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Support grows for

Maybury

By Pauline Lupercio

The members of the Northville City Council officially joined the community in support of the restoration of Maybury State Park's Living Farm at the council's Monday with the unanimous approval of a supporting resolu-

As stated in the resolution, "the city council of the city of Northville unanimously hereby Michigan encourages the Department of Natural Resources to rebuild the barn and reestablish the farm animal habitat at Maybury State Park."

Council member

Mittman, also a member of the Friends of Maybury, said the resolution is an important one for the entire community.

"Since the barn fire there has been a lot of concern regarding the loss of the barn and the animals. It has been such an integral part of the community," he said after the meeting. "It was just a nice place for families to get acquainted with farm life who otherwise would not have had the

Mittman stressed the fact the that although the park may located within the Northville community, it is all of southeast Michigan

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### School board shakeup time

■ Pelc says four years is enough on school board

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

After serving for four years on the Northville Board of Education,

Greg Pelc last week he does not plan to run for reelection.

Pelc, a resident of Novi.

the board in 1999 and will Gregory Pelc conclude his service in

June. Pelc formally announced his Continued on 20

: Rupley won't seek re-election on June ballot

> By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Novi resident Jerry Rupley will be bidding adieu to his post on the

board of education at the end of the school year. Rupley,

served on the 1999.

announced his Jerry Rupley plans not to

run for reelection at the March 11 board

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The Northville Gourmet chef Dave Krysztof, right, slices up their newest gargantuan pizza a 30- inch-diameter, 14-pound pie. Fellow employee Karl Fernengel holds their "large" pizza, a mere 14- inch pie.

### Mozzarella monster

### Mutant pizza dominates party food landscape

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Large pizzas everywhere are now hiding in shame. Once revered as the king of all party foods, their days may now be the introduction of Northville Gourmet/Cicero's Pizza's new

30-inch Ultimate Party Pızza. When it comes to feeding a lot of people, size does matter, shop

owners maintain. "It's the biggest pizza in

Michigan," said Northville Gourmet owner Dave Stewart. 'And it's definitely the biggest pizza in the area.

Stewart said he got the idea after learning of a Kansas company that was making the monie while readi trade magazine. Prices start at \$49 and go up from there dependent upon the number of toppings desired. And it works required for all orders on the ultiout to be a pretty good deal when consideration is given that the ultimate feeds 20 to 25 people

and is equivalent to five traditional large pizzas.

"I thought it would be a cool idea to have something like that for office parties or birthday parties," he said. "Anybody looking for something different than a thing and unique and different,

this fits the bill. That's for sure.' Twenty-four hour notice and is mate party pizza. Stewart also

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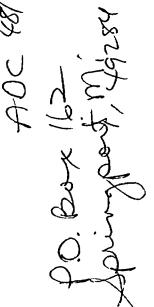
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#### By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Some stood as still as statues Some memorized lines as professionally as a Hollywood performer.

Whether they were impersonating authors or a former First Lady, sixth grade students at Meads Mill Middle School recreated a wax museum comprised of modern day innovators and historic figures. The students transformed the building's cafeteria into a living wax museum for family and friends March 12, as part of a

unique social studies project. But dressing the part of a famous individual was only the beginning of the students' assignment.

"The kids said they learned so much being able to become the character," said Shannon Maironis, a sixth grade teacher at Meads Mill. "It wasn't just an assignment on paper for the teacher."

For the research project, sixth grade staff members said students were required to read a biography on their selected individual, create a visual aid and create a likeness of their figure using a plastic bottle.

Staff members explained students were also required to give a presentation to their classmates.

At the museum, students would

remain motionless until a "button" was pressed, activating their character and a brief speech of their life and accomplishments.

The project provided a way for students to become personally connected with their character.

"It really got them to be inside the person," said sixth grade teacher Kristi Maurer. "You could really find the tidbits that they thought were interesting. They did really well. I was very impressed with the quality of the work."

Sixth grade student Jill Alumbaugh chose to portray Christa McAuliffe, an astronaut who died in the Challenger explosion.

"I just wanted to learn about her," said Alumbaugh, who added she enjoyed making the biography bottle - which she dressed in a tiny space suit to symbolize McAuliffe.

Sixth grader Katie Schmeling had an important reason for selecting her historic figure, Eleanor Roosevelt.

"I picked her because I felt proud of all the things she did for women.

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### History comes alive at Meads Mill | Marquis donning Clothes'

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

A production of "The Emperor's New Clothes" beginning March 22 will mark the regrand opening of the Marquis Theatre. And theater-goers will be able to watch the emperor strutting his stuff in his magical invisible suit in the comfort of an auditorium which theater owners said would be "better than ever."

The theater has been closed since late January due to an accidental fire which resulted in severe smoke damage to the building. Owner Inge Zayti had estimated a \$300,000 price tag for repairs, but the final costs

came closer to \$400,000. The smoke damage was

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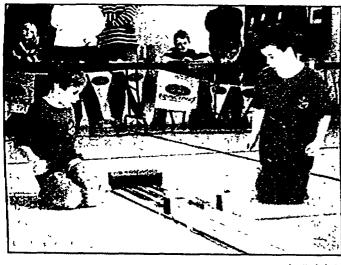
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Meads Mill Middle School student Adrienne Cohen

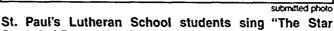
informs a visitor to the school's wax museum about her

character: Queen Isabella of Spain.



their cars race in the Pinewood Derby finals.

submitted photo Tiger Cubs Max Van Antwerp and Sean Conway watch





### Spangled Banner" at the state capitol in Lansing.

Small explosion damages Expo Center By Victoria Sadlocha

STAFF WRITER

Novi fire fighters had yet another busy week, responding to two city fires in the past week.

Attracting a great deal of attention was a Tuesday morning explosion on the property of the Novi Expo Center.

Fire officials said two employees of a Private Eye Investigation and Security Systems, a security firm used by the center, were injured in the blast.

Both unidentified employees were transported to the hospital for non-life threatening injuries.

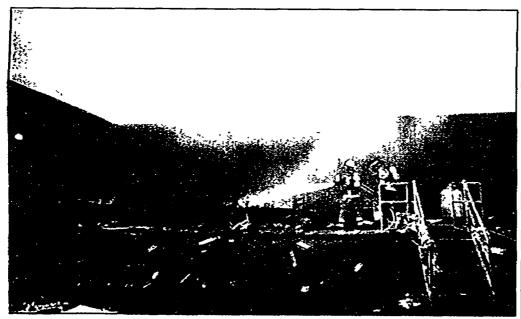
Novi Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan said because the 7:30 a.m. March 14 fire derived from an explosion. word spread quickly and calls came into the fire department from Washington, D.C. and the ATF wanting details.

Fire officials said preliminary investigations reveal foul play was not a cause.

Lenaghan said initial findings indicate the trailer explosion was caused by a cigarette and a leaky propane tank.

The trailer itself was heated by propane. Lenaghan Apparently there was some type of

The fire chief said the preliminary investigations revealed a female employee of the security



courtesy photo

Novi firefighters work to bring a fire at the Novi Expo Center under control.

firm went to light her cigarette while on break, and the trailer exploded.

The female was transported to University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor for treatment of serious /

Lenaghan said he heard the explosion from his home at about

"I heard it and it sounded like a

tire blowing out," he said.

The exploding trailer was an extension to the Novi Expo Center where security guards servicing the Novi Road and Interstate 96 located destination stay.

Lenaghan said the trailer fire extended into the expo building in

the area of the center's offices. Damage in the center included dropped ceiling tiles, broken win-

dows and excessive debris.

The damage closed the office area for about four hours.

The Novi Fire Department called the city's building inspectors to verify the expo center structure was safe to reenter.

The gas company and the County Oakland Sheriff's Department were also called to the scene, the chief said.

### **Novi anxious** over Chamber charity auction

**By Phil Foley** STAFF WRITER

Time's growing short to get tickets to the Novi Chamber of Commerce's 11th annual charity auction and tickets themselves are getting scarcer for what the chamber is billing as "A Celebration of Life, Art and Healing."

According to auction chairman Nikki Pearse, 200 of the auction's 500 tickets have already been sold for the April. 12 event and another 300 invitations were mailed out last week.

Pearse told chamber members at their March 11 luncheon that Fox2 News' Charles Pugh has agreed to serve as emcee for the event, which will raise funds for the Assarian Cancer Center at Providence Hospital and Medical Center's Novi campus.

Along with Pugh, entertainment for the semi-formal event will include a disc jockey.

According to Chamber President Nora Champion, the chamber's annual charity auction has raised more than \$60,000 for area charities over the past decade. Last year alone, the event generated \$15,000 for

This year, said Pearse, there is a long and growing list of art, collectables, celebrity items and trips going on the auction block. Among the items up for auction are signed Red Wings jersies, a trip to Ixtapit,

Mexico, and a 2001 yellow and black Harley Davidson Buell Blaster. Tickets for the event, which includes a full dinner, are \$75 per person and can be obtained by calling the chamber office at (248) 349-3743.

Proceeds from the auction will help support the Assarian Cancer Center's Healing Arts program. Formed eight years ago by Dr. William McLaughlin, the program is designed to introduce cancern patients to a wide variety of programs ranging from arts and ceramics to yoga and massage to classes that focus on the mind and soul. The program is built around what McLaughlin calls the "right brain/left brain/soul brain model" and is designed to help patients in their battle against cancer in ways beyond the traditional Western medical model.

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### On Campus

Northville resident Brett Johnson was named to the dean's list at Bowling Green State University for the fall 2002 semester.

Northville resident Cass Huyck was named to the Headmaster's List at Howe Military School (Howe, Ind.) for the fourth grading period of the 2002-2003 school year.

The following Northville resi-

dents were named to the dean's honor roll at Lawrence Technological University for the fall 2002 semester: Peter Kolbus, Kathleen Brown, Do Kim Ly, Wendy Gutowski and Jonathan Wood.

Northville resident Lauren Brackel has been awarded the Free Enterprise Scholarship from Northwood University: She will enroll at the school this 1

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### POLICE REPORTS

#### **TOWNSHIP POLICE BRIEFS:**

STOLEN CABINETS: Officers were dispatched to a Northville Township location on March 11 around noon on a report of stolen oak cabinets valued at \$2,000. According to the complainant, unknown person(s) had entered the locked, unoccupied home sometime between March 10 and 11 and removed the cabinets from their boxes before removing them from the scene. According to the complainant, a truck would have been necessary to move the cabinets. Police believe the incident may have been an "inside" job with a key used to gain entry to the location.

LARCENY OF GAS: Police were called to the Sunoco gas station located at Five Mile in Plymouth on a report of larceny of self-serve gas. According to the police report, a white male entered the gas station after having pumped \$10 of unleaded regular gas into his tank, asking if the attendant could make change for a \$100 bill. When the attendant responded that change could not be made, the male stated he would be "right back," exited the store, and drove off in his blue 2001 Chrysler without paying for the gas. Before he drove off, the attendant was able to obtain the license

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Officers attempted to contact the registered owner of the vehicle through telephone directory assistance but no phone number was

#### **CITY POLICE BRIEFS:**

OUIL/UBAL: A 29-year-old Northville resident was arrested on March 9 for driving while intoxicated with a revoked driver's license. The man was pulled over by Northville police at 2:15 a.m. while driving a 1987 Chevy after officers observed the vehicle change lanes twice without signaling. While speaking with the man, officers observed a strong odor of intoxicants. The driver was not able to produce a driver's license and gave verbal identification, which was later determined to be the name of the driver's brother. He later stated he had been afraid to give his real name since he already had three prior alcohol convictions and four prior driving suspensions.

The driver did not satisfactorily perform field sobriety tasks and was arrested after 0.19 blood alcohol level results were obtained with a breathalyzer. The driver is scheduled to appear in court on

CHILD NEGLECT: Officer were called to the Upper Deck business located on Main Street on a report of child neglect on March 10. Officers arrived at the scene at approximately 5:45 p.m. and observed a Lincoln Town Car with two small boys sleeping in the back seat. The car was not running and the driver's door had been left unlocked. The boys, ages two and four, were observed to be wearing winter coats, unzipped, and no other form of winter clothing in the cold weather, which officers determined to be 23 degrees Fahrenheit, or 10 degrees with the wind chill.

Officers entered the business and observed five males and asked who had called the police. One of

the males, later identified as the father of the children, looked at the police and then proceeded to exit the building without speaking. When officers asked who the Lincoln Town car belonged to, all hands pointed to the man leaving the building.

Officers followed the 36-yearold Southfield resident out to his vehicle. He stated that he had only been inside for two minutes and asked if could go back inside for two more. Officers said no and then re-entered the building to establish the amount of time the father had actually been inside. Based on witness reports, he had been in the building for about 40 minutes and had not exited the building until police arrived.

When approached by police again, the man stated that he had only been inside for five minutes and had continuously checked on his children. He said that he didn't want to disturb them because they

were napping. The children were turned over to the father's custody as no immediate danger was present but officers informed the father that Protective Services would be notified.

OUIL/UBAL: A 20-year-old Canton woman was arrested on March 11 for driving while under the influence after an officer parked in the Northville Downs lot observed the white Pontiac she was driving go through the Seven Mile and Center intersection with-

out stopping. The incident hap-pened at about 2:30 a.m.

A traffic stop was initiated and a strong odor of intoxicants was observed when the officer made contact with the driver. When asked, she stated that she had not had anything to drink but was observed to be slurring her speech. She also stated that she had driven through the flashing red light because she had seen that it was clear prior to driving through it.

While performing field sobriety tasks, the woman admitted to having consumed two drinks. She was arrested after PBT results of 0.117 BAC were obtained and is scheduled to appear in court on March





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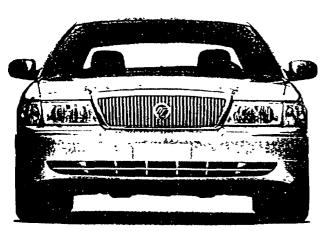


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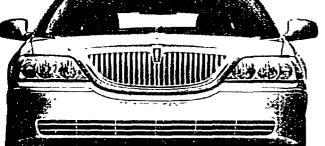
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# Rolling on a river: Hines Drive history

By Pauline Lupercio

Hines Drive and the Rouge Waterway may be right in Northville's backyard, but how much do the residents actually know about the area's history?

The Northville chamber of Commerce is working in conjunction with Wayne County Commissioner Lyn Bankes' office on the upcoming historic bus tours of Hines Drive and the Rouge Waterway. The two-hour tour includes two short videos, a visit to a museum and a historic village, as well as a plethora of historical tidbits that even longtime residents may not be aware

"It's a really interesting tour because what it takes 15 minutes to drive we do in two said Deborah Wanamaker, Bankes' legislative

aid. "There are things you pass every day that you don't realize the history behind. It's very educational.

There are three tour dates scheduled, with the first-scheduled for Friday, March 28-already sold out. But interested residents can still call Bankes" office to reserve seats for the upcoming tours in April and May. The tours are scheduled to begin and end in either Northville or the city of Plymouth with participants being treated to coupon bags from local businesses so that they may enjoy themselves with shopping or lunch after the tour is completed.

Laurie Marrs, director of the Northville Chamber of Commerce, said shen has taken the tour in the past and encouraged residents to take advantage of the opportunity to explore "the jewels" of the community. "We are blessed to have Hines

Drive and the Rouge Waterway in our area," said Marrs.
"People can just park their cals in Northville and take the tour bus for two hours before getting dropped back off."

Marrs said that local business have contributed coupons in the hopes that tour participants will stay to enjoy what Northville has to offer.

"The participants will get educated about the history of the Hines Drive and the Rouge and then come into Northville and experience our own historical beauty," said Marrs.

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According to Shari Peters, a variety of animals including horses, alpacas, and ducks have been offered for future donation, as well as roofing and paint for the barn.

To donate, send checks payable to the Northville Community Foundation - Maybury Farm, 321 N. Center, Ste. 130, Northville, Mich. 48167. For more information call (248) 374-0200.

#### THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES:

The show will run from March 22 through May 4 at Northville's Historic Marquis Theatre. The classic tale of an emperor in his invisible suit is sure to be enjoyed by both children and adults, alike. Performance dates and times are:

• Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. (March 22, 29 April 5, 12, 26 and May 3)

Sundays at 2:30 p.m. (March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 27, and May 4)

· Monday through Friday at 2:30 p.m. (April 21, 22, 23, 24, and

Tickets to all public performances are \$7.50. For school reservations, birthday parties, and group rates please call the Marquis Theatre at (248) 349-8110. The Theatre asks that only children age three and older are in attendance for performances.

The theatre is located at 135 E. Main in downtown Northville.

CONTRACTS AWARDED: City council members approved contracts for professional services to Allen Terrace at their March 17 meeting. Contracts for architectural group, M.C. Smith Associates, in the amount of approximately \$50,000 and for construction company J.S. Vig in the approximate amount of \$182,000

MOTHERS' DIRECTORY: The Mothers' Club of Northville is preparing its bi-annual telephone directory. Persons requesting not to be included in the directory or requesting to be added to it should call (248) 380-6511.

### MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Village is an 11-acre collection of 19th century buildings along the Mill Pond operated by the Northville Historical Society. The Village is open dawn to dusk seven days a week and is located on the west side of Griswold north of Main Street in downtown Northville. The office, located at the Carry Inn, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Archives are open on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by appointment. The first Sunday in June through the third Sunday in October the buildings are open from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. with docents (hosts/hostesses) in each to share the history of that building. For detailed information about special programs or renting the facilities call the office at (248) 348-1845.

During weddings, Mill Race Village is closed to the public. The weddings couple rent the use of the village when they schedule a wedding. Visitors who are not aware of this policy are disappointed that we are closed at the time of their visit. Since our wedding volume is increasing each year, we suggest that you call for the weekend schedule prior to coming out.

Mar. 20 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Archives Open to the Public Cady Inn 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Northville Historical Society Board Meeting Cady Inn Mar. 23 Mill Creek Community Church Church 10 a.m.-noon Venture Scout Crew #8 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Cady Inn 9:15 a.m.-2:45 p.m. School Tour Wash-Oak School Mar.24 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Heirloom Rug Hookers Cady Inn **Brownie Scout Meeting** Cady Inn 4:30 p.m.-6 p.m. Lion's Club Cady Inn 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Village & Cady Inn Mar. 25 Stone Gang 9 a.m.-noon Mar. 26 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Mill Creek Community Church Prayer Service Church Archives Open to the Public Mar. 27 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Cady Inn 3:45 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Brownie Scout Meeting Cady Inn

The Mill Race Quarterly, a Northville Historical Society Publication, will be mailed soon, if you have not yet joined or renewed your membership with the Historical Society, please contact the office at 248-348-1845 or stop in any week day from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. to make sure you receive your

An important component of keeping the village alive is its membership. If you want to help preserve this living museum and have not yet joined the Historical Society, pleace contact the office or stop in during office hours. Membership is tax deductible and includes a subscription to the Mill Race Quarterly. Memberships are as follows: Senior Citizen/Docents \$10, Individual \$15, Family \$20, Business \$25, Contributing \$50, Sustaining \$125. Annual Patron \$500, Patron \$1,000 or more.

The Children's Christmas Workshop is collecting old wooden handles from brooms, shovels, rakes, etc. If you have any you would like to donate please drop them off in the Mill Race office, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. or call 248-348-1845 to make other arrangements.

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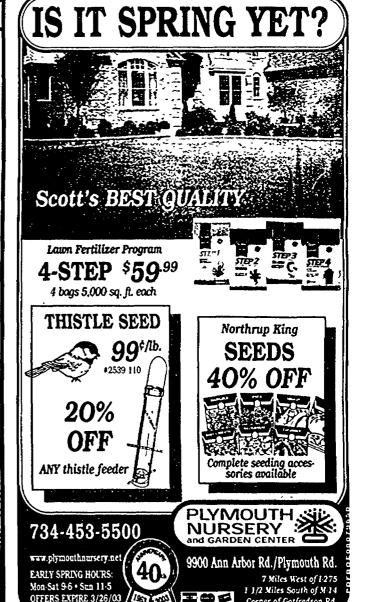
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# Top of the Hillside: | A cleaner Rouge River



Hillside Middle School science teacher will soon be heading to Washington D.C., recognized for her effective educational techniques.

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Hillside Middle School teacher Heidi Capraro packed her bags for Washington, D.C. this week, after she learned she'd been selected for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

In 2002, Capraro won at the state level and qualified to

contend at the national level for the award. Capraro, who teaches sixth grade science, said she offi-

cially learned of her victory March 14.

On Tuesday, Capraro traveled to Washington D.C. to accept her award and enjoy other award merits.

"They have it all kind of planned for me," she said. "I have a state department dinner one night. There's an awards night at the Ronald Reagan building and trade center."

In addition, Capraro said she will receive a private evening tour of the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History and participate in a dinner/dance cruise on the Potomac River.

Capraro said she is particularly anticipating the museum

To me, that is actually a highlight because it my favorite subject matter," she said.

Capraro will be in Washington D.C. approximately one week. Educational activities are scheduled for her during

Capraro — who has been with Northville schools since 1990 — will also receive \$7,500 for classroom supplies and/or professional development opportunities.

"In the world of education, that's a lot of money," she

said. 'That's a blessing.' Capraro said she learned of her newest accolade last

week, however she was not allowed to inform anyone until

"It was really hard to keep it secret," she said. "It was so hard not to tell the kids. I just felt like I was really keeping something from the kids.

When she was permitted to tell others of her accomplishment, she said her students clapped and cheered.

In order to be considered for the award, Capraro said she was required to submit a lengthy application, a videotape of herself teaching, a letter of recommendation and a resume.

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.

### Do You Want to Honor a HomeTown Hero?

Your Observer & Eccentric, Mirror and HomeTown Newspapers, in conjunction with the United Way Volunteer Center of Oakland, are calling for nominations for the HomeTown Heroes™ Awards, which recognizes, encourages and rewards outstanding volunteers who have given selflessly of themselves to support non-profit organizations in Oakland County. Nominees and awardees will be recognized at the Fourth Annual HomeTown Heroes™ Luncheon that will take place on June 4, 2003 at Marriott Pontiac at Centerpoint in Pontiac, Michigan. For a complete description of the nominating categories, please visit www.unitedwayoakland.org.

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business. Describe the nominee's major accomplishments, commitment, self-motivation, problemsolving skills, and measurable impact upon the community. Entries must be typewritten. Do not staple pages Include a photo (no larger than 5" x 7") of the nominated person or group, or for Business nominees, include a photo of persons participating in the volunteer activity.

Entries must be received by Wednesday, April 16, 2003.

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# Teacher heads to D.C. at heart of city resolution

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

It is with the hope that

Approval for the \$1,800 membership into the assembly came at a council meeting in mid February.

The assembly will consist of various local communities who choose to participate in addressing storm water issues using an area wide watershed approach and will come into existence for an initial period one year commencing July 1.

Since 1999, Northville has been under a "certificate of coverage" as part of the voluntary general storm water permit issued by the Environmental Protection Agency and administered by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. Wayne County has also played a vital role in assisting Northville and other area communities in securing funding for the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Projecta project which addressed storm water issues using a community

"Problems with the Rouge in past years It is with the hope that strength comes in numbers that Northville City Council approved a resolution supporting the city's membership into the Rouge River Watershed Local Management Assembly. nitv..."

> Jim Gallogly aty of Northville

wide watershed approach.

But funding for the project, as well as the project itself, will be phased out over the next few years. It was that knowledge that spurred on the creation of the Rouge River Watershed Management Assembly, said Northville public works director Jim Gallogly.

"Problems with the Rouge in past years have been addressed by each individual community based on their jurisdictional limits," he said. "The truth is that as a small community we might not be able to do much but if we combined with are communities

such as Novi, Plymouth and

Canton, and address problems of

the Middle Rouge together, we

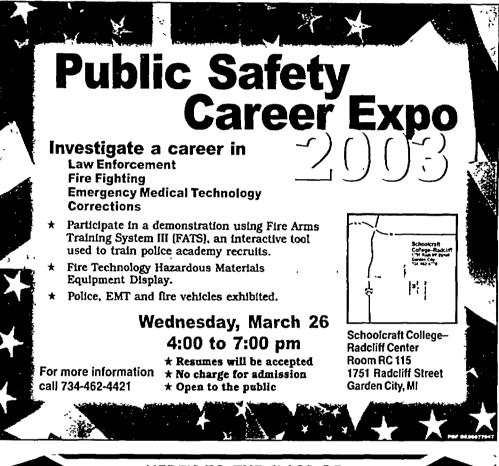
might have a better chance of succeeding and improving the water quality.'

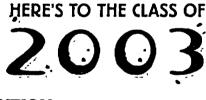
The \$300,000 cost of joining the assembly is to be split among all participating communities with amounts to be determined based on each community's acreage and/or population on the watershed. Although Northville's current \$1,800 cost is considered minimal, that will change significantly once Rouge grant funds are depleted in approximately three years.

We are only committing ourselves to one year with the assembly so there is not a lot of risk, but there is potentially a lot of benefit," Gallogly said.

As stated in council communications, the purpose of the assembly is to "respond to U.S. District Court concerns, meet stormwater permit require-ments, reduce implementation costs, maximize the use of Rouge project grants, and create a collective voice for local government.

"It took us the last century to pollute our rivers and we need to turn the tides," said Gallogly. But you cannot instantly get crystal clear waters. I think the key is to stop polluting and start cleaning. That is going to cost



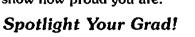


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### Angels arrive at Northville garden store

By Pauline Lupercio

There are angels in Northville than can help make children smile when their wishes come true. And one local retailer decided to get in the mix of granting wishes with a little bit of help from both the angles and the woman behind them.

Lou Mascolo, owner of Gardenviews, presented a check for \$2,500 to the Michigan chapter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation on March 12. The donation came from a portion of the proceeds from the sale of angels, which are exclusive to Gardenviews in the state of Michigan.

The metal garden angels, ranging in size from six inches to five feet, were created by selftaught metal sculptor Lei Hennessey. The Pennsylvania resident began made her first angel five years ago in honor of two young boys who were killed in a tragic accident. Since then, Hennessey has created the Freedom Angels, which have since been erected at the Pentagon, the crash site of Flight 93, and where the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center once

The angels, she said, represent steadfast love.

"I feel like this is a really important day because we are now seeing an actual tribute to Flight 93 and all of the other people who were killed on Sept. 11 and I am honored that such a beautiful store would take these angels and give the profits to Make-A-Wish," said Hennessey, national ambassador for flight 93. "It is the first store in the nation to make a donation like

Hennessey said she was espe-



Make-A-Wish public relations manager Jeannette Porter (left) joins Gardenviews owner Lou Mascolo and artist Lei Hennessey to make a contribution of \$2,500 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The money was raised from sale of angel statues created by Lei.

store was the first to make such a donation as her husband whom she met when he volunteered to transport the Freedom Angels to their designated locations - is from Belleville.

"It all has come full circle,"

It was only in June that Hennessey approached Mascolo about selling her angles in his store for the benefit of children. Both said they are proud to be involved with the Make-A-Wish Foundation while remembering those who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001.

"The importance of this day is that we should not forget," said Mascolo. "This is still about 9-11 and the heroes from that day and the children that were left behind."

Jeannette Porter, public relations manager for the Make-A-Wish foundation, was on hand to receive the check on behalf of the organization. She described the event using one single word: 'Amazing.'

"It is nothing short of amazing. Make-A-Wish really realize on community support to make dreams come true so events like this are imperative to our success," said Porter. "This check is going to make a child's dream come true."

Pauline Lupercio is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 109 or by email at plu-

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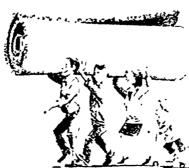
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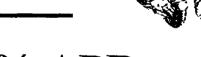
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Registration for new families will take place on March 22 at 8 a.m. at the Early Childhood Center at 501 W. Main. The entrance and parking for registration will be on the Cady Street side of the building. Informational signs will be posted with the number of available opening by each program. Children will be placed based on availability on a first come, first served basis beginning at 8 am. A \$50 registration fee (check or money order) will be required for registration. For more www.northville.k12.mi.us or call (248) 344-8465.

#### STUDENTS HEAD TO CMU

Zachary G. Motyiku, a student at Hillside Middle School and Alexander S. O'Connor, a student at Northville Christian School, are scheduled to participate in the 15th annual Michigan Geographic Bee April 4 at Central Michigan University.

The state bee is the second level of a national competition sponsored by the National Geographic Society and ING Financial Services. Students from more than 400 schools competed in the school-level preliminary bees in January. Winners of the preliminary round completed a written qualifying test administered and evaluated by the National

Geographic Society. First prize is \$100 and an allexpenses paid trip to Washington D.C. for this year's finals May 20-21. Second and third place will receive \$75 and \$50, respectively.

#### **RACING CUBS**

On March 15, Cub Scout Pack 746 held their annual Pinewood Derby at the First United Methodist Church of Northville. About 60 boys between the ages of 6-12 participated this year. The Cub Scouts and their fathers designed and built the cars according to certain specifications. On race day, each rank of Cub Scout; Tiger, Wolf, Bear and Webelo contested against each other. Trophies were given for the first, second and third place winners of each rank, as well as a medal for the "most creative" and best looking car."

Bear Scout Ryan Kirkley's car was awarded the "best looking" medal. Bear Scout Kyle McCormick's camouflage tank car was awarded the "most creative" medal.

### **BECOME A BOARD MEMBER**

A candidate who wishes to seek position on the Northville Public School Board must file a nominating petition and an affidavit of identity no later than 4 p.m. on Monday, April 7, 2003. number of signatures required is 40. A non-refundable \$100 filing fee may be submitted in lieu of a petition.

The regular school election will be Monday, June 9, 2003. Two positions on the Northville school board will be filled at the election. Both positions are four-year terms, ending June 30.

Petitions and affidavit forms can be obtained at the Northville Public Schools Business Office, Room 305, 501 W. Main Street, Northville, Mich. 48167.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### **LEARN TO DRIVE**

Applications for segment One Driver Education classes are now available in the Northville High School office. There is a fee of \$200 that covers both Segment One in the summer and Segment in the fall/winter. Application deadline is Thursday.



April 18.

For further information, call Linda Murphy at (248) 344-8427.

#### RIDGE WOOD MEET AND **GREET MAR. 26**

Nancy Raynes, the newlyappointed principal at Ridge Wood Elementary School, will be hosting two "Meet and Greet" sessions for parents on March 26. Parents or guardians of children who will attend the new elementary school are invited to join her for coffee and bagels from 10 a.m. t o 11 a.m. in the Northville District Library meeting room. You can also join her for an evening coffee with desserts in Fellowship Hall at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville at 200 East Main from 7:00 until 8:00 p.m. This is an opportunity to find out the district timelines for opening Ridge Wood and to discuss some of the activities that parents can help facilitate.

#### **AUTHOR AUTHOR!**

Claire Fisher, a student at Moraine Elementary, was selected for publication in Kaleidoscope 2003, a collection of student writings assembled by the Michigan Reading Association. Claire's piece was titled 'The Mixed Up Boy."

Kaleidoscope is in its 12th year of publication. Its purpose is to celebrate the talents of Michigan's young authors. Each school may submit one piece of writing to be published. This year's participants represented 120 schools across the state.

In addition to becoming published authors, the students were also invited to attend a special luncheon at the Michigan Reading Association Annual Conference on March 9 at Grand Rapids' Grand Center. Fisher attended the event. The luncheon featured guest speaker and author Gordon Korman.

#### RECORD SEEKS **OUTSTANDING TEACHER NOMINATIONS**

The Northville Record is seeking readers to inform of us of local teachers who have demonstrated academic excellence in the classroom. 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 local teacher you believe deserves recognition for their academic abilities, nominations can be e-mailed to cdavis@ht.homecomm.net 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.

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.

#### ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN OPEN HOUSE

St. Paul's Lutheran School in Northville will be hosting an open house for families interested in preschool through Grade 8. The open house is Thursday, March 27 from 6.30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. St.

Paul's is located at 201 Elm Street in downtown Northville (behind Hiller's Market).

For more information, call (248) 349-3146.

#### JIM FAY PRESENTS

On March 24, 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.

### ST. PAUL'S AUCTION MAR.

St. Paul's Lutheran School in Northville has planned their annual auction. The event is slated to take place March 22 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. The silent and live auction begins at 5:30 p.m. A barbecue-style menu will be followed for the Western-theme

For more information or to purchase tickets, please call the school office at (248) 349-3146.

#### **FULBRIGHT MEMORIAL FUND**

The Northville Public Schools will be participating in an international exchange program with Japan this year which is funded by the Fulbright Memorial Fund. Nine Japanese educators will visit Northville from March 23-30. Twenty-five cohort groups from Japan will visit schools across the United States. Three of these schools are in Northville. Our visitors from Japan will visit Hillside Middle School, Amerman Elementary and Northville High School. Hillside teacher Rick Vander Veer along with NHS teacher Nancy Smith and teacher Nancy Amerman teacher Bruce Ricketts will travel to Japan for 6 weeks this summer as part of this project. The Northville team will be developing projects involving curriculum development and technology to share between the two countries.

#### **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 4year-old preschoolers.

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#### CITY OF NORTHVILLE FINAL STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES 2003 WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **BLOCK GRANT FUNDS**

The Northville City Council approved the following Community Development block Grant projects for the 2003 Program year:

> Senior Center Renovation \$52,000 Planning \$6,500 Administration \$6,500 Total Estimated Allocation

(3-20-03 NR 44669)

TRACI SINCOCK RECREATION DIRECTOR

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF** NORTHVILLE

DATE:

PLANNING COMMISSION
March 25, 2003
7:15 p m.
Northville Township Civic Center 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 Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan regarding a request for a special land use permit. The special 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

### Kids rock on at Hillside's 'Night Out'

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

rockin' at Hillside Middle School last Friday.

Northville Parks and Recreation lot of fun in a to host the premiere "Kids Rocking Night Out."

"It went really well," said Hillside assistant principal, Laura ment." Kelly. "I think they're looking to do it again next year."

Kelly said approximately 100 students from Meads Mill Middle School and Hillside attended the Student activities included

bics, swing dancing, volleyball and rock climbing. During breaks, healthy snacks were served to maintain energy

Ping-Pong, kick boxing, aero-

levels. Donna Shannon, a physical education teacher at Hillside Middle School, said the Hillside gymnasium and the Parks and

lized for the event. A deejay was also present, providing plenty of music for the

Recreation gymnasium were uti-

Kelly said inviting both middle schools to attend offered several perks.

"It was nice to have Meads Mill and Hillside kids because they got a chance to get to know each other better," she said.

"It just gave [stu-Students in grades 6-8 were dents] an opportunity to do something The school's physical educa-tion department partnered with different and have a healthy environ-

> Donna Shannon Hillside Middle School

Shannon said a primary theme coursed through the evening's

"It was promoting active lifestyles and healthy living," she said. "What we try to do is expose kids to activities they can take into adulthood like kickboxing, volleyball, and badminton."

"I think the kids had a really good time. The parents were excited because it was an evening activity for their kids. It just gave (students) an opportunity to do something different and have a lot of fun in a healthy environ-

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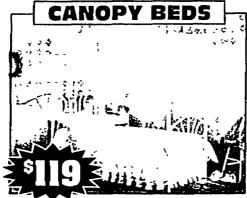


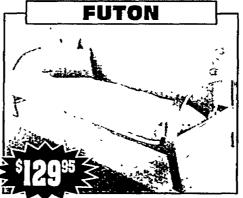


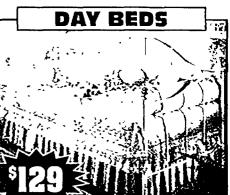












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### Nasty stuff to be collected in May

Northville sponsors first of two hazardous waste collections; spring event set for Livonia

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Start cleaning out your garages, basements, and storage closets of all the dirty little things the garbage men won't pick up and get ready for the 2003 spring Hazardous Waste

The event will take place on May 3 at Livonia's Ford Field.

According to township director of public works, township and city residents are welcome to participate in the Livonia event due to the coalition formed last year between the three communities. Prior to the coalition, residents of the Northville community had only one chance per year to properly dispose of their hazardous materials.

'We are doing this in conjunction with Livonia due to the new coalition with Livonia, the township and the city to share these opportunities with all three communities," said Weaver. "By joining up with Livonia we now have the opportunity to do this twice a year and we would like for the residents of the community to take advantage of this opportuni-

Weaver encouraged carpooling as the community is charged on a per-car basis for disposal of the hazardous materials.

Anne Naszradi, staff engineer with Northville Township, also encouraged those interested in participating to bring any mercury containing thermometers to the event.

"One big plus is that we are working with Wayne County on this and they will provide a new mercury-free digital thermometer for your old mercury-containing thermometer," said Naszradi, adding that there is a limit of one free thermometer per household.

Jim Gallolgly, director of public works for the city of Northville, said that last year's hazardous waste day - held in Northville — had poor participa-

#### **WASTE DAY**

Date: Saturday, May 3 Place: City of Livonia Time: 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Location:** Livonia's Ford Field, between Five Mile and Schoolcraft Roads

tion and hopes that more residents decide to participate. The city did not lose money, said Gallolgy, only because of Livonia resident participation.

'We think it is a great event people really like it then they come because they can get rid of their nasty stuff with no charge," Gallogly said. "It is one of those public services that we provide that everyone seems to like."

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#### **HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY ACCEPTED WASTE:**

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Propane tanks

· Transmission fluid/antifreeze

\* Latex (water based) paint may also be disposed of properly on your trash collection day. Proper disposal requires the lids to be removed and allowing the paint to dry out prior to disposal. Placing cat litter in the paint speeds the process.

### throws its support to Maybury

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that has been affected by the loss. It was the council's hope, he said, that both the barn and farm at the state park are returned to their previous condition and maintained thereafter for many years to

The resolution will help reinforce our feeling about the farm and barn to the state. It can't hurt to have more indications of support," said Mittman. "The more support that is demonstrated, the more likely that the state may help to return Maybury to its original condition. With the resolution, we really are reflecting our positions as well as those of the residents of the Northville community."

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## Entertainment Every Thursday

## History gets updated at commission's workshop

By Pauline Lupercio

Northville historic district commission members will be hitting the books, so to speak, at an all-day workshop on historical preservation this Saturday.

The workshop will be attended by members of the city's historic commission members and invited

Commissioners will gain a working knowledge of nationally accepted preservation standards, the Michigan Public Act 169 that legislates Northville's Historic Ordinance, and proven ways to work with property owners and local historic resources.

Councilman and historic district commission chairperson Tom Swigart referred to the upcoming workshop as a "training session."

Historic District "The Commissioners are very excited about the workshop as it will reinforce the historic preservation principals that have made Northville one of the models of historic preservation on the state of Michigan," he said in a press release.

Janet Kreger of the Michigan Historic Preservation Network will conduct the workshop. Kreger has conducted several similar sessions in other historic preservation minded communities and will tailor the presentation to the special features and needs of Northville's own historic districtwhich is comprised of the central business district and the surround-

ing residential neighborhoods. Currently, the Northville historic district commission is working on amending the city's historic district ordinance for conformance with state statutes. The commission is also developing demolition standards and guidelines for application within the

'We have the objective of preserving the historic nature of the town and we also want to be fair in the requirements that we place on the residents and the property owners," said Swigart. "The more informed we are the better equipped we will be."

The meeting is by invitation only. Persons interested in attending who has not received an invitation can contact the city manager's office for more information at (248) 449-9905.

Pauline Lupercio is a staff writer for the Northville Record. percio@ht.homecomm.net. GARY S. WEINSTEIN

#### **SEA AND SKY**

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Northville Parks and Recreation boys' spring recreational baskelball league sign-up **DATE::** Ongoing through March

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



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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

Maple sugaring outdoor program

**LOCATION::** Cass Benton Park (Six Mile / Northville roads) **TIME:** 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Street) **DETAILS:** The program designed for persons ages 4 and

older - will teach how sap is collected and processed into maple sugar and syrup. The onehour sessions are held outdoors and cost \$3 per person. The outdoor program is not suitable for baby strollers. PHÓNE::: (734) 261-1990

• COMING UP •

LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main

TIME: 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. **DETAILS:** Various aspects of divorce — including emotional ramifications, legal matters, and spiritual issues --- will be discussed, with specialists in a variety of areas serving as keynote speakers. A \$35 cost covers a text which will be used in the program. The program meets every Thursday, except for April 17. Registration is required. PHONE: (248) 349-0911

Commerce Morning Mixer DATE: March 26 LOCATION: American Spoon (105 N. Center Street) **ŤIME:** 8 a.m. - 9 a.m. **DETAILS:** Call for info PHONE: (248) 349-7640

Northville Chamber of Commerce board of directors meetina

DATE: March 27 LOCATION: Northville Chamber of Commerce (195 S. Main Street)

TIME: 7:30 a.m. **DETAILS:** Call for info

Wiggle & Giggle Show with the Smudge Fundaes DATE:: April 17 LOCATION:: Northville Community Center (303 W. Main) TIME: 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. DETAILS: The Smudge Fundaes are a children's trio from Ontario that uses upbeat music and audience interaction. The show is family-friendly, but particularly geared for children ages 2 to 8. Tickets are \$6 per child. Adults accompanying children are free

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pointed out that the pizzawhich consists of seven pounds of dough, five pounds of cheese. and about three pounds of toppings-also requires a very large vehicle for transportation.

"It's something to think about if you're going to take that pizza back to your home or office," he said, adding that Northville Gourmet does not deliver. "An SUV or a pickup, or even a car with an open truck is kind of required."

Stewart said he began offering the 30-inch, 15-pound pie about in late February and to date. three of the 60-slice monsters have sold.

You definitely need to have some people to help you eat this thing," said Stewart "That's definitely a pie there."

Pauline Lupercio is a staff writer for the Northville Record.

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### **OBITUARIES**

#### Bernice I. Clark

Bernice Clark of Westland died March 13. She was 96.

Ms. Clark was born March 24, 1906 in Fowlerville. A former filing clerk for the city of Detroit, Ms. Clark came to Westland from Northville in 2001.

Ms. Clark is survived by her sister, Geneva Bassett of Westland and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gilbert Clark.

A memorial service for Ms. Clark was held March 17 at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. Rev. Roy G. Forsyth officiated. Interment will be at Rural Hill Cemetery of Northville.

#### **Mary Joan Robinson**

Mary Joan Robinson died March 17 at her home in Livonia. She was

Ms. Robinson was born Jan. 4, 1928 in Detroit to the late James McLeod and Elizabeth O'Melia McLeod. She was a homemaker and lifetime area resident.

Ms. Robinson is survived by her husband, Donald J. Robinson of Livonia; her children, Victoria Robinson of Costa Mesa, Calif., Marianne Kiley of South Lyon, Barbara (William) Sheehy of

Northville, Janet (Michael) Watza of Northville, Kathleen (James) Nesbit of West Bloomfield, Nancy (Allan) Sponseller of Spokane, Wash., and Bruce (Julie) Robinson of West Bloomfield; her nephews, James (Christy) McLeod and Daniel (Tracey) McLeod; her siblings, Edmund McLeod of Livonia, Hilarion McLeod of Livonia and Patricia Kennedy of Cocoa Beach, Fla.; and 14 grandchildren.

A funeral Mass for Ms. Robinson was celebrated March 19 at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville. Fr. Jack Quinlan officated the service. Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

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

#### Joseph C. Toth

Joseph Toth of Northville died March 15 in Livonia. He was 82.

Mr. Toth was born March 31. 1920 in Detroit . A retired inspector at Ford Motor Company's Rouge plant, Mr. Toth came to the Northville community from Plymouth 13 years ago. He was an Army veteran of World War II, a member of the S.L.P., and enjoyed

bowling and golf.

Mr. Toth is survived by his wife, Marianne Toth of Northville; his daughter, Lisa Toth of New York; his siblings, James Horvath of Arizona and Rose (Frank) Papp of Lincoln Park; his grandchildren, Yasmine and Jahangir Qazi; and his mother-in-law, Helen Gichoff of Toronto. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Jo-Ann Toth; his siblings, Carl Biro and Rose Bodnar; and his parents, Rose and Julius Toth and Katie and Joseph Horvath.

A memorial service for Mr. Toth will be held March 22 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice or S.L.P.

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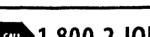
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### First Presbyterian pipes in sounds of Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra

By Pauline Lupercio

The First Presbyterian Church of Northville will soon be presenting a spiritual concert for residents to enjoy.

The concert is part of the church's Fine An Series and will feature the Northville Concert Chorale as well as the Michigan

Sinfonietta Orchestra of Ann Arbor. The orchestra's performance will reflect the use of the harp, organ, rich brass sounds, percussive instruments, and

strings. According Darlene to Kuperus, music director for First Presbyterian and concert director, the musical event will be

"Two major choral works will be featured. The Faure requiem is a piece written in the 1800's by French romantic composer Gabriel Faure. His version of the requiem focuses on serenity. peace, and the beauty of heaven," said Kuperus. "The John Rutter "Feel the Spirit" is a new composition which premiered at Carnage Hall in 2001. It's a comprised of a two-part concert.

cycle of seven familiar spirituals for chorus, orchestra, and sopra-

Tickets for the March 30 event are currently on sale at the First Presbyterian Church office during regular business hours and run \$12 for adults and \$10 for seniors and children 18 and under.

First Presbyterian "The

Church concert series continues to draw many members from the entire metro area," said Kuperus. "Audiences have enjoyed a variety of performances over this series' 12-year history. This concert series is truly a Northville treasure."

First Presbyterian Church of Northville is located at 200 East Main in downtown Northville. For more information, please call Darlene Kuperus at (248) 349-0911.

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### The only hunt in this dismal movie is for a plot

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

Saying "The Hunted" is terrible, wouldn't be fair to the person in charge of blood, knife slashing and neck cracking because there is plenty of that and more throughout the movie.

The rated-R film for strong bloody violence and some language provides plenty of gore, but that is

Character building, a worthwhile plot and suspense are three things missing from the Paramount Pictures in conjunction with Lakeshore Entertainment flick.

In fact, if I wasn't seeing the movie for this review, I would have walked out of the theater.

The only reason to waste your hard-earned money on this movie is if you enjoy watching a lot of violence, death and blood, which I know many do.

Considering the stars of the movie are Academy-Award winning actors Tommy Lee Jones ("The Fugitive," "JFK," "Men In Black" and "Men In Black II") and Benicio Del Toro ("Traffic," "Snatch," "The Pledge" and "The Usual Suspects") makes watching the disaster even

I was in shock Del Toro, who was great in "Traffic," would be in such a crappy flick.

The Hunted" was also directed by Billy Friedkin who won an Academy-Award for 'The French Connection."

The one-hour-and-thirty-four minute film begins in 1999 with a shot of Aaron Hallam, portrayed by Del Toro, in Kosovo battle where he watches Serbian soldiers mass murdering Albanian civilians, including women and children.

He is later shown receiving the silver star for valor from the U.S. military for his assassination of a Serbian officer who was responsible for many of the murders.

Flashbacks of Albanians being killed torment Aaron throughout the movie as the reason he is now mentally tormented and a "killing machine.

As the movie switches to the present year, we are introduced to L.T. Bonham, portrayed by Jones. L.T. is a tracker and Aaron's former teacher, instructing him how to kill and survive.

At the same time the former instructor to the military's elite killing machines is living a secluded life in snowy, northern British Columbia, Aaron is crazily living in the woods murdering and gutting two hunters with a homemade knife in Silver Falls. Oregon.

We learn from the FBI and the sheriff's department two others were killed the same way a week prior in Washington state.

So of course, the only way the

brutal unknown at the time murderer may be caught, is by trying to pull L.T. out of retirement to search the woods.

One of the dumbest parts of the movie is when L.T. arrives by plane at the scene of the murders.

He has no provisions or anything else for that matter and he literally just goes down on all fours and crawls into the woods telling the law enforcement agencies if he isn't back in two days he is dead.

L.T. Immediately tracks the Sgt. First Class and this is where the viewer officially learns of the teacher-student relationship.

"I trained him to survive. I trained him to kill," Jones said.

It is kind of like Miyagi and the Karate Kid gone bad. Aaron is arrested and taken into

custody by Oregon law enforcers, but not for long. Military agents come and take

custody of Aaron telling the FBI he

is the military's property, further explaining Aaron has no control over his need to kill anymore.

We also learn at this point L.T. has never killed a man in his life, further building the drama between the sick and twisted Miyagi and Danny Larusso.

While in military custody, Aaron of course escapes and the hunt con-

I won't bore you with all the details, but the crazed killer is hunted throughout the movie after series of near catches.

He is also shot at by trained FBI agents numerous times, without ever being hit.

But of course he couldn't be sniped by an agent because even a film novice could figure out the ultimate climax of the movie would be a battle between the non-killing teacher and crazed, ultimate-killingmachine student.

And of course the clandestine

battle happened in the woods, which I was waiting for the entire time I was sitting through the abysmal

While they ran, stabbed and crashed throughout the city I kept thinking the final fight would have

to be in the wildemess. It only makes crappy film sense. So when the film came full circle at the end, there was absolutely no

shock or drama. The only enjoyment this movie provided was hearing "Highway 61 Revisited" and 'The Man Comes Around" by Johnny Cash before and after the show.

But if I were you, I would save the price of admission and buy some Cash on vinyl instead.

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### Addictive hardly even describes 'Amplitude'

By CHRIS C. DAVIS

NORTHVILLE RECORD EDITOR

When I say I dislike dance music, what I really mean is that I'd rather endure an IRS audit in a manure-filled sauna than listen to techno.

Having said that, I can tell you the video game "Amplitude" somehow managed to push that bias aside and

Simply put, "Amplitude" is a game that contains both an incredibly silly premise (becoming the hottest deejay in the free world) and an incredibly addictive quality (it's far more potent than 'Tetris' ever was.) Think of it as a 2003 version of that classic 1970s electronic game

"Simon." The objective in "Amplitude" is to catch on to the beat of the music, provided by some of the more well-known dance and electronic groups of today. Once you catch it, it's a matter of tapping the control buttons at the precise moment when a targetfinder scrolls over various markings on the surface below. Hitting several of those targets consecutively releases the musical energy (whatever that's supposed to mean) and also starts playing another track to the song drums, bass, guitar, vocals, etc. Each track opened up buys the player more time, and since the ultimate goal is to make it all the way through the song — each tune is about three to five minutes in length - extending playtime is the crux of being a win-

If it sounds simple, that's because it is. By and large, play-

ers only use three buttons, plus the directional pad. Unlike today's popular fighting games, there are no 16-button-combinations needed to be memorized in order to execute a move, nor does "Amplitude" demand a photographic memory of the location of items.

But where "Amplitude" lacks

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it more than makes up for in the way it can consume a player.

in complexity

"Amplitude" is a lot like riding a bike: once you figure out how it's done, you've mastered 90 percent of what there is to know. The rest is all style.

I should correct myself. It's also about speed. Where "Tetris" became more difficult as the blocks drop at a faster rate, 'Amplitude" gets trickier as the targets are spaced more closely together. That, of course, requires even faster eye / hand coordination.

"Amplitude" also demands absolute precision on the part of players. For one thing, shooting the targets requires surgical exactness in the timing of the button-pressing. Being off by even a fraction of a second means the target is missed altogether. It also means that the goal of hit-ting a string of the targets is interrupted, which is the equivalent of going back to "Start" in a board game.

But alas, there is help out there. Video game systems with vibrating controllers (in my case, a PlayStation2) help players along by pulsing to the beat of the music. At first, I thought this feature would drive me nuts, since that's the one element of the PS2 that I simply loathe. With "Amplitude," though, I leaned on the vibration feature heavily, and I suspect other players would, too.
"Amplitude" also incorporates

special power-up features that allow users to clear particularly difficult tracks of a song by merely pressing one button, affectionately known as the "AutoBlaster" in the game. It's not something that's probably needed for the easier game settings, but the advanced modes the ones that will have a player tapping buttons like he's typing a term paper as 12:30 a.m. — are made significantly easier with the "AutoBlaster" function.

Gamers with parents who already hate hip-hop music will continue to hate "Amplitude," mostly because it's virtually impossible to play without audio. Parents won't, however, have any objections to the all-too-typical nasty lyrics of hip-hop, mostly because there aren't any. The songs aren't ready to be piped into a kindergarten classroom, but they won't have parents huffing and puffing their way back to the retailer demanding a refund,

"Amplitude" is the kind of game that will have friends arguing over who gets to play next even if you'd rather drink weekold coffee from a gasoline can than listen to dance.

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### VIRTUAL VIC

Virtual Vic,

I've been with my girlfriend for almost two years now, and we're even talking about moving in together. The problem is, I've been finding myself checking out the other players in the field, if you know what I mean. I love my girlfriend, but should I ask for a time out and play the field or should I clear my mind of the situation and call the movers? I mean, I love her, but should I chase these urges or stick to my guns? Help!

Urges in Novi

Dear Urges in Novi. According

Romanceclass.com, when thinking about moving in with someone, it is important to make sure you're ready.

One of the down sides of moving in with someone, the Web site says, is it is now MUCH harder to break up with them. The love site experts say if

you're not really sure that this person is for you, hold off on moving Wait until you are really sure

that this seems like a good relationship. If you move in for other rea-

sons, and then discover immediately that your partner simply doesn't work well with you, it's now hard to deal with the moving out and finding somewhere else to

I completely agree with Romanceclass.com and would like to emphasize the portion of advice that says "if you're really not sure that this person is for you, hold off on moving in.'



Victoria Sadlocha

The mere fact you find yourself checking out the other "players in the field" could very well be a strong sign you are not 100 percent ready for the move.

My first reaction to your comment is that you may be scoping out other women because part of you is looking for something bet-

Bear in mind just because you are in a committed relationship doesn't mean your eyes must be poked out of your head.

Everyone still appreciates a good looking man or woman when they see one, but there is a distinct difference between scoping out and acknowledging in your head someone is attractive.

I have been in relationships before where I found myself seriously sizing up other men and those were the boyfriends that didn't work out.

After asking some of my friends their opinions of someone scanning after two years, we all agreed that is pretty early in the relationship to still not believe your partner is the cutest.

Another very important factor

you should consider is moving in with your girlfriend will only complicate your lives.

Once you sign the lease, all of the little life things will start creeping in.

There are bills, chores, nighttime routines and knew little possibly annoying habits you don't know about by dating someone no matter how long you have been together.For most people, these little life things may never escalate into more than an occasional tiff, but if you already start on a rocky base the little things may erupt into volcanoes.

Of course there are great times too, and if someone is in a good relationship, living together will be a wonderful experience.

I would also urge before your decision is made, you check with your parents and more importantly her parents out of respect.

If appropriate, you might even want to consult with your priest or pastor about moral implications of living together before marriage.

I believe you should take your time and enjoy dating until you are really ready to make the big

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### SCREEN BEAT

By Brian Renner The Movie Insider

Coming to theaters this weekend is the flying comedy "View from the Top" starring Gwyneth Paltrow as Donna, who dreams of becoming a first class international flight attendant and is willing to do whatever it takes to ensure that her dreams come true. The road to success is not a smooth flight, as she encounters more turbulence than she bargained for. But the real question is whether her bumpy start will cause her to leave her dreams behind or if it will take her on the journey of a lifetime. "View from the Top" is a Miramax Films release and rated PG-13 for language and sexual references.

