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Cool under pressure

Residents applaud DNR director's presentation on future of Maybury State Park's barn, operation

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

The state supports the return of the vintage farm at Maybury Park, but it will take a cooperative local effort to pay for it.

Those were definitive statements by K.L. Cool, director of the state Department of Natural Resources, during his visit to Northville Saturday. But left hanging was the consensus concern about how to establish a funding method to ensure a long-term, stable farm operation.

Cool and his staff earned applause at the close of their presentation on the park's history and current condition.

Approximately 120 residents assembled in Genitti's Little Theater for the two-hour remarks and open forum.

Thom Barry, a 30-year Northville resident,

summed up the sentiment and the uncertainty about a future farm. The community has the affluence and enthusiasm to rebuild a barn and restock the animals, he said.

"I think the deal breaker is the operation of the farm," Barry said. "If the state abdicates the role of operation and maintenance, I don't think there is one foundation able to generate enough money to operate it."

The DNR director opened his comments with a description of



K.L. Cool



photo by MAUREEN JOHNSTON

DNR representative Lowen Schuett speaks to residents regarding the future of Maybury State Park. Schuett is flanked by DNR director K.L. Cool (right).

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A tree grows in Northville



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville Township clerk Sue Hillebrand, left, and Northville Township Beautification Commission member Larry Appelbacher take a look at a cedar tree planted 11 years ago at the township hall. This Saturday morning, the commission will be giving out free saplings to township residents at the hall on Six Mile Road.

Thayer Corners set for cleanup

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Along the pathway, near the buildings, around the pond — pick your target.

Thayer Corners Park will be the site of a community cleanup project this Saturday. Friends of Northville Parks and Recreation, in cooperation with Northville Township and Boy Scout Troop No. 755 and parents, are leading the efforts from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. May 3.

"We're hoping for even more people to turn out," said Marv Gans, township trustee and Friends chairperson. He said expects around 50 volunteers to turn out.

The afternoon will be both an educational opportunity and a chance to spruce up the site purchased by the township four years ago, Gans said.

Signs at the park, on Napier Road just north of Six Mile Road, will direct people to the various work areas. Specific projects planned for Saturday include pulling debris from the pond, picking up litter and clearing dead fall from the existing paths.

Volunteers will be able to learn about building natural habitats along the sides of the paths, Gans said. And there will many wetland plants, donated by Friends, that will need to be put in place. The

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Northville revs up its motors

Classic car cruise-in slated for next May 10

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

There was a time when merchants had cops chase guys with ducktails and leather jackets driving souped up 1932 Fords out of their parking lots. Now that the ducktails have thinned, the jackets won't quite zip up and the wallets have more than a pink slip inside, a new generation of merchants are trying to lure those same '32 Fords back into their parking lots.

Northville will play host to the United Street Machine Association's first Free Cruise-in of the season May 10 in the municipal parking lot at the corner of Cady and South Wing

streets, across from Northville Post Office.

According to USMA Event Coordinator Ralph Haney, the free event is being sponsored by the Chrysler Group, it is open to any classic car or hot rod.

Northville's public works director Jim Gallogly is planning on bringing his 1949 DeSoto and is recently-acquired 1966 Ford Mustang. Gallogly said that while he's gone to car shows like Ypsilanti's Orphan Car Show as a spectator, this will be the first car show he and his wife have been exhibitors.

"I bought the Mustang for my wife at Christmas and I told her I'd have it ready by Easter," said Gallogly. "I'm almost there."

Gallogly, said he thinks city council members voted to host the

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Jim Gallogly lovingly polishes his 1949 Chrysler DeSoto Monday afternoon near his downtown Northville office. Northville will be hosting a Cruise-in on Sat. May 10th for classic automobiles starting at 11 a.m.

Auto supplier expands in N. Twp.

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

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

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May 6	9:30 am - noon 10 am - 1:15 pm 11:30 am - 4 pm	Stone Gang School Tour Country Garden Club	Village & Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Cady Inn
May 7	9am - 1 pm 9:30 am - 1:45 pm 5:30 - 6:30 pm 7 pm - 9 pm	Mill Race Basket Guild School Tour Rehearsal Mill Creek Community Church Prayer Service	Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Church Church
May 8	9 am - 1 pm 9:15 am - 3 pm 3:45 pm - 5:30 pm 6 pm - 7 pm 6 pm - 7 pm	Archives Open to the public School Tour Brownie Scout Meeting Relay for Life Meeting Rehearsal	Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Cady Inn Cady Inn Church

Archives are now open on Fridays! - If you have any questions regarding the history of the City of Northville, stop by our Archives on a Thursday or Friday morning. Sandy Basse and her volunteer staff are available from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sandy will also work with people on an appointment basis.

The Docent luncheon will be held on Saturday, May 31st at noon in the Cady Inn. All interested in becoming docents (tour guide and host/hostess of our various buildings) are welcome to attend. Call the office for information and to R.S.V.P.

On May 24, come and join gardeners in a friendly morning (8 a.m. to noon) of swapping plants and information. Bring whatever excess plants you may have. If you have no plants to bring, donations will be cheerfully accepted. There should be a wide variety of Perennials, Annuals, Wild Flowers, Shrubs, and Trees. Northville Department of Public Works will again be supplying their "Black Gold" composted leaf mulch—please bring your own containers. Swap held rain or shine!

Donations wanted for the General store at Mill Race Village. The Store will be open Saturday May 3rd from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. to accept gently used or new household, Christmas or decorative items for resale in the store during the 2003 season. All donations are tax deductible.

Just for mom, special dance hits Northville

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Just in time to celebrate mothers everywhere, Northville Parks and Recreation is hosting a Mother and Son Dance May 10.

"It's been a tradition in the community, but I'm changing it slightly this year in that it's scheduled around Mother's Day," said Sue Taylor, special events planner for Northville Parks and Recreation.

The dance is planned to take place at the Northville Community Center, located at 300 W. Main from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m.

"It's a nice evening out with the special woman in the boy's life," said Taylor. "That could be a mom, a grandma or an aunt."

Taylor said a professional deejay will be playing popular music at the event. Light refreshments will be served and a keepsake photo from Kingsbury Photography in Plymouth may be purchased.

Tickets are \$13 per couple and \$6 for each additional person. Casual attire is recommended.

Interested participants are encouraged to sign up early at the Recreation Center at Hillside, located at 700 W. Baseline Road.

MOTHER / SON DANCE

DATE: Saturday, May 10
TIME: 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
COST: \$13 per couple, \$6 each additional person
PLACE: Northville Community Center, 300 W. Main

Sign up at the Recreation Center at Hillside, located at 700 W. Baseline Road.

For further information, call the Northville Parks and Recreation office at (248) 349-0203 ext. 1411.

"It's a nice way to spend some quality time in honor of Mother's Day for mothers and sons," said Taylor. "I think it'll be fun and they'll enjoy the decorations I have planned."

For further information, contact the Northville Parks and Recreation Office at (248) 349-0203, ext. 1411.

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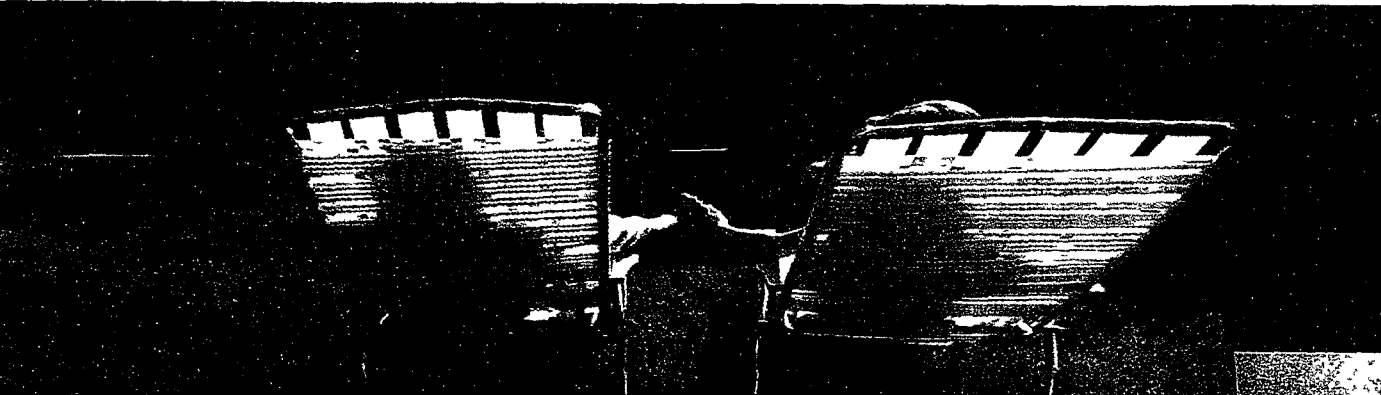
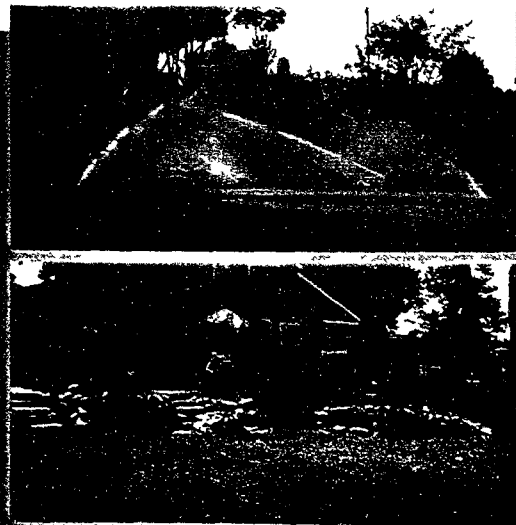
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Locals plead with state on roadwork

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

Public officials from Novi, Wixom and Oakland County, along with local business people, flocked to Mount Clemens April 24 to plead with the State Transportation Commission to reinstate funding for the Beck and Wixom roads interchanges at I-96.

However, while they were doing that State Senator Shirley Johnson (R-Royal Oak), chairman of the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee, said she would introduce this week a supplemental budget bill reinstating funding for all 34 of the highway projects deferred by the governor's Preserve First program last month.

According to Johnson, Governor Jennifer Granholm does not know the investments that have been made. "We're working toward remedies on some of the oldest highways in the state," adding that Michigan has some of the oldest sections of interstate highway in the country.

Johnson said she expects the bill to be voted on in the next three to four weeks. "If she's really smart, she'll sit and talk with us," said Johnson, noting that the governor could veto the bill but "that would be declaring war."

The governor's action already has public officials and business people up in arms across Oakland County.

State Senator Jud Gilbert (R-Algonac), chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, announced Monday that he would hold two "Priority First" public information meetings in Hudsonville, west of Grand Rapids, and Oakland County. He also announced Monday that he was setting aside time Tuesday to discuss the issue at a State Senate Transportation Committee hearing in Lansing.

The Oakland County meeting is slated for 9 a.m. May 5 in the Oakland County Commission Auditorium, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac.

Priority First is an obvious take-off on Governor Jennifer Granholm's Preserve First initiative, which deferred completion of 34 road projects, including Novi's Beck Road interchange with I-96, started by former Governor John Engler as part of his Build Michigan III program.

Terry Marquardt, a spokesman for Gilbert, said the senator is unhappy that planned improvements to M-24, which feeds commuters from Lapeer, which is in his district, to Northern Oakland County were included on the governor's list of deferred projects.

Michigan Department of Transportation Director Gloria Jeff told fellow State Transportation Commission members that Preserve First "focuses on protecting the assets we have." She told commission members that MDOT would revisit the 34 paused projects when "It is clear that the goal of having 90 percent of Michigan's roads and bridges in good condition can be met by 2007." She added that it would also have to be clear that the goal could be sustained and that federal transportation funding would also have to be increased.

"The 'Preserve First' initiative may be short-sighted," suggested Gilbert, "if capacity improvement projects are delayed until 90 percent of existing roads are rated in good condition. Population growth and economic development throughout our state will continue to increase traffic congestion and jeopardize the safety of Michigan drivers."

Noting that the Beck Road project has been in the works for 12 years and that the Road Commission for Oakland County had bowed to MDOT pressure and borrowed millions of dollars to widen Grand River between Beck and Wixom roads, Brian Bleasing,

the RCOC's director of planning and development insisted, "The state should play fair. Commitments should be kept. Promises must be kept."

He said the Beck Road interchange was designed in the late '50s to serve a largely rural area and that his agency has been working with Providence Hospital since 1991.

Providence's Senior Vice President of Finance John Keuten told commission members that the hospital had gotten a two-year commitment from its parent entity, Ascension Health, to donate 11 acres to the Beck Road project. However, he suggested that he could not guarantee that the commitment would be extended.

Jim Galbraith, from 12/Beck LLC, said the Beck Road project "is not expansion, but badly needed infill." He said his firm has donated the land necessary to complete the north side of the interchange and that that combined with the Providence donation and the \$6 million in bond money totals the state and local match required for the 80-percent federally-funded project.

Novi City Manager Rick Helwig called the state's decision to delay the Beck Road project "most perplexing." He said completion of the project was vital to "two very important economic development corridors" in Novi. Helwig added that while Novi is "proud of its track record with MDOT" he is "concerned about its commitment to following through."

Bill Eisenberg, representing Grand/Sakwa Properties, said he was also concerned with MDOT's ability to follow through on its commitments. He said his company had purchased 50 acres along M-59 at Squirrel Road and negotiated a 12-acre land swap to help the agency meet its commitments to DaimlerChrysler. Now that project has been put on hold.

Wixom Mayor Michael McDonald told the State Transportation Commission members that 150 heavy trucks use the Wixom Road bridge over I-96 in support of the 3,500 jobs at Ford Motor Company's Wixom Assembly Plant. He said that while he understands the Preserve First idea, the state might want to consider raising the gas tax a penny or two rather than delay needed road projects.

Frank Cardimen, head of the Traffic Improvement Association, told commission members that replacing the Beck Road bridge is a simple matter of public safety.

He pointed out that between 1995-99 there were 740 collisions at Beck Road and I-96, resulting in two deaths and 232 injuries. Farther west at Wixom Road there were 810 crashes resulting in two deaths and 225 injuries during the same time period. According to Cardimen, accidents at these two interchanges cost the public \$28.7 million during that five-year time period.

By comparison, he noted that at the US-23, M-59 interchange, which MDOT officials have announced plans to move ahead of Beck and Wixom, there were 106 crash, with 25 injuries, at a cost of \$1.5 million between 1995-99.

"When you compare 740 and 810 to 106, you have to ask why," he said.

Blair Bowman, whose company plans to move the Novi Expo Center into new quarters near the existing reststop on I-96, presented commission members with photographs of pieces of plywood stuffed between the bridge's I-beams to prevent chunks of concrete from falling on passing commuters on the expressway. He called the bridge "unsafe and dilapidated."

Oakland County Commission spokesman Mike Rogers reminded State Transportation Commission members that "investments and commitments have been made."

Auto supplier expands in twp.

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ger. Members ZF North America's executive board will gather at May 12 at 15811 Centennial Drive to break ground on a major expansion of its three-year-old research and development center. Company spokesman Frank Buscemi said the company will be adding 137,000 square feet of space to the 98,000 research facility.

On completion, he added, the 226 ZF employees already in Northville Township will be joined by 157 people from the company's Sachs division in Troy. ZF bought the German suspension parts and shock absorber supplier in 2001. Buscemi said the Northville Township facility will eventually house 500 people. ZF North America made \$2 billion in sales in 2001 and company executives expect increase NAFTA region annual sales to more than \$3 billion by 2004. It's parent company is based in Friedrichshafen, Germany and is the world's 15th largest auto supplier, with a workforce of 55,000 and global sales of \$8 billion in 2001.

Marv Gans, a Northville Township Trustee and chairman of the non-profit Northville

"Increasing our research and development community will take a little of the burden off independent homeowners."

Marv Gans

Northville Township economic development corporation

Township Economic Development Corporation, said the expansion will be a welcome addition to the community. Gans noted the township gave the company a six year tax abatement, while the state gave it an MEDC Mega Grant. He said that although ZF got a take break to expand in Northville Township, "Increasing our research and development community will take a little of the burden off independent

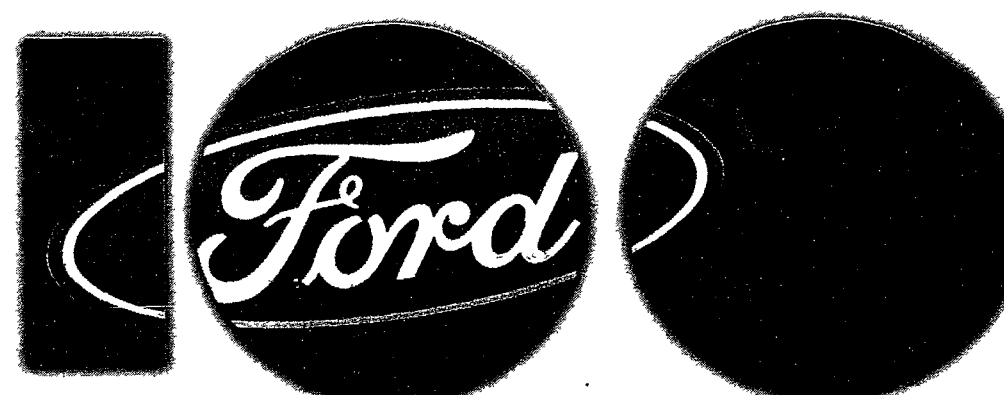
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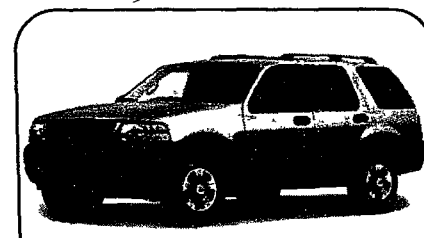
"We're very excited about this," said Thelma Kubitskey, the township's assistant manager and treasurer. She said that while the township has traditionally seen itself as a bedroom community and tried to protect its rural character, township officials have also recognized the need expand its tax base.

She township officials believe research and development companies will help the township increase its tax base while preserving its rural character as much as possible. Kubitskey added, ZF has been "a good partner, a great company. They are very community-oriented."

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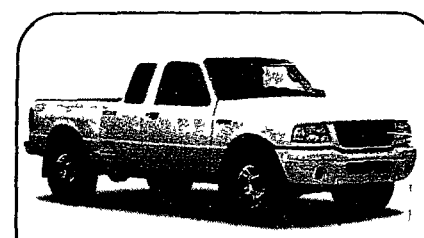
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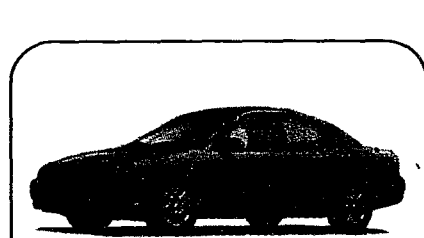
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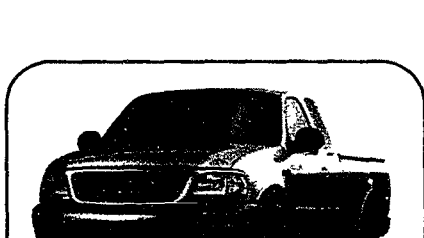
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Senior center closer to reality

Township dedicates \$2.9M to expansion; attention now shifts to city

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Northville area senior citizens are two steps away from 10 times their current recreation space.

The Northville Township Board of Trustees April 17 approved a \$2.89 million plan to renovate the Community Center on Main Street to create 6,000 square feet of leisure and educational areas. Up next is the Northville city council on Monday.

Pending approval at the city level, the plan would proceed to the Northville Board of Education for final endorsement; a subcommittee Tuesday, the full board May 19. While the two municipal entities' proposed commitment entails financing the project, school district approval also would be necessary for the district-owned building, which is under extended lease by the joint recreation department.

Recreation director Traci Sincok and senior adult township council Jim Nield led the township board through a description of the project considerations, the financing plan, and the history of program relocations.

Pending consensus approval of the plan, expansion of the building to the west would begin mid-October and end June or July 2004, Sincok estimated.

The group provided statistics about the growing local baby boomer population and the corresponding need for facilities for "young at heart" seniors.

"As a boomer, I'm going to be more active," Sincok said. "I'm not going to go to play cards twice a week."

From their current 600-square-foot digs in the old Boy Scout building, local seniors could look forward to a new home with four multi-purpose meeting rooms, three offices, and a gathering area for large-group activities. The Cady Street location was to be a "tempo-

rary" home after the program was relocated from Cooke School in 1991, Nield reminded those in attendance.

Plans to renovate the 1953 building also call for replacement of the heating and cooling systems and plumbing, as well as improvements to the kitchen, meeting room, restrooms and lobby. The former recreation department offices would become a computer room, and a barrier-free entrance would be added to the rear of the building, closer to parking in back.

Architectural drawings show the location of a fireplace midway on what is currently the far west wall. When that wall is pushed out, seniors would have a new "living room area" with sofas and chairs. Also in that addition, a staff member would greet people coming in the new entrance from behind a customer service counter.

"It gives us so much flexibility here with this extra space," Sincok said. "The main thing this renovation affords us that the other space doesn't is simultaneous activity space."

The multi-purpose rooms might house small lectures, tax preparation assistance seminars or health screenings, for example.

Long-time residents remember the Community Center as the home of the recreation department, and before that the Chamber of Commerce office, and the Board of Education office, and the public library.

"Our residents have [told us to] maximize the space that already exists," Sincok said, citing past facility-needs surveys.

Discussion of using the Community Center for senior programming dates back to the relocation of Sincok's department from there to the Recreation Center at Hillside in October 2001. A west-side expansion proposal took shape during the subsequent two years, resulting finally in the well-received

recommendation last month.

Relocation and new, adapted playground equipment for Old Village School would be part of the deal, as extending the building 50 feet to the west would mean infringing on what is currently playground area. With the help of an Old Village School parent committee, approximately \$130,000 in appropriate equipment would be installed a little further north and west of the current playground, Sincok explained.

"This is a great deal for the schools," the director said. "In return for giving us permission to do all this, they're getting a whole new playground."

The facility location has the added bonus for seniors of being close to the post office, library, pharmacies, restaurants and retailers, Sincok said.

The recreation director likened the plan to fund the Community Center expansion to the method employed for the Hillside project. The city and township would equally share the cost of half the project — \$722,500 each — with the township loaning the remaining 50 percent of the project cost to the Parks and Recreation Department with repayment over a 15-year period.

At the time of the Hillside project, the recreation department and school district agreed to extend the Community Center lease, which had been set to expire in 2004, for an additional 15 years, Sincok said, with an option for two 10-year extensions after that.

The subcommittee report also forecasts the building upgrades and improvements increasing the desirability of the building for community rental, a revenue source of approximately \$80,000 for the recreation department.

The most dramatic change in the gym would be the wall erected on the gym side of the stage. Simultaneous, but separately funded projects likely would include

sanding the gym floor, repairing bleachers and painting the concrete block walls.

The Community Center would be closed during the renovation project, Sincok said. Recreation department activities would likely be shifted to other facilities in the school district. Her staff will work with entities such as craft shows to find alternate locations.

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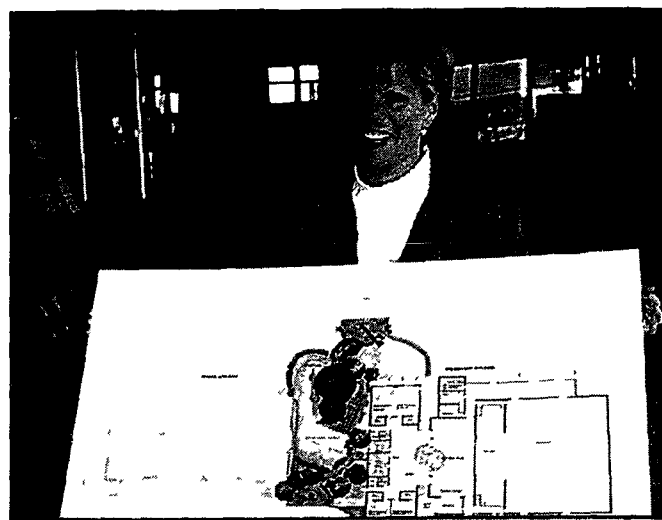
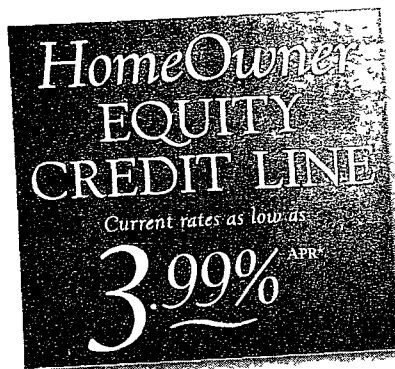


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An expanded Northville Senior Center is clearing hurdles, according to parks and recreation director Traci Sincok.

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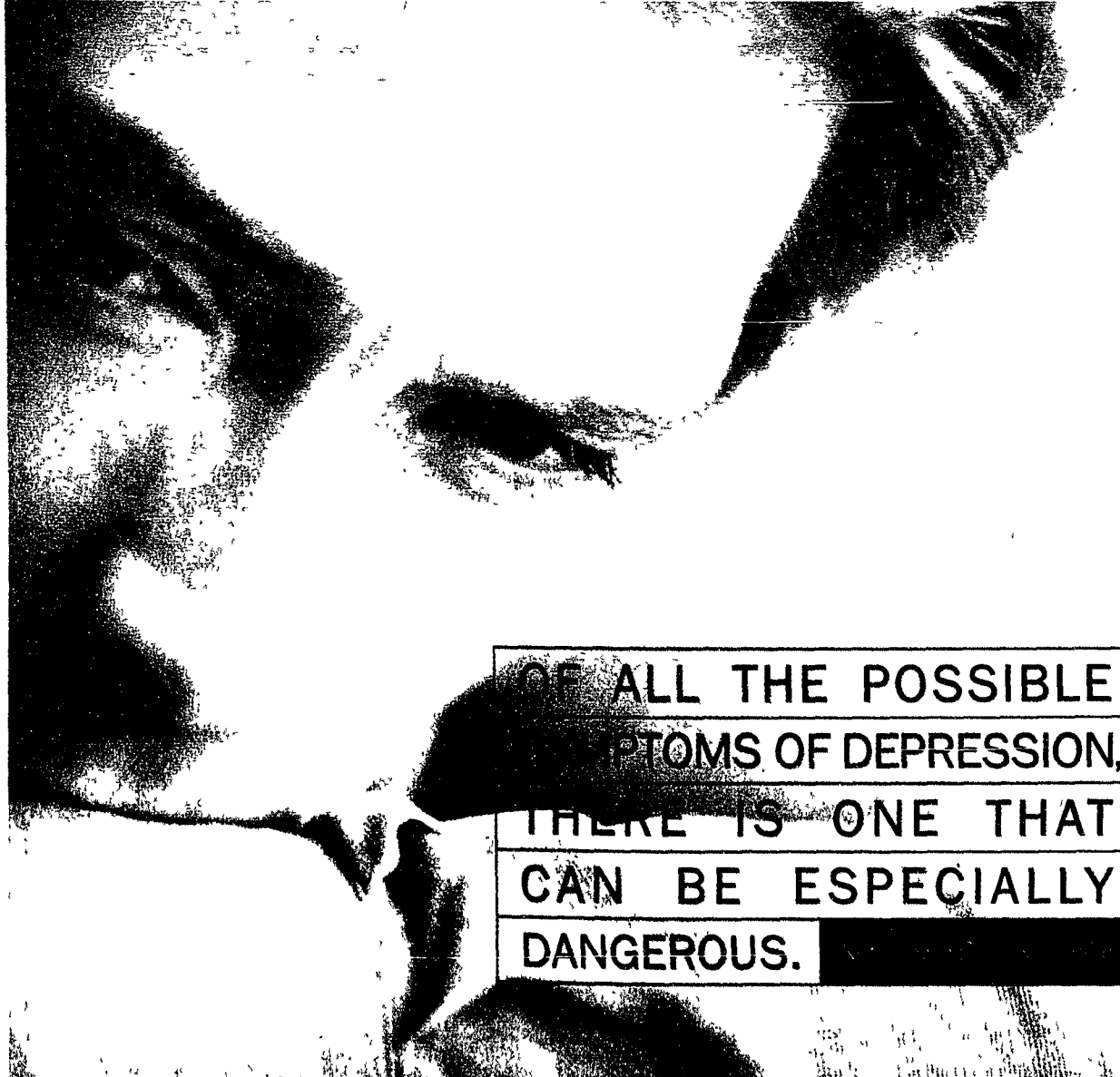
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Northville's taste of country

Farmers Market debuts for 2003 growing season beginning today

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Beginning today, the Northville Farmers' Market will be in high gear, bringing plenty of seasonal goodies to eager area residents.

Sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, the Farmers' Market will operate every Thursday, rain or shine, from now until Oct. 30.

The event will run for 27 consecutive Thursdays.

Janet Bloom, marketing and events director for the Northville Chamber of Commerce, said the Farmers' Market will feature a wide mix of vendors.

"We're going to have about 100 plus stalls," she said. "As the season progresses, there will be a different variety. There will be something new each Thursday to see."

Bloom said the market will feature potted plants, flats of plants, garden art and craft items including homemade soaps and candles. Baked goods will also be available.

"You can make a day of it there," Bloom said. "We do have a lot of crafters that are there."

Farmers' Market hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Whether area locals are searching for botanical crafts or floral hanging baskets, Bloom said the Farmers' Market has attracted high attention levels.

"We've been getting many calls," she said. "People are very excited about when it's going to be and they look forward to it."

When available, fresh fruit and vegetables will be brought in for sale.

"Later in the season, we'll have blueberries, apricots, peaches, apples and strawberries," said Bloom, adding the event will large-

ly feature local farmers and crafters.

"It's a great interactive. The farmers are there so you can ask them questions about the plants."

Admission to the Farmers' Market is free.

Bloom believes citizens will enjoy the opportunity to browse through a diverse selection of fresh produce and plants.

"The variety of what's offered...is beyond fruits and vegetables and flowers," she said.

Laurie Marrs, executive director of the Northville Chamber of Commerce, said representatives from the Master Garden Association will be available to answer ques-

tions.

The Farmers' Market will take place at the Northville Downs parking lot, located at the corner of Sheldon Road and Seven Mile Road.

"Look for all the bright colors and happy people," said Bloom.

For more information, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640.

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

FARMERS MARKET

DATES: Every Thursday, beginning May 1 through Oct. 30

PLACE: Northville Downs' parking lot at the corner of Sheldon Road and Seven Mile Road.

TIMES: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADMISSION: Free

For more information, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640.



file photo by JOHN HEIDER

Flowers lovers look over annuals and perennials at last Thursday's Northville Farmers' Market.

Cleanup slated for township's Thayer Corners

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plants selected are supposed to attract dragonflies who eat mosquitoes, he explained.

"Eventually it will be opened up for a park," said Gans. The land has a lot of natural features that visitors will appreciate, including the pond, some trails and landmark trees. Eventual goals for the park might include ice skating on the pond, walking paths and a nature center, he said.

The volunteers will work with the Johnson Creek Protection Group to make sure the natural features of the site are preserved, the Friends leader said.

The parks group will provide hot dogs and beverages for the volunteer workers.

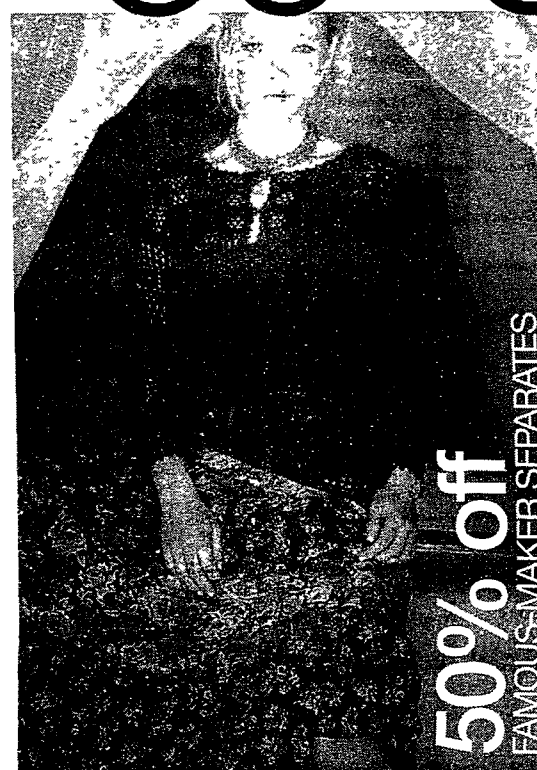
Event organizers asked that volunteer workers bring their own hand tools. Adults planning to use their own chainsaws will be required to wear safety equipment.

Maureen Johnston is a reporter for Northville Record. Reach her at (248) 437-2011 or at mjohnston@ht.homecomm.net.

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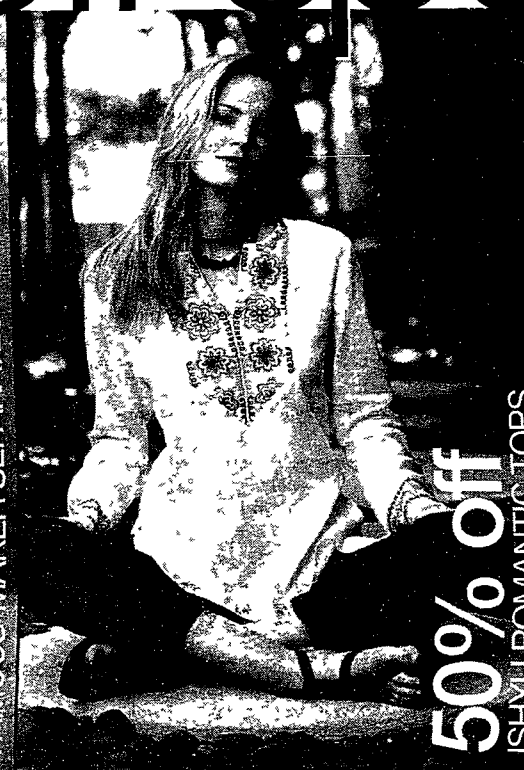
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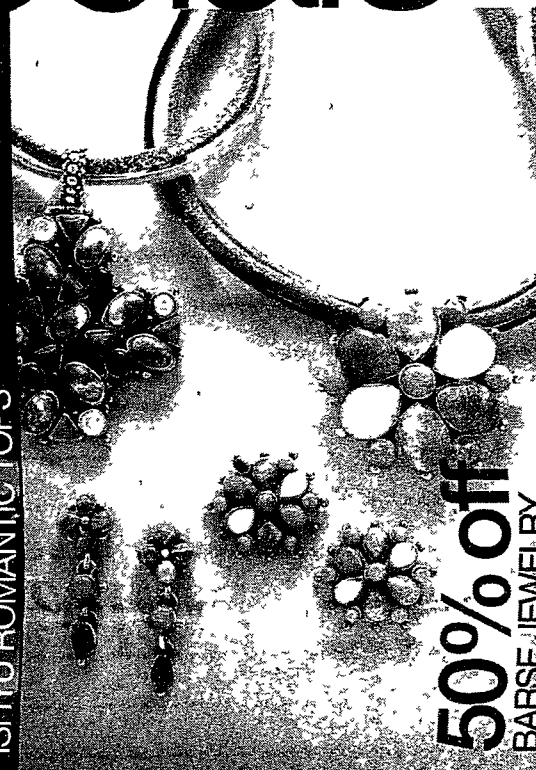
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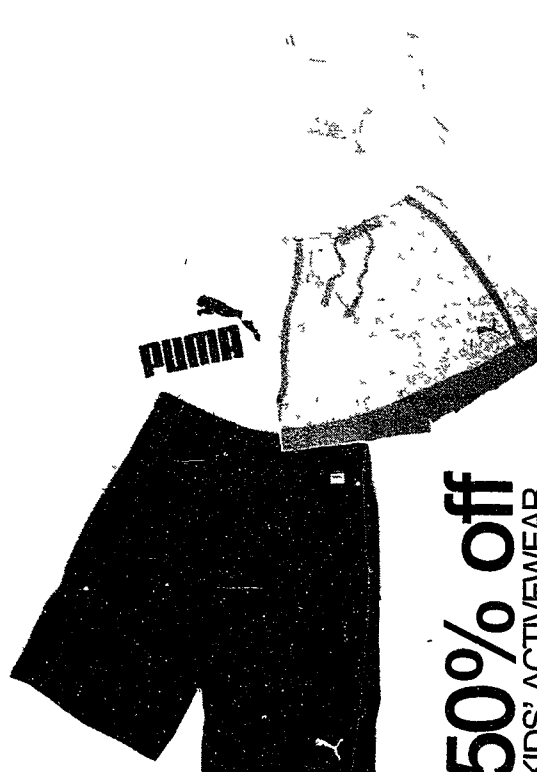
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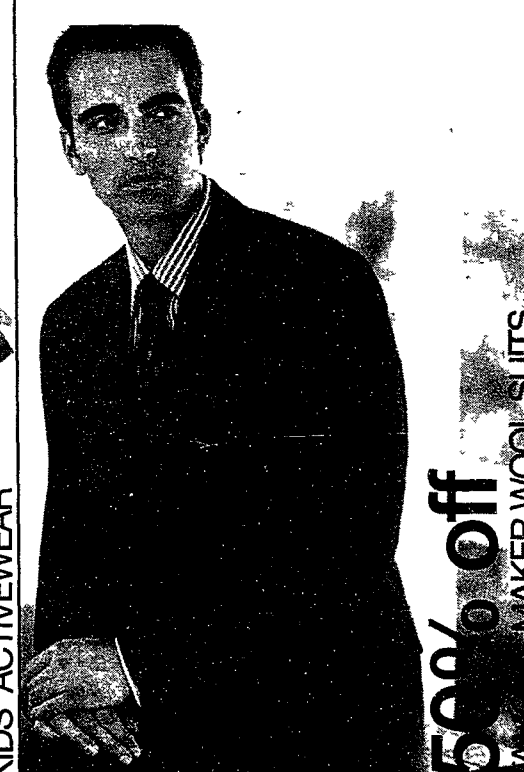
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CONTACT: Mary Jane Kearns

PHONE: (248) 449-8693

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WHAT: Bring together business-women of diverse occupations and provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow professionally.

WHERE: Wyndham Garden Hotel, 42100 Crescent Blvd., Novi.

WHEN: Every third Monday of the month

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CONTACT: Marjorie Faessler

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NORTHVILLE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

CONTACT: Pat Allen

PHONE: (248) 348-1325

NORTHVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WHAT: To discover, collect, observe, advance and disseminate knowledge of history of the Northville Region. The group's

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CONTACT: Julie Culp

PHONE: (248) 348-1845

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PHONE: (248) 348-9075

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NORTHVILLE NEWCOMERS

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

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WHAT: A group with ancestors who fought in the American Revolution. Members participate in community work involving veterans' hospitals, schools and community service.

WHEN: The group meets every third Monday, except in January, July and August.

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Middle school pupil is tops in table tennis

By Ramez Khuri
STAFF WRITER

Andy Korby, an eighth grade student at Novi Middle School, has found a game that he really likes. Although some may not consider it a sport, he certainly does and for all of the hard work he has put into it, he has won 10 trophies, is ranked number one in the state for the 17 and under group and is not planning on giving it up any time soon.

The game in question is table tennis, or Ping-Pong, as most people call it. Korby first started playing when he received a table as a Christmas gift from his grandmother in 2001. Every day since then he has been in the basement playing and practicing.

"I started competing after a while," Korby said. "A few of

my friends play and they gave me some directions on how to get into tournaments. There are also Internet sites where you can learn more about getting into competition."

Korby practices every day at home with his dad. He also has a robot that him feeds balls when his dad isn't available. All of that practice has contributed to his success. "You can play different events and get more trophies," he said. "It's not just one tournament or one event. It goes by a rating system, so you can get a better rating by winning and you can play higher events. You can also win money in some of the events."

One of Korby's more memorable wins was the 2003 Michigan Table Tennis Championship Tournament,

which was held on April 5 and 6 in Fenton. This year he came home with three state championship titles for all three events he entered in. He won a first place trophy in the boys 15 and under event, a second place trophy in the boys 17 and under event and with his partner, Kevin Zhang from Northville, won the State Championship title in the 17 and under doubles event.

