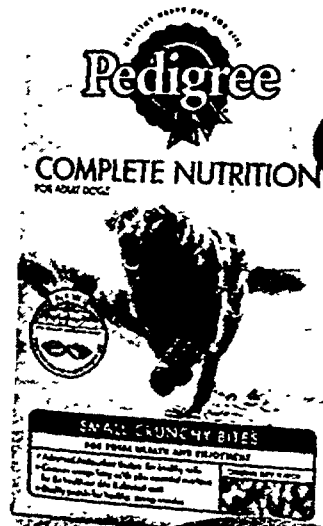


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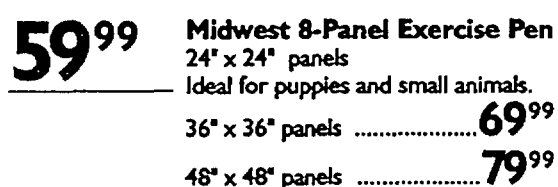
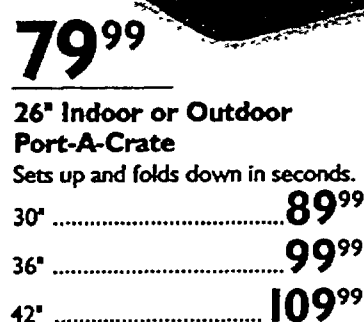
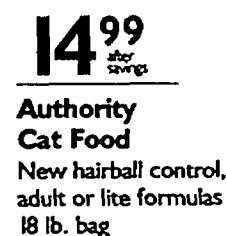
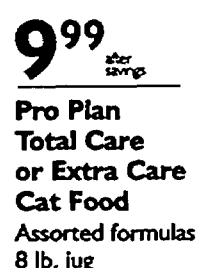
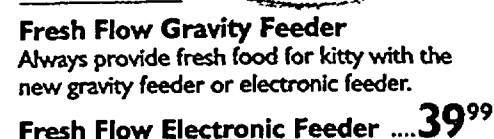
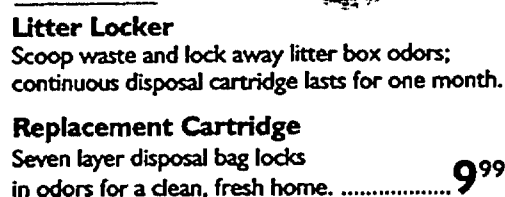
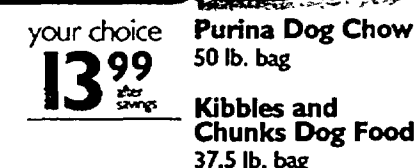
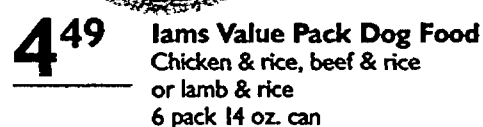
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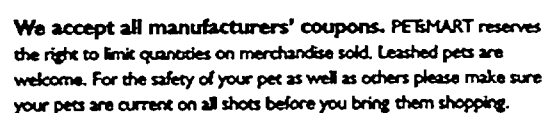
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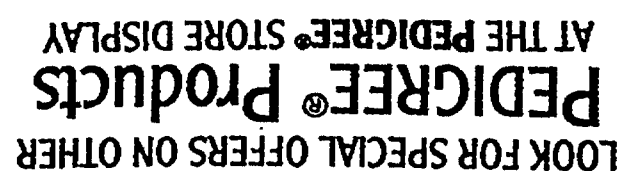
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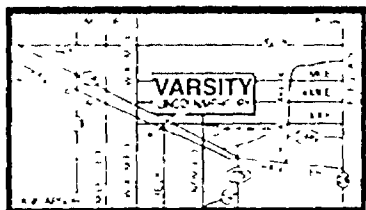
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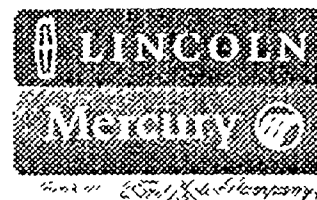
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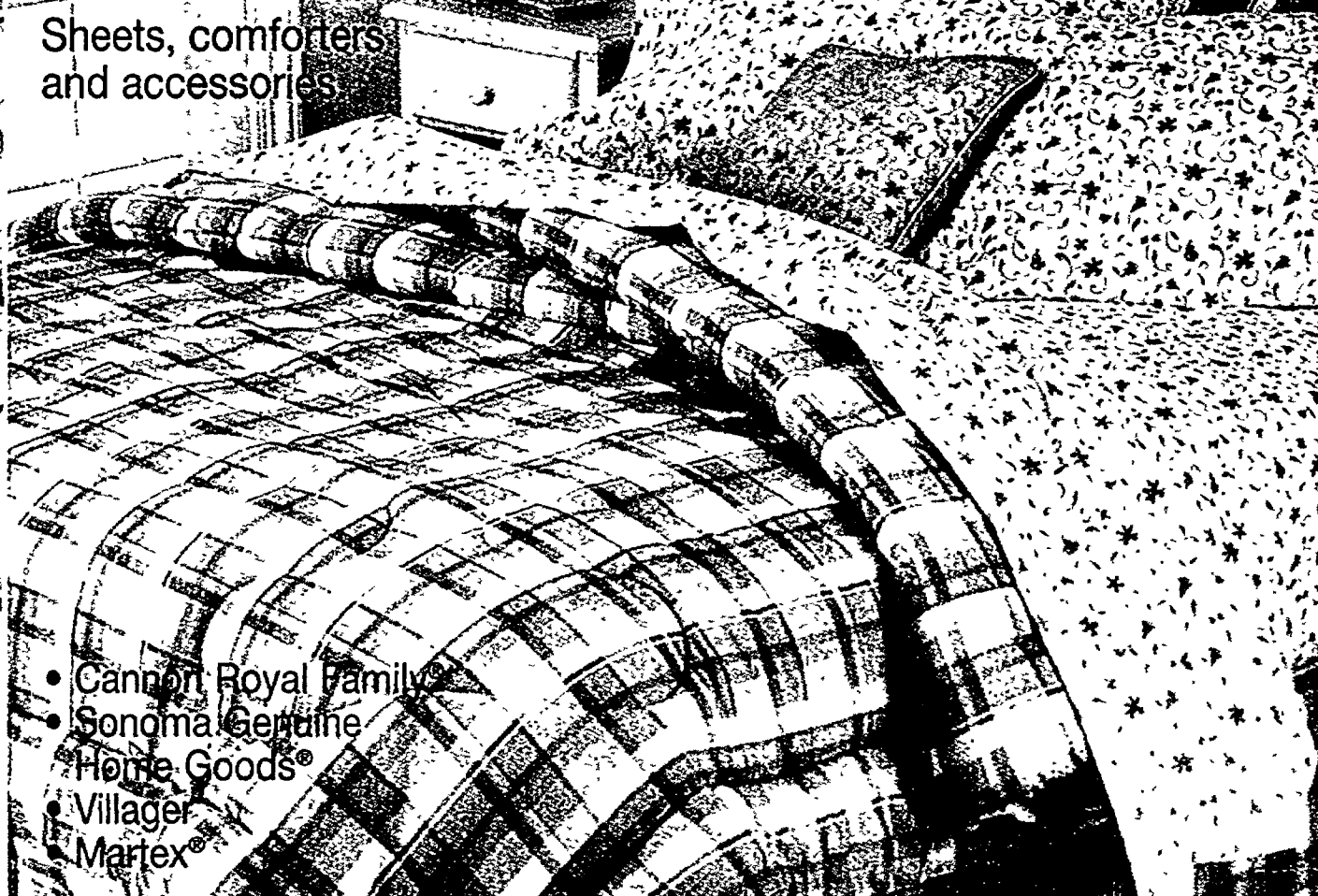
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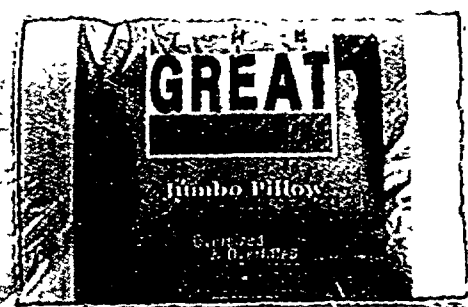
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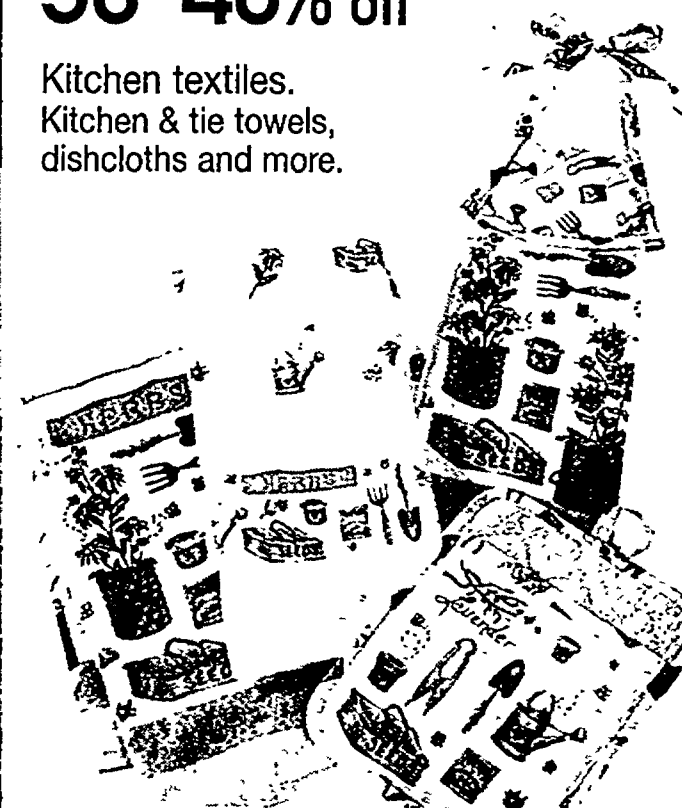
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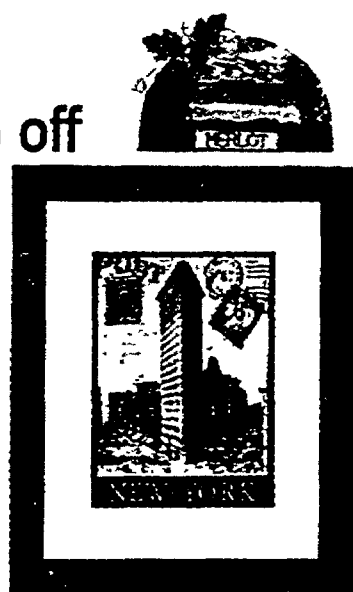
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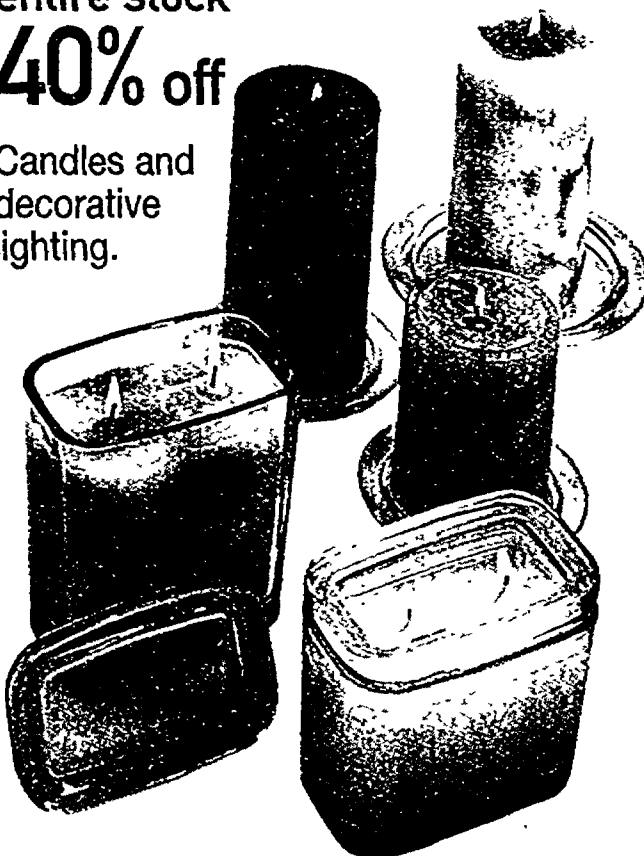
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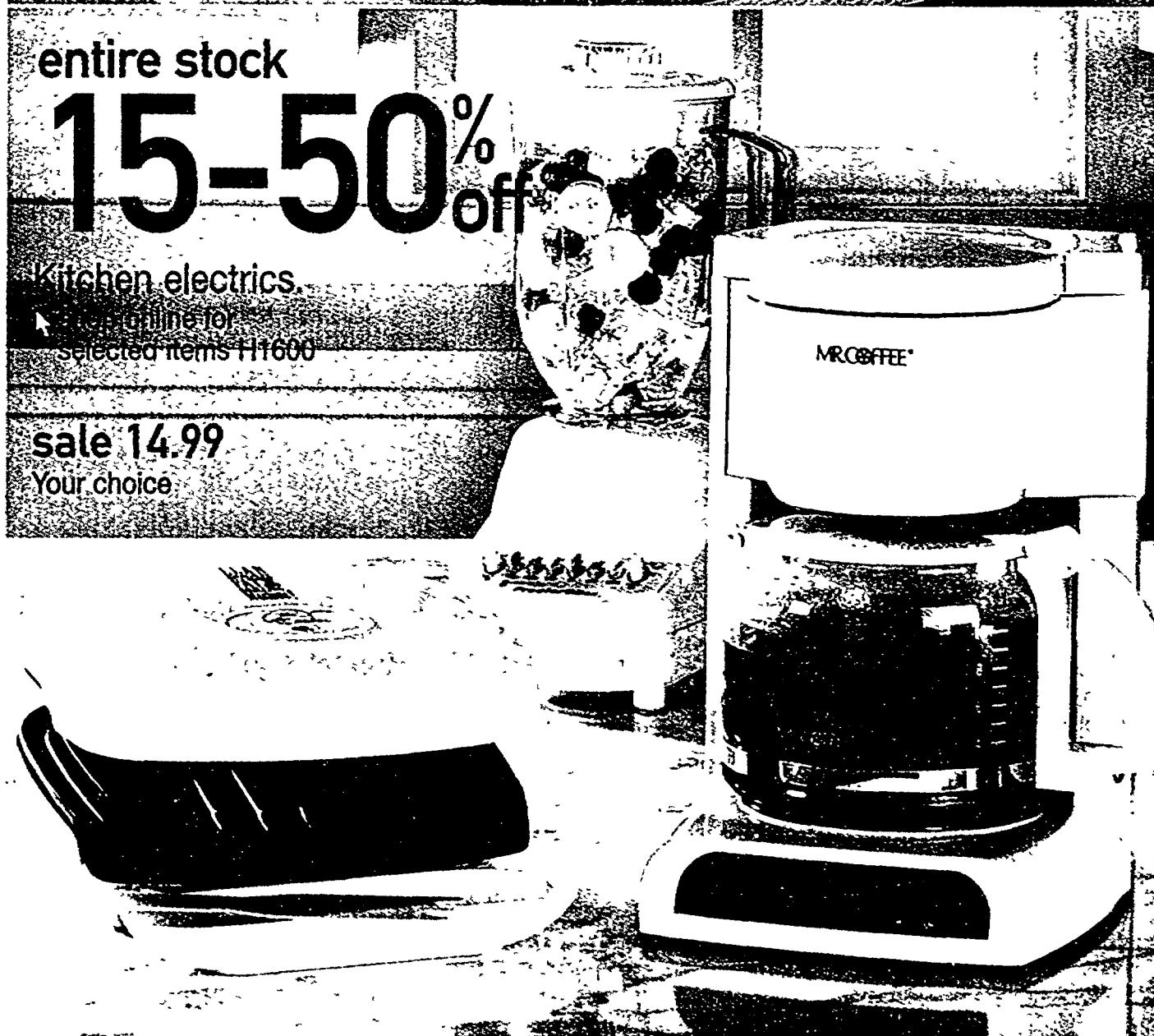


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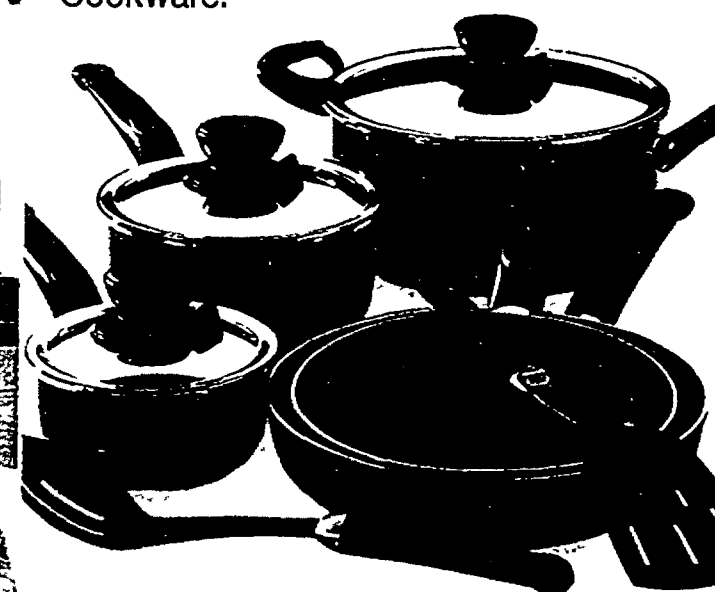
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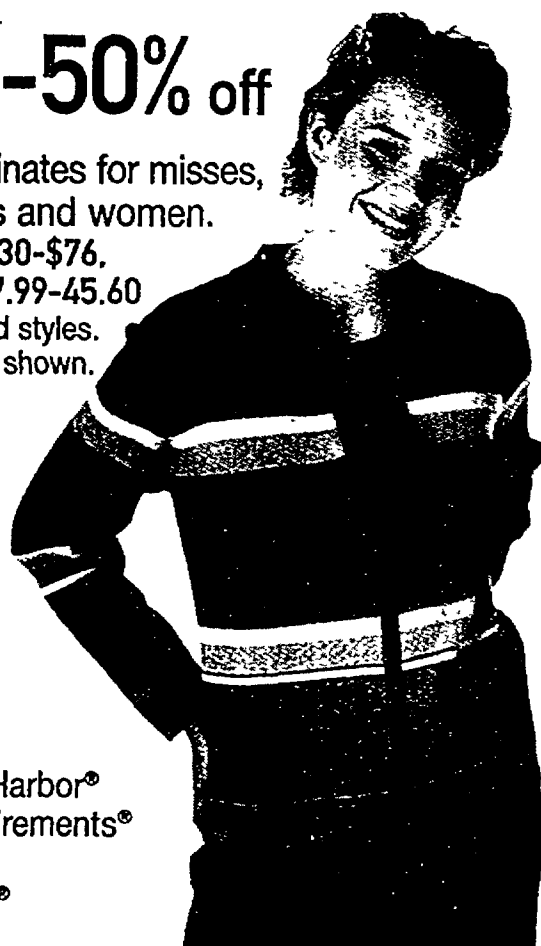
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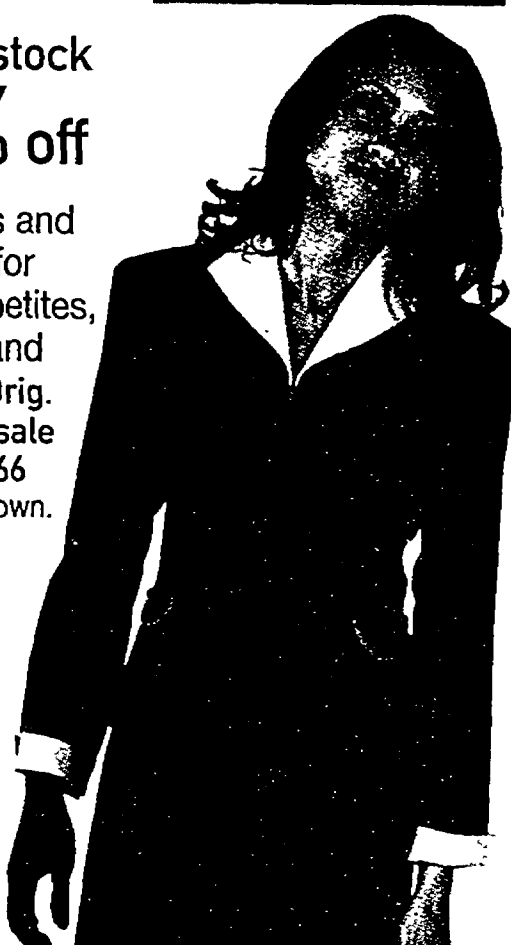
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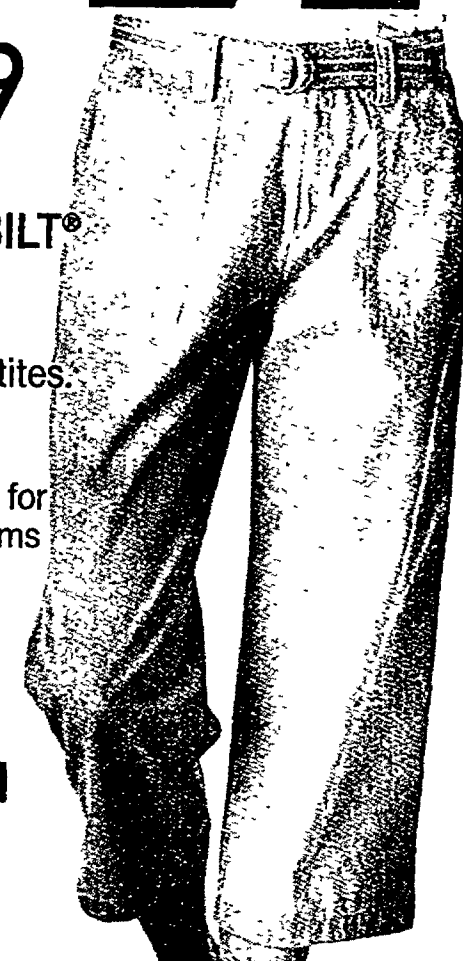
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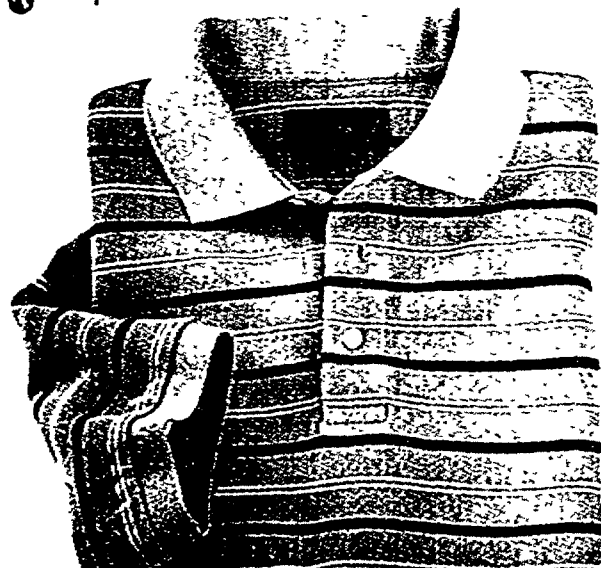
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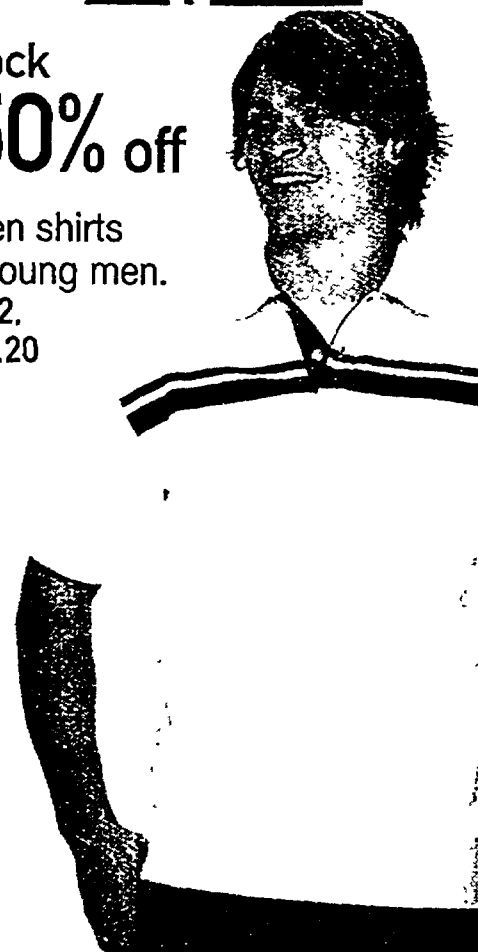
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sale 8.40-30.00

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items M1300



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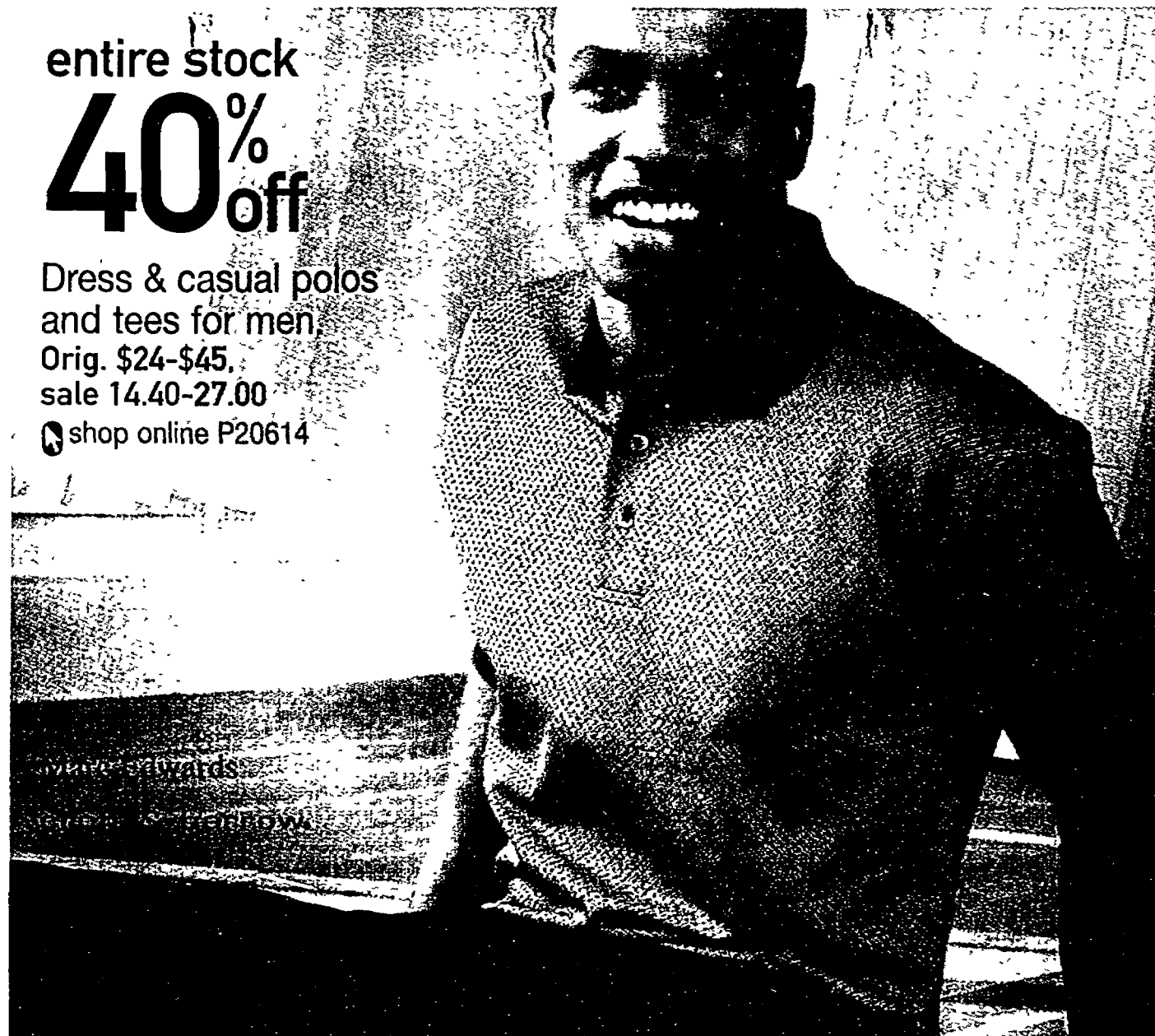


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and tees for men.

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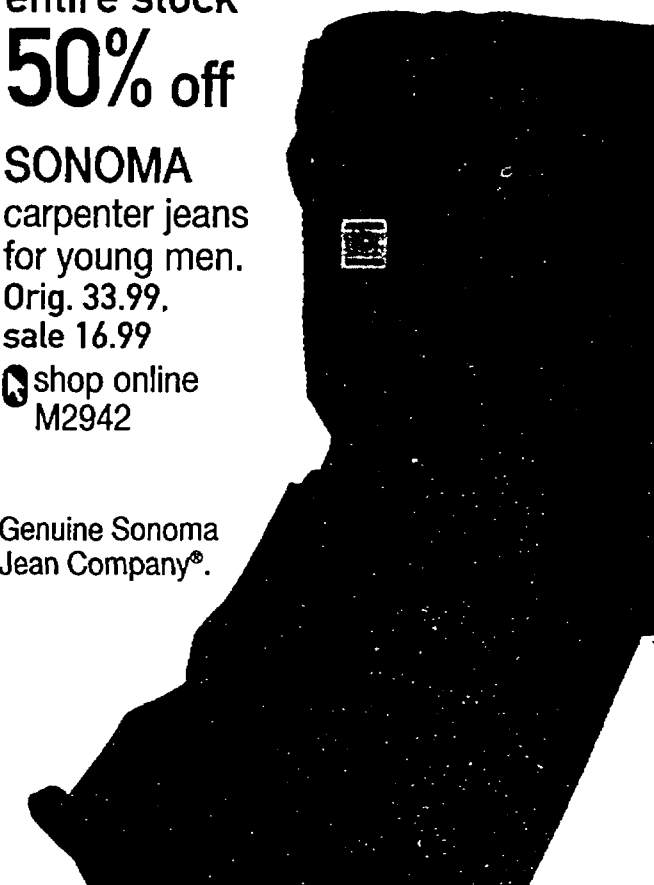