Animated adventure "Piglet's Big Movie" focuses on the tiniest member of Winnie the Pooh's extended family. This is the story of the self-confidence that timid Piglet finds when his friends are endangered, and with the Book of Memories, he's the one resident of Hundred Acre Wood who can save them. "Piglet's Big Movie" is a Walt Disney Pictures release and rated G for nothing objection-

Water-filled "Boat Trip" is the story of two heterosexual guys (Cuba Gooding Jr., Horatio Sanz) as they embark on a Caribbean cruise on the U.S.S. Calypso, hoping to find a woman, only to discover that they accidentally booked an all-gay cruise instead... undoubtedly, wacky high jinks soon ensue. "Boat Trip" is an Artisan Entertainment release and rated R for strong sexual content, language and some drug material.

Based on the Stephen King bestselling novel, thriller 'Dreamcatcher'' follows a group of men who have been friends since childhood as they go on a hunting trip in northern Maine. When a stranger arrives at their cabin, the four telepathically connected pals have to battle the horrors of an invading alien force that takes over people's bodies. As director. producer writer. Lawrence Kasdan explains 'Dreamcatcher" is about controlling the fear of the chaos that's out there, whether it's somewhere in the universe, outside in the dark, or in your body as it begins to rebel against you. Then there are all the things I've tried to deal with in my other movies, the relationships between characters, friendships, issues of loyalty and redemption; but as with a lot of [Stephen] King's writing, theyire married to an exotic, horrifying action story. That's something I've always wanted to try. 'Dreamcatcher" is a Warner Bros. Pictures release and rated R for violence, gore and language.

Next week

Dance-themed thriller "Assassination Tango" (R), comedy concert "Blue Collar Comedy Tour: The Movie" (R), futuristic adventure "The Core" (PG-13) and goofy political satire "Head of State" (PG-13).

Music-soaked drama "8 Mile" college-set thriller "Abandon" (PG-13), fact-based drama "Auto Focus" (R), crime saga "Empire" (R), drama "The Grey Zone" (R), offbeat independent romantic comedy "Just A Kiss" (R), drama "The Man from Elysian Fields" (R), interpersonal drama "Personal Velocity" (R), comedy "Roger Dodger" (R) and crime comedy "Welcome to Collinwood" (R).

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imperative

and there



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can be no short cuts when it comes to expressing "please and thank you!" The "front of the house", (wait staff, bus staff, door hosts, bartenders and expediters), use phraseology all their own. It is not uncommon to hear tables referred to as a "two, three or four tops". This merely means that there are that number of people sitting at that particular table. and each table is assigned a number. So if a host tells a server that

they have a "five top at 30" there are five people sitting at table 30. Easy enough the floor that includes all of the tables is divided into sections and with each shift the tables are equally divided between the wait staff. These "stations" become their personal businesses for the shift. This is where they make their living. The better they manage the business, the more money they make.

Their number one responsibility is to make you, "our customer", happy! Along with this, they are salespeople and conversationalists. In many instances, they are athletes, too, literally running when it gets busy.

Although true professional waiters and waitresses make the job look easy, it is anything but. They must be coordinators and organizers. The timing of the appetizer, salad and main entrée is critical. Also very important is the clearing of plates, pouring of beverages, opening wine and prompt presentation of the check.

Part of running a business is to keep it in tip-top shape. The wait staff's roll in this is called "side work". When they receive their station assignment for the shift they also are given a specific duty that they're responsible to complete before checking out for the day. They replenish their stations with salt, pepper, sugar, condiments, butter and creamers. Tables and chairs are checked for cleanliness, the floor in their area is swept, side stations stocked, and the all time favorite, silverware rolled in cloth napkins. Needless to say, it is very important that all assignments are com-

pleted thoroughly. My "back of the house" and front of the house" staff get along great with each other but are not allowed to speak while working. My job as an "expediter" is to coordinate the "front" of the restaurant with the "back" (or kitchen). Imagine that you're a sauté cook, and you're having to answer nine waitresses questions or their explanations for "see servers", special orders. It wouldn't leave much time to cook, so only one person does the talking in the kitchen, and that's me. The wait staff can devote their time to the service and the kitchen crew to cooking. Just the way it's

supposed to be. At the beginning of a shift, I take my post at the counter that separates the kitchen from the front. As the food comes down or is "put in the window" I check to be sure that the plate and the food are hot (or cold if that's the case), and are cooked properly and that the plates are spotless. No drips of sauces are allowed. Food presentation is so important. We eat with our eyes first and mouth second.

As the orders are "trayed", or filled, I call for the waitness or waiter, via a beeper system to deliver the meals. If they are not immediately available, another person or myself will "run the food" and serve it to the appropriate table. This ensures that it is hot and of optimum quality. There are bound to be mistakes. If a wrong order is put in to the "POS" (point of sale) or cash register, it becomes my job to correct the error. I'll ask the kitchen to prepare the accurate food order "on the fly" meaning right now away.

From where I stand at the restaurant. I have the advantage of seeing the kitchen, and ninety percent of the front of the house. When there is a break in the action, I wander the floor and enjoy talking with as many of our guests as possible. This is the fun part of my job as expediter. Our staff knows what an extremely important role they play in the success of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro. Each team member contributes toward our every day goal, which is "your satisfaction". And what a tremendous job they all do!

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



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville High School student Jessica Smith, left, gets some help from Writing Center Tutor Susanna Klimek during a Monday morning lunchtime.

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

An old adage claims two heads are better than one.

When a pair of students team together at Northville High School's Writing Center, brainstorming and peer tutoring often

result in a more polished assignment and perhaps a higher grade.
Lisa Rohde, an English teacher
at Northville High, said the Writing Center began in 2001 and has seen steady growth in students seeking writing assistance.

"I think it's so important because it gives students one-onone interaction with someone that's their age," said Rohde. "Peer tutoring is a lot more comfortable sometimes than to talk to a teacher

But the students visiting the Writing Center aren't the only ones who benefit.

"It teaches the tutors a lot as well," said Rohde

Carrie Dobson, a NHS senior and peer tutor, agreed

teach

care

read

"I feel my writing has improved this semester by helping these kids. The best way to learn is to teach."

> Carrie Dobson peer tutor

"It's a pretty unique program," she said. "Not a lot of schools have a program like the Writing Center. You can really make a difference in these kids' papers. The vast majority of kids that come in here feel that they've accomplished something through the tutoring session.

The Writing Center is open during school lunch times by

appointment. Dobson said the peer writing tutors are selected to the program through an application process and serve one semester.

Dobson said she appreciates the opportunity to help other students

by perusing their assignments.
"No other class is like that," she

Her own schoolwork has also benefited as a result of peer tutor-

"I feel my writing has improved over this semester by helping these kids," said Dobson. "The best way to learn is to teach."

Although the program has recently been added to Northville High School, the Writing Center is steadily gaining popularity.

"The volume of kids has increased this year from last year," said Dobson. "We're packed every day. It's fantastic."

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Writing isn't easy. Grammar, spelling, verb usage. subject-verb agreement and content can seem overwhelming for both provice and experienced student

Northville High School has mplemented a new program to help students combat these common obstacles of high school writing. Every school day, during all three hinch periods, all interested students can partake in 15-minute tutoring sessions with a private writing tutor.

All tutors have taken a college prep writing class at NHS. These tutors were selected by teachers who reviewed the students; previous English grades and samples their writing. The tutors received special training during the first weeks of the semester to learn specific grammar rules and mentoring skills to help them effectively aid students with writing assignments.

Students may bring in any type of writing - from outlines, to poetry, to lab reports to mammoth research papers. Tutors can check a variety of aspects of the students' work. Consequently, the writing center tutors ask that students arrive ready to focus on a specific area of their paper that needs improvement. However, if students are unsure of the area on which they would like to concentrate tutors can help narrow the focus at the beginning of the session.

Upon arrival in the writing center, the friendly peer tutors will greet the session will greet the session.

students at the door and introduce themselves. After filling out some preliminary paper work, it's time to

get down to business. Although only 15 minutes long, tutoring sessions can accomplish much and students are encouraged to make return visits if they feel

their paper still need improvement.

The writing center has opened its

doors - not to judge, but to help. Sign up in the main office for a time slot with our enthusiastic tutors. Unsure of our location? Look for the brightly painted windows across from the Student Congress office. Stop by with any original piece of work. The tutors look forward to your visit. submitted by Beth Cohen



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The Meads Mill Middle School Eighth Grade Band received a Superior Rating of a "1" at the MSBOA District 12 Band and Orchestra Festival. Under the direction of Robin Taylor and Tonya Brown, the eighth grade band students competed in a festival competition on Thursday, March 13 at Dexter High School. Students were graded by three judges in their performance and one judge in sight-reading.

For their performance, students played a march, a required piece, and a selected piece. In

sight-reading, students played a march and an overture that they had never played before.

Solo and Ensemble Results
Sixty-six students participated
in a total of 43 events at the
MSBOA District 12 Solo and
Ensemble on Feb. 1. Of the 43
events, 33 received I's (superior
ratings), nine received II's
(excellent rating), and one group
received a III (good rating). The
following is a list of the groups
and students involved.

7th Grade Students

Jewel Manees, BreAnna Montgomery, Libby Nork, Marisa Woloszyn - flute quartet Elizabeth Hawksford - piano

Dietrich Warner and Ben Marti - trumpet, baritone duet Camellia Das - alto saxophone

solo

Rebecca Soyster and Jess

Horowitz - clarinet duet
Thomas Hseih - piano solo
Erin Lindholm - oboe solo
Michael Huarng - bassoon
solo

Alyssa Menovcik and Erin Lindholm - oboe duet

Caitlin Northcutt - clarinet solo

Julia Bawden - trumpet solo Robin Czerwinski - flute solo Carissa Patrone and Anna Hardenbergh - flute duet

Thomas Hseih - bassoon solo Josie VanLoozen and Natalie Peterson - flute duet

Eric Franceschi - trumpet solo David Clarkson - trumpet solo Allison Schmitz, Robin Czerwinski, Joy Lerner - flute, clarinet trio

Lydia Blair and Elizabeth Hawksford - clarinet duet Jonathon Hammond and Camellia Das - alto saxonhone Jackie Turner and Katie Blatchford - trumpet, trombone duet

Jonathon Hammond - alto saxophone solo

8th Grade Students
Jake Whitecar - snare drum

Elizabeth Cullen and Brian
Havlisch - alto saxophone duet
Elliot Huang - piano solo
Carlen Zhang, Mary Sprader,
Jackie Zhang - clarinet trio
Kristine Valo - niano solo

Kristine Valo - piano solo Elliot Huang - clarinet solo Brian Havlisch - piano solo Jackte Zhang - piano solo Ashley Burgett and Kristine Valo - flute, bassoon duet

Brian Watson - trombone solo Sean Kollipara - baritone solo Kristine Valo - flute solo Mary Sprader - clarinet solo Elizabeth Cullen - alto saxo-

phone solo

Elliot Huang - violin solo

Hannah Gill and Kirsten

Hannah Gill and Kirsten Hogan - clarinet duet Combined 7th and 8th

Grade Students
Jake Whitecar, Dan Lone, Ben
Maguire, Theresa Yankovich,
Cavan Corcoran - percussion

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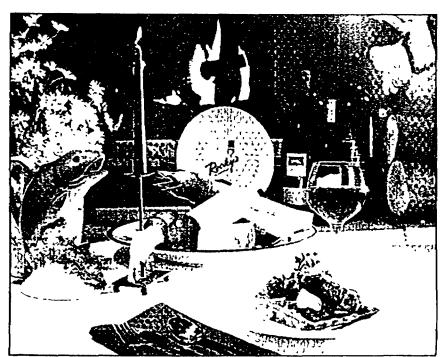
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### There's peace amid strife

No matter where

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say that given the choice between a world of peace and a world of conflict, hardly a soul could be found that would prefer the latter.

Knowing that to be the case, there are little things we can gives us a sense of purpose.

Think

all do to try to make our own lives just a bit more peaceful here at home.

 Don't allow petty squab-bles to cause long-term rifts between you and others. Too often we come unglued over trivial matters hold and meaningless grudges.

There's enough bitterness the world without the added silliness 

no law against doing either. and the good cheer it passes along just might make some-

• Admire the natural beauty of the world, or add some of your own. The crocuses are starting to pop up from the soil, which means tulips and daffodils won't be far behind. These are reminders of new

No matter where you stand on the issue of war, it's safe to

• Always have something to · Always have something to look forward to. No matter how big or small the goal — whether it's a vacation, a volunteer opportunity or buying a new house — working toward something pulls us along and

> before speak-ing. Words ing. Words uttered can't taken and once they've been spoken they can have a powerful effect on the lives of others. Take the extra second ponder what you're going to say, knowing that contrary the saying, sticks and and stones names hurt people. can't call the

shots where war is concerned. But we can control how we respond to it.

FOOTNOTE: (Regardless of denomination, or lack thereof, we can all take a lesson from a simple but poignant meditation: grant me the courage to change the things I can, the patience to accept the things I can't, and life. (Flower Days in accept the things I can't, and Northville is coming up in a the wisdom to know the differmatter of weeks, and Farmer's ence.)



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With a pair of shamrock glasses, Delores Malhoit enjoys Monday afternoon's St. Patrick's Day luncheon and Derby Day gathering at the Novi Senior Center.

### Record had every right to cover Ravines lawsuit

This letter is in response to the opinion written in the March 6 Northville Record entitled "Ravines lawsuit story was very overblown".

Thank you to the Northville Record for reporting on this issue. As one of the residents of the Ravines who had the most to lose (if we lost our fight on the land dispute). I can only say how proud we are to live here in Northville and the Ravines. Our Homeowners Association leaders have worked feverishly to save our beautiful barn and rustic nature walking/running path. We are so grateful to them for all their hard work and expertise. We truly can't thank them enough because the barn and rustic paths were the deciding factor in purchasing this, our dream home.

There is a reference made to us residents being stressed out waiting 20 minutes for a latte at the local coffee house. I've never been to the local coffeehouse. I prefer an old-fashioned cup of Tea. However, I might try a latte iust to find our what this person is talking about. By the way, I hope the wait is not 20 minutes - my time is important to me.

I consider it a proud moment when reading that we are living in a mansion. Hallelujah! We've arrived. We are very proud of this "McMansion-excess" home because no one has given it to us. We've carned it through hard work, determination and sacrifice. This person stereotypes all people who live in larger homes. He does not know us personally. He fails to realize that like everyone else in Northville, the Ravines residents pay taxes, too. Taxes that benefit the library, parks and other areas that make Northville a wonderful place to live.

It seems arrogant of this person to tell you

what to do with your newspaper.

The Record has been most informative and entertaining in it's content. It's a great insight into the Northville community. As a subscriber, I look forward to the paper every Thursday

In closing I must say that if this person took the time to write a letter about our neighborhood, just imagine how much space he would request if it was his home and development in question.

Marie A. Gaiski

### Horrors of war recalled by letter-writer

It looks that no matter how much other nations are against it and how people over the world, including this nation, are expressing their opposition to it, we will be invading Iraq. The hawks in this administration are hell-bent on it. We have heard all sorts of reasons for it - that Iraq was involved with the Sept. 11, 2001 attack (which has no basis of fact), that America must enforce UN sactions (what about those violated by Israel's settements on the West Bank?), and the latest, that it will bring democracy to the region. By the time this letter reaches the Record, we will probably have a couple more, such as George W. Bush's pursuing God's mission.

The hawks in the administration, including our president, all supported the Vietnam war, but none of them fought there. In fact, Mr. Bush got himself transferred to a National Guard unit in Alabama (although a Texas resident) which existed only on paper and did

not even have week-end manuveurs. But the little word "war" means something else to me. I worked at Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco at the end of the Korean War, It was part of the 8th Army headquarters at the Presidio. I saw dozens of injured soldiers, some paraplegies, one triplegie, one soldier who would not talk and sat morosely beside his bed. He had lost his right arm at the shoulder. Others shell-shocked, a 19-yearold boy from Guam with both feet blown off, and the last week I was there a sight that haunts me at night, a 22-year-old Marine lieutenant with bandages over the top half of his face. On his right was a nur left an orderly. He was being taught how to walk with a white cane. The top part of his face had been blown off. He had not told his parents he was blind; he had not yet been

able to do so. This is what war is - not a parlor game, not something we should start to "save face" or let the world know that we not only have the most powerful military, but we intend to use it. Some people look at our leaders and feel that they portray a macho image, but some of us see the blown-up children in Iraq. the filled body bags, the destroyed lives of men and women in our military, and even those who come back whole but with nightmares. I remember one of my clients, a Vietnam veteran telling me that with others, he had committed atrocities in Vietnam. He did not elaborate, but the look in his eyes was that of a man who was asking himself, "How could I have done that?"

> Irene Piccone Northville

EDITOR'S NOTE: At press time, military action against Iraq had not yet commenced

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## Libraries before lockups, I say

Which is more important: educating young people or warehousing criminals? Most people, I believe, would say the return on investing young minds far out-strips the costs of jailing felons. Indeed, for many years, the state of Michigan spent more on universities than on prisons.

But if Gov. Jennifer Granholm's budget proposal for the 2004 fiscal year that begins Oct. 1 is adopted by the legislature, for the first time Michigan will spend more on the corrections system than on our universities. The numbers may be small, but the symbol-

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Phil Power

state prisons totals \$1.723 billion, while her spending plan for the 15 public universities in Michigan (plus various scholarship programs) comes to \$1.715 bil-

lion. How has this happened? In part, it's because appropriations for higher education have been cut by almost 12 percent over the past two years, while spending for the corrections system has held steady. Five years ago, for example, state spending on higher education was \$1.6 billion, while outlays for prisons totaled \$1.4 billion.

To her credit, Granholm's budget proposals for the corrections system include a number of cuts. She calls for improvements in the parole system, so inmates once released on parole don't go back to prison. She wants a system of drug courts for drug or alcohol addicts who commit crimes, on the idea that treatment programs are cheaper than prisons. And the governor wants to change the law so that non-violent prisoners

would be placed in less expensive community placement facilities several months before their scheduled release; she says this step along would free up 1,400 prison beds.

Make no mistake about it. Prisons in Michigan are expensive. Some authorities say that it costs the state \$80 a day per prisoner. Others say that the annual cost of the system runs at more than \$25,000 per inmate.

Peter Luke, the Lansing columnist for the Booth Newspapers, points out in a column last weekend that Michigan locks up enormous numbers of non-violent offenders who are sentenced to two years or less. He cites statistics from Corrections Department Director William Overton, that 56 percent of new inmates were sentenced to 24 months or less. Last year, the state's prisoner intake jumped by 15 percent to 11,047 new inmates.

Legislators have for years argued that a public sick and tired of increasing crime rates is insisting on spending whatever it takes to lock 'em up. But crime rates are down, costs to run the corrections system keep going up, and even legislators are beginning to realize it makes little sense to keep people who commit non-violent crimes in very expensive prison cells.

On the other hand, Gov. Granholm's 2004 budget cuts another 6.7 percent or \$154 million for state support for the 15 public universities and 29 community colleges, plus reduces merit scholarships from \$2,500 to \$500. This is on top of last year's cut of 3.5 percent across the board reduction for higher education.

According to Michael Bolus, executive director of the Presidents Council of the State Universities of Michigan, state universities now receive around the same funding they got in 1998-99, without any adjustments for inflation. "How can you not have higher tuition when we're being cut like this?," he asks, while pointing out that Michigan universities get about \$1,000 less per student from the state than universities in neighboring states.

MSU President Peter McPherson says his school has 6,000 more students than it did

10 years ago, yet the same number of faculty. University of Michigan president Mary Sue Coleman says she wants to save money. but she is also aware that merely cramming more kids into a classroom is not necessarily what either

the kids or their families want. When Make no misl was a take about it. regent at the U-M, I kept Prisons in pointing out that the Michigan are University was doing expensive. all kinds of things to Some authorisave money - privatizties say that it ing services, costs the state cutting nonacademic \$80 a day per staff --- but it wasn't prisoner. Others emphasizing cost containsay that the ment in its annual cost of Be that as it may, the the system runs core of the debate over at more than Gov. \$25,000 per Granholm's

important for the state to spend money on warehousing felons or educating young people. As far as I'm concerned, college beats the slam every time around.

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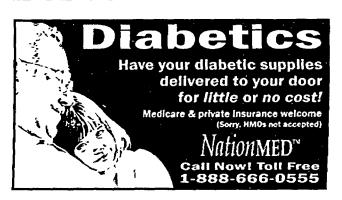
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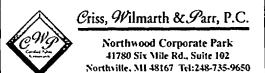
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### Save money — just take the test!

Maybe you haven't heard - Michigan is in something of a budget crunch!

No, wait a second. That's not quite right. Try this: Michigan's budget is the equivalent of a rusted-out 1985 Cavalier with smoke billowing out of the hood in the middle of rush-hour traffic.

Yeah. That's more like it.

The budget Governor Granholm presented to the state legislature earlier this month hit a number of areas particularly hard. Not that she didn't warn us, mind you. A whirlwind tour of the state showcasing the harsh realities gave the grim forecast and let residents head

- in case you haven't heard this, either -

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colleges and universities as an admissions

that the elimination of the money (about

tive for students to take the test, not to

\$2,500 per student) will remove all incen-

mention put a sizable dent in the checking

I couldn't agree more. There's no reason

So here's a revolutionary concept that I know might come as a shock to those who

believe a financial carrot needs to be dan-

gled to get anything to happen: just man-

How simple was that? Bam --- problem

accounts of college-bound seniors when

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Opponents to the cut are screaming foul

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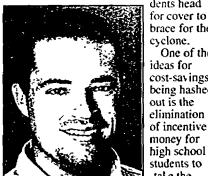
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If this sounds mean-spirited, consider that schools across the state are already required to maintain certain core curriculum. You won't get out of high school without a certain amount of English, science, math, social studies and so on. Go ahead.

Try. See how far you get. Students are no dummies, either. They've picked up on this, and the MEAP's weaknesses were revealed in no more glaring a manner than right here in Northville. About two years ago, in an act of simple Generation Y ("Why?") defiance, Northville High students donned T-shirts bearing anti-MEAP messages and opted for a late morning omelet instead of spending three hours in a classroom hovering over a test booklet. Educational purists could label the act as just a bunch of spoiled brats whining about things, but I tend to dis-

agree. They were being asked - not required — to take a test not required to get out of 12th grade, not required to enroll in college, and which stood a greater chance of hurting their overall academic standing than it did in helping.

Tell me, critics — where's the incentive? That's right. There was none.

Enter the bribe...sorry! I meant "MEAP scholarship." The state figured that if it couldn't talk up the test enough then it would dangle a financial carrot in front of students' faces.

(Speaking of math, take a guess how much money \$2,500 multiplied by thousands of high school students is? No calcu-

lators allowed.) So now I drift back to my thought about killing the payout, and I know what you're thinking. Oh, sure...that sounds great in theory, but could how does he plan on

implementing it? Easy.

First, determine the level of expectation. One of the reasons teachers and administrators loathe the MEAP is that districts are so often forced to teach for the MEAP. This is a claim often denied by Lansing, but make no mistake about it. The cart is before the horse in state education. Any educator knows that, and if you don't believe me, check a teacher's lesson plans. Chances are "MEAP TEST" is penciled in before just about anything else.

Second, clean up the test. Privately or publicly, folks in academia are either laughing at the test or getting sick at the mention of it. The MEAP has been reworked and retooled so many times that districts have a hard time knowing exactly what the test is supposed to measure.

Third, make absolutely clear to students the need for passage of the test in order to

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Yes, there is a catch – it's less money in the bank accounts of

students. Sorry, I can't help out there. Times are tough. But if MEAP-takers of years ago managed to get by without getting paid for their brain energy, something tells me the current crop can do so, too.

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The way I see things, it's win-win-win: the state holds on to a bigger chunk of its money, MEAP proponents get some teeth in their case for taking the test, and Michigan students are held to a higher standard. What's not to like?

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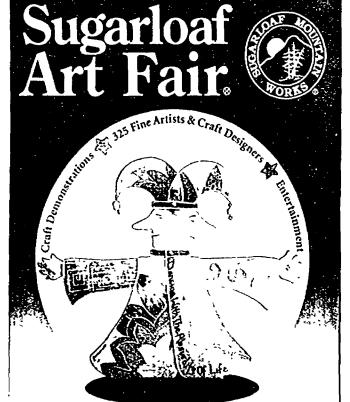
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meeting at Old Village School. Rupley said he gave the notion of leaving the board careful consider-

"I thought quite a bit about it," he said "It's a very significant time commitment to try to do the school board functions well. I'm in a profession that also demands a lot of time and energy. I also have children still at home. Obviously, there's quite a bit of time commitment there. It's a question of balancing what you can do. I've been on the board for four years."

Prior to becoming a member of the Northville school board, Rupley served as citizens' chair of the bond issue campaign which voters approved in 1997.

Rupley received his undergraduate degree in political science from JERRY RUPLEY

Michigan State University. He also earned a law degree from Harvard Law School. Currently, he is a municipal finance lawyer specializing in higher education finance.

Rupley is married and has three

While serving his term on the school board, Rupley was appointed to the position of treasurer for three years and trustee for one year. Rupley spoke highly of his

chance to help lead Northville schools. "It's been great learning experience and I hope I contributed at least some small amount," he said.

'I think there's good in tumover on

the board. [Fellow school board

member] Greg [Presley's] decision

and my decision will clearly open up two seats. There are a lot of really good people in the community. I'm sure the community will find two people who will make a great contribution on the board."

Rupley also lauded his academic colleagues.

"I also want to say what a great honor it's been to have served on the board," he said. "Northville is a really fine district. That's due to the parents, students, teachers, staff administrators and to the community as a whole. The community really supported our schools as well. It's been an honor. It's just been a good experience."

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departure at the March 11 Board of Education meeting at Old Village School.

During his years of volunteer service, Pelc has held the positions of secretary and trustee.

"I enjoyed being on the board," he said. "I tell you, it was a quick four years."

Pelc also said he plans to retire from the Dearborn school district in August after serving 30 years. Currently, Pelc is a building engineer at Long Elementary School in

Pelc said his experience on the Northville school board has been positive.

"What an experience," he said. We've got a super district. We're in the top five. No doubt about it. We do have a very good school dis-

#### GREGORY PELC

trict. I've been very pleased with

Prior to becoming a school board member, Pelc was a member of the 1997 bond issue citizen's campaign committee and earned an Associate's degree in science from Henry Ford Community College. He is married and has two children.

Pelc said he particularly enjoyed visiting various schools for board functions and meeting the students. After retiring from the board. Pelc said he plans to do more vol-

unteer projects and work with computer maintenance management systems.

"I've enjoyed myself on the board," he said. "I've enjoyed it immensely. We work together as a

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### Departures open up board slots

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Do you have a strong opinion on weighted grades, potential budget cuts, what time students should start school and other educational issues?

Do you care about what students learn in school and how they're prepared for the future? On June 9, area voters will

appoint two candidates to fill two vacant positions on the Northville Board of Education. One of these seats could be yours. Board members Gregory Pelc and Jerry Rupley announced they would not be seeking re-election to

the board at the March 11 Board of Education meeting. Pelc and Rupley are currently serving as secretary and treasurer

for the board, respectively. Their term will officially end in late June. Board of education members said Pelc and Rupley have made priceless contributions to Northville

Public Schools. "We're going to miss them," said board trustee, Joan Wadsworth.

"They've brought a wealth of knowledge to the board."

Board trustee. Karen Paciorek,

agreed.
"Unfortunately, we're losing
Greg and Jerry," said Paciorek. They've been two wonderful board members, as has everyone who has served in the past. We have an outstanding tradition of citizen involve-

Paciorek challenged area citizens to consider becoming a school board candidate.

We have people in the community who can step up to the plate and make a significant contribution to the board, to this community really," she said. "We have outstanding schools and they need our continued support. Our community is rich with people that bring skills from every day jobs and life experiences. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time on the board. I think it's a wonderful worthwhile investment of one's times. It really is.

Wadsworth shared a similar opin-

"I just think it's important for folks

who care about the schools to be involved," Wadsworth said. "I think the quality of the board does have an effect on the quality of the programs. It's a very rewarding way to give back to the community. If you care about the quality of the schools, it's a wonderful way to be involved."

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### Marquis set to lift the curtain again

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unbelievable, but we are back and better than ever," Zayti said. Zayti credited Northville residents Mike Halbert and partner Bruce Christenson of Burton

Brothers for the restoration pro-

ject's success. "The Burton brothers did a heck of a job here," she said. They were absolutely great."

Included in the restoration project were the prop room, costume room, and auditorium. The theater's approximately 550 seats were all refurbished and reupholstered and about 2,000 costumes had to be sent out for professional cleaning. Theatergoers will also notice that the entire Marquis was re-carpeted, re-painted, and re-

walipapered. Zayti said that only a few minor details still need to be taken care of but they are ready for the show to go on.

'I cannot believe how wonderful it feels to open up again to the public," said Zaytı.

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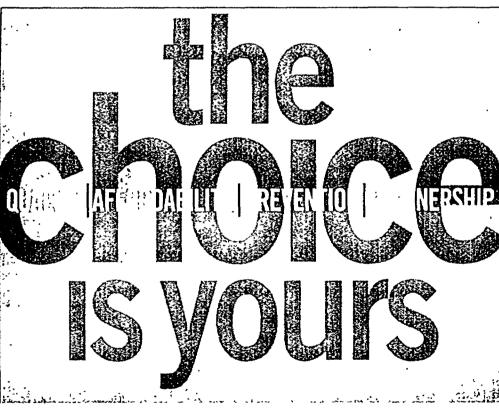
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What's the cause?

A health-care system that is very sick and must undergo major surgery if it is to survive. It's so sick that doctors are staging walkouts and work stoppages to protest spiraling malpractice insurance premiums. Recently, hundreds of physicians in New Jersey refused to go to work, following the example of their peers in West Virginia, Florida and Nevada.

Their diagnosis? It's a cancer called excessive litigation that's relentlessly devouring our health system. With each outrageous jury award, it spreads, driving medical costs higher and pushing insurance premiums off the charts. This unprecedented wave of lawsuits forces doctors to practice defensive medicine.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services reports that nearly 80 percent have ordered more tests than they normally would, just to protect them from liability exposure. Some three-fourths have referred patients to specialists more often than they believed was medically necessary.

It's time to put this legal liability system under the knife.
President Bush, in his recent
State of the Union address, called on Congress to pass medical liability reform. No one, he said, has ever been healed by a frivolous lawsuit.

This ailment has already sent some doctors into early retirement and made others flee their states in search of fairer legal systems and affordable malpractice coverage. But for small-business owners and their employees, there's nowhere to run or hide.

Today, more than half of all uninsured workers are self employed or working in a small business. According to a study just released by the Employee Benefit Research Institute, nearly one-fifth of small employers that provide health insurance changed their benefits last year. A majority of those, nearly two-thirds, increased employees' co-payments or deductibles. Others, 30 percent, raised employee premium percentages and nearly as many trimmed back their health offerings. More than one-in-three switched insurers.

The message I delivered to the U.S. Senate's Small Business Committee on Feb. 5 offered one antidote for this illness: Congress can help small businesses survive by allowing them to band together through their trade or professional associations to purchase health insurance at discounted rates

Large corporations and labor unions already enjoy economies of scale because of their size, but this advantage has not been available to those who create most of our nation's new jobs.

Association Health Plans would save small businesses 15 percent to 30 percent of their premium costs compared with the cost of purchasing coverage directly from an insurance company. But the real cure for our ailing health system will come only when lawmakers have the courage to decide that patients with true medical needs, not trial lawyers in search of big financial awards, are the ones who deserve the benefits.

Until then, let's hope we have no need of medical attention.
There may not be a doctor in the

Jack Faris is president of NFIB (the National Federation of Independent Business), the nation's largest small-business advocacy group. A non-profit, non-partisan organization founded in 1943, NFIB represents the consensus views of its 600,000 members in Washington, D.C., and all 50 state capitals. More information is available on-line at www.nfib.com.



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Some of the Rottermond Jewelers staff in Milford includes (left to right) — front row: Joe Cayuela, Libby Dart, Dean Rottermond and Cindi Rottermond; back row: George Teufel, Randy Vrooman, Ron Peterson, Randy Steele and Al Linsner.

### Rottermond is the place to go for custom-designed jewelry

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That is how owner Dean Rottermond views Rottermond Jewelers of Milford and Brighton.

"If our staffers possess the necessary education and experience in their field, then our customers will know that we adhere to a code of values and can be trusted," explained Rottermond. "Add

nearly three years, earned his graduate degree in gemology in 1999 in Carlsbad, Cal., from the Gemological Institute of America (GIA). He is a registered jeweler and a certified gemologist with the American Gem Society (AGS). This spring he will travel to Austin, Tex., to take his exam to become a certified gemology appraiser, the highest level of certification from AGS.



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Graduate gemologists at Rottermond Jewelers examine some colored stones for a custom-designed piece of jewelry. Pictured are (from left) Joe Cayuela, Randy Steele and Al Linsner.

superior customer service and that is what Rottermond Jewelers is all about."

Rottermond, who has been in the jewelry business for 30 years, is proud of his stores' staff and truly values their education and experience. Here is a thumbnail sketch of the Rottermond staff.

Ron Peterson, who has been with Rottermond Jewelers for

Joe Cayuela, who has been in the jewelry business over 30 years, joined the Rottermond staff last September. A graduate gemologist, he is also a certified gemology appraiser — the same certification Peterson is seeking.

Cayuela truly enjoys the jewelry business and the interaction with clients. "It is a love business... a happy business. People come to us and buy jewelry for people they really care for," he noted.

Milford store manager Libby Dart brings 25 years of experience to her work. A graduate gemologist, Dart said the course of study she took included diamonds, diamond grading, gem identification, colored stones and pearls.

Another 25-year veteran in the

Another 25-year veteran in the jewelry business is graduate gemologist Randy Steele, who sold his own store so he can perform hands-on work in the back room at Rottermond's. His GIA degree comes in handy because Steele enjoys hand engraving, jewelry design and diamond set-

The newest graduate gemologist to join Rottermond's is Al Linsner, manager of the Brighton store. With 30 years in the jewelry business, Linsner also likes doing custom design work for clients.

George Teufel has been a designer for Rottermond's for more than 13 years. "I do just about everything — bracelets, rings, pendants and inlay work," he explained. "Most of my work is one-of-a-kind stuff."

Cindi Rottermond is certified in diamonds from the GIA, along with Rose Crumley. Crumley has been a staffer at Rottermond's for seven years and is working on her graduate gemology degree. Rottermond said becoming certified is no easy task. "While much of the studying is done on your own time, you take the exam with a proctor," she said.

a proctor, she said.

Eric Larvick, in the jewelry business for 23 years, designs exclusive custom pieces for Rottermond's. In shows sponsored by the Michigan Jewelers Association, Larvick earned first place and best of show for his entry in 2000 and first place in the Professional Goldsmith category in 2002.

The youngest member of the Rottermond team is Kristin Kern who began as an apprentice during high school after she enjoyed a creative metals class at Lakeland High School. Thus far, Kern has taken GIA courses in platinum and stone fitting. She does repairs and enjoys designing channel fittings, a row of diamonds with gold on both sides.

gold on both sides.

At the helm of the business is Dean Rottermond who opened Little Pizzazz in Milford in 1984. By 1989, he and his wife Cindi had purchased the present building on Main Street and opened Rottermond Jewelers. Last year they opened a second location on Grand River Avenue in Brighton. Rottermond travels all over the world buying gems and raw materials for his designers.

Receiving membership in the prestigious American Gem Society two years ago was especially meaningful for Rottermond. "Only a small number of stores that apply are awarded membership," he said.

ship," he said.

Robert M. Shipley established the American Gem Society in 1934, which is dedicated to setting and maintaining the "highest possible standards of business ethics and professionalism in the jewelry industry." There are 1,200 members in the United States and Canada, and 32 in Michigan, who are all are bound to the rigid standards set by the AGS, according to an AGS spokesperson.

Membership in the AGS guarantees consumers that they "are doing business with jewelry professionals and that the company owners, principals and employees possess high levels of gemological knowledge, including studying and completing a diamonds course," the spokesperson said.

In addition, the owners "must have a reputation for unquestionable integrity in the business com-

### DIAMOND SEMINAR

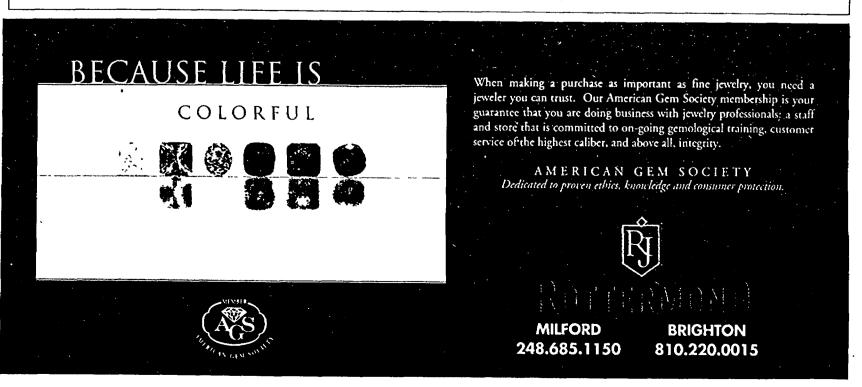
Rottermond Jeweiers will host a diamond seminar on Wednesday, April 9, at their store, 369 North Main St., Milford, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Joe Cayuela, graduate gemologist and certified gemology appraiser, along with A! Linsner, graduate gemologist, will be the presenters. Attendees will have the opportunity to take part in a question and answer session and enjoy light refreshments. Pre-registration is required by calling (248) 685-1150. "If you want to learn more about diamonds, this is the seminar for you," said Cindi Rottermond

munity and must be operated in a way that will enhance the confidence of the public in the jewelry industry. The owners and principals must demonstrate that they are genuinely interested in high business ethics and the firm exemplifies this belief," the spokesperson added.

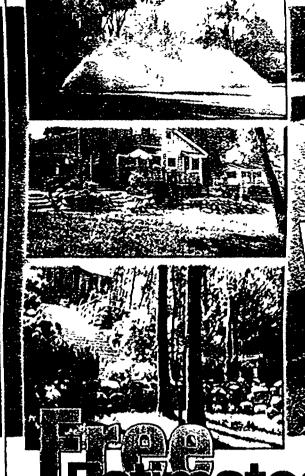
"It is a long process to become an AGS store," said Rottermond's Peterson. "It is the only jewelry organization which requires jewelry stores to re-certify its staffers by re-testing on a regular basis. You just can't coast. You have to keep studying and learning."

Peterson noted he is "really into gemology — thanks to Dean. He (Dean) advocates every employee being educated in his/her field," Peterson explained. "It is a benefit to every body — the employee, the store and the clientele."

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**SPRING SPORTS PREVIEW** •













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The Northville Mustangs are gearing up for Spring sports. (Top left and clockwise): Kristen Dolmetsch does some warm-up foot work; The 2003 girls' track captains are Shannon Hogan, Angela Neihoff, Ramona Maza, Heather Moehle, and Julia Williams; The Northville/Novi Knights rugby team practices their 'rucking'; The Northville High School girls' track team does some agility drills; The Mustang boys' track captains are Mike Gabrys, Clark Paciorek, Tim Higgins, Matt Cornelius, and Brad Stoner; Tim Downing runs sprints with his teammates.

Excited for spring sports? Well. you're not the only one.

This year, the Mustangs are looking to be contenders across the board and will be looking to get in the hunt for their conference title and maybe even more.

What can you hope for out of teams like these? Only the best and the most determined make much noise, and the 'Stangs will be looking to make quite the ruckus in 2003.

Here's what you will find in this issue:

■ The boys' and girls' track and field teams are looking to continue their march to be the best they can be. Under the guidance of experienced coaches, both squads are hoping to add depth and talent with some of the new faces on the teams - that will work nicely with the incredible talent they already have returning from last year. See page B2.

■ The Northville-Novi Knights rugby football club is back and they look better than ever. A tough squad or returning players are beefed up with unbridled enthusiasm this season as they look to dethrone Brighton and take a seat as state champions themselves. See page B2.

Will the baseball team be

able to repeat as District Champs? With their return of top-notch players and determination to get even better, the future does indeed look bright. See page B5.

■ Though the lacrosse team is as new as they get in the world of varsity athletics, the Mustangs aren't fazed. Instead, they are looking to be contenders with their enthusiasm, moxy and burning desire to win. See page B3.

■ Tennis has a new coach this year, but that won't change the fact that the 'Stangs are looking to compete in the WLAA this season. With a talent pool like

Northville has, every year seems to be one in which they have a shot at being a top-shelf team. Will 2003 be that year? See page

Under the guidance of a new coach, the Mustangs softball team is hoping to be much improved over last season. With their experience building and their determination always on high, it's no doubt they will be able to do just that. See page B9.

They may have lost one of the best players in the state to graduation, but the Mustangs girls' golf team is still looking very strong with their field of

experienced linksters. Expect to see them vie for one of the top spots in their conference, and hopefully step as deep into the post-season as last year. See page

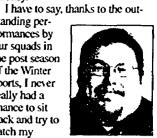
Is there ever any doubt about how good the Northville girls' soccer team is going to be? With such a great coaching staff that seems to find talent anywhere, the Mustangs will be expected to be one of the tougher teams in the conference again this year. Will they be able to prove to be the queens of the WLAA? We have to wait through the majority of the season to find out. See page B4.

### Plenty of talent for the spring

Well, it's that time of year again already.

standing performances by our squads in the post season of the Winter sports, I never really had a chance to sit back and try to catch my breath like

years past.



Eggleston

That's just fine though, sometimes I'd rather have it

this way. Instead of worry about what I'm going to use to fill my sports pages, I get to get right back into the swing of things with all kinds of exciting new prospects. Both the Novi Wildcats and the Northville Mustangs give me so much to write about that sometimes I have to sit back and decide what I'm going to cut out of which story so I can fit them all in. Other times, because of major victories and such, I've actually had to leave things behind. I know this upsets some parents out there, but I hope all of them understand that it's never my intention to leave sport on the chopping block, it's just a necessity sometimes.

This year, we have a ton of talented athletes that will by vying for the front page with their sporting accomplishments on our local squads.

At Northville High School, I have a whole new sport to cover in their brand-new lacrosse squad. Novi, of course, has an established team that will be looking to compete for the state title again.

In rugby, I don't have to worry about two teams. It's a nice, combined sport that enables me to do double the work in half the time. For me, that's a blessing.

Then, we have baseball. Northville is the defending District champs, but Novi has won their conference three years running and is definitely looking to return to the top again this year.

The boys' tennis teams will be looking good. Northville has a new coach to helm the team while Novi has a very established and very respected man heading them up again this year. Softball has seen a change in

Northville as well. We have a new coach giving direction to a squad that struggled last season. Novi hasn't changed anything on their bench, except for may be a few new players and the loss of a couple to graduation last season. They will be looking to be much improved this

Girls' golf has the same coaches and both are looking to compete in their conference. Of course, Northville lost Kate McDonald to graduation, but they still have plenty of talent. Novi took a few bumps and bruises last year, but they are the stronger for it now.

And the there's girls soccer. Novi is probably expected to have quite the team this year, and their coaching staff has a way of making any team into contenders. Oh yeah, speaking of talented coaching staffs, Northville's will be looking to guide a very enthusiastic crew to wins this year as they hunt for the conference crown.

And who can forget track and field? Novi's girls have a slew of talented athletes that will be taking to the meets for them, as does Northville's. The Mustang boys have some major talent returning. and are looking to improve in all the right places. Novi just seems to breed athletes as they have a very, very strong senior class this year with a group of underclassmen that is showing a lot of promise.

What can I say? I'm blessed to be writing sports in this area. I don't have to worry about homble losing streaks that last two years and I don't have to worry about teams trying to figure out where they are going to find enough talent to field a squad.

Instead, I wonder which team will be state-finals bound, which will win districts, which will send individuals to the finals meets and which athletes will continue to rise above the rest and show what they are made of.



# Northville-Novi Knights look tough

### Ruggers looking to have an impact on West Division

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

They're back, and they look better than ever.

The Northville-Novi Knights Rugby Football Club is looking to be major contenders this season in hopes of finishing better than their third-place finish in the state in

Under the guidance of coach Ron Cornell, the Knights have found themselves awash in new talent, determination and numbers.

"We've had quite a few new players come out and practice with us," Cornell said, "We've definitely seen some enthusiasm so far this season. If we can keep the numbers up, we should be able to field a pretty tough team."

Some new faces this season include Marc Mueller and Matt Cornelius - both monsters from the Northville football program who are learning the tricks of the

The key to any game is experience though, and the Knights have some of that too. Matt Haggerty, looking to play scrum half, has been practicing his passes, while Ben Mason has made his way back to the field in hopes of proving his moxy with his fellow ruggers.

"We have a few kids back from last year that are eager to play," Cornell said. 'The more experience we have the better it is for the team. Right now, we have about the experience level we were hoping for."

And they'll need it too. Landing themselves in the newly formed West Division, the Knights will have the chore of taking on defending state-champion Brighton as well as a tough Washtenaw squad. Howell's rugby squad and a new team in Birmingham that will probably prove tough in it's first year. In the East Division, St. Joseph's squad is back to try to better it's second-place state standing from last year, while Dearborn, Livonia and Berkley have all returned, A new squad from Lakeview will be hitting the field as well.

"We definitely landed in the tougher of the two divisions," Comen said, "It's going to be a challenging schedule.

Beyond the regular season and the playoffs, the Knights are hoping to get into the Midwest Playoffs to be held May 3-4 in South Bend, Indiana. Right now, the squad isn't sure how many Michigan teams have put their bid in to the governing body of the tournament, but if it's three or less the Knights are in automatically. If not, they'll be looking at using the Michigan Cup Tournament, schedsponsored by the Detroit Tradesmen Rugby Club this year, as the proving ground for which teams will advance.

The Knights also have the factors of intensity and size on their squad this season. Much bigger than last year in the way of props and forwards, the Knights should be tough to handle in the rucks and

has already found the coaching staff trying to calm the athletes down to the point that they aren't making full-out tackles on the somewhat still frozen ground of their practice field.

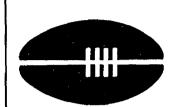
With the numbers, the talent and the experience coming to the field, the Knights are looking at what could prove to be a promising year

The possibilities are endless if they get everything rolling in the right direction, and a state-championship is by no means out of their

All the coaches have to do is erase everything the new players learned in football, and teach them the fundamentals of the game and everything will size up nicely. Just remember - rugby isn't a game of

meters, it's a game of possession. The Knights' opponents can't win if they can't score.

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RUGBY

Coach: Ron Cornell

2002 record: 8-6 (Third-Place in the state

Key losses: Billy Adkins, Nick Clark, Seth Corbin, Alex Burtch, Alex Gutierrez

Key returnees: Matt Haggerty, Ben Mason, Mike

Goals for season: To improve over last-season's finish while improving the experience of the members in the program as well

Major opponents: Brighton, Grand Rapid Catholic Central,



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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

The Northville/Novi Knights rugby team practices their 'rucking' last Friday afternoon at Meads Mill Middle School.

## 'Stangs eager to burn up the track

### Boys return a slew of talented athletes

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

The Mustangs boys' track team seems to be ready for action - especially since their graduation losses were nothing to have to rebuild over.

With a handful of point scorers leaving last season, the 'Stangs are looking to use their experience and their numbers to crank out the victories in hopes of making a dent in their conference and hopefully beyond.
"We have 84 kids out this

year," second-year head coach Bill Cornelius said. "We haven't been able to get on the track yet. but we have been running in the streets and conditioning.

One of the down sides Northville has compared to other schools is the lack of an indoor training facility like that in the Livonia schools and in - but that doesn't stop them.

"We could be contenders." Cornelius said of the Western Lakes Activities Association. "Canton and Walled Lake Western are going to be tough. So are Churchill and Stevenson. This is one tough conference."

But the Mustangs are going to be ready. Seniors like Mike Gabrys, Clark Paciorek and Pat Kelleher will be looking to lead the way in distance events. while Matt Cornelius is hoping to make some noise in the sprints and might throw some

Brad Stoner has been specializing in the 400 throughout his career, and seniors Zach Wollack and Tim Higgins are two guys that have the ability to work multiple events.

Juniors Tim Dalton and Bill Brown will be major contributors this season, as will Mike Cornelius. Scott Hammerle and

"The real goal is to take more than six to the state meet this year."

Bill Cornelius Northville Boys' Track and Field Coach

Hiroyuki Tohyama.

The goals for the season are simple ones. Bill Cornelius noted that he'd like to see as many of his athletes, especially the seniors, make their way to the state finals this season.

"I want each kid to do the best they can," he said. "Two years ago, we only had one person go to the state meet. We had six last

'The real goal is to take more than six to the state meet this

And of the events that already stand the best chances of making the trip to the finals, the 4by-800 relay team is one that went last season and has returned all its members. And then, of course, there's always sophomore Alan Shanoski, who took sixth in the state last year

in the high jump. "We went easy on Alan last year," Cornelius said. "He was a freshman so we only asked him to concentrate on the high jump. This year, we'll be asking him to step up to the plate and add

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### **BOYS' TRACK**

Coach: Bill Cornelius

Key returnees: Tim Higgins, Matt Cornelius, Clark Paciorek, Rob Steiner, Tim Dalton, Bill Brown

Walled Lake Western, Canton

Major opponents: Salem,

**GIRLS' TRACK** 

Coach: Nancy Smith

Key returnees: Heather Moehle, Shannon Hogan,

Major opponents: The WLAA is looking packed full of tough talent this year - plus the 'Stangs will take on Novi.

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April 1
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May 3Stevenson Invite (G)
May 8Franklin (B) *
May 8Franklin (G) *
May 10AA Pioneer Invite (B)
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### Girls are loaded to the gills this year

By Sam Eggleston

It looks like the Northville Mustangs girls' track and field team is back and they mean business.

After losing only two major point scorers to graduation and one to a long-distance move, the Mustangs have hit the reload button with 85 girls coming out for the first week of practice. Leading the way will be five seniors in Heather Mochle, Shannon Hogan, Ramona Maza, Julia Williams and Angela Nichoff.

"Our distance and mid-distance should be super strong again this year," coach Nancy Smith said. "They will be led by two regional champions in Heather Mochle and Devon Rupley."

Mochle is back for her senior year and will be looking to lead the way in the distance events. Filling in behind her for the long haul events will be Kate McClymont, Molly Gavin and Katy Miller.

Rupley is the Mustang leader in the mid-distance situations. She finished second in the 800 meter last year in the state

This year, she will have a solid core of runners to work with in Lisa Bowen, Katy Miller and Mochler - the four runners make up the record-setting 3200 relay team that set the mark last season.

Also filling in key roles for middle distance will be sophomore Kelly Hardenbergh and freshmen Megan Keiffer, Ashley Flohr and Lindsay Williams.

The always-tough field events will find the Mustangs looking to improve this season. They have only one returning pointscorer returning this season. Shot put and discuss will be led

"There seems to be a lot of talent that will emerge in the next few weeks and as we get out on the track."

Nancy Smith Northville Girls' Track and Field Coach

by Bowen, Bonnie Bakewell and Jenna Sieloff. Long jump finds Erica Dobson returning to strut her stuff - as a freshman, she went 14-feet-11.

High jump will find Andrea Watts looking to lead her squad, while Amanda Crawford returns with experience in the pole vault.

In the sprints, Julia Williams is looking to be one of the top Mustangs this season, and she also brings with her some hurdling experience. After beating back a knee injury from last season, Andrea Watts is hoping to show some moxy in the hurdles and high jump this year. Other sprinters include Niehoff, Dobson, Hogan, Tara Majewski, Taylor Anusbigian and Tracey Garfield. Lauren Rocco will bring some hurdling experience to the squad as well.

"There seems to be a lot of talent that will emerge in the next few weeks and as we get out on the track," Smith said.

Smith noted the newcomers to watch this season include Julie Johnson. Peterson, Jillian Lindsay Keiffer, Flohr, Williams, Weaver, Emily Jessica Agoston and Kari Oshanski — but time will tell if there are more and who is going to step up this season.

# **Plenty** talent

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

It looks to be another promising season.

The Northville Mustangs girls' golf team is hoping to be one of the top contenders again this season in the Western Lakes Activities Association with only one new face on the roster and the graduation of four seniors.

Of course, don't ask coach Trish Murray what the goals for the season are - she only has one and it comes on a meet to meet basis.

We just want to go out and play well every match," Murray said. "I don't like picking longterm, then I feel that we are focused on something other than what we should be doing.

No doubt, the Mustangs have what it takes to go out and play their game and play it well.

Returning for the links squad is stellar junior Layne Scherer, who was one of the top players in the conference last season. Along with her are seniors Andrea Gorecki, Shannon Lewicki and Kelly Harrison. All three seniors were impressive last season -Harrison even recorded a holein-one during competition.

"There's going to be a fight for the spots," Murray said of the starting line-up, noting that the team's fourth-place finish in the state last year has helped the confidence of this year's squad. "There are going to be a lot of good grudge matches on this team. A lot of jockeying around, like they say. You love to have that though.

Joining the tough seniors and Scherer will be juniors Andrea Fillips and Marie Snyder. Sophomores Therese Juthage, Lauren Grisgby, Allison Grand, Defer and Christopher all look to challenge for a starting slot at well. Newcomer Brittany Fillips is the lone freshman on the team, and looks to have a promising sea-

Murray noted that though they haven't been able to hit the greens for practice as of yet, the team has already begun the process of getting to the top of



**Coach:** Trish Murray

2002 result: Fourth in the state, division champions, Co-WLAA champs

Key losses: Kate McDonald

Goals for season: To be in the hunt for the division and the conference again.

GOLF

Major opponents: Salem, Livonia schools and non-league

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	April 7 Novi
	April 9South Lyon
	April 11
	April 11Brighton Invite
	April 11John Glenn*
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	April 28Franklin*
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	May 12Stevenson*
	May 16Regionals
	May 20WLAA meet

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their game with off-season work-

"I consider the winter to be as much of the off-season as summer." Murray said, noting that all the girls on the team are already required to play in at least three tournaments in the summer season. "In 20 years of coaching, I haven't seen as much off-season work as this year. Hopefully, that will show, but I don't want to

jinx anything. The Mustangs will keep their eyes on Livonia Stevenson and Plymouth Salem, as well as Churchill, who they shared the WLAA title with last season but then again, the 'Stangs intend to watch all the teams.

"I'm the type of coach that doesn't turn my back on any-

body," Murray noted. And no doubt, none of the teams that Northville will square off against this season will turn their backs to them either.