"My partner goes to Northville Schools and we practice together a lot," Korby said. "He has a brother, but he didn't want to play, so I partnered up with him."

Ramez Khuri is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 110 or by e-mail at rkhuri@ht.homecomm.net.



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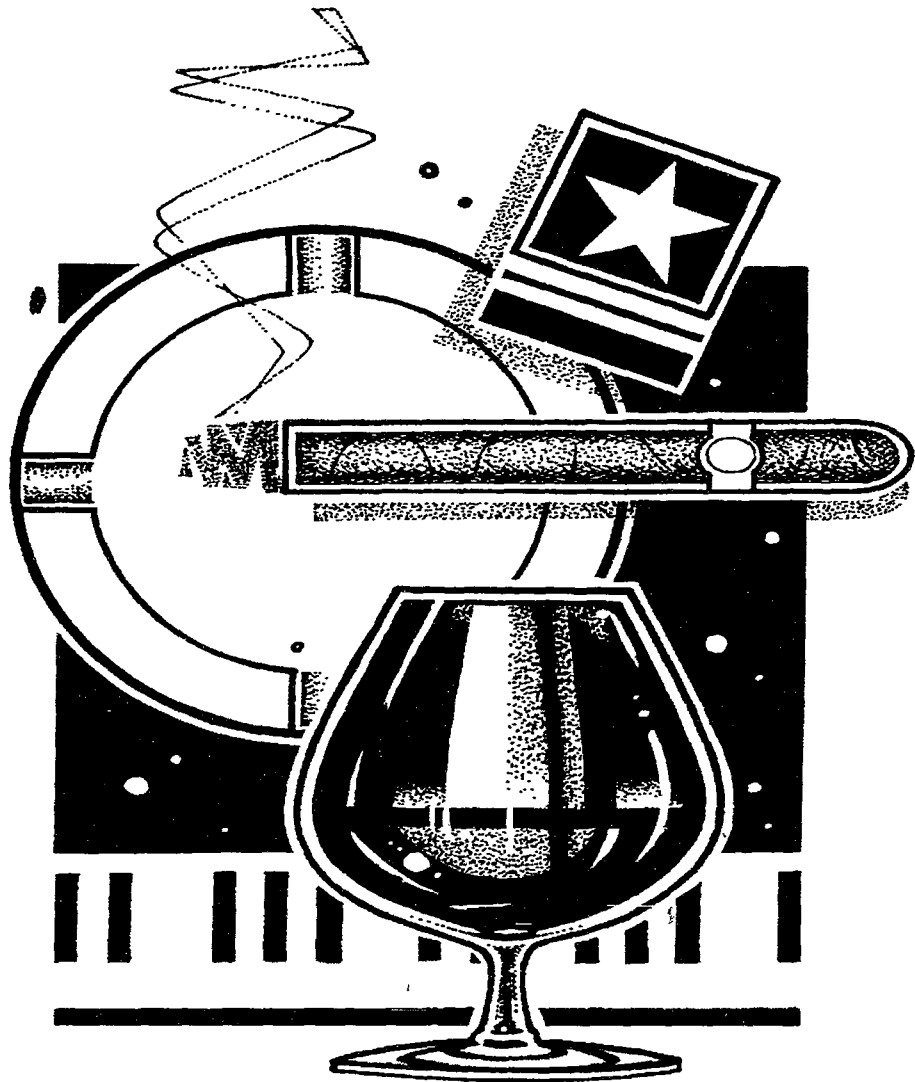
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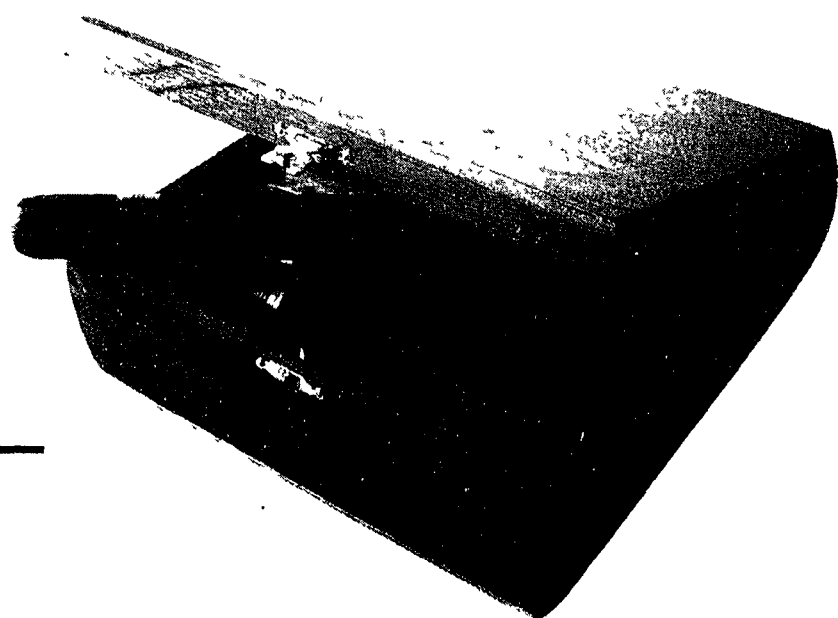
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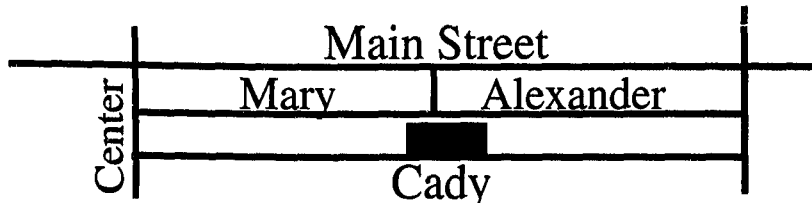


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State's first man thanks NYA helpers

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Area youth mentors and tutors were lauded for their endeavors Tuesday during a Northville Youth Assistance Volunteer appreciation reception at the Old Church Square in downtown Northville. The "first gentleman" of Michigan, Daniel Mulhern, attended and spoke on the benefits of mentoring, both for adults and children.

"What you're doing for kids is just so enormously vital," Mulhern said as he addressed the audience.

He also said today's society has a special need for willing mentors and volunteers.

"It's such a 'me' culture," said Mulhern. "Deep happiness comes not from acquisition...but in caring for someone who needs help. You can completely change the [scope] of a child's life."

Mulhern encouraged others to consider becoming a mentor.

"Do more," he said. "Get more people involved. Think bigger than Northville. It's so enormously important. I celebrate what you're doing."

Northville Youth Assistance director, Mary Ellen King, welcomed Mulhern's participation at the event.

"I think it was very appropriate," said King. "He's spearheading the mentoring initiative of Michigan. He and his wife [Governor Jennifer Granholm] both truly believe in giving back to the community and they're very caring."

During the reception, Sue Campbell of Northville Youth Assistance was presented the Asset Builder Award from the Northville Youth and Family Forum and Northville Asset Building Coalition. In addition, Northville Youth Assistance mentors and tutors were presented certificates for their participation and efforts.

For more information on Northville Youth Assistance, call (248) 344-1618.

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money to operate it."

The DNR director opened his comments with a description of how the parks program will be impacted by cuts in the state budget. He described how Maybury has been the second most expensive to run of the state's 96 parks, annually running a deficit in excess of \$300,000.

There are no plans to sell Maybury or to close Maybury, Cool said.

"I think it's socially unacceptable to sell state park assets," he said. "It's not possible while I'm here."

Nonetheless, the state's role in Maybury's farm operation as it has been is over.

"The fire couldn't have occurred at a worst time in terms of budget conditions in the state," Cool said.

Cool pointed to DNR chief of staff Guy Gordon as the leader of efforts to draft a document that would allow a non-profit organization to lease and operate all or some part of the approximately 40-acre farm portion of the 950-acre state park.

While local entities have approached state officials toward that end, the draft does not yet designate how or who would run

the park, Gordon said.

"I don't believe...any group can do this alone," Gordon said. "I'd like to see on a lease a blend of people represented."

A local, non-profit organization is the best way to generate those operational dollars, said Lowen Schuett, acting chief of DNR parks and recreation. Private-sector businesses do not want to get involved because park operation is not profitable, Cool said.

"The foundational issue is funding the ongoing operation and being able to maintain it over time," Cool said. "You can't count on the state for that."

"But that does not mean together we cannot accomplish that. We very much want to succeed with this."

The DNR director complimented the high attendance Saturday and outpouring of caring since the Centennial barn burned in February. He introduced leaders from local organizations supporting the farm rebuilding efforts, members of the DNR staff, as well as elected officials in attendance.

Susan Greenlee, who established Voices for Maybury on the eve of the barn fire by pinning her phone number on a post at the still-smoldering site, was among the many who thanked the DNR

officials for their trip from Lansing. She asked if the farm rebuilding efforts are on a tight deadline.

Through October, the park will operate as it has been, Cool said.

"It's more important to do the right thing, than do it in a hurry," Gordon added. "There are a lot of details to be worked out."

"We're very aware there is an impatience to bring back this barn." Members of the DNR staff read every e-mail and every letter to gather public input, Gordon said.

If the DNR does draft a lease with an entity, Cool said, it will be made public. "Nothing will be done behind closed doors."

The Northville Community Foundation, under the executive direction of Shari Peters, is an example of a local organization with non-profit status.

To date, approximately \$30,000 has been donated to the Foundation's state-certified Endowment Fund for the Maybury Farm, Peters said. Some animals and three barns have been offered as donations to return the farm operation.

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Taking root



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Northville Beautification Commission co-chair Linda Lestock (left) joins Northville public works director Jim Gallogly and assistant public works director Paul Vertrees during a planting of a tree last week at "Eden Crossing," near Eight Mile and Novi streets.

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NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

RAISINGHANI RECEIVES ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

Twenty-five high school students from across the country have been named as National Merit winners in the sixth Imation Computer Arts Scholarship program, a program designed to recognize students who create original works of computer-generated art.

Alicia Raisinghani, who attends Northville High School, was awarded a National Certificate of Merit for her entry titled "Fisherman." In addition, Raisinghani will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and a trophy for her school, as well as an all-expense-paid trip with a parent, guardian or school representative to Saint Paul, Minnesota for the awards weekend, April 26-27, 2003.

The keynote speaker for the awards presentation is Jerry Allan, president of Criteria Architects, Inc. and chairman of visual studies at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design (MCAD). Allan will talk to the students about creativity and innovation. Other weekend activities include an interactive media workshop at MCAD and a tour of the Science Museum of Minnesota. The top 25 winners were chosen from more than 500 entries submitted by students from 45 states.

A list of winners and their

entries can be viewed on the Imation Web site at <http://www.imation.com/computerarts>.

SCOTT BENNETT-STATE CHAMPION

Northville High School senior, Scott Bennett vied against 915 fellow students from across the state and won the Michigan portion of the AAA Travel High School Challenge.

Bennett, 17, earned a \$1,000 scholarship and is slated to travel to Orlando in May to compete for one of three \$25,000 scholarships with 50 other students in the national finals.

Bennett won the state competition by placing among the top five scorers on an online exam, then besting the other finalists on a 40-question written, proctored exam. The exams challenged students' knowledge of U.S. and world geography, with an emphasis on travel and tourist destinations.

The finals will be hosted May 9-12 at Universal Orlando and begin with a written elimination exam, followed by a series of round-robin, game show-style playoffs. The top two teams of three will then compete in the final contest, with winning team members receiving \$25,000 scholarships and runners-up receiving \$10,000 each.

UPCOMING OLV ASSEMBLIES

Our Lady of Victory School has two final assemblies scheduled for this school year.

The Wayne County Department of Environment's Land Resource Management Division (DOE-LRMD) is sponsoring the Scheer Genius Pollution Solution show at 9:15 a.m. on May 6 for grades K-5.

Jerry Jacoby, from Lifesong Entertainment, Inc. will perform two programs for the OLV students May 22. The first assembly, Real Character Is No Accident!, will be performed for grades K-4 at 1:10 p.m. The second assembly, Junior High: The Best Ten Years of My Life, will be performed for grades 5-8 at

2:10 p.m. This activity is funded in part by Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and Michigan Humanities Council.

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 or jnorris@ht.homecomm.net. Submissions may also be faxed to (248) 349-9832 or mailed to Chris Davis or Jennifer Norris, 104 W. Main St. Northville, Mich. 48167. E-mail attachments cannot be accepted.

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.

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ning 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. Ticket prices for the night of events for graduating seniors is \$75.

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.

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

Accomplished pianist to play in Northville

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Making his third appearance in Northville, composer and pianist Paul Sullivan will be performing at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville May 4.

"He's a terrific pianist," said Darlene Kuperus, minister of music at First Presbyterian. "We've enjoyed him immensely. He really enjoys coming out to Northville and he travels the country. He's always been very popular."

Sullivan, a resident of Maine, composes his own music and plays a wide range of musical styles, including folk and light rock from the 1950s and 1960s, said Kuperus.

Tickets are available at the First Presbyterian Church office and at the door the night of the performance. Ticket prices are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors.

The concert begins at 7 p.m. Audience members will be able to hear a sampling of Sullivan's recent albums including "Circle Round the Seasons," "50s Slow Dance," "60s Sweet and Bittersweet," and "Slow Sweet Swing," that features tunes from the 1930s and 1940s.

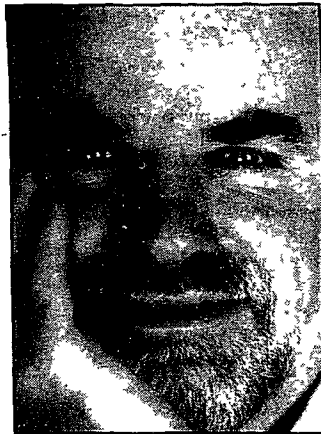
Kuperus said Sullivan's performances carry a casual and informal ambience. Between songs, she said, Sullivan discusses his performance selections.

"He'll talk about the music and makes interesting remarks about the music," said Kuperus. "I think people come away feeling very relaxed, but having enjoyed themselves."

A reception is planned following the concert.

"It's really a great night for families," said Kuperus. "I think it will be enjoyed by all kinds of age groups."

Approximately 200 people are expected to attend, she said.



Paul Sullivan

ABOUT THE SHOW

Pianist and composer Paul Sullivan will be performing at First Presbyterian Church of Northville May 4 at 7 p.m.

Tickets are available at the First Presbyterian Church office and at the door the night of the performance. Ticket prices are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors.

For more information, call (248) 349-0911.

The event is sponsored by First Presbyterian and is part of the church's Fine Arts Concert Series.

"We do four or five concert series every year," said Kuperus. "So many people don't realize we have this gem right here in our community."

For more information, call (248) 349-0911.

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All bids must be submitted to the Office of the City Clerk, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167, by Wednesday, May 14, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. All bids must be submitted on this bid sheet in a sealed envelope marked "PC BID".

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Gardening can be a royal pain in the back

■ Experts urge caution when digging, planting

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

With the arrival of spring, local area residents are heading outdoors, trading their snow shovels and boots for wood chips, trowels and rakes.

But many also end up heading to the chiropractor's office.

Northville chiropractor Ken Stopa said during a one week period in late April more than 75 people complained of neck and back pain resulting from gardening.

And he suspects those numbers will rise as temperatures and sun levels increase.

"More people injure their back by gardening than by any sports trauma," said Stopa. "They're not viewing it as exercise and it is. The reason why they're doing this is they're going out there cold and not warming up."

Injury, he said, can be avoided by doing simple exercises prior to gardening.

"The key is a warm-up," he said. "Most people are going out there cold and they're twisting their spine and throwing their back out. You have to view [gardening] as real strenuous, twisting exercise."

In addition to a regular exercise regimen, chiropractors recommend these tips when tackling your next gardening project.

- Warm up with a brisk walk or light running to loosen your muscles and increase your musculoskeletal system's flexibility.
- Know your strengths and limitations and don't over exert.
- When weeding, get down on your hands and knees rather than bending and twisting at the waist. Don't stand and bend over repeated-

ly.

- Keep your back straight when you stand up from a sitting or crouched position.

- Lift dirt and debris by letting your arms, legs and thighs carry the load. Keep your back straight and bend your knees. Handle only manageable loads at a time.

- Use long-handled tools to keep from stooping while raking, hoeing or digging. Repetitive motion on one side can bring on low back and shoulder spasms.

- Don't work too long in one position, especially one that is awkward or unusual. This can cause muscle imbalance

- Carry objects close to your body, so as not to risk straining your neck and lower back.

- Don't overexpose yourself to long periods in the sun without protection of the head and body. Apply sunscreen 30 minutes before heading outdoors.

- Take frequent breaks. Drink plenty of water or sports drinks to keep your body hydrated.

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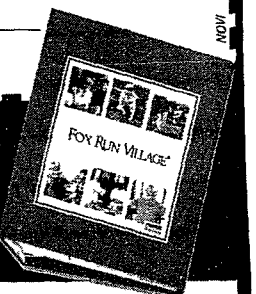
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A youngster helps his mom select some flowers during the 1999 Memorial Day Weekend flower sale in downtown Northville.

Green thumbs, rejoice: flower sale to return

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

On May 23-24, motorists will have to re-route their commute through downtown Northville as the 16th Annual Flower Show commences.

The show is slated to be hosted on Main Street, between Center Street and Hutton Street in downtown Northville from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

The event is sponsored by the Northville Central Business Association.

Event chairperson, Ronnie Cambra, said plenty of attractions and wares are planned to line the streets and the downtown gazebo area, providing shoppers with an eyeeful of outdoor delights.

"The quality is awesome," said Cambra, describing this year's upcoming plants and outdoor merchandise. "The prices are great."

She said the event will feature reputable growers, who have

"We've got a real good variety and a mix of products. We've worked hard to get vendors that have a variety."

Ronnie Cambra
Flower Show chairperson

become well-known in the community due to their high caliber of plants and greenhouses.

In addition to a wide array of hanging baskets, flower show visitors will find ornamental grasses, herbs, shrubbery and mini and regular roses. Ornamental garden accents will also be available.

"There's a lot of choices," said Cambra.

And the annual event is expected to draw plenty of visitors.

"We get thousands of people going through," said Cambra. "We always have a big response. We've had the same vendors for years and years. They do very well."

"We've got a real good variety and a mix of products. We've worked hard to get vendors that have a variety. They all say they enjoy coming to Northville."

New this year, Cambra said a hot dog vendor has been added. Smoothies will also be available.

There is no charge for admission and free parking will be ample, Cambra said.

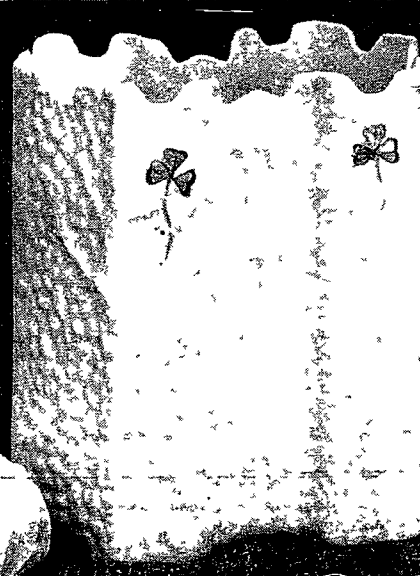
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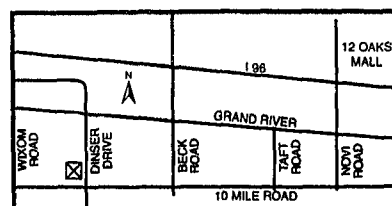
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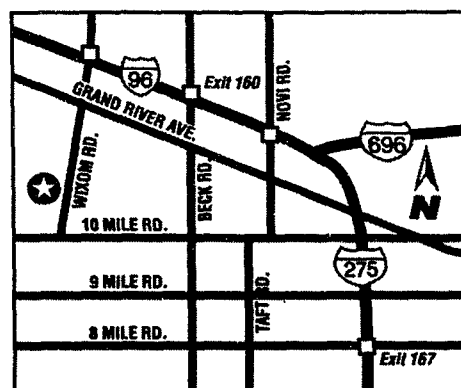
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'Tenchu' is a top-notch ninja video game

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

Secret ninja.

They move through the shadows, being one with their surroundings. They are quick to kill, their strike a venomous one. They are the unseen and unheard assassins.

The newest installment of the ninja series "Tenchu" comes in the form of "Tenchu: Wrath of Heaven," and it can easily be described as one of the best "sneaking" games on the Playstation 2 right now. By sneaking, I mean avoiding the enemy and trying to stay out of a fight if possible.

"Tenchu" takes place in 16th-century Japan. There are small buildings that dot the landscape of each level, and around every corner there is the threat of dim-witted adversaries that are just waiting for you to test your ninja prowess on them.

One of the first thing that gamers will notice with this tidy little package of a game is the controls are pretty easy to learn. Let's take a stealth-kill for example. A stealth-kill is a move where you get the ultimate drop on an unsuspecting enemy. With a quick move, you kill them, silently of course, and rid yourself of what could have been a problem in the form of being seen or heard.

Instead of having to hold R2 and press the triangle while rotating the analog

stick in a counter-clockwise direction like some games might try to get you to do, "Tenchu" simply has you press the square button to complete the move after being sneaky enough to not be heard or seen to that point.

Beyond using your handy katana to deal with your enemies, there are a number of items that can be employed as well. Everything from ninja throwing stars to poison darts and paralyzing food can be used. No, you won't find laser guns or grenades in this game, as it's only the 1500s and all of those goodies have yet to be thought of by villains.

Beyond items, abilities can be learned as well. For example, after performing nine stealth kills during any particular mission, a skill that can be learned is that of "ninja sight" where you

can see further than before and throw items that distance.

For those who walked through the first two "Tenchu" titles, this game will hold a small surprise. There are 26 missions in total in this game, and the levels are large and the missions are pretty long in themselves. There's a good amount of depth to each level as well, with some environments that are packed with hidden areas that house either some handy items or a slew of enemies to fight off.

In the footsteps of "Metal Gear Solid 2," this game utilizes the questions/exclamation alert system to keep you in the know on the awareness of your enemies when it comes to your presence.

In this game, a question mark indicates that an enemy or an innocent bystander is not aware of your presence, while an exclamation mark indicates that an enemy has spotted you, but has not identified you as a threat yet.

There is also a combination of an exclamation and question marks that indicates the enemy heard something suspicious, and a double-exclamation mark indicates that you've been spotted and then the enemy chases you.

The enemies and computer AI are probably the most dumb-founding thing about this game. Instead of chasing you or calling in help, an enemy will just "forget" that you existed or pretend that you didn't just jump

up on the roof and are standing just a few feet above his head. They just turn back and wander to their post, where you can sneak back up on them and rid yourself of their presence. In the end, you'll quickly realize that good triumphs over evil for a single reason — the bad guys are as dumb as rocks!

One of the cooler things about this game is the multi-player option. You can actually play through a mission with a friend acting as your partner through the entire thing. Though the versus-mode is little more than hack-and-slash, the

cooperation ability is enough to make up for it.

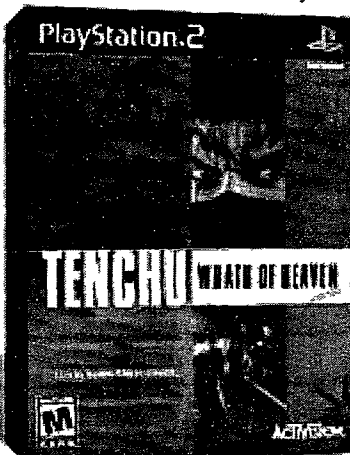
The game has a few pitfalls — some of which include small glitches in the environment such as camera angles.

Sometimes, right in the middle of a fight, the camera may switch and leave you staring right into a wall with little or no clue which way you have to turn to fight. This happens very little though, but can still be annoying.

Fans of the series will be extremely enthused, while other gamers may find themselves engrossed in a series that they

previously had no interest in. This game is a good one to go after, but those who are extremely good at games may want to just consider renting it for a week before deciding to buy it or not. Chances are, you might already have beaten it by then.

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ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS

The Lord of the Movies

New Line Cinema's **The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers**, has grossed \$910 million becoming the fifth highest worldwide grossing film of all time.

The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers, the central film in Peter Jackson's epic trilogy, surpassed its predecessor, **The Fellowship of the Ring**, which previously held the number five spot. Together the two films, now number five and number seven on the list of all-time box office champs, have grossed close to \$1.8 billion worldwide.

At \$910 million, **The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers** is fifth in worldwide cumulative box office after **Titanic** (\$1.8 billion), **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone** (\$976 million), **Star Wars, Episode 1: The Phantom Menace** (\$926 million) and **Jurassic Park** (\$920 million).

Jovovich back for more Evil

Milla Jovovich will star in the sequel to the \$100 million surprise sleeper hit **Resident Evil** for Screen Gems and German market leader Constantin Film.

The first **Resident Evil** grossed over \$100 million worldwide. **Resident Evil 2**, which will also be based on the wildly popular video game series, will pick up where the last film left off. Jovovich will reprise her role as Alice, who is left to search for ways to contain a deadly viral outbreak while trying to escape the ruined Raccoon City with fellow survivors.

Production is slated to begin this August in Toronto with Alexander Witt making his feature-film directing debut. Witt is the much sought after second unit director of such films as "Daredevil," "XXX," "Black Hawk Down" and "Hannibal." Paul W. S. Anderson, who wrote and directed the first, wrote the script for the sequel.

X-citing Frozen Treats

Baskin-Robbins will take ice cream to the X-treme with an assortment of extraordinary frozen treats for their promotional partnership with Twentieth Century Fox's star-studded summer event, **X2**.

"We are excited to unite with Twentieth Century Fox for **X2**," said Joe Adney, senior director of mar-

keting for Baskin-Robbins. "Our flavor production team has developed a collection of ice cream creations that reflect the theme and elements of this anticipated summer movie."

Baskin-Robbins will introduce a cast of treats, including bold, new ice cream flavors and exclusive sundaes, just in time for the film's release on May 2. These Marvelous new treats are sure to pack a punch when they hit stores from April 21st through June 15th.

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Now that's old-time rock and roll

The ultimate rock show of the summer is here! Seminal rockers **Aerosmith** will be hitting the road this summer with the legendary **Kiss** and hometown hero and Motor City Mad Man, **Ted Nugent** with special guest to be added later. These rock powerhouses will stop in the Detroit Rock City at 6 p.m. August 15 at Comerica Park for what is undeniably the most highly anticipated show of the summer! Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. May 3.

Aerosmith has been rocking for more than a quarter-century and show no signs of slowing down. They have received countless accolades spanning more than two decades, including Grammy Awards and MTV Video Music Awards. In 2001 Aerosmith joined the ranks of rock's elite as they were inducted into The Rock Hall of Fame and were also honored in 2002 by MTV as "Icons."

Purveyors of decadence and excess since the 1970's, Kiss invent-

ed stadium rock with their sci-fi Kabuki costumes, explosive theatrics and their garish make-up. Although the spectacle surrounding Kiss is unparalleled, none of it would matter without the music. Kiss has recorded more gold records than any other American band in history and has sold more than 90 million albums worldwide.

Hometown rocker and Motor City Mad Man Ted Nugent has been rockin' since the 1960's and is still going strong after five decades. This guitar wildman established himself with albums, including "Free For All" and "Cat Scratch Fever." Nugent is undeniably a master at penning classic arena rock anthems. He is still one of rock's best live acts today and his homecoming performance at Comerica Park is sure to be one of his wildest and loudest performances ever!

Tickets (\$65 & \$150) go on sale at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 3 and may be purchased at the Joe Louis Arena and Comerica Park box offices, Hockeystown Authentics in Troy (without service charges), and all Ticketmaster locations, including Marshall Field's. To charge by phone, call (248) 645-6666.

Bang your drums!

The Plymouth Symphony welcomes orchestral musicians for spring open auditions for the 58th concert season Saturday, May 3 from 1-4 p.m. at EVOLVA Music Center located at 7170 North Haggerty Road in Canton. Posted positions per service wage include: Concertmaster, Oboe, Principal and Assistant Principal Viola, Principal Trumpet, Clarinet, Resident Pianist and String Section Players. Substitute musicians are needed for all instruments and other openings may be posted as necessary.

Audition selections will be taken from standard orchestra repertoire. Non-standard selections will be supplied. Auditions are by appointment only and full orchestra rehearsals for the season begin in late September.

For more information, or to schedule and audition appointment or if you are interested in auditioning but are unavailable for the formal audition date, please contact personnel manager Faith Kurtz at (248) 968-9909 or at (734) 451-2112 or email her at violnfath@juno.com

SCREEN BEAT

By Brian Renner
THE MOVIE INSIDER

Coming to theaters this weekend is "**X2: X-Men United**," the highly anticipated sequel to sci-fi hit "**X-Men**." Mutants continue their struggle against a society that fears and distrusts them. Their cause becomes even more desperate following an incredible attack by an undetermined assailant possessing extraordinary abilities. The shocking attack renews the political and public outcry for a Mutant Registration Act and an anti-mutant movement now led by William Stryker, a former Army commander who is rumored to have experimented on mutants. The all-star cast includes Hugh Jackman, Halle Berry, Ian McKellen, Rebecca Romijn-Stamos, Patrick Stewart, Anna Paquin, Bruce Davidson, Alan Cumming, Brian Cox, Kelly Hu and James Marsden. "**X2: X-**

Men United" is a 20th Century Fox and rated PG for sci-fi action/violence, some sexuality and brief language.

"Lizzie McGuire is just a normal 15-year old," says Hilary Duff, the star of Disney Channel's hit series, "Lizzie McGuire," and now the star of the big screen movie, "**The Lizzie McGuire Movie**." Graduating from junior high school, Lizzie McGuire (Duff) goes to Italy for her summer vacation and is mistaken for an Italian pop star. Lizzie's inner thoughts are represented on the screen in the form of an animated version of herself within the film. Director Jim Fall explains "The transition from middle school to high school is a universal experience," adds Fall, "so even if you're not familiar with Lizzie and her friends from the television show - you can still have a great time at this movie. It stands on its own. At the same time, I don't think it

will disappoint fans of the series; it just takes everything Lizzie's going through to the next level." "The Lizzie McGuire Movie" is a Walt Disney Pictures release and rated PG for mild thematic elements.

Next week

Kids' comedy "**Daddy Day Care**" (PG) and contemporary love story "**The Shape of Things**" (R).

Video and DVD

Music documentary "**Biggie & Tupac**" (R), animated deep space adventure "**Treasure Planet**" (PG) and romantic comedy "**Two Weeks Notice**" (PG-13).

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VIRTUAL VIC

Dear Virtual Vic,

Argh! It's Mother's Day again and I have not the slightest clue to what I should get my mom. I know that it should be something from the heart and something I've thought of, but after 20 years of getting her a hand-made card and hand-picked flowers, I thought maybe an original line of thinking would come in handy. She always says she loves whatever I get her, but I'm trying to pull out all the stops this year. Any ideas would be greatly appreciated!

Mother's Day Madness in Novi

Dear Mother's Day Madness in Novi:

I am so glad to hear you have put thought into your gift giving for the past 20 years.

I'm assuming you read my answer to last week's question about the young man wanting to give his girlfriend of two years roses, and that is why you mentioned right away you know you should be giving your mom something from the heart.

Since I feel like I'm always preaching about the value of thoughtful gifts and considering I went through the dos and don'ts of gifts for women last week (please read if you haven't already), I find your question a little challenging.

I don't want to rehash last week's column so I'll try to think out of the box or triangle or octagon or whatever I'm supposed to be thinking out of and come up with a different answer.

It sounds like you have the thoughtful thing down anyway, unless of course you really are "getting" your mom a hand-made card instead of making one for her yourself.

And I suppose a bouquet of dandelions may lose its appeal



Victoria Sadlocha

after about, let's say, pre-school.

My suggestion is brunch. Taking your mom out for a nice Sunday brunch is always an enjoyable event.

The two of you could get all dressed up, you could buy her a corsage and then spend the afternoon together enjoying a nice meal and great conversation.

My first choice would be Fox Hills in Plymouth, but I checked and it is sold out.

I only bring it up because you could keep it in mind for next year.

After some calling I did find places with openings, but I would recommend calling as soon as possible for a reservation.

I have heard the Novi Hilton has a nice Mother's Day brunch, but I have never been so I can not give an experienced recommendation.

For a small party, the hotel located on Haggerty near Eight Mile Road accepts reservations on the half-hour from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. by calling (248) 349-4000.

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Both restaurants located on Grand River Avenue will be offering Mother's Day specials in case brunch is not what you are looking for.

Steve & Rocky's will be open from noon to 8 p.m. and Italian Epicure is accepting reservations from 1 to 5 p.m. and is offering a special Mother's Day menu.

Brunching in Northville may occur at Northville Hills Golf Club on Bayhill Drive, near Beck and Five Mile roads (734) 667-2911.

The club is still accepting reservations and is offering a special Mother's Day brunch from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Adult admission is \$22.95. MacKinnon's Restaurant in downtown Northville (248) 348-1991 will also be serving from a special menu for mom.

Featured specials will be offered and the eatery will be open from noon until 6 p.m.

As far as gifts go, I would suggest something to accompany the brunch theme.

Flowers or maybe a nice dress for your mother to wear to the restaurant would be nice.

But don't forget the most important Mother's Day gift of all time - telling your mom you love her and appreciate all she has done for you over the past 20 years.

If you need advice, a little help or a complete over-haul, please forward your questions to vsadlocha@ht.homecomm.net or seggleston@ht.homecomm.net. No topic is off limits, unless it violates the paper's family-friendly rating. If your question is chosen, you just may see it in the next edition of your local paper. And please remember to provide an alternate name or we will provide one for you. Our intention is to give fun advice without exposing you to your neighbors.

A different style of gaming

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

Have you ever thought about buying something that you weren't sure you'd like, and after getting it home you find that it's much better than you thought it was going to be?

Well, that was the case with "Ever Blue 2." I was over at the Electronics Boutique and this game caught my eye because it had a lot of fish on the screen shots and my daughter, who is 19 months old, just loves fish. What a great way to keep her occupied!

Well, this game ended up being strangely addicting and I still can't figure out why. "Ever Blue" has a very un-video-game-like focus with the premise of the title being scuba diving — but the uniqueness in the concepts and execution was enough to keep me playing after I first put it in.

Gamers find themselves playing Leo, a diver whose ship ends up on some island in the Caribbean after a storm damages it. After immediately meeting a girl named Ellis, you're

introduced to the island's diving oriented culture and then to a group of divers called the Amigos.

You get a brief glimpse of a rather poorly rendered town on the island, and most of the people you talk to end up, not surprisingly, having some sort of diving-related favor they need taken care of. Though "Ever Blue" is, strangely enough, best described as a role-playing game, every bit of the interaction gamers have with the townsfolk will lead to the true grit of the game — diving under the sea.

The diving is what is so addictive in this game. Being much better rendered than the boring town, diving finds you immersed in a 3D graphic environment. You can swim around, using your detector to find items that you can later sell, as you explore the ocean floor. There are also missions in this game that find you in a sunken ship or crashed plane, and things get a little more interesting while in them when it comes to keeping track of where you are and the escape route for when your air or hit points run low.

The combination of RPG elements and diving action makes "Ever Blue" a strange little game, but one that some gamers may find interesting. The diving graphics are pretty good, especially in sunken ships with real-time lighting, but the bland town really drags down the overall visuals. The sounds of this game are not even noteworthy, especially the goofy island music or the bubbling of your regulator — which leads me to believe that gamers who enjoy originality in their games over presentations should have a good time with this one.

"Ever Blue 2" is one of those games that I would most definitely suggest a player rents before they even think about buying. The only problem with that is that I've never even seen this title anywhere else, and it was the only one where I picked mine up. Though a little quirky, "Ever Blue 2" manages to be a fun title as well. Give it a try if you like very original games, but leave it alone if you're more into mainstream concepts and flashy presentation.

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DNR visit gave view of future

What most everyone in Northville had suspected proved to be true last week, as the state Department of Natural Resources served up the good news / bad news combination platter at Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall.

The good news: the state — and in particular, DNR director K.L. Cool — wants to re-establish the farm and keep it a part of Michigan's parks landscape.

The bad news: doing so requires an abundance of cash that Michigan simply doesn't have at its disposal now.

Mr. Cool articulated that bitter reality in a succinct, two-pronged statement last Saturday morning.

"I think its socially unacceptable to sell state park assets," he told the 100 or so persons who had turned out for the forum. "It's not possible while I'm here."

That was quickly followed up with Mr. Cool's saying, "The fire couldn't have occurred at a worst time in terms of budget conditions in the state."

Since Maybury's disastrous barn fire of Feb. 20, which took the lives of 50 animals, very few solid answers have been provided to an answer-thirsty public.

The biggest question — how the fire started in the first place — remains unclear, and will probably remain that way into the future. Hearing an answer from Mr. Cool and his staff is a breath of fresh air, even if it's not necessarily the news residents had been hoping to get.

From all indications, it looks as if the onus of restoration of the farm and the future operations of it will fall on the shoulders of grassroots community organizations. Two of them — Voices for Maybury and the Northville Community Foundation — have already stepped forward and dedicated themselves to the task.

In the weeks and months to come, we'll be following this process and seeing where this large-scale project leads. Anytime projects of this size and scope begin mixing in with government bureaucracy, it's a sure bet the red tape will thicken, and we wouldn't be surprised to see the same thing happen with Maybury.

For the time being, however, we salute Mr. Cool and his staff for answering residents' questions. It was a welcome change of pace.



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Mustang Loren Tacconelli inbounds a ball during an April game against Walled Lake Western.

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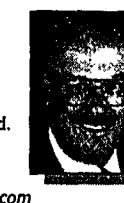
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LETTERS

Writer seeks governor's help in green preservation

EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter was originally sent to Michigan governor Jennifer Granholm, a Northville Township resident.

I've been following with interest the stories of your trying to curb urban sprawl and I wish you the best of luck but, for the following reasons, my cynicism prevails.

I've been trying to, at least, slow down sprawl in our hometown, Northville, for a number of years with door to door petition signing, letters to the editor, and expressing my views to the planning commission. I think I'm kidding myself because, all it boils down to is money, like too many things these days. I don't hold a grudge against landowners who want to sell their holdings for a profit and the one's willing to pay the top dollar for property are developers.

My previous experience with one of these developers was when I tried to get the development around the corner from you at Six Mile and Haggerty next to McDonald's defeated. The guy stood in front of us at our subdivision meeting in his dripping gold chains and Rolex watch and said simply "You know you're going to lose, don't you?" The sad part of it is that I knew he was right. Money rules, it always has and it always will. I've sent some stinging letters to the planning commission as well but, they assure me that they're doing their utmost to keep the sprawl in check. But how can they hope to win against well-financed developers who have entire law firms at their disposal? They might have one or two legal counsels who sometimes work for free or at a substantial cut because they might live in the city and do it as a service to their community. Even if they do make equal legal wages, the property is not theirs to protect, they can only ensure the builder is complying with existing laws.

Our community is interesting in that we're a suburb of Detroit. If we ought to be allow-

ing development anywhere, it's back into the city. Let's reclaim our city and rebuild it to the former vibrant place it used to be.

Last year, Pulte, the builder, recorded record profits. I've suggested to our planning commission that developers should have to do a lot more in contributing to a city's infrastructure before putting in new development. Currently, the local community has to put up with the increase in traffic, power outages, increase in water rates, etc. until they have to pay for improvements in tax increases while having to deal with this over taxed infrastructure the whole time. These developers seem to have plenty of money. Let them pay for it before they add to a community's burden.

I guess it all comes down to what people are willing to live with and at what cost. Again, the almighty dollar.

Godspeed to you in your efforts in this and I hope you're happy in your new residence that the news reports you'll move into next month. Don't forget your old neighborhood though. We're still here, and I for one am here to help you if I can be of any assistance.

Dave Duffield
Northville

Backhanded lawyer references unappreciated

I read with interest Mr. [Phil] Foley's [column] regarding Fr. Elmer's alleged promises to the city planning commission of Novi. If what he asserts is true, what a shame. I think we have a right to expect that anyone, whether or not a priest, will stand by his or her word. Where I must part company with Mr. Foley is his gratuitous and completely unnecessary and unfounded criticisms of lawyers. It is, no doubt, popular to condemn lawyers these days. Most people do so, however, by "urban legend" rather than actual experience to support such negative conclu-

sions.

