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Committee puts nix on late start idea for NHS

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

It doesn't appear that Northville students will have to reset their alarm clocks anytime soon.

After nearly a year of review, study, surveys and public discussion the High School Late Start Committee presented their findFor more information on what the late start committee recommended, see page 16A.

ings to the Northville Board of Education March 25.

"We don't believe, as a committee, it's feasible for a lot of reasons to change the K-12 start-

ing times," said David Bolitho, assistant superintendent of Northville schools. "[It's] primarily because the school district is facing a \$2 million deficit next year. Secondly, the changing start time concept was not embraced by teachers, students or parents from our survey results. But at the same time, the survey results

show we do have adolescent

sleep problems among our students.

According to school officials, the following are some of the committee's conclusions. These determinations were based on data from a community survey.

• There is no compelling evidence from parents, students and

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Making light of the situation





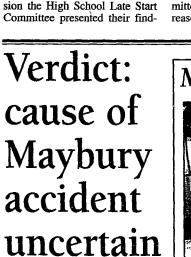
By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Long-time local resident Glenn Charles Long died March 27 at his home after experiencing a long illness. He was 85.

Long — a Michigan licensed Master Plumber and a licensed Boiler Installer --- founded the Glenn C. Long Plumbing and Heating Company in 1949 with his wife, Lois. Family members said the duo worked long hours to ensure it became a thriving business, now known as Long Mechanical.

Long moved to Northville in 1944. During his lifetime, he constructed an office, a warehouse and a showroom facility just outside of downtown Northville, said family members. The building and its showroom were featured in two national trade publications. In 1964, he purchased land in downtown Northville, constructed another new facility and moved the business into it. Later, in 1973, he constructed and moved into the current facility on downtown Main Street in Northville.

Long served as president of the Western Wayne Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors Association in 1954, 1960 and 1975. He served as state president of the Michigan Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors Association in 1982 and became an Honorary Life Member. He, along with three other contractors, founded 'the Western Wayne Association in 1952, family members said. Rev. John Hice, senior pastor at the First United Church of Northville, reminisced of Long's numerous involvements with the town. "Glenn has been a pillar of the community as well as the church for many many years," said Hice. "There are some members of the church that say Glenn was the first person they saw when they moved to Northville." "In the church, he's been an active member for many years.



By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Questions will remain without answers when it comes to the investigation concerning the cause of the fire that destroyed the barn and killed 50 animals living inside at Maybury Park on Feb. 12.

John Byrne, specialist sergeant with the state police fire marshal's division, announced on March 28 that the investigation into the cause of the fire has been completed. The official cause remains undermined, he said.

"What that means is that there are certain potential causes that cannot be eliminated, those being primarily electrical device causes," Byrne explained.

As part of the investigation, an electrical expert was brought out to the scene to examine the remains of the electrical panel box that was located at the scene as well as the remains of several electric space heaters also recovered in the debris. "The expert was not able to develop anything conclusive from the examination of those items due to the extensive damage sustained to the space heaters during the fire," said Byrne. Byrne also stated that an accelerate detection canine was taken through the scene and several samples of various areas throughout the fire scene were collected for laboratory analysis. Nothing .

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Portraying book character Amelia Bedelia by author Peggy Parish, Winchester Elementary School principal Nancy Raynes talks to a group of slumber party students last Friday morning. Friday's activities were to celebrate the school's March is Reading Month activities. Peggy Parish's character often mixes up meanings of words which may explain why Raynes is trying to plant some (light) bulbs.

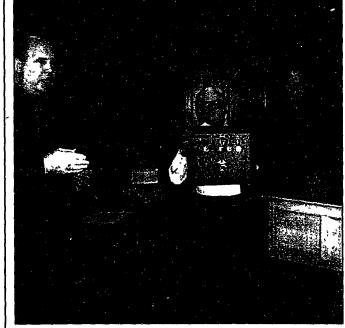
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submitted photo Attorney Arthur Butler (left) and 35th District Court judge John MacDonald (right) join World War II veteran and court officer Walter Abick at a special ceremoney which reunited him with medals he'd earned. Assisting in the effort was attorney Stephen Boak (not pictured.)

Nearly 60 years later, WWII vet gets his due

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

More than 60 years ago, Walter Abick was risking his life overseas defending the United States during World War II. Last week, Abick was finally presented war medals he earned during his service.

Abick, 82, currently works as a court officer in Plymouth's 35th District Court building.

Judge John MacDonald said Abick was presented the medals by two local attorneys, Stephen Boak and Arthur Butler.

The ceremony took place in the MacDonald's courtroom, MacDonald has worked with Abick for 19 years.

Abick, who served as a chief petty officer in the Navy, received five medals for his military service which took him to such areas as Normandy, North Africa and Sicily.

Here's a rundown of the medals earned by 35th District Court officer Walter Abick:

WHAT HE EARNED

 Good Conduct Medal — Navy Naval Reserve Meritórious Service Medal with two bronze

stars American Campaign Medal
 European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with three bronze stars World War II Victory Medal

Abick was awarded a Good Conduct Medal for the Navy, a Naval Reserve Meritorious Service Medal with two bronze stars, an American Campaign Medal, a European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with three bronze stars and a World War II Victory Medal.

Abick said the ceremony was unexpected.

"It was a big surprise to me," he said.

MacDonald spoke highly of the award service and Abick's military contribution to the U.S.

"Nobody's more deserving than him," said MacDonald. "I thought it was terrific. He's certainly eligible for them. He's entitled. There's no question about it."

MacDonald said Abick oftentimes wears war ribbons as part of his regular work uniform.

Abick served 3½ years in the war. MacDonald also lauded Abick's level of character and disposition.

"He's a very humble person, very patioritic, very upfront," MacDonald said. "He's a genuine American. He's very good at calming people down. He's a real calming influence in the court. Everyone is very proud of him. He's a first class guy."



Online scam nets Northville man \$6.3M fine

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

A Northville man has been ordered to pay \$6.3 million to customers defrauded in what is being referred to by the Commodity Futures and Trading Commission as an Internet scam.

The CFTC announced on March 20 that Judge Paul V. Gadola of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan entered an order requiring Northville resident Todd James Snively to pay restitution to approximately 900 defrauded commodity futures investors. Two Michigan corporations. Futurewise Trading Group, Inc. and Commodity Consultants International, Inc. were also named in the decision.

According to court documents, Snively was listed as president of both companies involved. He did not contest the court's decision.

Rosemary Hollinger, regional council for the CFTC, referred to the case as "Internet fraud" and said that the case demonstrates a working good relationship between the CFTC and the United

States Attorney's office.

"Consumers sent their monies to someone who essentially, they did not know, and it really shows the dangers of what can happen when you do that," said Hollinger.

The court's order stemmed from an action the CFTC filed against Snively, CCI, and Futurewise on Feb. 8 --- just one day after Snively had refused the CFIC access to his books and records. The complaint alleged that Snively solicited customers to trade commodity futures, touting low commissions and good service. Customers were also allegedly told that they could place trades through CCI and Futurewise to be executed on exchanges or trade for themselves on an Internet exchange.

But according to the complaint, no trades were made on the customers' behalf but instead kept customer funds and sent them fictitious account statements over the Internet that falsely portrayed commodity futures trading activity to the customers involved.

"He told customers they were electronic brokerage and that customers could trade through them on the futures markets. But the

trades never made it to the markets," said Hollinger. "Essentially, [Snively and his companies] just took the money.'

Based on the allegations, the complaint charged Snively with misappropriating customer funds, issuing false reports, and making material misrepresentations and omissions in promoting their business.

Hollinger stated that the U.S. Attorney's Office filed a forfeiture action and seized approximately \$4.2 million dollars at about the same time the civil action was filed by the CFTC to put Snively out of business.

"[Snively's] obligation to pay restitution will be reduced by the payments made through the \$4.2 million seized by the U.S. Attorney," she said.

Snively's lawyers, Robert Mackovski and Gary Sinclair, maintain that their client fully cooperated with the CFTC since the investigation began and never had intentions of defrauding anyone. According to Mackovski, Snively willingly turned over the \$4.2 million, which had been kept in a segregated customer account.

operated his business. The complaints came in after the CFTC found out that [Snively] was not operating his business in accordance with commodities and futures regulations and stopped all business activity, at which time customers could not get their money because it was frozen," Mackovski said.

Mackovski also explained that Snively's troubles began because he was not properly registered with the CFTC to perform in the capacity he had placed himself. They also say that Snively was not aware he had not been following CFTC regulations by processing trades on the exchanges on his own instead of going through the futures

"He had honest intentions form

plaints in regards to the way he the beginning and had been in the process of obtaining some sort of clearing arrangement, which would have allowed him to process the trades through the exchanges," said Mackovski, adding that Snively had been registered with the CFTC, but not to process trades. Co-counsel Sinclair added that

although only \$4.2 million was redistributed among the defrauded customers, the \$2.1 not accounted for - along with "a substantial amount" of his own personal funds - had been spent by Snively on business expenses and a software platform to enhance the business in order to benefit the customers, all of which they maintain were unsolicited.

"There was no allegation that

[Snively] actually is holding or has sequestered that money. That \$2.1 million spent would have been the money the customers would have lost had the trades actually been placed through an exchange," explained Sinclair. "The reason [Snively] has to give the money back is because he did not follow the rules and he became responsible. Under the law, the customers are entitled to be 'made whole' as though they had never opened an account."

Snively has permanently lost his right to trade and is obligated to a 10-year payment plan.

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"There were no customer com-E F Jewelry, gift certificiates and an IS VOURS Proceeds from the event benefit-Wysocki also said game

Lions score off-season win against Northville faculty

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Nearly \$2,000 was raised for the graduating class of 2006 when the Detroit Lions tackled Northville teachers on the high school basketball court March 29

Danni Wysocki, vice-president of the freshman class, said, "I was very impressed. It was nice all the kids had so much fun and enjoyed it. There were about 500 people in attendance"

"It was impressive to see the Lions dunk and dribble.'

Wysocki saud participating Lions even involved the audience during the event.

"They really showed their skills," she said. "They were amazing and the crowd really enjoyed it. They pulled people from the crowds to shoot baskets and do dribbling contests.'

Members of the Lions' football team included Cory Schlesinger, Dominic Raıola, Mike McMahon, Jeff Backus and Kalimba Edwards challenged Northville High School teachers, testing their athletic abilities.

At the final buzzer, the Lions walked away victorious with a score of 86-61.

Wysocki said two Northville High School seniors, David Oljace and Tim Higgins, served as referees for the game. Roger Garfield, an NHS senior and co-captain of the boys' basketball team, served as the teachers' coach.

Wysocki said autographs were available at half time and Poloroid photos were available to purchase.

autographed football were also raffled off.

ed the Class of 2006. announcing was done by juniors

Adam and Brian Justusson. "They kept the crowd going," she said. "They really got the crowd into it which was nice to see.

Wysocki also lauded the professional football players' level of sportsmanship in the class fundrais-

"It was a great success," she said.

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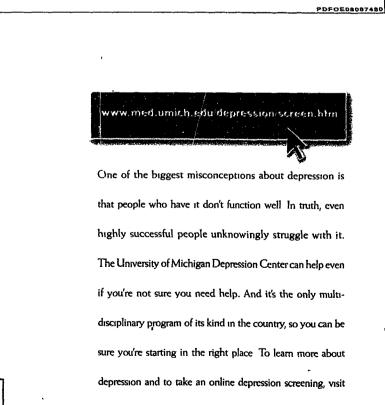
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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

MAYBURY RESURREC-TION? The Northville Community Foundation Endowment Fund for the Maybury Farm was created in light of the recent fire at the farm. The purpose of the fund is to raise funds to help rebuild the barn, replenish animals, and provide for the basic upkeep of Maybury Farm.

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

· Monday through Friday at 2:30 p.m. (April 21, 22, 23, 24, and $2\overline{5}$)

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.

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.

GRAND **OPENING:** NovaCare Rehabilitation Physical Therapy has moved to a new location. The dedicated staff of NovaCare celebrated their grand opening on April 1, although the building has been open for business since March 3. NovaCare is now located at 300 E. Cady Street, Suite C in the New Victorian Building. Patients interested in physical therapy are required to obtain a referral from their primary care physician prior to receiving treatment at NovaCare.

HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY: The 2003 spring Hazardous Waste Day will take place at the Livonia Ford Field on May 3. Accepted waste includes:

 Aerosol cans • Any household chemicals

Automobile/marine/houshe-

- old batteries Caustic/acids
 - Computer equipment
- Fire extinguishers
- · Fluorescent light bulbs

· Gasoline/gasoline and oil mixes

 Herbicides/pesticides/insectides/fungicides

- Kerosene
- Latex Paints* • Medical waste (sharp items in

containers only)

· Mercury items/mercury contaminated debris

• Oil-based paints/stains

Primers/turpentines/varnishes

· 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.

DAIMLERCHRYSLER/USM A CLASSIC CAR SHOW:

The classic car show will take place on Saturday, May 10, in the downtown area from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Registration will begin at 11 a.m. for participants and family participation is encouraged. Mayor Chris Johnson will be at the event to present the Mayor's Choice Award Trophies for best "cruise-

ARBORNANA ANG ART SH

in" will be awarded at 5 p.m. the first 15 entries will receive free-tool kits.

The event will take place in city lot #4, which is located behind the MainCentre and MGM buildings. There will be no fee for contestants and the event, officially sponsored by DaimlerChrysler certified preowned vehicles, is being promoted as a family event.

VOICES FOR MAYBURY MEETING: The Voices for Maybury meeting scheduled for April 12 at the recreation center has been changed due to a conflict with another scheduled event. The meeting has been rescheduled to Saturday, April 19 at 9 a m at the First United Methodist Church located at Eight Mile at Taft

Student's drawing selected for Johnson Creek Day logo

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Every artist needs inspiration. And nine-year-old Stephanie Leeson, winner of the second annual Johnson Creek Day 2003 logo contest, can tell you exactly what hers is.

"I was thinking of may grandma and grandpa living by a river," said the Silver Springs Elementary student of her winning design which depicts rocks in the stream, green grass, clouds, and a bush. This year's theme for the contest centered on why Johnson Creek is a cold water stream

Stephanie also said that she was "happy and excited" about the fact that her design will be on T-shirts, stickers, and flyers. As this year's winner, she will receive the Johnson Creek Protection Group Environmental Artist Award for 2003 and a Johnson Creek Day 2003 T-shirt with her logo on it.

said Jill Leeson, Stephanie's mother,

said she is also proud of her daughter. "I can't believe she won. I'm just

as excited as [Stephanie] is," said Leeson.



Austin White, a contest judge and last year's winner, described in a press release what it was about Stephanie's logo that caught his attention.

"I liked her design because it showed the wildlife and trees that are around the creek, it best fit the theme, and I liked the colors she used." he said.

Michelle West, secretary for the group, said that they believe the contest is a great way to involve the "I'm really proud of any settest she 23 community ity both setticating she 219th give all participants recognition public on ways to protect the creek for their hard work as well as involve the younger generius in clouds.

eration on the creek's importance. "We believe that if we can get the

public to come out and experience the creek first-hand, they will see how unique it is and understand why



Johnson Creek Day 2003

day will include nature walks, clean up activities and a trout celebration with fishing games food and various displays. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Michelle West at (734) 761-1010 ext. 266 or log onto www.jcpg.org.

"It also gives us an opportunity to distribute educational materials to concerned citizens on how they can do their part to protect Johnson Creek, which is the only cold water trout stream in the Rouge River

each participating elementary in Northville, Plymouth, and Salem and other surrounding areas in order

for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 109 by e-mail plupercio@ht.homecomm.net.

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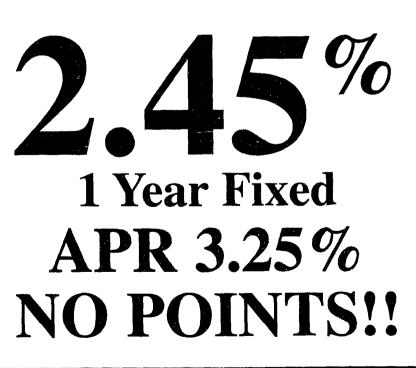
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it needs to be preserved," said West.

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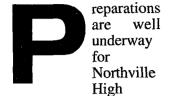
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School's spring musical "The production of Music Man."

well

The show is slated to run April 10-12 at 7 p.m. in the Northville High School auditorium under the direction of Karin Pearson.

"It's a wonderful family show," said Pearson. "It will have lots of movement, lots of dances, classic songs and an Americana theme. We're going to be so ready. The set looks great. The kids' costumes are well done. It's been going well."

"The neatest thing about the production is parents have been coming in and helping. We've had moms making costumes. The whole family has been involved."

"The Music Man" will mark Pearson's first opportunity at directing a Northville High School production. Pearson, who graduated from friends being in the show," NHS in 1991 and studied he said. "It's a lot of work.

school days, in no stranger to the stage.

"I was in the shows here," she said. "It's very nice to be giving back to a program that gave so much to me. It's a labor of love. The kids are just so talented."

Ticket prices are \$10 for adults or \$5 for students. Tickets are on sale now and may be ordered by contacting Northville High School at (248) 344-8420.

"The ticket sales are amazing," said Pearson. "They will go quickly."

Pearson added that the play's storyline is ideal for audiences.

"In this day and age with so much going on, it's a great escape," she said. "It just makes you feel great. It's a good, solid musical for this time period."

The production consists of approximately 45 cast members, 20 crew members and 25 pit band participants.

senior Drew NHS Voytal, said he has enjoyed the experience of being part of the cast.

"You make a lot of

acting during her high You get a lot of camaraderie and you develop sort of a family with the cast members."

Voytal also lauded Pearson for her directing efforts.

"I think she's doing a great job," he said. "She's really picky. She's helped a lot of people become better actors."

Senior David Pizzimenti said he's anticipating his fourth production at Northville High School.

"You really get to know people you might not have known before," he said. "It's coming together nicely. We have a good shot at being ready for opening night. It will be 100 percent entertaining, from the very first scene to the last." Pearson agreed.

"This cast has gotten really close," she said. "The kids have worked so hard to perfect and get everything down so they'll put on a great show."

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Professor Harold Hill (Mike Howell) and Ethel Toffelmayer (Carmine Gillespie) rehearse a scene from Northville High's upcoming production of "The Music Man."





The cast of Northville's "The Music Man" rehearse a number from the musical that they'll present April 10-12.

Karin Pearson, director of Northville's "The Music Man," rehearses with her cast on a Thursday afternoon.

THE MUSIC MEN AND WOMEN

CAST Michael Howell Jessica Agoston Joanlie Shiah David Pizzimenti Charles Snearly Kirsten Knisely Wes Todd Ben Hawksford Alexis Kheir Melissa Dovle	CHORUS/ DANCERS John Campbell Adam Van Valkenburgh Jason Cozza Nick Detrych	CHORUS Kyle Binford Andrew Slater Keith Hudolin Christina Genittı Diana Cieslak Nikki Probst Crystal Gale
Drew Voytal Matt Tanski Geoff Calkins Brandon Roberts Colin Meyers Andrew Kesler Ronak Vashi Carrie Dobson Erica Johnson Carmen Gillespie Diane Cavicchioli	Kevin Kay Ashley Doindis Gina Willis Jennie Ecclestone Megan Roney Nika Frimenko Genny Dillard	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHORUS MEMBERS Katie May Haley Johnson Melissa Scott Nessel Kurzava Tyler Hadstedt Shea Hughes



Northville High School rehearses their production of "The Music Man."



NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORTS

MINORS IN POSSESSION: Three Northville teenagers were taken into custody Feb. 16 after officers on patrol found them to be in possession of marijuana. Officers on patrol observed a red

1995 Ford Probe traveling northbound on Seven Mile at approxi-mately 2:11 a.m. The officer observed the Probe turn off all of its lights and turn into the rear of Rocky's bar which had already closed for the night.

According to police reports, the officer immediately detected a strong odor of marijuana coming from within the vehicle as he made contact with the vehicle's occu-pants. The 17-year-old driver admitted to smoking marijuana 10 minutes prior and was handed the pipe by the 16-year-old passenger, which was then given to the police officer. Of the two remaining pas-sengers, another 16-year-old also admitted to smoking marijuana.

The teens were also found to have one bag of marijuana and one clear plastic pipe in their possession.

The driver was placed under arrest for possession of narcotics and narcotic paraphernalia. The passenger, who had admitted to "taking one hit off of the pipe" was placed under arrest for curfew violation. The remaining passenger charged in the incident, who had admitted to "taking a couple of hits" was arrested for curfew violation and possession of narcotic paraphernalia. The fourth passenger, a 17-year-old, was not charged in the incident.

All subjects were handcuffed and transported to the Northville Township police department without incident. The passenger who had not been arrested in the incident was driven to the police station to call for a ride. The vehicle towed and impounded. The three teenagers appeared in court on Feb.

RETAIL FRAUD: Two packages of Pampers and about 10 cans of Similac with iron baby formula were stolen from the Northville Township Farmer Jack on March 23. According to police records, the suspect entered the store, grabbed a cart, grabbed the listed items off of the shelf and exited the store without attempting to pay for them. Employees ran out after the suspect but were unable to stop him before he got into the passenger seat of a dark, rusty Ford F-Series pick up. The suspect is described as a black male, 5'6" to 5' 8" with an average build, totally shaved head, and dark complexion. He was wearing a bright yellow jacket and dark pants. There is no description available of the driver.

According to Farmer Jack employees, the suspect has attempted the same crime two times before but was scared off.

SUSPICIOUS CIRCUM-STANCE: A 68-year old Northville Township woman called police during the early morning hours of March 23 to report a possible breaking and entering. Upon at f

to show them where she had found various items, including a slice of cheese left on the kitchen counter that had been in the refrigerator and a stack of newspapers she found next to her bed which had been in the kitchen the night before.

She stated that she had not heard any noises throughout the night nor had she heard her two dogs bark. She also stated that she had just fired a housekeeper who still had a key to her home but upon questioning, police determined that the housekeeper had not left her home that evening. The case is still open.

MDOP: Officers were dispatched to a Northville Township apartment complex regarding a call of malicious destruction of property on March 24. When they arrived, they spoke to the 55-year-old complainant, who stated that he had parked his car in his assigned spot the night before. When he came out on the morning of the report, the man found that his two passenger side tires had been slashed, causing about \$500 in damages. There are no suspects or witnesses.

LARCENY FROM BUILD-ING: A 17-year old Northville High School student reported to police on March 25 that he had lost his wallet during the lunch period only to discover it later with about \$70 in cash and his Blockbuster card missing

STOLEN CD PLAYER: A 15year-old Northville High School student reported on March 26 that he had left his backpack and gym bag in a locker room during practice. When he returned to retrieve his property, he discovered that his CD player, valued at approximately \$40, and the 20 compact discs that were in the case were missing.

CREDIT CARD FRAUD: A 66-year-old Northville Township woman reported to police on March 26 the theft of her credit card and the fraudulent charges that had since been placed on the card. According to the police report, the woman had noticed her card miss-

ing on March 11 and believed it had been stolen while she was visiting her mother at a Northville assisted living location. She immediately notified her bank of the missing card and asked for a stop on the account. When she received the print out of recent activity, about \$4,800 in fraudulent charges had already been made. The case is still open.

OUIL: A 45-year old Plymouth man was arrested on charges of driving while under the influence during the early morning hours of March 26 after police pulled him over in his red 1993 Cougar for weaving within his lane and crossing the center line at approximately

1:30 a.m. The driver stated that he was coming home from "Snickers Pool and Pub." Officers also observed the driver to have glassy eyes and slurred speech. When asked, he stated that he had consumed a "few" beers.

After field sobriety tasks were performed, the driver was read his PBT rights and agreed to take the test, which resulted in a 0.118 blood alcohol level. The driver was placed under arrest and transported back to the township police department.

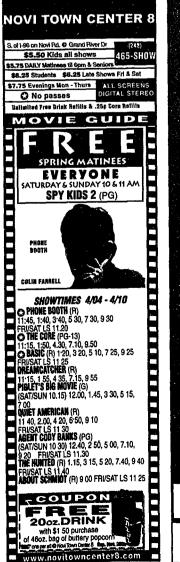
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observed no signs of forced entry nor were there any visible footprints on the outside of the house.

The woman told police that when she woke up that morning she noticed several items in her home were out of place that had not been when she had gone to bed. Prior to officer arrival, the complainant had replaced all out of place items, but she took officers through the house



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Is Hines fine? Answer revealed at AAUW meeting

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

The Northville/Novi branch of the American Association of University Women is hosting an open meeting featuring Nancy Darga, who is slated to speak on the past and future of Hines Park.

Darga, a Northville resident and chief of design for Wayne County Parks, is slated to present at Hillside Middle School April 8 at 7.30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served at

7 p m

Nancı Olgren, communications chairman for the Northville/Novi branch of the AAUW, said the event is open to everyone and is free of charge.

"Nancy Darga has been involved with the park system for many years and is anxious to tell us about efforts that will improve the park system and what's been done to restore the park's facilities," said Olgren. "We're excited to have her come and we think this will be of

interest to the community."

This meeting is the last of a twovear Women's Forum started by Northville-Novi AAUW branch president, Mary Jane Kearns.

According to AAUW officials, the presentation will reveal the history of the area surrounding Hines Park, plus the history of the park's development.

The seminar will also discuss efforts being made to maintain and restore various aspects of Hines Park, officials said.

"It's really exciting that we have interesting history right in our own backyard," said Olgren. "We're very excited to have her speak to people in our community.'

Kearns shared in the excitement of hosting the program entitled, "A Treasure in Your Backyard: A History of Hines Park."

"We think it's a great opportunity to present a topic of local interest to the community," said Kearns. "We look forward to having a good crowd at the meeting."

AAUW membership is open to all individuals holding a baccalaureate or higher degree. Student Affiliate memberships are available to individuals currently attending college. For membership information, call (248) 924-2180.

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\$50 per year.

AAUW INFORMATION

WHAT: "A Treasure in Your Own Backvard: A History of Hines Park" with speaker, Nancy Darga. The event is sponsored by the Northville/Novi branch of the AAUW.

- WHEN: Tuesday, April 8 PLACE: Hillside Middle
- School Forum room TIME: 7:30 p.m. Light

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Amerman teacher wins state award

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

A fifth grade Amerman Elementary teacher has another honor to add to her list of accomplishments

Wendy LaValle, was selected to receive the 2003 Outstanding Science Teacher Finalist Award through the Michigan Science Teachers Association.

LaValle was recognized by the Northville Board of Education at its March 11 meeting at Old Village

School

LaValle said she was notified of her award last month, when she received a phone call while she was teaching.

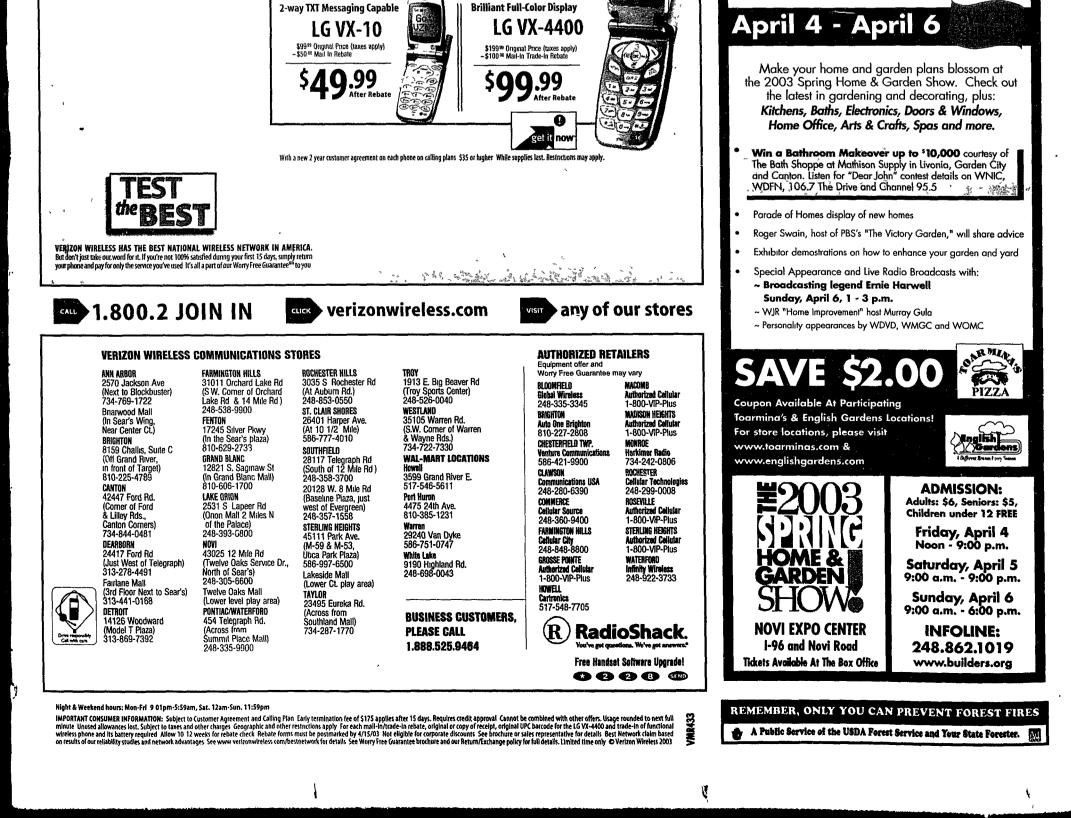
"I was surprised, flattered," she said. LaValle said she was previously part of a teaching team at Amerman Elementary that was selected for the same award in 1997.

To be considered for the award, LaValle said she submitted an essay explaining unique science learning opportunities she has implemented for her students. Among them include a space simulation,

allowing students to take on the role of scientists. LaValle, who has a background specializing in science and math, studied at the University of Michigan and received her certification from Eastern Michigan University. She is currently in her eighth year of teaching at Amerman Elementary.

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MORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

ELEMENTARY ART SHOWCASED

Elementary art teachers Debra Pares and Kelly Drake from Silver Springs and Winchester entered students' artwork into a **Region 2 Michigan Art Education** Association show held at the Wayne County RESA building. All 10 pieces submitted made it to the state level to be judged in seven juried shows. At the state level, eight students' artwork were selected to remain.

Abbey Coe, a second grader from Silver Springs, was selected as a top-15 winner in the state of Michigan. Her artwork will be on display at the Michigan Historical Museum.

Emma Boylan's work has been selected for the State Superintendent's Art Exhibit, which will be displayed at the Michigan Department of Education offices in Lansing. Boylan is a fourth grade student at Winchester Elementary.

Silver Springs kindergartner Takaya Kojima and Logan VanRiper, a second grade student at Moraine, had their art chosen for the Governor's Art Exhibit of southeast Michigan.

Michael Scorzo, a fifth grade student at Winchester, Andrea Gonzales-Paul, a third grader at Moraine, and Silver Springs students Jacqueline Beazley and Vivian Abraham all had their artwork selected for the State Elementary Show at the Michigan Historical Library and Historical Center in Lansing.

YOUNG CHILD MARCH

The Annual Month of the Young Child March is slated to take place April 4 at 6:15 p.m. in downtown Northville. The event is open to all Northville children and families. Participants will meet at the dirt area of the Northville Downs parking lot between 6 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. The group will march to the Northville Recreation Center for a singing celebration. Watch for handprints that will be displayed in local business windows celebrating the Month of the Young Child. For more information, call (248) 344-8465.

BECOME A BOARD MEMBER

A candidate who wishes to seek a 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. The 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 June 9. 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.

work on display at Wendy's on Six Mile and Haggerty during the month of March. Northville elementary art teachers are working in conjunction with Wendy's to celebrate Youth Arts Month.

Wendy's, ArtServe of Michigan and the Kennedy Center Alliance for Arts Education Network support this program.

The following students who have artwork on display: Suzie Redick, Jalah Jarouche, Lauren Wozniak, David Bennett, Rachel Szymanski, Kacee Bowen, Ryan Benoit, Chad Cini, Katie Fenech, Alvssa Wozniak, Bobby Nayh, Ali Thompson, and Steven Schmatz.

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 Two in the fall/winter. Application deadline is Thursday, April 18.

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

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.

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.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER Sisters Julie and Nancy, right, Anderson are joining together again to help organize local efforts for the upcoming Arthritis Foundation fundraiser walk. Here they walk along Eaton Diver in Northville.



ARTHRITIS WALK INFORMATION

The walk is scheduled for May 10 and will be held in the city of Northville and is set to begin and end at Hillside Middle School, located at 775 North Center Street. The walk will begin at 9 a.m. Pre- and postwalk snacks will be provided to participants as well as complimentary massages.

The Arthritis Walk is a noncompetitive, five-kilometer (3.1 mile) course with varying distance options to accommodate all fitness levels. Participants can walk in honor of loved ones with arthritis, with men, women, and children living with arthritis lead the way, wearing blue honoree hats signifying their action in taking control of their condition.

Money raised through the walk funds the Arthritis Foundation's land and water based exercise classes held at 80 sites throughout Michigan and research programs at Michigan hospitals and universities. Last year, the foundation provided over \$830,000 in research funds to the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, and Wayne State University.

Anyone interested in participating as a walker or volunteer can register at the www.arthritis.org or call the Arthritis Foundation at (800) 424-9001, ext. 233.



No pain is their gain: arthritis walk slated

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

They walk in memory of their father. And Northville residents Julie and Nancy Anderson say they are also walking for a cause.

The sisters are in their fifth year of participation with the Arthritis Foundation Michigan Chapter Arthritis Walk. The nationwide event is held during the month of May to kick of National Arthritis month. The Northville event is scheduled for May

Forty-four-year-old Julie Anderson said that she and her sister Nancy began participating in April of 1999, just three months after their father, Arnold Anderson, died prematurely of rheumatoid arthritis at age 70. The impetus came when a co-worker found a brochure related to the event.

Arnold Anderson was a long-time Northville High School teacher who suffered for 13 years before succumb-ing to the debilitating disease that affects more than 70 million Americans.

"After that point, my sister and I have participated in the event each year," she said, adding that she and her sister have strolled through Ann Arbor and Royal Oak before the event was brought to Northville last year. "We are looking forward to it being close to home again."

Julie Anderson said she and her sister find the walks "therapeutic."

'Our father loved to walk with us and garden and was just an outdoorsy kind of person," she said. "It is a nice walk that we truly enjoy.

Team captain for the Arnold Anderson team Nancy Anderson, 37, said that she and Julie walk for their father and for all others who are dealing with arthritis.

I just think that the walk is multifactorial. It is for a good cause and generates funds to support the foundation and their research," she said. "I also think it is a good way to show

support to any loved ones or people out there who might be suffering from arthritus."

The disease is also much more wide spread than imagined by most. It is the nation's leading cause of disability, robbing people of all ages of their ability to participate in many daily activities, and diminishing their

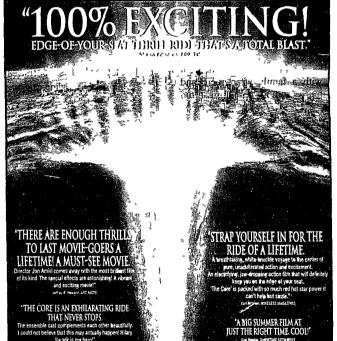
overall quality of life. There are many things we can do to prevent arthritis from imposing limits on our lives-from exercising for

ourselves to funding research for others," said Tino J., Montella, president and CEO of the Arthritis Foundation. "The [walk] provides us with a motivating and fun way to do both."

And the sisters agree. Each spring, when flowers are beginning to bloom and the sun begins to warm their faces, the sisters walk and remember their father

Said Nancy Anderson: "I wish he was walking with us. But then again, he just might be"





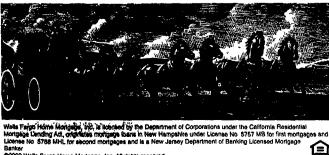
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Northville tapped as site for DCX car show

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

Get out the car wax and shine up your [INSERT CLASSIC CAR HERE] to ready it for the DaimlerChrysler/USMA Car Show.

Scheduled for Saturday, May 10, the event is expected to draw participants from all around southeastern Michigan and is open to anyone who owns a classic car of any make. Most entrants will be awarded tro-, phy's or dash plaques.

The event is officially sponsored by DaimlerChrysler and the United Street Machines Association of Clawson. Event coordinator and Northville resident Robin Cursi expects to have participation from a disc jockey associated with 104.3 (WOMC-FM) as many as 200 classic vehicles.

USMA is a car club that donates 100 percent of its proceeds to American veterans and children's organizations. Proceeds from the event are expected to come from the sale of USMA T-shirts and club membership dues. There will be no entry fees for contestants, who will be encouraged to bring their families.

Cursi, marketing manager for DaimlerChrysler, said he chose the city of Northville for the "small hometown feel" and the values the community represents.

With 53 radio spots promoting the city in association with the car show, coverage in the DaimlerChrysler Times with a circulation of 50,000, and promotional spots featuring Northville on DaimlerChrysler Television played in every facility throughout the country, Cursi referred to the car show as a "big initiative."

"It is national coverage, in a sense," said Cursi. "It's going to be a family-fun oriented event with a family atmosphere and f music and gifts and great old cars. Come on down and enjoy , the town."

Mayor Christopher Johnson, who will be present at the car show to present the Mayor's Choice Award, said he is looking forward to the event.

"I think any activity that we can bring to the downtown is what makes it alive. Downtowns are not just buildings-they are people," Johnson said. "Any event that can generate a good group of people is something we try to do. I think it is also something the residents will enjoy."