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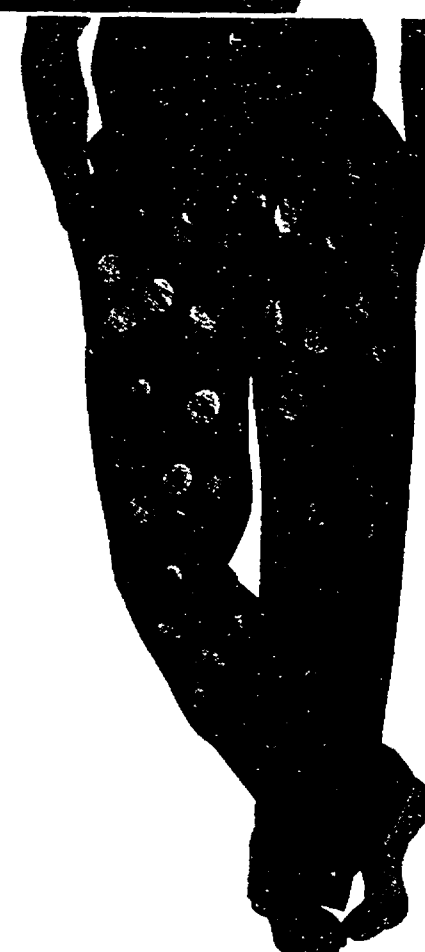
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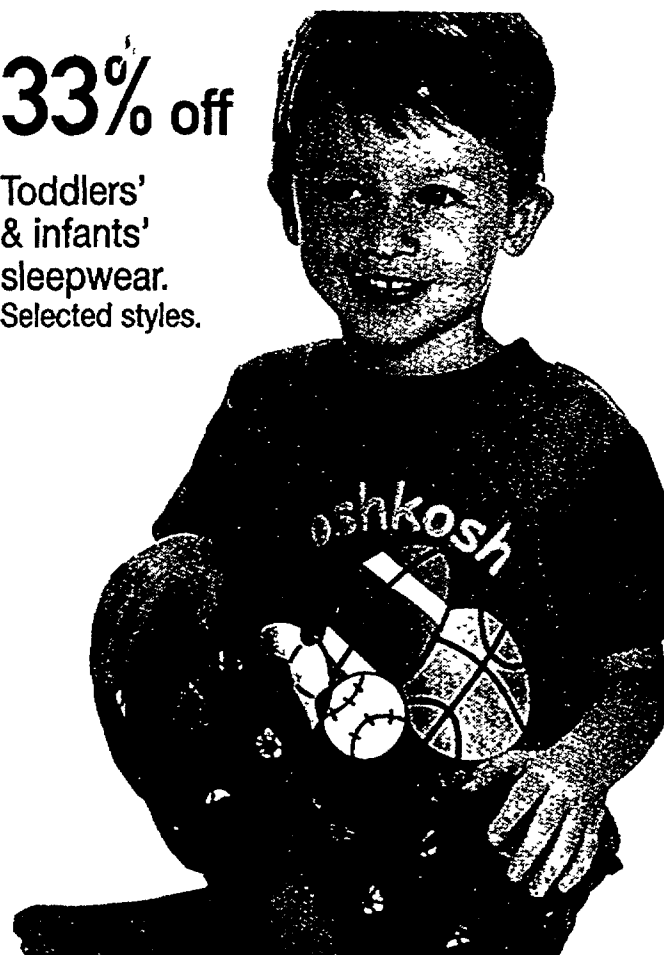
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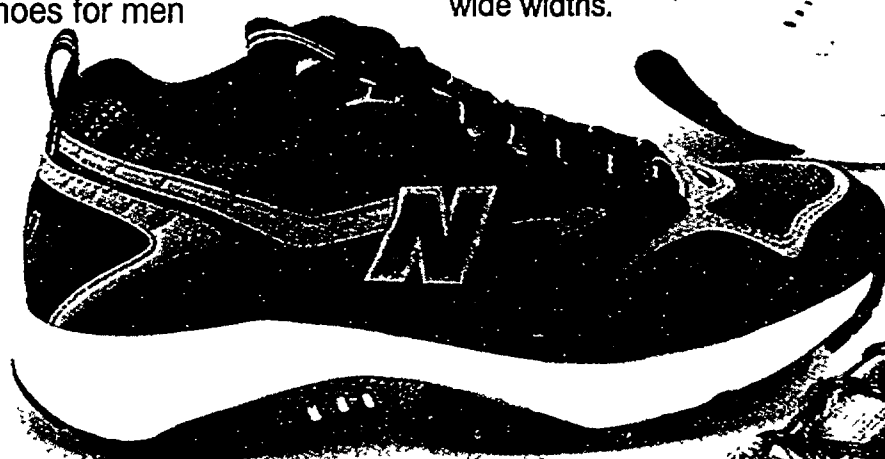
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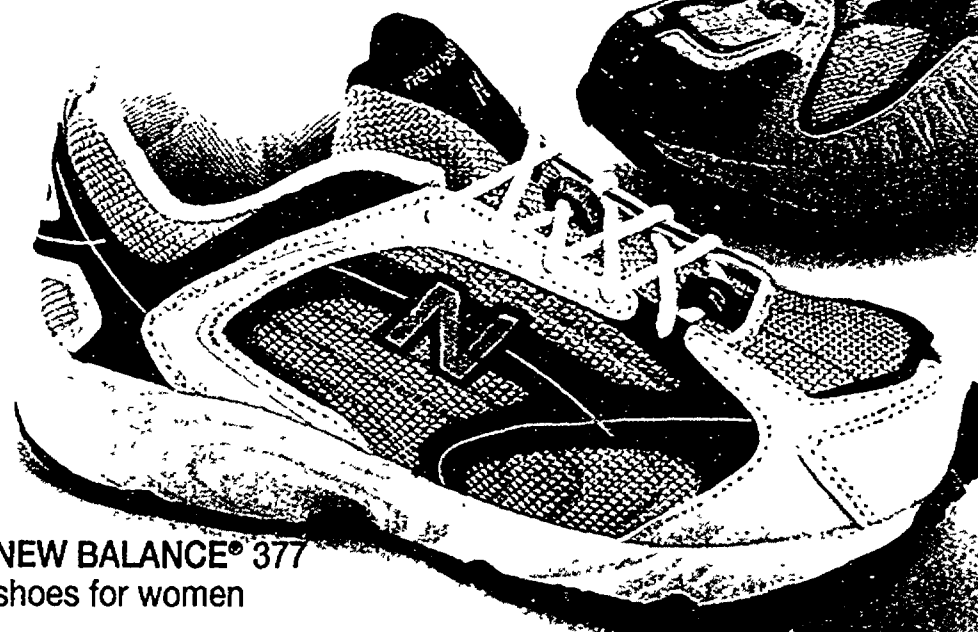
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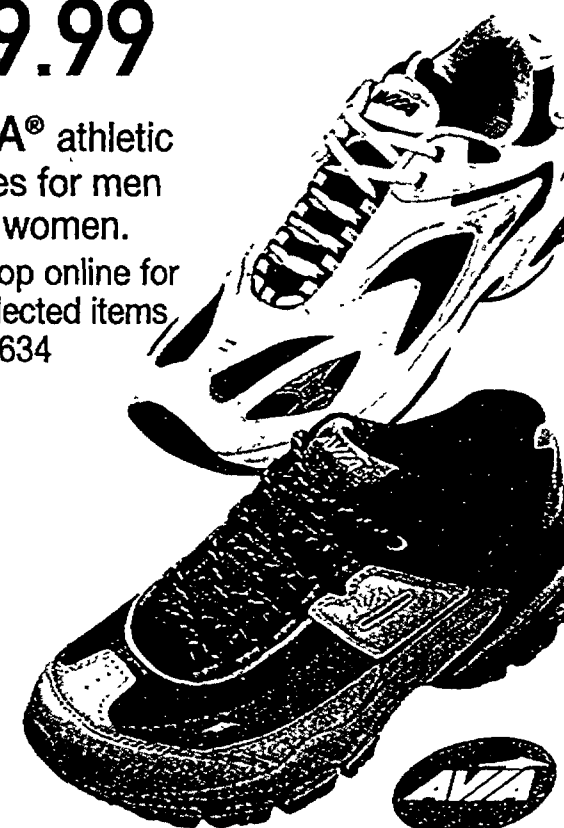
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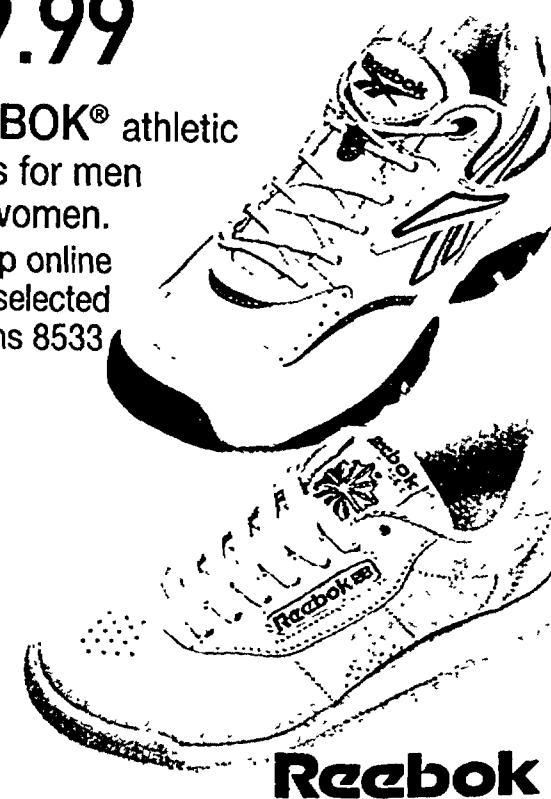
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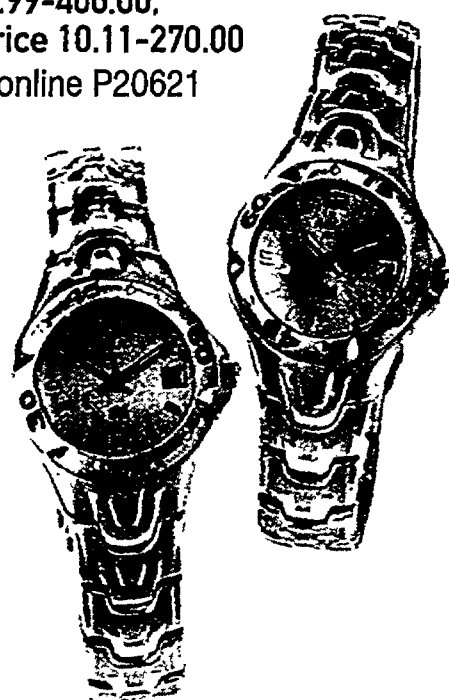


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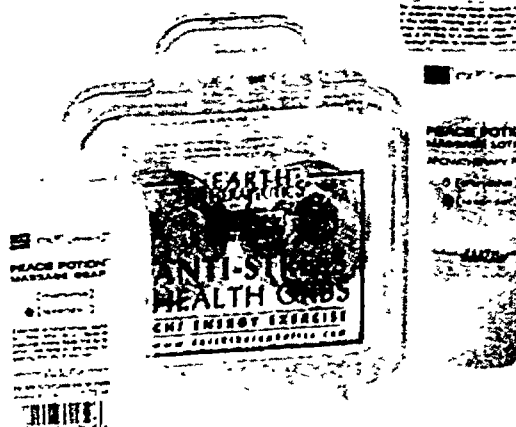
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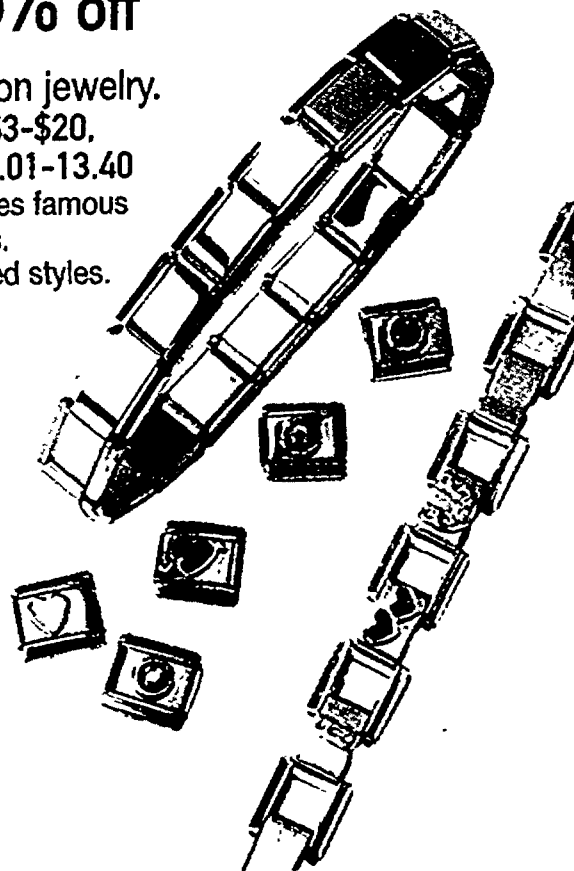
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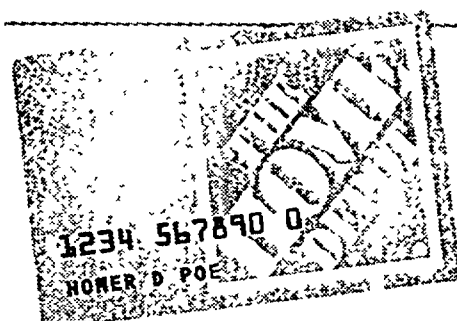
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How to Install an Interior Door Wednesdays 7:00pm
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INTRODUCING



JOHN DEERE



17.0 HP 42" 5-Speed Lawn Tractor

- 17.0 HP Briggs & Stratton®, INTEK OHV AVS engine
- 5 speed gear transmission
- 42" mower deck with The Edge™ cutting system
- 2 Blade system cuts 1"-4"
- 2.1 U.S. gal. unleaded fuel system
- 18" turning radius with Sector & Pinion steering system
- 15 x 6-6 front tires, 20 x 8-8 rear tires
- Mulch cover included

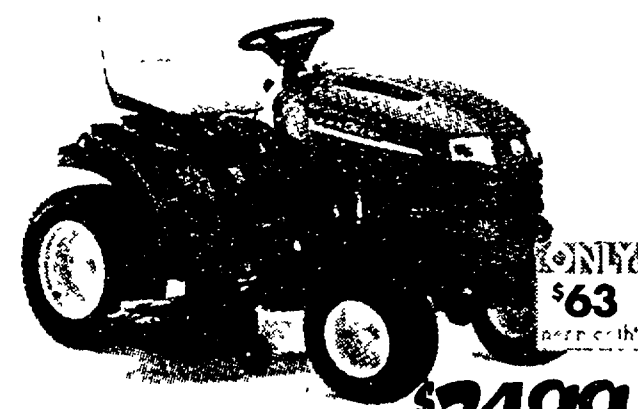
L100 BG20249 (305112)



25.0 HP 54" Automatic Garden Tractor

- 25.0 HP Kohler V-Twin OHV
- Automatic transmission
- 54" mower deck with The Edge™ cutting system
- 3 Blade system cuts 1" x 4"
- 3 U.S. gal. fuel system
- 20" turning radius with Sector & Pinion Steering System
- 16 x 7.5 - 8 front tires, 24 x 12 x 12 rear tires

G100 BG20258 (304889)



23.0 HP 48" Automatic Deluxe Lawn Tractor

- 23.0 HP Kohler V-Twin OHV
- Automatic transmission with cruise control
- 48" mower deck with The Edge™ cutting system
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- 2.1 U.S. gal. fuel system
- 18" turning radius with Sector & Pinion Steering System
- 16 x 6.5 - 8 front tires, 22 x 9.5 - 12 rear tires
- Mulch cover included

L130 BG20253 (304335)



Lawn Tractor 42" 2-Bag Rear Bagger Attachment

- Fits John Deere models L100 and L110 (289664)

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\$289



Lawn Tractor Canopy Attachment

- Fits John Deere models L100, L110, L120 and L130 (205558)

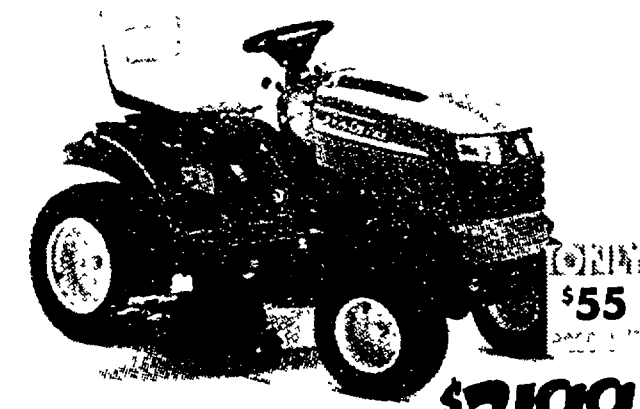
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Lawn Tractor Front Bumper Attachment

- Fits John Deere models L100, L110, L120 and L130 (256196)

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20.0 HP 48" Automatic Deluxe Lawn Tractor

- 20.0 HP Briggs & Stratton® V-Twin Intek OHV
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- 48" mower deck with The Edge™ cutting system
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- Mulch cover included

L120 BG20252 (307166)

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TORO LAWN MOWER and TORO ELECTRIC TRIMMER†



6.5HP 22" 3-in-1 High Wheel Mower

- 4-Cycle GTS® (guaranteed-to-start) engine
- Variable speed, self-propelled with front-wheel drive
- Recoil starter and 22" steel deck
- 3-in-1 combo: rear bag, mulch plug and side discharge (rear bag included)
- 2 year full warranty (444741)

\$299



12" Straight Shaft Electric Trimmer

- 3.9 Amp motor
- No-tool spool replacement
- Trigger grip
- Exclusive cord-lock system prevents extension cord disconnections
- 2 year full warranty (912359)

\$29.94



21" Harmony® Automatic 2-in-1 Mower

- 2-in-1 versatility mulch and bag
- Xenoy® deck, will not rust or dent
- Exclusive Honda QuadraCut™ Twin Blade System (686336)

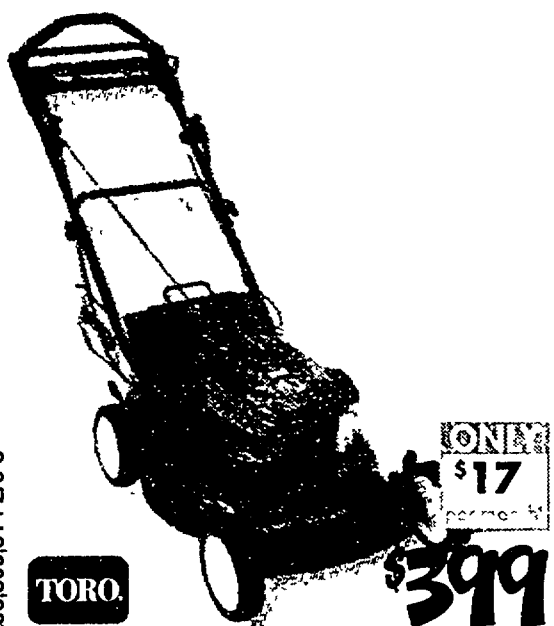
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21" Harmony® II 3-Speed Self-Propelled 3-in-1 Mower

- 3-in-1 versatility mulch, bag and side discharge
- 21" steel deck
- Twin Blade Honda QuadraCut™ System (229543)

\$469



6.5HP 22" Personal Pace® Mower with Keyed Electric Start

- 4-cycle GTS® Key-Lectric® engine, electric start (charger included)
- Personal Pace® self propel, rear wheel drive system
- 3-in-1 combo: includes rear bag, mulch plug and side discharge
- 2 year full warranty (445105)

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6.5HP 22" Personal Pace® 3-in-1 Mower

- 4-cycle GTS® (guaranteed-to-start) engine
- Recoil starting system
- Personal Pace® self-propel, rear wheel drive system
- 3-in-1 combo: includes rear bag, mulch plug and side discharge
- 2 year full warranty (445086)

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15" Trim and Edge Straight Shaft Electric Trimmer

- 4.0 Amp motor
- Edge guide/Vegetation guard included
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- No tool spool replacement
- 2 year full warranty (805491)

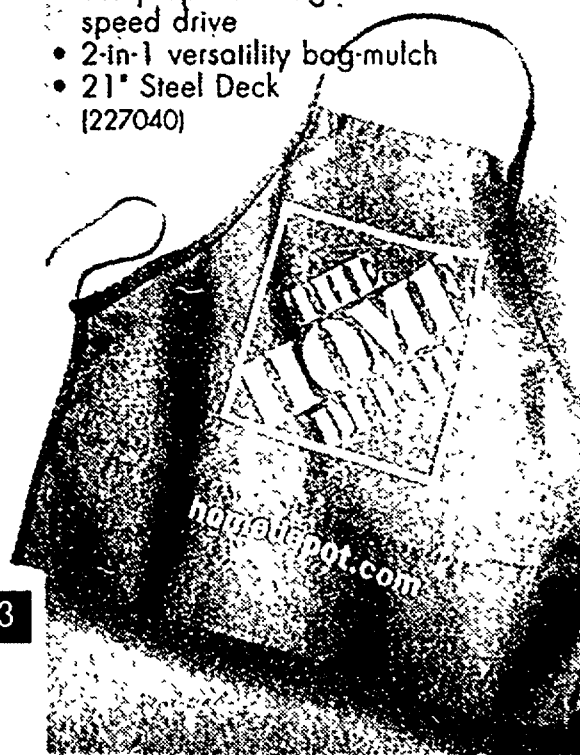
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21" Harmony® II 2-in-1 Steel Deck Rear Bag Mower

- Self-propelled single speed drive
- 2-in-1 versatility bag-mulch
- 21" Steel Deck (227040)

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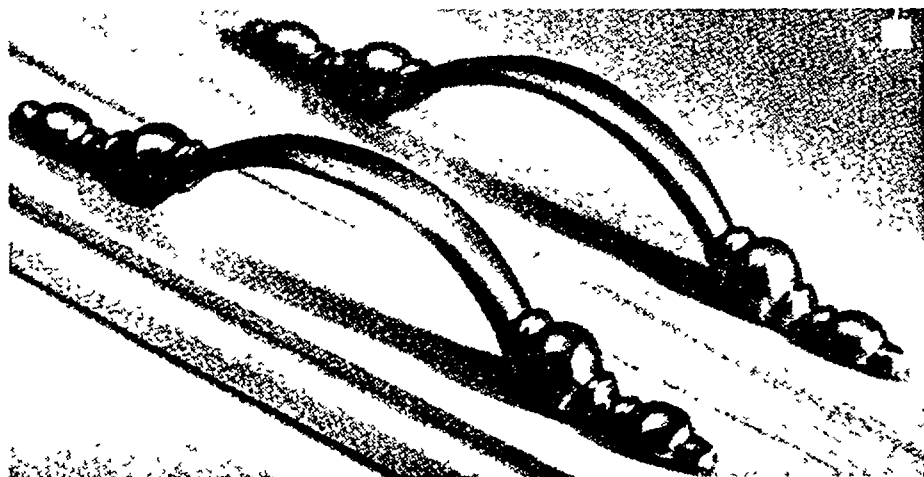
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Up to \$200 in Cabinet Hardware with Purchase of Installed Kitchen



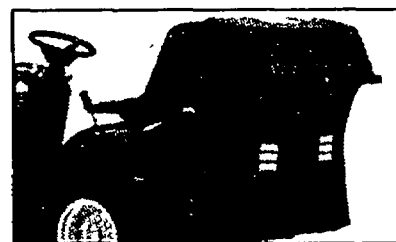
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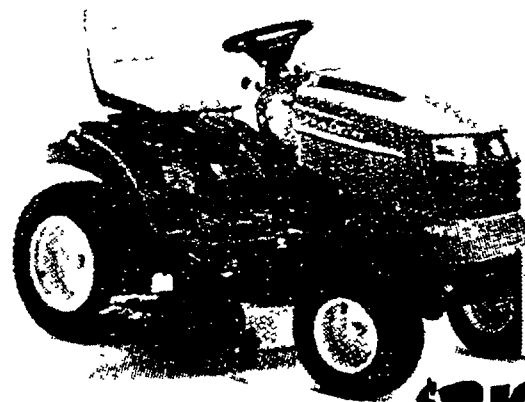


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Tractor



\$55
per 10 lbs

\$2199

20.0 HP 48"

Automatic Deluxe Lawn Tractor

- 20.0 HP Briggs & Stratton® V-Twin Intek OHV
- Automatic transmission with cruise control
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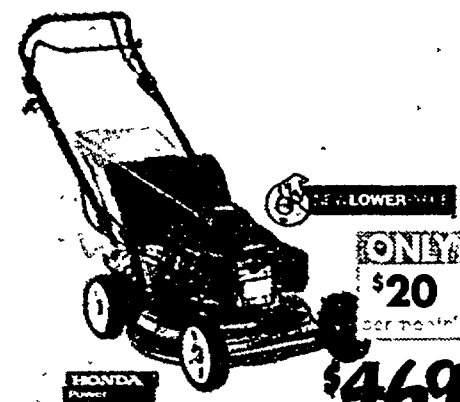


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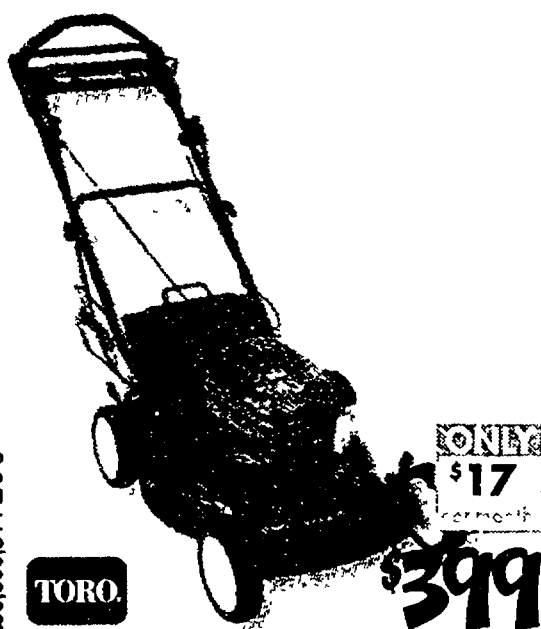


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- 21" steel deck
- Twin Blade Honda QuadraCut™ System (229543)

ONLY \$20

\$469

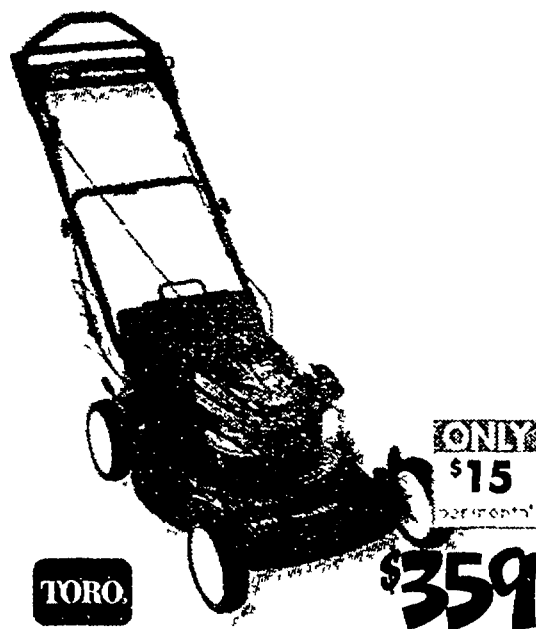


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- 3-in-1 combo: includes rear bag, mulch plug and side discharge
- 2 year full warranty (445105)

ONLY \$17

\$399



6.5HP 22" Personal Pace® 3-in-1 Mower

- 4-cycle GTS* (guaranteed-to-start) engine
- Recoil starting system
- Personal Pace® self-propel, rear wheel drive system
- 3-in-1 combo: includes rear bag, mulch plug and side discharge
- 2 year full warranty (445086)

ONLY \$15

\$359



15" Trim and Edge Straight Shaft Electric Trimmer

- 4.0 Amp motor
- Edge guide/Vegetation guard included
- Variable cutting width system provides more control when trimming and edging
- No tool spool replacement
- 2 year full warranty (805491)

ONLY \$15

\$39

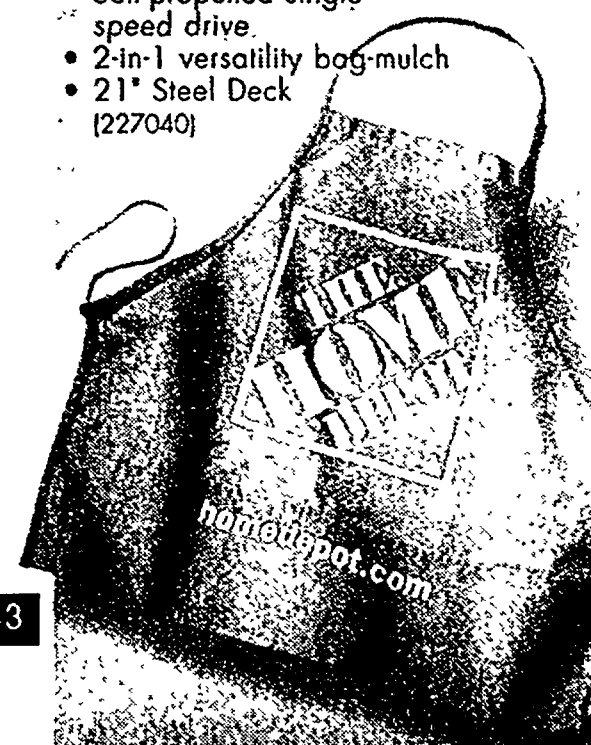


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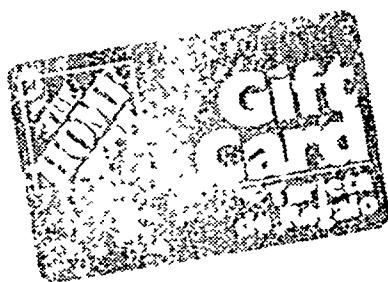


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Philips offers a wide range of light bulbs to meet most household lighting needs. Duramax™ long-life bulbs are the newest addition to Philips' portfolio of long life bulbs, and can be found at The Home Depot®. We carry a wide assortment of light bulb shapes, sizes and wattages that fit most household needs, including your living room, dining room, kitchen, bathroom, bedroom, hallway or even your home office.

PHILIPS



3-Pack BR30 Longer Life Flood Bulbs
• 65-watt
• Lasts 1-1/2 years
• For use in indoor recessed lighting (392572)

THAT'S ONLY
\$3.32
Per Bulb
When you buy the 3 pack

\$9.97



2-Pack Par38 Halogen Flood Bulbs
• 90-watt
• Lasts 2,000 hours
• For indoor or outdoor use (197305)

\$8.97



Halogená Floodlight Bulb
• 60-watt
• Lasts 3,000 hours
• Ideal for hard-to-reach fixtures (382561)

\$5.99 ea.



DuraMax 3-Pack 3" White Globe Bulbs
• 40-watt
• Lasts 2 years
• Medium base (149411)

\$4.97

THAT'S ONLY
\$1.66
Per Bulb
When you buy the 3 pack



\$3.97 ea.
DuraMax 5" White Globe Bulb
• 60-watt
• Lasts 2 years
• Medium base (148763)

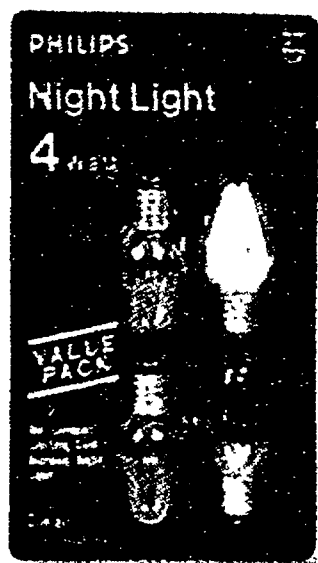


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DuraMax 3" Clear Globe Bulb
• 40-watt
• Lasts 2 years
• Medium base (177818)



Halogená Classic™ Light Bulb
• 60-watt
• Lasts 2 years
• Ideal for hard-to-reach fixtures (630355)

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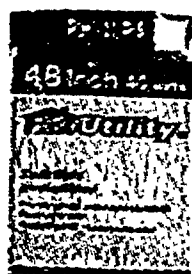
THAT'S ONLY
74¢
Per Bulb
When you buy the 4 pack
\$2.94
4-Pack Clear Night Light Bulbs
• 4-watt
• Lasts 3,000 hours
• Candelabra base - for standard night lights (334361)



THAT'S ONLY
34¢
Per Bulb
When you buy the 4 pack
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DuraMax 4-Pack Soft White Bulbs
• 40-watt
• Lasts 1 year
• Soft, white light (153003)



THAT'S ONLY
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When you buy the 10 pack
\$13.27
10-Pack 4' T12 Fluorescent Tubes
• 34-watt
• Lasts 20,000 hours
• Replaces standard F40 cool white lamps in commercial grade fixtures (135655)



\$3.99
2-Pack 4' T12 Utility Tubes
• 40-watt
• Lasts 20,000 hours
• Basic light for the home (154271)



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4' T8 Fluorescent Tube
• 32-watt
• Lasts 24,000 hours
• For use with electronic ballasts (362538)

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DuraMax
LONG LIFE LIGHT BULBS

**BR40
Floodlight Bulb**

- 85-watt
- Lasts 1-1/2 years
- For use in indoor recessed lighting (179276)

\$4.97
ea.



DuraMax
LONG LIFE LIGHT BULBS

**BR30
Floodlight Bulb**

- 65-watt
- Lasts 1-1/2 years
- For use in indoor recessed lighting (179121)

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**Halogená
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- 25-watt
- Candelabra base with stylized flame shape
- Brilliant sparkle (430495)

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ea.



\$3.99
ea.

**LongerLife®
Clear Post
Light Bulb**

- 100-watt
- Lasts 4,000 hours
- Medium base (239617)



**19-Watt PAR38
Floodlight Bulb**

- Excellent energy saving solution for standard flood light bulbs
- Lasts 8,000 hours
- Can be used indoors and outdoors (774265)

\$9.97
ea.



**3-Pack 14-Watt
Mini-Spiral Bulbs**

- Excellent energy saving solution for standard 60-watt bulbs
- Lasts 6,000 hours
- Warm, white light output (353374)

THAT'S ONLY \$2.16
Per Bulb
When you buy the 3 pack

\$6.49



**DuraMax
4-Pack Clear
Decorative Bulbs**

- 40-watt
- Lasts 1-1/2 years
- Provides decorative sparkle for light fixtures (179381)

THAT'S ONLY 49¢
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When you buy the 4 pack

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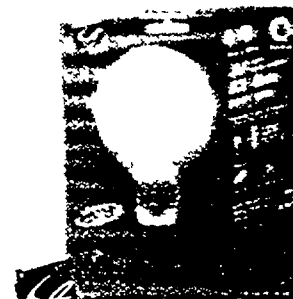


**DuraMax
4-Pack Frosted
Decorative Bulbs**

- 40-watt
- Lasts 1-1/2 years
- Frosted light bulbs add a soft glow for light fixtures (179443)

THAT'S ONLY 49¢
Per Bulb
When you buy the 4 pack

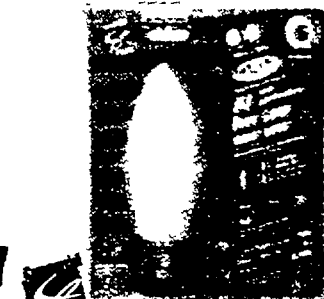
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**9-Watt G25
Globe Bulb**

- Excellent energy saving solution for standard globe bulbs
- Lasts 8,000 hours
- Ideal for bath vanities and decorative fixtures (774702)

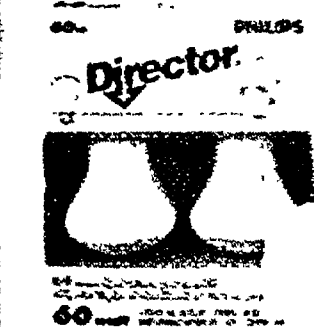
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**14-Watt Decorative
Torpedo Bulb**

- Excellent energy saving solution for standard 60-watt bulbs
- Lasts 8,000 hours
- Decorative shape ideal for exposed sockets (774707)

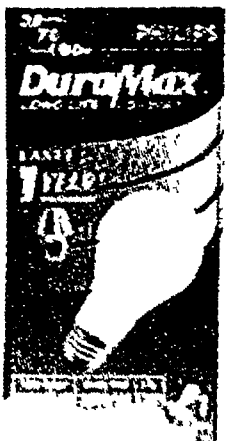
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**Director
2-Pack Soft White
Director Bulbs**

- 60-watt
- Lasts 2,000 hours
- Directs 35% more light to where you need it (335767)

\$4.79



\$1.47
ea.

