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regional competition at Plymouth High School. - Page 1B



Survey returned, committee begins analyzing data; says recommendation may not come

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Members of the Northville High School Late Start Committee presented a summary of the results of a district-wide survey at a town hall meeting Feb. 27.

Graphs and charts depicted survey responses from parents, school faculty and middle For more information on what the late start survey revealed, see page 7A.

school students. Data from high school students' surveys had not been compiled. District officials received the high school information

from the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency shortly before the town hall meeting began.

"We're in the process of analyzing all the data," said Sue Meyer, Meads Mill Middle School principal and Late Start committee member. "This is very preliminary data. It's going to take a while to analyze it."

Meyer said survey responses were mixed

and did not indicate a majority consensus. "My determination is we have a lot of work to do," she said. "We're still analyzing a lot of this. There is a lot of data here."

At the March 25 board of education meeting, the Late Start committee is slated to present information to school board officials. That

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City considers Allen Terrace construction

By Pauline Lupercio STAFE WRITER

Renovated kitchens and new windows are one step closer to becoming reality at the Allen Terrace senior citizen complex with recent council approval of architectural and engineering firms.

Improvements to the 25-yearold building include replacement of the heating and air conditioning units, windows, door walls, and kitchen, elevator, and activity room renovations.

After lengthy discussion at the Feb 18 council meeting, the \$1.5 million project was awarded to M C. Smith as architects and J.S. Vig as project construction manager, subject to favorable reference checks.

Although both council and the Northville housing commission stated that their ultimate goal was to complete the project with minimal disruption to Allen Terrace residents, they disagreed on how to approach the actual construction.

At the core of the debate was whether a general contractor or

ABOUT WTUA

According to Tim Faas, director of

operations for WTUA, that stability

through the Ypsilanti Communities

WTUA's secondary purpose was

to improve the environmental qual-

river that traverses through Canton

Township. At the time WTUA was created, the portion in question

was heavily polluted by storm water run-off. By taking treated

which used to flow into Belleville

Lake --- and redirecting it back to

the lower Rouge in Canton town-

ship, significant and positive envi-

ronmental results have occurred.

flow from the YCUA plant -

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"We are just trying to get the biggest bang for our buck here. We all gain by that."

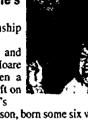
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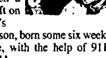
construction manager approach would best benefit the renovations. Council members favored construction the manager approach due to potential timesavings, open-book accurditing, overall cost savings, pre-qualification of bidders and having someone to manage the project on the owner's behalf.

As stated in the regular minutes of the Jan. 22 housing commission minutes, perceived benefits to hiring a general contractor included greater experience in

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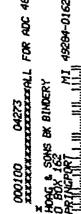




Photo by JOHN HEIDER Linda Pallas, assistant superintendent of Northville schools, is retiring at the end of the

From snowy to sandy

Northville's Pallas Arizona-bound at end of school year

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

school year.

Northville Public Schools will soon be in the market for a new assistant superintendent.

After two years on the job, assistant superintendent Linda Pallas announced last week she plans to retire at the conclusion of the 2002-2003 school year.

Pallas, along with her husband. Tom Pallas. а physical at education/health teacher

Amerman Elementary, will both be were important." retiring from the district.

The couple plan to relocate to Sedona, Ariz.

"It just seems to be the right for time for Tom and me to do that," said Linda Pallas, adding that her pending departure has resulted in a blend of bittersweet emotions.

"I really like working in Northville," she said. "The school district is outstanding and progressive. I think I've been able to start and complete some projects that

Pallas said the decision to move to the next chapter in her life was not a simple one.

"In many respects it's not easy to leave because I like it here," she said.

Although the couple is retiring from public education, Pallas views her next steps as a brand new venture.

"It's the right time for Tom and

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By Pauline Lupercio The organization was formed in 1986 in order to bring long-term stability to rates relating to the STAFF WRITER

Northville Township representatives met recently with member communities of the Western Townships Utilities Authority to discuss financial obligations relating to the Ypsilanti wastewater treatment plant.

Construction on the \$102 million plant began the first week of February and is scheduled to be up and running in about in 2006 with a six month "start-up" factored in. Once complete, the WTUA member communites which consist of Northville, Plymouth, and Canton townships - will begin directing their waste water there as opposed to the Detroit water treatment plant.

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Lift up your heart: Tirami Su opens

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Looking for a "lift"? Find what you are searching for at the newest Italian restaurant in the downtown area, Tirami Su Ristorante of Northville. And since Tirami Su means "to lift you up" both sense and spirit will be excited upon entering the doors of this causally romantic restaurant.

The Northville location is the fourth in the Tirami Su chain with

Clinton Township, Shelby Township, and Farmington Hills locations already established by D'Anna. owner Giuseppe Specialties include shrimp parmigiana, veal piccante, and veal marsala, as well as a variety of chicken, pasta, and steak dishes. A full bar and seasonal patio are also available to patrons.

According to general manager Michelle Mihailovska, Tirami Su

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER Tiramisu staff members Michelle Mihailovksa, left, and George Campbell have opened their Northville **Cady Center restaurant** and have plenty of their signature dish for diners (center of table).

breaks ground

New Italian eatery opens downtown

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has been in business already for about a month and customers have fallen for the service, the atmosphere, and the homemade desserts.

"It's friendly service. You feel like you are dining in an Italian home when you come in," said Mihailovska. "And people rave about the desserts-especially the Tirami Su."

Mihailovska said that owner D'Anna is the key to success.

"He's here every day to talk and talks to customers," she said. "He brought a Gelato machine from Italy to make fresh Gelato for the customers' dining pleas-

ure." But what is the best thing on the menu?

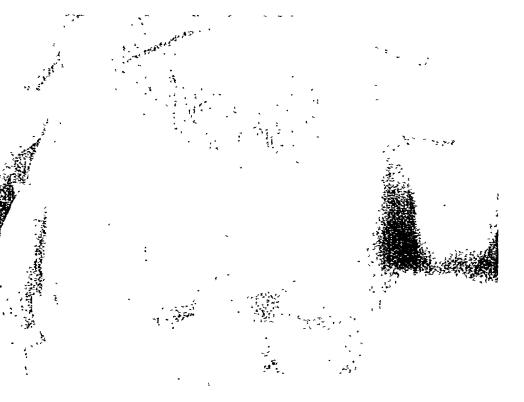
"Well, ask me what I haven't tried, because I have tried almost everything we serve and have loved every bite," Mihailovska said. "When you work in a restaurant with good food, what else can you say?"

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YOU HAVE A NEIGHBOR



Photo by JOHN HEIDER A blue light il!uminates these bottles of Grappa at Northville's Tiramisu in the Cady Center.



ABOUT TIRAMI SU

Tirami Su Italian Ristorante of Northville is located at 146 Main Centre in downtown Northville. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. with lunch being served from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and dinner served until close. Sunday hours are from 12 p.m. to 11 p.m. with dinner served all day.

For more information, or to make a reservation, call (248) 735-0101.

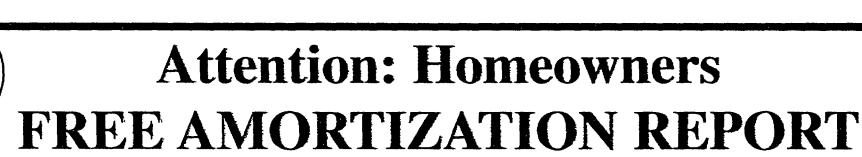


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A Sound decision: dog is luckiest in Northville

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

The luckiest dog in Northville is currently reveling in all his glory and owner Debbie Erskine is loving every minute of it

According to city employee Wendy Gutowski, the annual "Lucky Dog" contest is now in its sixth year. The contest, designed to encourage residents to register the canine pals, simply comes down to luck for the dog chosen each year.

Each year, police chief lim Petres selects a tag number at random. Then the city just waits for the "lucky dog" to come in, owner in tow.

"It's just a fun thing to do," said Gutowski.

The winning pooch is six-yearold Sounder, a purebred schipperke. Owner Erskine also owns this year's "consolation" winneranother schipperke named Toto.

Erskine refers to her dogs as the "nice one" and the "mean one." Proving once again that nice guys usually do finish last, Sounder walked away with the prized box of milk bones leaving Toto with only one bone to claim as his own. Sounder will also receive an official certificate of award from

the city, complete with gold seal, indicating his status as Northville's "lucky dog" for 2003. "I just thought it was a hoot

when I won the contest because I never win anything," said Erskine. "It just made me laugh because Toto is nicer but the mean dog is my favorite. It's a httle twisted but I love telling my family that Sounder won the [Lucky Dog Award]."

Erskine described the schip-



New playground clears hurdle in development

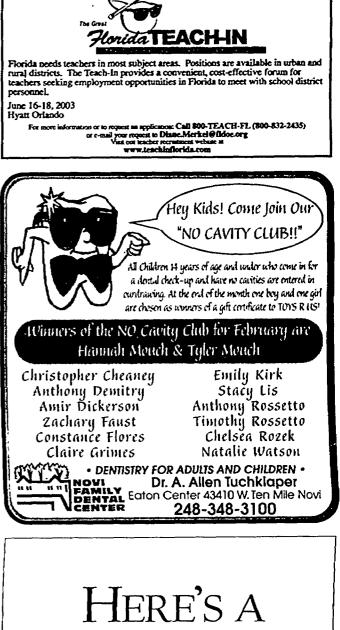
By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

The Northville community is one step closer to seeing an expanded recreation building and a revamped playground at Old Village School.

Northville board of education members approved of the renovation plans at its Feb. 25 meeting. Final construction plans still require approval from Northville city and township officials.

The proposed 6,000 square-foot building addition would be occupied by area senior citizens and serve as a new Senior Center for city and township residents. Adjacent to the planned addition, Old Village School is slated to gain a refurbished playground. Northville city and township are slated to contribute \$130,000 toward the cost of the playground. According to Northville Township resident Jim Nield, the play area will be well-tuned to serve students with special needs. "The new playground will be

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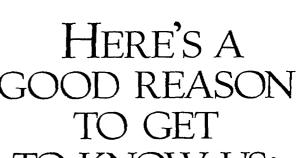


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

For registering her schipperke "Sounder" with the city of Northville, owner Debbie Erskine got a large box of Milkbones to give to her pooch.

perke breed as "aggressive" and "protective."

"He thinks he is this really huge rottweiler, but he's only this 17 pound dog." she said. "He's very misunderstood but so lovable." Erskine also said that the runner-up is "really bummed out." Pa

"Toto got this really small Milk-Bone for his prize," she said. "But he's dealing pretty well with the loss, considering."

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Graham and Alison Hoare hold their newborn son, Daniel, who was delivered several weeks premature at the couple's home. A 911 dispatcher helped guide the birthing process.

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Much to his parents' surprise. Daniel James Hoare made an early entrance to the world on Valentine's Day.

Northville Township residents Graham and Alison Hoare thought their baby wasn't due until late March, Instead, their baby arrived six weeks early and was delivered in their Northville home with the aid of a 911 dispatcher.

Alison said she began going into labor Feb. 13 at about 10.45 p.m. but mistook the beginning pains for indigestion

With Daniel being her first child and her due date more than a month away, Alison didn't realize she was experiencing labor.

"I wasn't expecting to be having contractions or anything," she said With a first baby you don't know what to expect, anyway.

Alison said she watched television for an hour and went back to bed, but her symptoms didn't subside.

'It was not getting any better." she said and began timing them at about five minutes apart

After waking her husband, they

Name

to prepare to leave for the hospital. However, the baby was coming

faster than the two could leave home. A 911 call was placed and answered by Northville Township dispatcher Tom Dunny.

Alison said, "I just remember saying to [Graham] 'I don't think 911 is going to get here on time'."

With Dunny's assistance, police and medical crews were dispatched to the residence. As medical help was on the way, Dunny verbally assisted Graham on the telephone as he helped his wife deliver their son.

Alison said the baby was born just minutes before firemen arrived. The emergency crews then helped clamp the umbilical cord and cut it, she said.

Dunny said although home delivcries are rare, he has encountered two during his career.

Thorough training and quick thinking allowed Dunny to dispatch medical teams and provide birthing instructions to assist the couple.

Dunny said he was on the phone for less than 10 minutes before police and fire officials arrived.

"I heard the baby start crying," he said. "It was a good feeling then, I give a lot of credit to [Graham] and

couple called their doctor and began his wife. Really, she should be the one given credit here because she did all the work. They did very good."

"It's a great feeling. A lot of times in our job we're given criminal matters or people's misfortunes or mishaps. These are the calls that you can get involved in that really make you feel good."

The baby was born at about 1:50 a.m. on Valentine's Day --- which coincidentally is the father's birthday.

"It was the best present I could have," said Graham.

Alison added. "I've got two little Valentine boys now. I don't which one will now get the biggest party."

The newborn weighed 3 pounds, 1 ounce and was still under hospital care at press time.

Delivering their son at home will likely be an experience the Hoare family will not soon forget.

"At the time you run on adrenaline and you just deal with it minute by minute," said Alison. "We are very grateful to everyone that helped."

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Daniel's grand entranceBreakage payout gives cityTownship baby delivered with 911 assistance Feb. 14Chance to make improvements

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Council approved recommended usage for approximately \$370,000 in breakage revreceived from the enue Northville Downs at the council's Feb. 18 meeting.

Breakage is a percentage of revenue generated by a race track given to the municipality in which the track is located.

For the past decade, the city of Northville has used any funding in excess of the cost of police services to the racetrack for capital outlay and construction related activities.

Recommendations made by city staff for proposed designation of breakage revenue included:

· Replacement of all city entrance signs; • Tree removal and replace-

ment for foliage affected by the emerald ash borer; • Eight Mile and Novi roads

entrance landscaping, and; Mill Pond Restoration

Projects were selected based on priority status, involvement of third party opportunities, and if they were already in process to some extent. The majority of the breakage

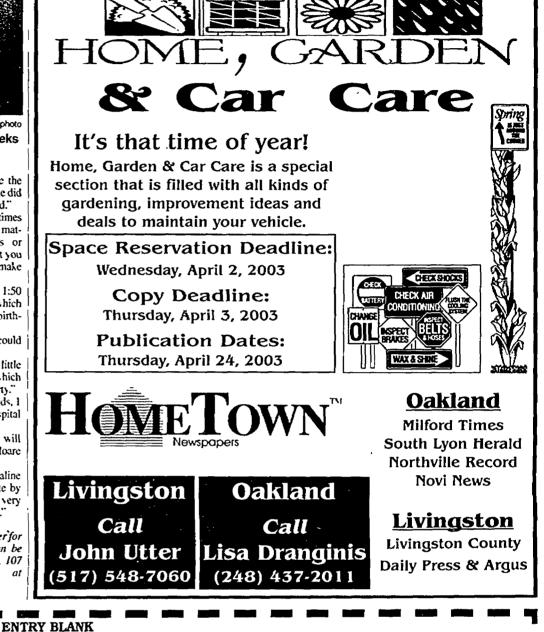
revenue was designated for use

in expanding Rural Hills Cemetery. Council determined that \$100,000 would be set aside towards the \$1 million needed for project completion. A total of \$200,000 has already been set aside from past years.

"I'm pleased with the council's reaffirmation of the recommendations that were made," said city manager Gary Word.

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Maybury barn cats available for adoption

Three male felines found near site of burned farm, rescued by Oakland County group

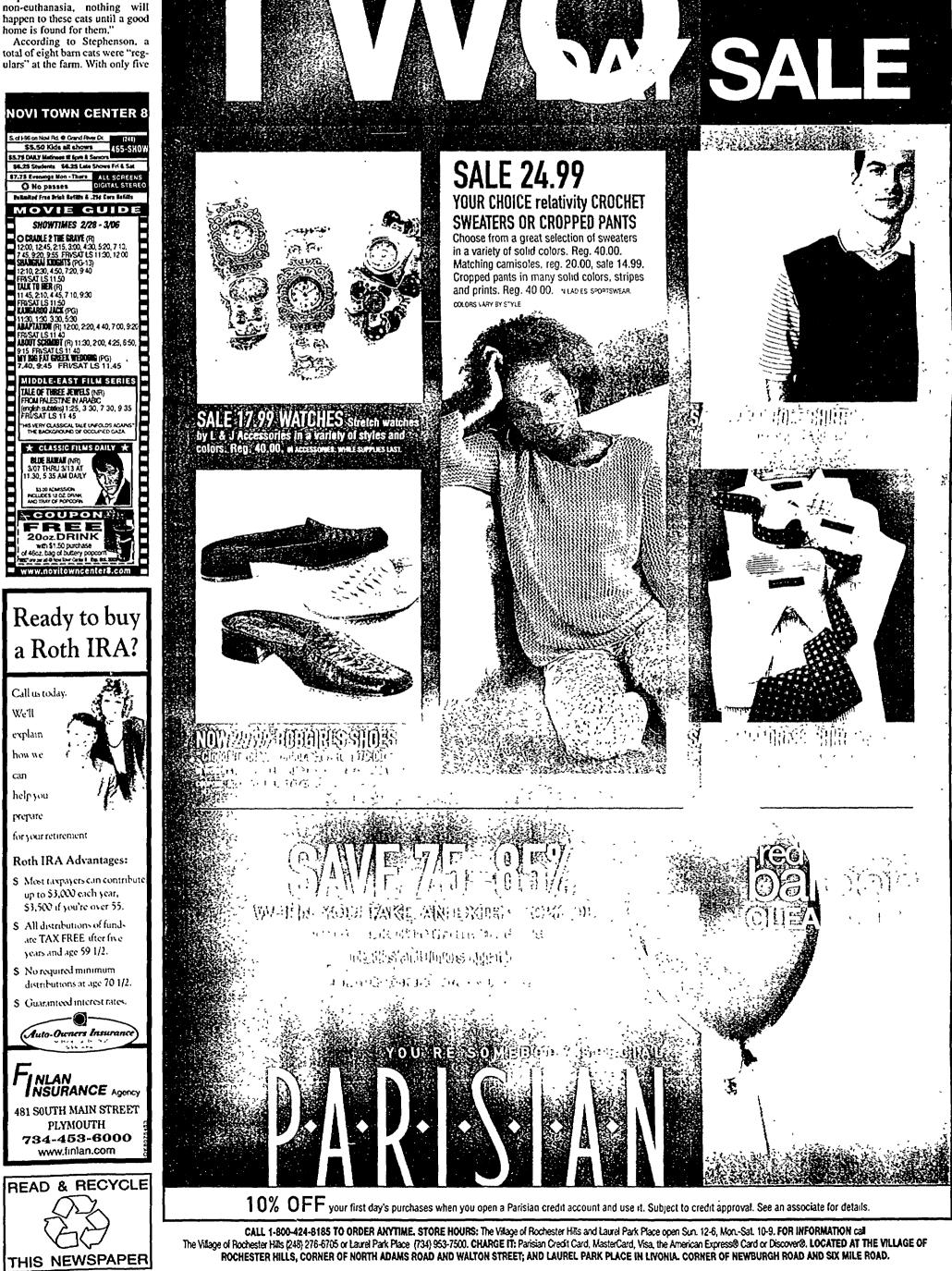
By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Cat lovers now have the opportunity to provide a good home to the surviving barn cats from Maybury State Park.

Ellen According to Stephenson, president and founder of the Elizabeth Lake Animal Rescue, three cats are available for adoption through the rescue organization located in Union Lake. A fourth will be placed back into a barn setting. The rescue organization is still attempting to catch a fifth cat and will then determine if it is able to be adopted ..

The cats' home was destroyed when the Maybury barn burned to the ground Feb. 12. All the farm animals living in the barn died or were later euthanized following injuries sustained in the blaze.

Stephenson. "And since we are non-euthanasia, nothing will happen to these cats until a good home is found for them."



accounted for to date, she said she hopes the other cats relocated themselves to other barns on discovering their former home destroyed.

"We don't know if ay of them were in the fire but obviously the hope is the hope that none of those cats were in the barn." she said.

The three male cats available for adoption are in various stages of readiness for actual placement. Erik and Evan are shorthaired tabbies and are considered to be the friendliest. The third, a short-haired solid gray is not yet.

believed to range in age from just under a year to three years old.

The cats have also been neutered and the vaccination process has already begun. They have also been tested for leukemia and AIDS.

But Stephenson said the lucky felines are still adjusting to constant human interaction. Because of that, she suggests only families without small children consider adopting.

"They need to be worked with a hit more since they are not used to being handled or picked up?

ready for placement. All are she said. "But I do think they would be okay in a home with other cats or dogs since they did live with other animals on the farm.'

Stephenson said adoption applications will be screened by the various members of the adoption committee prior to placement of the cats. An adoption fee is required to help cover the cost of medical care provided to the animals.

"Anyone who adopts has 30 days to decide if they can provide the appropriate home for the cats and bring them back to us if it

INTERESTED IN ADOPTING?

Please call (248) 682-9649 for more information or log onto www.elar.org to fill out an online application form. Applications will be screened by the adoption committee and references will be checked prior to placement of the Maybury cats.

Contributions are also being accepted towards the care of the Maybury cats and can be sent to the Elizabeth Lake Animal Rescue at P.O. Box 126, Union Lake, Mich. 48387-0126.

doesn't work out," said Stephenson "We just want the cats to be happy and the people who adopt them to be happy."

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Amid winter, area preps for stormy spring

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Winter may still be in full force but that doesn't mean it isn't time to start thinking about the spring and the severe weather common to the warmer seasons.

According to Oakland County Emergency Response and Preparedness, the week of March 16-22 has been declared Severe Weather Awareness Week by Governor Jennifer Granholm and Oakland County executive L. Brooks Patterson. During that week, Emergency Response and Preparedness will engage in various efforts to educate the public and suggest preparations for min-imizing the loss of life and property during severe weather.

"Everyone seems to be preoccupied for preparedness for a terrorist attack that may never come. However, I can guarantee you that severe weather will come and it will affect you and your family," said Captain Donald McLellan of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department/Oakland County Emergency Response and Preparedness. "This area if often being overlooked by otherwise very concerned citizens. A good disaster plan with adequate supplies will also pay bid dividends for any hazard including terrorism."

In an effort to promote tornado safety and preparedness, the Oakland County Emergency Response and Preparedness will be conducting a special test of the tomado safety warning system on March 18 at 10:30 a m.

Residents are also encouraged to call or write the office of Oakland County Emergency Response and Preparedness at (248) 858-5300 or County Service Center, Building 47 West, 1200 North Telegraph Road, Pontiac, Mich. 48341-0421 for more inforTORNADO: WHAT TO DO?

Oakland County's tornado siren warning program is designed to alert the public in the vent of a tornado. A steady, three minute siren tone signals a tornado warning. The warning means that a funnel cloud has been sighted in the area.

When the tornado siren signal sounds, the following precautions should be taken. • Seek shelter in a home or build-

ing, go directly to the basement. • If there is no basement, go to an interior room or hallway on the lowest

level possible If in a mobile home or automobile. get out immediately. Seek shelter in a sturdy building or take shelter in a

ditch or ravine on the windward side of the mobile home or automobile. Do not call your local police or fire department as some information can

tie up emergency switchboards, keep-ing callers with true emergencies such as strokes or fires from reaching the help that they need. • Continue to listen to a local radio

or television station for further weather updates

The Oakland County Emergency Response and Preparedness will be testing the outdoor warning siren systern on the following dates in 2003 : Tuesday March 18 (Special test in

honor of Severe Weather Awareness Week)

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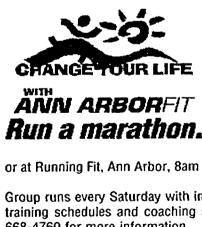
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Criminal minds: Students study science of sleuths

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

After learning of a mock jewelry heist, students at Our Lady of Victory sprang into action as forensic scientists in an attempt to discover the thief.

Lisa Colombo, an outreach presenter at the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, simulated a laboratory setting, allowing students to analyze evidence and conduct multifaceted tests.

At multiple science stations, students examined fingerprints, handwriting samples, fiber remnants and even "blood" samples.

Colombo said the activities give students an opportunity to discover the type of work forensic scientists encounter.

"It gives them a hands on look at what real scientists do," she said.

After analyzing the facts presented and piecing clues together, students were challenged to find the culprit responsible for the rob-

"They have to use their brains for this," said Colombo.

The assembly was organized by Julie Panetta, Junior Enrichment Series chairperson at Our Lady of Victory.

The crime lab session was presented to students in grades 6-8 last

Of the 3,551 surveys sent to parents, 698 were returned. This represents 7.8 percent of parents, 73.3 percent of the faculty at Northville Public Schools and 87.9 percent of the middle school Student body. Below is a sample of the Survey responses. Survey results are planned to be posted online at www.northville.k12.mi.us

- SURVEY REPORTS
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"You don't really know how [the crime] is going to turn out."

Ellie Rose OLV student

week.

"This is a good hands on work-shop," said Panetta. "It lets them explore science." Ellie Rose, a eighth grade stu-dent at OLV, busied herself at

studying a small fiber sample under the microscope.

"I think it's really fun to solve a crime," she said. "You don't really know how it's going to turn out."

Becoming crime investigators with the mission to find out "whodunit" typically draws high interest and energy levels. "The kids always have a lot of

fun with this," Colombo said.

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

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Our Lady of Victory School students Ellen Panetta, right, and partner Melissa Paul look at clothing fibers through a microscope during their participation in last Thursday's "A Safe Job" crime lab simulation game. The crime lab was run by visitors from the Ann Arbor Hands on Museum.

Late start committee begins analyzing data in student survey

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meeting will be hosted at Moraine Elementary at 7:30 p.m. But the question of changing school start times is still leaving Late Start committee members scratching their heads.

There is no clear cut direction for a recommendation for the committee to consider," said Meyer. The decision belongs to the board of education and the committee is not ready to make a recommenda-

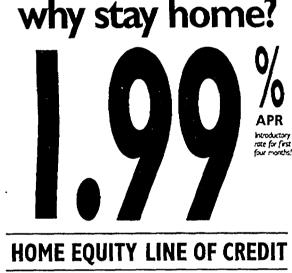
tion and may not be. We may simply 107 present our information. There's not a consensus on the committee. We are a very split committee and there may not be a recommendation. Our job is to gather information and

Survey results are slated to be online www.northville.k12.mi.us

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 Middle - 61.7 percent High- 75 percent Parent perception of sleepiness Never - 14.5 percent · Rarely- 24.8 percent Sometimes - 35 7 percent
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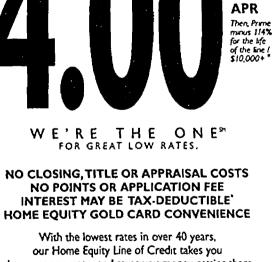
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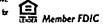
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TOUCH A HUMAN BRAIN

On March 11, neuroscientist Paul Walker will present the human brain in celebration of Brain Awareness Week to third and fourth grade students at Silver Springs Elementary.

Walker is slated to discuss topics including headaches, the importance of a bicycle helmet and the dangers of drug abuse, using the brain as a visual. Students will see what actually happens to the brain in these situations. Questions from students will be encouraged. Latex gloves will be provided and students will have the opportunity to touch the human brain, if they wish.

NORTHVILLE CO-OP PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Parents of children who will be 2 by Dec. 1 and are interested in attending Northville Co-op Preschool should attend a March 8 open house at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, located at 21260 Haggerty Road. The event runs from 10 a.m. to noon. A lottery to fill available enrollment slots will be held after the open house. For more information, call (248) 348-1791 or (734) 495-9278.

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. For more information, call (248) 349-6294.

ST. PAUL'S PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

St. Paul's Lutheran School is now accepting applications for its preschool program for Fall 2003. There are morning and afternoon sessions for 3-year-old and 4-year-old preschoolers.

St. Paul's is located at 201 Elm Street in downtown Northville. Please call the school office for more information (248) 349-3146.

RECORD SEEKS OUT-STANDING TEACHER NOMI-NATIONS

To nominate a local teacher you believe deserves recognition for their academic abilities, nominations can be e-mailed to cdavis@ht.homecomm.net or jnorris@ht.homecomm.net. Submissions may also be faxed to (248) 349-9832 or mailed to Chris Davis or Jennifer Norris, 104 W. Main St. Northville, Mich. 48167.

One teacher— from either a public or private school — will be honored each month through June, then again beginning in September. The teachers will be photographed in their classroom for publication. A feature article on the educator will also be written. In addition, the highlighted teacher will receive a prize from the Record.

To nominate a teacher, send the teacher's full name, school address and school phone number along with a statement of no more than 200 words indicating why this instructor deserves to be our Feature Teacher. The staff of the Record will make each selection. The winning teacher will be featured in the Record on the second Thursday of the month.

JIM FAY PRESENTS

On Monday, March 24, internationally acclaimed parenting expert Jim Fay will give two free workshops for parents.

At 4:30 p.m. at Northville High School, Fay will discuss the "Principles of Love and Logic" a philosophy of parenting which encourages parents to set firm limits in a loving way. At 7:30 p.m., Fay will discuss "Children of Affluence." Parents and grandparents are urged to attend.

WIN A TRIP TO THE BRIDGE

Cooke School is raffling a "Tower Tour" certificate issued by the Mackinac Bridge Authority for two people to ascend to the top of the north or south tower of the bridge to view and photograph the beautiful straits of Mackinac and the Mackinac Bridge. The tour must be taken between May I and Oct. 15. You may select your own date.

Raffle Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. The winning ticket will be drawn April 1, 2003. To purchase tickets, visit

http://ckwww.northville.k12.mi.us/M ackinac_Bridge_Tour_Raffle.htm or send your name, address, phone number and check to Cooke School Attn: Raffle 21200 Taft Road, Northville, MI 48167.

Checks may be made payable to Northville Public Schools.

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.

COFFEE N' CONVERSA-TION MAR. 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. At the March 7 meeting, Bob

Somson, executive director of special education, is stated 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. KIDS NIGHT OUT MAR. 14

"Kids Rocking Night Out" is a collaborative project organized by the Northville Parks and Recreation, Hullside Middle School and the Water Wheel Health Club. All Northville middle school students from Hullside 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.

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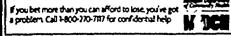
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Step by Step, they're racing against leukemia

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Whether its walking or running, Northville residents Randy and Kathy Step know what it takes to go the distance.

The local pair are coaches for Team in Training with the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and are taking strides to train others to finish a 26.2 mile trek.

According to Randy Step, Team In Training is the fundraising program for the Leukemia Lymphoma Society.

"We train people to complete their first marathon either walking or running," he said. "In turn, they raise money for the Leukemia Lymphoma Society."

Recently, Step said nearly 90 individuals traveled to Florida to participate in a Disney World marathon. Each participant was required to raise a minimum amount of money, earmarked to benefit the Leukemia Lymphoma Society.

Step said training for a marathon can take about 14 weeks

"It's a commitment to train and raise money," he said. "It's a huge commitment. It's almost like teaching a time management class. That's a big part of what I do.'

Preparing for a marathon, he said, is similar to planning a long-term project.

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For more information call The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at (800) 456-5413 or visit our website at www.teamintraining.org/mi

"People come away from it and it changes their lives," said Step. "They've really learned to be goal oriented. There's nothing like a great athletic accomplishment.

He added that the personal disciplinary skills that are used to finish a marathon can be used in other areas of life.

Step - who has completed 42 marathons - said participants have the opportunity to represent a patient, or honored

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville Township's Randy and Kathy Step held a seminar this past weekend at Kensington Metropark to help train runners for an upcoming marathon which will benefit the Leukemia Lymphona Society.

hero, with leukemia.

"We're trying to cure it," he said. "It's definitely changing because of programs like this."

Step said he and his wife have trained more than 2,000 people to complete their first marathon.

"When I get to go to the event and get people across the finish line, there's not much in life that compares," he said. "It's an emotional experience when people cross the finish line."

For more information on Team In Training or participating in a future marathon contact Randy Step at randy@runningfit.com or the Leukemia Lymphoma Society at (800) 456-5413.

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.

PUBLICATION NOTICE FOR A NEW BRANCH

Notification is given that Bank One, NA 1 Bank One Plaza, Chicago, Cook County, Illinois 60670 has filed an application with the Comptroller of the Currency on March 6, 2003, as specified in 12 CFR 5 for permission to establish a domestic branch at 30746 Lyon Center Drive East, New Hudson, Oakland County, Michigan 48165 Any person wishing to comment on this application may file comments in writing with the Licensing Manager, Large Banks Licensing Operations, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 250 E. Street, SW, Mail Stop 7-13, Washington, D.C. 20219. Within 30 days of the date of this publication.