### There's a first time for everything — even lacrosse

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

For a first-year program, the Northville Mustangs lacrosse team is going to be looking to score some goals, win some games and let everyone know who they are.

Starting off in Division IV this year, the Mustangs will be led by coach David Aktary as he looks to take a talented group of players to the top of their division.

T've got no compunction in saying that we are going to be at the top of our division, Aktary said. "I'm not going to be so cocky that I'll say we finish first, but I do say that we are going to do very well this

The Mustangs are going to look to leaders like Rick Riegner, William Crawford, Richard Grajewski and Mike Monticciolo to forge a great season out of first-year varsity

players.
"We are looking pretty strong," Aktary said. "The varsity team is going to be very competitive this year.'

Though he hasn't had much time to look over what Northville has to offer thanks to the weather conditions for the first week of practice. Aktary has plenty of experience in the field and knows what he's talking about. A former head coach at East Lansing High School as well as with University of Michigan, Dearborn, Aktary is happy with what the Mustangs have given him a peek at thus far.

"I'm happy with what I've seen," he said. "We have some good seniors that are big and strong, and all the way down to just a couple of freshmen. We'll only take a ninth grader if we think he will be able to start for us.

It's key for the Northville lacrosse team to have a good combination of freshmen. sophomores, juniors and seniors - as well as a youth pro-

gram.
"That experience really helps them," Aktary said. "It gives a huge boost to the junior

varsity and varsity programs." The Mustangs will be using Maybury Park as their home

"It's a nice facility," Aktary

Aktary noted that the Mustangs should start the season off on the right foot and come into their first game prepared to take home a win.

"Most of these kids have been playing for a little while now," he said. "They are now reaping the benefits of that and should come out of the gates strong.

In their first year, the

Mustangs will be looking to be one of the toughest teams in their division. When all is said and done, they just might be the ones walking away from the top of the heap.

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Coach: Dave Aktary

2002 record: 2003 marks the squad's first year on varsity.

Goals for season: To be at the top of their division at the end of the season.

Major opponents: The Mustangs will have a ton of good talent to go against this season in Division IV competi-



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<u>Date</u> <u>Opponent</u>
March 25Lincoln
March 29Hartland
March 31Farmington
April 5Huron Valley
April 8
April 10Walled Lake
April 15Holt
April 29Tecumseh
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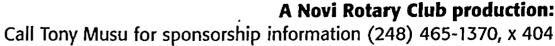




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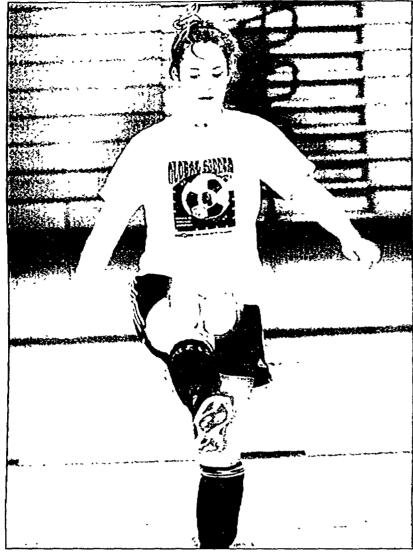


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Northville High School girls' soccer team member Kristen Dolmetsch does some warm-up foot work in the school's gymnasium last week.

### Northville's soccer team reloaded nicely from an 18-2-1 season and is looking to make some noise

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Though the Northville soccer team lost a slew of talented players to graduation, they are back in full force with a group of girls that are looking to make some noise.

Going 18-2-1 last year is going to be tough to top, but the Mustangs will be looking to try and do so nonetheless.

"We've got several very talented players back this year." Northville coach Ron Meteyer said. "We have a lot of talent and in several places we are going to

be very tough to match up with." Returning for the Mustangs are players like All-State selection Nicole Cauzillo, who has been selected as the Gatorade Player of the Year before the season even started.

"She's a hard one to deal with." Metever said of other teams. "She's a factor that every team is going to have to try and work

Lindsay Miglio is also back for her third year on varsity - last season she was the third-leading scorer on the team. Kristin Dolmetsch is back this year as the team's top stopper.

Stephanie Robbins will be looking at a starting spot at the midfield position while Stacey Taylor is back in goal along with junior Kaitlin Kneisel.

"They both have something unique they bring to the game." Meteyer said. "It's really a toss-up between the two of them because they share the same skills but they

Coach: Ron Meteyer

2002 result: Knocked out of

Key losses: Lindsay Ossola, Kelly Anderson.

Goals for season: To make some noise in the WLAA.

SOCCER

playoffs by pesky Stevenson.

Major opponents: Salem,

Stevenson.

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April 2
April 4 Novi
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April 28
April 30Franklin *
May 3Berkley
May 5Churchill *
May 7 Stevenson *
May 12
May 14Wayne *
May 16Dearborn
May 19
May 21WLAA
May 22 Howell

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both have different strengths. I guess it matters on the opponents we are up against, but it's nice to have the luxury of being able to

pick between the two. Whitney Guenther is also back for the 'Stangs. This all-league defender will be leading a crew that includes Lindsay Hill and

Loren Tacconelli. "They work well together,"

Meteyer noted. Deanne Kubas will be seeing some time on the field as well, as she brings something special to the squad.

"She brings a level of excite-ment to the game," Meteyer said. "She's a very energetic and a very loud player. She lets people know what's going on and communicates well."

Meteyer noted that he has a lot of new faces on the squad as well, including Liz Albulov who was a star on the junior varsity squad last season. Transfer Tara Ferrell joins the squad this year as well, as does Nicole Horn, Kelly Long, Kate Thomas, Lynne Raymond and Jessica Walsh.

Three sophomores join the ranks of the Mustang varsity as going to try and avoid that."

They were all standouts on junior varsity as freshmen," Meteyer said "It's just a natural step for them to come up to varsi-

Tessa Adkins, Jenn Kritch and Brooke Richard will be joined by

freshmen Lauren Hill and Simone Toney this season as the youngest players on the squad.

"There's a lot of pressure on freshmen and sophomores," Meteyer said, "We'll try to make it a little easier on them.

The Mustangs are eying Salem. Stevenson and Canton as three of the strongest teams in the Western Lakes Activities Association this

Besides them, the 'Stangs will have the joy of playing very tough teams in Ann Arbor Pioneer, Saline, Brighton and Novi.

"We are going to have a tough season this year," Meteyer said of the schedule. "It's going to be tough because we play a lot of physical and aggressive teams."

The Northville soccer squad is going to have to make sure they avoid one major mistake this year playing as individuals

We have such a wealth of talent," Meteyer said. "We are going to have to figure out how to get them all to play together and on the same page. Last year, there were times that we didn't play well as a team. This year, we are

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Scheduling is very flexible. NUA will be holding its annual Umpire Clinic at Northville Township Hall/Henningsen Park on May 3 from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and May 4 from noon-4 p.m. Clinic attendance is mandatory.

Questions should be directed to Bob Boshoven, Umpire Director, at (248) 347-5915.

#### 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.

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

#### Softball/Baseball Private **Lessons and Training**

Total Baseball will help players, ages 6-18, improve their game. Instructors include Oakland University exacting staff, Big 10/MAC All-Conference softhall/haseball players, former professional players and college/HS craches. Pitching, hitting and fielding are the lessons available and are by appointment only. The fees for the lessons start at \$35. per 1/2 hour or five private lessons for

Space is limited. For more information, or to register, call (248) 668-0166 or email totalbballwixom@aol.com. Please visit their Web site at www.eteamz.com/totalbase-

#### **Table Tennis Tournament**

Northville Parks Recreation will be hosting a table tennis tournament sponthe Chinese sored by Association of Greater Detroit.

The event, which is scheduled to be held March 22, will have a 10 a.m. start with three groups consisting of an A-group (1900-plus USTTA rating or the equivalent), a Bgroup (1600-1900 rating or equivalent) and a C-group (under-1600).

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 dead-line is March 8.

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

#### Looking for a few good golf teams

The Northville Golf League will begin its 55th season 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 cut-throat - this is your chance. The league is looking for a few good two-man teams to fill out the roster.

For more information, or to sign up, call Fumio Omura at (248) 347-4418, or Terry Barr at (313) 538-5379.

#### Spring Break Baseball/Softball Camp

Baseball's Total Baseball/Softball Camp will feature professional instruction from Aaron Knieper (Montreal Expos), Lee Bjerke (Michigan High School Coaches Hall of Fame) and Jessie Milosek (Bowling Green University Softball).

Hitting, pitching, fielding, baseruning and more will be covered in this fundamental camp. Participants will be put on the radar gun for arm speed as well.

The camp will run April 21-23 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Novi' Powers Park. The cost of the camp is \$135 per player with a \$10 discount for a second child. It is open to athletes ages 7-17 yers old. Space is limited. For more

information, or to register, call (248) 668-0166 or e-mail totalbballwixom@aol.com. Please visit their Web site at www.cteamz.com/totalbase-

### **AAU Basketball Tryouts**

Novi Panthers 5th grade girls AAU basketball tryouts will be held March 22 at the Northville Recreation Center from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Only very competitive players should tryout. Cost to tryout is \$20.00. If y There will be individual questions, please call (248) 348-7065.

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'Stangs come in as defending District champs

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

The Northville Mustangs baseball team has a major situation on their hands — they're the defending District champions.

That sounds like a good thing, but the pressure alone could be enough to crush a squad. Northville seems equal to the task of playing such a role though, but their eyes aren't set in the heavens just yet. Instead, they are looking at what they have and want to improve on it — and then they'll eye the divi-sion and the conference.

"Those are always the first things we look at," Northville lead man Mickey Newman said. "We've got a good core of players coming back."

Among those players are Scott McNeish and Tyler Carter two of the best players in the Western Lakes Activities Association this year. Beyond them, Roger Garfield, Jimmy Riehl, Mark Sorensen and Brian Tellish return a huge amount of

experience to the mound.

"Pitching is probably our brightest spot," Newman said.
"Along with Tyler, the other guys have seen a fair amount of time on the mound."

Sophomore Matt Williams is back as well — his ability to be a utility player and to put the ball in play makes him a very valuable asset.

Fighting for a starting spot in the field this year will be Alex Richard, who is back after an ankle injury cut last season short, along with Brandon Buckley, Jeff Huguelet, Jim Sicala and Jake Dumbleton.

"We have a very deep junior class," Newman noted. "A lot of them are middle-infielder type

Senior oùtfielder Joe Zumstein is back this year to lead the outfielders, while Alex Pullim, a transfer from Utah, will be trying to get some time as well.

Sophomore left-hander Steve Besk looks promising on the mound too.

"That means we'll have three left-handed pitchers that can really throw quality pitches this year," Newman said. "That's something that has probably never been seen before in Northville."

Offensively, the Mustangs will look to Williams, Carter and they wait and watch for others to work their way into the batting

Looking at Northville's schedule, it's easy to see that they didn't avoid the tough games this

"Once again, we've loaded the schedule with top teams," Newman said. "We have Troy Athens, Brighton and West Bloomfield this year. We also play Hartland for the first time. They are up and coming and are quickly becoming one of the bet-

2002-03 ALL-WESTERN

ASSOCIATION BOYS BASKETBALL TEAMS

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Roger Garfield, Sr., Northville;

Adam Konst, Sr., Northville; John Sowders, Sr., Walled Lake

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ALL-LAKES DIVISION

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Jonathon Raspberry, Sr., Wayne;

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LAKES ACTIVITIES

**ALL-WLAA BASKETBALL TEAM** 



### **BASEBALL**

2002 result:: District Champions

Key returnees: Matt Williams, Scott McNeish, Roger Garfield,

Coach: Mickey Newman

Tyler Carter

Goals for season: To repeat as District Champions.

Major opponents: The WLAA is looking especially tough this season. 'Stangs also play Novi.

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ter teams in the KVC (Kensington Valley Conference).

And long-winded days are going to be a common thing as

"We have four double-headers this year and a triple-header." Newman said. "That's going to give us a lot of experience and a lot of innings. That's exactly what this team needs right now. It'll help us find the right kids for the right position."

In the Western Lakes Associa Mustangs will have to keep their eyes on Canton, Salem and Walled Lake Western.

"The conference has been absolutely amazing talent-wise the last couple of years," Newman said, "There have been numerous Division-1 athletes that have graduated from the conference, so this year I think it's going to be wide open."

But that doesn't mean the WLAA doesn't still have it's fair share of talent.

"It's going to be an interesting

year," Newman said, "There are some big name players in this conference, and some very talented players out there.

The Mustangs will find themselves testing their depth all sea-

"We are playing almost every day," Newman said, "This year is a really loaded schedule."

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### Tennis team looking to compete under new coach

### Coach Chris Ford ready to lead 'Stangs

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

The Northville Mustangs boys' tennis team has a new look - and it's not just from graduation.

The squad is going to take to the rough waters of a very tough Western Lakes Activities Association under the guidance of a new helmsman in head coach Chris Ford

With the loss of only two seniors - though both key players last season - to graduation in the form of captain Kyle Dehne and Tom Gavin, the Mustangs will be looking to use their experience gained last season and build upon it in hopes of finishing towards the top of their division and their conference.

It won't be easy though. With teams like the Livonia schools, the Plymouth schools and even the Walled Lake squads showing improvement over the last couple of years, the Mustangs might find themselves with their hands full - not that such a problem concerns the Northville netters. Instead, they will be looking to use their talents, their abilities and the lessons learned under the guidance of their new coach to forge a path through the schedule and hopefully into the post

This season, the Northville tennis team definitely didn't shy away from challenges on their schedule. The Muldowney Invite, held in Dearborn, is known to draw some of the best talent in the area, while the Ann Arbor Huron Invitational does the same. As if taking on Huron once wasn't enough for the Mustangs, they also have a schedule dual meet against the well-known tennis squad.

The Mustangs will also have the joy of taking on the Novi Wildcats in a cross-town match-up. The Wildcats are looking to repeat as conference champs in the Kensington Valley Conference this season and the showdown between the two squads should prove a good one.

This season, the Michigan School High Athletic Association has made some changes to the regional tournament too - making it easier tor some of the stronger teams in the state to advance after past years have found them climinating each other.

Joining Northville in the Livonia Regional will be Stevenson, Detroit Catholic Central Churchill, Westland John Glenn and six teams from

Detroit — not to mention the Novi Wildcats.

The move allows squads to still play intense and electrifying tennis, but also allows higher-ranked teams to be spread out in different regions instead of being packed into

Expect to see the Mustangs vying for a major spot in the division this season, as well as the conference. Their new coaching staff and their experience should help bolster their

play to the point that they will be contenders in nearly every contest they play.

Editor's note: Coach Chris Ford was unable to be reached for this preview story.

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**Coach:** Chris Ford

Goals for season: An improved season and to vye for the WLAA top spots as well as in their division.

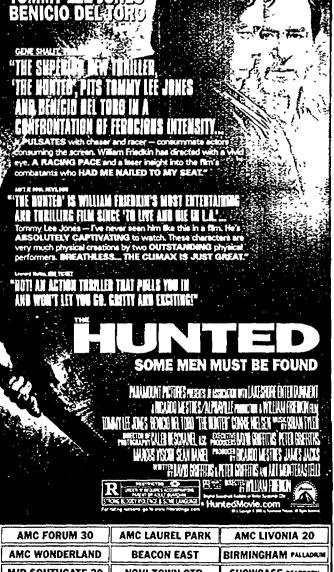
Major opponents: The WLAA is always a good place to find tough tennis competition. The Mustangs will also take on a very tough Novi team as well as Ann Arbor Huron.

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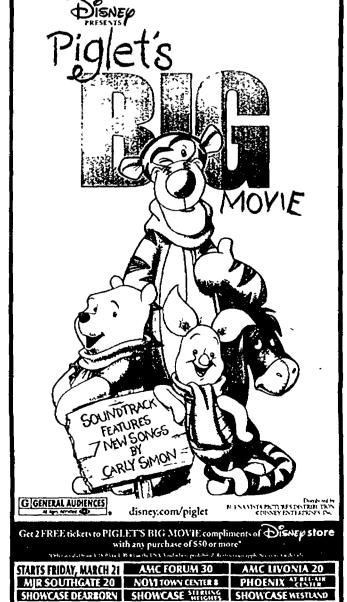
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#### FINAL RECORDS LAKES DIVISION

John Glenn, 7-1 in division, 11-2 in conference, 15-4 overall; Wayne, 6-2 division, 11-2 in connference, 14-5 overall; Salem, 4-4 division, 8-5 conference, 13-6 overall; W.L. Central, 0-8 division, 4-9 conference, 6-13 overall.

WESTERN DIVISION

Franklin, 6-2 division, 6-7 conference, 8-11 overall; W.L. Western, 5-3 division, 5-8 conference, 7-11 overall; Northville, 5-3 division, 7-6 conference, 12-7 overall; Canton, 3-5 division, 4-9 conference, 6-13 overall; Churchill, 1-7 division, 1-12 conference, 1-18 overall.

### 2003 ALL-AREA DREAM TEAMS

# McNeish makes first team

Adam Konst, Roger Garfield both get second-team Area honors

By Sam Eggleston and Stan Frank SPORTS WRITERS

Wow, you sure can't complain about the level of talent we had

to pick from this year. With so much of it, the chore became deciding who would be our first-team selections for the All-Area Basketball Dream Team and who would get bumped down to second team. Though we ultimately came up with our final picks, the one thing that is for sure is that we could start either line-up and still expect one heck of a game.

This year's starting line-up is an amazing group of talented players who all happen to be seniors. We went with the three guard and two forwards because the idea of speed and parameter shooting along with strong inside players was ideal for us. With this group, you could expect great things.

FIRST TEAM

Kyle Plummer Guard Milford Senior

Despite his appearance here, Plummer is underrated. Ask any fan of Kensington Valley Conference basketball to list the top five players in the league, and chances are Plummer's wouldn't surface. Opponents knew differently, however, and often centered their entire game plan around stopping the Mavericks guard. Plummer was great off the dribble, where few could stop him. Those who tried often fouled him. Plummer's tool box is full. The six-foot senior would plunge the lane for a layup, snake through an obstruction of big men for a rebound, or just wrench the heart of an opponent by draining a shot from downtown. Plummer lead Milford in both scoring (13.3) and assists (3.3). Playing the point for the majority of the season, Plummer

even managed to haul in 4.7 rebounds per game. And when the Mavericks decided to promote a freshman phenom to the varsity level in February, Milford's No. 5 shifted gracefully to the two-guard position without missing a beat.

Chris Lewis Guard Novi

Senior You have to give props to a player like Lewis. Last season he was a role player for the Wildcats — this season he was a role model. Working throughout the summer and increasing everything from his strength to his speed to his vertical, Lewis was determined enough to become a starter that it was like he'd been one all along. His inside shooting ability and vision to see the open player made him a threat to every team he played against. Thanks to his leadership and his work ethic, the Wildcats stepped up to the plate on nearly every challenge they had this season. Lewis also gave the underclassmen of his team someone to look to when they want an example of hard work that pays off.

Steven Digsby Forward Lakeland

Got game? Digsby does. In a January tournament, the Eagles forward outscored Fenton by himself, dropping 39 points against his host. Read that again if you need to. That's thirty-nine points - no typos here. For the season. Digsby lead the 18-7 district champion Eagles in scoring this season. Lakeland's strength was its size and, as such, the Eagles philosophy was to pound the ball inside for easy points. Digsby was the main weapon, but the 6-3 senior wasn't limited to layups. Digsby scored in a variety of ways, especially with a sweet midrange jump shot.

Scott McNeish Northville Senior

McNeish once wondered what it took to earn first-team honors on the Dream Team - well, now he knows. Averaging 14.5 points per game sure doesn't hurt and neither does being the go-to guy on your team. McNeish was one of those players who came off the bench now and again last season and then turned into an animal out on the floor. His secret? He decided that instead of hoping he would score in a game, he would go out there an simply score. It sure worked for him and works for us too. McNeish's determination to be the best player he can be peers on the Northville squad, and landed him a first-team position on the All-Area cage

**SECOND TEAM** 

Chase Chandler Guard Novi Senior

The first thing you'll notice about Chandler is that he protects the ball. In the entire time we've seen him play, we don't think that he's ever been the victim of a strip or a steal. Instead, he protects the ball like a good point guard and he takes care of the rest with a quick move to the bucket or a sweet dish to a team mate. Thanks to Chandler's amazing athletic ability, he was consistently scoring in the double digits of practically every game he played in. His quick release made him tough to block and his ability to drive both right and left and finish with the same hand made him a threat on the offensive side of things. His ability to key on a player and stick to them made him a threat on the defense. We sure can't complain about an all-around player, and we're happy to have

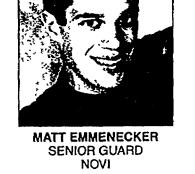
Adam Konst Guard Northville Senior

him on our squad.

This guy can definitely shoot, that's for sure. Konst has proven time and time again that if you leave him alone outside the three-point arc he is going to bury it and your hopes of beating his squad. A smooth shooter with the ability to work the pass, Konst has been a major factor for the Mustangs under the guidance of coach Darrel Schumacher. In fact, Konst was one of the captains that gave his team a chance to win a District title, though their bid fell just short to Novi this year in overtime. Expect Konst's outside abilities to be sorely missed next season, but greatly appreciated on the Dream Team.

**Nate Spurgess** Guard South Lyon Sophomore

Having lost their core of a season before to graduation, the Lions spent this season rebuilding. Lacking a true go-to guy. the squad competed the best it knew — with sheer intensity. In his first year on the varsity squad, Spurgess proved a byproduct of the South Lyon hustle, frustrating opponents with determined play. Oftentimes, the results were convincing, such as the night the six-foot forward scored 18 points while hauling in five boards in the Lions' upset earned him a nod above his victory over Kensington Valley



### — PLAYER OF THE YEAR —

We often wonder if there is anything that Emmenecker can't do. He can shoot from pretty much anywhere on the floor, and he can pass like there's no tomorrow. Maybe he can't dunk, though we've never bothered to ask him. Emmenecker has proven to be the kind of leader that you can really look to when the going gets tough. This season, he led his team to their first conference title since 1992, and helped bring them to their second-straight District crown. Other than that, he was key in the Wildcats setting the school record in victories with a 21-3 record and was key in their oh-so-close-to-victory against the West Bloomfield Lakers in the Regional tournament. Emmenecker has proven to be the kind of player that a team can depend on, and he's not all about scoring either. Assists are as important to this guard as points, and for his determination and his dedication we've selected Emmenecker as our player of the year.

Conference foe Brighton. Merely a sophomore, South Lyon's No. 20 grabbed a teamleading 3.4 rebounds per game, while finishing second on the squad in points scored (5.1).

Ryan Vedittelli Forward Lakeland Senior

Vendittelli's game for the Eagles was similar to the biggest cup of coffee available at Starbucks — Venti. Vendittelli wasn't merely a lumbering 6-4 big man looking to clog lanes and make an occasional bank shot in the low post. The forward displayed a nice outside shot and when opponents attempted to double-team Lakeland's top scorer Stephen Digsby; Vendittelli made them pay, as his ? points per game average specifies. The senior proved capable of taking over games in a Vendittelli Minute. For an example, take a performance against Kensington Valley Conference champion Novi when Vendittelli recorded four points, two steals, one rebound and one block during a 60-second span. So remember, next time you go to Starbucks, honor Lakeland's No. 43 by ordering a

Roger Garfield Senior

One of the beautiful things about a player like Roger Garfield is that he just never, ever gives up. He goes out onto the court looking for a win and no matter what the odds are or

what the scoreboard says, he plays until the final buzzer sounds. Garfield is an all-around athlete that really concentrated on his game this season in hopes of being one of the best players on the court in the Western Lakes Activities Association. His dedication didn't go unnoticed, and he's now a member of our All-Area team thanks to it.

Jim Presley Center Milford Senior

A specimen, Presley's fame (and frame) is well documented, and well deserved. The 6-3 center is stronger and more athletic than the other kids and proved it by slamming five dunks during the season. An imposing interior force, the senior was a menace to ballhandlers hoping for a peaceful drive down Presley Lane and he cleaned glass like Windex. For an enforcer, Presley exhibited a soft shooting touch, frequently scorching nets with a fade-away jumper. Opposing crowds often jeered Presley, suggesting the U of M football recruit "stick with football." But Milford's No. 34 was unaffected and showed he belonged on the basketball court, as his near double-double game averages (9.3 points and 9.1 rebounds) indicate.

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Photo by TYLER CARTER

Northville guard Adam Konst backs his way down the hardwood as he eyes and oncoming opponent. Konst and two fellow seniors were selected to All-Area this year.

### All-Area wrestlers have a ton of talent, heart



JOSH CHURELLA SENIOR NOVI

### - PLAYER OF THE YEAR ---

When you say the name Churella, you probably think wrestling. A father who wrestled, two older brothers that wrestled and — well, it's the end of that legacy. The Churella family will now exit stage right with the graduation of Josh after winning his third-straight state title and losing only one match in the past three years. There was really no contest to who was the wrestler of the year — again. He can step out onto the mat and wrestle and win. The next match he wrestles and wins. The next match is the same - for three years that has been the story. By the time it all came to an end for Churella and the 'Cats, his name alone must have brought on the shakes to his opponents. We're confident that Churella would be a dominant force on our Dream Team as well. bringing us win after win as we climbed through the ranks in search of a team title - and if that didn't come? Well, at least we know Churella would bring us an individual crown. Thanks for all the great years. Josh!

### Mustangs Quick, Riegner, Siwicki get team nods

By Sam Eggleston and Stan Frank SPORTS WRITERS

Talk about talented grapplers. Our All-Area Dream Team this year has plenty of guys who climbed to the next level to push themselves to the limit in order to make it to the post-season with the rest of their teams or as individuals. It wasn't hard to sort through the rosters and identify the best of the best this year as we had ourselves plenty of state contenders and, of course, a state champion.

This squad is the stuff that Dream Teams are made of. With a group like this, we'd be looking at contention for a state team title for sure. And if that didn't come to our good graces, no doubt we'd have at least one individual cham-

Jason Sierra

Novi

103-pound division He's just about as quick as they come, and for a kid that weighs in at 103 pounds, he's strong too. Jason Sierra has proven to be one of those wrestlers who just never gives up. He could be down by all the points in the world but as long as he's out on the mat he's going to wrestle until it's over. Sierra has been a nice leader for the Wildcats, giving his all no matter what the odds were all season long. He's been a good model for the underclassmen to look to and an inspiration for all to feed off of.

Matt Thome Milford 112

Despite suffering from a shoulder injury. Thome racked up some impressive credentials this season, including a district championship. Thome finished his senior campaign at Milford with an 18-7 record. A technical whiz, Thome, a senior, placed second at the KVC meet and fourth at the regional meet.

Craig Hearn Novi 119

It's a shame to see a wrestler like Hearn graduate. He's improved and improved and improved every chance he's had and there's nothing that would stop him from striving to be his best. A major leader for the Wildcat squad, Heam wrestled his way into the post season thanks to his determination and his desire to win. Whenever you saw him on the mat, you knew he was there to win - and much of the time he did. Always a good grappler, Hearn has been a staple on the Novi team for more than a handful of years and has made his way onto the All-Area squad more than one. We're more than happy to have him back on our roster. that's for sure.

Shawn LaChance South Lyon 125

By many, LaChance was considered a surprise. The Lions expected him to have a big season, however, and the sophomore succeeded, posting a 49-9 record and 28 pins. Tough on his feet, LaChance won the KVC championship, placed second at the district tournament, third at the regional tournament and sixth at the Oakland County tournament.

Tony Acree Milford

A pleasant surprise for Milford, Acree seemingly came out of nowhere to post a 37-8 record. In his first season as a varsity starter, the sophomore placed second at the KVC meet and third at Oakland County.

Jake Williamson South Lyon 140

Phenomenal on his feet, Williamson is the master of the takedown. Some say the senior was on a mission this year, which his 42-7 record and 17 pins would indicate. Williamson missed the

KVC meet due to a bout with pneumonia, but bounced back to finish third at the district tourney. A fully recovered Williamson followed his district showing with a regional title and a fifth-place effort at the state meet. Williamson also scored a secondplace medal at the Oakland County meet. He broke South Lyon's single-season record for takedowns with 139.

Mike Siwicki Northville 145

A tough grappler with a burning desire to improve, Siwicki's speed and determination helped him earn some very tough wins this season that propelled his team into the post-season where they eventually sputtered to a halt. His techniques and ability to adjust on the go have made him one of the top wrestlers at Nonhville High School and the kind of athlete you can look to and be proud to have on your squad.

Rick Riegner Northville

The kind of leader that every team wants on their roster, Riegner has proven not only to be a leader while out on the floor but

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JIMMY FREEMAN

**SENIOR** 

LAKELAND

- PLAYER OF THE YEAR -

The kind of player that you look to when you want a

point on the board, Freeman collected 22 goals and 20

assists this season while leading the Eagles on a great run

An intense player, his drive to succeed is probably

unmatched on this squad. He wants the victory and he'll

play the type of game that it takes to get it. Other players

tend to feed off of that attitude, which is why Freeman was

a shoe-in for the All-Area squad this year - you just can't

Because Freeman led his team to one of their best finish-

es and has helped make Lakeland the kind of school that

travel hockey players don't mind skating for, we've chosen

### 2003 ALL-AREA DREAM TEAM

## Now that's a talented hockey team

### High-scoring Cauzillo makes history as first All-Area girl icer

By Sam Eggleston and Stan Frank **SPORTS WRITERS** 

This season, it wasn't too hard to decide the All-Area Hockey Dream Team. We had talent across the board. Even with teams that might not have ended up with the greatest record on the season, there were bright spots on the squad.

Below is the squad that we'd like the see taking the ice for us. With the talent, the dedication and the determination that we've assembled here, we're sure that a state title would eventually be ours. It might take some scrappy play, but that's the foundation these teams were built upon. They play until the game is over, and that's what we like about these guys.

**Jared Perras** Novi Senior

When the Novi Wildcats needed a guy to step up and score, Perras was their man. A crafty forward, Perras always seemed to have the ability to deke his way through the defense and land the puck in the back of the net. Though his squad ended their season in the Frozen Four for the third time in a row, they seemed to be the squad that was going to go a step further - and a lot of that came from the talent, the determination and the leadership that Perras brought to the ice. He collected 17 goals on the season and 14 assists, and though he wasn't the leader in either category for the Wildcats, it was his ability as a captain to lead that earned him first-team honors.

- Ryan Fix South Lyon

As quick as quick can be, Fix is one of those guys that can easily become a squad's go-to player. Not only is he as quick as they come, but Fix is also equipped with some of the best vision on the ice. Netting 19 goals and 22 assists this season, he proved to be a staple for the Lions this year. He goes out on the ice and he never quits. Fix looks to be a sure-bet for captain next season, and already has shown his leadership abilities on the ice and in the locker room. Expect him to be a key member of the Lion squad next year as well as a key Dream Team player.

Amy Cauzillo Northville Sophomore

And who says the girl's can't play too? Though listed as a defenseman on the roster this year, Cauzillo proved to be too beneficial on the offensive end of things for us to stick her there - not to mention this year was her first on defense. During the season, which was the Northville girls' inaugural year, Cauzillo collected 27 goals and four assists. Not bad for a defenseman — just think of what she would have accomplished if she were pure offense. Another bright spot on Cauzillo's stat sheet was the time she spent in the box - for an entire season she only wasted six minutes away from the ice thanks to penalties. Cauzillo not only made the Dream Team this year, but also made huge strides to making girls hockey a major sport in this area and was a member of the All-State squad for her play this season.

DEFENSE What do you think of when you think good defense? A crew that can shut you down cold when you try to bring the puck up the ice? How about guys who can hit you so hard that your teeth rattle? Well, our defense is quite capable of doing that, and more. Not only can they stonewall you, but they can take the puck from you and then turn it into an offensive production. Never hurts to have a double edge,

Jordan Collins

We like to think of Collins as the enforcer on our team. Notonly will he smash you into the boards with no mercy, but he'll also lay you out at center ice too. As strong as an ox and twice as fast, Collins was an offensive threat as well, scoring six goals this season and notching and impressive 33 assists. When we sit back and think of what our defense should ideally look like, Collins is the picture we get in our heads.

Alex Wright Lakeland

team to a nice finish in the Kensington Valley Conference on which his team build their wins. In the conference games, the 'Cats length of stay in the Wright collected seven goals and five assists while being one of the top defensemen on the ice. His ability to go out and do his job and do it well gained our attention and earned him a slot on the Dream Team.

**GOALIES** With two goalies that are more than capable of starting, we'd find ourselves in a bit of a pinch. It really comes down to a flip of the coin with these guys. so they're both first-team All-Area Dream Team selections because neither is clear-cut starter.

**Trenton Sisson** 

Not only was he projected to be the back-up goalie this year and fight his way to a starting spot, Sisson also notched himself the team-record for save percentage, stopping 93.5-percent of the shots on goal while he was between the posts. The kind of athlete that plays everything that he can, Sisson has proven himself time and time again as the goalie that will do the job. With his sight and his agility, he a great goaltender for the All-Area Dream Team.

Vinny Falahee South Lyon

Junior

This guy is a stopper if we've ever seen one. Holding off 90percent of the shots on goal, Falahee was the main man for the South Lyon Lions this year and is considered the player that kept the squad in many of their games this season. Excellent speed and positioning helps him shut down the offense of opposing teams, and when you face an average of 45 shots a game and still manage to come away with the win, you know you're doing something

#### **SECOND TEAM** Offense

Chaz Bulbuk Novi

Junior

A good player that the A captain with the Eagles this Wildcats will probably look to eason, Wright helped lead his build their program around next year, Bulbuk showed that he can score when the scores are and proved to be the foundation needed the most. He proved to

playoffs this year, and led his squad through his intensity and his desire to be one of the best skaters in the rink. Look for Bulbuk to make strides at being even better come next season. and thanks to his talent and his leadership, he landed a spot on the Dream Team this year.

Jimmy Reihl

Senior If the coaching and the environment would have been a little better for Reihl this season, he would have most likely landed a spot on the first team. His skill and his dedication to the game are just as amazing as his ability to score. Though not the kind of player that demands the puck when he's on the ice, when it landed at the end of his stick he often made a good showing with a score. His determination helped him pull through a rather tough season,

which earned him a nod for the

Tony Mango Milford

All-Area squad.

Mango's ability to score on the ice is only matched by his ability to score on the golf course. This player is the kind that must love this game heck, after getting that little white ball in the hole, the top shelf on a goalie's stick side must look like the Grand Canyon. Mango proved to be one of the brightest stars with the Mavericks this year. His skill and his ability to take over a game gave him the thumbs up for a spot on the All-Area team

Vinny Diroff and Carl South Lyon Senior

Diroff is the kind of player that likes to score — but who can blame him? That nifty red light going off and the fans cheering as the puck finds the back of the net has to be a pretty good feeling. Diroff would know, as he managed to notched 20 goals and 14 assists this season. One of the most notable abilities that Diroff brings to the ice is his ability to stick-handle his way out of a telephone booth — and he could probably score from there too. When you look at him, you really can't tell that he's one of the quickest skaters on the ice. And if you get in front of his shot? Better watch out, that rocket will knock you for a

coach what he brings to the team.

him as our player of the year.

**DEFENSE** 

Mike Marquardt Northville Senior

loop.

A determined player that refuses to quit, Marquardt was a bright spot in a dark year for the Northville Mustangs. Players hated going against him because of his ability to stand them up, poke the puck away or just plain knock them down. He is the kind of defender that likes to make you think you are going to burn him before he takes you out of your game. Marquardt may not have had the greatest season as a member of a team this year, but his

determination to play top-shelf hockey made him a great selection to the Dream Team.

Mike Karas Novi Senior

Karas is one of those players that you just can't get enough of while he's out on the ice. He has the ability to drill opponents hard enough that they wished they were any where but on the ice at that moment, and if he doesn't do that to them he's standing them up and taking them out of their games. Quick stick handling makes him a tough defender to skate around. Karas collected eight assists on the year, proving to be a headsup defender that earned his place on the All-Area squad his senior year.

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### 2003 ALL-AREA DREAM TEAMS

## Temple earns All-Area volleyball spot

### Crystal Corte, Angie Schmitt selected to Dream Team for Novi

By Sam Eggleston and Stan Frank SPORTS WRITERS

This year's All-Area Dream Team volleyball squad has a ton of talent dripping from the roster. With one of the most competitive years in the Kensington Valley Conference behind us, it wasn't too hard to figure out those athletes that we'd want in our starting line-

Though there were many great athletes to pick and choose from, we found ourselves with the cream of the crop screaming for attention via their skill and dedication to the game. We're happy to say that this is one of the best All-Area volleyball teams we've assembled, and we're sure that if given the chance we'd have a heck of a run at the state title

#### FIRST TEAM

Crystal Corte Novi

Senior When we think of Corte, we think of volleyball. A staple on Novi's squad for the past three years. Corte has proven herself to be the kind of leader that you'd want on your squad --because she does so by example. Collecting 44 serving aces this season and notching 202 kill and 66 blocks, Corte showed the Novi opponents that she was a force to be reckoned with. Known as an all-around player for the Wildcats, Corte isn't the kind of player that we can restrict to a single position. Outside hitter, defensive specialist - whatever you want her to play you can depend on her to do it well. Corte collected an 86-percent serving percentage on the year and compiled 219 digs. Her ability is only sur- round and this season estab-

passed by her dedication, and that's why she's a sure-fit with the All-Area squad.

Kelly Eastwood Milford

Like teammate Whitney Fuelling, Eastwood embodies the complete package. Her skills are obvious — precise passing, tenacious defense, a quality serve and some ferocious net play. The outside hitter plays like a warrior near the net, attacking opponents with debilitating firepower. Eastwood swatted 421 kills for the Mavericks on 905 attacks, averaging 4.21 kills per game. Her numbers in all three categories rank second in school history. Eastwood's 331 digs were second on the team and her leadership was crucial in the Mavericks' successful attempt to repeat as champions of the Kensington Valley Conference. Injuries to Amanda Kanny and Jessica Wolfe left Eastwood as Milford's only contributing senior for a significant stretch during the season. Certain to be missed, Milford's No. 12 owns the distinction of producing the kill which earned the Mavericks their first ever district title.

> Sarah Gardner South Lyon

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Even if Gardner lacked the skills to grace this list, it would be necessary to include her. After all, if we were honoring players for intensity alone, Gardner would be the top choice. Although her teamleading assist total (209) was minimized by the Lions' dualsetter offense, Gardner's reckless disregard for her body as well as her ferocity on defense proved peerless. The junior dedicates herself to her craft year-

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WHITNEY FUELLING JUNIOR **MILFORD** 

### --- PLAYER OF THE YEAR ---

To say that Fuelling is a gifted athlete is an understatement. The unior entered this season having played only two years of organized volleyball, yet her technique and her ability to jump and swing is unparalleled within the Kensington Valley Conference. An outside hitter, Fuelling set new school records in kills (483) attacks (1061) and kills per game average (4.88). But while Fuelling's hitting is devastating to opponents, it qualifies as only one facet of her game. As a member of the two-time league chamilian Mauraide Fuelling is a highly proceeded. pion Mayericks, Fuelling is a highly-regarded passer and also lead Milford in digs with 347. Fuelling continues to refine her game, having spent this season attempting to establish a jump serve. Her team-leading 53 aces suggests she was successful in doing so. Indeed, each weapon in Fuelling's arsenal is lethal and weighed heavily in her selection as All-Area Volleyball Player of the Year. Nonetheless, it's those hits that explode like cannon fire that have opened our eyes to Milford's No. 10.

lished a jump serve, which triggered a team-leading 46 aces on only 218 attempts. At 5-5, Gardner is the shortest player on the All-Area team. Yet, despite her relatively diminutive stature, Gardner plays big very big. One might even say

that South Lyon's No. 5 has the heart of a Lion.

Jessica Petkus Milford

The captain of the two-time Kensington Valley Conference

champion Mavericks. How love to name Schmitt to our Allgood is Petkus? One only needs to look at how good those around her are to be certain. Her teammates Kelly Eastwood and Whitney Fuelling each broke Milford's single-season records in kills, attacks and average kills per game this year. How often can that be said? And the junior wasn't exactly sharing the task of setting the table -Petkus registered a gaudy 1,017 assists, or 94 percent of the team's total. The assist mark set a new single-season record at Milford, as did her total sets (2,691) and assists per game average (9.97). Petkus compiled 313 digs and owned a 95 percent serving percentage, the highest on the squad. For three consecutive seasons, Petkus has set new school records in three setting categories, an accomplishment which might force Milford to consider retiring her No. 2 jersey.

Nicole Williams Läkeland

The Eagles' vast improvement this season was in no small part due to the aggressive attacking of Williams. A junior, Williams swatted a team-leading 213 kills for a Lakeland squad which improved from 3-23-4 in 2002 to 16-18-9 in 2003. Williams also lead the Eagles in digs and launched 46 aces. At 5-6, Williams is the shortest outside hitter on our list of keepers, which makes it even impressive when Lakeland's No. 5 creates a swing in momentum with one swing of her arm.

SECOND TEAM

Angie Schmitt What can we say? We just

Area Dream Teams. She's a capable player that doesn't know the meaning of quit and it's evident in the way she plays. She's aggressive, prompting the rest of the team around her to be the same, and she never lets a loss slip through her fingers without one heck of a fight. Whenever you see her on the floor, you know that she's giving it her all in hopes of securing the victory. Schmitt collected 210 kills this season, and 59 aces in her fourth year on the varsity squad. She also notched 100 blocks, with 57 being solo. A tough competitor in everything she does, Schmitt has earned recognition on the All-Area squad in the past and we're proud to have her as a member of the team again in 2003. The only thing we wonder is if she's as determined to win as she is in varsity sports when she's playing a game like check-

Katie Thomas Lakeland

Junior Don't confuse Thomas as a player that does a little of everything, because she's not. Instead, the Eagles middle hitter can be best described as a player who does a lot of everything. Thomas was a major reason Lakeland won 13 more games than it did last season. The junior ranked second on the team in kills (182), aces (52) and digs. Thomas ranked second to nobody as a blocker, however, as the junior racked up a teamhigh 117 solo blocks and 194 total blocks. With that in mind, Lakeland's No. 6 is similar to a blocking dummy, not because she lacks smarts, but rather because she continues to dismiss anyone trying to hit on her.

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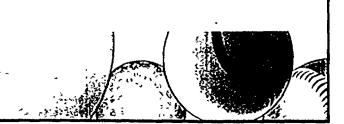
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### Don't let last year fool you

'Stangs plan on giving it their all each game

By Michael Zerkich SPECIAL WRITER

Sometimes when a new coach takes over the proverbial cookie jar is empty. However, Northville's new coach Jean Calabrese, a veteran coach in her own right, takes over with a jar filled with smart and talented cookies of all kinds.

Alright, the team didn't do so well last year. However, its a new season and, after a long cold winter, the first shallow fly ball to left field states anyone can win. Why not let it be Northville's turn this year?

Calabrese made this assessment of her team for this year.

"This team is having to gel together with new players and a new coach and assistant coach," she said. "There's a new and different philosophy about training, technique, and team play. It takes time and patience to bring everything together. We'll throw different things at them every day and see what they can absorb. We are already seeing the adjustments transfer to their play. We all have common goals. Gradually we will put it all

together. This year's team will be a matter of combining experience and youth with a new game and practice philosophy. We are designing this team to start a winning tradition and develop the program for the future. Our players are all quality, all around players. They are working very hard to improve their individual skills and develop the cohesiveness necessary to come together as a team. They are learning new strategies, new skills, and new techniques. As their coach, I am very proud of them, their dedication, their enthusiasm, and their courage to work to improve themselves and the

"We have talent in Northville. We will put it together and we will develop. I am excited about our team and our prospects for the future."

> Jean Calabrese Northylle Softball Coach

As stated before, Calabrese has seen the cookie jar and

likes what she sees. "We have six returning seniors, all with leadership abilities. I will look for the seniors to help mold this team and guide the youth. We have a lot of young, talented players. They need to be taught to be Northville softball players, proud of their skills, confident of their talent, sure of their team. My seniors will protect them, guide them, encourage them, and bring this team together as a complete unit."

The Mustangs will see some

tough teams this season.
"We have tough competition in our division," Calabrese said. "My biggest concern is playing Canton. I am most concerned with them because I know them best and I know the tremendous talent they have at every position. They have 4 or 5 quality pitchers and strength at catching. Their position players all have experience and talent. My next concern is probably Walled Lake Central. They are always ready to play and they just crush the ball. We'll have to make adjust-



### SOFTBALL

Coach: Jean Calabrese

Key losses: Ashley Kniceley, Samantha Cooke

Key Returners: Candra Nabozny, Alison Long, Lindsay Tomasak, Carrie Banner, Jane Kruszewski

Major opponents: Salem, Livonia schools and non-league

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ments. Franklin is a developing program and could surprise some people. Their coach has worked hard with the pitchers all winter. Walled Lake Western and Churchill always have consistent programs. They too will be tough."

This might just prove to be the year of the Mustang if all

goes well.
"We have talent in
Northville," Calabrese said.

"We will put it together and we will develop. I'm excited about our team and our prospects for the future. I'm really proud of our players and look forward to their growth and development."

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### Wrestlers have heart

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also a leader off the mat. He pushes his team in the right direction, urging them and cheering them on no matter what the odds of victory are. His dedication to the sport has seen him rise into a bright spot on the Northville squad as well as in the Western Lakes Activities Association. His work ethic has found him climbing the ranks until every wrestler he went against knew they would have their hands full. His leadership and his determination to be victorious makes him a key role-player on the Dream Team this season.

Cody McDaniels South Lyon

McDaniels' is something of a technical junky in both style and result. The Lions junior recorded a team-high five technical falls en route to a 33-16 mark. McDaniels also registered 12 pins, while nabbing a fourth place at the KVC meet and a sixth place at the Oakland County tournament.

Levi Desjarlais Milford

Desjarlais impressed in his first season wrestling in Michigan, notching a 39-7 mark. Besides a KVC championship, the senior placed second in both the district and regional tournaments, while finishing fourth at Oakland County.

Steve Zwolinski Lakeland

Carrying only two seniors on the roster, the Eagles were young and inexperienced this season. In addition, Lakeland had a new coach leading the program. With experience on their side, the Eagles expect to rebound next year and will be lead by Zwolinski, who was 14-22 during his junior sea-

Matt Jezior

Novi

Jezior proved his strength, determination and dedication this season as he fought his way through a tough regular season and into the post season. There, he worked harder and harder, adjusting on the fly to his opponents' styles and beating them as he eventually climbed his way into the Individual State finals tournament. Jezior is the kind of athlete that a coach just

gets giddy over thanks to his work ethic and willingness to learn. He probably wasn't the favorite in the majority of his matches, but that never stopped him. Instead, he went out and showed why he should have been the favorite int he first place by earning the win. A tough grappler to pin and very quick for his size, Jezior is a good fit to an All-Area Dream Team like this one.

Dave Quick Northville

He may not have the most wins of the wrestlers that have made the squad with him this season, but Quick is a stand-up athlete. He doesn't let the temptations of activities outside of sports draw him away from his goals. He leads by example and that's what studentathletes in this day and age need to look to for guidance. Quick is a great selection for this team for two reasons. First of all, his skills are above average and his willingness to capitilize on technique has made him a tough wrestler to beat. Secondly, his leadership, dedication and burning desire to succeed fit right in with the rest of the All-Area squad. We're happy to have him as a wrestler in a field that produces nothing but winners in our

Jim Rhoad South Lyon

Quick, strong and relentless, Rhoad was a force for the Lions, posting a 38-7 mark with 23 pins. The junior won both the KVC meet and the South Lyon Invitational at 189 pounds, but spent the majority of the season wrestling foes up to 26 pounds heavier than he at 215. Only a season-ending injury seemed capable of stopping Rhoad from continued success. The injury prevented Rhoad from competing at the district meet only one week after winning a KVC crown.

Josh Haron Heavyweight

Haron is an imposing presence. His chiseled physique is in direct contrast to most of the behemoths he is pitted against. Haron also tends to be a little quicker than his counterparts and began coming into his own toward the end of the season. The junior registered a 37-18 mark and 25 pins for the Lions. Haron placed second at the KVC

meet and fourth at both the district

and regional tournament.

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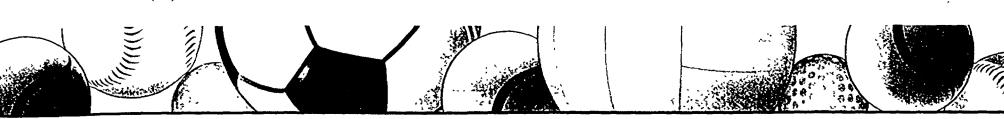
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### Northville's Joe Lunn wants to be a leader of men in the Army

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Some men were born to lead. others were born to follow. Northville senior Joe Lunn wants to be a leader, and he knows and has what it takes to be one.

With his senior season of swimming behind him, Lunn now turns to the future and what it holds for him. Will he swim at the next level? Where will he go to school? The answers are out there, but Lunn hasn't been made privy to them yet.

"I'd like to swim in college," he said. "I'm looking at Eastern Michigan, Michigan State and the United States Military Academy."

West Point. For generation upon generation. West Point has been a name that rang with the sound of liberty and freedom. It's

where the best and the brightest train to lead our men and women through their lives in the United States Army.

"I've always liked the (idea of) military life," Lunn said, "My aunts and my uncles were in the military, and though my dad never was he served in the DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) and worked for the government. I've always liked the structured life and what it had to offer."

And patriotism flows through his veins. Lunn not only strives to be the best that he can be, but he also learned the ropes of the government when he attended the American Legion Boys' State this past summer.

"li's a great program," Lunn said. "I loved their patriotism and their respect for the flag. It sparked an interest in me, and the more I've learned the more

interested I've become."

West Point hasn't come calling as of yet, but the good news is that Lunn hasn't been taken

out of the running.
"I'm still in it," he said. "It's kind of hard to tell (if I'm going to make it) but they have all the way until May to tell me."

And as he waits on pins and needles, Lunn ponders the whatifs. Maybe they won't ask him to join their ranks — then what?

"I'll try to get in the ROTC at Michigan State or Eastern," he said. "I want to be a commissioned officer. To be a leader of men is what they say."

And what does it take to get into West Point? Good grades, leadership ability and athletic ability. Lunn has all three. Not only does he maintain a 3.7 grade point average, he's also the president of the National Honor Society, an assistant drum major with the marching band and the captain of the cross country team and the swimming and diving squad. He's also well liked by his peers - he was selected to the Homecoming Court in the fall.

And how does he do as a leader? Consider that he helped lead the Mustangs to a shocking Western Lakes Activities Association title this season and he helped get two relay teams into the state finals as well as notching two individual berths of his own.

And Lunn comes through too. In the swim finals, Lunn earned All-State honors for his eighthplace finish in the 500 freestyle event with a time of 4:50.32. He also took 13th in the 200 free with a 1:46.40.

"It was very big and very intense," Lunn said. "Some of the best guys in the nation were swimming there. I went in there with all the confidence and did the same thing I do every day. I swam my heart out."

And that type of dedication and leadership is often passed down from those above. In Lunn's case, he had three sources to thank. Swim coach Rich Bennetts helped him strive to be his best in the pool, his parents Joe and Terry urged him to be his best and God gave him the ability to do what he does.



Northville High swimmer Joe Lunn competes in the 200 meter intermediate medley in the butterfly in last week's home game against Novi.

"I wouldn't be able to do anything if it wasn't for God," Lunn said. "There's so much that he's granted me. I'm very lucky. I just hope I can use the abilities he granted me and be the best I

With the pressures of swimming behind him, and the rest of his senior year to look forward to. Lunn said that he's going to

do what he always does. "I like to hang out with my brother and sister and my mom and dad," he said.

Lunn's little sister, Yvonne, is 15 years old and a freshman at Northville this year. She was a member of the swim team in the fall and was trying out for the softball team. His brother, Nathan, is 11 and is looking at a high school career in the mainstream sports.

"He wants to be a football and basketball star," Lunn said. "He wants the chicks."

When the family gets together, they can often be found at the movies.

When he's not with his family, Lunn is hanging out with his friends from the cross country and swim teams.

In his years on the swim squad, Lunn has even worked to better the team relations between the swimmers and divers - of course, that's easy when your best friend is John Campbell.

'We really worked on the diver-swimmer relationship." Lunn said. "Apparently, the divers used to be treated harshly. John's a great guy and funny

But, sometimes things come between friends.

'Oh, he's gotten too busy for me," Lunn said jokingly, "Ever since he was Homecoming King, he's been into the girls. He's the big man on campus now."

A leader in athletics and in the classroom bodes well for Lunn's hopes of West Point - but does he have what it takes to make it through the rigorous training and mental conditioning that the Army requires of its leaders?

"Mentally, I'm tough enough," Lunn said. "Physically, I'm sure I can make it too."

In the years to come, Lunn hopes to be molded into an officer that serves his country and serves it well.

If the Army is looking for leaders and those dedicated to their country, its freedoms and what the American flag stands for then Joe Lunn is their man.

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### Plymouth ends season on top

Plymouth's John Vigilante March 15 in front of a sold out time. crowd at Compuware Sports Arena.

Plymouth David Liffiton led the Whalers with I goal and I assist and goalie Jeff Weber turned away 35 shots in the victory.

The Whalers improved to 43-14-8-2 while Kitchener moved to 46-

The Whalers used a pair of power play goals to take a 2-0 lead in the first period. John Mitchell struck first when he took a pass from Chad LaRose and fired it past Kitchener goalie Carlo DiRienzo at 3:27 in the first period. Plymouth followed with another power play tally with just 15 seconds left in the first period. David Liffiton knocked home a rebound with assists going to Jonas

Fiedler and Nate Kiser. The Rangers used a power play of their own to cut the lead in half in the second period. David Clarkson knocked in a rebound off an Andre Benoit shot at 10:23 for the only goal of the second period. Marcus Smith also assisted on the goal

scored 2:43 into overtime to boost power play to tie the game up when the Whalers to a 3-2 win over the Rafal Martynowski scored at 7:18 for a scoring chance, he puts the to knot things at 2-2, forcing over-

Joe Lunn

Whalers 6, Greyhounds 2

Plymouth Whalers forward Chad LaRose guaranteed a spot in the Whalers record books when his 61st goal of the season to set a new Whalers franchise single season scoring record en route to 6-2 win over the visiting SS Marie Greyhounds. The previous record was held by Sean Haggerty with 60 goals during the 1995-1996 season.

Larose also added four assists while linemate Chris Thorburn finished off with a hattrick and one assist. John Mitchell chipped in with the other two goals.

Plymouth improves to 42-14-8-2 while SS Marie drops to 26-32-6-3.

"Chad has had a remarkable season and the entire organization is both proud and happy for him," Plymouth Whalers General Manager/Head Coach Mike Vellucci said "He epitomizes what a player should be. He works hard both on and off the ice and never

Kitchener once again went to the quits when he is out there. Just when you think there is no chance nuck in the net. Chad has been a big part of our success as a team this

Plymouth took a 1-0 lead in the first period, despite being outshot by the Greyhounds 20-14. Chris Thorburn scored his 28th goal of the season at 15.01 of the period.