DuraMax
LONG LIFE LIGHT BULBS

**3-Way Soft
White Bulb**

- 30-70-100-watts
- Lasts 1 year
- Control the amount of light you need (186350)



**14-Watt
Mini A-Lamp Bulb**

- Excellent energy saving solution for standard 60-watt bulbs
- Lasts 8,000 hours
- Small size fits anywhere a standard incandescent fits (771428)

\$6.97
ea.



lighting

LAMPS | TRACK



\$982

Halogen Desk Lamp*

- Black
- Adjusts from 3" to 18" to direct light where you need it
- On/off switch located on base
- Durable plastic construction
- Includes (1) 20-watt halogen bulb (120974)



\$1492

Halogen Desk Lamp*

- Blue finish with black accents
- Adjusts from 3" to 19" height
- Hi/low switch on base
- 4-3/4"W x 20"H
- Includes 50-watt halogen bulb and 12-volt transformer (121078)

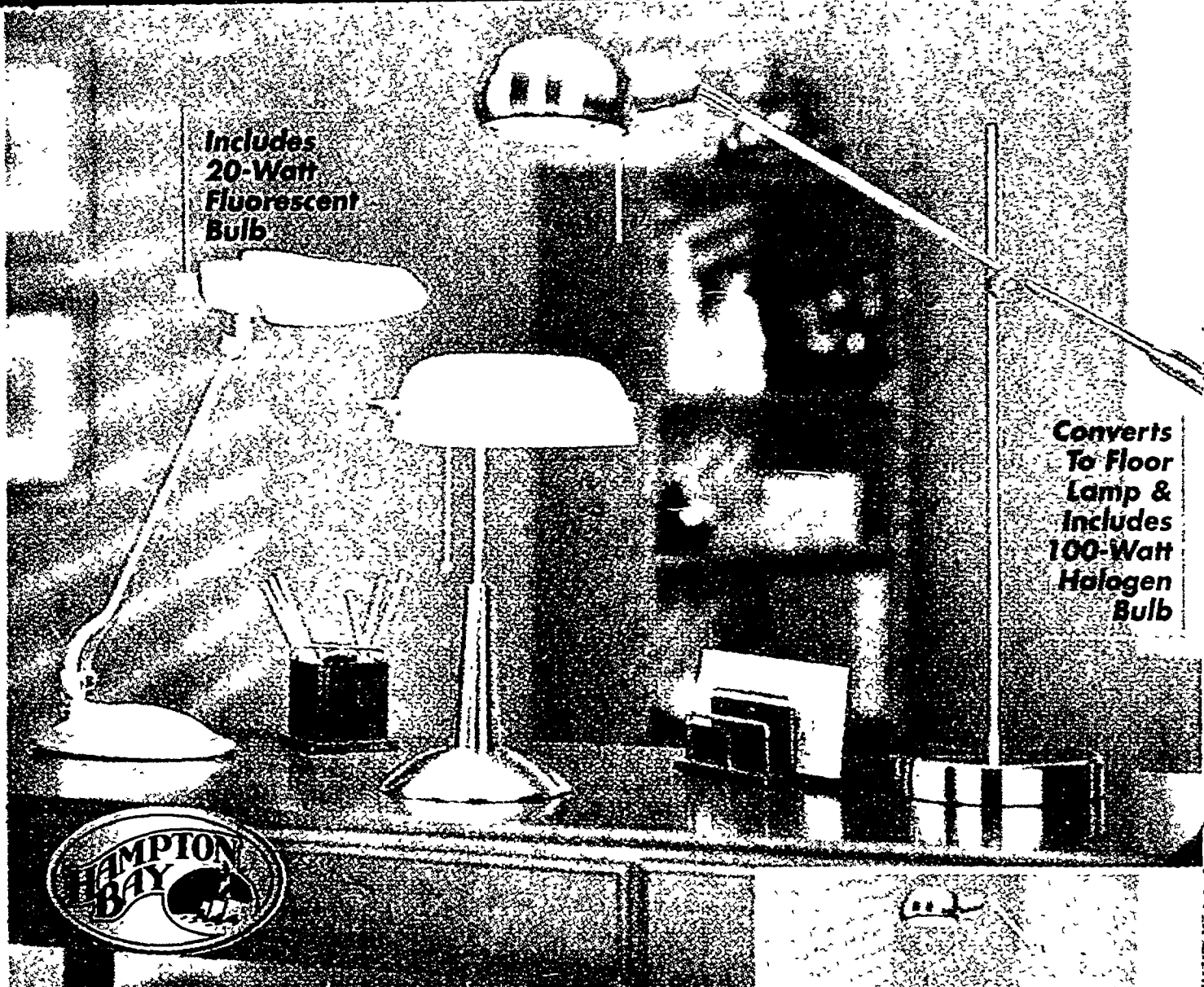


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Halogen Desk Lamp*

- Satin black finish with silver accent
- Frosted glass diffuser
- 4-position touch switch
- Polycarbonate construction
- Includes (1) 100-watt max Type J halogen bulb (121790)

Includes
20-Watt
Fluorescent
Bulb



Frosted Shade Fluorescent Desk Lamp*

- Silver and white finish
- Adjusts from 8" to 19" in height
- On/off switch on head
- Includes (1) 3U screw-in 20-watt fluorescent bulb (122132)

\$3978

Bankers Desk Lamp

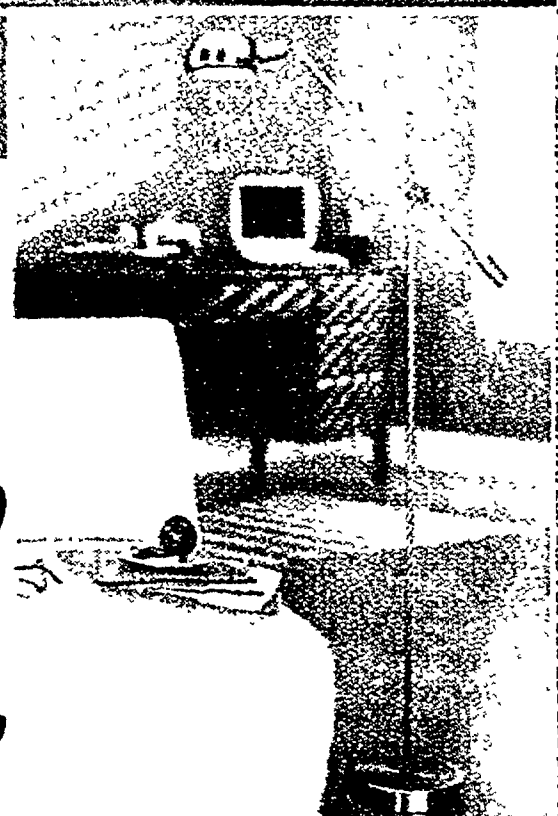
- Brushed steel finish with white oval glass shade
- Metal construction with up/down adjustable arm
- On/off pull switch
- Uses (1) 60-watt max bulb** (215517)

\$3490

Convertible Desk/Floor Lamp*

- Brushed steel finish with tempered glass glare-free diffuser cover
- Adjusts to 36" desk lamp or 58" floor lamp
- High/low switch on shade
- Includes (1) 100-watt halogen bulb (561022)

\$3486

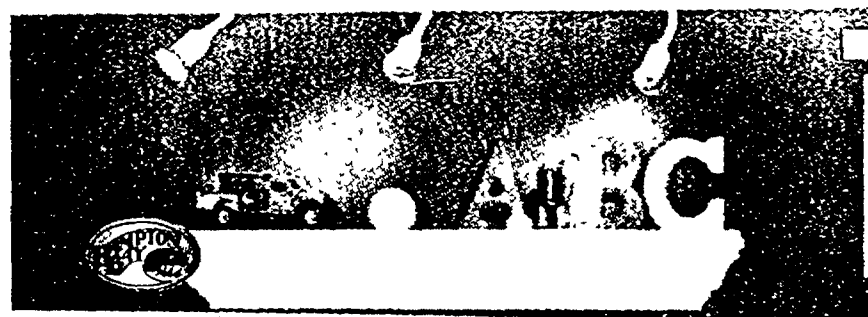


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Duotrack 5-Light Track Kit

- Chrome finish with platinum accents
- Kit includes (5) directional heads with frosted glass shades, 70" track, 105-watt transformer, mounting hardware, instructions (440774)

Includes (5)
20-Watt MR16
Shielded Bulbs



Gooseneck 3-Light Track Kit

- White
- Kit includes (3) 12" bendable neck track heads for unlimited directional lighting, a 44" track section, floating power feed and (3) 50-watt halogen 120-volt GU10 bulbs (146195)

\$3992

Additional Gooseneck Track Head (146255) **\$8.96**

Includes
(3)
50-Watt
Halogen
Bulbs



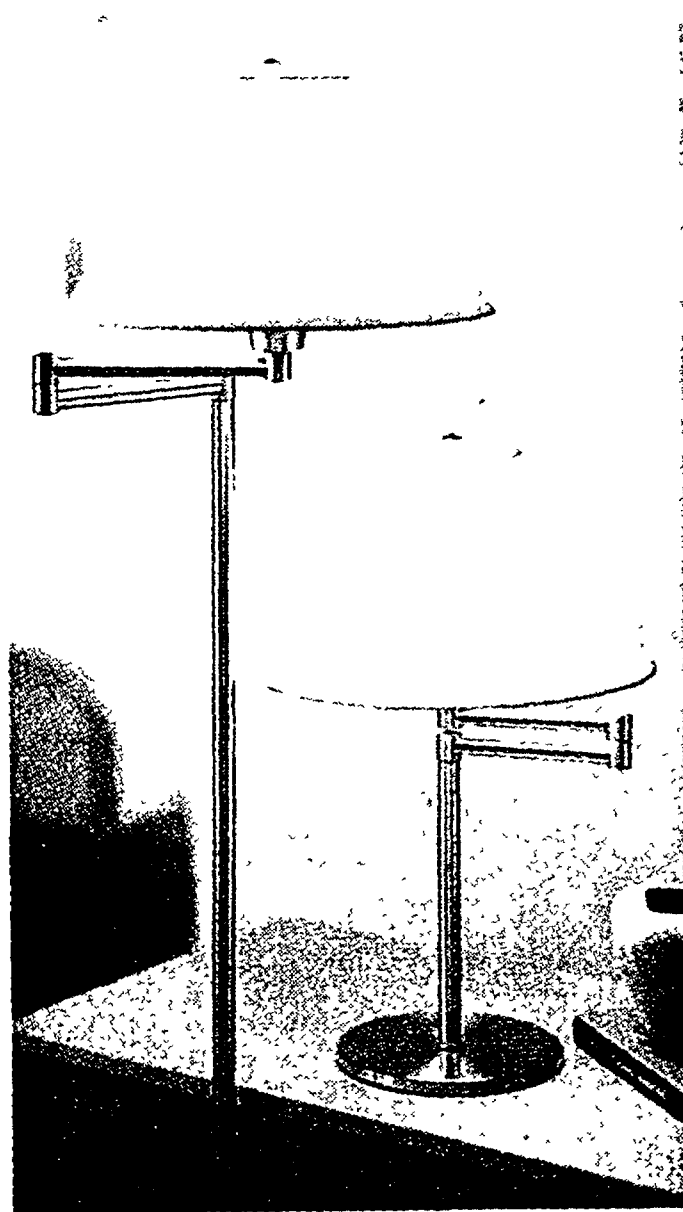
\$38⁸⁶

**Elegant
Antique Gold
Table Lamp***

- Dark walnut finish with antique gold accents
- Black parchment shade with gold foil lining
- 28"H
- Gold ball finial
- 3-way switch
- Uses (1) 3-way type A 100-watt max bulb** (102299)

**Matching
Floor Lamp***

- 59-1/2"H
- (102097) **\$77.86**



\$34⁷⁷

**Swing Arm
Table Lamp***

- Brushed steel finish
- White fabric shade
- 22-1/2"H
- Heavy duty swing arm extends 19"
- All metal construction with low profile cast base
- Uses (1) 3-way 100-watt max medium base bulb** (126738)

**Matching
Floor Lamp***

- 56"H
- (125784) **\$49.99**



\$37⁸²

**Solid Brass
Table Lamp***

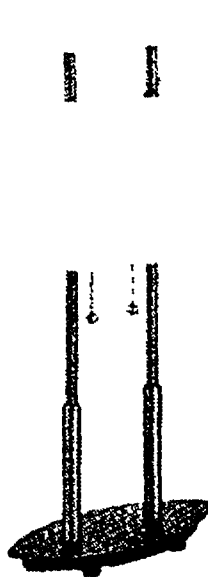
- Solid brass column and base
- Stretched fabric shade
- 27"H
- 3-way lighting
- Uses (1) 3-way 150-watt max type A bulb** (148624)



\$29⁹⁶

**Crystal & Brass
Accent Lamp***

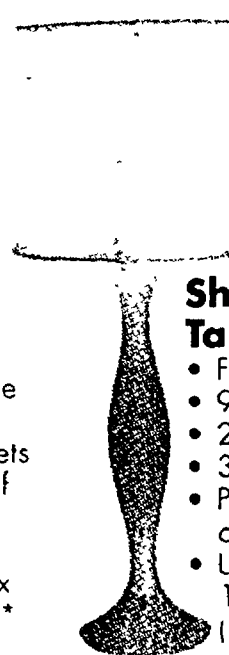
- Crystal with brass accents
- White softback bell shade with piping
- 22"H
- Rotary switch
- Uses (1) 60-watt max type A bulb** (581209)



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**Oval Twin Pull
Table Lamp***

- Brushed steel finish
- 15" white linen shade
- 20"H
- Twin pull chain sockets can be turned on/off individually
- Metal construction
- Uses (2) 60-watt max medium base bulbs** (125575)



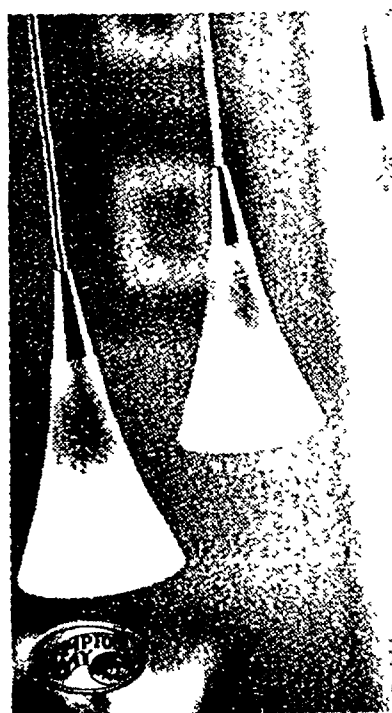
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Table Lamp***

- Frosted blue finish
- 9" shabby chic shade
- 25-1/2"H
- 3-way socket
- Polyresin construction
- Uses (1) 3-way 100-watt max bulb** (124868)

**Glass Trumpet
Track Pendant**

- Mottled yellow glass trumpet pendant with brushed steel finish hardware, gray wire and white track connector
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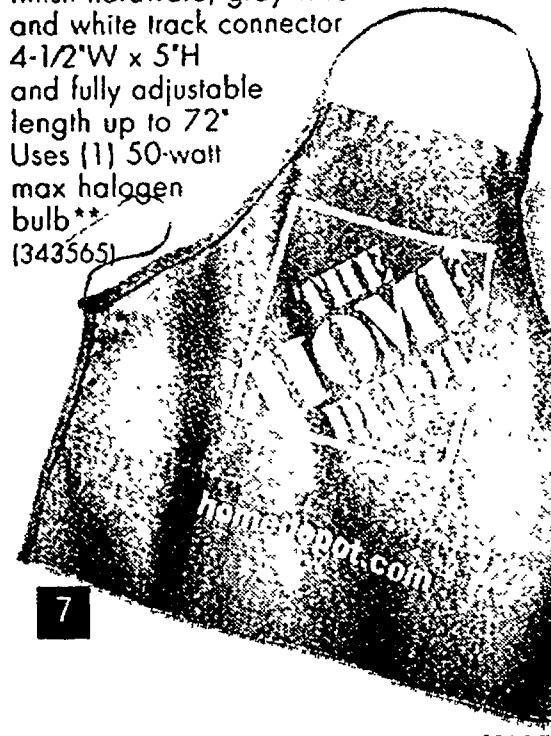
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- (555214) **\$7.96**



**Glass-in-Glass
Track Pendant**

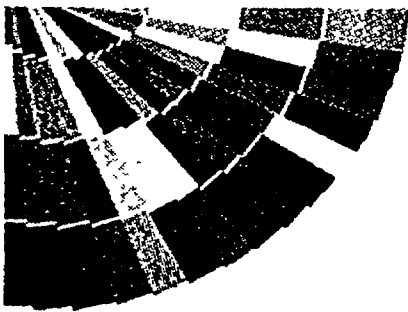
- White frosted glass inside clear glass pendant with brushed steel finish hardware, gray wire and white track connector
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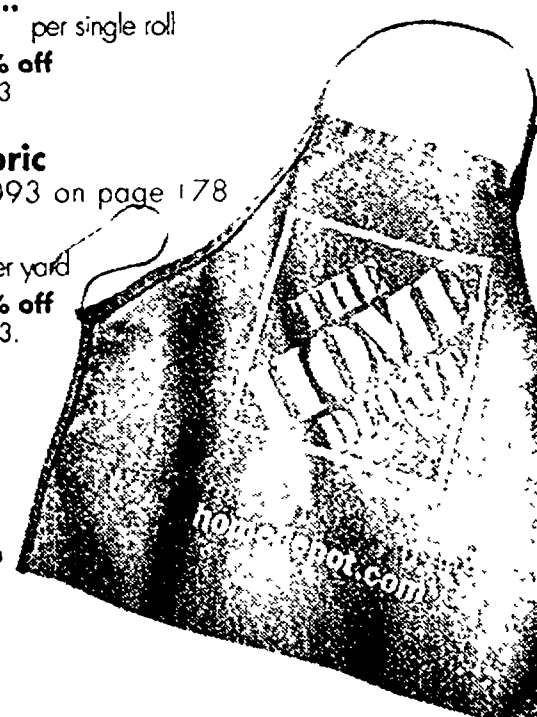
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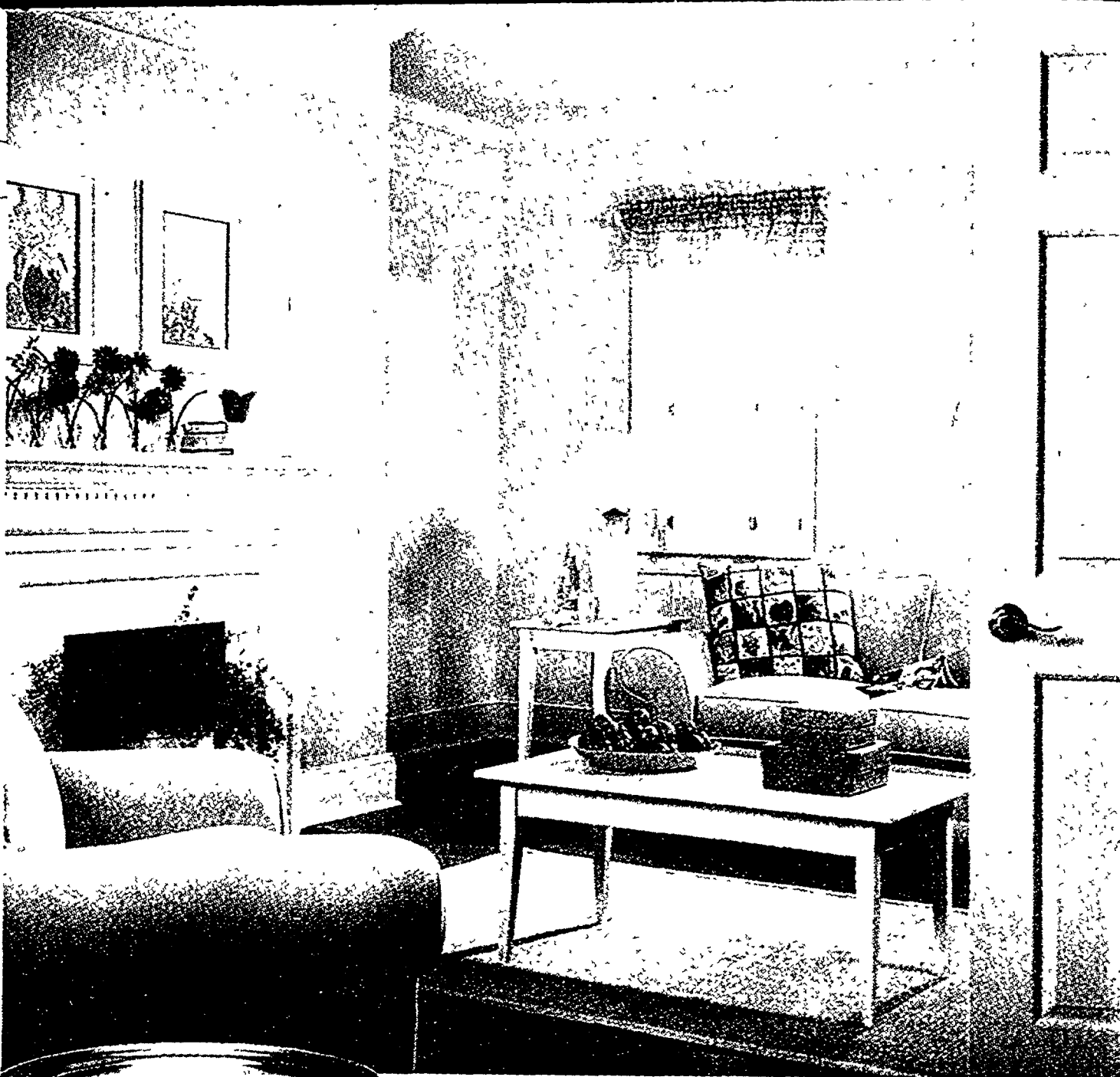
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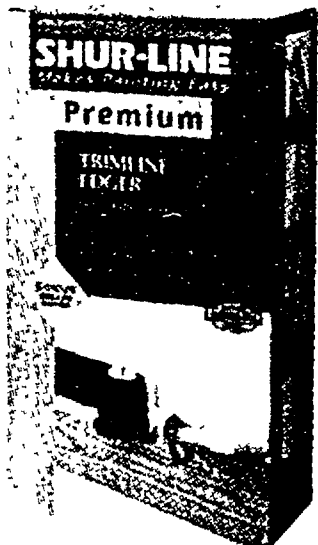
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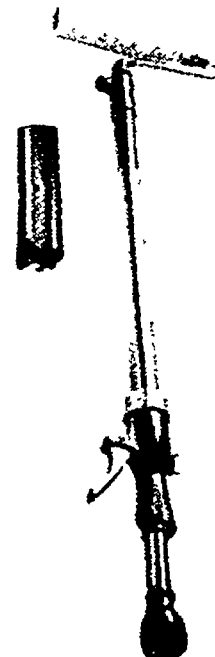


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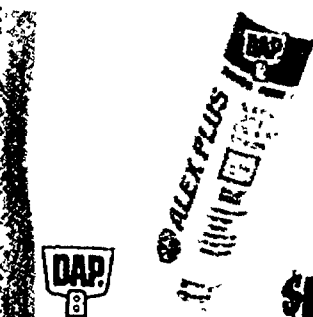
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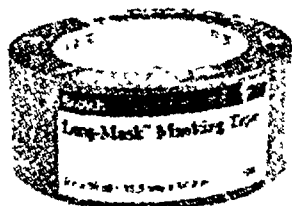
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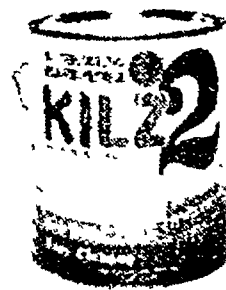
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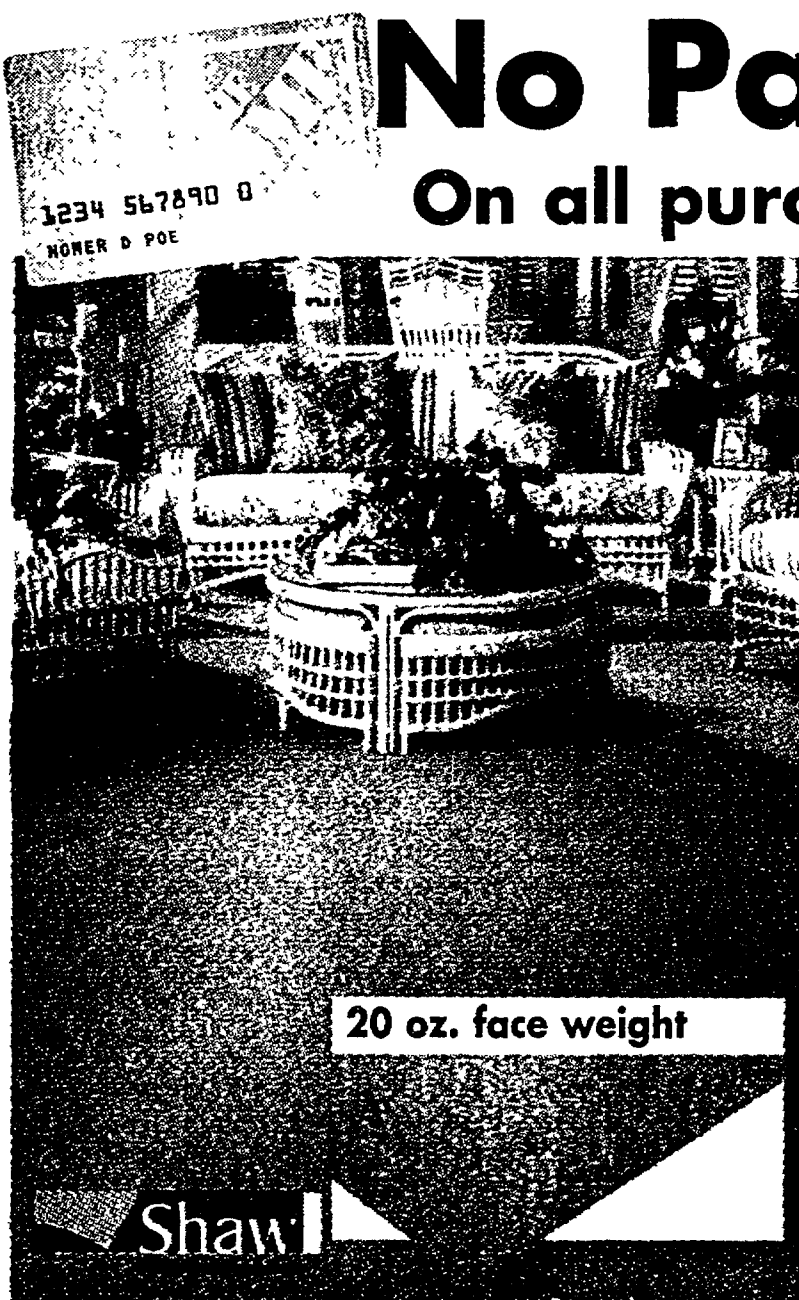
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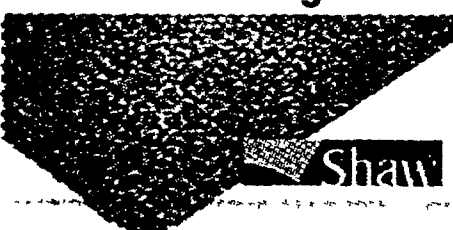
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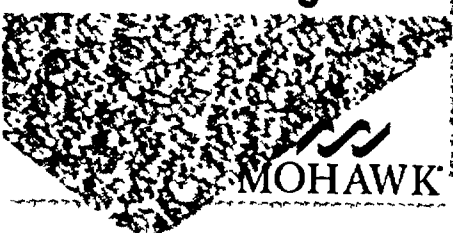
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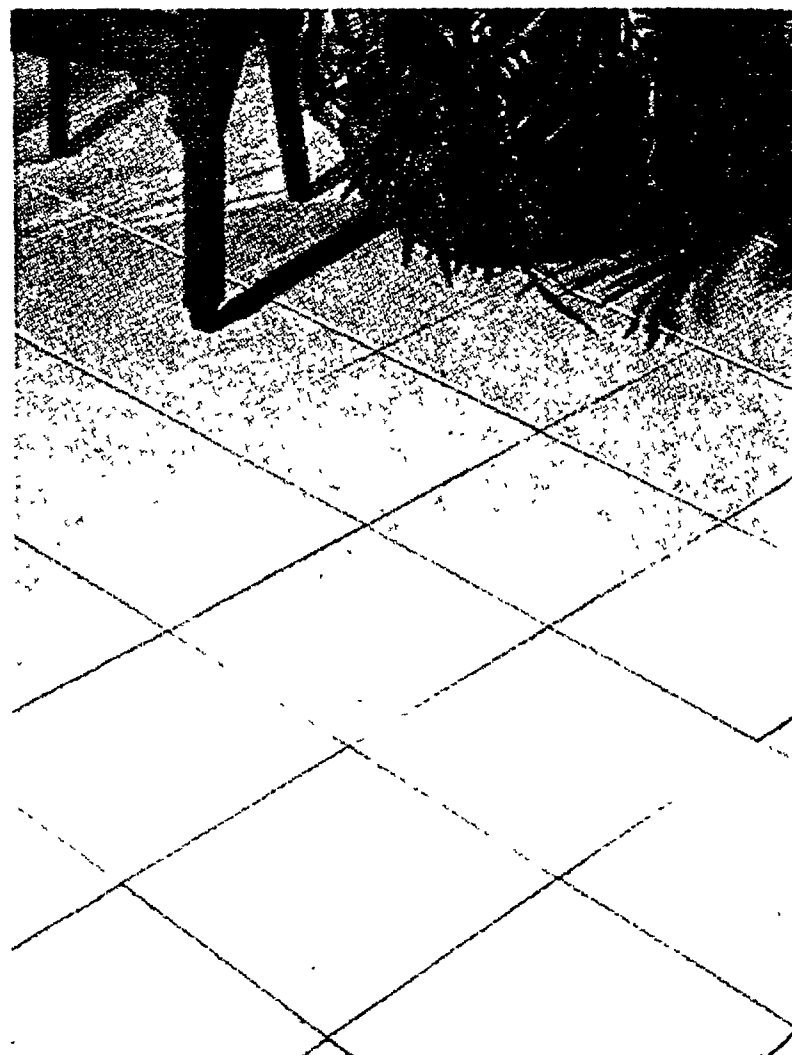
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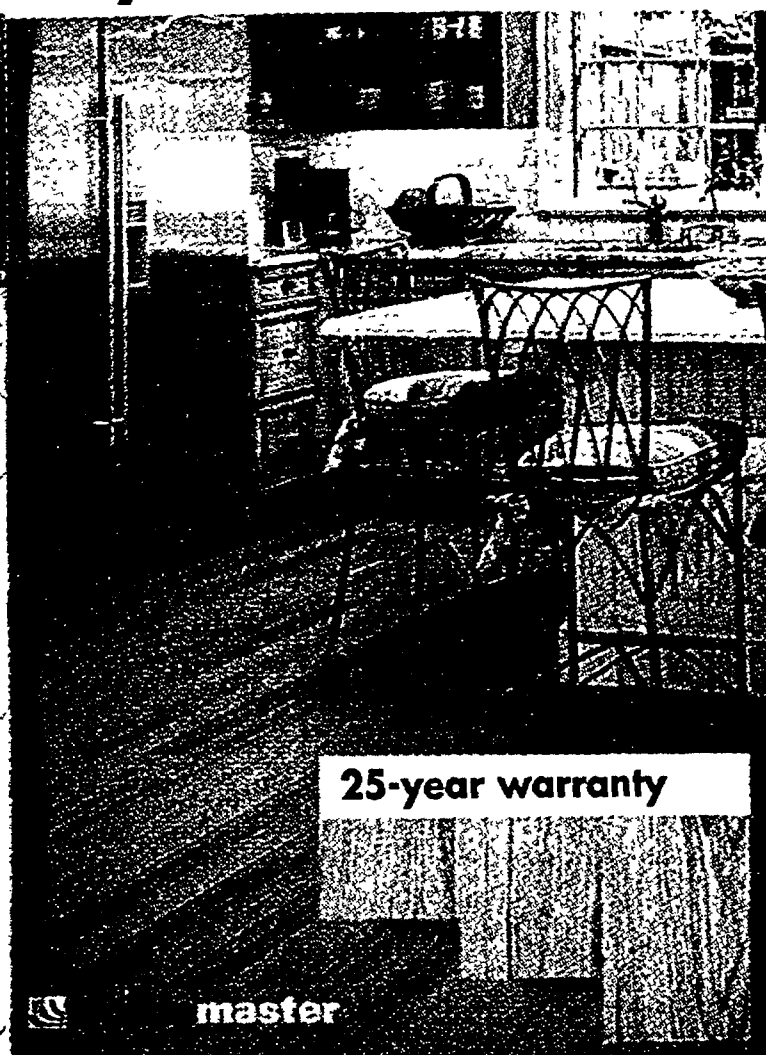
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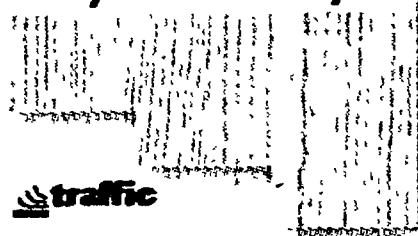
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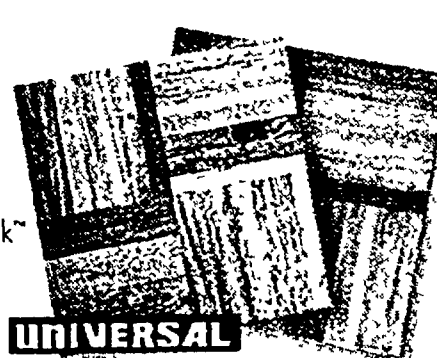
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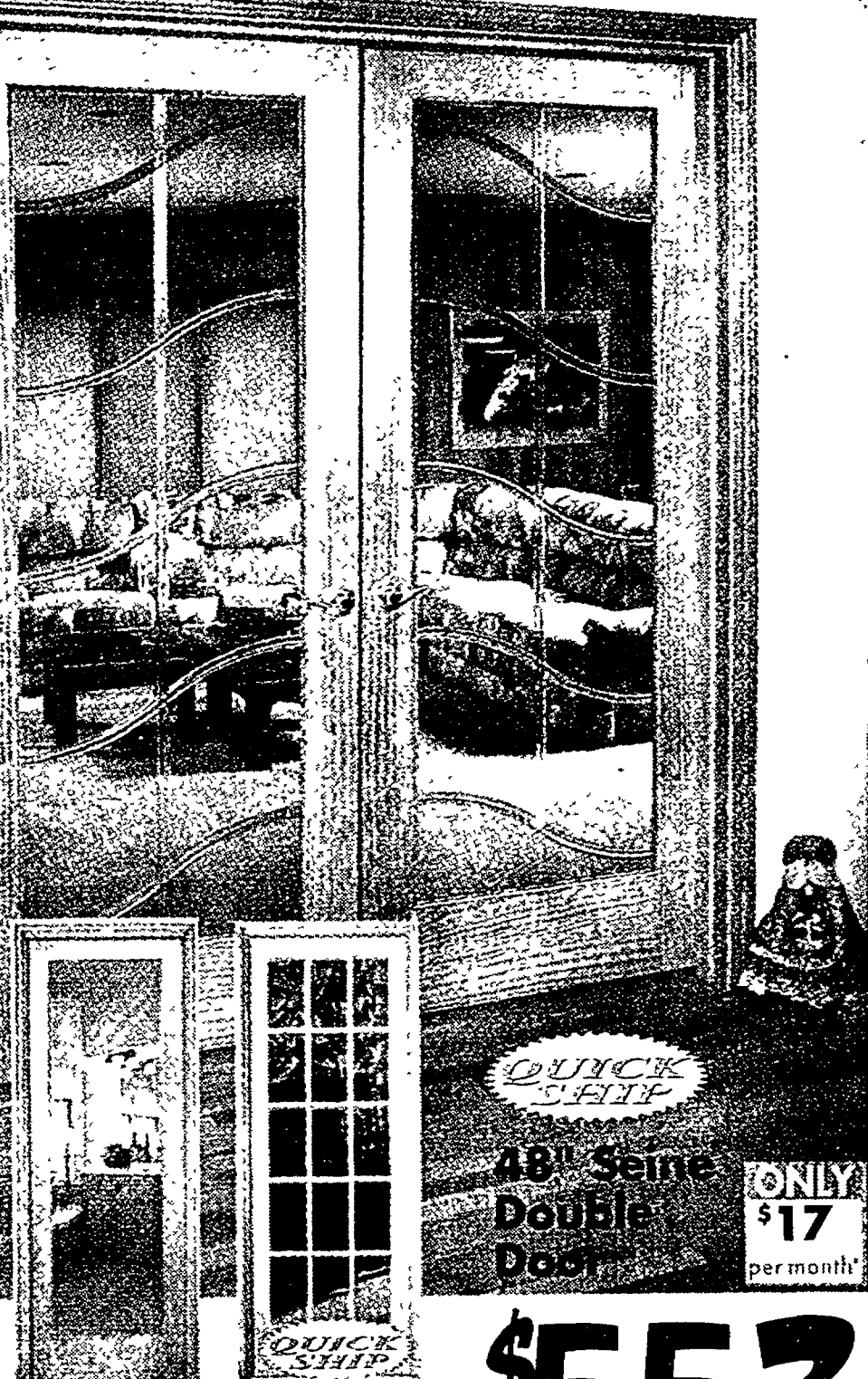
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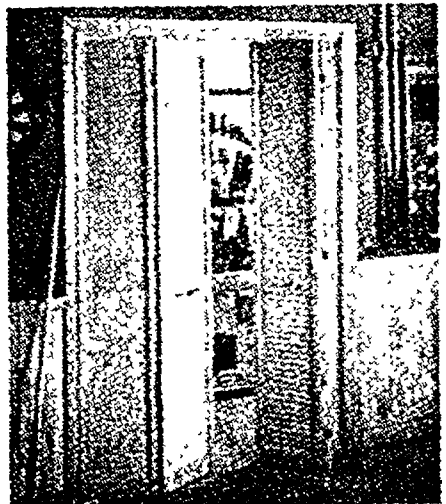
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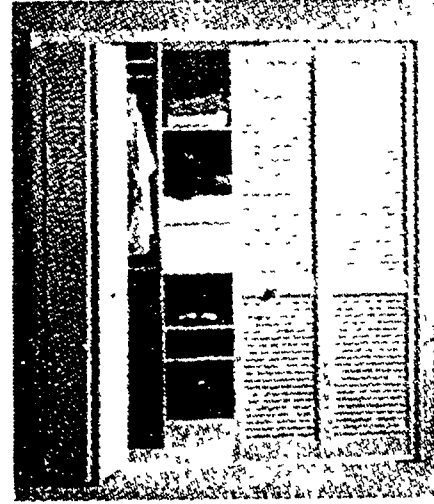
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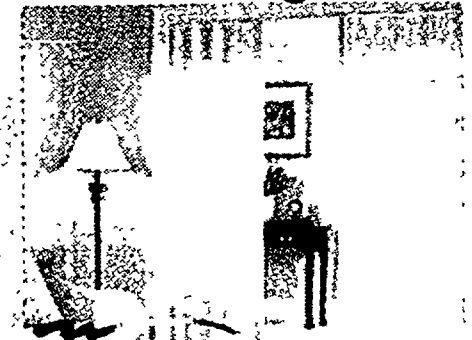
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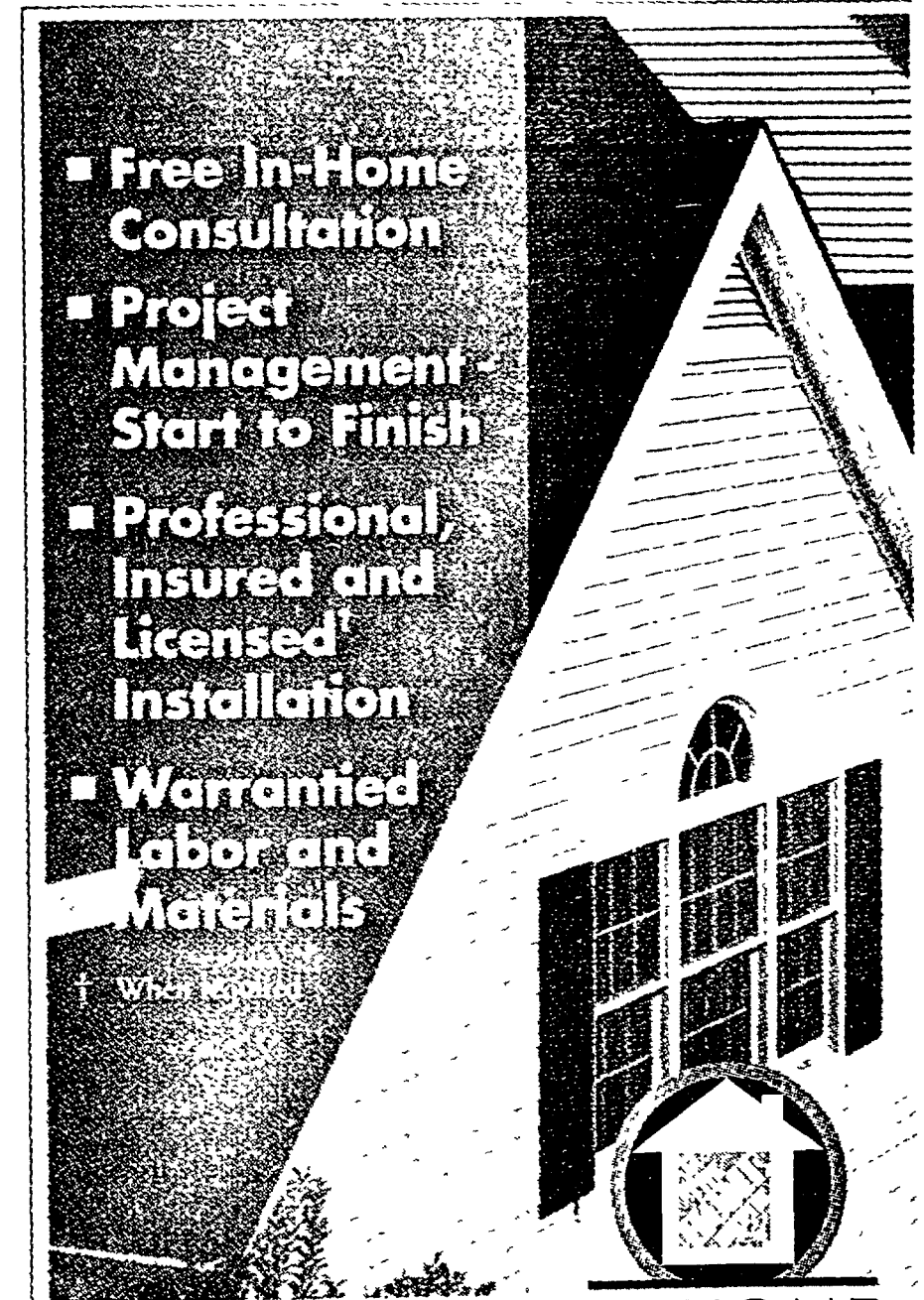