Fauline Lupercio is a staff writer for the Northville

Ridge Wood gets new playground

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By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Coats of fresh paint, new furniture and new faces are among the additions planned for the inside of the district's newest elementary school this fall. But careful planning didn't end with the interior of Ridge Wood Elementary.

Creativity from playground subcommittee members flowed in designing the upcoming school playground area.

The North'ville Board of Education approved an estimated \$171,500 for the purchase

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- expected to include: • 15 decks
- 2 roofs
- 3 slides
- 14 swings
- 2 tire swings
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and installation of playground equipment for the school at its March 25 meeting. The equipment would serve the

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•1	curved balance beam parallel bars tetherball

Kindergarten, grades 1-5 and Early Child Care program. The bid was awarded to Engan, Tooley and Doyle. Play equipment for Kindergarten and Early Child Care programs:

- 10 decks
- 2 slides
- 6 swings
- 1 playhouse
- 1 tunnel
- 2 sand tables
- 4 see-saw seats

According to Northville schools assistant superintendent David Bolitho, playground construction is expected to begin this month. The playground is slated to be completed by the beginning of the 2003-2004 school year.

The Northville school district received a total of six bids. School officials said the three lowest bidders were interviewed by the Ridge Wood playground subcommittee to compare the quality of the play equipment.

Jennifer Norris is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 107 or by email at

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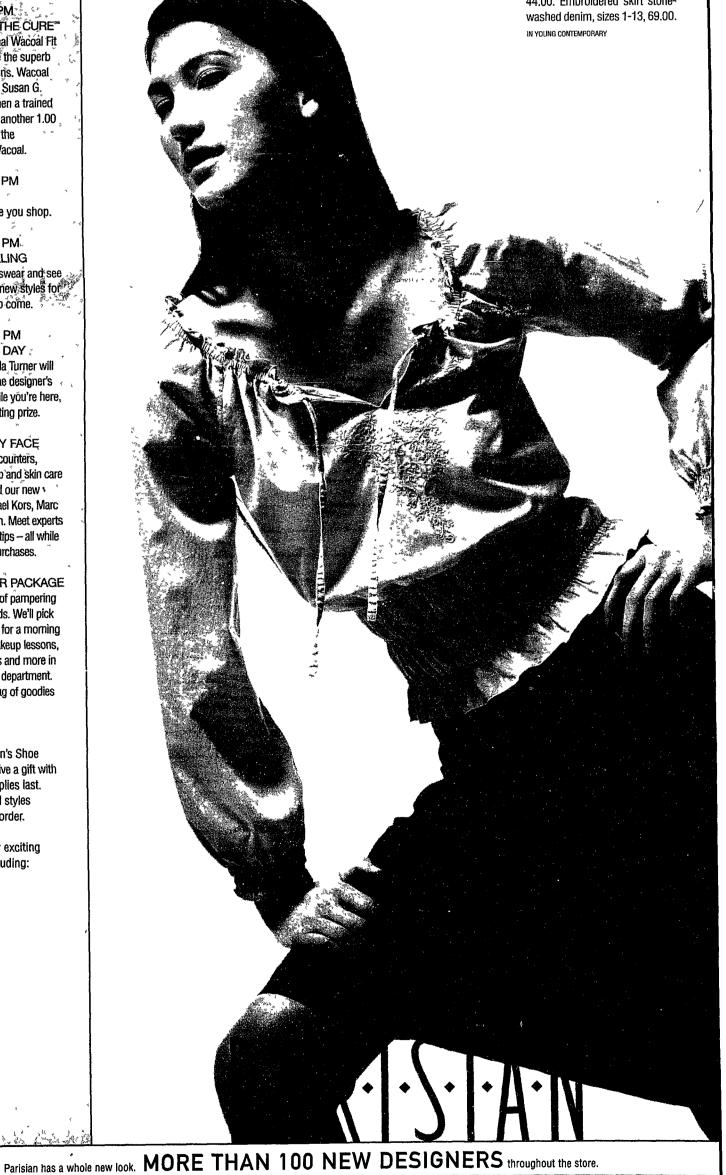
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CAR SHOW INFO

The classic car show will take place on Saturday, May 10, in the downtown area from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Registration will begin at 11 a.m. for participants and family participation is encouraged. Mayor Chris Johnson will be at the event to present the Mayor's Choice Award. Trophies for best "cruise-in" will be awarded at 5 p.m. the frist 150 entries will receive freetool kits.

The event will take place in city lot #4, which is located behind the MainCentre and MGM buildings. There will be no fee for contestants and the event, officially sponsored by DaimlerChrysler certified pre-owned vehicle\$, is being promoted as a family event.

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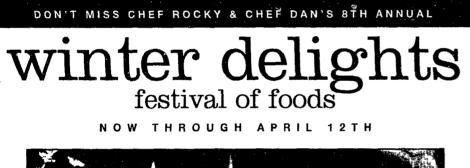
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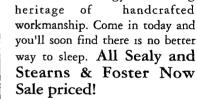
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Arrests made in Novi jewelry store heist

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

After one week of evading police, two of the suspects wanted in connection with kidnapping a Fenton Township family and later stealing \$1 million worth of merchandise from a Novi jewelry store were caught and arrested in a joint law enforcement effort.

Both men were expected to be charged with kidnapping, armed robbery, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony and convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

Novi Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer said both of the suspects have lengthy criminal histories in the United States and Canada.

"Early in the investigation, detectives received a very thin lead from members of the community," Shaeffer said. "Detectives utilized this information and began to focus their case on a group of suspects."

Novi police said as the investigation continued, officers received information from the Windsor Police Department about one suspect's prior criminal histo-

Bank patrons stay the course amid war

By Phil Foley STAFF WRITER

Business may be bad for bankers from Basra to Baghdad, but locally financial professionals are more concerned about consumer confidence than troop movements.

Area bankers and credit union officials say their customers and members hardly raised an eyebrow following the Office of Homeland Security's declaration of threat level Code Orange after the outbreak of war in Iraq.

"It's been business as usual." noted Tom Barrett, a commercial loan officer at Republic Bank in Northville. He said his customers seem more concerned about how the war will affect the economy in the long term than the war itself.

Barrett said projects in the pipeline are moving forward and the typical indications of business shaking off the winter's chill are starting to appear. "The phone's still ringing," he said.

Tony Musu, sales and markering manager at the Novi Community Credit Union, said he hasn't seen any significant impact on his members. "I think people understand it's a lengthy process and there's nothing to worry about." He noted that unlike natural disasters here at home, the war is an ocean away so there is no immediate, direct impact on his members' financial lives. 'Some people some place might be in a panic mode, but I've seen no evidence of it here." He added he saw more concern among his membership over the Y2K scare. Shiela Gunn branch manager for Standard Federal Bank at Westmarket Square on Novi's west end, said many of her customers are talking about the war, but none of them seem effected by the war. Since the branch has been open not quite a year, Gunn said she really hasn't got a historical perspective on business, but people seem to be moving forward with their lives, refinancing mortgages, buying new homes and such. "We're doing well, but were still trying to get off the ground," she said.

ry in Canada which showed some similarities.

Police said at that time the investigation branched out and brought other law enforcement agencies into the investigation including the FBI, Detroit Violent Crimes Task Force, Detroit Police Department, Michigan State Police, Genesee County Sheriff's Department, and the Novi Police Department including its SONIC unit.

Undercover surveillance of the two suspects resulted in search warrants being served at five house in Detroit on Thursday, March 26.

Investigators said the duffle bag taken from the kidnapping vic-

tim's house was found along with a large quantity of jewelry and watches with Jared price tags in the principal suspect's home.

We believe the suspects disposed of some of the jewelry prior to us focusing our investigation on them," Shaeffer said.

Novi police said the arrests were a joint effort of law enforcement agency cooperation beginning with an immediate investigation started by the Novi Police and Genesee County Sheriff's departments.

A very important aspect of this case is the cooperative efforts by the various law enforcement agencies involved," Shaeffer said "I want to recognize each and every one of them and their officers who came together to form a very cohesive and effective investigation team that identified and arrested the perpetrators of this very dangerous and significant crime "

On March 19 the manager of Jared's Galleria of Jewelry Deborah Harrington and her husband Leonard Harrington arrived at their Fenton Township home around 9:30 p.m. when they two armed assailants rushed them at gunpoint and forced them into their house from their garage.

"They were bound and held for several hours," Shaeffer said "Their son arrived home and he too was abducted at gunpoint."

Police said while in the house, the gunmen were joined by two more assailants and the three victims were held until about 5 a.m.

One of the abductors forced Deborah to drive him to Jared's while the remaining three gunmen held the other two family members in their home.

"At the jewelry store, the assailant forced the manager under the threat of violence and her family members to open the store, disable the alarm and open the safe," Shaeffer said

After robbing the store of about \$1 million in merchandise, the suspect fled in Deborah's vehicle with the jewelry in the Harrington's duffle bag

After breaking free from the ties used to hold the victim, the store manager called the Novi Police Department.

As the robbery was taking place, the hostages in Fenton Township were tied and left in their home.

They called the Genesee County Sheriff's Department after breaking free.

Police said none of the victims were harmed.

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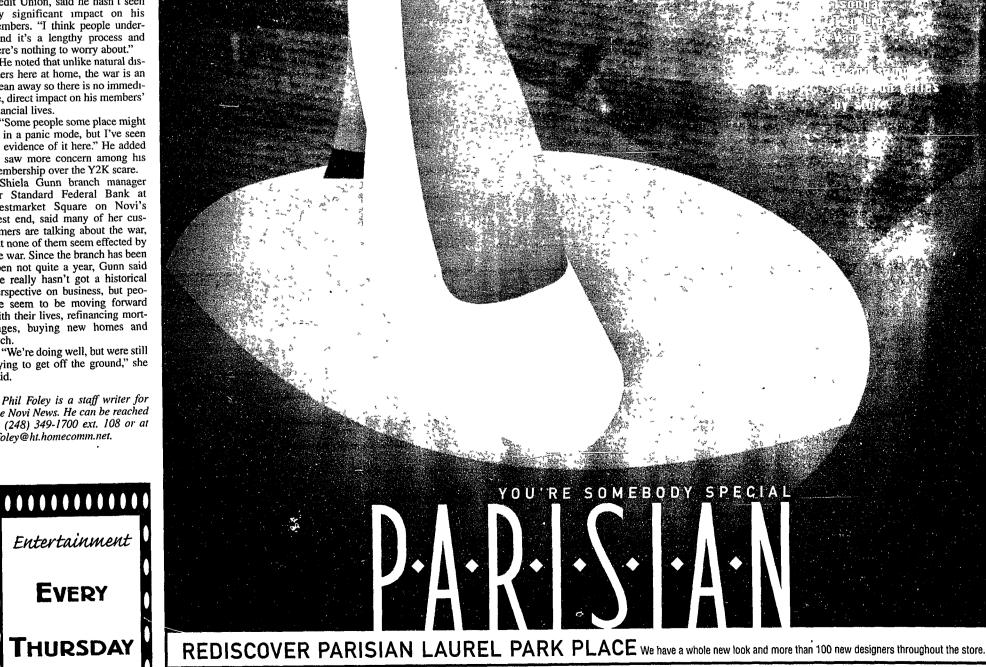
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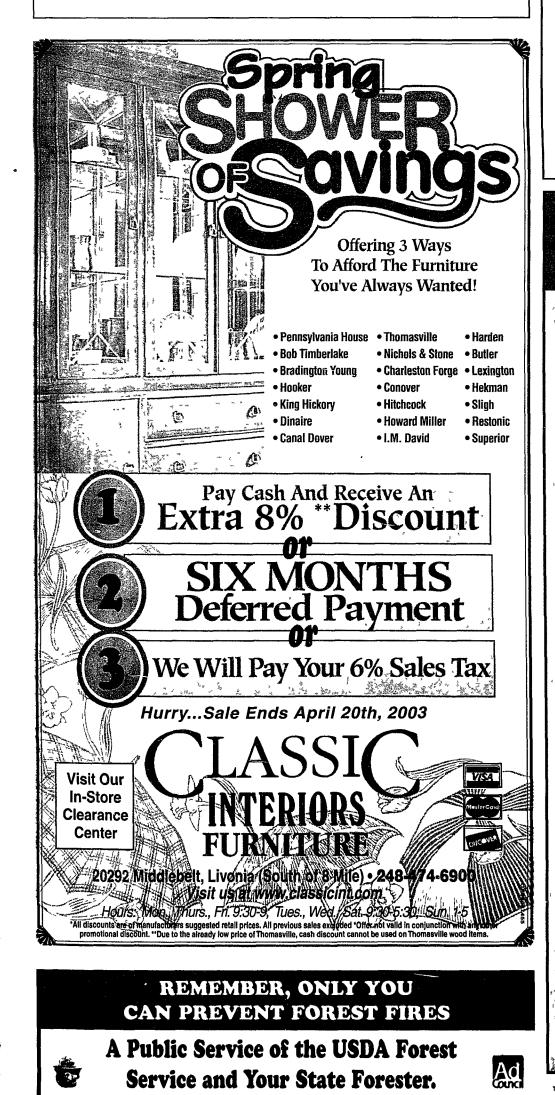
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Crayola masterpieces



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Silver Springs Elementary School artists Abbey Coe, left, and Takaya Kojima work on some drawings recently. Both were noted by the Michigan Art Educators' Assoc. for their artistic prowess after a juried show in Wayne County last month.



Catholic Central request irks Novi planning board

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

A request made to members of city council for an amendment to an ordinance governing Novi's dedicated woodland tree replacement procedure irked members of the Novi Planning Commission who felt the request should have come to them first.

"Something is rotten in the woodwork someplace," said planning commissioner David Ruyle. "I can't believe that it was not discussed and he kept to himself

before going in front of this (city council) body."

Ruyle and other members of the commission were shocked and offended after learning Detroit Catholic Central was requesting leniency from the woodlands ordinance via a city council meeting. The commission hedy had been

The commission body had been working through the preliminary site plan process with the parochial school marked for home on Wixom Road south of Grand River Avenue for quite some time and said they had never heard any echoes of non-compliance. The planning commission unanimously granted Catholic Central its preliminary site plan review in February.

"We meant no disrespect to them (PC)," said Tom Ryan, attorney representing Detroit Catholic Central. "Law making isn't for the faint of heart."

Ryan said the only reason he brought the ordinance amendment request before the city council instead of the planning commission was because the city council is the body with the authority to amend Novi laws.



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LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Northville District Library board of trustees will be April 24 at 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend these monthly meetings, which are typically scheduled on the fourth Thursday of the month.

Births



Blaise Anlon Mardossian

Blaise Anlon Mardossian was born Jan 29 at 10:46 p.m. at Prowidence Hospital to Ashley and Brandon Mardossian. He weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and measured $21\frac{1}{2}$ inches at birth.

Blaise is the grandson of Gary and Denise MacLean of Northville and Arthur and Judy Mardossian of Northville. He is the great-grandson of Dora Pepino of Northville, Rose Mardossian of Livonia and Les and Fran MacLean of Farmington.



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Caitlin 1s the sister of Daniel McKee. She 1s the granddaughter of David and Deanne Nelsen and Lloyd and Helen McKee, all of Northville. She 1s the great-granddaughter of Margaret McKee of Royal Oak.

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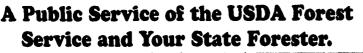
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Obituaries

Hurd H. Sutherland

Hurd Sutherland of Saluda, N.C. died March 22 at his home. He was 95.

A Detroit native, Mr. Sutherland was also a resident of New York and Northville prior to moving to Saluda. He was a 1929 graduate of Harvard University. While at Harvard, Mr. Saluda met Clara Whitney Sutherland, to whom he would be married. She preceded him in death in 2001.

Mr. Sutherland worked for Chase Manhattan Bank in New York and later at Ferris State University, where he developed curriculum for an industrial photography program. He also worked for the Detroit Tank Arsenal during World War II. Mr. Sutherland was a charter member of the Northville Historical Society, First Presbyterian Church of Northville and was an elder emeritus at Saluda Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Sutherland is survived by his son, Peter Sutherland of Saluda; his daughters, Dorothy Costantini of Great Cacapon, W. Va., Susan Lemon of Novi and Laura Brewer of Grand Rapids; 12 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Funeral arrangements were handled by Thomas Shepher & Son Funeral Directors and Cremation Memorial Center of Hendersonville, N.C. Obituaries are printed free of charge in the Northville Record, but information must be provided to the Record no later than noon of the Tuesday preceding the Thursday of publication. Obituary information not originating from a funeral home must be accompanied with a photocopy of a state-issued death certificate. Materials can be sent to:

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Bradley B. Custer

Bradley Custer of Holly died March 23 in Grand Blanc Township. He was 29.

Mr. Custer was born Feb. 4, 1974 in Detroit to Fred A. Custer and Patricia (Wolfert) Custer, both of whom survive hum. Born and raised in Northville, Mr. Custer relocated to Holly 10 years ago. He received a bachelor's degree in computers and communications from the University of Michigan. He was emoyed as a computer consultant, legal assistant and service provider for the mentally III. In addition, Mr. Custer was an avid sports fan and a former sports writer for the University of Michigan's student newspaper.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Custer is survived by his fiance, Erin Davis of Holly; his siblings, Benjamin (Nong) Custer of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., and Christian Custer of Northville; his grandparents, Richard and Dorothy Wolfert of Parma, Ohio and Ruth Custer of Transfer.

Visitation for Mr. Custer will be held March 27 from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangments. A memorial service for Mr. Custer will be held March 28 at 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church of Northville Rev. John Hice will officate the service. Interment will be at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alliance for the Mentally III or the Rose Hill Center.

Glenn C. Long

Glenn Long of Northville died March 27 at his home. He was 85.

Mr. Long was born April 23, 1917 in West Bloomfield to George Long and Effie Cornwall. He later married Lois (Hopkins) Long, to whom he'd been married for 62 years. She survives him.

A lifetime resident of Northville,

Mr. Long founded Long's Plumbing in 1949. He was a licensed master Brian L. Collins

plumber and licensed boiler installer.

He was also a member of First

United Methodist Church of

Northville, a past member of the

Northville Optimist Club, the down-

town development authority, the

Northville Chamber of Commerce,

and served as the grand marshal in

the 1990 Northville Independence

Day parade. He was an avid sports

fan who coached Little League base-

ball and "played at" golf later in life.

is survived by his children, Mary

McLeod of Livonia, Thomas

(Karen) Long of Scottsdale, Ariz.,

and James (Virginia) Long of

Northville; his brother, Carlos Long;

seven grandchildren, 13 great-grand-

A memorial service for Mr. Long

was held March 31 at First United

Methodist. Rev. John Hice officiated

the service. Interment will be at

Rural Hill Cemetery of Northville.

Memorial contributions may be sent

to First United Methodist, 777 W.

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children and one great-grandson.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Long

Brian Collins of Commerce Township died March 25 in Commerce Township. He was 28.

Mr. Collins was born March 13, 1975 in Royal Oak to Roger Collins and Linda A. Brandenburg, who survive him. A resident of Northville for most of his life, Mr. Collins was a 1993 Northville High School graduate and worked at Ford Motor Company's Wayne assembly line. Mr. Collins enjoyed music and golf.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Collins is survived by his brother, Jason Collins of Flint; his grandmother, Elaine Bratcher of Tennessee; his girlfriend's daughter, Brianna Gothe; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Donald Brandenburg and Carlos and Jeanette Collins.

A memorial service for Mr. Collins was held March 29 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Pastor Jonathan Wilkes of First Baptist Church of Northville officiated the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to Childhelp USA National Headquarters, 15757 N. 78th Street, Scottsdale, Ariz. 85260.

Paul E. Baetz

Paul Baetz of Northville died March 24 at his home. He was 79. Mr. Baetz was born Aug. 19, 1923

in Detroit to Paul K. Baetz and Anna Jankowsky. He married Angeline Baetz on Oct. 19, 1956. She survives him.

Mr. Baetz was a Northville resident for 30 years. A World War II veteran who was stationed in Aredennes, Rhineland and central Europe, Mr. Baetz was honorably discharged as a master sergeant. He was a retured salesperson for Savin Corporation and was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Northville.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Baetz is survived by his sons, Paul D. Baetz and Christopher Baetz, both of Northville; and his grandchildren, Audrey and Alexander Baetz. He was preceded in death by two sisters.

A memorial service for Mr. Baetz will be held at 11 a.m. April 8 at St. Paul's Lutheran. Pastor Thomas Lubeck will officiate the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran, 201 Elm Street, Northville, Mich. 48167; or Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Mich. 48154.

Northville remembers life, legacy of Long

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Glenn did serve on the board of trustees. He loved music and he loved attending worship. That's true of his whole family. He has a strong, tightknut family with a lot of love and a lot of grief. He loved being active. He really did not like to sit still."

Hice said Long's character was one of integrity.

"People loved Glenn," said Hice "Glenn was straightforward and just had a good, generous heart. He's the kind of guy that had a smile on his face and was gentle and warm and welcoming of others into his life."

Long's son, Jim, echoed similar sentiments.

"He loved this town," said Jim

Long. "He loved his family His family was very important in his life. He was definitely old-school. He had a pretty good sense of humor He loved his grandchildren immensely Whenever his grandchildren came to the door, he brightened up."

Family members also said Glenn Long was a past member of the Northville Optimist Club, a past member of the Northville Downtown Development Authority and served as a past president of the Northville Chamber of Commerce and the Northville In addition, he was selected as the

an addition, he was selected as the grand marshal for the 1990 Northville Fourth of July parade and was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Long is survived by his wife of 62

years, Lois, and children: Mary McLeod of Livonia, Thomas (Karen) Long of Scottsdale, Ariz and James (Virginia) Long of Northville as well as 7 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

A memorial service took place Monday at the First United Methodist Church

The family requested donations to the First United Church of Northville of \mathcal{O}^{A} of Soseph Mercy Hospice in lieu of flowers.

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faculty to favor any of the models for a schedule change.

· The responses did not indicate any significant effects of a possible schedule change.

• There is a sleep problem among students.

Even after reviewing and analyzing the collected data, some committee members were still left scratching their heads on the benefits of a delayed start time

There's no consensus among the committee that it's a good idea or a bad

idea," said Bolitho. "We're still divided. It's just not feasible at this time. But we did learn, as a committee, that there are adolescent sleep problems in our community and we need to deal with those according to whatever plan is developed by the board of education."

The bottom line is...there is no compelling opinion from students, staff and parents to change start times, but there is compelling evidence students are suffering from sleep disorders.'

Now that the committee's research is completed, Bolitho said the Northville Board of Education will

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> Dave Bolitho Northville schools assistant superintendent

cuss future plans. "We have enough data right now

that we need to analyze," he said. "The board has to digest this information.' Northville school board members

publicly lauded the committee for their report and research efforts in the project.

At the board meeting, various members of the Late Start Committee discussed the survey's results and the group's recommendations.

"The report was presented in a professional manner and the interaction between the board and the committee was of a very high caliber," said Bolitho "That's the plane of discussion we wanted to have with the community.

Northville schools is also part of a regional committee which consists of other local school districts. Their mission is to examine ways to accommodate the needs of children who have 3 sleep problems or disorders, without 1 changing times. Currently, the group meets about three times a year, Bolitho said.

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LATE START COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The following are some conclusions of the survey data reached by the High School Late Start Committee.

. There is no compelling evidence from parents, students and faculty to favor any of the models for a schedule change.

• The responses did not indicate any significant effects of a possible schedule change.

. There is a sleep problem. The responses of parents observing more sleepy behavior as students get older, the less than recommended median weekly sleep rate, the reported physiological and psychological effects of being sleepy and the fact that 42 percent of high school students reported being asleep once or more in class within the last two weeks are disturbing.

Based on the survey results and town hall meetings, the High School Late Start Committee proposes the following recommendations.

1. Continue to work with local school districts regarding the merits, burdens, costs and effects of this concept during the next few years.

2. Educate teachers, parents, counselors about sleep, sleep patterns and sleep disorders in general.

3. Analyze current data to look for association between sleep characteristics, grades, and incidence of sleepiness. With this information, we could inform existing Instructional Support Teams (IST) and Child Study Teams of "at risk" factors associated with sleep deprivation (e.g. lowest 10th percentile in grades, teacher observation and ADHD). This could lead to individual accommodations to alleviate the problem.

Examine ways to reduce before school programs at the secondary level.

5. The results of the survey should be published and shared with professional groups.

Hillside Middle School fair 'absolutely phenomenal'

By Jennifer Norris STAFF WRITER

Hillside Middle School was humming with activity last week as students and their families gathered for the school carnival and silent auction.

"It was absolutely phenomenal," said Lisa Phillion, chairperson for the event. "It was a packed house. Everyone had a great time. The participation and the attitude was just very high. In general, everyone

wanted to be there." Phillion said plenty of community involvement resulted in a tidy sum earmarked for the school.

'We exceeded our goal of fundraising," she said. "A lot of parents contributed to the bake sale. We don't have the exact figures in, but we're thinking it's over double what we did last year."

The carnival and silent auction is hosted annually at Hillside Middle school.

"It was a great event for the kids," said Phillion, who added that the function was complete with games, prizes, food and beverages.

But the event wasn't just a magnet for students.

"It brought in sublings, to the parents, to the grandparents," said Phillion. "Every generation was

represented."

Plans are in the works to improve the event.

"We want to add more activities next year," said Phillion. "When everybody gets there, it's amazing. It's really a community event. The reason it's so successful is because the kids love the school, they love the principal and the teachers and therefore it's the place they want to be with a -UTTER ADAT!

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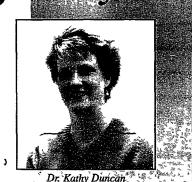


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MOMS donation collection for Baby, Kid and Me Resale DATE: April 4

LOCATION: First United Methodist Church (777 W. Eight Mile); lower church entry TIME: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. DETAILS: Donations of gentlyused items, includig baby and children's equipment, maternity clothing, furniture, toys and books are being sough for a sale slated for April 11 and 12. **PHONE:** (248) 305-8035

Gordon Bennett --- Live DATE: April 4 LOCATION: Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall (108 E. Main Street) TIME: 7 p.m. **DETAILS:** Call for information PHONE: (248) 349-0522

American Association of **University Women Northville-**Novi Branch meeting DATE: April 8 LOCATION: Hillside Middle School (775 N. Center Street) TIME: 7 p.m.

DETAILS: Nancy Darga, chief of design of Wayne County Parks, will speak on "A History of Hines Park." AAUW membership is open to all individuals holding a baccalaureate degree or higher. Student affiliate membership are open to individuals currently attending college. PHONE: (248) 924-2180

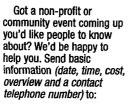
Poet Rayn Roberts at Barnes & Noble

DATE: April 8 LOCATION: Barnes & Noble (17111 Haggerty Road) TIME: 7:30 p.m.

DETAILS: Roberts grew up in Southern California and spent the last 12 years in Asia. The last three years has been spent teaching in South Korea, where

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he completed four books and coordinated "Poetry On The Peaks," which encourages dialoque between civilizations through poetry. Roberts' profile can be looked up at www.geocities.com/raynrobkorea PHONE: (248) 348-0696

COMING UP •

Northville Chamber of **Commerce TGIF** DATE: April 11 LOCATION: Northville Chamber of Commerce (195 S. Main Street) TIME: 8 a.m. **DETAILS:** Reservations are

required PHONE: (248) 349-7640

"A Day of Peace Through Yoga"

DATE: April 12 LOCATION: Amerman Elementary School (847 N. Center Street) TIME: 9:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. (full- or part-day) **DETAILS:** Several styles of yoga or thai chi will be taught, including partner yoga and yoga for children. Sessions are \$35 for all four or \$10 per class. All

proceeds from the class benefit Kids 4 Afghan Kids, a program to support an elementary school in Afghanistan's Wonkhai Valley. PHONE: (248) 478-6501

Women's Service Club rummage sale DATE: April 11, 12 LOCATION: Meadowbrook

Congregational Church (21355 Meadowbrook Road) TIME: 9 a.m .- 5 p.m. (April 11); 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. (April 12) **DETAILS:** There is no admission charge for the event. PHONE: (248) 348-7757

Handcrafters Arts & Crafts

Show DATE: April 11-13 LOCATION: Northville Recreation Center (303 W. Main Street) **TIME:** 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. (April 11); 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (April 12); 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. (April 13) DETAILS: More than 70 juried artisans will display their wares, which will be available for purchase. Admission is \$2. Baby strollers are not allowed. PHONE: (734) 459-0050

U.S. Army Female Veterans Recruitment Meeting / Potluck Luncheon DATE: April 12 LOCATION: Call for info TIME: Noon **DETAILS:** Female veterans of military action from Vietnam to

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LOCATION: Hillside Middle School forum (145 N. Center Street) TIME: 7:30 p.m. DETAILS: Mr. Farrell is an associate professor of art history at the University of Windsor. Admission is \$10, or \$5 for students PHONE: (248) 449-9950

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 of charge. PHONE: (248) 349-0203, ext.

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Farmers Market Opening Day DATE: Starts May 1 (open every Thursday through October 30) LOCATIÓN: Seven Mile / Center street TIME: Call for info

DETAILS: Fresh produce and plants will be available for pur-

chase at the event, which runs rain or shine. PHONE: (248) 349-7640

Summer kickoff party to benefit Detroit's Neinas Elementary School

DATE: May 2 LOCATION: Call for info TIME: Call for info **DETAILS:** Organizers are looking for used children's books, new T-shirts, summer outdoor toys and food for food baskets. Materials may be dropped off at Northville's Century 21 Town & Country (175 Cady Center). **PHONE:** (248) 349-5600

Plymouth Community Chorus presentation: "Broadway Legends" DATE: May 3, 4 LOCATION: Northville High School (45700 Six Mile Road) TIME: 8 p.m. **DETAILS:** Music from Lerner & Rowe, Rodgers & Hammerstein, Cole Porter, George Gershwin and Andrew Lloyd Webber will be performed. Tickets are \$12. PHONE: (734) 455-4080

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Better never than late start

suburban Apparently, Minneapolis isn't the Fountain of Attentiveness some may have hoped. That's what we can deduce, after a committee released its report last week, which was inconclusive in projecting that pushing back the start time for Northville High School would work as well as it apparently has in Edina, Minn. Interestingly enough, it appears

as if logistical and financial realities - not sleep patterns in young people were the primary reasons for the committee coming to the conclu- bers of the comsions it did. When you're mittee understood looking at a \$2 million deficit the next year, working world. switching around the times

for first bell start to lose their priority.

Also interesting to note was the committee readily acknowledged a sleep issue existed among students.

"There's no consensus among the committee that it's a good idea or a bad idea," said assistant superintendent Dave Bolitho. "We're still divided. It's just not feasible at this time. But we did learn, as a committee, that there are adolescent sleep problems in our community and we need to deal with those according to whatever plan is developed by the board of education."

Whatever the reason, it's refreshing to see that members of the committee understood the reality of the working world, and that dollars and cents will trump the dozing-off by a few snoozing students.

That's not to say we're not concerned about the health and wellbeing of high schoolers. Quite the contrary. We believe an environment and a mental state conducive to learning is essential for education to take root. At the same time, we also suspect

significant а amount of the Whatever the reasleepiness seen in class is a son, it's refreshing result of student trying to cram to see that memtoo much into one day, not to mention parents unwilling to step in and draw the reality of the the line. Many

students will be packing their bags and head-

ing to the airports for spring break later this month. We'll bet there's nary a student who doesn't make it to the gate well in advance of even a 6 a.m. departure.

Will this recommendation mark the end of the late start issue? Probably not. The program has had marked success in Edina, whose supporters swear by its benefits. For the time being, though, it's good that the district can apparently put this matter behind itself and move on to more pressing matters.

...like how to solve a \$2 million budget crunch.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

One of the Farm Lady - Margaret Schmidt's royal palm turkeys is let out of its cage at her Wixom Road home to strut his stuff. Schmidt takes this bird and other farm creatures to local schools.



Reader responds to MEAP mandate column

She stood shoulder to shoulder with Frank Educational Assessment Program] Scholarship Fund would be safe with her. As supporter's names were scrolled on TV, her name was at the top. Who? Our cute lady Governor Grandholm, that's who. The funds are safe --- never to be seen again by parents or kids. The medical conglomerate didn't want all the money diverted to it, only most of it. The state only wants most of it. So where is the remaining millions diverted? The state is continuing to receive millions from the tobacco settlement.

scholarship fund is the first lesson in Politics 101. Do not trust the system. Students can make their own statement. Take the test. Give it minimal effort. Pass it. Take the \$500 and run. You get what you pay for. What a sad commentary on trust.

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You state, Mr. [Chris] Davis, that the teachers loathe the MEAP because they must teach the test.

If they are doing their jobs, teaching the core curriculum, they will be teaching the MEAP. What is shameful about that? When President Bush was promoting his educational policy, "Leave No Child Behind," he was questioned about the wisdom of teaching and testing. His response was, "At least they'll be teaching." All teachers teach/test. How else can children be evaluated? Call it MEAP pop quiz, finals, it's all testing.

In Michigan, MEAP results are almost as important as the rate of taxation. They do have an economic impact on the community. As the MEAP goes, so go home sales. Poor MEAP results are often interpreted as poor teaching, thus buyers avoid the area.

MEAP scores are used to give the state and communities an insight into the direction its education system is going. Students were opting out of the three-hour test. Colleges are disinterested in the results. Gov. [John] Engler waved the money carrot and the scholarship fund brought students in.

You suggest, Mr. Davis, that the state should mandate the MEAP as a requirement for graduation. It can mandate, but it can't guarantee reliable results. No one is more stubborn than a teenage. The student will take the test and just barely pass. This is called passive boycott. Everyone loses.

Needless to say, the governor has misled the citizens. The change in the status of the

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verification. We ask that your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content.

Mary Braddock Northville

Living flag photograph meant a great deal

The front-page picture of the students of Winchester Elementary School (March 27) was a winner. The flag portrayal by the kids is inspiring and I hope appreciated by the Northville residents.

Somebody give each of the kids a hug. Congratulations to the teachers involved in the project. Their response to the war, the leadership of our president, and recognition of their knowledge, understanding, and courage to undertake such a project deserves the attention, the acknowledgment, and the thanks of the city's residents.

The contrast to the behavior of other school groups in the nation, teacher instigated, that protest the war during school classroom time, contradict the efforts of our young service men and women, besmirch the leadership of President Bush and the Congress, defile the country's name and history. Many of the protesters can be identified as enemy elements within our borders.

Rolling up the sleeves to respond to the war effort recognizes the danger of terrorist behavior, attacks that could deny us civilization as we know it. Today's Hitler must be stopped.

Thanks to the Record for helping in the educators' effort to support the troops. It truly is appreciated.

> Neil Goodbred Livonia

5,000 hours by reading over 8,192 hours. Two hundred and four (out of 495) first through fifth graders actually read 10 hours or more beyond their personal, grade-established goals. Visits from authors Patricia Polacco and then Toulla Palazeti were part of the month-long celebration, as was collecting "Books for Those Without", the creation of a "Living Flag," and a pajama party finale.

Events of this magnitude are not possible without the leadership, support, and assistance of many people. We would like to express our sincere gratitude: to Jim DeLano for supplying free Pizza Cutter pizzas for every student who met his/her goal; to Mary Wilson who developed and coordinated the awesome task of tabulating and reporting the hours read by every individual; to Donna MacDonald, Susie Pool, Jeannine Makowski, Nancy Chesney, and Jennifer Lanzetta who made our Pajama Party possible; to [WXYZ-TV] and [WJBK-TV] who shared the magical moment of our "Living Flag" with the rest of the world; and to the following people for tabulating, scooping, or just plain helping out: Roberta Eis, The Griffiths Family, Debbie Valencia, Melissa Mistak, Shirley Rogers, Jim Steslicki, Karol Ostrowski, Karen Fox, Jill Wylie, Sandi Rogers, Kathy Sugiyama, Marjorie Dunn, Dawn Schafer, Cheryl Goodbred, Barb Zinkosky, Amy Marmaduke, Patty Pokrandt, Teresa Osterhoff, Jane Roach, Lynda Stanecki, Shirley Oryschak, Karen Heiser, Sheri Patrone, Lisa Swoish, Michele Robinet, Heather Wolter, Jill Hardenburg, Laura Kronner, Rose Lerner, Ann McCutcheon, Mary Mullally, Julie Peraino, Michelle Skillman, Mardi Vargo, Catherine Weir, and Sheryl West.

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OTHER OPINIONS

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Iraq and Vietnam look alike

The longer the war in Iraq goes on, the more concerned I get. Here's why.

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Back in 1966, just as the Vietnam war was really heating up, I was working in Washington as the chief of staff for a Michigan Congressman, Paul H. Todd, Jr. I spent a day in July at the White House, much of it talking with President Lyndon Johnson about the war. At the end, I was orally offered a job as a special assistant to the President, with general responsibility of reaching out to young people about the



I wound up not taking the job. But I do remember vividly my conversation with

President Johnson, and today I am increasingly troubled by the parallels between the wars in

Vietnam and

Phil Power

Iraq The first has to do with the economy. During the war in Vietnam, President Johnson's economic policy was to have both "guns and butter." He rejected tax increases to pay for the rapidly increasing cost of the war. The resulting ballooning federal deficit helped drive inflation into the double digits in 1970s. The response of the Federal Reserve Board - to push up interest rates to double-digit levels - triggered the devastating recession of the early 1980s.