Chad LaRose set up the goal when he forced a Greyhound turnover deep in the their zone and walked in on goal and slid a pass to Thorburn who buried it into the open net.

SS Marie dominated most of the second period as it tied the game at the 14:22. Mike Amodeo tapped in a rebound off a shot from Matt Hemeisen. But with only 1.4 seconds left in the period, LaRose rifled a shot over the shoulder of Greyhound goalie Joey Biasucci to put his name in the record books. Chris Thorburn and Paul Drew

assisted on the goal. The Whalers erupted with four goals in the third to put the game

### **PLAYOFFS**

The Plymouth Whalers Will open the first round of the OHL Playoffs next Saturday, March 22 against the Owen Sound Attack. Tickets and playoff packages are available by calling (734) 453-8400 or stop by the Compuware Sports Arena box office. The schedule is as follows:

### **Home Games**

Game 1 March 22 7:30 • Game 3 March 25 7:30

• \*Game 5 March 29 7:30 • 'Game 7 April 1 7:30

### **Away Games**

- Game 2 March 23 7 p.m.
- Game 4 March 27 7 p.m.

### \*Game 6 March 30 7 p.m.

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### Cauzillo gets All-State honors

By Michael Zerkich SPECIAL WRITER

What an achievment.

Northville's stellar sopho-

more Amy Cauzillo has been selected to the Michigan Girls' High School All-State team, one of only twelve hockey players in the state. She is the first hockcy player in Northville history to be selected to an All-State hockcy team.

"What makes this accomplishment even more amazing is that Amy is a sophomore, and was the only player to make the All State team playing on (Northville), which is a first year team," said Bill Holden, coach of the Northville

Mustangs.

which lead the Northville area for both boys and girls high school hockey. She added four assists for a total of 31 offensive points. Besides doing this on a first-year team, Cauzillo scored all these points as a defenseman and scored more than 80-percent of her team's goals.

Cauzillo is a fast skater who. when winding up in her defensive zone, can skate the puck up the ice for numerous breakaways. She kept several opponents defensive tandems back away from the point as they feared she would start her wheel-and-deal heroics. During one game against state-ranked Grosse Pointe South, she put the puck up the ice 15 times.

As a supportive teammate, Cauzillo had 27 goals scored Cauzillo represents the best in Mustang athletics. Her positive attitude and sportsmanship were contagious to everyone on the

Cauzillo carries a 3.76 grade point average in her schoolwork which includes advanced classes in both English and science. Along with her hockey achievements, Cauzello plays in the high school band and on this year's junior varsity soccer team. As a freshman at Northville High which had no hockey team at the time. Cauzillo played on the Michigan Capitals Girls 15and-under triple-A team. She had planned on playing for the triple-A team again this year when she found out that the Mustangs would be having a team. The decision was a tough

one, but after hearing that other

travel players were going to join other high school teams in the area, Cauzillo decided to give it a shot.

"The minute she stepped on to the ice, I knew she was a good hockey player, what I didn't realize was how good," said Holden. "The really neat part having Amy on the team is when colleges call and want to know if she would be interested in attending their school's, my response: 'She's a sophomore, we will start forming the line next year."

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### Lauren Temple earns Area nod

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Meghan Waldrop South Lyon Junior

It's fitting that Waldrop (sort of) rhymes with wallop, because Waldrop can really wallop a volleybail. In her first season on the Lions' varsity squad, the 5-11 junior made a lasting impression, drilling a team-leading 112 kills. A middle hitter, Waldrop also lead South Lyon in total blocks with 41. With sky-scraping height and an all-around game featuring big blocks and even bigger hits, South Lyon's No. 14 has the capability of dominating any match.

Jessica Wolfe Milford Senior

One word best describes Wolfe — underrated. On a team loaded with stars, the senior rightside hitter often gets lost in the mix. Ironically, it's Wolfe's ability to play quietly in the shadows of her teammates that makes her so good. More often than not, Milford's No. 8 didn't go unrecognized because she wasn't making plays, she went unrecognized because she wasn't making mistakes.

Tina Hildreth Novi Senior

One of the first things about Hildreth that you'd notice is that she's one of the hardest working players on her team. Collecting 35 aces this season combined with an impressive 108 blocks of which 64 were solo, Hildreth was one of the busiest players in the KVC at middle blocker. A third-year starter for Novi, she had an 80-percent serving percentage in

This looks to be one of the best and brightest All-Area volleyball teams we've assembled in the past few vears.

her senior year, and collected 178 digs and 157 kills. The kind of player you can always look to for a good performance no matter what the odds are or what the score is. Hildreth has proven to be the kind of player that we want on our Dream Team.

Lauren Temple Northville Senior

Temple has proven herself to be a very resilient and dedicated volleyball player through her varsity career at Northville High School, She does what's asked of her, always improving her game and always showing exactly what it is she is capable of doing. Unfortunately, Temple didn't have the supporting cast necessary to take her game, and her team, to the next level. She plays with a lot of heart, a lot of talent and a lot of desire, and that's why she was a given as a member of the Dream Team this sea-

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### Countryshire offers cottage facade

By Scott McAlexander COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Is it a cottage, or a farmhouse or something in between?

The facade of the Countryshire (G20-234) has the look of a cottage with its covered porch, small pillars and half-moon windows. However, once inside this special home, 2,257 square feet of living space makes for more than a small house in the

The dining room, completely open with a beautiful decor ceiling. has a door opening into the Lshaped kitchen. One kitchen wall is dedicated to cabinets and counter space. The center island has a cook top, while on the opposite wall there is a pantry. The nook is nestled in a set of bay windows, which makes it a great place for a morning coffee

Between the kitchen and the twocar garage is a half-bath with a corner linen closet and the utility. A large folding counter is included to make doing the laundry easier.

A storage closet is outside the laundry room in the hall. To separate the kitchen from the great room, a pocket door has been added next to the stairs.

The great room has a fireplace surrounded by bookshelves on the wall by the master suite, which also has a fireplace backed up to the great room's fireplace. The great room's back wall is lined with windows and a door that opens to the back yard.

The master suite is on the left side of the Countryside and has a



At 2,257 square feet, the Countryshire has luxuries such as a large L-shaped kitchen with a center island, and a great room and master suite that both feature fireplaces.

window seat along the length of the rear wall. A large walk-in closet faces the door, while the master bathroom is in the front of the suite. Dual sinks, a corner shower, spa tub and private toilet area are all incorporated into this spacious bathroom.

Up the sweeping stairs to the second floor are three more bedrooms, a linen closet and a full bath with two sinks and a tub. Bedrooms Nos. 2 and 4 each have corner walk-in closets. Linen and storage areas are nearby in the hall. Bedroom No. 3 has a wall closet. Each bedroom has many windows that admit natural light to brighten the rooms.

Downstairs is an optional unfinished basement of 1,545 square feet. This could be used for more bedrooms, recreation room or for

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### Real estate market attracting different age brackets

By James M. Woodard COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

The real estate sales market in recent times has attracted many more people into the field - people representing a wider range of ages and backgrounds.

About 15 percent of people seeking a real estate broker or salesperson license today are between the ages of 18 and 24. That's nearly three times the proportion representing that age group just five years ago, according to a survey conducted by Kalan Real Estate School.

On the other side of the spectrum, there is a noticeable increase in older agents entering the field. About 17 percent of new agents are age 55 and older. Also, new people entering the real estate brokerage field come from higher income backgrounds than ever before, the survey noted.

Another interesting finding:

About 82 percent of current agents consider themselves to be Caucasian. This designation applies to only 57 percent of new agents entering the field. In fact, the proportion of new agents representing the three key minority

groups, Hispanic, black and Asian-American, is more than double that of established agents. About 16 percent of people now entering the world of real estate sales come from the technology

field, an industry that has rarely been represented before among new real estate professionals.

Q: When purchasing a home, what are the advantages of selecting a mortgage with a term shorter than the traditional 30 years?

At I presented that question to an expert in the field - Michael W. Levy, president and chief executive

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### Now is not the time to plant crabgrass preventer

Q: I was in a local store where I buy fertilizer and grass seed, and the sales person said that I could put down crabgrass preventer now. Is this correct?

A: The guy doesn't know what he's talking about. If you do it now, it will be gone when the crabgrass germinates. The first big rain will send it into the ditch, and your neighbors won't have any crabgrass coming up in their ditch.

These products don't kill existing crabgrass; they prevent the seeds from germinating. Here is the big, scientific way to determine when to put down crabgrass preventer. Wait until the middle or end of April when the forsythia bushes are blooming. You know, the ones



with the zillion yellow flowers and the arched branches. As the flowers begin to fade away on the forsythia, put down your crabgrass material. Choose a forsythia bush in your neighborhood. Because of microclimates, things bloom at different times, so your neighborhood could be a week different from downtown Howell. The reason for the mysterious date is that it takes about another additional week or two for the crabgrass seeds to germinate. You are just a bit early and still in plenty of time. There is less chance for rains that could float the ark or other big weather things to affect the material on the soil. Big word of caution here: you cannot put down grass seed at the same time that you use crabgrass preventer. This product can't tell the difference between your good grass seeds and the bad crabgrass seeds. Wait until fall to seed, if you are planning on doing this.

Q: I love blueberries and have decided that I want to grow some. I know that they need acidic soil so I have added pine needles and wood ashes to the soil. I want to grow them like a hedge around my house. How soon can I expect berries?

A: From what you've told me, never. There's some huge problems here and let's count them. Yes, blueberries need acidic soil - very, very acidic soil. If you haven't had a soil test, you don't know how acidic your soil currently is. Get a soil test. Pine needles will do a tiny bit of acidifying, but not nearly enough. You need a soil pH of 4.5 to 5.0. A big chunk of Livingston County is 6.5 or above. Wood ashes will raise your pH. So you may now be going in the wrong direction. The best way of acidifying soil, once you know the pH, is using sulfur. Think about this: the foundation of your house is cement. This has plenty of lime. So soil next to the foundation will be more alkaline than surrounding soil because of lime leaching from the cement. Blueberries need soil high in organic matter. This means peat-type soils. Is this around the foundation of your house? You cannot buy big blueberry bushes. It takes four to seven years to have a bush old enough to produce berries. You are now going to have to wait. I have one question for you. Are you sure that growing blueberries is going to be worth the future pain and

 Gretchen Voyle is the horticulture agent for the MSU Extension-Livingston County,



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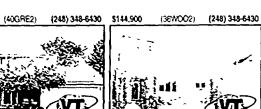
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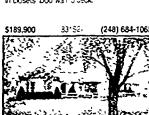
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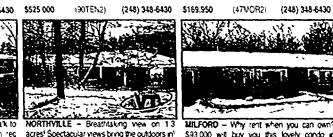
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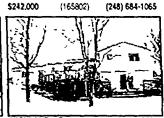


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### Bare wood floors can be sexy

By Rose Bennett Gilbert COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q: My husband loves bare wood floors. Even in our bedroom, he's asking me not to put down carpeting or even area rugs. I like wood, too, but it's not very sexy in a bedroom. Do you agree?

A: Seeing is believing: I'd be hard-pressed to find a more sensuous setting than the bedroom we show here, where the hardwood floors have been left seductively bare (dare we say, "nude?").

No surprise, really, when you find out that the bedroom belongs to chanteuse and actor Cher, who's hardly known for her shy and retiring style. for either herself or her

Beverly Hills designer Ron Wilson understands his client's tastes very well - after all, he has created 19 different residential projects for Cher, according to designer and author Joanna Lee Doster, who lent us the photo from her titillating new book, "Celcbrity Bedroom Retreats" (Rockport Publishers).

For all its glamour and shine, Cher's bedroom is really about natural materials. The bed itself is based on a platform of natural stone with matching stone tables on each side. So you could say that hardwood flooring comes naturally, too. Certainly, the shimmering fabrics (including bedhangings hand-woven by Fortuny) and the sumptuous, oversized upholstered pieces exude seduction and sophistica-

But, PS: What's wrong with laying a small area rug on just your side of the bed? Your husband can enjoy the sight of all that beautiful bare wood, while you can be sure you are getting out on the



**CNS Photo** 

This spacious, sophisticated bedroom was created by designer Ron Wilson for singer/ actress Cher.

right side every morning.

Q: I really, really, really need a home office! The trouble is, there is no quiet space I can steal in our small house. We live in every square inch, with the possible exception of the dining room. Most of the time we cat at the large kitchen table.

Here's my question: How can I turn part of the dining room into an office without ruining it for the few times a year when we want to use the dining table?

A: I may have seen the perfect answer last week on a private tour of remodeled New York apartments and town houses. We were there as guests of top kitchen cabmet manufacturer Plain & bancy, but I wandered

from one deluxe kitchen into the formal living room to find a large, custom-built, white-painted "armoire" that aroused my curiosity. Sure enough, its mirrored pocket doors opened to reveal all the stuff to which a home office is heir: computer, monitor, supplies and storage.

Cabinets built on one side held the printer, fax/scanner, and more stuff behind doors, over which open, lighted shelves displayed books and attractive storage items. Closed. the armoire was a handsome focal point for the room; open, it became the secret center of a thriving little at-home business.

One more novel idea for an at-home office, also observed on our tour: Build it inside another

room, say, across one end for maxing storage in of your dining room. mini-space? A: Steal inspiration Construct a wall around a few square feet of floor from Luis Mora, a space, enough to comfort-Manhattan stylist, artist ably accommodate a desk, and photographer, who

files and bookcase. But found a pair of matching don't wall it all the way to country-pine coffee tables the ceiling. Finish off the in a furniture store and outer and inner sides with staked them vertically in crown moldings but leave his home studio. With their bun feet and deep drawers at least two feet of open space to allow for air ciron two sides, the duo now culation and light. A ceillooks like a custom-built ing fixture can illuminate storage unit - in every way, that is, but the price both the "office" and the leftover dining space. tag.
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dow inside your new "room." And consider centhe co-author of "Hampton Style" and tering the faux wall with a associate editor of pair of pocket French Country Decorating Ideas. Please send your questions doors you can slide shut when you really need to be to her at Copley News isolated from the rest of Service, P.O. Box 120190, the house. San Diego, CA 92112-0190, or online at cop-Q. Need a clever idea lessd@copleynews com.

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officer of Home Savings Mortgage and a noted financial adviser."Sometimes the best longterm financial plan involves a short-term commitment," Levy said. "In the case of selecting a mortgage loan, many people opt for a conventional 30-year fixedrate mortgage, primarily due to the security factor. They feel comfortable in knowing they have a mortgage with a consistent interest rate for a very long term.

"However, that plan may not be in their best financial interests. The feeling of security is indeed important. But from a personal financial perspective, it may not be the most prudent plan.

"Consider this: The average homeowner retains ownership of a home for about four to six years, depending on its location. Then the house is sold and usually refinanced. If the original owner had obtained a 30-year mortgage, due in five to seven years, he would have enjoyed a substantially lower interest rate, thus saving money every month that could be invested in stocks, bonds or other yield-producing entities.

"In this type of mortgage loan, the low interest remains the same for the short term (five or seven years). If the homeowner still owns the property at the end of that period, the loan would rollover into an annually adjustable-rate mortgage for the remainder of the 30-year term.

"If the owner has sold the home by that time, he would have benefited from the lower interest rate in the form of lower monthly payments. If he has not sold it, he will continue to have an (adjustable-rate mortgage) loan for as long as he needs it, up to the end of the 30-year term.

"Such a plan also helps the buyer, particularly first-time home buyers, in qualifying for a needed mortgage loan. It's one of many special mortgage plans available in today's market - one that's often recommended by financial advisers, but not generally known about by consumers. Mortgage loan officers can tailor a plan that meets the specific needs of a loan applicant.

"As nearly all professional financial advisers agree, homeownership is the best of all forms of investment. When you consider

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Real estate market attracts

different age brackets

Levy's firm, California-based Home Savings Mortgage, has been doubling its volume of processed mortgage loans in each of the past three years, he reported. The projected total this year is about \$1 billion. The firm has a Web site at www.HomeSavingsMortgage.com.

Q: Are adjustable-rate mortgages becoming more or less popular with borrower?

A: The adjustable-rate mortgage is becoming more popular and fashionable. That seems a bit strange considering current mortgage interest rates are near record lows, and with little likelihood they can dip much lower.

The appealing factor motivating consumers to select an adjustablerate mortgage loan is the growing spread between the fixed-rate and variable-rate mortgage interest rates. At this writing, there is an average two-point spread separating the 30-year fixed and one-year adjustable rate mortgage.

Even though interest rates continue to touch record lows from time to time, an increasing number of home buyers are opting for an adjustable-rate mortgage loan. The rate of increase is small, but the fact there is an increasing trend is significant.

The percentage of adjustablerate mortgage loans has not fallen below 10 percent since November, 2001, when fixed-rate mortgages had interest rates of about 6.75 percent.

"While ARMs offer lower mortgage payments initially, rising consumer debt levels raise some concems that a number of households may be unprepared for a jump in mortgage payments when rates begin to rise," it was noted in a report from The Meyers Group, the research and consulting firm that provided most of the above figures.

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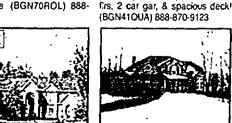


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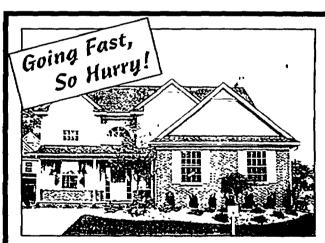


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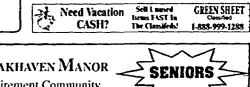
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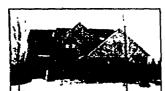
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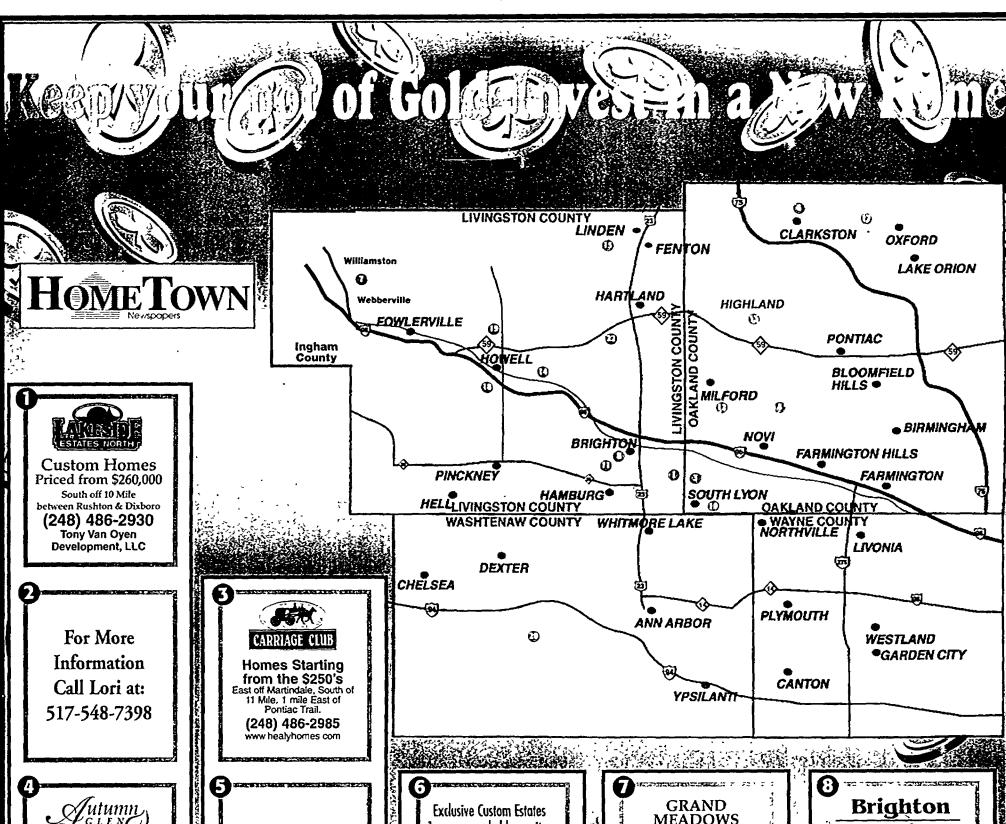
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ALLEN PARK - Clean brick Ranch, Three bedrooms, 2 baths, 2'2 car garage with opener, finished basement with s bath, updated windows beautiful Flonda room off master bedroom, large closets. plenty of storage and appliances included One year home warranty \$139,900



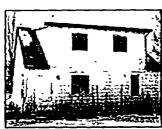
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beams. Solid oak Kitchen cabinets, break-

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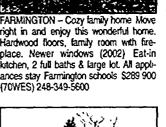
DEARBORN - Bnck Bungalow with 3 bedrooms and 1 bath. Oak kitchen with stainless steel sink with disposal, replacement windows, hardwood under carpet, gas forced air furnace, updated breaker, glass block in basement, awnings and 1 car garage \$149,900 (01LAP) 248-349-5600



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REDFORD - Fabulous brick Ranch. Three bedroom, 11/2 bath in tree-lined neighborhood Spacious finished lower level with family room, bedroom, 1/2 bath & laundry area Roomy breezeway with attached garage. Deck overlooks double lot with fence. Appliances included \$145,000

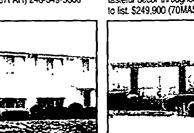


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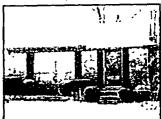
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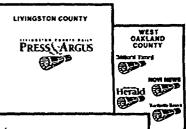
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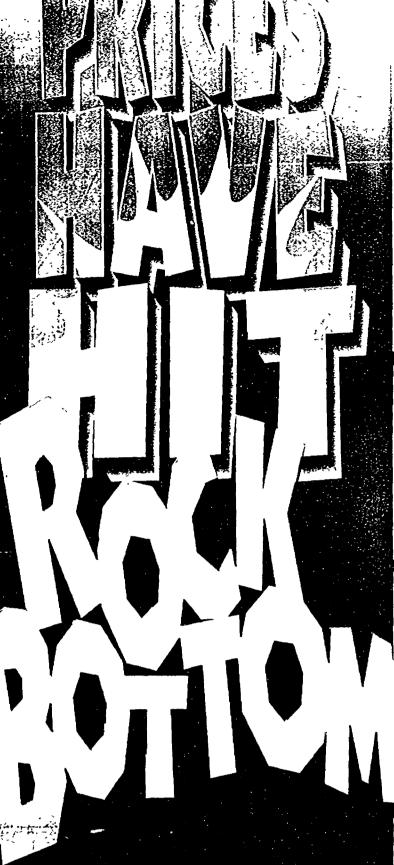




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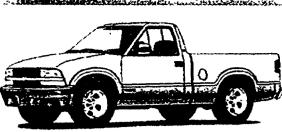
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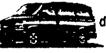
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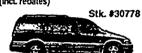
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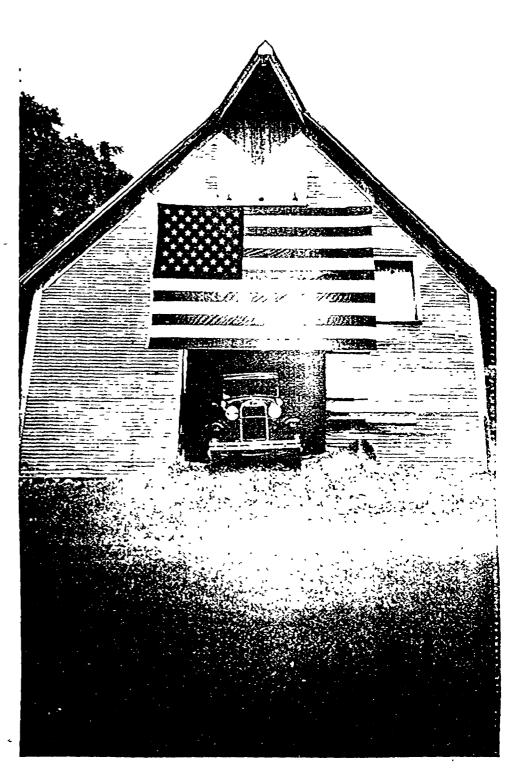
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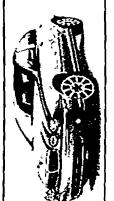
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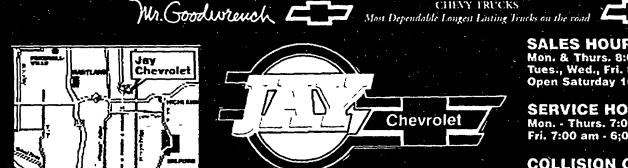
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# HomeTown **YOUR HEALTH**

# These are the culprits that can cause your ills

By Mike Schwartz

RIVERSIDE PRESS-ENTERPRISE

"It must have been something I ate." Improperly prepared foods can produce a severe bout of diarrhea and other unwelcome symptoms of a food-borne illness. Most of the time, the person will recover with no special care. Occasionally, food poisoning may require antibiotics, could require hospital treatment and may even be lethal.

Here's a rundown on some common viral and bacterial "beauties," chemicals and toxins that can make you really sick:

#### ESCHERICHIA COLI (E. COLI)

Food involved: Beef, chicken, salami, unpasteurized milk or fruit juices; salad dressing, cheeses; raw fruits and vegetables.

Symptoms: Abdominal pain; severe, often bloody, diarrhea; mus-cular pain, vomiting; chills, headaches; little or no fever.

Onset time: 5-48 hours. How transmitted: Undercooked or raw beef, especially ground beef; contaminated milk and fruit juices. Bacteria also transmitted by crosscontaminating meat with fruits and vegetables, and infected food handlers who don't wash their hands after using the toilet.

Treatment: Hospital care for severe infection. In rare instances can be fatal if untreated.

#### **CAMPYLOBACTER**

Food involved: Poultry, milk, water.

Symptoms: Abdominal pain; diarrhea may be bloody; fever, malaise; headaches.

Onset time: 2-5 days. How transmitted: Most cases associated with handling raw poultry or eating raw or undercooked poultry. Can be spread by cutting raw poultry meat on a board, then using unwashed board or utensils to prepare vegetables and other raw or lightly cooked foods. Bacteria also transmitted in unpasteurized milk and contaminated water.

Treatment: Usually none; antibiotics in more serious cases.

### LISTERIA MONOCYTOGENES

Food involved: Uncooked meats; cold cuts and vegetables; processed foods such as soft "backyard" cheeses and ice cream.

Symptoms: Most healthy people may show no symptoms. Fever, muscle aches and sometimes nausea. May cause infections in pregnant women that can threaten the fetus. Complications sometimes fatal in elderly or those with severe medical problems.

Onset time: 12 hours or more for gastrointestinal symptoms. Several days to three weeks for serious forms of disease.

How transmitted: Bacteria can grow at low temperatures, permitting growth even in refrigerated foods.

Treatment: Antibiotics, given promptly to a pregnant woman, may prevent infection of fetus. Newborns also may be treated.

### **HEPATITIS A VIRUS**

Symptoms: Commonly abrupt fever, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea sometimes abdominal pain and

Onset time: 15-50 days.

Food involved: Cold cuts in sandwiches, fruits, fruit juices, milk and milk products, vegetables, salad, shellfish and iced drinks.

How transmitted: Spread from person to person, especially by fecaloral route (eating food contaminated with stool of an infected person. One infected food handler who fails to wash hands thoroughly can spread disease to many others.)

Treatment: Most people get better on their own in less than two months.

### SALMONELLA

Food involved: Poultry, meat, eggs, unpasteurized milk or juice, cheese, raw fruits and vegetables (alfalfa spouts, melons).

Symptoms: Abdominal pain, diarrhea, chills, fever, nausea, vomiting,

Onset time: 12-72 hours. How transmitted: Raw or undercooked food or water contaminated with animal feces or by unwashed hands of an infected food handler.

Treatment: Sometimes antibiotics and hospital care.

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# Feeling perky?

Caffeine can get you addicted, but a little bit might not hurt

**By Sam McManis** SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

n a recent trip where he spoke about research showing that caffeine alters the brain's biochemistry in the same manner as cocaine, University of Texas Southwestern psychiatry Professor James Bibb rented a car and drove from Vancouver to Scattle.

What he saw was a case of mass addiction to what he calls "America's drug of choice."

"It's like a fashion statement up there now to have this gigantic cup of coffee with you at all times," said Bibb. "Every hundred yards in Seattle, you see one of those

drive-through espresso bars." People will pay attention because they consume copious quantities of this centuries-old morning fuel. Caffeine intake, of course, is not restricted to the Northwest. It's everywhere.

More than half the adults in the United States drink coffee regularly, according to the

National Coffee Association. Other estimates include this staggering statistic: 90 percent of the country ingests caffeine in some form - coffee, tea, cola, etc. Caffeine historian Mark Pendergrast reports that 120,000 tons of substances containing caffeine are consumed daily worldwide.

A study by the McKinley Health Center at the University of Illinois showed that more than half of American adults consume more than the recommended 200 milligrams per day.

That's a lot of people feeling a buzz. Is it healthy? It all depends on which research

study consumers consult. Caffeine's detractors report that the drug raises blood pressure to worrying heights, interferes with REM sleep cycles, unnaturally stimulates gastric acid secretion, contributes to pancreatic cancer, speeds the onset of osteoporosis, impairs thought processes by constricting blood vessels, heightens the risk of stroke and rheumatoid arthritis, and elevates the body's reaction to stress.

Caffeine supporters report that the drug can help prevent cancer of the colon, increase cognitive performance, may prevent Alzheimer's disease, help those with asthma, serve as an early warning sign of kidney failure, reduce tumors in breast cancer patients, ease depression and provide the body with helpful antioxi-

Bibb's work has centered on how caffeine alters biochemical makeup. Other researchers and he found that caffeine blocks a chemical called adenosine from hooking up with receptors in the mid-brain area.

"Adenosine's job is to balance the rewarding of dopamine, kind of making sure it's not too rewarding," he said. "When you start antagonizing those receptors with caffeine, things become more rewarding. That's the same kind of reaction that cocaine or Ritalin or meth has on the

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# Packs may be a pain, just not in the back

By Bill Lindelof SACRAMENTO BEE

Joe Gruen, 17, recited the contents of his full

"I have mostly everything," he said. "I have five binders, a bunch of anthropology books, an English book, a pencil bag, my calculator."

Gruen, a junior at Mira Loma High School in Sacramento, Calif., is a strong student, active in football and wrestling. But even he has pain from carrying his pack.

"It's my personal office that I carry on my back," he said. "I had a much better back before I started carrying this thing around."

Lockers in many schools have gone the way of slide rules. Middle school kids, smaller in stature than their high school counterparts, look especially burdened.

Concern that the "surrogate lockers" are causing back pain and injury prompted a new California law to set weight limits for textbooks.

But a recent study casts doubt on whether lighter books are needed. The study, "Acute Backpack Injuries in Children," revealed that 89 percent of backpack injuries do not involve the back. In fact, it noted most injuries were to the head or face and were caused by tripping over a backpack or getting hit with one - not carrying one.

"It seems that wearing your backpack is one of the safer things to do," said Dr. Eric Wall, a pediatric orthopedist at Cincinnati Children's Hospital and one of the new study's authors. "A backpack is actually the most efficient and least injurious way to carry a load," he said.

To stem back pain, the study noted, doctors recommend reducing backpack weight, using rolling backpacks or adjusting weight distribution inside packs. Wall recommends making sure packs are put away, and, of course, not clobbering your classmate with one. He said schools might work harder to stop hitting or tripping associated with backpacks rather than worry about making books lighter. Students use backpacks because some schools have removed lockers to prevent vandalism or their use as a hiding place for drugs and weapons.

lacium Middle School in Sacramento, said her backpack can be quite a load. "I have my binder, a social studies book, another book, a couple of notebooks and my P.E. clothes," she said.

A crowd of other students volunteered a loud 'yes" when asked if they would like lockers in which to store books.

Steven Driesler, executive director of the Association of American Publishers School Division, said books can be made lighter with flimsier covers and pages, but schools will have to replace them more often

# Few health television spots tell the truth, study says

By Troy Goodman SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

It's no secret that television informercials are heavy on bogus, money-back guarantees and light

on truth and accuracy. A recent study from Brigham Young University says that health-related infomercials are suspect.

"Results from this study suggest that most health-related infomercials have crossed the line and operate in the domain of deception," writes Susan Hill, an assistant professor of medicine and the lead author of the report.

Even more shocking, Hills explains in her study, is that "a large number of the FTC (the Federal Trade Commission) consumer-fraud cases involve health and fitness products, and infomercial trade associations report that the No. 1-selling category of informercial products are health and fitness items."

FTC officials also told Hill their truth-in-advertising enforcement programs are not stringent enough to squash these bogus claims.

Hill's findings, based on analysis by Gordon Lindsay, Steve Thomsen and Astrid Olsen, all with BYU's Department of Health Science, were reported in the American Journal of Health Education.

In the study, four trained observers watched 31 half-hour infomercials videotaped during a oneweek period in October 2001. They included pitches for exercise equipment, drug and herbal supplements, food-preparation gear and personal hygiene products.

Among the "implied benefits" outlined in the spots: increased memory, cancer-fighting properties, and increased muscle bulk.

Few of these benefit claims could be proven with any scientific or medical backup data, according to the study.

#### Both in and out of the classroom, caffeine is the new drug of choice for teens contributes to sleep depriva-Chanco, both 16 and high

By Sam McManis SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

Teenage caffeine consumption, once limited to sodas and hot chocolate, now has nearly become the norm nationally.

A drive past any coffeehouse near a high school would show that it's replaced the iconic malt shop of the '50s or 7-Eleven of the '70s as the place to socialize.

No studies of caffeine's effects on teenagers have been done. But Dr. Jim Lane, a researcher at Duke University or a delay in going to bed, that

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who has studied caffeine's effects on blood pressure and stress levels, said kids would seem to be at significant risk.

One aspect of concern for kids is the smaller body size, which means that the same amount of caffeine would have greater, and more long-lasting effects, on them," Lane said. "Research suggests that teens are chronically sleep deprived. Caffeine use might be a consequence of that, and also a cause. Drinking coffee could lead to sleep-onset insomnia.

tion. I've seen many adolescents develop a morning coffee habit, because school now starts at 7:30 and they had to get up before 6."

Most teens don't consider themselves java junkies. But the amount of caffeine they consume in a few Frappuccinos with friends adds up. And the caffeine in sodas and "energy drinks" adds to their caffeine intake. Some teens also use caffeine pills to study late at night.

But don't call them addicts. Andre O'Brien and Renalen

school juniors in Berkeley, Calif., stopped by a Starbucks after school one recent afternoon for iced lattes. The two are regulars, but say they aren't addicted to caffeine. They can stop whenever they like.

"I started at 14; it was a social thing." Andre said. "When you go to Starbucks, what else are you going to do except drink when you talk? But I don't like straight coffee. It's too strong. My dad's the one addicted. He can't even go a morning without it.'



# Free e-filing available to many taxpayers

By Carrie Kirby

San Francisco Chronicle

At least 60 percent of U.S. taxpayers will be able to file their returns online for free this year through a partnership between the Internal Revenue Service and 17 private companies

The program seeks to promote online filing, which has a drastically lower error rate and costs the government \$1 less per taxpayer than paper returns, the IRS said. Among the taxpayers who qualify are those with incomes below \$33,000 or over \$100,000, as well as active military personnel and those under age 20 or over age 45.

The goal, said IRS spokesman Jesse Weller, is "to spur electronic filing because it's fast, safe and easy for the public." Last year, the IRS received 47 million returns via the Internet and 85 million paper filings.

One in five paper returns contains errors, but only 1 in 100 electronic filings has errors, Weller said. The errors in paper returns occur when taxpayers miscalculate or when IRS data entry people make typos, he said. Electronic returns are calculated by computer and thus have a very low error rate.

Nationwide, at least 78 million are expected to

Intuit, maker of TurboTax software, and H&R Block are among the companies participating. Each private company sets its own criteria for who qualifies for free filing. To figure out whether they qualify, taxpayers can visit www.irs.gov and answer a questionnaire. The taxpayer is then sent to the Web site of a tax software provider whose free filing they qualify

Some of these companies, including Intuit, are filing free state tax returns for qualified taxpayers.

The IRS isn't paying the private companies for providing free filing. The companies say they are providing the free service for two reasons: To promote their paid services, and to prevent the IRS from getting into their business.

For the past five years, Intuit has offered free filing to anyone making \$25,000 or less - which spokeswoman Colleen Ferrin estimated covered about 50 percent of taxpayers. This year, Intuit is broadening the service to those who earn less than \$27,000.

The people who will qualify are typically going to be new customers" who may upgrade to paid TurboTax products if they begin making more money in the future, Ferrin said. TurboTax's typical paying customer earns between \$25,000 and \$50,000 per

Taxpayers who don't qualify for free filing can file electronically using TurboTax, H&R Block or a number of other paid services, typically for under \$20. These companies also offer higher-cost services through their Web sites, such as providing profession-

al advice or calculating more complex returns. The IRS has pledged not to offer an e-filing service itself - a promise sought by participants such as

In addition to the categories listed above, taxpayers can file for free through the IRS site if they:

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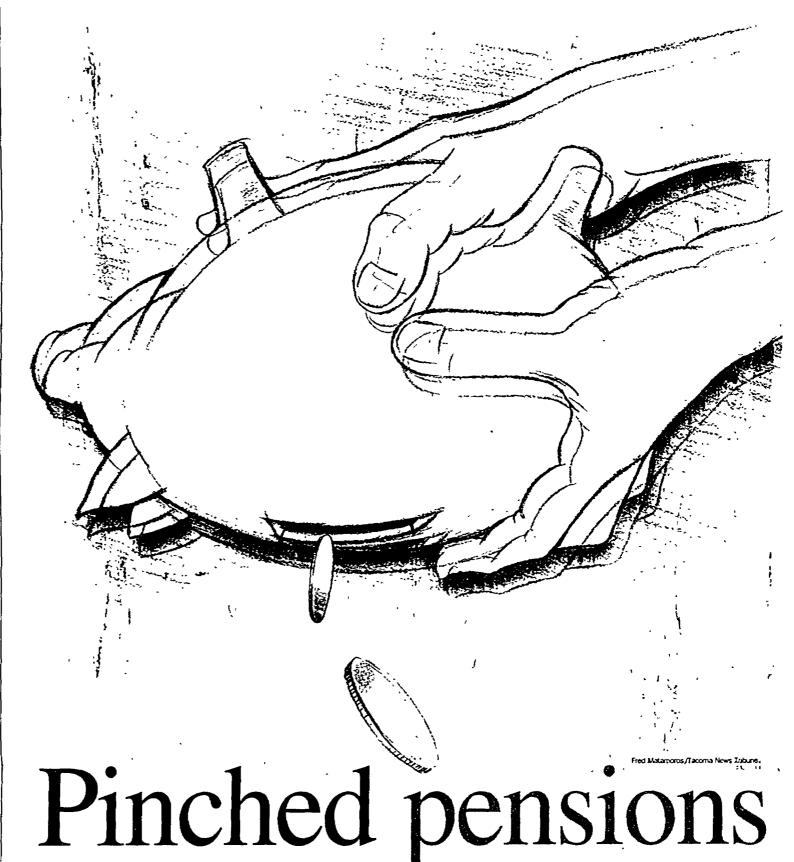
# Virtual salesman option for online car shopping

By Kris Hundley St. Petersburg Times

One of the beauties of car shopping online has been the ability to scope out the cars without listening to a

No more. Stadium Toyota in Tampa now has a Web site (www.tampatalks.net) that lets visitors hear the salesmen pitch their deals. Let Surinder Chandhok, for example, tell you about the fully loaded 1995 Toyota Carry ("of course, the car is tinted!") or the luxury 1998 Pontiac Bonneville, all at "incredible prices

The one saving grace: Virtual salesmen can be silenced with a single click of the mouse.



# Poor market performance has many company funds in a bind

By Marcelene Edwards Tacoma News Tribune

ension funds have lost billions of dollars over the past couple of years as stocks and mutual funds tanked. But retirees such as Boeing machine shop

worker Richard Titus of Tacoma, Wash., don't have to worry about getting checks each month. That's because federal regulations force companies with defined benefit plans to come through on their pension promises.

Titus gets a \$1,034 check from The Boeing Co. each month, money that he says is the difference between being able to pay his home's property taxes and moving to an apartment, "Without the Boeing pension, we couldn't make it." he said.

His pension checks augment the \$1,654 Titus and his wife get from Social Security each month. Millions of retired workers like Titus depend on their pension plans to maintain their standard of living.

Some employers that offer defined benefit plans accounts that are required to make guaranteed payouts upon retirement regardless of investment performance - are reporting they must shovel cash into their pensions in order to provide for their future obligations.

More than 41 million Americans have a defined benefit pension plan, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. The news for those pension plans has not been good.

Boeing's pension plan is underfunded by \$6.8 billion, according to a study released in September by Credit Suisse

The magnitude of shortfalls caught many plan administrators unprepared. For the first time in several years, many companies will have to make cash contributions to pension funds, said Robin Penfold, a pension consultant at Frank Russell Co in Tacoma.

"Many plan sponsors, who had been feeling comfortable

until recently, now recognize that their long contribution holidays are over," Penfold said.

Augmenting ailing pension funds affects a company's bottom line, sometimes making the difference between posting a profit or a loss, according to a study by Credit Suisse First

### Here's how pensions work:

A company sets up a pension fund with a third-party administrator, who makes the decisions about how to grow the fund through investments.

■ The company contributes to the fund according to a complicated formula that predicts how much money the company will need to meet its obligations as workers retire in

When the stock market boomed in the late 1990s, pension investments grew so fast that many companies didn't need to make contributions to keep up with their obligations.

But when the stock market stumbled in 2000, the value of company pension plans started falling. By the end of 2001, many funds didn't have enough money to meet future obliga-

■ Companies are required to add money to keep the fund at a specific level determined by the amount of future obligations. That money — in the form of cash or stock — can be contributed over several years to spread out the burden.

Employees in a defined benefit plan are guaranteed a check at the end of their employment, assuming they have met the company's eligibility requirements.

■ Much of the assets and habilities of a pension fund are reflected on a company's balance sheet. That means a loss of value in a plan creates a loss of net income on the balance sheet. Some companies would have posted a loss without the assets of their pension fund.

Pension plan assets fluctuate with the stock market and interest rates.

Over the years, plans have seen several ups and downs like the past couple of years. Still, the amount of money

In California, bees serve as quiet laborers of agriculture

available in U.S. pension funds is at a 10-

In 2001, Boeing's pension plan lost about \$126 billion of its value, ending the year with assets of \$33.8 billion. In 2000, the fund had \$13.8 billion more than it needed; it now needs more than \$6 billion additional to be considered fully funded.

Boeing could allocate either cash or stock to make up the differ-

The Credit Suisse study projected that pension funds of companies in the S&P 500 Index were underfunded by a total of \$243 billion at the end of 2002.

That sounds worse than it actually is, Penfold said, and employees should not be womied.

Many publicly traded companies don't

offer defined benefit pension plans, opting instead for 401(k)

Employers also have turned to other defined-contribution pension plans that act much more like a 401(k) in that they don't guerantee a specific benefit upon retirement



Troy Bunch is California beekeeper of the year. What started as a hobby turned into 17 years of beekeeping fulltime. He pulls a tray of live Italian bees from one of his hives.

#### By Richard T. Estrada Modesto Bee

Troy Bunch delivers an army of workers into the fields and orchards of farms in California's Northern San Joaquin Valley each year.

His laborers toil quietly, often buzzing around sight unseen, as they work at a frenetic pace during their two-week assignments.

"When people think of agriculture, they usually don't think of bees," said Bunch, who owns Bunch Apiaries of Hughson, Calif. "But the bees are one of the reasons our agriculture is so good."

Some of California's most significant crops - including almonds, apples and cherries - are dependent on bees for pol-Instion

"We couldn't produce commercially acceptable crops without bees," said Roger Duncan, a University of California farm adviser, "Almonds and many other tree crops can't spread their pollen by the wind, so bees do it?

Without the pollen exchange, trees won't yield the almonds, apples, cherries and other lucrative crops that help fuel California's \$29.8 billion ag industry.

"I don't know of any alternative to bees," said Duncan, noting they also play a prominent role pollinating apples, melons, plums and alfalfa seed

That's why Bunch is so busy in the spring and summer, when the hundreds of thousands of fruit and almond trees are in

His bees, housed in 1,200 hives, start in the almonds. They move to apples and cherries in April. By late spring and throughout the summer, the bees are shift-

ed to kiwi fruit trees and alfalfa fields. Bunch then moves the hives into the Sierra foothills and Nevada, where the bees collect nectar from flowers, manzanitas and desert plants to produce honey.

Bunch began raising bees as a hobby in 1976, before becoming a full time bee-

keeper 15 years ago. Valley growers paid an average of \$48 per hive last year. An acre of almonds, for

example, required at least two hives for two weeks when the trees bloom. "I try to stay within 100 miles of my house as much as I can," Bunch said. "Nevada is the farthest I go. They're

growing alfalfa there during the summer,

so it's a good place to take bees," Growers require about 1 million hives

for pollinating annually, according to the California Farm Bureau Federation, Half of those are trucked into the state, some from as far as Florida.

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It can take a couple of weeks for a colony of bees to fill a hive with honey. While some beekeepers market their honey. Bunch sells his to a processor.

Bunch's hives produce 60 to 70 pounds of honey in a good year.

"It's important to have the two parts of the business, the honey and the pollination," he said. "It provides two income

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# HomeTown

With patience and hard work, a retired couple takes a mid-century home ...

# SACK TO THE



David and Yvonne Steers 1950's house sports midcentury design features, such as a roof made of flat slabs high trapezoidal windows.

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By Betsy Lehndorff

merican suburbs soared in the 1950s. A few years removed from World War II, soldiers were home, getting married - and baby, were families booming. Parents worked hard at the office and on the casserole, and kids worked on cleaning their plates. Though half a century has passed and much of the lifestyle is a flickering memory.

sharp examples of the period's cutting-edge architecture survive. The practically pristine homes in Arapahoe Acres, an Englewood, Colo, neighborhood, earned it a spot on the National Register of Historic Places. The development's curving streets are lined with 124 low-slung mid-century homes influenced by Frank Lloyd Wright.

One of the development's original architects, Gerry Dion, still lives by the ideals of the once-new

See the beauty, hear the music, live the joy," the 81-year-old says over the phone from his home

David Steers used a caliper to design these 1950s-

style house numbers at the

home's entryway.

in New Hampshire. "That's what I think a house and its expression should do for whoever lives there."

Certainly that's been the case for Dave and Yvonne Steers. In 1999, Yvonne discovered the neighborhood while on a long walk with a friend and then brought her husband

"It seemed almost unreal because it was just so perfect," says Yvonne, 57. "It was like walking into the past."

Soon they found themselves hurrying out of their quaint Denver bungalow, selling all their antiques and moving into a stark, one-story brick with classic low-pitch roof.

"We like to say the house benefited from benign neglect," says Dave, a retired machine designer. Its interior was still full of the period's signature mahogany paneling, darkly beamed ceilings, plain wood doors and brick.

Thank God people didn't decide to lighten things up by painting everything white," he says.

Their first job was to clear away vines that veiled the home's brick facade and trapezoidal windows. Then they began improvements aimed at being as true to the period as

Today, a sidewalk leads from the curb to an impressive pair of charcoal-gray doors. One is false, containing a mail slot and displaying the home's distinctive house numbers; the other opens into a modest foyer designated by a skeletal

wall of mahogany planks. Coats are tucked into storage closets concealed behind overlapping panels of flawless Philippine mahogany. In the 1950s, it was almost as cheap as pine and dominates the decor. Although the living room is almost empty (the Steerses are just beginning to buy mid-century furnishings), its exposed overhead beams, wood ceiling and brick walls make it both spacious and warm. A bank of high windows provides privacy from the street while preserving sections of sky behind

The kitchen is a long, narrow galley of built-in cabinets and appliances. A horizontal window serves

as a backsplash between the countertop and upper cabinets and provides a view of the back yard.

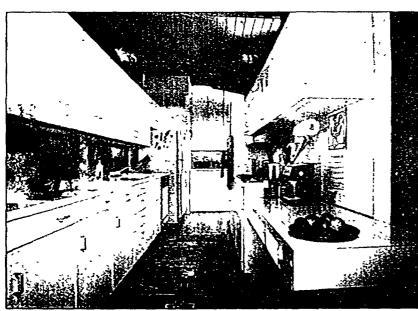
One of the couple's best restorations is a hallway bathroom — a tiny, time-travel chamber of hygiene. A 1950s Crane sink, with its domed faucet handles, has been fitted into a mahogany vanity slanted at a precise angle. Using a photograph from a 1950s builder's brochure, Dave also duplicated

towel racks and shelving of the time and covered the walls with shiny green and black tiles. "When I'm standing shaving, it is just the feeling that this is exactly the way the room was for someone 45 years ago," says Dave, 54. "It almost throws me back into that time."

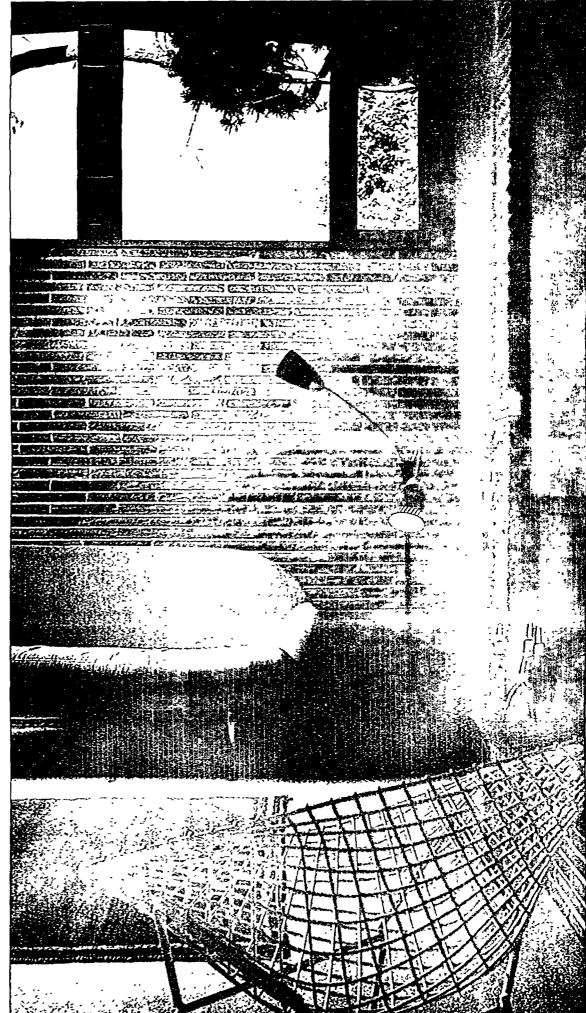
The Steerses acknowledge that they're obsessed with the neighborhood and want to help preserve

as many of its historic details possible. "We approach it completely on a positive level, supplying information, sharing our enthusiasm and

knowledge," Dave says. "It's like living in a piece of art" Yvonne says. You feel the presence of the architects."



The kitchen was restored to its original look using white laminate on the cabinets and countertops.



To compliment the architecture, the Steerses are furnishing their home with mid-century furniture, some of which is seen here in the living room.

### Keep floors flawless

To ensure that your speakers don't scratch your floors, cut tennis balls in half and place them underneath the bottom. This also absorbs some of the vibration so you don't bother others.

### Staying in touch

Create a family communication center with a dry erase board, markers and selfadhesive notes. Separate the board into sections labeled for each family member. Use self-adhesive notes to pass on telephone messages or other information.

### inexpensive muscle relaxant

Freeze water in a two-liter bottle and use it to soothe sore muscles.

### Before night falls ...

Plan for tomorrow today. Set out clothes for all family members (with their participation) the night before. Also, check backpacks and briefcases to ensure things are



A continuing series of tips and information

ready to go. This saves the time and stress of

#### the morning "rush hour." Junk all that junk

Rid the home of all the clutter that tends to build up in the winter. Clear away magazines and books that have been piled on

### Get the kids involved

Always remember that children love to be involved in activities around the house. Be sure to involve them in spring cleaning and yard work. Even if they don't accomplish much, they will still feel valued

### Gift of gardening

Make a gardening gift basket by arranging supplies in a large terra-cotta pot. Include handheld gardening tools, a sun hat, gloves, packets of seeds, fertilizer, lotion, gardening clogs, kneepads, iced-tea mix and a gardening-magazine subscription.

### Stronger wake-up call

Set a timer on your stereo and/or lights to come on at the same time as your alarm to

# help get you up in the moming.

Tis' the season for caulking The best time to caulk a joint outdoors is during the spring or fall because that's when the width of the joint is halfway between its seasonal extremes. A plastic drinking straw or a length of plastic tubing makes a handy extension tube for caulking hard-to-reach places. Secure the extender with duct tape.

# Learn your style before consulting with designers

An interior design project can be exciting, challenging and intimidating, says Jo-Frank, executive director of the Denver Design Center.

A professional designer, Frank says. can help you determine your needs, work within a budget, offer innovative solutions and options and give you confidence to try something new. A designer also can provide access to unique furnishings and accessories, and recommend experienced

contractors, craftspeople and suppliers. But first you'll want to learn about your own style, Frank says. One way is to start a file or notebook of pictures from magazines, fabric swatches of colors and textures you love, a favorite object or theme, as well as your own ideas.

Then, make sure you cover key points below when you interview designers:

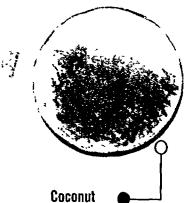
- Present your project, your vision, your goals and your budget.
- Review their portfolio and become
- familiar with their work. ■ Determine if the two of you are compatible and can work together as a team. ■ Discuss your lifestyle, family needs,
- personal taste, budget and time. ■ Discuss the method by which the interior designer will be compensated. Many designers provide a complimentary, first-
- time consultation Ask for references and check them.

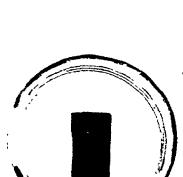
Other experts suggest you also talk to the designer about the kinds of problems that can occur during a project and how they are to be handled. This should include a discussion on communication and billing problems, in case they occur.