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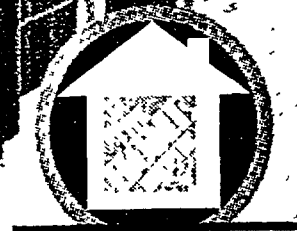


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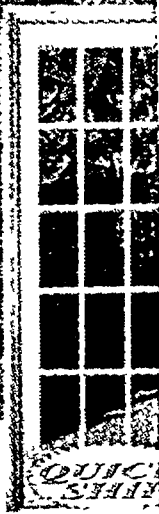
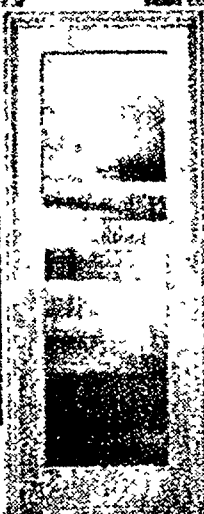
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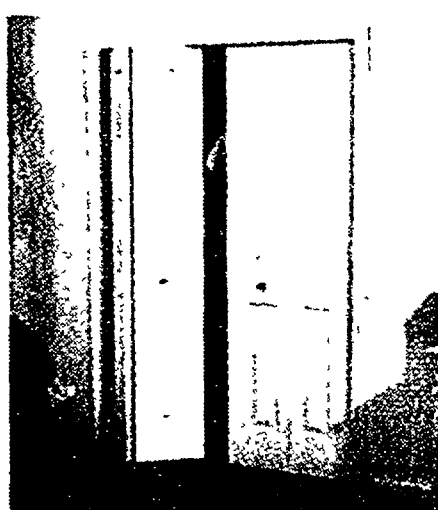
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**Moulded 6-Panel
Bi-Fold Door**

- 80" high
- Includes track and hardware
- 2 sets shown

SIZE	SKU	price
24"	(311574)	\$29.00
30"	(311579)	\$33.00
36"	(311601)	\$38.00



**Pine Louvered
Bi-Fold Door**

- 80" high
- Includes track and hardware
- 2 sets shown

SIZE	SKU	price
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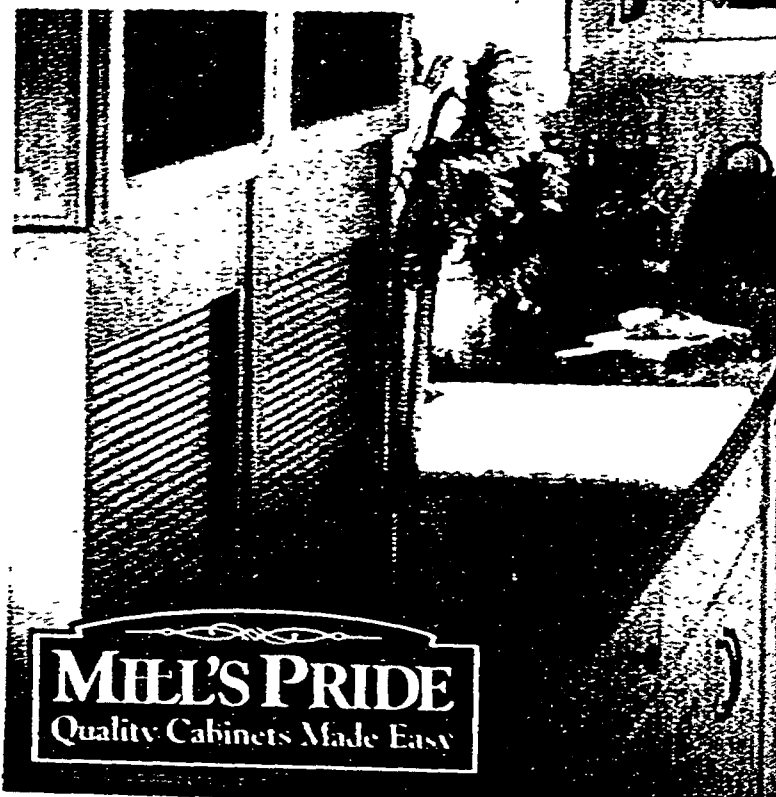
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A Far Cry From Work

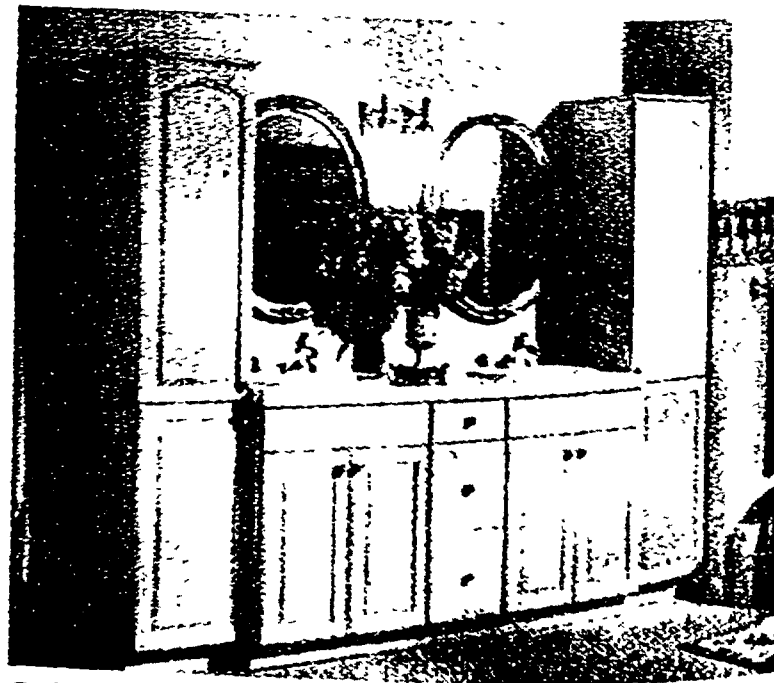
Transform a space in your home to keep bills and paperwork under control. A desk, bookshelves and cabinets can give you a practical workspace.



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Hartford - Natural Maple

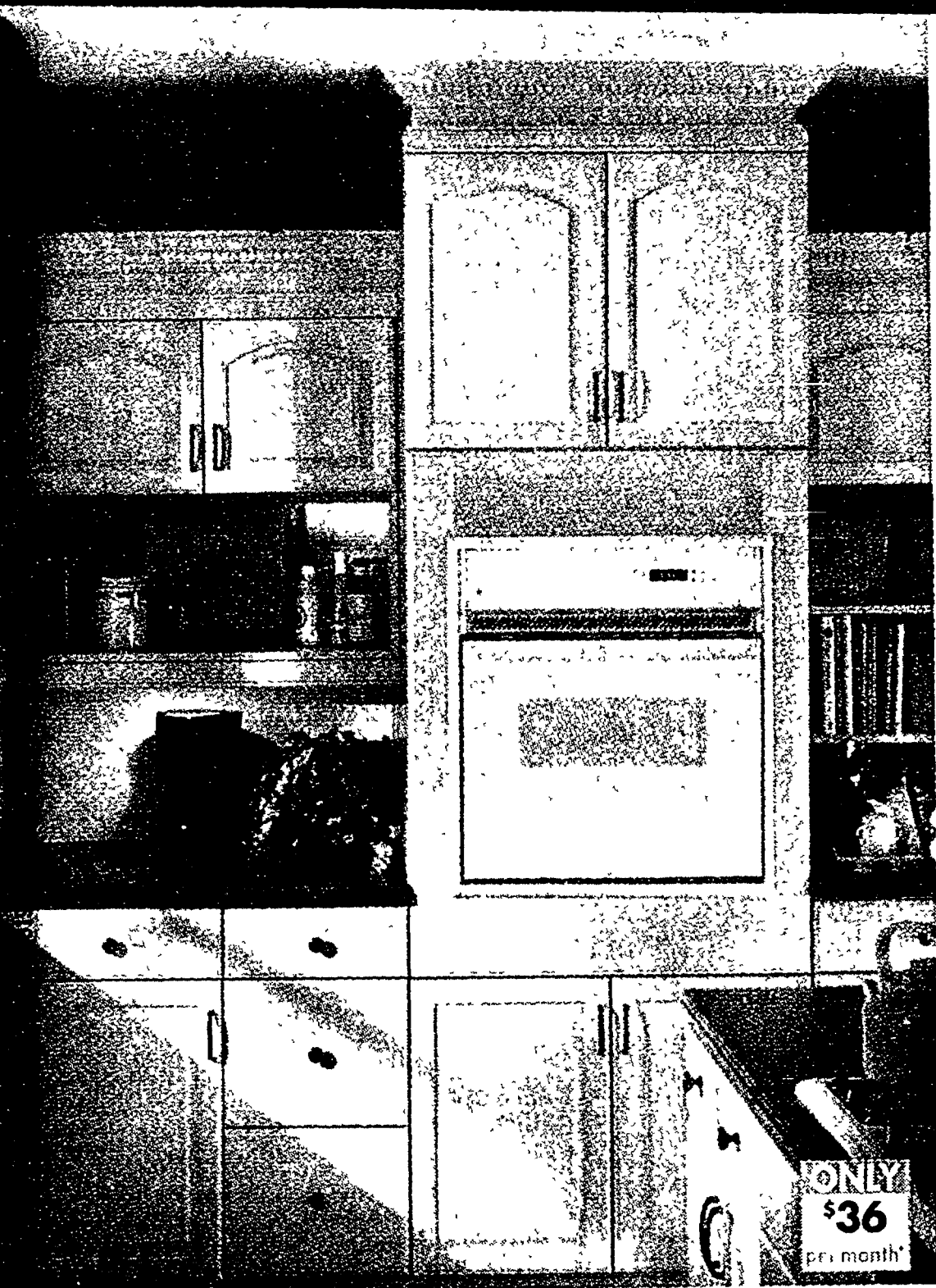
New England charm and the tones of natural maple create a timeless style for Hartford. The genre arch of the upper door frames is rendered in natural glass doors and decorative mitches.



Private and Practical Baths

Our impressive line of master bathroom cabinetry was built with two in mind. Tall linen cabinets, vanities with spacious shelving and extra deep drawers provide abundant space for bath goods.

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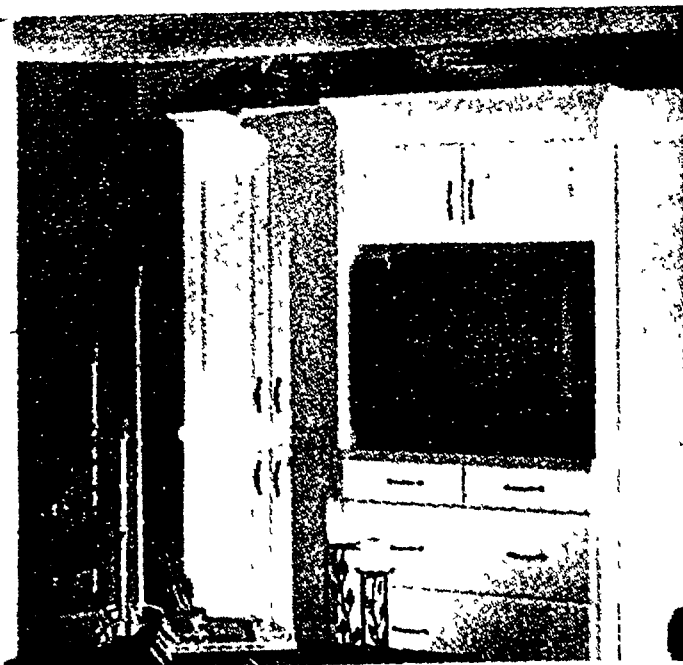


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\$1284**

(Based on a 10' x 10' kitchen sample)

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All From The Comfort Of Home

Create the ultimate entertainment center in your family room. Spacious wall cabinets can discreetly house your electronics, CDs, DVDs, books, videos and games. It's everything you need to have fun at home.



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"Go to your room" may lose its effectiveness when your kids have a Mill's Pride bedroom. Wall cabinets can store most anything. Be creative and organize a room with plenty of functionality.

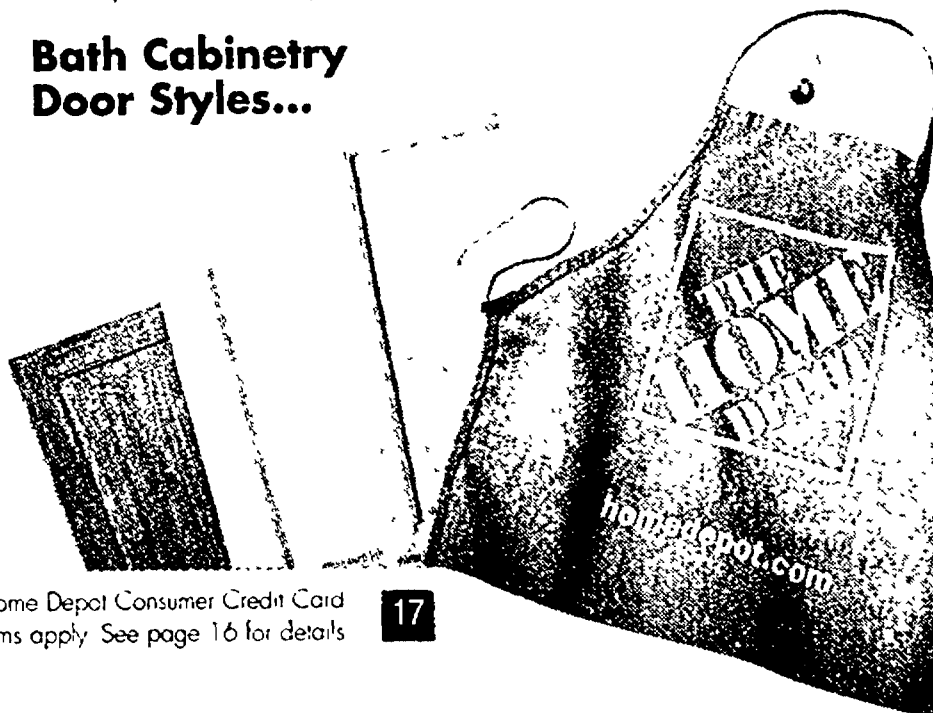


Clean Up Your Act

You won't consider laundry such a chore when you have everything you need at your fingertips. Our cabinetry provides ample storage and organization for all your laundry needs.

**Prices are for comparison purposes based on a base 10' x 10' L-shaped kitchen. The price for your kitchen may vary according to size and options. Countertop, fixtures and appliances sold separately.

Bath Cabinetry Door Styles...



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appliances

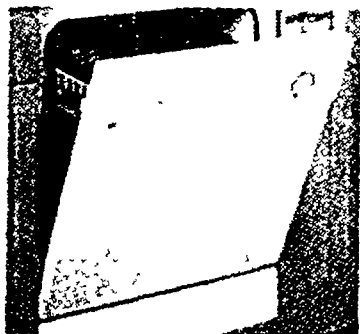
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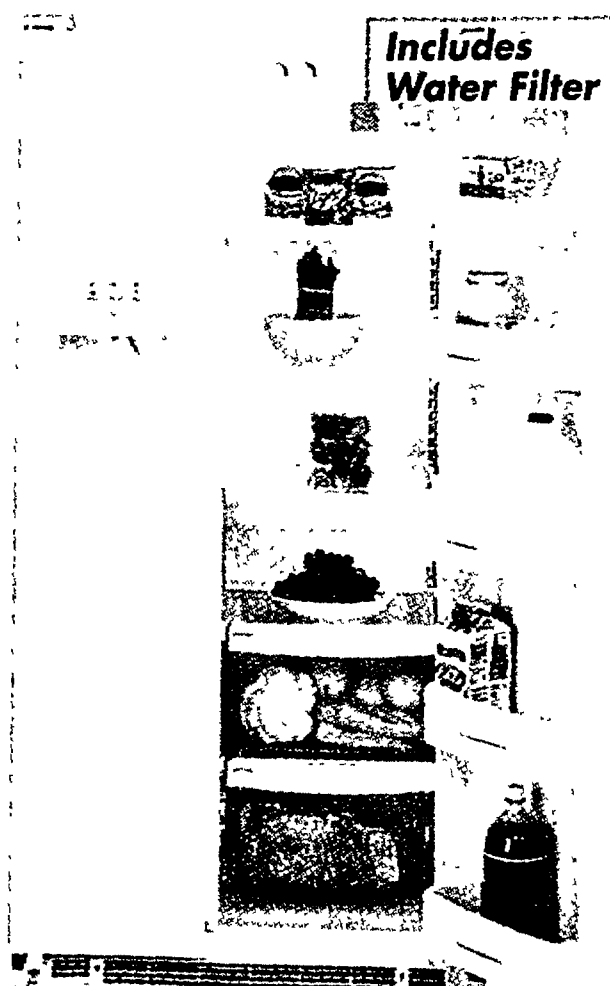
Built-In
Dishwasher

- Available in
white, black
or bisque
- Standard wash system
with 2 wash levels
(114174, 114206, 519480)

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Includes
Water Filter



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24.9 Cu. Ft. Side-by-Side Refrigerator

- Upfront temperature controls
- Three adjustable spill-proof glass
fresh-food cabinet shelves
- Four modular fresh-food door
shelves, 2 with gallon storage
- Water filtration for cleaner, better-
tasting water
- Adjustable humidity
vegetable/fruit crisper
- Adjustable temperature deli pan
(574666, Depot Direct 207292)

Wood's

SPECIALBUY

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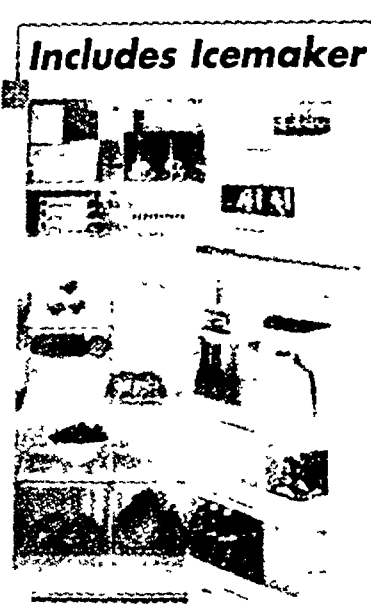
5.0 Cu. Ft. Chest Freezer

- Stores up to 185 lbs.
of food
- Adjustable thermostat
- Top row basket
C05HDA (508217)

7.0 Cu. Ft. Chest Freezer

C07HDA (508556) **\$169.00**

Includes Icemaker

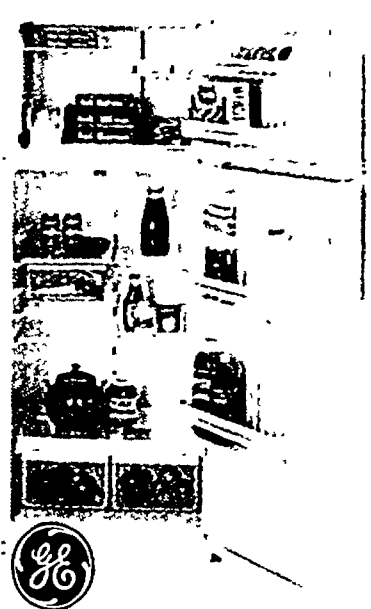


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20.2 Cu. Ft. Refrigerator

- Three adjustable glass
fresh-food cabinet shelves
(2 split, 1 full width)
- Upfront temperature
controls in fresh-food
section
- Two clear
fruit/vegetable crispers
(Depot Direct 292282)

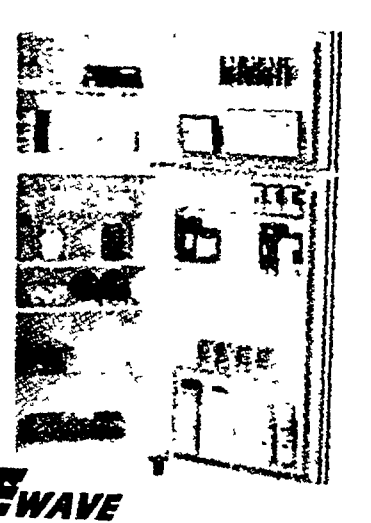


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17.6 Cu. Ft. Refrigerator

- Three adjustable fresh-
food cabinet shelves
- Two fixed fresh-food
gallon door shelves
- NeverClean™
condenser
GTS18FBWWW (823856
Depot Direct 821040)



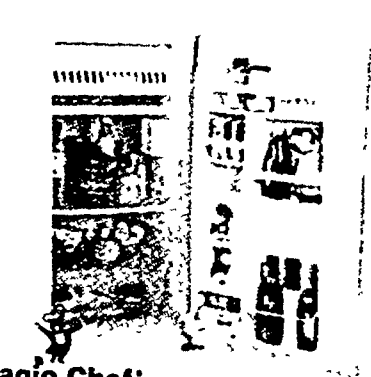
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11.5 Cu. Ft. Refrigerator

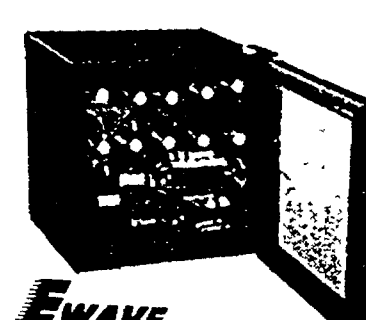
- Frost free
- Adjustable temperature
control
- Wire shelf
- Durable door storage
EWR121W (558040)



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4.4 Cu. Ft. Mini Refrigerator

- White only
- Reversible rounded
door with recessed
handle
- Full-range temperature
control
MCBR440W (760384)



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16-Bottle Capacity Wine Cooler

- Adjustable temperature
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- Double panel
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MCWC16M (334028)

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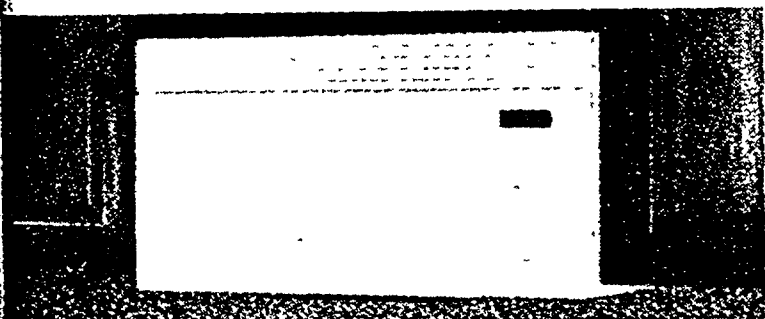
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- RGB746HEDWH (396990, Depot Direct 656201)

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 - Self-clean oven with self-clean latch
 - Two 6" and two 8" ribbon heating elements
- (459439, Depot Direct 745721)

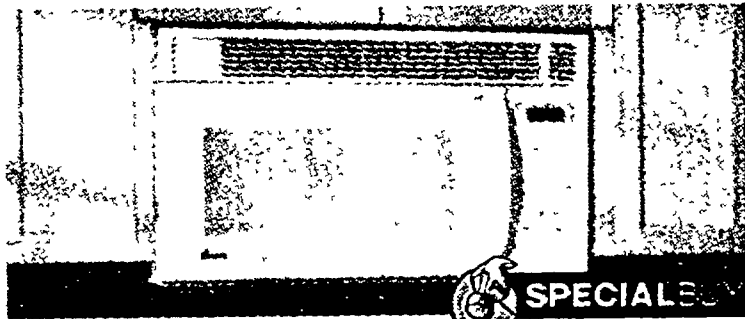


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Spacemaker® Over-The-Range Microwave Oven

- Available in white or black
 - 1.5 cu. ft. oven cavity, 1000 watts
 - Electronic touch controls
- JVM1533WD (249141, 249142)



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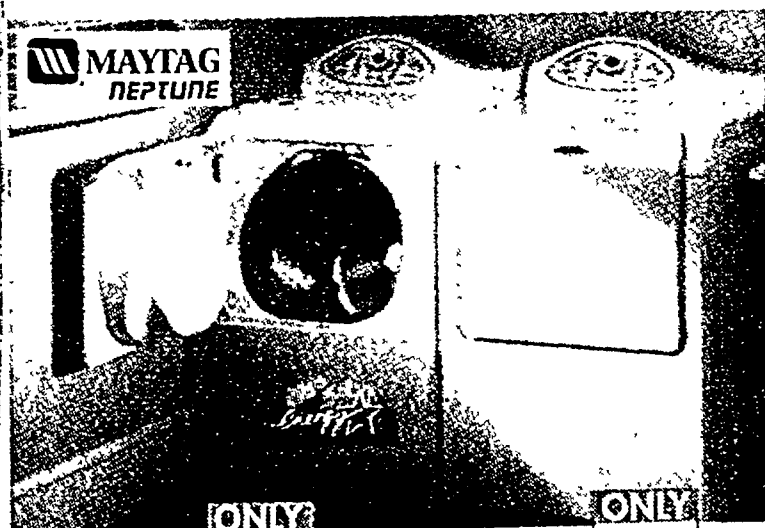
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1.5 Cu. Ft. Over-the-Range Microwave

- Choose from white or black
 - 1,000 watts
 - 6 pre-programmed cooking options
 - While quantities last
- KOT152UW/UB (640408, 638721)

Stainless Steel

KOT151S (367480) **\$137.00**



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Neptune® Washer

- Easy-to-use touchpad controls
 - No-agitator design means less wear and tear, so your clothes look new longer
- MAH5500BWW (818861, Depot Direct 203269)

\$599 ONLY
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per month*

Neptune® Dryer

- Easy-to-use touchpad controls
 - Drying options to help prevent and release wrinkles
- MDE5500AYW (443638, Depot Direct 204396)
Gas dryer also available for an additional cost



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per month*

Super Plus 3.2 Cu. Ft. Capacity Washer

- Variable water levels
 - PermaTuf® II basket with 20-year warranty
- WHDSE820CWW (336565, Depot Direct 353596)

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per month*

7.0 Cu. Ft. Capacity Dryer

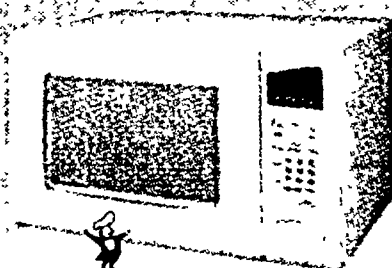
- Automatic dry control monitors temperature, shutting off dryer when proper dryness level is reached
- (267865, Depot Direct 450859)
Gas dryer also available for an additional cost.