Today we face much the same situation. The federal budget is already billions in the red, in part because of the recession and in part because of the big tax cut passed by Congress last year. And now President George W. Bush wants another big tax cut, \$720 billion this time, "to stimulate the economy." The Administration has also requested a supplemental appropriation of

\$75 billion to pay for the war in Iraq so far. Most experts figure the full cost will be at least \$200 billion, not counting the continuing expense of peacekeeping and reconstructing Iraq after the war.

Economists are already warning of a "fiscal train wreck," a compound of current federal deficits, additional tax cuts and rapidly rising war costs that will result in much, much larger deficits. Deficit spending usually results in inflation, and big deficits usually result in big inflation. And the standard way to control inflation - by increasing interest rates --- usually results in a full-blown recession.

The second parallel concerns persistent disputes within the government about strategy.

In the case of Vietnam, military leaders constantly chided civilian politicians, faced with an increasingly unpopular war, with trying to scrimp on committing adequate men and weapons to win the war. In Iraq, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld has come under growing criticism from military officers that the initial allied combat force of 180,000 troops is too small and too light on armor to protect a 300-mile-long supply line and win the battle for Baghdad.

In the case of Vietnam, political leaders worried about rising world opinion against the war resisted military requests to escalate by mining Hanoi harbor or using nuclear weapons. In Iraq, military commanders are already concerned that restrictive rules of engagement are inhibiting our forces from firing on hospitals, mosques and civilians being used as shields by Iraq guerillas. But the Administration, alarmed at the prospect of American-destroyed mosques being featured on Arab TV, is boxed in, caught between an urge for brutal effectiveness and increasingly hostile world opinion.

The third parallel has to do with our failure to understand the enemy.

After Vietnam, then Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara admitted he and other war planners didn't understand Vietnamese history and culture, let alone the political dynamics of colonial French Indochina.

The Vietnamese regarded American troops as nothing more than the latest bunch of invaders and were prepared to fight us to the death.

The Iraq war began with an attempt to "decapitate" the regime by killing Saddam Hussein and his entire team in their bunker that, unfortunately, failed. American officers are now saying how surprised they are by the Iraqi will to fight. "We predicated this entire campaign on mass defections and surrender, and that hasn't happened," a senior Pentagon officer told the Associated Press last week. Worse, it's beginning to look as though many Iraqis regard us as infidel invaders rather than democratic liberators.

Other parallels come quickly to mind. In Vietnam, the chain of command bypassed the military chiefs and ran right up to President Johnson, who personally made targeting decisions. In Iraq, the chain of command evidently runs straight to Secretary Rumsfeld, who has imposed his ideas about proper strategy and mix of forces on reluctant military chiefs.

In Vietnam, the justifying ideology was the "domino theory," which held that if Vietnam went Communist, so too would the rest of Southeast Asia. In Iraq, the neoconservative ideology held that "shock and awe" would lead to the quick collapse of Saddam's regime and pave the way for a wholesale realignment of the Middle East the same domino theory, but in reverse.

• Both wars suffered from a confused exit strategy. In Vietnam, the options were either to win the war by going nuclear or suffer the indignity of a forced withdrawal. In Iraq, the options are becoming mutually contradictory: Destroying Saddam's regime requires destroying Baghdad, but winning the hearts and minds of the Iraqis requires not destroying Baghdad.

I have no idea when or how this war will end; I pray we will win it quickly and decisively

But I am still haunted by the last glimpse I had of President Johnson on that day back

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'No more war' got her blood boiling

" Wars can be prevented just as surely as they can be provoked, and we who fail to prevent them must share in the guilt for the dead.'

— General Omar Bradley

World War II commander Omar Bradley, for whom the now much-used Bradley Fighting Vehicle was named, said this after his experiences in Europe. It still rings true today for pacifist, politician, warrior, citizens all. The current



war in Iraq has stirred people all over the world and here in the U.S. - and has its vociferous opponents and proponents. I grudging-

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ago imploring that caution and intelligence be used in confronting Badhdad and its lethal stores. I have shared my concerns with my friends and siblings and fellow lunch-time

patrons of Northville's Joseph's Coney Island. Hussein and his ruling Baath party is a homicidal bastion of an almost pure evil not

seen since Russia's Josef Stalin starved, shot and worked to death somewhere around twenty million of his people. The crux of civilized world is how it confronts such terminal maladies as a Stalin, Pol Pot, Hitler or Hussein.

Inaction in the face of Hussein's threats is troubling: I will not be suprised to see that he has produced the oft-mentioned Weapons of Mass Destruction. Yet I do not feel that the rather limited coalition George Bush has assembled and the manner in which he has taken the fight to Hussein is the right way to go at this time.

I worry about the overall long-term effectiveness of attacking Iraq before it makes a move and how our go-it-mostly-alone attitude will play out on the international stage. A worrisome precedent has been set by this military pre-emptive strike. The repercussions of our invasion of Iraq may be long-lasting and we'll need some serious, immediate help in dealing with North Korea's burgeoning nuclear arsenal. But what do I know? I'm just a photojournalist and fly-fisherman, not a savy politico or military analyst in the Pentagon. In either case, I'm entitled to my opinion.

may have been upset that traffic wasn't moving through the intersection fast enough.

She followed me in a Honda minivan, closely tailing my car with a worrying scowl on her face.

I thought her miffed at something but wasn't yet sure.

At the Northville Road and Six Mile light she again stuck her head out her window and this time (rolling down mine to hear her concerns) I heard "Why don't you move to Iraq? Your wife would have her tongue cut out, followed by something else. I replied, yelling over my left shoulder: "Okay, whatever you say," or something like that.

I surmised, my "No More War" bumper sticker got her ire up. Perhaps she thought I meant I supported Saddam Hussein, Iraq's regime in general and felt the need to fall back on the Vietnam War-era philosophy of America, love it or leave it".

The Honda driver continued to follow close behind me as we both headed east on Six Mile, the scowl on her face burning with dis



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conflicts go it was put together skillfully and admirably for the right reason (to force the aggressor Iraq out of Kuwait and ultimately destroy Baghdad's capacity to wage war on its neighbors).

The war, diplomatically finessed by President George H.W. Bush and Secretary of State James Baker, utlized a huge multinational coalition and included a host of middle eastern nations who shared the same social zip code as Saddam. And it worked.

I happen to be, however, an opponent of the current war in Iraq.

I marched against the war in Detroit and Ann Arbor hoping that a peaceful resolution could be attained. I have written letters to my Senators and representatives in the House. I have met with representatives of Representative Thaddeus McCotter months

Which leads me to the bumpersticker incident. On the back of my car I have a

"Granholm," "Gore" and "No More War" series of stickers. I added the "No More War" (which includes a detail of Picasso's vividly anti-war "Guernica" painting a couple of weeks ago. It may be a naive sentiment but I didn't expect the reaction I got from it this past Friday.

I was driving south on Sheldon Road and set to turn left on Six Mile when I noticed a driver of a minivan behind me sticking her head out her window yelling something. I thought she

like for me, I guess, and those who would advocate "No More War" in general with their uppity bumperstickers. The minivan slowed at the entrance to Northville Christian Assembly church and entered. As I drove past the church and the turning minivan we exchanged drivers' sign language.

Not a classy move for two adults.

I turned around and headed back to the church to confront this driver and in doing so my plan of yelling at her and bringing more animosity to this conflict quicly evaporated. Instead I thought of inviting her to join me at Tim Horton's for a coffee and exchange of ideas.

I should have done that, but didn't. Instead as I left the church parking lot, seeing this woman exit her minivan and head into the east entrance of the church yelled to her to "Have a nice day" which I genuinely hoped she would.





Hi-ho, hi-ho, it's off to work I

It's funny how things work out sometimes. Today (April 1) is my one year anniversary of working here at the Record. And as fate would have it, I am celebrating that anniversary by



Pauline Lupercio

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excited....and I am, to a degree. I'll have more responsibility, more of an opportunity to spread my proverbial wings. And to top all that, I'll be so much closer to my Roseville home that that amount of money I will save on gas will be downright laughable.

But as any good reporter knows, there are

always two sides to every story. And the other side of mine is that I'm going to miss working here.

It may have only been one year, but it was a memorable one. And in the spirit of longwinded acceptance speeches at the Academy Awards, I'd like to take this opportunity to say my thank-you's and good-byes.

First of all, I must give a well-deserved thanks to my editor, Chris Davis. Thanks for giving me a chance to become a better reporter. You opened doors for me and I will always appreciate that.

To all staff here at the Record (and to our Novi News counterparts), it's been fun. It's also been crazy, stressful and wacky and a tiny bit insane here and there trying to meet deadlines. Take care.

As for city and township officials, I can only say that it has been a pleasure working with each and every one of you. "Good" stories or "bad," not one of you has ever tried to keep me from doing my job of keeping the community informed. I would like to sincerely thank all of you and say that I hope you will offer the same level of professional courtesy to whomever it is that will replace

(This also serves as a fair warning that as

of April 10, there will be a brand new person calling all of you and attending the meetings and asking the questions. I know you will miss me, but we really do need to move on here...)

And of course, I would like to say to the Northville community as a whole that I truly enjoyed having had the opportunity to work in this beautiful community. No matter the topic, I have learned with each and every story that Northville is a community that cares about what is happening around them. And I can say that knowing that what I have written matters to those I am writing for means so much to me as a writer.

So now it is time to move on. It's kind of bittersweet. But all I need to do is focus on the fact that within a month of leaving the Record, I'll have enough gas money saved up to buy a brand new wardrobe. That may be enough to get me through this. (Sigh)

Thanks to everyone. And good-bye.

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State, Friends explore partnership PHIL POWER (CONT'd)

By Pauline Lupercio STAFF WRITER

While the future of Maybury remains uncertain, efforts are still underway to secure funding for the rebuilding of the living farm lost in a Feb. 12 fire.

According to Brad Wurfel, press secretary for the Department of Natural Resources, discussions between the DNR and Northville Community the Foundation regarding a possible partnership are still ongoing.

"In an already-strapped budget, we do not have the funds to rebuild the barn out there, which is why we have been entertaining the idea of a partnership," he said, adding that the shortage in funds has been public knowledge from the beginning. "We are still actively working on this issue and hope to be able to make a public announcement sometime in the near future.

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Northville Community Foundation director Shari Peters confirmed that discussions are still ongoing. She also stressed the fact that the Community Foundation had been contacted regarding a possible partnership prior to the tragic fire, which ulti-

of any evidentiary value was

"There was no indication of any

At an earlier date, Byrne said it

was not uncommon for investiga-

tions of a nature similar to the

Maybury barn matter to "drag on

arson by way of burning due to

ignitable liquids," he said.

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Shari Peters Northville Community Foundation

mately claimed the lives of 50 animals.

We did not come on the scene just because the fire happened. We were negotiating with the state before that," she said. "We have said that all along and have made no secret about it.'

Peters said negotiations are still going smoothly. She also stated that prior to the fire, discussions regarding a partnership between the DNR and the Community Foundation did not include the hefty price tag of rebuilding a barn or acquiring new animals.

"It has been a wonderful working relationship with the [DNR] and they are just as anxious as everyone else is to see the barn come to life," Peters said.

he had hoped to be able to issue a

public statement regarding the

cause of the fire once lab results

were obtained and the investiga-

"However, the state does not have the funds and they have been very honest and open with us since the beginning. The job just got considerably larger for us after the fire.

Hence the need, she said, for continued donations to the Community Northville Foundation's endowment fund for Maybury Park from the communitv at large. According to Peter's, approximately \$15,000 has been collected to date - far short of the \$1 million goal for initial start-up. More than a total of \$2 million will be needed in order to afford upkeep and maintenance of the farm and park, she said.

Both State Representative John Stewart and Senator Bruce Patterson stated that they had been in contact with Peters and other Maybury groups since the fire. Both focused on the importance of the park to the community.

"I am very willing to work with the Northville Community Foundation and [Peters] and I am sure that she will take into consideration all of the concerns of the residents of Northville and work in the best interest of the people who want to support the Maybury

love to see the community come together and accepting the offer from Toll Brothers to relocate the barn they have offered, which is in good condition," said Stewart. R-Plymouth. "I would also love to see the community support the goal of having a fall barn raising.'

Peters verified that the Community foundation had been in contact with Toll Brothers and that they are currently working on an agreement. But Peters said she would "not put the cart before the horse" when it comes to scheduling a rebuild of the barn before the appropriate funds have been raised.

"We need to make sure that this is there for the long haul and that is why funding comes first and the barn and barn-raising come second," she said. "We could put up a barn tomorrow, but how would we staff it, how do we maintain it? We want to act in the best interest, for the most people, in the long term.

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in 1966. We were alone. He was sitting at a small desk in a little working office, just off the big ceremonial Oval Office. He looked up at me and asked what I thought was the fundamental problem with the war in Vietnam. I answered, "It's because those little guys in black pajamas just keep coming and coming." He

leaned his elbows on the desk. took off his glasses, rubbed his eves hard and looked up at me. "I know, I know," he sighed.

Phil Power is the Chairman of the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or at

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JOHN HEIDER (CONT'd)

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My father, a man who would not hesitate to identify himself as a Republican and supporter of George W. Bush (and the current war with Iraq), instilled many values in the Heider children and more than once repeated the

philosopher Voltaire's quotation: "I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it."

Let's hope now more than ever that when our nation is at war abroad and in conflict on its own political homefront --- that those on both sides of the issue can agree to at least that much.

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL RECEIVE BIDS FOR TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT

Northville Public Schools will receive sealed bids for the Educational Technology Equipment for Northville Public Schools. Bids will be released on April 7th, 2003.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held **April 11 at 1:00 p.m.** at Northville Public Schools Board Office. Attendance by all bidders are <u>mandatory</u>, in order to clarify or/and answer questions, concerning the Project Manual. Bids may be mailed or delivered in person to Northville Board Office, Michigan, until 1:00 p.m. (local time) April 21, 2003.

Bids will be received at Northville Public Schools, until 1:00 p.m. (local time) at which time and place bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bids received after 1:00 p.m. (local time) will be returned unopened.

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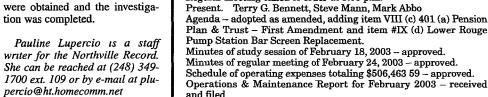
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Minutes of regular meeting of February 24, 2003 – approved. Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$506,463 59 – approved. Operations & Maintenance Report for February 2003 - received and filed. Director's Report for March 2003 - received and filed. Pump #3 Emergency Repairs; Lower Rouge Pump Station approved.

National City Bank Trust Agreement - approved.

Regular meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m.

401 (a) Pension Plan and Trust – Amendment No. 1 – approved T1 Communications, Proposal Evaluation – approval to reject all proposals. GIS Orthomapping; Award of Contract - approval to award a

WESTERN TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

3:00 P.M. MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2003

contract to Aerocon of Willoughby, Ohio. MRPI Repairs – Phase 3 Engineering Proposals – approval to

award a contract to Hubbell, Roth and Clark of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed.

Lower Rouge Pump Station - Bar Screen Replacement - approved The regular meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p m Âlternate

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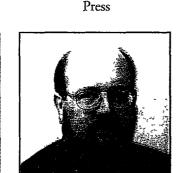
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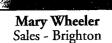
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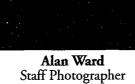




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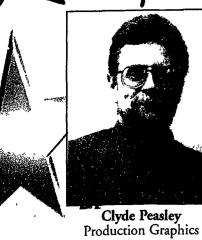


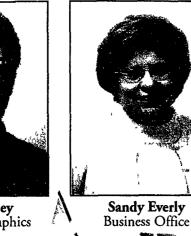
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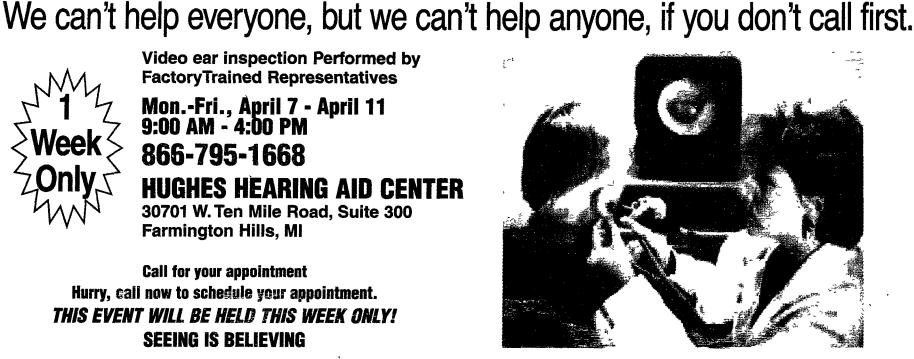
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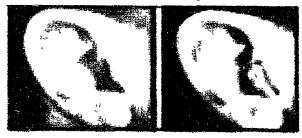
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Sports

hometownlife.com Thursday, April 3, 2003 It's a rugby thing

Mickey, Ben and Jack Mason aren't sure you'd understand

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

When you see the game of rugby, sometimes you have to shake your head and wonder what kind of individual it takes to go out there and play that game.

It's a sport that requires individuals to be prepared for a game of teamwork, brotherhood bonds and one of fun. For three members of the Northville-Novi Knights Rugby Football Club, it's a game of blood relationships and family friendship.

Mickey, Ben and Jack Mason aren't all brothers, though their closeness may make you think otherwise. Mickey and Ben, who go to Northville High School, do share the joy of sib-ling rivalries, while Jack, who attends Novi, is their cousin.

"It's great to have them on the team with me this year," said Ben, a junior and the only experienced rugger among the trio. "I was really happy when both of them decided they were going to come out and play for the Knights."

For Ben, the choice was probably the easiest to return to the sport. A wrestler by trade, he stumbled into the sport when a fellow player by the name of Mike Subu told him about it.

"Mike Subu used to wrestle with us and last year after the season was over he started talking about the Knights," Ben said. "I went out and I played for them. I absolutely loved it."

Mickey was a little different of a story. A well-known member of the Northville varsity hockey team over the past few seasons, Mickey was also deeply submerged in the world of soccer for much of his life. The chance to play rugby, spurred on by his brother, was what seemed like the perfect twist to end his senior year in high school.

"He convinced me," Mickey said of his brother. "I think it's a lot of fun, and I'm really glad I decided to give it a whirl for my last year of high school."

In fact, the game has made enough impact on him already that Mickey is looking at trying to gain admittance with Grand Valley State's RFC.

"If I get to be any good at it, I'd like to play in college," Mickey said. "I'm very interested in playing rugby, and I think trying out at Grand Valley would be fun."

And then there is Jack. A

5-foot-7 and weighing in at 145 pounds, isn't the smallest freshman on the block and has been taking reps at the hooker position. Ben, who is 5-9 and 189 pounds, has a variety of slots to practice at inside and outside center and some fullback too. Mickey's 6-foot-1 frame and 168 pounds makes him an ideal candidate for the second row ---a lucky position that finds him under Subu, who is one of the biggest players on the team.

ment for them. Jack, standing at

I don't know if it's lucky," Mickey said with a laugh. For Jack and Mickey, the idea

of rugby is one they'll have to get used to in a hurry, as their first game was slated for yesterday and the Michigan Cup is going to be held Saturday.

"It's pretty much what I expected because I had the chance to watch some of it on TV," Mickey said. "I saw how rough it was and that's actually one of the things that attracted me to it."

Dy Kon Cornell and his star with the Knights has made learning the game pretty easy. "There's just one or two aspects of the game we still have to go over," he said. "We haven't really touched on the kicking game yet, but the rest of it seems easy enough to me." And then there is the strategy of the game that takes some getting used to. "It's totally different that (American) football," Mickey said. "It kind of boggled me that we were moving the ball backwards and still forward. The idea of it just threw me a little."

scratching his head more than once or twice during practices.

'I know what Mickey and Jack are going through during practice," he said. "I was so confused until after my first game when I actually saw a ruck and a maul in action. In practice, I know what they are looking for to happen and how confusing it can be with the scrum downs and the line outs.'

But Mickey, Jack and Ben all have each other to look to and talk to when there are questions to be asked and technique to be pointed out - and then there's also the idea that they have someone to just chat with.

"It's nice because you always have someone to talk to and when you need it they can help you out," Jack said.

Jack also noted that as a freshman, he might have had to worry about how the older players would have reacted to his presence.

"The older guys could have he to it." started picking on me right Jack said that the coaching away," he said. "I think when they realized I was Mickey and Ben's cousin, I got a little less." The family value of the trio being on the same team is priceless. "Our parents were pretty excited," Mickey said. "It's a game we can play as a family."

"It would be nice if our grandparents could come down and watch all three of us play. I think they would enjoy that."

Ben Mason

Northville-Novi Knights Rugby Football Ĉlub

door for rugby? If you're a Mason, the answer

is none. "The only concern is not knowing what's going on in the game," Mickey said of his and Ben's parents. "They wanted me

to go out and play. But what about last year when Ben became the first Mason to bind in the scrum?

was in wrestling," Ben said. They were pretty used to the violent sports. The pushed me to

"Mickey was in hockey and I

go out and play."

players and the coaching staff in the regular season. Sam For the Eggleston Northville-Novi Knights

rugby football club, that focus is right on the first contests of the season --- the Michigan Cup.

Will they end up hoisting

the cup?

Though competing for the state

championship is no doubt the ulti-

mate goal in every sport, there comes a tournament or

two that really

draws the focus of the

This year, the Cup is being hosted by the squad out of Livonia, though the Detroit Tradesman RFC is sponsoring the event and holding it in Southfield this year. When it comes to rugby, gaining victory in a tournament like the Michigan Cup ranks right up there with win-ning the state title. You have bragging rights for a year, and it shows just how powerful your team is right out of the gates and that strength promises only to improve as the season wears on.

For the Northville Knights, the chance at winning the Cup isn't anything to be scoffed at - they are the real deal. Though inexperienced in a lot of areas, the squad has the coaching it needs to take an amazing amount of athletic talent and turn it into a string of victories. Coach Ron Cornell and his staff know their rugby, and have made a competitive squad out of the Knights every season that they've been in existence, so there should be no doubt that this season is going to be the same.

The Knights will be taking on teams like Brighton - who was last year's state champion --- and Livonia along with other tough teams. The thing about rugby, and most competitions, is that every dog has its day. If a team doesn't come prepared to scrap it out in the scrums and the rucks, they shouldn't even bother going out on the pitch. Instead, they should take up the job of the guys who clean off the balls and bring water to the other teams.

Rugby brings with it one element that makes many parents of players nervous --- if they don't go through the motions of the game the right way, they are likely to get hurt. Thankfully, Cornell and his fellow coaches are committed to the fundamentals of the game and have been preaching them from the first day of practice, which bodes well for the team and those inexperienced players that will be learning the ropes.

I have complete confidence in what the Knights will be able to accomplish, as well as the tries they will be able to score. Cornell and the Knights have had plenty of practices together to this point and with the talent and the enthusiasm this team brings to the tournament, I have no doubt it will lead to them bringing home the Cup. I have to say that it's refreshing to know that Northville and Novi players can come together so well. We've all seen what that can lead to in gymnastics with the combined Wild 'Stangs team, and it just does my heart good to see guys who might have squared off in other sports binding together to work as a single unit in this one. My prediction this week is that the Knights are not only going to rock the boat and make some waves at the Michigan Cup tournament Saturday, but they're going to dive right in with full force and come home hoisting it proudly. Knights win Michigan Cup.



man at Novi High School, it's apparent right away when you speak to him that he's smarter than your average 14year-old. Brains and what will no doubt be eventual brawn will make for a good combination on the rugby pitch.

"My cousin played last year and I thought it would be interesting to come play with him," Jack said. "I've always liked hanging out with (Mickey and Ben). We used to hang out when we were younger and were good friends for a while. I think it will be a lot of fun playing with the two of them this year."

There size differences make for a nice varied position place-

Ben knows exactly what they are going through. His first season on the pitch found him

And something that might be able to turn into a family spectator event as well.

"It would be nice if our grandparents could come down and watch all three of us play," Ben said. "I think they would enjoy that."

Mickey and Ben haven't had the pleasure of playing on the same athletic team during their varsity careers, but Mickey noted that it's been a good time.

rucked and mauled their way through practice against guys that are equal to them in size and strength might have intimidated a player the size of Jack.

"It's really cool that we are

out there working together," he

said. "I find myself yelling at

him a lot. One thing is for sure.

he knows what he's doing.

When I have a question about

something, I end up asking him

The game of rugby not only

brings friends and family

together when they take to the

pitch, but it also brings out the

confidence and determination in

Watching the two bigger guys

in Ben and Mickey as they

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it.

"Not really," the Novi freshman said. "It think it's more the size of your attitude than how big you are."

Through all of the practices and games that are slated to come this season, the Mason trio will work their way through the ups and the downs of winning and losing --- as well as the bumps, scrapes, bleeding and bruising that's associated with

Just how much convincing does it take for a player to get his parents to let him out the

And then there is Jack. It's never easy for a freshman to go out and take on a new sport but his folks figured it would do him a world of good.

"They thought it would toughen me up," he said.

It looks like the Mason family doesn't need too much toughening up --- they're already playing the roughest sports they can find and enjoying every minute of it.

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Mustang lacrosse is off to a good start

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

When you're a member of a first-year program, the outcome of each and every game could be in question - but not for the Northville Mustangs.

The Mustangs, under the guidance of coach Dave Aktary, were determined to start their season off on a positive note and they did just that, beating the Ypsilanti Lincoln Rail Splitters 6-2 before beating Hartland 10-5 March 29.

"We've been doing a good job," Aktary said. "We've been very solid on defense. Will Holden has been doing a (heck) of a job for us on defense. He's been keeping everyone together very well."

The Ypsilanti contest found the Northville defense feeling the pressure of a Rail Splitters squad

with some early-season scrimmages under their belt, and found themselves trailing 1-0 in the first quarter.

"There's a couple of things we could improve with our attack," Aktary said. "I think we're not getting some of the shots we probably should be getting."

Second-quarter action was a bit of a different story though, and the Northville offense was able to show just what they were capable of doing as sophomore midfielder Mike Monticciolo slapped in a goal for a 1-1 tie that stayed that way until the half.

The Rail Splitters came out equally strong in the second half as they did in the first, notching their second goal of the contest early in the third quarter before the Northville offensive push put them on their heels and a dominating defense shut the door under the leadership of senior Will Holden and sophomore Andy Koupal.

Going on the attack was freshman Zach Elker, who took a nice pass from senior midfielder Ryan Grigsby and slapped it home to once again knot the contest. Just minutes later, sleek passing from junior Steve Houren found Mike Dawson beating the defense and the Ypsi goalie for the goal and the 3-2 lead.

From that point on, it was all Northville. Max Lenn, a talented freshman, used his dead-eye shooting to inflate the Mustang cushion with another score in the fourth quarter.

"We've been doing a pretty good job overall," Aktary said. "I think our two wins are showing that.'

The Mustangs pushed the lead to 5-2 minutes later as senior

beautiful score as he hammered home the goal to the upper corner of the net from just inside the box - a shot that left the Ypsilanti goaltender wondering just what happened.

The Northville squad put the final touches on a beautiful win as Dawson took advantage of a scramble right in front of the Ypsi goal and slung the score in for the sixth and final Northville goal.

Northville's stellar goaltending was courtesy of sophomore Dan Schaumann.

The Mustangs will visit Huron Valley Saturday before taking a trip to Plymouth Canton April 8. Their next home game is slated for 5:30 p.m. at Northville Community Park with Walled Lake coming to town.

Aktary noted that the one thing he would like to improve on as a

middie Rick Riegner collected a coach is getting to know what the opponents have to offer -- but until then they will be bringing the same approach to the games that they always do.

"I try to bring a fairly disciplined approach to every game," Aktary said. "We make some tweaks here and there, but by in large the team knows what I expect of them and they take that in to every game."

Aktary also noted that his squad is stepping up and doing just what he had hoped they would be able to accomplish in the pre-season.

"When we talked last, I said that I think we would surprise some people," he said. "I think we've put that plan into action and I think we are going to continue to have a strong season barring any major surprises from other teams.

Whalers sweep

Plymouth skates away with 4-0 series win in round one

The Plymouth Whalers completed a 4-0 series sweep of the Owen Sound Attack in the first round of the OHL playoffs with a 5-2 victory on Thursday night. Plymouth continued to dominate on the power play, going twofor-three on the night which included the game winner from Whalers Captain Nate Kiser at 14:51 of the third period. Jonas Fiedler

The Whalers will now wait for who their second round opponent will be.

Chris Thorburn put Plymouth on top 1-0 with a power play goal at 1:31 of the first period. James Wisniewski and Karl Stewart assisted on the goal. The Whalers increased their lead when Jimmy Gagnon notched his second goal of the playoffs off an assist from Jonas Fiedler at 10:43. The Whalers went back to the power play to close out the period when Nate Kiser scored at 14:51 to give the Whalers a 3-0 lead. John Mitchell and Jonas Fiedler assisted on the goal.

In the third it was the Attack using the power play to get back in the game. Andre Deveaux cut the Whalers lead to 3-2 when he scored at 9:07 off assists from Mark Giordono and Juris Stals.

The Attack continued to mount a comeback with its second power play goal of the game at 15:56. Matt Passfield scored



his third goal of the playoffs with assists going to Deveaux and Pat Jarrett. But Plymouth put the breaks on any hopes of an Attack comeback when Fiedler scored at 18:32 of the third period. Thorburn then added an empty-net goal in the final seconds to secure the victory

GAME 3

The Plymouth Whalers fought off an Owen Sound comeback to secure a 6-4 victory over the Attack in Plymouth on Tuesday night. Plymouth's Karl Stewart scored with just over two-minutes left in the game to break a 3-3 tie. The Whalers went on to add two more empty-net goals to secure the victory.

The game appeared to be heading to overtime when Stewart scored with assists going to Chris Thorburn and John Mitchell. Plymouth's Jimmy Gagnon then added an

empty net goal before Owen Sound put their fourth goal in at 19:43 when they pulled their goalie for the extra-attacker. Andre Deveaux tipped in a shot from Juris Stals.

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But the Whalers put the game away with their second goal of the night as Stewart scored his second of the game.

GAME 2

The Plymouth Whalers took a 2-0 series lead over the Owen Sound Attack with a 6-3 victoincluding the game winner at 13:53. Jonas Fiedler also chipped in with two goals and Chris Thorburn and John Mitchell

The opened the first round of the OHL playoffs with an impressive 6-3 win over the visiting Owen Sound Attack. The Whalers were led by Chad LaRose with two goals and two assists and John Vigilante with two goals on the night. David Liffiton and Chris Thorburn scored the other Whalers goals. Plymouth scored on four of its six power play chances while Owen Sound scored on one of nine chances

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SPORTS SHORTS

Colts Football and Cheerleading Registration

Open registration for the 2003 Northville-Novi Colts football and Cheerleading squads will take place from April 1 through May 3. Registration forms are available at the Novi Civic Center and a birth certificate must be included with the form.

A public lottery will be held at the Novi Civic Center May 3 at 10 a.m. to determin the team rosters. Forms will be pulled randomly and given a number in the event a waiting list is necessary. It is not necessary to arrive early or to be present.

The squads will consist of freshmen (ages 8-9), junior varsity (10-11) and varsity (12-13). Children mst be above the ages by August 1, 2003 for both football and cheerleading and certain weight restrictions may apply.

For more details, please contact Bill or Renee Ince at (248) 349-6734.

Softball tryouts

There will be tryouts for a 10 and under travel softball team in Northville soon. Those looking to participate can be 10 years old at any time this year (including those who turned 11 after Jan. 1, 2003).

Tryouts will be held at the Rec Center of Hillside Middle School, which is located at 700 W. Baseline

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April 13 from 4-5:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Scott at (248) 347-8914.

Basketball tryouts slated

The Northville NOYS Basketball Club will be having its annual basketball tryouts April 3 from 6-9 p.m. Tryouts for current 5th-7th graders will be from 6-7:30 p.m. and current 8th-11th graders from 7:30-9 p.m.

Tryout sessions will take place at Northville High School. Coaches are also needed at certain age groups. Questions should be directed to

(248) 348-6677.

Umpire Clinic

Northville's Umpires Association (NUA) is currently looking for people (at least 14 years of age) interested in becoming umpires. Umpiring allows individuals to stay involved with the game, practice leadership skills and earn some great money as well.

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.

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 conjectitive, but not cut-throat --- this is your chance. The league is looking for a few good two-man teams to fill out the ros-

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

Spring Break Baseball/Softball Camp

Total Baseball's 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.

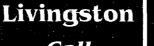
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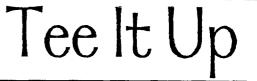
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You just have to look back and say 'thanks'

When one sits back and thinks of Novi and Northville High School sports, what's the first thing to come to mind?

Maybe it was a championship won a few years back, or the great run the football team had. Maybe they think about the players that have graced the pages of the Novi News and the Northville Record over the years and maybe, just maybe, they think about the coaches.

Where would a team be without the coaches? More importantly, where would our children be if it weren't for the men and women who helped shape their lives?

Anyone can put together a pick-up game and go play in the backyard. You don't need coach-



Sam Eggleston

es for that. Anyone can get a couple of friends and play twoon-two basketball and you don't need a coach for that either. But, on the other hand, it takes someone special to take time away from their personal lives to focus on our children and the athletes we so love to watch.

They organize the teams, often making tough decisions on who would play and who wouldn't. They shape and form leaders, setting examples for captains to follow and to emulate. Coaches are teachers on the field, friends in practice and influential figures all the time.

As an athlete, I had the utmost respect for my coaches. With one of them I am good friends with even to this day. Somewhere between a caring older brother that would sit and listen to my problems and give me advice and a loving father who sometimes had to discipline me to keep me on the straight and narrow were my coaches. I doubt there is a coach out

there that wouldn't stop to listen to one of their players' difficulties. They are willing to help you when they can and usually point you in the right direction when they can't. And if they're not willing to do that for their athletes? Then, in all honesty, they probably shouldn't be

coaching. Coaches also have to be disciplinarians on occasion, though I'm sure they'd prefer not to be. It might come in the form of laps in practice, or sprints and, unfortunately, it might even come in the way of asking a player to leave a team for conduct violations. Sometimes, it's

just a talk to hopefully prevent future difficulties. More than once, I was on the wrong end of a talk that expressed concern over my activities or my behavior --- and I took them to heart.

In a new feature I've pondered and have now decided to implement, the sports section is going to spotlight a coach each week. There's no order of importance or who we like more, but rather a single coach to be noted and appreciated each week.

The truth is, our coaches should be appreciated at all times. They shape the lives of our youth, reinforcing positive reactions to sometimes negative situations while teaching teamwork, leadership and character. If it weren't for coaches,

where would you and I and those others who played high school sports be? I'm probably on the right track when I say that we probably wouldn't be where we are today.

So, just take a moment when you're picking your kid up from practice, or at a game or just thinking of the good old days when you played, and say "Thanks, Coach."

I know I'm going to go make a phone call right now and say

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A staple in high school sports Bob Smith is well known, respected in track, cross country circles

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

When the sports of boys' track and field and boys' cross country are brought up at Novi, one name always ends up in the conversation -- coach Robert Smith.

Smith, who is a teacher at Novi High School, has a combined 44 seasons of experience under his belt, 23 seasons in track and 21 in cross country. "I started coaching in 1981,"

Smith said. "I took the helm of the track team in the spring of '81 and was the fifth coach in five years. Back then, we had 18 boys on the track team and 17 events. I knew I had my work cut out for me."

Times were definitely different then. Novi High was still a class B school, Ronald Reagan had just taken office as the President of the United States and the Novi News' current sports writer was getting ready for his first birthday.

Smith noted that he knew from the moment he took the teaching job in Novi that not only the school, but the athletics programs and the community, was going to grow.

"It hasn't really surprised me," he said. "It's been growing a little bit every year. I didn't really think this far in advance, but I knew Novi was eventually going to grow."

And grow it did. From 18 boys on the track team to nearly 100 in 2003, Smith has seen his fair share of changes with the Wildcats.

"The first year I think we won a track meet," Smith said, speaking in the singular. "It was hum-

"Mom and dad both instilled the values in us that a good teacher should have."

Bob Smith

Novi Boys' Track and Field Coach

Teaching is something that not only is done by Smith, but also by his brother, Scott, and his sister, Susan Smith's wife, Tammy, is a kindergarten teacher at Village Oaks as well.

"We all had wonderful experiences as children in our schools," Smith said of he and his two siblings and how they all became educators. "It goes back to our parents (Harold and Marie). Mom and dad both instilled the values in us that a good teacher should have. It has always been a part of our upbringing.'

Coaching is something that seems to be in the blood as well. along with athletics. Scott is the head coach of South Lyon's varsity cross country team as well as a middle-school track coach, Smith's daughter. while Samantha, is a junior on the track and field team and cross country team at South Lyon High School

Teachers, coaches and athletes - the Smiths sure seem to know the importance of family values.

"Family values are pretty strong in our family," he said. "Even down to Sam, who is a young lady herself. We stress that, and the importance of being a nice person, to put it in simple terms." And a nice person is something that Smith definitely has. For anyone who has ever met him, it's obvious that not only

does he not have a mean bone in his body, but he genuinely cares for his fellow man.

Though Smith spends much of his time training Novi's students in hody and mind, he also manages to make a little time for himself.

"I like to practice what I preach," he said. "I love to workout and run. We make a pack in cross country about summer miles, and I really enjoy that."

And if he isn't putting the miles on his cross-trainers, he's enjoying the sights and activities right around his home.