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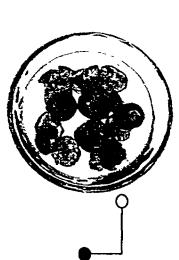






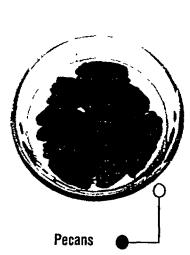


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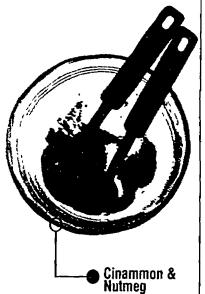
Raisins

**Candied cherries** 









Story By Suzanne Martinson ■ Photos By Darrell Sapp ■ Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

### Six-In-One Tips

- In custard cups, small bowls or on waxed paper, gather the half-dozen add-in ingredients.
- On waxed paper, pat the dough into a circle, taking care to keep the depth even all around. Cut into six equal pieces, as you would a pie for a hungry family of six.
- Melt the chocolate in the microwave, zapping little by little, watching carefully so it doesn't burn. You could use pre-melted chocolate, but it would only take a half-package, which would be hard to quantify. (Of course, you also could double the amount of dough and make twice as many chocolate
- cookies.) To avoid excessive dishwashing, use a small bowl and start with the add-ins that don't change the color of the dough (the tiny bits of dough that clings to the bowl or the spoon goes into the next batch). Go from light to dark: for example, 1) coconut; 2) pecans; 3) raisins; 4) chemies; 5) spice; and 6) melted chocolate. You probably will have to wash the bowl between batches
- 5 and 6. Give the cookie-lover a warning sign. We rolled the coconut cookies in additional coconut, plopped half a cherry, a raisin or a pecan atop those batches as an All Alert, but eager eaters were on their own in differentiating between the spice cookies and the darker-colored chocolate.
- Add a layer of white frosting.

### Six-in-One Cookie pleases lovers of sweets

Make one quick and easy butter cookie dough. Divide it like pie. Enlist six siblings

- who want to stand out: ■ 1/4 cup raisins (black or golden)
- 1/4 cup ruby-red candied cherries
- 1/4 cup pecans ■ 1/4 cup coconut
- 1/2 square unsweetened chocolate
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon and

■ 1/4 leaspoon nutmeg. The Six-in-One Cookies recipe equals a

platter of 48 cookies to please every palate. Other mix-and-match possibilities: walnuts in the chocolate cookies, squiggles of orange icing on the spice cookies, mixed candied fruits or chocolate chips (for anybody who's disappointed when the black

blobs in the cookie turns out to be raisins).

The Six-in-One Cookies, developed by Betty Crocker, are a project that can turn into Higher Math.

Say you're a family of five. One person hates coconut and suggests a substitution of candied fruits. That's one-sixth of the dough.

Two believe the only cookies worth eating contain chocolate chips, but one likes nuts and the other hates them. That's two, one with, one without.

One wants the pecans in the chocolate cookies. That's two-thirds of the dough.

The remaining member of the family wants golden raisins. That's five-sixths. Anything worth doing is worth a little

effort - but never a family fight. Oh, and that last one-sixth of the dough?

That's for the baker.

### Recipe

### SIX-IN-ONE COOKIES

Makes 4 dozen 1-1/2-inch cookies 1 cup butter 1/2 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup granulated sugar 1 egg 1/2 teaspoon vaniila 2 cups all-purpose flour 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/2 leaspoon baking soda

1/2 square unsweetened chocolate. melted 1/4 cup shredded coconut, chopped 1/4 cup chopped raisins 1/4 cup chopped pecans 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon and 1/4 teaspoon nulmea

1/4 cup candied cherries, cut in small pieces

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cream butter and gradually add sugars. Beat thoroughly with electric mixer. Add egg and vanilla. Continue creaming until light and fluffy. Sift flour, soda and salt together. Add gradually to creamed mix-ture. Divide dough into six equal portions, about 1/2 cup per portion. To one portion add chocolate, coconut to another, raisins to one, pecans to one, cinnamon and nutmeg to another and cherries to the

Drop from teaspoon onto greased cookie sheets (we used parchment paper), about 3 inches apart. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes.

(Note: We portioned the dough with a small cookie scoop and each type made 8 or 9 cookies. We recommend doubling the recipe, starting with 1 pound of butter, and then there'll be cookies for the workplace and the teacher.)

# **BOOKREVIEW**

# Road food reading

By Louise Durman SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Jane and Michael Stern have been described as the king and queen of American road food with their writings and columns. They've traveled across the country and have written about some of their favorite regional restaurants.

Now they're writing a series of cook-books, published by Rutledge Hill Press, Nashville, about the locations. Each book is \$19.99.

The Blue Willow Inn Cookbook" is about the restaurant in Social Circle, Ga. "El Charro Cookbook" is about a cafe in Tucson that has been serving authentic Mexican food for 80 years. "The Durgin Park Cookbook" concerns a Boston institution in operation for more than

The Louie's Backyard Cookbook" is about island dishes in the Florida Keys.

The Sterns report that many say Tara from Margaret Mitchell's "Gone With the Wind" was inspired by the Blue Willow Inn. Mitchell frequently visited Social Circle and was briefly married to the cousin of the mansion's owner. The restaurant is owned by Louis and Billie Van Dyke, who restored the mansion.

Food is served buffet style, and guests may choose all of everything they want and return for seconds. The food is classic Southern favorites (chicken and dumplings, fried okra, fried green tomatoes, grits casserole, macaroni and cheese, pot roast, coconut cream pie and Coca-Cola cake). The menu changes a little every day. Theme is Sunday Dinner at Your Southern Grandmother's House.

El Charro Cafe in Tucson opened in 1922, only 10 years after Arizona became a state. It is in an old home of black volcanic rock. Three generations of the Flores family have operated it, and current owners Carlotta and Ray Flores tell their family stories and folklore and share their Mexican cuisine.

# Your Cookware Collection

Cookware companies offer hundreds of specific products, from hinged fry pans designed to cook the perfect omelet to pasta pots with built-in strainers in the

But if you wanted to create a collection reliable. multiuse pots

and pans that no aspiring cook should do without, what would you buy?

Jessica Parfrey is assistant store manager at Sur La Table in Santa Monica, Calif., where she enjoys helping customers find the perfect cookware and tableware to meet their needs. Here she lists the basic essentials of a good cookware collection:

Skillets. Parfrey suggests starting out with one or two good skillets, perhaps an 8-inch and a 10-inch. She also recommends that at least one of them feature a non-stick coating. A 12-inch skillet is a nice addition as well.

■ Saucepans and stock pot. You'll need two saucepans that are at least three or four quarts in size, and a large stock

■ Saucier & sauté pan. If you'll be preparing sauces, you'll need a saucier, which looks a bit like a combination between a pot and a pan. Sauté pans also come in handy. Sauté pans have flat bottoms like skillets, but with the addition of flat sides that make it easier to keep food inside the pan.

Parfrey suggests starting out with these basics and then adding to your collection as you develop new cooking skills and begin to need specific items. It's also worth noting that many stores or manufacturers offer starter sets that have the basic items already collected.

She also has these suggestions for caring for the most popular varieties of cookware:

Aluminum. Parfrey says aluminum cookware is perhaps the easiest to keep clean. All it takes is a little regular dish

Copper. She advises against putting copper pots and pans in a dishwasher. If you really want it to keep that beautiful shine, you'll have to use a copper clean-

■ Cast iron. Many cast iron enthusiasts don't like to wash their skillets with any water at all; they merely wipe them clean of food after cooking. Cast iron should be seasoned, which means letting the grease from cooked foods settle into the metal so that the pan itself will even-tually season the foods you cook in it.

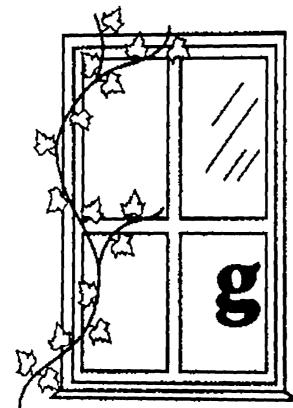
Low heat. Never use a really high flame when cooking, as it can discolor the outside of the pan.

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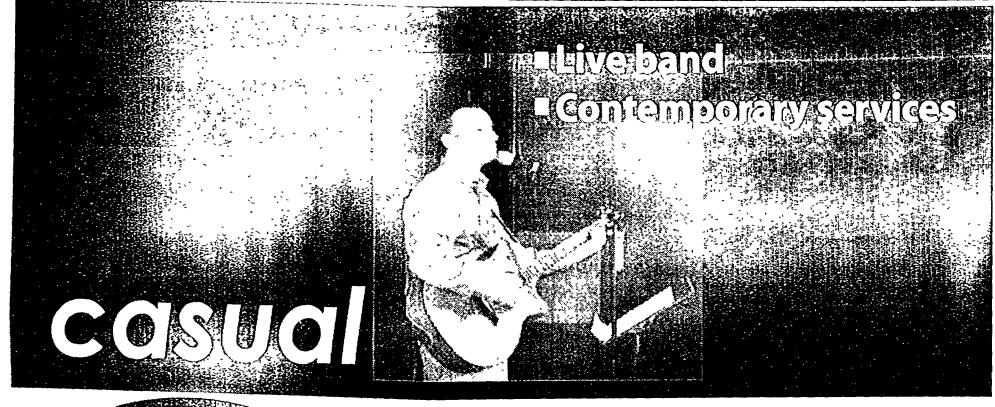


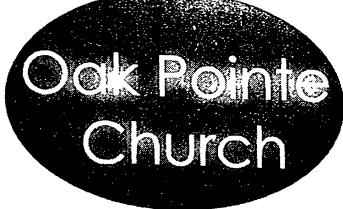
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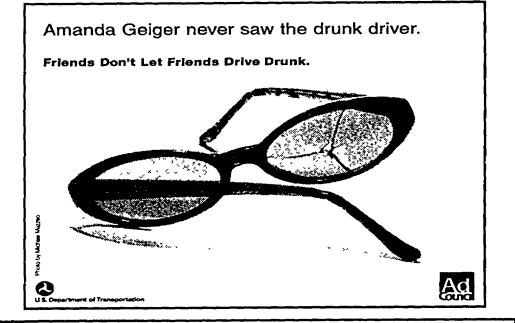
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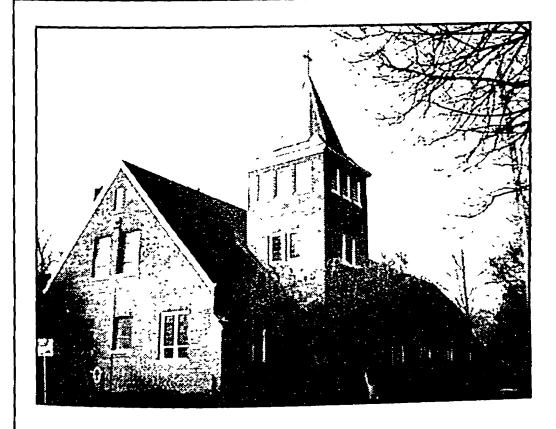
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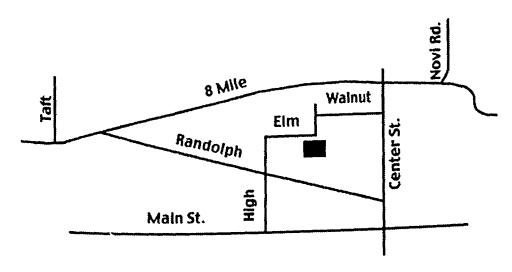
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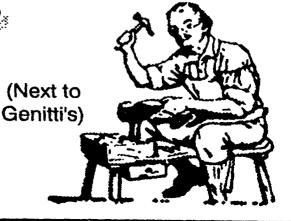


Photo by JOHN HEIDER Ron Tini, left, and Don Luke carry bags of toys and food to Northville's Civic Concern. The pair and other employees of Long's Plumbing gathered the goods for the Northville charity.





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local newspaper is just one of many, many businesses in a community. There are scores of others — everything from video stores to restaurants to pet groomers. And yet, I'm always struck by the number of both lifetime residents and first-time visitors who make the Northville Record one of the first stops when they're looking for information about the community. I routinely take phone calls and e-mail messages from people wanting to know about where a church of a certain denomination is located, or where a water bill needs to be paid.

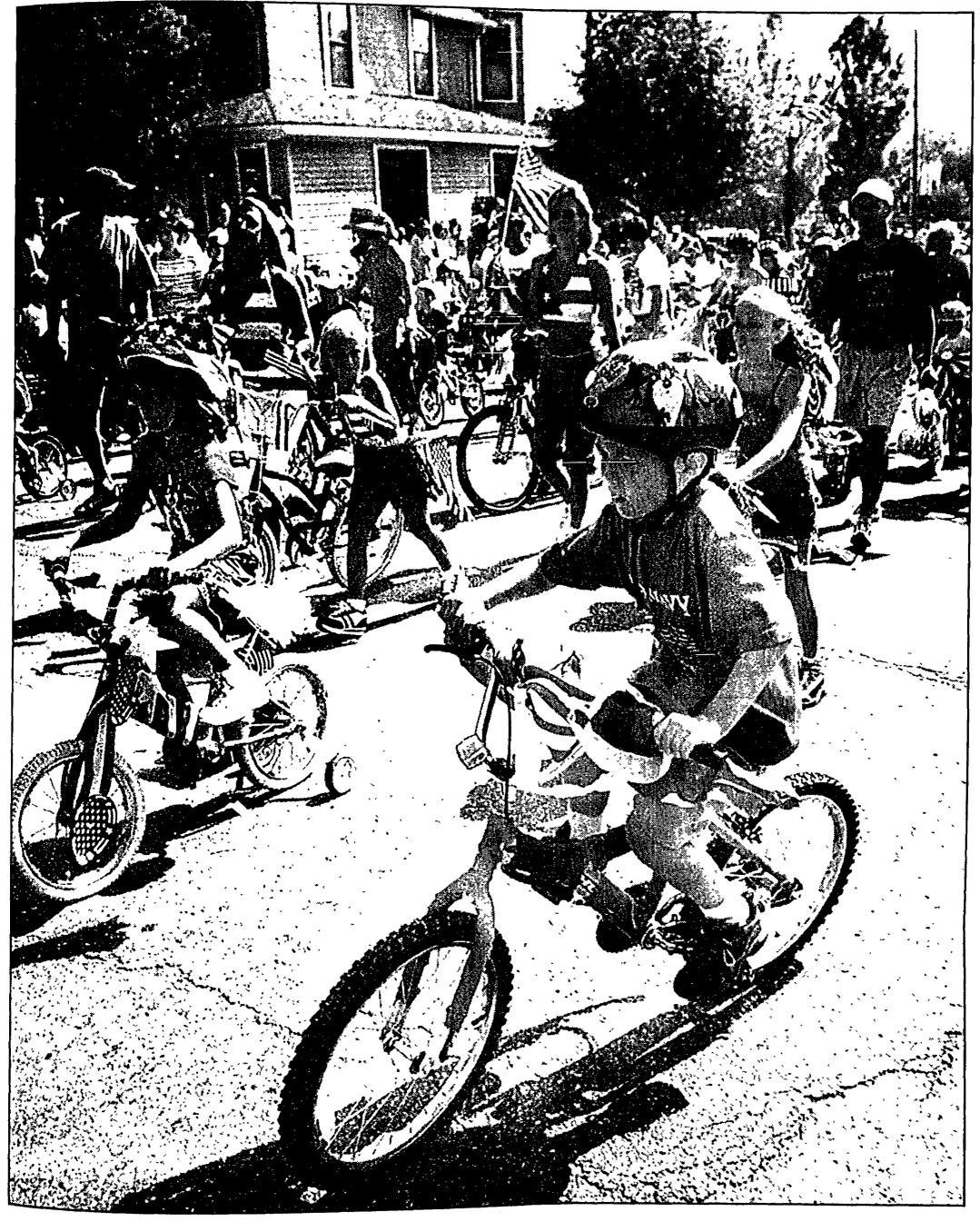


That's part of the reason we've put together *Discover Northville 2003*. This annual supplement to the *Record* is packed with information about Northville and Northville Township government, schools, parks and recreation, and local attractions. As part of our commitment to continually seek ways to improve this important publication, we've also added new information and reformatted its design to make it more user-friendly for you, the reader. It's our hope that you make *Discover Northville* your first choice for a reference when you're trying to find information most pertinent to your own life — so much so that it becomes dog-eared and tattered, just in time for next year's *Discover Northville* guide. (If your copy gets *too* worn, let me know. We'll have plenty of free extras here you can pick up.)

We also hope that you take advantage of the *Record* and its interest in covering stories of local interest. I encourage you to stop in our office, give us a call, send us a fax or hammer out an e-mail if there's something on your mind. Our first priority is in nurturing the community we serve. Our dedicated staff of reporters, photographers, and ad representatives (not to mention...editors!) are here to help.

The *Record* has been serving residents of the Northville area for 135 years. If you ask me, we're just getting warmed up.

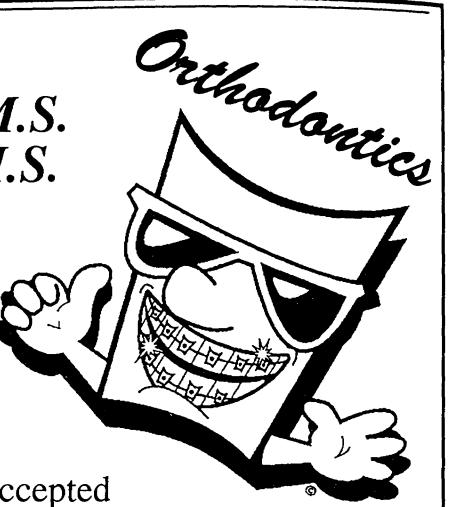
Chris C. Davis Editor March 2003



William Randall, visiting the area from his home in Australia, rides his bike in the Northville Fourth of July Parade.

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You will understand why Northville is truly unique when exploring our downtown. There are a variety of shops and restaurants that have appeal to all. You'll find merchants who offer their customers quality items ranging from antiques to fresh bread. Don't forget to visit Town Square in the heart of downtown with the band shell where free, live performances are regularly held. Perhaps you'll be lucky enough to experience a summer Friday night band concert sponsored by the Northville Arts Commission. You are always welcome to rest on one of the many benches situated throughout the downtown and enjoy the quaint surroundings and small town bustle.

You may wish to stroll into the historic neighborhoods that are adjacent to downtown. If so, you will be pleasantly surprised by the beauty and majesty of some of these well-preserved structures of the Victorian Era. Northville prides itself on being one of the first communities in Michigan to initiate a historic district to preserve and maintain its architectural heritage.

One of our most popular visitor destinations is Mill Race Village on Griswold Street. It houses a collection of historic buildings that have formative significance in the development of the greater Northville area. It has been called a "mini Greenfield Village" and is the site of many weddings and celebrations throughout the year. Within walking distance of downtown, it's a destination you won't want to miss.

Time permitting, you may wish to visit a number of historic landmarks or nearby attractions including Maybury State Park, Hines Park, Fish Hatchery Park, Ford Field Park, Water Wheel Center, Parmenter's Cider Mill, Northville Downs, or the Northville Water Well.

Whether you are a long time resident reacquainting your-self with our town or first time visitor, you are special to us. Enjoy your visit, and again, welcome to Northville.

Christopher J. Johnson Mayor

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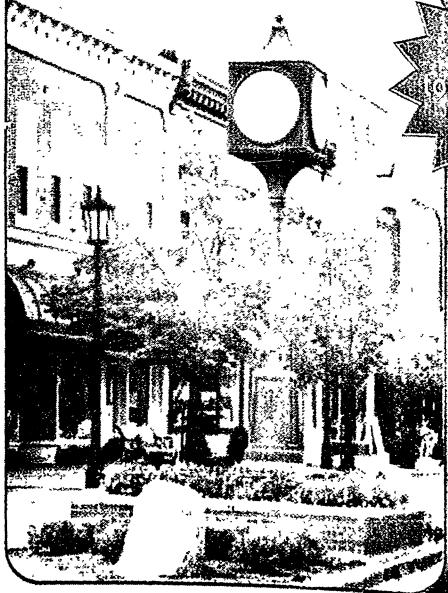
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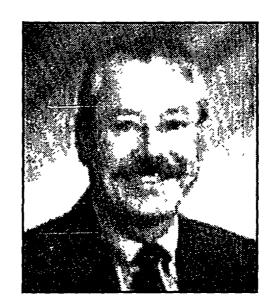
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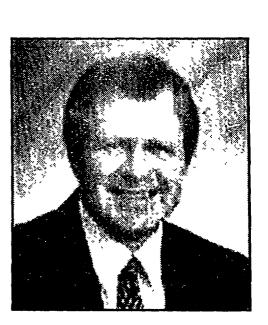
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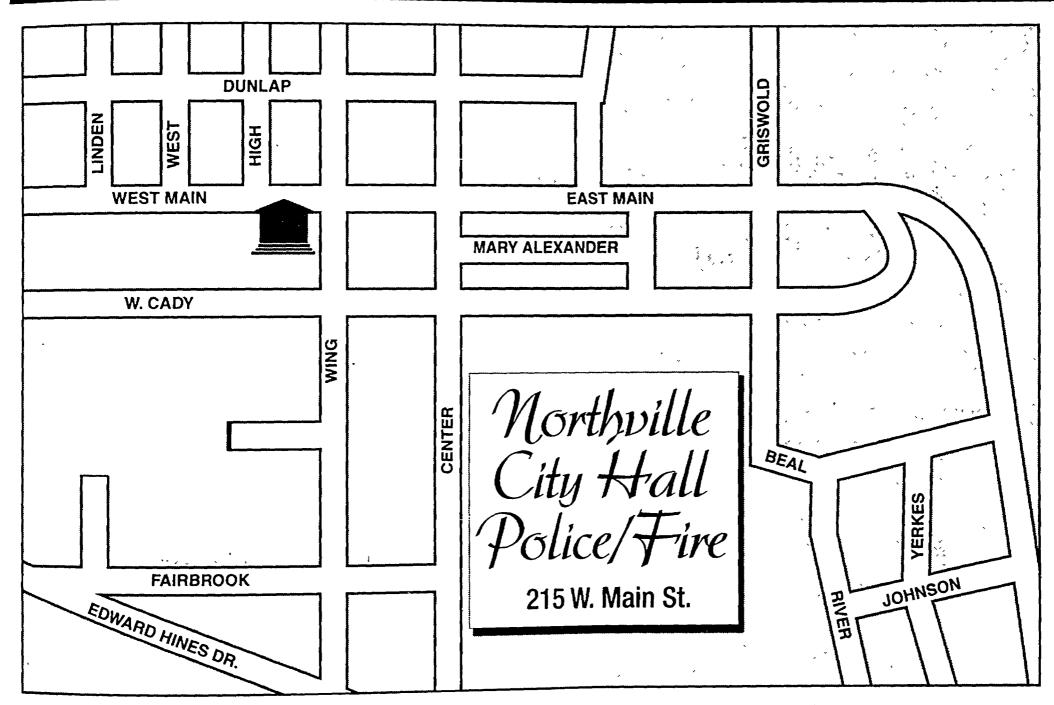
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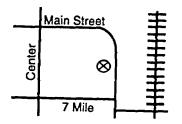
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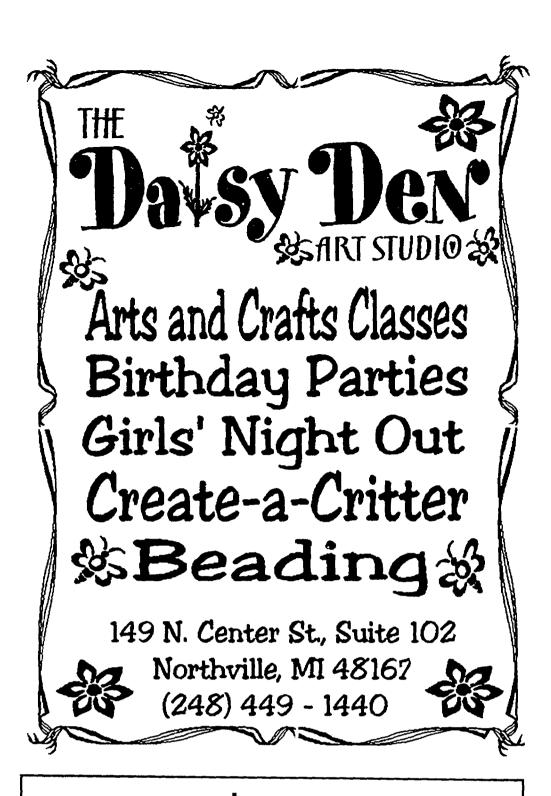
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Authority members serve four-year terms. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 8 a.m. Christopher Johnson, mayor / chairperson Lori Ward, director Margene Buckhave, board member Jim DeHaan, board member Lynda Heaton, board member Louis LaChance, board member David Larsen, board member Jim Long, board member Greg Presley, board member Richard Shaffner, board member

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Ray Casterline, chairperson
Robert Buckhave, commission member
Sue Ellen Hooper, commission member
Charles Jerzycke, commission member
William Robertson, commission member
Kevin Hartshorne, city council liasion

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Commission members serve three-year terms. The board is comprised of members from both the city of Northville and Northville Township. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Sites alternate between Northville City Hall and the Northville Township Civic Center.

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Nancy Darga, city member
Linda Dzwigalski, city member
Susan Egan, city member
Thomas Swigart, city council liasion
Richard Brown, township member
Scott Ferriman, township member
Mike Weaver, township member
Brad Werner, township liasion
Ken Roth, school board liasion

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Commission members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

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Don Wortman, planning consultant
Jerome Mittman, city council liasion

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Lorraine Steimel, city member
Bruce Turnbull, city member
Peggy Meyer, township member
Robert Russell, township member
Richard Henningsen, township member
Marv Gans, Schoolcraft College
Judith Wollack, Northville Public Schools
Jim Nield, member at large

#### **YOUTH ASSISTANCE COMMISSION**

Members of the commission serve two-year terms. The commission is comprised of members from both the city of Northville and Northville Township. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 8 a.m. at Hillside Middle School.

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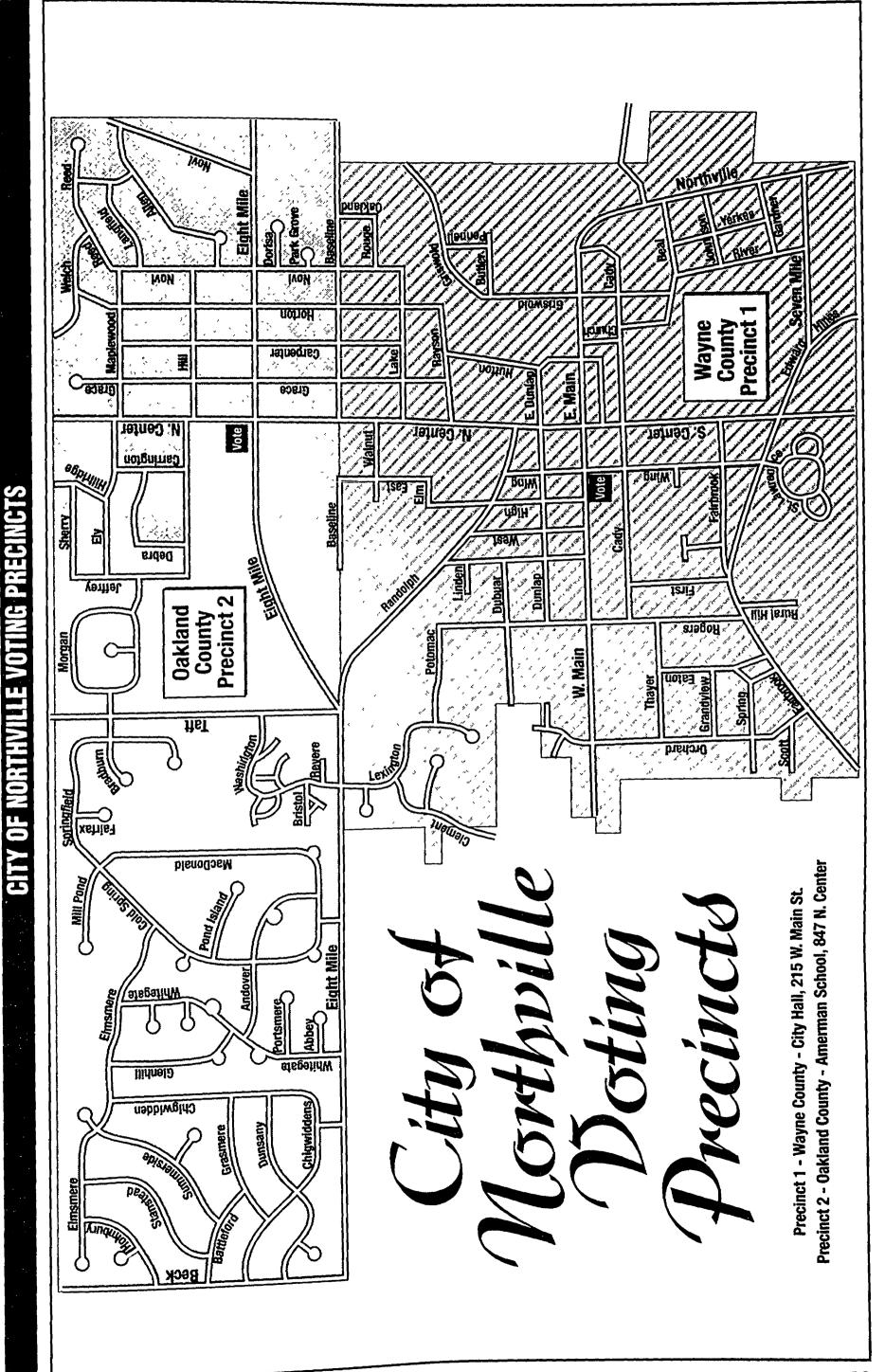
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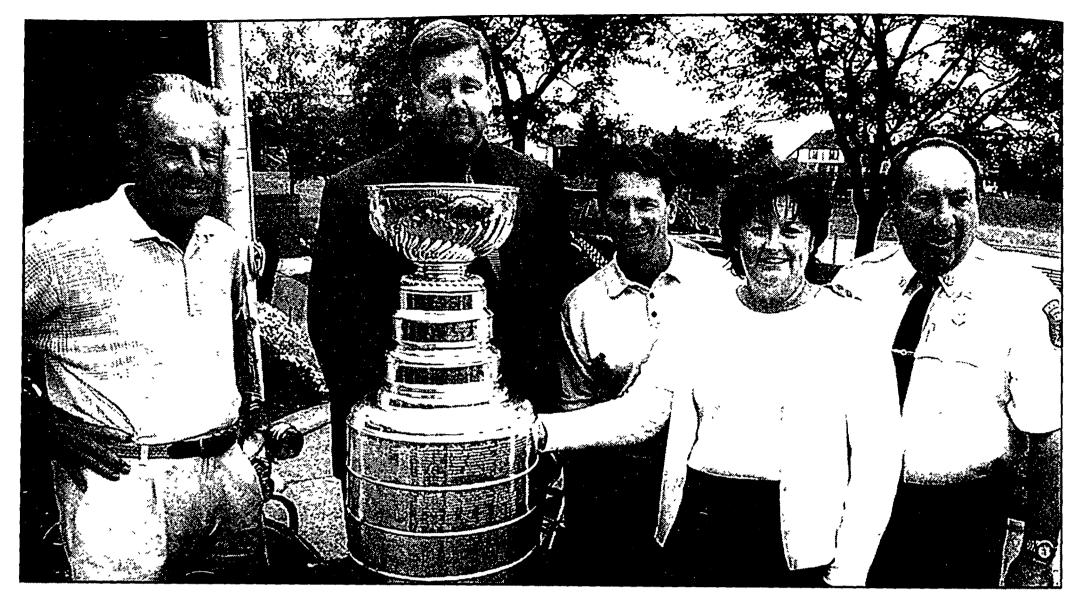


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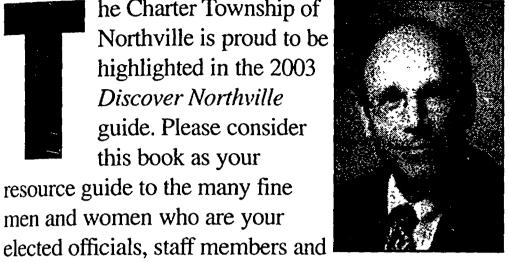
Detroit Red Wings' General Manager Ken Holland, third from left, brought a special piece of hardware to the Northville Township offices in the summer of 2002. Treasurer Richard Henningsen, police chief John Werth, clerk Sue Hillebrand, and Northville Township fire chief Richard Zhmendak, far right, turned out to meet Stanley.



#### WELCOME TO NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP

he Charter Township of Northville is proud to be highlighted in the 2003 Discover Northville guide. Please consider this book as your resource guide to the many fine

men and women who are your



neighbors. Simply stated, this is a listing of professional people working together to make our community a better place to live, work, worship, educate and conduct business.

The Charter Township of Northville offers its residents and businesses the stability and security of living in a metropolitan city, while continuing to cherish our small town values. Customer service and responsive government are values we treasure. These require listening to our constituents and taking their concerns to heart.

The Township's future offers exciting prospects for both residents and business owners. A number of wellplanned business ventures are scheduled for construction, as are single family and multiple family dwellings. Construction of a new township hall, fire headquarters, and police facility renovation will begin in April of this year. With our master plan recently revised, we now look to the next decade for major growth in a setting that accommodates the needs and concerns of a changing environment. We enjoy a very positive relationship with the Northville school district and our neighbors in the city of Northville and thank them for their never ending support in helping to provide many recreational activities and family assistance services through our shared services agreements.

This township board of trustees with a philosophy of "Community First" has enjoyed the support of the residents and look forward to the future opportunities and challenges.

To learn more about our community, please visit us at www.northvillemich.com.

> Mark Abbo Township supervisor

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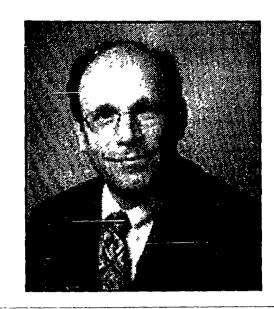
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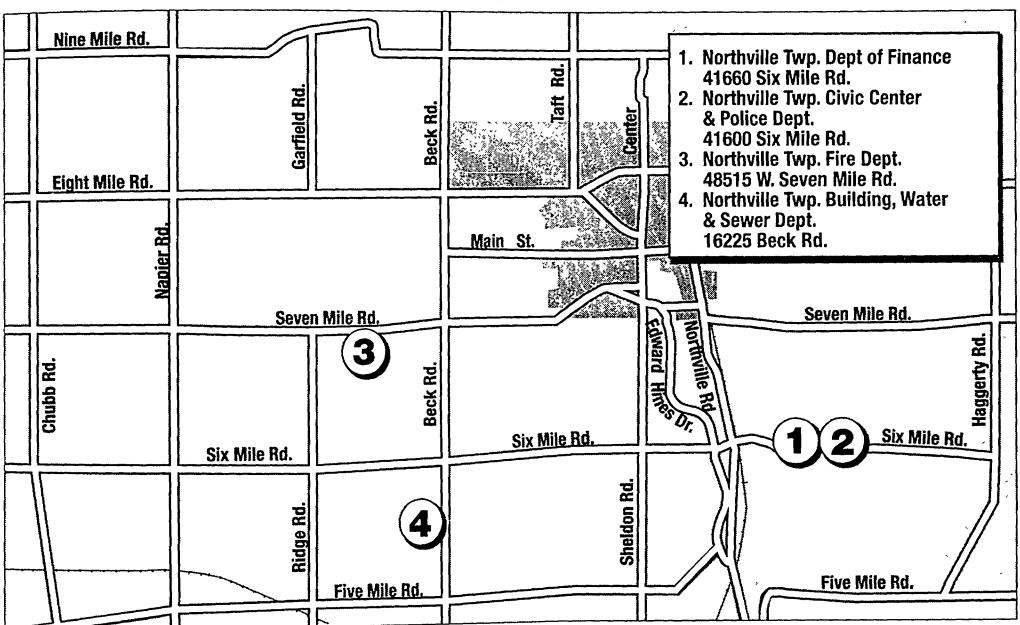
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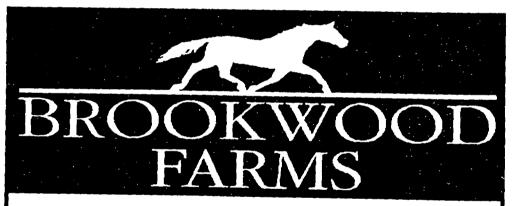
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#### ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

Board of review members serve two-year terms. Meetings are held annually as needed.

Jerry Henderson, board member James Malinowski, board member Suzann McKillop, board member

#### **BOARD OF CANVASSERS**

Canvassers serve four-year terms. Meetings are held as needed after each election.

David Hursey, canvasser

Kathleen Leo, canvasser

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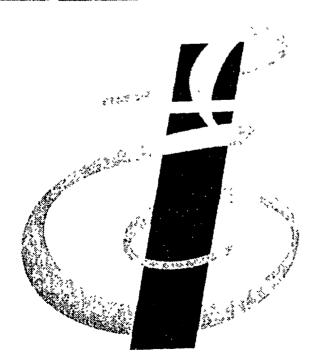
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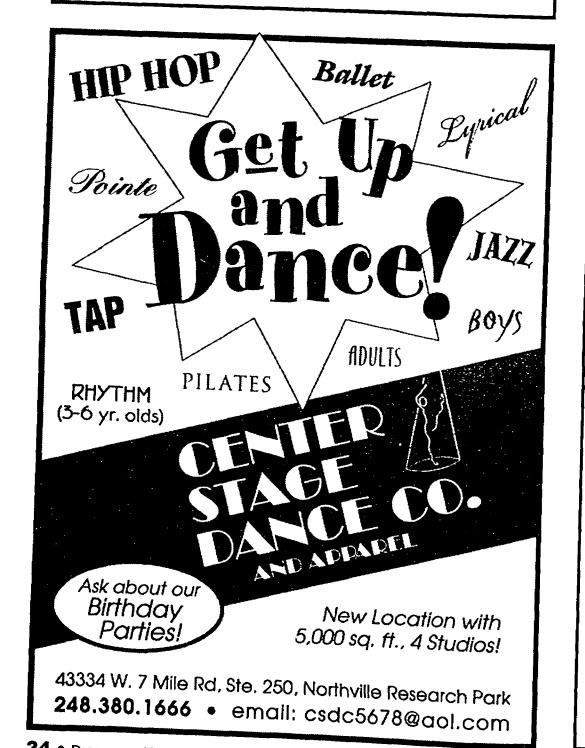


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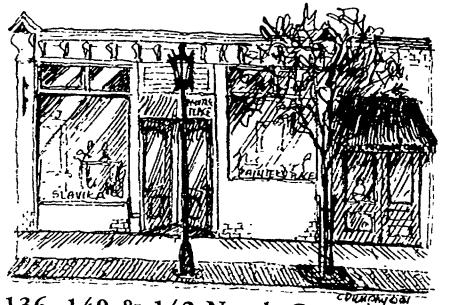
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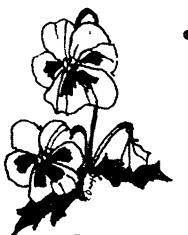
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Meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Marie Barr, chairperson

Larry Aepelbacher, commission member
Joanne Dayton, commission member
Margaret Faessler, commission member
Sue Hillebrand, commission member
Barbara O'Brien, commission member
Barbara Reichard, commission member
Catherine Sellas, commission member

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

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Mary Gans, chairperson / township trustee

Laurie Marrs, secretary
Rebecca Connell, member
Judy Costigan, member
Shirley Klokkenga, member / township trustee
Allen Meredith, member
Dan Ruzylo, member
Michael Weaver, member
Janice Wilkiemeyer, member
Thelma Kubitskey, member

#### **BUILDING AUTHORITY**

Maureen Osiecki, Northville Township liasion

Building authority members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held as needed.

Don Fritz, member

Frank Magdich, member

Charles Mille, member

#### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

Planning commissioners serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Lisa Anderson, chairperson

Richard Allen, vice-chairperson

George McCarthy, secretary

Kent Anderson, member

Marv Gans, member / township trustee

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#### **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Bob Nix, member

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Mark Greenman, vice-chairperson

Lisa Anderson, board member

Shirley Klokkenga, board member / township trustee

Donald Samhat, board member

#### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

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Linda Dzwigalski, city member
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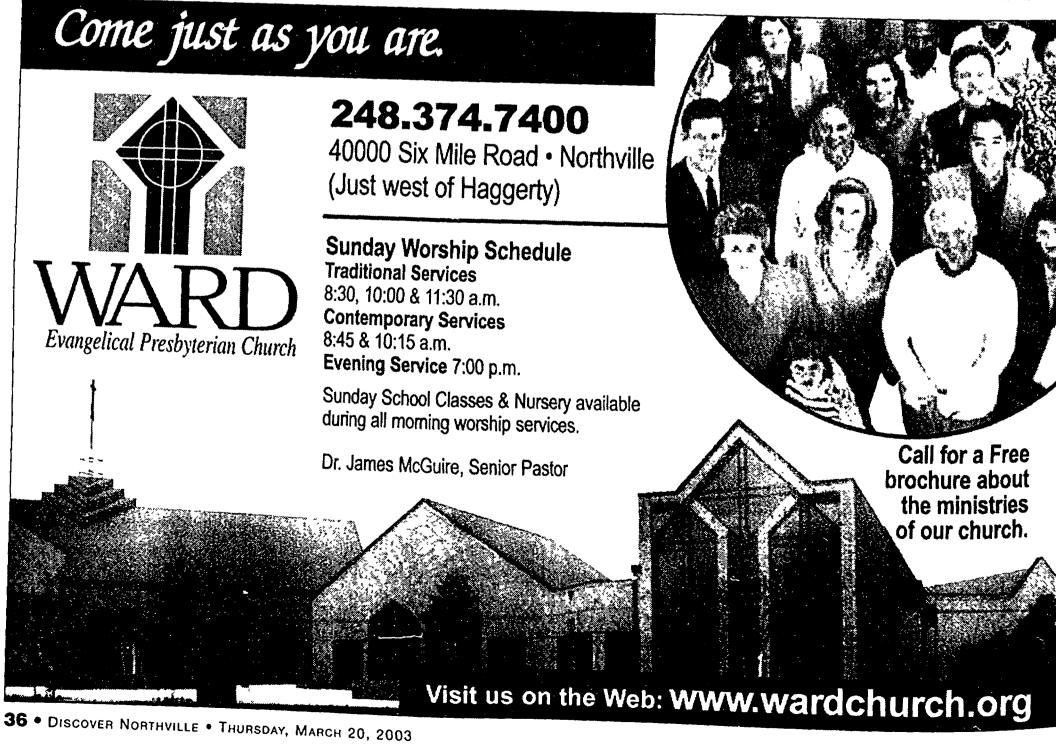
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER Kendra Anderson, a botanist with the Michigan Department of Agriculture, looks for signs of Emerald Ash Borer bug infestation on an ash tree in Northville Township. Anderson found the tell-tale exit holes and bugs' pathways under this ash tree's bark.





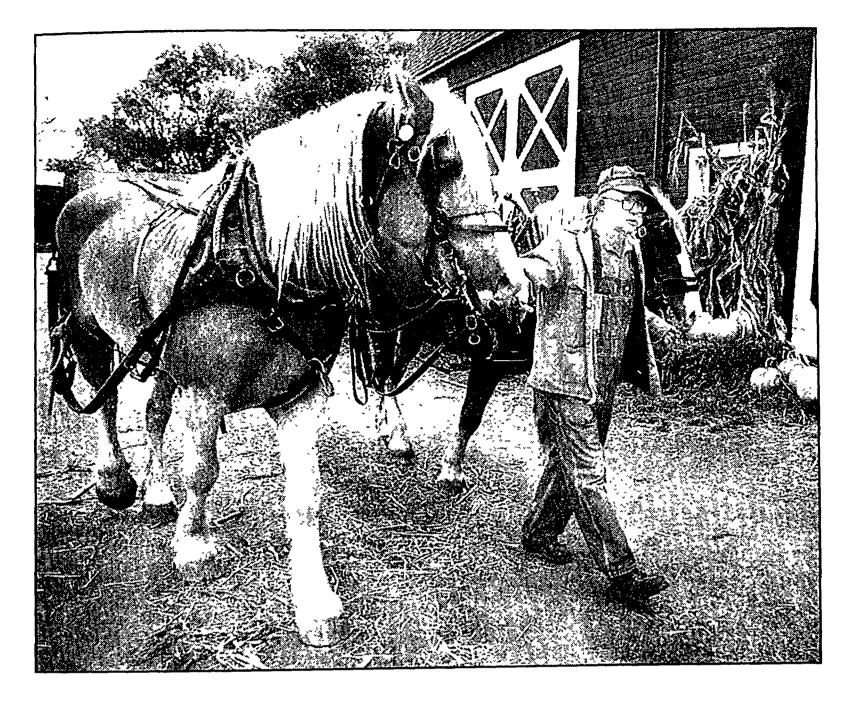
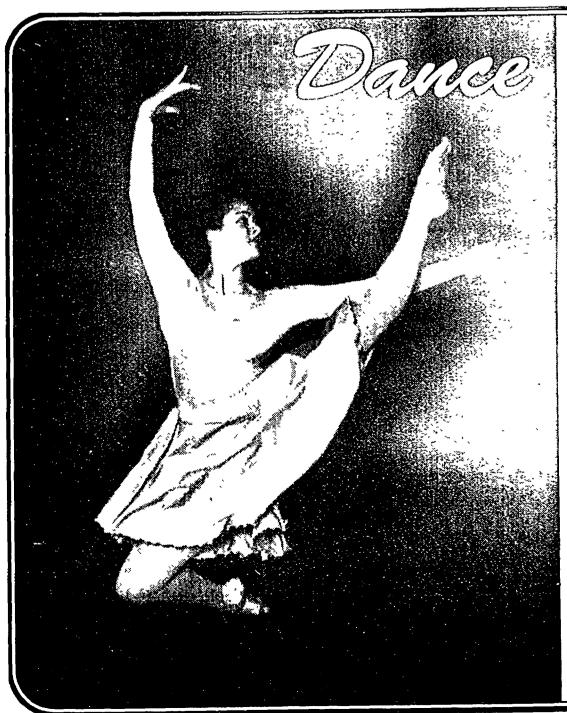


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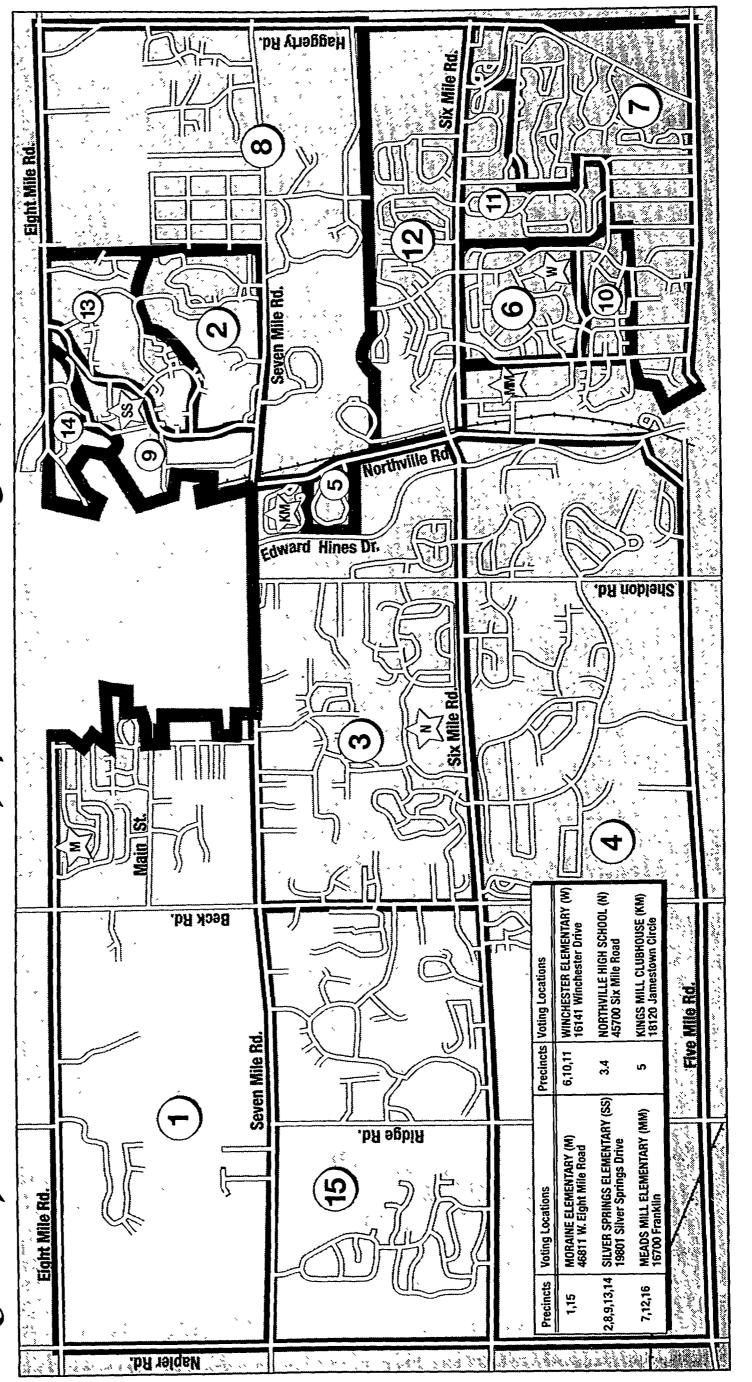
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Leonard Rezmierski Superintendent

photo by JOHN HEIDER Hillside Middle School students Nicole Premo, Matt Wolock, and Derek Mohacsi, right, try to figure out an engineering riddle during a visit from IBM representatives.