(3-6-03 SLH 41300)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF** NORTHVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION DATE: March 25, 2003 7:15 p m. Northville Township Crvic Center TIME: PLACE: 41600 Six Mile Road Northville, MI 48167 The Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Northville will conduct a Public Hearing Tuesday, March 25, 2003 at 7:15 p m., at the Nonhville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan regarding a request for a special land use permit. The special

Forensics team notches third place finish

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

The Northville High School forensics team walked away with a third place finish at its Feb. 22 competition. The meet was hosted at Northville High.

NHS forensics coach Tim Hayden, said he was pleased with the day's turnout.

"It went fantastic," he said. "There's really some talented kids. especially at Northville."

Eight teams within the Detroit Catholic Forensics League vied for acclaim and awards at the weekend tournament.

Hayden said three Northville High School students received recognition for their endeavors. Junior Mackenszie Sandberg finished third in dramatic performance. Dan Mobbs, a senior, finished fourth in original oratory and sophomore Vanessa Sheu earned fifth place in extemporaneous speaking. "Everyone worked really hard,"

said Mobbs. "Everyone pulled together and we earned the third place trophy. Mr. Hayden is doing an excellent job."

Approximately 10 NHS students

competed in the meet. "I'm proud of all of them. They all did really well." Hayden said. At the meet Hayden was assisted volunteer co-coach Scott LaRich.

WHAT'S NEXT?

The next Northville High School forensics meet is slated to take place March 8 at **Bishop Foley Catholic High** School in Madison Heights.

The forensics arena allows for many positive academic experiences, said Hayden.

"It's a way for kids to get real good exposure," he said. "I think it's great way to cultivate public speaking [and] comfort in front of people It's great for self-esteem."

But students weren't the only ones who had a chance to shine.

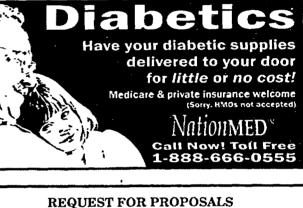
"The school is also kind of showcased," said Hayden. "With that being such a beautiful high school. not only are we excited. I think other people in the league are excited about coming too."

Prior to the meet at Northville High School, the Northville forensics team finished third at a Feb. 8 competition at Mercy High School.

The next meet is slated to take place March 8 at Bishop Foley Catholic High School in Madison Heights.

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Western Townshps Utilities Authority is requesting proposals for professional engineering services for the repairs to the Middle Rouge Parkway Interceptor in Northville Township Companies or individuals who desire a copy of the proposal documents should contact:

Ms. Sandy Forrest Western Townships Utilities Authority 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187 (734) 453-2793

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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before 3.00 p m., local prevailing time, on Thursday, March 20, 2003. The sealed proposals should be sent or delivered to Ms. Dianne Massa, Office of the City Clerk, Northville City Hall, 215 West Main

Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. ENVELOPES SHOULD BE CLEARLY MARKED "Utility Billings Review Proposal" AND BEAR THE NAME OF THE BIDDER.

The City of Northville reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any informality or irregularity in any proposal in the interest of the City of Northville.

(3-6-03 NR 42026)

(2-20/27 & 3-6-03 NR 39371)

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE 2003 BOARD OF REVIEW WAYNE AND OAKLAND COUNTIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland Counties, will meet at the City Hall, 215 West Main Strate, for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting the 2003 Assessment Rolls of the City of Northville on the following dates:

TUESDAY	MARCH 11, 2003:	10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. an
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WEDNESDAY	MARCH 12, 2003:	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	MARCH 13, 2003;	1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and
		6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	MARCH 25, 2003:	4:00 p m. to 4:30 p.m.
10200/11		Administrative Meeting

Administrativa Meeting Pursuant to Act 165 of 1971 and based on the proposed changes to assessed value for 2003, the Wayne and Oakland County Equalization Department have set the following tentative equalization factors relative to the 2003 Real and Personal Property Assessments: WAYNE COUNTY - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Personal Property Assessments: WAYNE COUNTY

Commercial Heal 1.00; Industrial Heal 1.00; Nestletial Heal 1.00; Nestletial Heal 1.00; Nestletial Heal 1.00; Nestletial Heal 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00. ALL TAXPAVERS wishing to review their taxable value or assessments with the Board of Review will be seen by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Appointments must be made on or before 4:30 p.m. EST, Friday, March 7, 2003, Please contact the City of Northville Tax Department at (248) 400 0004 (as a second provided with the provided and the second provided and the second provided and the provided and the second p 449-9901 for an appointment or with any questions you may have regarding your 2003 taxable or assessed value.

> BOARD OF REVIEW KAREN WOODRUFF, CHAIRPERSON MAUREEN RYAN MARK ERNST

land use permit request is for a proposed drive-thru bank located on Haggerty Road, south of 8 Mile Road.

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

(3-6 & 20-03 NR 41696)

LISA ANDERSON, CHAIR PLANNING COMMISSION

WESTERN TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS** 3:00 P.M. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2003

Regular meeting called to order at 3.03 p m.

Present: Thomas Yack, Steve Mann, Mark Abbo

Agenda - adopted as presented.

Minutes of regular meeting of January 27, 2003 - approved.

Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$667,191.77 - approved. Operations & Maintenance Report for January 2003 - received and filed

Director's Report for February 2003 - received and filed

1st Quarter Revenue/Expenditure Report (FY 2002/2003) received and filed.

Yard Waste Composting Report; 2002 Annual Report - received and filed.

Election of Officers - Chairman, Thomas Yack, Vice-Chairperson/Secretary, Mark Abbo, Treasurer, Steve Mann; Assistant Secretary, Tim Faas.

2003 Goals - approved as presented.

Budget Amendment No 3 (FY 2002/2003) - approved

MRPI Repairs - Phase 3; Engineering Proposals - approval to advertise for engineering proposals.

Automated Clearing House (ACH) Policy - approved.

WTUA Checking Account Signature Update - approved.

WTUA By-Laws Amendment - approved

GIS Orthomapping; Request For Proposals - approval to advertise for GIS orthophoto mapping proposals

2003 SSOM Work Plan Update - received and filed.

YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 3.59 p m.

THOMAS J. YACK, Chairperson

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OBITUARIES

Richard G. Wilhelm

Richard Withelm died Feb. 25 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. He was 67.

Mr. Wilhelm was born Jan. 20, 1936. A graduate of the University of Detroit High School and Central Michigan University, Mr. Wilhelm retired in 1990 after being employed for 17 years with the state of Michigan as the director of the Judicial Date Center. He also worked for Wayne County's department of environment as the systems analyst — a position from which he retired in 2001. In addition, Mr. Wilhelm served as a planning commissioner for the city of Northville.

Mr. Wilhelm is survived by his wife, Janice; his children, Theresa, Donna (Chad) Bellows, and Anita; and his brother, Edward (Pat) Wilhelm. A memorial service for Mr. Wilhelm was held Feb. 28 at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville. Interment will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to U-D High School, 8400 S. Cambridge, Detroit, Mich. 48221. Funeral arrangements were made by O'Brien / Ted C. Obituaries are printed free of charge in the Northville Record, but information must be provided to the Record no later than noon of the Tuesday preceding the Thursday of publication. Obituary information not originating from a funeral home must be accompanied with a photocopy of a state-issued death certificate. Materials can be sent to:

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Sullivan Funeral Home of Novi.

Robert A. Padden

Robert Padden of Northville died Feb. 24 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills. He was 61.

Mr. Padden was born July 31, 1941 in Manchester, N.H. to Thomas Padden and Teresa Farmer. He later married Ann Meredith Padden, who survives him.

Mr. Padden relocated from Plymouth to Northville in 1984. A former student at St. Mary's University, Mr. Padden worked as a financial analyst for General Motors.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Padden is survived by his children, Kelly Leksche of Florida and Michael Padden of Detroit; his sister, Janice Padden of California; and his granddaughter, Catrina.

A memorial service for Mr. Padden was held March 3 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangments. Father Ernest Poreari of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church officiated the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association - Greater Michigan Chapter, 17220 W. Twelve Mile Road, Ste. 100, Southfield, Mich. 48076; or the Northville Junior Baseball Association, P.O. Box 220, Northville, Mich. 48167.

Leif T. Laursen

Leif Laursen of Northville died Feb. 27 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills. He was 80.

Mr. Laursen was born March 26, 1922 in Copenhagen, Denmark, A retired tool and die maker, Mr. Laursen was preceded in death by his wife, Mette Laursen.

Mr. Laursen is survived by his daughter, Kirsten Vennix; and his grandchildren, Chris, Kip and Anamarie Vennix.

Private memorial services will be held at a later date. Funeral arrangments were made by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville. Memorial contributions may be given the charity of the giver's choosing.

George J. Gatecliff

George Gatecliff died Feb. 19 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He was 93.

Mr. Gatecliff was born July 17, 1909 in London, Ontario, to the late Alfred and Beatrice Hires Gatecliff. A 47-year traffic manager for Michigan Consolidated Gas Company, Mr. Gatecliff was a naturalized U.S. citizen and was proud of his U.S. citizenship. He Mr. Gatecliff is survived by his children, Charles (Alice) Gatecliff of Brighton and Connie (Gary)

of Brighton and Connie (Gary) Quattlander of Westland; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marie Gatecliff, who died in 1999.

A funeral Mass for Mr. Gatecliff was celebrated on Feb. 22 at St. Scholastica Catholic Church of Livonia. Father Livius Paoli officiated the service. Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Hospice of Michigan. Funeral arrangements were handled by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville.

Katherine Ann Cramer Schmidt

Katherine Schmidt died Jan. 26. She was 85.

Ms. Schmidt was born in Muskegon on March 29, 1917 to Jacob and Clara (Ruoff) Cramer. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan in 1940. She was a

marriage and move to Detroit in 1942. She then relocated to Northville in 1953 and lived there until 1998 when she moved to Grand Court retirement center in Novi. Ms. Schmidt enjoyed bridge, pinochle, reading, cars and animals.

Ms. Schmidt is survived by her sons, Harold C. (Carol) of Spring Lake, and David D. residing in Germany; one daughter, Barbara C. (John) Wolfston of Traverse City; eight grandchildren, Jennifer and Timothy Gatz, Jeffrey and Kristi Schmidt, Julie and Matthew Williams, Katherine and John; one great-grandson, Justin Gatz and many loyal friends, including Betty Morley, Jean Dedes and Bert Doty.

Her husband, Harold W. Schmidt preceded her in death.

A memorial service was held Feb. 8 at Grand Court Retirement Center Chapel in Novi. Memorials contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or to a charity of the giver's choosing.

Funeral arrangements were made by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville.

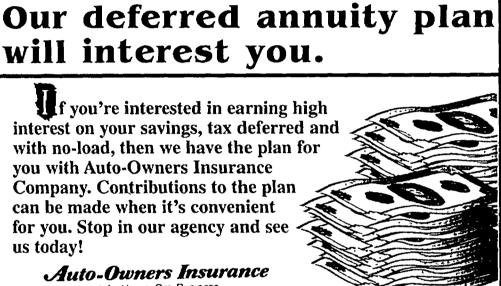


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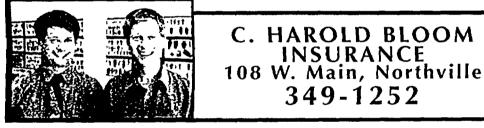
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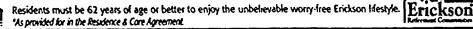
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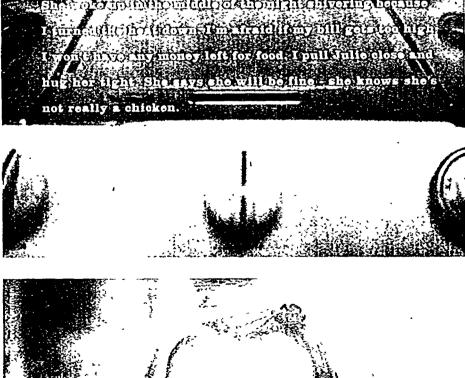




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CELTIC NIGHT OF MUSIC AND TALES

Gather 'round the fireplace on March 11 at 7 p.m. to hear Irish and Scottish tunes played by Champion Scottish Fiddle player Jeremy Kittel, with Charlie Wilkie, a unique guitar stylist. To top off the evening, story tellers Shari Fesko and Jeannine Davidson will spin Celtic tales for the crowd.

FRIENDS USED BOOK SALE

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Choose from a wide selection of fiction and non-fiction for all ages, at this semi-annual Used Book Sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Northville District Library. In addition to books, there will be videos, audiobooks, puzzles, CDs and computer games. The sale will be at the library on March 14 from 3 to 7 p.m.,

March 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and March 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. A special preview sale on March 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. will be open to members only, with memberships available at the door. On March 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Friends will be collecting donations for the sale at the library's loading dock door near Wing Street.

SPRING TOT STORYTIMES FOR 2s and 3s

Specially designed for two and three year olds with a parent or caregiver, these six-week series of half-hour sessions are structured to help this age group gain the most from the experience. For this reason, please bring only age appropriate children who are registered for the weekly programs. There are four sessions to choose from, as follows: Mondays at 11 a.m., March 24 through April 28: Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. or 11:30 a.m., March 26 through April 30; and Thursdays at 11 a.m., March 27 through May I. Registration begins March 5, in person or by calling the library.

SPRING KIDS CLUB FOR 1ST AND 2ND GRADERS

Kids in the first and second grade are invited to join us for this great six-week

series of after-school programs, featuring stories and fun activities! All programs are on Thursdays, from 4:15 to 5 p.m., from March 20 through April 24. Registration begins March 6 in person or by phone.

MARCH IS READING MONTH

Kids, preschool age through sixth graders, get hooked on books during "Reading Month." Beginning March 1, pick up your "I'm Hooked on Books" reading log at the Information Desk. When your reading log is full, you've earned the prize of a paperback book. This activity takes place through March 31.

"MARCH HOME WITH A BOOK" 🕺 **STORYTIME WITH JACKIE PURTAN**

Join radio celebrity, Jackie Purtan of 104.3 WOMC "Purtan's People", for a special storytime in the cozy area by the fireplace March 10 at 5:30 p.m. This half-hour program is co-sponsored by the Community Federal Credit Union. All ages are welcome and no registration is required

SPRING CRAFTS FOR KIDS

Children of all ages are invited to spring into the library for fun crafts on March 12 at 4 p.m. Children ages 4 and younger should attend with a caregiver. No pre-registration is required for this hour-long craft program.

LITTLE ME STORYTIME FOR LIT-TLE ONES

Little ones, from 10 months to 2 years old, along with parents or caregivers, can enjoy music, beanbag fun, and simple stories on March 13 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. This special activity geared to the very young is offered each month, and no registration is required. Infants and older children are also welcome to attend.

STORYTIME FOR 4s, 5s, & KINDER-GARTENERS

Children who are 4 and 5 years old, or in Kindergarten, and comfortable attending without a caregiver present are invited to join this special six week series of half-hour storytimes. Each program features stories and creative activities, so children should be able to use scissors, glue, etc. Please select from one of the following three sessions: Mondays at 4 p.m., from April 14 through May 19; Tuesday at 10:15 a.m. or 2 p.m., from April 15 through May 20. Registration begins March 25 by phone or in person.

EARLY BASEBALL IN MICHIGAN AND NORTHVILLE

Peter Morris, author of "Baseball Fever: Early Baseball in Michigan", will present an overview of early baseball in the context of the mid-nineteenth century America, on March 19 at 7 p.m.. Librarian Al Smitley will also offer details on baseball in Victorian age Northville; and Wayne Titus will share plans to organize a "vintage" baseball team, which would compete using the rules of the 1860's.

JUNIOR BOOKS, CHAT & 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 March 26, we will talk about "Night Hoops" by Carl Decker. The program runs from 4:15 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 March 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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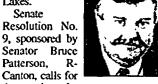
Patterson pushes for Senior center gets \$65K grant **Great Lakes caucus**

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

A new resolution, passed Feb. 25 may help in providing a coordinated

approach to resolving issues facing the Great Lakes. Senate

Patterson,



the creation of a Bruce Patterson Great Lakes Caucus. The res-

olution calls upon the legislatures of Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, New York. Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin, as well as the legislative

join in the formation of the Great Lakes Legislative Caucus to address any and all issues that cross jurisdictional boundaries.

The Great Lakes are not the responsibility of Michigan alone," Patterson said in a press release. What happens in Canadian waters and off the shores of other states has an impact on Michigan and her shorelines. We need to work together to preserve this precious natural resource and to protect our outdoor heritage for future generations."

According to the release sent by Patterson's office, the legislative caucus would provide for a "coordinated and systematic approach" to resolving issues facing the Great Lakes. Issues such as aquatic nuisance species, pollution, water levels, and water diversion would be

"The creation of the Great Lakes Legislative Caucus will help Michigan, and the surrounding legislative bodies, develop a comprehensive plan to address issues facing the health of the Great Lakes, Patterson continued to say in the release. "The caucus would provide a stronger and more unified voice, which is necessary to maintain the largest system of fresh water in the world."

Patterson is the vice-chair of the Senate Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee. Patterson's 7th Senate District includes Northville Township.

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By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Funding for the senior center renovation project has increased due to the \$65,000 in Wayne County Community Block Grant funds to be received by the city of Northville.

The funding is primarily used for communities to assist low- to moderate-income residents, eliminating community slums or blight, or to provide an urgent community need. With no need for funding of this sort, the city will be using the funds to assist local senior citizens.

The CDBG funding process requires a public hearing for community members to provide input on proposed fund usage. No comments were made prior to council approval of the funding.

Council approved usage of the funds for senior center renovation, program administration, and city wide planning projects at their Feb. 18 meeting. According to council communications, the 2003 funds will be combined with CDBG funding from the past two years for the renovation project

The senior adult advisory council is currently finalizing the reno-

vation/expansion concept plans for the Northville Community Center. Northville Township is also expected to allocate CDBG funding for the project.

City manager Gary Word said he believes the recommendations were appropriate.

"I'm pleased that the council approved the recommendations," he said.

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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

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Here's a tidbit of what we ally, intellectually, socially and know about sleep patterns in Northville students:

• Just under 40 percent of parents surveyed in the Northville school district observed sleepiness in their children in the morning hours.

· Three-quarters of the high school parents surveyed said their children were "sometimes or often sleepy."

· Seventy-five percent of middle school students never fell asleep in class. Less than 2 percent fell asleep in class on a ' daily basis.

A committee has been - charged with analyzing the data, but we're prepared to make a recommendation to the Northville school board on our own. (Here's a hint: it's the same one we've been advocating since the entire late start issue surfaced two years ago.) Keep the schedule as it is.

Period.

If the purpose of high school is to prepare young men and women for the rigors of the proverbial Real World, then it stands to reason that asking students to conform to the clock of the Real World comes with the territory.

Advocates for change will probably point to the 75 percent of high school parents who said their students were "sometimes" or "often" sleepy. That's nothing new. Adolescence has always been a period of change

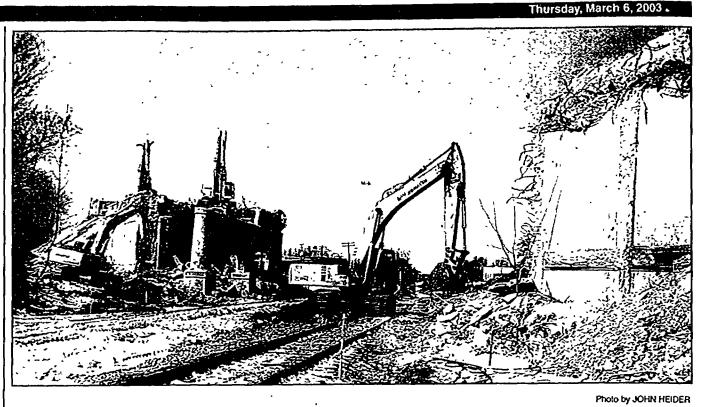
physically. All that change is bound to have some kind of effect on the body. Still, millions of youths have transcended the teenage years and the early morning education that comes with it.

We also know that when so motivated to do so, young people can - and do - find ways to get up and at 'em at 6 a.m. Education, unfortunately, has fallen from its top spot in priority for many youths, and no plays second- or third-fiddle to sports and jobs.

Students need to make choices in their lives. More of A means less of B. There are still only 24 hours in the day, and eight of those should be used for sleep. Shame on the students who try to cheat Mother Nature by working until 10 p.m. and then staying up until 1 a.m. for homework. And similarly, shame on the parents who per mit that kind of ratrace behavior to occur.

We believe the overwhelming majority of students yawn and stretch their way through a class here and there. That's totally normal and understandable. We also believe that same majority will find the intestinal fortitude to survive the Senior All-Night Party at the end of the year.

We'll wait for the data to be analyzed, but for now, we don't see any reason to push back the start time for Northville High



Work continues last week on the demolition of the Grand River Ave. bridge. After the span was removed, all that remains for now are its three large concrete abutments



Why are seniors forced to pay for card-playing? was a major success

I have lived in [Northville] Township for more than 30 years. Recently I went to the Senior Center on Cady Street to play cards with some friends. Bridge players occupy the lower level and pinochle players are on the second floor in a storage room surrounded by discarded computers and broken desks. All seniors are charged a dollar to play cards. If you choose not to pay the dollar, you are told that you are not welcome to come back. I was stunned to hear this. Novi, Livonia, and Redford seniors are charged nothing if they want to play cards with their friends and everyone is welcome in these communities. Northville appears to be the only location that charges seniors a fee every time they want to play.

Our elected officials are spending their time discussing whether we should have an animal park in our community. They have had soccer fields built and it appears that before the grass has matured they are going to dig them up, place a fire station in that location, and build new soccer fields. There appears to be something wrong with this picture. I can only conclude that we have given too many of our tax dollars to these individu-

It is ridiculous that a community with the affluence of Northville would charge their seniors to play cards. Also, any individual who would tell a senior that they are not welcome back if they won't pay a fee should not be representing the senior citizen program in Northville.

Johnson Creek rally

The Third Annual Volunteer Rally and Informational Meeting held by the Johnson Creek Protection Group on Feb. 24 was a big hit. Approximately 100 daring souls from Northville, Plymouth, Salem, and other surrounding areas ventured out into a cold, snowy night to get more information about the past, present, and future of JCPG and the area volunteer opportunities. The hour-long presentation show cased the group's 2002 successes and awards: the slippershell mussel, a species of special concern found in the creek, the natural features and possible future plans for Thayer Corners, an undeveloped Northville Township property, 2003 goals and events, and announcements from our partners, Friends of the Rouge and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Fisheries Department. Grand Sakwa Properties, Inc. received the very first JCPG Developer Initiative Award for its extraordinary efforts to work cooperatively with the group, Northville Township, Wayne County, and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to protect Johnson Creek during the design of their Northville Ridge development.

Eleven local organizations were also present to share their information via tabletop displays and flyers. Thanks to all who braved the weather to help make the night such a great success! And special thanks to Starbucks of downtown Northville for supplying coffee and pastries and to those volunteers who baked cookies. Don't miss our next meeting on March 24 at the Northville High School, or our next big event, Johnson Creek Day 2003 on May 17. We are in need of vol-

unteers willing to participate in both the plan

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I also support any effort to direct mailing to congressional and DNR offices expressing individual opinions regarding the future of the Maybury Farm, but not in conjunction with the Friends of Maybury. This is a personal undertaking and not a promotional objective of our group.

The Friends of Maybury is a small group dedicated to assisting Maybury Park through improvement of park and interpretive features, including exhibits, signs, markers, buildings, trails, and physical facilities in cooperation with the Parks and Recreation Division. We do not initiate independent fund drives. Our projects result from a cooperative effort with the Maybury DNR Office.

I personally believe it is a huge mistake and discourage any initiative to undertake additional fund raising efforts for the Maybury Farm, primarily because:

. There is an outstanding effort by the Northville Community Foundation already in progress that is state-certified and working closely with the state of Michigan offices in reacting to future decision planning, and;

 No direction has been received from the DNR as to the future handling of the Farm area.

Our meeting object on March 8 is only to elect our vice-president and treasurer for the next term and discuss future Maybury initiatives in cooperation with the Park office.

> **Ed Pierce** President Friends of Maybury State Park

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Senior center expansion will be help to many

Marilynn Murphy

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A very deserving thank-you from 7,000 seniors in Northville goes out to the [Northville] board of education. The board recently approved the use of school property for the city [of Northville] and [Northville] Township to expand the Main Street Community Building by 6,000 square feet for the senior programs. The seniors have searched for years for a larger building than the 600-square-foot facility they are using the Scout building on Cady Street. Our Northville senior population has always contributed to the community and yet has lacked a place they can be proud of for their growing needs and activities. Northville schools' approval of this land use ends years of searching and rewards this growing population group for all they have done for Northville. It provides an ideal drop point and keeps the programs near the post office. library, shops and restaurants.

Thank you for this approval and another fine example of the city, township and Northville schools all working together to help each other. This expansion and renovation will be a wonderful facility everyone will be proud of.

> Jim Nield Senior Advisory Board

our website, www.jcpg.org. Michelle West Johnson Creek Protection Group

Friends of Maybury has specific purpose

This is in regards to a misunderstanding some may have regarding the March 8 Friends of Maybury meeting.

The Friends Group is organized primarily for educational purposes and the promotion of recreational, natural, and interpretive activities of the State Parks and Recreational Areas in the [Department of Natural Resources], principally in Maybury State Park. We are not chartered as a fund raising activity, and do not plan any fund raising for the reconstruction of the Maybury Farm.

Our direction comes from the DNR, primarily the State Offices of Maybury Park and as of now the DNR has not taken any stand on the future of the Farm.

Fund raising for the Maybury Farm has been initiated by the Northville Community Foundation in the form of a Maybury Farm Endowment Fund. I support this Foundation and recommend any funds and support be

was very overblown

I was extremely disapointed to see the amount of space the Feb. 27 Northville Record devoted to local residents in 'Land dispute has Ravines in legal battle.

While the homeowners obviously have the right to pursue legal grounds regarding their property, it strikes me that in the wake of impending war, a daunting national and local economy, and other serious issues, we have bigger 'fish to fry' than listening to some well-healed home owners whining about their land 'struggles.'

These Ravines' owners probably consider a long wait for latte at the local coffee house a stress-filled crisis.

A couple of paragraphs, yes, a major story, no.

The Record has allowed Hometown Newspapers to be used in this legal battle over a minor concern surrounding the residents' McMansion-excess. I would be embarrased to have my name connected with such a fleeting issue when we face such real world concerns for our families.

Let these owners and the developers play in their legal sandbox behind the scenes. Instead, dedicate future newspaper space to the more pressing issues we all face today. Or better yet, use the space to continue to recognize those in need and salute efforts such as Northville Civic Concern, the Northville Community Foundation or worthwhile community groups such as Friends of the Library.

> Kurt Kosmowski Northville

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OTHER OPINIONS hursday, March 6, 2003

It's not my home, and yet it is

In this, the era of bounding from one house to another faster than an eight-yearold on Halloween, packing up one's belongings and shipping off to a new home probably doesn't mean much. Most of us are hardly settled into a residence long enough to know the first names of the people living across the street.

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That's not

necessarily the case with me. As I write this, my parents are sitting in their living room, continuing to clean out and pack up 32 years worth belong of ings, as they say 'adios' to suburban living and 'hello'

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Chris C. Davis

house up north.

Call me a mama's boy if you want, but this is a tough one to swallow for me, since the little 1955 ranch is the place I grew up in.

Technically speaking, I've lived in a dorm room, a college apartment, a second-floor loft, a duplex, a bachelor dwelling, a newlywed apartment and a condominium since I got out of high school. Yes, I've had other houses. And in my current residence (one in which I do know the names of the people across the street) I've even started to feel like it's my home.

If your house's walls could talk, what sto-ries would they share? Maybe they would

tell of a young boy who fought in the Civil

War or of a man who built the house with

money obtained during the California Gold

the home in which I grew up so that on warm nights, it's a 20-minute walk.

Twenty minutes separates me from the frontyard where I built a snowfort so large that it didn't completely melt until early May.

Twenty minutes separates me from the swimming pool that my friends and 1 splashed around in ever summer.

got Twenty minutes separates me from the fireplace hearth I decided to decorate with doors! Here's the crayon at age 2. (Only a smidgen of the waxy green remains.)

Twenty minutes separates me from the span of pavement in front of the house that was used for street hockey, street basehall, street football...heck, street anything.

Twenty minutes separates me from the backyard where my brother and I once built a clubhouse that leaked like a sieve and was undoubtedly the biggest eyesore my folks ever laid eyes upon, but served as *Casa du* Davis for two full years.

There are so many, many memories all jumping out at me now. I'm finding myself taking just a few extra seconds with each visit I make to add to my mental photo album.

Don't get me wrong. I'm certainly happy for my folks. They're excited about their new place, which is currently under construction. (And, I daresay, probably of better construction quality than Casa du Davis ever was.) I'm definitely looking forward to seeing what their new place looks like, too. They've worked awfully hard to find the right spot, and are now discovering just how many choices there are to make in building a home.

ke it's my home. So you want green shutters, huh? Here — Still, my wife and I live close enough to pick from the 36,217 shades of green.

TV awaits owners of historic houses

tle of a fireplace. Others have found shoes

in the attic or elegant paintings hidden

under wallpaper. These discoveries inspired

homeowners to research their house's past

and learn about the first residents.

Now then...carpet. There's berber, saxony, shag, plush, and commercial grade. There's economy, standard and plus padding. You can get it installed in two days, one day, or for an extra hundred bucks we can rush this iob

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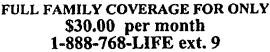
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time at my folks' place seven years. But I guess I'm remembrances. something of a sentimental slob,

and I know that each cardboard box I deliver will be one more container for one more set of remembrances

(A quick note to whoever ends up buying the place: watch your footing on the third step in the backyard pine tree ladder. It tends to wobble.)

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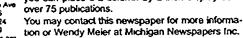
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and researchers are currently looking for five to six houses in our area to feature on the show "If Walls Could Talk." For those unfamiliar with the show, "If

Candy Parent

Rush. Perhaps they would share a story of The show also inspires homeowners around the country to look for treasures and secrets in their own historic homes. On a personal level, the show inspired me to learn the history of my house. After watching a show where a man dug out his base-

ment and found all sorts of treasures, I begged my husband to let me dig up ours. He refused, but he did let the kids and me dig up the backyard in search of the privy. Although we never found it, we do have a small collection of bottles, square nails, old newspapers, a chisel, marbles and a porcelain faucet handle. Of course, our little finds aren't worthy of television, but many of you have houses with finds that are and it's time to let the country know about

them. Getting in touch with HGTV is simple. Sarah Wormald, a researcher for the show, has a brief questionnaire for potential homeowners to fill out. It asks questions like "Why did you buy the house?" "How much work have you done on it?" "What have you learned about the history of the house?" and other questions like that. Once the questions are answered, Wormald selects those that best meet the criteria of "If Walls Could Talk." In order to be considered, the house must be built

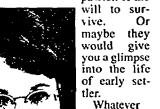
before 1930 and be privately owned. Additionally, the current homeowners must have made the discoveries themselves dur-ing the restoration or remodeling process. It helps if the owners have discovered physi-cal artifacts — Bibles, deeds, photographs, ledgers, books, children's toys, furniture and other items — that have encouraged them or helped them learn more about the house's past.

After a phone interview, Wormald will choose five or six homes in the area to submit to the network. The producers then select the houses they would like to feature. If your house is chosen, a two-person crew will visit in April to tape the segment. which will air in the fall or next spring on HGTV.

So, don't be shy. Give Wormald a call and help bring national attention to the beautiful homes in Livingston County. I should also encourage you to hurry. Wormald is on a tight deadline and needs to write her stories by mid-March.

Contact Sarah Wormald, researcher for "If Walls Could Talk" on HGTV, at (303) 712-3321 or via e-mail at Sarah_Wormald@cable.comcast.com.

And, if your house is selected, be sure



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HGTV coming to

Walls Could Talk" features homeowners who have discovered their house's past while restoring it. For example, previous episodes have showcased owners who found their house's original blueprints in the closet or antique coins behind the manand let me know. I'd love the opportunity to write a story about your house, as well.

Candy Parent, special sections editor, can be reached at (517) 552-2849 or via e-mail at cparent@ht.homecomm.net.

The war on terror, a la McCotter

"Terrorism doesn't take away any of our freedom, only what we freely give up."

- Thaddeus McCotter **Republican Congressman, District 11**

The question is not whether the United States will wage war against Saddam Hussein's Iraq

The better question, according to U.S.

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Thaddeus McCotter. might simply be. When? And perhaps 'Why?' It's about defense, McCotter said. Sept. 2001, attacks against the

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and Washington D.C. served as the first salvoes in this most recent war.