First and foremost, a lawyer is trained to be an attorney and counselor. That means, as an attorney he or she is an advocate; but as a counselor, an attorney advises regarding the ramifications of all possible positions. This includes counseling a client regarding his future relationships, business decisions and the wisdom of any chosen course, regardless of whether the law allows the taking of such a position. I find it interesting that Mr. Foley assumes that if Fr. Elmer undertook either wrong or immoral actions, it must be because his lawyers have so advised him. It is beyond offensive that he concludes a lawyer will do anything "legal" but has no sense of morality or righteousness. There are countless examples of attorneys who have risked everything to achieve justice which the law of the time did not provide.

If Fr. Elmer has breached his word, the one responsible is Fr. Elmer. It is, without doubt, popular in this country to blame others for our actions. Parents do it all the time. My child did a bad thing, but after all, it was only because someone else was doing it also. No, Mr. Foley, I am sorry to disagree with you. Duty, honor and responsibility begin with each individual. It doesn't matter whether that person is a priest, a lawyer or a reporter, such as yourself. I have practiced law for almost 19 years, and during that time have endeavored always to be honest, honorable and moral. And yes, I have turned away clients who would wish me to do otherwise. The next time you feel compelled to castigate attorneys for the flaws of the individual, remember that the very underpinnings of our Constitution and all of the freedoms that have been upheld and defended, are due to the sacrifice and efforts of lawyers.

As for Fr. Elmer, he knows what he promised the Novi Planning Commission, and so does God.

Anne L. Randall
Northville

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She's always been 'Martha'

When I founded the company that owns this newspaper back in 1966, Martha Griffiths had already served six terms in the United States House of Representatives.

I had worked with her before then and had wondered at her remarkable career: How she and her husband, Hicks, had been friends with G. Mennen "Soapy" and Nancy Williams and how they had created the modern Michigan Democratic Party and elected Soapy governor in 1948.



Phil Power

It was in that same election that Martha had won a seat in the Michigan House, becoming one of only two women state representatives from 1949 to 1952. And how Williams had appointed her to the Detroit Recorder's Court bench.

In 1964, I had been asked by a newly-elected Congressman from Kalamazoo, Paul H. Todd, Jr., to be his administrative assistant in Washington. Paul was interested in a seat on the Agriculture Committee, and he assigned me the task of figuring out how to get it for him. It was easy. "Go see Martha Griffiths. She's on Ways and Means, which is the 'Committee on Committees,'" everybody told me. "If she likes Paul, he'll be on that committee in no time."

We did. And she did. And neither Paul nor I ever forgot those sharp eyes, the fierce concentration, the tough questions. And, finally, the big smile written all over

her face. "We'll do it," she said, and then immediately set to working out how best to maneuver Paul's candidacy adroitly through the political thickets.

Martha's district at the time included Livonia, Redford Township, Westland and Garden City — communities served by my first few newspapers — together with neighborhoods in northwest Detroit. So in a very real sense, she was the first representative in Congress of my publishing career.

And she was a terrific one! She'd drop by my office from time to time when she was in the district to talk — my how she could talk! — about the Congress, the president, the country, the issues, the gossip.

One day, the big news was how Wilbur Mills, the then chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, had got caught cavorting in a Washington fountain with Fannie Fox, a woman of dubious reputation. Of course, he had made a fool of himself, and everybody expected he would soon lose his very powerful chairmanship.

"Don't you laugh at Wilbur Mills!" she snorted. "He may have done something very silly, but there is no human being alive who understands the tax code of the United States as well as he does." It was perfect Martha.

Of course, Martha was famous for wedging women's rights into the landmark 1964 Civil Rights Act and for forcing the Equal Rights Amendment out of a House committee, where it had languished since 1923. But her other accomplishments, less well noted, were certainly enormous. She went after the ways Social Security gave the short stick to women and children, worked to better regulate pension funds and close tax loopholes. She thought the insurance industry was profoundly and unfairly stacked against women, and her study of how the welfare system actually

treated women and children was a landmark.

In 1982, the Congressman James Blanchard recruited Martha Griffiths to be his running mate for lieutenant governor. Most observers felt this pick guaranteed Blanchard's election as governor. Martha served for two terms. By the time Blanchard was gearing up to run for a third term in 1990, Martha was 78 and had lost several steps to ill health. Worse, she had lost her sparkle and good humor and had become suspicious and crabby.

Probably egged on by her husband, Hicks, Martha announced to the astonishment of all that she was "available" for a third term. Blanchard did the hard thing but the right thing, picking Libby Maynard to be his running mate against John Engler. Blanchard lost narrowly, and some still think that the ill will that came out of the Martha situation contributed to the losing margin.

I remember going out to Martha's old, white farmhouse in Armada in the mid-1980s. She was going to sign her will, leaving her papers to the University of Michigan. We had a couple of drinks, told a few stories. Then she said, "Well, let's get at it." And she abruptly sat down and signed the papers. Typical Martha.

Martha — in my mind, it has always been "Martha," not "Mrs. Griffiths" or "Congresswoman Griffiths" — was just like that: direct, forthright, funny, generous. Passionate for the right. Concerned about history and her place in it, and certainly deserving of it. We are not likely to see her equal soon again.

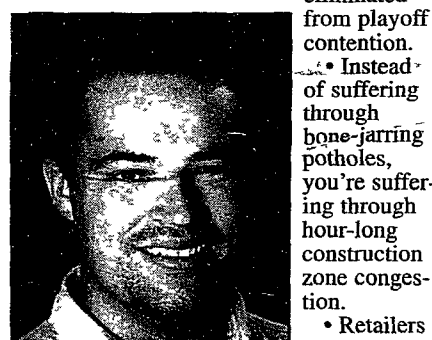
Phil Power is the Chairman of the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or at ppower@homecomm.net.

How to know spring has sprung

Ways to know spring has arrived in Michigan...

- The flip-flopping between use of the furnace and use of the air conditioner has commenced.

- The Tigers have been mathematically eliminated from playoff contention.



Chris C. Davis

Christmas sales.

- High school seniors are entering the Zombie Zone, when academics mean about as much as non-winning lottery ticket.

- The competition for the deepest, most thundering subwoofers on a car begins, with the battle for bass erupts on city streets.

- Out of contempt for winter, homeowners trash the last pair of ratty gloves that survived the cold weather — but will forget to replace them by the time the first snow hits in November.

- Morons of the world will once again begin leaving their children or pets in a car, letting them bask in 120-degree heat because they "were only going to be in the store for a few minutes."

- Five days of sun during the work week

will be inevitably followed by two days of weekend rain and wind.

- Ice cream vendors begin looping "Campdown Races" over their loudspeakers, which is the audio equivalent of Chinese water torture.

- Mid-winter pledges to get in shape before Easter are replaced with post-Easter pledges to get in shape by Memorial Day.

- Despite sunny skies and a slight breeze out of the south, complaints over the long, inconvenient and uncomfortable walks from Northville parking lots to businesses get started again.

- Twelve-year-olds get fired up for baseball. (On their video game systems, that is.)

- Garden buffs begin the annual quest for the look of a home in the country, as long as there are no dandelions.

- Sections of Hines Park turn into temporary lakes after rainstorms.

- The backup at lawn mower repair shops is only slightly longer than the box office for the opening weekend of a "Star Wars" film.

- You've received notice from city hall saying that because of lower-than-expected winter precipitation, the community is going on an odd-even watering system, which sends people who just put in \$30,000 in landscaping fees through the roof.

- Chunks of plastic appear on steep hills, revealing the exact locations where the most devastating sledding wipeouts occurred four months earlier.

- A seismic blast of musty odor erupts when you open up the patio umbrella for the first time.

- You have absolutely no idea where you stored the bright-colored plastic summer dishware you bought on clearance last fall

and soon give up looking by purchasing brand-new ones for twice what you paid.

- For the umpteenth year in a row, you

have to re-seed the base of your driveway, on account of the grass that burned up from rock salt.

- A sea of college graduates celebrate their academic achievement, but are forced back into the same summer jobs they held as students on account of the limp dishrag economy.

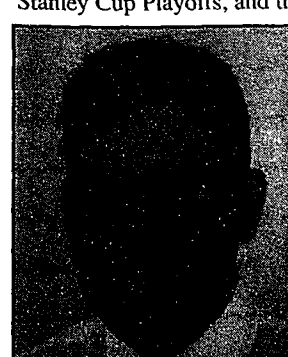
- The redneck neighbor down the street takes down her Christmas lights, but leaves up the wreath, which has now lost 90 percent of its foliage.

- A chorus of wails erupts from five-year-olds whose ice cream cones uncereemoniously plopp onto the pavement.

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I'm feeling terribly unducky today

I went through the same thing last year. In fact, I go through it every year, but this time it just came a lot earlier. It's been a couple weeks now since the Detroit Red Wings were defeated by the Mighty Ducks of Anaheim in the first round of the Stanley Cup Playoffs, and the withdrawal is setting in nicely. It's almost like how when a cigarette smoker quits and they go through a period of pure agony as they fight their urges.



Ramez Khuri

I believe this is worse though. A cigarette smoker can fall off the wagon and grab a cigarette, but for someone like me, we just can't flip on the television and expect to watch a brand new Red Wings game. All we have are old taped games of the Wings beating the Colorado Avalanche, which we have watched so many times the quality of the recording is diminishing.

You know it's bad when you start waking up in the middle of the night because you had nightmares of a killer duck wear-

ing a Jean-Sebastien Giguere jersey. Who would have thought that the defending champs would go down in a four-game sweep to a seventh-seeded team like that? I sure didn't. I guess that's why I purchased first and second round tickets. I went to those first two games and I took my grandmother, who watches all of the regular season games with me at home. She had a very nice time, even though she didn't like the outcome of the games. It was the first time she had ever been to Joe Louis Arena, and she kept commenting on how she has never seen so many people in one place before.

We had great seats, too. Ninth row from the ice! All I kept hearing throughout the games was, "Look, there is McCarty! When is he going to hit somebody?" I tried to explain to her that during the playoffs there aren't as many fights because nobody wants to pick up any penalties, but she was determined on seeing a fight. "McCarty can start the fight and Mr. Chicago (the nickname she uses for Chris Chelios) can finish it," she said. "Then, Hull and Shanahan can score the goals. I want to hear Shanahan's music after he scores!"

Well, at least she did get to hear that Irish jig once in the first game, but when it was all said and done, the Mighty Ducks had moved on to torment the Dallas Stars and our Red Wings were sent packing. What a shame.

I know we still have the Pistons to watch as they battle the Orlando Magic in their

first round matchup, but to me, it's just not quite the same. In my eyes, nothing can

match the excitement of watching Red Wings playoff hockey. Sometimes I sit and think, wow, if I'm so upset about this, how do the players and everybody associated with the team feel right now? It must be torture. All I can say is, the fans of the Red Wings will be back next year, cheering the team back to the playoffs and my grandma and I will be right there with them!

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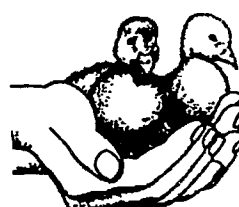
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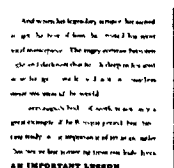
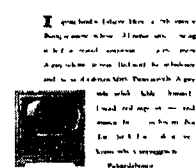
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Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall stage presentation of "Motel Murders"
DATE: Various dates through May 31
LOCATION: Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall (108 E. Main Street)
TIME: Various showtimes
DETAILS: The show is an interactive performance about being caught in the wrong place at the wrong time. Call for dinner theater prices.
PHONE: (248) 349-0522

Farmers Market Opening Day
DATE: Starts May 1 (open every Thursday through October 30)
LOCATION: Seven Mile / Center street
TIME: Call for info
DETAILS: Fresh produce and plants will be available for purchase at the event, which runs rain or shine.
PHONE: (248) 349-7640

New Hope Center for Grief Support workshop
DATE: May 1 (runs for seven weeks)
LOCATION: Northville Senior Center (215 W. Cady Street)
TIME: 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
DETAILS: The workshop will help participants deal with normal grief responses.
PHONE: (248) 348-0115

American Rose Society meeting
DATE: May 2
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center (45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi)
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Pat Hibbard of Roses-West Rose Society will present a slide program of David Austin.
PHONE: (248) 347-0400

Summer kickoff party to benefit Detroit's Neinas Elementary School
DATE: May 2
LOCATION: Call for info
TIME: Call for info

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

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

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

Student Fine Arts Show
DATE: May 2-8
LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main)
TIME: Various showtimes
DETAILS: Students will show their talents in sculpture, functional ceramics, metals, photography, mixed media and graphics. An opening reception will be held May 2 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
PHONE: (248) 349-0203

Stage presentation of "Broadway And Vaudeville Tonight"
DATE: Various dates through May 11
LOCATION: Marquis Theatre (135 E. Main Street)
TIME: Various showtimes
DETAILS: Songs from "Oklahoma!" Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and others will be performed. Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$10 for seniors and

students. The show is not recommended for children under age 8.
PHONE: (248) 349-8110

Spring hazardous waste collection day
DATE: May 3
LOCATION: Ford Field of Livonia (Farmington and Lyndon roads, between Five Mile and Schoolcraft roads)
TIME: 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
DETAILS: Residents of Northville Township and the city of Livonia are eligible to participate in the collection, which will accept a variety of hazardous waste products. A new mercury-free digital thermometer will be given (one per household) to persons bringing a thermometer containing mercury to the event. A similar event will be held on Sept. 20 in the city of Northville.
PHONE: (734) 466-2655

Boy Scout Troop No. 755 spring cleanup day
DATE: May 3
LOCATION: Ihayers Corners Park (Napier Road, north of Six Mile Road)
TIME: Starts at 8:30 a.m.
DETAILS: Trash and overgrowth will be cleared from the location. Volunteers are being sought to assist with the project, who should bring wear old clothes, work gloves and waders — if they plan on working near a water source. Only adults wearing hard-toe boots will be permitted to use power equipment.
PHONE: (734) 420-0879 / www.troop755.org

Northville Beautification Commission free seedling giveaway
DATE: May 3
LOCATION: Northville Township Civic Center (41600 Six Mile Road)
TIME: 10 a.m. - noon
DETAILS: Free tree seedling will be given away to Northville and

Northville Township residents. Proof of residency should be brought.
PHONE: (248) 349-5566

Mill Race Village general store drop-off
DATE: May 3
LOCATION: Mill Race Village (west side of Griswold, north of Main Street)
TIME: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
DETAILS: The store will be open to accept gently-used or new household, Christmas or decorative items in the store during the 2003 season. All donations are tax-deductible.
PHONE: (248) 348-1845

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

Grief support group for women whose mothers have died
DATE: May 4
LOCATION: Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church (40000 Six Mile Road)
TIME: 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
DETAILS: The session will offer assistance to women whose mothers have died. Similar workshops will be held May 6 and 8 in Ann Arbor and Allen Park, respectively.
PHONE: (734) 662-5999, ext. 113

Northville Genealogical Society meeting
DATE: May 4
LOCATION: Northville District

Library (212 W. Cady Street)
TIME: 2:30 p.m. (Beginners' class meets at 1:30 p.m.)
DETAILS: Donna Ellis, a member of the Association of Personal Histories, will speak on preserving a family's history.
PHONE / WEBSITE: (734) 595-7806 / www.rootsweb.com/~miwayne/nvgsoc.htm

Northville / Plymouth Kitchen Tour to benefit OUR Camp for Special Needs Children
DATE: May 6
LOCATION: Various private homes in Northville and Plymouth
TIME: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
DETAILS: Participants will visit kitchens at homes in the area. Table settings, designed by various businesses, will also be on display. Tickets are \$25, the proceeds from which benefit a camp for special needs children. Tickets can be purchased at Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall (108 E. Main Street), The Kitchen Witch (134 E. Main Street), or the Northville Chamber of Commerce (195 S. Main Street).
PHONE: (248) 348-7026

Scrapbooker's swap meet
DATE: May 6
LOCATION: Northville Recreation Center at Hillside (700 W. Baseline Road)
TIME: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
DETAILS: Scrapbookers can bring their papers, tools and other supplies to trade or exchange. Bargaining and deal-making is encouraged. Admission is \$5 per person.
PHONE: (248) 349-0203, ext. 1408

Education seminars for off-leash dog park permits
DATES: May 8, 10, 15
LOCATION: Rec Center at Hillside (May 8, 15); Northville Community Center (May 8, 10)
TIME: 10 a.m. (May 8, 10); 7 p.m. (May 8, 15)
DETAILS: Attendance by a household member at one of the education seminars is mandatory to be eligible to purchase a dog park pass. Park rules and procedures will be reviewed in the seminar. Passes will be sold beginning May 27 at \$30 for the first dog and \$8 for each additional dogs (maximum three dogs per household)
PHONE: (248) 449-9941

Divorce Recovery workshop
DATES: Begins May 8; runs through June 5
LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)
TIME: 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.
DETAILS: Facilitator Pam Jacobs will address the topics of honesty, trust, loneliness, depression, intimacy and self-esteem. The cost of the workshop is \$38 before May 5 or \$43 thereafter. Child care is available, but should be scheduled four days in advance of participation.
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Center Stage Dance Company presentation of "Annie"
DATE: May 10
LOCATION: Northville High School auditorium (45700 Six Mile Road)
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DATE: May 10
LOCATION: Hillside Middle School (775 N. Center Street)
TIME: 9 a.m.
DETAILS: Walkers will help raise money for arthritis research and treatment.
PHONE: (248) 424-9001, ext. 233

Friends of Maybury State Park meeting
DATE: May 10
LOCATION: Maybury State Park classroom (off Eight Mile Road)
TIME: 9:30 a.m. - noon
DETAILS: A short meeting will be held, followed by various work projects to improve the park. All volunteers are welcome. Materials and tools will be furnished.
PHONE: (248) 347-0899

Classic car cruise-in
DATE: May 10
LOCATION: Cady / South Wing streets
TIME: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
DETAILS: Classic cars of all kinds will be available for viewing at the lot.
PHONE: (248) 349-7640

Mother & Son Dance
DATE: May 10
LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center (700 W. Baseline Road)
TIME: 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
DETAILS: A professional DJ will be on hand to play songs for mothers and their sons to dance to. Casual attire is recommended. Tickets are \$13 per couple and \$6 for each additional person.
PHONE: (248) 349-0203, ext. 1411

First United Methodist Church of Northville "Got Jesus?" musical performance
DATE: May 11
LOCATION: Fuerst Auditorium, Novi High School, Novi (24062 Taft Road)

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TIME: 5 p.m., 7 p.m.
DETAILS: Reserved, prime-seating tickets are \$5 each. Some free seats may be available on the day of the performance. Some 200 students in grades 7 through 12 will be taking part in the performance, which organizers say is a good activity for youth group organizers to view.
PHONE: (248) 348-4853

Third annual Senior Housing Expo and Luncheon
DATE: May 15
LOCATION: Plymouth Community Cultural Center (525 Farmer, Plymouth)
TIME: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
DETAILS: The event, hosted by the Northville Senior Center, will give seniors and their families a chance to explore a wide range of housing options.
PHONE: (248) 349-4140

"Laughing On The Outside" comedy night to benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support
DATE: May 16
LOCATION: Farmington Hills Manor (23666 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills)
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
DETAILS: The event will feature a dinner, live auction and a comedy performance. All proceeds benefit Northville's New

Hope Center for Grief Support. Tickets are \$50, \$30 of which is tax-deductible.
PHONE: (248) 348-0115

Johnson Creek Day 2003
DATE: May 17
LOCATION: Call for info
TIME: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
DETAILS: A nature walk, river cleaning and trout release will be part of the day's events. Registration is required.
PHONE: (734) 761-1010 / mwest@alnm.com

American Cancer Society Relay For Life
DATE: May 17-18
LOCATION: Ford Field-Northville
TIME: Starts 10 a.m. May 17 (runs for 24 consecutive hours)
DETAILS: The team event celebrates cancer survivorship, honors those who have died from cancer and helps raise awareness of cancer. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society.
PHONE: (248) 557-5353

Downtown Northville 16th annual Flower Sale
DATE: May 23, 24
LOCATION: Downtown Northville
TIME: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. (May 23); 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (May 24)
DETAILS: More than 15 area greenhouses will have flowers for sale.
PHONE: (248) 349-0488

Mill Race Village 12th Annual Plant Swap
DATE: May 24
LOCATION: Mill Race Village (west side of Griswold, north of Main Street)
TIME: 8 a.m. - noon
DETAILS: Bring excess plants for trading with fellow gardeners. The Northville department of Public Works will have composted leaf mulch available.
PHONE: (248) 348-1845

Northville Memorial Day Parade
DATE: May 26
LOCATION: Downtown

Northville (ends at Rural Hill Cemetery)
TIME: Starts at 10 a.m.
DETAILS: Attendants are asked not to walk or bike in front of parade marchers. Persons bringing pets to the parade should clean up after them.
PHONE: (248) 349-1300

Mill Race Village docent luncheon
DATE: May 31
LOCATION: Mill Race Village (west of Griswold Street, north of Main Street)
TIME: 8 a.m. - noon
DETAILS: All persons interested in becoming docents are welcome to attend. Registration is requested.
PHONE: (248) 348-1845

Northville High School Rotary Interact Heart N' Sole race
DATE: May 31
LOCATION: Hillside Middle School (504 W. Eight Mile)
TIME: Starts at 8:30 a.m.
DETAILS: Proceeds from the event benefit Children International.
E-MAIL: nhsrotaryinteract@yahoo.com

Northville Lions Club pancake breakfast
DATE: June 1
LOCATION: Bonfire Bistro (39550 Seven Mile Road)
TIME: 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.
DETAILS: Tickets are \$6.50 for adults and \$4.50 for children through age 12. Tickets are available at the door or at The Kitchen Witch. Proceeds benefit the Lions' efforts to assist blind and deaf persons.
PHONE: (248) 349-0295

Northville High School Class of 1993 reunion
DATE: June 7
LOCATION: E-mail for info
TIME: E-mail for info
DETAILS: Daily events will include a golf tournament at an area course.
E-MAIL: robertskukainis@hotmail.com

LIBRARY LINES

LIBRARY HOURS

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JUNIOR BOOKS, CHAT, & CHOW

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Northville District Library board of trustees will be on May 22 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.

ON CAMPUS

Northville resident Precious Shah was named to the dean's list at Northwestern University for the winter quarter of the 2002-2003 school year.

Northville resident Kurt Enkemann was named to the dean's list at Kettering University for the fall 2002 semester.

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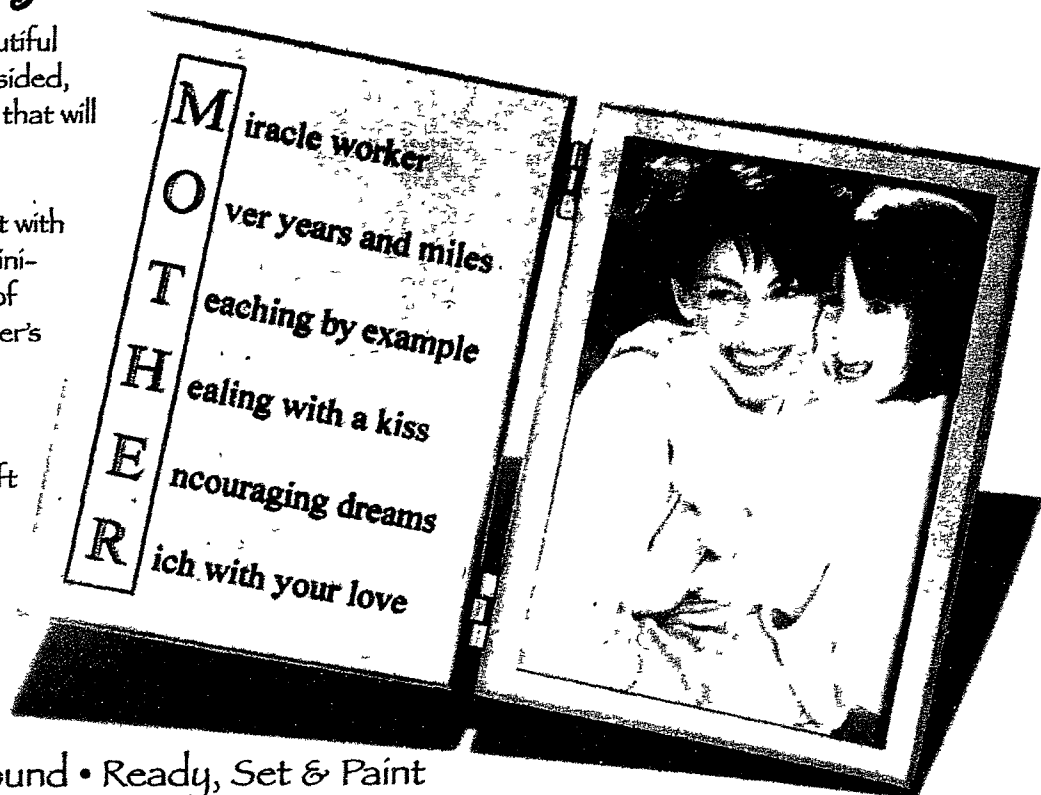
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Familiar face on the bench

Brad O'Neill is back at the helm of the hockey team

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

The new face on the Northville Mustangs hockey bench next season may look familiar to some fans.

Brad O'Neill is recently announced as the district's new high school hockey coach — a role he held for the first four years of the program's existence until his final year of 2000-01. Upon leaving to raise his family and to solidify his personal situation, O'Neill held a 55-37-9 record with the Mustangs, along with a district title and two trips to the regional finals.

"I was previously there when the program was first starting," O'Neill said. "It was a good four years and there was definitely some success there. Besides that, I coached the eight previous years at Milford under Gary Johnson."

With 12 years of high school coaching experience and a good feel for the program, O'Neill was a shoe-in for the position. He has some plans right out of the gates for the Mustangs, including a summer conditioning program and summer and fall skating. Basically, he wants to bring the team back to the level it was at when he left.

"I felt through my four years there that we had built a really solid and really respected program," O'Neill said. "There is a lot of talent in this area, and a lot of hockey players. We just need to get the kids into it and let them know what we're all about."

As a teacher, and now assistant principal, at Northville's Hillside Middle School, O'Neill had plenty of chances to get to the Novi Ice Arena to watch the Mustangs play. He watched them as they struggled to learn a new program under coach Jeff Bond before difficulties led to Bond's removal.

"I know they had some difficulties with the coaching and things like that," O'Neill said. "I attended quite a few of their last games, and I saw what they are capable of doing. I am very familiar with the kids in the community, and there is a lot of talent here. Above all, they are good kids, and when you have all these kids together you have to have a coach who is going to be a leader."

And O'Neill is ready to be that



Brad O'Neill, here talking to some students at a recess, will be taking over as assistant principal at Hillside Middle School this spring. O'Neill was recently named Northville High School's hockey coach — again.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

leader for the Mustangs.

"I'm looking forward to that role," he said. "I felt it was something I was strong at when I first coached this team, and it's a path I'd like to continue going down."

O'Neill said that one of his first steps to bringing the program up to speed with other teams in the Western Lakes Activities Association is to implement a 10-month program.

"We're going to have strength and conditioning, summer and fall sessions, all rolling right into the

winter program," O'Neill said. "You have to do that to be competitive in high school hockey."

From what he witnessed last year, and through his experience in the field of high school hockey, O'Neill has a major factor that he wants the Mustangs to work on.

"They have to get in shape," he said. "They can all skate, pass and shoot. We need to be stronger, quicker and more conditioned. We also need to play as a team a little more. That's what we need to do and we need the dedication from

day one."

Above winning and losing in high school sport, O'Neill said that coaches, players, parents and fans have to remember one thing — it's a sport.

"Above all else, this is a high school sport," he said. "It's a learning experience above even being the sport of hockey. In a strong program, the kids will take things away with them. The lessons they learn will last well after their high school careers are over."

Another move O'Neill was quick

to make was to revise the schedule to include stronger opponents.

"We're going to be playing in the Michigan Showcase Tournament at Novi," he said of the squad's expected opener in the 2003-04 season. "Competing in the tournament will be Farmington Unified, Novi, Livonia Stevenson and ourselves. We've upgraded our schedule so that Northville is playing some talented teams. It's not going to be easy, but it's something we need to do if we want to be competitive."

They've got the ability

Well, the first thing I have to say is that I've been thoroughly impressed by these Mustangs.

Not only have the Northville Mustangs lacrosse team members ventured into their first-ever varsity season with a reckless abandon — they've done so with the confidence that makes it work.

When a team is first entering the world of varsity-level athletics, I always

have to wonder just how far they'll be able to go. It's the same with a young face on a varsity team too.

I was but a freshman when I was pulled up to varsity football, and I never dreamt it could be as fast and powerful as it was. So, to take an entire team of new varsity players and thrust them into the fire is pretty noteworthy — and so far, the Mustangs have proven it to be the right decision.

It seems that with this team, anything can happen. They've taken it to every team they've played this season with the exception of one, and scored into double digits almost at will. The Mustangs have a nice core of offensive producers led by senior sharp-shooter Rick Riegner, who probably has the highest scoring numbers in the division right now. Their defense has managed to hold strong, even in the face of some stiff competition and injuries. The goaltending has been a promising facet of this team too, though the position is played by a sophomore in Dan Schaumann.

One of the first things I learned when I started working for the *Northville Record* was that Northville athletes like a good challenge. The game of lacrosse in it's first varsity season is no different. Many sports writers and followers of the game could have easily been of the opinion that a first-year squad like this one wouldn't hold too much of a candle to the competition. Maybe, though it's not true, even the local sports writer like myself would have thought that. I knew a little better though — I've seen enough Northville sports being played to know that the bigger the challenge the higher the Mustangs play. They strive to be on the top; be it of their division, conference or sport, the Northville athletes are always trying to be the best they can be.

Just how far are these Mustangs going to go this year? Unfortunately, in their division, there is no official state championship or major title like that. Instead, they have to prove they are the best by their performances and by their final record instead of a tournament-style format. Is that a problem? I don't feel that it is. Instead, I think it's even more challenging, having to defeat so many teams without letting them get the best of you.

I do think that the Mustangs have what it takes to be the best team in the division this year, and I think they believe that too. The challenge is set before them and all they have to do is keep playing the way they have been while improving and learning every step of the way. The difficulty is only going to rise as the other teams grow and learn too, but that's what the Mustangs want. They want to prove they are the best by beating the best of their opponents — and I think they'll continue to do just that.

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Soccer Association ensuring the future

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

The Northville Soccer Association is ensuring that the future of soccer in this community is a good one.

The NSA, under the guidance of president Steve McGuirk and numerous other volunteers, have begun a collection of soccer-related material at the Northville District Library.

"It's a nice collection of over 50 books, videos and DVDs," said Anne Mannisto, the assistant director of the Northville District Library. "They donated about \$1,500 worth to start up the collection."

McGuirk and the NSA are hoping that the donations help coaches, players and parents of youth soccer better understand the rules, techniques and purpose of the game at this level.

"Our ulterior motive is to build a better soccer-educated base," McGuirk said. "We want our coaches to be the best they can be

and see the program grow. The kids will only benefit from it."

Many of the titles, including the videos and DVDs, are geared towards techniques for players to utilize with drills as well as during and away from regular practice sessions.

"We try to hold clinics, but some of people are passive, or can't attend," McGuirk said. "That's why we decided that we needed a solid library (of soccer material) in the community."

With a \$1,500 donation this year, the library finds itself with an incredible amount of informative reading and visual aides to assist the up-and-coming players and coaches. The NSA plans on adding \$1,000 every year to that collection, no doubt making Northville's library home to one of the largest soccer-related sources in the area.

"It so suites this community," Mannisto said. "It really fills a need here. Soccer is a very, very popular sport, and it will grow. This collection serves a, need in

this community."

There's a major benefit to having videos and DVDs over books too — seeing is always easier to comprehend than reading.

"So much of soccer is dynamics, and it's hard to get that from a book," McGuirk said. "A lot of this game, for the coaches, is understanding the psychology of dealing with kids. Sometimes, communities neglect to understand that and the coaches have a single goal of winning. Our goal is the development of the kids."

The NSA is waiting to get information from the library regarding the most used and most circulated materials so they can double up on them with next year's donation to better fill the needs of the community and the children and coaches involved in the soccer association.

All of the materials are available for checkout through the Northville District Library with a valid library card.

More information can be obtained by calling the library at (248) 349-3020.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

NSA president Steve McGuirk poses with the books, videos and DVDs the association donated to the library.

Novi High School sports looking for old records

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Were you ever a Novi Wildcat athlete? If so, did you have a remarkable season of any sort, in any sport? If that's the case, then the athletic department of Novi High School wants to hear from you.

Despite being a competitor in a variety of sports for less than 40 years, Novi High School has found itself in a small bit of a

bind when it comes to record — they've maintained precious little in the way of that information.

The Novi athletic department, under the guidance of coach Julie Fisette and athletics director Curt Ellis, is beginning the long search of piecing together the school's history and finding out just who it is who holds single game, single season and career records in all the sports that the school has offered or currently competes in.

Of course, any Joe could claim to hold a record, and the Wildcats are looking at ways around that problem. To help solve the quandary, Novi is accepting old newspaper articles, end-of-season reports or scorebooks as documentation for the record-setting achievements.

Those in charge of the project are currently hoping to have it completed by December of this year. Then, the records will be published in the *Novi News* to give former Novi athletes a final

opportunity to step forward with their information before record boards are created and installed at Novi High School and on the school's website.

Any information regarding a possible record for a single game, single season or a career should be mailed to: Novi High School, 24062 Taft Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, Attn. Julie Fisette, Athletic Records.

This is a chance for the records set by you or someone you know to finally be recog-

nized and posted at Novi High School. As of right now, current athletes have no clue as to which athletes of the school's past hold which record — nor do they have any idea as to the mark they need to aim for in order to get their own names posted on the record board.

Sam Eggleston is the sports writer for the *Northville Record* and the *Novi News*. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.

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Northville Parks and Recreation is seeking volunteers to help with the inaugural Galyan's Northville Solstice Run June 21.

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All volunteers will receive free food and refreshments and a Galyan's Northville Solstice Run T-shirt. For more information, please call (248) 349-0203, ext. 1408.

Open and Lap Swimming

The Recreation Center at Hillside Pool announces open and lap swimming during the spring on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30-8:30 p.m. and Friday 6-7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 3-4:30 p.m.

The cost is \$3.00 per person, regardless of age. Please pay the lifeguard and bring correct change. Dates and times are subject to change. Cancellations will be posted on the Recreation Center doors.

Softball Tryout

The Motor City madness 10 and under open tryout will be held May 4 from 10-11 a.m. The tryouts are slated to be held at Power Park Field No. 2 and are open to girls that are 10 years old or younger as of January 1, 2003.

Further information or individual times can be arranged by contacting coach Wagner at (248) 982-2955.

Junior Golf Clinics

Tanglewood Golf Club and head instructor/PGA professional Tom Shaw are hosting the 2003 Tanglewood Junior Clinic this summer. The clinic is open to children ages 7-13 and consists of four three-hour classes.

The clinics will be held on the following dates:

- Clinic 1: June 17, 19 and 24 from 9 a.m.-noon and June 26 from 8-11 a.m.
- Clinic 2: July 8, 10 and 15 from 9 a.m.-noon and July 17 from 8-11 a.m.
- Clinic 3: July 23, 25, and 30 from 9 a.m.-noon and August 1 from 8-11 a.m.

The price of each clinic is \$130 per person with the price including lessons, lunch, trophies and a souvenir. Each clinic is limited to 26 kids, so call (248) 486-3355, ext. 26 and ask for Tom Shaw to register or to

get more information.

Sports Injuries Class

Henry Ford Health Systems and Dr. Lanny Orr will be holding a class on preventing and treating sports injuries at any age.

Dr. Orr is a chiropractic physician working with the Henry Ford Health Systems' Complementary and Integrative Medicine program.

The class will run May 21 from 7-9 p.m. and costs \$5 per person. Those wishing to attend should contact Henry Ford Health Systems at (248) 380-6201.

Northville Football Meeting

The Northville Football Parents Association will be holding a parent orientation meeting May 7 at 7:07 p.m. at Northville High School. All parents of incoming freshmen, junior varsity and varsity football players are urged to attend.

Coaches are scheduled to discuss the upcoming season, football camps and dates as well as the planned fundraising activities. Come and be a part of a winning program.

Golf Lessons Available

Looking to improve that swing? Want to get rid of that slice? Tanglewood Golf Club is offering individual and group lessons by PGA Certified instructors for private lessons.

For more information and to find out the availability and prices, call (248) 486-3355 and ask for Brad, Larry or Tom.

Colts Football and Cheerleading Registration

Open registration for the 2003 Northville-Novis 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 determine 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 must be above the ages by August 1, 2003 for both football and Cheerleading and certain weight restrictions may apply.

For more details, call Bill or

Renee Ince at (248) 349-6734.

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 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.

Softball/Baseball Private Lessons and Training

Total Baseball will help players, ages 6-18, improve their game. Instructors include Oakland University coaching staff, Big 10/MAC All-Conference softball/baseball players, former professional players and college/HS coaches. Pitching, hitting and fielding are the lessons available and are by appointment only. The fees for the lessons start at \$35 per 1/2 hour or five private lessons for \$160.

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

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, baserunning 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 years old.

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

Thomas Beyersdorf to be honored for 20 years of service

Three local officials will be some of the 289 individual honored with 20 or more years of service to the interscholastic sports community.

Northville resident Thomas Beyersdorf will receive an award for 20 years of officiating service, as will Novi resident Robert Bross. Walled Lake official Robert Andrews will be recognized for 40 years of service with the Michigan High School Athletic Association as an official guiding young scholar-athletes as they participated in high school sports.

The Michigan High School Athletic Association's annual Officials' Awards and Alumni Banquet will take place May 10 at the Sheraton Lansing Hotel at 7

p.m. and marks the 25th edition of this awards banquet.

The 40-year award will be presented to just 23 officials who will be in attendance, including Andrews.

In addition, 162 officials with 20 years will be honored, including Beyersdorf and Bross.

Also, 103 individuals with 30 years of experience will be honored.

With the induction of this year's select group, the honor roll of officials who have aided young student-athletes grows to 5,455 since the inception of the banquet in 1979.

The guest speaking for the event will be Jim Brandstatter, the radio analyst for the University of

Michigan and Detroit Lions football, and the author of the book, "Tales from Michigan Stadium."

The banquet will also feature the announcement of the 2003 recipient of the Vern L. Norris Award. The honor, named for the former MHSAA executive director, will be presented to an official with more than 20 years of experience who has been active in their local officials' association, has mentored other officials and has been involved in officials' education.

The banquet is open to members of the public, with tickets priced at \$15 per person.

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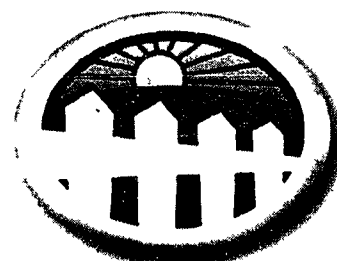
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A LETTER FROM THE NBSA

With spring weather upon us, it's time to dust off the baseball equipment and head outside to the ball diamonds. The 15-member board of directors for the Northville Baseball and Softball Association have been working throughout the winter months in preparation for what looks to be the best year ever for Northville Community Baseball. League commissioners tell us that all leagues are up in terms of the number of players from past years. This is a real credit to the program, considering, nationally, youth baseball numbers continue to drop.

NBSA is a volunteer-based organization, dedicated to promoting the cause of baseball for its 1,400-plus players. The league is run by a board of directors, league commissioners and over 240 volunteer coaches. It is the dedication of these individuals that truly make this an outstanding opportunity to our area's young athletes. When you drive by a field this summer and witness a colorful game of "America's pastime" at one of Northville's fields, you will come to appreciate the fine rewards of these efforts of volunteerism.

The NBSA program begins at age four with "Rookie Ball," and runs through age 18. There are house leagues that promote the fundamental skills and mechanics of the game and travel leagues that compete throughout the state on a more advanced level. Each year, NBSA sends teams to nationally organized tournaments such as PONY and Cooperstown. The "Broncos" have developed into a state-recognized name synonymous with quality baseball.