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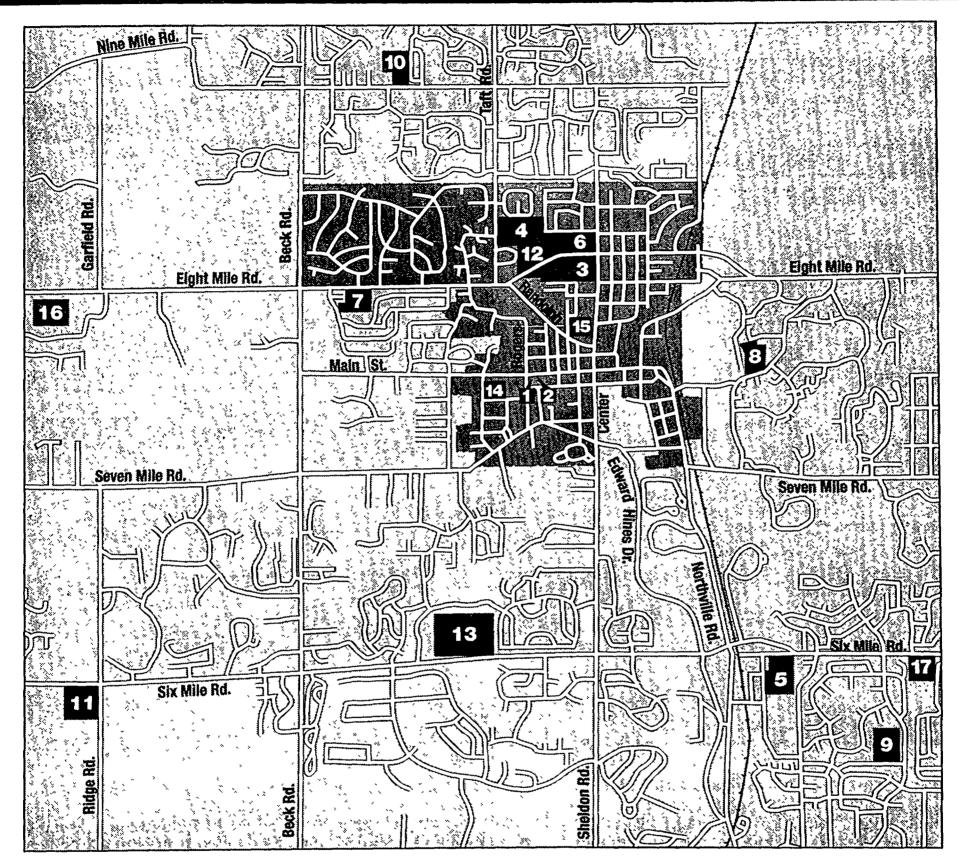
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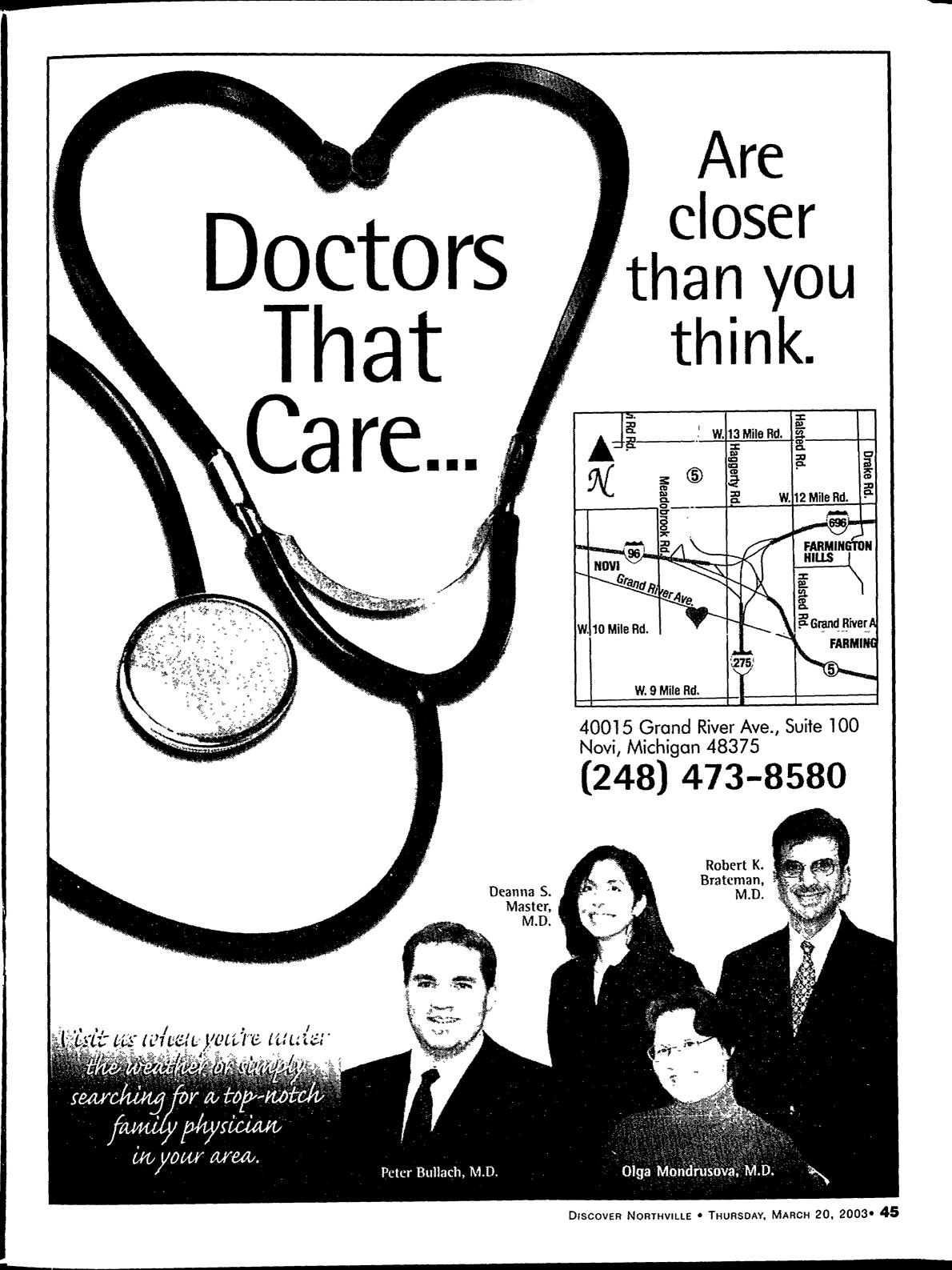
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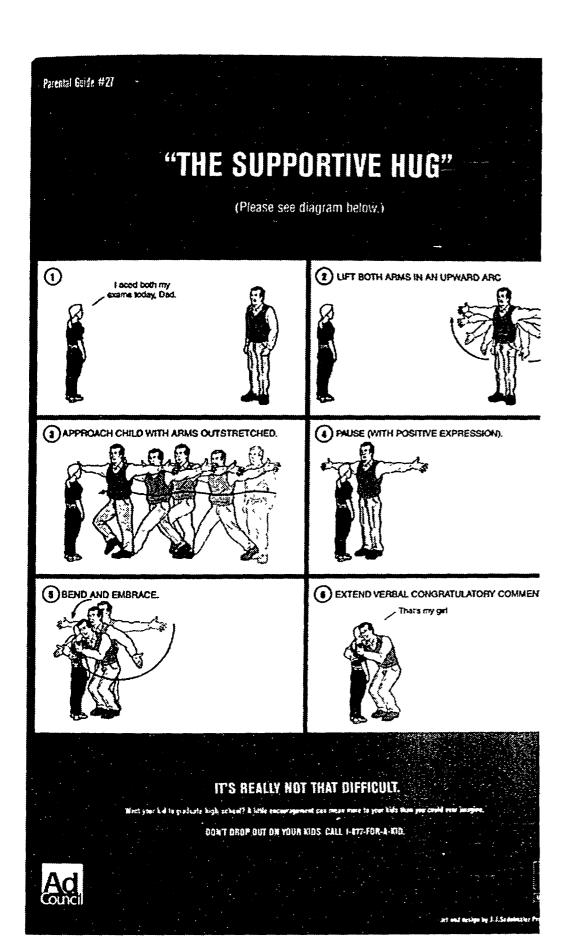


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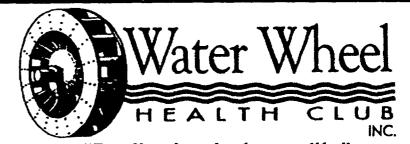
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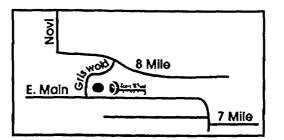
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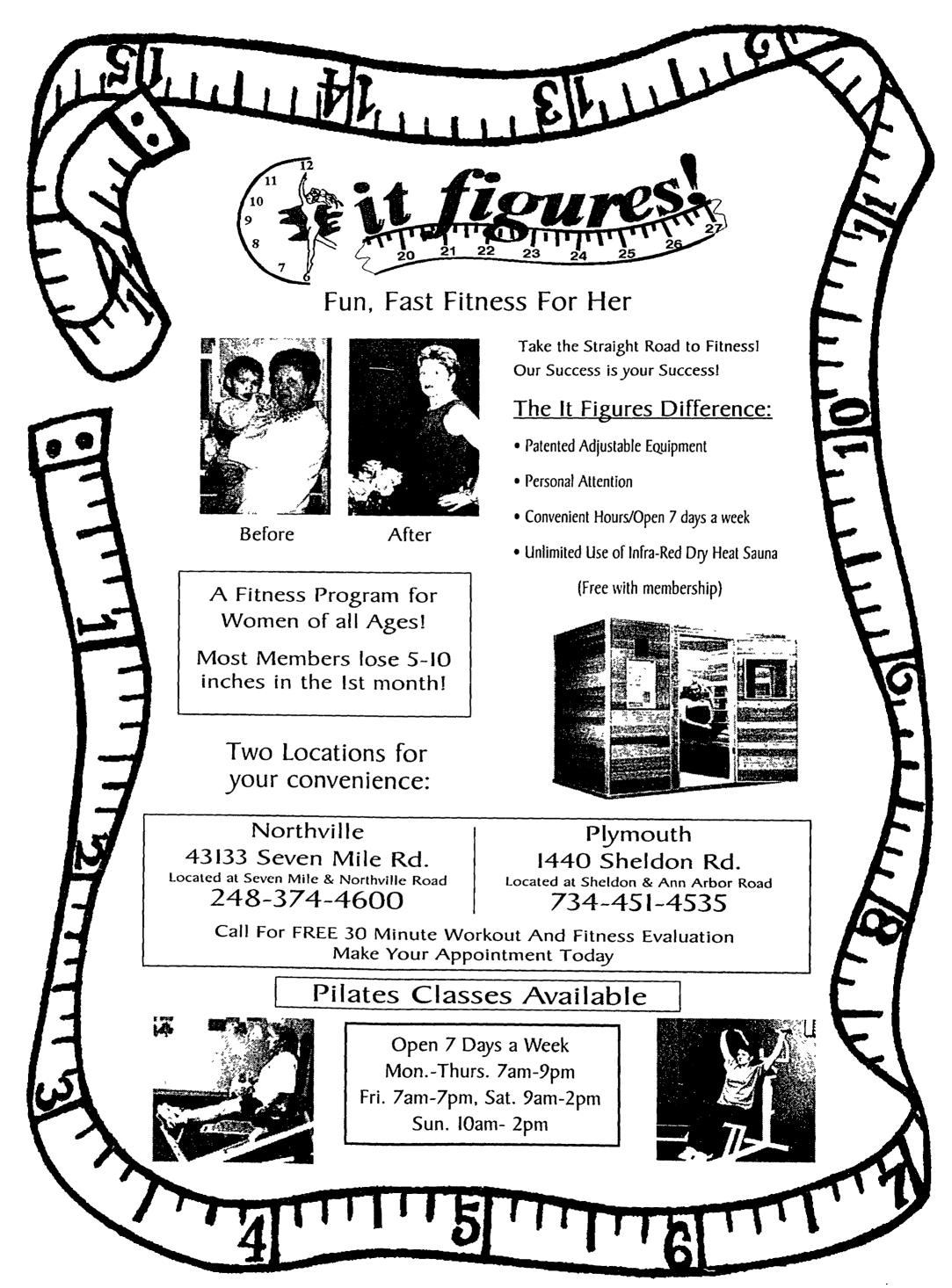


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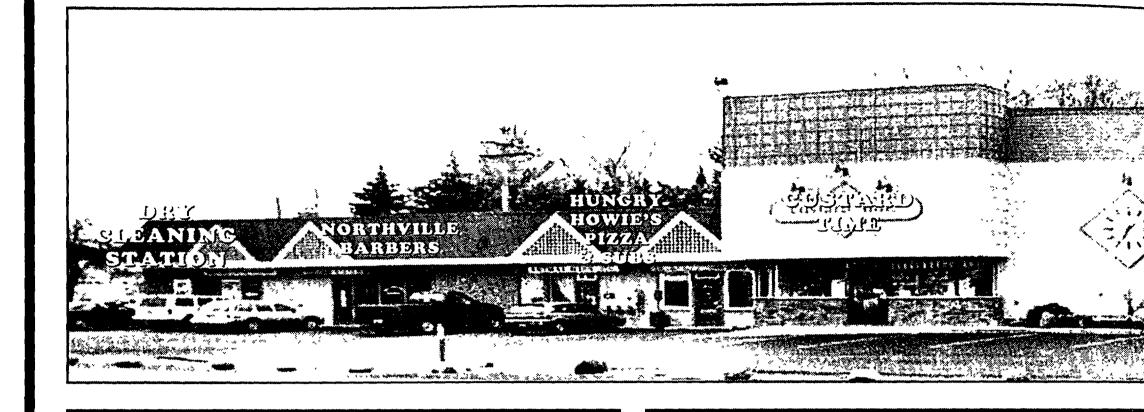


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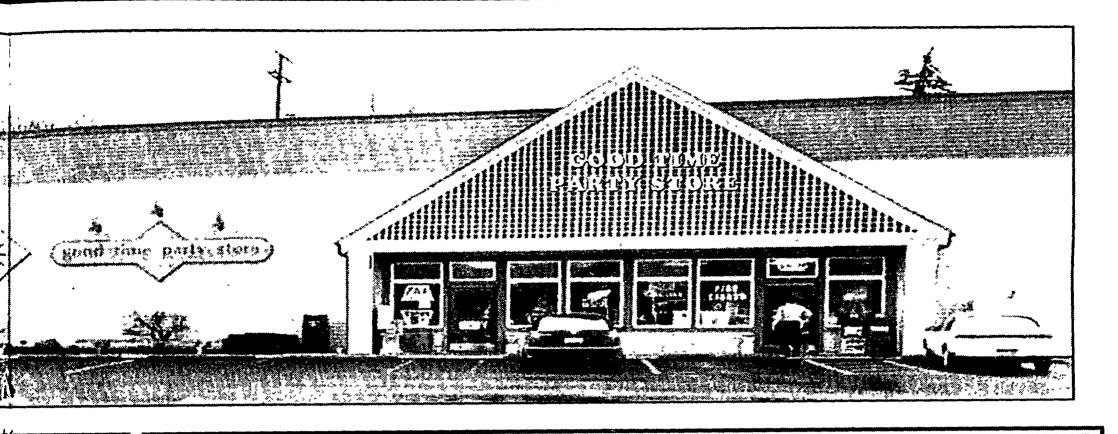


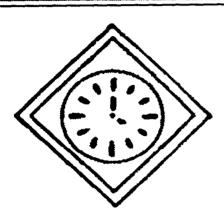
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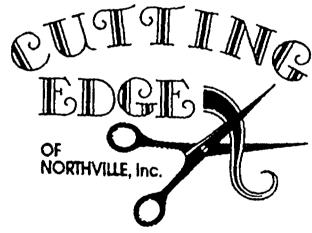
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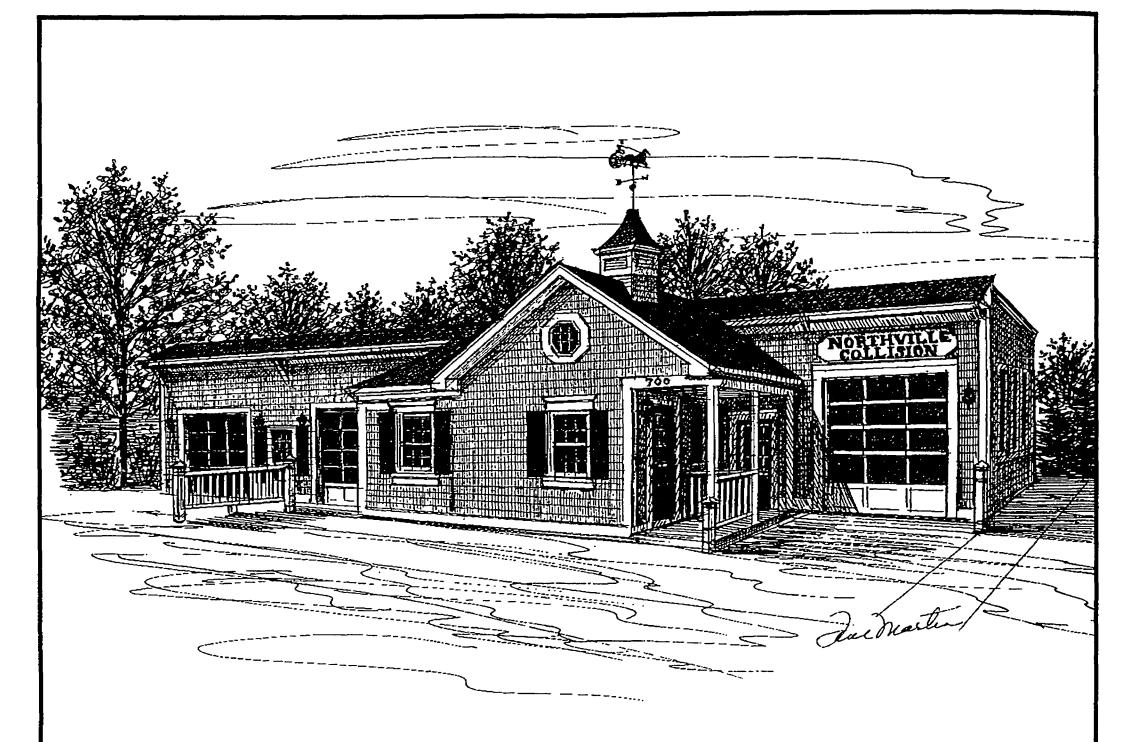
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Northville Christian student Toby Dusel, right, holds the American flag during a Veterans Day ceremony. U.S. veterans stand at attention at rear.



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Dressed in poodle skirts and black leather jackets, young ladies of Northville's Our Lady of Victory school watch some of their fellow students participate in a line dance during their celebration of the school's 50th anniversary.



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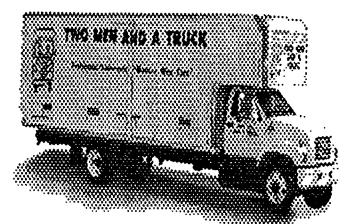
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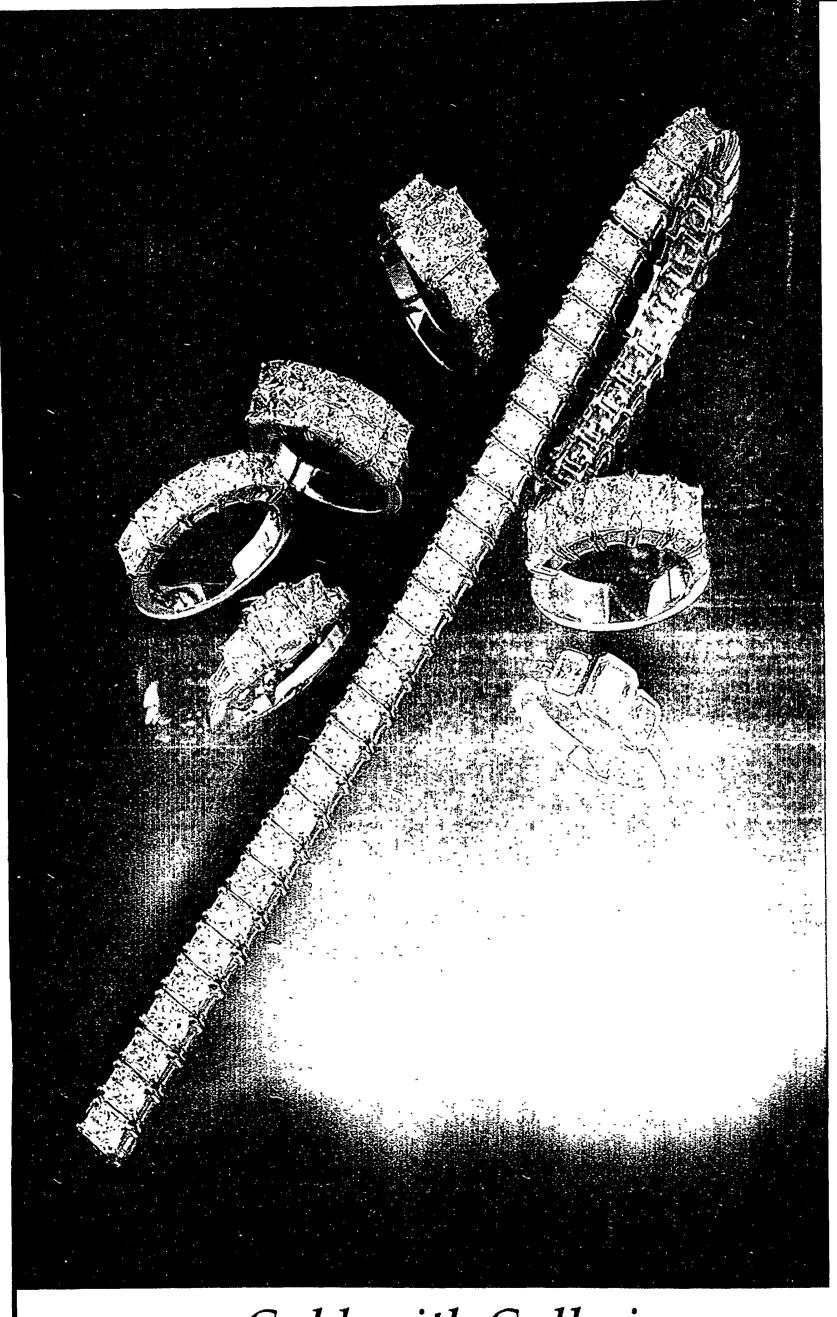
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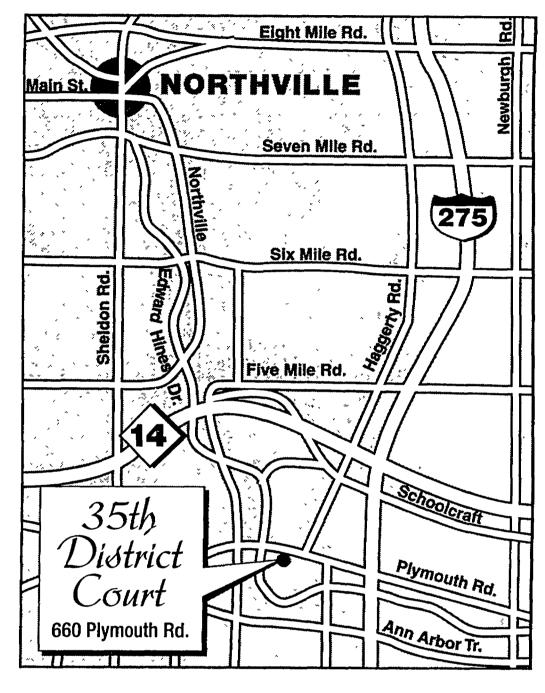
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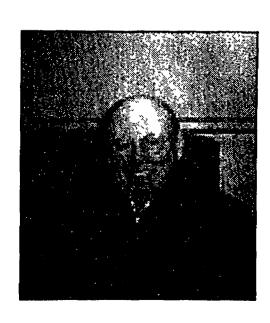
The jurisdiction of Michigan's 35th District Court includes Northville and Northville Township, the city of Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township. The court is located at 660 Plymouth Road, and can be reached at (734) 459-4740.

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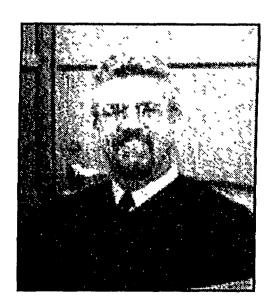




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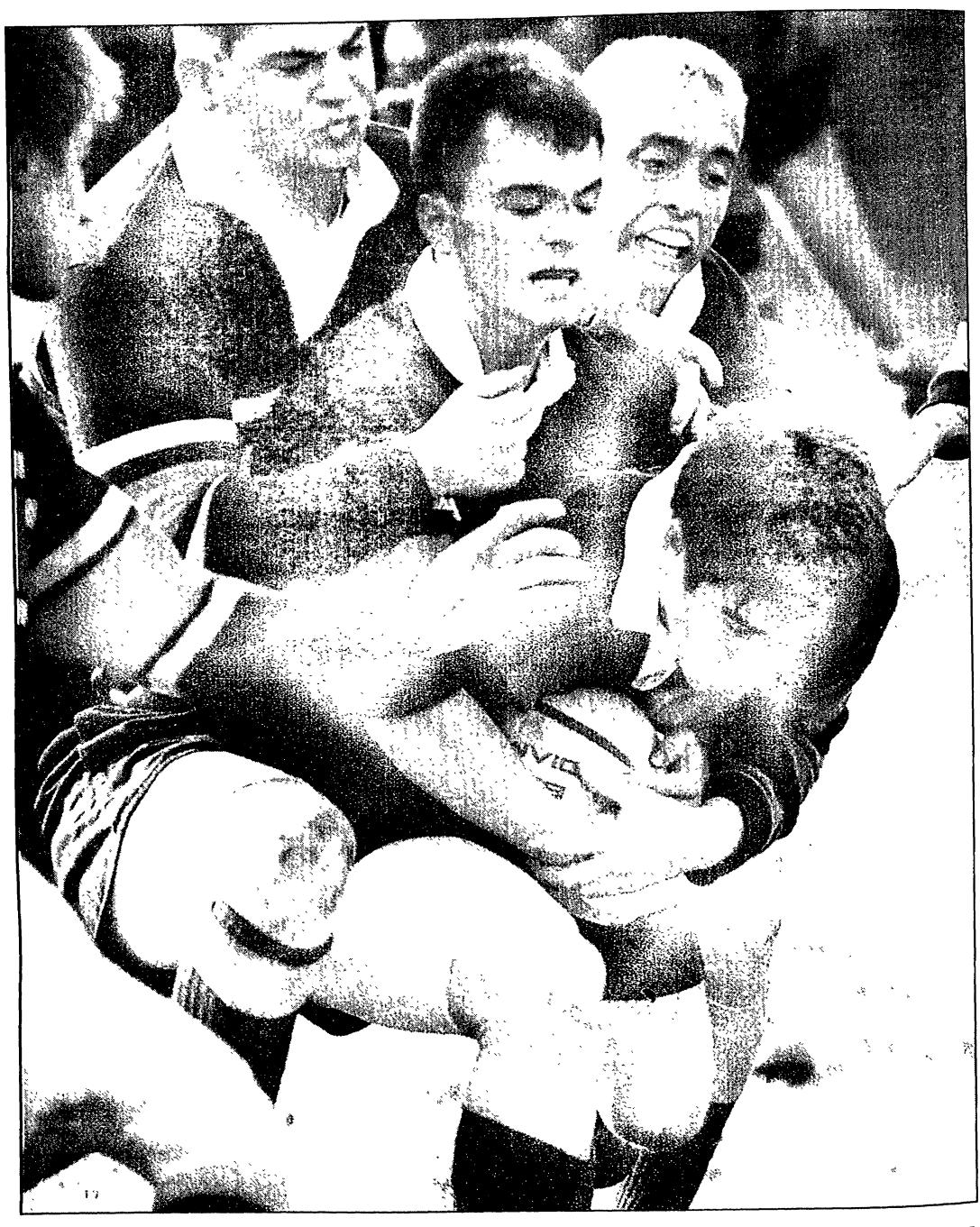
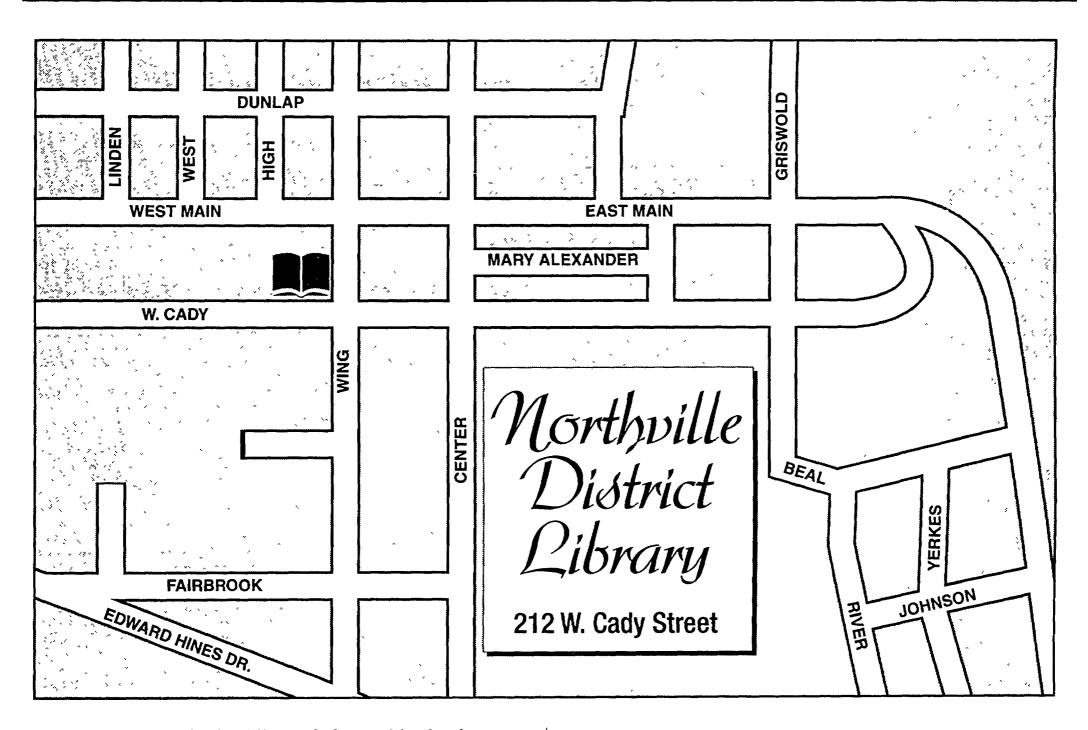


Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville/Novi/Walled Lake Knights rugby team members gang up on a Livonia ballcarrier during a match in Southfield.

# NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY

#### **DISTRICT LIBRARY INFORMATION**



The Northville District Library is located in the down-town Northville area at 212 W. Cady Street, one block south of Main Street and two blocks west of Center Street. The library serves the residents of both the city of Northville and Northville Township, and offers reciprocal borrowing with other area libraries.

A seven-member board of trustees governs the library. The trustees are elected to four-year terms and meet monthly on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend the board meetings.

Several Internet-ready computers are available for the public to use, as well as computers for searching many specialized databases. The library offers a wide variety of programs for children and teens, book discussion groups and Internet classes. The collection includes more than 70,000 books, compact discs, books on tape, videos, magazines and newspapers.

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business and industry for the benefit of the Northville Community. With a dedicated staff, an 11-member volunteer board and more than 450 Chamber members, we work continuously to ensure Northville is the best place to live, work, and visit.

The Northville Chamber has much to offer the businesses and residents. We sponsor several significant events throughout the year including:

#### • TASTE OF NORTHVILLE BUSINESS SHOWCASE

An opportunity for businesses, restaurants and non-profit groups to showcase their products and services. This year, the showcase takes place March 18 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Northville High School, located at 45700 Six Mile Road.

#### • FARMER'S MARKET

Farmers and crafters set up outdoor booths and sell plants, perennials, garden accessories, Michigan-grown produce, baked goods and hand-made crafts. Northville Downs and the Northville Driving Club have generously donated the use of the Northville Downs parking lot at Seven Mile Road and Center Street for the market. It is open every Thursday (rain, snow, or shine) from May through October.

#### • ART IN THE SUN

An outdoor juried art show held in the downtown streets. Visitors can enjoy art, food, and entertainment during this two-day event held every year on Father's Day weekend. This year the dates are June 15 and 15.

#### • NORTHVILLE CLASSIC GOLF OUTING

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#### VICTORIAN FESTIVAL

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Northville back in time and provide a weekend of old-fashioned fun. The event gets underway the evening of Sept. 12 with a Victorian costume parade through the city's historic district, a children's game area, an Antique Show, free entertainment, and food booths sponsored by non-profit organizations.

On Saturday, festivities include children's activities, continuous street entertainment throughout the town, a fine arts market sponsored by the Arts Commission, an Antique Show, and numerous food booths.

Sunday offers the same activities, plus additional opportunities to step back in time with a box lunch auction and a duck race. The Northville Chamber of Commerce appreciates the value of community-wide involvement. Community nonprofit groups, Northville schools representatives, merchants dressed in period costumes, and a veritable army of volunteers makes the event a successful, entertaining, and informative celebration of a bygone time.

#### • CHRISTMAS WALK

The Chamber sponsors this popular annual event the

Sunday before Thanksgiving. Northville comes alive with lights, decorated windows and special shopping hours. The date for this year's 22nd annual Christmas Walk is Nov. 23.

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is proud to sponsor these activities and events to help promote our community.

For more information on the Chamber events, please call (248) 349-7640 or visit our website at www.northville.org.

> Laurie Marrs Executive Director Chamber of Commerce

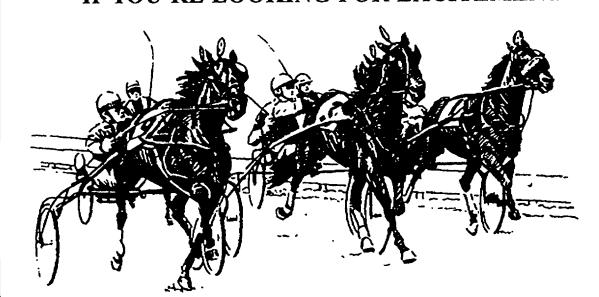
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The Northville Chamber of Commerce board of directors. From left, Michael Haggerty, Jan Purtell, Sonja Lane, Mary Poole, Julie Fraser, Eric Colthurst, Patti Mullen, Margo Kramar, Scott Seslar, Steve Fecht. Missing from photo: Christy Seaburg.



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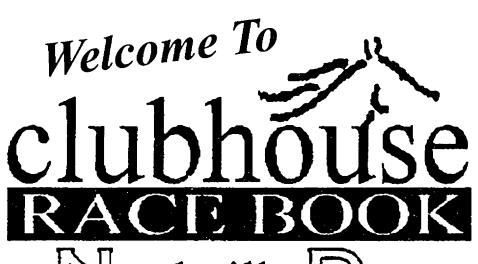
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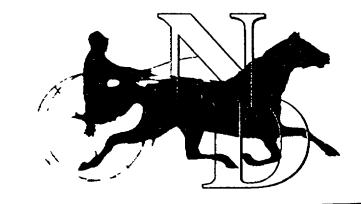
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TIME	7:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m 3:30 p.m. 4 p.m 6:30 p.m. Every Thursday	7:15 a.m. 11 a.m - 2 p.m.	10 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	11 a.m 3 p.m.	8:30 a.m 3:30 p.m.
EVENT	Used Children's Play/Sports Equipment Sale Handcrafters Craft Show Michael Farrell Art Lecture, Native American Art Secretary of State Mobile Branch Office "Senior" Prom Farmers Market Friday Night Bandshell Concerts Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Student Art Show	Mother/Son Dance Foundation Prayer Breakfast Third annual Senior Housing Expo International Badminton Tournament Johnson Creek Day 2003	16th Annual Flower Sale Memorial Day Parade Tunes on Tuesday Kids Concert Northville Chamber Annual Golf Classic	15th Annual Art In The Sun Senior parade and picnic Independence Day Parade 10 a.m. Mill Race Village Independence Day Activities	10th Annual Northville Garden Walk Old Fashioned Sidewalk Sale 15th Annual Victorian Festival Senior Fest Historical Home Tour Art Market	Secretary of State Mobile Branch Office Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Holiday Home Tour Holiday Lighted Parade 22nd Annual Christmas Walk All Aglow/Illumination for Education Candlelight Walk Northville Nite
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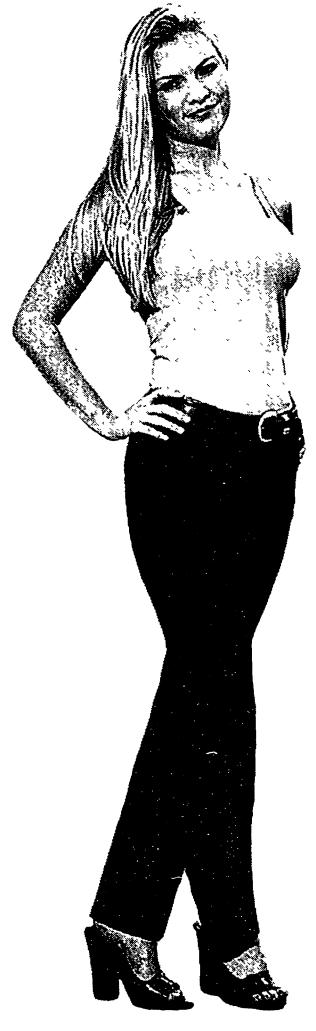
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Then-candidate (and Northville Township resident) Jennifer Granholm greets supporters at the Democratic Party headquarters at the Detroit Marriott Hotel to accept her party's nomination for governor. She was elected governor of Michigan in November 2002.



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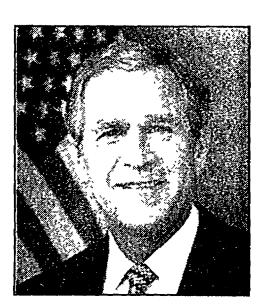


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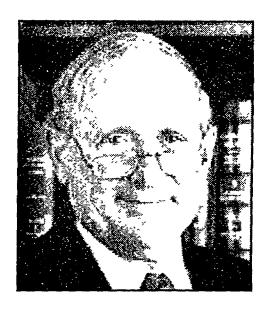
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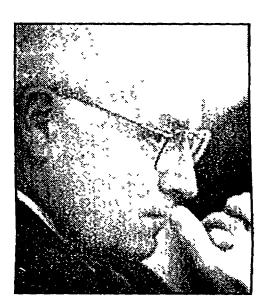
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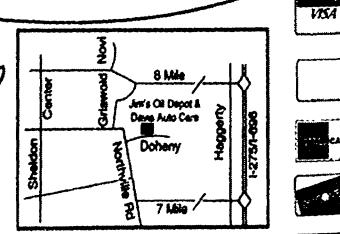
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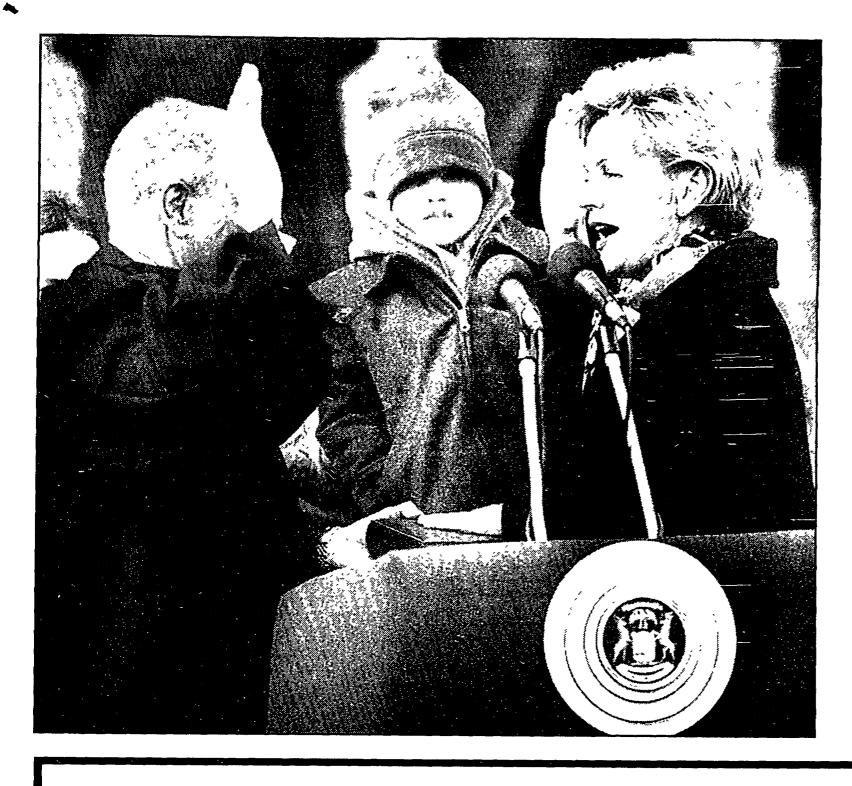
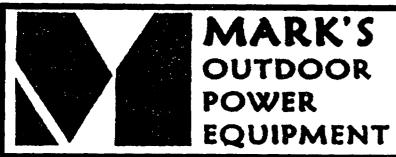


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Northville resident
Jennifer Granholm is
sworn in on New Year's
Day by Judge Dammon
Keith on the steps of
the State Capitol building in Lansing. Behind
Granholm is her son
Jack held by her husband Dan Mulhern (out
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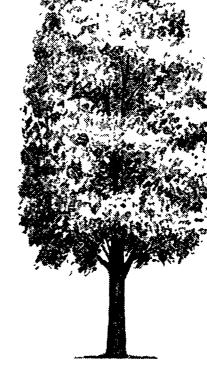
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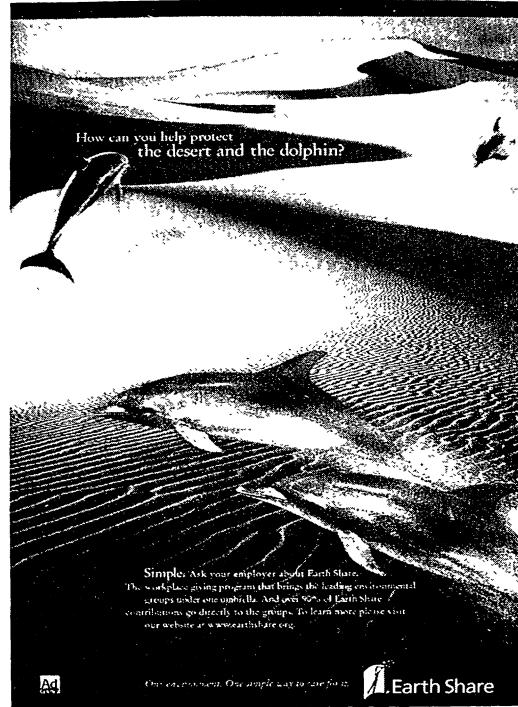


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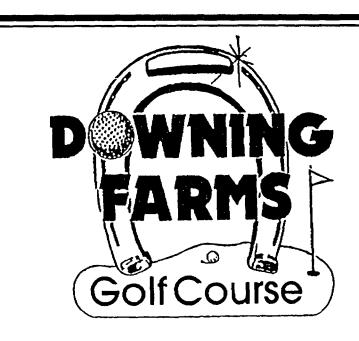
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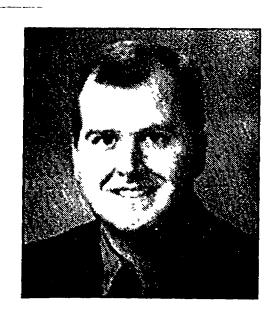


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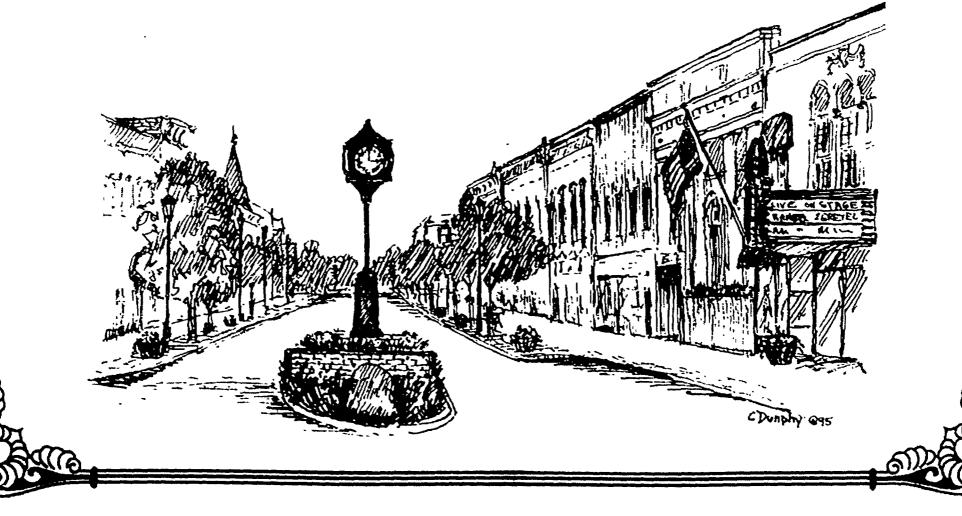
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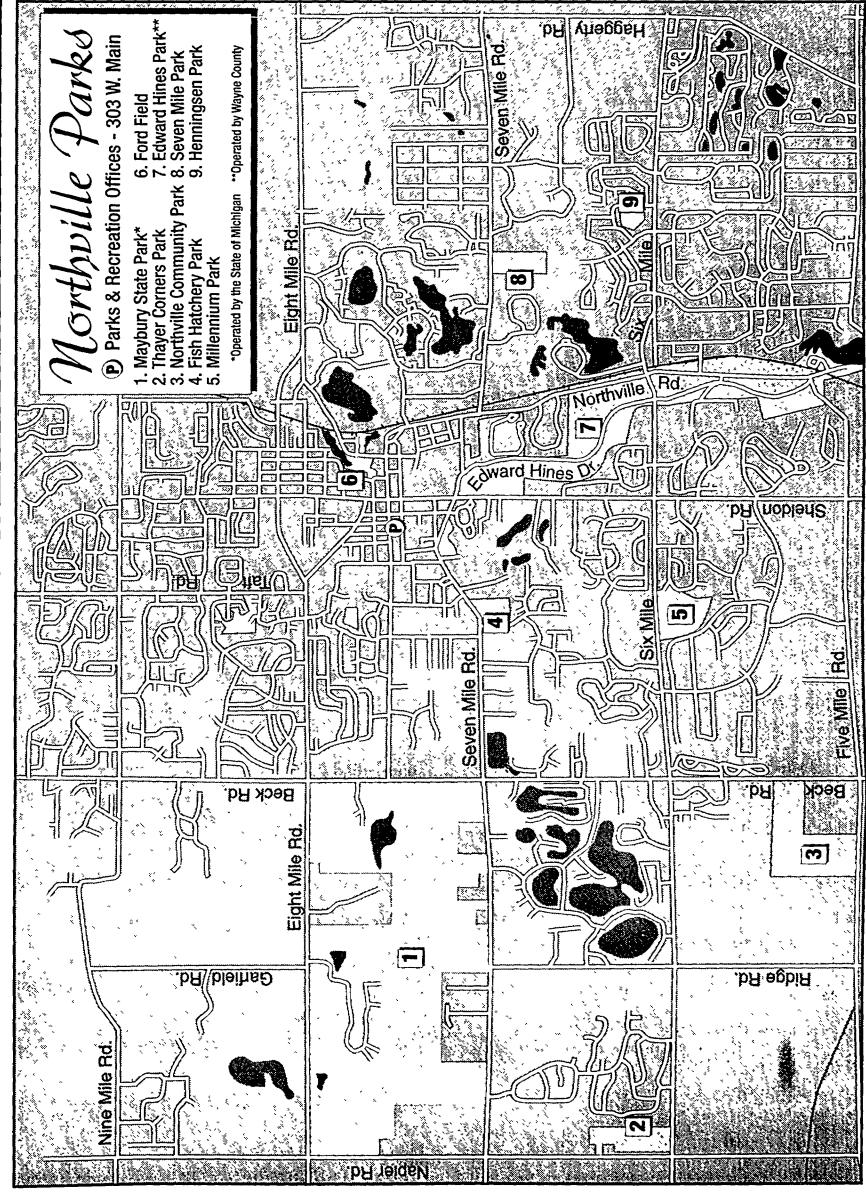
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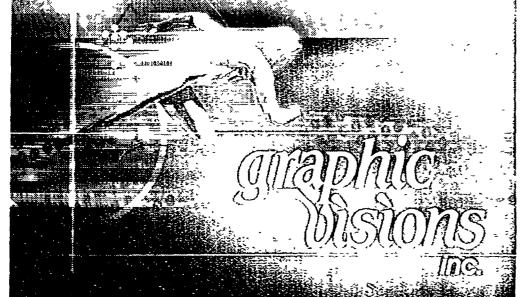
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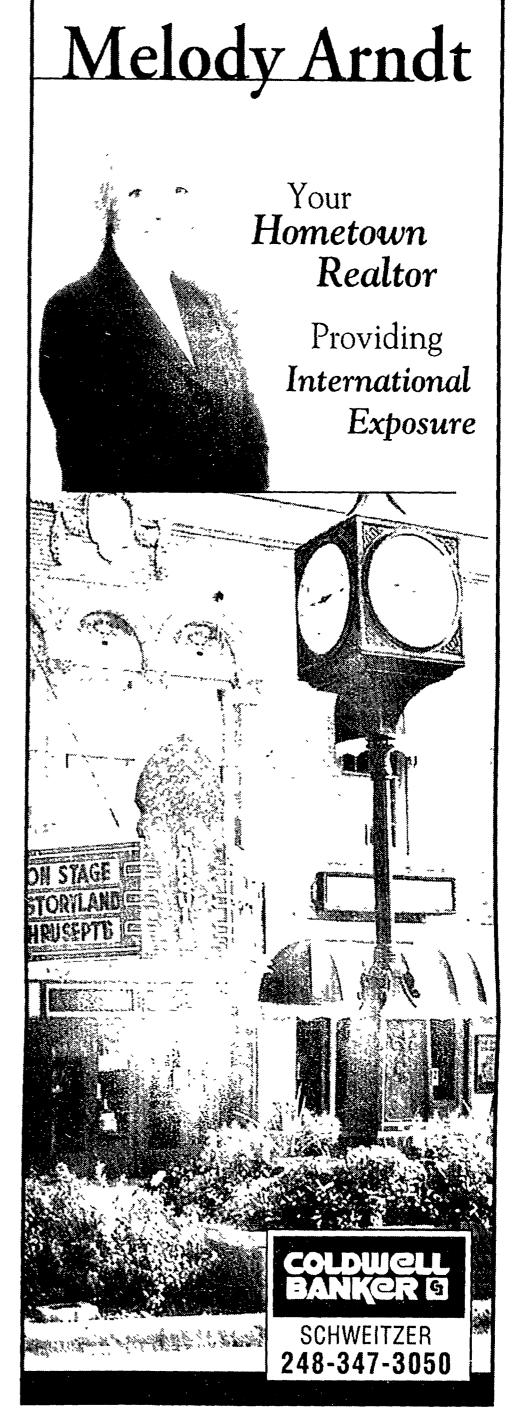
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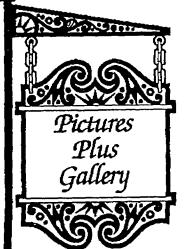
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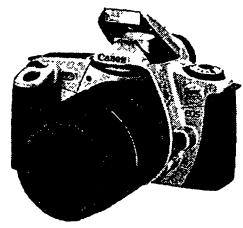
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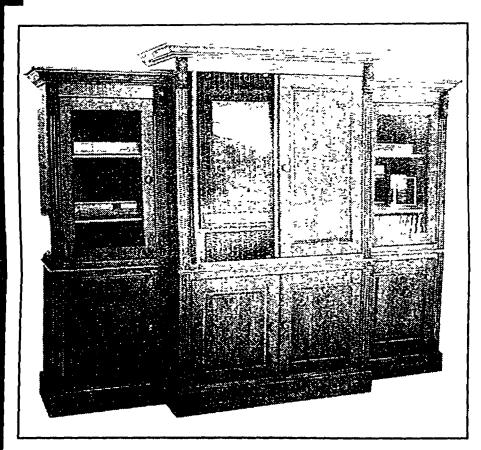
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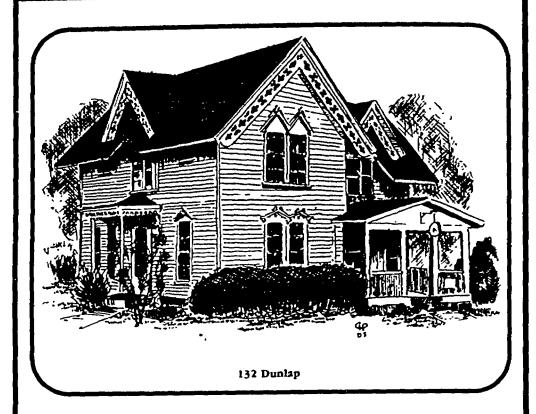


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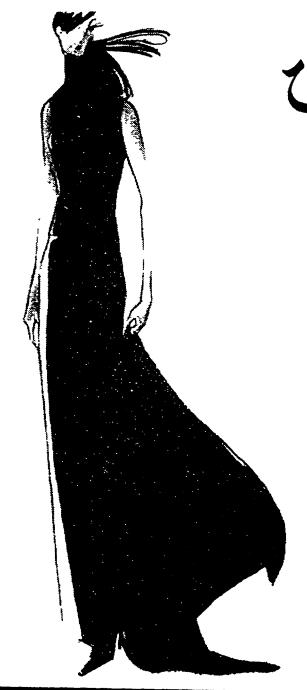
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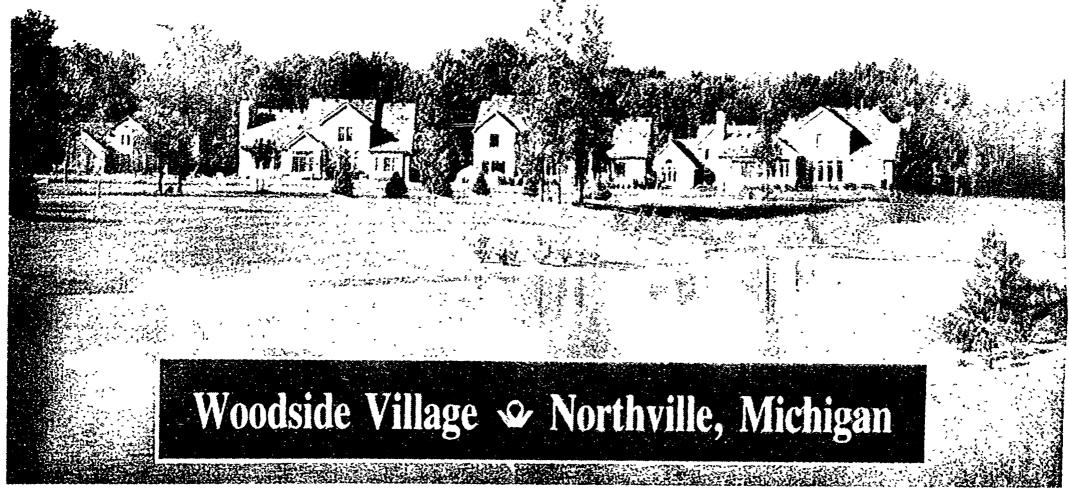
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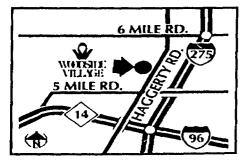
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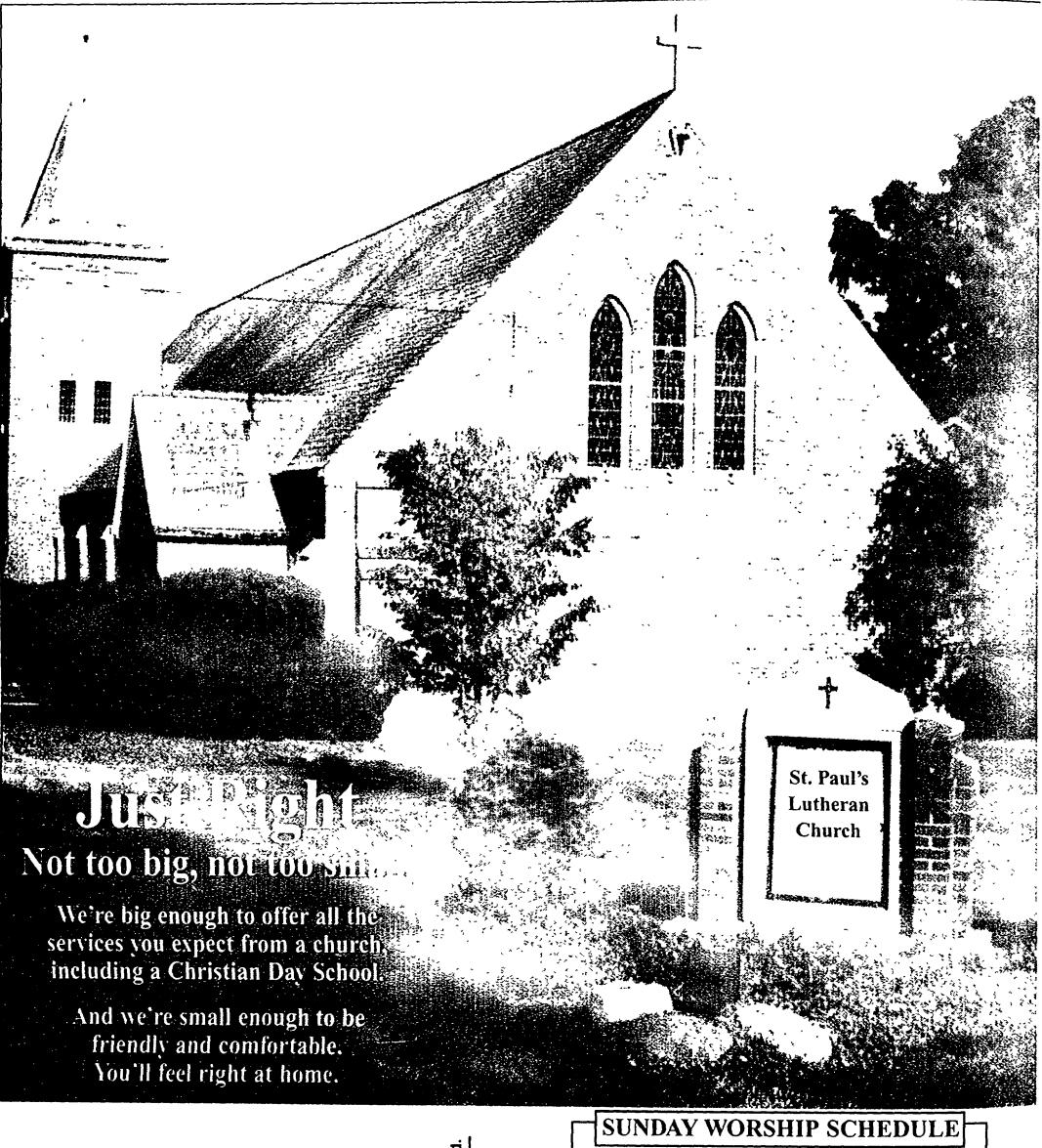


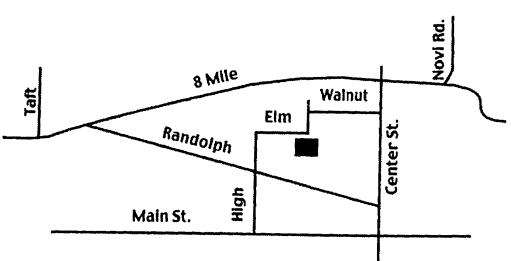
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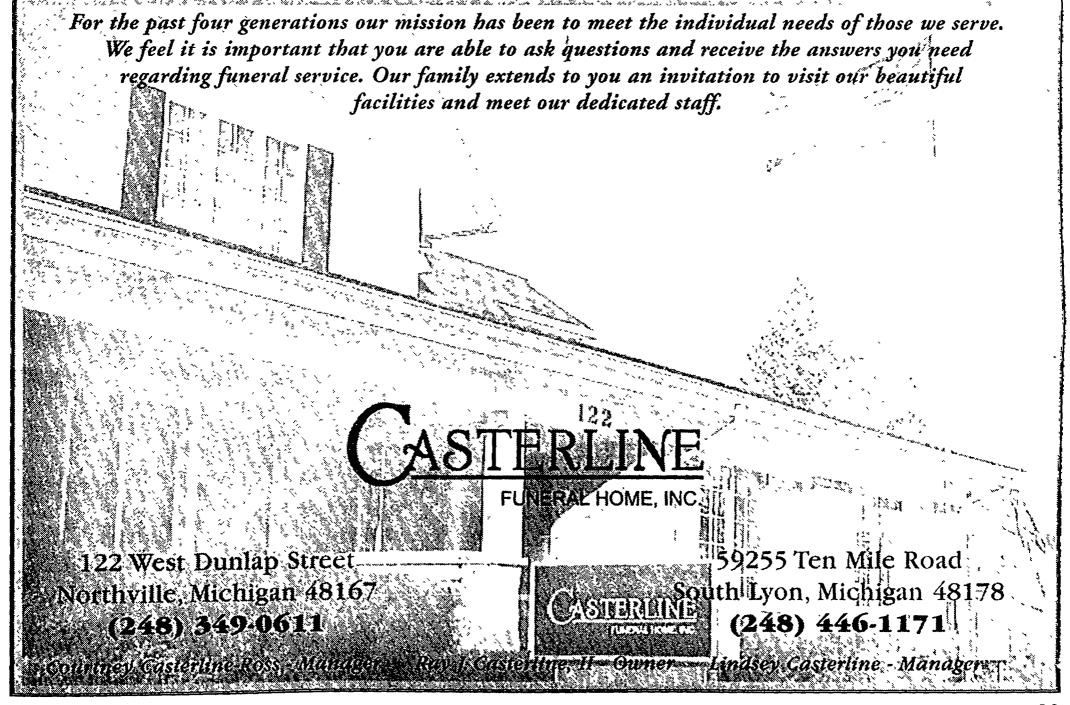
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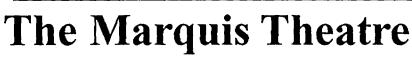
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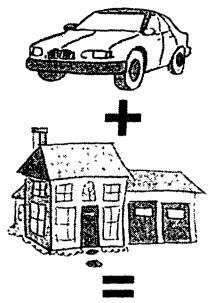
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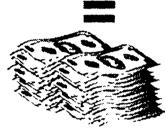
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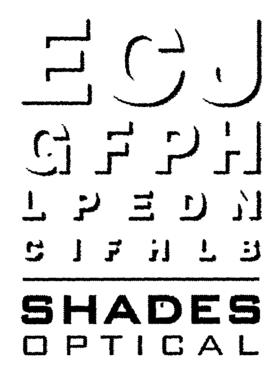
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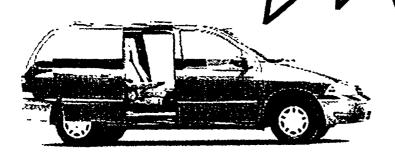


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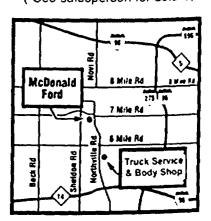
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J	_	Piñatas, Mexican Beer, Tequilas & music		
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-		Limited Menu		
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June 2	Monday	Morel's & Jazz Night	\$51.50	
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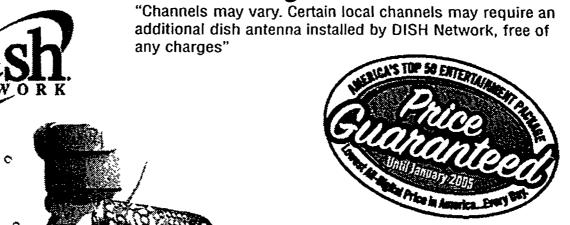
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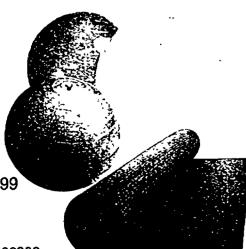
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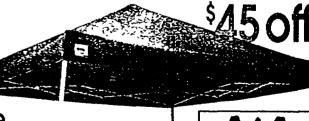


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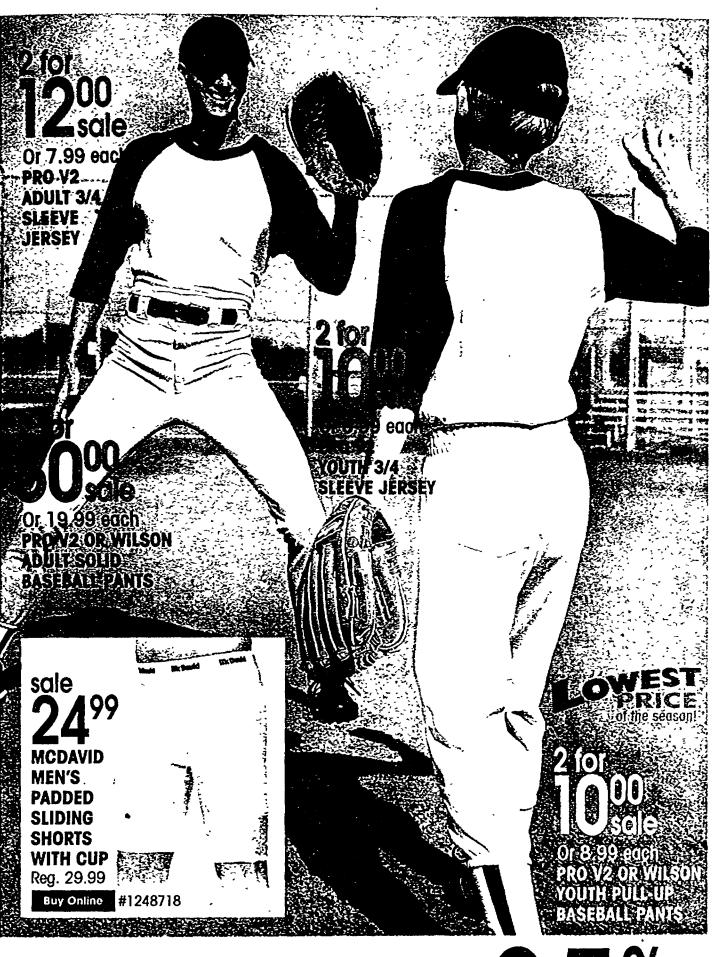
Coach Osowski was chosen by a celebrity panel of judges including: Phil Simms, CBS Sports Football Lead Analyst and former NFL Quarterback; Brandi Chastain, member of the 2000 Silver Medal Women's Olympic Soccer Team; and Mike Krzyzewski, "Coach K," head coach of Men's Basketball at Duke University, who led his team to three NCAA National Championships.