And though Iraq was not directly responsible for those particular attacks, McCotter said today lraq is our primary target because that country willingly harbors terrorists.

And Iraq possesses weapons it has been banned from developing. McCotter said. who added that the United States will gladly avoid armed conflict if Hussein willingly and publicly disarms.

Show us remains of the weapons of mass destruction," McCotter said.

United Nations inspectors are not supposed to hunt down these weapons of mass destruction. It is up to Hussein to reveal where they are located. And if they can be dismantled tomorrow, McCotter reasoned, then why shouldn't Hussein show us where

those weapons are located today? If Hussein can't do that, then it's fairly obvious those weapons have not yet been destroyed, McCotter said.

And that will bring us all to war.

McCotter said current diplomatic discussions are mostly stall tactics. The seasons will change, it seems. long before Hussein alters his willingness to comply with United Nations' mandates. He is in no particular hurry.

And there lies the danger, because an Iraqi summer is like a Russian winter. No one wants to fight in such unbearable conditions.

So we prepare for war, at home and 11. abroad.

And the continued concerns of additional terrorist attacks in the United States should be taken in stride, as well.

Just ask McCotter. He's been told that he's a target of terrorists - he, along with every other congressman representing the 50 states. But what can he do?

"You just have to keep on living life," he said. "If you don't the terrorists win."

McCotter said it's a safe bet that those living in western Oakland County won't be targeted if or when any terrorist attack commences.

Why? It's simple, he said, the terrorists would attack major population centers. And the fringes of Oakland County don't fill the requirements. And if an attack came, protecting oneself through plastic and duct tape won't do much good. Seal up the house and biological and chemical will still seep through. Do a great job sealing up the house, and everyone inside will suffocate. McCotter

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approach. Everyone die will eventually, he said, so why go out letting the terrorists the have satisfaction they that affected the way you think and act? 30

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in Iraq, regardless of how many end weapons we use or destroy there.

But as the United States systematically eliminates safe harbors for the terrorists to operate, it theoretically becomes more and more difficult for them to coordinate the type of attack that occurred on our east coast 18 months ago.

And that, McCotter said, is the whole purpose of this war.

Philip Allmen is the editor of the Milford Times. He can be reached at (248) 685-1507 ext. 20 or by c•mail at pallmen@ht.homecomm.net.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

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THIS WEEK •

Northville Parks and Recreation boys' spring recreational basketball league sign-up DATE: Ongoing through March 21 LOCATION. Northville Parks and Recreation (303 W. Main Street) TIME: Call for info DETAILS: Leagues will be arranged for boys in grades 8 and 9, as well as those in grades 10, 11 and 12. Each league will participate in an eight-game schedule April 5 -May 31. Costs are \$80 for residents, \$83 for school district residents, and \$87 for non-residents. A \$10 late fee will be assessed for all registrations after March 21. PHONE: (248) 349-0203 ext 1405

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 Shiney Hartley. PHONE: (248) 349-3064

Roses-West Rose Society meeting

DATE: March 7 LOCATION: Novi Civic Center (45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi) ТІМЕ: 7:30 р.т. - 9 30 р т. DETAILS: Jon Bradley, president of the Great lakes District, will be speaking on "Pruning Roses for Today's Garden

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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Listings can be publicized for up four weeks in advance of the event Promotional may also be submitted and will be published, space permitting

PHONE: (248) 449-4626

Northville Co-op Preschool Open House DATE: March 8 LOCATION 21260 Haggerty (Detroit First Church of the Nazarene) TIME: 10 a m. - noon DETAILS. The preschool is open to all children who will be age 2 by Dec. 1. Because of school's popularity, a lottafter the open house to offer enroliment slots to students. Parents considering enrolling their children in the school should plan on attending. PHONE: (248) 348-1791 or (734)

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Northville Genealogical Society

meeting

DATE: March 9 LOCATION: Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street) TIME: 2 30 p.m. DETAILS: Jessi Seikmeier, who traced her great-grandfather's lineage to Yorkshire County in northern England, will give a presentation on her trip. Computer and newcomer's classes will precede the general meeting at 1:15 p m PHONE: (734) 595-7806

Northville Garden Club meeting DATE: March 10 LOCATION: Northville District Library (215 W. Cady Street) TIME: 12:30 p.m. DETAILS: Members will listen to a lecture on the Detroit Zoological Institute. PHONE: (248) 349-7709

Gardeners of Northville & Novi meeting with Janet Macunovich DATE: March 10 LOCATION: Novi Crvic Center (45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi) TIME: 6:30 p.m. **DETAILS:** The topic of the evening is "Practical Gardener's Garden Design." The public is welcome, but reservations are preferred. PHONE: (248) 348-1946 or (248) 348-9059

American Association of University Women meeting DATE: March 11 LOCATION: Northville Senior Center (215 Cady Street) TIME: 7 pm

DETAILS: Harriet Sawyer will present her doctoral dissertation on "Perceptions of High School Females Regarding Sexual Harassment in Public Schools." AAUW membership is open to all individuals holding a baccalaureate degree or higher. Student membership is open to individuals attending college. This seminar is free and open to the public. PHONE: (248) 924-2180

COMING UP •

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. DETAILS: Volunteers will receive 15 hours of professional training in the mentoring of young people. Caring and concerned adults are sought. PHONE: (248) 344-1618

Northville Chamber of Commerce TGIF

DATE: March 14 LOCATION: Northville Chamber of Commerce office (195 S. Main Street) TIME: 8 a m. **DETAILS:** Reservations are required for the event. PHONE: (248) 349-7640

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Northville Parks & Recreation Kids Rockin' Night Out DATE: March 14 LOCATION: Hillside Middle School gym (700 W. Eight Mile Road) TIME: 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. (no admittance after 7:10 p m.) DETAILS: A variety of indoor activities --- including kickboxing, badminton, aerobics and dance instruction --- will take place. Nutritious snacks will also be offered. Athletic shoes must be worn. Tickets are \$6 per student and must be purchased in advance. PHONE: (248) 349-0203, ext. 1411

Sarah Ann Cochrane Northville-Plymouth Chapter of the **Daughters of the American Revolution** meeting DATE: March 17 LOCATION: Call for info TIME: Noon DETAILS: The theme of the meeting is "Online Research Suggestions & Aids." All DAR members and potential members are welcome. PHONE: (734) 455-5525

Taste of Northville Business

Showcase

DATE: March 18 LOCATION: Northville High School (45700 Six Mile Road) TIME: 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. DETAILS: Chamber businesses --including many restaurants --- will be offering information about their goods and services under one roof. Call the chamber office for ticket information or to reserve a display table. PHONE: (248) 349-7640

Maybury Park Trail Riders general meeting DATE: March 18 LOCATION: Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street) TIME: 7 p.m. DETAILS: The group will discuss the future of Maybury State Park's farm and outline its agenda for the coming year. PHONE: (248) 349-2687

Northville Woman's Club pot luck luncheon / annual meeting DATE: March 21 LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street) TIME: 12 30 p.m. **DETAILS:** Those attending are asked to provide their own table service. Irving Berlin's music will be performed by Stacey Becker. The day's chairperson Rigmor Cuolohan. PHONE: (248) 349-3064

It's groundbreaking for She's calling it a career: Pallas to retire in June \$102M water facility

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Christman Co. of Lansing, the general contractor for the project. is responsible for \$92 million of the total cost.

The meeting was the fourth update in a series of updates on the business plan developed in 1997 and it identified what actions the authority needed to secure adequate waste water treatment capacity for the three member townships," said WTUA director of operations, Tim Faas. "[The presentation] focused on the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority expansion of the wastewater treatment plant'

According to Faas, 75 percent of the project cost is being funded by WTUA, with each member community sharing in the cost. Northville township is responsible for a 16.1 million contribution

Upon completion of the project, WTUA member communities will begin directing their waste water --- which is currently being split between Detroit, the Rouge Valley Interceptor System, and the YCUA. The communities will then begin selling their respective contracted wastewater treatment capacity with Detroit to other communities interested in obtaining surplus.

But Northville Township public services director Don Weaver emphasized the fact that the township has no plans to discontinue receiving the community's water supply from the city of Detroit.

"Certainly there is no connec-tion with the water supply and the wastewater supply," said Weaver. We are contingent to get our water from Detroit and will continue to do so for the foreseeable. luture '

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me to move on to the next adventure," she said

worked in Northville Public Schools since 1977.

him a lot more than they'll miss me and they should because he works

with kids," she said Pallas began her duties as assistant superintendent for instructional

Prior to arriving in Northville,

"It's very bitter-

Linda Pallas Assistant schools superintendent

pleasure working with them. The building administrators are the best in the state. You couldn't find a bet-

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ter group anywhere." Pallas' final day of service is slat-

ed for June 30. "It's very bittersweet," she said. "I feel very sad to leave but at the same time I'm looking forward to new adventures."

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Pallas served as a classroom teacher in the Melvindale-Northern Allen Park school district and the Redford Union school district. Within the Redford Union district, Pallas also served as a building level adminis-trator and a central office adminis-

trator Reflecting on her Northville district, P caliber of her acadet

Pallas said her husband has SWeet." "Frankly, I think people will miss

City debates Allen Terrace work

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designing occupied apartment renovations and lower fee structures

"I have never argued that you can't have a successful project with a construction manager approach," city manager Gary Word said at the meeting, "I just believe that the risk is much greater going that route in this case.

Although commission members stated they both understood and supported the city's position. they were not pleased with the unbudgeted 5 percent construction manager fee. Council defended the fee, stating that rather than wasting money, the construction manager approach actually saves it by protecting the city from hav-

ing to pay for potential change months orders

We gain or lose nothing from this," said housing commission member Bob Buckhave at the meeting. "We are just trying to get the biggest bang for our buck here. We all gain by that."

According to Joanne Iglis. director of the housing commission, meetings will be held this week with the selected architect and engineer.

"The housing commission expressed their opinion but they certainly respect the council's decision," said Inglis. "The bottom line is that everyone wants to work together to make this a really successful project."

Construction is scheduled to begin in early summer and expected to last six to eight

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Thursday, March 6, 2003

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Cornerstone welcomes two back

Ghafari Associates, L.L.C., a fullservice architecture and engineering firm, further strengthened its industrial design capa-

bilities by announcing the return of former employees Mike Neville and Dan Rutkowski. Neville rejoins Ghafari as vice president, while

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returns as industrial operations manager. Both joined Ghafari from Cornerstone Engineering, a Wixom-based engineering firm founded by Neville in 1995.

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than two decades of domestic and international architectural/engineering experience, Neville has managed projects for many automotive OEMs and tier one suppliers, including Ford Motor Company, Visteon Corporation and General Motors Corporation. As vice president, his responsibilities include marketing/sales, corporate operations, project management, client liaison and customer satisfaction initiatives.

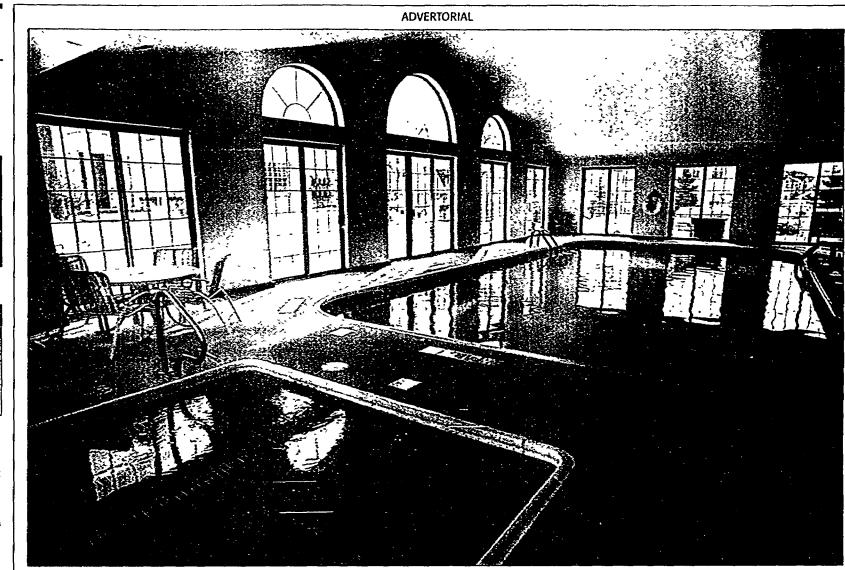
Rutkowski also brings over 20 years of engineering and project management experience. His background includes architectural design, plant layout, construction observation, project scheduling and financial analysis. His engineering background includes major renovation and rehabilitation projects production facilities at General Motors Corporation, Ford Motor Company, DaimlerChrysler Corporation, and Visteon Corporation. His responsibilities as operation manager include interdisciplinary coordination, resource allocation, budget control, and schedule attainment.

Miller appointed VP

Northville Township-based Hayes Lemmerz International, Inc. announced that it has appointed Patrick E. Miller to the position of vice president of Sales and Product Engineering for Hayes Lemmerz North American Wheels Business Unit, reporting directly to president James Stegemiller.

Fashion Bug show

Women across the country will take to the runway, March 22, at 2 p.m. for the 2003 Spring Plus Size Fashion Show, a chain-wide fashion show hosted by Fashion Bug, a women's retailer. Women of plus size are encouraged to become a model



Indoor and heated outdoor swimming pools are just part of the amenities at the 7,350 square foot clubhouse.

Photo by Hal Gould

Come home to Brookwood Farms

By Elizabeth Heer SPECIAL WRITER

Brookwood Farms is a diverse and unique leasing community of apartments and single-family homes. "We offer custom designed single family homes and luxury apartments nestled among professionally landscaped grounds," said Pamela Armon, property manager. The distinctive look is obvious in the exteriors, even down to the variety of exterior finishes that include brick, river rock, and cedar shake. The project, which opened in 1995, was completed in March 2002

It's easy to enjoy life in this peaceful country setting while still maintaining easy access to major expressways, entertainment, and shopping facilities. In fact, Brookwood Farms is just a short commutable distance from both Detroit and Ann Arbor. Yet, it is within walking distance of historic downtown South Lyon.

A wide variety of floor plans are available for the one, two, and three bedroom apartments. Private entrances, patios, balconies – some with basements and garages - enhance many of the apartments. Square footage ranges from 715 to 1,323 square teet, with the largest

floor plans boasting spacious storage areas. Cathedral ceilings are a benefit of the second floor apartments. To complete the entire package, all apartments offer central air and gas heat, major appliances, window treatments, water softeners, and washer/dryer connections. "We also offer a washer/dryer lease arrangement for residents who do not own their own," Armon said.

The single-family detached homes have six floor plans to choose from and square footages that range from 1,102 to 1,591 square feet. They come complete with an attached two-car garage, deck, full basement, and cathedral ceilings. Throw off your maintenance concerns; everything is taken care of for residents at Brookwood Farms. "While many apartment complexes provide maintenance, not many homes can offer that convenience," points out Minerva McParland, leasing specialist. Various lease plans are available as well, including corporate leases, she adds. There is a definite neighborhood ambiance to Brookwood Farms. "People are thrilled to come here because it doesn't look like a typical apartment complex," McParland said. Residents really enjoy the walking distance to downtown where they can shop, go to the movies, or have dinner. You really get that hometown feeling here.' She points out that parents especially like the sidewalks that run throughout Brookwood Farms. "They know that their kids can jump on their bike and ride over to a friend's house or meet up at the pool or clubhouse for activities. It's a real neighborhood."

relaxation amenities at Brookwood Farms for everyone to enjoy. "When you choose any of our highquality living accommodations, you're also afforded access to one of the area's finest clubhouse facilities," Armon said. The beautiful 7,350 square foot clubhouse provides indoor and outdoor heated swimming pools, hot tub, and fitness center. Brookwood Farms also offers tennis courts and a halfbasketball court. Leasing of the clubhouse is also available to all residents for special occasions such as birthday parties, graduation parties, or just spending some time with all the family on special holidays. The well-stocked library has books that may be checked out on the honor system, and the social room where you can curl up in front of the fireplace is a great place to read and relax.

"We strive to make our residents feel like they are part of a

DETAILS

"Hurry, hurry! Don't miss out on your chance to take advantage of Spring Fever going on at Brookwood Farms," says Pamela Armon, property manager at South Lyon's Brookwood Farms. Get out of the cold and into the hot tub and heated indoor swimming pool. Use the coupon at the bottom of the page to take advantage of the Spring Fever special.

Brookwood Farms is conveniently located off 10 Mile Road, one-half mile east of Pontiac Trail, close to downtown South Lyon. Minerva McParland, leasing consultant, will be happy to assist you in your search for your new home. The Leasing Center is located at 200 Brookwood Drive, across the street from the tennis courts. Call (248) 437-9959. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Evening appointments are available. Email: brookwoodfarms@miapartments.com.

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The community fashion show features looks for all walks of life and will highlight the best plus size looks from the Spring 2003 Fashion Bug collection. Women of all incomes who are plus size will find a look to suit her needs on the runway, which will showcase plus sizes, in casual, career and sportswear categories, complete with accessories and shoes.

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Wallis joins Plymouth PT

Plymouth Physical Therapy took the old adage, "location, location, location," and went one step further, adding yet another location. There's now a total of four locations in Plymouth, Wixom, White Lake, and the newest in Novi.

But convenient locations are not all that Plymouth PT offers. Owner Jeff Sirabian is also committed to providing excellence in orthopedic and sports medicine rehabilitation.

Plymouth's Novi clinic will celebrate two years of service in April Novi has experienced tremendous growth, part in thanks to community support. Sirabian welcomes Ben Wallis as the new Novi director of Rehabilitation Services. He is a Sports Medicine and Orthopedic Specialist and a graduate of Central Michigan School of Physical Therapy.

Therapy. Sirabian opened his first clinic in 1994 and has been providing the Southeast Michigan community with quality physical therapy services ever since. He received his physical therapy degree from the University of Michigan and completed his Masters degree in Orthopedics from the University of Indianapolis.





Photo by Hal Gould

From the left, Heather Hoult, Pamela Armon and Minerva McParland inside the Brookwood Farms Clubhouse.

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In fact, there are plenty of

community. We are putting in place some programs that we are very excited about," McParland said. "But we believe there is a balance between offering community activities and providing our residents a pleasant and peaceful place to call home."

McParland, Armon, and office coordinator Heather Hoult organized an open house for residents during the holiday season. "The kids just squealed with delight when jolly old Saint Nick arrived. We had plenty of food and craft activities. When some of the residents showed up with musical instruments, it just added the perfect touch - we enjoyed Christmas carols to complete the evening," McParland said. Residents were also encouraged to decorate their homes for the holidays with a contest.

This summer other community activities are being planned. "We'll be starting a children's club, and when your child signs up, he or she will enjoy the benefits of membership. And we are looking into hosting a few movie nights for our residents," McParland said. "It's just our way of saying thank you for choosing Brookwood Farms for your home."



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School board OKs new playground near OVS

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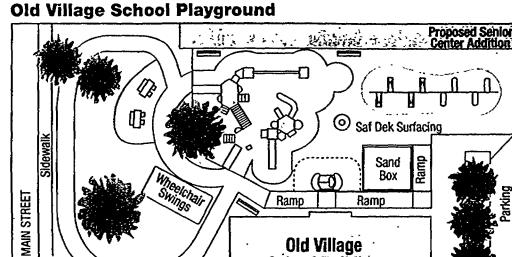
the most state of the art design for the Special Education department at Old Village School," said Nield in a news release. "It will be configured for ambulatory and non-ambulatory students. Components are being chosen for educational purposes as well as recreational.

Nield spearheaded the concept to create an addition to the existing rec center and revamp the OVS playground. He was joined by the Old Village School Playground Committee in planning the play area's future.

At the Feb. 25 meeting, school board officials were given a presentation by members of the school's playground committee.

Nield told board members the proposed addition would be ideal for local seniors due its close proximity to businesses, restaurants and other service buildings.

They've been looking for a location for years," said Nield. "It provides a drop point for the seniors right in downtown Northville.



SOURCE: DP & HOFFMAN Play Works

Once final approval is granted, the proposed addition would extend to the west of the existing community building.

Nield said the school district is renting the building for \$1 a year

to the recreation department. The school [district] owns that building and they will end up owning the future addition," he said. The total project is estimated to

Old Village

School Building

Nield said the architectural firm, Fanning/Howey Associates in Farmington Hills will design the addition and renovation. Those plans will later be present-

cost between \$2 and \$2.5 million.

ed to city and township officials for consideration.

"Because it continues to be a school owned building, Northville Public Schools will also want to approve the architectural plans and drawings," Nield said.

The township and city are slated to contribute in an estimated 80-20 percent ratio, respectively, he said.

In the news release, Nield said construction is slated to begin in the fall of 2003. A summer 2004 move in date is anticipated.

"This project probably represents the best intercommunity cooperation to date," Nield stated in the news release. "It includes the city and township of Northville, Northville Public Schools, Northville Civic Concern, the Northville Senior Advisory Council, Northville Recreation Department and Old Village School."

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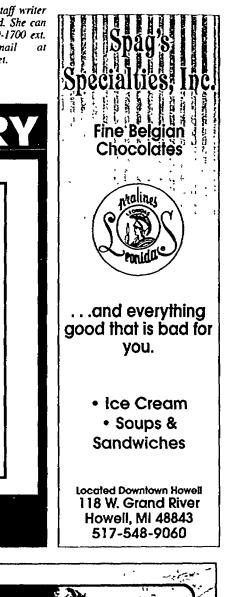
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The proposed Senior Center would include:

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- 3 offices
- a computer room open lounge area
- fire place
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sium Northville Civic Concern will have an office and a new 540 sq. ft. food storage area. The Senior Center and existing Recreation Building will continue to be available for craft shows and other private function rentals.





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Sports Sam Eggleston, Sports Writer, (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 seggleston@ht.homecomm.net Thursday, March 6, 2003 hometownlife.com **Ready for the state finals**

Joe Lunn and company are not going to back down from any challenge while at their final meet



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Mustang swimmer Mike Yutzy does the backstroke in a home meet against Novi in mid-February.

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

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They can taste it — and they want even more.

The Northville Mustangs swimming and diving team has two relays, an individual swimmer and maybe even a diver or two qualified for the finals state

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n't matter who they are swimming or what the tale of the times says to this point — the finals are a whole new game.

'We're not afraid of anyone when it comes to competition," senior Joe Lunn said. "We're not going to be taking a back seat to anyone."

Lunn is probably the most recognizable name on the list of swimmers going to the states as he's qualified for the 500 freestyle event, the 200 free, the 100 free and is a member of the 200 free relay and the 400 free relay team though he might not be a member of one of them.

"The 500 free is right before the 200," Lunn said. "The

coaches are debating taking me out of it.'

Not that his replacement is very shabby. Brad McIntosh is the swimmer slated to take his spot, and that means he'll be swimming along with brother Billy McIntosh, as well as Brad Farris and fellow senior Tyler Carter.

Lunn noted that it's great to have made it this far with Carter and the McIntosh brothers, as well as Mike Yutzy, who is a member of the 400 free relay squad.

"We've been on the team for four years together," he said. We've got that bond."

If all goes well, the swimmers will be joined by divers Jason Albosta and John Campbell — both seniors as well. They were scheduled to participate in the diving regionals at Ann Arbor Pioneer Tuesday (after the Northville Record went to print). The top 12 divers advance to the finals.

Lunn said that even though they've made it this far, they aren't over the hurdle yet - or at least not out of the pool.

We have to make it back Saturday," he said of the preliminaries tomorrow at noon at Eastern Michigan University. "I'd like to see the 200 free relay



their time so they go off with a bang. Other than that, I just want to make it back Saturday and maybe get in the top eight." The finals are slated to start at drop a couple more seconds off noon on Saturday at Eastern

University. Michigan Preliminaries are noon tomorrow and the top 16 swimmers will advance to the finals.

Sam Eggleston is the sports

post-season.

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What do they say? What do they do? Each coach has their own way of doing things, but sometimes I sure wish I were a fly on the wall when it came to halftime speeches to keep a team playing at a high level, or to convince them to rise to the

And what of the captains? I was a captain on every team I was on my senior year, which was a credit to my relationship with the coaching staffs as well as my friendships with those on my team. More than once, I was looked to as a leader in tight situations. Did I always come through? Unfortunately, the answer is no. Now, I look to the captains on the teams that I cover and watch them as they are put into similar situations as those in my past, and sometimes they don't come through and other times they do. That is the pressures and the rewards and agony that a captain holds on their shoulders.

Playoffs are a new situation

Call it the post-season, the second season or the playoffs. Want to know what it really is? It's win or go home.

Winners get the luxury of lasting until the next game, while the losers go home and get to either wonder what they are going to



Sam Eggleston do to improve next year, or wonder about

where their lives are going to take them after graduation.

I have to say that it's probably the most stressful time of year for many players and coaches, as well as myself. Not only am I looking at the playoffs that are at hand, but I'm also trying to look forward to the spring sports that are about to be upon all of us.

But, the truth be told, I'd rather be sitting here at my desk pounding out a story or up in the bleachers watching the game that down there trying to earn that win. I remember how tough it was to know that a loss means you're through for the rest of the season and the rest of the year, while a simple little win means you get to play another day.

You have to give these athletes the respect and admiration they deserve. Not only do they play to forward their seasons, but they do it to entertain you and I as well. Come on, you know you love it when they are scoring goals, buckets or racking up the points. It gives you a rush, doesn't it? I sure get one, especially as the clock is ticking down and the game is on the line. Wham! And he/she/they score and win it! Sure can't beat that feeling when it comes to sports.

Being that I've never had the chance to coach a team like our local squads, I have to say that I'm always most impressed by the way those at the helm and the way they can continue to motivate their squads into the

occasion after a tough first half.

Regional Champs! Wild 'Stangs prove that you can't keep a good gymnastics team down

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

In a season that really didn't have a clear-cut ending for the Novi-Northville gymnastics squad, what better way to bring it to a close than in the state finals?

The Wild Stangs, under the guidance of coach Lindsay Schultz, added yet another state-finals trip to their repertoire as they won their Regional meet at Plymouth Canton High School March 1, collecting 142.60 points to edge out Livonia Unified's 142.20 points. Host-team Canton took third with 139.05 total points.

The Wild 'Stangs, or at least many of them, had the meet of their lives. Some athletes in other sports may look back on their performances and se that they could have just tried a little harder. These girls don't have to worry about doing that - how can you try harder when you collect your best-ever totals?

Trish Brownfield had bestever points on the bars with an 8.05, as well as on the beam with a 9.0.

Marcie Fink's 9.05 on the vault was her best, while Jessica Glancy's 9.1 in the same event marked her summit.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Caitlin Miller had a nice showing with an 8.55 in her floor routine and an 8.7 on the beam for best-ever marks, and Janna Ramsay collected a career

PERSONAL BESTS

The Wild 'Stanos had a heck of a showing at the Regional meet, and they managed to win it and gain a berth into the state finals - in part to some of their best gymnastics ever. These gymnasts had per-

sonal-best performances:

Janna Ramsey: an 8.8 on the vault.

Caitlin Miller: An 8.55 in the floor exercise and an 8.7 on the beam.

Jessica Glancy: A 9.1 on the vault.

Marcie Fink: A 9.05 on the vault.

Trish Brownfield: An 8.05 on the bars and a 9.0 on the beam.

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Other highlights from the meet were Rachel Deneau's 8.85 on the floor exercise, while Glancy collected an 8.25 on the bars.

Sarah Ilkhani-Pour had a stellar day, notching an 8.3 on the bars, a 9.0 with her floor routine and a 9.1 on the beam.

Jenn Mehl had a good showing with her 8.45 on the bars and 8.8 on the beam.

Fellow Wild 'Stang Maggie Mills notched an 8.9 in the floor exercise, while earning a 9.0 on the beam.

Ramsay, who had a best-ever performance on the vault, did quite well on the floor, too. She earned an 8.85 for her performance.

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Sara Wilchowski had the best-overall marks for the Novi-Northville squad, earning a 9.05 on the vault, a 9.2 on both the floor exercise and the bars while collecting a 9.3 on the beam.

The Wild 'Stangs will be back in action in the state finals Saturday at Plymouth Canton High School. As of press time, the host school did not have a start time for the event.

The high school is located on Joy Road, on the same campus as Plymouth Salem High School. Results can be found at www.mhsaa.com and in next week's sports section of the Northville Record.

Through hard work and impressive determination, the Novi-Northville Wild 'Stangs showed that a good team can't be kept down for long.

Attribute it to good coaching. top-notch leadership or just an amazing will that pushes them to strive to be the best, but any way you look at it, these gymnasts are doing what they do best - winning.

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With captains like these teams have and the quality coaches that head them up, I have a ton of confidence in their abilities and their chances at making a dent in the playoffs.

Are all of them state-championship quality? I really couldn't say, but if they use the heart and the determination that they have showcased throughout the regular season and thus far into the playoffs they definitely have what it takes to hoist that final trophy.

I'd just like to take this small paragraph to thank the teams, players, coaches and fans for all they have done this season, as well as wish all of those that are left in the post-season the best of luck in their bids for the states.





On the balance beam, Wild'Stang Trish Brownfield leaps

high in the air during last Saturday's regional competition

at Plymouth High School. One assistant of the combined

team was heard to say, "Trish was jumping so high I could have walked under her."

Ending it the right way

By Tyler Carter SPECIAL WRITER

Despite a short late season slide, the Mustangs ended their regular season on the right note, heading into districts coming off a big win over Salem.

Earlier in the month, the Mustangs fell to Wayne Memorial on the road by a count of 83-63. Some high points for the Mustangs were the 7 rebounds by sophomore Marcus Davis and the 6 assists by Roger Garfield. Scott McNeish, Davis, and Adam Konst all had big offensive games, as well.

On February 18, the Mustangs hosted Livonia Franklin for the division title game. The winner would go on to play for the conference championship. Northville, however, just couldn't seem to quite get it together for the big game. At the end of the first quarter the Mustangs found themselves in an 8 point hole, and they were unable to dig themselves out. Even with Garfield and Konst leading the way for the offense, the Mustangs were unable to keep up with Franklin's assault. The 59-53 loss was Northville's sixth of the year.

The Mustangs' most recent loss was delivered by Walled Lake Western on February 21. Trailing the entire game, Northville couldn't make up the deficit and fell by a final of 68-47.

Last Thursday, the Mustangs defeated a Salem in what turned out to be a preview of the second round of the district tournament. After trailing the whole game, the Mustangs made an enormous 4th quarter run. They outscored Salem 23-18 in the final eight minutes to squeak out a 74-73 victory. The undisputed hero for the Mustangs was McNeish, who tallied 33 points on the night. Salem was also unable to keep Konst quiet, as he came up with 14 points of his own. Both Garfield and Mark Sorenson had 9 assists.

The win over Salem closed Northville's regular season with a 13-7 overall record, 8-6. in the WLAA, and 5-3 in the division. The victory also sets the stage for Northville to enter the district tournament with some momentum. Since they received a bye in the first round, the Mustangs will play Salem in the second round on Wednesday at 7 p.m. The winner of that game will play the winner of Wednesday's Canton-Novi game on Friday, also at 7pm. All district games will be held at South Lyon High School, located at Ten Mile and Pontiac Trail.

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Time for a new nickname?

Girls prove that they don't have to be the 'Comeback Kids' to win contests out on the ice

By Michael Zerkich SPECIAL WRITER

Is it time for a new nickname? Known as the "Comeback Kids," the Northville girls hockey team showed that they didn't need their best attribute. The team never trailed in a 4-2 conference win against the Mercy High Marlins March 1. Both squads are first-year teams but the Mustangs clearly hold the upper hand for this season.

Northville coach Bill Holden was elated with the way the Mustangs played, found much to be praised in this game.

"Our players dominated the entire game from the opening faceoff," Holden said. "This is an outstanding accomplishment for a first year team. Defensively we've really improved in getting the puck up the ice and our passing was unbelievable (good). This game was a fantastic ending for what has to be considered one of the most memorable seasons for the players, parents, contributors to Northville Boosters and everyone who made this season a success."

Demonstrating their dominance Northville' got off the first nine shots off on Mercy with many of them from point-blank range. The Marlins goalie, Jenna Martines, was outstanding during the barrage.

Mercy didn't get their first shot on goal until almost four minutes into the game when it was Mustang goalie Danielle Bigi's turn to shine while making a sliding save.