"I live on a lake, so my home is also my resort," Smith said. "I love water skiing and water sports. Swimming and boating, I just love all of it."

And don't forget getting away every now and again — Smith also enjoys traveling when the opportunity presents itself.

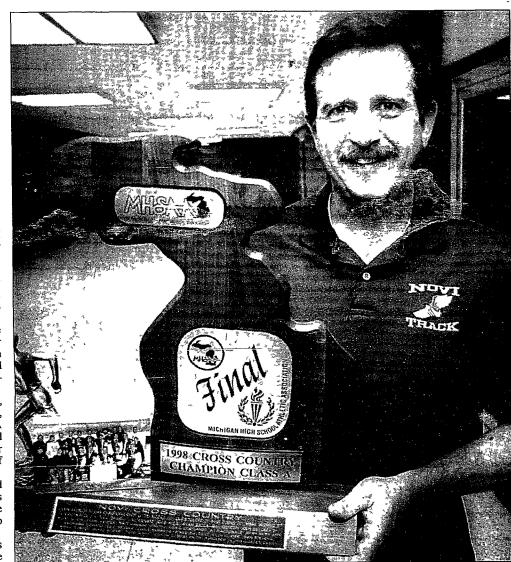
'I've been able to incorporate travel with my passion for sports," Smiths aid. "I've been able to go all over the world watching former athletes compete."

Smith has been to Dublin, Ireland, Portland, Oregon, Orlando and even to the NCAA championships in Indiana - and that's just to watch former Wildcat current University of Notre Dame star Tim Moore.

"It's really neat," Smith said of watching former Novi harriers compete at the next level. "I love to travel and I love keeping up with those guys.'

In the end, Smith has always loved coaching and teaching. He strives to see the athletes, and students better themselves as they prepare to take those first steps into the world around them.

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Novi High School track team coach Bob Smith has also done well with his cross country team: he holds a trophy from the team's Class A 1998 State Championship season.

He noted that it wasn't for the

lack of desire or talent on the squad back then, it was just the shallow bench then had.

"In track, you need seconds and thirds to win," he said. "We were competitive in the events we were racing in, but we just didn't have the depth to compete in dual meets.'

Smith said that the determination of the kids then is the same burning desire they have today and has always been something he's seen in the Wildcats.

"It's been the beauty of the Novi athlete even at my beginnings," Smith said. "It's always been there. The kids that come out for the teams always give 110-percent. It was that way in 1981, and it's that way now."

Smith's beginnings in track and field and the running sports started in Detroit, where he had lived through his grade-school years. A parks and recreation track club that raced against other squads in the Detroit area helped him realize his love for the sports - along with great coaching.

"I've had so many great coaches along the way," Smith noted. "The parks and rec coach was a wonderful guy.'

And then Smith and his family moved to South Lyon, where he continued running for the high school and eventually for Alma College. In South Lyon, Smith was guided by the experienced Lee Donley — also known as the "Silver Fox."

"He was a great guy," Smith said. "Well respected and very knowledgeable.'

At Alma, Smith was under the coaching of Charlie Gray and from there his passion just continued to grow.

"It was great being able to compete," Smith said. "All those years I was able to stay involved."

And to take the reins of a program seemed to be the next step for him as he became a teacher.

is better spent someplace else after a decade or so in the business - but Smith truly loves what he does.

"It's a really, really great feeling," Smith said. Yes, it is.

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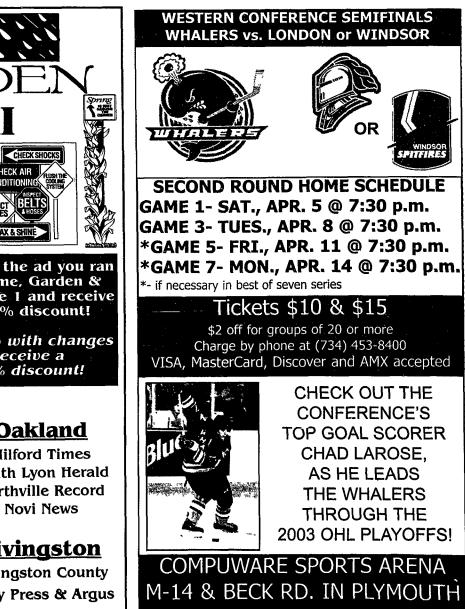
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Oh, to be a kid with a lawnmower again 'My Street' brings competition and the joys of childhood to the PS2

By Sam Eggleston ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

Wow, it's just like when I was a kid.

Get up in the morning, scarf down some breakfast and wait until mom and dad jump in their cars and drive to work before taking off into the neighborhood and challenging the other kids to a mean game of lawn-mower rac-

¹ng. What⁹ You never raced lawn mowers when you were a kid? Well, at least it's not too late to rectify that situation. Sony's newest release in "My Street" enables players to take control of a little boy or girl and head into the neighborhood to challenge other kids at their own games in hopes of making friends with them.

The concept is an interesting one. You see, as the kid, you find yourself recently moved into a new little town and with less than a month of summer vacation left. you are challenged to go out and make new friends before the bells toll at the local school. There's one catch though, the kids in the neighborhood pretty much want nothing to do with you.

After scratching my head for

Coming to theaters this week-

end is tense real-time thriller

'Phone Booth," which takes

place in and around a single

phone booth in New York City.

A man (Colin Farrell) who is

being watched by a rooftop

killer (Kiefer Sutherland) with a

sniper rifle must use the phone

to save his life or else risk the

consequences" of leaving the

booth. "Phone Booth" is a

Warner Bros. release and rated

R for pervasive language and

SCREEN BEAT

By Brian Renner

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about four minutes and talking to each and every kid, I found myself purchasing a bag of marbles and challenging the local shooter and two of her friends to a game. Lucky for me, I beat the tar out of them in a very unique version of the school-yard game and, to my surprise, made a new friend in the process. That's when it hit me. The more you beat the local kids at their own games, the better friends they become with you and the more games you are able to play - and marbles is just the tip of the iceberg.

The world just opens up at that point. Suddenly, you are snagging sand in some two-on-two beach volleyball and you're mixing up the chemicals in a very interesting Chemistry game in the local mad-scientist's garage. From there, you'll be herding chickens and racing mowers and, before you know it, taking to the track in some Remote Control (RC) racing and some bruiseinspiring dodgeball.

"My Street" definitely brings you back to the days of summer and playing in the streets with your friends, even if it is in a twisted sort of way with minigames that I would never have dreamt of while growing up.



A very cool feature that Sony has put in "My Street" is the ability to harness the power of the Playstation 2 and it's ability to go online (with the appropriate equipment). Soon, gamers can challenge their friends to their favorite mini-games and set up tournaments to see who is indeed the best among the rest. Though I haven't had a chance to challenge any of my pals as of yet, I'm sure that the very concept pushes the replay value of "My Street" through the roof.

The possibilities are endless. Got a bone to pick with cousin Tummy in Florida? Take it out in

thriller

a game of dodgeball. The girl you want to go to prom isn't sure if you're the right guy for the occasion? Show her how you can beat the tar out of the other candidates in a game of RC racing - well, maybe that wouldn't work. I'm sure that my friends and I will be playing for bragging rights more than once in this game, and maybe we'll even put a pizza pie down on the table as some added incentive.

One of the other features I really enjoyed with "My Street" was the ability to create my own character. I, personally, would never have dressed in a Roman toga and centurion's helmet to go play marbles when I was growing up, but my "My Street" alter ego, who I've named Benny, sure does. Some of the options, like the little Hannibal Lector mask, are enough to get you laughing before the game even starts.

"My Street" is a good game for those who are looking for a fun party-style platform as well as those who remember the days of "Super Off-Road Racing" on the Super Nintendo - the developers over at Sony managed to take a control system that made those style games popular and actually improve on them for the RC



My Street allows you to play a variety of mini-games.

Racing and lawn mowing games.

Overall, I have to say that I've enjoyed my time making friends on "My Street," and I'm looking forward to putting the dodgeball in the face of all my friends who used to do it to me for real back in our grade-school days.

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some violence. Family comedy "What a Girl Wants" stars Amanda Bynes as 19-year-old Daphne Reynolds, who has been raised in New York City by her mother (Kelly Preston) and decides that she wants to find her long-lost British father (Colin Firth) in London, who is part of England's aristocratic society. Once in London, it doesn't take long before her hip American lifestyle disrupts her father's entire life. "I think every young

Next week

Action thriller "Anger Management" (PG-13), independently produced drama "Better Luck Tomorrow" (PG-13), 3-D large format documen-"Ghosts of the Abyss" (G) tary and long-awaited horror film "House of 1,000 Corpses."

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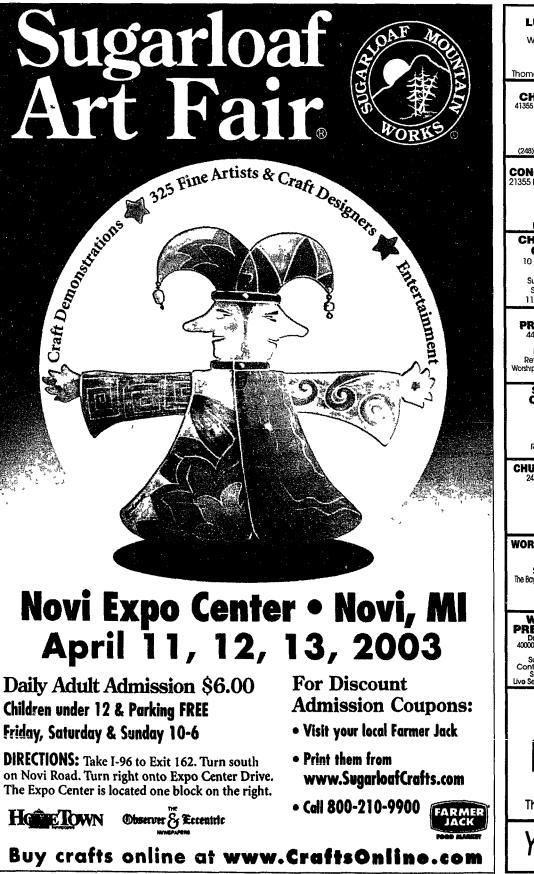
Charlie" (PG-13), and animated kids' adventure-comedy "The Wild Thornberrys Movie" (G). DVD

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"The Land Before Time VI: The Secret of Saurus Rock" (G), "Married with Children Vol. 2: The Most Outrageous Episodes" (NR), "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine" (Complete Second Season) (7-DVD Set) (NR), "West Side Story" (Special Edition) (2-DVD Set) (NR) and "Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars" (2-DVD Set) (PG).

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girl dreams of finding her prince," says Denise Di Novi, producer of the inspirational "A romances Walk to Remember" and "Message in a "In 'What A Girl Bottle." Wants,' we have a girl who longs to make her fairy tale fantasy come true, but the prince she's searching for is her father." What a Girl Wants" is a Warner Bros. release and rated PG for mild language.

Crime thriller "A Man Apart" stars Vin Diesel as tough DEA agent Sean Vetter, who sets out to avenge the brutal murder of his wife. As the drug wars rage along the US/Mexican border, a major player from the Baja Cartel is imprisoned and a mysterious figure known as Diablo wrests control over the entire operation. Vetter and his partner (Larenz Tate) must join forces with the jailed Cartel boss to hunt down this dangerous individual. As cast member Juan Fernandez explains, "This film is a thriller, but a very different kind of a thriller, where the characters are real people that I feel the audience will identify with emotionally." "A Man Apart" is a' New Line Cinema release and rated R for strong graphic violence, language, drug content and sexuality.



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'World Tour Soccer' makes you work for wins

By Sam Eggleston ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

There are plenty of people in our readership that would probably swear that I hate soccer.

Being the sports writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News hasn't been easy at times, especially for a guy who grew up in an area where soccer was just some sport where you can't use your hands. As time went on, and I've learned more and more about the game, I have to say I've become a bit fond of the sport and those who play it.

And now, thanks to 989 Sports, I'm absolutely hooked.

You see, I'm one of those people who just can't stand to lose in massive streaks. Most games challenge me for the first couple times I play them, but then it's back to the same old domination that finds them gathering dust on a shelf.

989's "World Tour Soccer 2003" hasn't found it's way onto a shelf yet, nor has it managed to snake out of my Playstation 2. You see, out of all the games I've been playing lately, this one has me obsessed.

The game isn't so remarkably hard that it's impossible to beat. In fact, most gamers out there with soccer in their blood will be able to assemble enough decent scoring to win quite frequently. The difference between this and other games is the fact that you aren't going to blow out Playstation-controlled the

squads by fantastic scores. Instead, you'll be happy to get away with a 2-1 or 4-2 victory.

The game gives you a multitude of choices to pick from right away. The team over at 989 Sports even gave gamers the choice of English, French, Spanish, German and about three other languages to choose

when it comes to French cooking.

One time, when I still competed,

I decided to do a menu based

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from for your menu selections and announcers.

From there, you can choose to play an exhibition match, a season or even play around in career mode where you are the GM of the team and try to

Nice, France, not far from his

birthplace of Villeneuve-Loubet.

He spent his career in restaurants

and grand hotels and 1s credited

assemble the best squad around. Though the major complaint I have with the game is the overall sound such as the crowd noise and the repetitive announcer, it's made up for with the graphics package. Though soccer, as a sport, doesn't lend the view of games like football or baseball, the crew at 989 managed to pack together a nice little view. The players are smooth in their actions and their playing and, unlike other soccer games out there, you don't have to rely on the give-and-go to earn a score. Instead, strategic passing and dribbling will find you setting up some pretty spectacular scores and, on the other side of the coin, some pretty spectacular saves by the goalie.

Another thing I would have liked to have seen is a practice or training option. I have a heck of a time with penalty kicks on both offense and as the defend-

er, and something that could help me with the characteristics and general strategy of the game of soccer would have been helpful --- though most gamers who already know the game might find it to be a useless addition.

One of the best things about the game is the massive amount of teams available. Love those guys from Finland? Then play as their national team. Want to take over the Manchester soccer team and play in England's elite division? Then go right ahead. Big fan of San Jose's soccer team and want to control them through a season? Why not!

Pretty much any team out there is packed into this game, and they all have their own strengths and weaknesses that can become very evident as a game wears on. For example, if you have a squad with low stamina, by the end of the game

you'll find them lagging behind as the opponent's offense tears, in and attacks the goal.

Overall, this game is going to be a nice addition to a soccer fan's gaming collection. The passing, kicking and overall. movement of the players is pretty easy to figure out and work with, and the tackles are fun and of great strategic; importance once you start figuring out how to use them cor-, rectly and manage not to get 50-percent of your team booted thanks to fouls - yeah, I'm guilty.

If you're a sports fan looking to try your hand at a new game, that pulls you away from football, basketball, hockey or baseball, then "World Tour, Soccer 2003" is a game you. should try and should enjoy if, you're patient enough to learn the ropes.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

What in the world are freedom fries?

We serve french fries, and darn good ones, at our bistro, Diamond Jim Brady's. I'm not ashamed either and I wouldn't have it any other way. We also

offer French vanilla, crème brulee, chocolate mousse, pate' and cassoulet. Although our fare can be accurately described as "contempo-

rary



Mary Brady

American" its basis is pheasant French.

Escoffier, the father of classical and modern French cuisine, was a direct influence on much of today's style of cooking. His philosophies on food preparation and techniques are still chefs benchmarks for perfection. His most famous book. Le Guide Culinairc, is "the" principal text

entirely on Escoffier's narration of the courses. Each of the dishes. appetizer, soup, fish course, meat course and dessert were an exact replica of his description, or so I thought. The judges sited a few minute errors that knocked my score to silver rating versus a gold medal. My display was almost perfect with regards to presentation and workmanship but I had missed the "petite peas" in the soup, (mine were too large), and the fish garnish was not as he intended. Mind you, if this had not been labeled as an Escoffier meal I was in for a gold medal. It wasn't meant to be. This incident took place over 10 years ago and opened my eyes and heart to the wonders of French cuisine and this extremely brilliant culinarian. Auguste Escoffier was born in 1846 and lived to be 89 years old.

13 in his uncle's restaurant in

with-streamlining, simplifying and codifying what is known as classical French cuisine. He is most admired for his development of the brigade system in professional kitchens. This system today is even more modified and is known in a la carte restaurants as "the line." Perhaps, what I value the most from my readings of Escoffier is his gentlemanly demeanor. He would rather walk away from an unpleasant situation than scream and yell, a common practice of the time. An excerpt from Georges Auguste Escoffier, (practical press ltd, 1955), by Eugene Herbodeau and Paul Thalamas describes his desire to promote his profession: "Escoffier, who insisted on the cleanliness of his employees during working hours, also encouraged them to dress and behave better outside...the social ladder He began working at the age of

is first and foremost a wardrobe.

Thus, in his struggle against the prevailing low esteem in which cooks were held, Escoffier admonished them not to go out into the streets in their white coats and the inevitable checked trousers. He encouraged them to wear hats, collars and ties." Escoffier is responsible for setting the standards of professionalism that are still relevant. He was French.

So was Vatel, chef to Prince De Conde', who committed suicide in the early 1700's after learning that just a portion of the fish he ordered had arrived. Pierre Francois De La Varenne, who in the mid 1600s founded the basis for classic French cuisine. And Marie-Antoine Careme, who in a short lifetime, (1783-1833), was the first chef to systematically organize the many dishes and culinary techniques in classical cooking. Careme was also a gifted artist and created elaborate, multi-tiered buffets. Our culinary roots started with these men who lived and died because they loved cooking.

Then there is the history of the restaurant, the first of which was opened by a man named Boulanger in 1765 in Paris. He sold mainly soups and stews and referred to them as "restoratives", a term that later became "restaurant." This particular establishment was short lived but after the French revolution, which began in 1789, aristocrats were no longer able to afford personal chefs and servants so many, out of work, opened their own eating spots that highlighted the cuisines of their home towns. The fare offered was written on boards each day and incorporated the offerings of the market. Thus the term "a la carte" came to be which means each item priced separately.

I am so grateful that Julia Childs saw fit to bring French cooking to Américan kitchens, that Jacques Pepin wrote his wonderful descriptive cookbooks that have taught me so much and that Anne Willian mastered French

country fare. They continued where Escoffier left off and have opened a whole new world of food for us. Each in their own way influenced my style of cooking and love of the French.

Finally, my grandfather, an Army Colonel, was stationed in France during each of "the big wars." He became fluent in reading and writing the language and until his dying day ordered his magazines written in French. Listening to him speak was dream like. He spoke so soft, lilting, like singsong. He became friends and corresponded with Parisian soul mates for years after the wars. He planted the "French" seed that still grows within me, and --- he ate French fries!

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 dibistro@aol.com.



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Minimum wage, maximum folly

It takes a huge amount of optimism these days to see a silver lining amidst the clouds on our national horizon. We are at war; terrorism looms; and with each headline announcing more layoffs, fears of a worsening economy rise faster than the numbers on gasoline pumps.

And yet, those ever-optimistic entrepreneurs on Main Street remain determined to keep their enterprises viable, even in the face of unrelenting omens. They are committed to maintaining the nation's stability in uncertain times. After all, they're the ones who create at least two-thirds of the net new jobs and provide regular paychecks for more than half of America's private workforce. Small-business owners also understand the laws of supply and demand. What they can't grasp is how some of the nation's most prominent politicians consistently seek to defy those laws Once again, some in Congress

have resurrected nonsensical proposals to increase the minimum wage. As certain as spring follows winter, ill-considered ideas blossom with mind-boggling regularity on Capitol Hill.

Those who favor hiking the minimum wage fertilize the debate ground with the same old bull-headed notions, claiming that such an increase will do 'everything from lifting people out of poverty to reviving the economy.

Not so, says the chief economist of the U.S. Small Business Administration's Office of Advocacy. In a recent paper entitled "Now is Not the Time for a Minimum Wage Hike," Chad Moutray, Ph.D., wrote that a higher minimum wage will have a negative employment impact on the very people it is designed to help and it will do little to reduce poverty.

One argument minimum-wage touters tout is the deceit that those earning minimum wages can't support their families. Certainly advocates of an increase are aware of Census Bureau reports that nearly twothirds of those who receive such wages live with parents or are not the primary earners in their households. In fact, just 14 percent of minimum wage recipients are the only wage earners in their homes, and they, not coincidentally, qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

Dr. Moutray noted that the EITC supplement in 2000 was about \$2.00 per hour, which equals or exceeds many of the proposed minimum wage increas-The EITC, he wrote, beat the minimum wage in easing poverty and yet doesn't cause job loss. Washington, D.C. should look to Washington State to learn more about the laws of supply and demand. Since 1999, the latter boosted its minimum wage 36 percent above the national average. But according to a study by Ohio University's Richard Vedder and Lowell Gallaway, that was "a quintessential example of the Law of Unintended Consequences." They concluded that the state's wage hike created poverty instead of eliminating it. Fortunately for the United States, the supply of small-business optimism continues to outpace the demands imposed by politically-motivated government mandates. But even our most resilient entrepreneurs can withstand only so much legislative foolishness. To raise the minimum wage in these uncertain times would be maximum folly.



Tom Thesier's sons, Jim (left) and Bill Thesier, out front of their store on Pontiac Trail in South Lyon.

Photo by HAL GOULD

Thesier Equipment gives trustworthy service

By Elizabeth Heer SPECIAL WRITER

When you are investing in lawn and garden equipment, it makes sense to look for the best deal. But price alone isn't enough these days. What you also want is reliability, topnotch service, and a company you can trust.

Thesier Equipment Co. has been a fixture in the South Lyon community since Tom Thesier first opened the business in 1965. Now the next generation has followed in his footsteps and continues the family reputation for quality sales and service. Tom's sons, Bill and Jim Thesier, their wives, Mary and Patt, along with Bill's daughter, Sara, lead a staff of 18 employees in the family-held business.

What customers tell us is

den, and landscaping products. The reliability of the product is one reason Thesier represents the company.

While you can find John Deere products at the big box stores, Jim notes that Thesier carries the same models at the same price, which is due to contractual agreements with the Deere Company. The difference, however, can be found in Thesier's customer service.

"The advantages are the" service we provide behind the product. We deliver it to the customer for free, and during the warranty period we include free transportation if there is ever a warranty problem," Jim said. "The other stores don't have a parts and service department. So, during the life of the machine, you are dealing with just one company. And," he added, "We are rts in ' her we have been doing it for so long.' Inside the store and at the outdoor displays are a wide range of full-size tractors, tractor attachments, commercial mowers, and walk-behind equipment such as mowers, blowers, edgers and spreaders. All the handheld tools needed for gardening and landscaping are also displayed, such as trimmers, chainsaws, blowers, cut off saws, power pruners,

hedge trimmers and tillers. Other handy home tools include generators. Thinking ahead to next winter, Thesier is the place for snow equipment, such as truck blades, salt spreaders and snow-melting products. And there are also fun accessories and even replica toys made to scale for the young at heart.

"There are people that come in every year to get a John Deere hat, or to let the kids sit on the equipment," Bill said.

Now that spring has finally decided to make an appearance, it might be wise to get the mower or tractor in top running condition. Thesier is the place to go for seasonal tuneups. "Some want us to do it for them, and others want to do it themselves," observed Jim.

For those who are of the dooffers a tuneup kit and all the accessories needed to get your lawn and garden equipment in top shape. John Deere is not the only major brand name that Thesier Equipment carries. They also offer other reliable resources such as Scag power equipment, Stihl chain saws, LandPride landscaping and agri-maintenance equipment, Curtis tractor cab systems, Redmax commercial power

equipment, Bobcat, Kawasaki, and Briggs and Stratton, to name a few.

When it comes to Thesier's well-known service, it's not iust limited to the big names they will repair any make or model.

"Our philosophy is that if they meet us, try us, and like us, maybe they'll like our products as well," Jim said.

Thesier Equipment is also one of the few businesses that will come to the customer's home to pick up equipment for repair – a great convenience for those with a busy schedule or who don't have the ability to bring in their equipment. Thesier will also provide onsite demonstrations of their products.

Bill Thesier points out they have a large service shop and well-trained technicians to renair, weld, maintain and

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Equipment are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

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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when they come here is they're treated with respect, and we take the time to do it properly," said Jim Thesier. "Our staff is more professional, and most of our core group has been with us 10 years plus."

Bill Thesier adds, "It's a family atmosphere here...it's like we're one big family.'

Thesier is a major dealer for the John Deere Equipment Company, which carries one of the broadest lines of lawn, gar-

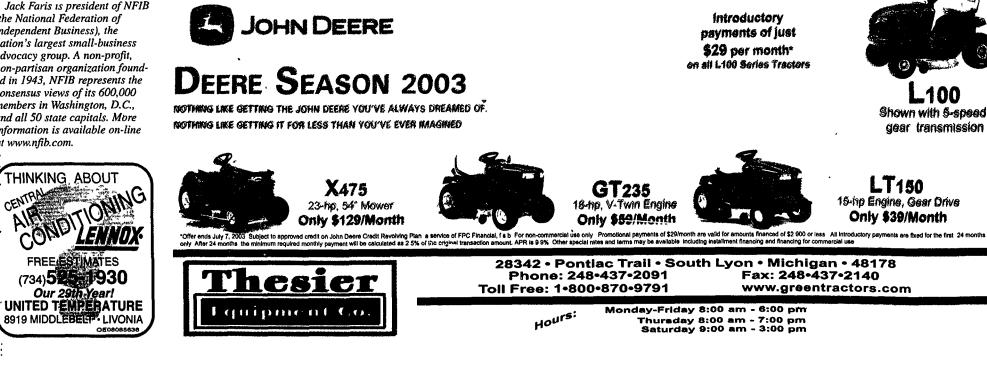
equipment. adjust any Replacement parts are available for all the brands they sell as well as a wide variety of oils, fluids and filters. In addition, Thesier custom makes hydraulic hoses and battery cables. Other maintenance tasks they can perform include sharpening mower blades and chainsaw chains and repairing small tractor tires. Winter storage is also offered as a service to those with limited space.

Used equipment, leasing options, and on-site financing are other customer options. Thesier Equipment customers are not only residential homeowners and landscapers, but also governmental organizations such as schools and parks and recreation departments.

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> Jim Thesier son of Tom Theisier, who opened Thesier Equipment Co. in 1965



GREEN SHEET CREATIVE LIVING Thursday April 3, 2003 www.hometownlife.com She learned her mom's craft after all

Crafter now sells purses, pillows in Milford

By Annette Jaworski CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Growing up, Linda Renny can't recall a time when she didn't sleep on one of her mom's carefully embroidered pillows. It's a wonderful memory. Unfortunately, she never learned the craft from her mother.

"I never so much as learned to sew on a button then," she recalls. But life works in mysterious

ways ---- she developed her mother's skills, albeit in a roundabout fashion. Linda eventually taught herself.

After her daughter, Alex, went to school, Linda looked for a hobby to occupy her time. Deciding to take a class, her first attempt at needlework was to embroider a shoe on a pillow. It was then she finally discovered that she was incredibly skilled at needlework.

Since that time, the Milford artist has used her handiwork to create one-of-a-kind pillows and purses. In honor of her late mother, she named her business "Vivian's Legacy" and now sells exclusively through the Village Peddler in Milford.

Although she regrets not learning the craft from her mother, she was a quick study and entirely self-taught.

"I learned everything from books ... how to make flowers and embellish with ribbon," Linda explained.

One glance will tell you why her pieces are so special they're more heirlooms than handiwork. Each one reveals a painstaking attention to detail.



Linda Renny uses vintage buttons and beads, Austrian crystal and real pearls to embellish her pillows and purses.

Because of her passion for detail, Linda can describe exactly what ribbons, buttons or beads she used on every piece, favoring vintage materials.

"If I get vintage stuff, I hoard it," Linda said with a laugh. Then, when something really

special comes up, I use it." The buttons and beads she uses are also a signature of her work. Here, she doesn't like to use anything artificial, preferring vintage buttons and beads, Austrian crystal and real pearls to embellish her work.

As with most artists, Linda doesn't start with a pre-conceived idea. It starts with one concept. For example, a maroon velvet pillow began with a simple heart made of golden threads. From there she hand-tufted the fabric, adding pearls to each tuft. Then

she embroidered a spring-green vine alongside the heart, made from vintage ribbon dating back to the 1800s. For that reason she doesn't accept special orders. She's never quite sure how her ideas may evolve. The items might be seasonal,

such as an Easter, Christmas or Halloween pillow. This spring she embellished colorful straw purses. One was in a purple theme, looking like it was sprouting pansies. The other was sunshine yello with flowers in periwinkle, cream and cabbage rose. Both use warm, vibrant colors.

One of her handmade purses features carefully decorated flowers on both sides. Two different shades of purple were blended together for the flower. The center of the "flower" is a vintage bead, surrounded by Austrian crystal.

The crystals and beads reveal another favorite tool of choice things that sparkle. "I like anything that's shiny or sparkly," she said.

Her unique blending of colors is another trademark of her work, favoring warm and rich jewel tones. She attributes this talent to her French grandmother and still prefers the colors and shading in French ribbons. She credits her love of flowers to her English mother.

Linda says others have urged her to market her wares in other upscale communities. She's happy to have found a place at the Village Peddler.

"It's a perfect setting for these kinds of things," she said. Uniquely artistic, the Village

Peddler specializes in unique items as well as trying to promote American artists and American-made items.

Owner Christy Petru became interested in Linda's work after she saw photos, and she asked Linda to bring in items about a year and a half ago. It's been a successful partnership for both.

"Everyone who buys her things just treasures them," said Petru, who owns one of Linda's purses. "I'll pass this down to my children and grandchildren."

Although Petru would love to have more of Linda Renny's heirloom articles, they're a scarce commodity and usually sell as quickly as they come in. You can find them at The Village Peddler in downtown Milford, 367 North Main Street.





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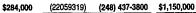


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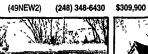
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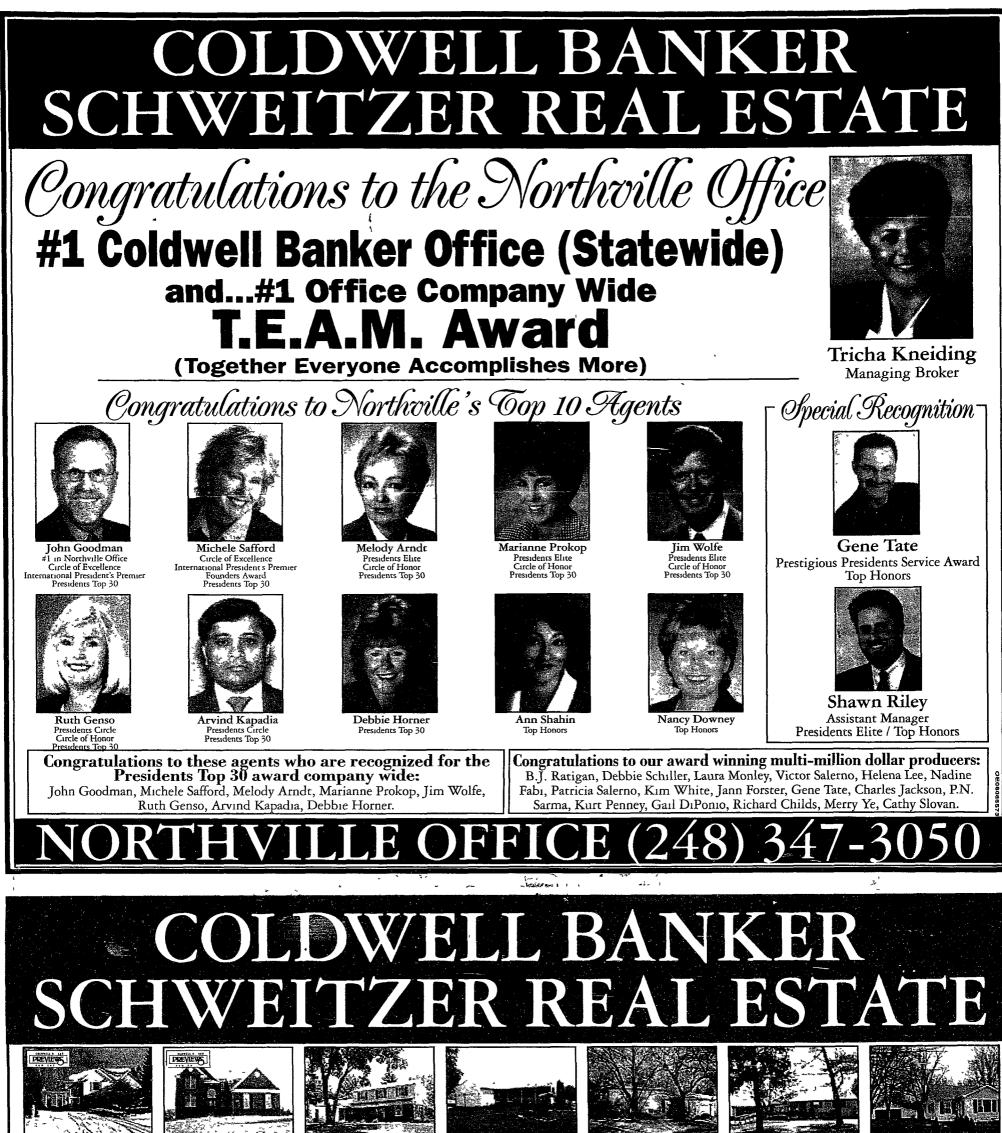


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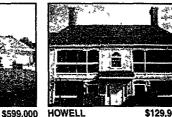
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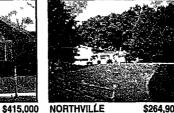


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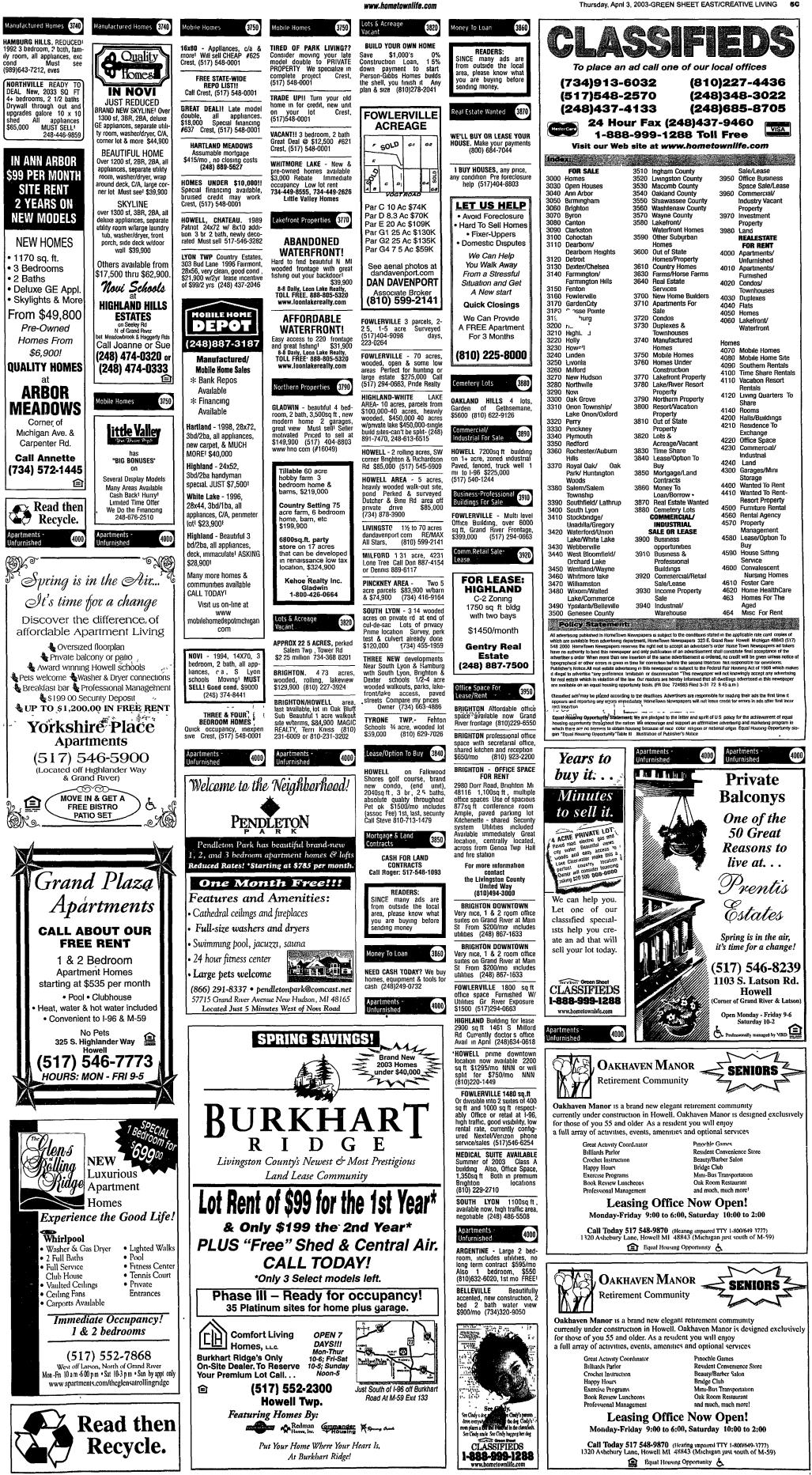