Aside from baseball, the NBSA promotes friendships, life skills and community involvement. Each year, over 90 baseball players march in the Fourth of July parade, host a Victorian Festival activity and participate in field clean-up days. Whether it's a pre-game national anthem ceremony, or a post-game pizza party, teams provide many outings for our younger players to enjoy. For the past two years, NBSA has teamed up with Variety, a children's charity, to send over 800 local players and families to Comerica Park for a great day of baseball. NBSA each year provides scholarship opportunities to local high school seniors and donates quality equipment and uniforms to players in need, well beyond the Northville community.

Through fund-raising efforts, the NBSA maintains a field development fund that is designated for the providing of continuous improvements to our local ball fields for our residents to enjoy for many years to come. Recent projects have included grass infields at

Millennium Park, money for the concession/restroom building at Community park, high school field improvements, bleachers and equipment updates. The uniforms purchased for the program, starting at age four, are authentic, replica major league teams proudly displaying the NBSA logo on the sleeve. Today there are over 120 teams and growing.

With last year's changes to the structure of the Northville Recreation Department, NBSA is no longer a program offered through Northville Parks and Recreation. Instead, NBSA pays the Northville Parks and Recreation Department for field use and services rendered. Through this organizational change, the two entities have remained committed, with uninterrupted support, to providing the highest quality program possible. The NBSA has enjoyed the support and cooperation of the Northville Parks and Recreation Commission, the City of Northville, the Township of Northville, the Northville Public School system and the friends of Northville Parks and Recreation. All of these groups are working together to bring baseball to our young ball players. Events such as the NABF World Series that is brought to Northville each year is an example of many groups coming together for an outstanding community function enjoyed by all.

This year's board of directors and league commissioners are: Dave Jerome, Todd Sander, Tim Porter, LeRoy Asher, Scott Baldwin, Jim Cicala, Dick Dumbleton, Carl Galletti, Frank Griffiths, Jack Klarr, Dawn Mueller, Joe Nuyen, Chris Schultz, Brian Spencer, Tom Close, Brian Olender and Jim Fellwack. These volunteers handle registration, insurance, scheduling, uniforms, safety and equipment, tournaments, umpires, training and fund raising — just a few of the necessary year-round tasks needed to initiate and implement this program.

We have an army of angels who work very hard behind the scenes, all in the efforts to build a community-based baseball program, making memories for our young players and their families.

If you're not already involved in NBSA, start your spring off right and be part of this exciting Northville experience.

Mike Putman

Northville Baseball and Softball Association President

Ime Akpan isn't discouraged

Novi resident passed up in NFL draft, but could still find himself in pads come football season

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Sometimes, it takes a couple rolls of the dice to get a seven — and Novi's Ime Akpan is patient enough to roll them as many times as he needs to.

The Novi resident and soon-to-be Eastern Michigan University graduate wasn't one of the lucky chosen in the National Football League draft April 26-27, but that doesn't mean the doors are closed to him.

"Now that I'm a free agent, I'm just waiting for a team to call over the next two days or so," Akpan said Monday. "I'll be somewhere, I just don't know where yet."

For Akpan, being overlooked in the NFL draft was a slight disappointment — but, after seeing all of the defenders that were taken this year, he can understand why.

"A lot of runningbacks that were expected to go ahead of me didn't get drafted," Akpan said. "The first round had a lot of defensive players drafted, and I expected that. I just didn't expect it to continue all the way through."

Akpan's patience isn't wearing thin though. He's prepared to play

the game that is professional sports — both on and off the field. "Basically, I'm just waiting for some of the teams to start calling," he said.

Some of the teams even alluded to this being a possible outcome for Akpan.

"They said if I wasn't drafted, they would probably come and pick me up," Akpan noted. "I expect to get a call sometime today or tomorrow, and if not, my agent will start making calls for me. I'll be somewhere."

In fact, at the time the sports section went to print, Akpan's agent had already been dialing.

"I just got off the phone with about eight teams in regards to Ime," said Mark Bruno, the president of The Pegasus Agency out of Cleveland, Ohio. "We already have some interest from some teams. Ime is at the top of our minds right now, and hopefully we'll have something worked out by week's end. I'm confident that we'll be able to accomplish that."

Bruno said that Akpan's numbers compare well with runningbacks that were selected in the draft.

"We could easily stack Ime up

against some of the runningbacks taken in the draft," Bruno said. "I mean his numbers, his stats and physically. His 40 speed, vertical, strength and ability stack up equally and better than a lot of the kids taken."

One thing is for sure, Bruno and Akpan are both hoping to see the Eastern Michigan stand-out at a rookie mini-camp.

"We would certainly hope that he's in a rookie mini-camp, but if not it's not the end of the line," Bruno said. "Being undrafted is not a bad thing. We have to work a little harder, but we'll find the right fit."

Akpan noted that he's excited over the prospect of being invited to a team's rookie mini-camp, most of which start next week. He said that though he wasn't drafted, this is almost a better scenario for him.

"It could be better for me because instead of being drafted in the sixth or seventh round and having a team pick me, I can pick my team," Akpan said, and added that his expectations haven't dwindled any. "I'm definitely confident that I'll be on a team when the season starts."

Akpan, who stands 6-foot-1 and weighs in at 230 pounds, could prove to be a valuable athlete at the professional level. In his senior year at Eastern Michigan, he proved how valuable he was to the Eagles as he gained 1,282 yards on 267 carries. His 15 touchdowns and 111 yard-per-game average made him one of the top producing runningbacks at the collegiate level last season. Not only that, but he can catch too. Last year, he pulled in 26 passes for 115 yards.

Until the time comes that Akpan finds out when and where he'll be playing, he plans on continuing his rigorous workouts and training schedule. If not the NFL, perhaps his abilities will find him playing elsewhere.

"It's possible," Akpan said. "I want to play in the NFL, but the other leagues would be an option if they have to be."

And if worse comes to worse, Akpan is lucky enough to have degree in communication and a minor in business marketing to fall back on — but he's not expecting to it to come to that.

"I'll probably be too busy," Akpan said with a chuckle. "I'll probably be at camp somewhere."

NEXT LEVEL ATHLETES

Wow, it sure seems like it's been a while since we last put in some of our famous Next Level Athletes. These men and women have moved on from the ranks of high school athletics to showcase their talents at the collegiate level and elsewhere. They play for the love of the game, for the joy that it brings them and the competition that is always present.

GEOFF PAQUETTE, FRESHMEN, GEORGETOWN — Geoff Paquette, a graduate of Novi High School, is a member of the Georgetown Hoyas Crew team for the spring season of 2003. Paquette, who's team is coached by Emily Egge,

is a member of the Freshman/Novice Heavyweight Crew squad.

BRYAN SHIELDS, SENIOR, KALAMAZOO COLLEGE - Bryan Shields, a graduate of Northville High School, is the second baseman for the Kalamazoo College Hornets baseball team. Shields has a .118 batting average this season with two hits, three runs and an RBI. Shields collected a run against Spring Arbor, a game which the Hornets lost 11-4. Kalamazoo is currently 2-16 on the season.

MITCH MAIER, JUNIOR,

TOLEDO — Mitch Maier, a 2000 graduate of Novi High School, was named player of the week April 9 for the Mid-American Conference West Division Maier was batting a staggering .727 average at the time while playing catcher for the Toledo Rockets. Maier currently holds the Toledo record with a .407 career batting average and leads the league in hitting with a current .434 average with seven home runs and 41

RBI's.

SCOTT KORTLAND, FRESHMAN, KALAMAZOO COLLEGE — Scott Kortland, a 2002 graduate from Novi High, posted a time of 8.73 seconds for the Kalamazoo College Hornets in the 55-meter hurdles. Kortland, who was a stand-out for Novi High in numerous sports, is a first-year student-athlete with Kalamazoo.

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The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council at its regular meeting on Monday, April 21, 2003 and is effective on May 1, 2003, upon publication. The complete ordinance text is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Office of the City Clerk, 215 W Main St., during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. local time.

DIANNE MASSA,
CITY CLERK

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SUE HILLEBRAND, CLERK
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(5-01-03 NR 51785)

INVITATION FOR BIDS CITY OF NORTHVILLE

226 S. Wing Building Demolition Project

Sealed bids will be received in the City of Northville Council Chambers, City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until 2:30 p.m. local time on Wednesday, May 21, 2003 for the City's 226 S. Wing Building Demolition Project.

This project includes the proper demolition of a house and garage located at 226 S. Wing Street, Northville, Michigan. In addition, it includes proper site clearing, final grading and lawn restoration. Contract documents and a bid proposal can be obtained by contacting the Northville Department of Public Works at (248) 449-9930.

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

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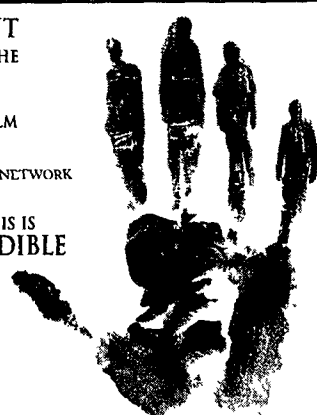
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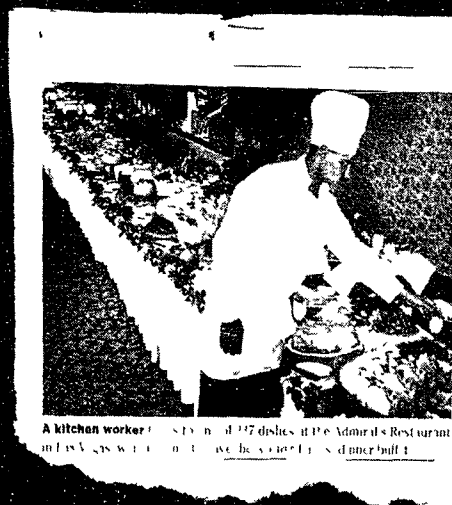
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Tech back in pads, but Napier isn't

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

If it's not one thing, it's another that old adage is ringing true for Novi's Fred Napier, who is a member of the Michigan Tech University Huskies football program.

Napier and his fellow Huskies were informed in March 18 that the program was to be terminated immediately, but some quick thinking on the part of head coach Bernie Anderson and MTU athletic director Rick Yeo said in a prepared statement. "My hat is off to the alumni and friends of the program. They took our original

announcement as a challenge and developed a plan to meet that challenge."

Under the plan, the football team will be entirely self-sufficient with private funding.

Fortunately for the football team, that means they'll be in full pads and competing in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) next season. Unfortunately for Napier, he won't be joining them.

The Tech freshman won't be expected to take a medical-redshirt to keep him from losing a year of eligibility. That doesn't mean the runningback from Novi wasn't happy about the announcement.

"I get to go to the same school and keep studying to be an engineer," Napier said. "I guess you could say I'm still pretty happy."

The program felt a sting of loss due to the announcement though. According to Napier, the Huskies will be without

their starting runningback and starting center come next season. Michigan Tech has already started to work on the situation though, as Anderson and the staff have recruited athletes into the program even with the possibility of the football team only being around one more year.

"As of today, I can only guarantee that the program will operate for one year with the money that we have in hand," Anderson said. "Hopefully, after the fundraiser is kicked off and by the end of November, we have enough money to guarantee the freshman class will have five years."

The program was still able to recruit from Maryland, Canada and even California for this upcoming season.

"They are still coming in, even though they know there is a risk," Anderson said. "Really though, with the economy, there isn't a guarantee anywhere. With the quality of the education here, we'll continue to be able to recruit."

Napier agreed, saying that Tech has something unique to offer.

"You won't find a better engineering school in Michigan," he said. "It's highly ranked, and they have a lot to offer."

Napier is hoping to get some repetitions in practice next season, though he won't be able to suit up. Weighing in at 190 pounds right now, the redshirt year will give him a chance to bulk up to the 200-205 range he is hoping for.

The freshman said that if given the chance to carry the ball in practice next year, he's not going to just give up for the defense — something that made him notorious last season.

"Let's just say that the defense likes it when I come out and practice," Napier said. "Last year, I ran hard and actually gave them some competition. They like to come after me, and sometimes I get headhunted, but I don't mind. I like it. It gives you some of that

actual game feeling."

Guys like Napier and the other Huskies that stuck around are important to the program at Michigan Tech. Even though they lost two key players, Anderson said that the team will find ways around the situation.

"We'll treat it like an injury," Anderson said. "The players that aren't here were going to be negative and didn't want to be here any way. The players who stayed are committed and dedicated and those are the players that produce."

"I don't think we lost that much talent that it will hurt us next year. We expect the next two years to be two of our better years in the GLIAC, and our expectations are going to stay that way."

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YOUTH SPORTS

Soccer

It's that time of year again, and the kids of Northville are out in full force as they kick their soccer seasons off in the right direction.

The Northville Cosmos started things off with a bang as they blasted Farmington 5-1 before topping a tough Novi team 3-1.

Against Farmington, Brennan Berry, Alex Zimmer and Kevin Fitzsimmons notched a goal each while Daniel Jouppi stepped up with two goals of his own to help Northville to victory. Most Valuable Player honors were bestowed on Drew Fisher and Jullian Todor for their strong defensive play in the contest.

The Cosmos also had a nice showing against Novi as Brandon Cuffe, Zimmer and Fitzsimmons each scored in the winning effort. The MVPs of the contest were Christian Preseau and Cory Borawski as they made a lot of good defensive saves and were both major presence on the offensive end.

The Northville Stompers edged Hamburg 2-1 in an early season game to start off on the right foot. Kevin Woods and Aris Zervos were goal scorers in the contest while Kyle Cummings and Patrick Cowher provided strong defense and limited Hamburg's scoring chances to earn the MVP nod.

If you'd like to see your youth sporting event results listed here, please email Sam Eggleston, the sports writer, for the information needed and the format to submit them in. He can be reached at seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.

CORRECTION

Northville freshman girls' soccer player Lauren Hill scored three goals in her first appearance in a varsity soccer match for the Northville Mustangs against Walled Lake Western High School, not Lindsay Hill, who is a junior, as reported.

Look to Island Lake when fishing trout

For good, early-season trout fishing, grab your rods and reels and waders or smallish boat and head to nearby Island Lake State Park's Spring Mill Pond.

The pond, located in the middle of the state park (off I-96 and Kensington Rd. exit) is stocked each April with good sized brown and rainbow trout by the Michigan DNR.

From the first of each April until the last Saturday of the month (the traditional beginning of trout season in Michigan) the pond's trout are catch-and-release only. Once trout season's begun, the fish are up for grabs under normal fishing regulations and are not long for the spring-fed, cool pond's waters: they'll soon be in the middle of someone's frying pan with a little olive oil and butter.

The pond is a deep one, and if wading or bank angling's your thing, it's wise to stick to its southern end where the gravelly bottom and gradual dropoff are well suited to the boat-less



John Heider

angler. (Note that the other sides of the pond have precipitous dropoffs and laterally two feet from shore the water's five feet deep.)

The deep waters of Spring Mill Pond are well suited to hosting a pre-summer school of trout. Some trout may even survive in the pond through the summers,

but it's a fair bet that they're taken soon after the 'opener'.

Spring Mill is also host to good-sized largemouth bass, perch, and a some smallish bluegills. These fish are more likely to move about and come off the bottom of the pond once the air and water temperatures warm up in early summer and can be taken with bait or small spinner lures.

The trout, however, can be a delight to go after with fly-fishing gear.

Equipped with a four to six-weight rod and an intermediate or sunktip line, anglers can tag into the brown trout that cruise under Spring Mill's surface looking for minnows or large nymphs.

The best and most productive way to fish the pond can be with the assistance of a small rowboat, canoe, kayak or 'belly boat'. These craft can take the angler to parts of the pond where the water's more than 25 feet deep — that the bank anglers can only

look to and see trout rising to insects on the water's surface — but cannot reach even with their best double-haul cast.

A suggested method would be to anchor 30 feet away from the pond's edges and methodically cast in an arc towards the shore, let your fly sink a few feet and then retrieve in short, quick strips.

But heed the warning, anglers: though one can see 14 inch browns rising to many mudges (a truly microscopic insect that Northville fly-shop owner John Bueter refers to as "those little SOB's") on the pond's still waters, hooking into them's another thing. A trout that has its choice of thousands of midges on the surface of Spring Mill Pond can be done, but it's just as easy to lose your mind as you watch the fish select insect after insect just next to your perfect imitation.

Fish will be active, on a normal Spring Mill Pond day, whenever the they're hungry, when the sun's shaded or full, the wind's

just right and the barometric pressure's just so. Basically your guess is as good as mine.

So take your canoe to Spring Mill, PFD, a good flyrod and a selection of lines to be cater to the feeding habits of the fish, some nymph and streamer flies, an anchor to hold your boat in place and lastly, and most importantly, some patience.

You'll need all these things and then some to find and hook Spring Mill's trout, but when you do the thrilling bent over flyrod or spinning rod in your hands and the brown trout's surging dives and leaps will make the wait and effort worthwhile.

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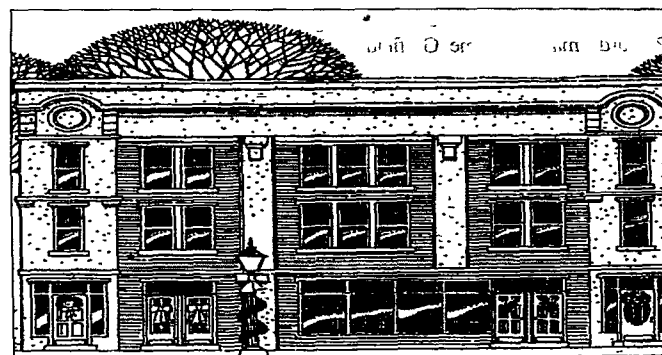
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Tellish leads 'Stangs to big victory

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Ah, the beautiful sound of a bat striking a baseball. There's nothing like it in the sporting world.

The sweet whispers of runs being scored were a common thing April 28 when the Northville Mustangs baseball team opened a clinic on hitting against Livonia Franklin before coming away with the crushing division win, 14-4.

"The kids played really well," Northville coach Mickey Newman said of the game.

And keeping the Franklin bats silent for the most part? The strong right arm of junior Brian Tellish, who went the distance for the victory. The hurler gave up six hits and three walks while whiffing 10.

"He pitched very well," Newman said. "He pitched so well against West Bloomfield, and this was a huge game for us. I had my choice of who was going to pitch and though it's a close race, I think Brian is pitching a little better than everyone else right now."

The Mustangs were also productive on the offensive side of the field. Sophomore Matt Williams was cranking out the hits, going 3-for-3 with four RBIs, while Alex Richard went 2-for-4 with a run and an RBI. Jimmy Riehl was 2-for-3 with two runs and two RBIs and Steve Besk had a fabulous day, going 2-for-4 while scoring three times and stealing three bases.

In the first inning of play, the Mustangs lit it up, scoring five against the Franklin defense as senior Roger Garfield cranked out a two-out triple to score three. Richard smacked home Garfield on the next at bat with a base hit to round out the inning.

Franklin came back, scoring a single run in the bottom of the inning, but not before threatening with bases loaded.

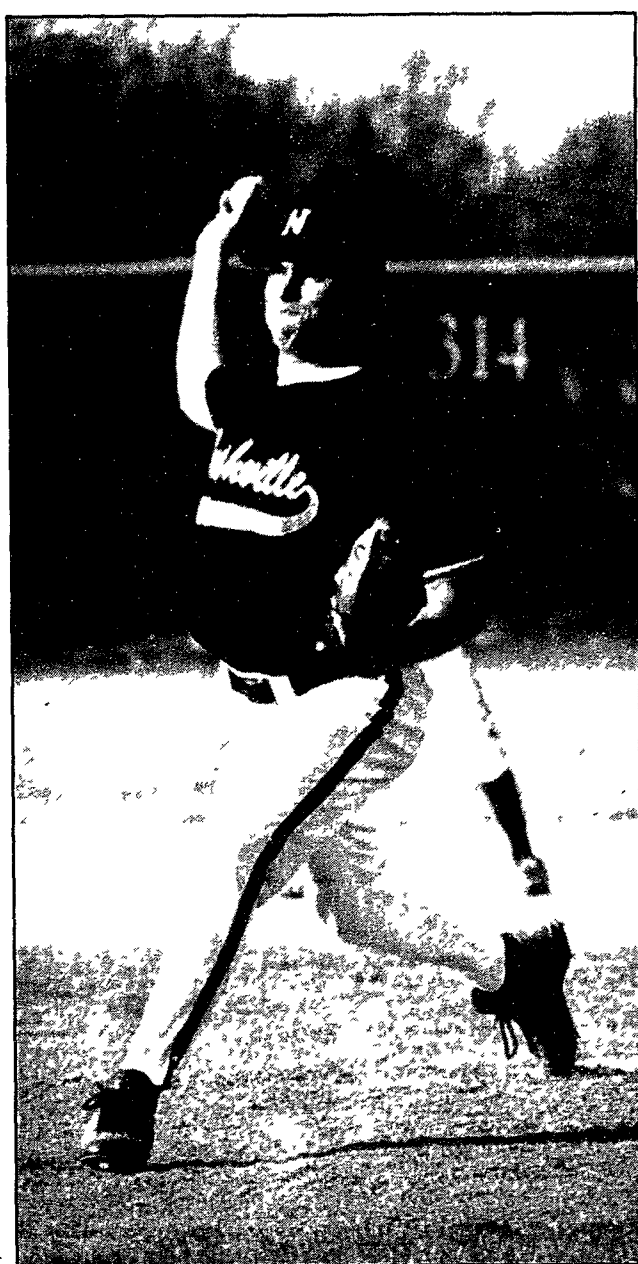


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Northville's pitching is coming on strong. Here, senior Roger Garfield is about to fire a fastball against South Lyon in the second game of a double header.

"Brian got out of a bases-loaded jam in the bottom of the first," Newman said. "He worked hard to get out of it and did a nice job."

The Mustangs turned around to score two in the second for a 7-1 lead as Williams drove in two runs with a double.

The third inning found the Patriots coming back and scoring three runs. Once again, Tellish worked through a difficult inning that found the Mustangs committing a handful of errors before tightening up with their lead cut to 7-4.

"I think we were just working the rust out," Newman said, referring to the team just returning from Spring Break. "After that, we pretty much put the game away."

The Mustangs went on to score

two in the fourth and four in the fifth to cap the contest, all while their defense turned two double plays to smolder the Patriots' fire.

With two outs or two strikes, some teams find it difficult to produce, but not the Mustangs.

"We pride ourselves on two out and two strike hitting," Newman said. "The kids know it's crunch time and they have to get it done."

In fact, in the fifth inning, the Mustangs scored four runs — all of which came after they had two outs without a runner on base.

"The kids know it takes three outs and three strikes to get them," Newman said. "We like to make the other team work a little harder to get them."

The Mustangs are currently 2-0 in the division and 4-3 overall.

Mustangs sweep doubles for big win

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

The Northville Mustangs tennis team is at it again — winning that is.

The squad, led by first-year coach Chris Ford, topped Livonia Franklin in a WAAA contest, 6-2, April 28.

"We swept doubles, which was big for us," Ford said. "The guys have played very, very well and have been giving a really good effort. We've been having some real good practices, and, overall, I feel they are playing to the level they are capable of."

The Mustangs had wins at two and four singles and all of the doubles, while taking tough losses at the first and third single flights.

In two singles, Adam O'Donnell defeated Vin Shukla 3-6, 6-4, 6-1 and proved his stamina by outlasting the Franklin Patriot throughout the well-contested match. Junior Lance Dehne had a nice showing at four singles as he handily defeated Dave Kosmalski 6-4, 6-2.

In the doubles flights, the Mustangs were golden. Matt Lewicki and Chris Irvine earned a big win over their opponents 6-2, 6-0 at one doubles.

The biggest victory of the day was that of junior Jeremy Reisman and sophomore Colin Ackerman. The duo dominated second doubles, blasting Livonia Franklin's team 6-0, 6-0 for the major victory.

Junior Nish Valecha and soph-

omore Ashtyn Saltz beat their opponents with a convincing 6-0, 6-2 win at third doubles.

Fourth doubles found junior Bret Eathorne and junior Varun Shekhar pounding out the nice win with a 6-3, 6-0 victory.

In first singles, Jason Spruit felt the sting of a loss to Ryan Kingsbury, 4-6, 3-6, while Brian Bensette took a loss to Corey Clearman in three singles 6-5, 6-8, 4-6.

The Mustangs, at this point, are just focusing on one thing.

"Sometimes, you are going to get beat," Ford said. "We just want to make sure that we don't get out-hustled. We are having good practices and good competitions. They are physically fit, and should perform the best they can."

Whalers bow out in game seven

The Kitchener Rangers ended the Whalers season a 3-1 victory in Game 7 of the Western Conference Finals April 28.

Former Whaler Gregory Campbell scored two goals while Mike Richards added the game winner at 13:42 of the third period. Karl Stewart scored the Whalers only goal.

Kitchener will take on Ottawa in the OHL finals, who notched a win in Game 7 of the Eastern Conference finals.

7:39 to tie the game. Kanko banked home a rebound which found its way over Plymouth goalie Paul Drew and into the net. The Rangers controlled play for most of the first period with a 10-3 shot advantage.

Kitchener set the tone for the second period when Gregory Campbell scored short-handed just over a minute into the period. The Whalers did manage to tie things up on a Cole Jarrett power play goal at 8:52. John Mitchell and Jonas Fiedler earned the assists. But the Rangers capped off the period with three more goals to take a 5-2 lead. Kanko notched his second of the game with a nice individual effort at 9:47. David Clarkson then banged home a rebound at 12:42 and Derek Roy scored at 15:02 to round out the second period scoring for the Rangers.

Plymouth woke up in the third with a dominating 23-9 shot advantage. The pressure paid off with a John Mitchell goal at 6:41 to cut the lead to 5-3. But the Rangers took advantage of the Whalers aggressive play as Kanko jumped on a loose puck and scored a break-away goal at 12:01. Plymouth pulled its goalie with just over four minutes left and the move worked when Chris Thorburn scored at

17:33 of the third. Chad LaRose and Jimmy Gagnon earned the assists. The Whalers continued to pressure, but it was not enough as Kitchener's Michael Richards added an empty-net goal.

Game 5

Plymouth forward Jimmy Gagnon scored both Whalers goals, including the game winner at 5:10 in the overtime session to give his team a 2-1 win over the Kitchener Rangers.

Plymouth took the lead in the second period when Gagnon scored his first of the game at 9:31. Jonas Fiedler and Sean Thompson earned the assists. But the Rangers tied it up in with a goal at 9:10 of the third period.

Derek Roy evened the score at 1-1 with the assist going to Mike Richards. In overtime it was the Rangers applying the most pressure with six shots on net.

But the Whalers didn't back down in Kitchener's own building and Gagnon, who is a Kitchener native, sent the home team to locker room with a loss when he beat Ranger goalie Scott Dickie for the game winner. Tim Sestito and David Liffiton assisted on the game winning tally.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Shady Scammers Lurking in the Shadows

By Jack Faris

There's no end to irony in April. First you get faked out by winter, which just won't give up the ghost. Then, there's always some April Fool's Day trickery afoot. And adding the ultimate insult to injury is that dreaded day that millions of American taxpayers, especially small-business owners, loathe - Tax Day, April 15. Before the first buds of spring appear, everyone's in desperate need of a little humor.

Let me recommend a visit to the Internal Revenue Service Web site, www.irs.gov. There you can read such uplifting ditties as "IRS Suggests Ten Ways to Avoid Problems at Tax Time" or "Tips to Make Your Tax Life Easier."

You really have to give the folks at the IRS credit. While they realize theirs may not be the most lovable government agency that has its hand in small-business owners' pockets, they do offer some pretty good advice in a creative sort of way.

Take "Beware of Scams," for example. This press release begins somewhat ominously: "They look shady. They try to entice you...." While designed to warn taxpayers about unscrupulous income-tax preparers, these notices conjure images of tax-and-spend legislators instead.

The recent haggling over President Bush's jobs and growth plan by the U.S. Senate and the unprecedented flurry of tax hikes being schemed up in many state capitals should be of greater concern to small-business owners than filling out their tax forms. The scams invented by tax-loving politicians at both the state and federal levels of government are putting the squeeze on small firms as never before.

A recent report by the National Governor's Association and the National Association of State Budget Officers is clear evidence that despite cuts in current state budgets and draw-downs of state "rainy-day" funds, lawmakers still fail to deal responsibly with their budget deficits. That should come as no surprise, however, because for more than a decade-and-a-half, state governments ran up expenditures with little regard for future consequences.

Is it any wonder that the latest NFIB Small-Business Optimism Index slid to one of its lowest levels in a decade? Or that small employers are more reluctant to bring on new employees now than they have been in almost 10 years?

Obviously, war has had an impact on their outlook. But their long-term fears are that politicians will create new and different ways to separate them from the dollars they need to create jobs and shore up their enterprises.

These entrepreneurs are stalwarts of fiscal discipline, innovation and creativity. So they are hard-pressed to understand why no relief is in sight for those who make the economy stable and productive.

As April 15 nears, the owners and operators of America's small businesses should take heed of the IRS warning, "Beware of Scams." But in addition to watching out for shady characters lurking in the shadows, they ought to keep their eyes on politicians who play April Fool's tricks on small-business cash registers by legislative sleights-of-hand.

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(L-R) Kelly Colasanti (owner) with customers Tekla Hall - mother of Mitchell, 4, Devon, 6, and Delaney, 2 - and employee Mike Fordyce.

Colasanti's Market is a shopping experience

By Elizabeth Heer
SPECIAL WRITER

Colasanti's Market is an entire world of shopping, all in one convenient location. The Highland Township mainstay since 1979 just keeps getting better and better by adding new specialties to please everyone from gourmets to the peanut butter and jelly crowd. Ice cream fans take note - Colasanti's new ice cream hut, located in the parking lot next to the outdoor animal display, is serving up Guernsey ice cream cones, shakes, malts, smoothies and sundaes - everyone will surely find their favorite treat this summer.

Outside, the market has come

alive again with seasonal plants, annuals, perennials, potted flowers, and hanging baskets.

"The plants are coming in every day now. We have more variety in perennials than ever before," said Kelly Colasanti. Inside the greenhouse, there are rows and rows of colorful flowers, vegetables, herbs and tropical plants readily available for gardeners to select their favorite varieties. Spruce up your yard or make a landscaping statement with the great selection of garden art, fountains, gazing balls, pots, stepping stones, landscaping supplies and more that can be found in the shop adjacent to the greenhouse. Kids of all ages shopping at Colasanti's enjoy visiting the colorful parrots

located in the greenhouse, and can often strike up an engaging conversation with them.

Inside Colasanti's, a world-wide marketplace is filled with produce, deli items, imported and domestic cheeses, bulk candy and coffee beans, baked goods, grocery staples and ice cream. Fresh produce is the main crop offered, and the ever-changing array of fruits and vegetables will please every palette. But look a little closer and you'll find some new treats here as well. Sushi made fresh daily comes in a variety of offerings, including cooked crab, eel, or raw fish.

"Sushi isn't only made with raw fish," Kelly suggests, "but it is also available made with

cream cheese or just vegetarian." He encourages everyone to give it a try.

Freshly-made pizzas, by the slice or as a whole pie, are also a new item offered this past year. Try a specialty pizza for a change, such as the artichoke, roasted garlic, or the barbecue chicken. Call ahead for your freshly baked pizza to be hot and ready. Colasanti's also bottle their own homemade salsas and sauces in a variety of flavors.

For the discriminating palette, the Wine Cellar provides quality, selection and value - and there are literally hundreds of fine wines in stock, from Cabernet, Merlot, Pinot Gris, Chardonnay, Riesling, to the unusual and hard to find. Let the knowledgeable wine expert help you make just the right choice for any occasion. "Our wine selection is incredible, and if we don't have it, we'll find it," Kelly said.

Finish off that fine dinner or host a party with ready-made gourmet desserts found at the Bakery. Whole cakes and pies or pastry items by the slice, as well as an assortment of fine chocolates, will satisfy the sweet tooth. Fresh bread, cookies, muffins, bagels are just some of the baked goods available.

The Deli carries high-quality, fresh meats and cheeses sliced to order. Party trays and fruit and gift baskets can be ordered for any occasion. For a taste of something different, try subs from three to six feet long, foccacio sandwiches, chicken wings, salads and hot soups made daily.

Snook's Butcher Shoppe, located inside Colasanti's, offers fresh U.S.D.A. choice beef, lamb, custom-cut pork, natural Bell & Evans chicken and turkey, and fresh Foley fish.

DETAILS

Colasanti's Market brings freshly grown produce, fruits, vegetables, flowers and garden items and more all under one roof, located at 468 South Milford Road. Shop at the markets of Colasanti's, including The Wine Cellar and Snook's Butcher Shoppe, Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For more information, call (248) 887-0012 or visit them on the Web at www.colasantis.com.

Smoked meats and sausages are done in-house. Famous brands carried by Snook's include Honey Baked Spiral Sliced Ham and Dearborn Sausage Ham.

Don't forget fresh flowers for your table - at Colasanti's florist center, flower arrangements can be ordered or you can make your own with any of the fresh cut flowers found in the walk-in cooler. The gift shop also provides the best in seasonal accents and cards for any occasion.

It's the attention to detail and pride in providing the best and freshest in produce and product that has made Colasanti's Market a unique shopping experience for their loyal customers. As good neighbors, the Colasanti family has also dedicated themselves to a long-standing tradition of community service.

"Our customers have made Colasanti's what it is today, and our long-time employees as well," Kelly said. "Without them, we just wouldn't be here."



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Employees in the greenhouse (L-R) Michael Pentrak, Matt Wolfe and Lori Stec.

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With spring comes mower tune-ups

By Annette Jaworski
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Now that spring weather is calling and the grass is getting green, homeowners are getting anxious to cut their lawns. But before you fire up your mower, be sure to give it a little extra attention. Performing a thorough check-up each season can help extend the life of your machine.

Just like any other piece of equipment, mowers and other lawn tools are an investment that will last longer when maintained properly.

Keep it clean

One of the most simple keys to maintenance is the one that's most neglected, says Jim Thesier, general manager of Thesier Equipment in South Lyon.

"One thing we find most often is a problem with cleanliness. ... They (mower decks) can become packed full of grass. It's not soft, either — it can get packed in there like concrete," Thesier said.

This can hamper the airflow to the engine, which may affect its performance, increase wear and tear, and cut quality. Keeping the air passages clean makes it easier for the engine to cool itself.

Don't forget to look underneath and clean all the hidden areas, Thesier said. He suggested using an air blower rather than spraying a hose. Grass under the shield could absorb the water, adding the potential for corrosion.

"If you're washing, take the shield off and wash the underside as well," Thesier advised.

Look sharp

A yearly tune-up is a blade sharpening. Keeping a sharp blade will help maintain the cut quality of your lawn. Blades are a wearable item that require maintenance and sometimes

replacement.

Larger units contain grease fittings that should be lubricated every 10 working hours.

"The average customer uses their machine about 50 hours per each season or year," Thesier said.

Cleaning and greasing the battery can help prevent corrosion. An aerosol protectant is available that helps prevent corrosion. However, if corrosion has already occurred, you may need to clean the points or replace the battery.

Get a head start

Since they're seasonal items, once the snow melts, everyone pulls out the mower and wants it serviced immediately. It becomes impossible for repair centers to tend to everyone in early spring. Thesier says it definitely helps to have foresight. Thesier Equipment offers tune-up specials throughout the year with discounts in fall as an added incentive to get it done before the seasonal rush.

"This way the equipment is ready when they want it," Thesier said.

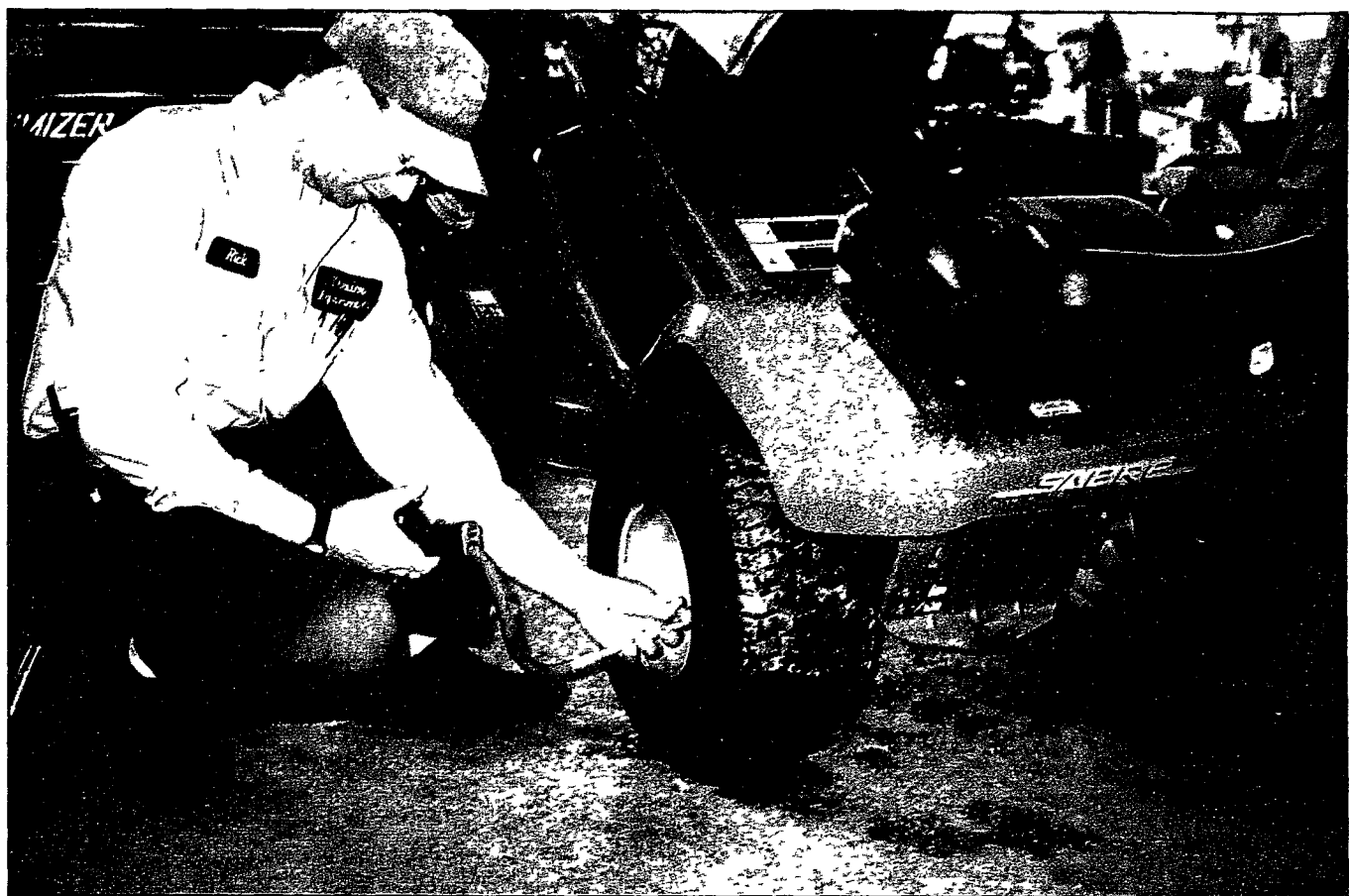
At this time of year, Thesier's lead times are generally about three to four weeks.

Use common sense

If you're a do-it-yourselfer, make sure you read the owner's manual. "It gives you some really good service tips," Thesier said.

Checking and changing all fluid levels is an important step in mower maintenance, including the engine and transmission oil. Some of the newer engines contain antifreeze that needs to be changed every five years.

Spark plugs should be changed every year with the yearly tune-up, "regardless of whether or not it starts," Thesier said. The air and fuel filter also needs to be changed yearly.



Some manuals list exactly what replacement parts are needed for your mower.

Look over the belts for any wears, marks or cracks. Check for dryness, which might indicate that belts need replacing.

Check the tires on any riding mowers. "It's only about a \$5 investment to have a good tire gauge, and it's worth it," Thesier said. With push mowers, inflation isn't an issue, but make sure the tires aren't loose.