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1.0 Cu. Ft. 1100 Watt Microwave

- Glass turntable
 - 10 power levels
- JES1034WF (276437)



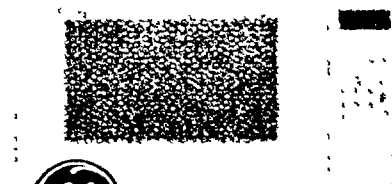
\$5999

0.9 Cu. Ft. 900-Watt Microwave with Turntable

- Choose from white or black
 - 10 power levels
- MCD990W/B (519858, 519759)

Stainless Steel

MCD990SC (777064) **\$69.99**



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0.8 Cu. Ft. 900 Watt Microwave with Turntable

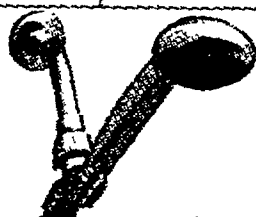
- 10-power levels
 - 3 menu 1-touch pre-programmed cooking
- JES831WF (276039)



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- Includes shower arm mount and 6' shower hose
- Chrome finish

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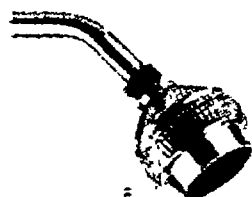
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- 5 distinct shower selections
- Replaces any existing shower head

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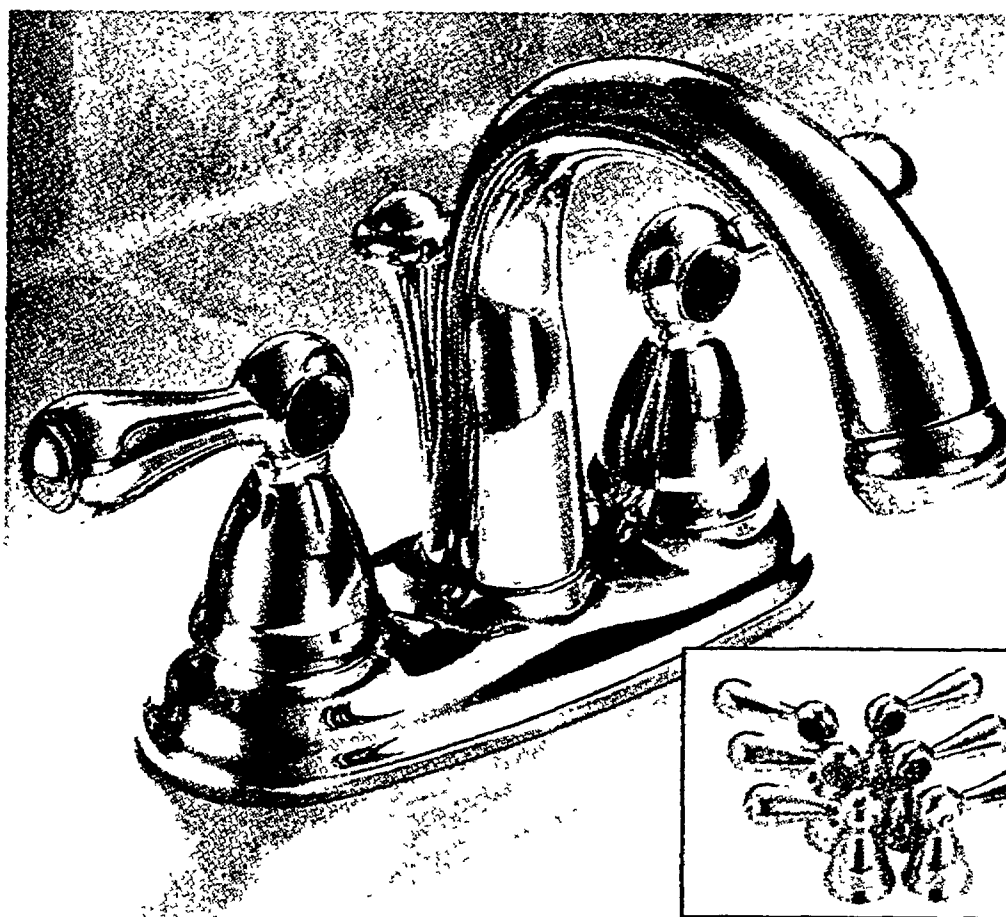
Hand Held Shower Massage

- 3 spray patterns
- 60" kink-resistant hose
- Chrome finish

(495778)

Chrome Wall Mount
Shower Massage

(495786) **\$7.97**



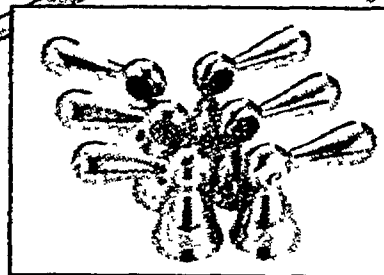
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- Stainless steel valve
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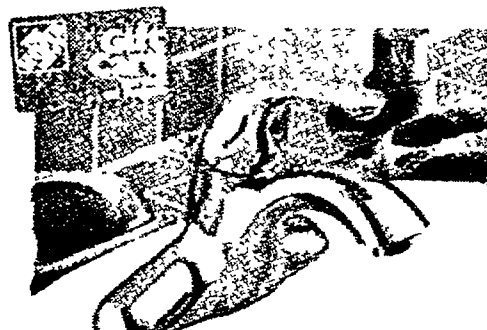


DELTA Two Handle Bath Faucet

- 4" center set
- Elegant Victorian™ handles
- Durable stainless steel valve

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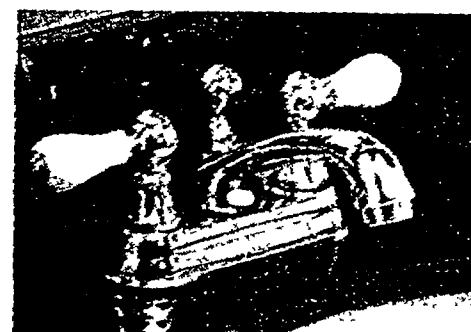


DELTA Innovations® Bath Faucet

- 4" center set
- Chrome finish
- Includes brass pop-up assembly

N540-WFMPU (186085)

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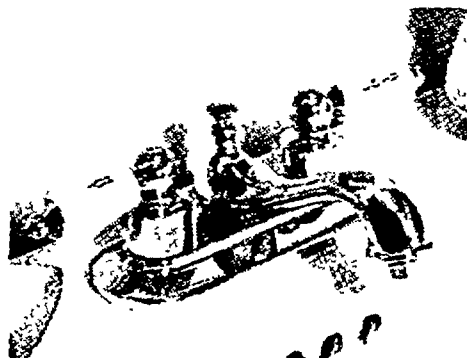


American Standard Williamsburg Bath Faucet

- 4" center set
- Chrome finish
- Includes chrome & porcelain levers

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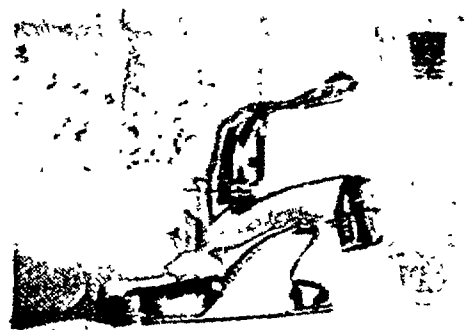


GLACIER BAY Two Handle Bath Faucet

- 4" center set
- Chrome finish
- Includes pop-up assembly

19425B (102856)

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- 4" center set
- Drip free ceramic disc valves
- Includes pop-up assembly

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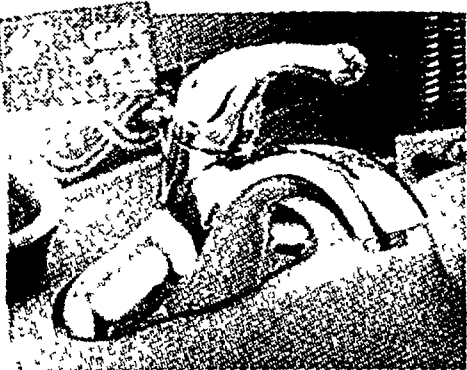
GLACIER BAY Bath Faucet

- 4" center set
- Chrome finish
- Includes pop-up assembly

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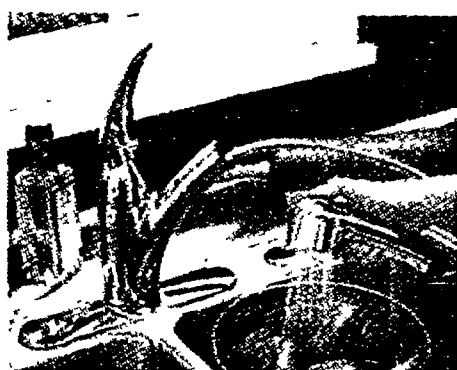
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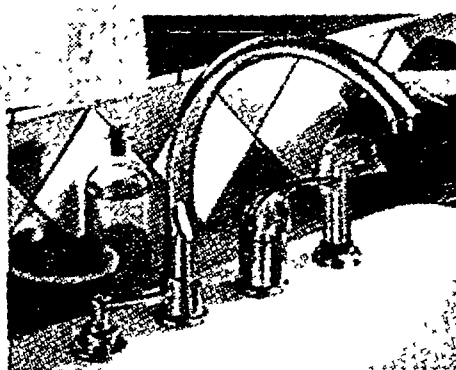
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Innovations®
Bath Faucet
• 4" center set
• Polished brass and chrome finish
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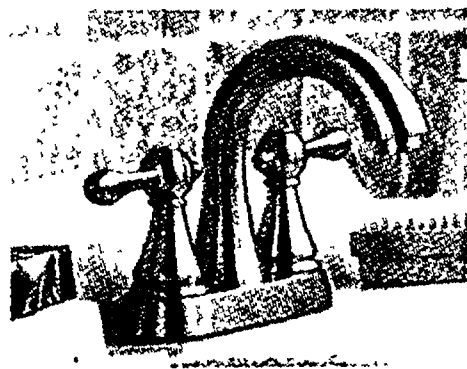
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Extensa™
Pull-Out Kitchen Faucet
• 1 or 3-hole installation
• Chrome finish
• Lifetime warranty
87560C (316173)

\$168



DELTA
Waterfall®
Kitchen Faucet with Spray
• 4-hole installation
• Chrome finish
• Features a high-arc spout
174-WF (786108)

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Pegasus
Two Handle
Bath Faucet
• 3-hole installation
• Brushed nickel finish
• Limited lifetime warranty
N6D255BN (566731)

\$89



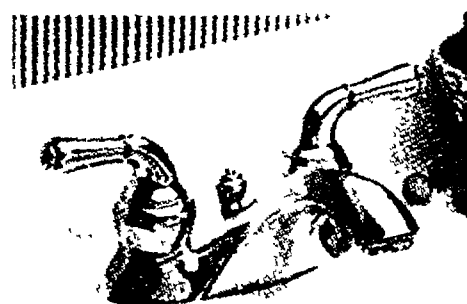
GLACIER BAY
Pull-Out
Kitchen Faucet
• 1 or 3-hole installation
• Chrome finish
• Completely lead free manufacturing
USCR576HD (767843)

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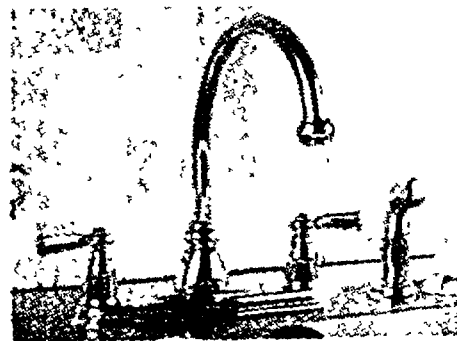
DELTA
Signature™
Pull-Out
Kitchen Faucet
• 1 or 3-hole installation
• Chrome finish
• Spray or aerated stream
HDN-470 (692833)

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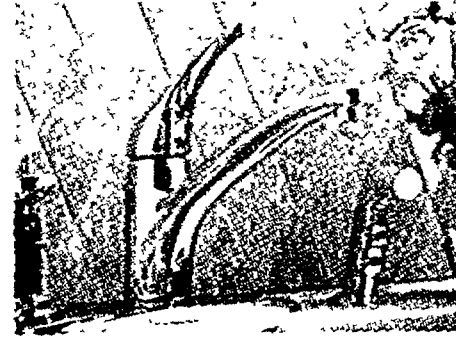
MOEN
Decorator
Bath Faucet
• 4" center set
• Chrome finish
• Lifetime limited warranty
84200 (411728)

\$88



MOEN
Two Handle
Kitchen Faucet
with Spray
• 4-hole installation
• Quick and easy installation
87400CPE (575868)

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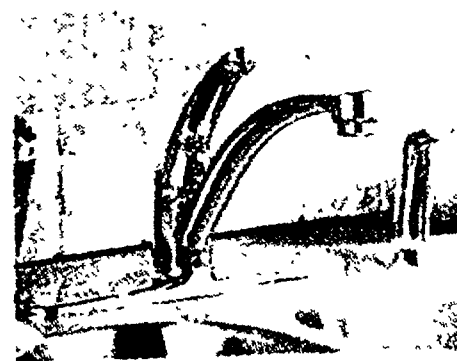
American Standard
Elite Connoisseur
with Spray
• Fits any kitchen sink
• Drip free ceramic disc valves
• Lifetime warranty
4454 (135731)

\$79



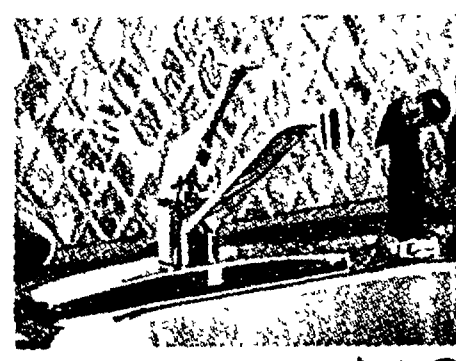
MOEN
Two Handle
Bath Faucet
• 4" center set
• New stylized lever
84424E (575068)

\$59



DELTA
Signature™
Kitchen Faucet
with Spray
• 4-hole installation
• Chrome finish
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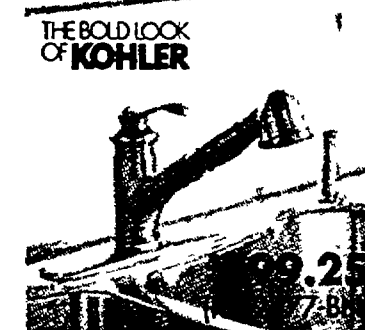
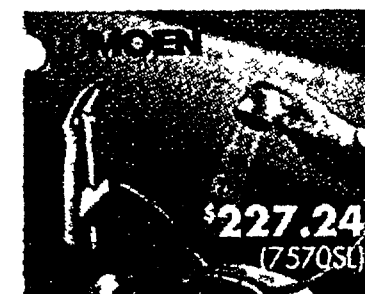
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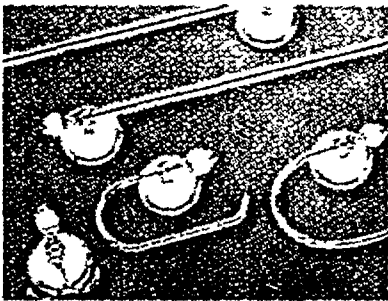
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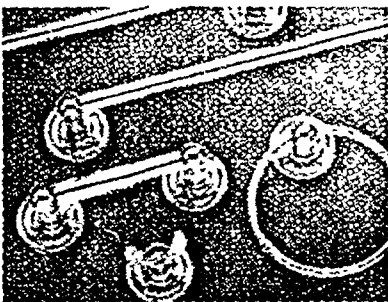
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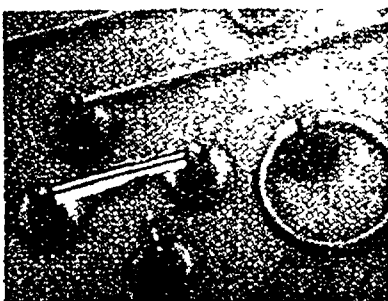
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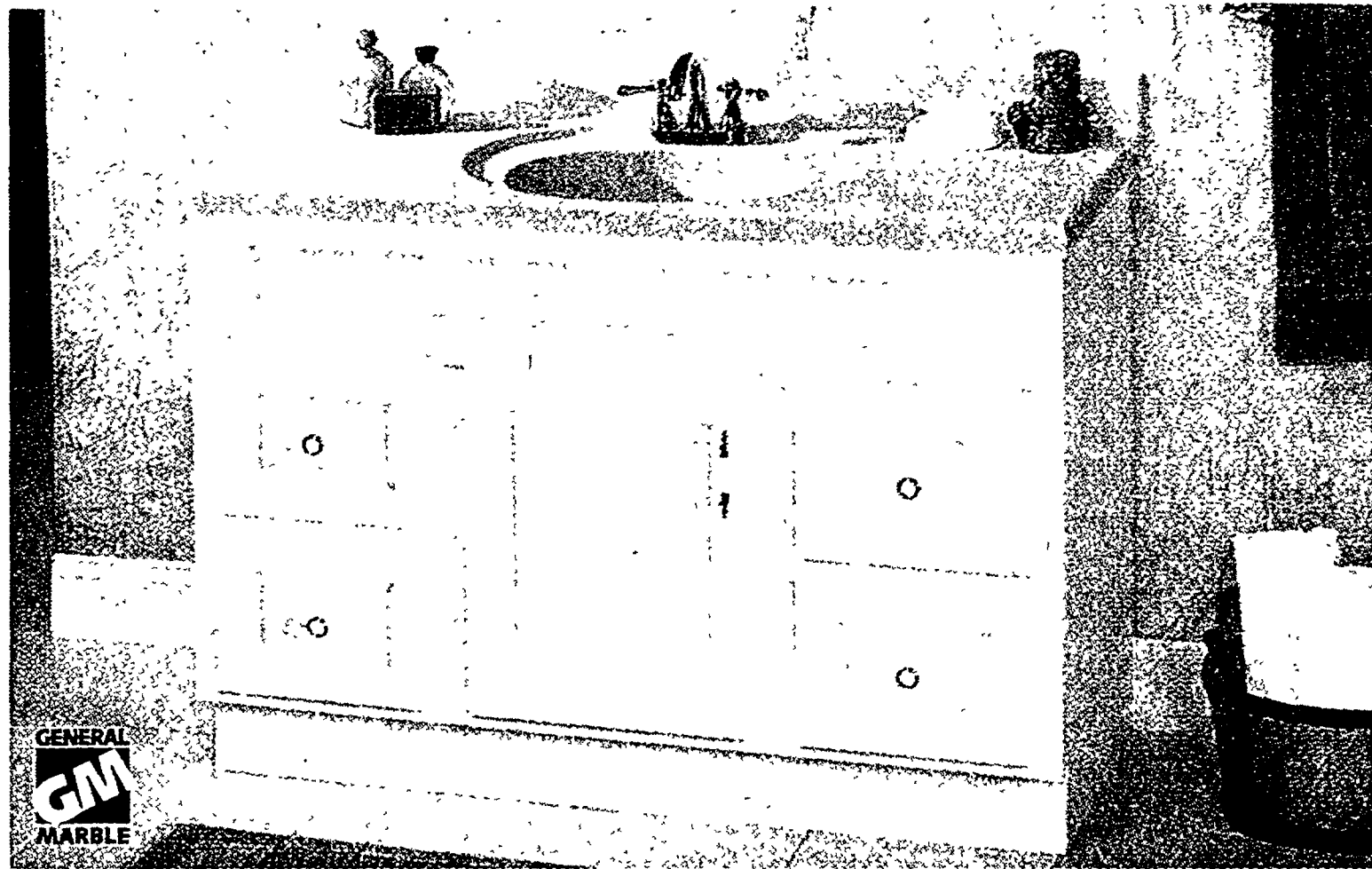
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Monterey White Vanity

Contemporary 1 door, 4 drawer white vanity with raised square panel doors, drawer front and header. Includes ceramic/chrome knobs. 48"x21" shown. Also available in 24"x21", 30"x21", and 36"x21". Topped with a solid surface oval bowl vanity top in saddle color.

Monterey Vanity

48" (526716) \$299.00

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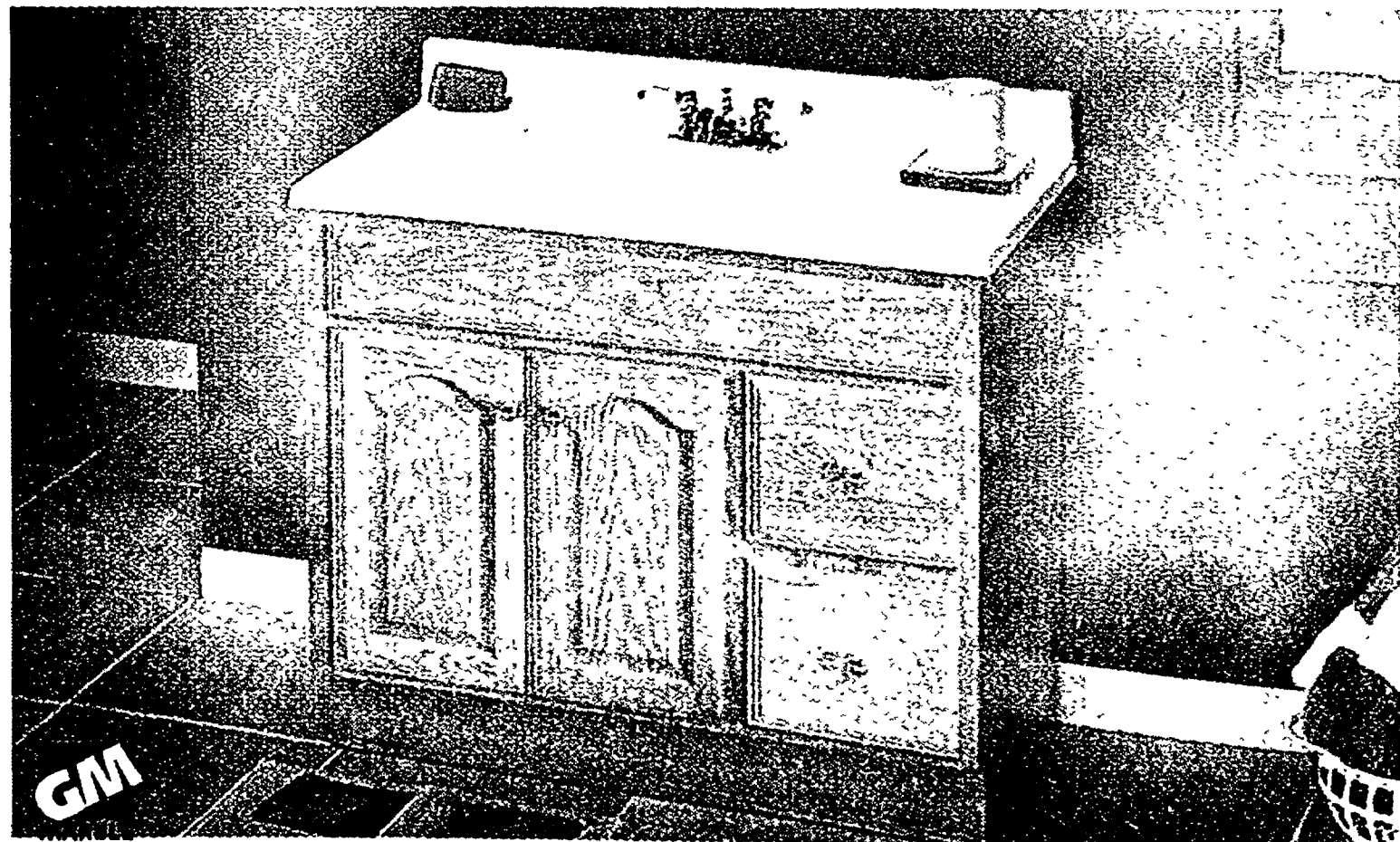
24" (526648) \$169.00

Vanity Top

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37" (330913) \$169.00

31" (330486) \$139.00



Lancaster Oak Vanity

Traditional 2 door, 2 drawer assembled oak vanity has a maple finished interior with concealed hinges. 36"x21" shown. Also available in 24"x18" and 30"x18". Topped with a rectangular bowl vanity top in solid white cultured marble.

Lancaster Vanity

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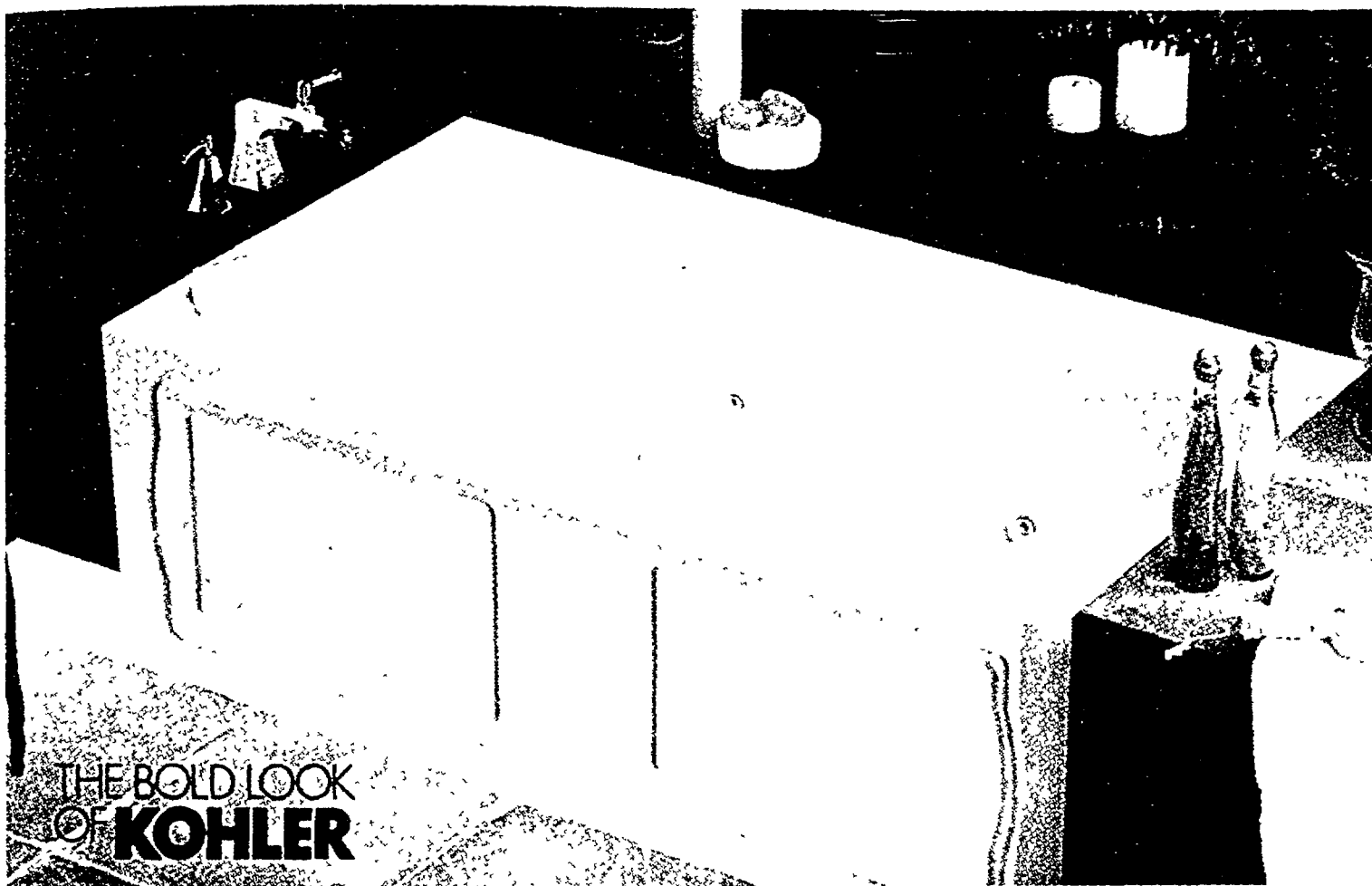
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Vanity Top

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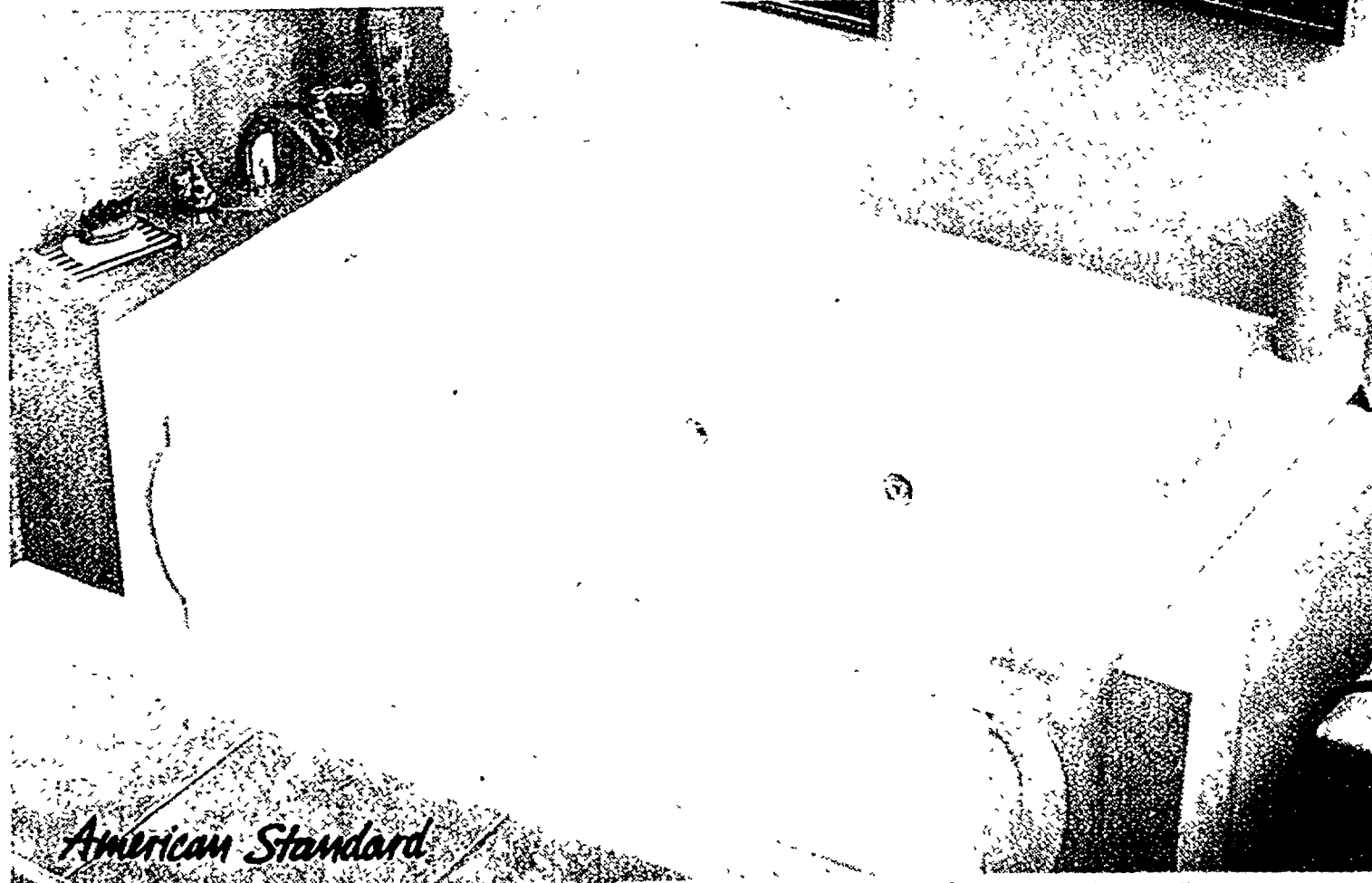
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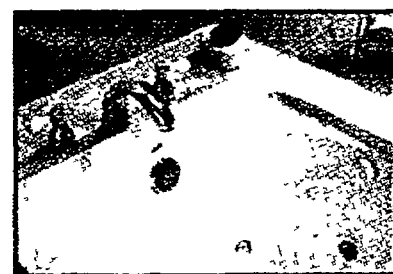
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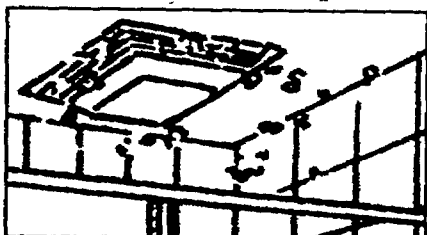
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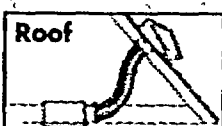
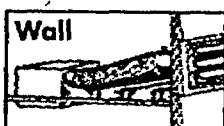
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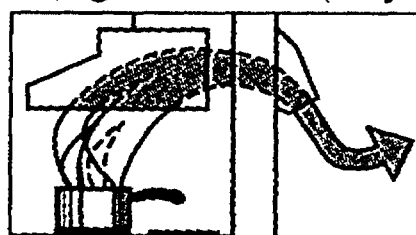
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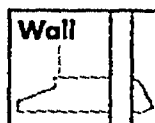


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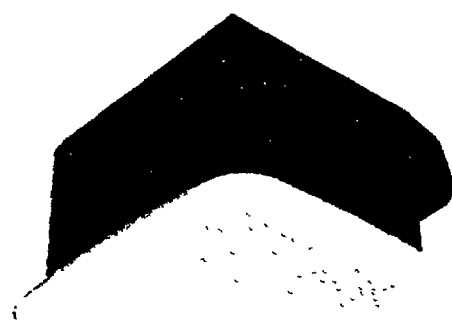


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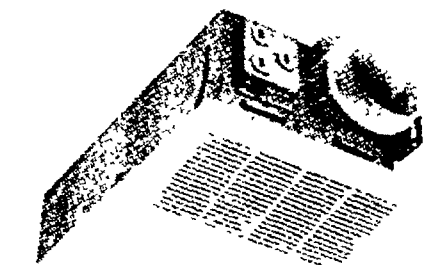
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- 40% quieter than most existing fans
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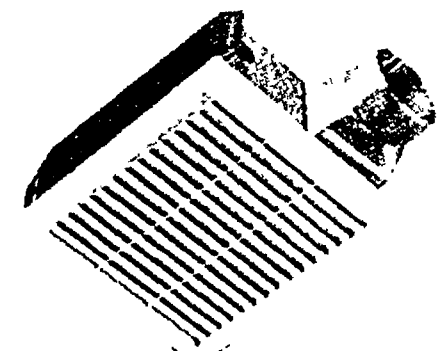
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- 763RUN (126277)

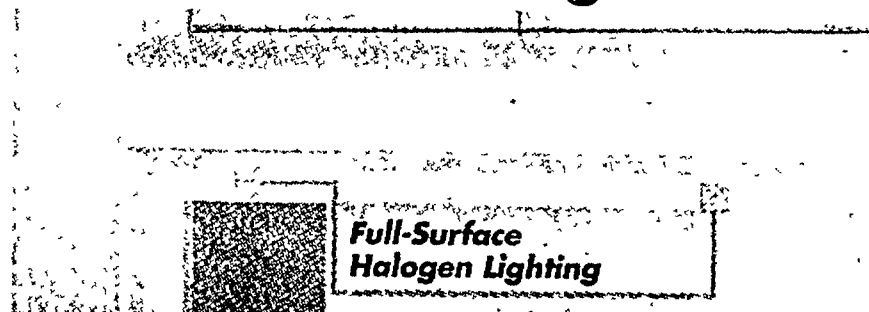


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Bathroom Exhaust Fan

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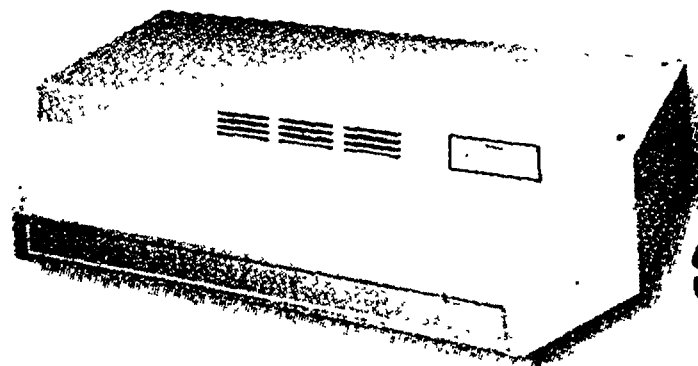
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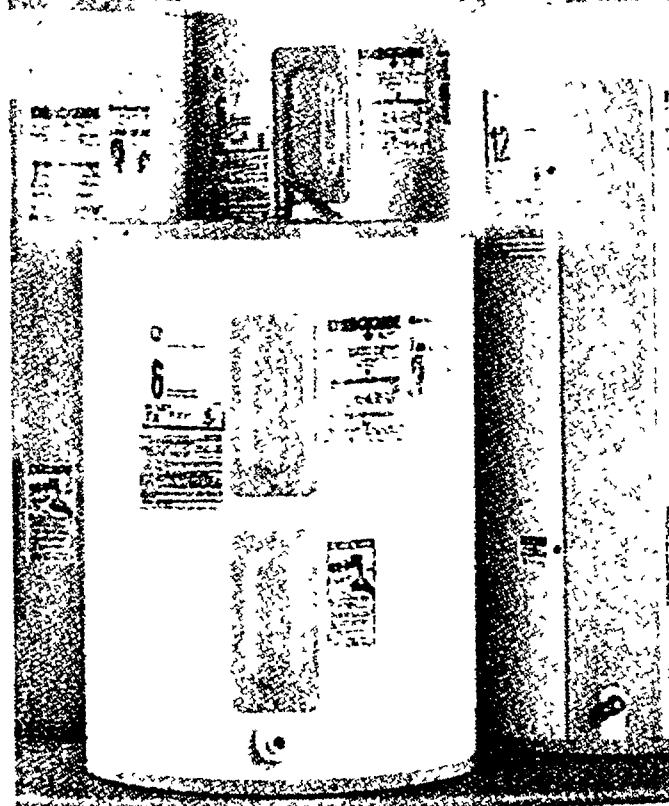
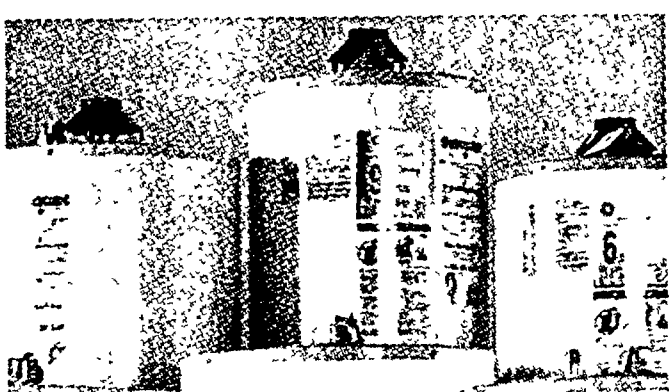
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40 Gal. Gas	487408	\$238.00	\$457.00
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50 Gal. Elec.	487868	\$279.00	\$498.00