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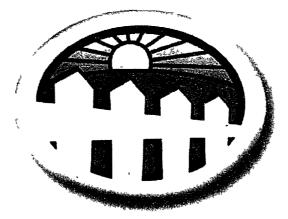
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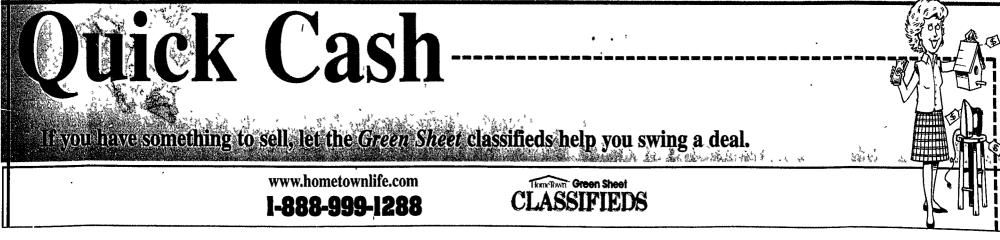
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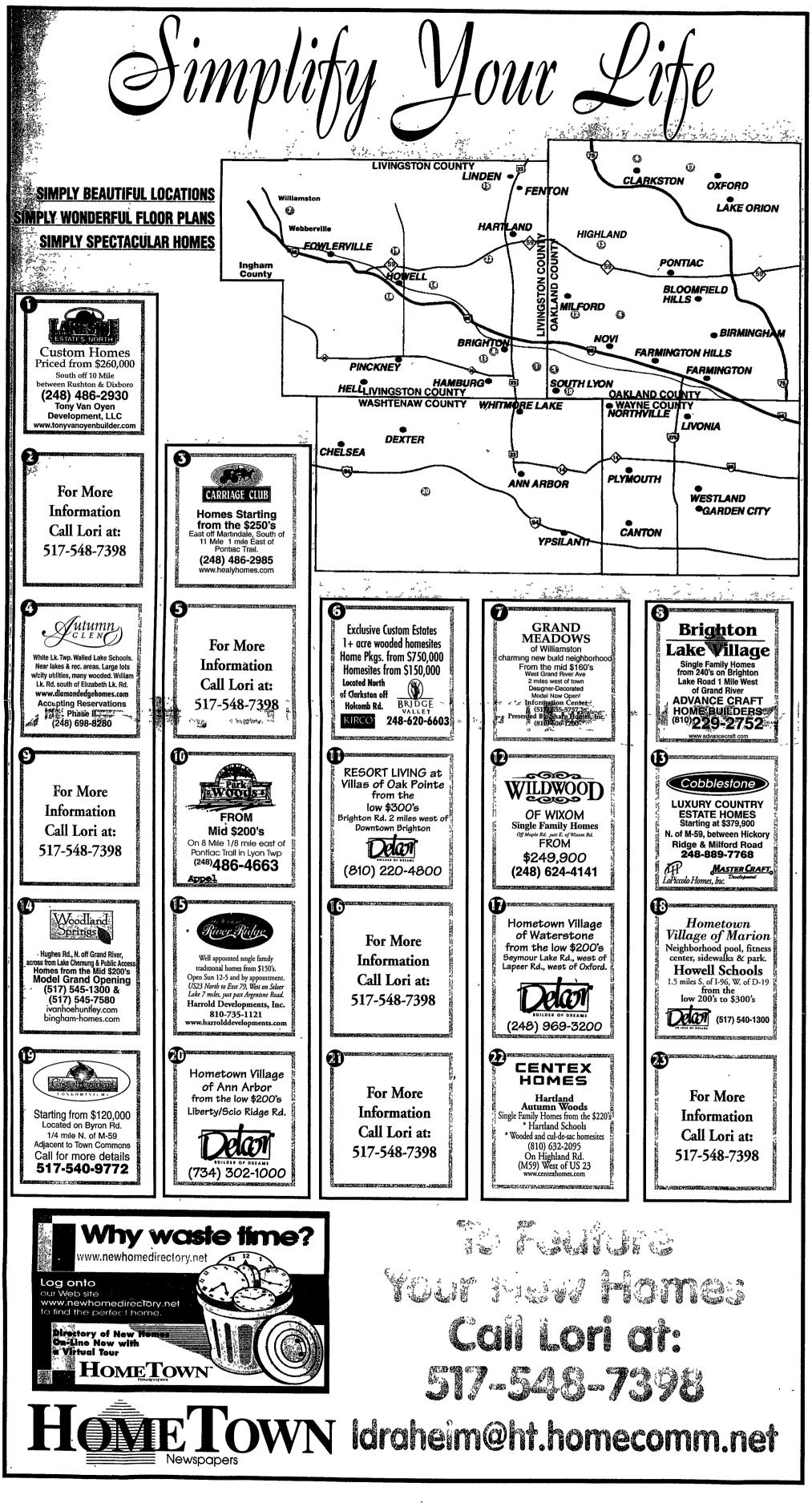
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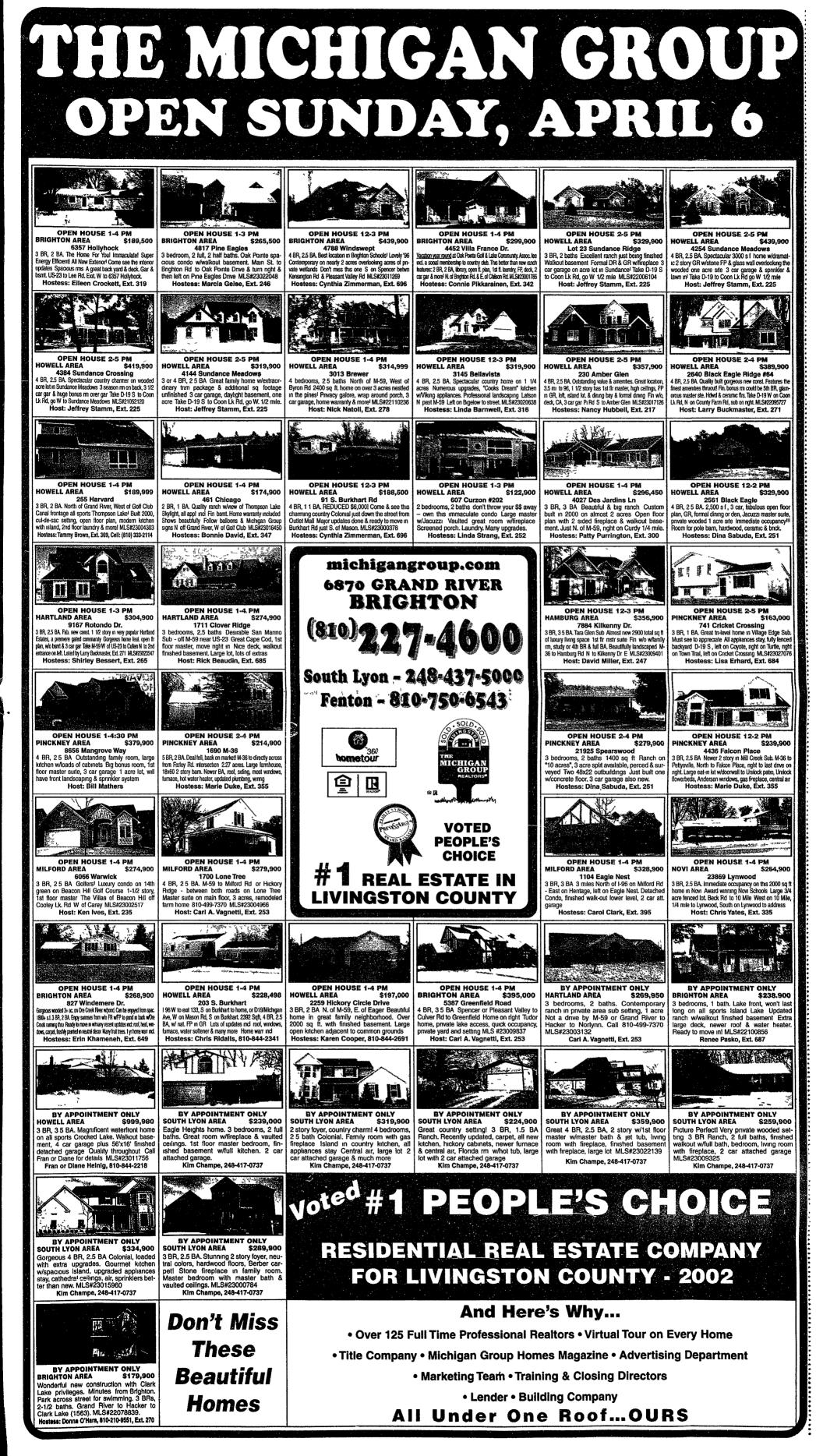
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PLYMOUTH - Classic Colonial. Favorite neighborhood! Walk to park & downtown, curb appeal + wider lot! Most hardwood floors refinished, formal dining room with cherry wainscotting, crown molding, library has mahogany wood accents, builtin desk & French doors to family room. \$333,000 (08ROO) 734-455-5600

CANTON - Like new, 1999 Townhouse, 3

bedrooms and 21/2 baths! Great room with

natural fireplace has marble surround.

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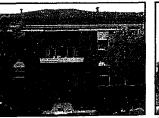




NOVI - Plenty of room to roam. Look for space for every one? How about 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large family room, roomy living & dining room, nicely landscaped yard with brickscape patio, gas grill and inground sprinklers? All appliances stay Home warranty included \$218,500 (66CRA) 248-349-5600



must see 3 bedroom home with open floor plan. Freshly painted with central air. Remodeled bath and kitchen Newer landscaping, roof and hot water heater Home warranty offered \$139,900 (38EAS) 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON - Upper unit, with garden views. Lovely 2 bedroom, 2 bath unit with large living room with balcony overlooking garden area. Basement with private stor age area. Master bedroom with bath & large dressing area. Close to shops and freeway \$135,900 (44MID) 248-349-5600





CANTON - Stunning Colonial. This one i beautiful inside & out. Four bedrooms, 21/2 baths with 2 story foyer with hardwood floor. Oak kitchen, dual staircases, neutral colors & a lot of added features throughout including the basement Professionally landscaped & a sprinkler system Wow. \$322,900 (36SOU) 248-349-5600



DEARBORN - Charming Bungalow. Move-in-condition home in prime area Clean and maintenance-free living with 3 central air, newer vinyl windows and fenced yard All kitchen appliances. One year home warranty. \$137,500 (05GRI)





NOVI - Just sign and move in. Four bedroom, 2 bath home is ready to go Owners have done the major updates. Some win dows, furnace, air conditioning and more. You'll love the large fenced yard and beautiful landscape. Highly-rated Novi schools an added bonus \$224,900 (96VIL) 248-349-5600



NOVI - Prestigious Condo. Two story hardwood fover leads to immaculate 2 bedroom, 2½ bath, 2 story with basement & garage Newer carpet throughout French doorwall to private interlock brick patio Dramatic lighting, custom window seats in kitchen & dining room What a beauty \$173,900 (61BAS) 248-349-5600





GARDEN CITY - Unique Colonial Rare to own a unique home with open layout with spiral staircase to upper level. Many updates, natural decor. Large deck over-looking beautiful yard \$136,500 (08CAM) 734-455-5600



SUPERIOR - Turn of the Century Farm House Spacious 4 bedroom, 21/2 bath Colonial offering recent renovations, kitchen, baths (1 with Jacuzzi tub), entire second floor, great room, formal dining room with wood-burning stove Separate living quarters All in a beautiful country setting \$283,900 (90CHE) 734-455-5600



TAYLOR - Wonderful two story home! Large five bedroom, two full bath brick home with newer roof, furnace and central air Partially finished basement Close to schools and shopping \$169,900 (55CRY) 734-455-5600



GARDEN CITY - Oak lovers' take notice Completely updated, charming 2 bedroom Ranch on extra large lot with 2½ car garage, huge master bedroom, hardwood floors, kitchen with oak cabinets, bath room with oak and ceramic, newer windows and central air \$134,900 (65DON) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - In town, just blocks from all

the downtown activities Two bedrooms.

1 ½ bath Condo with extra storage space.

Florida room adds bonus living space. All

appliances included Home warranty &

immediate occupancy \$135,900 (28KEL)

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WESTLAND - Elbow room at a modest price Large 3 bedroom, 11/2 bath brick Ranch with newer roof, windows, siding + remodeled kitchen & bath. Family room with fireplace, basement & large 2 car garage Ail this in most desirable sub \$164,900 (39LAW) 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE - Links of Northville Two bedroom, 21/2 bath Condo with 2 car attached garage, basement, family room with doorwall, cathedral ceiling, fireplace & newer carpet, first floor laundry, master bedroom with master bath with whirlpool tub & sky light Better than new. \$318,000 (18LOC) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Beautifully maintained 3 bedroom Ranch, hardwood floors, vinyl windows, plaster walls & coved ceilings, updates include roof, furnace & central air, electric & carpet. Neutral colors, ceramic tile in kitchen, basement for added space Two car garage has 1 car door & south Redford schools \$132,000 (73ORA) 734-455-5600



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PLYMOUTH - Beautifully maintained Private unit with 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, walk-in closet, ceramic tile foyer & baths Gas fireplace in living room, wooded view off deck Neutral colors throughout Newer furnace & hot water heater, open snack bar, basement for storage & oak cabinets in kitchen \$164,900 (25SYC) 734-455-5600

DEARBORN - Spectacular home at TPC.

Luxurious gated community offers hard-

wood floors in foyer, library & gourmet

kitchen which has white cabinets, wine rack & built-in appliances Basement, rec

room & 2 car attached garage. All offered in this 3 bedroom, 3 full & 2 half bath

home \$569,900 (36TUR) 734-455-5600

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PLYMOLITH - Immaculatel Two bedroom

2 bath, spacious Ranch Condo Open floor

plan. Updated kitchen & breakfast room

with appliances included. Large living

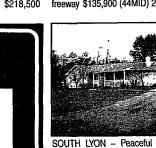
room with gas fireplace. Finished base

ment. End unit with extra-wide doors.



NORTHVILLE - A beauty, Freshly updated 4 bedroom, 21/2 bath Colonial in Whisper Woods sub Andersen windows throughout. Beautifully landscaped private yard with underground sprinklers. Quiet cul-de-sac location. \$332,900 (05AMB) 248-349-5600





SOUTH LYON - Peaceful setting. Nice home on just over ½ acre features newer vinyl windows and siding, updated bath, deck, newer hot water heater, 2 car attached garage, basement & South Lyon schools \$179,900 (37RUS) 248-349-5600



WEST BLOOMFIELD - Spacious Frankel Colonial Four bedroom, 21/2 bath home with large open foyer, huge kitchen with opening to family room Hardwood floors on upper level. Balcony off master. Very private with beautiful landscaping surrounding large in-ground pool, patio & deck Gas fireplace \$389,000 (12VAL) 248-349-5600



HOWELL - Move to the country. Four bedroom, 2 bath farm on approximately 40 acres Included is pole barn, 2 storage sheds, chicken coop & barn with grainery and horse stalls The acreage includes hay to harvest and woods \$320,000 (22OAK) 248-349-5600









CANTON Gorgeous updated brick Ranch with 3 bedrooms, 21/2 baths, open kitchen overlooking family room with cathedral ceiling, fireplace & sky light, profinished basement with wet bar, kitchen, bedroom, bath, living area. In-ground pool, 2½ car attached garage, backs to park-like setting \$226,000 (56FER) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN - Gorgeous executive Condo. 3,350 square foot Ranch presents 2 bedrooms, 3½ baths, finished basement 2 car attached garage in gated community at the TPC golf course overlooking fairway Master with jetted tub & separate showe spacious white kitchen with granite counter \$899,900 (5PRES) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Updated 2 bedroom Condo. Great location facing serene court yard Open flowing floor plan, new oak kitchen and bath, spacious living room with newer carpet and door to balcony Master bedroom with walk-in closet \$111,900 (35FRA) 734-455-5600



WESTLAND - Fabulous find. Three bed 5 room Cape Cod-style home with many updates. Must see to appreciate it truly. Two full baths. Beautiful landscaping. \$169,999 (26GLE) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Wow, lovely 4 bedroom, 21/2 bath Colonial offers family room with fireplace, living room with large bay window, eat-ir kitchen with kitchen appliances to stay Central air, patio with privacy fence, sprinkler system, basement, 2+ car garage, all with Plymouth schools Newer roof & windows \$234,750 (71QUE) 734-455-5600



WESTLAND Awesome Rivergate -Condo! Wonderful 2 story. 2 bedroom Condo with basement & garage. Live new! Extremely clean and beautifully decorated. Livonia schools and great location near expressways and shopping. All appliances stay. \$159,977 (07RIV) 248-280-4777



DEARBORN - A place to call home. Nice 3 bedroom Dearborn Bungalow offers fire place in living room, coved ceilings, finished basement with full bath & bar plus newer furnace and central air. \$139,999 (45WOO) 734-455-5600



LIVONIA - Great Ranch, great price. All brick 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home with 2 car attached garage and central air. Updated kitchen, bath, roof, windows, siding and trim Nice deck in large, private yard One year home warranty. \$174,900 (16SUM) 248-349-5600

REDFORD - Wonderful family home. Four

bedrooms, 2 full updated baths, first floor

laundry, fireplace in living room. Partially

finished basement. Heated garage, large

kitchen & breakfast room. Tree-lined

neighborhood Newer windows, appli-

ances & warranty included \$129,900 (35BRA) 248-349-5600

WHITE LAKE - All sports Cedar Island

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Super home that is completely updated.

You must see the kitchen, hot tub, garden tub & shower, stall in bath and 3 bed

rooms Terrific home. \$148,900 (01LAK)

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NORTHVILLE - A cut above. Resort-style living with perfect waterfront views. Two bedroom, 31/2 bath Condo Loft/study, 2 fireplaces, mirror wall, dining room door to private deck. Finished walk-out lower level door to terrace leads to dock First floor laundry. Meticulous landscaping \$419,900 (53BLU) 248-349-5600



NOVI - Broadmoor Park Colonial. Four bedroom, 31/2 bath, living room, family room, library, dining room and 3 car garage Finished lower level with sauna. Jack & Jill bedrooms. Two fireplaces. \$539,000 (40NOR) 248-349-5600



WIXOM - Three bedroom detached Condo Like new 3 bedroom w/fin base ment. Neutral decor, 1st floor laundry & att. garage. Beautiful deck & great location w/e-z access to freeways. All appl. incl. Fireplace in great room. \$225,000 (12YOR) 248-349-5600

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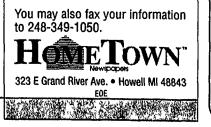
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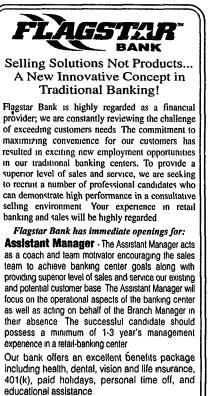
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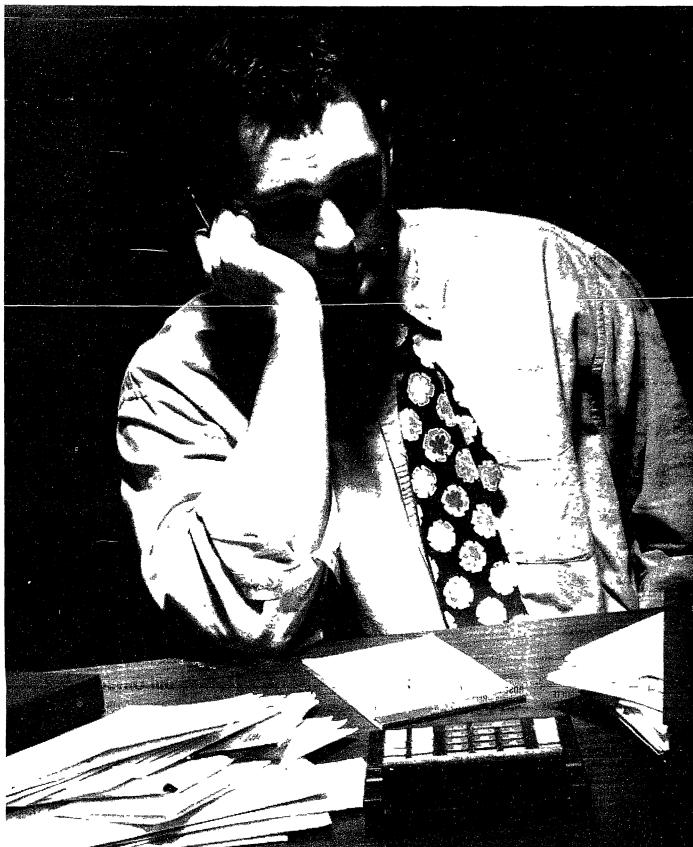
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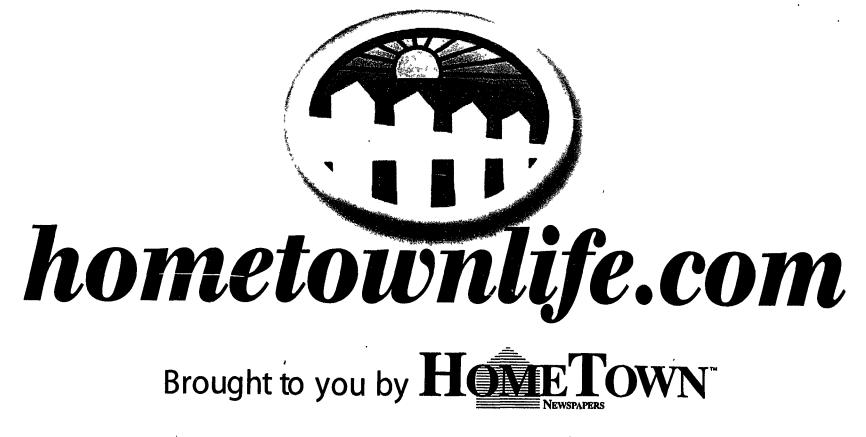
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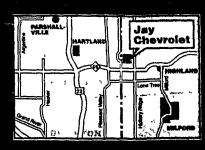
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YOUR HEALTH

A creative strategy vs. dementia By Gary Rotstein PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

David Troxel's approach to caring for someone with Alzheimer's disease has some simple guidelines: be a "best friend" and develop a knack for handling difficult situations without confrontation.

He said it's important to avoid arguments with people with dementia because you can't win. He advises caregivers to be crafty and, if the muth doesn't work, to use white lies on someone who can't reason for themselves.

"You need to be acting¹ with integrity, but also acting in the best interests of the person who may not be legally competent anymore," said Troxel, chief executive officer of the California Central Coast Alzheimer's Association.

Caregivers must employ creative strategies to make life easier for both themselves and their loved ones. And the solution generally is not in making someone with dementia feel incapable or dependent.

"People with Alzheimer's often still have a need to be productive and helpful," Troxel said. The trick is to make them believe it's true even if it's not.

Troxel and Virginia Bell, who worked together with families at the University of Kentucky's Alzheimer Disease Research Center starting in 1986, developed there the "Best Friends Approach" to Alzheimer's care. They've described it in three books. The newest one, "A Dignified Life," is aimed at family caregivers.

The authors offer optimism that the joy of life doesn't have to end for victim or caregiver — just because of the strains that accompany a person's loss of memory and other abilities.

"A remarkable number of caregivers have told me that when Mother gets Alzheimer's and her memories disappear, they've started the relationship over again where the old family feuds and slights disappear," Troxel said.

He said the best friends approach grew out of an adult day-care program where harassed family members dropped off relatives whom they considered "impossible."

"What we discovered was people with dementia would respond to an atmosphere of joy, security and friendship, and they could be on their best behavior for six or eight hours a day retaining so many of their old social graces and manners," Troxel said. "We can impact how the person with Alzheimer's behaves and how they feel. It doesn't necessarily stop the disease, but we can help them work at their best."

If you're middle-aged, you might be finding it harder to get a good night's sleep. But there's plenty you can do to get some shut-eye.

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Weighty matters

It's simple: A healthful diet and moderate exercise get the pounds off. So why is that so hard to do?

By Dan Vierria SACRAMENTO BEE

Framed by the glow of the refrigerator light, we eyeball the late-night snack offerings. A wedge of apple pie, some leftover lasagna or celery sticks? Dieting is hell.

"Losing weight is the hardest thing people can do, harder than quitting smoking or drinking," says Judith Stern, vice president of the American Obesity Association and professor of nutrition and internal medicine at the University of California, Davis. "You can't go cold turkey, you can't wear a patch or take effective drugs."

Eating is as natural as breathing, but Americans have gone beyond their human needs. A U.S. surgeon general's report says 61 percent of Americans are overweight or obese. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 65 percent of adults are overweight.

percent of adults are overweight. Our weight-control defenses have been breached. The Atkins Diet, the Pritikin Diet, the Cabbage Soup Diet, Jenny Craig, Weight Watchers and the multitude of other weightloss programs, diet drinks and supplements have been no match for Krispy Kremes, Western bacon cheeseburgers and super-size fries.

Children in our fast-food society are fattening up, too. Obesity among adolescents has more than doubled in the past 25 years.

Greg Critser, author of "Fat Land: How Americans Became the Fattest People in the World" (Houghton Mifflin, \$24), says child obesity is now addressed as a health issue.

"For the first tune in our history, we're dealing with child obesity as a medical problem," he says. "In the past, it was body aesthetics."

- As the pounds pile up, so do the diets. From low-carb to low-fat, there are thousands of diets. Yet here's a fact to weigh: Despite all those diets, the rate of obesity in America has doubled since 1980.

The formula is simple: Less food and more exercise equals weight loss. Much easier said than done.

Critser says Americans always seem to be dieting. So why are they growing fatter? "Americans are not really dieting," he says. "They don't have the slightest experience with a true diet — voluntarily restricting the quantity of food people eat. People are fatter than they think they are and eat more than they think they do. If they really counted calories, they'd be shocked."

Critiser believes Americans have turned dieting into a way of consuming. "Those eat-all-you-wantand-still-lose-weight diets are setting you up for failure," he says. "People who advertise those diets should be jailed. People become fat and obese for different reasons, but mostly because they eat too much food and they're sedentary."



Choosing running shoes

In sports, having apparel and equipment that fits your body and performs perfectly can be a key part in doing your best, and running is no exception. If you're determined to run competitively or just train efficiently, you'll need a top quality pair of running shoes that's designed to fit your needs.

- Shop with professionals. Although discount department stores will offer the lowest prices, shop at a specialty running store, where the salespeople will be more knowledgeable and helpful.
- Your old shoes. Bring your old pair of running shoes with you to the store. A running expert will be able to look



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By Kay Miller

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e've known for a long time that most American adults don't get enough sleep, but it gets worse with age. Sleep clinics see a spike after age 45 or 50 in obstructive sleep apnea, insonnia and some pretty funky sleep disorders.

"Our capacity to have good, uninterrupted deep sleep decreases as we age," said Dr Joan Fox, a pulmonologist and sleep specialist with the Minnesota Lung Center and the Minnesota Sleep Institute in Minneapolis.

"We're more susceptible to noise and disruption as we get older. And we're less tolerant of changes in our schedules. It just takes us longer to adjust to changes because our internal clocks — our circadian rhythms — are more fragile as we age."

Twenty-five years ago, when Drs. Mårk Mahowald and Milton Ettinger founded the Minnesota Regional Sleep Disorders Center in Minneapolis, they assumed sleep disorders were so rare that they'd identify all the people with apnea and go out of business. They have since learned that apnea is as common as asthma and diabetes.

"Most of us were raised with the idea that sleep is negotiable and that sleep deprivation is to be worm as a badge of honor," Mahowald said. "What now is painfully apparent is that any degree of sleep deprivation will impair performance."

The consequences are recorded in motor vehicle crashes and impaired judgment on the job. "The Exxon Valdez, Bhopal, Three Mile Island and the Challenger — all these disasters were officially attributed to sleepiness-related errors in judgment," Mahowald said.

"Anyone who uses an alarm clock is, by definition, sleepdeprived, because if your brain had collected as much sleep as it needed, you would have awakened spontaneously," he said "That underscores the magnitude of sleep deprivation in our society: Virtually all adults are sleepdeprived."

The culprits?

"I see a lot of people in this (50plus) age group responding to overwhelming pressures," Fox said. "Part of it is their lifestyle Part of it is a lack of recognition that sleep is imperative."

We eat, drink and smoke too much and exercise too hittle Our 24-hour society has increased sleep problems by requiring more people to work late shifts. We confuse our bodies by turning our bedrooms into entertainment centers. Add to that the physical wear and tear of middle age and the medication we take to counteract it.

"Look at all of the underlying medical conditions that people start accumulating after 50 and it's easy to see why sleep isn't what it used to be," Mahowald said.

Our airways get flabby like the rest of us and collapse slightly during sleep — just enough that our brains wake us to remind us to breathe, Fox said. Obstructive sleep apnea, as it's called, is among the most common sleep problems for people over 50. It's characterized by loud snoring and affects 4 percent of men and an equal percentage of post-

menopausal women

"Women also can have a little anxiety in the perimenopausal time," said Fox, referring to the year or two before menopause "The hormonal drop in estrogen causes symptoms of irritability, insomnia, hot flashes and anxiety Those all can contribute to severe sleep disruption"

But men are much more likely to experience a fascinating condition called REM sleep behavior disorder, in which they act out their dreams

Normally, muscles are paralyzed during REM (rapid eye movement) sleep, when our brains are more active than at any other tume But not for people with this disorder.

"We'd had some people who have sustained extremely severe injuries from this because they literally fly out of bed" — running to make a catch in their dreams and awakening as they land on the floor or smash into a bedside table, Mahowald said

Bed partners are torn, Mahowald said. Do they stay and risk getting injured? Or do they sleep elsewhere, fearing that without them their partners will injure themselves? The good news: The sedative Clonazepam is highly effective, although Mahowald said doetors don't "have a clue" why it works.

Like most other sleep complaints, this disorder is diagnosable and treatable.

"People don't have to just accept poor sleep with mereasing age as a normal, albeit undesirable effect of aging," Mahowald said

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Not sleeping well?

For many people, a good night's sleep becomes rarer in middle age. Dr. Joan Fox, a Minneapolis sleep specialist, offers these tips for a better night's sleep:

- Establish regular times that you go to bed and get up If you nap, do it by 3 p.m and for no longer than an hour.
- Get regular exercise, but avoid vigorous exercise four hours before bed
- Eat a healthy diet.
- Stop all caffeine consumption at least six hours before bed. If you smoke, quit an hour before bed. Nicotine is a stimulant.
- Establish a calming bedtime ritual — read, listen to music, meditate.
- Create a sleep environment that is relatively cool (under 70 degrees), dark and free of noise, pets or children Use your bed only for sleep, sex or if you're ill. Insomnia can result when you use your bed to watch TV, read or do other activities.
- If you can't fall asleep in 20 minutes, leave your bed, sit in a chair and do something relaxing until you're drowsy.
- Check prescription and overthe-counter medications for caffeine and other ingredi ents known to interfere with sleep.
- If your sleep is disrupted for more than 30 days, see your doctor. That may be a sign of a serious sleep disorder.

Five food myths

Eating late at night packs on the pounds.

Your body doesn't process calories differently after dark. However, the foods that people tend to go for in front of the TV after dinner chips, ice cream, chocolate treats — are usually high in fat and calories. The kinds of foods you're eating are the concern, not the clock.

Fasting is a good way to drop pounds quickly.

If you fast, you may drop pounds, but some of that weight will be muscle and most of it will be water. You need to eat protein foods such as lean meat, eggs, lowfat or fat-free milk, or legumes (beans and peas), or you'll be thin and flabby, not thin and shapely.

To lose weight, become a vegetarian.

Being vegetarian doesn't ensure that you'll lose weight. Like any way of eating, a vegetarian diet can be high in fat and cholesterol, low in fiber or both. Many vegetarian foods, including cheese and nuts, are high in fat and calories.

You can eat anything as long as it's fat-free.

Fat-free foods are not calorie-free foods; check the nutrition facts panel on the food label. Many have just as many calories as the original versions, and a few have even more because of added sugar.

Deny your cravings; they're all in your head.

Sometimes the faster you give in and have a portion of the food you're craving, the better off you are. Have a small serving and get over it.

Source "Dieting for Dummies"; IDG Books

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Home buyers need to do homework

By Judy Stark ST PETERSBURG TIMES

If you're planning to buy a house this year, take a look at these Top 10 Tips for Home Buyers, derived from the advice of lenders, builders, real estate agents, buyers and sellers Then do your homework before you head for the models or start circling ads in the classifieds.

Get a copy of your credit report. If you have blemishes, old judgments or errors, the time to correct them is before you apply for a mortgage. Your mortgage lender may deny you a loan or charge you more if your credit is messy. You can lose out on a house if your mortgage application is held up while you resolve credit problems.

Work with a lender and get pre-approved. This means that a lender examines your credit report, your income and liabilities and makes a commitment in writing to lend you a particular amount, pending an appraisal of the house you decide to buy. You'll know exactly how much you can afford and won't waste time looking at homes that are too expensive. If you find yourself in a bidding war for a home, sellers may decide to accept your bid instead of an offer from someone who hasn't started the mortgage process.

See what your money will buy. Once you know how much you're pre-approved for, look around to see what that money will buy in various locations Say you're pre-approved for \$200,000. If you're going for new construction, figure out which builders are in your price range. What do you get for \$200,000 in new construction, and what will it buy in a resale home?

Compile a wish list. Make a list of what you want in the house

number of square feet, number of bedrooms and baths, fireplace, deck, pool, big lot or small, city or rural. If you're buying the house with a spouse or should make a list, children, ask them what whey want.

To learn more

Here are the three major credit reporting agencies. Each agency can provide reports from the others as well. There is a charge for the reports. Experian, 1-888-397-3742,

www.experian.com partner, that person Equifax, 1-800-685-1111. www.equifax.com

too. If you have TransUnion, 1-800-916-8800, www.transunion.com

Then compare lists You'll be able to narrow your search if you're on the same page.

Develop a realistic approach. No home is perfect. You may not get the deck, the balcony, the pool, etc., in your first home, especially not at firsttume-buyer prices. An older resale home may have smaller closets and more modest bathrooms. People move every five to seven years, the next house may have what this one doesn't.

Look at some of the builder's older homes. If you're buying new construction, ask the sales agent where the builder was active four or five years ago, then visit the homes in those subdivisions. How have the homes aged? Do they look fresh, bright and in good shape, or are they showing their age, with faded siding, curling roof shingles or streaky paint? This could be what your new home will look like in five years.

Take a fix-up class. Once you buy that new

Cutting debts



Hybrid car owners get tax break

MONEY

By David Benda SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Dan Scollon didn't need a \$2,000 tax break to

convince him to buy a hybrid automobile. "I would say that it was a nice bonus, but that wasn't the reason we bought the car," said Scollon, a geography and natural resources instructor at Shasta College in Redding, Calif. "I had my eye on it and we needed a car. We decided we wanted to get something economical and fuel efficient."

Scollon and his wife, Kim Stempien, purchased a new Toyota Prius in October 2001 after thoroughly researching the hybrid technology.

Hybrid cars combine a gasoline engine with an electric motor. Since hybrids are still fueled by gasoline, they don't have to be plugged in to recharge. The electric-motor batteries are charged automatically when the gas engine is running.

The gas and electric motors operate in concert to reduce emissions and increase fuel economy. Scollon said he didn't realize they qualified for a tax deduction until after they drove their Prius off the showroom floor.

The couple claimed their one-time \$2,000 tax deduction on last year's federal return. But the paperwork to justify the deduction wasn't as efficient as their car.

"We finally figured out what we were supposed to do to declare the deduction," Now the Internal Revenue Service has simplified the process by clarifying what hybrid vehicles are eligible for the \$2,000 deduction, also known as the clean-burning fuel vehicle deduction.

IRS spokesman Bill Steiner said taxpayers just need to include the proof of purchase with their return to claim the deduction.

Three models qualify: the Toyota Prius, Honda Civic Hybrid and Honda Insight.

Individuals can take the benefit as an adjustment to income and don't have to itemize deductions on their return to claim it, Steiner said. The deduction can be claimed for a past year by a taxpayer who files an amended return.

Clarifying what vehicles are eligible for the deduction hasn't affected sales of the Prius, a Toyota official said.

'It's certainly a perk and certainly something we use in marketing, but people who buy the Prius are focused on fuel economy" and its low emissions, Toyota spokeswoman Holly Ferris said from Chicago

The IRS certified the vehicles as being eligible through a series of guidelines that had to do with the vehicle emissions and how they are powered.

The hybrid technology allows for a cleanerburning vehicle and one that doesn't burn nearly as much fuel as a gas-only vehicle. Hybrid cars are capable of getting as much as 50 miles per gallon on the highway, and 45 mpg in the

Hybrids are more expensive than similarsized and comparably equipped gas-only vehicles. The Prius, Civic Hybrid and Insight all start just under \$20,000.

We paid \$3,000 or \$4,000 more than what we would have paid for a gas car," Scollon said. Scollon explained that the new hybrid technology and the Prius' untested reliability concerned him more than the extra money he paid for the car. "Now that we've had it for a year, it's just a car, it's transportation," Scollon said. "It feels good driving something around that we know is easier on air quality."

home, you'll have to maintain it, so take some of the home repair classes offered by home centers and hardware stores. Gain confidence that you can paint, hang wallpaper and repair a dripping faucet or a running toilet. As you shop resale homes, you'll be able to size up the problems and say, "I can fix that," and focus on the home's infrastructure: the floor plan, square footage and major systems.