Just 4:37 into the period sophomore defenseman Amy Cauzillo, on her first of 10 break-away chances for the evening, fired a shot passed Martines high to her stick side. The goal was unassisted and gave Northville a 1-0 lead. The first period ended with both teams killing off one penalty apiece and Northville out shooting Mercy by a 16-11 tally. Action started quickly in the second period It took only one "This game was a fantastic ending for what has to be considered one of the most memorable seasons for the players, parents, contributors to Northville Boosters and everyone who made this season a success."

> **Bill Holden** Girls' Hockey Coach

minute, 20 seconds for junior left wing Stephanie Papich slipping a shot in traffic to pull Northville to a 2-0 lead: Freshman center Emily Doren picked up the only assist on the play.

Mercy insured this contest to be a barn-burner with a quick reply to the Northville goal. Mercy forward Lauren Audette answered 26 seconds later to make the period end 2-1. Northville outshot Mercy 8 to 3 for the period.

Fans barely had their seats warm at the start of the third period when Cauzillo went end-to-end on a break away in just 13 seconds of play. This was her second tally of the evening and the play started from a sharp pass from sophomore center Catilyn Crawford who drew the only assist. Mercy made things interesting again when forward Abbey Hunter fired home a shot after getting a pass from Audette at the 10:15 mark.

when Crawford drew her second assist by feeding right wing Lindsey Miglio for a nice shot off the left side pipe and into the net. Throughout the game freshman standouts Emily Doren, Meredith Ponder, Bridget Hughes and Allie Spencer put relentless pressure on Mercy's defense, each missing goals by inches.

With the score 4-2 the Mustangs missed with scoring tries by Rachel Rueter, Danielle Werner and Jessica Palushaj on the sprawling Mercy goalie. In turn, Bigi came up huge in turning away several point blank Mercy shots to preserve the tough fought win. Northville outshot the Marlins 14-13 for the period and 38 to 27 for the game.

Coach Holden found the results not to his surprise.

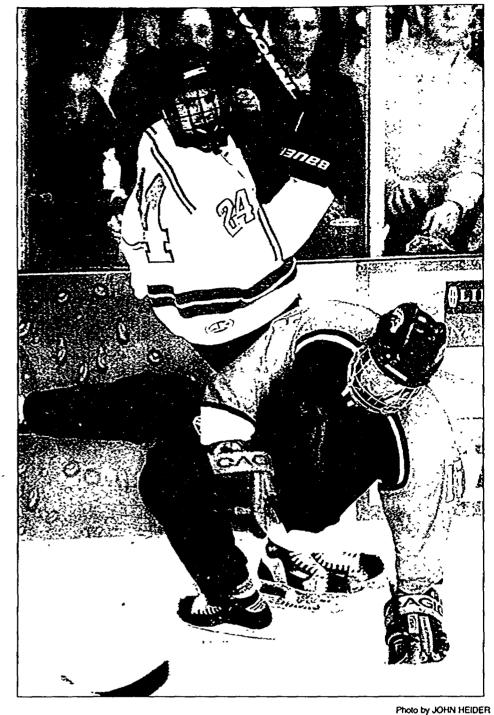
"This is a direct result of the hard work and commitment our players have made all year," he said. "This is the pay-off we get from our practices and the fact that our players have learned a great deal from the start of the season."

Holden noted that his defenseman of seniors Amanda Lariche, Heather Barent, and Nicole Ozog, juniors Amanda Jones, Lindsey Miglio, and Samantha Gumina, and sophomores Cauzillo, Anna Kirkpatrick and Marie McInyre have greatly reduced the shots-ongoal against Bigi and sophomore goalie Ashley Crawford.

This game ended the regular conference season. Playoffs begin this week in St. Clair Shores with the pairings not available at press time.

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Check Mate



A check by a Mustang Troy Engelland leaves Novi's Mario DeGrazia on his feet during last week's tilt at the Novi Ice Arena.

SPORTS SHORTS

Looking for a few good golf teams

The Northville Golf League will begin'its 55th seasori'of play April 15 at the Links of Novi golf course with the start time slated at 3:18 p.m. League play continues for approximately 20 weeks and is followed by a season-ending outing.

Last year's champions, Norm Kubitskey and Jack Huntley, will be back to defend their title and the rest of the league will be trying to take it

away. If you're looking for an opportunity to play in a league that is friendly, fun and competitive, but not cutthroat — this is your chance. The league is looking for a few good two-man teams to fill out the roster.

4418, or Terry Barr at (313) 538-5379.

Lacrosse Coaching Positions Open

Northville Lacrosse Program has the following openings:

Northville 8th grade boys lacrosse Assistant Coach

Northville 7th grade boys lacrosse Head Coach and Assistant Coach Northville 6th grade boys lacrosse

Head Coach and Assistant Coach Northville 4th and 5th grade boys instructional Head Coach

Northville Girls 6th-8th grade instructional lacrosse Head Coach Interested candidates should contact

Interested candidates should contact Kathy Koupal, Program Administrator Youth Basketball Clinic

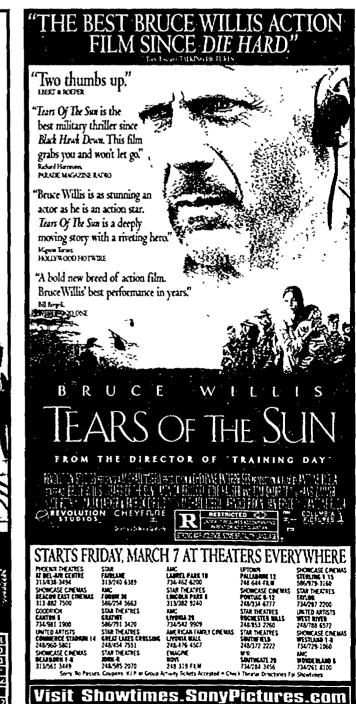
The Detroit Pistons Youth Basketball Clinic will be held at the Ward, Evangelical Presbyterian ChurchYin' Northville. This special family event for boys and girls will be held Saturday, March 8, for grades 1-3 and Saturday, March 15, for grades 4-6.

The time of the clinic is from 12:30-3 p.m. Each child will receive two free Piston tickets and will be invited to attend the pre-game "Shoot Around" at courtside. There will be refreshments for all and parents should make sure to bring their cameras.

The cost of the camp is \$15 and space is limited. For more information, or to sign up, call Ward Church

It took Northville only 12 seconds to reply to the Mercy goal to the sports department at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.

For more information, or to sign up, call Fumio Omura at (248) 347for the Northville Lacrosse Programs, at (248) 374-5937. (248) 305-9776





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Oh frat brother, where art thou?

Will Farrell and the gang make fraternities much cooler for the older guys on campus

By Sam Eggleston ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

Wow. It kind of makes you wonder if it would be worth it to start a fraternity while in your mid-life crisis.

Part "Animal House," part "Fight Club," the movie "Old School" wags the sagging tails of three thirtysomething guys in actors Will Ferrell, Vince Vaughn and Luke Wilson. The men are trying to kickstart their misfiring nine-to-five lives by founding a college fraternity with no illusions of academic or community service, except for maybe educating the local coeds in the three Ps: partying, puking and passing out, with an occasional seminar in Whitesnake as classicalmusic appreciation.

For it to pass the plot requirement and proceed directly to the coed wrestling party, "Old School" begins with beleaguered Wilson as Mitch, a real-estate attorney coming home early from

a dreary industry seminar. Expecting to surprise his girlfriend Heidi, played by Juliet Lewis, Mitch is himself stunned to see his lady entertaining herself and the neighbors in an odd way.

Faster than you can blink, Mitch splits with Heidi and rents a house, all too conveniently located on fictitious Harrison College campus. His friend Beanie, played by Vaughn, vows to rescue Mitch from his rebound depression by turning his buddy's new digs into a Playboy mansion. A few frames after the house's inaugural party, dubbed "Mitchapalooza" and featuring entertainment courtesy of rapper Snoop Dogg, Mitch has a new roommate in Frank the Tank, played by a rather show-stealing Ferrell. Frank quickly earns the title of "Old School"'s class clown after downing a few beer funnels, disrobing, and deciding to single handedly bring back streaking as an elective credit. Back on campus and up until

Mitchapalooza, Frank was a semihappy newlywed who only occasionally wondered about the undergarments of the waitresses during the couple's weekly dinners at Olive Garden. Not exactly surprisingly, Frank's worrisome wife wants a divorce leaving him to concentrate on important stuff like hazing pledges aged 19 to 89 and his late '70s Trans Am.

Of course, in true college-movie form, it isn't long before the school's spectacled and dastardly Dean Pritchard schemes to revoke the pledging frat's charter by any underhanded means necessary. Pritchard, it seems, is out to avenge being ostracized and thrown in a dumpster by Mitch and company when he was younger. With power and authority aplenty, Pritchard bribes the student-body president to annul the charter with promises of a guaranteed entry to Columbia Law School.

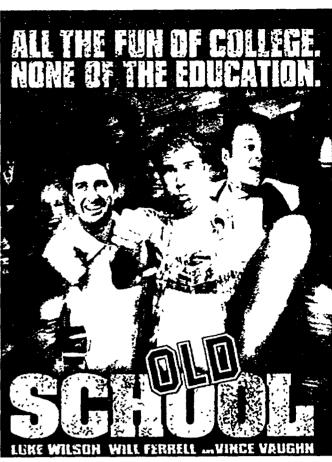
Soon, sub-plots thicken when seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.

word of the frat's existence spreads to the working world where every man, from Mitch's white-collar co-workers to coffeehouse waiters, begs to pledge the frat to escape back to their glory days when weekends meant Homecoming and beer blasts rather than Home Depot and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Boasting sexed-up sorority sisters in soaking t-shirts, and enough sexual tension to start its own spin-off Fox series, "Old School" might not pass muster on the Sundance circuit, but it's bound to draw the attention it wants from comedy-loving men and women who are just looking to have a good, old-fashioned belly laugh.

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SCREEN BEAT

By Brian Renner THE MOME INSIDER

Corning to theaters this weekend is "Bringing Down the House," the story of a man whose world is shaken when he encounters a woman who's not just from a different 'hood, but a different world. Peter Sanderson (Steve Martin) is a divorced, workaholic attorney who falls madly in love with a woman on the Internet. Trouble ensues when she (Queen Latifah) turns up on his doorstep, since she's an escaped convict from a maximum security prison. "Bringing Down the House" is a Touchstone Pictures release and rated PG-13 for language, sexual humor and drug material.

Action-thriller "Tears of the Sun" stars Bruce Willis as the leader of a Special forces unit that is sent into an African jungle on a search and rescue mission: retrieve a doctor doing humanitarian work in a small village before a civil war erupts. Also, featured among the cast is Monica Bellucci as the doctor, Cole Hauser and Fionnula Flanagan. "Tears of the Sun" is a Sony Pictures release and _____

rated R for strong war violence, some brutality and language.

Next week

Kids action-comedy "Agent Cody Banks" (PG), tense cat-andmouse thriller "The Hunted" (R), supernatural romance "Till Human Voices Wake Us" (R) and drama "The Safety of Objects" (R).

Video and DVD

Action-thriller "Half Past Dead" (R), Bible-based animated musical adventure "Jonah: A VeggieTales Movie" (G), Chinese drama "Quitting" (R), the py thriller "The Ring" (PG-13) and suspenseful drama "The Weight of Water" (R).

DVD

"1984" (R), "Army of Darkness" (Boomstick Edition) (2-DVD Set) (R), "Blue/White/Red: The Three Colors Trilogy" (R), "Doctor Who: The Aztecs" (NR), "Doctor Who: Vengeance on Varos" (NR), "First Kid" (PG), "It's the Easter Beagle, Charlie Brown" (NR).

It's just another Clone

LucasArts does it again with a could have been better title for PS2

By Sam Eggleston ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

And now they've done it yet again.

LucasArts has developed a trend over the years of having awesome ideas for Star Wars games, yet never executing them to their full potential. Games like "The Phantom Menace," "Racer Revenge," and "Bounty Hunter" could have all been awesome games; but ended up with the short end of the stick. "The Clone Wars" is a per-

fect example of this: awesome idea, yet a finished product that obviously needed some more time in development. In the end, it's good, but not at all what it could have been.

The game begins with the ending of the movie "Star Wars: Episode II" as the player controls Mace Windu while he attempts to fly to Geonosis and huge clone battles on foot, air, and through land vehicles.

Just like the movie, Anakin and Obi-Wan are eventually rescued, and immediately after we come to learn that Count Dooku has some great big doomsday weapon that will destroy the

Republic by sucking the **PS2** Review

power out of all: Jedi. So Anakin, Obi-Wan, and Mace Windu all split up and go their own way trying to find and destroy this weapon.

The story is very basic, and it should be, as "The Clone Wars" is a very action-oriented game. The various mission types, for the most-part, are made up of escort, defend, and destroy everything in sight missions. What makes these otherwise very tedious missions fun is the huge variety, and overall vastness of each level. In any given needs taken out. The game then seamlessly switches you to an aircraft and its time to get back into battle.

The ground units control great, the response quick and the move around very smoothly. The aircrafts also control equally well with control scheme straight from "Jedi Starfighter."

Gameplay problems do arise, though, and are very noticeable. For one, the on-foot portions of the game are junky. Besides the fact that Obi-Wan, Mace Windu, and Skywalker look about as bad as they can get at this level of gaming, they control even worse. Turning seems to take forever, and while the lightsaber combat should be very cool, it ends up being very aggravating.

While the gameplay is good for the most part, the graphics are all over the place. First off, the tanks, vehicles, and airrealistic. But then we get to just about everything else but the vehicles, and this is where the game falls apart graphically. First of all, all character models are so stiff and ugly you wonder just how they could look so bad. The environments, other than Geonosis, also look very pixelated and full of poorly rendered objects. Not to mention all the soldiers underneath you that are fighting: they are all pixelated and look downright horrendous.

It's not the worst game on the market, nor the best. When wondering if you might want to get this game to call your own, a rental at the local Blockbuster is probably the best way to find out. Star Wars fanatics might get it just for shelf use, while die-hard gamers might turn their nose up at it.

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rescue Anakin and Obi-Wan. mission, you may spend 10 planes all look impressive. and the Novi News. He can be The immediate levels are very minutes defending an outpost fun, and very atmospheric as with a tank, but suddenly you the lighting effects are amaz-the lighting effects are amazyou actually do fight in the learn that a tower a mile away ing, and the explosions are very seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.

VIRTUAL VIC

I've been dating this woman for about two months now and the other day while out to dinner, she offered to pick up the check, and I declined. A few days later, she offered again. I'm wondering what the etiquette, if any, is on this subject. Should I let her? And, if so, should I at least pay the tip?

To pay, or not to pay in Northville

Dear to pay, or not to pay in Northville.

As far as etiquette goes, 1 consulted another source for an answer on if you should let your girlfriend of two months pay for dinner.

According to "Dating for Dummies" by Dr. Joy Browne, for the first date, the asker should pay.

After that, she says other arrangements, such as splitting the bill or letting the askee pay. is fine.

What I find interesting is Dr. Browne's interpretation of what it means when someone wants to pay.

She believes it means the payer is showing he or she is not cheap, has class and style and is investing in the relationship.

That sounds like good news to me.

If you really like this girl and you put any weight into Dr. Browne's advice, you should be happy your somewhat new flame wants to invest into what you guys have going. And after two months, it



Victoria Sadlocha

seems an appropriate gesture to show interest.

It is a lot better than if your girlfriend said she wanted to meet all of your relatives or move in.

That might be a little scary. In my opinion, you should absolutely let your girlfriend nav after two months of dating.

It is a caring gesture and if she wants to do something nice, you should let her.

I have offered to pay for dinner after dating someone for awhile, and I did so because I really wanted to pay.

It wasn't a test or a trick, it was my way of saying thank you for all the nights my past boyfriends had paid for.

I also completely agree with Dr. Browne's assessment that the gesture shows investment into the relationship.

I have never offered to pay for a date when I didn't want or see a future with that person. What I would stay away from is letting a person you asked out pay for the first date, even if she offers.

There is a chance the offer may not be sincere.

What I mean is, the girl you are on a date with may be testing to see if you are cheap.

Now I'm not condoning trickery, I think that is terrible and if that was the case you would have a bigger problem on your hands than who pays the bill, but it could happen.

I would also recommend assessing your girlfriend's financial situation.

If the offer comes after you are wiping the slobber from your jowls left behind from the most expensive item on the menu and you know she really can't afford to pay, then decline, but assure her she may foot the bill next time.

Tell her you will pick one of your favorite restaurants to make the evening more special and then pick a restaurant and menu item within her price range.

But, be careful on your assessment because if your girlfriend has a bank account the size of J. Lo's then choosing an economical eatery and dinner selection may backfire.

Your girlfriend may be insulted you thought she couldn't afford something pricey, when she in fact could.

Now this may seem confusing, but it is not.

The idea is to make the dinner special and plan the evening within your girlfriend's upper cash range with-

out going over the top. If you achieve this, I guarantee she will feel great the

evening of your date.

As far as tipping goes, I would let her leave the tip.

Since this will be the first time you are letting her bear the wallet burden, let her go all the way with the gesture.

It may also seem a little rude to check the bill's total.

She may not feel comfortable with you wanting to see how much she is spending.

If she offers to pick up the bill again in the future and you allow her, then I would start leaving the tip or at least offering.

Now in case Dr. Browne and Virtual Vic were not enough help, I'll leave you with a bit of advice my dad told me a long time ago after I refused to take some cash from him.

He told me it is rude not to accept something from someone when they are genuinely offering.

Since dad's are always right. then I suggest you let her pay.

Virtual Vic

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Doing it the hard way Sometimes when you want to play, you have to practice first

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

To walk or not to walk --- that seems to be the question for some athletes, especially in the sport of football.

With the recruitment behind us, scholarships handed out and letters of intent signed, it comes down to those who are looking to continue to play football at the highest level and what they are willing to do to get there.

The statistic is a staggering one. Only one in every 100 high school athletes get their hands on a Division I college athletic scholarship. That's quite the figure, considering the talent at that level. For those who don't get the chance to ride the athletic-scholarship train through their higher education but still want to play sports, there's a much harder, yet necessary, way of getting it done — walkon.

And if you're going to do it, why not reach for the top? Northville athlete Tim Higgins and Novi's Chase Chandler might just do that. For Higgins, the calling seems to be coming from the direction of the University of Florida, while Chandler's future may be in East Lansing with the Michigan State University Spartans.

"Florida has always been my favorite team growing up." Higgins said. "I went down for a visit in early January and had a meeting with the offensive coordinator. He pretty much told me what life was like as a walk-on for the University of Florida.

And that news probably wasn't the most cheerful. It's a tough way of life. Athletes compete in hopes of getting chosen to be a member of the team - and that's a loose definition. If one of the blessed few, the athlete usually becomes a member of the practice squad where they are beaten and pummeled in hopes of making the starters on their team that much better.

"It's a tough thing to get started and to get that first opportunity." said Ed Zaunbrecher, the offensive coordinator with the University of Florida Gators. "There are no guarantees. The athletes that are recruited get first shot on a lot of things."

Walk-ons who make the team may not even see a moment in a game jersey, but, then again, that time may just come if they work hard enough.

"At some point in time, a guy just has to step up and prove himself," Zaunbrecher said.

"You don't have time to build up to it. You go from zero to 60 in a heartbeat."

> Ed Zaunbrecher Offensive Coordinator, University of Florida

"It's often not until the second year, during the off-season program, when they show they can work.

Athletes like Higgins and Chandler already realize that they aren't starting out of the blocks and gaining a quick lead. Instead, they are some of the last to get looked at by the coaching staffs, and that's usually to fill in some very highly desired slots on the team.

"When I was talking to the coaches there, the first thing they let you know is that your practices start later than everyone else," Chandler said. "Right away you are behind the rest of the team."

But you still have to work just as hard, and sometimes a little bit harder than those who already have the coach's eye.

"Being a practice player means you are basically there to work hard," Chandler noted. You are trying to get noticed out there. You are out there running against the first team, and you are automatically put in a situation where you work hard or you get killed out there."

But to do all that work and to not get the recognition or the playing time in exchange — is it worth it?

"Definitely," Higgins said. You are on a team that might be competing for a national championship each year, and if they get it you get a ring for it. You are out there trying to make your team better. When they make the big plays and make things happen on Saturday, you know that you helped prepare them to have that kind of success."

But just to get the chance to make them better is going to require a lot of work on the part of the walk on.

"Some guys come out and try it just to try it," Zaunbrecher said. "Some are not in condition, and it's dangerous to their health to continue. We usually terminate it at that point and time if it becomes obvious." Both Chandler and Higgins ENALS CHRISTMAS

Northville's Tim Higgins pumps some iron in the high school's weight room. Higgins is hoping to be a walk-on at Univ. of Florida's football program.

have their own work-out regimens, and both have goals set for themselves.

Higgins, who stands at 5-foot-8 and weighs in at 165 pounds, is hoping to bulk up to 175 by the time he graduates, and then up to 180 by the time football starts up.

Chandler, who is 6-1 and 175, is looking to boost up to 185-190 by the time the walk on date is scheduled.

But, for athletes like these two, it's not easy to make the time to lift and to run instead, they utilize their sports to help them. Higgins is a member of a recreational basketball team, as well as a runner on the boys track and field squad. Chandler, who is currently playing basketball with the Wildcats, is also on the track and field team.

"Right now I'm lifting five days a week," Higgins said. "Track season is going to start up in two weeks and I'll start doing that. I'm hoping to move from middle distance to sprinting this year to improve my speed."

Both athletes are also aware that they have to make themselves as valuable as they can for their respective teams to really give them a good look and to consider them for the program.

"Walk-ons have the best chance if they can do other things as well," Higgins said. "I'm going to practice being a holder for field goals. If I can perfect that skill, it'll open some extra opportunities for me."

Chandler was also receptive to that kind of idea.

"That never really came across my mind," he said. "I'm pretty sure I can do that, and I guess that would be an idea that I could offer to them.'

And if, through all the hard work and perspiration, they finally get selected to the squad, the important thing to remember is that when they are called upon, they have to be ready to act.

Once a coach gets to know you and they tell you to jump in there, you have to be prepared," Zaunbrecher said. "You don't have time to build up to it. You go from zero to 60 in a heartbeat.'

And though talent is a major factor in making a squad like that of Florida or Michigan State, there's also an element of heart — just watch the movie "Rudy."

"It's you're heart and your mind," Chandler said. "Are you going to give up if they put you down and you don't make the team? You have to work hard, and if you don't make the team you have to work for another whole year and do it on your own. Your heart pushes you do to that, and if you don't have heart, you're never going to make the team."

Higgins echoed that thought. "Though it's very rare nowadays that a Rudy story will actually happen, when it does it's almost all based on heart and the intangibles you bring with you," Higgins said. "How much focus do you have on the goals you've set for yourself?"

Sometimes, other factors outside of the realm of football weigh in on the final decision by the coaching staffs. For example, Higgins had maintained a high enough grade-point average to be offered a full-academic scholarship to universities including Florida.

"I would never have considered Florida if they hadn't offered me a full-academic scholarship," he said. "Since I'd be going for free, it might help the coaches out more and they might be more inclined to keep me. They'd never have to give me an athletic scholarship, and they'd be able to fill that slot with someone else."

No matter what, the most important thing is that they are going to go out there an try. There will never be that ques-

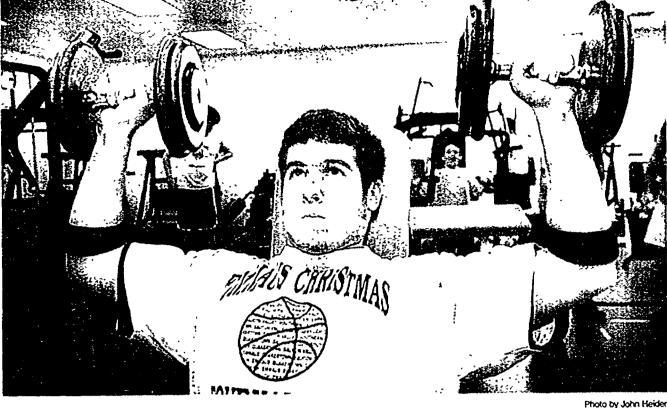


Chase Chandler

tion in the back of their mind wondering if they could have made it or if they should have tried. Instead, they'll know and you never know what might happen.

"It's a tough deal," Zaunbrecher said. "Of course, deal.' there have been guys that do it, and they go out there and they do it well. You just have to be a little more patient."

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Whalers back to those winning ways

Former Plymouth skater makes the best of his NHL debut, scores

Two of the top offensive teams 15:16 to close out the first period in the league lived up to expectations Feb. 28 at Compuware Sports Arena as the Plymouth Whalers pulled off a 7-6 overtime win over the Ottawa 67's. Nate Kiser scored the game-winner on a slap shot at 3:20 in overtime. John Mitchell and Chad LaRose earned the assists.

Mitchell led the Whalers with two goals and three assists. Corey Locke also had a good game for the 67's with one goal and two assists.

Plymouth looked to be in command of the game with a 6-1 lead early in the second, but the 67's fought back with four power play goals to knot things at 6-6 in the third. Jeremy Akeson tied the game at 15:53 when his shot found a way past Plymouth goalie Paul Drew.

The Whalers put together a great start in the first period, scoring early and often to take a 4-1 lead. Mitchell got things started for the Whalers with his first goal of the game at 4:57. Chris Thorburn and Karl Stewart assisted on the goal.

Ottawa found a way to tie it up with a 5-on-3 power play goal at 8:34. Scott Sheppard took a perfect pass from Corey Locke and fired it past Whalers goalie Paul Drew for the 1-1 tie. Karol Slaboda earned the other assists.

Plymouth regained the lead when LaRose scored his 55th goal of the season on an unassisted effort at 10:20. Ryan Ramsay put the Whalers up 3-1 with a nice play down deep off a pass from Mike Letizia and John Vigilante. Mitchell then followed with his second of the night at

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scoring. Thorburn earned the lone assist.

The high scoring continued in the second period as Plymouth jumped out to a 6-1 lead. But a pair of power play goals and another at even strength in the final minutes pulled the 67's within two goals, 6-4. Karl Stewart opened the second period with a Whalers goal at 1:07 with assists going to Thorburn and Mitchell. Plymouth continued to roll when Mike Nelson scored his first goal of the year at 2:13. Mitchell and Cole Jarrett earned the assists.

Ottawa pulled back into the game with power play goals from Brendan Bell and Corey Locke to cut the lead to 6-3. The 67's continued to pressure and it paid off when Bryan Bickell scored with 29 seconds left in the period to make it 6-4. The 67's continued with the momentum in the third as Matt Foy tied the game at 2:03, setting up the tieing power play goal by Akeson.

Plymouth improves to 37-13-8-2 while Ottawa drops to 39-14-7-2.

Former Whalers Scores in Debut

Former Plymouth Whaler Tomas Kurka made the most of his NHL debut Feb. 27when he scored his first NHL goal in a 4-2 loss to the Phoenix Coyotes.

Kurka, who was called up by the Carolina Hurricanes from their AHL affiliate the Lowell Lockmonsters on Wednesday, scored with 3:33 left in the game, spoiling Coyote goalie Sean Burke's shutout bid.

SPORTS SHORTS

Learn to Check

Suburban Hockey Schools will hold its Learn to Check Clinic at the Novi Ice Arena Thursday, April 3.

The program is geared toward squirt players moving up to the pee wee level, as well as pee wee and bantam players needing instruction on the techniques of checking.

Areas of emphasis during the two-hour clinic will include proper checking techniques, how to receive a check, how to avoid a check, stick checking, back checking, angling and body positioning.

The fee is \$45 per participant.

Enrollment is limited so all interested future participants are encouraged to sign up as soon as possible.

The city-owned arena is located east of Novi Road between Nine Mile and 10 Mile roads on Arena Drive.

For more information, call (248) 478-1600 or visit www.suburbanhockey.com.

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Coaching positions open

Walled Lake School recently announced the following openings:

Walled Lake Central Girl's Track Assistant Coach; Walled Lake Western Head Boy's Tennis Coach; Walled Lake Western Head Girl's Tennis Coach.

Interested candidates should contact David Yarbrough, Athletic Director for Walled Lake Schools at (248) 956-2073. Those are the only posi-tions open at the Walled Lake for coaches right now.

Youth Basketball Clinic

The Detroit Pistons Youth Basketball Clinic will be held at the Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville. This special family event for boys and girls will be held Saturday, March 8, for grades 1-3 and Saturday, March 15, for grades 4-6.

The time of the clinic is from 12:30-3 p.m. Each child will receive two free Piston tickets and will be invited to attend the pre-game "Shoot Around" at courtside. There will be refreshments for all and parents should make sure to bring their cameras.

The cost of the camp is \$15 and space is limited. For more information, or to sign up, call Ward Church at (248) 374-5937.

Table Tennis Tournament

Northville Parks and Recreation will be hosting a table tennis tournament sponsored by Chinese the Association of Greater Detroit.

The event, which is scheduled to be held March 22, will

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have a 10 a.m. start with three groups consisting of an Agroup (1900-plus USTTA rating or the equivalent), a Bgroup (1600-1900 rating or equivalent) and a C-group (under-1600).

There will be individual round robin for small groups, with the top players advancing to the second-round playoff. Each group will be limited to no more than 12 players for the A group and 20 for the B and C groups, Players should register early for their spot.

The cost of the tournament is \$15 per player and the deadline is March 8.

For more information, contact Yong Huang at Yhuan@peoplepc.com or at (248) 380-0936 (home) and (734) 416-7253 (work).

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Rootwell system can give trees new life

By Annette Jaworski CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Most of us remember our moms reminding us to take our vitamins so we would grow up big and strong.

The same principle applies to trees, says Dave Allen, president of RZI, or Root Zone Improvements. Trees need three things: Air, water and nutrients. And often they are sadly lacking in one or more of these vital components.

"Two out of three isn't good enough; they have to get all three," Allen insisted.

He searched for and found a way to improve all of these conditions. The Rootwell System by RZI (Root Zone Improvements) employs a cylindrical tube made out of extrudent plastic, with a meshlike texture. In other words, it's a tube with holes.

When inserted into the ground, the holes create an opening in the soil allowing air, water and fertilization to reach the surrounding roots. It comes in three different sizes - 5/8, 2 and 4 inches. The tubes are planted about 12-18 inches around the perimeter of the tree to encourage outward growth of the roots.

"If you can create the perfect conditions, the roots will respond," explained Allen. And that translates to a healthier tree.

He says that years ago, conditions were more advantageous to tree health and growth. The dead leaves and branches provided a nourishing environment. In today's urban environment, the ground compaction is so solid, it doesn't facilitate the proper flow of air, water and nutrients to the roots, according to Jim Doyle, general manager of RZI. By inserting these stick-like tubes into the ground, air and water can flow around the roots of the tree as well as offer a "port" of fertilization.

When you think about it, the trees have to compete with the

Trees need three things: Air, water and nutrients. And often they are sadly lacking in one or more of these vital components.

forces of man and nature, Doyle explained. Compaction of the ground is a significant factor. Most trees planted in new construction have to survive in ground that's been compacted, pounded with heavy equipment, and buried with heavy construction materials. It's no surprise that under these conditions there's not a lot of air below to encourage root growth. Add to that the stress of cut-

ting nearly 90 percent of the roots when transported, and a competing layer of grass, it's no wonder the tree goes into stress, Allen said. The same applies to shrubs and large flowering bushes.

Protecting your trees makes sense since they are a big part of your landscape investment. And the alternative of cutting the tree down is a significant expense as well, running hundreds or even thousands of dollars.

Planting is a perfect time to install the system, although it can definitely be applied to existing trees as well, Allen added. In both cases, the system is installed with an air spade that clears a spot in the ground. This removes the dirt without damaging the roots, Doyle said.

Although they've successfully distributed and marketed the product through landscapers and complementary businesses, RZI's new venture is to offer

the product and services directly. This includes installation, fertilization and ongoing maintenance, as well as adjustments to the system as the trees or shrubs grow.

"It's important that the homeowner understands that this is not a cure. And prevention is the best medicine. A healthy tree is also more prone to ward off disease," Doyle said.

In case your trees presently look healthy, that's great. They believe there is still a definite benefit to the system. Trees can store a tremendous amount of energy.

'So by the time people actually see a change in the tree. it's on the decline," said Allen.

Using a sprinkler or irrigation system doesn't provide everything your tree needs. In fact, it can be detrimental. Most people run the sprinkler only a few minutes at a time, so it won't overly saturate the grass. Not enough soaks down through the grass to get to the tree. So instead the roots grow toward the surface in search of water.

In a drought situation, the grass turns brown and dies, but it will come back next year. Unfortunately, the tree might not recover.

The ultimate in nourishing your tree is install the Rootwell system along with Rainbird Irrigation, which allows the homeowner to provide nutrients along with water, said Doyle.