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40 Gal. Gas	487323	\$208.00	\$427.00
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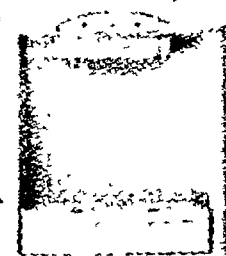
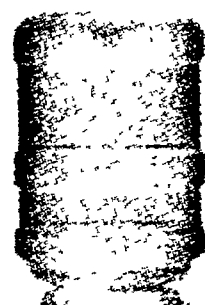
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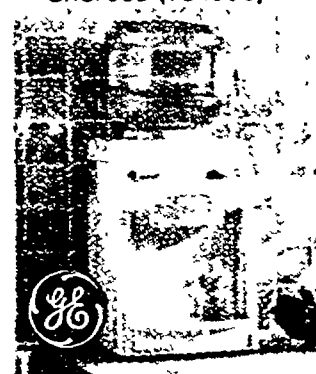
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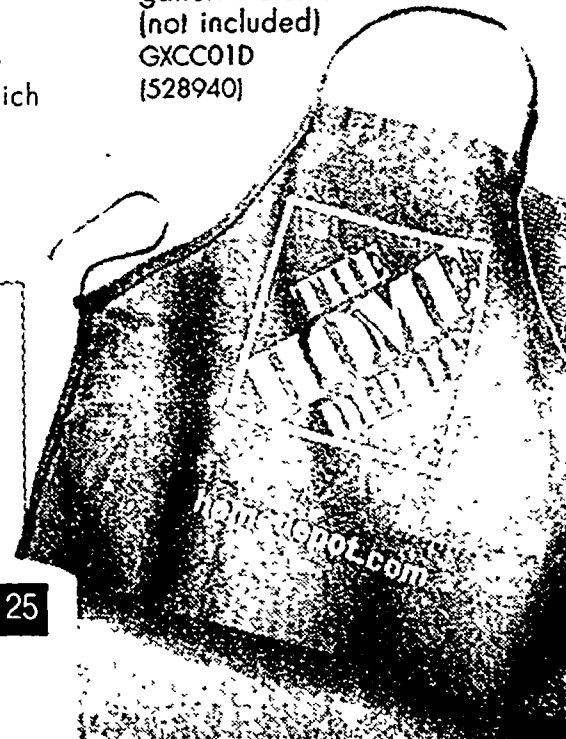
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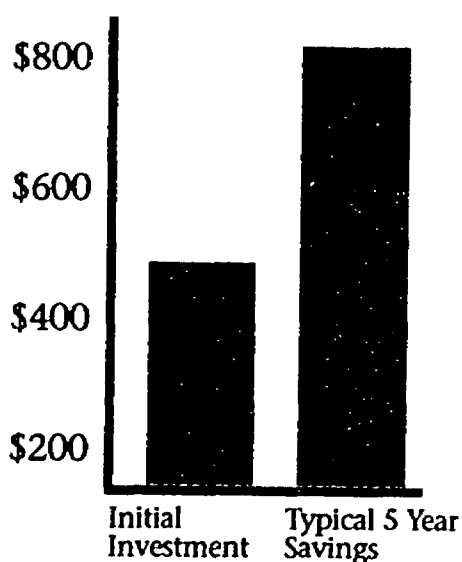
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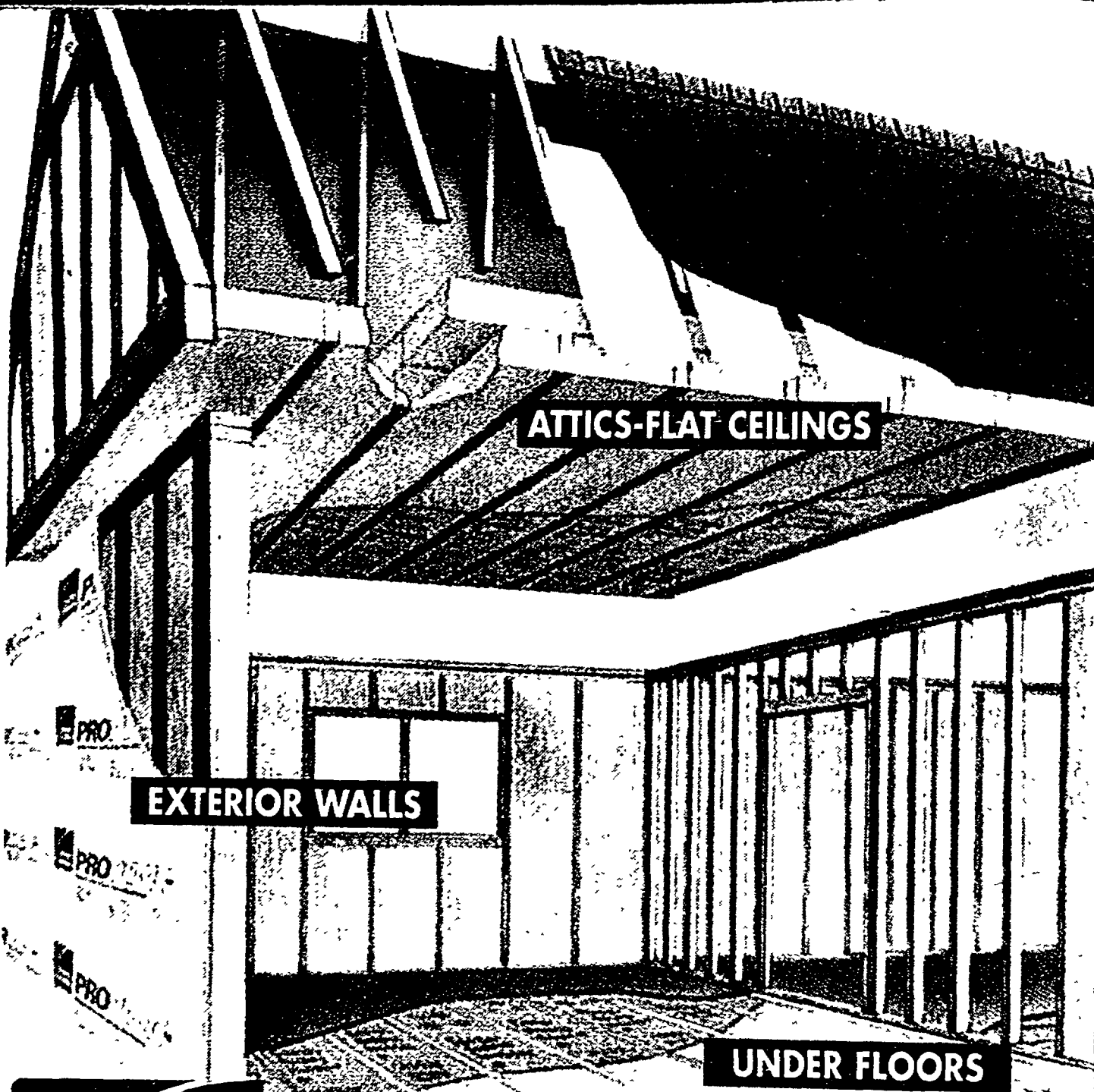


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Use faced in new construction to keep moisture out. Use unfaced to increase your insulating power.

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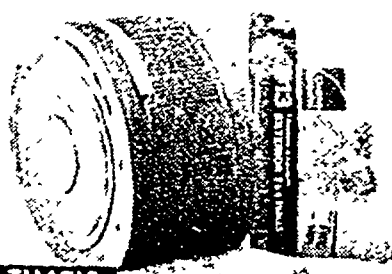
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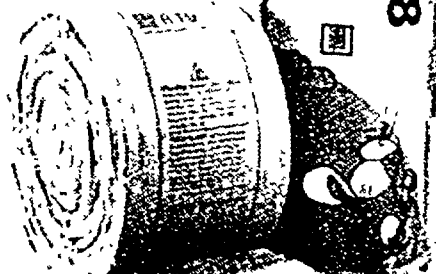
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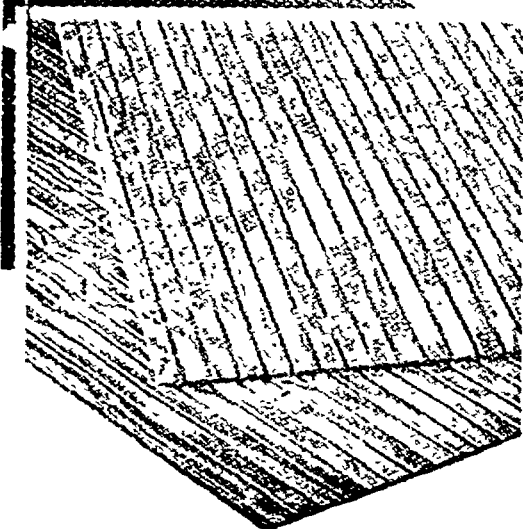
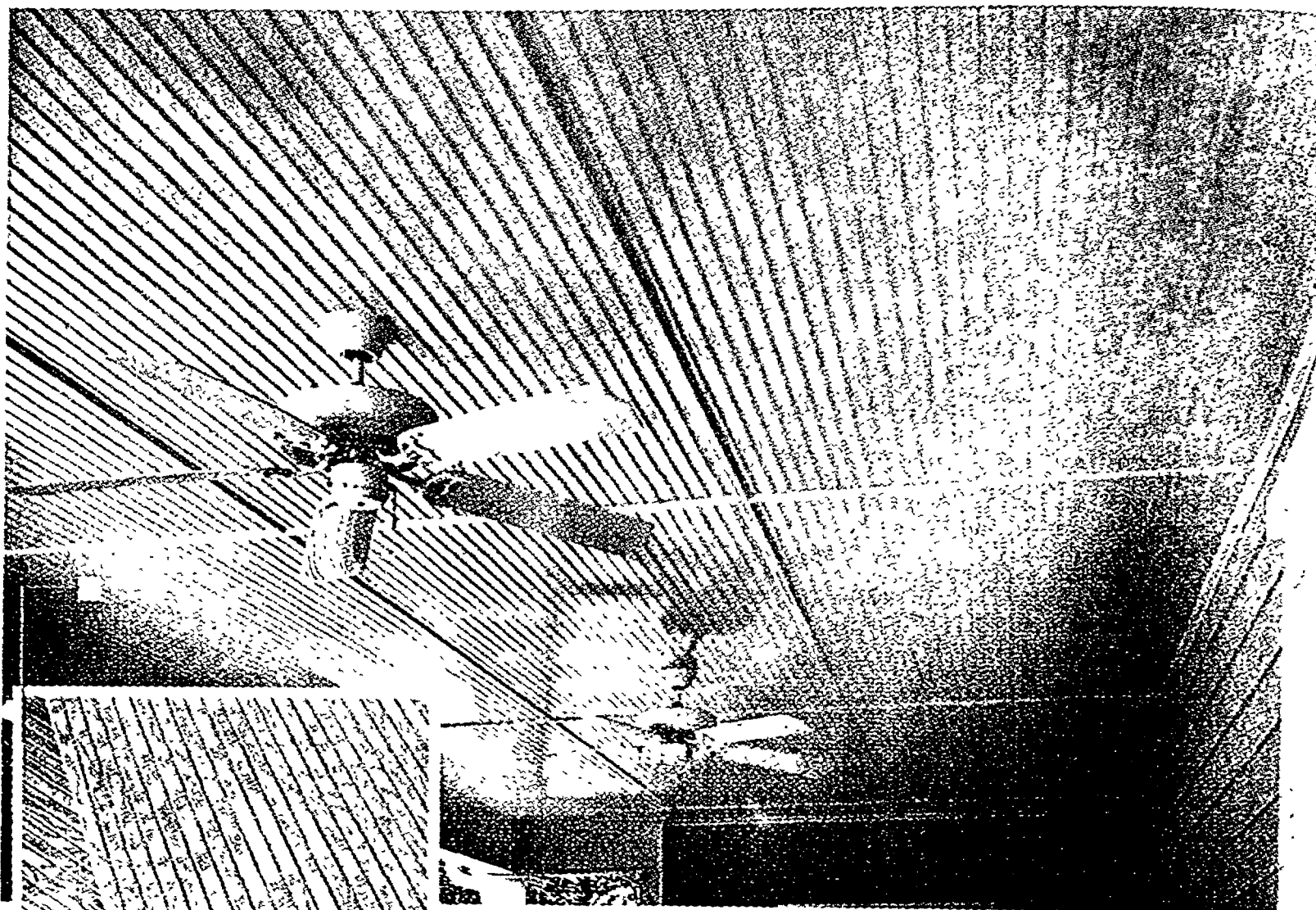
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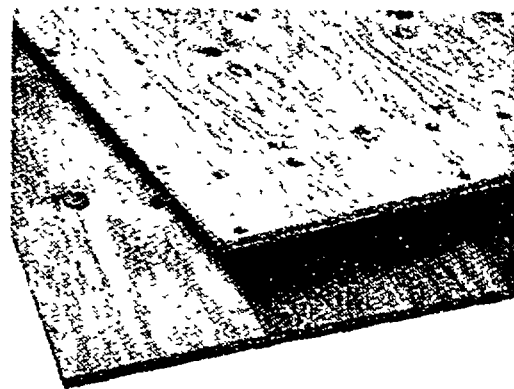
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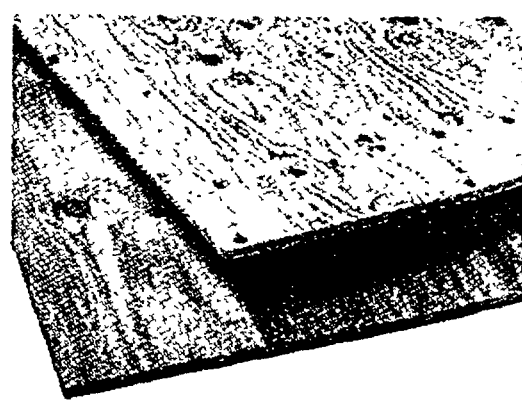
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- For use in sheathing and outdoor projects
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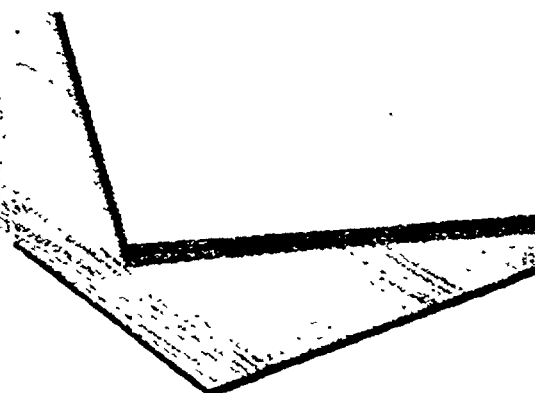
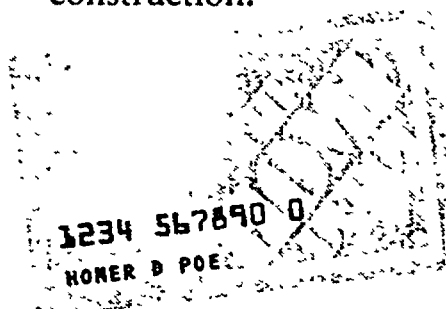
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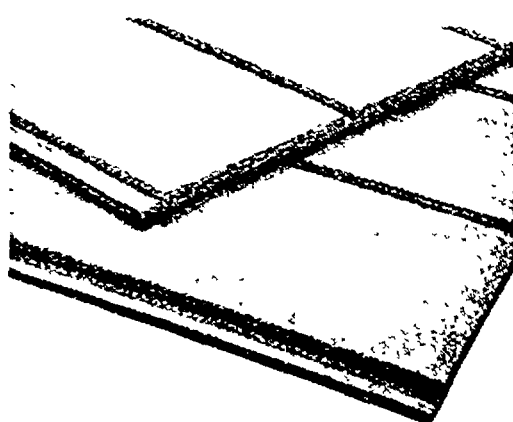
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- Excellent for interior or exterior use
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- Sanded 1 side (166-057)

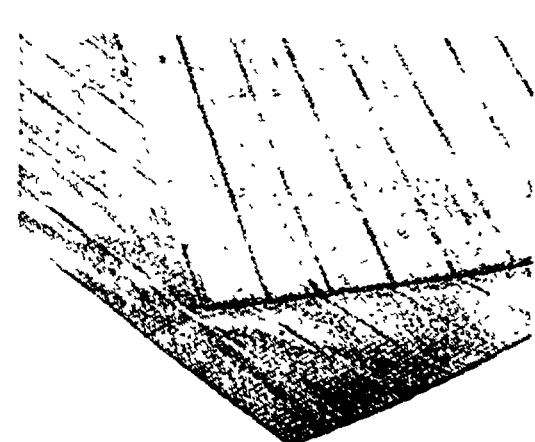
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4'x8' Premium T-1-11 Plywood Siding

- 5/8" thick
- 8" on center grooves
- Southern Yellow Pine (915-440)

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- 3/8" thick
- 4" on center (218-004)

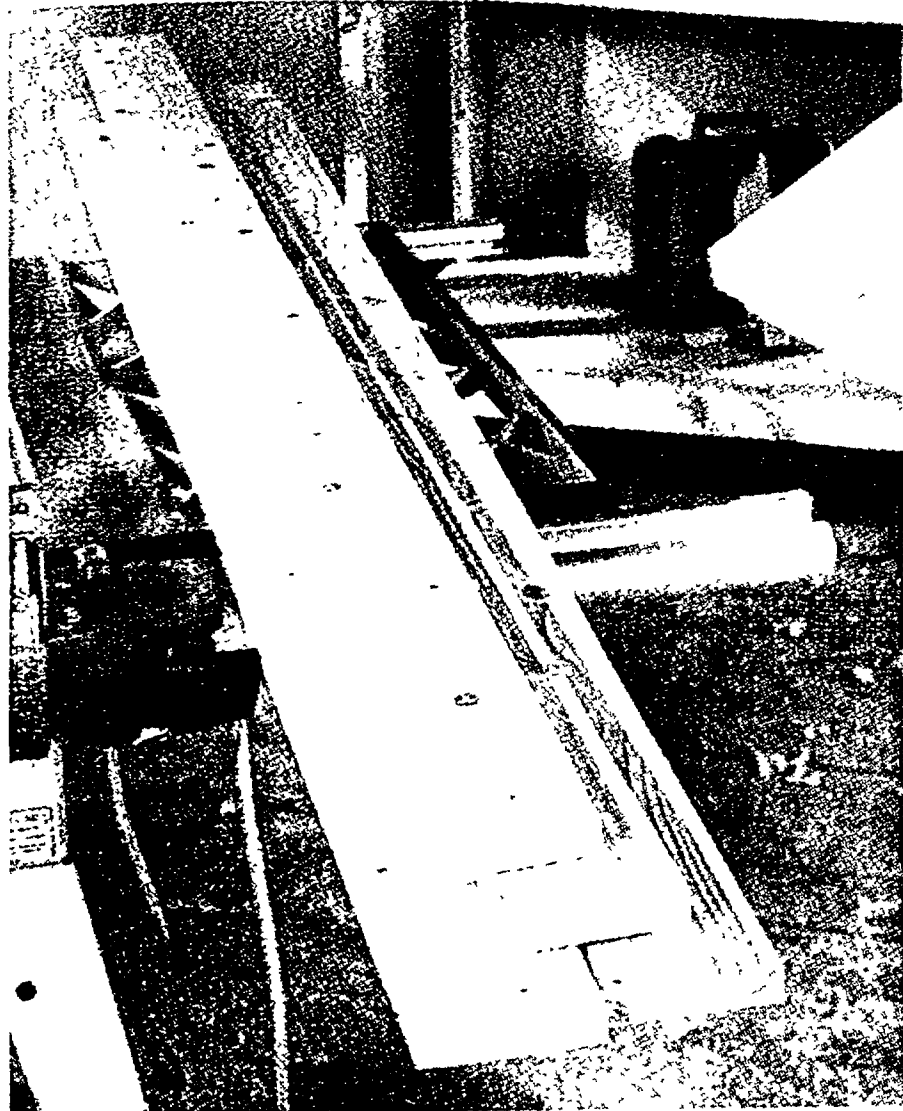
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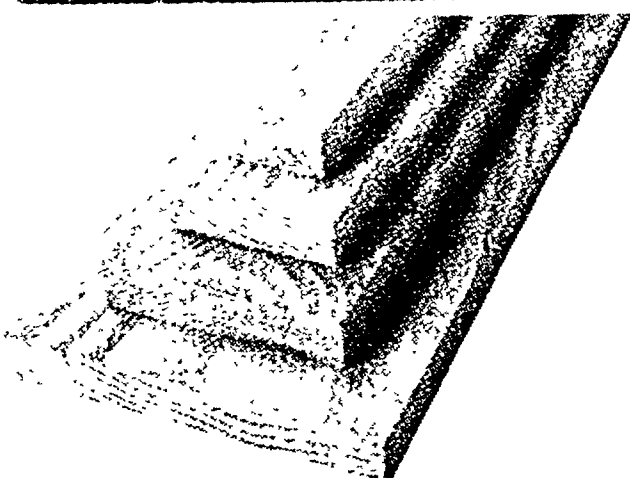
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1"x3"	\$8.28	\$10.95	\$13.80	\$16.75
1"x4"	\$9.50	\$15.60	\$15.90	\$18.95
1"x6"	\$15.30	\$23.95	\$25.50	\$30.65
1"x8"	\$25.20	\$33.60	\$42.00	\$49.95
1"x10"	\$27.50	\$36.65	\$46.00	\$54.95
1"x12"	\$34.50	\$46.00	\$58.00	\$69.00

Poplar Hardwood Board

SIZE	6'	8'	10'	12'
1"x2"	\$2.95	\$4.25	\$5.35	\$6.35
1"x3"	\$5.95	\$7.95	\$9.95	\$11.85
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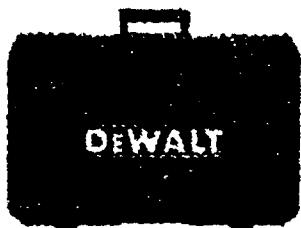
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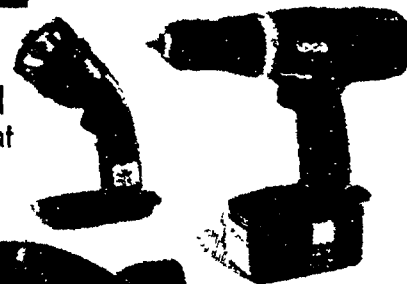
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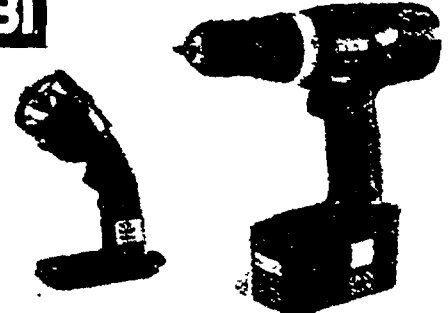
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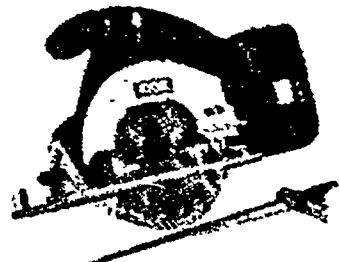
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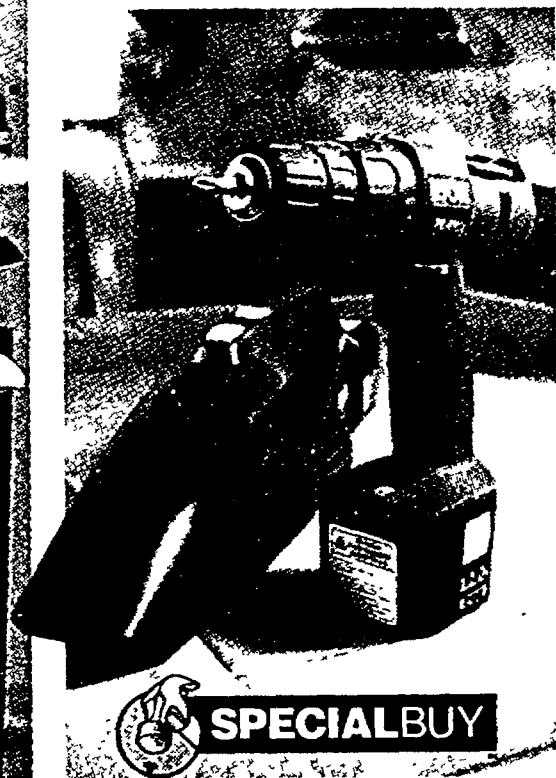
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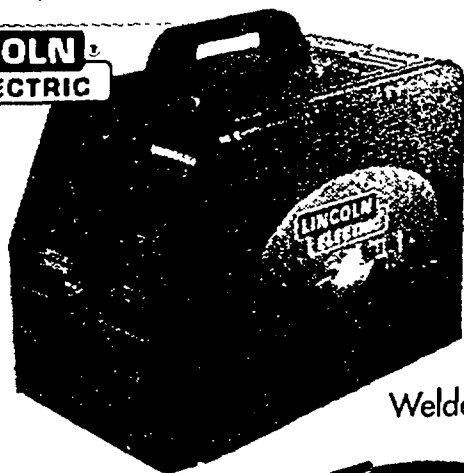
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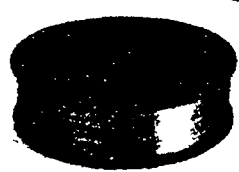
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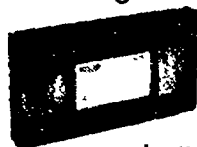
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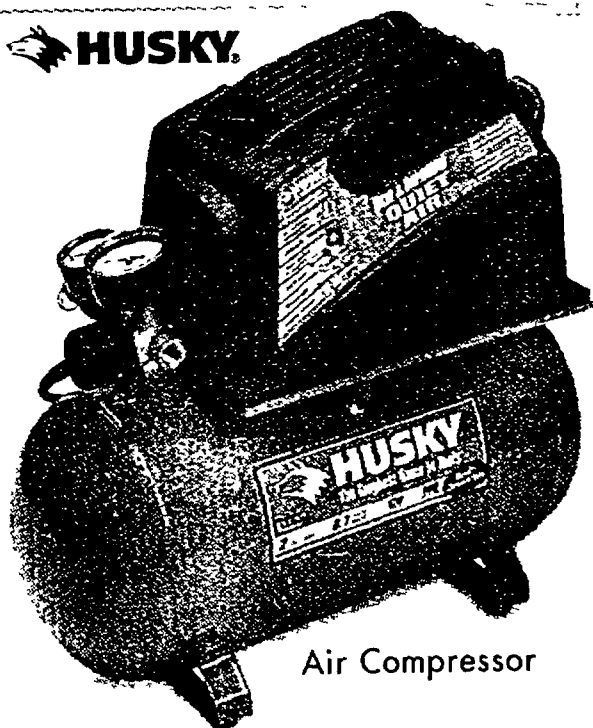
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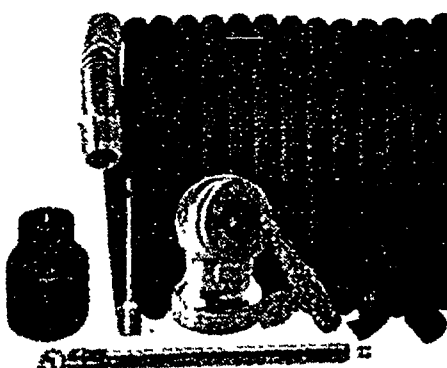
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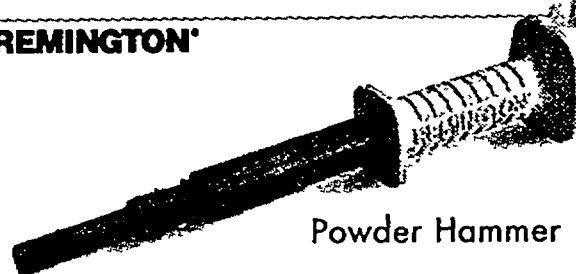
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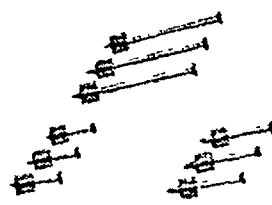
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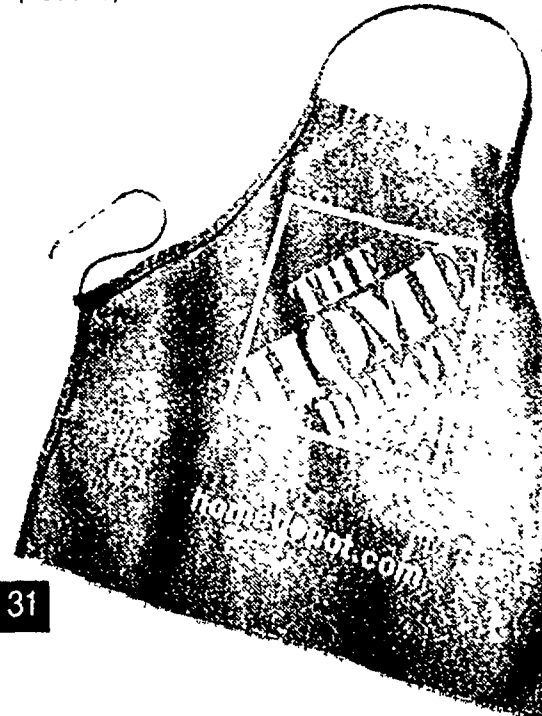
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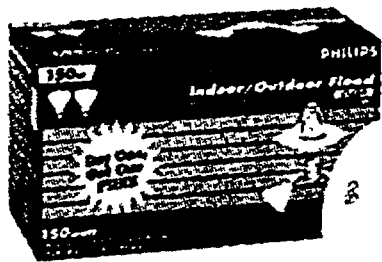


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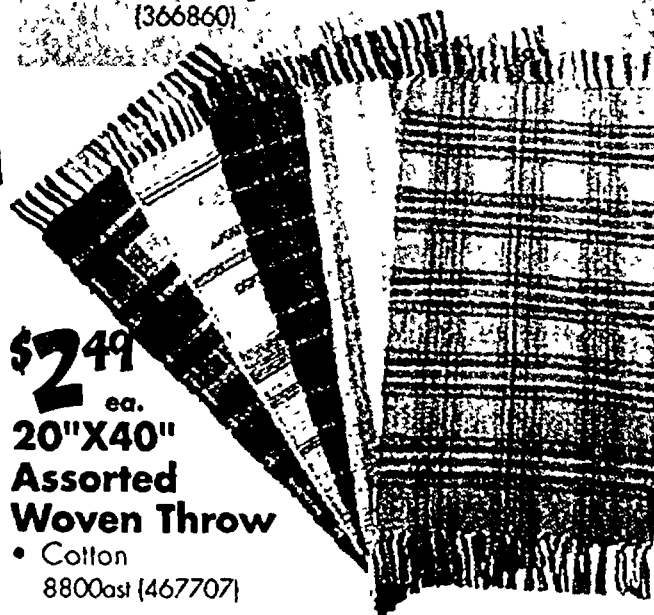


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Ask American Profile

Q I saw a movie on television the other night called *Stir of Echoes* with Kevin Bacon. The actress playing his wife was Kathryn Erbe. She looks familiar. Where have I seen her?

—Patrick D., New Mexico

You might have seen Kathryn Erbe co-starring in the series *Law & Order: Criminal Intent*, airing on NBC. She was born in Boston

and raised in Newton, Mass. The actress moves easily between stage, television, and the big screen. Shortly before graduating from New York University in 1990 with a bachelor of arts degree, she was cast as Lynn Redgrave's daughter in the 1989 sitcom *Chicken Soup*. After the short-lived *Chicken Soup*, she moved back to NYC and joined the cast of the Steppenwolf Broadway production of *The Grapes of Wrath*, which won the 1990 Tony Award for best play. Then she went on to play Richard Dreyfuss' daughter in the movie *What About Bob?* She received a 1991 Tony Award nomination for her work in

Kathryn Erbe: tough TV cop.

The Speed of Darkness. She is a member of both the Steppenwolf Theatre Co. and the Atlantic Theatre Co. Her movie credits include *Rich in Love* and *Kiss of Death*. She is married to actor and director Terry Kinney and has a daughter named Maeve.

Q I haven't heard anything from Earl Thomas Conley in years. What happened to him? Is he still performing?

—Peggy Y. and Gloria G., Kentucky

Tired of music business politics and fighting vocal problems due to severe allergies, the consistent country chart-topper of the 1980s decided to slow down in 1991. He stopped making records for seven years and took some time to relax and recharge his creative energy. He concentrated on writing songs and put out a new album called *Perpetual Emotion* in 1998. He has a new album coming out this year. Conley, 61, was born in Portsmouth, Ohio, and showed an interest in art when he was young. He was ready to accept an art scholarship to college after graduating from high



Conley still takes the stage.



Nicolas Cage and Jay Leno share friendly banter on *The Tonight Show*.

school but decided to join the Army instead where he started singing with a Christian trio. By the time he got out, he realized that he wanted to pursue music as a career. He found success as a songwriter in the 1970s. It took a while for him to make the move to performer, and he didn't do well at first. But in 1981, he released *Fire and Smoke*, which reached No. 1 in a matter of weeks. He went on to chart 18 No. 1 songs during the 80s. His songs still resonate with fans, and he draws enthusiastic crowds at his concerts.