Take a home buyers class. Non-profit agencies and real estate companies offer them. Get answers to your questions. Empower yourself with knowledge so you feel less intimidated. Even if you're a repeat buyer, these classes will bring you up to speed on what's new in real estate, and how laws and practices have changed.

Visit your prospective new neighborhood at different times. Maybe you look at a home on a Sunday and everything is peaceful and quiet. What's that neighborhood like on a weekday morning, or in the evening? Do heavy trucks use the streets during weekday business hours? Does the neighbor's dog howl at the moon? Do the neighbors howl at the moon? Walk around and talk to residents about what they like or dislike about the neighborhood.

Try the commute. Drive to your new neighborhood early in the morning and then drive to your workplace. At the end of the workday, see what the drive home is like. What will it be like to drive the kids to play dates, sports and activities? Will you be making a couple of round-trips every day through murderous traffic?

Homeowners trying to sell, turn to God for help

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Homeowners struggling to sell their homes in Denver are turning to God for help.

Or St. Joseph, at least.

Religious-supply stores are doing a steady business in St. Joseph statues. Homeowners who bury a statue of St. Joseph in their back yard will sell their home more quickly, according to Catholic lore.

We have a lot of real estate agents who will buy a dozen of them at a time. It's the damdest thing,' said Ray Gerken, who co-owns Gerken's Religious Supplies in Denver with his brother, Mike.

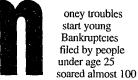
Along with the statue, you get a prayer card and instructions for burying the statue. Joseph was married to Mary, mother of Jesus, according to Christian tradition. He is the patron saint of workers.

Gerken says he sells at least 100 St. Joseph statues a month and always orders them by the hundreds. The small plastic statues that are priced between \$4 and \$7 sell best.

Ilustration by Daniel Marsula/Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Getting back to basics on how to stay out of debt and build savings

By Patricia Sabatini PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE



percent nationwide from 1991 to 1999 And by graduation day, nearly 10 percent of college students have saddled themselves with at least \$7,000 in credit card debt

Those gruesome statistics reflect the fact that young people learn little at home or school about managing their financial lives, according to Dara Duguay, author of called "Don't Spend Your Raise and 59 Other Money Rules You Can't Afford to Break.

Duguay, who admits to nearly drowning in credit card debt as a young adult, wanted to write an easyto-follow survival guide to help the younger set get started on the right financial foot. But just about anyone can benefit from following her simple rules, she says.

Duguay says the one money rule no one should break is No. 33 in her book: "Never have more than two credit cards."

"Credit is something that gets so many people into trouble," Duguay said in a telephone interview. "It's sort of a slow process. You don't realize how deeply in debt you are until at one point, you can't make the minimum payments."

Limiting yourself to two cards. each with a low credit limit, is a way to stop yourself from getting in over your head.

"Never have more than two cards, and make sure you have low limits. Then you can only get into so much trouble," Duguay said, noting that

Americans on average have nine credit cards.

The book offers a host of other things never to do, such as never go to a credit repair clinic (most of the things a clinic can do legally you can do on your own for free); never go to a rent-to-own store (rental and interest charges are so high they pay for the item four and five times over); never get a car loan for longer than three years (if you can't afford the monthly payments at three years, you can't afford the car), never hide from the bill collector (when he finds you, and he will, you'll only be in deeper trouble), and never make a significant purchase on the first trip to the store (basically, haste makes waste).

Duguay, executive director of an advocacy group promoting financial education for young adults, said she collected fodder for the stories during her six years as director of education for the Consumer Credit Counseling Service in Los Angeles.

At least one of the book's rules is sure to rattle many readers is No. 14: "Never buy a new car."

"The reality is that you have lost several thousand dollars in value before you even make it to your driveway," Duguay writes. "The simple act of driving your new car off the dealer's premises has decreased its value."

Duguay swears she's purchased only one new car in her life. "And that was very stupid. I did it when I was young before I knew better."

Her point is, let someone else take the initial hit. Buying a car that's a year old or even just six months old can save a bundle.

That rule and many others the book serves up can be followed by using a measure of discipline. A few of the rules, however, are harder to fathom.

Basics

Some tips for staying debt free:

- Never have more than two credit cards.
- Mever go to a credit repair clinic.
- Never buy a new car.
- Don't spend your raise.
- Live below your means.
- Don't try to keep up with the Joneses.
- Haste makes waste.

No. 49, for example, advises, "Get married and stay married," the reason being that it's too costly to get a divorce.

"A divorce rarely improves your financial situation," the book says. "It usually results in making it worse.'

Does that mean couples should stay in a miserable marriage because it's too expensive to go it alone?

"If you want to stay solvent and be more well off, studies have shown you will be better off if you stay married than if you get divorced, That's all I'm saying," Duguay said. Other Duguay rules are heard-that-

before guiding principles rather than specific moncy-saving tips.

They include No. 8, "Money isn't everything"; No. 28, "Live below your means" and No. 50, "You can't buy love."

Then there's No. 22: "Don't try to keep up with the Joneses."

"There always will be someone richer than you," the book says. Some will actually be richer, while others will only appear to be.

"We all know about the Joneses," Duguay writes. "We try to keep up with them, but every time we get close, they refinance."

Ways to put your tax refund to work

By Helen Huntley ST PETERSBURG TIMES

Lucky enough to get a refund check from the IRS and not sure what to do with it?

Here are five ideas for that or any other chunk of change you might have sitting in your checking account or stuffed under your mattress:

Pay off credit cards. If your credit card offers a "low" 9.9 percent rate, paying off your balance is the equivalent of a risk-free 9.9 percent return on your investment. Where else can you get that? If you can't pay off all your cards, pay down the one with the highest interest rate, or pay off one with a small balance that you can eliminate in one fell swoop.

Put it into your mortgage. If you're a candidate for refinancing, putting some cash into the deal to cover costs will make your monthly payments even lower. If refinancing doesn't make sense for you, just mail your mortgage servicing company extra money with a note asking that it be applied to principal.

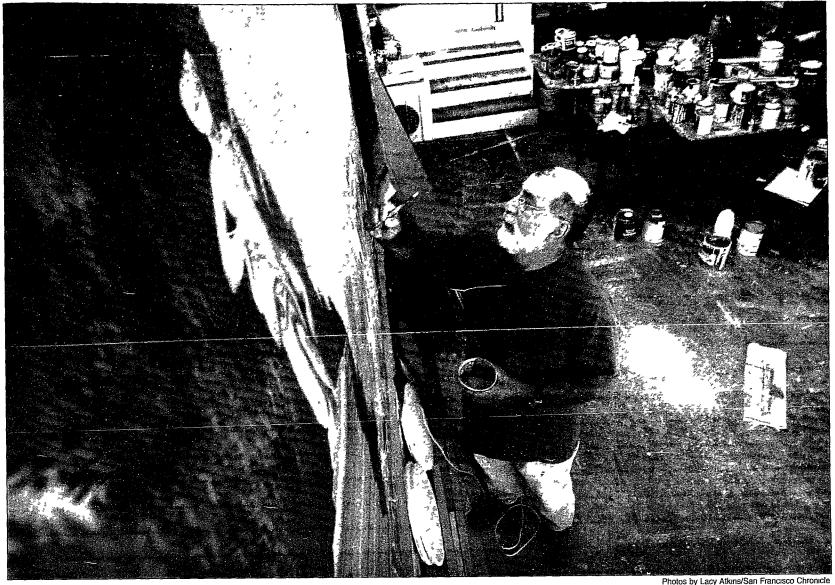
Lend it back to Uncle Sam. EE savings bonds currently offer 3.25 percent interest; I bonds, 4.08 percent. The rate adjusts every six months.

Park it in a high-yield checking account. Some banks offer tiered checking accounts with higher rates for higher balances. With a balance of at least \$5,000, you can earn 2 percent at some institutions until you decide what else to do with your money.

Give your IRA a cash infusion. Got an old retirement account withering away from the stock market's slump, lack of new contributions or both? If you had earned income, you have until April 15 to make a 2002 contribution: up to \$3,000, or \$3,500 if you're 50 or older.



HOME & GARDEN



Artist Carlo Marchiori works on a mural in his studio at his home in Calistoga, Calif. He has decorated the walls in his home with murals and also does paintings for other peoples' homes.



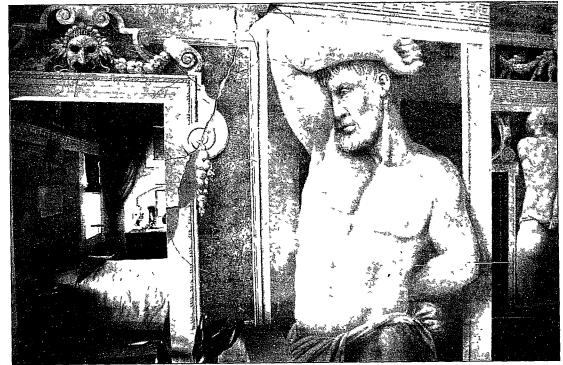
California artist creates a Palladian wonder in his home

By Karola Saekel

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE Carpenters, says Carlo Marchiori, are happy people. There is fulfillment and security in creating something tangible and lasting.

He should know, for he himself has created in wood and glass, ceramics and concrete, antique materials and construction debris, precious archaic pigments and hardwarestore house paints.

It's almost too obvious to call this essential Italian a





Black Royal Rocker from Posh Tots.

How to find the perfect seat By Betsy Lehndorff

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

A comfortable chair could be the best thing to invest in this year. If the gloomy economic forecast has you stressed, you'll need a space to take refuge, with furniture that lets you put your feet up and your worries down, if only for a while.

"I'm always struck when people say they want a comfortable chair, because a chair should be comfortable," says Barbara Thompson of Barbara Thompson Design in Denver. "You just have to know how to buy the nght chair for you."

That means looking for a chair that fits your body.

"You need to pay attention to the length of your legs from your hip to your knees," says Thompson, an interior designer. "The chair needs to be that deep. And then from your knee to the bottom of your foot that's how far off the ground it needs to be."

Thanks to changes in the homefurnishings market, plenty of comfortable, reasonably priced chars are available, she says, naming stores like Restoration Hardware, Crate & Barrel and Pottery Barn as places with good prices

La-Z-Boy, too

"They used to be these really ugly chairs that took up too much room," she says. "But they have changed their image in the past few years."

Even for those with small children and pets, there's no shortage of places to find comfortable chairs. Following are a few of the options:

■ The inflatable Super Bubble Chair, by One Inc., is designed to support a person weighing up to 250 pounds. At \$29.99 it's the company's most popular seller because it looks like a regular armchair. Matching ottoman is \$11.99. In six clear colors as well as glow-in-the-dark. At www.bubblefuriniture.com.

■ For the kids, Posh Tots offers a Black Royal Rocker in vinyl. \$255. Matching ottoman \$66. Order at www.poshtots.com.

■ For your dog, Pettails.com showcases a variety of armchairs on

Renaissance man.

Certainly, the Calistoga, Calif., artist and gallery owner's scope of competence encompasses aspects of art, literature and architecture so numerous as to amply qualify for that exalted description. In less grandiose terms, you might call him a jack of all artistic trades.

Then there is the fact that his spiritual compass does not gravitate to the 21st but to the 16th century. Even as he may steer his automobile — not a donkey cart — to a Home Depot in Santa Rosa, Calif., his inner vision is focused on his native Veneto, Italy, and the period of its greatest glory, the Renaissance.

Marchiori, in his 60s, is not reticent about his life and art. He'll tell you that his relatives back in Italy think he is crazy and that "Ca'Toga," his showstopper of a home, is not meant to shock or make headlines — even though it regularly does.

He has just documented his villa's treasures and follies in a gorgeous coffee-table book, "Festa Veneziana a Ca'Toga" (Ten Speed Press, 192 pages, \$35). And he does occasionally open the house and grounds to the public, but this is not the kind of show house one visits to glean ideas for a remodel, even one on a grand scale.

His home for 15 years has been the evolving Palladian villa he has built on the edge of the little spa town of Calistoga, where the Napa Valley narrows toward Mount St. Helena.

There's no denying that driving along a narrow side road to his home, the first-time visitor is startled by the facade of a villa that seems not decades but centuries old. Yet it does blend into the land, bone dry in summer and with vegetation that seems to struggle to survive.

However, the spare growth — except for olive trees, which thrive here — seems a natural match for the grottoes, Pompetan-inspired swimming pool with its faux marble statues, broken columns and archways that dot the landscape.

One of the bedrooms of Carlo Marchiori 's home surrounded by murals that he has painted.

Marchiori is proud of the faux materials that are repeated inside his house, which melds fantasy with historic recollection. Of course the "marble" and other precious materials are cleverly maneuvered concrete, and most of the "murals" are actually enormous canvases, painted in the two-story studio in back of the house.

This is also where the venturesome Venetian, one of the modern art world's foremost practitioners of trompe l'oeil, creates wall art that graces public venues worldwide. In San Francisco, his murals adorn the lobby of the Hotel St. Francis and are featured at the glitzy Bellagio Hotel in Las Vegas, Raffles in Singapore and Tokyo's Disney Resort.

Some of these may seem strange venues for a man who considers today's tendency toward over-styling, be it in architecture, interior design or food presentation, as vulgar. But even a dreamer has to eat. And eat he does, from the commissions for his murals and from his stunning commedia dell'arte- inspired ceramics and other artwork sold at his nearby Ca'Toga Galleria d'Arte.

Critics might demur that Marchiori's house is hardly an example of restrained styling, the most startling example being the cat room, a guest bedroom with walls painted to simulate a large-meshed fence behind which a none-toobenevolent-looking giant black cat surveys the occupant.

But whether it's this room, the rustic kitchen, the cowmuraled room with intentionally "peeling" paint that harks back to childhood days on his grandparents' farm, or the elaborate American Indian room that combines wellresearched folkloric elements with sheer fantasy,

Marchiori's restrained use of furnishings mutes the sensory overload and keeps this dream house anchored in reality, albeit a transplanted, slightly nostalgic, historic Italian reality.

As Marchiori himself admits with a rueful laugh, "If I hadn't left Italy, I wouldn't be as Italian today."

its Web site. Dog Furniture Chair Five has thick arms and tassels. Twotone with tiger stripe. Four sizes starting at \$358.



Fisherman's care package

Here's a great gift to help a fishing fan welcome the season. Fill a small, soft-sided cooler with various types of lures, a bandanna, a waterproof disposable camera, fishing hat and an application for a fishing permit.

Silence slamming doors

If a storm or screen door bangs loudly when shutting, quiet the sound by using foam weather stripping (the kind with peel-off adhesive strips) at a few intervals along the part of the frame against which the door shuts. They're flexible enough to allow the door to still shut easily.

Fix, don't replace

Don't throw out a broken door spring because it can probably be repaired. If the break is in the snubber (the length of chain between the spring and the door), replace the b_1 ken link with a split-ring key holder or a bit of wire coat hanger.

Window screen repair

To fix a small hole in a window or door screen, dab clear household cement over the hole with a toothpick. If the screens are plastic, test the cement on a scrap to make sure it won't melt the material.

Detail your dehumidifier

To keep a dehumidifier working properly, remove its housing and let the unit dry completely. Vacuum every accessible surface and crevice. Doing this will keep the refrigeration unit working efficiently.

Hose watering becoming a drag? May be time for a drip system

By Dan Vierria SACRAMENTO BEE

Good intentions never installed a drip system. Here it is 2003, and I still don't have the ultimate watering system. Mr. Procrastinator is getting closer, though.

I'm a lifelong hose dragger, but all those years of kinks and rolling up hoses eventually crode the will to water.

Eventually it comes down to how many hours of holding a "Usually, people tell me if it takes three hours or more to

hose are too many.

takes three hours or more to water the landscape, that's when • they want drip irrigation," says Henry Almanza.

Almanza is an expert. He's a regional parks supervisor for Sacramento County, Calif., parks and owns Almanza Landscaping. He's also a master gardener who often conducts seminars on irrigation systems.

If you're considering upgrad-

ing or installing a new home irrigation system, now is a good time to begin the planning.

Drip irrigation is not only a timesaver, but it saves water, especially if you're using sprinkler heads to water flower beds and shrubs. Drip puts the water where it's needed —at the root zone. That's where my hose puts it, too, but you have to remember to move hoses, and it's one rose, one tomato plant at a time.

"The demand is for both new

and established landscapes," says Almanza. "It's people trying to save time, who won't want to be bothered with watering. They want us to set up their controller and never want to look at it again. In defense of hose draggers, this time-consuming watering technique does require hours of quality, in-garden time. Once I plop the hose into the basin, I'm examining leaves for insect damage and disease, deadheading, weeding or picking up debris. A lot of potential problems are eliminated.

Drip systems have potential problems, too. Almanza reminds that emitters get clogged and timers need resetting with scasonal changes. You must perform some maintenance.

Almanza says that even with a drip system, the hose serves a useful purpose for spot watering. I definitely plan on keeping my hose at the ready — even after I install a drip system.

FOOD

Trailblazer trots out delights and prejudices

By Karola Saekel SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

In his time, Jeremiah Tower has come in for plenty of accolades. But even his critics and detractors would never accuse the star chef of being dull or wishy-washy. He has strong opinions and he expresses them. "Maybe" is not part of his vocabulary

This fact is amply clear the moment you open his newest book, "Jeremiah Tower Cooks: 250 Recipes from an American Master," with illustrations by Donald Sultan (Stewart, Tabori & Chang, \$35).

Tower, in his own introduction, and his publisher, in notes on the book jacket, both call him the founder of California cuisine.

Be that as it and media personality.



In the first chapter, called Photo by James S Woods / Arizona Daily Star "Delights and

Prejudices," Tower urges the reader to be adventurous in the kitchen and modify and improvise rather than follow recipes slavishly. He then launches into a hodgepodge of general instructions and a treatise on why we should shuck a lot of French cooking terms in favor of plain English.

Call it mushroom hash rather than duxelles; say blue instead of bleu cheese: rocket need not be roquette. He also gives instructions for some basic preparations such as an herb bundle - otherwise known as bouquet garni.

Mesclun mix, which Tower says is widely misunderstood and bastardized by the inclusion of inappropriate strong-flavored greens, evokes a mea culpa that is a bit double-edged because he claims sole responsibility for mesclun's introduction to our shores.

The recipes in subsequent chapters -Snacks, Sandwiches, Pizza and Food with Drinks; Salads; Soups; and, eventually, Desserts - are a mixture of old and new, with some riffs on classics and all-Tower specialties.

A few are simple and straightforward - a blueberry tart with an effortless filling of fresh berries and sieved red currant jelly; or an artless mushroom salad seasoned with lemon juice, rosemary, olive oil, a touch of cream and chives.

Other recipes, such as Braised Pig Trotters with Ginger and Ginger Flowers, or Peppered Saddle of Rabbit with Foie Gras and Meyer Lemon Oil, may challenge a reader's kitchen skills and food budget.

But then you wouldn't turn to Tower to get new ideas for meat loaf.

MUSHROOM SALAD

(Serves 4) 1 pound white button mushrooms, 3 tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon iuice 1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh rosemary leaves 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil 1 teaspoon sea salt 2 to 3 tablespoons heavy cream 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh chives 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground white pepper Slice the mushrooms vertically into 1/16inch slices. Put lemon juice, rosemary and olive oil in a bowl large enough to hold the mushrooms; mix together. Add mushrooms. Toss gently, sprinkle with salt, and toss again until mushrooms are coated with oil. Let mushrooms sit for 5 minutes, then pour the cream over them. Toss again briefly until the cream soaks the mushrooms. Let sit 5 minutes.

Hepper Traditional Mexican soup trusted as a hangover cure

HomeTown

By Anthony Broadman

ome mornings-after call for drastic measures:

For the uninitiated, the traditional Mexican soup's chief ingredient is tripe - beef stomach lining - blend-

Among Hispanics, menudo is often considered a panacea and an especially effective treatment for too

"The juice is a relief," said Frances Erunez, owner of Los Jarritos, a takeout restaurant in Tucson, Ariz.

On a weekend morning, it's not uncommon for the line of people waiting to buy menudo to stretch from the

experience. Crack some chiltepines - pea-size chiles in a napkin and sprinkle them into the soup for added heat. Cilantro and onions will add freshness to your bowl; a squeeze of lime into your menudo adds a little tang.

The taste is unmistakable. Even if you've never eaten stomach lining before, you will instantly recognize its flavor - brassy, wild, strangel; delicious. The thin but tasty broth infuses the soft hominy with the powerful flavors at work in the soup.

Beware: Those who develop a taste for menudo generally have a hard time going a weekend without a steaming bowl.

Victor Leyva, 56, has bought his Saturday menudo from Los Jarritos for more than 20 years. 'This is the best recipe for hangovers," he said, holding up a big pot that he'd just had filled. "I used to use it all the ume.

"I don't know if I believe

it," menudo-buyer Johnny

Romero, 32, said of the

soup's legendary ability

to cure a bad case of too-

much- fun. "But I do use it

Menudo might help hang-

RECIPES

SPICY MENUDO

bay leaves into a square of cheesecloth. Tie

Garnishes may include mild red chile sauce, ground chile powder, oregano

(Serves 8 to 10) 3 to 4 pounds tripe (be sure to include 1 piece of honeycomb) 6 garlic cloves, bruised but not peeled 1 tablespoon peppercorns 2 sprigs thyme 3 bay leaves

- 1 teaspoon sea salt 1 (28-ounce) can white hominy 2 jalapenos, seeded and minced 1 bunch cilantro, leaves chopped
- 1 bunch green onions, chopped 12 tomatilios, diced

Rinse tripe under cold running water and cut large pieces into 1-inch squares.

Place the garlic, peppercorns, thyme and into a bundle. This is your bouquet garni.

Place the tripe in a large stockpot with 4 quarts of hot water, the bouquet garni and salt. Bring to a boil and skim foam if necessary. Reduce the heat and cook at a simmer for 2 to 3 hours or until tripe is tender.

Add the canned hominy, liquid and the jalapenos. Cook 15 minutes longer. About 10 minutes before serving, add the cilantro, green onions and tomatillos. Remove the bouquet garni.

leaves, chopped onions or lime wedges or sliced radishes.

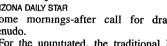
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MENUDO

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menudo.

ed with hominy, chiles and beef feet.



much drinking the night before.

Period. may, the new book is proof that Tower relishes his new role as writer



out door. "Our menudo is popular because it's real clean," she said.

The key to good menudo, aficionados agree, is cleanliness. Because, well, if you're already queasy, thinking about tripe hygiene won't help matters.

Chopped and whole tripe from the supermarket often needs several

good rinses. It did just come from the inside of a cow, after all.

In the menudo world, there are two camps --- those who like white menudo and those who like red, which is white menudo colored by chile sauce. White-variety loyalists maintain that the clear broth allows them to see that the tripe is clean. Red-soup lovers cite the curative sting of the chile.

No matter which you enjoy, everyone agrees that a good bowl of menudo shouldn't be slicked with grease or have discolored pieces of tripe.

Condiments and bread are crucial to the menudo mornings, anything is worth a try.



overs because people think it does. Photo by Max Becherer / Arizona Daily Star "The placebo effect is a powerful

thing," said Cynthia Thomson, an assistant professor of nutritional sciences at the University of Arizona. "It shouldn't be discarded. The belief that it's helping will likely result in it helping.

for that."

Thomson points to many aspects of menudo that may battle hangovers: The high sodium content may soften the diuretic properties of booze; menudo acidity might be just right to settle an upset stomach; and capsaicin, an anti-inflammatory phytochemical found in chiles, may heal the oxidative damage wreaked by drinking.

And, of course, people trust it.

If you believe menudo will work, it just might. Some

Serves 4

1 pound beef tripe, cut into small squares 3 fresh cloves garlic, minced 3 teaspoons salt 1/2 cup red chile powder 2 teaspoons oregano leaves 1 tablespoon coarse black pepper 1 teaspoon cumin powder

1/2 small onion chopped

1 small can hominy, yellow or white

Place beef tripe into a pot of boiling water, just enough to cover the tripe. Add garlic and onions and salt. Cover and cook for about 1 hour. When tripe is tender, add the remaining ingredients, including the hominy, and cook about 15 or 20 minutes longer. Add more salt if needed. This is a spicy dish and it goes well with cilantro and a twist of lime. Corn tortillas are a good accompaniment.

Source: Janie Mora on www.foodnetwork.com

Serve with the chives sprinkled on top and with lots of pepper. — Source: "Jeremiah Tower Cooks:

250 Recipes from an American Master")



Kittens Sahara, left, and

Pepper Ann fight over a

Salmon Loaf.

Cookbooks cater to the gourmet in Fido and Fluffy

By Betsy Kline and Nancy Anderson PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

It was a scene to make any cook's heart go pitter-patter.

The recipes were selected with care. We shopped. We slaved over hot ovens. And then the reward: the taste testers sniffed. licked and dug into their special treats.

And then they sniffed and licked each other.

That's how a tasting went at Animal Friends, the no-kill shelter in Pittsburgh where we went to test the palatability of recipes from two cookbooks that piqued our interest both as cooks and animal lovers.

"Real Food for Dogs: 50 Vet-Approved Recipes to Please the Canine Gastronome' by Arden Moore and its companion volume, 'Real Food for Cats" by Patti Delmonte (Storey Books; \$12.95 each), begged to be tested.

We selected three recipes from each book. The doggie menu du jour: Munchy Pup-Cakes, Marvelous Mutt Meatballs and Si, Si Tortillas. The cat selections: Mmmm Meaty Cookies, Tuna Cakes and Salmon Loaf.

It came as little surprise that the dogs attacked the samples with gusto.

First up was Athena, a pit bull pup who was just as happy licking faces as she was lapping up every morsel of her ground beefand-Cheddar meatballs. She adored the corn tortillas and their cinnamony coating. The banana-and-carrot-laced Pup-Cakes disappeared in two chomps.

The Pup-Cakes, however, were not a particular favorite with Squiggy, a Doberman mix, but he was manic for the meatballs. Darius, a mix of Irish setter and German shepherd, was a daintier eater, nibbling at the tortilla chips and chomping tentatively on the meatballs.

Our stock of doggie treats pretty much depleted, we moved on to the more daunting challenge: the cats.

Various kittens inspected the bowls, but they were more interested in chasing each other over and under the cages where other cats napped.

The salmon loaf was lapped up as fast as we could spoon it into the cages. A handful of kittens, enjoying their freedom while



Athena, a 3-month-old pit bull, contemplates a buffet of (clockwise) meatballs, tortillas and pup cakes.

their cages were being cleaned, decided to help themselves, climbing head first into the Tupperware.

The verdict: the Salmon Loaf was a resounding success. The Tuna Cakes were a close second. The Mmmm Meaty Treats probably a tad dry by now - were the least favorite.

As far as the books themselves, "Real Food for Dogs" contains 50 doggone good, veterinarian-approved recipes to please the canine palate, which isn't hard to do.

Meaty main dishes come in intriguing combinations of liver, pork, ground beef, bacon, kidneys, chicken, turkey, brown rice, yams, cabbage, baked beans, green beans, hard-boiled egg, cottage cheese, garlic, zucchini, spinach and chicken broth,

Baked items contain some of the following: whole wheat flour, shredded carrots, eggs, baby food, honey, vanilla, baking powder, vegetable oil, Cheddar cheese, dry milk and cinnamon. Bow-wow Brownies have carob chips and carob powder.

Even dogs get the occasional vegetarian dish. Vegetarian entrees include Lip-Smacking Green Beans, Tempting Tofu and -Mac(aroni & Cheese) Attack.

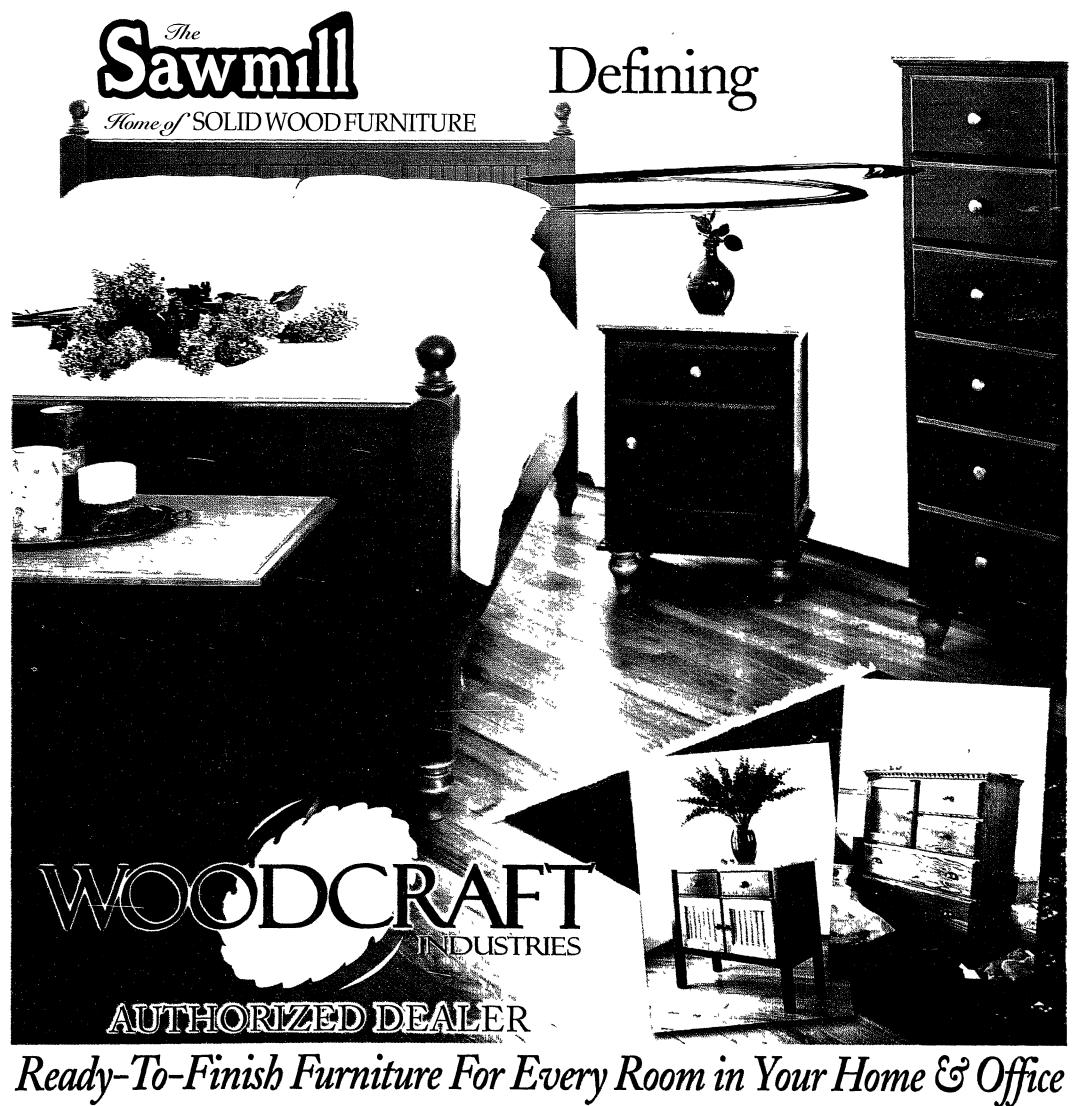
"Real Food for Cats" challenges the concept of the finicky feline with temptations such as Trout Treats (using whole trout), Turkey Surprise, Boogaloo Shrimp, Grassy Goodness (carrots and sprouts with a hint of catnip) and Meowshi Sushi. Unusual ingredients include baby food, brewer's yeast and bonemeal.

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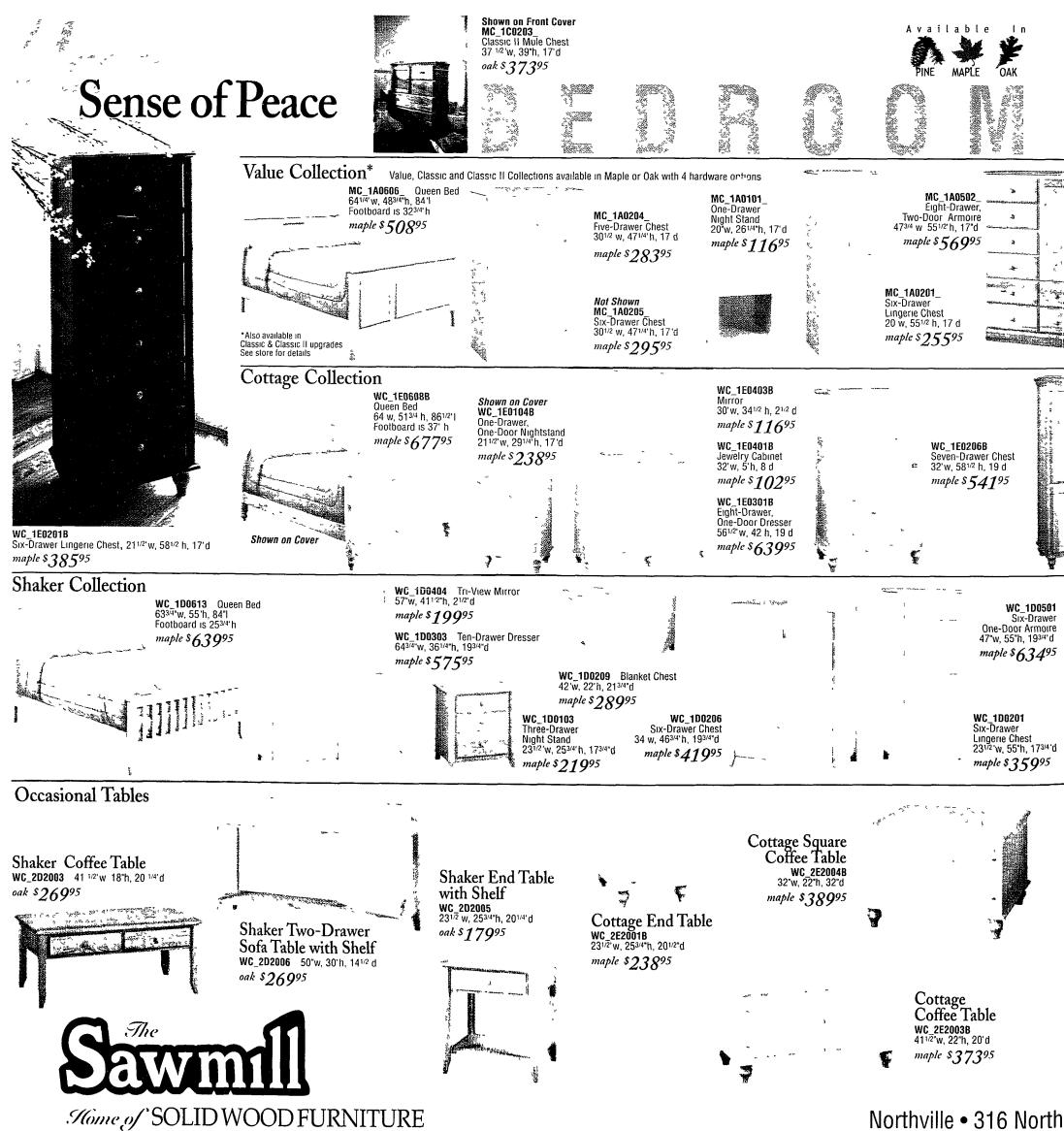
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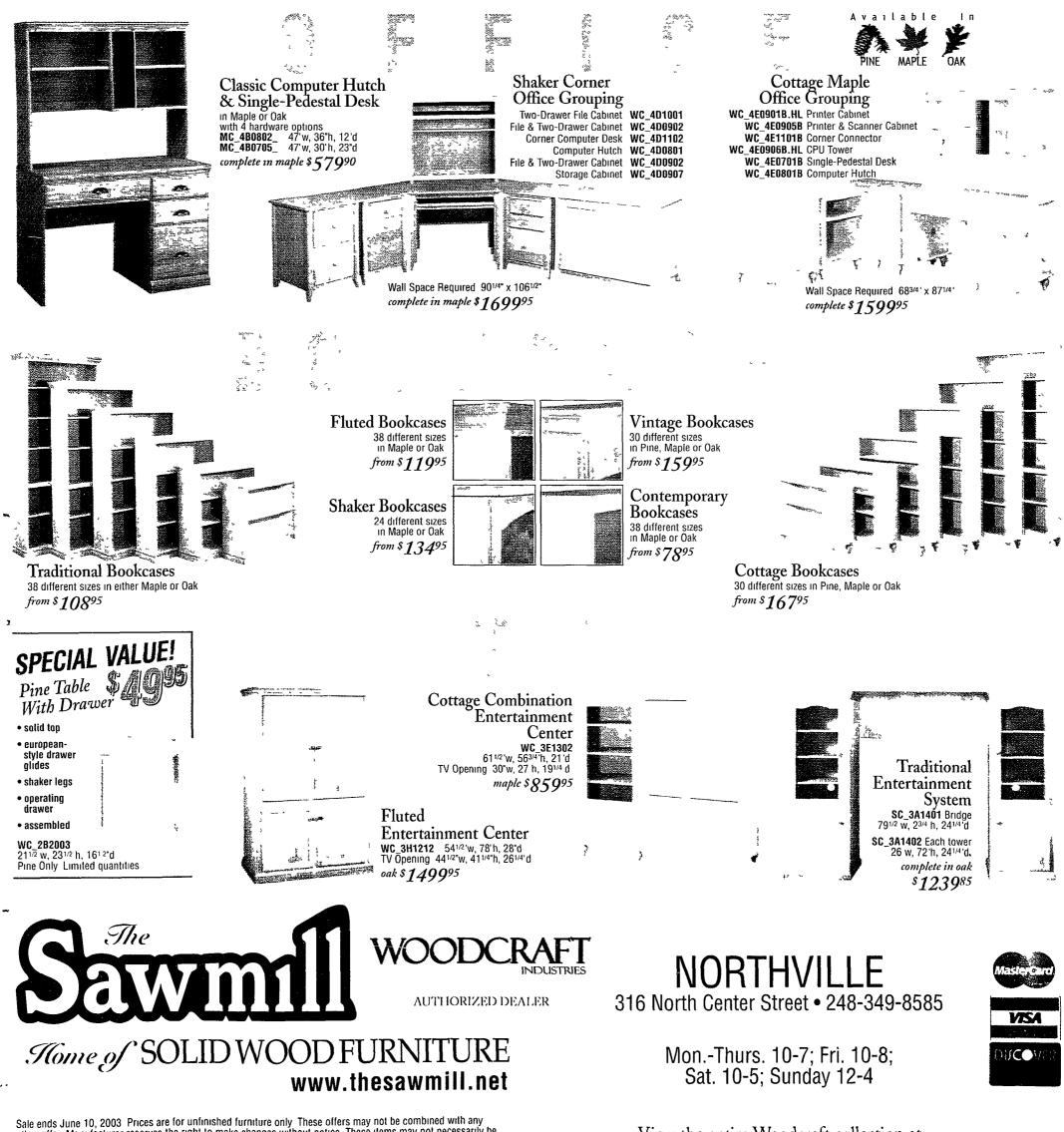
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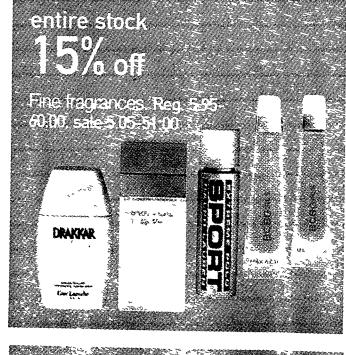
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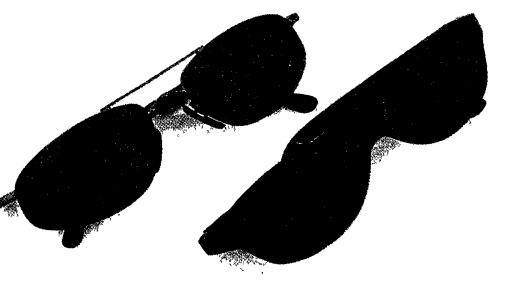
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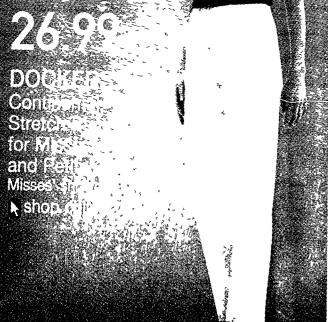
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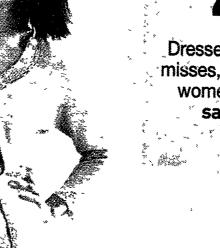