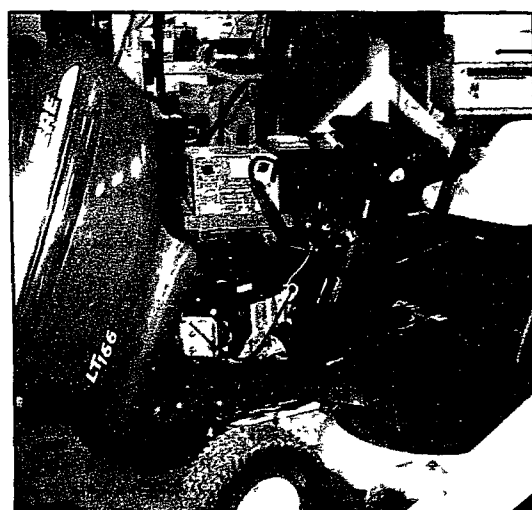
Look at the mower deck to see if it hangs evenly and level. After a while it can start to hang crooked, which affects cut quality. Have a professional level the mower deck.

The engines of most of your other lawn tools, such as a roto-

tiller, follow the same basics, except for two-cycle engines such as chain saws and string trimmers. Don't touch the carburetor on these and see a professional if its not running right, he added.

Thesier's carries a home maintenance kit for the do-it-yourselfer that contains oil, oil filter, air cleaner, fuel filter, spark plugs and an oil change sticker. For customers that are handy, he still recommends they bring their machines in every two years to have it professionally checked.

For tune-ups, repairs or new John Deere Equipment, contact Thesier Equipment Company at 28342 Pontiac Trail in South Lyon. Call (248) 437-2091.



Above: Rick Lavansel, shop foreman at Thesier Equipment in South Lyon, checks the tire pressure on a riding lawn mower. On a push mower, make sure wheels aren't loose. At left: Check the battery and keep contacts clean. The battery may need charging.

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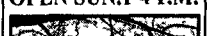
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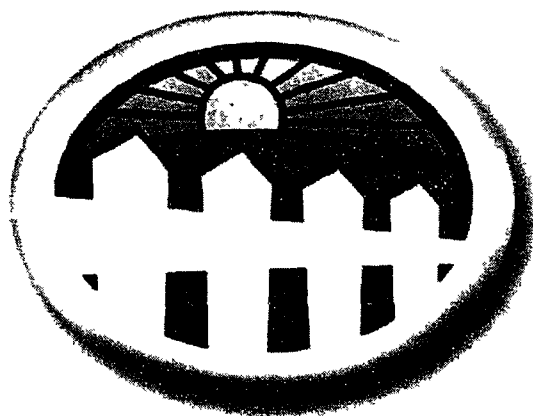
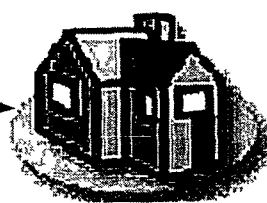
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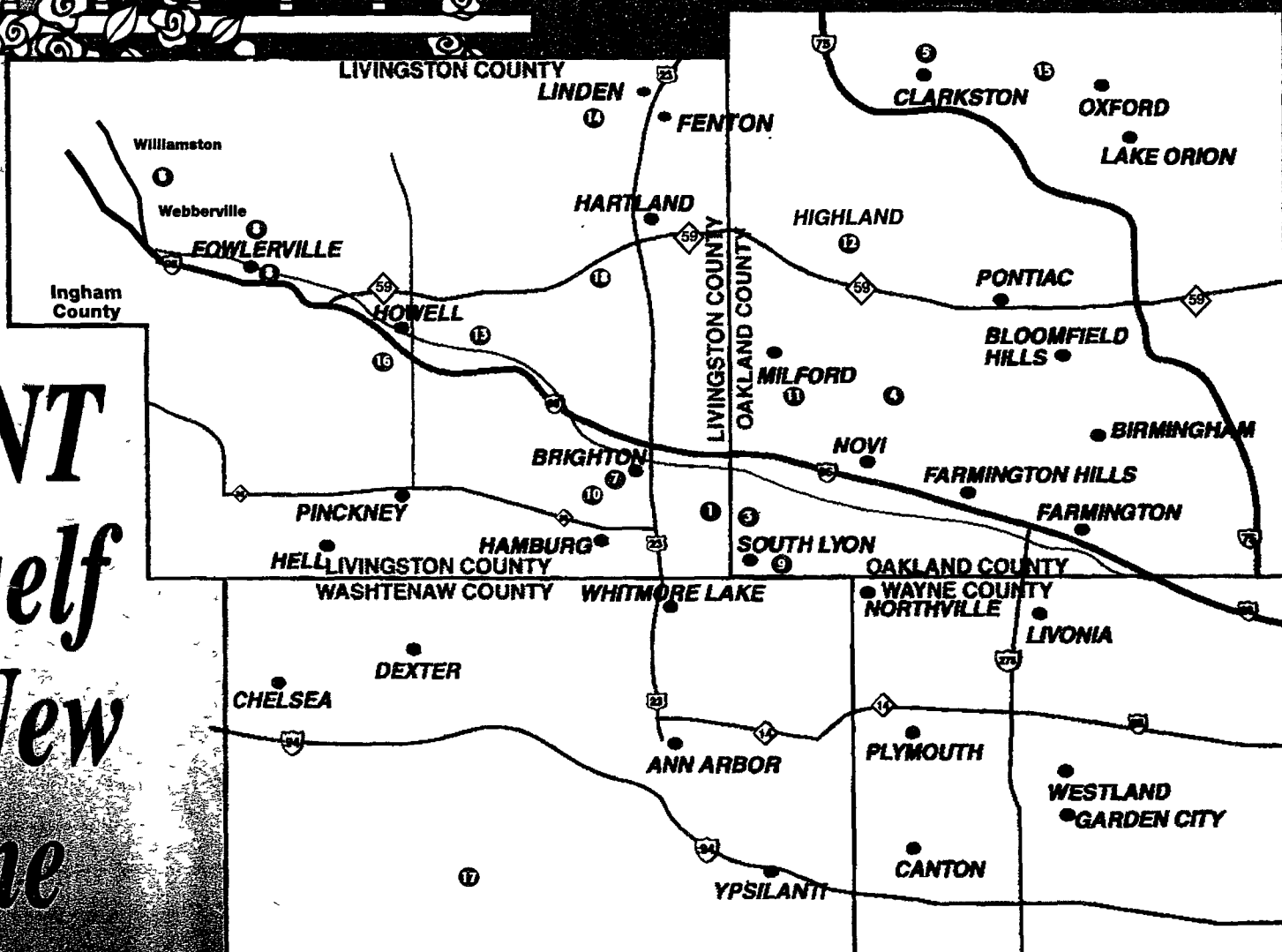
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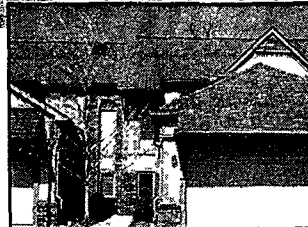
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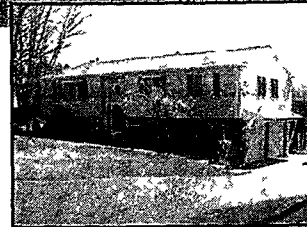
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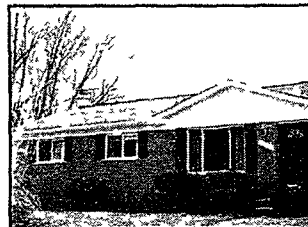
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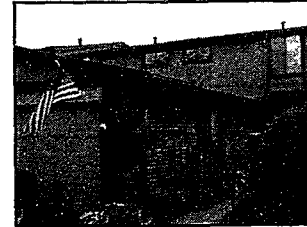
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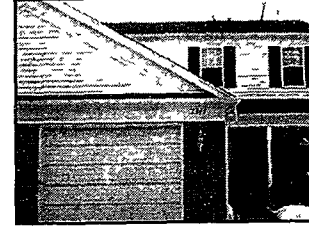
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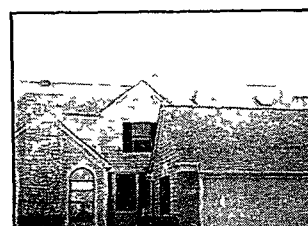
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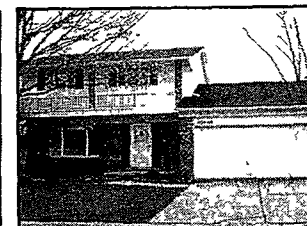
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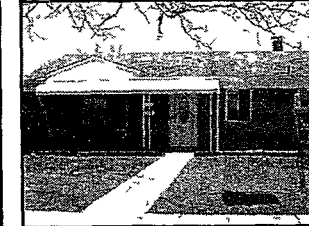
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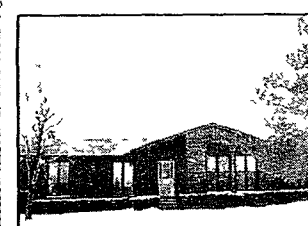
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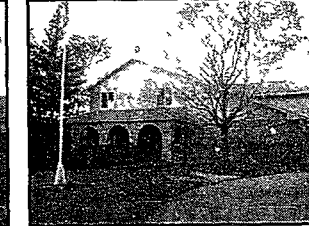
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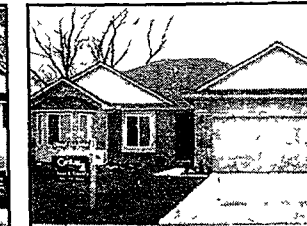
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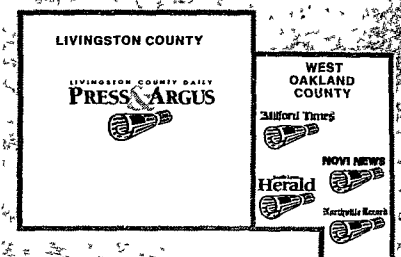
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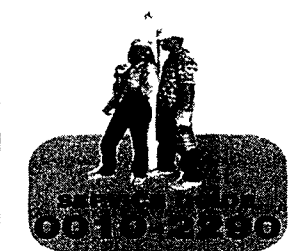
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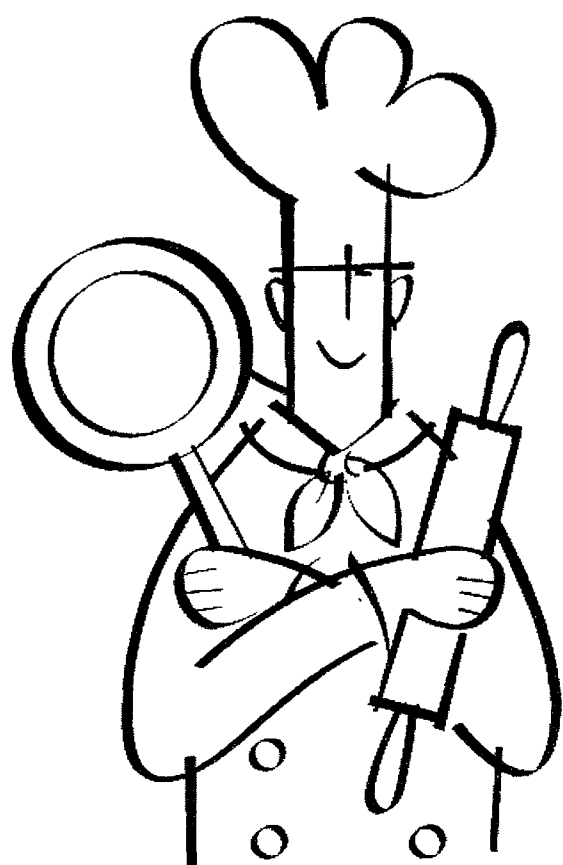
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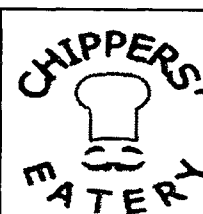
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NOVI Household, furniture, misc kids May 283, 9-3pm 47082 Northumberland (sub at 10 Mile & Beck)

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SOUTH LYON 25301 Martindale, Thurs - Sat 10-5pm Mower, kids, clothes

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SOUTH LYON - Huge Sale 9-5pm May 3 & 4 No Early Sales! Antiques, Debbi Malek art, furniture, etc 59580 Foxpoint (1 mi E of Pontiac Tr, N off 8 Mile & Gnswood)

SOUTH LYON May 2, 10-1pm & May 3, 9-1pm Mostly little boys stuff & misc household 10915 Eagle Cove Dr

SOUTH LYON May 2, 3, 9am to 4pm 337 Harvard, off of Pontiac Trail Clothes & misc

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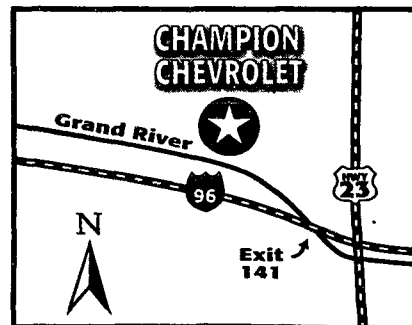
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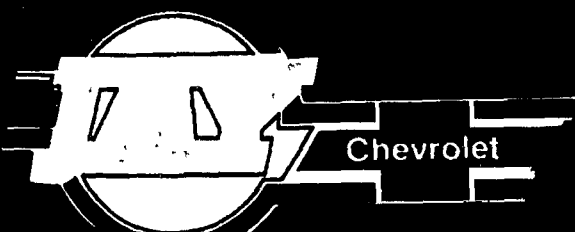
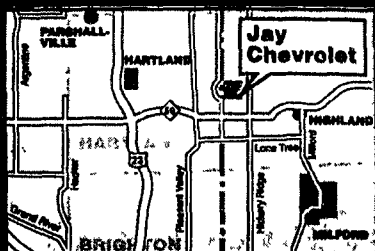
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the basics of VITAMINS

Most doctors agree: Supplements, within reason, can be beneficial

By Susan Aschoff
ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

If every plate looked like a garden when we ate, if the glass were filled with skim milk rather than soda when we drank, who would need to take vitamins?

Science tells us the best source for the vitamins and minerals essential for growth and function in the human body is nutrient-rich food. Recent studies suggest such a diet may ward off diseases such as cancer and osteoporosis.

Yet an estimated 40 percent of all Americans daily pop vitamins. Why?

Many of us simply do not eat healthy food every day. The elderly and women often don't eat enough food to get needed vitamins and minerals. Teenagers' rapidly developing bodies also may need a nutritional boost.

Although the jury is out on mega-dosing — taking large amounts of specific supplements in hopes of combating everything from heart attacks to thinning hair — a quality multi-vitamin may compensate for some of our dietary shortcomings.

A doctor can test the blood's antioxidant and enzyme levels to determine if a person is getting adequate vitamins and minerals. Common sense goes a long way, too: A diet rich in fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains and lean protein rather than over-processed, high-fat foods is key to good health.

Still, most physicians agree that vitamin supplements, within reason, can help.

When confronted with shelves of vitamins that stretch the length of a store aisle — and with what's on your plate — here are the basics you should know.

VITAMINS

A retinol: 800 to 1000 REs (retinol equivalents).

What it does: assists in growth, prevents infection, promotes healthy hair, skin and mucous membranes and vision, particularly in dim light.

Foods: liver, egg yolks, cheese, whole milk, cod, halibut, also, beta carotene, which is found in carrots, broccoli, spinach, sweet potatoes, pumpkin, winter squash, cantaloupe, pink grapefruit and apricots

Beta Carotene not to exceed 15,000 international units (IUs).

What it does: See vitamin A

B-1 thiamin — 1.1 to 1.5mg.

What it does: helps carbohydrates release energy, helps the functioning of heart, brain and nervous system.

Foods: whole-grain, fortified breads and cereals, dried beans and peas, and lean meats, especially pork.

B-2 riboflavin — 1.1 to 1.5mg.

What it does: transforms carbohydrates, protein and fat into energy; promotes healthy skin and the formation of red blood cells.

Foods: milk, yogurt, cheese, dark-green vegetables, meat, poultry, eggs, whole-grain and enriched breads, and cereals

B-3 niacin — 14 to 16mg

What it does: transforms carbohydrates, proteins and fat into energy.

Foods: dairy products, poultry, fish, lean meat, whole-grain and enriched breads, and cereals, nuts, dried beans and peas.

B-6 pyridoxine — 1.3 to 2mg (excessive amounts may cause nerve damage).

What it does: helps formation of red blood cells and neurotransmitters for brain function; helps antibodies and utilization of amino acids, proteins and fats.

Foods: liver, meat, poultry, fish, dried beans and peas, nuts, whole-grain breads and cereals, bananas.

B-12 cobalamin — 2 to 4 micrograms or mcg. (About 30 percent of seniors lose the ability to make stomach acid — interfering with absorption of B-12, folic acid and B-6 — so they may need larger amounts.)

What it does: helps in formation of red blood cells, building genetic material, and helps nervous system functioning.

Foods: milk, yogurt, cheese, pork, beef, shellfish, poultry, eggs, vegetable and grains.

C ascorbic acid — 60 to 100mg (smokers should take upper end of range).

What it does: forms collagen in cells, bones, cartilage, muscle and vascular tissue; maintains capillaries,

bones, teeth and gums; heals wounds; aids iron absorption and protects other vitamins from oxidation.

Foods: citrus, berries, melons, dark-green vegetables, tomatoes, green peppers, cabbage, potatoes.

D calciferol — 200 IUs.

What it does: helps form and maintain bones and teeth, absorption and use of calcium and phosphorus.

Foods: egg yolks, liver, tuna, salmon, cod liver oil, fortified milk, cheese, butter, margarine and fortified cereal (also made in skin when exposed to sunlight).

E tocopherol — 30 to 60 IUs.

What it does: protects vitamin A and fatty acids from oxidation, prevents cell membrane damage.

Foods: vegetable oils and margarine, nuts, wheat germ, whole-grain breads and cereals, and green leafy vegetables.

Folic Acid B-9, folacin, folate — 400mcg.

What it does: prevents birth defects, forms hemoglobin in red blood cells, synthesis of DNA for heredity, tissue growth and cell function.

Foods: dark-green leafy vegetables, whole-grain breads and cereals, dried beans and peas, fruits, especially orange juice.

K phyloquinone — 65 to 80mcg (unless eating lots of vegetables, particularly green leafy ones).

What it does: helps control blood clotting, may help maintain bones in elderly.

Foods: green leafy vegetables, cabbage, cauliflower, cereals and soybeans (it also is made by bacteria in the intestines).

MINERALS

Zinc — 12 to 15mg.

Copper — 1.5 to 3mg.

Chromium — 50 to 200mcg.

Iron — 10 to 15 mg (don't overload; men and post-menopausal women may need almost no supplementation).

ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS

Calcium — 1000 to 1200mg (women, elderly need the most for strong bones).

Magnesium — 320 to 420mg (can make do with 100mg typically found in multivitamins).

Phosphorous — 500 to 700mg (usually obtained in food).

Selenium — 55 to 75mcg (may, in high doses, reduce risk of lung, colon and prostate cancers).

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Scientists find a key to coping

A brain protein influences how people respond during extreme stress

By Edie Lau
SACRAMENTO BEE

There is no single reason that some people deal with intense stress better than others, but scientists delving into the biology of coping believe they've identified one biochemical that helps make a difference.

It goes by the prosaic name neuropeptide Y, or NPY. Researchers say this neurotransmitter is probably the most abundant peptide, or small protein, in the human brain. It is found elsewhere in the body.

A jack-of-all-trades, NPY helps regulate appetite, circadian rhythms, blood pressure and anxiety. And possibly more.

"If we could somehow bottle this!" said Dr. Matthew Friedman, executive director of the National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

Research at the center has shown that people whose NPY levels soar during traumatic experiences are more apt to bounce back with health intact.

Combat being one of the most traumatic events in human experience, the military wants to know how to help troops cope well.

But tantalizing findings do not a superman potion make. "The field is so young that what we feel we're sure of might be wrong," said Dr. Charles "Andy" Morgan, a psychiatry professor at Yale University and a neurosciences researcher at the National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

The military's interest has enabled Morgan to conduct a series of studies over the past five years on natural NPY levels in troops undergoing survival training. The first was done at the JFK Special Warfare Training Center and School in Fort Bragg, N.C., and involved 70 men in a prisoner-of-war experience.

Bottom line: Before the exercise, the soldiers had comparable NPY levels — or baseline levels — in their blood. During the height of the ordeal, everyone's NPY levels rose, but those people whose levels rose higher performed better, and they later were less apt to report feeling "spaced out" or other symptoms of what psychiatrists call dissociation.

Afterward, everyone's NPY levels came down. But a difference was still evident. Those feeling lingering trauma had depressed NPY levels — levels below baseline — whereas NPY levels returned to baseline in those who recovered easily.

Even more intriguing, the ones who had the highest NPY levels and who experienced the least trauma had something else in common: they were Green Berets — special forces soldiers trained for the most dangerous missions.

But Morgan isn't ready to chalk it all up to genes. "There are people who are successful who don't have a lot of NPY, but maybe have a lot of determination," Morgan said.

Still, it seems safe to say that NPY is influential in dampening the emotional effects of intense stress — the kind of trauma induced by combat, a nasty car accident or sexual assault.

Not all NPY goes to the anxiety centers of the brain. Some attaches to receptors that stimulate appetite, for example. The multiple biological jobs of NPY make it an elusive candidate as a drug.

NPY's healthful effects may be countered by some unhealthy effects.

Dr. Ann Rasmusson, another Yale University and National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder psychiatric researcher, noted that NPY raises blood pressure and increases the heart rate. "That may be the bad side of it," she said.

So you're cool as the proverbial cucumber and are assigned to high-pressure combat missions as a result. It's possible, Rasmusson said, that the work increases your risk later of cardiovascular disease. "So it's a two-edged sword," she said, "like everything."

Overeaters Anonymous members know there's no short-term solution

By Jon Tevlin
MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL STAR TRIBUNE

The people at Overeaters Anonymous know there is no short-term solution for them. They're in it forever.

Unlike gyms and for-profit weight-management groups, OA doesn't advertise or solicit members. Instead, the organization relies on word-of-mouth, an occasional news story or recovery network recommendations.

Worldwide, there are more than 9,000 groups meeting in church basements and community halls. But even though it's been around since 1960, OA doesn't get much attention. Like AA, this 12-step program believes in privacy. Also like AA, it encourages giving way to a higher power, and abstinence.

The last requirement can be tough. While abstinence from booze is simply that — no booze — abstinence means different things to each OA member. Because you can't completely abstain from food, some measure it in terms of refraining from bingeing, overeating or consuming certain foods, such as sugar.

OA offers a 15-question form that helps people decide whether OA is right for them: "Do you look forward to eating alone?" "Do you eat when you're not hungry?" "Do you go on eating binges?" If you answer "yes" to many of the questions, you may want to join a local group and find a "sponsor," a group veteran who can be a mentor, the organization says.

There is actually no evidence that some people are addicted or allergic to food, said Dr. Guilford Hartley, director of the obesity program at Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis.

"One of the pervasive problems with obesity treatment groups is that none of them have been studied much, and I believe OA is in that category," Hartley said.

"Anecdotally, people have told me it doesn't help much with weight, but it makes them feel better about the problem they have," Hartley said. "Food is not addictive in the same sense that, say, cocaine is addictive, because you can abstain completely from cocaine and continue to live, but you can't abstain from food."

Sure I eat well, but ... How to get your vitamins naturally

By Susan Aschoff
ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

- When choosing a multivitamin, look for a label that lists 100 percent for vitamins A, B-1 (thiamin), B-2 (riboflavin), B-6, B-12, C, D, E, folic acid and niacin. If you're older than 50, add up to 25 micrograms (mcg) of B-12.
- If you eat lots of vegetables, particularly leafy, dark green ones, you don't need vitamin K. If you take a blood-thinning medication, such as Coumadin, do not take K without consulting a doctor.

- One of the best sources of vitamin E is almonds.
- Some observational studies have found that people who take vitamin and mineral supplements, particularly B-6, E and folic acid, have lower rates of heart disease. Scientists don't know if it's the vitamins or the typically more healthy lifestyle of those who take them that accounts for the difference.
- Vitamins A, C and E, the antioxidant vitamins, are being studied for their ability to reduce the risk of Alzheimer's disease. Antioxidants protect against the effects of "free radicals," oxygen

molecules that can damage brain cells. Studies have found benefit primarily in eating vitamin-rich foods, not taking vitamin pills.

- Higher doses of vitamins C, E, beta-carotene and zinc have been found to retard by about 25 percent the advancement of age-related macular degeneration and vision loss in those with the condition.
- Collard greens, which contain a substance called lutein, are one of the best foods for eyes.
- Most people need about 1,000 milligrams of calcium a day.

Those older than 50 need about 1,200, or the equivalent of 17 cups of broccoli.

- There has been no definitive study, but early results indicate that selenium may reduce risk of cancers. Most multivitamins do not contain selenium, so consult your physician about an additional source.
- More is not necessarily better. Excess amounts of B-6 (the daily recommended amount is 2 mg) may cause nerve damage; too much calcium can cause kidney stones and impair absorption of iron, zinc and magnesium.

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Small cars, like the new Volkswagen Beetle convertible, are quickly becoming more popular with rising gas prices and sometimes cheaper car prices.

A small-car trend could be in the offing

By Donna Halvorsen
MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL STAR TRIBUNE

It's too soon to know whether rising gas prices, safety worries and federal fuel efficiency standards will move people out of gas guzzlers and into smaller, higher-mileage cars. Not likely, analysts say. At least, not yet.

"Gas prices would have to go up a lot more before we see consumers make lifestyle changes to reflect that," said Mary S. Butler, senior editor at the Web site Cars.com.

But a trend may be in the offing. In January, for example, small cars accounted for six of the 10 best-selling cars in the U.S., according to Ward's Automotive Reports. They were the Honda Civic, Chevrolet Cavalier, Ford Focus, Toyota Corolla, Dodge Neon and Hyundai Elantra.

And General Motors Corp., the world's largest automaker, plans to spend \$2 billion developing new small cars and trucks over the next several years.

There is a segment of "value driven" buyers seeking more affordable, less-polluting cars, said Patrick Terhaar, general manager at Rosedale Dodge/Hyundai in Minneapolis. "They're not nearly as materialistic. They want the long warranty, the low maintenance. I see that trend."

In fact, small cars may fill manufacturers' needs more than they do consumers'.

Foreign automakers made inroads against American manufacturers last year, and GM, Ford and DaimlerChrysler are eager to get their collective market share back and add to it.

In addition, automakers must meet federal fuel efficiency standards called CAFE (corporate average fuel economy), which is an average standard for all the vehicles a company makes. For every large, low-mileage vehicle, an automaker has to make a small car to bring the mileage number up, even though automakers generally don't make money on small cars.

For consumers, the small car of today isn't the tiny contraption it once was. Consumer Reports, in its 2002 new car survey, gave high safety ratings to the Volkswagen Golf, Jetta and New Beetle, as well as the Honda Civic and Ford Focus. Many small cars now have side and front airbags, better braking, steering and handling, door reinforcements and front "crumple" zones that shift the impact away from driver and passengers.

The creature comforts in small cars have improved, too.

"It's good to see some vehicles that are actually affordable being introduced," said Butler. "That's probably going to fill a gap in the market that has been taken by Kia," she said. "They had a phenomenal year last year."

By offering bare-bones cars at low prices, Kia is following the course Honda and Toyota set years ago. Their products are among the most popular in the United States, but they've gradually gone upscale.

At the same time, U.S. automakers are redesigning some of their old standards to make them more functional and desirable. And, from trucks to compacts, many vehicles have more horsepower.

Background checks bounce into banking

By Mark Watson
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

You might expect that the bank tellers who take your deposits and cash your checks had undergone criminal background checks. You might be wrong.

First Tennessee National Corp. has just installed new equipment from Cross Match Technologies that expedites the checking of new employees' fingerprints against the FBI's database.

First Tennessee previously had to get ink-and-paper fingerprint cards for all new employees and submit them to the American Bankers Association, which would submit them to the FBI.

Now equipment at First Tennessee facilities in Memphis and Dallas digitize new employees' fingerprints. The digital fingerprints are transmitted to the ABA and then to the FBI.

"The tremendous improvement in time ... will provide us with cost savings to pay for the live scan system," said Lewis Wills of First Tennessee's staffing services.

First Tennessee hires about 3,000 people annually, but less than half that number reside within a practical distance of the Dallas and Memphis facilities. Thus, the bank will continue to use fingerprints for criminal identification for employees from outside those two metro areas, Wills said.

Other banks, like National Commerce Financial Corp., and Union Planters Bank do not take new employees' fingerprints, but they do criminal background checks.

"We've found that to be a reliable way to screen out employees," said Charles Boyce, Union Planters senior vice president and director of corporate communications.

W.O. Jones, BancorpSouth human resources director, said his company does credit checks on new employees but has not yet started criminal background checks.

"It's coming, the wave of the future," Jones said.

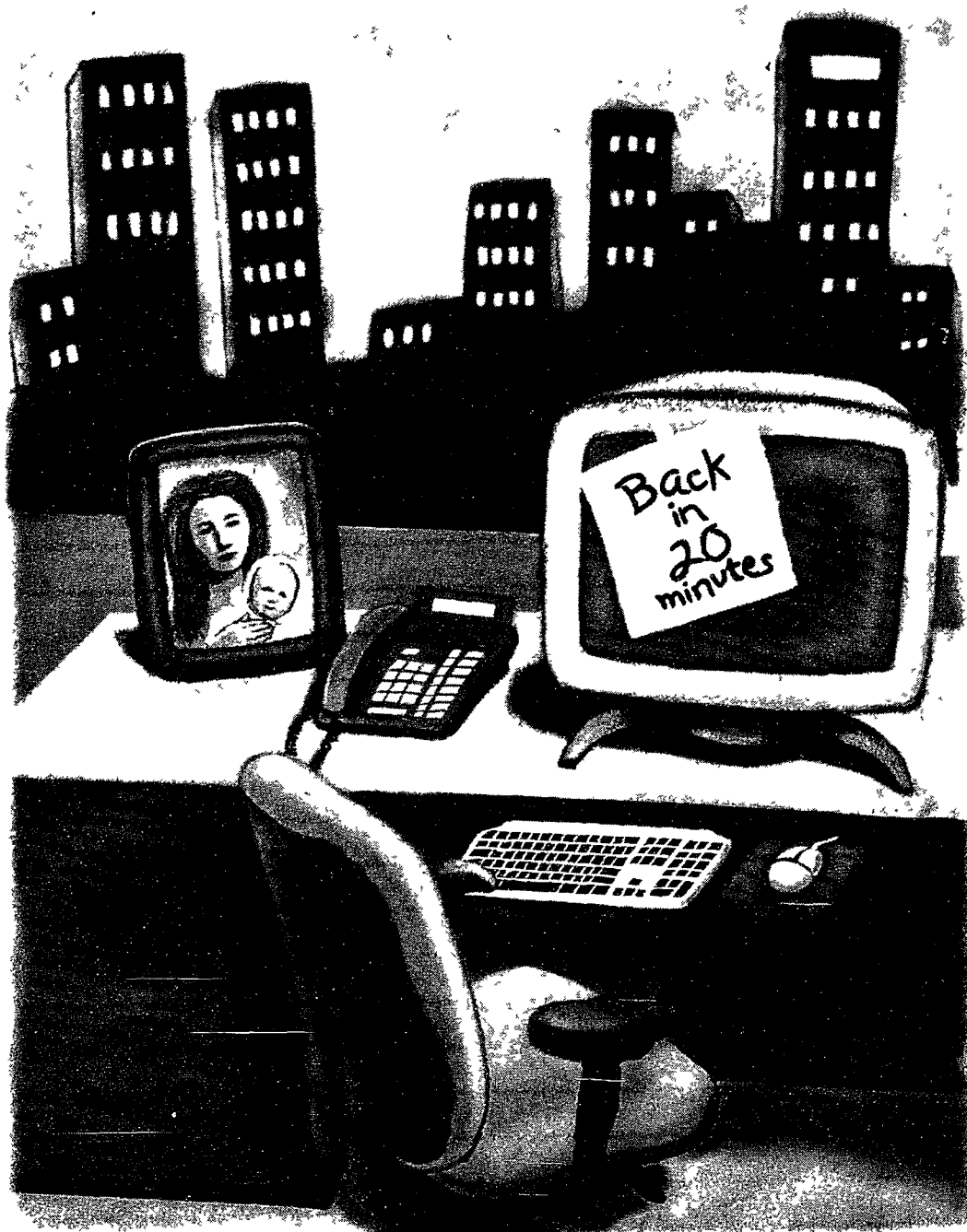


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MAKING ROOM FOR MOMS

By Kristi L. Nelson
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Earlier in her career, Janelle Cecil decided to return to her nursing job but continue to breast-feed her 6-week-old baby.

In between scrubbing for surgeries several times a day, she took her hand pump into a bathroom stall, pulled the door closed and tried to rush through manually pumping both her breasts for milk so that she could rush back to her job.

"That was miserable," Cecil said, "and, of course, I didn't make it very long." She pumped for about six weeks — "and that was just difficult," she said — before giving it up for good.

Cecil, now vice president of Women's Health Services at the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville, is glad her breast-feeding co-workers won't have that experience.

As part of a plan to improve women's health as well as the health and happiness of UT Medical Center workers, the center has begun providing a lactation room.

About 20 mothers currently use the tiny, softly lighted room, which contains a desk, phone, shelf with resource material, clock and hospital-quality breast pump.

Some of those mothers were already pumping at work, having gotten permission to use a storage area. But the new room is more comfortable and inviting, said hospital lactation consultant Mary Jo Bradshaw.

The center also provides its breast-feeding employees access to Bradshaw, a full-time lactation consultant, and offers breast-feeding classes and a support network.

"We want to be a leader in the community" at creating work environments that are friendly to breast-feeding mothers, Bradshaw said.

"It's just such a simple task employers can do, to provide space that's clean and comfortable and has an electrical outlet. ... It makes such a difference in the morale of the employees and the health of the whole family."

With 1,170 female employees of child-bearing age, UPMC hasn't made a bad business decision, either. Employees who are satisfied are better workers, and studies have also shown women who breast-feed on average have healthier babies and are themselves healthier — resulting in fewer sick days from work.

It's a logical move, then, for those in the business of health care to make, but for the same reasons it would be logical for other businesses as well.

So why aren't more moving on it?

Registered Nurse Camilla B. Fore wishes she knew the answers. The owner and founder of the Knoxville company CBF Inc., which provides a variety of breast-related services, Fore has tried for more than a decade to interest local companies in implementing programs to support breast-feeding mothers.

"We've had to fight hard to get people to understand how important breast-feeding is to this country," Fore said. "Now we see a lot of interest in breast-feeding, a lot of women doing it, but companies are not helping. With so many people working now, if we're ever going to see the health-care results that it can bring, then corporations are going to have to help these mothers who are going back to work."

Yet, Fore adds, supporting breast-feeding mothers is "not just putting up a pump room." It's changing the whole attitude of the company. It's implementing a program, promoting it, maintaining it and establishing an environment where

women feel comfortable using it, with policies to back that up — i.e., "Nobody's to fuss at them for doing this," Fore said.

Most breast-feeding mothers will need to pump two or three times during an eight-hour period, Fore said.

With a good pump, expressing breast milk should take no longer than 10 to 15 minutes, she said. She often finds companies are "surprised" their employees need so little time to pump breast milk.

More working women would breast-feed if programs were in place to encourage them to do so, Fore is sure. But even a program won't do much good if there's no promotion.

A place to pump doesn't need to be large or fancy, Fore said. It does need to be clean, comfortable and well ventilated and have an electrical outlet within easy reach. It should

have a lock on the door, so women can relax without fear of someone walking in on them, and needs to be near running water, so they can wash their equipment after pumping.

Women can bring their own pumps, but a company with several breast-feeding employees might find an electric, multi-user double breast pump a worthwhile investment, since it can cut the time needed for pumping by half or more.

"(Breast-feeding) reduces health-care costs, which are higher than ever and growing every day," Fore said. "Now is the time for a company to become interested in breast-feeding."

Breast-feeding benefits

The health benefits of breast-feeding, which provides a complete range of vitamins and is thought to boost a baby's immunity, have been well documented.

There's strong evidence it decreases the incidence and severity of a number of common infant illnesses, among them diarrhea, bacterial meningitis, botulism and lower respiratory, middle ear and urinary tract infections.

Mothers who breast-feed tend to have less bleeding, more rapid uterine involution and better bone remineralization.

They burn more calories, making it more likely they'll return to their pre-pregnancy weight sooner, and are less likely to develop ovarian and premenopausal breast cancer.

Too, because breast milk is a complete food, breast-feeding mothers can save an average of \$400 a year on formula.

The federal government, which purchases 40 percent of all formula sold in the United States, spends \$404 million annually on formula even after rebates from formula companies.



Photo by Jim Bounds / Raleigh News & Observer
Developer Jeff Ammons stands inside a former street sweeper plant in Wake Forest, N.C., where he wants to put ice skating, a skate park, soccer fields and a health club under one roof.

Kids told: Go inside and play, as sports venues multiply

By Steve Cannon
RALEIGH NEWS & OBSERVER

No matter the weather outside, Karen Mangum of Fuquay Varina, N.C., is on the road three times a week, every week to make sure her 11-year-old daughter can keep her soccer skills sharp.

Pam M. Accola of North Raleigh, N.C., willingly paid \$120 for four sessions with a batting coach so her 9-year-old son can be more competitive in league play when the season starts.

"It seems like a lot to spend, but when you look at the other kids, you feel like you have to do it," said Accola, whose son was standing in line with 12 other boys at Grand Slam USA in Raleigh, waiting for a turn at batting practice.

Competition between parents to help their children get ahead in sports is generating similar competition among entrepreneurs who are turning old warehouses and empty factories into indoor sports venues in the Raleigh area.

In the past two years, at least seven indoor sports centers have opened in the Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill area, offering such things as batting cages for baseball and softball along with indoor soccer and basketball courts.

The biggest one yet is planned for Wake Forest, N.C., where developer Jeff Ammons wants to put ice skating, a skate park, soccer fields and a health club under one roof at a former street sweeper plant covering 200,000 square feet. That's about 10 times the size of most indoor sports outlets.

"Before, you'd have to go to one place for soccer, another place for basketball and somewhere else for skating," said Ammons, who is also building dozens of houses near the former plant. "This has got enough room to keep the kids busy and the parents busy, too."

A few years ago, parents in the area were lucky if they could find an indoor batting cage or an indoor soccer field, let alone twin ice rinks, gymnastics and cheerleading camps with private instructors and videotaped lessons.

Mike Priest opened The SportsWareHouse in Clayton, N.C., last fall after spending years driving his three children to Raleigh to play indoors at The Soccer Dome America. He spent last spring traveling to skate parks and indoor sports clubs with his 13-year-old son to learn about the business.

Priest said he spent about \$200,000 outfitting his 25,000-square-foot space with two indoor soccer fields, a skate park, arcade games and a basketball court. He plans to add a climbing wall this year.

"I knew I couldn't make a living just off soccer," Priest said. "I've got all these other things in here to keep the kids occupied."

Some of the indoor sports venues depend on business from parents trying to keep their children active year-round, while others cater to more serious athletes working to stay ahead of competition. Most businesses will try to appeal to both groups.

The business owners say that in the past few years, more children have started focusing on excelling in just one sport — and more parents are willing to pay to help their child perform better.

In Durham, Yvette Hendrian opened the Balls & Strikes Academy in a shopping center. After years of teaching in public parks or in an unheated garage, Hendrian said that by last year she had enough students to open her own business.

"There really weren't many options for indoor batting in Durham or Chapel Hill," Hendrian said. "A lot of the parents were sick of driving to Raleigh or Cary so their kids could hit."

There might be a lot of demand, but longtime owners of indoor sports centers say they've noticed the new competition and its effect on business.

But even some of the tenants of Jeff Ammons' project wonder whether there are enough sporting children and sporting parents to support a mega-indoor sports center.

"We're banking on being where people want us to be," said John Stock, president of Ice Ventures. "I believe in the concept, and intellectually it makes a lot of sense, (but) in two years we may be talking and I'll be telling you we made a mistake."

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Diane Piercy relaxes in her garden retreat behind her El Dorado Hills, Calif., home. The mannequin in the foreground holds birdseeds. Sometimes Piercy sits and the birds eat from her hand.