Q Nicolas Cage is an excellent actor. I heard he has famous relatives in show business. Who are they? Please tell me about Cage.

—Jolene M., Minnesota

Here's a clue: The intense, 39-year-old actor was born Nicholas Coppola in Long Beach, Calif. That makes him nephew to famed director Francis Ford Coppola (*The Godfather*, *Apocalypse Now*), cousin of actress and director Sofia Coppola (*The Virgin Suicides*), and nephew of actress Talia Shire (*Rocky*, *The Godfather*). He's also cousin to actor Jason Schwartzman (*Rushmore*). His father, August, was a comparative literature professor, and his mother, Joy, was a choreographer and dancer. Cage dropped out of Beverly Hills High School to pursue his acting career, and though he is credited as Nicholas Coppola in his first film, *Fast Times At Ridgmont High*, he decided to drop his famous last name to succeed on his own reputation. He's known for his immersion in his roles, to the point of having two teeth pulled for *Birdy* and eating a live cockroach for *Vampire's Kiss*. He won an Oscar for his wrenching portrayal of an alcoholic with a death wish in *Leaving Las Vegas* and easily switches from light comedy to heavy drama to offbeat independent films. ★

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"If somebody cared enough about their life to record it, and somebody cared enough about that record to publish it, then somebody should care enough to put them all together—and that somebody turned out to be me," says Cummings, 64, who purchased his first diary when he was 13.

Cummings is not just a collector, though; he's a caretaker of the written daily records of both the famous and the unknown. His passion for diaries emerged coincidentally through his love of nature. As a boy, his hikes through the woods along the Mississippi River near St. Paul, Minn., led him to search the shelves of local bookstores for journals penned by naturalists John Muir, John Burroughs, and Ernest Thompson Seton.

When Cummings became a Knapp, Wis., book dealer in 1958, he purchased diaries for his personal use along with other books he bought for resale. When he realized nobody was collecting diaries, he decided he would.

Cummings has driven all over the United States looking for diaries and believes he has 95 percent of all the diaries ever published. His collection includes works by John Quincy Adams and Winston Churchill and a Quaker diary printed by Benjamin Franklin in 1749.

"Being in alphabetical order, there's some pretty humble people next to some pretty interesting people," Cummings says, walking among his literary treasures.

Cummings' diary collection is housed, floor-to-ceiling, in a 24-by-32-foot addition to his home a few miles west of Knapp (pop. 275) and is open to anyone with an interest. A sign outside reads: James Cummings, Bookseller, By Appointment.

"Many are not listed in any standard bibliography of diaries," says Margo Colley, a University of Massachusetts English professor who discovered a number of women's diaries previously unknown to her while writing her book *A Day at a Time: The Diary Literature of American Women from 1764 to Present*.

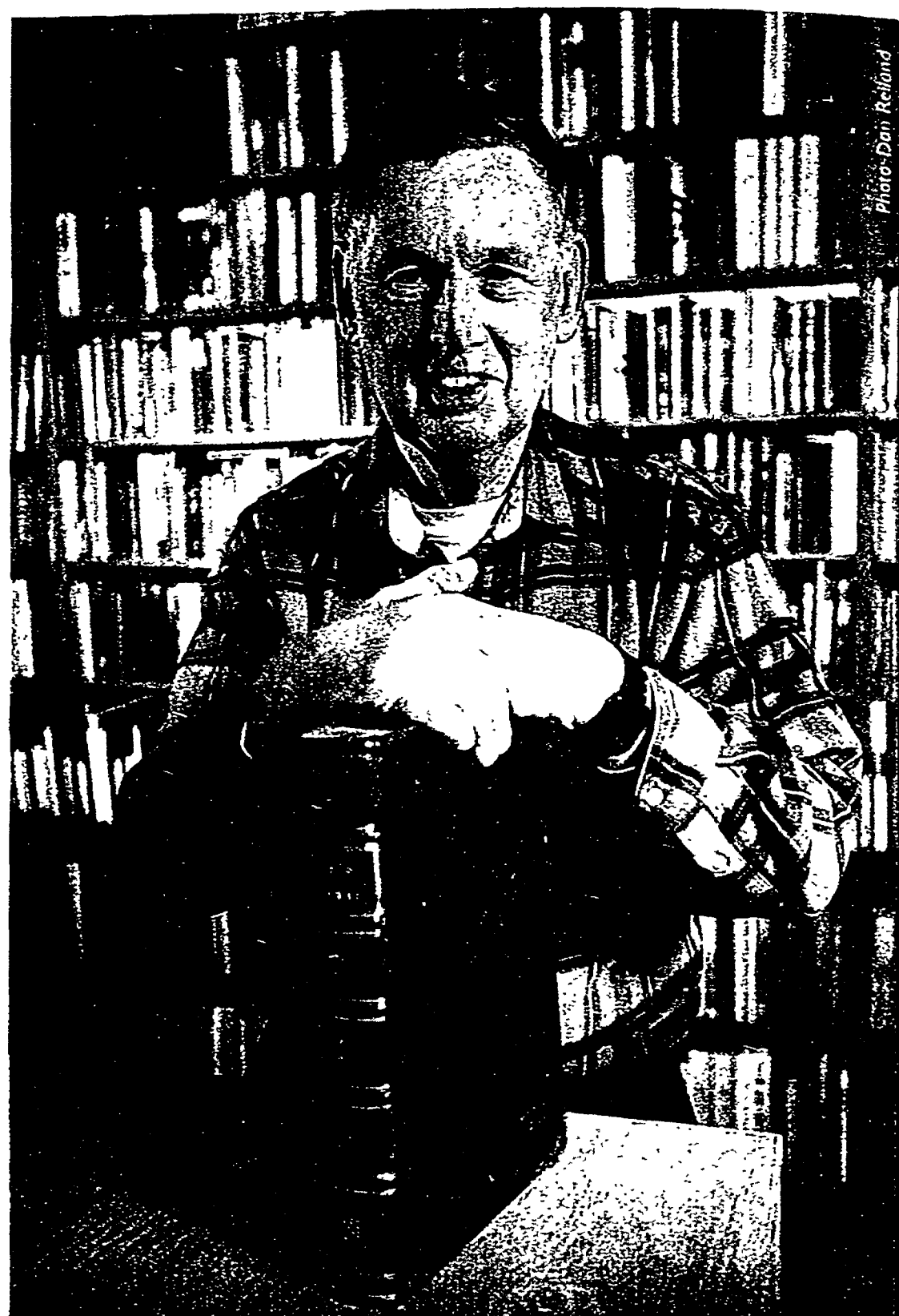
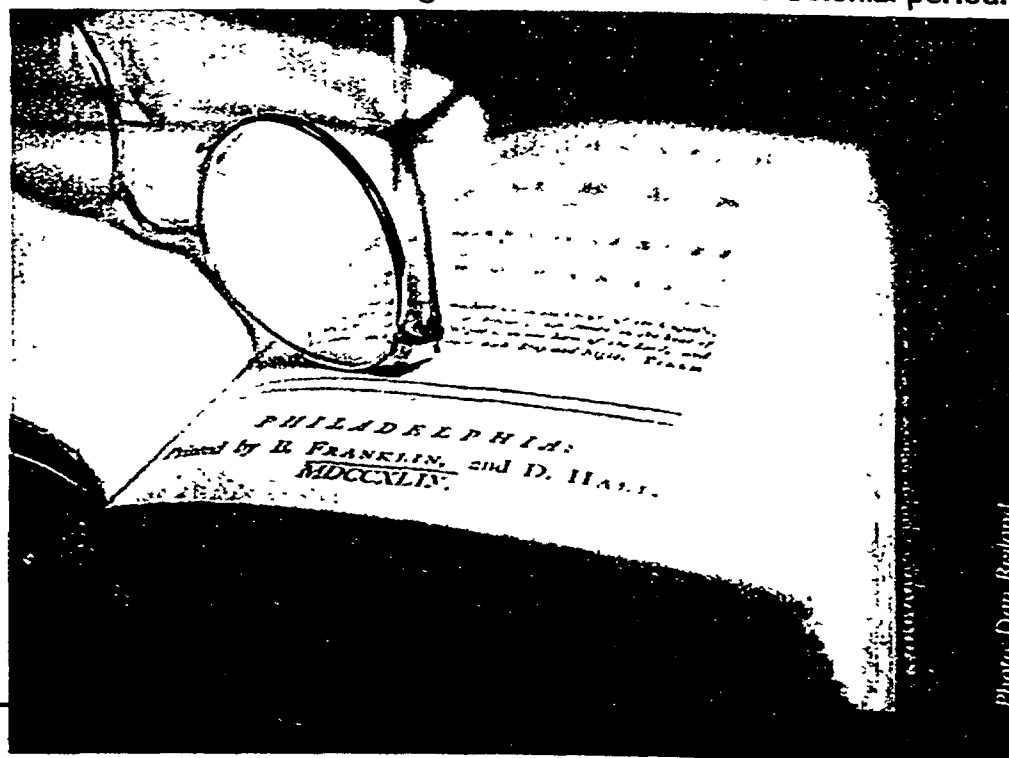
Joan Keller, president of the Dunn County Genealogical Society, says the size of Cummings' collection overwhelmed her group when they visited Knapp. "But we'll be back," she says. "Being genealogists, we are interested in its historical value."

"It's a joy for me to have them out," Cummings says of his visitors. "They're always enthusiastic. They're always interested. They're always polite and respectful of the collection."

Cummings is a keeper of his own words as well as those of others. In addition to his voluminous diary collection, Cummings may hold the world's record for maintaining a daily diary without interruption.

"I don't know anybody else who has kept one every single day for 50 years," he says. "Queen Victoria kept a diary for about 70 years, but she didn't do it every single day."

Some volumes in Cummings' collection date to the Colonial period.



James Cummings purchased his first diaries for personal use in 1958.

Cummings began making daily entries in 1951 after being inspired by a line from Ralph Waldo Emerson: "The unrecorded life is not worth examining."

Periodically, Cummings runs into people who he inspired to keep a diary. "I don't proselytize keeping a diary unless I get a chance to," he says with a chuckle.

He got that chance a year ago at the Unitarian Society of Menomonie Church, which he attends.

"I started (a diary) because he talked so persuasively about it," says Naomi Colvin, a member of the congregation.

Although Colvin didn't continue her diary, Cummings opened the door to a midlife career change for her. He has been showing Colvin the ins and outs of book dealing. "I consider him my mentor," she says.

Some are astonished Cummings would train potential competition, but he doesn't see it that way. "There aren't enough of us," he says, referring to antiquarian book dealers. He has another motive for sending others into the book-buying world. "They might find a diary for me." ☆

Mary Miller is a freelance writer in Lakeland, Minn.

Tidbits

Did You Know...

ILLINOIS—In 1880, George Pullman created the first company town, Pullman, to house workers who built his railway sleeping cars. Today, the town in southeast Chicago is a historic district.

INDIANA—Burch Polston of Charlestown (pop. 5,993) does a booming business outfitting Elvis Presley impersonators. He's the only person authorized (by the original designers) to make Elvis' signature jumpsuits.

IOWA—In the 1930s, George Nissen built a canvas bouncing apparatus with springs made from inner-tube scraps. He called it a trampoline and jumped into business in Cedar Rapids.

KANSAS—Boxer Jess Willard of Portawatomie County reigned as world heavyweight champion from April 1915 until July 1919 when he was defeated by Jack Dempsey.

MICHIGAN—Auctioneer Bill Sheridan of Mason (pop. 6,714) talked his way to \$10,000 in cash and prizes at the 2002 International Auctioneer Championship in Orlando, Fla.

MINNESOTA—The state's only surviving authentic covered bridge, which once channeled stagecoach traffic, was built in 1869 over the Zumbro River in Zumbrota (pop. 2,789).

MISSOURI—Henry and Elizabeth Schell opened a trading post on the White River in 1835, but when the post office named the town after them, they dropped the "c" in Shell Knob (pop. 1,393).

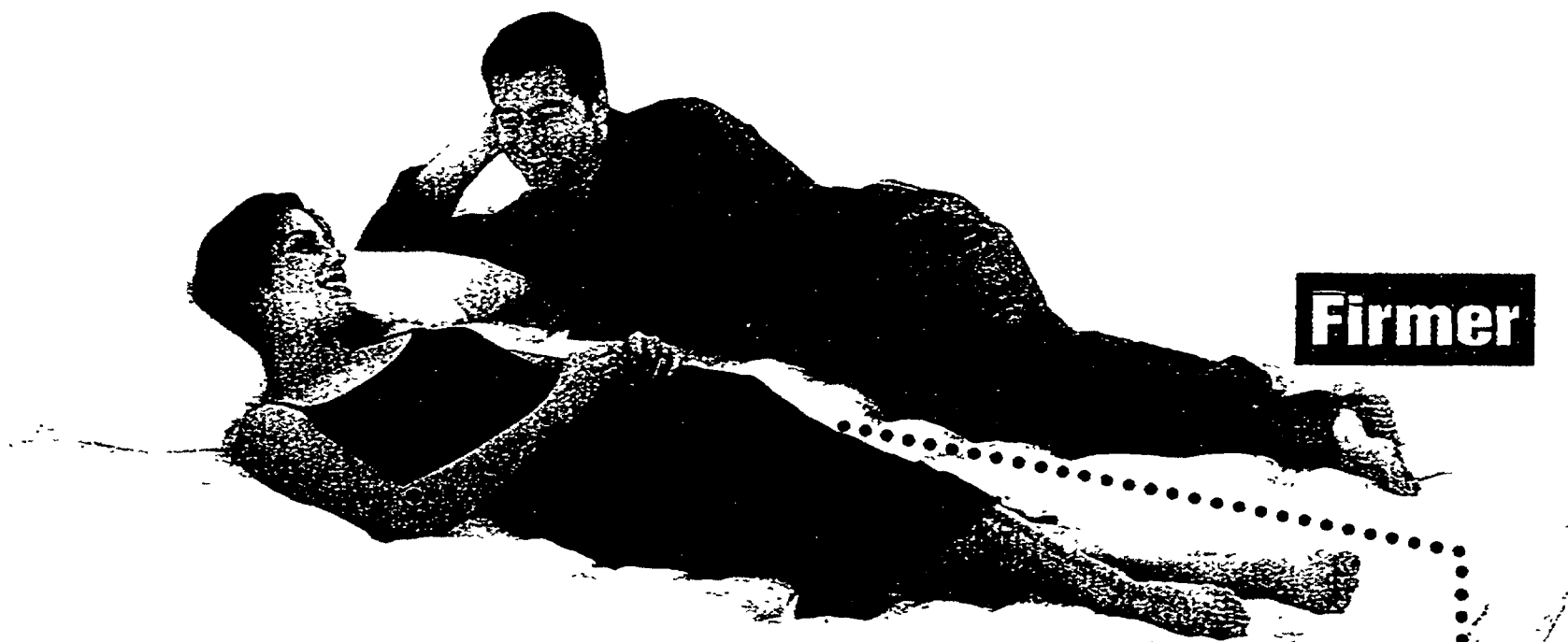
NEBRASKA—Victor Samuel Johnson, born in 1882 near Minden (pop. 2,964), shed new light on America when he introduced the Aladdin lamp in 1909. The lamp's mantle and center-draft burner created a white light superior to other kerosene lamps.

NORTH DAKOTA—Dwight Baumann, a native of Ashley (pop. 882), converted his Volvo to run on soybean oil. The engineering professor starts the car on diesel, then switches to vegetable oil.

OHIO—A six-mile hiking trail at Hocking Hills State Park in Logan (pop. 6,704) is named for Grandma Emma Gatewood, who hiked the 2,000-mile Appalachian Trail three times.

SOUTH DAKOTA—In 1997, wildlife artist Terry Redlin opened a \$10 million art center and museum in Watertown (pop. 20,237) and donated it to the state as a thank-you for a \$1,500 scholarship he received to attend art school.

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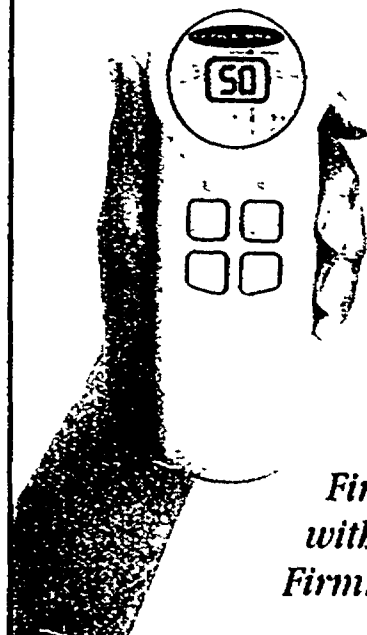
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Bay lives in Loveland, Colo., a town of about 50,000 whose name calls to mind hearts and flowers—with a postmark to match. Romantics from around the world send Valentine's Day cards and letters there to get Loveland's unique valentine postmark stamped on the envelope.



Sweethearts Glenn and Elaine Beatty stamp valentines.

Bay and other volunteers, who form an assembly line to sort, hand stamp, and re-mail the virtual mountain of cards and love letters, consider it a real labor of love.

"I wish you could hear us laughing," says Bay, a volunteer since 1980. "I have fun, or I wouldn't even go."

"We get to talk while we're doing it, and they tell me I talk too much. And I know they're telling the truth," Bay says of the volunteers, mostly women in their 60s and 70s.

A two-week party

Cupid's helpers look forward to the camaraderie of the annual Loveland tradition, even though it means working four to eight hours every day the two weeks before Valentine's Day.

They talk, tell jokes, and occasionally are entertained by musicians or storytellers while they're working, says Kathryn Roth, the Loveland Chamber of Commerce's valentine program manager.

"It's kind of a big, two-week party, although they work very hard and they're very particular," Roth says.

They love the task and are fun to be around, says Duane Kaye, Loveland valentine coordinator with the local U.S. Postal Service. "Alberta Bay always wears a red sweater or something with valentines when she volunteers," he says.

Work begins each morning when valentines are delivered from the post office to the Loveland Chamber of Commerce. There, the outer envelopes are opened and emptied, and the enclosed valentines in their pre-stamped and pre-addressed envelopes are sorted by color before the hand stamping begins.

Envelopes are stamped with a cowboy Cupid, a special design, and a four-line poem, selected each year by contest in which local artists and writers submit entries. One example:

*From the gateway to the great Rocky Mountains,
Under skies of magnificent blue,
Dan Cupid sends Valentine greetings,
Directly from Loveland to you.*

White envelopes are stamped with red ink; colored envelopes, such as red, pink, or purple, are stamped with black ink. Volunteers carefully rubber-stamp each envelope, making sure each imprint is straight and legible. The letters and cards are then counted and returned to the post office where they go through a cancellation machine, which stamps the date, a two-line verse, and Loveland's ZIP code.

Those valentines then go back to Bay and her fellow volunteers, who check each cancellation for legibility. After passing scrutiny, the cards and letters are mailed to their lucky recipients.

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To receive the unique Loveland postmarks, enclose pre-stamped, pre-addressed valentines in a large envelope and mail to: Postmaster, Attention: Valentines, Loveland, CO 80538-9998. U.S.-destined mail must be received by Feb. 8.

Valentine sweethearts

Loveland's Valentine's Day tradition began in the mid-1940s by stamp collectors. Postmaster Elmer Ivers and others from the Loveland Stamp Club conceived the idea as a stamp-collecting novelty.

"The stamp club started it and ... decided they needed someone with the gift of gab," says Forrest Knox, a lifelong Loveland resident whose late father was friends with club members. Ted Thompson, chamber of commerce president at the time, was just what they needed.

"Ted Thompson took it and ran with it," Knox says. Thompson saw an opportunity to promote the city by stamping Valentine's Day cards with a romantic imprint and illustration, as well as the unique Loveland cancellation.

Thompson and his wife, Mabel, known as Loveland's "Valentine Sweethearts," managed the free re-mailing program until they retired in 1991. The Thompsons, who have since died, received awards and accolades for their community service, including a bronze plaque memorializing them at Thompson Park downtown.

Millions of valentines have been stamped and re-mailed from Loveland since the program began, surprising as many as 300,000 recipients from all 50 states and more than 100 foreign countries each year.

"It really puts Loveland on the map in a different way," says Jean Hunt Goudy, a former high school teacher. Goudy, a volunteer since the 1960s, now keeps a record of cards received from foreign countries.

"They came from over 100 different countries last year," she says. "It's fun, and you don't always realize how far they go."

Appreciation for the volunteers' work comes by way of gifts, door prizes, lots of baked goodies, special events hosted by the post office, chamber, and local businesses, and a special luncheon on Valentine's Day.

And judging by the gifts and cards mailed to volunteers, the lucky ones who receive the special valentines appreciate the women's painstaking work.

"They receive lots of thank-you notes, candy, and gifts," Kaye says. "One man from Poland sends them a letter every year telling them how much he appreciates them."

Thank-you notes and cards are posted during the two weeks where all the volunteers can read them. Afterward, they're stored in scrapbooks, Roth says.

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by JUDITH D. MILLER
Photos by Patrick Kramer

"I was just amazed at how many cards, posters, letters, and gifts the volunteers receive. We had three scrapbooks full of thank-you cards, just from last year," Roth says.

Valentine's Day, of course, is a festive time for a town named Loveland. Hundreds of big, red wooden hearts with messages for friends and loved ones adorn lampposts all over town. Some are simple declarations of love to sweethearts and family members; others have romantic poems. Local businesses also post valentine greetings. "It's a fun time to be in Loveland," Kaye says.

Several groups of seniors and preschoolers visit the volunteers and have them stamp their valentine cards, Roth says.

"We also get visitors throughout the year who have sent their valentines here for years," Roth says.

Celebrity mail

Each year begins with a trickle of cards that becomes a flood of up to 55,000 cards a day during the week before Valentine's Day. Some envelopes contain famous names, such as the president and first lady. Loveland's special postmark also has gone on cards to Marilyn Monroe, Pope John Paul, Princess Diana, and others. One particularly memorable card was sent by a young girl named April addressed, "To Mom, in care of Heaven." That valentine, and other cards and notes of appreciation, are part of the Loveland Museum's "Sweetheart City" permanent display.

Volunteers who stamp and re-mail valentines add a few of their own to the flood of mail from Loveland.

Bay likes to send special valentines to "her sweethearts" every year—baseball player Andres Galarraga and country singer George Strait. She admires both because they're loyal family men, she says. "Grandmas can have sweethearts, too," she says with a smile.

Being part of the re-mailing team is always fun, and it's worth all the effort to send a special valentine from such a beautiful place, Bay says.

"Loveland is quite a Valentine." ☆

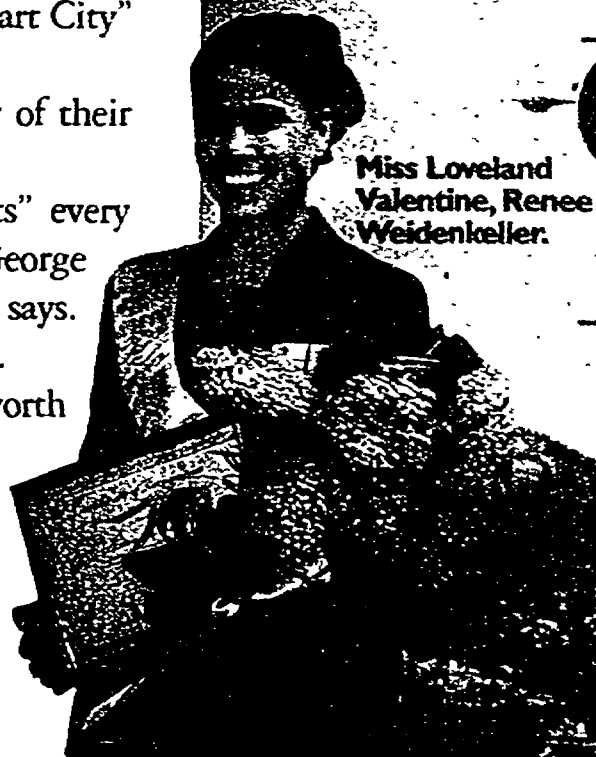
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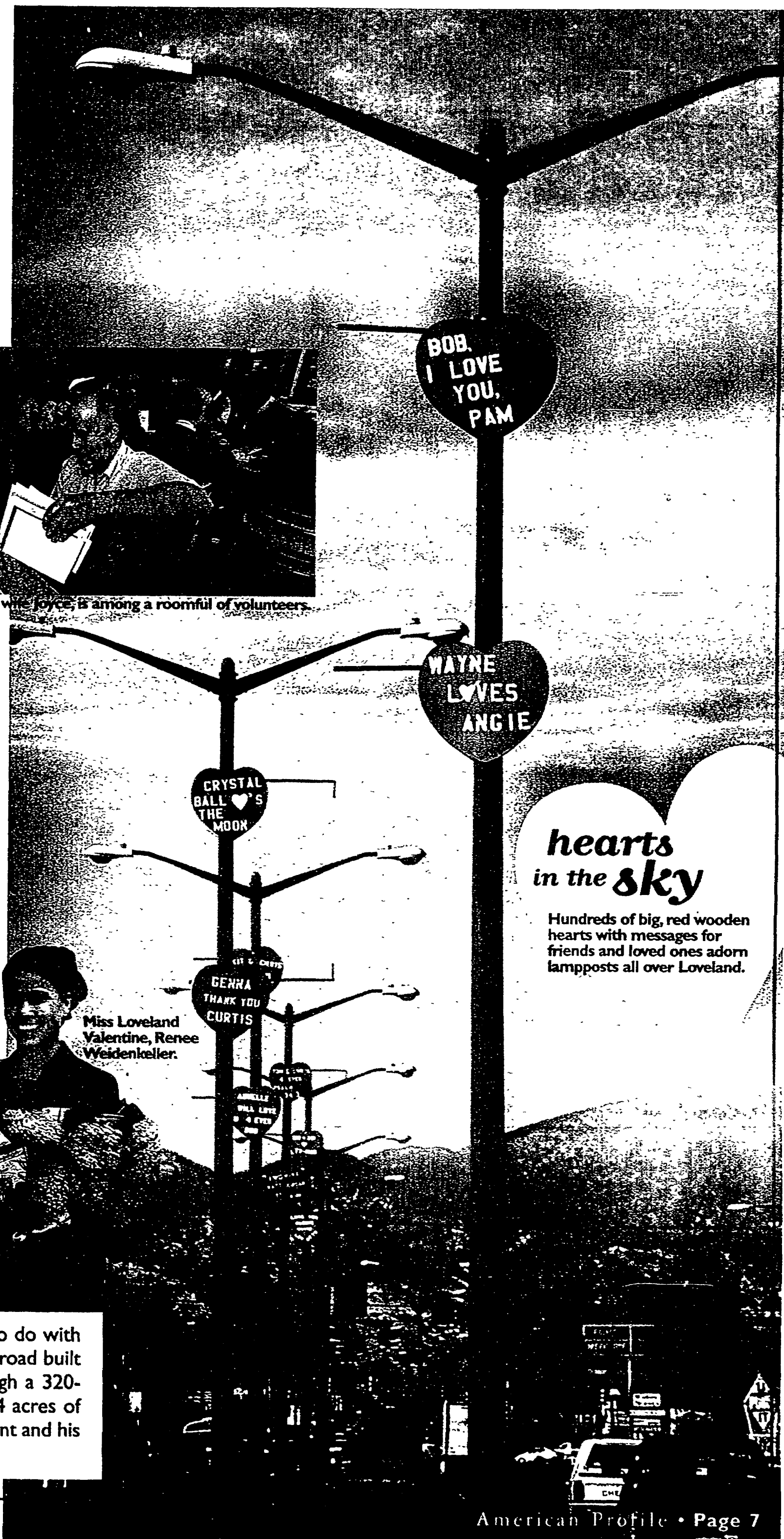
As romantic as the town's name sounds, it has nothing to do with Valentine's Day. Loveland was founded in 1877 when the railroad built a line from Denver to Cheyenne, Wyo., laying tracks through a 320-acre wheat farm owned by David Barnes. Barnes deeded 64 acres of his farm to the town and named it after the railroad's president and his longtime friend, W.A.H. Loveland.



Tom Boston, next to wife Joyce, is among a roomful of volunteers.



Miss Loveland Valentine, Renee Weidenkeller.



hearts in the sky

Hundreds of big, red wooden hearts with messages for friends and loved ones adorn lampposts all over Loveland.

Hometown Spotlight

by PAMELA ROHLAND

In the Shadow of a Superstar

Punxsutawney Phil never asked to be a superstar. The whole thing just landed in his furry lap.

Although Phil likes to spend the day lunching on veggies and sleeping curled up inside a warm log, he's accustomed to the demands of his profession—photo shoots, mingling with an adoring public, making appearances at community organizations throughout the year, as well as on national television programs. He's amused that those two-legged creatures believe he's so important that his official handler, Bill Deely, has taken care of him every day for the last 10 years without being paid a cent. Even his veterinarian gives him free tune-ups.

And Phil is tolerant of the interest centered on him when, on Feb. 2, as many as 33,000 people descend upon Punxsutawney, Pa., (pop. 6,271) to watch him yawn, crawl out of his log, rub his eyes, and observe whether he sees his shadow atop Gobbler's Knob, a wooded hill where the ceremonies take place. If he does see it, he returns to his bed, as lore has it, and slumbers through six more weeks of winter.

Phil's image is inescapable in Punxsutawney, the Weather Capital of the World. It appears in stores and restaurants, signs, and on every imaginable kind of souvenir. A Groundhog Beer, produced in the nearby town of St. Marys, Pa., (pop. 14,502) is popular, especially around Feb. 2, and the trash can lids in town are shaped like groundhog heads.

Phil's image is at the top of the front page of the *Punxsutawney Spirit*, the town's daily newspaper, which

throws journalistic restraint to the winds in this regard, publishing Groundhog Day countdowns accompanied by relevant facts, as well as a spread of several pages on the day after the event. Editor Tom Chapin makes no apologies.

"I think it's a lot of fun," he says. "It's like living in Orlando and having Disney World there."

This whole business began in the 1800s when German immigrants settled around a former American Indian campsite 90 miles northeast of Pittsburgh. They brought with them a celebration of the mid-point between winter and spring.

"Cabin fever was a very real disease back then, when people were so isolated during the winter months," says Michael Johnston, a member of the

116-year-old Inner Circle, a group devoted to keeping the legend of Phil alive. "Feb. 2 was a convenient day to have a party," Johnston says. Another group, the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club, has members in 28 counties.

The Germans' animal of choice in this wishing-for-spring ritual was a hedgehog, but since hedgehogs were scarce and groundhogs plentiful around Punxsutawney, the celebration became known as Groundhog Day.

Although it was a popular event from the beginning, groundhog fever really got rolling in 1993 with the release of the film *Groundhog Day*, starring Bill Murray as weatherman Phil Connors. Although the film was researched and "set" in Punxsutawney, much

of it was filmed in Woodstock, Ill., because of limited highway access in rural western Pennsylvania.

After the movie "enlightened" the rest of the world about the wonders of shadow watching, Johnston says, attendance at the ceremonies swelled from around 1,500 to more than 33,000 at its peak, and the souvenir trade spiked. Yet, while local businesses benefit from the increased interest and the traffic that has accompanied it, the event isn't about making money, Johnston insists.

All activities are free, and because of limited hotel space and few restaurants in Punxsutawney, little revenue comes into town through that channel. Surrounding communities benefit more financially than Punxsutawney. What Groundhog Day has become is both a tradition and the mystique that's grown up around it.

That mystique lives throughout the year in activities such as the September Groundhog Picnic, at which time Phil sips "groundhog nog," a magic potion that extends his life for another seven years.

That's why—members of the Inner Circle insist—the Phil we see today is the same groundhog that was prognosticating the weather more than a century ago.

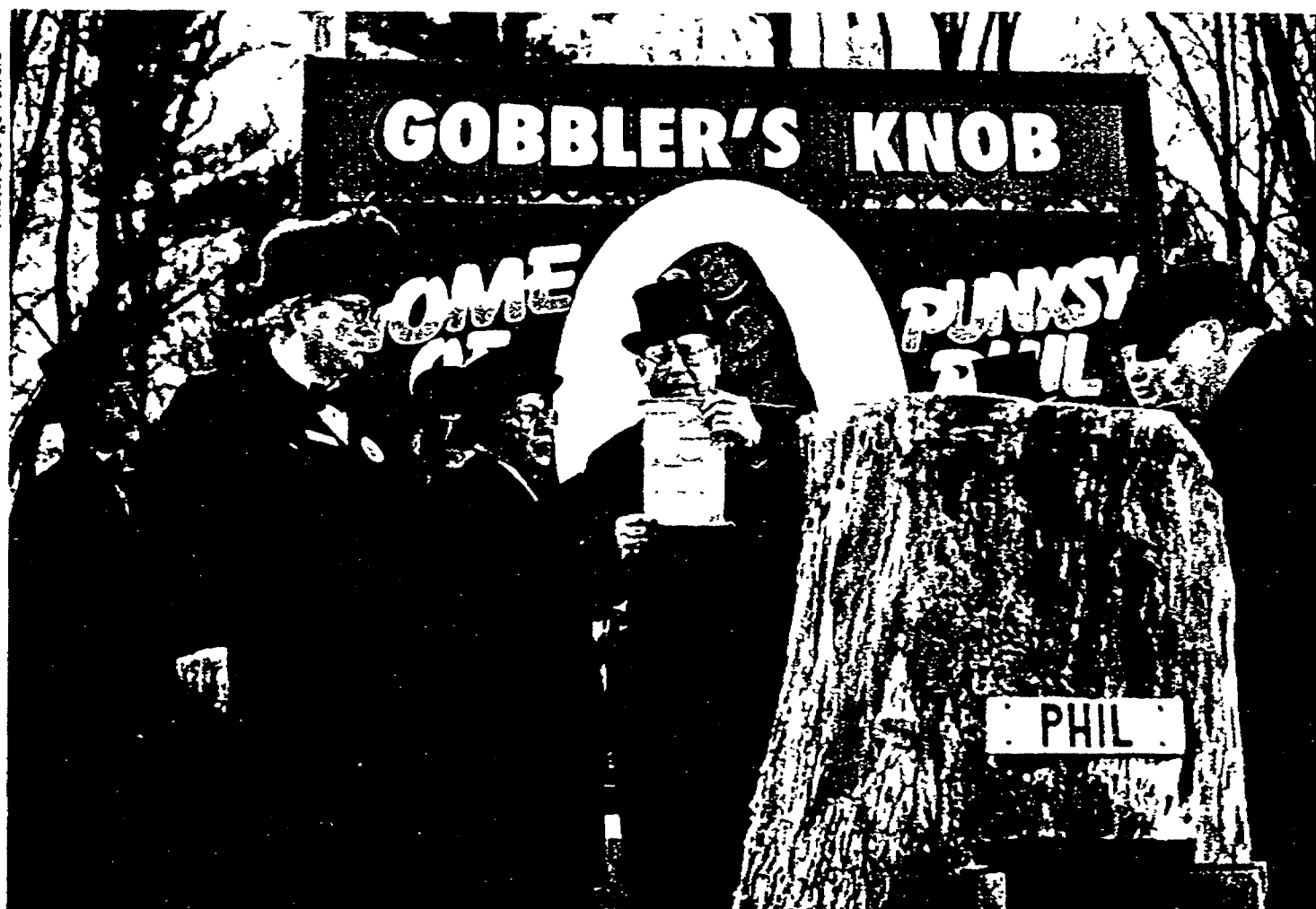
"Look," Johnston says. "If you start questioning the science of Groundhog Day, you've missed the point." ☆

Pamela Rohland is a frequent contributor to American Profile.