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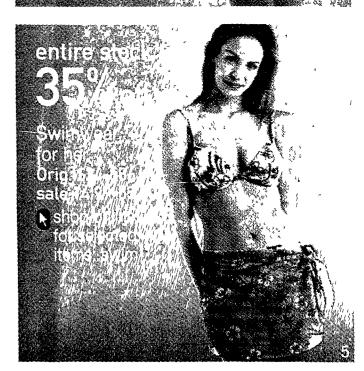




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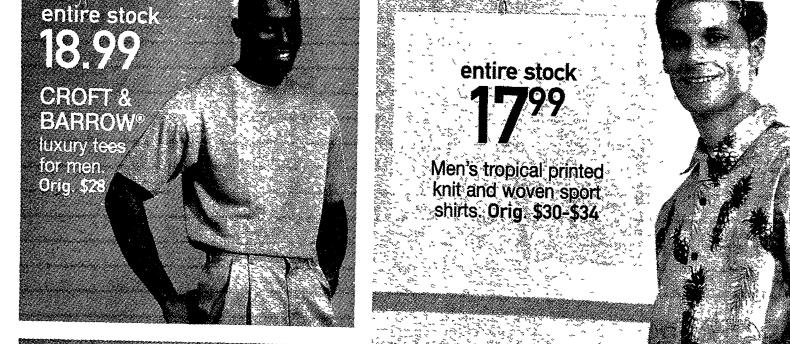


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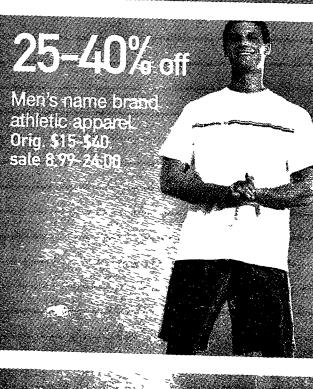
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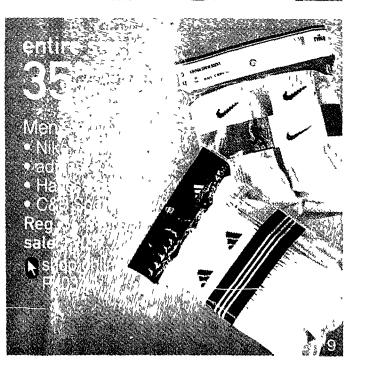




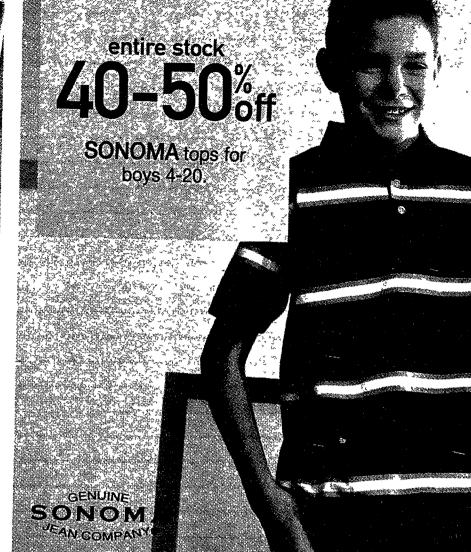
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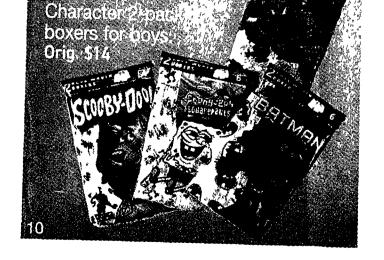






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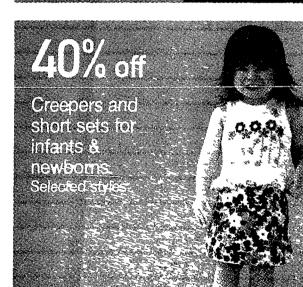




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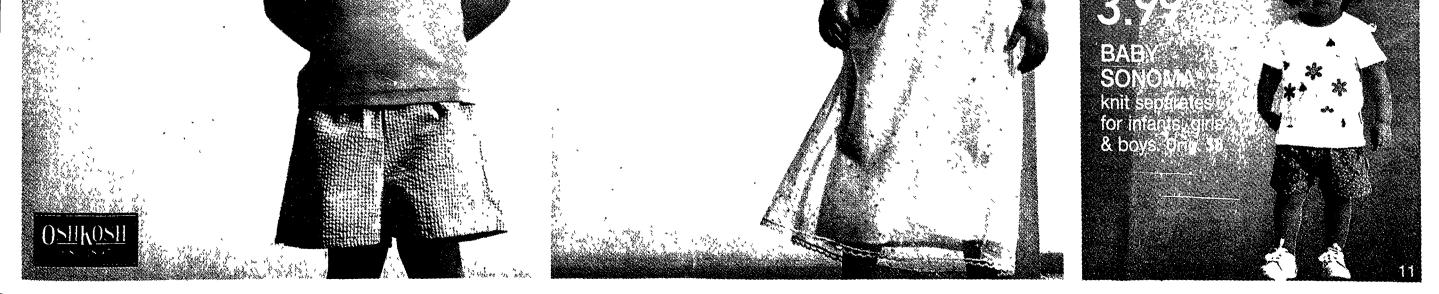
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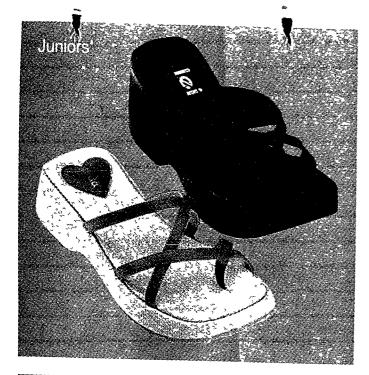


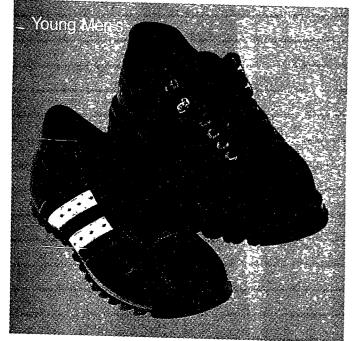
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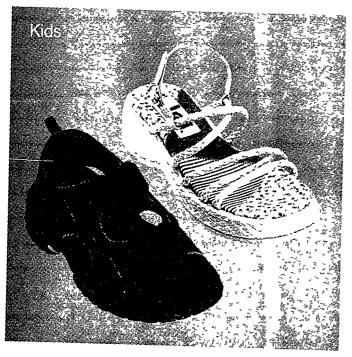


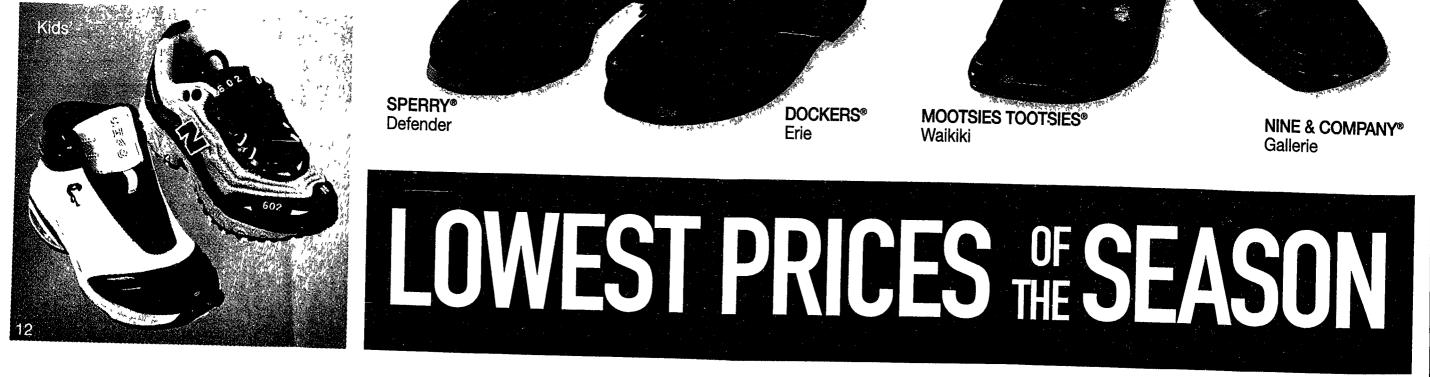












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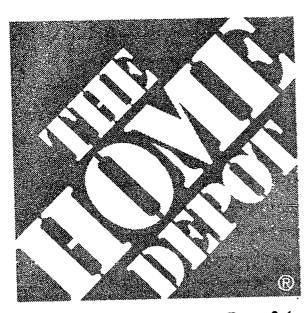
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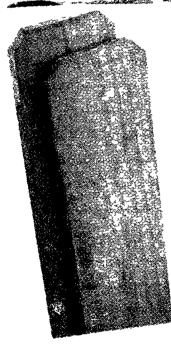


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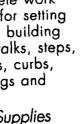
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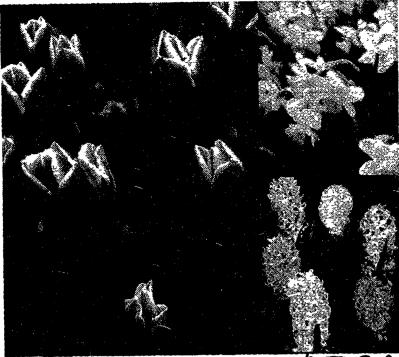


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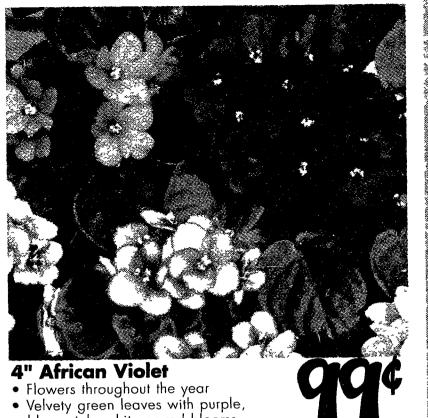
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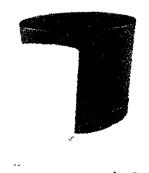
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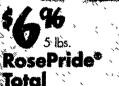




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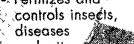
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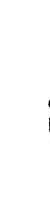
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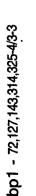
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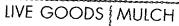








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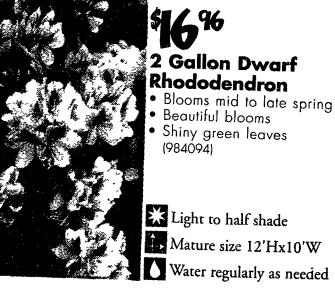
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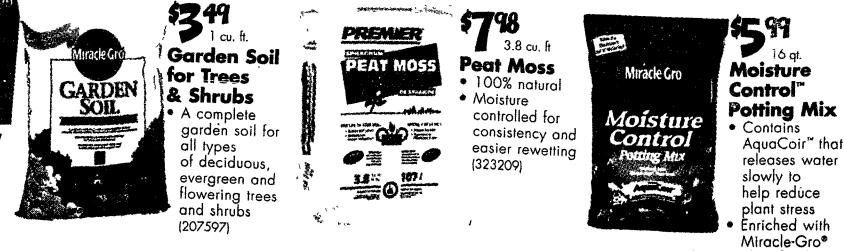
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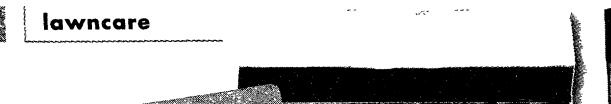


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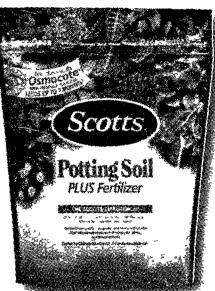
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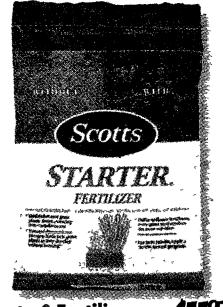
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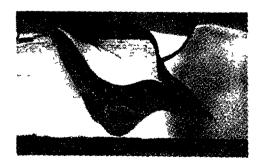
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Blistering - bubbles under the paint surface

Possible causes: moisture seeping through exterior walls from inside the house; painting a warm, sunlit or wet surface.

Solution: Pressure wash or clean the surface well. Sand and scrape away all loose or flaking paint. Caulk all cracks and gaps around windows.



Peeling - large sections of paint peeling from surface

Possible causes: moisture seeping through exterior walls from inside the house; painting a wet surface. Solution: Pressure wash or clean the surface well. Sand and scrape away all loose or flaking paint. Caulk all cracks and gaps around windows.



Chalking - a fine powder on the paint's surface

Possible causes: heavy chalking is usually associated with old or poor quality paints.

Solution: After washing, run your hand over the surface to check for additional chalking. If it still exits, you'll need to prime the surface.



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Chipping - flaking paint Possible causes: spreading paint too thinly during application; old, brittle paint. Solution: Pressure wash or clean the surface well. Sand and scrape away all loose or flaking paint.

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Mildew - spots on surface Possible causes: poor air circulation, humid conditions and little sunlight. Solution: Trim away plants that may be contributing to the mildew. Scrub the surface with a solution of three parts household bleach to one part water, then rinse with clean water.



Nailhead Rust - rust spots Possible causes: use of nongalvanized nails. Solution: Sand to remove rust, countersink the nail heads and fill uneven areas with putty and sand again.

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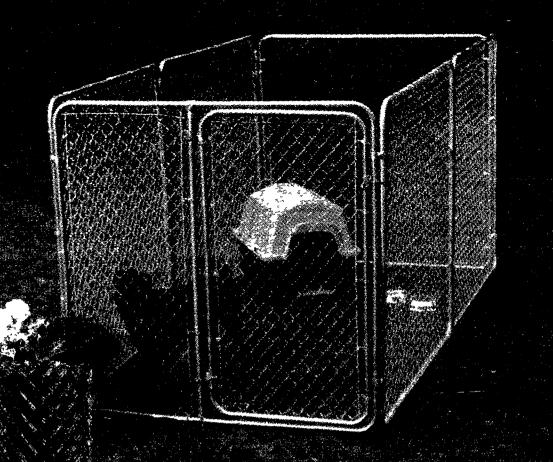




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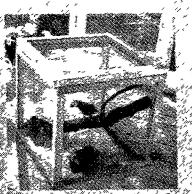


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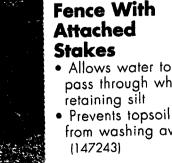
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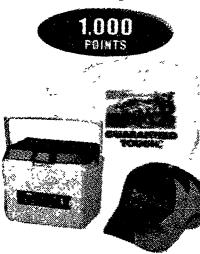
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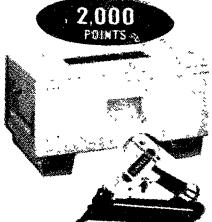
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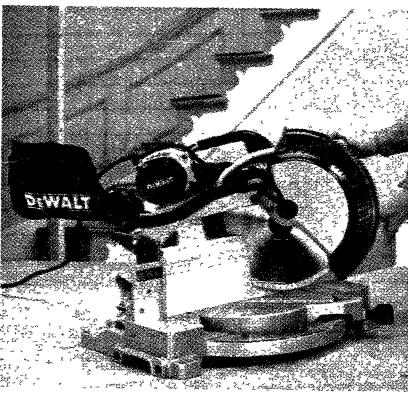
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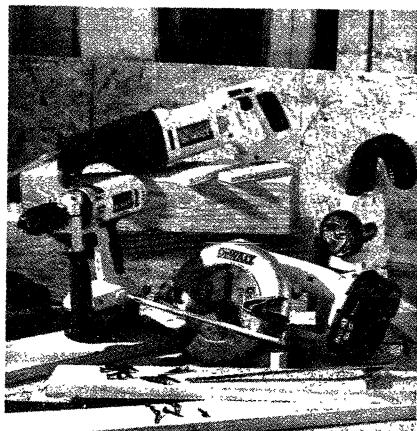






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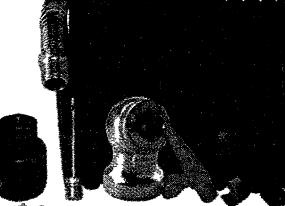
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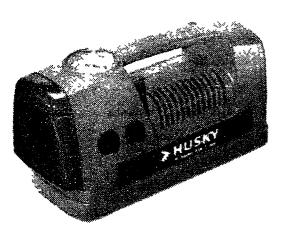
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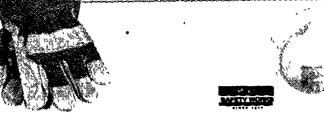
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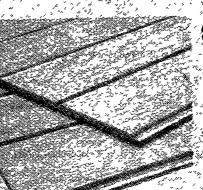
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2"x4"	^{\$} 1.89	^{\$} 2.40	\$2.76	\$4.09
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2"x8"	^{\$} 4.44	\$ 5.60	\$ 6.66	^{\$} 8.43
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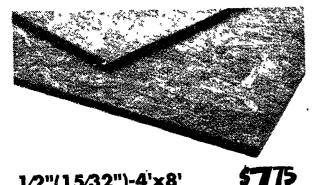
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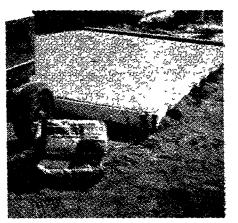
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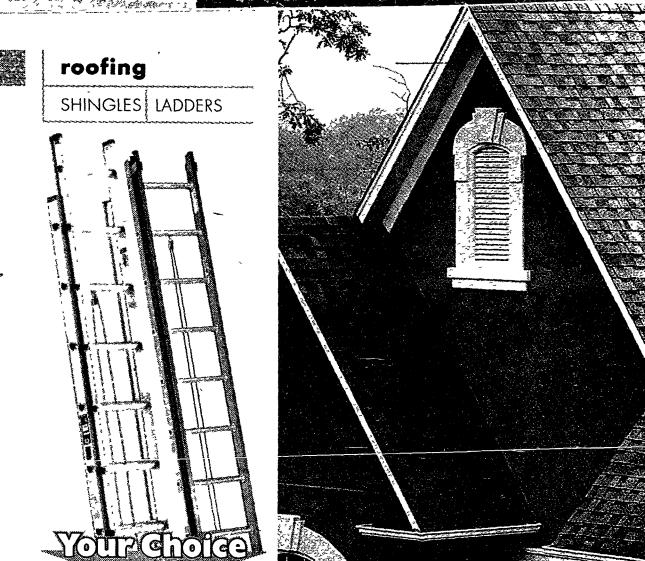
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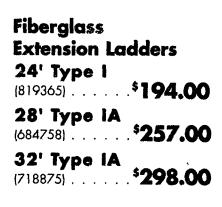


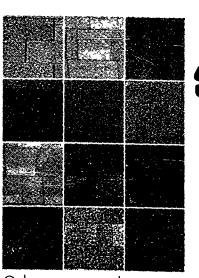
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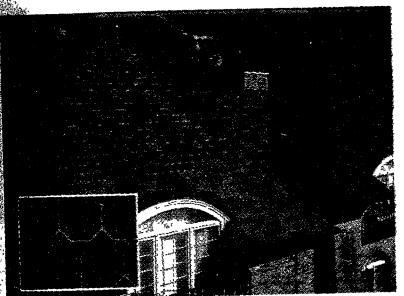
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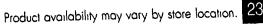
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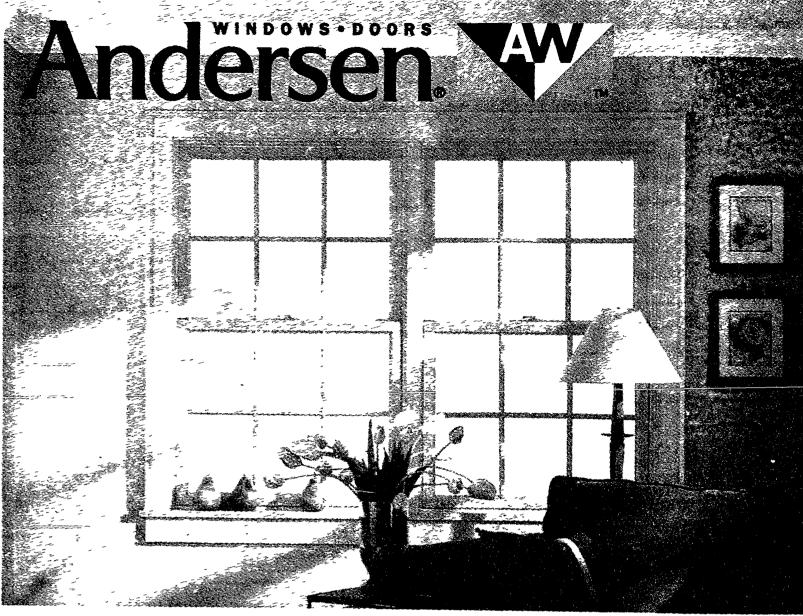
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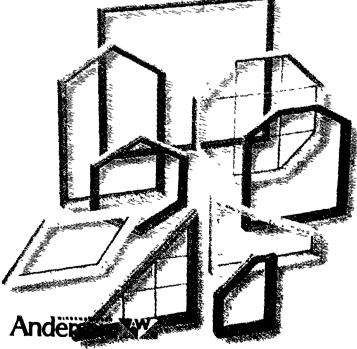
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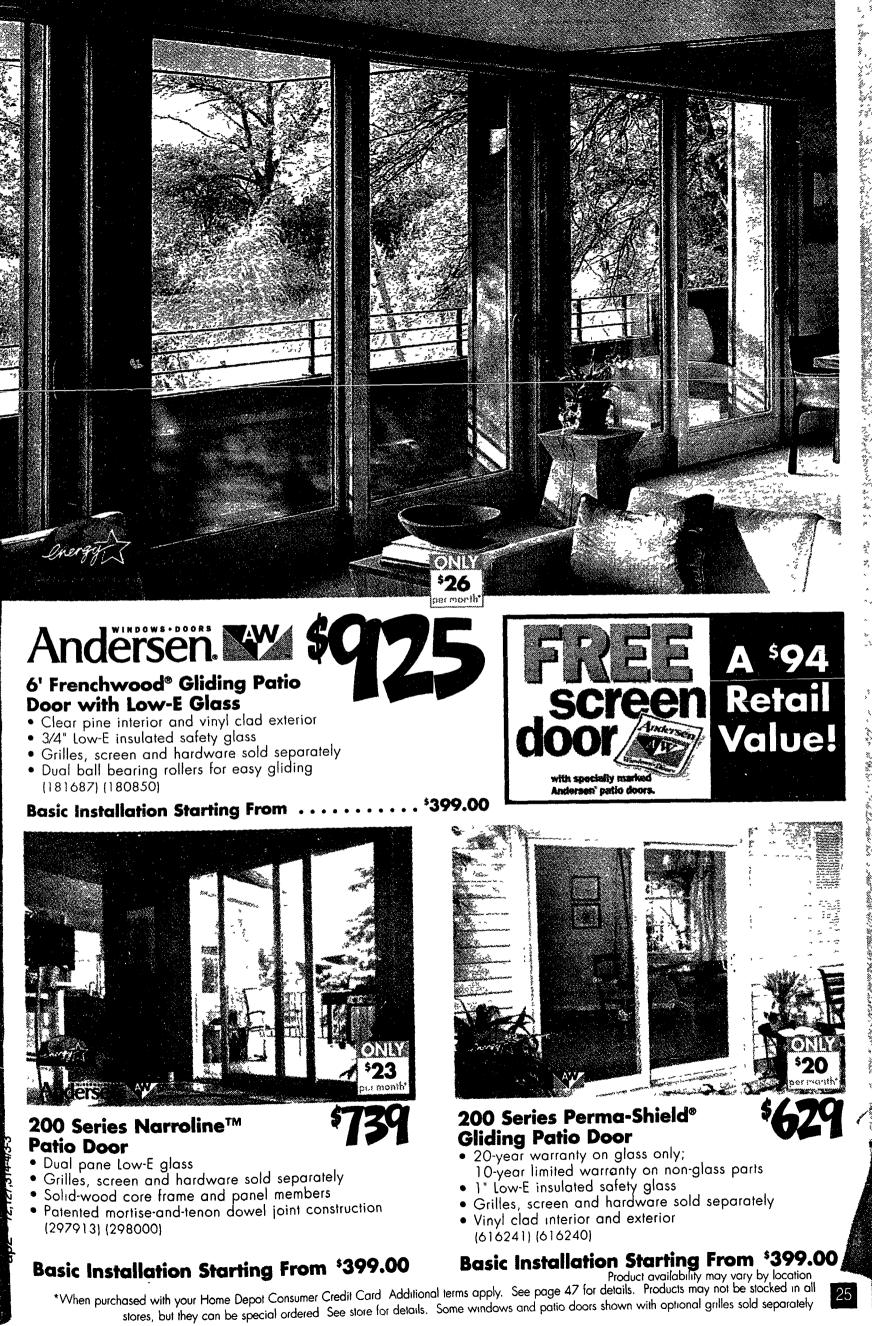
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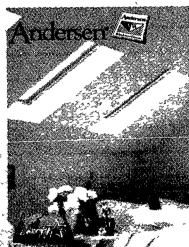
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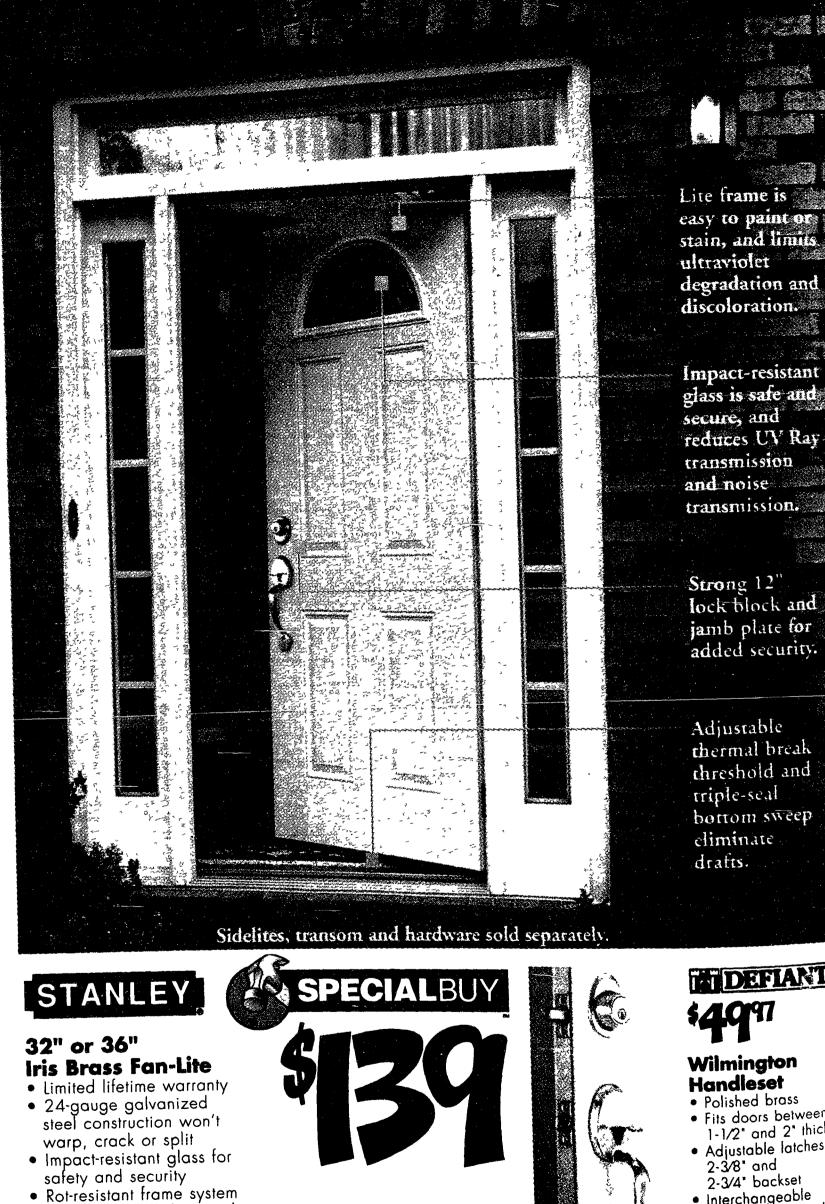
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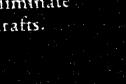
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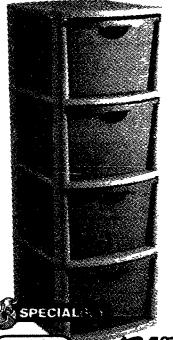
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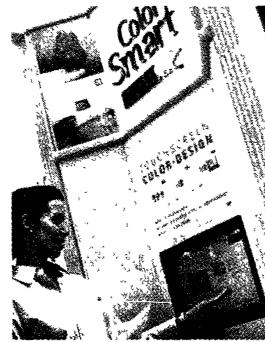








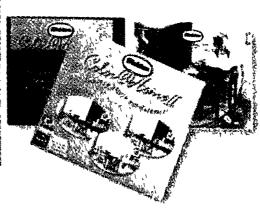
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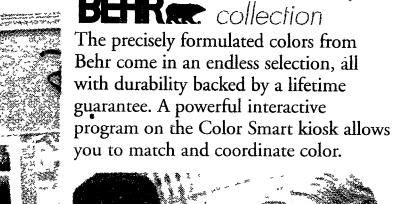
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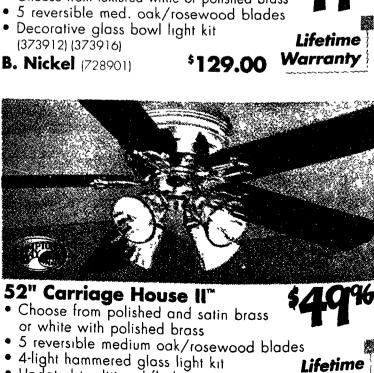


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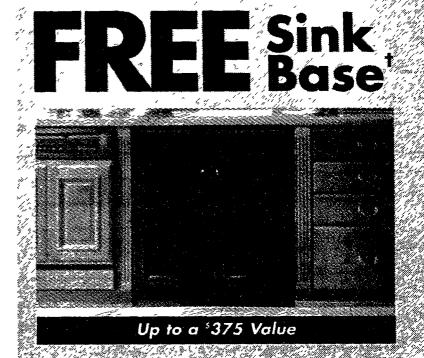


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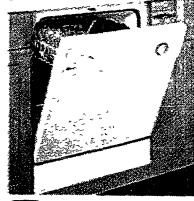
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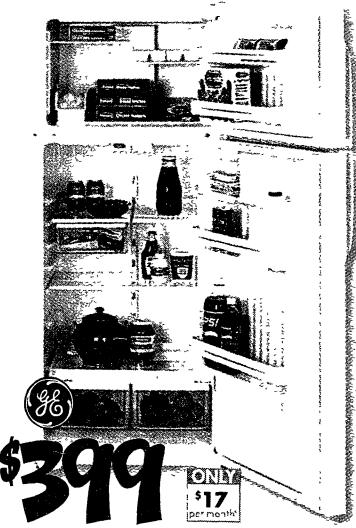
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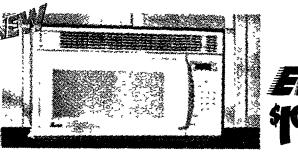
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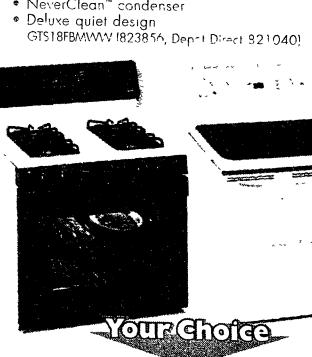
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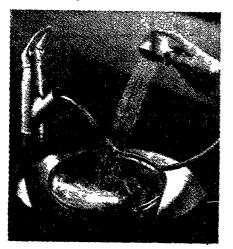


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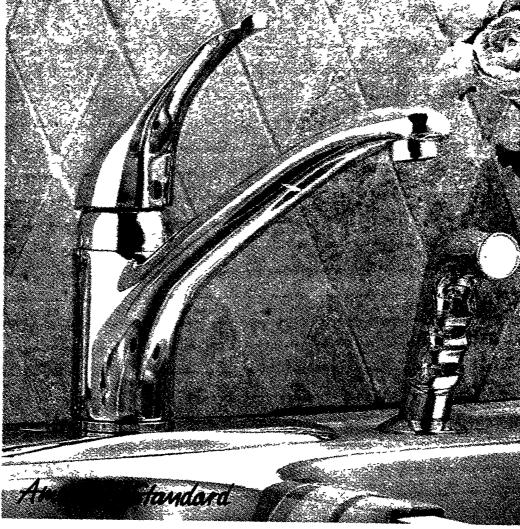
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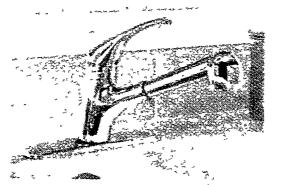
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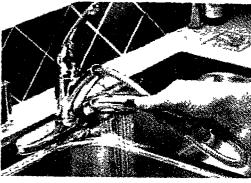
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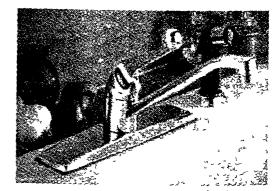
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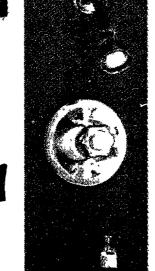
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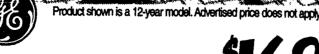
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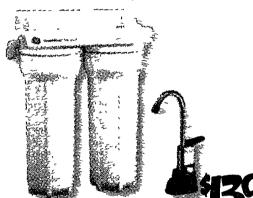
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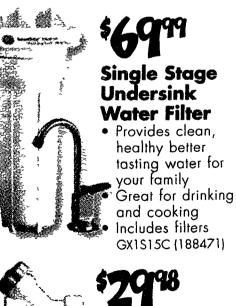


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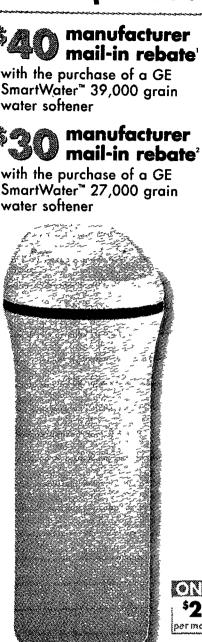
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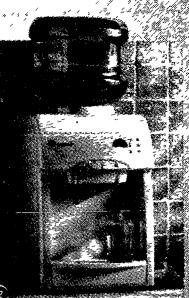
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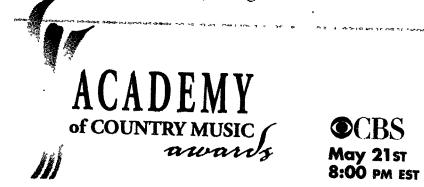
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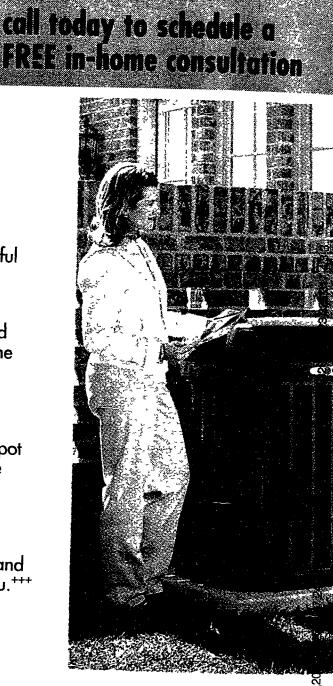
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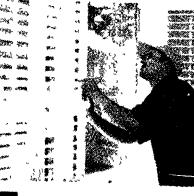
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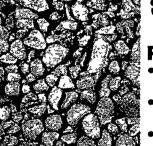
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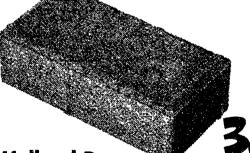
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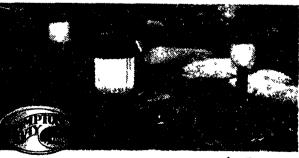


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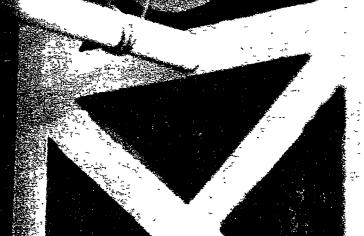
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Q I've heard that Lord of the Rings co-star Sean Astin is married and has a daughter. Is this true? If so, how long has he been married and how old is his daughter? —Jenna D., Massachusetts

Sean Astin, who plays the hobbit Samwise Gamgee in *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, married Christine Harrell in 1992. They have two daughters, Alexandra Louise, 6, and Elizabeth Louise, who was born in August 2002. Alexandra Louise is scheduled to follow Astin

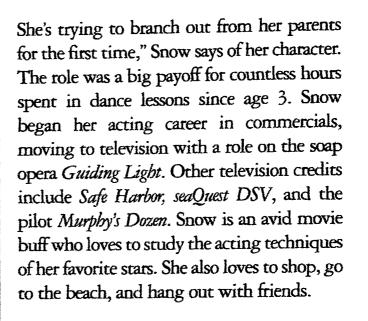
family tradition and make her professional acting debut as Sam's daughter in *The Return of the King*, the third movie in *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy. Her dad's first acting role was in the 1981 afterschool special *Please Don't Hit Me Mom*, with his mother, Patty Duke Astin. Sean Astin, 32, was born in Santa Monica, Calif. He directed a short film titled *Kangaroo Court* that was nominated for an Academy Award in 1995. His wife co-produced the film. Astin's other acting credits include *The Goonies*, *Toy Soldiers*, and *Rudy*. He lives in Los Angeles with his family.