Recycled GARDEN

Old, broken or recycled objects give a garden a distinctive look

Story By Dan Vierria ■ Photos By Leifani Hu ■ Sacramento Bee

No money? No problem. Consider incorporating junk into the landscape. OK, call it salvage, if you must.

A sagging economy invites inventive measures to save a dollar. Recycling used and abused materials into landscapes is a smart way to stretch a budget and create unique gardens.

Wrought iron, old gates, discarded doors and windows, chairs, rusty hand pumps, grinding stones, broken concrete and pottery, and shattered ceramic and stone tiles are a measly few items that appear in today's gardens. Old and discarded materials inject character and whimsy to landscapes.

Gardeners are limited only by their imaginations. Landscape architect Tom Phelps of JEG Enterprises in Sacramento, Calif., says you can turn almost anything into a fountain.

"Water is so popular in the landscape," he says. "Pots, urns, half a wine barrel — almost anything will work. Creatively utilize something you already have and make an interesting fountain."

Top landscape designers and architects have long been wise to the ways of harmoniously blending old things with new gardens.

"My biggest coup was an old sink we used as an ice bucket," says Michael Glassman, landscape designer and owner of Michael Glassman & Associates in Sacramento. "Sinks have either a stopper or drain. You put your drinks in there with the ice when you entertain outdoors. When you're done, you open up the stopper and the water drains. We built it into a deck."

Glassman recently completed a low-budget backyard makeover for Troy and Karen Martin of Folsom, Calif. The challenge was presented by the HGTV program "Gardening by the Yard." "I had to come up with some creative stuff," Glassman acknowledged.

Using broken pieces of tile set in concrete, he designed an attractive patio. For lattice on a blank wall he used wood posts, stringers and galvanized wire. He trained morning glory up the wires. The materials for the lattice cost less than \$100.

"We ended up with a very, very cool back yard, especially for

the amount of space there is back there," says Troy Martin. "It's very creative."

Broken pieces of concrete and shattered tile can be valuable salvage for gardens. Stone is expensive; broken concrete is free. Imported tiles are costly, but broken tiles are virtually useless to tile companies.

Brent Thrums, a landscape architect and partner in Acanthus, a Sacramento architectural and urban design company, says it doesn't really matter what material is used if the craftsmanship and design are sound.

"If you take the flat side of broken concrete, you can use it as steppingstones or a loose-laid patio, with thyme or another groundcover growing between the pieces," he says.

Sections of broken concrete also can become fill to stuff behind retaining walls or stacked as the retaining wall. The broken sides resemble stone and can be acid-stained for a more stone-like appearance.

Acid-staining is a chemical reaction that changes the color of concrete surfaces and lends a variegated, stone-like look. Broken tiles are ideal for mosaic designs for patios, garden walls and table tops.

"You take the broken tile, break it up some more, make a mosaic pattern and then grout it in," he says.

Large terra-cotta sewer pipe pieces found at construction sites can double as planting containers, Glassman says. Use various heights, and stagger the pipe pieces for a group planting.

Phelps suggests looking for old wrought-iron sources for gates and fencing for a decorative touch.

"Utilize what's around you," he says. "If you're in a rural environment, you might be able to get farming implements. A disking implement might make a fountain."

The key to incorporating salvage into a landscape is not to just "plug something in," Phelps says. If you have a texture or color on the house, try to use the same in the landscape. However, if you're creating a focal point that is supposed to stand out, anything goes.

Decorate with antiques

Designer Thom Voorhies, associated with Now & Again Antiques of Sacramento, says old iron gates can be both utilitarian and decorative in gardens.

"Lean an old gate up against a wall and plant flowers around it," he suggests. "They make great decorative pieces."

Now & Again Antiques specializes in garden decor and buys large shipments of antique architectural salvage from England, Scotland and France. Chimney pots, cast-iron fireplace surrounds from coal-burning fireplaces, deco-

Places to look

Finding budget building and decorating material isn't difficult — you know where to look. Try these "suppliers" of used or damaged goods:

■ For a few bucks at the gate, you can forage county dump sites. Dumps in rural counties may have more rustic treasures.

■ Estate and garage sales often yield great junk. Look under display tables and along fences for pieces that may suit a garden.

■ Antiques malls usually have at least one or two vendors that specialize in garden decor. Some antiques stores purchase large lots of usable items from European sources. Make a reasonable offer under the posted price. Most dealers are willing to negotiate.

■ Construction sites are littered with treasures for the imaginative mind. Ask permission before you load up the truck.

■ Neighbors who are remodeling kitchens and baths or landscaping their yards may have just what you seek. Even plants they're discarding for a new landscape can be salvaged. Ask and you may be rewarded.

■ Warped pieces of lumber may be available for free or a reasonable price at home centers. Cut the pieces for parquet designs, or use boards for raised vegetable beds. Tomatoes don't care if the boards aren't straight.

■ Broken or cracked decorative containers aren't likely to sell. Nurseries or pottery stores may give them to you at a modest price. A damaged urn or pot can be laid on broken side in a bed and planted with a trailing plant such as Wave petunias. Very striking.

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Foreign companies front and center in American homes

By Richard Paoli

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

Giagni, a U.S. distributor for the Korean-made Cleanlet toilet seat, is bringing technology to the water closet.

Cleanlet fits on top of a standard or round toilet bowl and provides users with an electrically warmed seat, a bidet-like warm water nozzle and a stream of warm air to complete "a refined approach for personal hygiene," according to company's promotional literature.

"Using toilet paper is not the best because even the softest paper has a way of irritating sensitive tissues," notes the Cleanlet brochure.

While the coupling of personal hygiene and technology gives one pause, Cleanlet was just one of dozens of foreign-made home products displayed at the recent home builder's show in Las Vegas, which was attended by more than 75,000 members of the home-building industry.

The number of foreign products has been increasing during the past several years, say managers of the annual exhibition. Market survey experts also point to the growing demand by buyers of lower and moderately priced homes for stone surfaces and hardwood flooring.

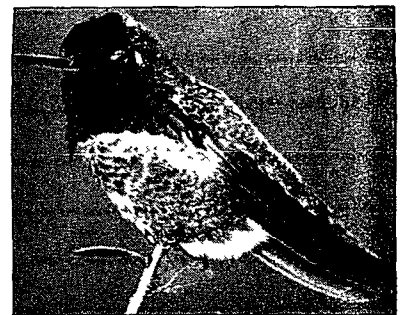
In addition to decorative and surfacing products at the show, foreign firms are making other inroads. For example:

■ An Italian company, Tortorolo & Re, presented a range of high-grade steel front doors finished in gleaming bright colors — resembling imported sports cars. One door had 1-inch-thick glass set in the steel frame. "Shatter-proof," the saleswoman said.

■ DoubleVision, a U.S. distributor, was exhibiting a very different door. Produced in the Netherlands, the door is made of narrow vertical bands of fine screen material that allow you to walk through but still keep the flies out.

■ Polystone, one of several Chinese companies showing composite stone products, is providing a line of solid acrylic counters and sinks cast to custom designs.

■ Haier, a Chinese appliance-maker, offers a full line of home appliances including a chest-style freezer it hopes will draw attention here. Top-lid freezers still make up a major part of home freezer sales in the United States.



Attracting Hummingbirds

Most Americans think of birds as welcome visitors to lawns, gardens and patios, who bring with them a little of the beauty and serenity of nature. Hummingbirds, with their tiny, delicate bodies and swiftly beating wings, are a particular joy to watch, and have the added benefit of controlling unwanted insects.

How can a homeowner go about making his or her property more attractive to these winged guests?

Mark Klym is a wildlife information specialist for the Texas Park and Wildlife Department in Austin. Here he offers a few basic tips and tricks for attracting hummingbirds to your lawn:

■ **Natural food.** To attract hummingbirds, you'll have to offer them a source of food, and Klym says the best way to do this is to plant flowering plants like honeysuckles, turks cap, lantanas and a host of others which offer nectar for the birds.

These plants will also attract insects, which are another source of hummingbird food. Make sure to lay off the insecticide, as the hungry hummingbirds will do the job of insect control for you.

■ **Nectar.** If you don't have the option of planting a hummingbird-friendly garden, you can always use a hummingbird feeder, which typically comes with an artificial flower to attract the birds and is filled with sweet nourishing nectar. The nectar is available in bird feeding stores or can be made at home from recipes found on the Web.

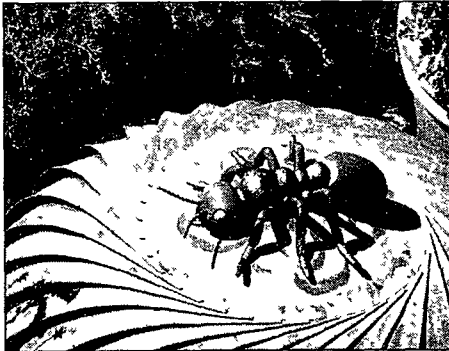
■ **Water.** Like all birds, hummingbirds need water as well as food. Klym says hummingbirds are not fond of deep water, so if you have a standard birdbath, try putting a rock under the surface to create a water depth of less than an inch. This way the hummingbirds will feel safe and come to drink.

■ **Shelter.** You'll want to offer the hummingbirds a place of protection from predators and a good nesting location. Klym recommends shrubs or any kind of trees, particularly evergreens.

To learn more

- Hummingbirds.net: www.hummingbirds.net
- The Hummingbird Web site: www.portalproductions.com/h/
- The Hummingbird Society: www.hummingbird.org
- BirdWatchers.com: www.birdwatchers.com
- Backyard Wildlife: www.lanr.unl.edu/pubs/Wildlife/g1331.HTM#fth

This giant ant sitting on a roof vent sitting on the ground among the plants is one of the whimsical things in Piercy's garden. She combines natural and man-made objects to create a unique garden.



Botanical paintings bring the grace of nature to interiors

By Betsy Lehnndorff

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Modern botanical paintings preserve the drama and beauty of plants inside, no matter what the weather is raining outside. Rooted in botany, these crisp illustrations of irises, eggplants, palms, pickles and exotic vines also bring a focused, inspiring sense of calm to any room decor — traditional or contemporary.

For Denver interior designer Judy Papish, a beautiful botanical painting or print can be used to create an entire room.

"In a contemporary room, a botanical softens the edges because most of the decor is pretty severe," she says. "They give a little lift and can bring warmth just through the color."

In traditional rooms, they can be paired with floral fabrics for an English country feel, she

says. For an even more unified decor, upholstery and pillow fabrics can be selected to match some of the colors in the illustrated flower or plant.

But for London collector Shirley Sherwood, the value of a painting is in its drama, color and execution. An Oxford-educated botanist and medical researcher, she began collecting contemporary botanicals in 1990, inspired by Brinsley Burbidge, former executive director of the Denver Botanic Gardens.

"I was really fascinated and bought a very dramatic, clever piece of painting by Pandora Sellers that took her forever to do — layer upon layer of watercolor," Sherwood says. The painting revealed a pink and brown orchid growing through a tangled mass of tropical foliage.

Since then, she has collected 467 paintings

by more than 180 artists from 26 countries.

"When I go into a gallery or see an artist, I get a gut feel," she says. "But it shouldn't be a gut feel. It's an eye feel. I enjoy seeing something really well done, and I see something really beautiful."

Her collection has been published in two books, "Contemporary Botanical Artists" and "A Passion for Plants." She also is a judge on the Botanical Painting Committee of the Royal Horticultural Society in London.

At the same time, she encourages the public to buy local work. "There are some jolly good botanical artists in the United States," she says, "and their prices aren't huge."

Carolyn Crawford of Louisville, Colo., says she sells some of her smaller paintings for \$400 to \$800. An avid botanist and expert on milk-

weed, she is busy these days painting a series of packet illustrations for a seed company.

Crawford spends up to five hours a day drawing and painting photographs of flowers onto cotton paper. Working from color slides, she sketches the plant lightly onto paper, then uses a flexible eraser to blot up most of the pencil lead, leaving ghostly lines. Next, she spreads a wash of watercolor over the faint stems, leaves and blossoms with a fine brush. Then with dozens of needle-sharp colored pencils, she intensifies the hues.

Most drawings take two to three days to complete, and she sells them for \$400 to \$800.

"I get a tremendous amount of satisfaction from fusing life to paper to give somebody a shiver down their spine because they think they can reach out and touch what I do," she says.

— DAN VIERRIA

TAKING STOCK OF BONES

By Christine Arpe Gang
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

No bones about it, the tastiest soups start with a slow-simmered homemade stock.

But to make stock, you need bones, which can be hard to come by. Chicken and turkey stocks are easy because we can still buy whole birds or parts with bones. But beef is another story.

"Over years, the beef industry has been reducing the amount of bone-in product shipped," said Si Jansen, vice president of meat merchandising for Schnucks Markets in Memphis. "Now, supermarkets rarely have many bones for soups."

Fortunately for soup makers, two bony cuts are almost always available: fore shanks, often labeled "beef marrow bones," and oxtails, a popular cut for soups and stews that chefs are increasingly using for stocks.

Given modern lifestyles and their constraints of time, it's unlikely home cooks will develop the habit of keeping a pot of stock simmering on the stove or in the slow cooker.

But here's the deal. You can make a lot of stock when you have the time and freeze it in meal-size containers for soups or in ice cube trays for those recipes that call for a small amount of stock for flavoring. You can freeze bones and trimmings until you're in the mood to make stock.

Broths and stocks are similar but not identical, said Joseph Carey, executive director of the Memphis Culinary Academy. "A broth is the liquid byproduct of cooking a solid food," Carey said. A stock is the flavorful liquid purposely extracted from solid foods.

When you poach a chicken, you create broth. When you make chicken stock, you simmer all of the flavor from the chicken into the liquid.

In a white stock, raw poultry bones, meat and skin are simmered with vegetables.

In a brown stock — the kind most often made with beef and/or veal bones — meat trimmings and vegetables are roasted and caramelized before being simmered.

Many stock and soup recipes call for a mirepoix, a mixture of chopped carrots, onions, celery and herbs, typically sauteed first in butter.

At the Memphis Culinary Academy, which trains people to work in restaurant

kitchens, students learn classic techniques by preparing white and brown stocks weekly. Soups are assembled almost every day, and the stocks are also used in sauces.

On a recent day, a white stock made with a turkey back and other trimmings simmered to completion in about 90 minutes.

Carey added numerous vegetable trimmings: carrots, celery, onions (skins and all). Onion skins impart a rich yellow color as well as flavor and nutrition, Carey said.

Brown stock requires a little more work and lots more time. In a large baking pan, students placed about 10 pounds of marrow bones, oxtails and trimmings from beef steaks and roasts.

The pan went into a 500-degree oven. After about 30 minutes of roasting, carrots, onions, celery, whole peppercorns, dried thyme rubbed between the hands, parsley stems (they have more flavor and

were added.

The pan was returned to the oven for 30 to 60 minutes until the meat clinging to the bones and the vegetables were nicely browned or caramelized.

"The flavor comes from the caramelization," Carey said.

The solids were then placed in a large stockpot. In a process called deglazing, the rich browned bits on the bottom of the baking pan are scraped up when water or wine is added to the stockpot.

The solids in the stock pot should be covered with cold water because it extracts more flavor from the ingredients than hot water.

"If you plunge vegetables into hot water, the starches on their surfaces expand and gel. This slows extraction of flavor from the insides of the vegetables," writes food scientist Shirley Corriher in her book, "CookWise: The Hows & Whys of Successful Cooking."

Figure on two pounds of bones and meat trimmings for every gallon of water.

Do not salt the stock at the beginning. As the stock cooks, some of the water will evaporate, making it best to season at the end of the process.

Also, natural salts in the solid ingredients will flavor the liquid.

Keep the pot at least partially covered as the stock simmers six to 10 hours or overnight. The stock at the culinary academy simmered for about 20 hours.

It's important to simmer, not boil, the stock.

"If you boil a stock vigorously, the fat will emulsify or combine with the liquid and form a cloudy, fatty stock. Instead, you want the fat to remain separate and float to the top so that you can remove every bit of it," Corriher writes.

After the simmering period, the stock is strained and ready to use. Chilling makes the fat easier to remove.

Carey made a hearty bean soup with the stock, but it also serves as a fine base for French onion, beef and barley or wild mushroom soups.

It takes time to make your own stocks but not a lot of effort.

As Julia Child wrote in "The Way to Cook": "To get a good brown color, you do want to brown the bones in a hot oven; the rest of the cooking is simply a matter of quiet and almost unattended simmering."

STOCKING UP

■ Use a tall narrow stockpot to slow water loss from evaporation.

■ Always start with cold water.

■ Use ripe or overripe vegetables for sweeter flavors.

■ Leave the skins, leaves and tops on vegetables for maximum flavor and nutrition.

■ Do not boil stock. Simmer only so fat does not emulsify.

■ Skim foam frequently from the top of the stock.

■ Do not cover stockpot during simmering. Slow evaporation of liquid makes a richer tasting stock.

■ Do not stir or fats will emulsify and cloud the liquid.

■ Cool stock as fast as possible. Put in refrigerator without a lid to dissipate heat more quickly.

■ Never salt the stock before it finishes cooking. Natural salts from the food will migrate more easily into an unsalted liquid. As the liquid evaporates during simmering, a stock salted to taste in the beginning of the cooking period might become too salty at the end.

— Sources: Joseph Carey and Shirley Corriher in "CookWise."

you don't use them for any thing else) and a healthy dollop or two of tomato puree

BROWN BEEF STOCK

- 5 pounds beef bones and trimmings (beef marrow bones, oxtails and meaty trimmings from roasts and steaks)
- 1 onion, roughly chopped, ends trimmed but skin included
- 3 ribs celery, roughly chopped
- 2 carrots, roughly chopped
- 6 whole black peppercorns
- 1-1/2 teaspoons whole thyme, rubbed between hands
- 3 whole cloves
- 3 whole bay leaves
- 1 or 2 sprigs parsley, especially stems
- 2-1/2 gallons cold water

If bones are big, have the butcher crack them with a cleaver or saw. Place bones and trimmings in a large roasting pan and roast at 450 degrees for about 30 minutes or until the meat and bones are beginning to caramelize or brown.

Add the vegetables and herbs and spices to the pan, and continue to roast for an additional 30 minutes or until all are nicely browned.

Place bones and vegetables in a stockpot large enough to hold them and the water. Deglaze the roasting pan with a cup or two of water, scraping up the flavorful bits of cooked food on the bottom. Add to stockpot. Bring liquid to a boil, then immediately reduce to simmer. Skim foam from stock and simmer for 6 to 10 hours.

When stock has finished simmering, strain through a colander; discard solids. If using immediately, skim fat from the top of the stock with a spoon or bulb baster. Or store the stock in the refrigerator for several hours until fat congeals.

— Source: Memphis Culinary Academy



CHICKEN STOCK

- 4 pounds chicken bones and skin
- 1 or 2 medium onions
- 2 carrots
- 4 ribs celery
- 12 stems parsley
- 2 garlic cloves, smashed
- 4 bay leaves
- 1 teaspoon whole thyme
- 8 to 12 whole black peppercorns
- 2 gallons cold water

Place chicken parts in stockpot. Wash and roughly chop onion, carrot and celery. Do not peel vegetables. Include celery leaves. Add to pot along with parsley stems, garlic and spices. Cover with cold water.

Bring to a boil, skin foam and reduce heat to simmer and cook for 2 hours.

Strain liquid through a colander. Skim fat from top or chill to solidify fat for easier removal.

— Source: Memphis Culinary Academy

WHITE BEAN SOUP

- 1 pound white or navy beans
- Water to cover
- 1/2 pound smoked ham hocks or ends
- 3-1/2 quarts beef or chicken stock
- 1-1/2 cups diced onions
- 1 teaspoon whole thyme
- 2 bay leaves
- 2 tablespoons minced parsley
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 cups diced celery
- 1 cup diced carrots
- Salt and pepper to taste

Cover beans with water. Bring to boil for 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Cover and allow to stand for 1 hour. (Or soak beans overnight in cold water).

Drain. Return beans to pot with ham, stock, thyme, bay leaves and pepper. Simmer for 1 hour. Taste for salt and adjust seasonings.

Add remaining ingredients and simmer for an additional 30 minutes. If using a ham hock, move the meat from the bone and return to the soup

— Source: Memphis Culinary Academy

Paris bakers divulge their secrets

By Karola Saekel
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

Ready for a truly delicious book? "Paris Sweets: Great Desserts from the City's Best Pastry Shops" (Broadway Books, \$26) is it.

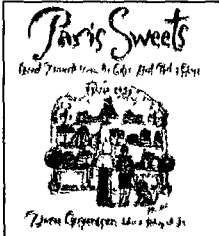
The doyenne of cookbook writers who unapologetically cater to our sweet tooth, Dorie Greenspan ("Desserts by Pierre Herme," "Baking With Julia," etc.), combines two of her loves in life in this latest volume: Paris, where she lives part-time; and breads and sweets, which she adores.

Her profiles of 17 bakers and their shops — the ones she considers the cream of a very fine crop — most definitely make you want to go shopping in the City of Light. Right now.

Short of that, the book lures you into the kitchen to start chopping, sifting, mixing and baking these wonderful cookies, cakes and tarts. Thirty-plus years of savoring and recreating French breads and pastries make Greenspan a trustworthy guide to the delights of boulangerie and patisserie.

Many of the recipes in the book have never been published before in any language; through long-established personal relationships, she was able to persuade these artisans of the oven to give her recipes they'd never revealed before.

In some instances, the recipes had actually never been written down, but the bakers yielded to her pleadings and jotted down ingredients and methods as they created some of their signature



BOOKREVIEW

dishes.

Greenspan tried every recipe at least twice, once in her Paris kitchen and then again back in New York, translating metric measurements into familiar American cups and spoons, and centigrade degrees into Fahrenheit.

She also adjusted quantities and techniques to accommodate the differences between French and American cream, butter and flour and other crucial ingredients. If a recipe didn't yield excellent results in the American version, out it went.

Organized by types — cookies, simple cakes, tarts, small pastries and grand gateaux — the volume makes it easy to pick a recipe that fits your needs, in terms of occasion and your level of skill and available time.

If you want a simple, pure, buttery tea-time treat, make sables au citron, lovely Alsatian lemon butter cookies Greenspan adapted from Patisserie Lerch, a rustic pastry shop across the street from one of the city's famed restaurants, Tour d'Argent, on Rue du Cardinal Lemoine. Or opt for the fudgy, rich but easy to make gateau au chocolat grand-mere from the renowned La Maison du Chocolat.

If, on the other hand, you want to pull out all the stops, go for gateau Saint-Honore, a tour de force from Patisserie Dalloyau, a staple of haute noisong on Rue Saint-Honore for more than 100 years. The recipe is four pages long.

Warning: This contains copious amounts of butter, cream and eggs. But you wouldn't expect Parisian pastry to be made of wheat germ and yogurt.

Short ribs and Merlot are a marriage in red

By Lynne Char Bennett
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

Merlot is generally fruity and more easily drunk young than its heftier cousin, Cabernet Sauvignon. Not that Merlots are lightweights by any means — they can be light, medium or full-bodied.

A good wine to pair with food, Merlot is a comfortable choice for a dinner party when you aren't sure which kind of red wine your guests like.

Taking into account the body and weight of the food being served is as important to a successful match as flavors. Start with beef, lamb, duck or veal and use mushrooms, tomatoes, beets or onions in the dish. Mild curries can successfully support a smooth, fruity Merlot without a fuss and braised dishes complement them, too.

Earth flavors that contain umami — the fifth flavor element after sweet, sour, bitter and salty — go well with these wines, which is why mushrooms, balsamic vinegar and soy are also good ingredients to use.

These beef short ribs (see recipe) are braised with soy and red wine, stick cinnamon and Sichuan peppercorns. Soy gives some umami, depth and a darker color to the meat, while the cinnamon and pepper provide additional flavor and spice. A bit of brown sugar balances the salty savorness and makes you want to lap up each drop of broth.

With long, slow braising, the meat becomes tender and falls off the bone, and the juice does wonders for your soft, creamy bed of polenta.

BRAISED BEEF SHORT RIBS

- 4-1/2 pounds beef short ribs
- 1 small yellow onion, chopped
- Olive oil as needed
- 4 garlic cloves, peeled and bruised
- 8 slices of fresh ginger, bruised
- 4 cinnamon sticks
- 1 teaspoon whole Sichuan pepper, or black peppercorns
- 1 bay leaf

(Serves 4)

Cut the short ribs apart. Working in batches, brown them on all sides in a Dutch oven over high heat. Set aside.

Drain the excess fat from the pot and begin sweating the onion, adding a little olive oil as needed. Add the garlic, ginger, cinnamon, peppercorns and bay leaf. Sauté until aromatic, then add the wine.

Cook until almost dry, then add the soy sauce, broth, pomegranate concentrate, tomato puree and brown sugar. Stir to combine.

Add the short ribs and thyme. Add more broth

or water to bring the level of the liquid about halfway up on the meat.

Bring to a simmer, then cover and cook at a bare simmer for 2-1/2 to 3 hours, or until the meat and connective tissues are soft when tested with a knife tip, and are almost falling off the bone. Transfer the meat to a warmed serving platter and cover loosely.

Strain the braising liquid, then cook until reduced in volume and the flavor has concentrated to your taste. Skim off the fat and adjust the seasonings, then pour over the short ribs. Garnish with parsley, if desired.

NOTE: Browning the meat before braising it adds color and flavor, plus helps render some of the fat. The sauce may be left brothy or thickened with beurre manie or butter at the end. If you thicken with the butter-flour mixture, be sure to simmer the sauce long enough to get rid of the raw-flour taste. Serve with polenta or mashed potatoes and a green salad or a favorite vegetable.

- 1 cup dry red wine
- 6 tablespoons soy sauce
- 2 cups low-salt beef or chicken broth
- 2 teaspoons pomegranate concentrate
- 1 tablespoon tomato puree
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar
- 2 thyme sprigs
- Chopped Italian parsley or green onions for garnish (optional)



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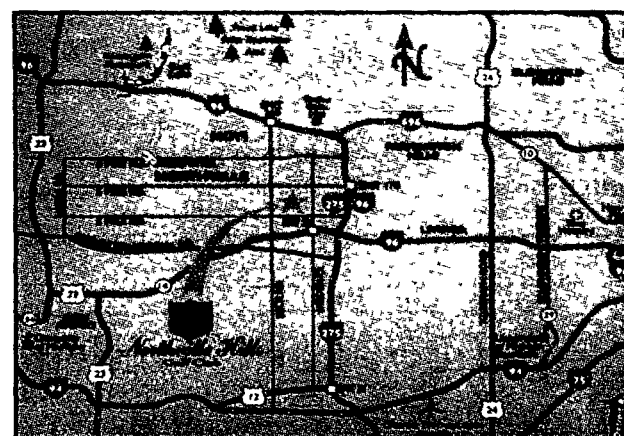


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This one's for the kids

Local courses offer special events for young golfers

By John Mueller

DAILY PRESS & ARGUS

Local youngsters interested in teeing it up on area golf courses this summer have more than a few options to choose from.

There are more than 20 golf courses in Livingston County, and most of them are offering some type of summer junior program for aspiring linksters.

At Chemung Hills Country Club in Howell, head professional Eric Martin's junior program has been successfully running for five years now.

"We've seen a good stride with the golfers, and we've had some good successes," Martin said. "We've also seen some improvements in numbers."

The program at Chemung Hills, which is open only to club members ages 7-16, runs from the third week in June to the third week in August. Classes are offered to beginners, intermediates and advanced golfers.

The sessions are typically held on Thursday mornings; after a one-hour clinic with three different instructors, the golfers are turned loose onto the course. The beginners play three holes, the intermediates play six and the advanced golfers play a full nine.

The golfers have two big events to look forward to in the summer. One is the annual Lock-In, which will take place around July 20.

"The kids are dropped off at 8 p.m.," Martin said. "The pool is open, we have a six-hole putt-putt championship, we order pizzas at 10:30, then at 11, they play glo-ball golf on the course!" Martin said. "Later we throw in Harry Potter on the VCR, they have a sleepover, and in the morning they have breakfast followed by a nine-hole scramble."

The Lock-In quickly became a much-loved tradition at Chemung Hills.

"After the first year, the kids wanted a Lock-In every week," Martin said. "I had to say no, this is a once-a-year thing."

The other big event is the club championship at the end of the summer.

But this isn't the only time the golfers get to compete against each other. Every session features different contests, like closest to the pin and longest drive competitions.

Anyone with inquiries should contact Martin at (517) 546-7706.

Hawk Meadows

You don't have to be a club member to play junior golf at Hawk Meadows Golf Club in Howell. The program there is open to anyone ages 8-and-older, but the maximum



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Hawk Meadows pro Ken Niblock helps run a six-week program for students 8 and older. The program teaches kids golf fundamentals and etiquette.

amount of golfers allowed to participate is limited to 32.

"It's a first-come-first-serve basis, and it usually fills up pretty quickly," said Hawk Meadows professional Ken Niblock, who

will run the program this season along with fellow pro Roger Boyt. "And if there's a huge demand, who can always arrange to do this on another morning, too. We also do individual lessons in addition to group lessons."

GOLF PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

□ Chemung Hills Country Club
Contact Eric Martin at
(517) 546-7706.

□ Hawk Meadows
Contact Ken Niblock or Roger Boyt
at (517) 546-4635 or visit
www.hawkmeadows.com.

□ Marion Oaks Golf Club
Contact Bill Spindler at
(517) 548-0050.

The program starts on June 23 and runs for six weeks, taking place Monday mornings from 7:30-10:30 a.m. During the first two weeks the golfers are limited to the practice range, where they will receive lessons on fundamentals and etiquette.

After these first two introductory weeks, the golfers hit the actual course to put what they've learned to the test.

"I'm looking forward to it," Niblock said. "It's great fun. I like to give it back to the kids, because golf is a sport they can play for a lifetime."

Anyone who wants to sign up should contact Niblock or Boyt at (517) 546-4635 or visit www.hawkmeadows.com on the Internet.

Marion Oaks Golf Club

Marion Oaks Golf Club in Howell offers something slightly different.

For \$350, youngsters 17 and under are given access to the golf course during the week and the driving range seven days a week. Lessons aren't included in this package, but the golfers can basically come and go as they please as long as they remember to make a tee time. The program is headed by professional Bill Spindler, who has been at Marion Oaks for five years.

"We try to create as friendly of an atmosphere as possible," Spindler said. "Obviously right now the kids play after school, but in the summer they're here from sunup to sundown."

Anyone interested in this program should contact Spindler at (517) 548-0050.

"For an individual who joins, they get to meet other junior members, and it enables them to play together," Spindler said. "This really creates a snowball effect because they end up telling their friends about it."

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The outing features a full day of golf plus continental breakfast, lunch, buffet dinner, beverage tickets, golfer goody bags and opportunities to win prizes.

To register call Anna at (800) 467-5430, Ext. 105 or visit www.habitatmichigan.org.

Angela Hospice

Angela Hospice will hold its 15th annual golf outing May 12 at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon.

Golfers may register in foursomes or as individuals for \$200 a person; packages include free range balls before golf, 18 holes of golf with cart, barbecue lunch before golf, dinner reception with open bar, open beverage stations on the course, prizes for Closest-to-the-Pin and Longest Drive and a golfer's gift pack.

The Fortune \$5,000 raffle provides another way to participate. Tickets are available for \$100 each.

Proceeds from this event will benefit the many caring programs of Angela Hospice serving southeast Michigan since 1985.

Call Alice Barringer at Angela Hospice at

(734) 953-6018 or visit www.angelahospice.org.

St. Mary Magdalen

The fourth annual St. Mary Magdalen Golf Outing is May 17 at Ironwood Golf Course.

The day includes 18 holes of golf with cart, scramble format, continental breakfast, chicken and rib dinner, over \$1,000 in door prizes and chance to win a two-year lease on a new car from Varsity Ford.

The cost is \$80 per golfer or \$300 for a foursome.

Proceeds support various parish and community programs and charities.

Businesses can sponsor a hole for \$100.

Call (810) 225-2040 or (810) 229-4728.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters

Big Brothers/Big Sisters will host its second annual golf outing May 19 at Lakelands Golf and Country Club.

Doors open at 9:30 a.m.; shotgun start at 11 a.m. The cost of \$150 per golfer includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, appreciation gifts, bag service, a chance to win two Northwest Airline tickets, door prizes, a continental breakfast, a steak and salmon dinner, special prizes and raffles.

All proceeds will benefit mentoring programs provided by the agency.

Call (517) 546-1140.

Livingston County United Way

The Livingston County United Way will hold its 22nd annual Golf Classic June 4 at

Hawk Meadows Golf Course in Howell.

Teams play 18 holes, scramble format, with refreshments, breakfast, lunch and buffet dinner, plus other special events and prizes.

Trophies will be awarded in Men's, Mixed and Women's categories.

Every golfer has the chance to win \$5,000 in the Putt Fore Cash contest, or Harley-Davidson motorcycle and other prizes in skill competitions.

Call (810) 494-3000.

St. Joseph School

St. Joseph Preschool will hold its fourth annual golf outing at 2 p.m. June 7 at Hawk Meadows.

The four-person scramble is sponsored by Outback Steakhouse of Brighton.

Cost is \$300 per foursome and includes lunch, 18 holes with a cart and steak dinner from Outback.

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Call (517) 546-7677, Ext. 300 or visit <http://pages.prodigy.net/sqmurray>.

Brighton Area Chamber of Commerce

The Greater Brighton Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 30th Annual Chamber Golf Outing June 16 at three Brighton courses: Oak Pointe Honors, Oak Pointe Championship and The Jackal.

Call the Chamber at (810) 227-5086.

Howell Conference and Nature Center

The Howell Conference and Nature Center will hold a "Scramble for Wildlife" golf outing Aug. 2 at Timber Trace Golf Club in Pinckney, including 18 holes of golf with cart and unlimited use of driving range.

Goodie bags, door prizes, barbecue dinner, auction, souvenir photos, a chance to win \$1,000,000 and more for only \$90 per golfer.

Proceeds to help support Wildlife Rehabilitation and Environmental Education at the Center.

Call (517) 546-0249.

Shepherd of the Lakes Youth Golf Outing

Shepherd of the Lakes Church will host a golf outing Aug. 9 at Hawk Meadows at Dama.

The shotgun start begins at 2 p.m. The \$90 fee includes dinner, golf, carts and prizes.

All proceeds will benefit youth programs.

E-mail Judy Cash at judycash@comcast.net to register.

HBALC

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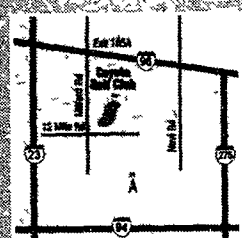
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Secrets to help your body play better golf. Have you ever watched the stretches and body movements a cat or dog goes through just to prepare for the simple act of walking to its food dish after a nap? Could you imagine a lion waking after a long rest and immediately running down some wild game for its meal?

Certainly we would think it ridiculous for these mammals not to warm-up, stretch and prepare their body for safe and effective movement. Yet, each year nearly 30 million two-legged mammals will take to the greens, pick up a 1-2 pound piece of steel and swing it full strength — attempting to hit a little white ball as far as they can, thousands of times, with little or no body preparation at all.

Secret number one — The body plays golf not the club.

Technology and equipment are factors in improving and enjoying your golf game, but it is vital to note that all the major muscles in the body are being used in a controlled and synchronized manner throughout the swing during a game of golf. Swinging a club can put stress on your back equal to eight times your body weight. Also, the jolting contact of the club against the ground can send tremors up your spine.

Most golfers want to add power and distance to their swing. Go by any driving range and you'll see 98 percent of the golfers

cranking those drivers.

Then there are those who will keep searching for the ultimate driver made of the right composition that will produce the longest drive. When pros like Tiger Woods and David Duvall wanted to take their golf game to a higher level, they turned to a golf specific exercise regimen. They added power and distance — and so can you.

Secret number two — Improve your flexibility.

Albus (1996) reported, "Flexibility makes a full free swing possible."

In support, Wren (1991) illustrated the importance of this by comparing a 12-year-old boy weighing about 100 pounds and a 55-year-old man weighing 160 pounds. While the boy is certainly not as strong, he is able to hit the ball further than the 55-year-old. This can be credited to the body's superior flexibility which allows him to utilize his flexibility in making a full turn. Stretching

increases the range of smoothness of the body movement while decreasing the risk of injury.

Secret number three — Proper golf specific resistance training is a must.

Strength gives the ability to control movements. Once you develop your capacity for relaxed power your movements take on a new quality of effortlessness.

It is estimated that 10 years ago 50 percent of the professional players on tour used weight training for development of power. The misconception that golf and weight training are not compatible has long been proved a myth. Resistance training doesn't mean you have to lift heavy weights. Tubing, bands, medicine balls and your own body weight provide enough resistance in most golf conditioning programs to add strength and flexibility. Strength is vital throughout the body including the core or mid-section.

Secret number four — Find some qualified help.

It would not be practical to suggest specific movements here. There are many opinions and ideas today for golf conditioning, but many fall short, focusing on flexibility alone.

My last review showed over 35,000 Web sites addressing various golf conditioning ideas and opinions.

Find a qualified and certified trainer familiar with golf specific training. It should all start and end with a specific kinetic chain

assessment completed by a golf fitness trainer. A kinetic chain assessment examines the components that make up the human movement system including the nervous system, the skeletal system and the muscular system. Here we can identify what areas you may need improvement in and implement specific movements for you. These movements will improve strength, balance, speed, flexibility and power.

Many golfers would not hesitate to invest in instruction sessions but miss the importance of conditioning sessions. As one golf pro I interviewed put it, "we can only teach so much when the body will not do what it needs to do." Most of the conditioning movements, once learned, can be done at home and on the course.

The bottom line is that the rapid growth of golf has also brought a rapid growth of a variety of injuries. Shoulder, back, elbow and wrist injuries are becoming as common to golf as 'mulligans.' The biggest secret of all is simple — consider conditioning your body and you will play better, more pain free and be able to play longer.

Chris Klebba, owner and operator of the Water Wheel Health Club in Northville, is a certified fitness instructor and public speaker. For more information on golf specific training, call (248) 449-7634 or visit www.wtr-wheel.com.



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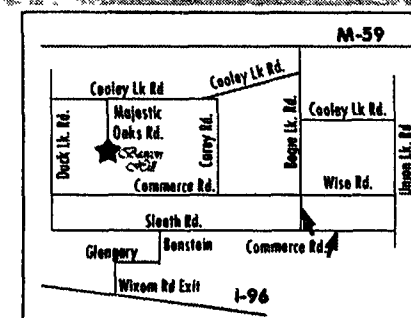
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Livingston County courses cater to women golfers

By Jeff Plum
DAILY PRESS & ARGUS

Each and every golf course in Livingston County caters to every type of person: men, women, and children.

Especially women.

Chemung Hills County Club golf professional Eric Martin has seen a steady increase of female golfers in his five years as head professional.

"We've made some great strides here (with female golfers)," he said.

He takes them through a three-step program, gradually making the transition from early instructional to competing in scrambles and other course activities throughout the year.

"We want them to get comfortable with the course and enjoy themselves without getting too frustrated," Martin said. "We put them in a very, very noncompetitive situation."

Martin said the program normally runs from the beginning of May through July. He works with women in the program from mid-20s to seniors.

The program begins with the finer points of golf, exploring the ins and outs of the sport. Next, Martin takes them to 'Ease on the Tees,' a program where the women play the game in a noncompetitive environment. Lastly, the women hit the course and play in various fun games such as scrambles and better-ball competitions.

Martin, though, credits Meg Park, his former course assistant who presently works in Florida, for her dedication to the program.

"At this point, they now feel comfortable," Martin said. "She was a major influence on getting the women involved (in the program)."

If you would like to learn more about the type of women's program available at Chemung Hills, contact Martin at (517) 546-7706.

In addition to Chemung Hills, other golf courses offer instruction for interested women golfers. Marion Oaks Golf Club head professional Bill Spindler has also witnessed the increase in female golfers on his course.

"Marion Oaks is a very friendly women's course," Spindler said.

He credits the interest in young golfers like Tiger Woods, who have made golf popular. He also noted better women's and couples leagues



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Professional golfer Eric Martin offers Nancy Samples some golf tips at Chemung Hills Country Club.

are good ways to get more women golfers involved with the sport.