The product with patent pending has been distributed around the world, including Israel and China. Closer to home they're found at the U.S. Capitol and the San Diego Zoo.

RZI or Root Zone Improvement can be contacted at (517) 548-9941, (888) 766-8935 or www.rootwell.com. They are also offering employment opportunities within their expanding company. The product will be on display at the Livingston County Home Show, March 28-30.



Photo by GILLIS BENEDICTIDALLY PRESS & AROUS Jim Doyle of Brighton and David Allen of Genoa market devices that ensure root health in trees. Their business is called Root Zone Improvements, or RZI.





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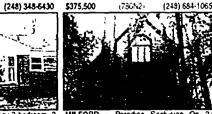
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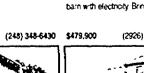
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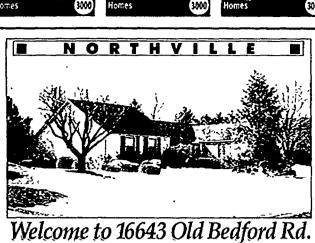
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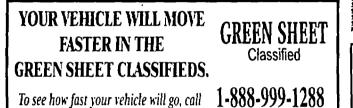
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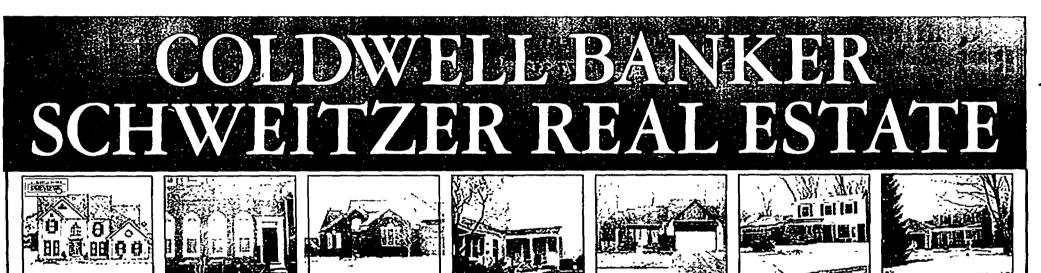
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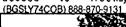
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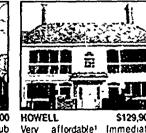
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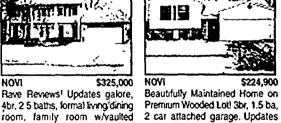
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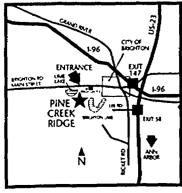
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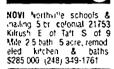
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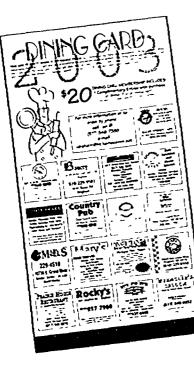
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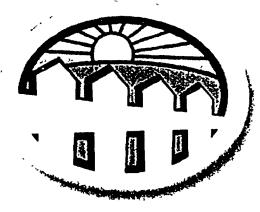
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NOVI - Seldom seen! Two bedroom, 112 bath Soft-level end unit Condo with basement Open floor plan with studio ceiling spacious rooms, newer kitchen floor, appliances, ceramic bath and newer carpet Garage \$137,000 (02\$TO) 734-455-5600

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WHITMORE LAKE - Horses welcome Enjoy country living in this 3 bedroom, 11/2 bath Bungalow with possible fourth bedroom Hardwood floors, walk-out basement, pole barn on approximately five acres. Newer roof, well, pump and furnace. \$212,500 (03KEA) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - Location! Location! This YPSILANTI - Lakefront Condo Awesome stunning 3 bedroom Cape Cod, 1996-built 2 bedroom, 1/2 bath, 3 story unit with beautiful scenic view of an all sports lake Condo sets new meaning to prime lot. It is located on a gorgeous waterfront lot with a Boat and dock facilities available breathtaking view Add a professionally fin-Fireplace in living room. Large working ished walk-out basement & large deck off ktchen. \$119,900 (92CLI) 248-349-5600 great room. Sharp, clean & wow \$429,900



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REDFORD - Beautifully maintained 3

bedroom Ranch, hardwood floors vinyl

windows, plaster walls & coved ceilings

Updates include furnace, central air, elec-

the and carpet. Neutral colors, ceramic tile

in kitchen and large basement. Two car

garage has 1 car door and South Redford



BRIGHTON - Nestled in the woods! Three bedroom, 2 bath on 1.2 acres. Winans Lake access! Raised Ranch, living room with fireplace, newer carpet, dining room with sky light & wooded views Kitchen with newer cabinets, floors, newer septic & furnace \$253,000 (91TEA) 734-455-5600



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REDFORD - Move-in condition. This

super 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has a

beautiful updated kitchen, windows, fur-

nace, central air, electrical breakers, fresh

paint, decor & much more. Finished base

ment with bar, glass & block windows Two

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COMMERCE PINES - Four bedroom, 3 bath contemporary Ranch Large great room with fireplace. Vaulted ceiling & Florida room. Wooded lot overlooks pond Outside lights & sprinklers. Multi-level deck with hol tub Home warranty included Lower level rec room with bath \$259 900 (77SPR) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Custom throughout. Incredible lot offers custom Ranch with 4 bedrooms. 2 baths and finished lower level. Home features oak crown moldings, hardwood floors, custom window treatments, newer carpet, 3-tiered deck and brick paver pato \$419,900 (25STM) 248-349-5600



NOVI - Beautiful custom, all brick exterior First floor master with walk-in closet Huge jet tub All bedrooms have attached baths. Kitchen grante counters, great room freplace, 3 car garage, hardwood floor in loyer & stone floor in kitchen Gas log freplace Dual zone furnaces. Nine foot ceilings in full basement \$469,000 (50 OR) 248-349 5600



REDFORD - Immaculate custom 3 bed-

room, 3½ bath brick Ranch with 2 natural

fireplaces on over ½ acre well maintained

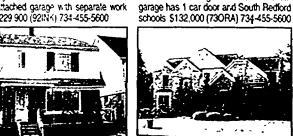
private lot Updates windows, extenor &

garage doors, 4-season Florida room. 90+

efficiency furnace & AC finished basement,

2 car a

DEARBORN - Great income property Brick 2 family home with 2 bedrooms on each floor, separate furnaces and utilities newer roof and siding, dining room, full basement, 2 car garage and fenced yard. Great investment \$139,900 (05KEN) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Stately! Four bedroom, 21/2 bath 2 story with 2 story loyer, crown moldings throughout downstairs. Two-way fireplace through library and family room. Formal living room, dining room & large kitchen First floor laundry Private wooded lot \$386 000 (89RED) 734-455-5600



DETROIT - Move right in Beautiful 3 bed-

room, 1 bath brick Ranch offers 1'2 car garage with many updates A must see!

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PLYMOUTH - Immaculate¹ Two bedroom, two bath spacious Ranch Condo. Open floor plan Updated kitchen and breakfast room with appliances included. Large living room with gas fireplace. End unit with extra wide doors Handicap accessible \$183 900 (00WOO) 734-455-5600

FARMINGTON - Great 3 bedroom, 3 bath Ranch with newer hardwood floors and carpel. Natural stone counter lops, newer paint and front door Finished heated



Florida room and huge basement \$209,900 (10MID) 248-349-5600



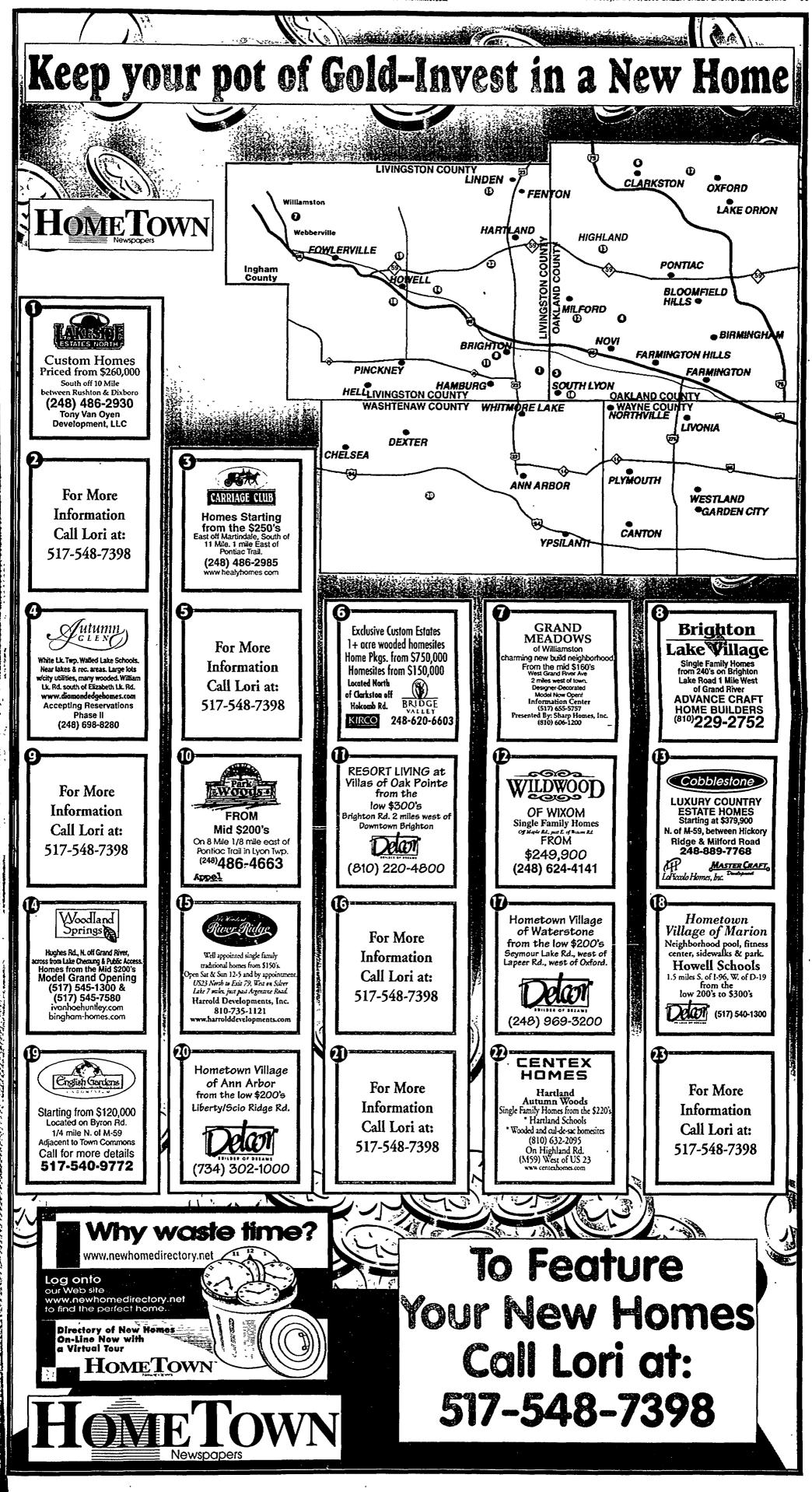
WEST BLOOMFIELD - Beautiful end unit, 2 bedroom, 3 bath 1 story in a wooded lot with pond. Vaulted ceilings, sky lights, fireplace in wing room & oak kitchen with appliances. Master with walk-in closet & bath. Finished lower level could be third bedroom with full bath. First floor laundry Pool & tennis



LIVONIA - That up-north feeling in the city One story Ranch home on a walk-out basement, 2 car garage, master bedroom with private bath. Newer carpeting, close to expressways, schools and shops \$249,900 (20SUN) 248-349-5600

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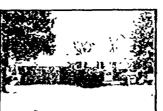
BELLEVILLE - Wonderful 4 bedroom, 2 : bath Colonial with vaulted ceilings, formal dining & trying room, kitchen with oak cabinets and island doorwa'l to large deck. first floor laundry extra deep basement + 2 car attached garage. Home warranty \$247 000 (00AND) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Beautiful & neutral 2 bedroom Condc with additional 19x11 loft area Kitchen offers updated cabinets Newer carpet throughout, recessed lighting custom wood blinds & gas fireplace in living room \$199,900 (89HOR) 734-455-5600



A State Street on DEARBORN - Great brok starter, Brok Ranch close to major shopping, Oakwood hospital and expressways Three bedrooms, cove ceilings, wet plaster, hardwood floors in fiving room and bedrooms + full basement \$104,000 (30SOU) 734-455-5600



WARREN - Perfect brick starter. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath, Ranch has a 2 car garage with newer garage door & opener, newer furnace, hot water heater, dishwasher, kitchen & bathroom sink. Two full baths, part-finished basement, copper plumbing all hardwood floors & cement pabo in back yard \$125,900 (62POP) 248-349-5600

NOVI - Five bedroom 2/2 bath Colonial has

been upgraded thrugur. Two story fover, oak

floors, circular stanway 2 story family room

with masonry fireplace & open bridge above.

Formal dining with butters pantry Krichen with built-in appliances Finished lower level

with 5th bedroom, full bath & wet bar kitchen.



NORTHVILLE - Custom home. Gorgeous 3 bedroom, 2% bath with family room, dining, living room, heated sun room & full basement. Antique leaded glass wall Walk to school & town. Gas fireplace, air conditioning. California closets, wet bar, 2x6 construction All appliances & window treat-ments. \$649,900 (20HIG) 248-349-5600



المسرق بريزتن PLYMOUTH - Location! This cozy three bedroom Ranch is just seconds from downtown. Family room has natural fireplace. The kitchen is done in maple with hardwood floors. Newer roof, air conditioning, doors and windows. Home warranty is included. \$225,000 (30BYR) 248-349-5600

SOUTH LYON - Custom built golf front. 7th

tairway of Tanglewood offers this 4 bedroom,

24 bath Colonial with first floor master. Two

story great room. Cherry cabinets & ceram-

ic floors. Gourmet lutchen offers stanless

appliances & sunny breakfast room. Spacious bedrooms Great view Pick carpet

atmosphere in this Cape Cod with 3 bed-

rooms, 2 baths on approximately 2 acres

Huge 4 car garage ideal for car enthusiasts. Home is set back for privacy Electronic air

colors \$449.900 (02GRE) 248-349-5600

NORTHVILLE - Perfection in Northville. Three bedroom, 2% bath custom contemporary Cape Cod located deep in sub Maple hardwood floors & kitchen cabinets Ceramic tile in foyer and kitchen. Upgraded carpet Many upgrades through-out, \$479,900 (20ABB) 248-349-5600

NORTHVILLE - Great location. Walk to

town from this 3 bedroom, 2's bath Condo

with private pabo. First floor laundry, neu-

tral decor & gas log fireplace. Finished

basement. Master bedroom with personal

bath & walk-in closet. Complex has pool,

tennis court & club house \$199,900

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WESTLAND - Westland's finest! Three

bedroom, 1 bath brick Ranch with newer

roof & furnace brand new Wallside win-

dows new doorwall heated Flonda room,

remodeled bath with ceramic tub sur-

BROWNSTOWN - Hands down winner

Home features large eat-in kitchen, 3 bays, vaulted ceiting gas fireplace, high efficiency furnace & central air first floor laundry & much more Gorgeous 3 tiered patio sprinkler system & professionally landscaped Have the first look \$209 900 (26BRE) 734 455-5600

NOVI - Style & location, Architectural detail

makes this home stand out. Four bedroom

34 baths cathedral celling in foyer, library

formal dining. living room with fluted ceiling

ktchen hardwood floor, double oven 8

island breakfast room to great room & tered

deck, fin shed walk-out, 3 car garage & paver patio \$568 000 (40BAR) 734-455-5600

LIVONIA - Ready to move into! A lot of

maintenance-free updates roof, windows,

siding and new kitchen cabinets in 02

Great 4 bedroom 2 bath horne on a quet

street \$125 000 (60DEE) 734-455-5600



like a model Two bedroom, bath & lav. marble surround gas fireplace, dining area and doorwall to deck. Kitchen with oak cabinets & spice rack. First floor laundry full private basement and attached garage \$169 900 (50HUN) 734-455-5600

REDFORD - Great starter Affordable 3

bedroom Bungalow with newer carpet in

living room & dining room, full basement

and 2 car garage with opener All appli

ances stay Home warranty included

Great potential Must see! \$97,900

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DEARBORN - Gorgeous end unit Townhouse Built in 1997, decorated like a DEARBORN model, 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, great room with fireplace, all appliances stay & compliment the bright white kitchen. Library with doorwall to balcony, first floor laundry, formal dining attached garage & alarm sys tem. \$203,400 (47VIL) 734-455-56000



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WESTLAND - Clean, cozy and updated Well cared-for home. Three bedroom Ranch, neutral decor, 2 car garage, remodeled kitchen. Newer roof, central air, furnace, hot water heater, windows, carpel + ktchen & laundry room floors \$124,900 (44WAL) 734-455-5600





LIVONIA - Wonderful family Colonial. Close to all amendies and Stevenson high school, Many custom features and extensive use of wood Wrought iron fence enclosed back yard. Four bedroom, 21/2 bath with 2½ car side-entry garage. Most appliances included \$379,900 (41ELL) 248-349-5600



appeal. This spacious 3 bedroom, 1% bath Cape Cod has a large living room with fireplace, hardwood floors & recessed lighting. Formal dining with door to patio & nicely landscaped yard. Huge master with % bath & sitting area. Pella windows throughout. \$179 900 (50WIL) 248-349-5600





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DETROIT - A must see! Five bedroom, 1's bath Colonial with large living room and dining room, eat-in kitchen + home warranty \$75 000 (92MOR) 734-455-5600





NORTHVILLE - Beauty & quality, popular sub. Hills of Crestwood Four bedroom, 2'2 bath. Upgrades include extensive use of crown moldings Extra large gourmet kitchen & dual staircases Immaculate condition Three car garage Beautiful window treatments Well worth seeing \$499 900 (62RED) 248-349 5600



CANTON - Exquisite Colonial. This wonderful 3 bedroom home boasts a totally updated kitchen with cherry cabinets, marble floors. Conan counters, newer windows throughout. Backing to sub commons area. Many other amenibes throughout A definite must see \$234,900 (89BRO) 248-349-5600

DEARBORN - Character, quality & curb



- Welcome GARDEN CITY home Charming three bedroom Ranch offers vinvi windows, hardwood floors in dining room, central air, attic fan, finished base ment with office, bar and 1/2 bath Nice deck Home warranty \$134 900 (54FLO) 734-455-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - Book Banch in Farmington Great location, close to every thing Three bedrooms, 1'2 baths, full basement, 2'2 car oversized garage. fenced yard, Andersen windows, newer roof furnace siding & central ar Family room/living room combo Farmington schools \$179,900 (65PUR) 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE - Outstanding Ranch, 3 bedrooms, 3 baths! Ceramic loyer, newer hardwood floors in 2 bedrooms, great room with brick fireplace, vaulted ceiling with wood beams. Solid oak kitchen cabinets, breakfast room opens to deck, pro-finished lower level, master opens to deck. Home protection plan! \$333 000 (24WEA) 734-455-5600



NOVI - Cream of the orchards. Dynamic two bedroom, 1% bath Condo in the desirable Old Orchards sub. Forced air, central air, windows, doors, doorwall, carpet, electrical in 2001. Pool, club house, tennis court across driveway Patio surrounded by perennials Hurry \$145,000 (75OLD) 248-349-5600



WALLED LAKE - Bonus Flonda room. Upper 2 bedroom Ranch Condo in excellent location with a lot of updates. Newer ktchen & bath. Stove, refngerator, washer & dryer all stay Attached garage & large fiving room Close to shopping & freeway Pets are welcomed. Home warranty includ ed \$122,900 (52LAX) 248-349-5600



DEARBORN Weicome home Dearborn's prestigious Golfview 3 story English Tudor on rare double lot with 3 2 car garage Commercial design kitchen. Hardwood floors, newer windows, great room, formal dining & finished basement. Old world charm would be hard to dupitcate \$575 900 (35WIL) 248-349-5600



Two acres, 3 bedrooms 2', baths attached garage deck full basement. newer roof, hol water heater & ceramic baths. Splittable land \$335 000 (60GRA) 734-455-5600

opener, finished basement with sauna &

bath, updated windows beautiful Florida

room off master bedroom large closets

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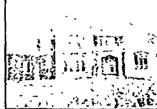
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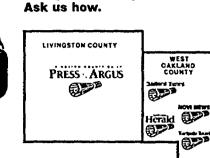
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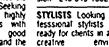
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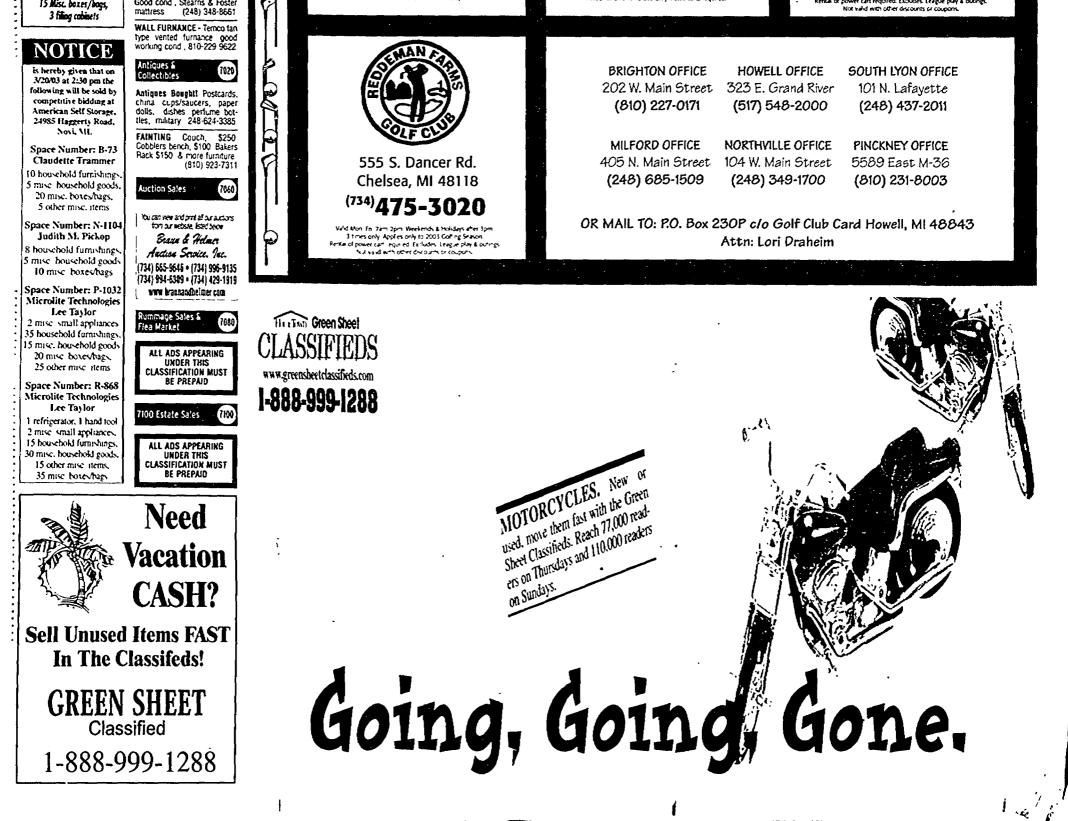
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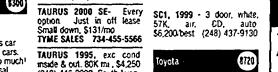
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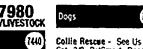
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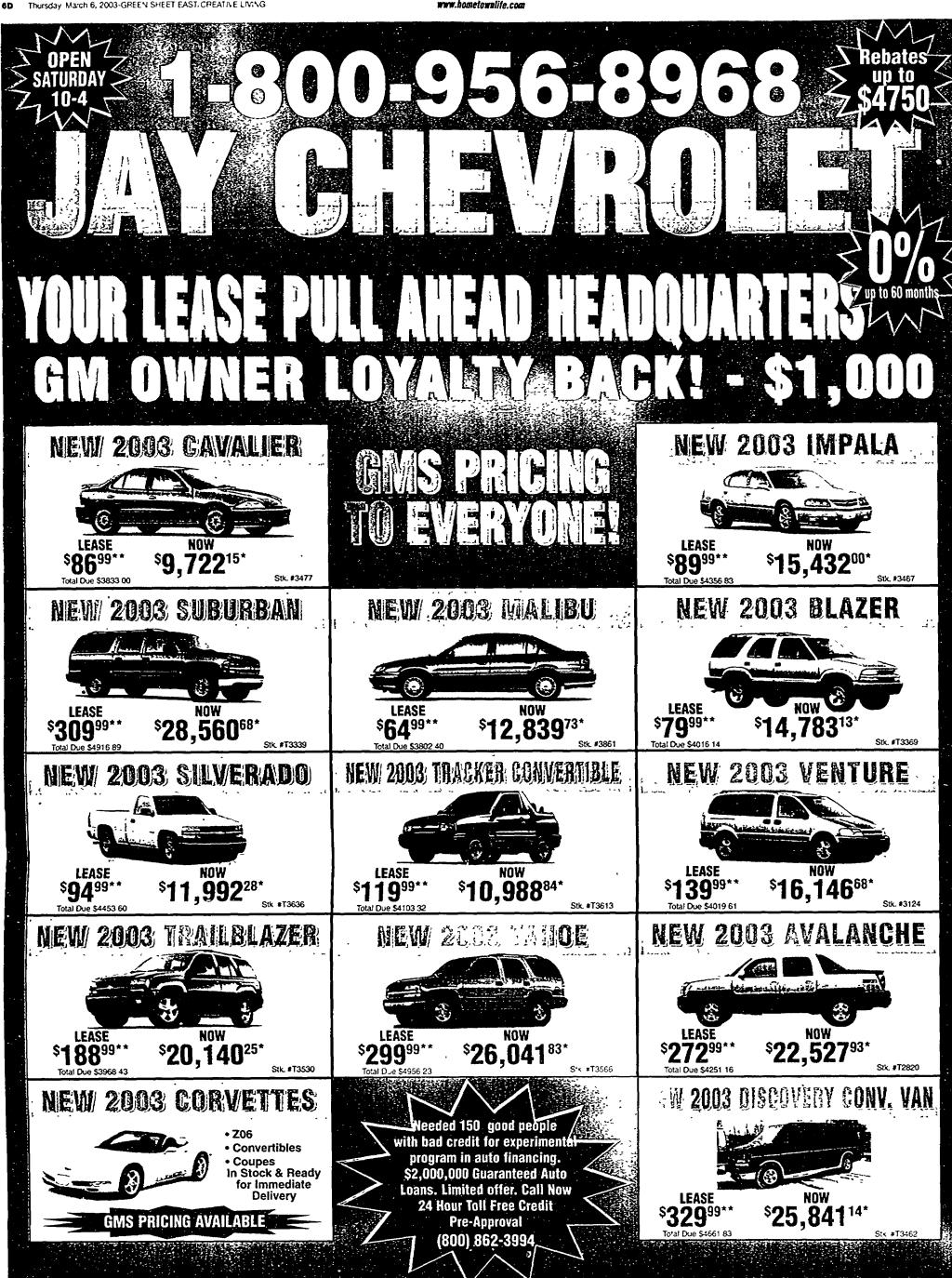
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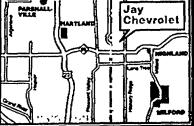
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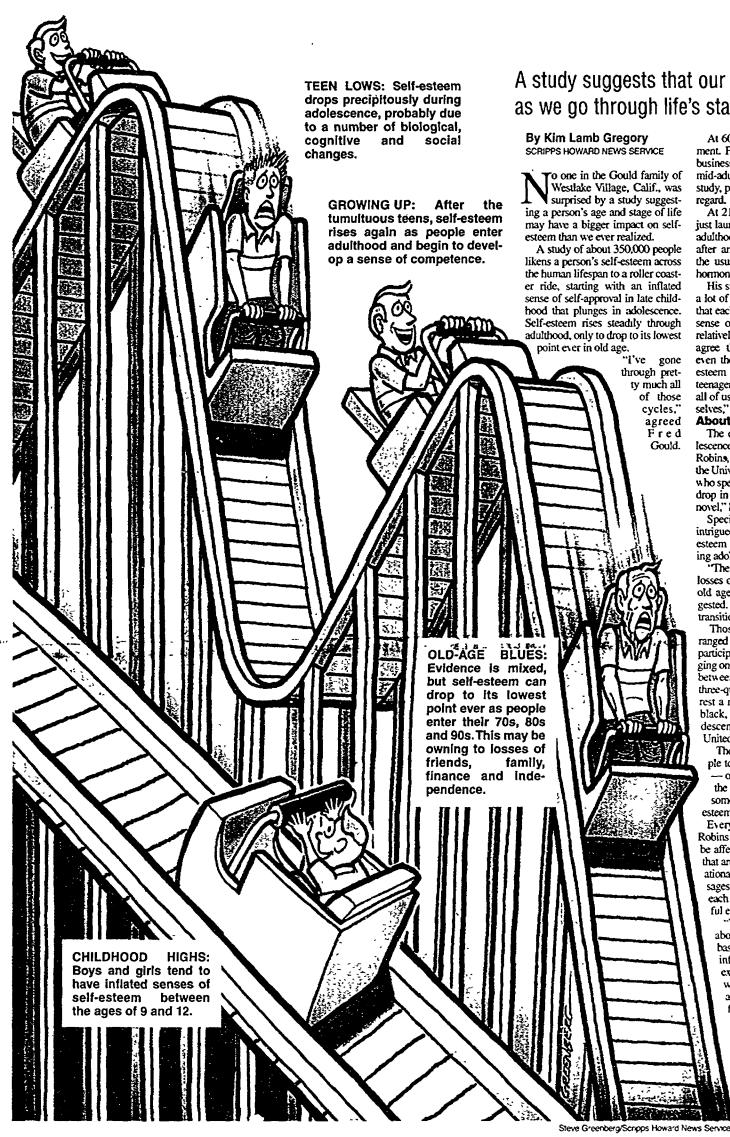
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A study suggests that our sense of self worth rises and falls as we go through life's stages

At 60, he's edging toward retire-ment. Fred's wife, Eileen, 46, is a businesswoman in the throes of mid-adulthood and, according to the study, predisposed to a healthy self-

At 21, the Goulds' son, Jeff, has just launched that heady climb into adulthood and a buoyant self-regard after an adolescence fraught with the usual perils of self-doubt and hormonal warfare.

His sister Aly, 17, disagrees with a lot of the study, believing instead that each individual has an intrinsic sense of self-esteem that remains relatively constant. But she does agree that adolescence can give even the most solid sense of selfesteem a sound battering. "As a teenager, I can definitely speak for all of us when I say we bag on ourselves," Aly said.

About the study

The drop in self-esteem in adolescence was no surprise to Richard Robins, a psychology professor at the University of California at Davis who spearheaded the study, but "the drop in old age is a little bit more novel," he said.

Specifically, Robins was intrigued by the similarities in selfesteem levels between those entering adolescence and old age.

There is an accumulation of losses occurring all at once both in old age and adolescence," he suggested. "There is a critical mass of transition going on."

Those answering the survey ranged in age from 9 to 90. They participated in the survey by logging onto a Web site during a period between 1999 and 2000, About three-quarters were Caucasian, the rest a mixture of people of Asian, black, Latino and mid-Eastern descent. Most were from the United States.

The survey simply asked people to agree or strongly disagree on a five-point scale - with the statement: "I see myself as someone who has high selfesteem.'

Everybody is an individual, Robins stressed, so self-esteem can affected by a number of things that are biological, social and situational, but there are certain passages that all of us face - and each passage can have a powerful effect on our sense of self. With kids, their feelings about themselves are often based on relatively superficial information," Robins explained. "As we get older, we base our self-esteem on actual achievements and feedback from other people." Reality hits about the time that hormones stage their hostile takeover in adolescence. Brain changes converge with a changing social context and suddenly everybody else's opinion matters - a lot. You become

better able to cognitively evaluate more abstract situations. Suddenly, you find a million reasons to feel lousy about yourself.

Overall, the study indicated women do not fare as well as men in self-esteem - a difference particularly marked in adolescence. "During adolescence, girls' selfesteem dropped about twice as much as boys," Robins said, perhaps at least partially because of society's heavy emphasis on body image for girls.

Add one negative life event to all of this turmoil and a teenager's delicate self-esteem can crumble.

Emerging into adulthood Eileen remembered having fairly

high self-esteem from ages 12 to 16. She had been very ill as a child, so the teen years were a time for her to blossom. Then, her mother died when she was 17, and her selfesteem bottomed out. "I was like, What do I do? How do I handle this?" " Eileen remembered.