TO LEARN MORE...

Punxsutawney Phil has his own website at www.groundhog.org that details his up-to-the-minute activities.

Photo: George Powers



Dignitaries gather above the town to watch a sleepy Phil foretell the weather.

Photo: George Powers



Phil and handler Bill Deely greet the crowd.

A likeness of Punxsy Phil.



Photo: Michael Iovino

Health

by BETHANNE
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A Vitamin a Day

Eating a well-balanced diet is the best way to get the vitamins and minerals to help your body stay healthy. But if that's not possible, a daily multivitamin can help make up for nutritional shortfalls.

"A good multivitamin, formulated specifically for a person's age and gender needs, is the best foundation for overall health," says vitamin expert Steven Yanicelli, a registered dietitian from Mission Hills, Calif. (pop. 3,142).

Some 80 percent of Americans do not get the recommended five servings of fruits and vegetables each day, a recent *Journal of the American Medical Association* study reported, underscoring the value of taking a daily multivitamin.

"Vitamins help promote a strong immune system in several ways,"

Yanicelli says.

"For example, zinc can help in the production of white blood cells, which fight infection.

Antioxidants, including vitamins A, E, and C, can reduce the effects of toxins known as free radicals that are harmful to the body." Antioxidants are compounds that protect DNA from the damaging effects of oxygen molecules called free radicals.

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Prostate health: lycopene, selenium, vitamin E, and zinc

Bone strength: calcium, soy, vitamins A, D, K, and magnesium

Heart health: vitamins B6, B12, C, and E, soy, and folic acid

Blood pressure: calcium, magnesium, potassium, and vitamin C

Energy: vitamins B1, B2, B6, B12, biotin, magnesium, niacin, pantothenic acid, chromium, and ginseng

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION: GLUCOVANCE (Glyburide and Metformin HCl Tablets) is not for everyone. In rare cases, GLUCOVANCE may cause lactic acidosis (buildup of lactic acid in the blood), which is serious and can be fatal in half the cases. This occurs mainly in people whose kidneys are not functioning properly. Tell your doctor about your alcohol use because it can increase your risk. You should not take GLUCOVANCE if you: have kidney problems, are 80 or older (unless your kidneys have been tested), are taking medication for heart failure, are seriously dehydrated, have a severe infection, or if you have or have had liver disease.

The most common side effect is diarrhea. Symptoms of hypoglycemia (low blood sugar) such as lightheadedness, dizziness, shakiness or hunger may also occur.

Please see additional important patient information on next page.

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PATIENT INFORMATION ABOUT GLUCOVANCE®

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WARNING: A small number of people who have taken metformin hydrochloride have developed a serious condition called lactic acidosis. Properly functioning kidneys are needed to help prevent lactic acidosis. Most people with kidney problems should not take GLUCOVANCE. (See Question Nos. 9-13.)

Q1. Why do I need to take GLUCOVANCE?

Your doctor has prescribed GLUCOVANCE to treat your type 2 diabetes. This is also known as non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus.

Q2. What is type 2 diabetes?

People with diabetes are not able to make enough insulin and/or respond normally to the insulin their body does make. When this happens, sugar (glucose) builds up in the blood. This can lead to serious medical problems including kidney damage, amputations, and blindness. Diabetes is also closely linked to heart disease. The main goal of treating diabetes is to lower your blood sugar to a normal level.

Q3. Why is it important to control type 2 diabetes?

The main goal of treating diabetes is to lower your blood sugar to a normal level. Studies have shown that good control of blood sugar may prevent or delay complications such as heart disease, kidney disease, or blindness.

Q4. How is type 2 diabetes usually controlled?

High blood sugar can be lowered by diet and exercise, by a number of oral medications, and by insulin injections. Before taking GLUCOVANCE you should first try to control your diabetes by exercise and weight loss. Even if you are taking GLUCOVANCE, you should still exercise and follow the diet recommended for your diabetes.

Q5. Does GLUCOVANCE work differently from other glucose-control medications?

Yes it does. GLUCOVANCE combines two glucose lowering drugs, glyburide and metformin. These two drugs work together to improve the different metabolic defects found in type 2 diabetes. Glyburide lowers blood sugar primarily by causing more of the body's own insulin to be released, and metformin lowers blood sugar, in part, by helping your body use your own insulin more effectively. Together, they are efficient in helping you achieve better glucose control.

Q6. What happens if my blood sugar is still too high?

When blood sugar cannot be lowered enough by GLUCOVANCE your doctor may prescribe injectable insulin or take other measures to control your diabetes.

Q7. Can GLUCOVANCE cause side effects?

GLUCOVANCE, like all blood sugar-lowering medications, can cause side effects in some patients. Most of these side effects are minor. However, there are also serious, but rare, side effects related to GLUCOVANCE (see Q9 - Q13).

Q8. What are the most common side effects of GLUCOVANCE?

The most common side effects of GLUCOVANCE are normally minor ones such as diarrhea, nausea, and upset stomach. If these side effects occur, they usually occur during the first few weeks of therapy. Taking your GLUCOVANCE with meals can help reduce these side effects.

Less frequently, symptoms of hypoglycemia (low blood sugar), such as lightheadedness, dizziness, shakiness, or hunger may occur. The risk of hypoglycemic symptoms increases when meals are skipped, too much alcohol is consumed, or heavy exercise occurs without enough food. Following the advice of your doctor can help you to avoid these symptoms.

Q9. Are there any serious side effects that GLUCOVANCE can cause?

GLUCOVANCE rarely causes serious side effects. The most serious side effect that GLUCOVANCE can cause is called lactic acidosis.

Q10. What is lactic acidosis and can it happen to me?

Lactic acidosis is caused by a buildup of lactic acid in the blood. Lactic acidosis associated with metformin is rare and has occurred mostly in people whose kidneys were not working normally. Lactic acidosis has been reported in about one in 33,000 patients taking metformin over the course of a year. Although rare, if lactic acidosis does occur, it can be fatal in up to half the cases.

It's also important for your liver to be working normally when you take GLUCOVANCE. Your liver helps remove lactic acid from your bloodstream.

Your doctor will monitor your diabetes and may perform blood tests on you from time to time to make sure your kidneys and your liver are functioning normally.

There is no evidence that GLUCOVANCE causes harm to the kidneys or liver.

Q11. Are there other risk factors for lactic acidosis?

Your risk of developing lactic acidosis from taking GLUCOVANCE (Glyburide and Metformin HCl Tablets) is very low as long as your kidneys and liver are healthy. However, some factors can increase your risk because they can affect kidney and liver function. You should discuss your risk with your physician.

You should not take GLUCOVANCE if:

- You have chronic kidney or liver problems
- You have congestive heart failure which is treated with medications, e.g., digoxin (Lanoxin®) or furosemide (Lasix®)
- You drink alcohol excessively (all the time or short-term "binge" drinking)
- You are seriously dehydrated (have lost a large amount of body fluids)
- You are going to have certain x-ray procedures with injectable contrast agents
- You are going to have surgery
- You develop a serious condition such as a heart attack, severe infection, or a stroke
- You are ≥80 years of age and have NOT had your kidney function tested

Q12. What are the symptoms of lactic acidosis?

Some of the symptoms include: feeling very weak, tired or uncomfortable; unusual muscle pain, trouble breathing, unusual or unexpected stomach discomfort, feeling cold, feeling dizzy or lightheaded, or suddenly developing a slow or irregular heartbeat.

If you notice these symptoms, or if your medical condition has suddenly changed, stop taking GLUCOVANCE tablets and call your doctor right away. Lactic acidosis is a medical emergency that must be treated in a hospital.

Q13. What does my doctor need to know to decrease my risk of lactic acidosis?

Tell your doctor if you have an illness that results in severe vomiting, diarrhea, and/or fever, or if your intake of fluids is significantly reduced. These situations can lead to severe dehydration, and it may be necessary to stop taking GLUCOVANCE temporarily.

You should let your doctor know if you are going to have any surgery or specialized x-ray procedures that require injection of contrast agents. GLUCOVANCE therapy will need to be stopped temporarily in such instances.

Q14. Can I take GLUCOVANCE with other medications?

Remind your doctor that you are taking GLUCOVANCE when any new drug is prescribed or a change is made in how you take a drug already prescribed. GLUCOVANCE may interfere with the way some drugs work and some drugs may interfere with the action of GLUCOVANCE.

Q15. What if I become pregnant while taking GLUCOVANCE?

Tell your doctor if you plan to become pregnant or have become pregnant. As with other oral glucose-control medications, you should not take GLUCOVANCE during pregnancy.

Usually your doctor will prescribe insulin while you are pregnant. As with all medications, you and your doctor should discuss the use of GLUCOVANCE if you are nursing a child.

Q16. How do I take GLUCOVANCE?

Your doctor will tell you how many GLUCOVANCE tablets to take and how often. This should also be printed on the label of your prescription. You will probably be started on a low dose of GLUCOVANCE and your dosage will be increased gradually until your blood sugar is controlled.

Q17. Where can I get more information about GLUCOVANCE?

This leaflet is a summary of the most important information about GLUCOVANCE. If you have any questions or problems, you should talk to your doctor or other healthcare provider about type 2 diabetes as well as GLUCOVANCE and its side effects. There is also a leaflet (package insert) written for health professionals that your pharmacist can let you read.

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Healthy Eyes: vitamins A, C, E, and zinc
Healthy Skin: vitamins A and C, zinc, and biotin

Yanicelli offers these additional tips to help you use vitamins wisely:

- Besides a multivitamin, look for supplements that meet your specific nutritional needs. Women should take a calcium supplement containing vitamin D, which helps the body absorb calcium. Calcium has been shown to reduce the risk of osteoporosis.

- If you are concerned about heart health, take at least 400 I.U.s (International Units) of vitamin E daily. It is nearly impossible to get the recommended intake of vitamin E through diet alone, and studies show that it provides many long-term, heart-healthy benefits.

- Avoid taking extra doses. Always read the label carefully to see how much of the vitamin you should take and how often. Some supplements such as calcium should be taken with meals, while others are better absorbed between meals.

- Look for vitamins with a quality seal, such as the U.S. Pharmacopoeia (USP), which represents the gold standard in supplement quality and purity.

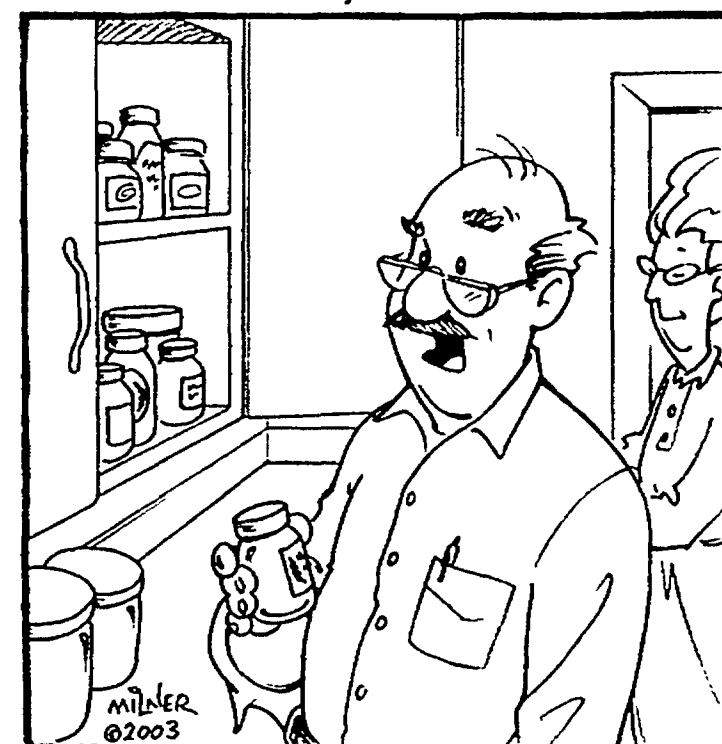
- Tell your doctor about the supplements you are taking. Some vitamins should be avoided because of health conditions and in combination with certain medications.

"Vitamins are like a nutritional insurance policy," Yanicelli says. "Their long-term benefits greatly outweigh their cost." ☆

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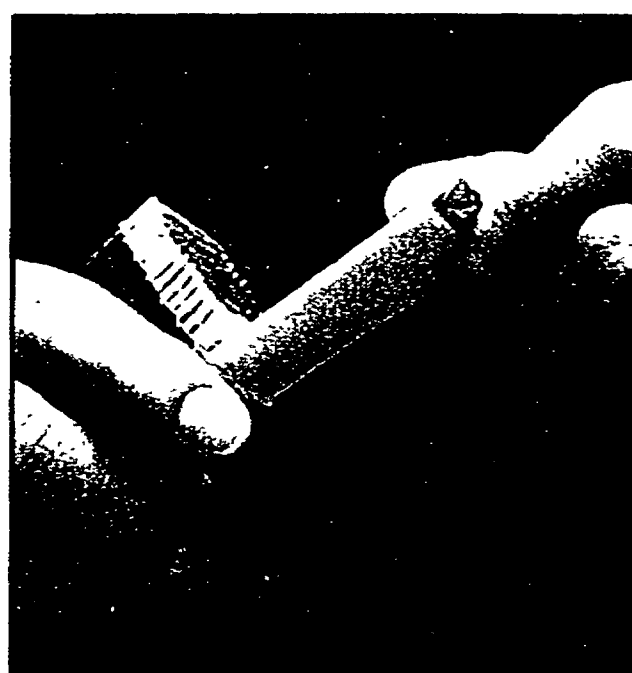
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(By Frank K. Wood)

FC&A, a Peachtree City, Georgia, publisher, announced today the release of a new book for the general public, *"Natural Cures and Gentle Medicines That Work Better Than Dangerous Drugs or Risky Surgery."* The authors provide many health tips with full explanations.

- ▶ Save your eyesight, no matter your age. These foods reduce your risk of blindness in old age by nearly half.
- ▶ Cures that flush cholesterol right out of your body and slash your risk for heart disease.
- ▶ Just a single cup of this refreshing fruit juice daily is enough to keep cholesterol from turning into artery-clogging plaque.
- ▶ Your body produces a natural "fountain of youth" that keeps your heart and arteries strong, lowers your cholesterol and blood pressure levels, and stops free radicals from doing damage.
- ▶ Fight cancer, heart disease, diabetes, flu — even bad breath — just by sipping a steaming cup of this pleasant beverage.
- ▶ From the back roads of China and the ancient cities of Europe comes a time-honored remedy for a failing memory. This herb is so effective in promoting increased blood flow to the brain, it even offers dramatic help for people with Alzheimer's.
- ▶ Melt away tension, depression, anger, fatigue and mental confusion — all without drugs, doctors or special diets. This cure builds confidence and self-awareness, too.
- ▶ 6 ways to tell if you may be headed for a stroke, plus how to change course and avoid this common killer.
- ▶ Diabetic? Now control your blood sugar without insulin or medication. Research shows that this remedy helps regulate glucose, helps you lose weight and lowers your blood pressure. That's 3 great benefits from one fantastic remedy.
- ▶ Arthritis cures ... in your pantry! Just open a can of this lunch-time favorite to eliminate pain.
- ▶ Less than a teaspoon a day of this heart-healing herb is proven to lower cholesterol a whopping 20%!
- ▶ Easy ways to boost your metabolism and burn fat.
- ▶ Could the medicine you're taking be the cause of your painful joints? Learn about 19 drugs that cause pain instead of heal it.
- ▶ Breast cancer is often preventable! Every woman should read this without delay. Many women's lives could be saved.
- ▶ Fast natural relief for back pain ... and more little-known health secrets.
- ▶ Are you bothered by tingling, burning or numbness in your feet? A study at New York Medical College

finds that all 3 symptoms can be relieved with this safe, new drug-free remedy.

- ▶ Arthritis relief in a soda can! Walk farther with less pain, climb stairs faster, grip things more easily. What kind of soda?
- ▶ The fun, 20-second workout that's as good for your heart as rowing hard nine times longer!
- ▶ Tired and worn out? Learn how to regain lost energy.
- ▶ Frequent leg pain is often a sign you're not getting enough of this simple substance (and you won't believe how easy it is to fix!)
- ▶ Surprising role of orange juice in weight loss. If you'd like to drop a few pounds, enjoy o.j. at this time.
- ▶ Natural brain boosters that keep your mind sharp and precious memories fresh.
- ▶ Aching joints? Try eating these delicious healing foods — proven to ease joint pain.
- ▶ Effective heart bypass without surgery! Doctors say you can now grow new blood vessels to bypass old clogged ones. Medical breakthrough helps 3 out of 4 patients avoid surgery.
- ▶ 5 surefire ways to trim your waistline.
- ▶ Five steps to banish an unsightly pot belly.
- ▶ High blood pressure? Eat a delicious hot baked potato!
- ▶ The solution to your nagging back pain may not be in the doctor's office or the drug store, but in your kitchen! This tells exactly where to reach for a quick, effective remedy.
- ▶ Better prostate health without surgery. Easy natural remedies for every man, no matter his age, are disclosed here.
- ▶ Over 100,000 people die each year from drugs prescribed by doctors. Seven ways to make sure you don't become a statistic.
- ▶ Mites be gone! Kill 100 percent of dust mites and their eggs with this no-cost, no-chemical treatment.
- ▶ You're looking for something you lost, then you forget what you are looking for! Maybe you should check your refrigerator. That's where you may find the foods you need for peak mental sharpness and faster recall. 9 nutrients for super memory.
- ▶ Type II diabetes? Make sure you eat plenty of the foods listed here. They contain a work-horse nutrient that shuttles excess sugar out of your bloodstream and into your cells.
- ▶ Turn up the heat in your internal furnace and burn fat away with these easy weight loss tips.
- ▶ Studies find a link between faith and good health: Those who trust a higher power to keep them well and heal their ills often find their prayers answered!

- ▶ The inexpensive, natural cure for arthritis and muscle pain that helped 75% of the folks who tried it!

- ▶ Good news for millions! New medical research supports use of these four vitamins in fighting arthritis pain and stiffness.
- ▶ One-third of the people afflicted by this killer disease don't even know they have it! Eleven tell-tale signs you must not ignore!
- ▶ The 2¢ colon cleanser! It helps prevent cancer!
- ▶ Diabetes is preventable — yes, preventable. If you have a family history of this disease, or if you don't exercise regularly, this is must-know information.
- ▶ Whittle your waistline away with the 6 tips that zero in on mid-line weight loss.
- ▶ Save your eyesight from cataracts with one little pill.
- ▶ For years, doctors told arthritis patients to stay away from this natural remedy. Now they realize this same remedy "can reduce the amount of medication needed to control pain and increase strength and flexibility. It may even delay or prevent arthritis from developing in other joints." What great news!
- ▶ Miraculous natural compound reduces joint pain for people with arthritis. Just take it with your daily vitamins for pain relief without the side effects of drugs.
- ▶ Live longer ... fight disease ... ease stress — just by doing something even babies can do.
- ▶ Are you bothered by allergies? Hidden allergy triggers lurk in 2 common household fixtures, making your symptoms worse.
- ▶ These three "magic" minerals perform a "triple whammy" to naturally lower high blood pressure.
- ▶ 10 natural ways to end sleepless nights, awake rejuvenated each morning.
- ▶ You'll "see" a big difference when you eat these eyesight-healthy foods.
- ▶ If your home's foundation crumbles and sags, so will your home. As your body's foundation, your skeleton works the same way. Keeping it strong is the key to avoiding bone fractures, stooped posture and, eventually, a wheelchair. Just 4 diet secrets can do the trick for strong bones that last a lifetime.
- ▶ Vitamins and minerals can keep you from ever getting colon cancer, even if this awful killer runs in your family.
- ▶ Head off hearing loss with this vitamin.
- ▶ Are you sick and tired of spending too much time and too much money on doctors and drugs that fail to cure your arthritis? Look up the vitamin remedy in this book. It "offers all the pain relief of traditional prescription arthritis medicine at a fraction of the cost!" The best news? No side effects!
- ▶ For years, doctors told patients suffering from

"Irritable Bowel Syndrome" — or "spastic colon" — to eat more bran. Now it turns out that bran only makes IBS worse! The good news is that new research affirms the healing power of several other foods for IB.

- ▶ The "beauty cream" that improves your skin's ability to hold moisture by 50%, protects it from irritation and penetrates deeper than other moisturizers. (Just don't look for it on the skin-care aisle along with all those other expensive products!)
- ▶ Use this age-old herbal remedy to rouse your immune system into battle against infections.
- ▶ Concerned about cataracts? Millions of people wait until their vision starts to go, then have a risky operation with an uncertain outcome ... but now you can prevent cataracts in the first place with these 7 tips.
- ▶ Reverse type II diabetes with very little effort!
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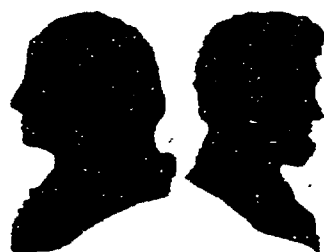
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Happenings

FEB. 16-22



Celebrate the birthdays of Presidents Washington and Lincoln on the 17th.

ILLINOIS

State Wrestling Tournament—Champaign, Feb. 21-22. High school wrestlers from across the state will compete in 14 weight classes during this individual tournament at the University of Illinois' Assembly Hall. (309) 663-6377.

INDIANA

Maple Syrup Festival—Rockville, Feb. 21-23 and Feb. 28-March 2. Witness primitive maple syrup making, take a wagon ride, and tour covered bridges at Billie Creek Village and other locations in Parke County. (765) 569-3430.

IOWA

Rod & Custom Car Show—Monticello, Feb. 22-23. In its 34th year, this automotive show features street rods and machines, race and custom cars, pickup trucks, and motorcycles at the Monticello Berndes Center. (319) 465-5119.

KANSAS

Sand and Sage Collectors Show—Garden City, Feb. 22-23. Come see an amazing array of antiques and collectibles during this annual event at the Finney County Fairgrounds Exhibition Building. (620) 276-3264.

MICHIGAN

Shanty Days—Caseville, Feb. 14-16. Build your own outhouse, put it on skis, and compete for prizes during this event, which also features a lighted parade, ice fishing contest, polar bear dip, and children's games. (800) 606-1347.

MINNESOTA

Winter Frolic—Hibbing, Feb. 7-16. An ice-fishing contest, cross-country skiing, communitywide treasure hunt, ice skating, children's games, and snowmobile, dog sled, and sleigh rides highlight this 51st annual celebration. (218) 262-4339.

MISSOURI

Missouri Wine Festival—Maryland Heights, Feb. 15-16. Sample the award-winning vintages of 10 Missouri wineries and help raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society during this annual event at West Port Plaza. (314) 576-2727.

NEBRASKA

Fiddler on the Roof—Beatrice, Feb. 14-16 and 21-23. The Beatrice Community Players stage six performances of the Broadway musical at the Community Players Theatre. Call (402) 228-1801 for times and ticket information.

NORTH DAKOTA

Flowers of the Upper Missouri River Valley—Washburn, through Feb. 28. Stroll through a photographic display of flowers growing along the Missouri River during this exhibit at the Lewis & Clark Interpretative Center. (877) 462-8535.

OHIO

Maple Sugaring Days—Bath, through Feb. 23. Trek into the sugar bush at Hale Farm & Village, help the staff collect tree sap, and explore the age-old process of maple syrup production. (800) 589-9703.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Artists of the Plains Art Show—Sioux Falls, Feb. 21-23. Eighteen artists display and sell their work, awards will be presented for Best of Show, and a silent auction is scheduled during this 23rd annual event at Radisson Encore Hotel. (605) 274-4007.

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American Birkebeiner—Hayward, Feb. 22. Celebrate the 30th anniversary of North America's largest cross-country ski marathon, a 51-kilometer race featuring professional and amateur athletes from around the world. (715) 634-5025.

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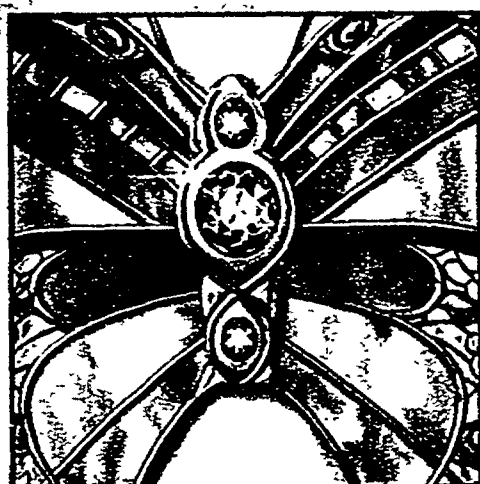
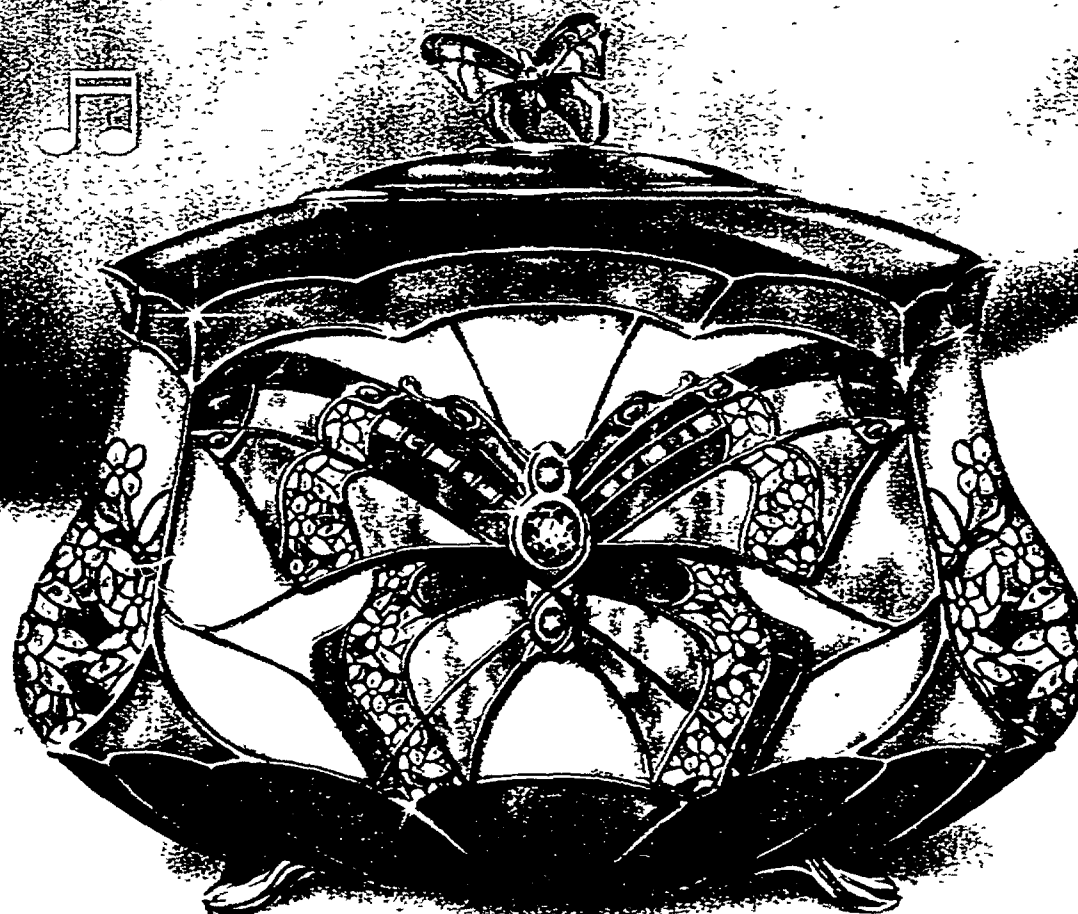
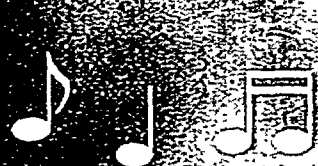
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RECIPE: Apple Salad

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- 1 20-ounce can crushed pineapple, undrained
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1 3-ounce package lemon Jell-O
- 1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup diced unpeeled apples
- 1/2 to 1 cup chopped nuts
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 cup whipped topping

In saucepan, combine pineapple and sugar. Boil three minutes. Add Jell-O. Stir until dissolved. Add cream cheese; stir until mixture is thoroughly combined. Cool. Fold in apples, nuts, celery, and whipped topping. Pour into a 9-inch square pan. Chill until firm. Cut into squares and serve on lettuce leaves. Makes 9-12 servings.

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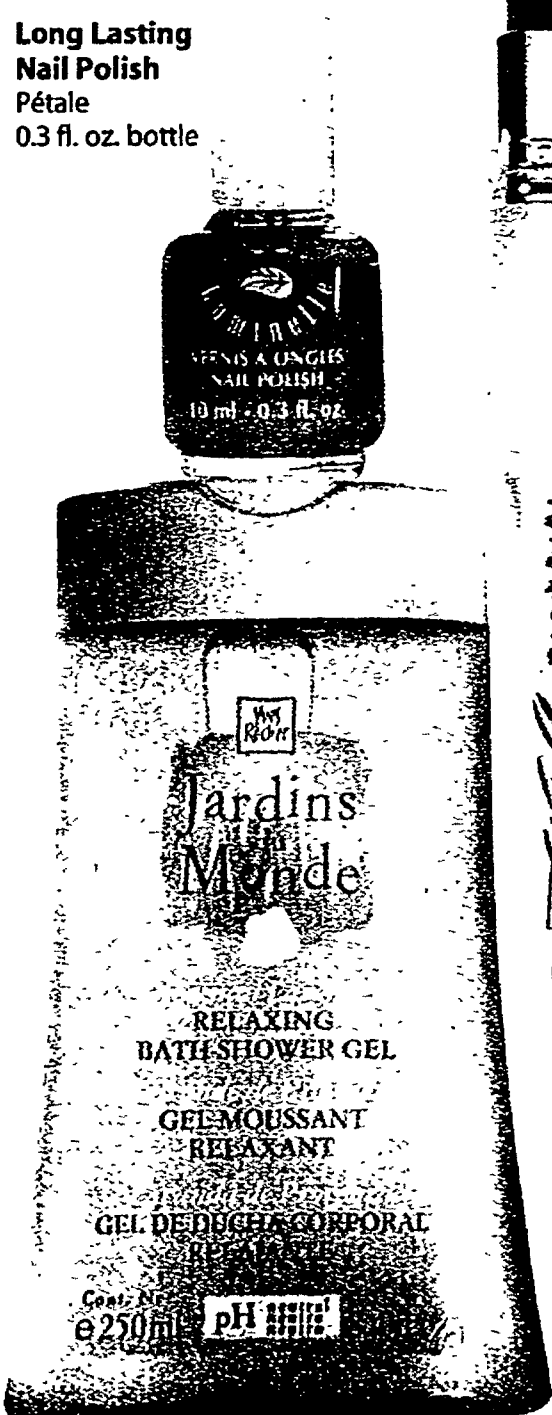
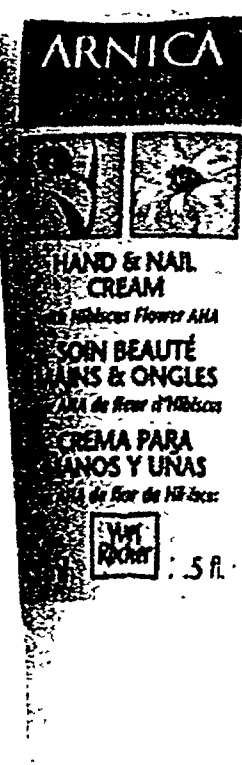
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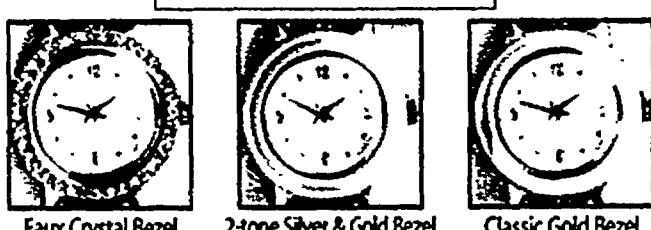


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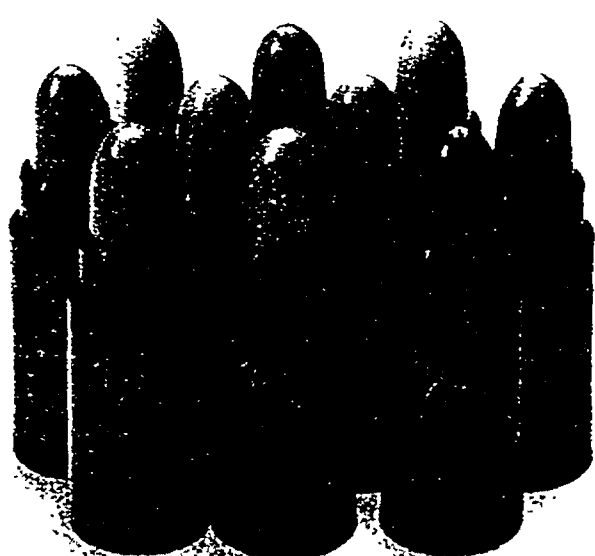
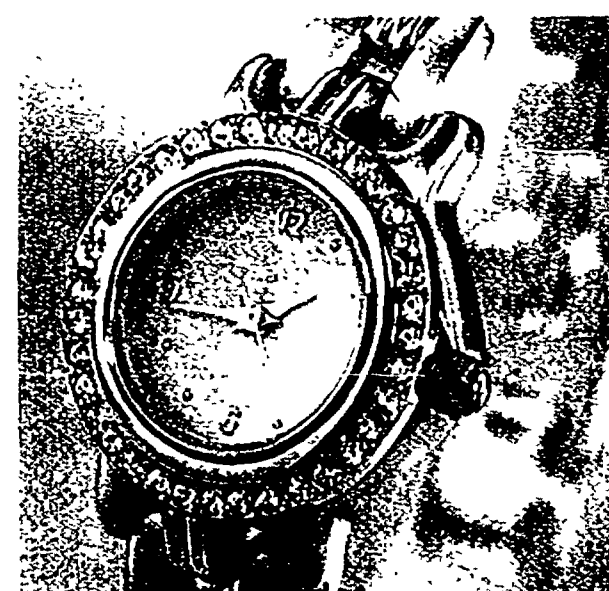
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