Q Who plays Meg on the NBC series American Dreams? What else did she do before this show?

—Marie B., Florida



Brittany Snow, 17, plays the likable teen-ager who becomes a dancet on *Dick Clark's American Bandstand* on the new NBC drama *American Dreams*. The Tampa, Fla., native says she had a "blast" learning new moves for her role. "Meg is trying to prove that there's something in her life that she wants to be and something that's special.



Q Will W.E.B. Griffin continue his series of books about the Office of Strategic Services and the Marine Corps? His books leave the reader wanting more. —James W., Texas

The prolific author is at work right now on his next military-based novel, part of his Corps series about the Marines from World War II to Korea. Look for it in 2004. In the meantime, fans can read his latest police novel, Final Justice. Griffin's knowledge of the military comes from experience. He enlisted in the Army in 1946, received counterintelligence training, and served in post-war Germany. He stayed in the country to continue his education and attended Phillips University. However, his studies were interrupted when he was called to serve in the Korean War in 1951. He served as a combat correspondent there, as well as acting X Corps information officer. His first novel, The Lieutenants. was published in 1982 and became the first in his Brotherhood of War series, whose nine novels cover army life in the period from World War II through Vietnam. Griffin, 73, has written more than 30 novels and counts Tom Clancy among his fans. "Nothing honors me more than a serviceman, veteran, or cop telling me how much he enjoys reading my books," Griffin says. 关

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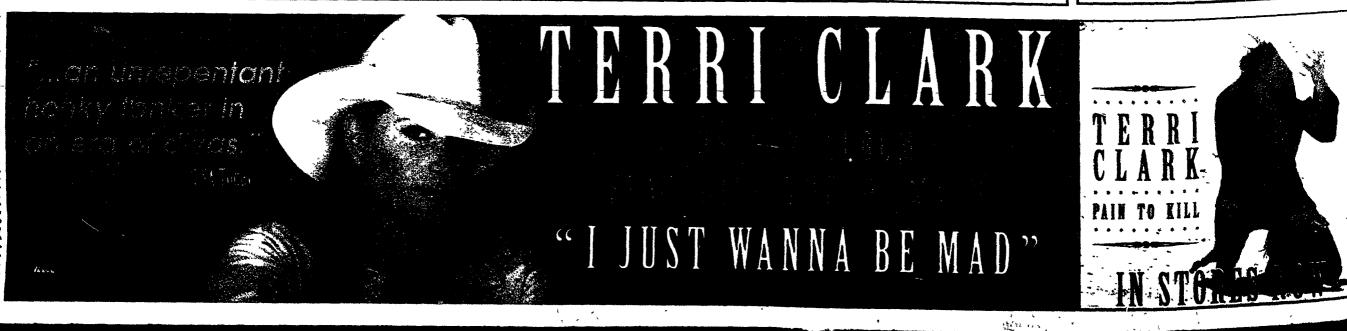
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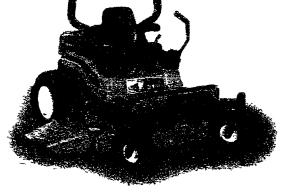
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As much as Richard Beck

admired, even treasured the Morris Island Lighthouse, he didn't have the time or means to help save it.

The lighthouse, which Beck calls "South Carolina's most visible tie to maritime history," was built in 1876 off Folly Beach, S.C. (pop. 2,116). It now stands 1,600 feet offshore because of erosion to the island on which it once stood, and for a while all Beck could do was watch the structure slowly sink.

But then he attended a meeting at which the agenda was just that: saving the Morris Island Lighthouse.

"I could see how much love these people had for the lighthouse. It was really infectious," says Beck, a dentist who once served on the Folly Beach city council and was the town's mayor in the 1980s.

That very night in 1999 Beck joined efforts with the group, Save the Light Inc., a grassroots organization formed in 1996 by concerned citizens from Folly Beach, Charleston, and other towns along the South Carolina coast. Beck is now co-chairman of the group.

Standing in ominous-looking waters at the northern tip of Folly Beach, amid signs sternly warning against swimming, the current lighthouse actually is the third such structure to occupy this location. The first was built in 1767, with a taller one later constructed in 1838. At the beginning of the Civil War, in 1861, the second lighthouse was destroyed to prevent its use by Union troops as a lookout tower.

Studies completed on the condition of the lighthouse's foundation show the structure can be saved with a series of interconnected steel sheetpile cylinders-known as a cofferdam-to be constructed around the foundation. This will hold back the ocean waters that now lap at the lighthouse-and will, in effect, create a new island on which the structure will stand. Save the Light and other interested groups put their heads and money together to buy the lighthouse from a private party for \$75,000 in 1998. To pry loose federal funds they turned title of the light over to the state Department of Natural Resources, which in turn gave Save the Light a long-term lease to oversee its preservation.



Now Save the Light is raising \$5 million for engineering studies and repair costs by hosting half-marathons, holding auctions, and selling Tshirts, among other things. "You name it, we've done it," says Robert New, who co-chairs the preservation group with Beck.

Construction is scheduled to be completed by 2004, New says. "There's a sense of urgency," he adds, "because you never know if the next major storm could cause the lighthouse to fall into the sea. It's a race against time."

The lighthouse "is a landmark for the people here," says Mayor Vernon Knox. "After Hurricane Hugo (which hit Charleston with 138 mph winds in 1989), we could see the lighthouse was still standing. It gave us inspiration and sort of let us know that everything was going to be all right."

Of all those who comprise the Morris Island Lighthouse legion, Johnny Ohlandt is perhaps most knowledgeable of the beacon's historyhaving been part of it for most of his 72 years. "When I was a kid, my dad would go out to the area and surf fish for channel bass," recalls Ohlandt, who takes his boat out to the lighthouse as often as he can. "I'd go with him, but I'd go and visit with the lighthouse keeper and play with his kids. This was back in the 1930s, when the compound around the lighthouse was still standing. "I have a lot of great memories. The lighthouse is such an icon. It's a part of our history." 🖈

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Big Ideas for Small Gardens

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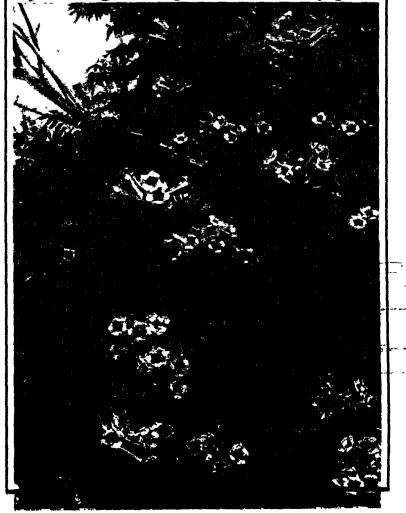
If you have big garden dreams in spring, but only a tiny space for growing, you can still get amazing yields and beauty by using creative techniques and plant varieties bred specifically for space-challenged gardeners.

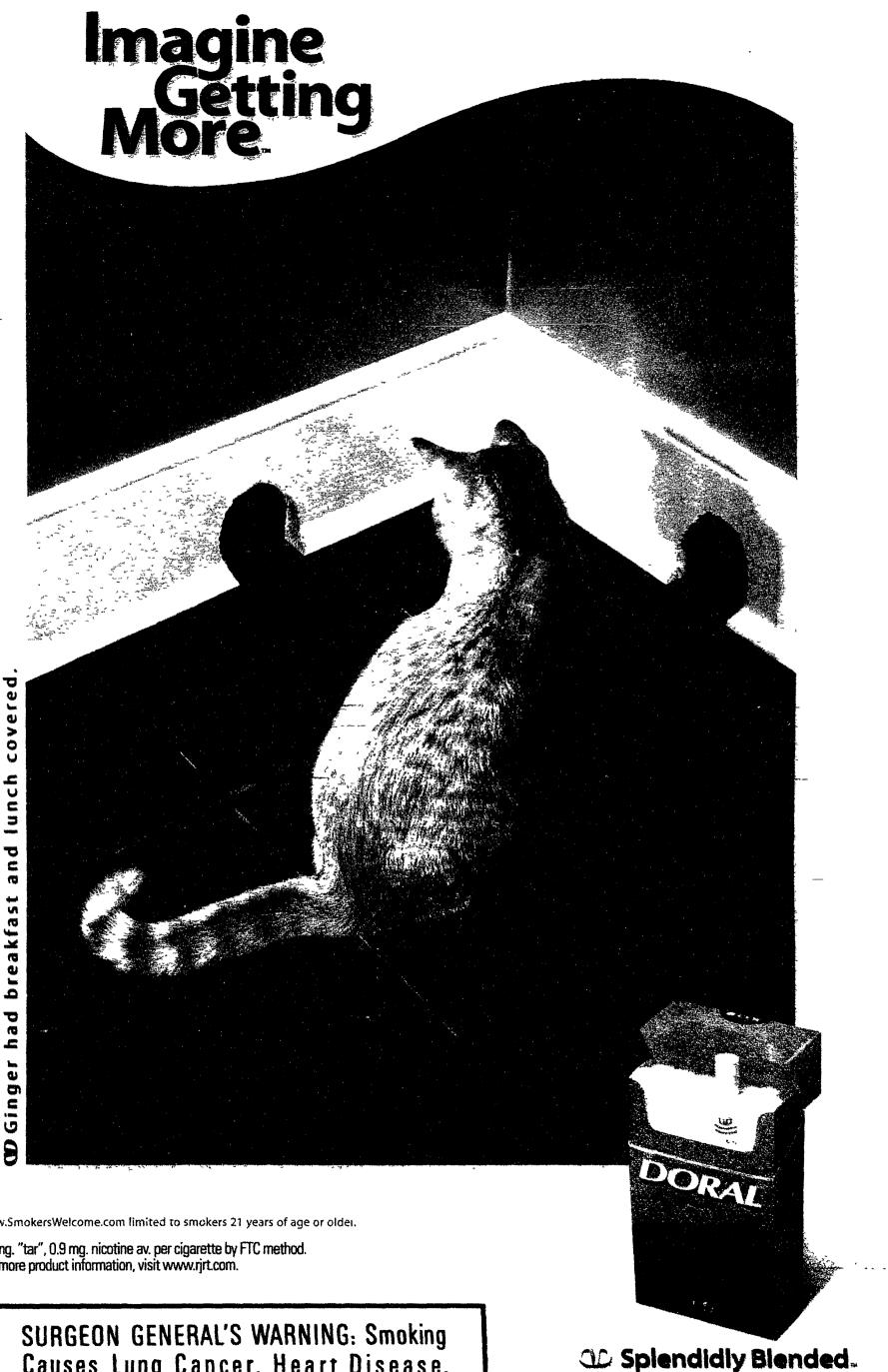
Mel Bartholomew, author of Square Foot Gardening, uses a set of raised beds divided into square-foot sections. He fills the beds with compost, aged manure, and organic matter to provide plants with an ideal soil mix that reduces the need for weeding or heavy tilling. Plants are arranged depending on space requirements and height, and since results are predictable, you plant only what you need.

Another space-saving technique is to plant fast-growing varieties such as radishes among slower ones such as broccoli or carrots. By the time the slower plants fill the space, the others will have been harvested.

Container planting also saves space, and you can easily move your plants around to display only what's in bloom. If you don't like the look of the pots, bury them and camouflage the tops with mulch. Vegetables can be grown in containers, too. For example, Pat Lanza, author of Lasagna Gardening for Small Spaces, suggests growing potatoes in a trash can cut in half and filled with mulch. (continued on page 7)

Space-saving hummingbird vine. See offer, page 7.





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KANSAS

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NEBRASKA

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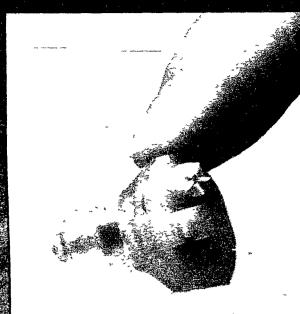
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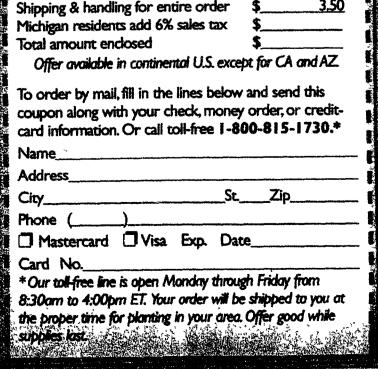


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Sara Marchionna calls her husband 'the most focused

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Building for BirdS the BirdS

For more than 30 years as a

land developer, Anthony Marchionna built homes—some 2,000 of them. Now that he's retired, he still does. But they're all for the birds.

During the time he built houses in and around his hometown of El Dorado Hills, Calif. (pop. 14,000), Marchionna developed a hobby crafting fine pieces of furniture—tables, chests, cabinets—largely for his family. Then, a few years ago, his daughter-in-law, Jeannette, sent him a magazine picture of a birdhouse.

"I love birdhouses," Jeannette says. "I view them as a form of art. I thought of 'Marsh' when I saw what was being produced and how they could look so much more interesting."

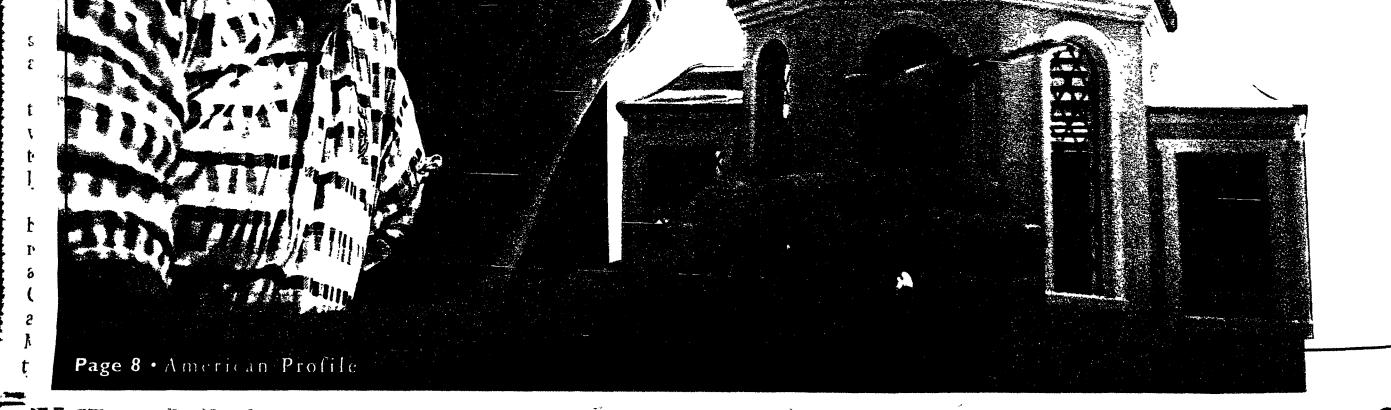
Intent on detail, Marchionna puts the finishing touches on a palace-size birdhouse. "I looked at the birdhouse in that picture and knew immediately I could build a better one," Marchionna says. While building that first birdhouse, he began planning a second one—and he was hooked.

"Once he starts a project, I have a hard time getting him to stop for lunch and dinner," says Sara, his wife of 51 years. "He's the most focused individual I've ever known. He can spend months on one project."

His passion for craft was a gift from his father. When Marchionna's father and uncle immigrated to America from Italy, they brought with them the skills of a stone mason and a cabinetmaker. Working alongside them—observing, asking, listening—the legacy of lovingly applied craft was passed on.

Perhaps it was that experience that leads Marchionna to plan in his head. "There are only two times I'll stop to write anything down," Marchionna says. "The first is to sketch a floor plan to get a feel for the rooms (of the birdhouse) and the second is to make a pattern for the walls."

> "It always amazed me how my father could make these incredibly unique things," says Joe, third of the four

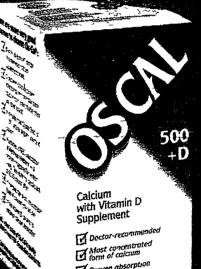




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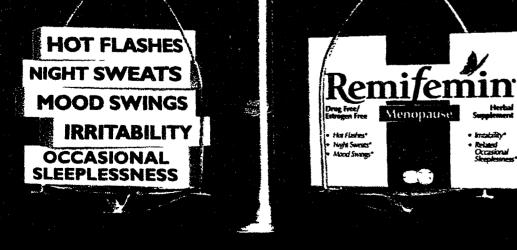
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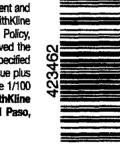
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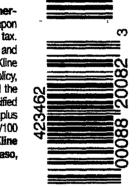
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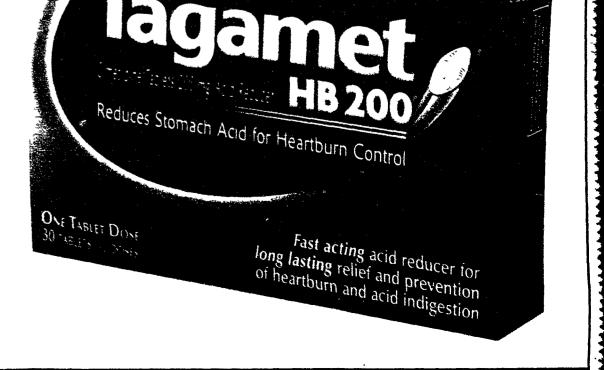
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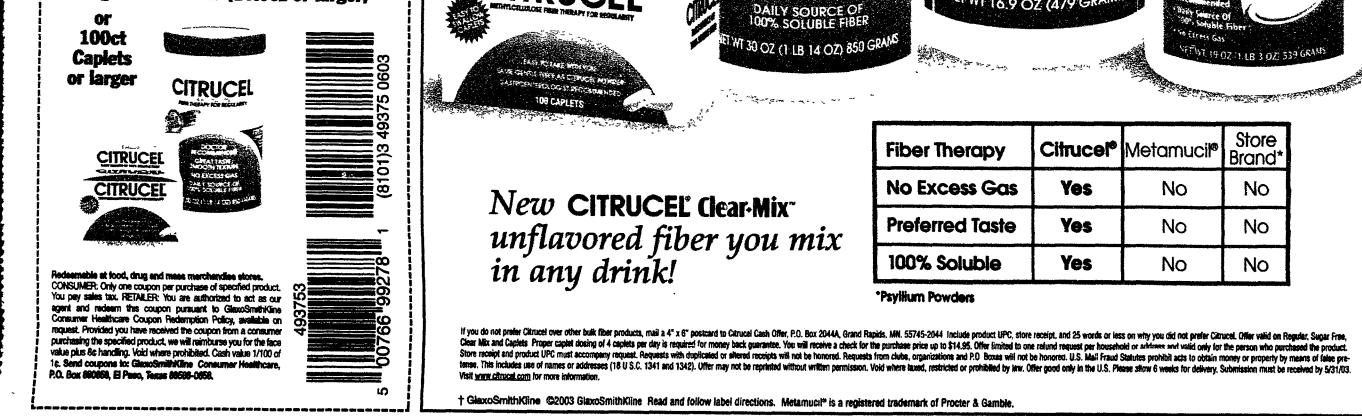
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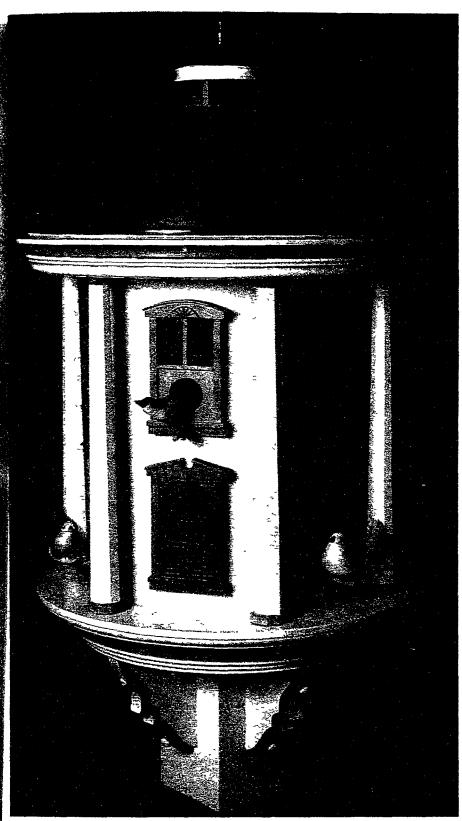
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A passion for craft distinguishes this two-story birdhouse.

Marchionna children, who also enjoys woodworking as a hobby. "When I was a boy, he'd let me work with him in his shop while he was building things."

Daughter Susan has similar memories. "I would linger in the garage while my father worked on furniture, smelling the sawdust, watching him fit together perfectly cut pieces or sanding wood until it felt like glass."

In front of a Marchionna birdhouse, fingers want to reach out to touch the surfaces. Some, like the sides of the Barn, are scratchy, to represent a barn's roughhewn, weathered surface. Others, like the mahogany Chinese Feeder, are silky smooth.

Eyes wander where only birds can go, while the

head. Then I'll decide about the wood," Marchionna says. The larger birdhouses need to be plywood because it's a strong material. Il Duomo, a twostory birdhouse with eight compartments on each level, is 50 inches high and 30 wide.

Though some are elaborately painted, birdhouses and feeders of a single color or stain can be dramatic. Cherry House is made entirely of Pennsylvania cherry with an oil finish to bring out the gentle undulations of the grain. The stark simplicity of the wood contrasts with the complexity of design.

Perhaps it's his attention to exacting proportions that trick the mind, but each of his creations has a look of sturdy heft about it. It's easy to believe that the Lighthouse could withstand a hurricane. Sitting squarely on a base of lava rock, the two-story house with whitewashed siding and copper roof is a birdhouse, while the tower, whose light is made of beveled glass and mirrors, is a birdfeeder. The tower is perfectly rounded and tapered.

"Sometimes what I see in my head isn't so easy to create. So I have to stop what I'm doing and make a tool that will help me overcome the challenge I've set," says Marchionna of the hammers and dies he may fashion to mold a roof, for instance. "It's no fun if there isn't a challenge to work through."

One such challenge was the miniature corrugated roof he wanted to put on the Grist Mill. The solution was two palm-size blocks cut from a $2 \ge 4$, into which he cut ridges and grooves approximately 1/8-inch deep. With a piece of sheet metal held between the two blocks, a resounding blow against the top block with his ball-peen hammer produced a realistic-looking corrugation.

"If you don't have the right tools, or you don't know how to use them, it doesn't matter how good the wood is," Marchionna says. The tools in his shop range

Tips for Attracting Birds

contrasts And though the houses he builds today are a different scale than the ones he built when he was younger, prtions a they are pleasing to make.

"I get a lot of satisfaction out of watching people's faces light up when they see my birdhouses," he says. "Here I am, 76 years old, and God is still bless-ing me."

Laura Harris writes from her home in Salinas, Calif.

"If you don't have the right tools, or you don't know how to use them, it doesn't matter how good the wood is."

from electric sanders the size of a breadbox to the very finest sandpaper. He's had his newest tool (a scroll-type engraver) for a few months, while one of his favorites, his father's wood chisel, is at least 75 years old.

Marchionna never intended to sell his pieces. Affixed with numbered plates, some remain with him, others he's given to family or friends—where they grace backyards, dress up the landscape, and provide spiffy homes for birds.

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attract. A bluebird's nesting box, for example, should

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ter hole. Habitat can be an open field or lawn with scattered trees or sparse ground cover. The purple martin needs a birdhouse 10 to 15 feet above ground, with a 2 1/8-inch diameter hole. While martins require broad open areas with no trees or buildings within 40 feet, it's possible to house multiple pairs in a birdhouse with several compartments.

To learn more about birdhouses and feeders, visit any of a number of Audubon Society websites, starting with www.audubon.org/educate/expert/birdhouse.html. Plain or fancy, the birdhouse or feeder you build can provide hours of enjoyment—both in the making, and in watching its visitors.

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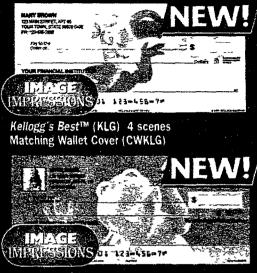
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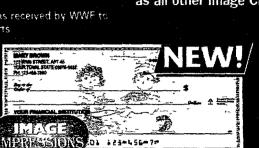


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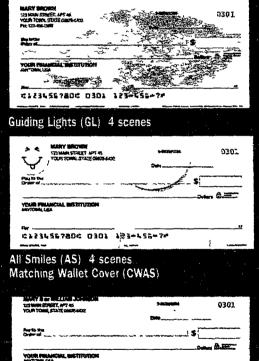
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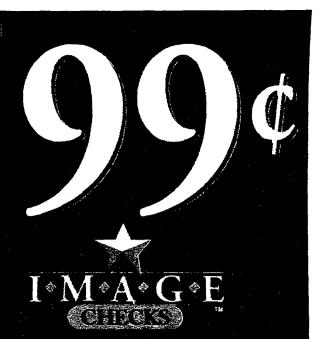
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 1/2 cups water
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 10 3/4-ounce can cream of

chicken soup Chinese noodles, to taste

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Brown beef and onions in oil in a large skillet. Drain off grease. Add rest of ingredients except Chinese noodles. Mix well and put in a casserole. Bake covered for 30 minutes. Top with Chinese noodles. Bake another 30 minutes.

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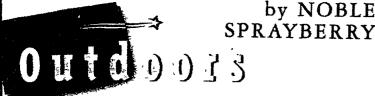
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by NOBLE

Whether hiking in the South

or mountain biking in the West, water is both critical and cumbersome. Bulky, heavy containers often make it difficult to carry a sufficient supply. and dipping from a mountain stream or lake can have unpleasant side effects.

"Everywhere we go in wilderness areas, there's potential for contamination," says Dr. William Forgey, a resident of Crown Point, Ind., and former president of the Wilderness Medical Society. But a little care and preparation can make grabbing a drink in the backwoods safe and simple.

Boiling water eliminates bacteria, viruses, and germs. "Once you bring it to a boil, you've done it," Forgey says. Heating water to at least 150 degrees takes care of most diseases. The process won't eliminate chemicals, though, such as those from fertilizers. But boiling is often troublesome. and there are quicker ways to purify water.

Iodine, sold in many outdoor-supply stores, is an option. The chemical works well against most viruses and bacteria. But treating water with iodine might not suit everyone's tastes. "It tastes a little like a swimming pool," Forgey says.

Technology offers a solution. Small, lightweight filtration systems can fit in a small pack and will clear water of most contaminants. Water is pumped through a series of filters and screens to remove bacteria and viruses. As a bonus, chemicals are often caught and removed.

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Noble Sprayberry writes from Brentwood. Tenn.







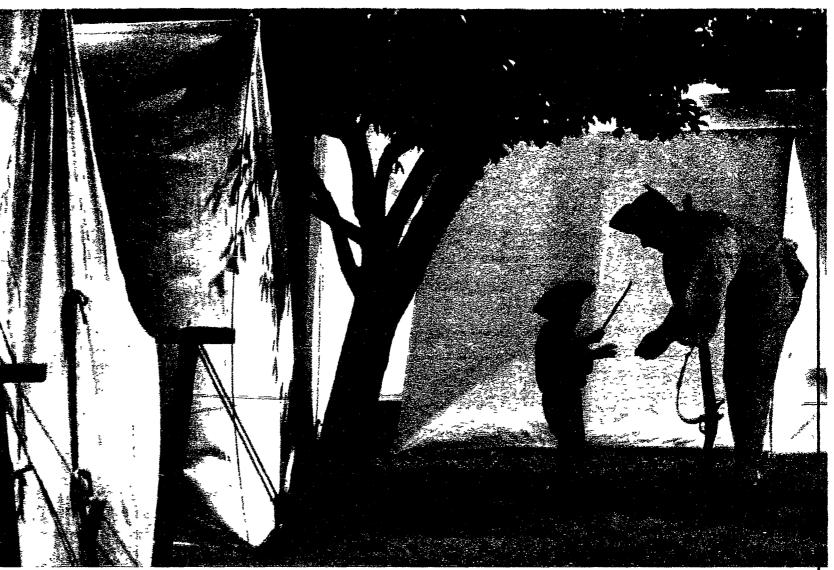
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The Spirit of Vincennes



American Revolutionary War re-enactor Tom Yoder, 3, of Cincinnati, practices drumming on his father Thomas' hands

The sharp smell of black powder from

booming muskets mingles with the tantalizing sizzle of turkey legs basting over an open fire at George Rogers Clark National Historical Park. Children flex their muscles in a friendly tug-of-war and a woodcarver creates spoons out of wood chunks while the poignant strains of a bagpipe float across the Wabash River.

Each Memorial Day weekend, Vincennes, Ind., (pop. 18,701) celebrates its Colonial past and the historic contributions the city has made to the state and nation during the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous.

"It's like stepping back in time," says Ellen Harper, a lifelong resident of Indiana's oldest continuously occupied city. "We are where it all began. And, if it hadn't been for what happened here with George Rogers Clark, we would probably now be Canadians instead of Americans."



(1804), and oldest bank (1838). The town abounds in monuments to its past, and last year drew nearly 35,000 people, plus about 500 military and frontier re-enactors, to its 26th annual rendezvous.

"At the rendezvous, you not only get to see history coming alive but you get to hear it and smell it and taste it," says Frank Doughman, chief ranger at the George Rogers Clark National Historical Park and a re-enactor for about 17 years. "The re-enactors are authentic down to their buttons. They go the whole nine yards to be as close to the Revolutionary-War era as possible."

go the whole nine yards to be as close to the Revolutionary-War era as possible." The re-created battles take place on the French Commons at the park. The park also includes the George Rogers Clark Memorial, a Greek-style granite monument that stands upon the spot at which the British Lt. Gov. Henry Hamilton surrendered Fort Sackville on Feb. 25, 1779. The

For more information on the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous scheduled May 24-25, call (800) 886-6443 or log onto www.spinnofvincennes.or

victor, Clark, had marched his army of 170 frontiersmen more than 150 miles from their base on the Mississippi River, fording streams and rivers in bitterly cold weather to surprise the British. Clark's buckskin-clad woodsmen raised enough American flags that Hamilton thought he was being overwhelmed by the ragtag troop during the two-day siege. Clark's nearly bloodless victory at Vincennes helped secure the fledgling nation's claim to the Northwest Territory, which included the presentday states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Michigan.

"It was a very decisive battle for our country," says Junior Fischer, one of the ren-

A British officer salutes as his regiment parades past George Rogers Clark Memorial.

Col. Clark and his American troops captured the frontier settlement from the British during the Revolutionary War. Founded as a French trading post in 1732, Vincennes also served as the territorial capital prior to statehood and is home to the state's first Catholic parish (1732), first newspaper

dezvous' founders. "We want to keep our history alive and help make other people aware of it."

To showcase its illustrious past, Vincennes has a "Mile of History" on or near the banks of the Wabash River. Seeing the grounds along the Wabash dotted with white tents and campfires at the rendezvous, listening to storytellers recounting days gone by, and getting a whiff of stew being cooked over an open fire is "an awesome sight," Harper says. In a world that moves so quickly, that is filled with the hustle and bustle of modern life, it is nice to stop and pay homage to the past and look forward to the future, she adds.

"Vincennes is a quaint farming community that has kept in touch with its history," she says. "We want to remember where we came from and why we are here."

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by KAREN FRITSCHER-PORTER

Packing for Vacation

Travel

No matter how you travel, packing space is at a premium. And when you reach your destination, you want everything that you need packed, accessible, and as wrinkle-free as possible. However, you don't want to overdo it. Savvy packers live by the creed that less is enough.

Long-time flight attendant Sharon Wingler of Willowbrook, Ill., wrote Travel Alone and Love It-and has done just that for decades. Her first packing tip is simple but often overlooked.

"Simplify. Unless you are relocating for months, you should get by with a maximum of just two small bags or one 24-inch suitcase," Wingler says. "Each item must pass the 'will I absolutely need this?' test. Most anything you need can be purchased most anywhere on earth, so when in doubt, leave it out."

Wingler says pack in layers. Put heavy, lumpy, and odd-shaped items on bottom, she says. Next, fill in low spots with underwear, bathing suits, and non-wrinkle items. Finally, put outerwear on top, but "pack long items first with the ends hanging outside the suitcase, alternating one side, then the other. Place a folded or rolled sweater or two on top, then carefully fold the ends of your long items back into the suitcase, again alternating one side, then the other," she explains, adding that this eliminates hard fold marks.

Professional organizer Joan Kisver, owner of Work Smart in Aventura, Fla., advises travelers to make a list. "Inspect the items on the list to make sure nothing needs to be cleaned or repaired. Check off each item as it's packed," she says.

Wingler also offers these packing tips:

- Fill shoes with small items or rolled socks. Wear your biggest or heaviest shoes and pack the lighter pair.
- Take a mix-and-match wardrobe-every top should be able to be worn with every pair of pants or skirt. Base wardrobe on one basic, dark color.

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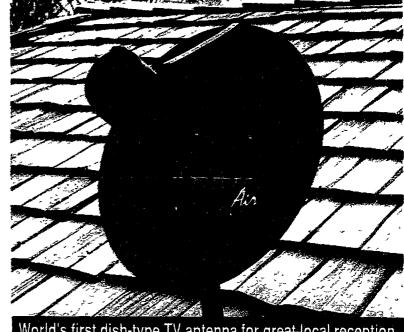
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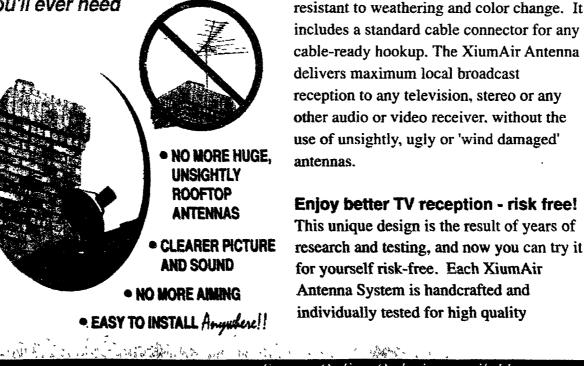
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