Eileen was 22 when she married Fred, an event that coincided with the beginning of her adult years -and an upswing in her self-esteem.

Like many adults, Eileen gained her senses of competence and continuity, both of which can contribute to the rise in self-esteem during the adult years, Robins said. "People's lives typically stabilize. People find careers. Most people eventually enter relationships," he said. Even if there is divorce or some other form of chaos, there has been a change in our ability to cope, he said. We learn with experience.

Fred is aware that his sense of self-esteem may be vulnerable when he retires. "I'm concerned about keeping my awareness level," he said. "Am I going to be aware of the social scene? Of things more global? Am I going to be able to read and keep up with everything?"

Seniors do tend to experience a drop in self-esteem when they get into their 70s, the study says - but not always. This is enigmatic to Robins. "When we look at things like general well-being, the evidence is mixed about what happens

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Some people experience a tremendous loss of self-esteem, whereas others maintain their sense of well-being right through old age. Whereas adolescents lose their sense of childhood omnipotence, seniors experience another kind of loss.

Retirement comes at about the same time seniors may begin to lose loved ones, their health, their financial status or their sense of competence. Suddenly, someone who was so in charge may become withdrawn, sullen and depressed Their self-esteem may plummet.

One thing we can do is to target interventions based on age trends," he said. "If, for example, you see a decline start at a particular age, a good time to have that intervention might be right before that decline starts.

Sunless tanning products offer Coppertone color without the risk

By Lisa Marshall SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

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Karen Friedman got the invitation to a wedding in the balmy beach resort of Baja, Calif., just three weeks before the big day.

She had a great dress; no problem. "But I was pasty white," she says.

What's a girl, wan and landlocked in gloomy mid-winter, to do?

Before her trip, Friedman stripped off her clothes, stepped into a blue plastic shower stall at Polish Salon in Boulder, Colo., and pressed a button, igniting a sort of body car wash that coated her with tanning solution.

Twenty-eight seconds later, she stepped out, bronzed from head to toe, with a color that would grow darker as the day went on and would last long after the bride and groom cut the cake.

Friedman is among the tens of thousands of peaked yet fashion-conscious Americans turning to sunless tanning products for a quick, relatively risk-free boost in color. Many are heeding warnings that overexpo-sure to ultraviolet rays, outdoor or indoor, can lead to cancer, and opting for lotions, tanning pills and full-body tanning stalls

like Polish's Mystic Tan instead.

Web There's even site. а www.sunless.com, where sunless tanning connoisseurs can trade reviews on the hundreds of products on the market.

Dermatologists, alarmed at climbing rates of skin cancer, particularly among young people, say they are thrilled at the trend toward UV-free tanning. They and other critics of the indoor tanning industry predict that sunless bronzing will only grow more popular as people realize how risky the alternatives are.

There is no such thing as a safe tan," says Shelley Sekula-Gibbs, an outspoken member of the American Academy of Dermatology, which favors an outright ban on ultraviolet indoor tanning beds. 'They are just as bad if not worse for you because the radiation is so intense and they do it on such an exaggerated schedule.

Both the sun and ultraviolet tanning booths emit UV rays, which penetrate deep into the skin's layers to prompt it to produce additional pigment to protect itself.

Sunless tanning's active chemical ingredient, dihydroxyacetone (DHA), operates only on the outer layer of the skin, interacting

with surface proteins and amino acids in a chemical reaction that forms a brown color.

It begins to darken two to three hours after application and reaches its peak in about 24 hours. After four or five days, it sloughs off naturally and evenly along with dead skin cells.

With two 14-second sprays, one on the front, one on the back, clients are doused with an aloc vera-based bronzing solution (which gives them instant tan and washes out in their first shower) plus a dose of DHA, which makes them grow darker as the hours goes on.

Clinical research on the health risks of indoor tanning is slim at best, with only about a dozen studies available and those showing conflicting results. But at least six states are considering regulatory crackdowns on indoor tanning salons.

There are other draw backs to sunless tanning. At \$18 to \$25 a pop, it can be twice as much as a trip to the tanning bed. And while DHA has been approved by the Food and Drug Administration for 40 years, some people have been known to have serious allergic reactions, so patch tests are recommended.



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Courtney Walsh demonstrates how the Mystic Tan machine works. The nozzles, at lower left, spray a tanning mist onto the skin, which continues to darken the skin after treatment.

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Survery: Companies rewarding workers with weak raises By Jack Katzanek **Riverside Press-Enterprise**

Employees at many firms across America may receive just a token salary increase this year. Last year was the third straight year that a majority of companies did not increase their budgets for ment raises, according to a survey by the financial services firm Deloitte & Touche LLP.

The median increase for executives and salaried employees will be 3.5 percent in 2003 and stightly less for hourly workers. Many of the companies who responded are keeping their merit raise budgets at the same level as last year.

The same survey also found 20 percent will pay

Health care costs

vs. wage increases

While few companies surveyed

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budgets, they recognize that

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of sharing these higher costs.

Question: Have employees'

out-of-pocket costs for health

care benefits been increasing

faster than their salary raises?

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as a primary factor in determining their merit-increase

no bonuses based on 2002 results, and 25 percent say bonuses will be just one-half of what they hoped.

The survey represents a broad view of American firms, from those with billions in annual revenue to medium-sized firms at the \$100 million level. One-third of the 130 companies interviewed were manufacturers. The current drought of

meaningful raises probably hits

younger SOURCE Deloitte & Touche SHIVE GRAPHIC employees harder, said David Glick, a Deloute & Touche director of

42%

its Human Capital Practice. "Weak raises for the third year in a row is not just business as usual," Glick said, "It's the cumulative effect on the best and the brightest of a firm, the ones who make the largest contributions. These are the ones you don't want to lose."

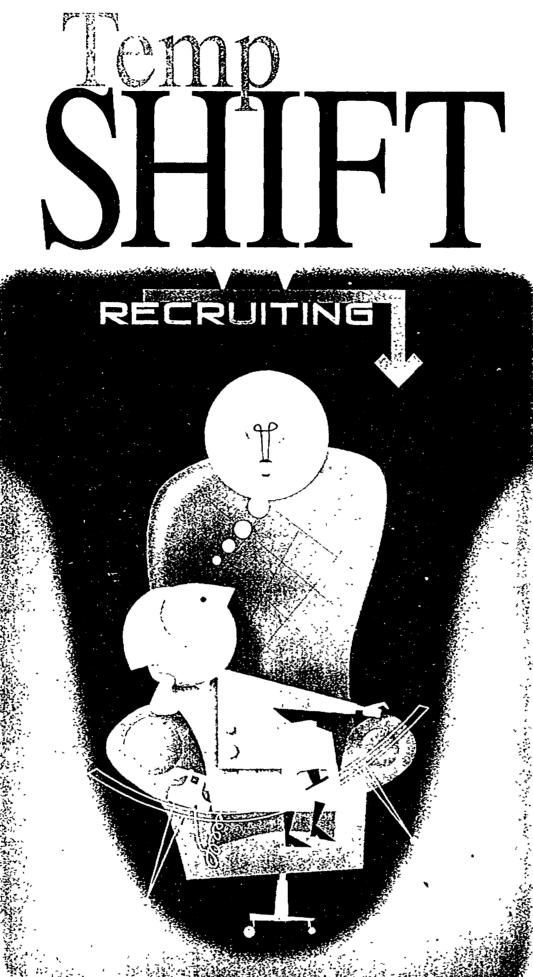
Low or no raises damage companies in the long term, Glick said. And the crippled morale is only part of it. If employees who feel they are poorly compensated leave after a few years, it could cost a company its next generation of leadership

Health care costs are eating up most of the raises employees receive, Glick said, Out-of-pocket increases for health insurance have increased faster than pay raises in almost half the survey cases

"It's like back in the '80s, when we had double-digit bealth care increases," Glick said. "We give people a 1-1/2 or 2 percent raise, then take most of it away with by raising insurance costs. The result is, someone who has been working hard gets a net raise of about \$2 a day."

But unemployment and an uncertain economic recovery are tangible issues, said Ron Bird, chief economist for the Employment Policy Foundation, a Washington, D.C., based non-profit, business-funded research group that tracks the work place.

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Resources exist for women to gain employment

By Tahree Lane Toledo Blade

Joann Golembiewski hadn't heard the term "displaced homemaker" until a friend told her about a program at the University of Toledo.

She was raising a family and after 15 years, was divorced and needed a job. She was, she learned, a displaced homemaker herself.

Golembiewski, 45, met with staff at the Ohio university's Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women. She took computer and financial literacy classes at no charge. Assessment tests pinpointed her strengths. At group meetings, she learned new resume writing and interviewing skills.

"I got a lot more self-confidence back. Who the heck is going to hire a homemaker?" said Golembiewski, of Lambertville, Ohio. "I even put 'homemaker' on my resume. I didn't think I could, but that is a life skill."

Most colleges, universities and even many school districts have programs for adults seeking new skills.

The school's Eberly Center helps women obtain living-wage jobs. Its Project Succeed assists displaced homemakers. It also helps single mothers, divorced women, women leaving welfare, and women returning to school. It offers workshops in assertiveness, the Internet, finances and self-esteem.

Free adult basic education, GED and English-as-asecond-language classes are offered at local schools in the area, said Linda Stacy, vice president of workforce and community services at Owens Community College.

Career awareness courses, giving an overview of many jobs and their requirements, are often offered for free.

Stacy advises new students not to worry about obtaining a degree that may take years. Sometimes the best route is to complete a short training course for an entry-level job in an appealing field such as nurse's aide, then to get a job while taking classes toward the next degree, such as registered nursing, she said.

One of the biggest impediments to getting a livingwage job is lack of a car, she said. The Northwest Ohio Commuter Link provides people who have low incomes with cab service to job training. And its Car Buy Program gets people into their own vehicles.

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Last year, Joann Golembiewski mailed more than 140 resumes, and in October she had her first interview in 15 years. She landed a job at Dana Corp's Global Information Technology Group in Maumee, Ohio, where she has worked as an operations specialist since December.

She admits she was more fortunate than most because she had earned a technology degree 16 years ago and had held a few jobs before she quit to raise two sons. Still, she said, "Never underestimate the power of a homemaker because we can do wonders."

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want to keep it," Bird said. "The reality is, budgets are tight, and the recovery is still in an embryonic stage.

Career adjustments can provide an opportunity to excel

By Lisa Carricaburu Sat Lake Thoune

When was the last time you procrastinated when faced with a dreaded task, fretting and floundering over it, only to discover that once you acted, the task was relatively painless?

"It makes you feel like such a jerk," says financial adviser and author Stephen Pollan, describing an experience that forms a basis for a new book.

"Second Acts: Creating the Life You Really Want, Building the Career You Truly Desire" (HarperResource, \$22.95) is a self-help manual of sorts for anyone who has allowed excuses and procrastination to keep them from fulfilling dreams for their professional or personal lives.

Pollan says everyone can benefit by considering a "second act."

"It's not about dusting off a fantasy or thinking of a road you should have taken," he says. "It's about working to become your own true self."

Pollan, 73, draws from his own experience. A drastic career shift from international banking executive to college professor ensued, Pollan gradually found his place as a "life coach" and author of more than a dozen books.

He acknowledges that reinventing oneself can be arduous but offers this advice: "Weigh a little hard work against your dream happening and then make up your mind whether it's worth it.

"The greatest obstacle to change is between our ears," he says. "We all have a committee up there and we forget to give ourselves a vote."

His book defines common perceived obstacles to change - age, money, consent, physical condition, time and fear - then breaks each down.

Age, for example, has little to do with a person's ability to try something new and excel at it. "The only thing age tells you is how many candles to put on your cake," he says.

If money is an obstacle, "you need to think about whether what you're pursuing is really heartfelt. Is having enormous wealth really your dream?" he asks.

Those who are truly passionate about what they do and pursue a course that is genuine rarely care whether they grow wealthy pursuing their dreams.

"You're the one who decides how much money you spend," Pollan says, "Wouldn't you rather have just enough and have your freedom?

Recruiting firms seek ways to help companies

Story By Jim McKay III Illustration By Daniel Marsula II Pittsburgh Post Gazette

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few years ago, employment recruiter Leslie Bonner was trolling highways and shopping malls in a Winnebago, trying to find workers for Pittsburgh companies caught in a tight job market and desperate to hire.

Times, obviously, have changed. With payrolls pared and hiring curtailed, Bonner has merged her

start-up recruiting business, JobHouse, with another established firm and is pursuing a new mission --- coaching corporate clients on how to motivate and keep the employees that they already have.

"Most of our customers have turned their attention away from recruiting to instead figuring out how to get the same amount of work done with fewer bodies," said Bonner, director of human resources consulting for Solutions 21. The Pittsburgh management consulting firm helps clients with strategic planning, process and productivity improvement and employee training.

Bonner said signs that the job market was fading surfaced in early 2001 following a decade of unprecedented growth for her industry. As recruiting got tight, the JobHouse expanded its services to include outplacement and job counseling for the unemployed before it merged with Solutions 21 in July.

"Business was booming, and suddenly the door slammed," she said "In the late 1990s, executive recruiting and the temporary staffing industry was experiencing growth that was unprecedented. So this is really falling off the mountain.

Bonner had plenty of company. The Fordyce Letter, a newsletter serving the staffing industry, estimates that at least a third of the companies in the diverse recruitment and executive search industry have closed.

"About 30 percent of them have gone out of business, just totally out of business, in the last two years," said Fordyce publisher Paul Hawkinson. He estimates that another 5 percent have "morphed into something different.

Business, he said, is slowly returning to the remaining firms, a loosely defined category of staffing companies that include executive recruiters, temporary

employment contractors, professional employment organizations and labor providers.

While companies are reluctant to bring on permanent hires now, Hawkinson believes that hiring eventually will resume once the economy turns around --- whenever that happens.

"The recruiting business will come back as strong or stronger than ever as soon as the economy bounces back," Hawkinson predicted. "Companies go on diets just like people do and, like 99 percent of people, they get just as fat or fatter once they get over their obsession with the diet."

As Venturi Staffing Partners saw demand fall for its temporary help, it decided last year to enter the medical staffing arena, a business that president Ron Alvarado calls a "recessionresistant market."

Joyce Bender, who runs an executive search firm that specializes in technical candidates, also said she was starting to see a modest increase in permanent job positions --- a sign that the economy might be improving.

But she said employers were being selective, looking for specific technical skills as well as candidates who are well-rounded in other aspects.

Boyden Global Executive Search, a search firm that specializes in finding upper, middle and senior management, bucked the industry's trend and saw its business increase last year, said Tom Flannery, its managing director in Pittsburgh

In Pittsburgh, Boyden is working mostly to fill replacement positions for executives who have retired or

moved on, Flannery said. It also is searching for independent directors for corporations that, as a result of regulatory reforms, are required to have more outside board members.

"It's fragmented. We're doing work in financial services, manufacturing, health care and in non-profits," Flannery said. "But we don't see any areas where there is growth. The tech sector still has not come back."

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By Dave Murphy San Francisco Chronic

To err is human, but to apologize is awfully sticky. Lots of high-profile people stink at it - take Bill Clinton, Martha Stewart and Trent Lott - because it's easy to come across as defensive or insuccere or even downright nasty.

"We all probably have a certain defensive mechanism that says we don't make mistakes," says workplace guru Ken Blanchard, whose latest book is "The One Minute Apology" (William Morrow & Co., \$19.95), written with Margret McBride.

Blanchard says he started talking about the importance of a good apology soon after his best-selling "The One Minute Manager" came out two decades

ago, but America's recent ethical challenges gave the book more impetus.

Blanchard says leaders and talented workers can be so caught up in their own egos that they don't realize how much respect a sincere apology can bring them.

"They need to do it quickly and then get off it, rather than trying to

rationalize or blame someone else," he says,

If it seems as if you had to be dragged kicking and screaming into an apology, your insincenty will come across. Blanchard points to one of his favorite principles from the book: "The longer you wait to apologize, the sooner your weakness is perceived as wickedness.

Lott did apologize relatively quickly and frequently, but Blanchard says it sounded hollow. "When you do apologize," Blanchard says, "you really have to be committed that you won't do the same thing again."

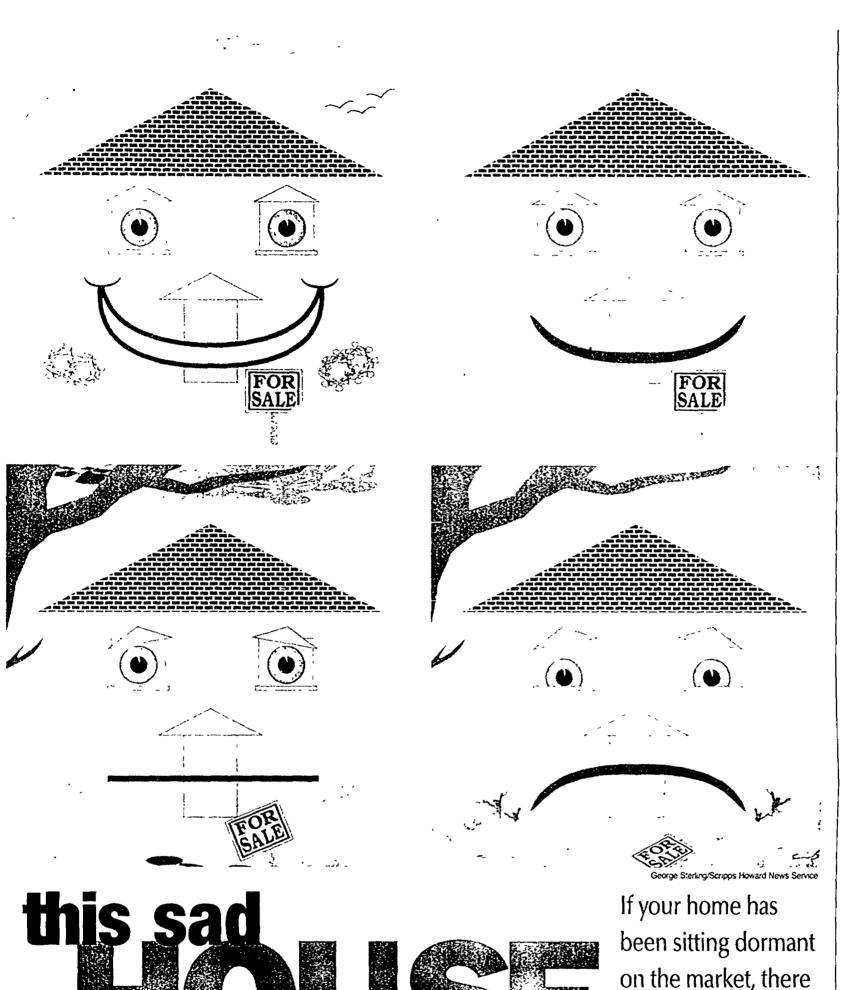
Explaining how your behavior will change is a crucial aspect of a good apology, he says. If you are sincere, you'll want to change to make sure the same mistake doesn't happen again.

What trips up many apologies, though, is that people say they're sorry because they feel obligated to, not because they sincerely believe they're wrong, Blanchard says the insincerity comes across to the listener.

"Don't apologize for a hoped-for outcome --because you want people to forgive you," he says, "You do it because it's the right thing to do,"



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How much is that home project worth?

St. Petersburg Times

Homeowners who spend \$43,213 on a mid-range kitchen remodeling can expect to recoup 67 percent of their costs if they sell their home within a year, according to the latest annual Cost vs. Value report from Remodeling magazine. The noular annual sup ex esti-

The popular annual survey estimates the cost of 15 homeimprovement projects in 60 markets, then asks local real-estate agents and appraisers to estimate how much of their costs owners would get back if they sold the home within 12 months.

That \$43,213 mid-range kitchen remodel is a national figure. The cost of the projects is developed by HomeTech, an estimating software maker.

The mid-range kitchen project involves updating an outmoded 200-square-foot kitchen with 30 feet of semi-custom wood cabinets, laminate countertops, a 3- by 5-foot island, vinyl flooring, a stainlesssteel sink with a single-lever faccet, new wall oven and cooktop, builtin microwave and custom lighting.

This year the magazine offered kitchen remodeling in two prices: midrange and upscale. The upscale project involves cherry cabinets, granite countertops and imported ceramic-tile backsplash, cork flooring, professional-look appliances and special touches such as a warming drawer and built-in water filtration system.

The magazine offered the two price ranges because contractors in the past complained that one price range didn't fit all markets. "Some of them would call and say, "This \$42,000 for a kitchen — that doesn't cover the cabinets and countertops in my kitchen!" Others would call from some place like Montana and say, "This is way too expensive for my market," said Jim Cory, Remodeling's senior editor. Cory acknowledged that the numbers "are not scientifically area to any spirit is time. What

Cory acknowledged that the numbers "are not scientifically exact at any point in time. What you're going to get back is dependent on a number of variables." Those variables include the qual-

Those variables include the quality of the work, he said: a poorly done remodeling job "is not worth anything," but "on the other hand, if you do absolutely perfect work and really enhance the house, it could more than pay for itself and also help you sell the house when you put it on the market."

you put it on the market." It also depends on what else is going on in the neighborhood, Cory said. He lives in a onetime working-class section of Philadelphia that suddenly has become hot, hot, hot," where hous-es that 10 years ago sold for \$50,000 are now going for \$300,000. That makes remodeling projects a better investment. But he also cautioned that the primary reason for remodeling should be "because you want to enhance your living space. We all want to live someplace where, when you walk across the thresh-old, we feel better about ourselves. That's what people have been looking for since the first rugs went down in the first caves. When you buy remodeling, that's what you're trying to achieve The full 2002 report is available online at www.remodeling.hw.net, as is the 2001 report.



By Neal Gendler Maneapolis-St. Paul Star Tribune

'f you're one of those sellers whose house is sitting, not selling, what can you do?

Agents say you have three alternatives: change the price, change the condition, or change both. Sometimes a delay inspires a fourth change: the

agent.

Jeff and Chris Shearer chose "all the above" after their 3,100-square-foot house in Plymouth, Minn., brought no offers after 60 days. With a new agent, \$3,000 in improvements and a second price reduction, they got an offer in two days.

The new agent was Stephanie Tensing of Edina Realty in Edina, Minn, who is a strong believer in "staging" a home _ fixing obvious and cosmetic problems and rearranging, subtracting or adding furnishings to make the home look spacious and inviting.

The idea isn't to have buyers see your home, it's to have them envision it as their home. "When (sellers) have a clear understanding that you're trying to work with them, not just telling them, that changes their whole attitude and they appreciate it," Tensing said.

Agent John Prins of Realty House in Minneapolis emphasizes price. "People forget that marketing and merchandising a house is no different than marketing and merchandising any other major consumer good," he said. "You have to compete with every body else."

Staying competitive means paying attention to others' prices. "As everyone moves their prices around, you have to move with them — and you have to be aggressive and you've got to check it on a weekly basis," he said.

The Shearers' home featured four bedrooms, 3-1/2 bathrooms, a family room, a finished basement with a fireplace, a screened porch and a sauna. But after dozens of showings and a price reduction, no offers had been made.

"That was very discouraging," Shearer said. "Our house sits in an area where there's a lot of woods, and most of the people ... said it was too dark. Then we put on every single light every day. My electric bill was \$300 a month."

A year earlier, people down the block with a similar house and similar landscaping had sold for \$324,000. So that's where the Shearers began. "When it didn't sell after 30 days, we brought the price down to \$314,000."

But it still didn't sell, and after two months they decided to change agents. Shearer called Tensing.

"She told us some very simple things." Shearer said "We had to take out a lot of our fumiture, a lot of our knick-knacks, to make it appear more spacious." Then they removed wallpaper. "I loved it, but it wouldn't appeal to some people," she said.

When they had to move, Shearer said, "we left some of our furniture and (Tensing) staged it like a model home."

Tensing brought in furniture, pillows, artwork, plants, flowers, lamps, bedding and rugs to show the house at its best. Outdated light fixtures were replaced and outdated contact paper removed from drawers.

After changing the Shearers' house, Tensing put on a

are some changes you need to make

full-speed marketing campaign. "I wanted to make sure the Realtors who had shown the home before knew that we'd made necessary changes," she said.

The house eventually sold for \$300,000 _ less than the Shearers wanted, but relieving them of making more house payments after they had already moved.

Prins said people's expectation of continually increasing prices can get in the way of a sale.

"At any given time in the marketplace, we actually may have (price) deflation," he said. "It has to do with demand: If the demand isn't there and you have to sell your house in 30 days, there's only one thing you can do, and that's drop the price. The other alternative would be to pull it off the system and rent it and put it back into the system when the buyers come back," usually in spring.

Tensing said a home "needs to be priced right from day one."

Realtors say an overpriced home that lingers on the market makes people wonder what's wrong with it and not even bother to look. Getting a buyer might mean several price reductions, sometimes to less than what the home would have brought if properly priced from the start.

There's no single answer to how long selfers should wait before making some kind of change. For one thing, it depends on the pace of the market.

Tensing's rule of thumb is "two weeks or 10 showings." If changes were made before listing and no offers are arriving, she said, "you have to evaluate what else is going on in the marketplace."

Wearing your food? Book tells you how to fix stains

By Hilary Groutage Smith Sat Lake Thoune

From mascara on your jacket to salad dressing in your lap, common laundry problems are tackled with help of a new book, "Field Guide to Stains" (Quirk Books, \$14.95).

"This book is written for people who have had lapses of eye-hand coordination at the dinner table, in the garage or in the bathroom," writes Virginia Friedman, Melissa Wagner and Nancy Armstrong.

Stains are defined, isolated in the area where they most commonly

occur (ink, for example, is commonly found on the knees of jeans and around the breast pockets of dress shirts) and then conquered with processes that involve alcohol, spot remover, hair spray or club soda.

Ink, for example, is removed by placing the fabric stain-down on a paper towel and blotting the back with alcohol.

Mascara can usually be removed using soap and water and a pre-hundry stain removal product.

Salad dressing can be removed from clothes using a liquid enzyme detergent in a cold water soak. Ontrient used to soothe stuffy noses and aching joints can be removed from fabric by sprinkling salt, baking soda, cornstarch or talcum powder on it. After 10 minutes, brish the dry substance off and wash with hot soap and water and apply a laundry spot-stain remover before washing in a machine.

But before attempting any stan removal, follow these tips from the book:

Read garment labels before treating any stain.
Use cleaning products according. to the manufacturer's instructions • Do not apply any heat, including an iron and the dryer, until you are certain the stain has been

removed. Heat often sets a stain and makes it difficult to remove. • Test the fabric for colorfastness

before attempting any stain removal.
Make sure flammable materials such as turpentine and acctone are

completely rinsed from a garment before putting it in the dryer. • If home stain-removal fails, take

 If nome stain-removal rais, take the clothing to a reputable dry cleaner and point out the spot



"Field Guide to Stains" (Quirk Books, \$14.95)

HOMEFRONT

Cleaner air at home

We all want to live in a world with cleaner air, and for decades millions of Americans have worked toward that goal by supporting anti-pollution measures. But what about the quality of the air in our own homes?

Shino Mapleton is the owner of Filter Market and has a great deal

of experience with helping homeowners



find solu-

tions to their air quality problems. He offers the following expert tips for those wishing to breathe cleaner air or eliminate allergens at home:

Air filters. The first step is buying a high efficiency air filter for your home's heating and cooling system. A quality filter will clean the air as it passes through the system, preventing dust from setting.

Air cleaners. The next line of defense is a good room air cleaner that has a HEPA level filter in it. HEPA (High Efficiency Particulate Air) is a standard given to filters that meet a strict efficiency requirement, and they are able to reduce 99.97 percent of all particles down to .3 microns in size.

Vacuums. The third strategy recommended by Mapleton is to use a vacuum cleaner that includes a HEPA filter. This way, you are not redistributing dust or allergens back into the air as you vacuum.

FOOD

RED & GREEN THAI CURRY PASTES

3 shallots

- 3 cloves garlic
- 2 stalks lemon grass
- 1 tablespoon coriander seeds 1 teaspoon cumin seeds
- 1 teaspoon black peppercorns
- 10 dried red chiles 1 tablespoon chopped cilantro
- 1 tablespoon ground ginger 2 teaspoons grated lime peel Shrimp paste to taste

Chop the shallots, garlic and lemon grass.

Heat a heavy frying pan and add the coriander and cumin seeds after 2 to 3 minutes. Dry roast until they darken, shaking the pan to prevent burning. Allow to cool, then grind to a powder with the peppercorns. Remove the seeds from the chiles and chop. Pound or process all the ingredients to a smooth paste.

For Green Curry Paste, follow the recipe for red curry paste, using fresh green chiles instead of dried red and adding 2 tablespoons chopped cilantro leaves.

- Source: From "The Complete Book of Spices" by Jill Norman

BASANTI CHICKEN CURRY

(Serves 8)

- 2 pounds chicken, cut into bite-
- size pieces
- 1 teaspoon cumin powder 1 tablespoon coriander powder
- 2 tablespoon ground ginger
- 1 large round white onion
- 4 cloves of garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon turmeric
- 1 pound yogurt
- 3 to 4 bay leaves
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- Salt to taste
- 3 cloves 5 crushed cardamom seeds 5 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 cups chicken broth 1 teaspoon saffron 4 tablespoons chopped mint

Rub chicken pieces with 1/4 teaspoon turmeric. In a large heavy skillet, brown the chicken in olive oil, turning to cook evenly. Remove chicken; reserve.

Add cloves, bay leaves, cumin and coriander powder to the remaining oil in the same skillet. Grind onion, garlic and ginger into a thick paste.

After about 3 minutes, add the onion paste. Saute until the mixture is cooked through, approximately 5 minutes; all the oil will separate out from the base sauce when cooked to perfection. Sprinkle with the remaining turmeric, cayenne pepper and black pepper. Stir for a minute or two before carefully adding the yogurt.



This spicy, aromatic dish is steeped in history

By Debra McKinney Anchorage Daily News

Curry seems like such a nice dish, such a simple, innocuous topic of discussion. But no.

Who would guess a plate of food could be so controversial, so hot a subject of debate, from its origins to its definition? Yet significant portions of people's professional lives have been spent tracing its lineage and arguing its ownershin.

You may think you're writing about food, but when you take on curry, you open up a world of history, culture and conviction. You may was well be writing about politics.

Mild or blistering, flavorful and aromatic, curry is one of those exceptions to the rule that if it tastes good, it must be bad for you. Studies have found health benefits in spices typically found in curries, like cumin and turmeric, which may help prevent certain types of cancer.

Curcumin, the botanic substance that

explains that Thai curries tend to incorporate more fresh herbs, like kefir lime leaves, lemon grass, basil and galangal, a pepperygingery root-like rhizome. Thai curries often use water or coconut milk as a base, while Indian curries are all over the map.

A typical westernized version of Indian curry might be made of dried and fresh spices sauteed in ghee (clarified butter) and mixed in a sauce made of pureed onion, garlic and ginger.

But curries vary from region to region --and from day to day, in the home of Manju and Raj Bhargava.

Raj Bhargava is the curry creator of the house. He blends, roasts and grinds spices fresh each time he make his curries. He likes to custom-fit them to the mood of the day and to the company he and Manju may be having over for dinner. Like the snowflake (only much hotter), no two curries are the same. Something as seemingly minor as the decision whether to grind a certain spice can make a big difference

Many times I like to cook with my spices whole," Raj Bhargava said. "Every time you bite into a coriander seed or black peppercorn ... you can get a big kick out of it. It just releases everything right there in your mouth."

For those interested in giving curry a try, a couple of tips: You can use a mortar and pestle to grind your spices or speed things up considerably with a coffee grinder. To avoid spicy coffee the next morning, you can clean the grinder by tossing in a handful of rice, hitting the button, then throwing out the ground rice.

About those hot peppers: Disposable latex gloves, available in grocery stores along with cleaning supplies, are a godsend for anyone who has experienced burned fingerups from handling chilies.

And yes, there is an easier way to do this. You can apply a can opener to a tin of commercial curry paste. But once you've tasted the hands-on kind, there may be no turning back.

Tips from Food Network

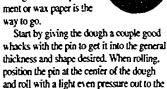
Easy Rolling

Rolling pie and cookie dough is easy, even satisfying, if you follow some basic guidelines

Pull the dough from the refrigerator about 10 minutes before rolling so the dough comes to the proper temperature --- still chilled but pliable. When a dough's too cold, it cracks instead of spreads; when it's too warm, it sticks to both the pin and counter.

Dust both the work surface and dough lightly with flour - too much toughens the

dough and actually makes it trickier to roll If the dough is very tender, hke a cookie dough, rolling it between parchment or wax paper is the way to go.