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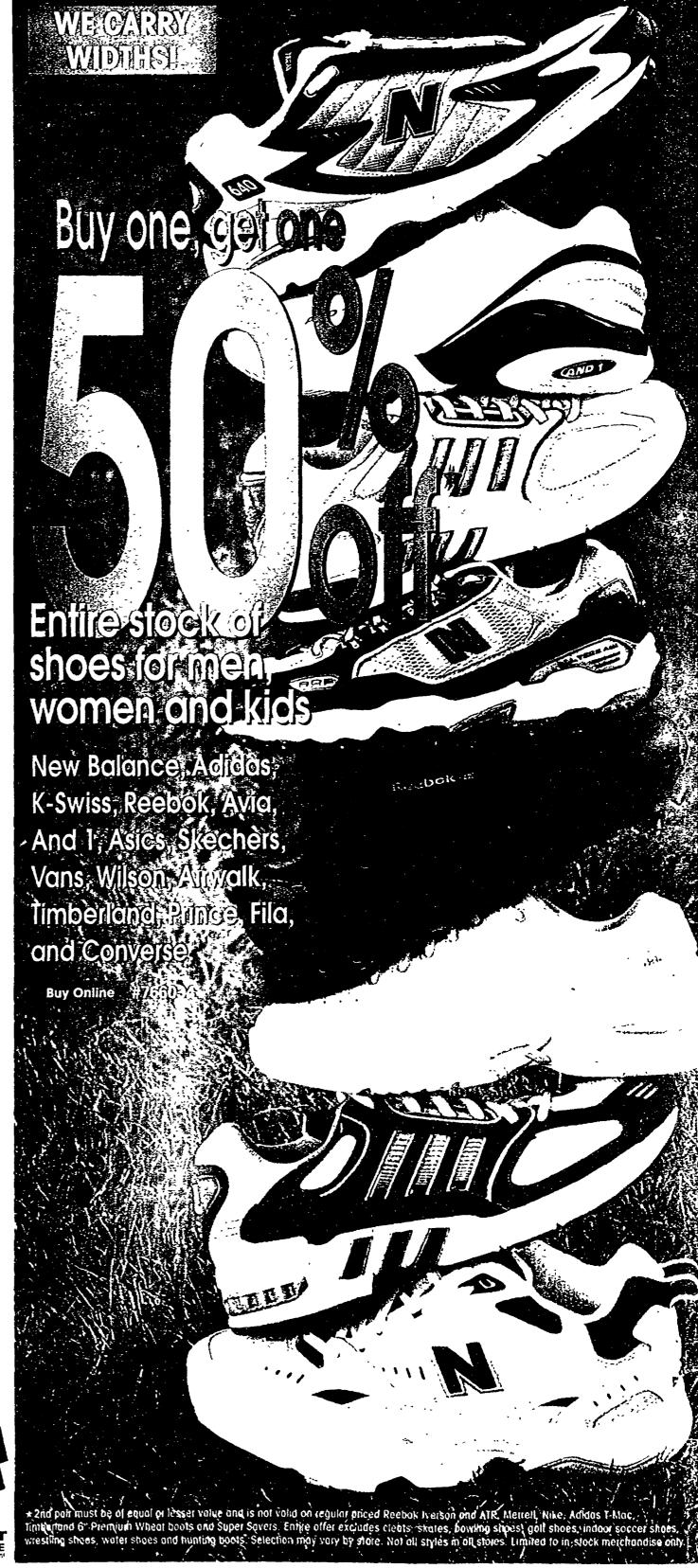


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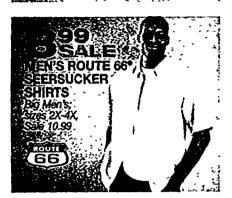
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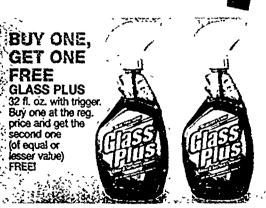
























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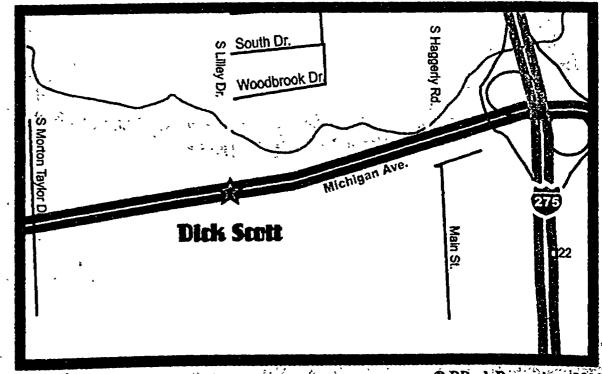
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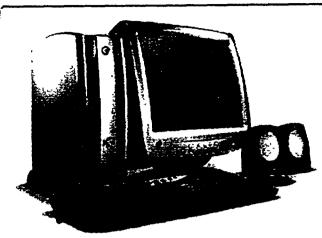
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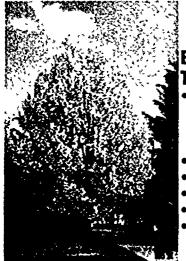


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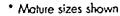
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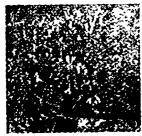
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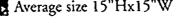


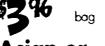
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- outdoor plants Feed every other week for
- spectacular results (317179)



All-Purpose Plant Food 1-1/2 lbs

• Blends of unique organic ingredients and essential nutrients result in more beautiful plants and flowers (331164)



Tree & Shrub Fertilizer Spikes

- Gives younger trees a healthy start (438536)
- \* Mature sizes shown

WHEELBARROWS



Diamondback® shovels boast high-carbon tempered steel blades mounted on extended sockets for added reliability.

Diamondback® tools feature a patented ribbed fiberglass handle that's 25% stronger and 10% lighter than other brands. Textured rubber strips prevent slipping and blisters.

Ames® leads the industry with a constantly evolving line of garden tools. Take one home today.



- Holds 30 tools
- Neatly organizes yard and household tools (471680)

Round Point Shovel (385175).

🛂 Square Point Shovel

(385152)🔡 Garden Hoe (937916,

**Section 2** Bronco Spading Fork

🔛 Large Vertical Storage Shed



Rake has 16-tine welded head

Shovels have a heavy-duty 16-gauge steel blade

\$12.97 • All tools have a lightweight ergonomic fiberglass handle for better grip and less hand fatigue

> All tools carry a 15-year warranty (499773)(500496)(536981)



4 Cu. Ft. Steel Wheelbarrow

- Heavy-duty steel tray
- Electrostatic paint ensures total coverage and protection from the element (679119)



6 Cu. Ft. Steel Wheelbarrow

- Heavy-duty steel tray
- Electrostatic paint ensures total coverage and protection from the elements (784505)



TRUE TEMPER Jackson.

**SPECIAL**BUY

6 Cu. Ft.

\$12.97

\$13.97

\$19.73

\$198.00

Heavy-gauge seamless steel tray

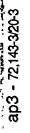
 Heavy-duly tray braces provide added strength and support (296095)

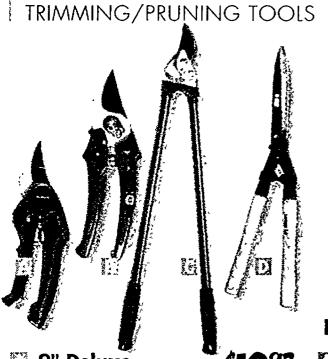


- 24"x48" deck with heavygauge mesh bed
- Removable sides
- Hitch on handle to connect and low cart (283671)

Selection may vary by store location.

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- Litetime warranty
- Rust resistant (129557)

#### 🜃 8" Anvil Pruner

 Easy grip (447039)

\$8.94

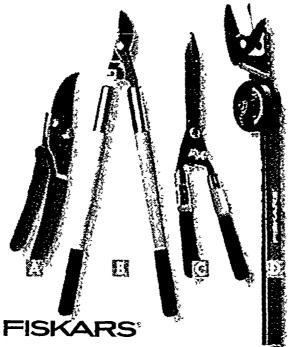
27" Bypass Lopper

\$13.86

9-1/2" Hedge Shears

 Serrated top blade (129669)

\$14.96



☐ 5/8" Bypass Pruner

High carbon steel blade

- Enclosed spring
- Replaceable parts (259720)

#### Bypass Lopper

 Comfort grips (453521)

\$19.97

🔯 10" Hedge Shear

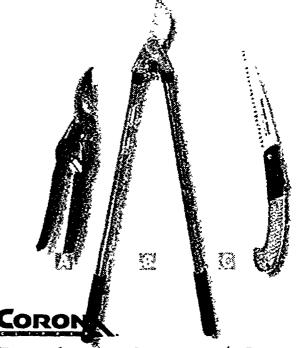
 Serrated top blade (646561)

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Pruning Stik™

 Rotating head [114841]

**\*39.97** 



Professional **Bypass Pruner** 

T diameter cutting capacity [228633]

24" Steel Handle **Bypass Lopper** 

 Comfortable non-slip grips (355509)

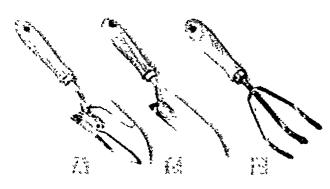
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7" Pruning Saw

 Heavy-duty blade locks securely (685275)

\$16.96

#### : DIGGING TOOLS

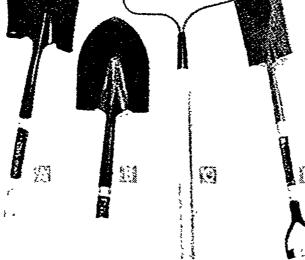


- 🎊 Chrome Plated Trowel
  - Chrome plated head
  - Ash handle
  - Convenient hang-up hole [452157]
- Chrome Plated **Transplanter**

 Chrome plated head (452165)

Chrome Plated Cultivator

 Chrome plated head .. \$2.98 



**Square Point Shovel** 

• 47° handle

(689963)

 forward turned step for secure loot placement

 Tempered steet blade for years of service (765236)

§8.97

🖺 Bronco Round Point Shovel

 47" ash handle (689947)

🔯 Bronco Welded Bow Rake 14 tines

D-Handle Garden Spade

 Coated hardwood handle for strength [227870] \$13.9**7** 



**Round Point Shovel** 

 Large steel collar for added strength

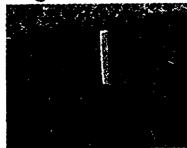
 Safety sleeve helps prevent splintering

 Lifetime warranty [511495]

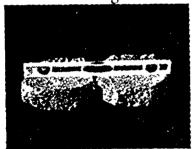
Heavy Duty Post Hole Digger Fiberglass handle

**39.96** (511602)

#### You can build a garden wall



Start with a good level base. Dig a trench about 3" to 4" deep and 12" wide (check size of stone). Compact trench and add 1" of sand for easier leveling.



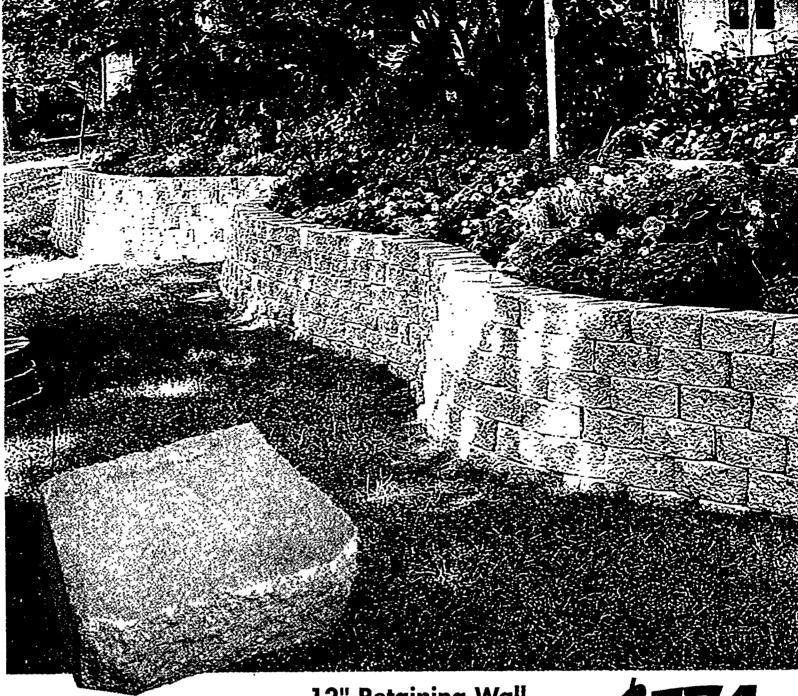
2 Install first course (layer) of wall-units with interlocking lip facing down. Level each stone as you place them front to back and side to side making sure outside edges touch.



3 Install the next course offset 1/2 stone from the base course of stones. The interlocking lip should face down. Backfill and pack soil as you complete each course.



4 If you require a half stone, use a sledge hammer and wide chisel to score all four sides, then pound chisel on score line until stone splits. Wear protective eye glasses.



#### **Buyer's Guide**

Total wall length (ft.) x # pieces per linear ft. = # of pieces per course. Walls require one additional course (layer) to be buried. Each course is 4" high.

12" Buyer's Guide

12"

20"

10'

20

30

LENGTH HEIGHT # OF STONES

#### 12" Retaining Wall

- 1 stone equals 1 linear foot
- Requires no mortar and no pins
- Construct inside and outside curves, straight walls and terraces (513117)

# \$ 174 ea.

#### 8" Retaining Wall

\$52.20

\$139.20

\$313.20

• 1 5 stones per linear foot (310295)

8" Buyer's Guide

	LENGTH	HEIGHT	# OF STONES	price
	10'	8'	45 (base + 2 courses)	\$44.55
}	20'	12"	120 (base + 3 courses)	<sup>\$</sup> 118.80
1	30,	20'	270 (base + 5 courses)	\$ <b>267.30</b>

EDGING AND GARDEN TOOLS

30 (base + 2 courses)

80 (base + 3 courses)

180 (base + 5 courses)



Emeraid Edge™ Landscape Border

- 4' sections lock securely to form straight or curved lines
- Easy to install (824481)



Nature's Edge Wood Edging

 Made of tough, durable poly material with the look and feel of real wood (396228)



#### \$10 47 3'x50' WeedBlock\* Landscape Fabric

- Lets water in, keeps weeds out
- Conserves soil moisture without souring or mildewing (688711)

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Selection may vary by store location.



• 4.5 pavers equal 1 sq. ft.

**Buyer's Guide** 

10'

10'

 Easy to install, no mortar, tools, or special masonry skills required (442209)

LENGTH WIDTH # OF STONES PRICE

450



16" Brickface **Stepping Stone** 

Red

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- 1 paver equals 1.78 sq. ft.
- Great addition to any yard or patio (915130)

\$169.29

Pond Pebbles 1/2 cu ft

 Use in and around landscape areas (232226)

Marble Chips Conserves soil moisture

 Insulates plants Prevents erosion (383864)

10'

Buyer's Guide | LENGTH WIDTH # OF STONES PRICE

Large Water Garden Kit\*

• Complete kit for an 8'x12'x18" pond (751022)

\*Plants and rocks not included

# PAVER BASE

**Paver Base** 

- Provides an ideal base for retaining wall blocks, pavers and edgers
- Made of crushed limestone (208618)

\$171.00

Round **Point Shovel** 

 Extra-thick 14-gauge serrated steel blade for maximum toughness

 Heavy-duty contractor-grade fiberglass handle is stronger than wood

• Lifetime warranty (511495)

Landscape Rake

- Aluminum
- 36" width (231339)



8"x8" Tamper

- · Machine-surfaced, heat-treated steel
- American hardwood handle
- Great for packing and leveling (765761)

Selection may vary by store location



Play Sand

Washed and screened

 Ideal for play areas and paver projects (715646)



Outdoor Projects 1-2-3

• Full of achievable prop ects to turn an ordinary yard into your person paradise (2953)



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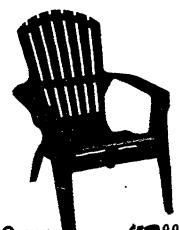
# outdoor living

PATIO FURNITURE



10'x10'
Instant Canopy

- Sets up in less than one minute
- 100% fully assembled frame
- Aluminum backed canopy for better UV protection (323929)

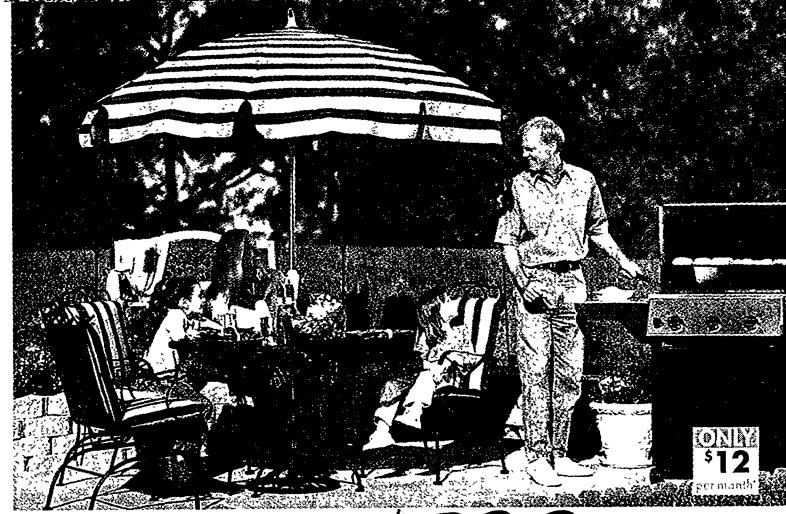


Green Adirondack
Chair

- Deep, angled seat and wide arms for comfort
- Molded in simulated wood grain finish 4019G5 (215319)

Backgammon Low-Back Chair

- Brilliant white
- Back design may vary (288099)



Napa 5-Piece Patio Set

• Price includes: (1) 48" mesh top patio table and (4) high-back dina-lounge patio chairs

 Cushions, umbrella, umbrella base, chairs, and table can be purchased separately (116690) (116549)

High-Back Black and Tan Striped Cushions

7.5' Black and Tan Striped Patio Umbrella

[120083] **579.00** 

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Charcoal Umbrella Base

Napa Glider Chair

• Not shown 70440090105157 (117938)

\$119.00

\$34.98



Westridge 5-Piece Patio Set

- Set includes (1) table and (4) chairs with cushions
- Rust-free powder coated aluminum frame
- Rugged heavy-duty constructionChairs stack easy for storage
- (389673) **7.5' Tilt Patio Umbrella**

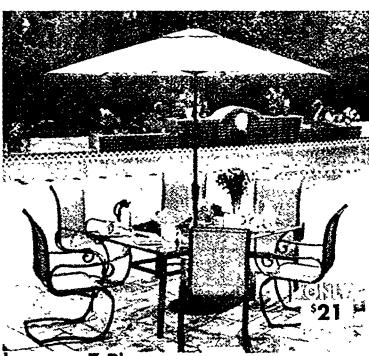
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Steel Umbrella Base

(191103) [Not shown] . . . \$34.98

⁵99.00

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Lasserre 7-Piece
Aluminum Patio Set

 Set includes (1) 72' x 4' rectangular table and (6) contour sling sprung rocking chairs

- Powder-coated, heritage color finish
- Made of aluminum, will not rust
- Smoked, inset tempered glass table top (389701)

9' Patio Umbrella

SB 30, HB (352254)

(190898)

\$119.00

Cast Iron Umbrella Base

\$49.98

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# 7-Piece Cast Aluminum **Charm Patio Set**

• Set includes. (1) 75" x 45.25" x 28"H tempered glass top table and (4) chairs, (2) swivel rockers and seat cushions

• Made of aluminum, will not rust A014475-1 (949971)

Patio Market Umbrella (142485)

Cast Iron Umbrella Base (142849)

5,120,127,130,131,439,143,156,157,158,164,169,181,185,206,207,208,235,237,246,247,262,276,298,300,304,310,314,319,320,323,325,322-3,20<sup>2</sup>-3

\$39.98

\$129.00



# Mission Bay Patio Set

 Price includes: (1) 56" x 36" glass top patio table and (4) patio sling chairs

Fully welded, rust proof, aluminum frame

 Powder coated paint finish (895336) (894422)

9' Patio Market Umbrella DU961TR-3014/SK (892792)

Steel Patio Umbrella Base DSB-25/TP [890274]

\$29.99



# 5-Piece Aluminum Patio Set

• Set includes: (1) 26.375'L x 25.25 W x 35.25 H tempered glass top table and (4) cushioned chairs

Aluminum and cast iron construction, will not rust

Chairs stack easily for storage

· Set is powder-coated with an antique finish to resist scratches A014660-1 (158801)

9' Aluminum Market Umbrella

A94190 (142483)

Cast Iron Umbrella Base

\$54546 [142484]

\$39.98

\$119.00



# Sandstone Resin Patio Set

 Price includes: (1) durable resin patio table and (4) resin hi-back patio chairs

• Will not crack, fade or peel

Easy to clean and maintain

Table and chairs can be purchased separately [260522] [429985]

# **3-Person Patio Swing**

• 80" x 50" x 66.5" steel frame powder-coated

 Polyester back and bottom cushion

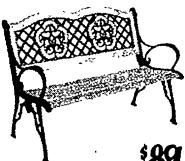
 Polyester canopy SO3196-1 (395346)



# Patio Swing

2-person seating

 Adjustable canopy (868458)

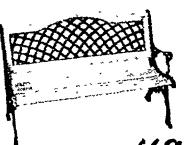


# Lancaster Bench

American oak

• Powder-coated cast iron legs and back accents

 1-year limited warranty [881064]



# Weave **Park Bench**

American Oak

 Powder-coated cast iron legs and black accents

 All stainless stee hardware

1-year limited



Selection may vary by store location. Patio umbrellas and umbrella bases are sold separately while supplies last \*When purchased with your Home Depot Consumer Credit Card. Additional terms apply. See page 24 for details.

# landscape lighting

# The Solar **Solution**



# **Powered** by the Sun

Solar landscape accent lights provide a cost-effective and convenient solution for outdoor lighting. For yards with direct sun, they automatically switch on at dusk and stay lit for 8 to 10 hours, depending on the amount of sunlight exposure.

They're safe and easy to install with no wiring and are always low maintenance. Go ahead and effortlessly outline your driveway, patio or garden with solar accent lights, and start saving money on your energy bills.

# MALIBU

# ☑ 8-Piece Plastic Solar Light Kit • Plastic construction

- Easy to install
- No wiring required
- Produces an amber glow that is ideal for lighting walks LZ1 8 (343520)







# **6-Piece Metal** Solar Light Kit • Metal construction

- Easy to install
- No wiring required New technology in the voltage multiplier gives 8 - 10 hours of bright accent light with the two fully charged batteries then light output is reduced for hours of accent lighting (386038)

# LANDSCAPE LIGHTING KITS



# 8-Light Verde Starter Kit

- Cast metal construction with non-corrosive, long lasting finish
- Includes (8) 11-watt tier lights with bulbs, 200-watt transformer and 100 low voltage cable
- Expandable by 112 watts CL19128TV (501503)

Expandable



# 4-Light Floodlight Starter Kit

- Cast metal construction with non-corrosive, long lasting finish
- Includes (4) 50-watt halogen floodlights with bulbs, 300-watt transformer and 100' low voltage cable
- Expandable by 100 watts CL10304T [117424]

Expandable



# 4-Light Floodlight Starter Kit

 Cast metal construction with non-corrosive, long lasting finish

- Includes (4) 20-wall halogen floodlights with bulbs, 121-watt transformer and 50' low voltage cable
- Expandable by 41 watts Expandable CL90004T (501504)

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# MALIBU

\$34<sup>95</sup>

# Copper Tier Walklight

- Solid copper construction
- Includes 18-watt wedge base bulb
- Recommended spacing is 4-5 feet
- Lifetime warranty CS200C (157354)



# Black Bollard Walklight

- Cast metal construction
- Includes 20-watt MR-11 halogen bulb
- Recommended spacing is 3-4 feet
- 5-year warranty Cl635R (622744)

Architectural Grade



# MALİBÜ \$1197

## **Black Tier Light**

- Metal construction
- Includes 7-watt wedge base bulb
- Recommended spacing is 2-3 feet
- 5-year warranty LT13 (400917)



# MALIBU SECT88

# Antique Copper Hanging Lantern

- Solid metal construction
- Includes 18-watt wedge base bulb
- Recommended spacing is 4-5 feet
- Lifetime warranty CS140K (329992)



# MALIBU \$1**9**88

# Pewter Hanging Carriage Lantern

- Solid metal construction
- Includes 11-watt wedge base bulb
- Recommended spacing is 3-4 feet
- Lifetime warranty CS14P (329794)



# MALİBU \$1\_4197

# Verde 3-Tier Walklight

- Cast metal construction with non-corrosive, long lasting finish
- Includes 18-watt wedge base bulb
- Recommended spacing is 3-4 feet
- 5-year warranty CL191V (622405)



# мацви **\$114**8

# Black Halogen Floodlight

- Cast metal construction
- Includes 20-watt halogen bulb
- 5-year warranty CL9 (545768)



# MALIBU \$1497

# Black 3-Tier Walklight

- Cast metal construction with non-corrosive, long lasting finish
- Includes 18-watt wedge base bulb
- Recommended spacing is 3-4 feet
- 5-year warranty CL191 (320492)



# мацви \$**9**97

# Black Glass Top Mushroom Light

- Cast metal construction
- Includes 10-watt halogen bulb
- Recommended spacing is 3-4 feet
- 5-year warranty CL711 (813543)



# 20-Light Low Voltage Kit

Plastic construction

143,156,157,237,246,300,310,314,325-320-3

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 Includes 14-tier lights and 6 floodlights, bulbs, 88-watt transformer/timer and 100' of low voltage cable IX19720T (648835)



# 10-Light Low Voltage Kit

- Plastic construction
- Includes (10) 4-watt tier lights with bulbs, 44-watt transformer and 50' of low voltage cable IX10610T25S16 [499388]

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Than 25 Different
Styles of Lighting to
Fit Your Landscape



\*Bulbs sold separately

# lawn & garden

**OUTDOOR** 

**POWER** 



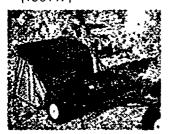
# **Yard Cart**

- 10 cu. ft. load capacity
- One piece hopper with easy dump removable tail gate LDT1002 (643894)



# 3.5 Cu. Ft. **Broadcast Spreader**

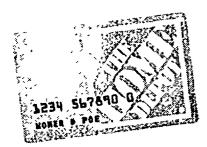
- 175 lb. capacity heavy
- poly hopper
   Up to 12' spread width
- Hitch pin included (150997)





# 42" Tow-Behind Sweeper

- Great for grass clippings and leaves
- 15 cu. It. hamper capacity
- 2 year warranty STS-42 LX (276941)



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# YARD MACHINES 16.5 HP, 42" 8-Speed

- Lawn Tractor with Free Cart 16.5 HP Briggs & Stratton® Engine
- 8-Speed Shift-On-The-Go transmission
- 42' cutting deck; twin blade adjustable 8 position cutting deck cuts 1.5" to 3.5"
- 24" turning radius with rack and pinion steering
- Optional bagger and mulching kit available
- 2 year limited warranty with 90-day "No Fault" consumer warranty on normal wear parts 13AN682G129 (407989)



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**DESCRIPTION** 

Price per Month\*

PARD MACHINES

UPGRADE

Cutting Deck

Cut System

Price

Sku

13.0 HP 36" 6-SPEED

LAWN TRACTOR

<sup>5</sup>849.00

<sup>5</sup>24 483839

13 HP Horsepower

Briggs & Stratton® I/C Engine 6 speed Shift-On-The GO\* Transmission

Cutting Deck 38" mower deck Cutting System

Twin blade; 3-in-1: Optional bagger, mulching kit and rear bag grass catcher



18.0 HP 42" AUTOMATIC **LAWN TRACTOR** 

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18.0 HP

Briggs & Stratton

- Automatic "Pedal-drive"
- 42" mower deck

Twin blade; 3-in-1: Optional bagger, mulching kit and rear bag grass catcher



21 HP 46" RIDING **LAWN MOWER** 

\$1499.00

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21 HP

Briggs & Stratton®

- Automatic transmission
  - 46" cutting deck
- Triple blade; adjustable 6 position cutting deck cuts 2" to 5"





DESCRIPTION 4.5 HP 21" 2-in-1 MOWER 2 6.0 HP 21" MULCHING MOWER 2 6.25 HP 21" SELF-PROPELLED

Price	<sup>3</sup> 159.00
Sku	407896
Price per Month*	
Horsepower	4.5 HP

Briggs & Stratton\* Engine Push Transmission

2-in-1: Mulch/Bag/ Conversion Optional Side-Discharge

> 21" rolled steel Flexible cutting system<sup>\*</sup>

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6.0 HP

- 📆 Briggs & Stratton® Quantum
- Push # 3-in-1: Mulch/Bag/ Side-discharge

21" rolled steel Flexible cutting system<sup>5</sup>

21" rolled steel Flexible cutting system®

2-in-1: Mulch/Bag

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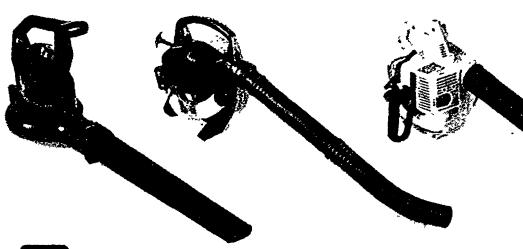
₩ 6.25 HP

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Briggs & Stratton® Quantum

Self-propelled front wheel drive

7,130,143,156,157,208,237,246,298,300,310,314,323,325-3/20-3 ap2 - 72,67,115,120,12



# TORO.

# 12 Amp 3-in-1 \$ 0194 Super Blower **Electric Vac**

- 12 Amp motor
- 215 MPH air speed
- 270 CFM blower/375 CFM vacuum
- 2-year full warranty 51591 (812790)

7.0 Amp Power Sweep™ **Electric Blower** 

\$34.97

# Homelite' **25cc** Yard Broom® **Gas Blower**

- 2-Cycle PowerStroke engine
- 150 MPH air speed
- 350 CFM air volume
- Standard starting system
- 1-year warranty UT08026H (239220)

25cc 3-in-1 Vac Attack™

# MECHO.

# 21.2cc Shred 'N' Vac® Gas Blower, Mulcher & Vacuum

- 21.2cc engine
- 140 MPH air speed
- CFM blower/vac CFM VAC from Vendor
- Recoil start system
- Unit weighs 9.7 lbs.
- 12 to 1 mulch ratio
- 2-year homeowner warranty ES210 (639484)



# MECHO

# 30.1cc 14" Gas Chain Saw

- 30.1cc Echo engine
- Pro-Fire<sup>®</sup> electronic ignition
- Tip guard anti-kickback device and inertia activated chain brake
- 2-year homeowner, 1-year commercial warranty CS 300-14 (686033)



# 3.9 Amp 12" **Electric Straight Shaft Trimmer**

• 3.9 Amp motor

**Homelite** 

• EZ line® string advance with .080" line cut UT20769 (440449)

Homelite

.8 HP, 25cc

17" TrimLite

**Curved Shaft** 

String Trimmer

PowerStroke™ engine

EZ line® string advance

Standard loop handle

Standard standing system

with .080" line cut

UT20760 (380955)

17" Easy Reach Straight Shaft **Gas Trimmer** • .8 HP 25cc

PowerStroke" engine

- Bump feed, 0.065 line
- Unit weighs 4.75 lbs
- Trigger grip starting system 51355 (912359)



# 2.25 HP Edge Hog® 2-in-1 Edger/Trencher

- 2.25 HP engine
- Electric model
- 7.5° blade
- 1" 1 1/4" 1 1/2", 3-position adjustable cutting depth
- Additional Features Pull-up edge guide converts edger to landscape trencher







# 5 HP Deluxe Front Tine Tiller with Power Reverse

- 5 HP 4-Cycle OHC Honda engine
- Permanently sealed drive chain13\*, 22\*, 24\* 3 position tilling width
- 2-year limited warranty 21A-395A129 (295438)



**Gas Chain Saw** 

Zip Start" system

Case included

1-year warranty

UT10947 (785653)

• 33cc Power Stroke\* engine

Safe-T-Tip® anti-kickback

device and chain brake

33cc 16"

Ranger™

REMINGTON 3.5 HP

16" Electric Chain Saw

- 3.5 HP motor
- Electric start system
- · Low kick-back safety device
- 1-year warranty 10762501 [814244]



1.5 HP 4-Cycle Mini Cultivator/Tiller

- 1.5 HP 4-Cycle mini 4-stroke Honda engine
- Worm gear drive system
- 9" tilling width
- 9' tine diameter
- 192 RPM tine speed
- 2-year full warranty FG100 (272973)

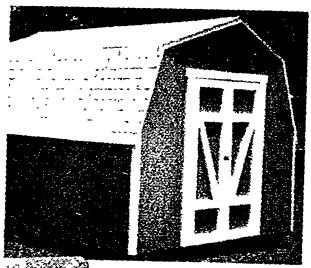


Tine Tiller

- 5HP Tecumseh OHV engine
- Permanently sealed chain drive
- 13\*, 22\*, 24\* 3 position tilling width
- 16 self-sharpening tines; 12' diameter
- 146 RPM tine speed • 2-year limited warranty 21A-333A129 (736325)









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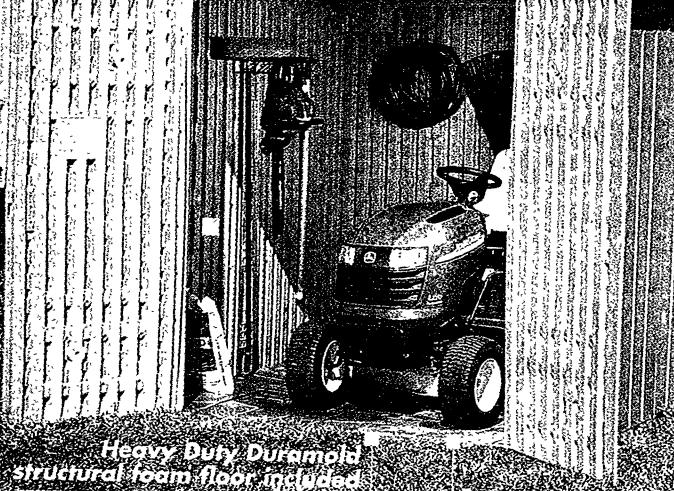
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gable and aluminum

Peaked roof enhances water and snow management

6 ft entry



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Big Max® Shed

- 271 cu. ft. of storage space
- 72"Hx60"W door opening
- Fits most riding mowers and tractors
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\$198.00

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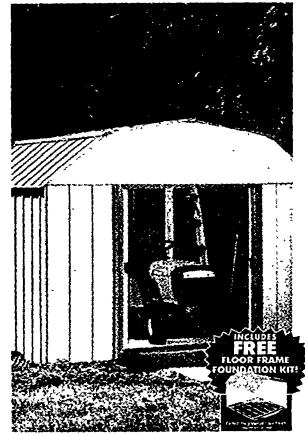
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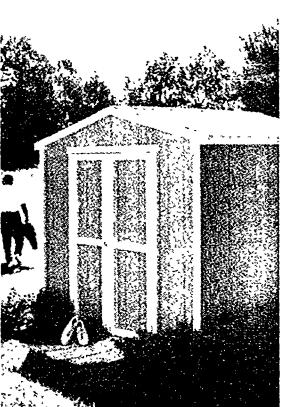
# 10'x8' Newport Steel Shed

- 401 cu. ft.
- slorage space
  43-1/2"Wx58"H door opening
- Strong electrogalvanized steel
- Includes floor frame foundation kit
- 12-year limited warranty (817546)



# 10'x8' Dakota **Metal Shed**

- 487 cu. ft.
- storage space 55-1/2"Wx60"H door opening
- Strong electrogalvanized steel
- 12-year warranty (817573)





# 8'x8' Marco Regent Storage Building

- 436 cu. ft. storage space
- 48'Wx72"H door opening
- Ready-to-assemble
- Unique EZ-Frame design ensures faster installation
- 10-year warranty (103123)

10'x10' Marco Princeton

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# WorkForce.

# 10'x8' Cosmos Vinyl Shed

- 462 cu. ft. storage
- 72-1/4"Wx71-1/2H" door opening
- Metal support beams for extra strength
- Perfect base for plywood or concrete floor finish, sold separately
- 10-year warranty (530817)

# **Custom Storage Buildings Built on Your Lot!**

• Free \$50 Gift Card with the purchase of an installed shed" (see flap on page 14 for details)

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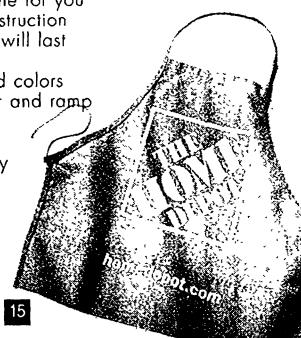
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 Choose from many popular styles, sizes and colors
• Variety of window, door and ramp

options available

Great long-term value

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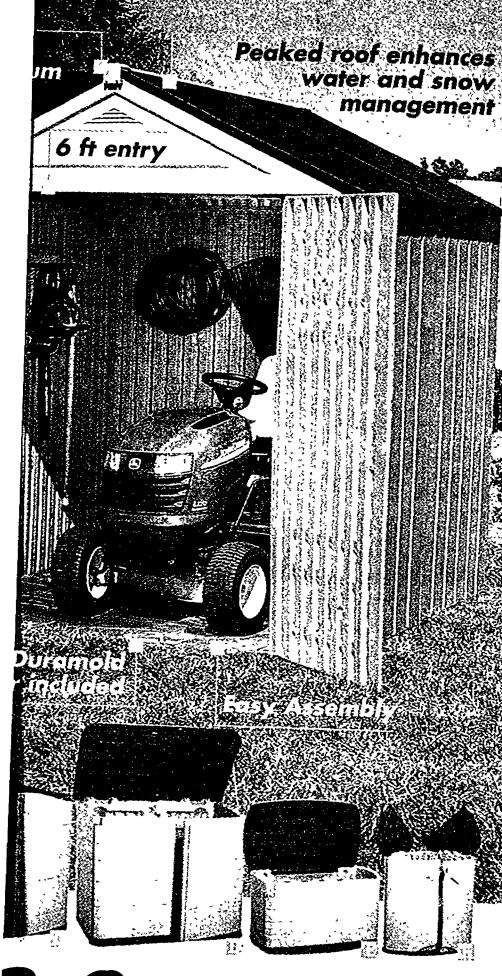
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**Y** Satisfaction

**M** Quality Work

**Y** Financing

- Extended 10-year labor warranty is normally sold as an option with XL systems and is provided at no charge (cost) to customers through this offer. Offer expires May 31, 2003. See Trane® HVAC dealer for details. This promotion is not valid in CA, NV, or FL.
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Storage Shed 13051751 Deck Storage Box

Large Horizontal

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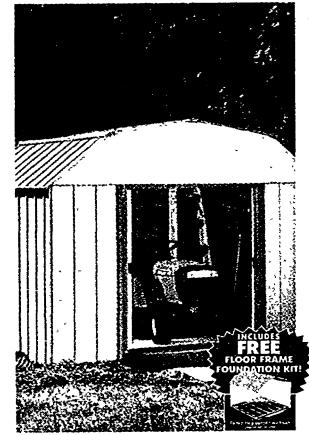
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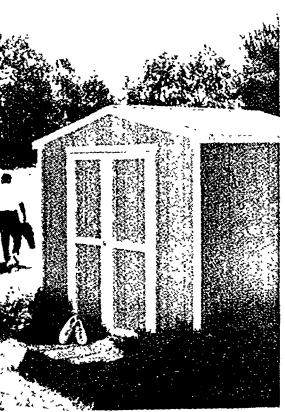


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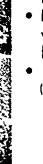
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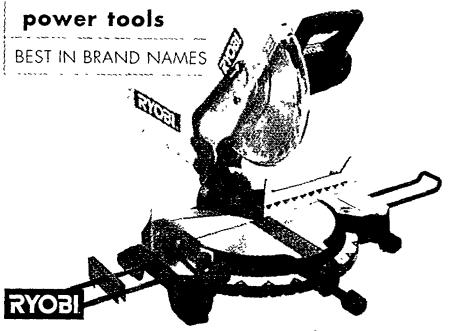
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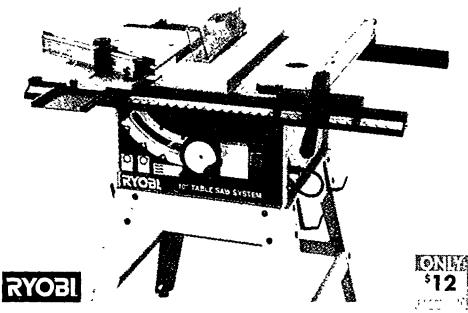
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# 12" Compound Miter Saw

- 15 amp motor
- Ergonomical "D" shape handle
  Includes: carbide blade, table extensions, stop block and dust bag (312608)



# 10" Table Saw with Stand

- 15 amp motor
- Triple axis self aligning rip fence automatically locks fence into alignment with blade
- Includes: 36-tooth carbide-tipped blade and metal stand (348281)

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# **Screw Driver**

• Includes: (2) spare drive bits, (2) rechargeable batteries, charger and case (481643)



# **SENCO**

12-Volt Corded Collated Screwdriver

• Includes: (3) drive bits, (2) allen wrenches, nose piece and case 1R0001N (318641)



# Screw Gun **Attachment**

- Ideal for drywall applications
- Drives 1' to 2' screws 790012N (167072)

DRILLS



# DEWALT

18-Volt 3/8"

Compact Drill/Driver Kit

• Includes double-ended screwdriver bit, (2) rechargeable batteries, 1-hour charger and case DW929K-2 (345529)



12-Volt 3/8"

# **Cordless Compact Drill/Driver Kit**

• Includes: double-ended screwdriver bit, (2) rechargeable batteries, charger and case DW927K-2 (349127)



Kit with Flashlight

 Includes: (2) rechargeable batteries, (1) 1 hour charger and 1/2" keyless chuck HP1802/VK2 [840961]

CIRCULAR SAWS



 Includes: carbide-tipped blade, wrench, rip-fence and case 5007NBK (201826)

7-1/4" Circular Saw

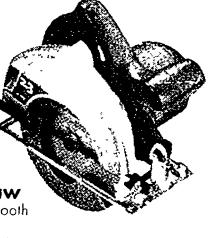
 Includes blade. wrench and case CSB121K [418540]



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Circular Saw

• Includes 20-tooth utility blade 540001 [343803]





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# **Clipped Head Nailer** Combo Kit

- Framing nailer includes nailer, 3/8\* male quick coupler with dirt and dust cover, OSHA/ANSI approved safety glasses, 25' air hose, rugged carrying case, oil and allen wrenches and operating manual
- 2 HP, 4 Gal. side stack compressor includes ASME safety valve, air regulator and gauges, 1/4" quick coupler
- Uses standard 32° to 34° paper collated clipped-head stick nails form  $.113" \times 2"$  to  $131" \times 3 1/2"$ CFFC350 (775992)

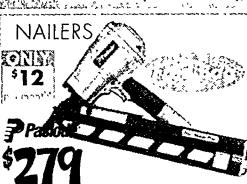
# **Accessories**



IRWIN

7-1/4" 24-Tooth Marathon Blade

• Thin kerf for faster, cleaner cuts 20430 (533541)



# Powermaster Plus Framing Nailer

 Drives 2" to 3-1/2" framing nails 501000B (778399)



# Stick Framing Nailer

• Drives 2" to 3-1/2" 28° wire weld stick nails N79WW1 [482086]



# 3-1/2" Clipped **Head Framing Nailer**

 Barbed nose for easy toe nailing FC350 [166779]



# 3/8"×50" **PVC Air** Hose

 1/4" NPT male ends 554 50A [828986]



# 2.5 Lbs. **Blue Chalk** Line with Speed-Line® Reel

• High visibility chalk

• Crank reel with clutch release (710982)



# Cordless impulse Framing Nailer

 Drives 2" to 3-1/4" framing nails 404400NT (582888)

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# Air Free 14.4 Volt 15 **Angled Finish Nailer**

• Drives 1-1/4" - 2 1/2" 15 gauge nails 980001N (476381)



# Air Free 12 Volt 18 Brad Nailer

• Drives 5/8" - 2-1/8" 18 gauge brad nails 1C0001N '478203'

# COMPRESSORS



## 5.5 HP Honda Wheelbarrow Compressor with Solid Cast Iron Pump

• 8-gallon

• 125 psi VT617255AI (477699)



# 3 Peak HP, Twin-Stack Oil Free, Compressor

• 4-gallon 125 psi

WL506255AJ (750068)



# 2 Peak HP, Oil Free Pancake Compressor

 4-gallon WL504355AJ (509094) BALUSTERS

TOOLS

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Composite decking like Everex® is a popular choice. Manufactured using recycled wood fiber and resins, it continues to look great long after traditional wood needs restaining, waterproofing or replacing.



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pressure treated decking has a
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• 1/2' thick

• 2 5/8° opening (698349)

3/4"-4'x8'	
<b>Heavy Duty</b>	(937924)
4'x8' Cedar	(611227)

\$11.99 \$15.27 • Easy installation

Virtually maintenance free

 Will not rot, crack, split or mildew (536763)

2'x8' (726653)

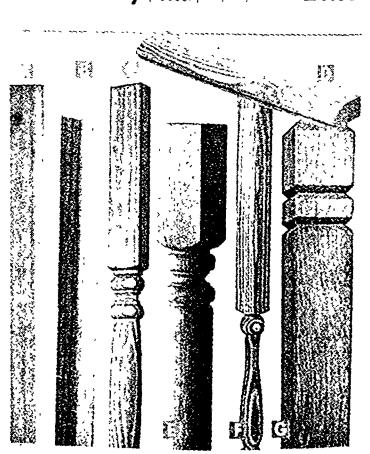
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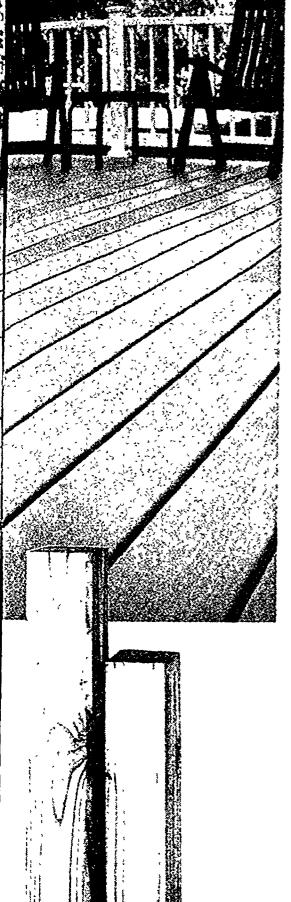
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# DECK ACCESSORIES

- 2"x2"-36" Square Edged Pressure Treated Rail Baluster (793202) 89°
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# 4"x4"-8' No. 2 Grade **Pressure Treated Timber**

 Treated to resist rot and decay [162825]

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# **Gray Composite Decking**

SIZE	8'	12'	16'
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5/4"x6"	\$12.97	\$18.97	\$25.97

# **Low Maintenance** Composite Decking

Composite decking is made with recycled wood and polymers. Composite decking is strong and durable, making splits, splinters, warps and cupping a thing of the past. No more scrubbing, staining or sealing is necessary. Composite decking installs easily using conventional woodworking tools, for best results use stainless steel screws or nails.