Spindler, who has been the head pro for five years at Marion Oaks, has found over the years that women are more apt to take instruction better than their male counterparts.

"The women are more apt to taking lessons," Spindler said. "Where men look at their equipment if something goes wrong, women want to learn the fundamentals of the game."

He said he works with more professional-type women in all the groups he works with at Marion Oaks.

If you would like to learn more about the

type of women's program available at Marion Oaks, contact Spindler at (517) 548-0050.

While more older women golfers are hitting the links, Hawk Meadows head professional Ken Niblock has seen an influx of high school girls interested in learning the sport.

"I've seen the greatest interest from high school girls, generating great interest in school-age girls and playing the game at a more athletic level," Niblock said of the growth.

Niblock, who was the golf professional the previous three years at Hunter's Ridge, said in his first year at Hawk Meadows, he's seen a large range of interested female golfers.

"I've worked with all women, all the way from middle school to a left-handed 84-year-old woman," Niblock said of the range.

"There's no age bracket I won't work with."

He said the club's women's leagues and family activities are the best to spark interest in the sport.

"We encourage their play all the time," Niblock said.

If you would like to learn more about the type of women's program available at Hawk Meadows, contact Niblock at (517) 546-4635 or visit www.hawkmeadows.com on the Internet.

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Huron Meadows Golf Course

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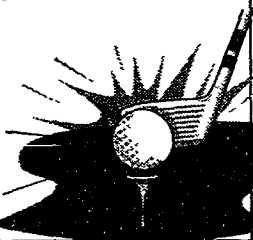
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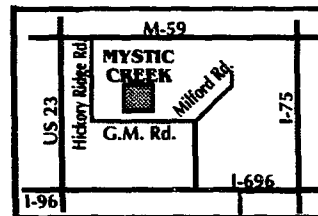
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Let's take a look at the short green side bunker shot, the one that is no more than 20-30 yards in length.

Here are some general techniques that will help you to get started:

- First of all try to get some solid footing so that you have a firm base in order to make an aggressive swing and follow-through without slipping.

- At address, take an open stance to your intended target line, then open the face of the club in a direction opposite of your stance. This will increase the loft of the club and steepen the swing to help the ball up and out of the bunker quickly.

- The length of the backswing should be determined by how far of a shot you have to make. But most importantly is to remember to accelerate the clubhead and make sure to finish with a good follow through with your weight finishing on your left side.

- Now that you have addressed the ball, pick a spot about two to three inches behind the ball, this is the spot where you want the clubhead to make contact with the sand. The longer the shot the closer to the ball you

**JOHN
UTTER**



want to hit. The ball should come out with a splash of sand while landing softly upon the dance floor.

I always remember the quote from the late and great Walter Hagen who said "The bunker shot is the easiest shot in golf, as you don't even have to hit the ball."

His quote was very true in many respects as when a bunker shot is properly executed it will almost always strike the sand first and the ball will come out on a cushion of the substance you once hated.

If a player takes the time to practice and gain self-confidence in his or her technique, along with the proper equipment, this shot can be very simple.

I would highly recommend for anyone having difficulty with their game, or needing to work on a particular shot, to take the time and effort to contact your local golf professional for advice.

Professional John Utter is the director of golf at Ironwood Golf Club in Howell. Contact him at (517) 546-3211.



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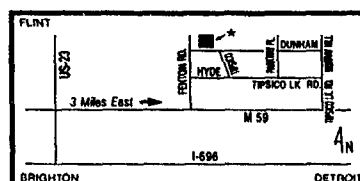
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South Lyon (248) 446-9030
www.mooseridgegolf.com
18 holes: Red tee (women), 4,919 yards; gold tee (seniors), 5,556 yards; white tee, 6,100 yards; blue tee, 6,504 yards; black tee, 6,892.
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Northville (734) 667-4653
northvillehills.com
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Novi Oaks Golf & Sports Center

46844 W. Twelve Mile
Novi (248) 348-0258
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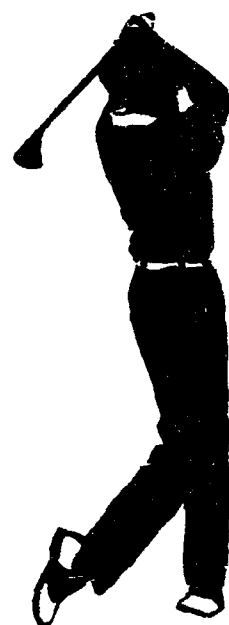
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Oak Lane Golf Course

800 North Main Street
Webberville (517) 521-3900
www.oaklane.usgolfer.net
18 holes: plays 5,714 yards, par-70 for men; 5,034 yards, par-71 for women

Oasis Golf Center

(formally Golden Bear)
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24095 Currie Road
Lyon Township (248) 486-6251
18 holes: Plays 6,110 yards, par-72.

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3199 Rush Lake Road
Pinckney (734) 878-9790
18 holes: plays 6,237 yards for men and 4,964 yards for women, par-73.

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www.tyronehillsgolf.com
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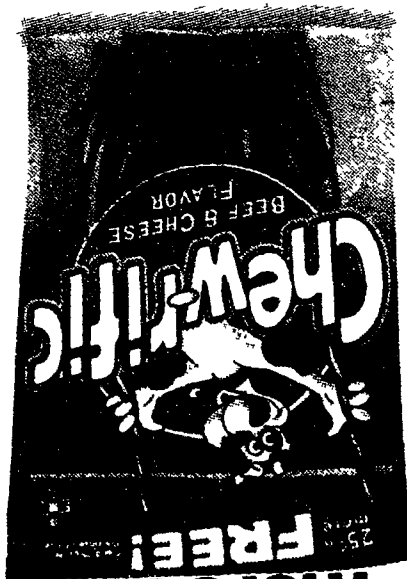
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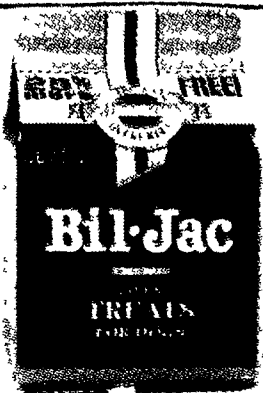
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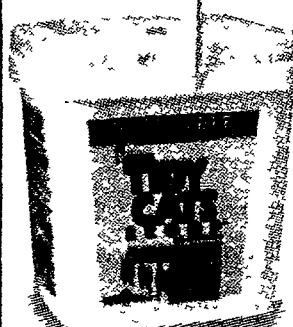
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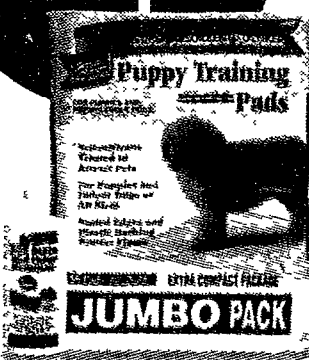
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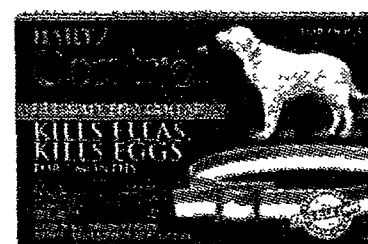


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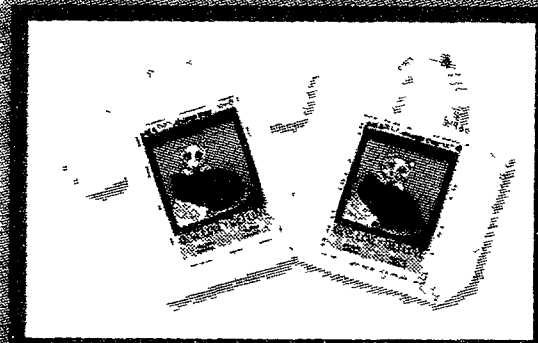
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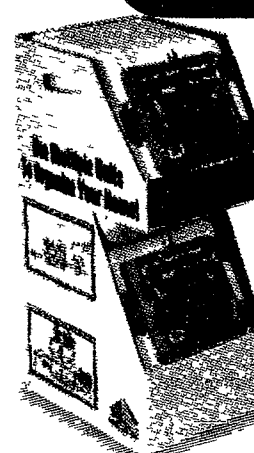
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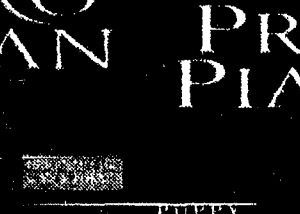
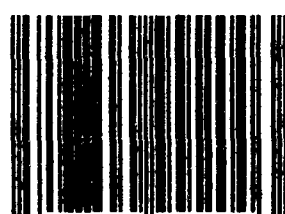
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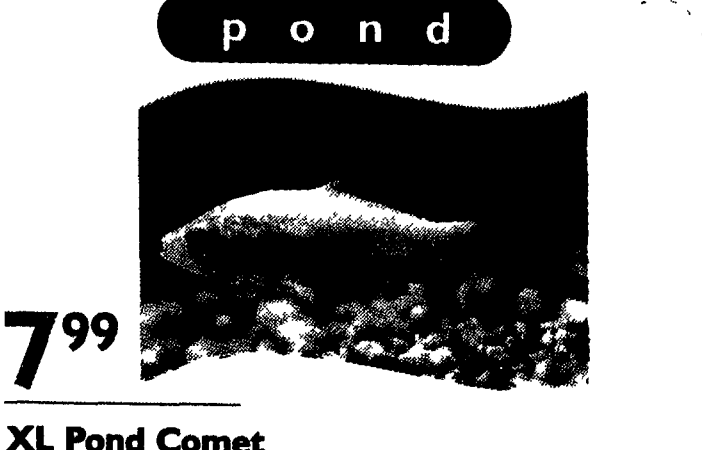
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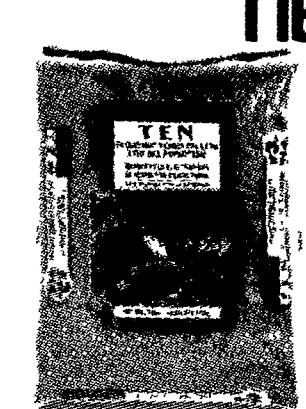
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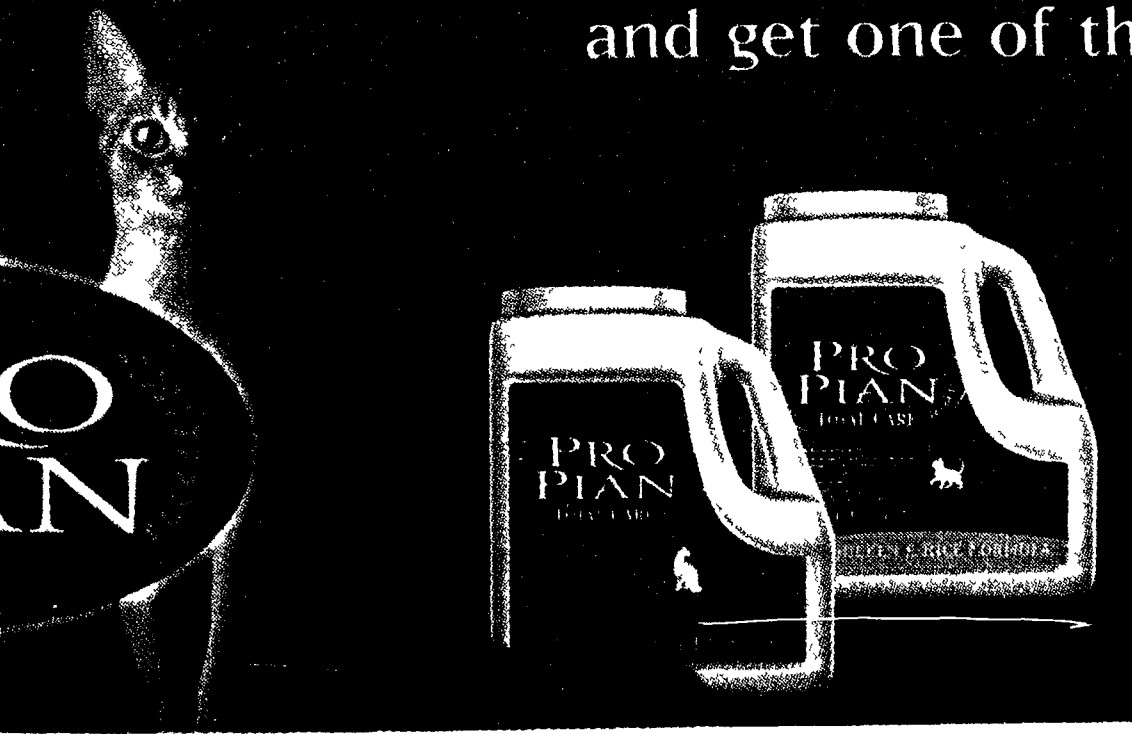
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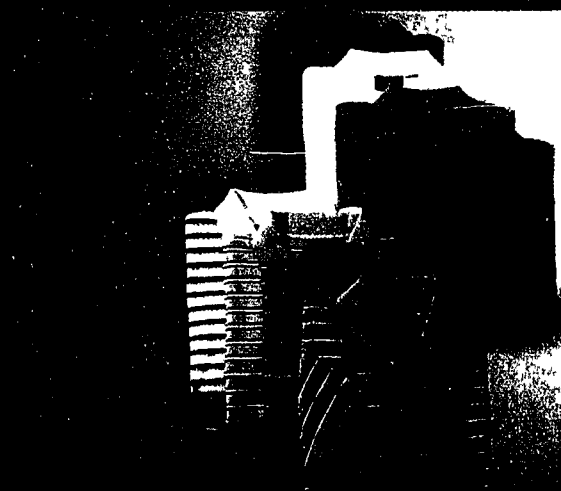
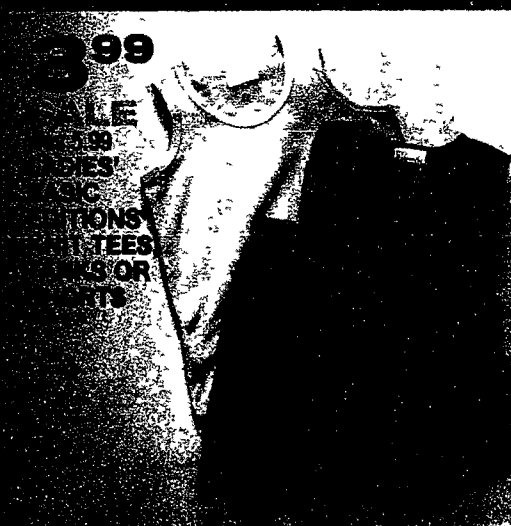
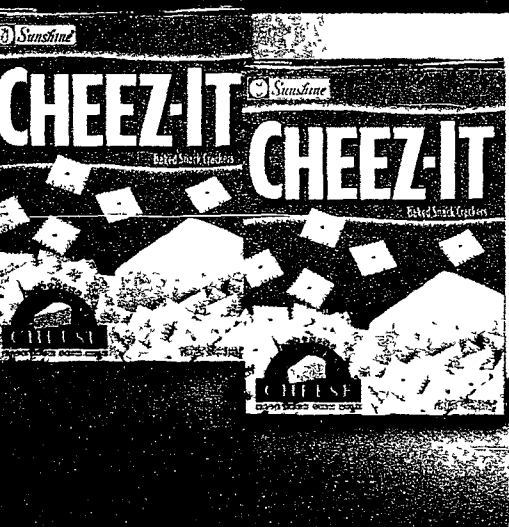
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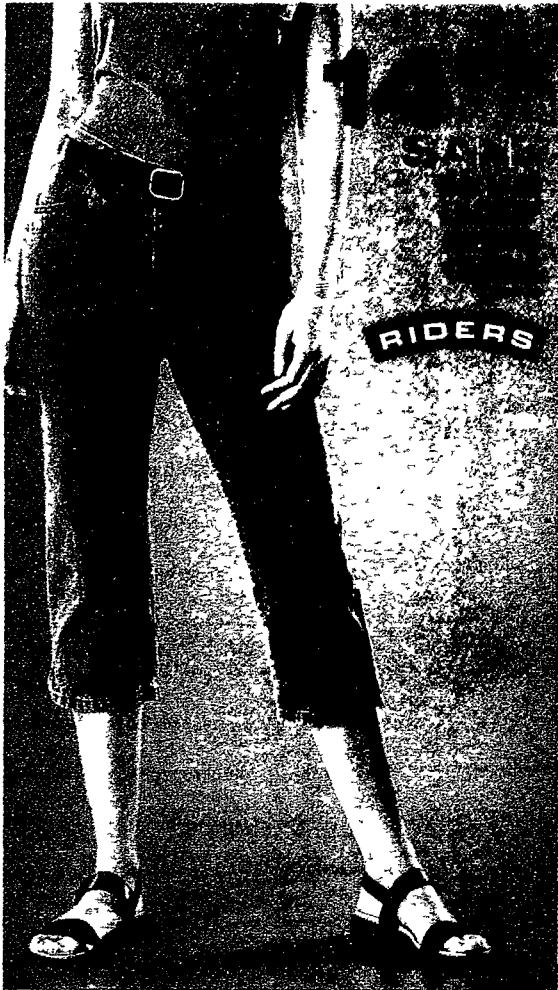
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Thursday, May 1 thru Saturday, May 3

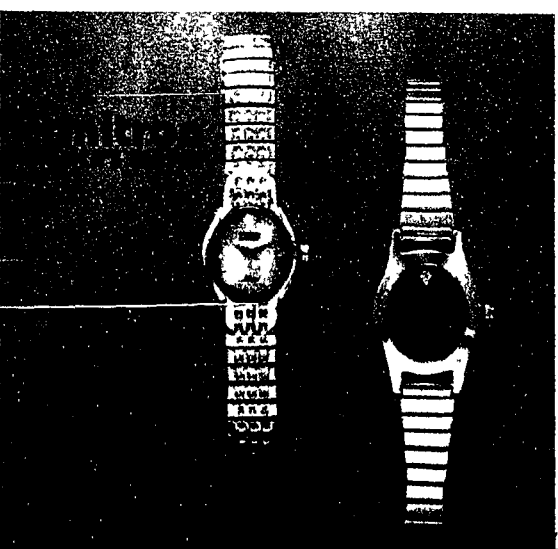
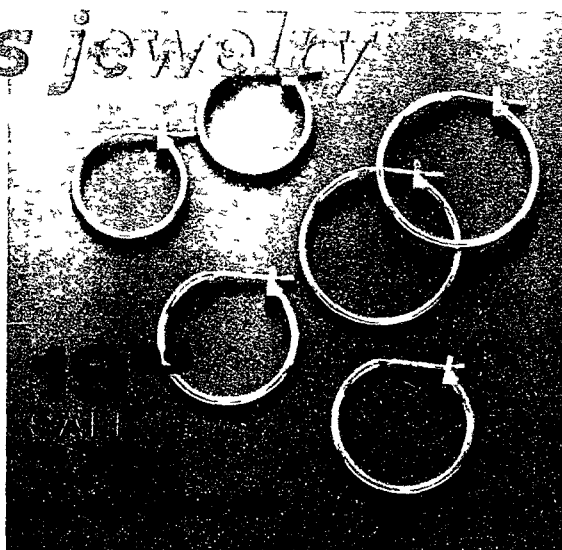
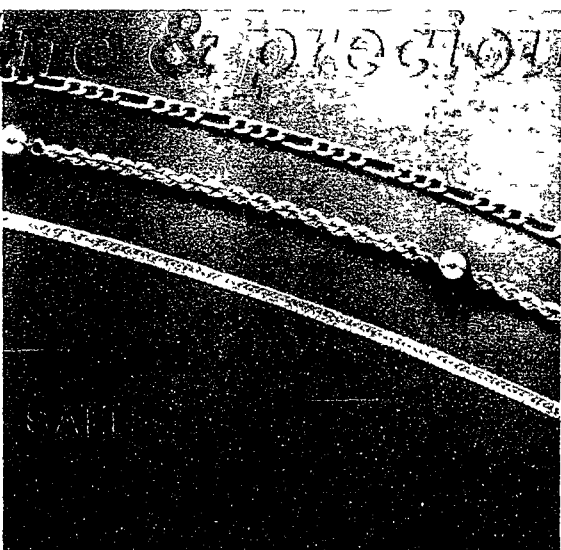
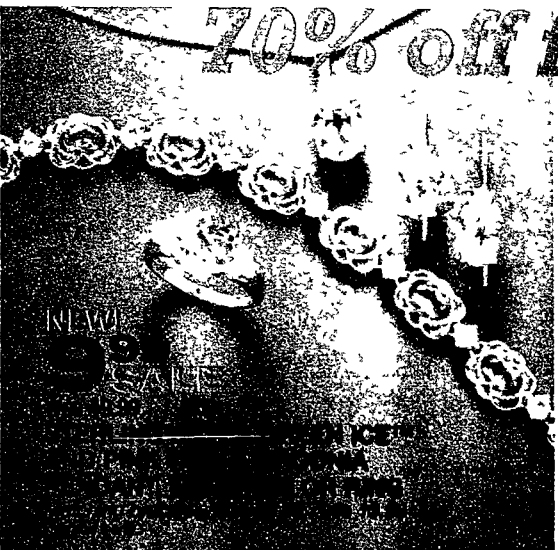
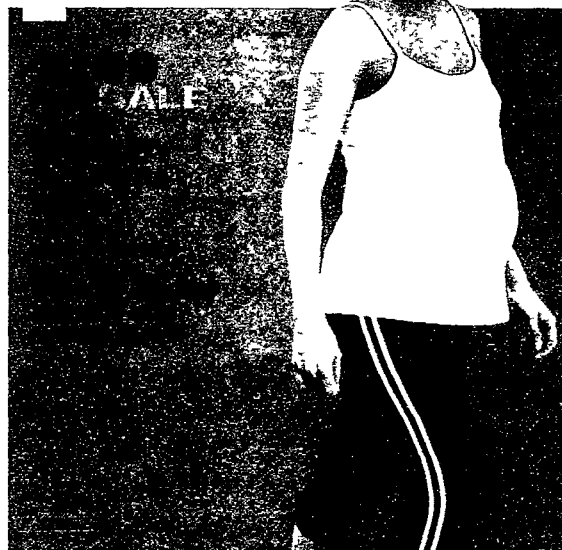


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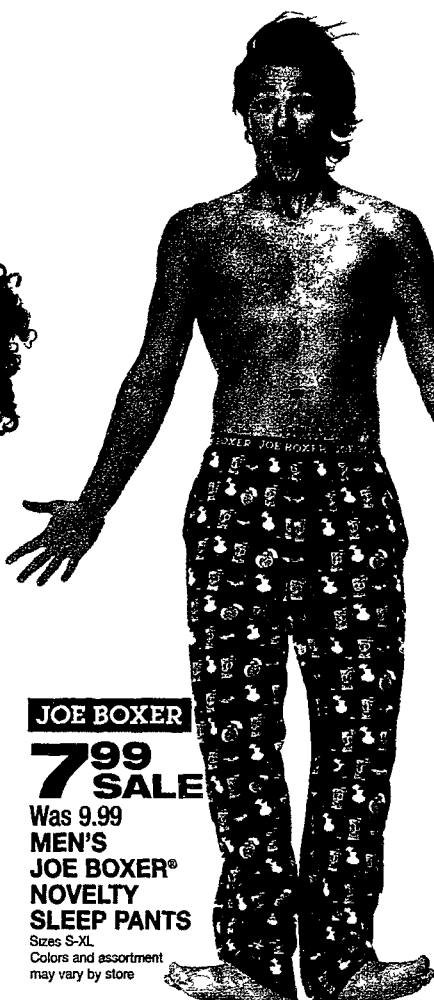
3 day Stock Up Sale



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40% off
BOYS' AND GIRLS'
SHORT SETS



JOE BOXER

7.99 SALE

Was 9.99
MEN'S
JOE BOXER®
NOVELTY
SLEEP PANTS
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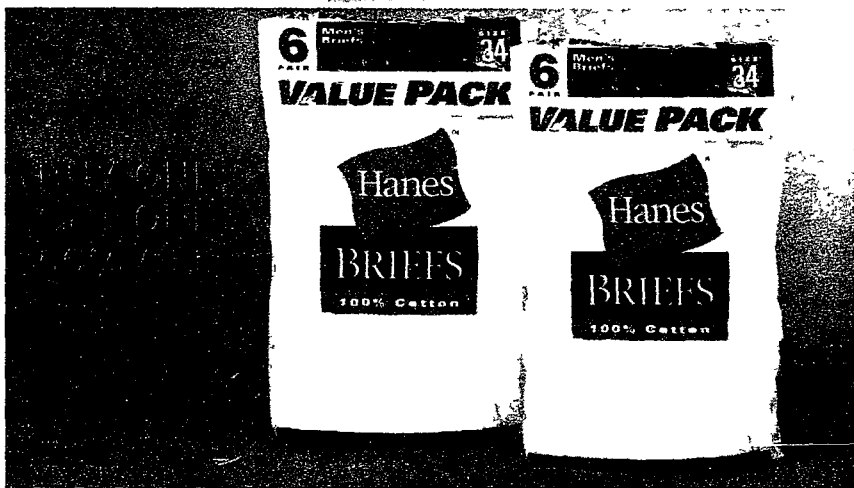
1/2 PRICE
9.99 SALE
Was 19.99
SELECT MEN'S
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Style shown.
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Sale
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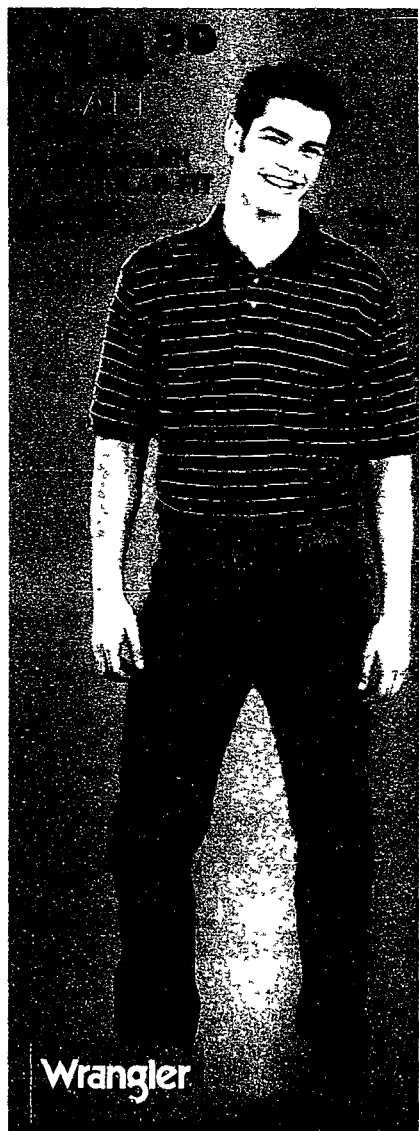
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Hanes
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100% Cotton

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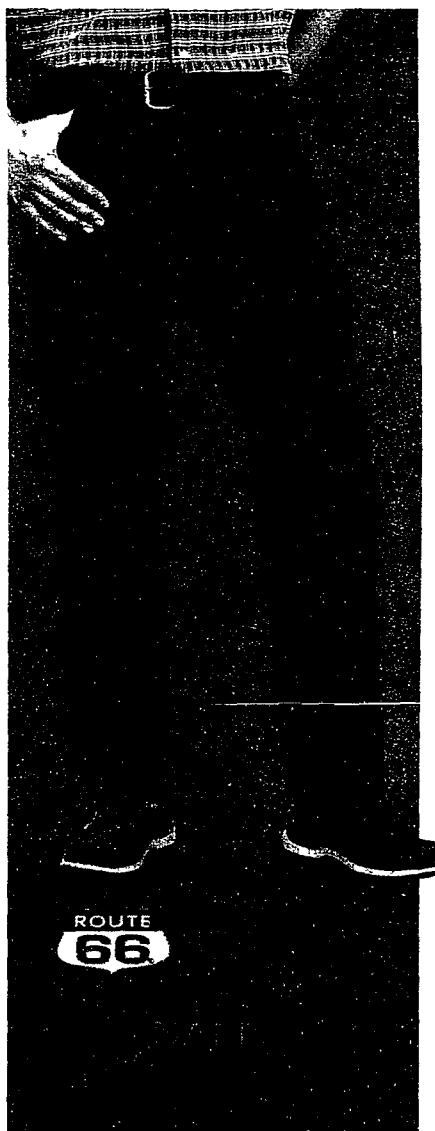
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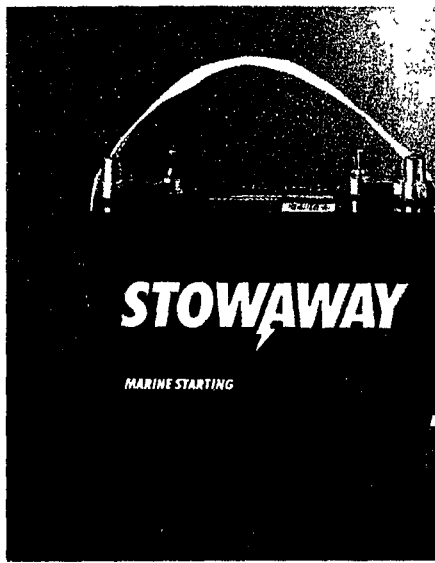
16.99 SALE

Was 19.99
HOT WHEELS MONSTER JAM SLIME ARENA
Hot Wheels Monster Trucks, Was 2.98, Sale 2.39
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12.99 SALE

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45-GAL. EZ-ROLL TRASH
CAN WITH WHEELS



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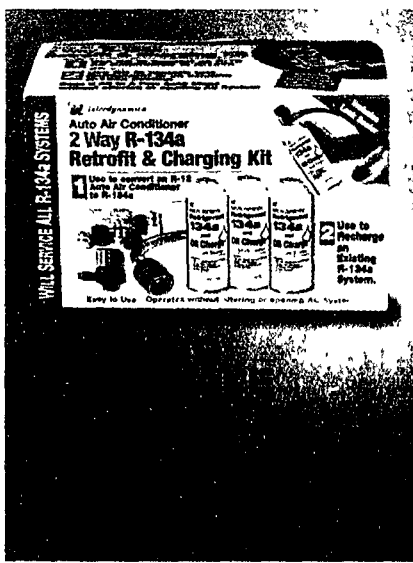
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39.99 SALE

EXIDE STOWAWAY
MARINE BATTERY

24DC, Sale 49.99,
27DC, Sale 59.99,
31DC, Sale 74.99
Exide Lawn/Garden Battery U1, Sale 19.99
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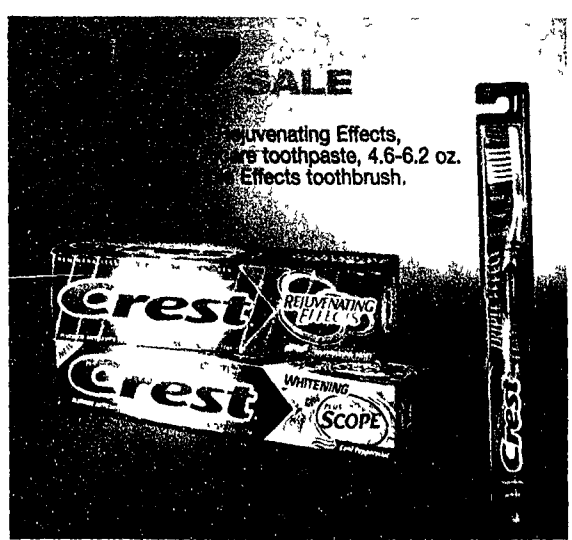
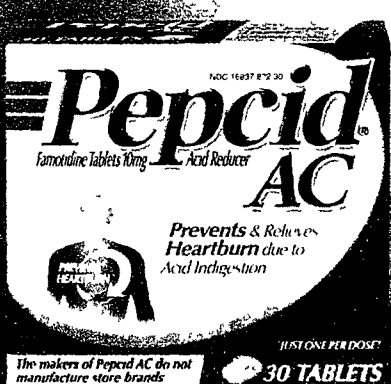
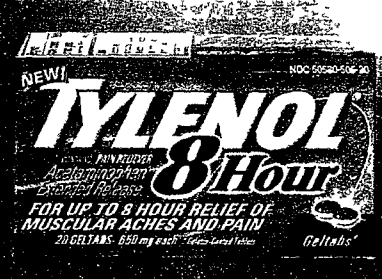
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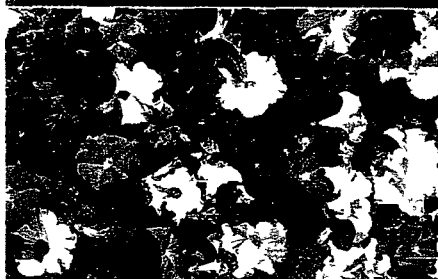
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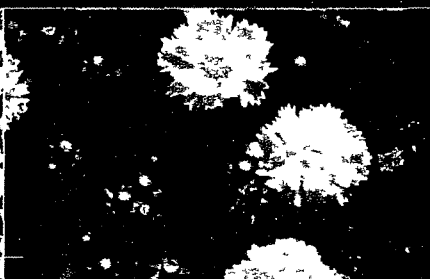
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6 plants per pack



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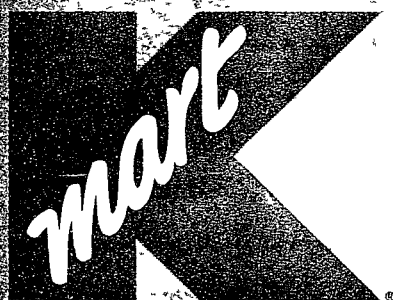
8.99 SALE

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99¢ SALE

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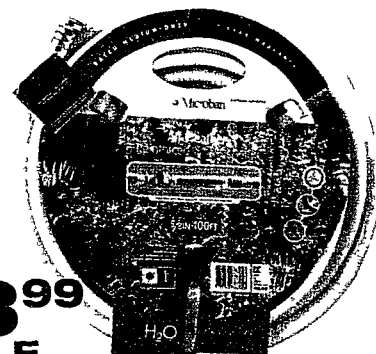
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EASY-SPOT
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TOOLS**

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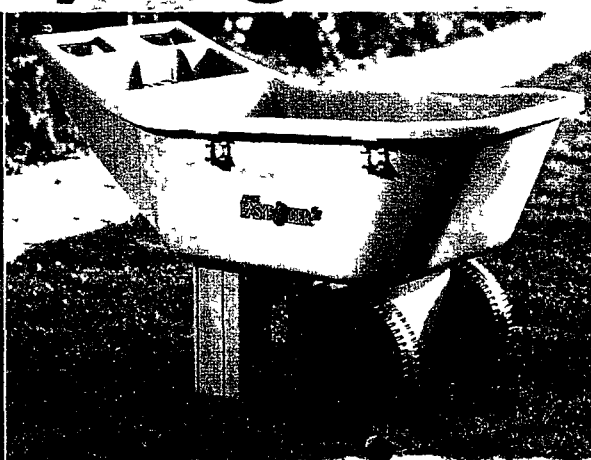
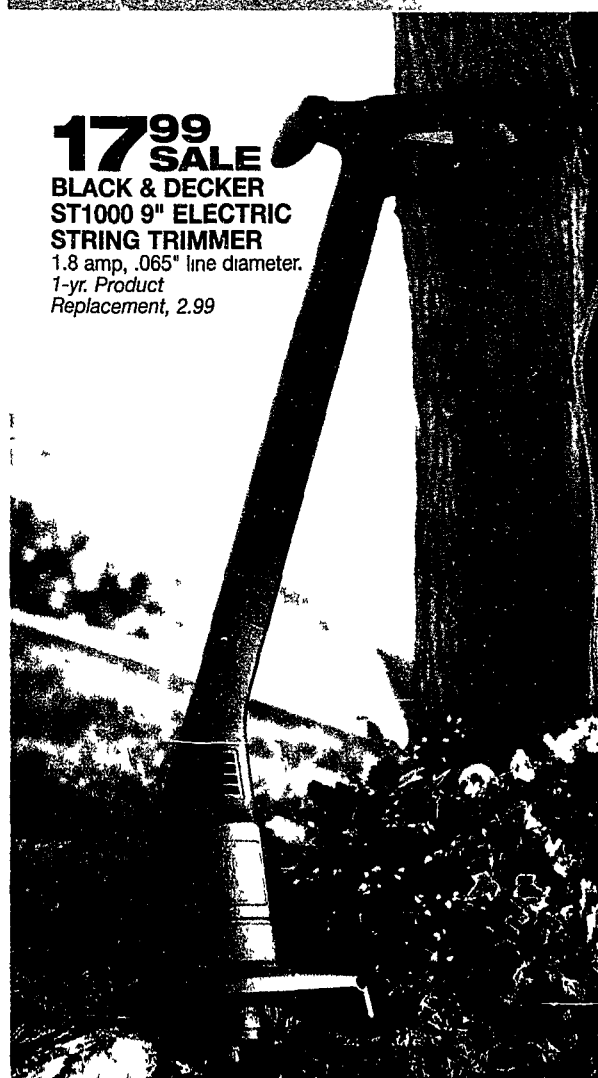
13.99 SALE

GARDEN HOSE
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*Inside diameter

Save on all your gardening needs.

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19.99 SALE
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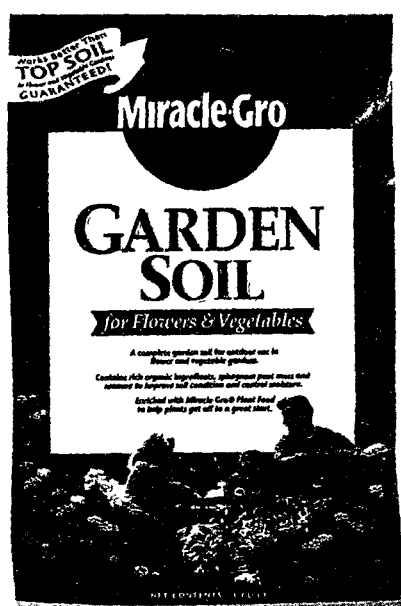


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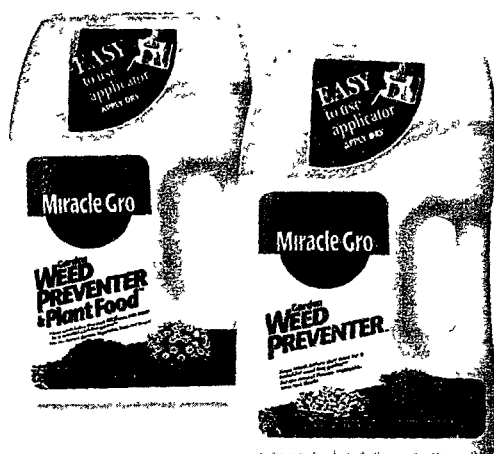
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Holds over 30 tools.

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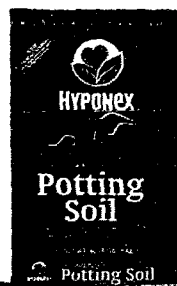
7⁹⁹ SALE
MIRACLE-GRO® WEED PREVENTERS
 Weed prevent, 5-lb. net wt.; or weed prevent and plant food, 6.25-lb. net wt.



6⁹⁹ SALE
ORTHO WEED-B-GON
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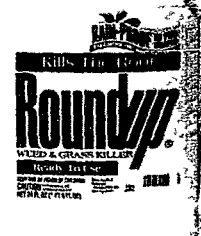
4⁹⁹ SALE
KROGER® ALL-PURPOSE PLANT FOOD
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5/\$10
HYPONEX POTTING SOIL OR GARDEN SOIL, 40-lb. net wt.

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ROUNDUP® READY-TO-USE WEED & GRASS KILLER
 24 fl. oz.