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thickness and shape desired. When rolling, position the pin at the center of the dough and roll with a light even pressure out to the edge. Take care not to roll over the dough's edge or it smears and adheres to the counter.

Rotate the dough periodically, to make sure it isn't sticking to the counter. If it sticks, slip a pastry scraper or turning spatula under the dough to free it. Run your flat hand over the dough to tell if it is an even thick-

If the dough gets unmanageably warm and sticky, slide it onto a baking sheet and refrigerate it until it's a more workable tempera-

Transfer the rolled dough to a ; ie or tart pan either by rolling it loosely around the pin or folding it into quarters.

Olive Oil

The most intensely flavored olive oils, called extra-virgin, are from the first pressing of the fruit. The flavor from subsequent pressings, called virgin, is mellower, and the flavor of blended or extracted pure olive oils is almost neutral.

Extra-virgin olive oil is more expensive than virgin, and the pure is less expensive than virgin.

Extra-virgin is considered the finest, and cooks who love its intense olive flavor use it as their all-purpose oil. Because extra-virgin olive oil's flavor dissipates when heated, it may be worth it to have two types on hand.

Frugal cooks reserve their extra-virgin oil for dressings, marinades, or for drizzling on bread or pasta, and use a pure or blended olive oil for frying.

Roasting a Pepper

Roasting a pepper, be it a colorful bell or a hot chile, gives it a wonderful smoky flavor and makes them easy to peel.

A single pepper can be charred directly over a gas flame, but for multiple peppers or with an electric stove, broiling is the way to

Halve the peppers lengthwise through the stem, seed them and lay the cut-side-down on a foil-lined pan. There is no need to oil them.

Drop in the chicken pieces and stir to coat evenly with the curry sauce. Add the chicken broth and cook, covered, over low heat until the chicken is tender, about 30 minutes.

Add the salt, cardamom and the saffron during the last five minutes of cooking.

Allow to cool for a few minutes after the chicken is done and the golden-colored light oil will rise to the top. Gamish with the remaining mint leaves and serve with rice pdaf or traditional Indian chappati bread.

> - Source: From Raj and Manju Bhargava

gives turmeric its yellow color, has been found to reduce the reddening and burning of skin with radiation treatments. And turmeric, cardamom, cinnamon, ginger, garlic, coriander and cumin have antiinflammatory properties that help alleviate joint pain.

That's just the short list of possible curry components. Since curry means so many things to so many people, we're opting for a simple definition designed to get us in the least amount of trouble, something along the lines of "mixture of spices,"

The curries we're most familiar with come from India and Thailand. If you ask someone who understands the art of curry, the difference is complex, from the combination of spices to the order in which they're roasted or sauteed. The simple answer is found in the blend as well as the bases used to create spicy sauces, soups, stews and gravies.

"My Thai friends can't get used to Indian curries because they taste so different," said India born Manju Bhargava, who lives in Anchorage, Alaska. "I can't tell you how different they are."

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Nit Reinhardt, who comes from northeast-This dish features Chicken Curry, bottom left; Saag, top left; and Chana m Thailand and also lives in Archerate

No bells, whistles, food processors — just extraordinary 'Zuni' recipes

ZUNI CAFE

COOKBOOK

By Lori Korleski Richardson Sacramento Bee

Judy Rodgers, welcome.

Unlike many chefs who seek to dazzle readers with their oh-so-cutting-edge creativity and slavish attention to detail, Rodgers would be comfortable in an ordinary kitchen. And you should invite her into yours - at least virtually, which you can do by picking up "The Zunt Cafe Cookbook" (Norton, \$35).

Rodgers has succeeded in bringing forth a cookbook that elevates quality ingredients to their ultimate best without a lot of bells and whisiks

Her introductory quote, from the patriarch of the French family that set her on her way to becoming a chef, says it all: "Méfie-toi du cinéma dans la cuisine" -- "Do not trust food for show.

The chef-owner of San Francisco's Zuni Cafe. Rodgers instructs the reader how to approach planning and cooking a meal. It's a lot to ask before one even gets to the recipes (43 pages), but it's not to be missed She also weaves in stories. I tried to keep "Zuni" by my bedside to read before going to sleep, but it made me want to get up and try things.

Later, when I did try some of the recipes --Zuni's signature roast chicken, the spicy squid stew that simmered in its own ink with notes of citrus and roasted peppers, the salt-roasties (creamer potatoes roasted in rock salt that were succulent and hardly salty at all), the four-minute egg

gnbiche (the four minutes refers to the time the egg is cooked, the whisking of a cup of olive oil into the sauce took much longer), the commeal biscotti, the espresso granita with whipped cream I was not disappointed.

All the recipes were straightforward and easy to follow, and the aromas made me anticipate the JUDY RODGERS outcomes, which were excellent.

> Rodgers even includes weights of ingredients, noting that measuring devices can vary. Every recipe, even the desserts, comes with wine recommendations by Gerald Asher.

This is not a book for folks with hypertension. Rodgers believes in salting food early in the cooking for maximum flavor,

and uses more sodium than many health-conscious folks would.

The food, however, never tastes overly salty to the average palate.

The Zuni Cafe Cookbook" is ambitious

enough to thrill experienced cooks, but it would be a good first cookbook for anyone who appreciates fine food and wants to learn how to work it into one's life, since it focuses more on technique than following a recipe to the nth degree.

Rodgers covers the basics --- what cookware to purchase, how to make various stocks and sauces, what to look for in common ingredients such as garlic and tomatoes and even how to hard-boil an egg.

I couldn't find a recipe that required a food processor --- rather a remarkable feat for a modem cookbook, but a welcome one for cooks who don't have that expensive apphance. It has 50 small black-and-white photographs to illustrate various techniques.

But its directions are somewhat --- and perhaps intentionally --- sketchy.

They may help a confident cook experiment and grow, but may be somewhat confusing to the novice.

It may not be food for show, but it's certainly food you'll want to show your guests.

Broil peppers, repositioning them under the element as needed, until the skin blisters and turns black evenly. Transfer the peppers to a bowl and cover with a plate or lid. As the peppers steam in this covered set up, the skin pulls away from the flesh.

When cool enough to handle, the skin slips off easily. To avoid getting your hands mucked up with charred skin, wrap the pepper in a paper towel and use the towel to rub off the skins. The skins can also be rused off, but this mutes the roasted flavor.

Pleasing Polenta

Polenta, the satisfying Italian dish of slowcooked corn meal, is the perfect thing to serve on a chilly winter night.

Its soft comforting texture, almost like comy mashed potatoes, offsets saucy stews, braises and ragouts wonderfully. Cooked firm, enriched with a generous shaving of true Parmesan and chilled, it's sliceable and can be pan-fried, brouled or guilled.

Although you can make polenta with a standard ground commeal, the results are better with commeal that has been ground specifically for polenta; it has a coarser more uniform texture.

The traditional method for making polenta - stirring the bubbly mixture for up to an hour - takes it out of the quick-and-easy category. Instant polenta is a fine option when time is of the essence. Most package instructions promise polenta in five minutes, but adding a bit more liquid and cooking a little longer, up to 15 minutes, makes for a tastier dish.

If you're not trying to beat the clock, a more modern method is to cook the polenta in the oven, which produces a first-rate polenta. without the upper arm workout.

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Brush a non-stick saucepot or well-seasoned deep cast iron pan with butter or oil Whisk together I cup polenta with 4 to 6 cups water or broth, depending how soft the polenta will be. Don't be alarmed if the polenta doesn't come together at the beginning.

Transfer to the oven and cook it, uncovered and undisturbed for 45 minutes. Season with salt and whisk the polenta until smooth, continue to cook for 10 to 15 more minutes. Just before serving, enrich the polenta with a knob of butter or with freshly grated Parmesan.



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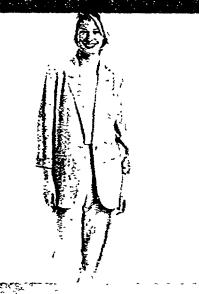
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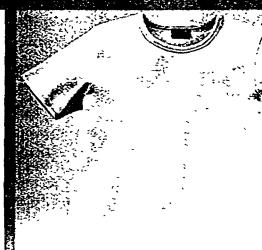
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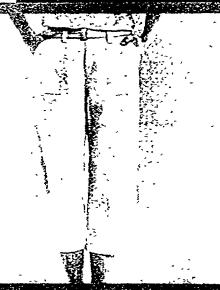


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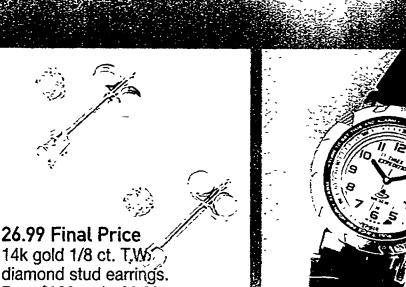
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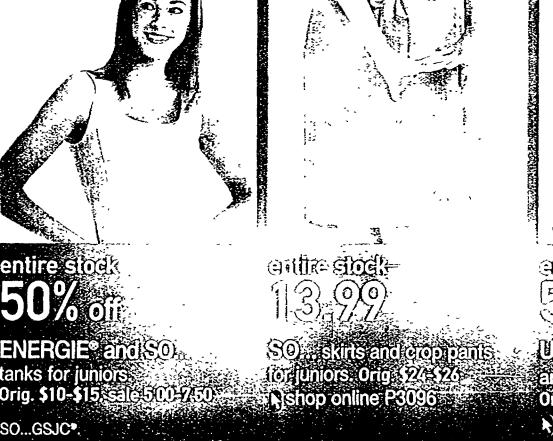
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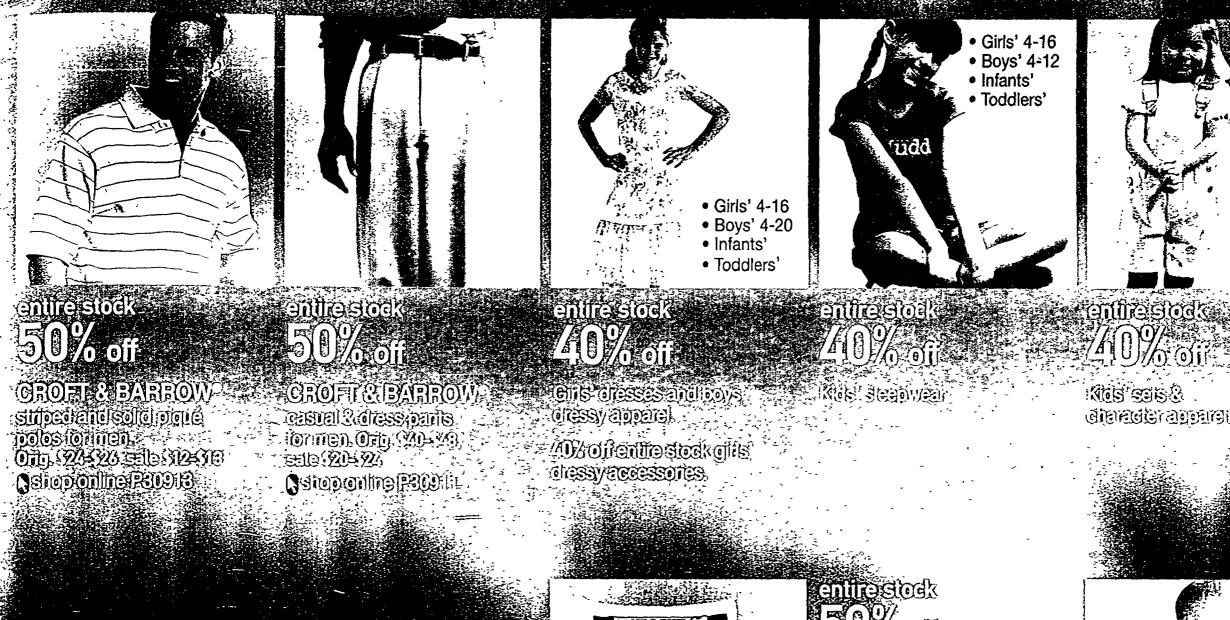
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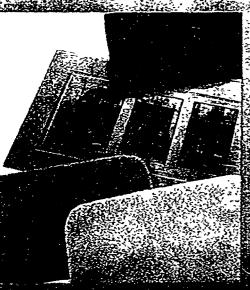
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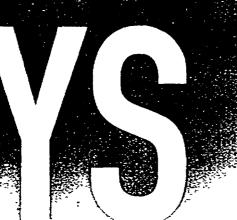
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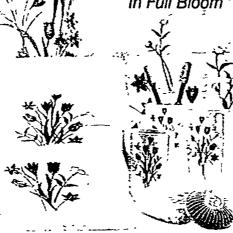




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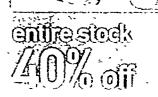


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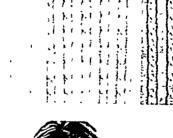
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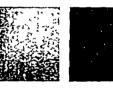
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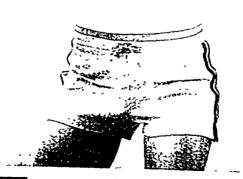


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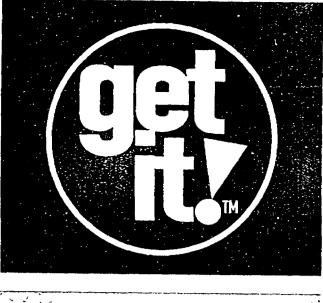
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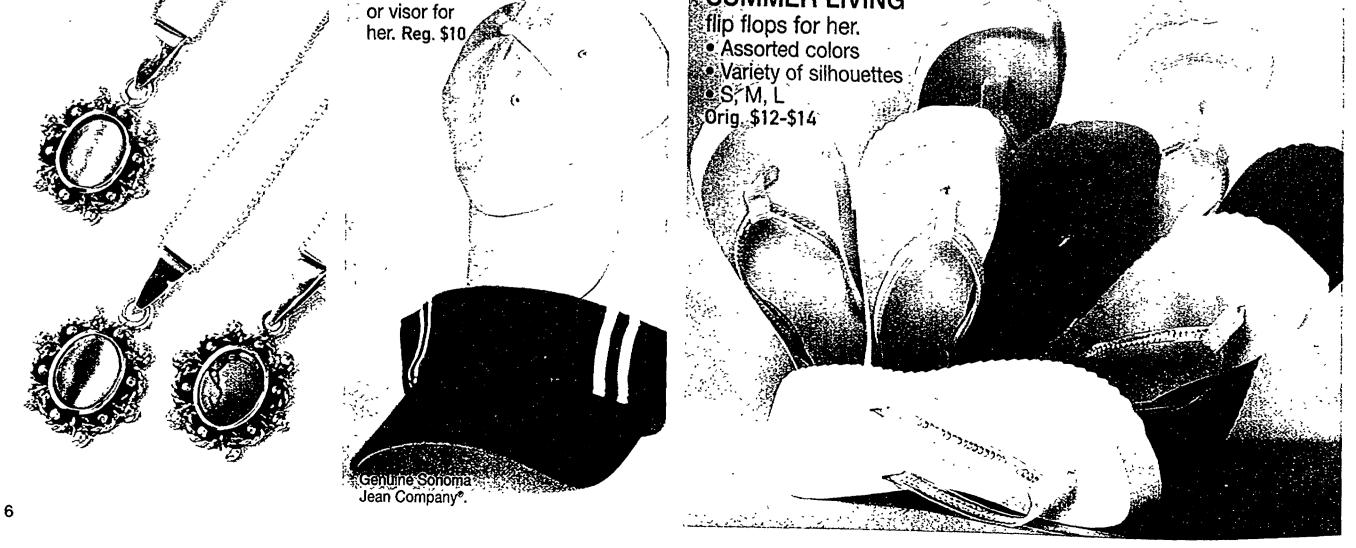
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Dresses and pantsuits for misses, petites, women and juniors. Orig. \$20-\$98. sale 14.00-68.60 Misses' shown.





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Final prices given at register. Clearance prices represent savings off original prices. Selection varies by store. Interim markdowns may have been taken. Sorry, no price adjustments given on prior purchases.

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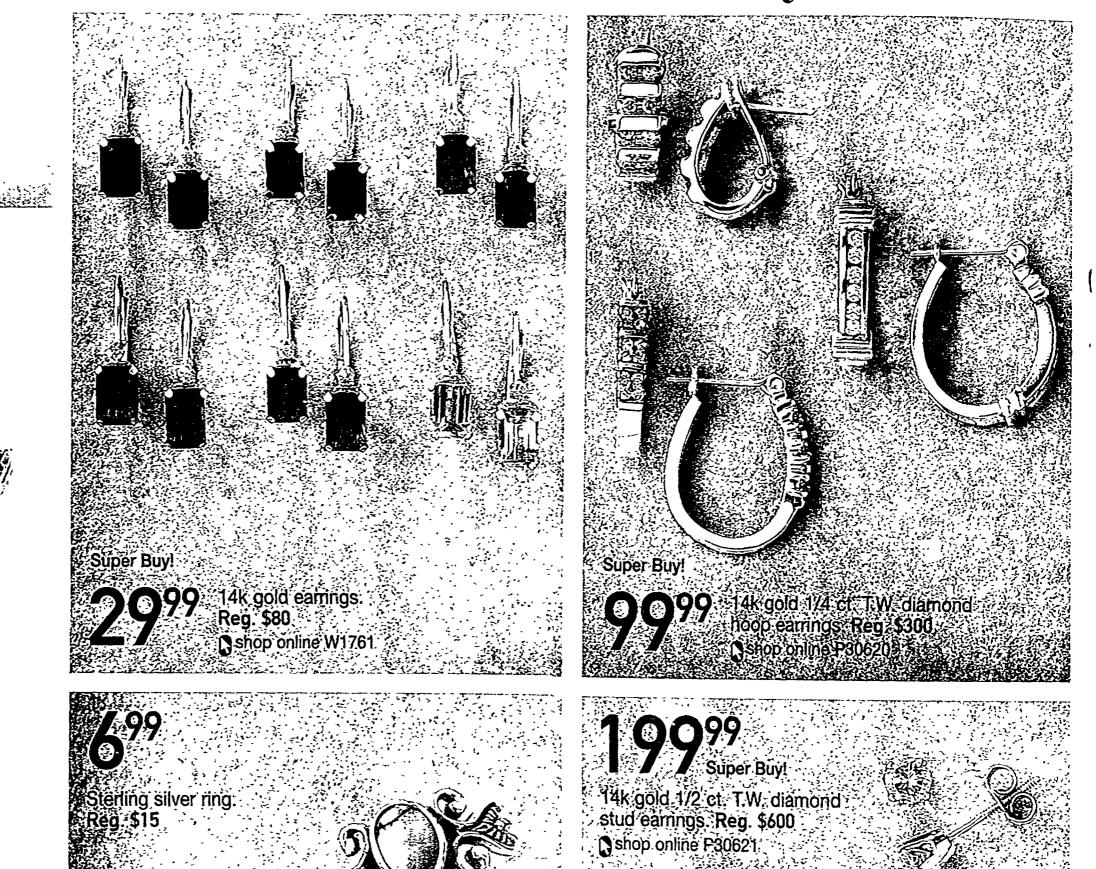
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HAVANA JACK'S CAFÉ® sportswear for misses. Orig. \$24-\$40, sale 16.80-28.00

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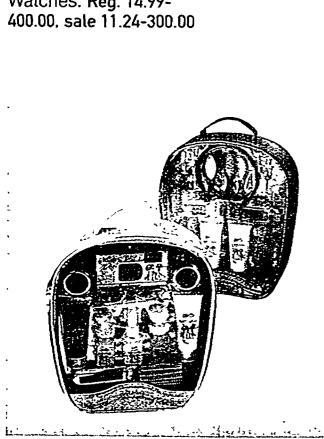
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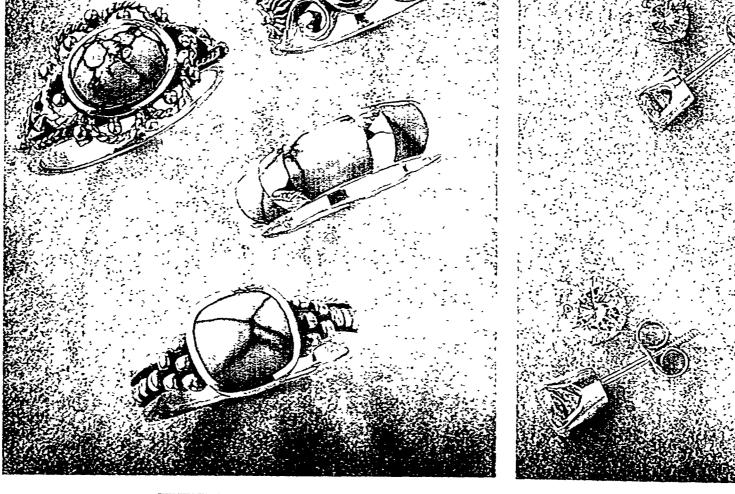
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Fashion jewelry. Orig. \$3-\$45. sale 2.10-33.75



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Juniors' and misses' cosmetic and bath sets. Featuring Body Art & Beach Party backpacks. Orig. \$5-\$30, sale 3.50-21.00 shop online P30623





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14k gold 1 ct. T.W. diamond stud earnings Reg **\$1.750**.





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Fashion accessories for her. Reg. \$3-\$25, sale 2.10-17.50



entire stock 40% off

Dress shirts and neckwear for men. Orig. \$20-\$38, sale 12.00-22.80 shop online P30625



Orig. \$28-\$50, sale 19.60-35.00 shop online for selected items P30626

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30%ff HAVANA JACK'S CAFÉ[®] casual collection for men. Orig. \$38-\$50, sale 26.60-35.00 shop online P30627

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29.99

SAVANE® dress and casual pants for men. Selected styles.

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entire stock 30–35% Shorts for men. Orig. \$24-\$36. sale 14.99-24.99

Excludes Columbia Sportswear Company®. Shop online P30629 entire stock

SAVE AN EXTRA 10-30%

Golf shirts for men. Orig. \$30-\$42, sale 17.99-24.99 Dockers[®] Golf Panta for Men, sale 34.99



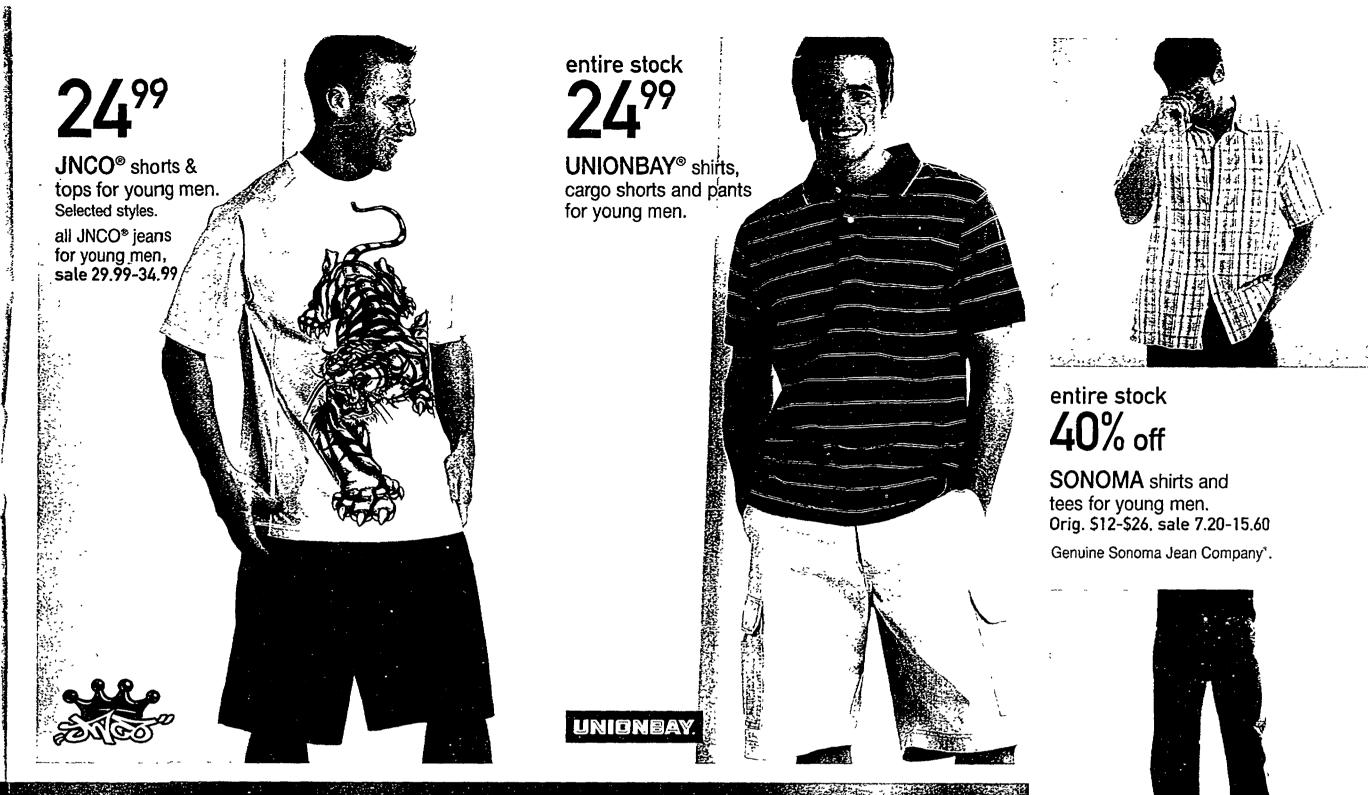
HAGGAR[®] dress and casual pants for men. Selected styles. shop online P30630 12

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LEVI'S[®] jeans for men. Selected styles. Shop online P30632



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MUDD[®] and I.e.i.[®] panties for girls. Orig. 3/\$12 or 4.50 ea.



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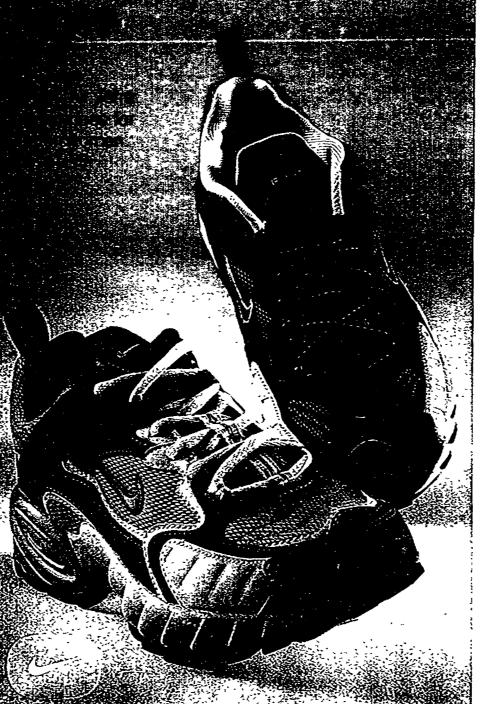


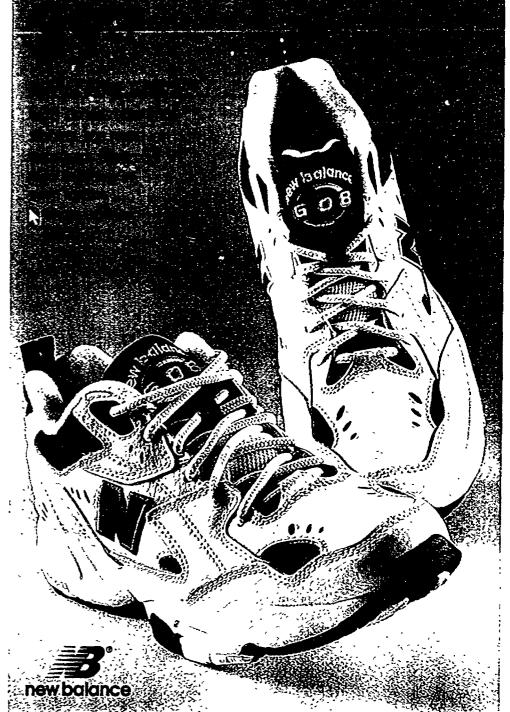
29.99 AVIA[®] 2020 walking shoes for women. Reg. 44.99 shop online 8547



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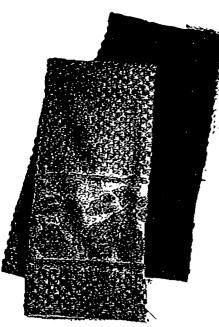
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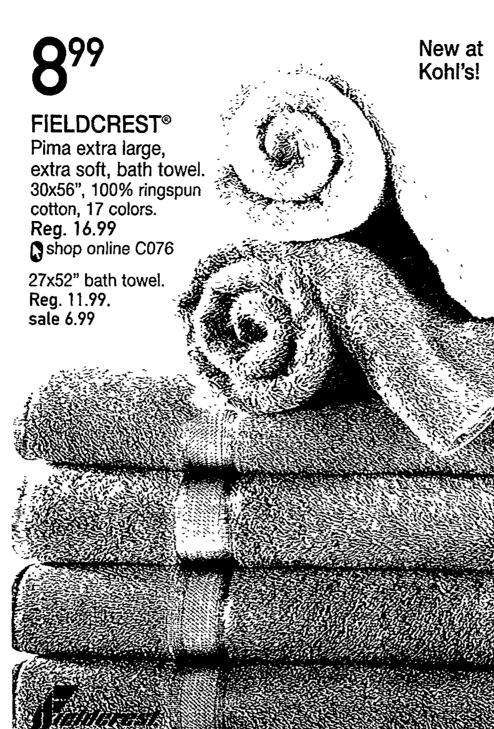


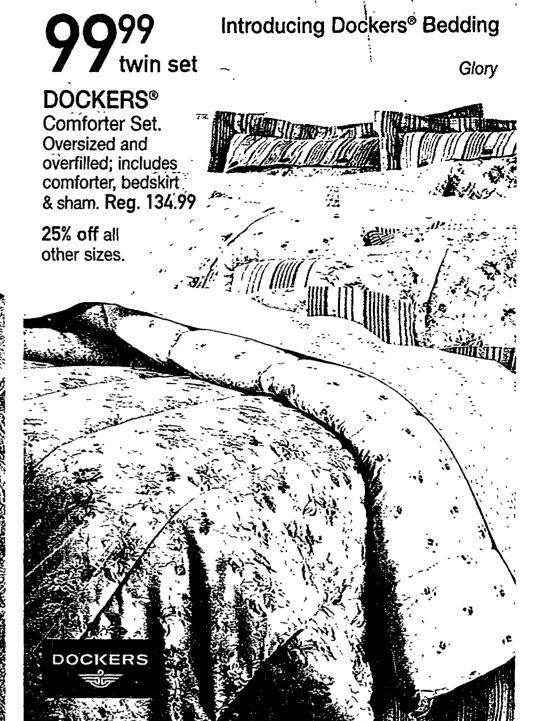
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Decorative bath towels. Embroidered & embellished patterns. Reg. 19.99

30% off bath accessories and shower curtains.









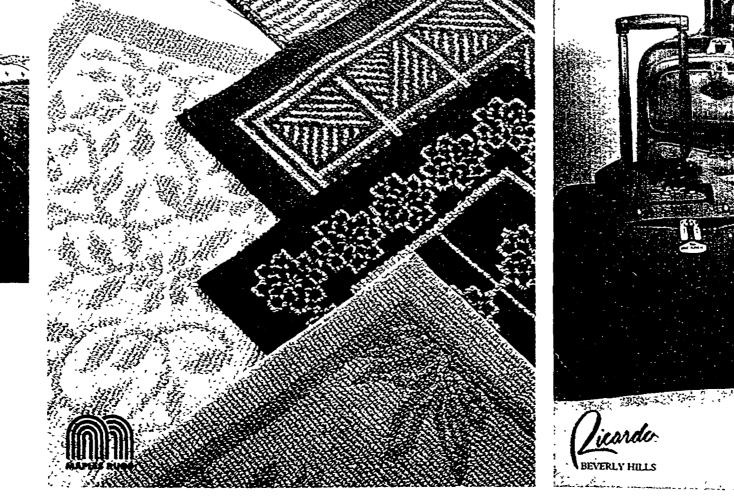
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159.99 queen set

MARTEX[®] Platinum comforter set. Reg. 214.99

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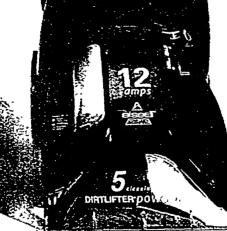












sale 189.99 BISSELL® ProHeat" deep cleaner



Selected floor care. Shop online H1400





standard water pitcher



HOMEDICS[®] percussion action massager

15-40% off

Selected personal care. Water pitchers, massagers & more.