SIZE

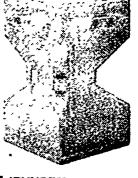
54"x6"

# Premium

# Thompsonized Pressure Treated Decking

· Water repellent is carried to the core of the wood during the pressure treating process, treated to resist insects, rot and decay

SIZE	<b>8</b> ' .	10'	12'	16'
5/4"x6'	\$5,39	\$6.69	<sup>5</sup> 7.97	\$11.29



**Glo-Orange Post Level** 

175B-Orange (121805)

48" Contractor Machined Top-Read **Aluminum Level** 3748 (376086) \$1**9.97** 



100' Chalk Box with 4 oz. Chalk

Choose red or blue chalk 64498 (108037)



# 33' **Big Boss**

Tape Measure

- 9' sland out
- Wide tape NIK-10032 (402412)

20 oz. Steel Shaft Rip Hammer with Soft Grip (594131)

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No. 2 Prime Pressure Treated Lumber

• Resistant to insects, rot and decay

16'

\$7.97

Standard Pressure

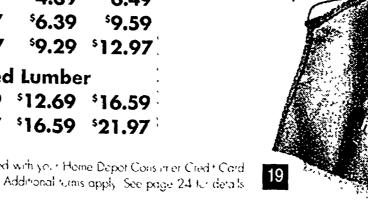
**Treated Decking** 

SIZE	, <b>8'</b>	10'	12'	16'
2"x4"	\$2.79	53.97	<sup>5</sup> 4.39	56.49
2"x6"	§4.79	\$5.97	§6.39	<sup>5</sup> 9.59
2"x8"	§6.97	<sup>5</sup> 7.97	\$9.29	\$12.97

No.2 Pressure Treated Lumber

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# 305e Pro-Duty Power Painter®

- Includes 2-speed electronic control for large area and close-up work
- Professional style spray pattern with special spray tip
- Paint in 1/3 the time (latex or oil base) (318515)



# Magnum<sup>®</sup> DX Paint Sprayer

- Includes: spray gun, Reversible Spray Tip
   & 25 ft. hose
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# Magnum<sup>®</sup> XR-7 Airless Paint Sprayer

- Includes spray gun, RST<sup>\*</sup> tip and 50 ft. hose
- Uses tip sizes from .009 to .017 in. (275531)



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Deck Plus Semi-Transparent Deck, Fence and Siding Stain

 Ideal for wood surfaces such as decks, siding, roofs, fences and patio furniture (334085)

FINISH	SKU	one gallon	SKU	five gallon
Semi-Transparent Stain	(334085)	<sup>5</sup> 18.97	(334183)	\$79.97
Waterpr∞ <sup>£</sup> er Stain	(827365)	\$16.97	(827383)	\$75.97
Solid Color Stain	(104229)	\$19.96		,

# WOOD CLEANERS AND CONDITIONERS

8397 397

# Deck & Mildew Stain Remover

 Ideal for aged or weathered decks, siding, fences, shakes, shingles and masonry [873942]



Makes 5 gallons

# \$10% gal Cleaner,

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# Cleaner, Brightener & Conditioner

- Ideal for decks, fences, siding, shakes and shingles
- Cleans and rejuvenates (266474)



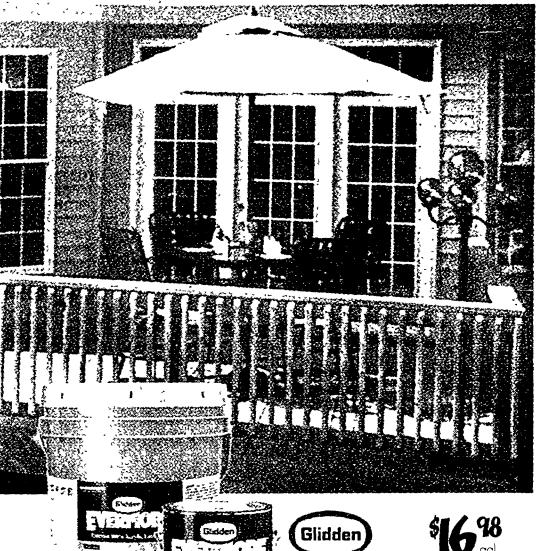
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# 15 Minute Quik•Fix Deck™ Finish Remover

 Ideal for decks, siding, shakes, shingles, fences and furniture (554262)

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# **Evermore Exterior Flat House and Trim**

- 100% latex acrylic
- · Traditional flat finish
- Ideal for viny! and aluminum.
- Resists peeling and blistering
- Exceptional durability 1429009)

FINISH	SKU	one gallon		five gallon	that's only per gal.**
Flat	[429009]	\$16.98	14290571	\$75.98	\$15.20
Satin	(274444)	\$18.98	(274458)	\$84.98	\$17.00 °
Semi-Gloss	(105279)	\$19 <b>.</b> 98	(105347)	\$8 <b>8.9</b> 8	\$1 <b>7.80</b> }

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**Zep Cleaners** 

Siding, Multi Purpose Cleaner & Degreaser, Driveway & Concrete Cleaner, Deck & Fence Cleaner

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- Convenient 2 1/2 gallon pail
- Accommodates a 9" roller and frame 02025 [193647]

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# FREE Accessory Pack with 2500 PSI

FREE Accessory Pack by Mail (\$100 Value) with purchase of 2500 PSI Gas Pressure Washer between Feb 15 and April 30, 2003, Pack includes: rotary brush, rotary nozzle, floor brush and multi-purpose brush. Mail in form must be postmarked by May 31, 2003.



# DeVilbiss 2500 PSI/ 2.5 GPM Premium Gas **Pressure Washer**

- 5.0 HP Honda OHV engine
- High flow, long lasting, maintenance-free pump
- 25' x 5/16" heavy duty hose with quick connect fittings
- Stainless steel wand with soft grip and 4 spray nozzles (819683)



# ExCell DeVilbiss 2300 PSI/2.1 GPM Gas Pressure Washer

- 6.0 HP Briggs & Stratton Engine
- · Long lasting, maintenance-free pump
- 25' x 1/4" hose with easy connect fittings
- Zinc plated wand with adjustable spray nozzle [280530]



🌤 HUSKY.

# 1650 PSI/1.6 GPM **Husky Electric** Pressure Washer

- Heavy-duty induction motor with 35' power cord and GFC1
- 23' x 1/4" heavy-duty hose with easy connect fittings
- 36" heavy-duty, bayonet connection gun/wand (150081)

POWERWASHER® 1300 PSI Electric Pressure Washer (225490)

\$89.00



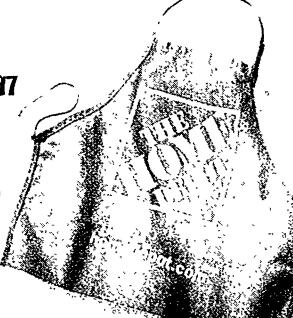
 $1/4" \times 25'$ 2600 PSI Pressure Washer Hose

 Replacement or extension (192858)

 $3/8 \times 50'$ 4000 PSI Pressure **Washer Hose** 

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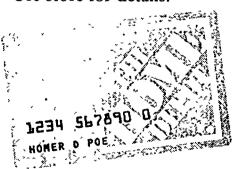
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# **Fencing Installed For You**

# **Professional Contractors will:**

- Obtain and post local permits in accordance with local laws.
- Tear down and haul off existing fence (if needed).
- Set all fence posts in concrete.
- Clean-up and haul away installation-related debris.
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Wide range of styles available. See store for details.



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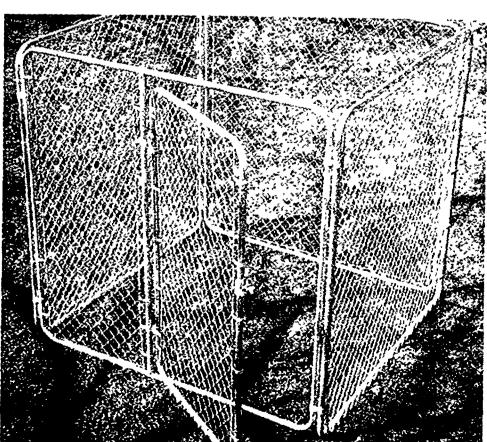
# 6'x6' Windsor Vinyl Fence Panel<sup>†</sup>

Maintenance free, never needs painting

 Won't fade, peel or rust (198354)

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# DOG KENNEL SUPPLIES



Build a 6'x6' kennel tor only

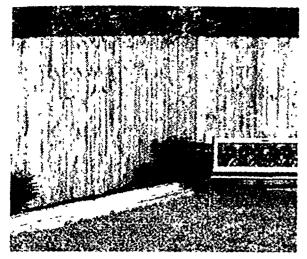
Shown with three panels and one panel with gate. Additional panels may be added to build a larger kennel.

6'x6' Kennel Panel (794015) . . . . . . . .

\$35.65

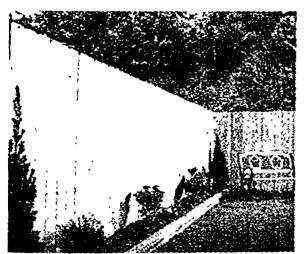
With Gate (794023) . . . . .

\$59.85



# 5/8"x5 1/2"-6' **Pressure Treated Doa-Eared Fence Picket**

- Treated to resist insects, rot and decay
- · Rough sawn front and back (169757)



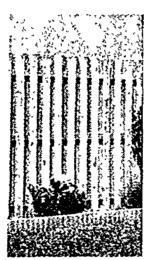
# 6'x8' Premium No.1 **Pressure Treated** Dog-Eared Fence Panel<sup>†</sup>

- 5/8\*x6\* pickets
  Treated to resist insects, rot and decay
- [3] 2"x3" backer rails for stability (897671)



# 9/16"x5 1/2"-6 Western Red ( Dog-Eared Fer

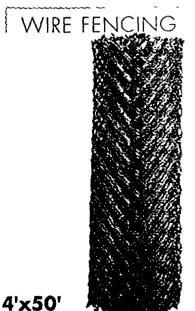
- Naturally resistant rot and decay
- Rough sawn front (166251)



# 6'x8' **Pressure Treat** Shadowbox Fo

- 5/8"x5 1/2" picket
- Treated to resist in
- (3) 2"x3" backer r (647550)

†Posts and post tops shown sold separately. Panels vary by store Check 1 availability Pricing stated is for panels and pickets only.



11.5 Gauge Chain Link Fence rabric

• 2 3/8" mesh (373141)

6'x50' (551554) . .

\$59.00

# 3'x50' Welded Wire Fencina

- 14 gauge
- 2"x4" mesh (274887)

4'x50' (274895) 5'x50' (274909) . . . . . 28"x50' Rabbit 6 **Garden Fencing** (451180)

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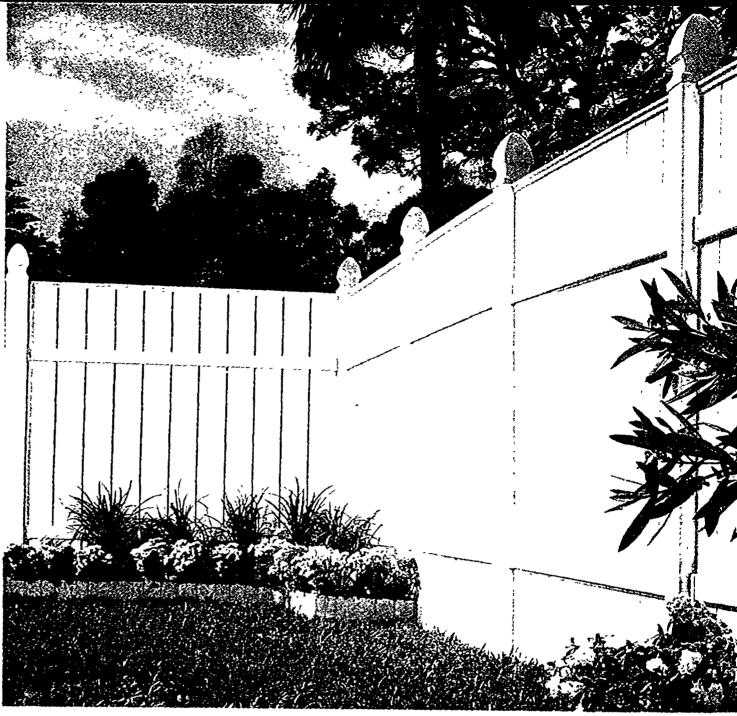
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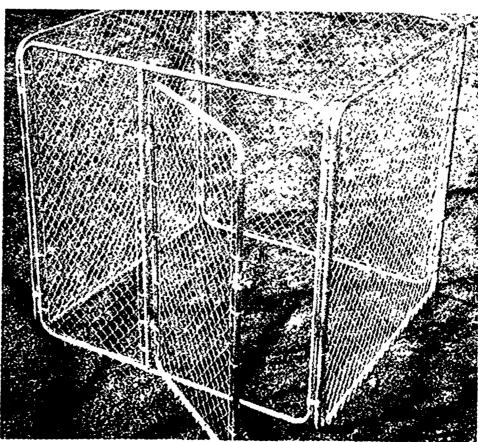
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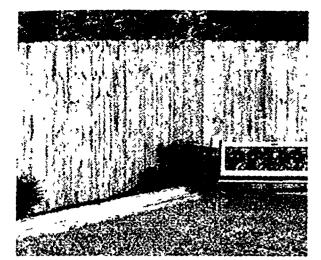
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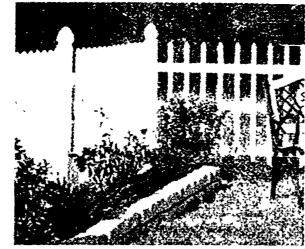
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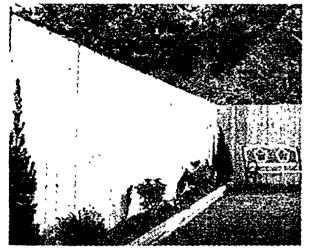
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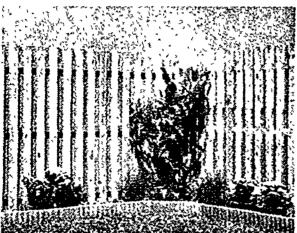
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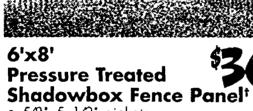


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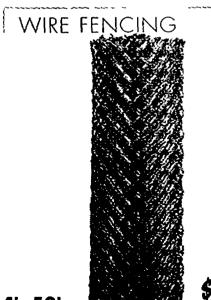


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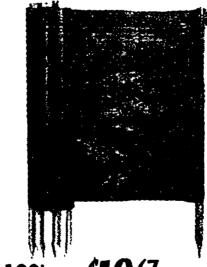
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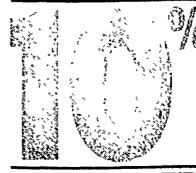


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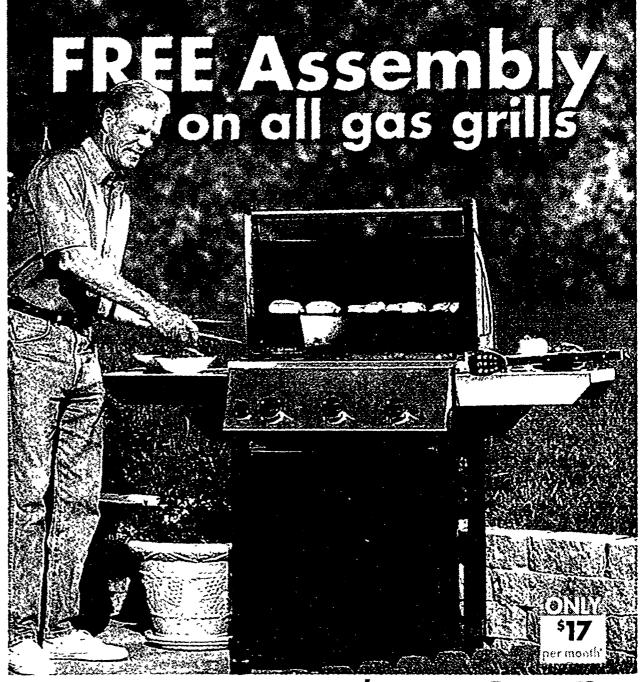
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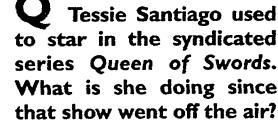
Q Is James Arness of Gunsmoke still alive? How about the actor who played Festus?

-Joan M., New Jersey.

James Arness published his autobiography last year. James Arness: An Autobiography features personal revelations about his 20 years playing Marshal Matt Dillon on Gunsmoke and a film career that included roles in the cult-favorite science fiction movie The Thing. Arness, 79, was born in Minneapolis and began his career

as a radio announcer in Minnesota in 1945. His big break came in 1947, when he landed the lead opposite Loretta Young in *The Farmer's Daughter*. John Wayne suggested the 6-foot-7

Arness for the role of the marshal in the frontier town of Dodge City, Kan., after he turned it down. Arness' brother is actor Peter Graves. Arness and his wife, Janet, live in the Brentwood area of Los Angeles and enjoy spending time with their three sons and grandchildren. Ken Curtis, who played Dillon's cantankerous deputy, Festus Hagen, died in 1991.



Miami resident Tessie Santiago.

—Diane D., California

Tessie Santiago recently co-starred in the NBC comedy *Good Morning, Miami*. Her option wasn't picked up for the entire season, and she's not expected to appear in the show beyond the 13th episode. Santiago portrayed an opinionated, smart-alecky television host on the show. "Having a comedic role is a nice change-of-pace for me," Santiago says. "*Queen of Swords* was my first professional job out of college, and it was a lot of fun and hard work overseas. I had to train



Actor James Arness as Gunsmoke's Matt Dillon.

using whips and daggers, learn flamenco, and how to ride a horse-all while wearing a corset!" Santiago, 27, is the oldest of three children. Born in Miami, she graduated from the University of Miami with double bachelor of art degrees in film production and theater. She also starred in many independent student films in college. When Queen of Swords ended after one season, Santiago moved to Los Angles in 2001 and landed a role in the VH1 movie, The Way She Moves. In her free time, Santiago likes going to dog parks with her pet dog, reading, going to the theater, and spending time with her family in Miami.

Q My daughter found my old Monkees albums and has fallen in love with their music just as I did. Refresh my memory about the group's history. What are the members doing today?

-Becky V., Texas

The group The Monkees—Davy Jones, Peter Tork, Micky Dolenz, and Mike Nesmith—came together specifically for the television show. The series was inspired by the Beatles movie, A Hard Day's Night, in which the Fab Four played themselves, though in a wacky made-up storyline. Once chosen, the four actors and musicians were supplied with songs along with scripts. At first they sang but didn't play their instruments. Their first single, Last Train to Clarksville, was a huge hit, and eventually they did start playing their own instruments and even writing some of their own songs. The show ran from 1966 to 1968. When MTV ran a Monkees marathon, showing every episode back to back, interest in the group revived. Tork, Jones, and Dolenz toured together for a while, and Jones and Dolenz still tour occasionally as The Monkees. Nesmith continues to make music and also makes movies. Tork tours with his band, Shoe Suede Blues.

- \* Cover photo by Randy Janoski
  - Would you like to know more about your favorite celebrity or public figure?

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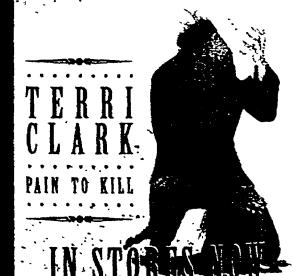


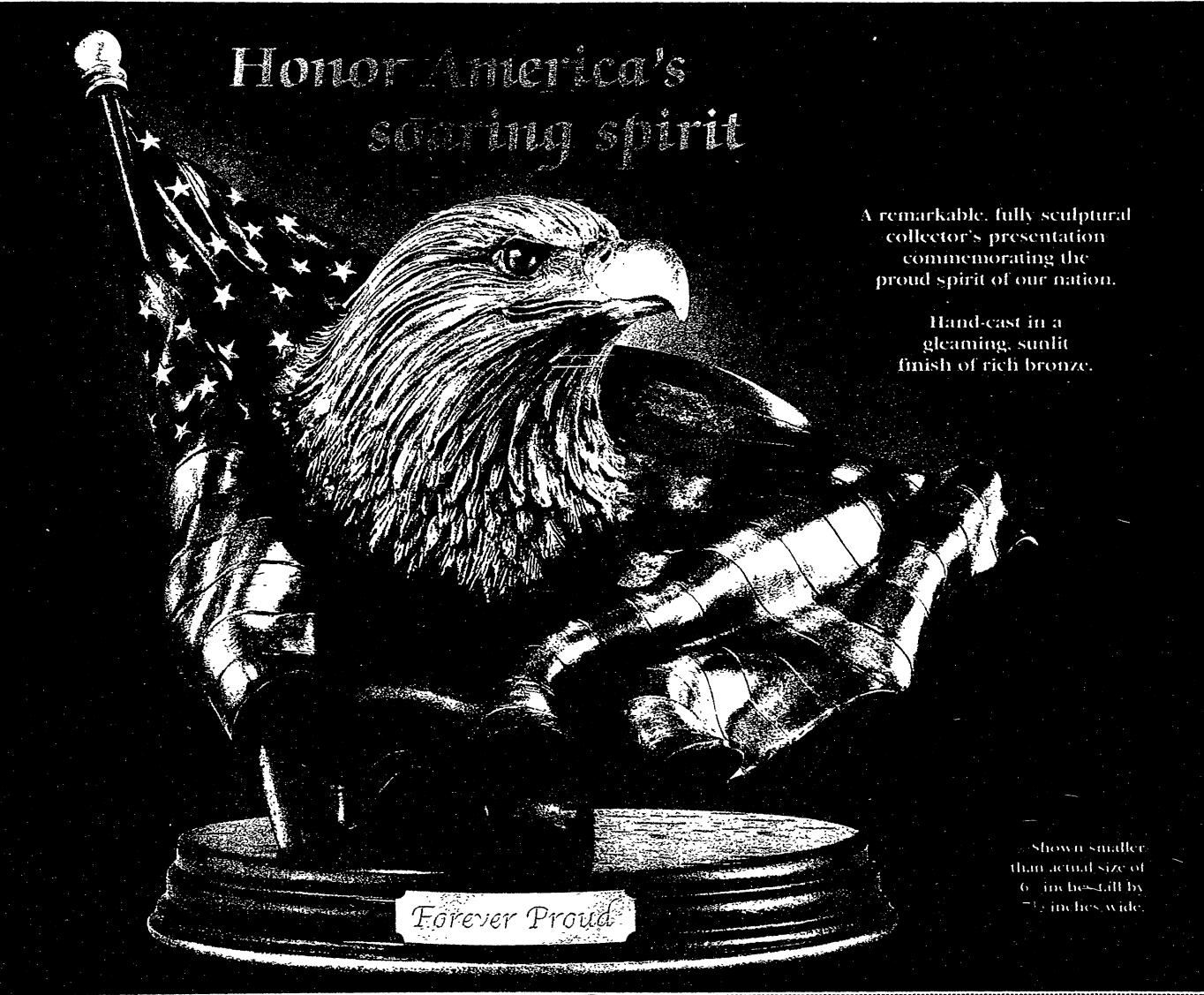
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# Angling for Life

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Jennie Logsdon Martin isn't supposed to be here.

Doctors told Logsdon Martin, who suffers from a degenerative tissue disease called Marfan syndrome, that she would be dead before she turned 35. But what is most remarkable about her she's now 42—isn't that she's beaten the odds, it's the way she's done it, with humor and passion.

Logsdon Martin is a mother and artist, a classical pianist, a website designer, and one of the most impassioned anglers on the Oregon coast.

"I love how beautiful it is," says Logsdon Martin of Tillamook (pop. 4,352), as she looks at the Kilchis River bubbling just 50 feet from the house she shares with her two sons and fiancé Bill



Love of fishing helps Jennie Logsdon Martin deal with a degenerative tissue disease.

Hedlund. "I love it. When I catch a fish, and I have him there on the line, and my heart starts pumping, and the adrenaline starts flowing, it's a rush."

"It's a real spiritual thing," she adds.

The same holds true for her music. Logsdon Martin learned to play piano as a child growing up in Oregon's Willamette Valley. For decades, she played professionally, even performing for President Ronald Reagan. But failing eyesight, a result of Marfan syndrome, makes it difficult to read the sheet music, so she plays mostly for herself and family now. And for the congregation.

"You should see what she does to the congregation," says Doug Rich, pastor of the Pioneer Presbyterian Church on Clatsop Plains where Logsdon Martin plays. "She plays and looks around, and people smile back. They really respond to her."

Logsdon Martin's positive attitude is one of the things that attracted Hedlund, when the two met four years ago. That, and the fact that she could fish. But Hedlund also admires her drive.

"When she wants to know something, she is absolutely focused, extremely determined, and occasionally stubborn," he says.

That focus created a business after Logsdon Martin was trained by a local Internet provider to design websites. She now develops sites for other area businesses, while maintaining www.ifish.net, a site loaded with fishing news, river conditions, and product information. She writes about the fishing life and about coping with Marfan syndrome.

Like most of the 200,000 people diagnosed with the disease in the United States, including her oldest son Andrew, Logsdon Martin is tall, nearly 6-feet, and thin, with joints that can twist and bend like a contortionist.

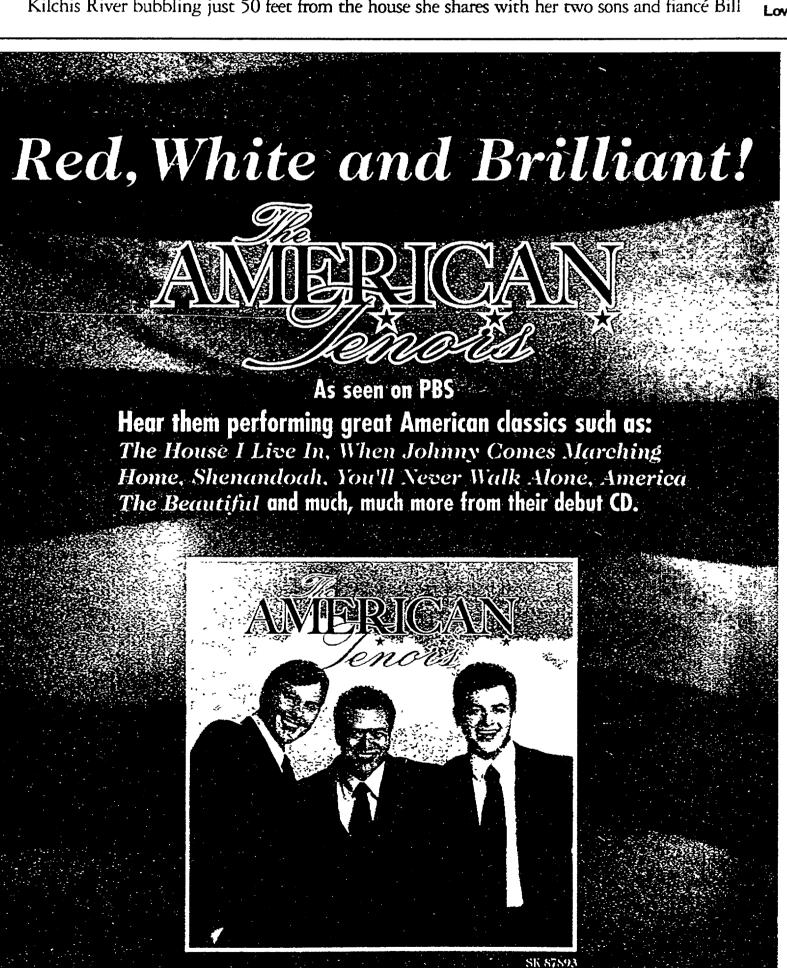
"Actually, I've found some benefits.' I can scratch my back better than you can," she says, smiling and reaching her elbow behind her

The disease affects the connective tissues, ultimately destroying many of the body's organs including the lungs, heart, and circulatory system. Logsdon Martin, diagnosed with the disease as a child,

"What I get from Jennie is that her spirit wants to be alive and a part of all that is around her, even when her body feels heavy," Rich says.

"I'd rather deal with things with humor instead of being glum all the time," Logsdon Martin says. "There just is never enough time to

head. "I'm extremely flexible." knows it could kill her. But it won't destroy her spirit. do all I want to do." But she's making the most of the time she has. Polly Campbell is a frequent contributor to American Profile.





# Did You Know...

ILLINOIS—Waukegan is the hometown of comedian Jack Benny, who was born Benjamin Kubelsky on Feb. 14, 1894.

INDIANA—In the 2000 Census, 85 percent of Gary residents reported their race as black or African-American, the highest percentage of any city in the nation.

IOWA—The mercury dipped to minus 47 degrees in Elkader (pop. 1,465) on Feb. 3, 1996, tying a record low set Jan. 12, 1912, in Washta (pop. 282), according to the state climatologist.

KANSAS—On June 29, 1541, Spanish explorer Francisco Vasquez de Coronado and his men forded the Arkansas River near present-day Dodge City (pop. 25,176).

MICHIGAN—With 10 million residents, Michigan is the eighth most populous state.

MISSOURI—The USS Missouri, now a memorial moored on Pearl Harbor's historic Battleship Row, was the site of Japan's official surrender to the United States on Sept. 2, 1945, bringing an end to World War II.

MINNESOTA—Known as the Home of the Loon, Vergas (pop. 311) has a 20-foot replica of the state bird in its City Park.

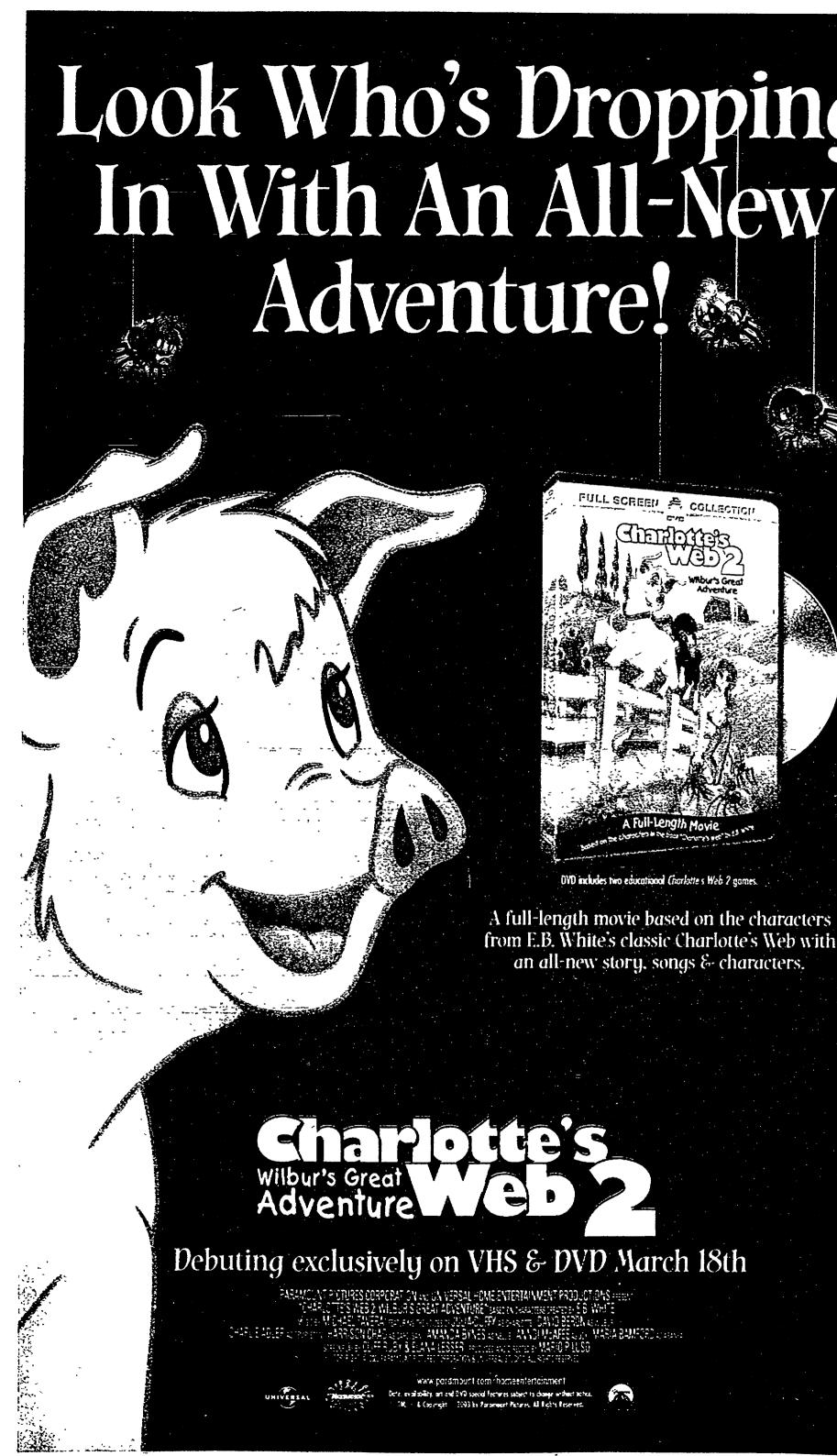
NEBRASKA—Joyce C. Hall, founder of Hallmark Cards, was born Aug. 29, 1891, in David City (pop. 2,597). He started selling post-cards and expanded into greeting cards as the popularity of postcards declined.

NORTH DAKOTA—Established Dec. 14, 1885, St. John United Church of Christ in Hebron (pop. 803) now is housed in a brick structure built in 1908. The church was incorrectly identified as St. Ann's Catholic Church in a previous edition of *American Profile*.

OHIO—The first Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers restaurant opened in Columbus on Nov. 15, 1969. The restaurant, decorated now as a museum of Wendy's history, continues to serve customers.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Bon Homme County is home to three school districts—Avon, Bon Homme, and Scotland—not one. Thanks to Avon Superintendent Tom Oster for keeping us accurate.

WISCONSIN—The Badger State is home to two popular game fish: the walleye and the Northern pike. A species called walleyed pike doesn't exist, according to Dee Borcherding of McFarland (pop. 6,416), who is trying to eradicate the misnomer.





At 26, she was diagnosed with Addison's Disease, the absence of adrenaline, which causes difficulty in dealing with stress. In her early 30s, her teen son died in a bicycle accident. At 39, rheumatoid arthritis struck. At 62, she became "an insulin-shooting, card-carrying diabetic."

"You play the hand you're dealt," she says. "I learned long ago that you either curl up in a corner, or work through it and get to the other side. I've always used humor as a crutch. I forget about my own health problems when I clown. It gets all those endorphins running around. I walk away feeling wonderful."

Former nurse Bev Toelle started the Smile Squad in 1997. Her mother-in-law died of cancer the year before, but even in the midst of that loss, Toelle was impressed by the healthy use of humor among the nurses to help

loved ones get through crises.

Following that experience, Toelle began researching humor programs used in large hospitals nationwide—from periodic clown parades to nurses providing carts with joke books and funny videos. She found that several medical studies have documented how humor stimulates the immune system, increases neuroelectrical activity, and relieves stress to help prevent heart attacks.

With that information in hand, Toelle persuaded hospital administrator Joe Morris to try a clown

program at KMC. Since then, about 100 clowns have been trained. Participants pay \$35 for the 18-hour class.

"We have 25 to 30 active clowns," Mills says. "About eight to 10 are devoted to coming regularly."

Mills knows firsthand how clowns make a patient feel. Last year, she was unexpectedly hospitalized due to complications of diabetes. Two days after her arrival, the clowns were making their rounds. Mills recognized all of them and was still surprised at how strongly they affected her.

"I was so tickled," she says. "I burst into tears. They boosted my morale tremendously. It was so uplifting."

Two or three clowns work together, spending about five minutes with each patient. It takes about three hours for the Smile Squad to make its rounds in all the hospital's units.

"We don't randomly pop into people's rooms," says Toelle, who has clowned in three characters—Greta von Frettin' Vine, Toots, and Sweetie Pie. "We stop at the nurse's station first to see who might benefit the most."

Mills recalls how patients with Alzheimer's or similar diseases have responded to the clowns when they hadn't responded to other stimuli. 'Last week, it took us 20 minutes to get to the floor. First we were mobbed in the cafe-

teria, then at the elevators. The staff, visitors, and kids had to give us hugs and visit."

Dietary aide Gary Gonzales often waltzes along with the Smile Squad. "They're a lot of fun," says Gonzales, who enrolled in the most recent clown class so he could join the Smile Squad.

Pansy does more than entertain patients. "At employee orientations, she teaches the safety management portion," Mills says. "The employees love it. They seem to remember things better when Pansy tells them.

"Nothing makes you feel better than laughing," Mills says. "All the clowns here receive more than they give."

Dianna Troyer is a freelance writer from Pocatello, Idaho.

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hen they get their medications, patients at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, N.C., also get their funny bone tickled.

A rolling cart dubbed the Laugh Mobile offers whoopee cushions, magic wands, games, rubber chickens, yo-yos, funny faces, bubbles to blow, and humorous books, tapes, and movies.

At Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia, patients can keep themselves in stitches with a humor cart that includes a Mr. Potato Head, kaleidoscopes, and squirt guns.

"Laughter is a positive contagion that's spreading in the medical

world," says Joel Goodman, who founded the HUMOR Project Inc., in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., in 1977. Since then, the project has awarded grants to more than 300 hospitals, schools, and social service agencies to help tap the power of humor.

The humor-in-hospitals movement is gaining momentum nation-wide, says Dr. Ann Weeks, president of the Association for Applied and Therapeutic Humor in Phoenix.

"More hospitals are offering humor carts and baskets to patients," Weeks says. "We've also seen tremendous growth in programs in which volunteers prepare to be clowns in hospitals, nursing homes, and pediatric care centers." Shobhana "Shobi" Schwebke, editor and publisher of The Hospital Clown Newsletter, attributes the surge in caring clowns worldwide to the film Patch Adams, which contained lots of hospital clowning around. There are thousands and thousands of caring clowns nationwide, she says. Most are volunteers.

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"It's fun, heartfelt, wonderful, necessary work," says Schwebke, who travels worldwide teaching caring clown seminars. "A lot of seniors make great clowns because their life knowledge helps them deal with what they come in contact with. It's a lot more than doing jokes."

Humoring patients is nothing new. Greek physicians advised the sick to visit the hall of comedians or the theater as therapy; and, in modern times, researchers have documented the healing power of humor.

Drs. Lee Berk and Stanley Tan of Loma Linda University in California have researched the curative power of comedy in bolstering the immune system. Their studies show that laughter lowers blood pressure, reduces stress hormones, improves muscle flexion, raises levels of infection-fighting cells and disease-fighting proteins, and triggers release of endorphins, the body's natural painkillers.

# Hometown Spotlight

by ANDREA GROSS Photos by Ceasar Maragni

# Batting a Thousand Ouilt City

"You can't make a blanket statement about these quilts," says a visitor to the Museum of the American Quilter's Society (MAQS) in Paducah, Ky. (pop. 26,307). And she said it with a straight face. She was standing in front of a wildly asymmetrical quilt, its sunburst of colors blazing in an intricate design made of countless careful stitches. "Each one is so ... so different."

True enough. Even a quick walk through the museum is evidence that the age-old craft of quilting has undergone a metamorphosis. Once a means of turning worn out and discarded clothes into warm blankets, quilting today is an art intended to comfort the soul as well as the body. Modern quilts may have raw edges, extraneous materials like netting or glitter, and designs that are decidedly offbeat or startlingly realistic. They may be stitched by machine as well as by hand and planned with computers as well as pencils.

"The definition of a quilt is constantly expanding," says Sarah Henrich, the museum's former executive director. "The only real requirement is that it must have three layers of material."

Traditional quilting bees also are changing. Friendships once forged around a table are now frequently

extended to the Internet, giving a national—even international—flavor to the once local get-togethers.

While other cities big and small—from San Jose, Calif., to Lowell, Mass.—have quilt museums, Paducah's MAQS is the largest museum in the world built specifically to house quilts. It features special lighting and humidity control to protect colors from fading and fabrics from disintegrating and has earned Paducah the uncontested title of "Quilt City, USA."

Perhaps the museum's most unusual facet is its focus on contemporary quilting. Although it hosts some exhibits of antique quilts, its main mission is to honor quilts created in the last 25 years.

The museum is the brainchild and gift of Meredith and Bill Schroeder, natives of

Paducah and publishers of price guides for collectors. In 1984, they happened upon a small quilt exhibit in a school gymnasium.

"There was a delightful little quilt filled with ducks, and it was just hanging across a rope. It deserved better," Meredith recalls. The duck-quilt became the start of their private collection.

That year, the Schroeders founded the American Quilter's Society (AQS), which now has 60,000 members. And in 1987 they began work on their non-

profit museum. The museum became a reality in 1991—13,000 square feet of exhibit space with

room for 100 to 150 of the world's best contemporary quilts. One gallery displays quilts from the museum's permanent collection; the other two feature traveling exhibits.

The museum and the activities of the quilter's society have had an enormous impact on Paducah, a town otherwise best known for the decorative murals on the floodwall overlooking the confluence of the Ohio and Tennessee rivers.

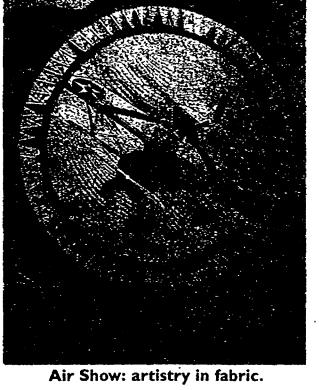
Every April, the society hosts a quilt show that draws 35,000 visitors.

"The whole community becomes involved," says Sheree Dawn Roberts, an award-winning quilter and designer of wearable art.

Residents rent out spare rooms to visitors since motels, B&Bs, and campgrounds are sold out for more than 60 miles in all directions. And churches hold fund-raising suppers since restaurants are swamped.

Janie Donaldson relocated from Wisconsin to co-host *Quilt Central*, a nationally syndicated TV series that airs on PBS stations. "Quilting is popular because it is not only practical but also creative," she says. "So it fits and satisfies two things we need in our everyday living."

It also stitches communities together.



"The definition of a quilt is constantly expanding," says Sarah Henrich, standing amid contemporary designs.

Looking east on Broadway in downtown "Quilt City, USA," also known as Paducah, Ky.

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by BETHANNE BLACK

# Reduce Allergens YOUR Home

Many people suffer from allergies caused by pollen, ragweed, grass, and other outdoor allergens. Just as many people struggle with indoor allergens, but this problem

"Indoor allergens are a major cause of allergies, but many people don't realize that dust, molds, and pets are the culprit," says Dr. David Khan, an allergist and assistant professor at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Follow these simple tips for allergy-proofing your home:

## Control animal dander

often is overlooked.

"Household pets are the most common source of allergic reactions to animals, but cat and dog fur is not the culprit," Khan explains. Animals secrete proteins from oil glands in their skin. These proteins, along with animal dander and proteins found in animal saliva, cause sneezing, itchy eyes, and other symptoms. Proteins also are transferred to a person's skin when an animal cleans itself and then licks household objects or a human.

In extreme cases a pet may have to be removed from the home, but less drastic options also may work, Khan says:

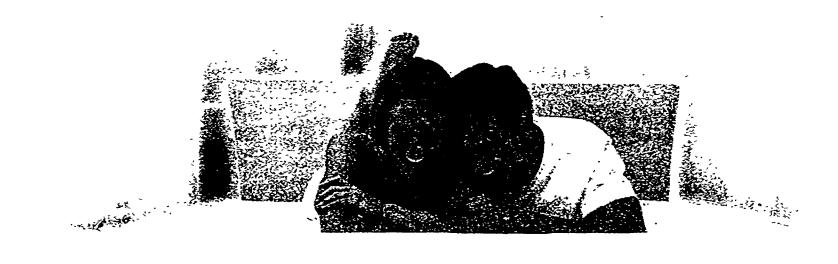
- Keep pets out of your bedroom, which can help reduce exposure to animal dander and lessen symptoms.
- Ask a non-allergic family member to bathe your pet weekly.
- Encase pillows, mattresses, couch and chair cushions in airtight plastic, because animal dander accumulates on horizontal and vertical surfaces in your home.
  - Wash bedding frequently.

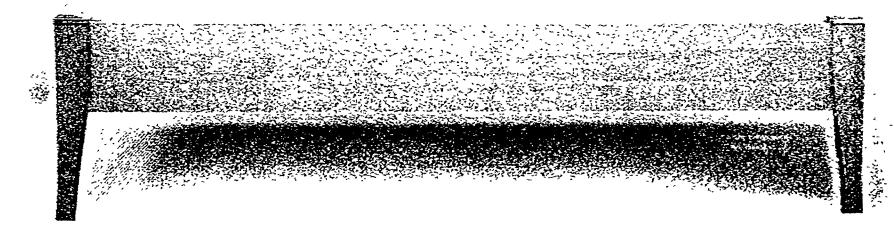
# Reduce dust and dust mites

Dust is a common household nuisance. It contains animal dander, dust mites, and mold that can cause nasal irritation, sneezing, and itchy eyes, nose, throat, and skin.

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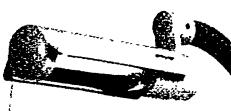
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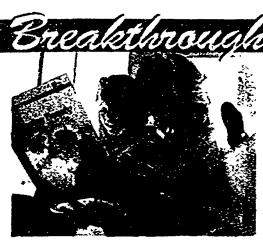
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- Clean your shower floor and entire bathroom weekly to ensure that mold does not build up. Use an exhaust fan during your shower.
- Use dehumidifiers in damp basements. Be sure to empty the water in dehumidifiers and clean units regularly to prevent mildew from forming.
- Make sure all rooms, especially basements, bathrooms, and kitchens, are properly ventilated and cleaned weekly to deter mold growth.

Bethanne Black is an Atlanta-based freelance writer.

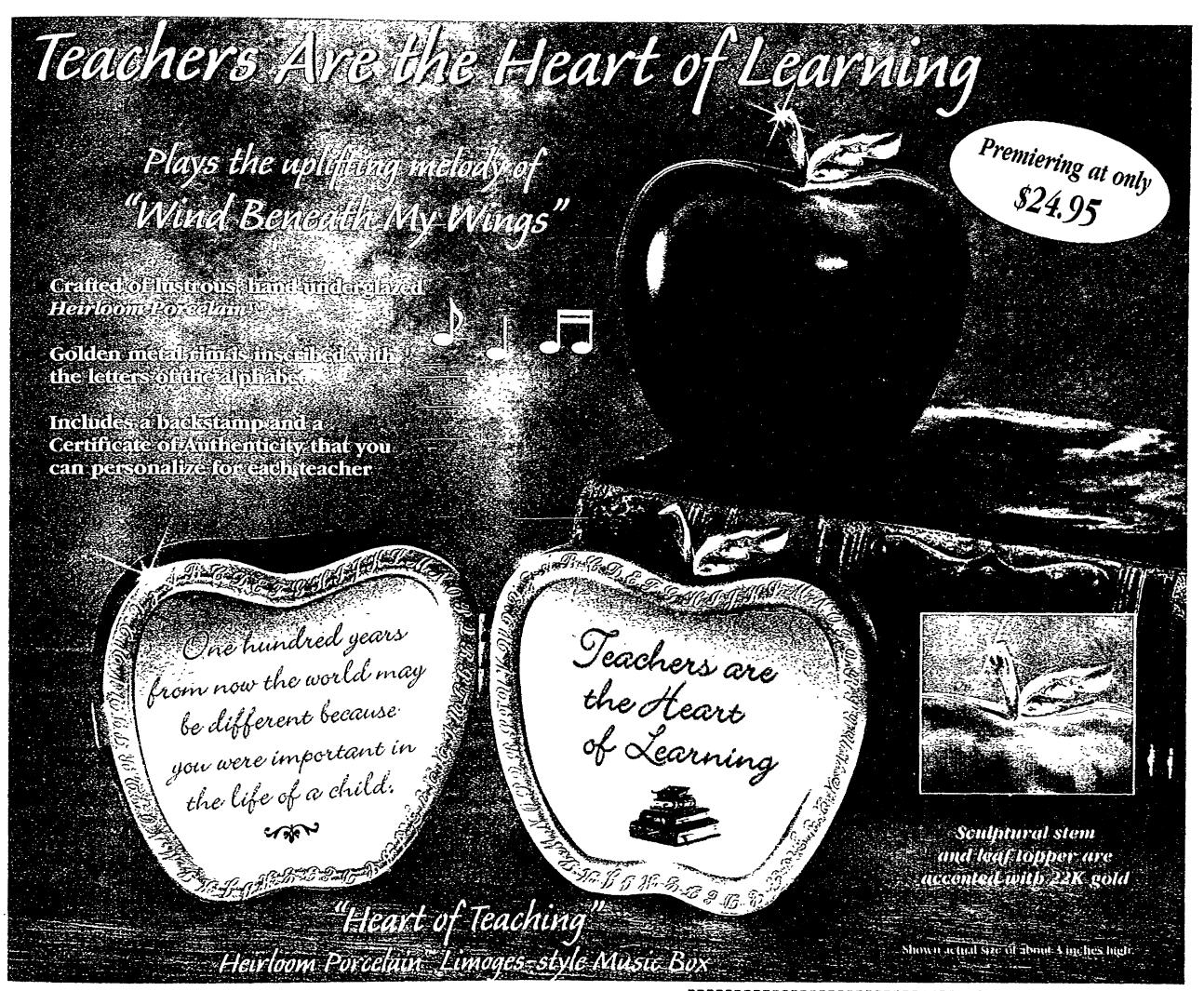
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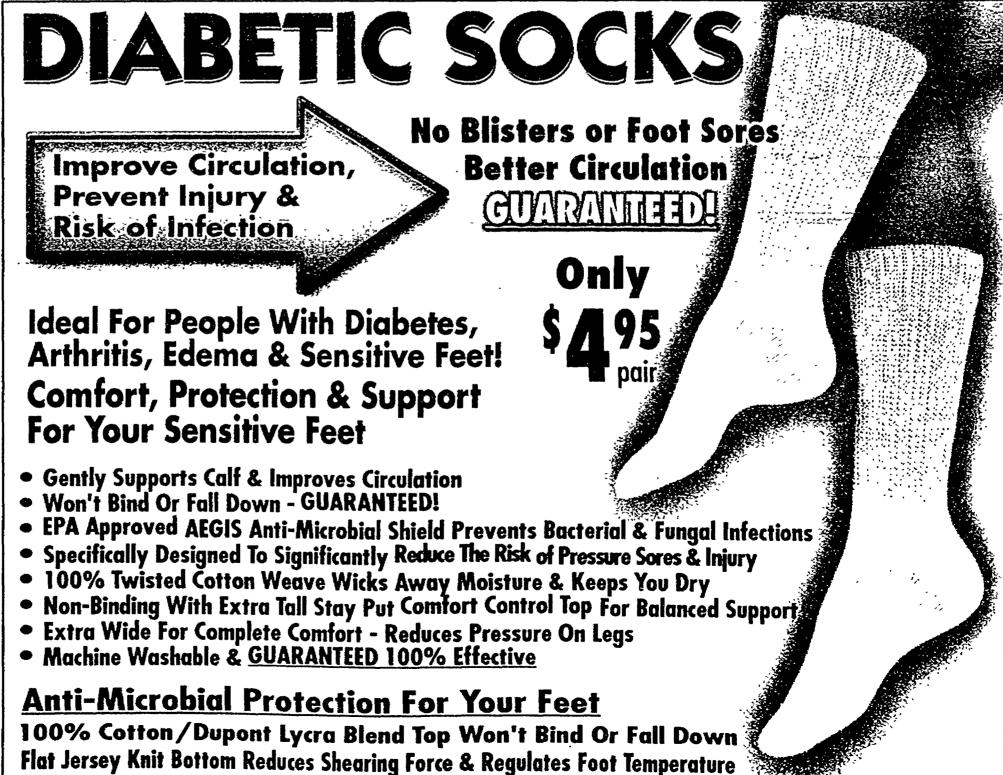
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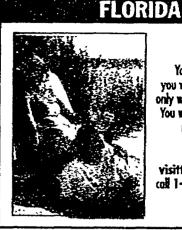


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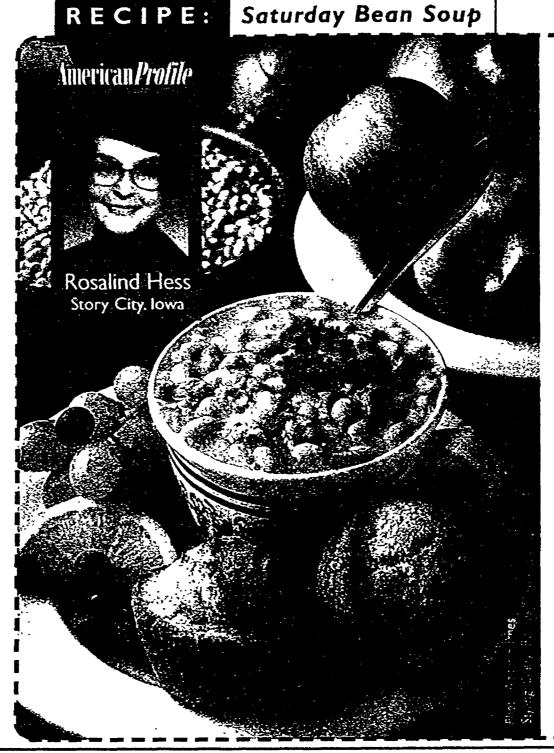
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i bay leaf

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Drain the soaked beans, rinse, and put in a Crock-Pot with the rest of the ingredients. Cover and cook for 5 to 6 hours on high. Lower the temperature, remove the bay leaf, and the soup is ready for the day.

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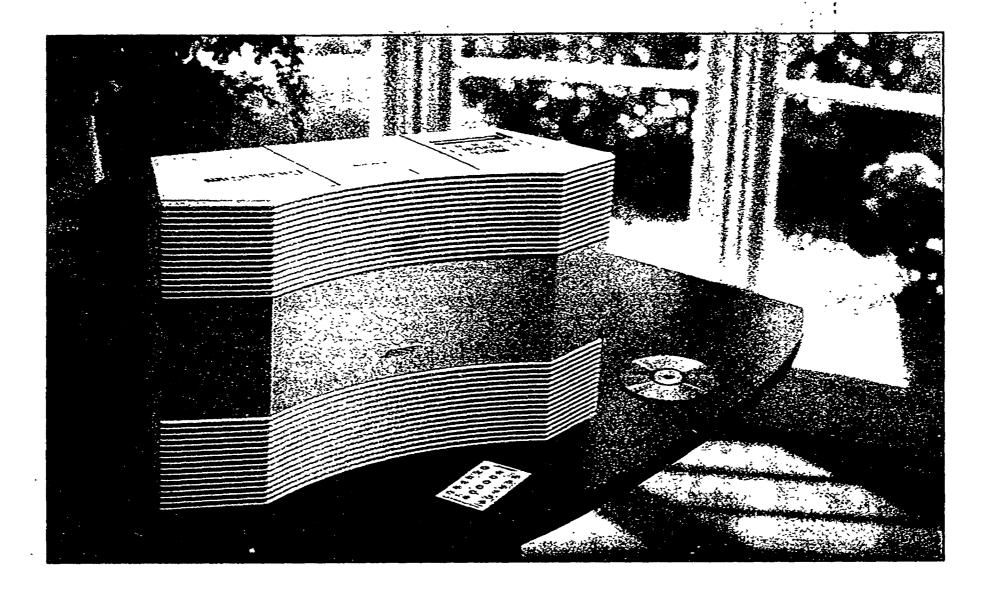
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