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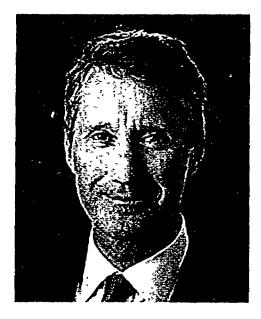
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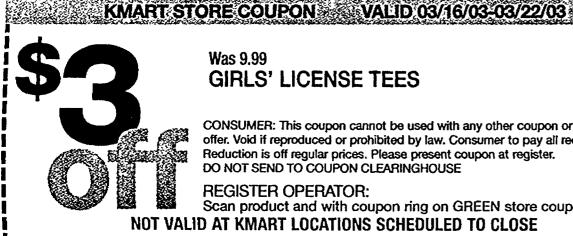


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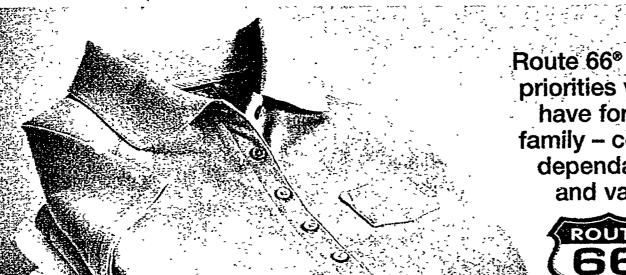


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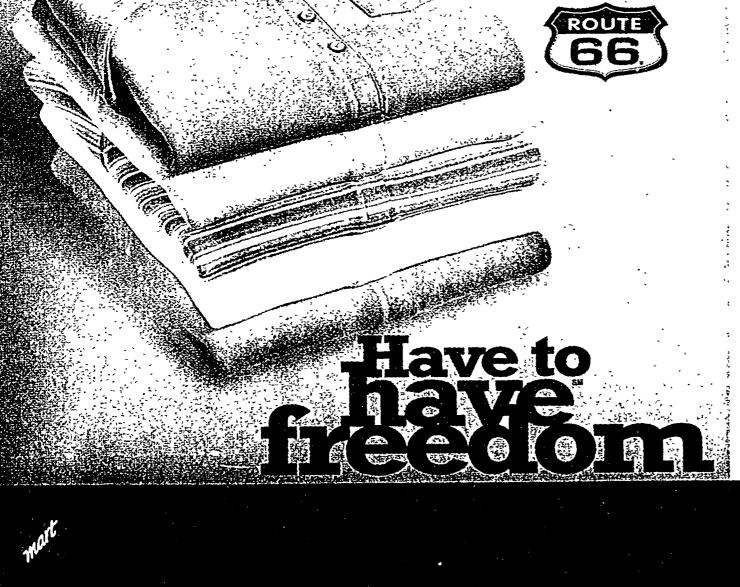
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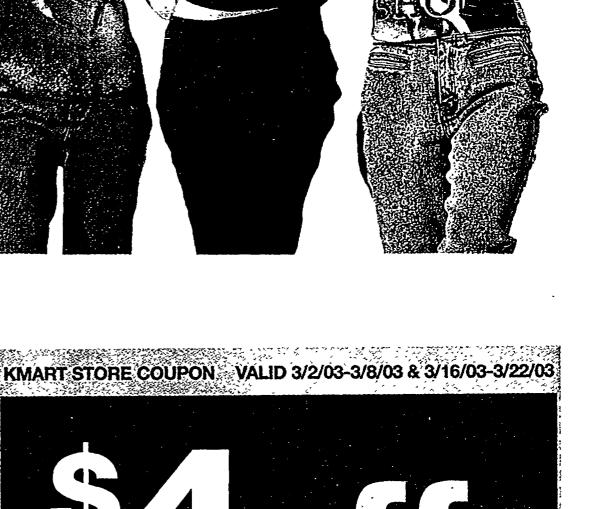
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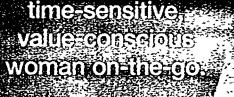


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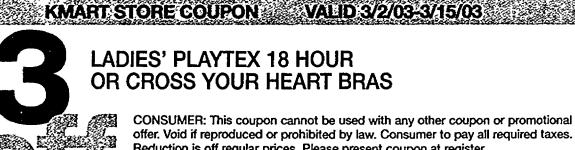
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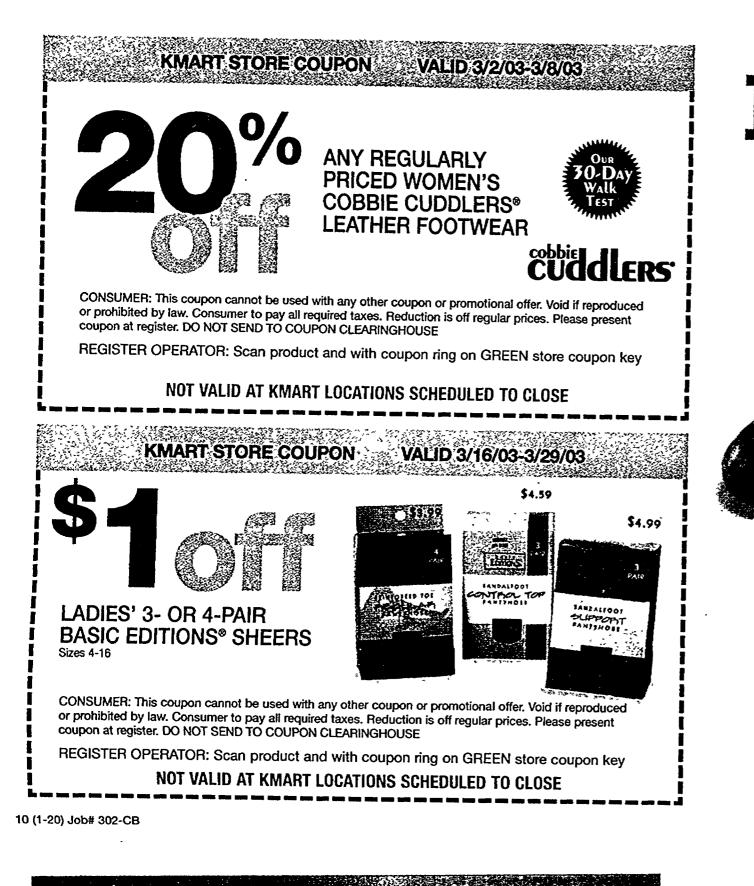
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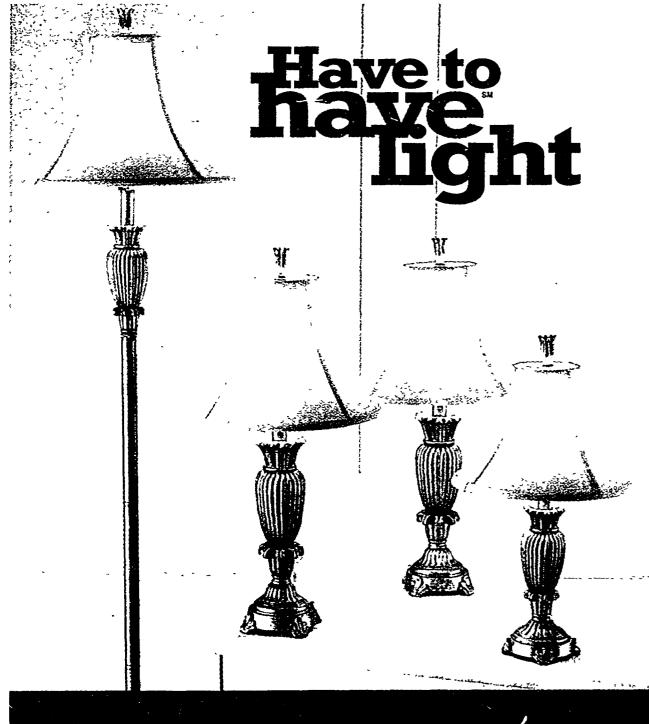




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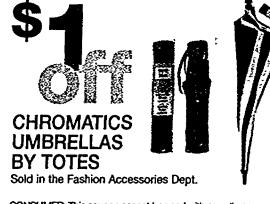
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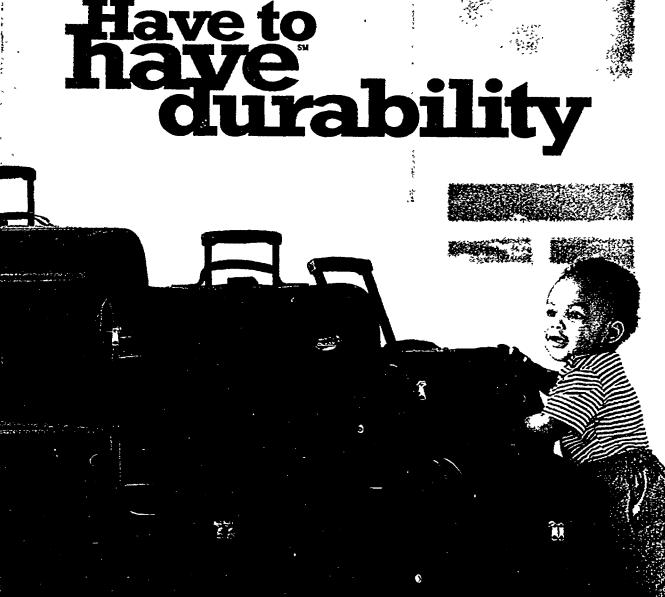
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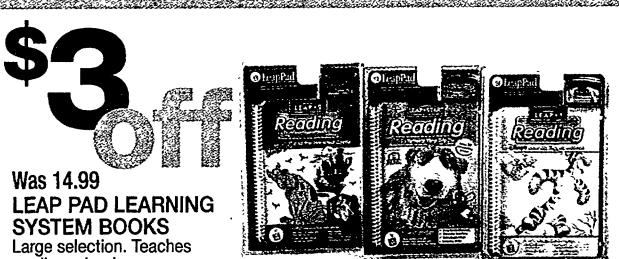
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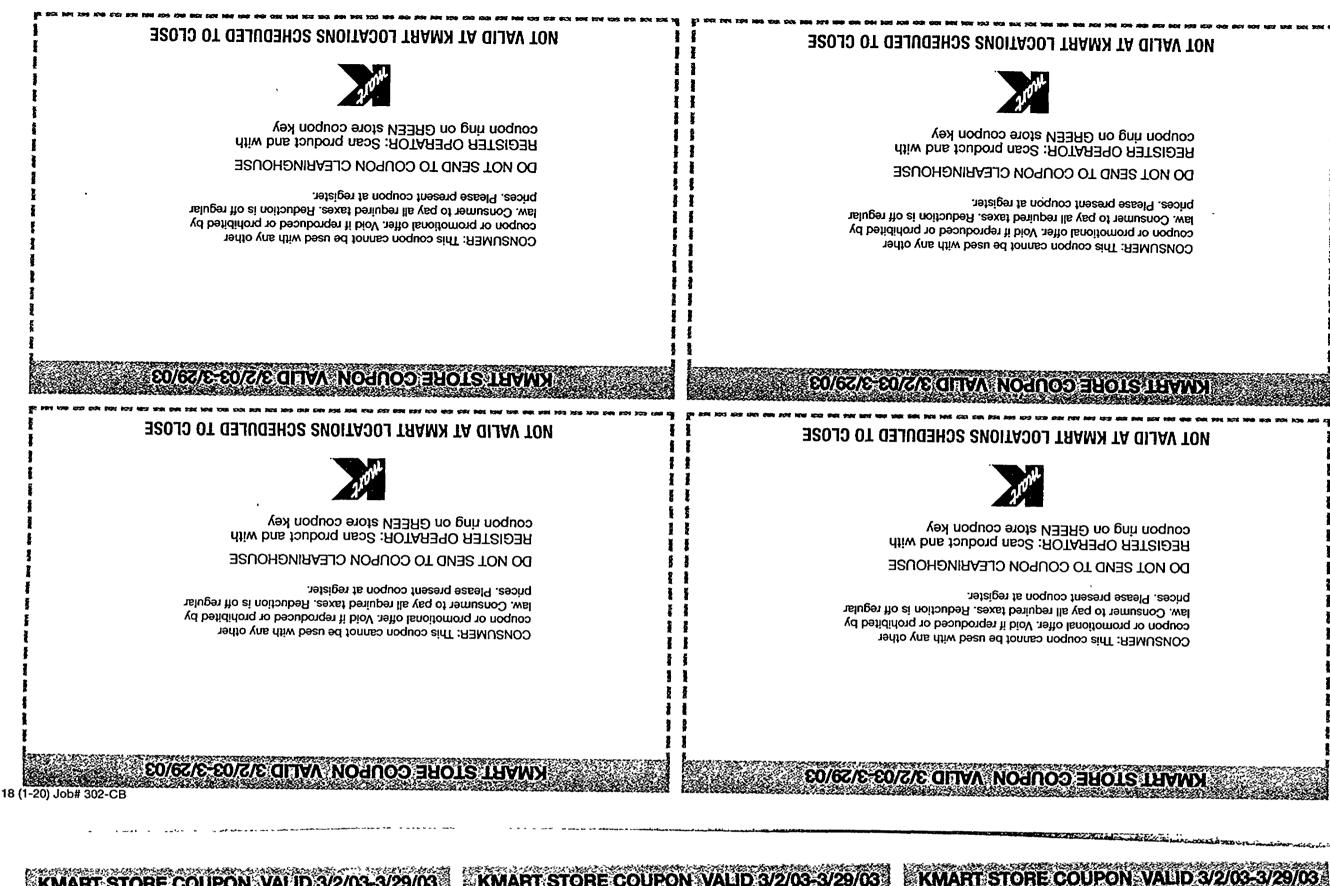
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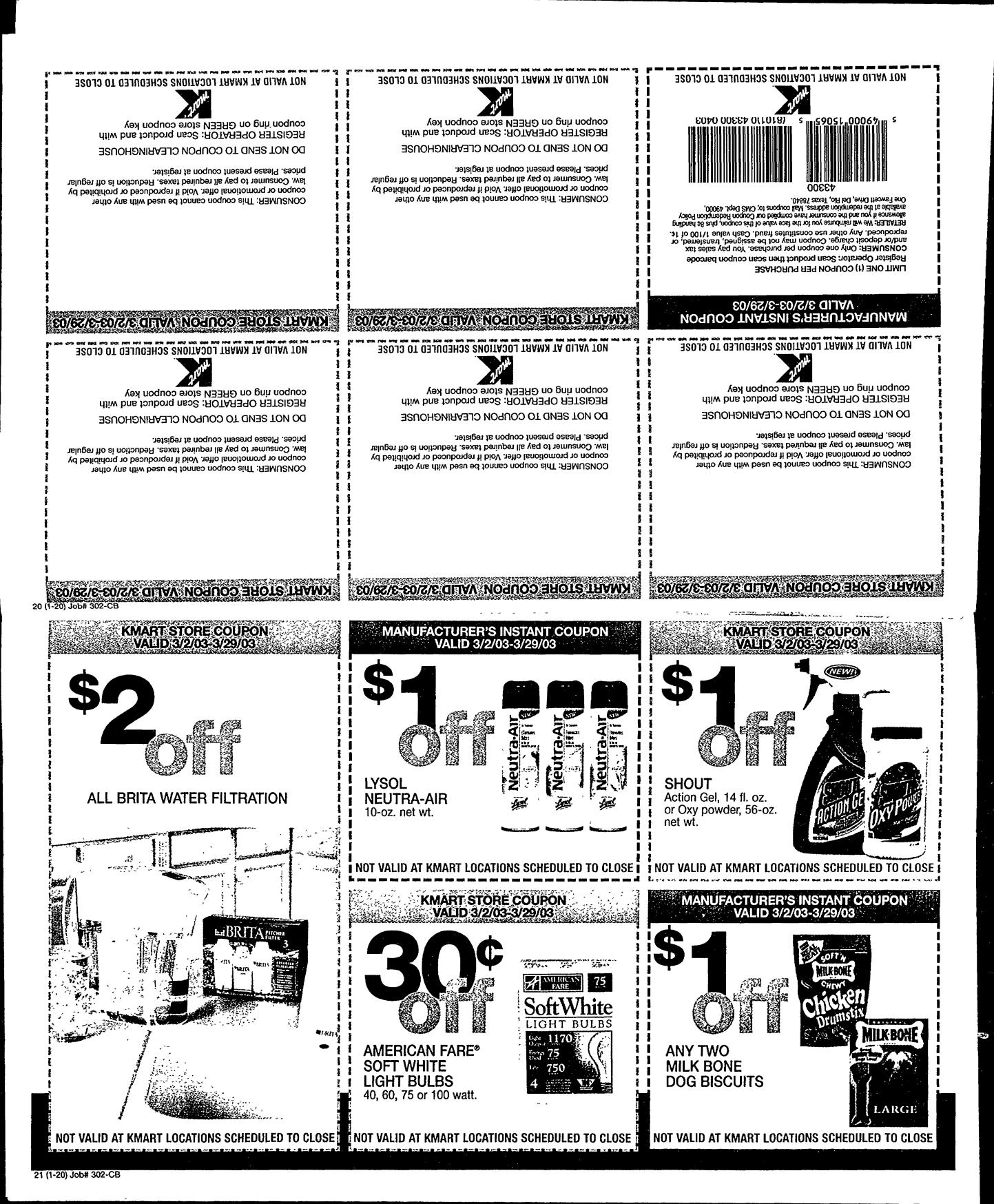
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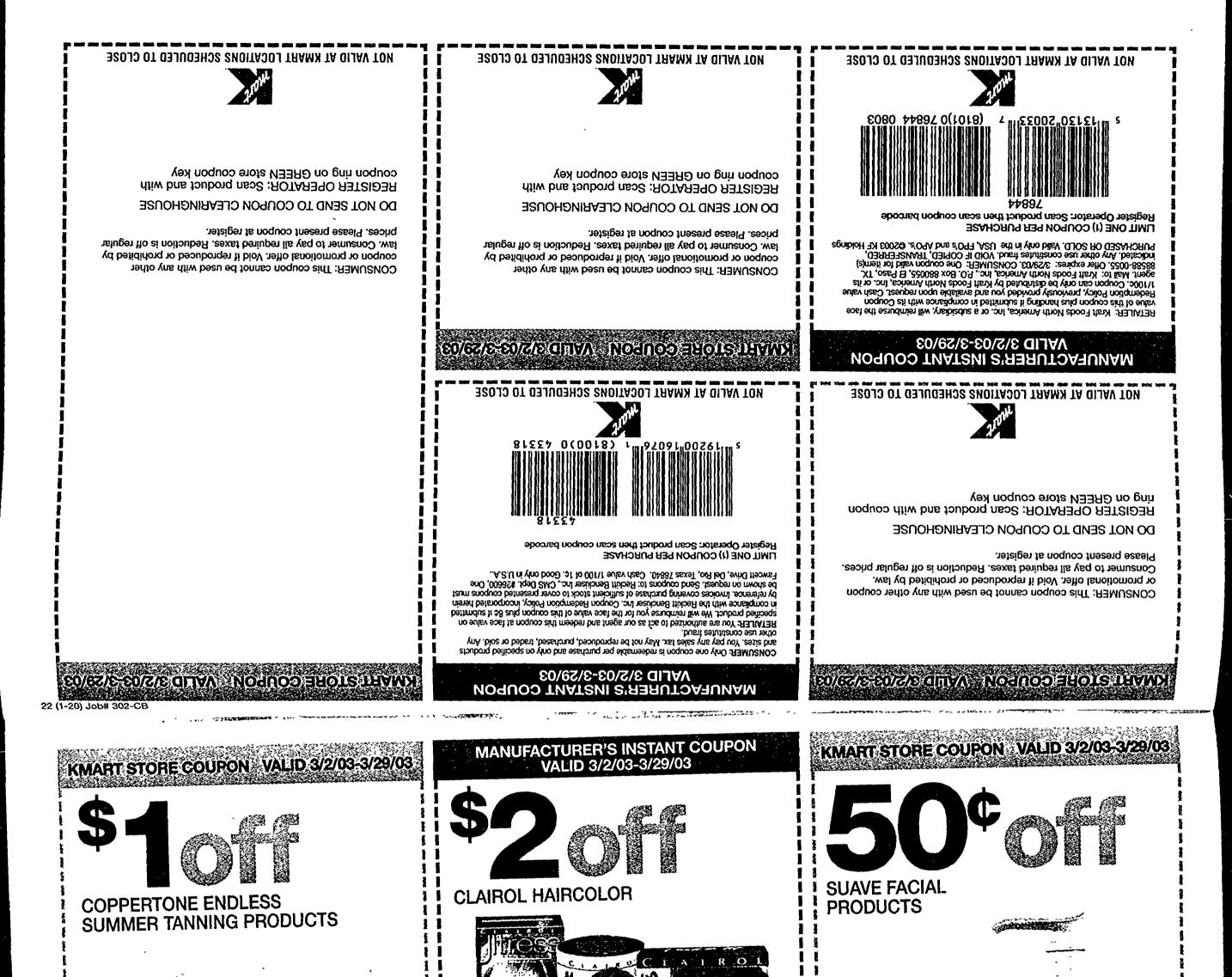
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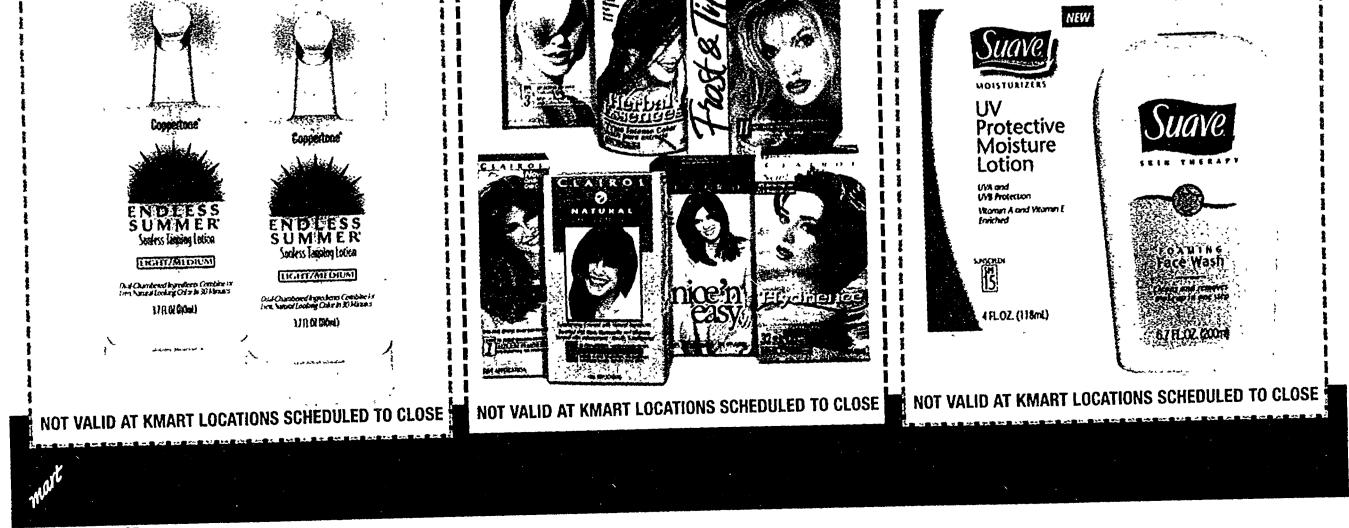
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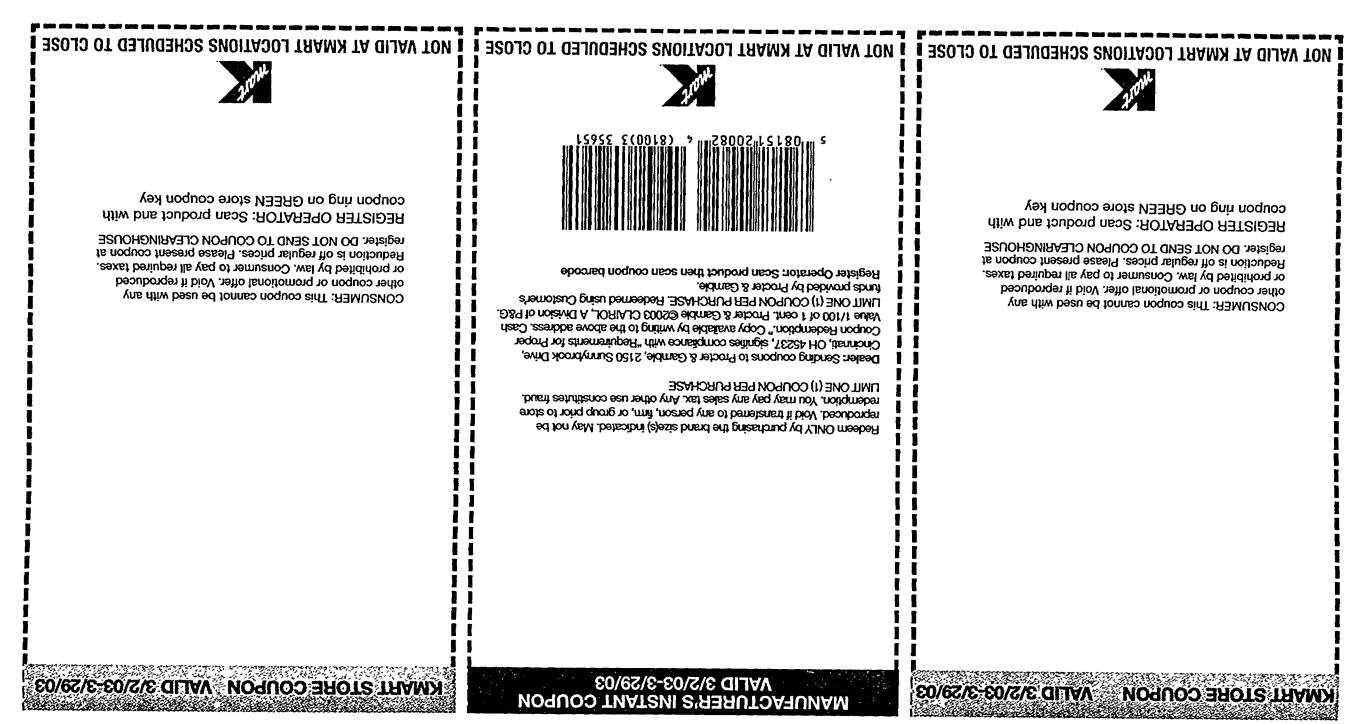












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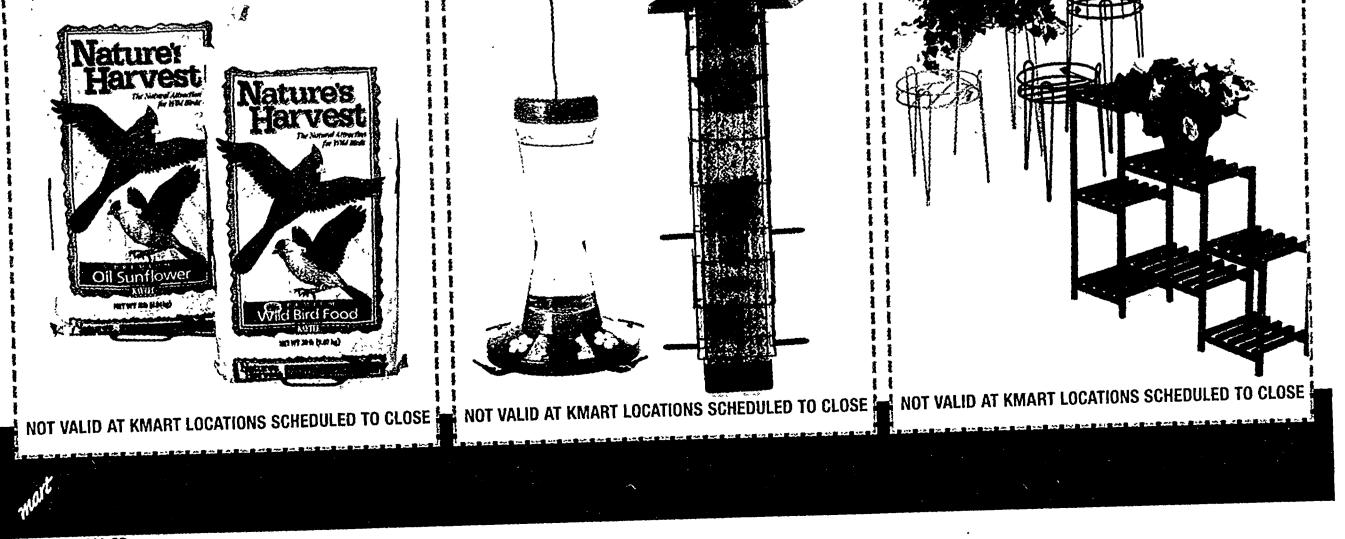


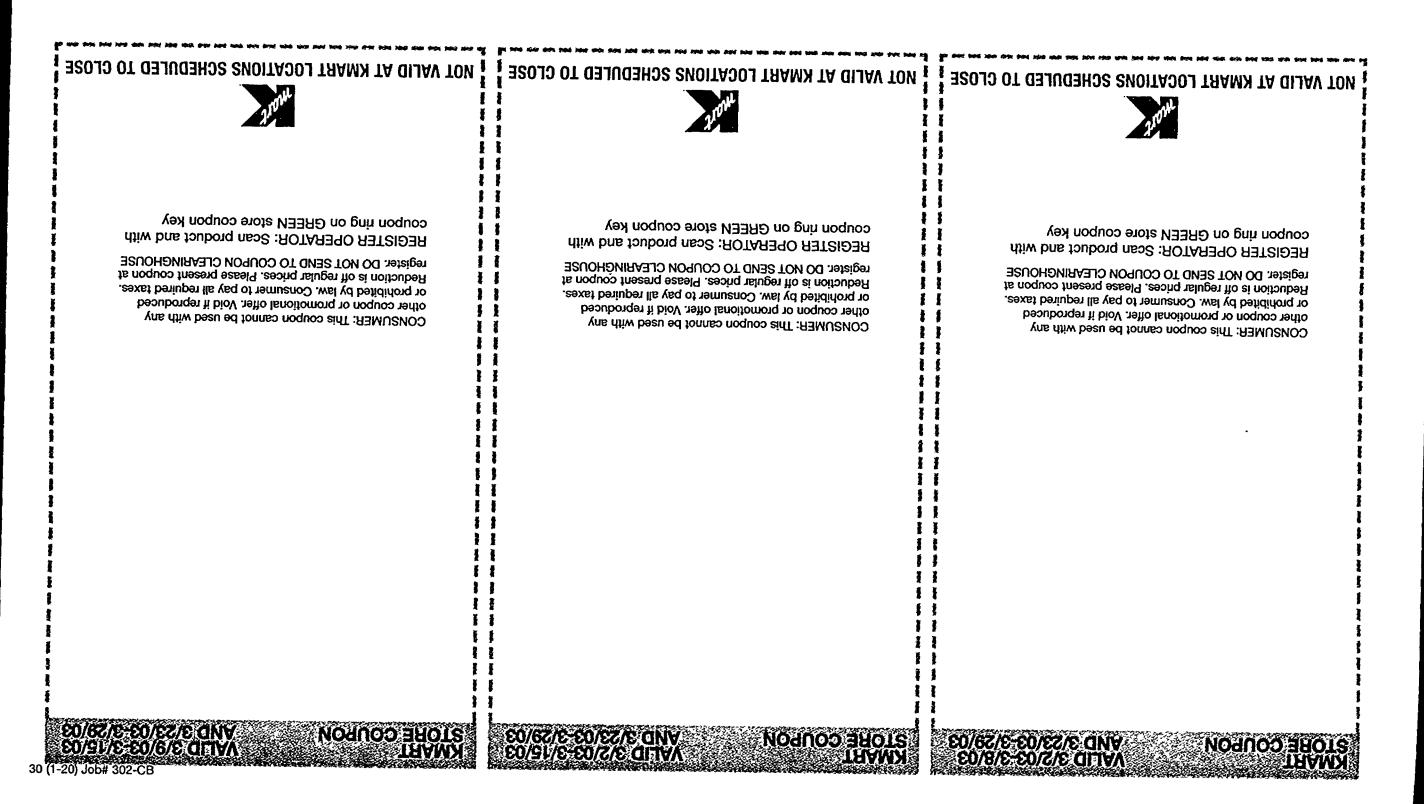
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