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KROGER® GRASS & WEED KILLER
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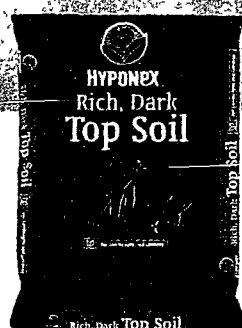
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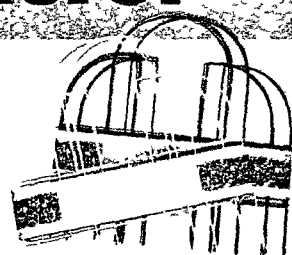
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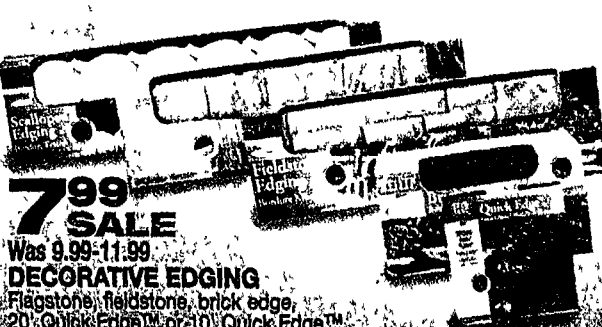
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 Includes dining table and 6 spring chairs.
 Umbrella and umbrella base sold separately



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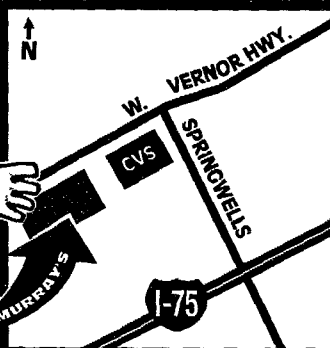


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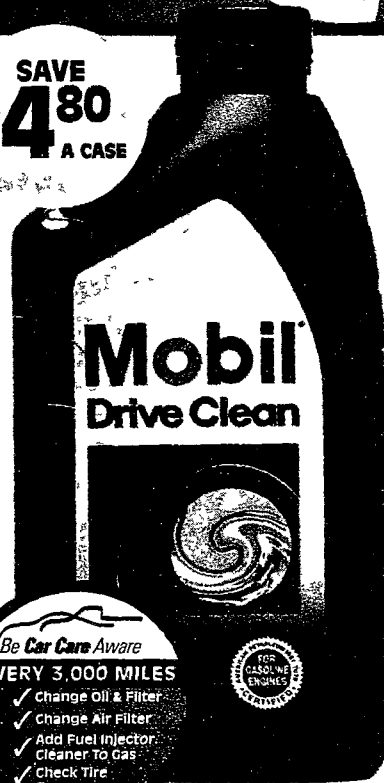
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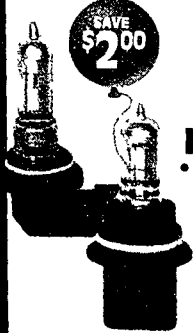
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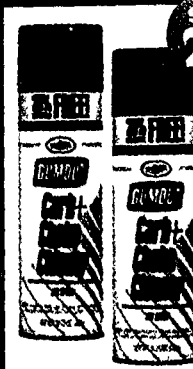
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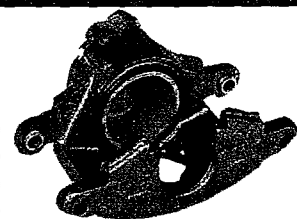
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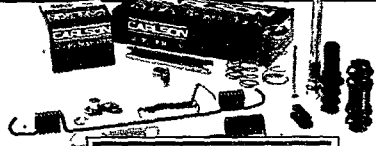
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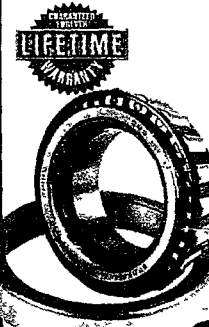
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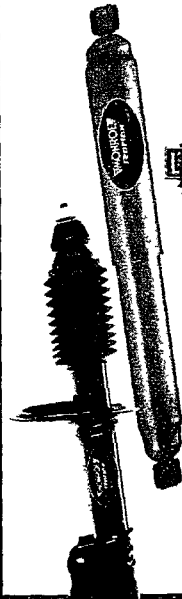
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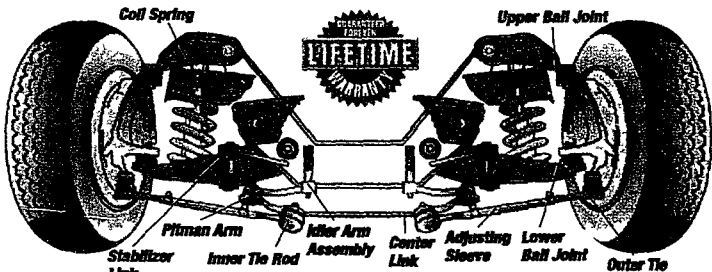
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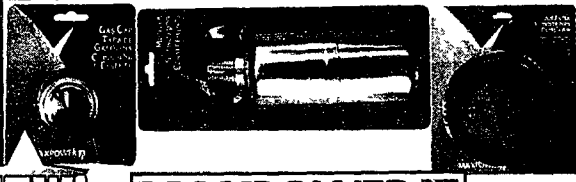
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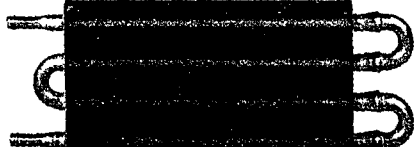
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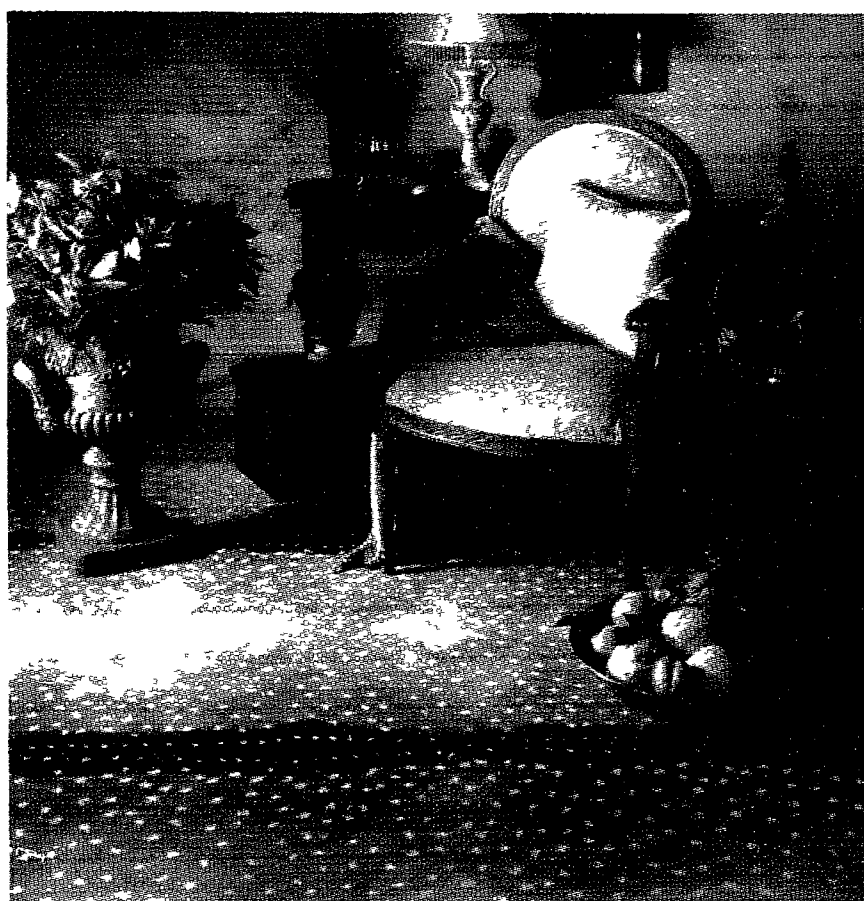
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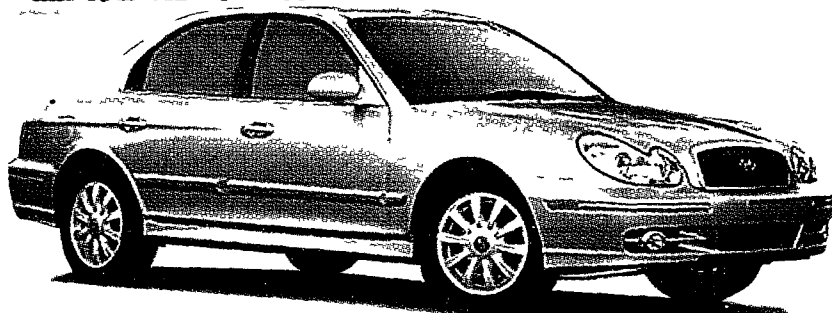
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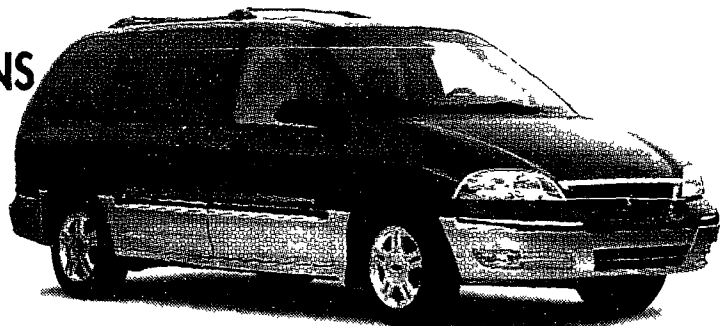
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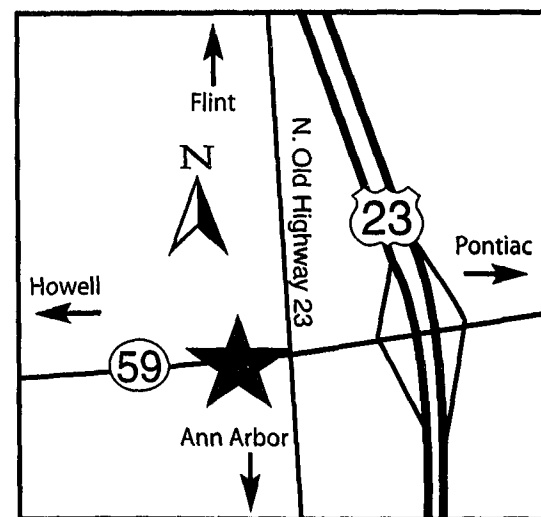
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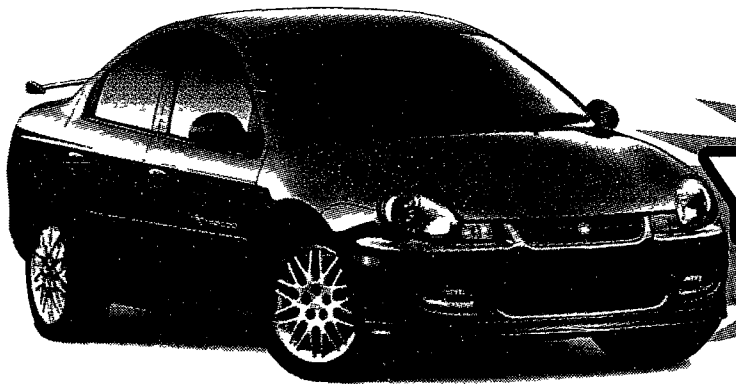
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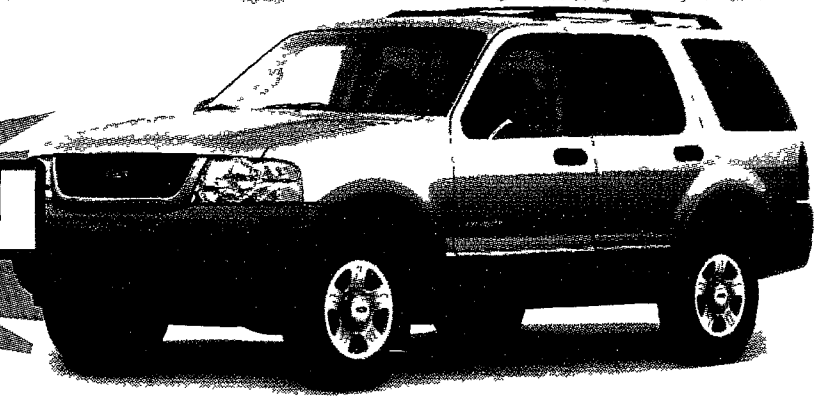


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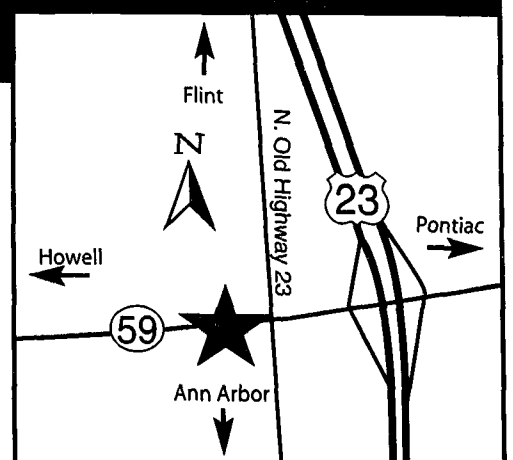
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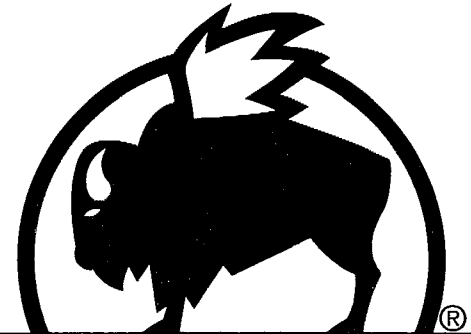
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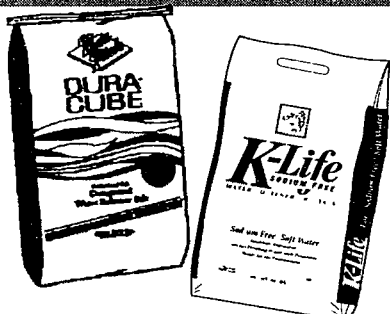
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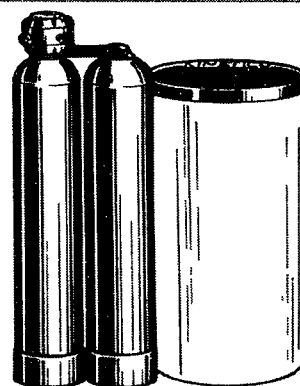
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Ask American Profile

Q I understand country singer Kelly Willis is married to songwriter Bruce Robison. Does he write some of her songs? Kelly Willis is a great singer and I wonder why she's not better known.

—Stan, B, Oklahoma

Yes, there are a few Bruce Robison-penned songs on Kelly Willis's albums, though he didn't write them specifically for her. She chooses songs for her records from a number of different songwriters, and also writes some herself. "I just love Bruce's sad songs," she says. "One of these days I'll probably do a record that's all his." Willis, 34, was born in Lawton, Okla., and discovered her love and talent for music as a teenager. As a high school student in Virginia, she made her first recording, a version of Elvis Presley's *Teddy Bear*, at a make-your-own-record booth. That led to a stint in a rockabilly band and a move to Austin, Texas. Willis became a favored performer in Austin, and eventually signed with major Nashville label MCA. She had some success and great reviews with her three albums on the label. In the end, Nashville wasn't the right place for her. "It just didn't work, for a variety of reasons," she says. Willis and Robison live in Austin, and have one son and twins on the way.

Q Is the guy who played George on *Seinfeld* the same person who played Radar on *M*A*S*H*?

—Lorene L., Arizona

The actors are not the same. *Seinfeld*'s George was played by Jason Alexander, 43, while Gary Burghoff, 59, is the man who played

Jason Alexander (second from left) with *Seinfeld* cast.



Kelly Willis got her start singing an Elvis Presley tune.

two sons, and he also has a daughter from a previous marriage.

Q Is Sophia Loren still acting? Does she have a fan club and where can I get an autographed photo?

—Kathy M., Georgia

Yes, the woman who has been deemed one of the world's greatest beauties still acts on occasion. Most recently she starred in a movie written and directed by her son, Edouardo Ponti. The Italian film, *Between Strangers*, released in 2002 and shown at the Toronto Film Festival, was his directorial debut. Of course, it wasn't so long ago that she appeared in major films such as *Grumpier Old Men* (1995) and *Ready to Wear* (1994). Now 69, she's still active, a passionate cook, and a devoted wife and mother. Still strikingly beautiful, she once said, "There's a fountain of youth: it is your mind, your talents, the creativity you bring to your life and the lives of the people you love. When you learn to tap this source, you will truly defeat age." Though she has an official website, it does not distribute autographed photos and there does not appear to be an official fan club that does. ☆



Ever-youthful Sophia Loren.

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Radar in *M*A*S*H*. Alexander, a Tony-winning Broadway song and dance man, followed up *Seinfeld* with an attempt at his own sitcom called *Bob Patterson*. That didn't work out, but he's worked steadily, and in the fall, he was a visiting professor at the University of Southern California. He is scheduled to star this year in the Los Angeles production of the Broadway hit *The Producers*. He and his wife have two sons. Burghoff was the only original cast member from the movie *M*A*S*H* to re-create his role on television. He spent seven years on the series. Though he made some additional television appearances, he opted to work in regional theater afterward, rather than go on to another series, so he could spend more time with his family. He began painting, becoming quite successful with his pictures of wildlife. For a short time, he hosted a PBS show about pets and their families. He and his wife have

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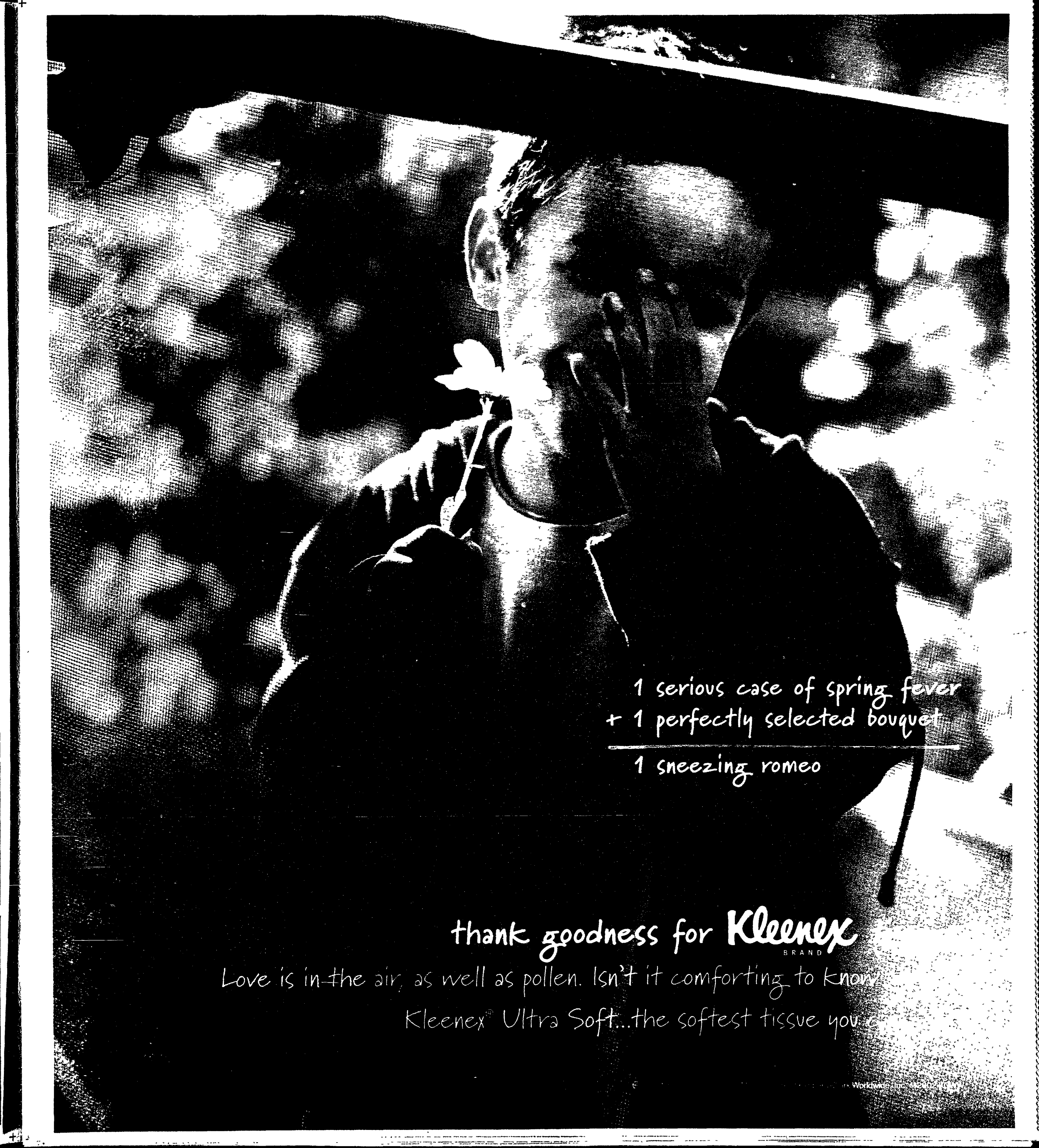
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A History in Wine

by MARGARET
DORNAUS

Arkansas has a distinguished wine-making history and vintner Robert Cowie is doing whatever he can to carry on that tradition.

"At one time, there were 148 bonded wineries in the state of Arkansas," says Cowie, founder of Cowie Wine Cellars, one of only five remaining wineries in the state. His Arkansas Historic Wine Museum in Paris, Ark., documents the state's love affair with the grape—an often tempestuous courtship blended with equal parts of Prohibition and passion—and is the only one in the nation dedicated to preserving the wine history of an entire state.

As early as 1845—when German immigrants produced wine in the small town of Hermansburg—to the "Golden Age" of winemaking from 1935 to 1965, Arkansas wineries flourished.



Vintner Robert Cowie extracts a rich-red sample from an oaken barrel.

Cowie's museum honors that legacy and was a natural outgrowth of his nearly lifelong fascination with the art of wine-making. A fascination, he adds, that developed more as the result of happenstance than intention.

Cowie moved to Paris (pop. 3,707) from Columbus, Ohio, at age 9. His recently widowed mother had decided to relocate to the Ozarks to be closer to her brother—a priest who, due to the strong Catholic presence at nearby Subiaco Abbey, already was living in the area.

A state historic landmark, Subiaco Abbey was founded by Benedictine monks who immigrated to the Arkansas River Valley from the German-speaking region of Switzerland in 1878. Over the years, the grounds of the Benedictine's Romanesque abbey expanded to include a college preparatory boarding school. Cowie, a 1959 graduate, helped build the abbey's retreat house while working his way through college.

The monks' immigration prompted more Swiss Catholics to follow, and they soon discovered a region ripe for the cultivation of vineyards, the area's sandy soil and sloping hills providing the perfect climate for a wide variety of wine grapes.

Besides Cowie Wine Cellars, the state's other four wineries—Wiederkehr's, Post, Mount Bethel, and Chateau Aux Arc—all have roots in that 19th-century wave of migration. The four are located on the north side of the Arkansas River in Altus (pop. 817), a 20-minute drive from Cowie's operation.

Cowie's first foray into viticulture came in 1955 when he gathered five gallons of wild elderberries and began experimenting with the process of fermentation. It was, he says, a life-changing experience. And, although he worked as an accountant for a while after graduating with a degree in business administration from the University of Arkansas, he always dreamed of one day operating his own winery.

That dream came to fruition in 1967 with the opening of Cowie's winery. Since then, Cowie, his wife, Bette Kay, and their seven children have built a family-run business into an award-winning operation with wines such as Robert's Port, a recent "Best of Show" recipient at the Arkansas State Fair. Cowie's second son carries on the tradition as a winemaker in Florida.

Housed behind the winery's showroom, the Arkansas Historic Wine Museum began as a way for Cowie to display the many wine-related items he'd collected over the years. An assortment of artifacts fills the museum: row after row of bottles from now-extinct wineries sporting labels such as Arkansas Razorback and Ozark Girl; antique presses and casks; and a wall of wine-filled barrels hand-painted by Cowie's wife with scenes of vineyards and wine-related sayings. In *Vino Veritas* ("In wine, there is truth") is one of them.

"I've been making wine since I was 15," says the 62-year-old vintner, who can't imagine what his life would be like if his mother had stayed in Ohio instead of moving to Arkansas wine country. ★

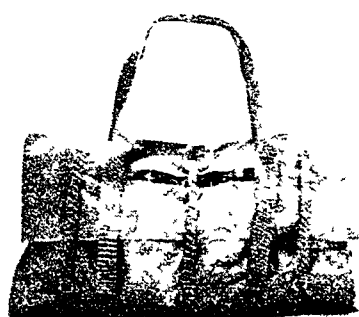
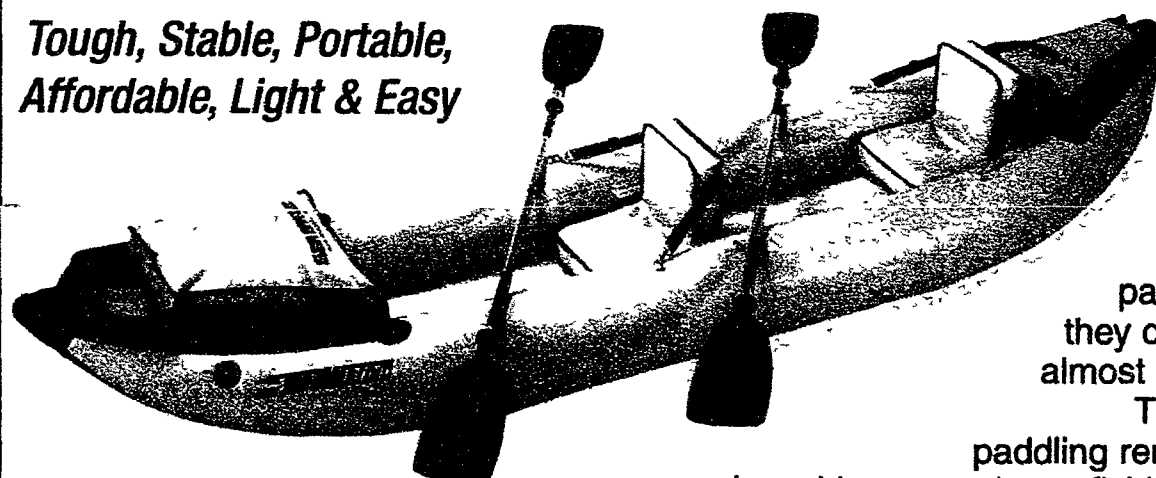
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INDIANA—Jack Butcher, whose teams won 806 basketball games during his 45-year coaching career at Loogootee High School in Loogootee (pop. 2,741), was named National High School Boys Basketball Coach of the Year for 2002.

IOWA—Carrie Chapman Catt, suffragist and founder of the League of Women Voters, grew up in Charles City (pop. 7,812) and graduated from Iowa Agricultural College and Model Farm (now Iowa State University) in Ames in 1880.

KANSAS—Two rare albino calves have been born on the Tim and Kathy Gintner farm near Frontenac (pop. 2,996) since 1998. Researchers say the odds of producing an albino calf, with its unique white coat and pink eyes, are one in a million or more.

MICHIGAN—The Michigan State Police started as a temporary emergency force for the purpose of domestic security during World War I. The force became permanent in 1919.

MINNESOTA—Fort Snelling is named for Col. Josiah Snelling, whose troops built the stone fortress overlooking the confluence of the Minnesota and Mississippi rivers in the early 1820s.

MISSOURI—One of three known original issues of *The Stars & Stripes* is displayed at The Stars and Stripes Museum/Library in Bloomfield (pop. 1,952), where the military newspaper was first published by Union soldiers on Nov. 9, 1861.

NEBRASKA—The Cornhusker State has 96,000 miles of highways and public roads, including 482 miles of interstate highway.

NORTH DAKOTA—Since 1961, 31 North Dakotans, including Lawrence Welk, Louis L'Amour, and Angie Dickinson, have received the honorary rank of colonel in the Theodore Roosevelt Rough Riders.

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Mystic Seaport's Maritime Legacy

Mystic, Conn.

Ships have been built along the Mystic River since the 1600s, and America's maritime legacy is captured in Mystic Seaport, a 37-acre museum which holds the world's largest collection of historic boats and ships.

The seaside village of Mystic was a small fishing and whaling port until about 1840 when it evolved into a prominent shipbuilding center. More than 600 vessels were constructed there between 1784 and 1919.

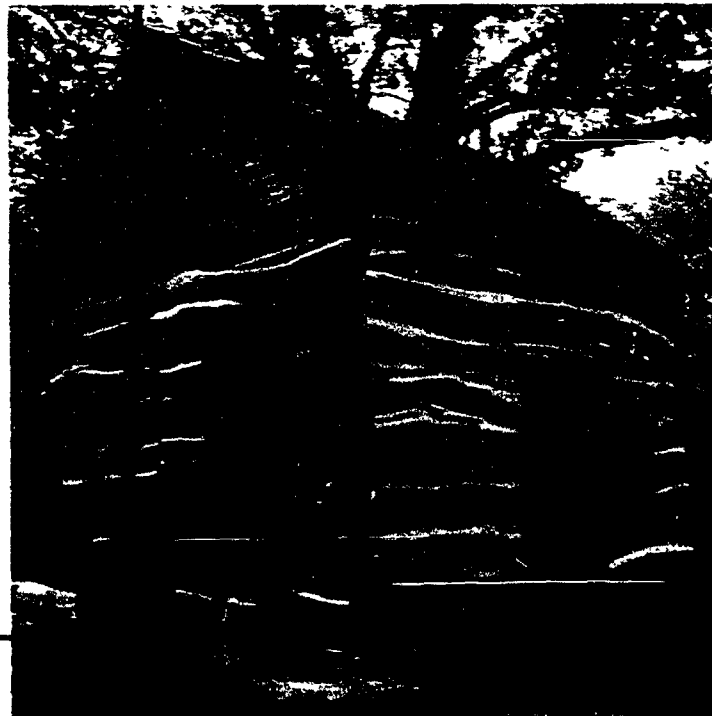
But as wooden shipbuilding declined after the Civil War and the great boats were reduced to firewood, three Mystic residents founded Mystic Seaport to preserve America's maritime golden age. Now, Mystic Seaport holds nearly 500 watercraft, more than a million images of maritime photography, a fully equipped shipyard, and a village with more than 30 buildings, resembling 19th-century Mystic.

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Gen. Sam Houston's Historic Victory San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site LaPorte, Texas

A decisive, 18-minute battle, fueled by the cry, "Remember the Alamo!" established independence for Texas and, ultimately, America's westward expansion.

On the grounds of that historic April 1836 battle now stands a 570-foot monument. But no less awe-inspiring are the grounds around the monument, where Gen. Sam Houston, commanding an army of about 800 Texans, defeated a much larger army of about 1,300 led by Mexican Gen. Antonio

The Law of the Land

Homestead National Monument of America Beatrice, Neb.

Daniel Freeman (1826-1908) became America's first homesteader because of a sympathetic registrar at the land office who opened his office in the middle of the night to file the paperwork.

Anticipating the Homestead Act, which became law on Jan. 1, 1863, Freeman, who was in the military at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., had chosen a piece of land near Beatrice.

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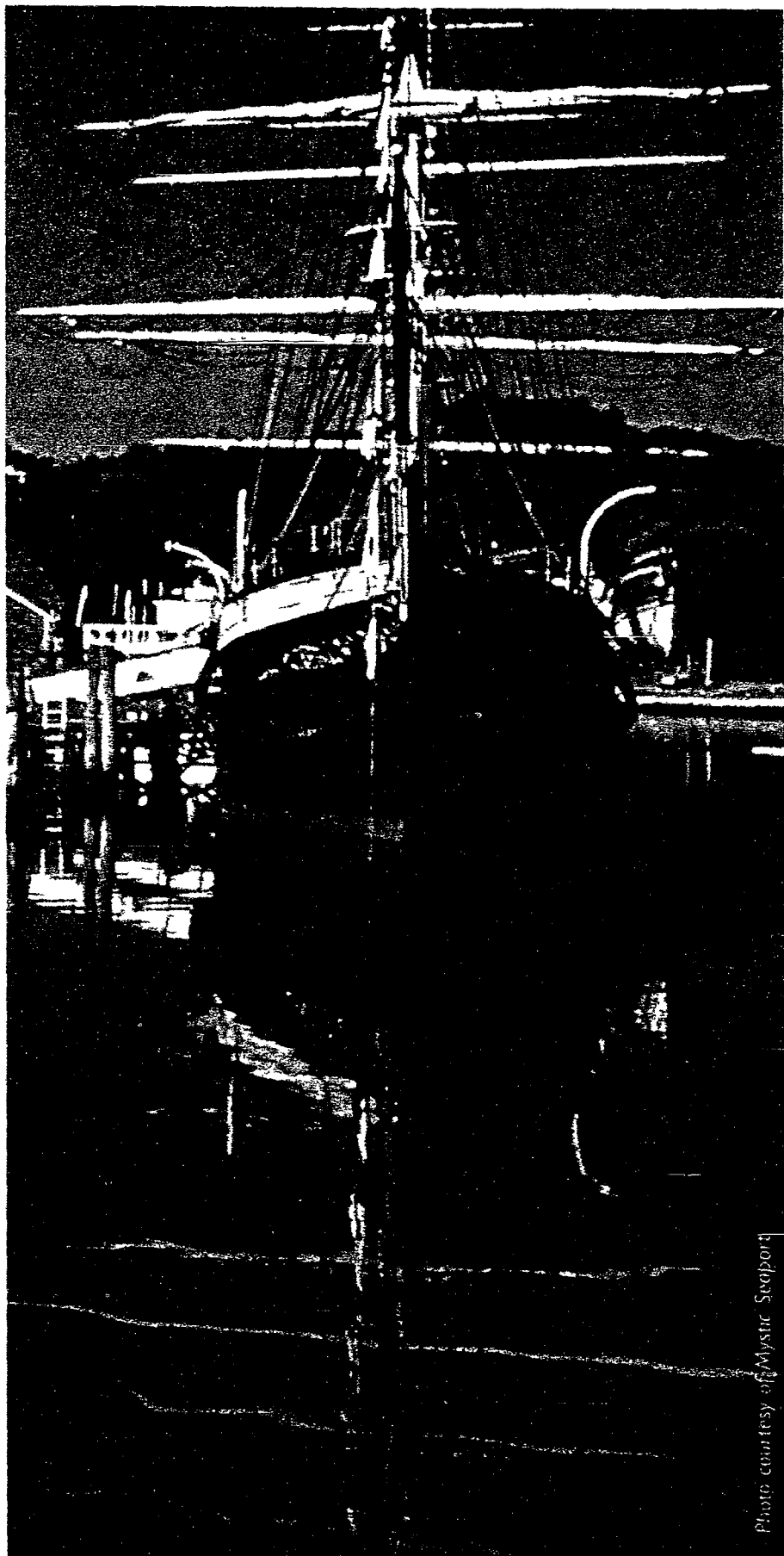


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Lopez de Santa Anna.

The battle was the final event of the Texas Revolution in which American colonists (known as "Texians"), who settled the area and far outnumbered the Mexicans, wanted separate statehood within the Mexican Republic. The Mexican government refused.

That short, furious battle that won Texas' freedom from Mexico, also would lead to U.S. acquisition of Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, California, Utah, and parts of Wyoming, Colorado, Oklahoma, and Kansas. Indeed, almost one-third of America's present area—nearly a million square miles of territory—changed sovereignty after the Battle of San Jacinto.

rice, Neb., and planned to file a claim the day the act went into effect.

The Homestead Act encouraged westward migration, allowing nearly anyone over age 21 to file for 160 acres of free land. Homesteaders became owners if, after five years, they built a house on it, dug a well, cultivated and fenced a part of the property, and actually lived there.

But Dec. 31, 1862, while Freeman was on a military detail in Brownville, Neb., en route to St. Louis, he

At San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site, granite markers designate the spots of the Texian camps, the Mexican camp, and the site of the advance by Texian forces on the 1,200-acre grounds.

The San Jacinto Museum of History, at the base of the monument, houses a collection of more than 350,000 objects, documents, and photographs that span more than 400 years of early Texas history.

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America's Oldest European Settlement

St. Augustine, Fla.

Jamestown, Va., may be America's first permanent English colony, but St. Augustine, Fla., was founded 42 years earlier, in 1565, making it the oldest permanent European settlement in North America.

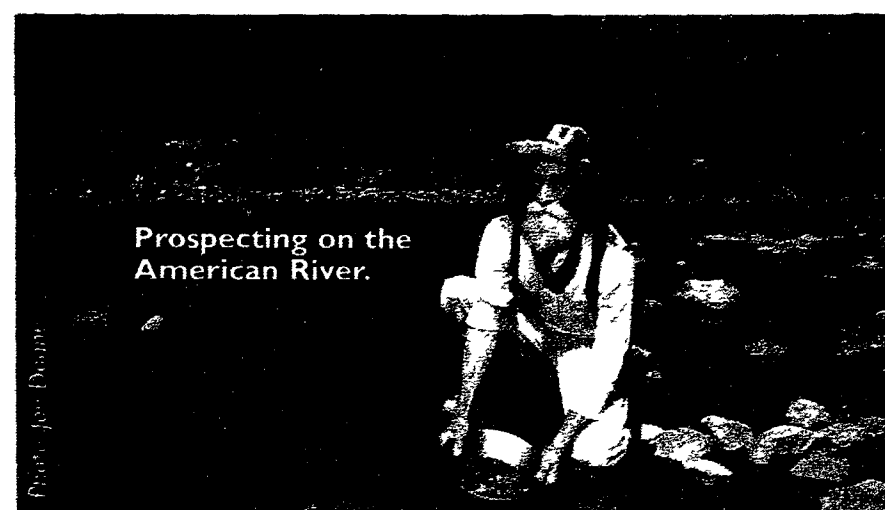
Don Juan Ponce de Leon, Spanish explorer and treasure hunter, first sighted the area on Easter, March 27, 1513. He claimed the land for Spain and named it La Florida, meaning "Land of Flowers." But not until 1565 did Spain colonize the territory, when Don Pedro Menendez de Aviles, Florida's governor, named the first settlement St. Augustine.

At the heart of St. Augustine was Castillo de San Marcos, which now is the oldest remaining European fortification in the continental United States. Construction of the massive masonry fort began in 1672 and took 25 years to build. The fort and surrounding grounds comprise 25 acres in downtown St. Augustine.

Other St. Augustine historical sites include:

- The fabled Fountain of Youth, a prehistoric spring that Ponce de Leon hoped would offer eternal youth. He was wrong, but an archeological park there contains artifacts of the first St. Augustine colony.
- The Ximenez-Fatio House, built about 1798 by Andres Ximenez, a Spanish storekeeper. It is the only original structure in St. Augustine dating from the last quarter of the 18th century.
- The Gonzalez-Alvarez House, better known as "The Oldest House." It's not, but it's one of America's most-

learned the local land office would not be open Jan. 1 in observance of New Year's Day. Because he would not be in Brownville when the land office opened Jan. 2, he persuaded the registrar to open the office shortly after midnight and allow him to file. He received application No. 1 and certificate No. 1 in that district—and in the 1930s, the U.S. Congress recognized Freeman's homestead site as the first in the United States, designating it the Homestead National Monument of America.



Prospecting on the American River.

The Rush for California's Gold

Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park

Coloma, Calif.

John Sutter was hunting for timber, not gold, for his flour mill when a shiny discovery in the waters of the American River triggered the California Gold Rush of 1849.

But it was Sutter's business partner, James W. Marshall, not Sutter, who made the startling discovery. Marshall was building a sawmill for Sutter when, in January 1848, he noticed gold flakes in the mill's tailrace—the channel below a water wheel through which spent water flows. The discovery would touch off a stampede to the region around what is now Sacramento.

The gold discovery site, and the still-visible tailrace of Sutter's sawmill, is in present-day Coloma (pop. 175) at Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park, where the name alone sets the record straight about who found the gold.

"Often you can read dozens of books and articles without them mentioning Marshall's name, or they refer to him as an employee, but actually he was a full partner in the lumber mill with Sutter," says John Hutchinson, senior park aide.

Visitors can pan for gold, see a replica of Sutter's Mill, learn the gold rush story from a museum filled with exhibits, and see the gravesite of James Marshall, who died in 1885. The monument and statue placed above Marshall's gravesite is California's first historic landmark.

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Buffalo Bill's Favorite Inn

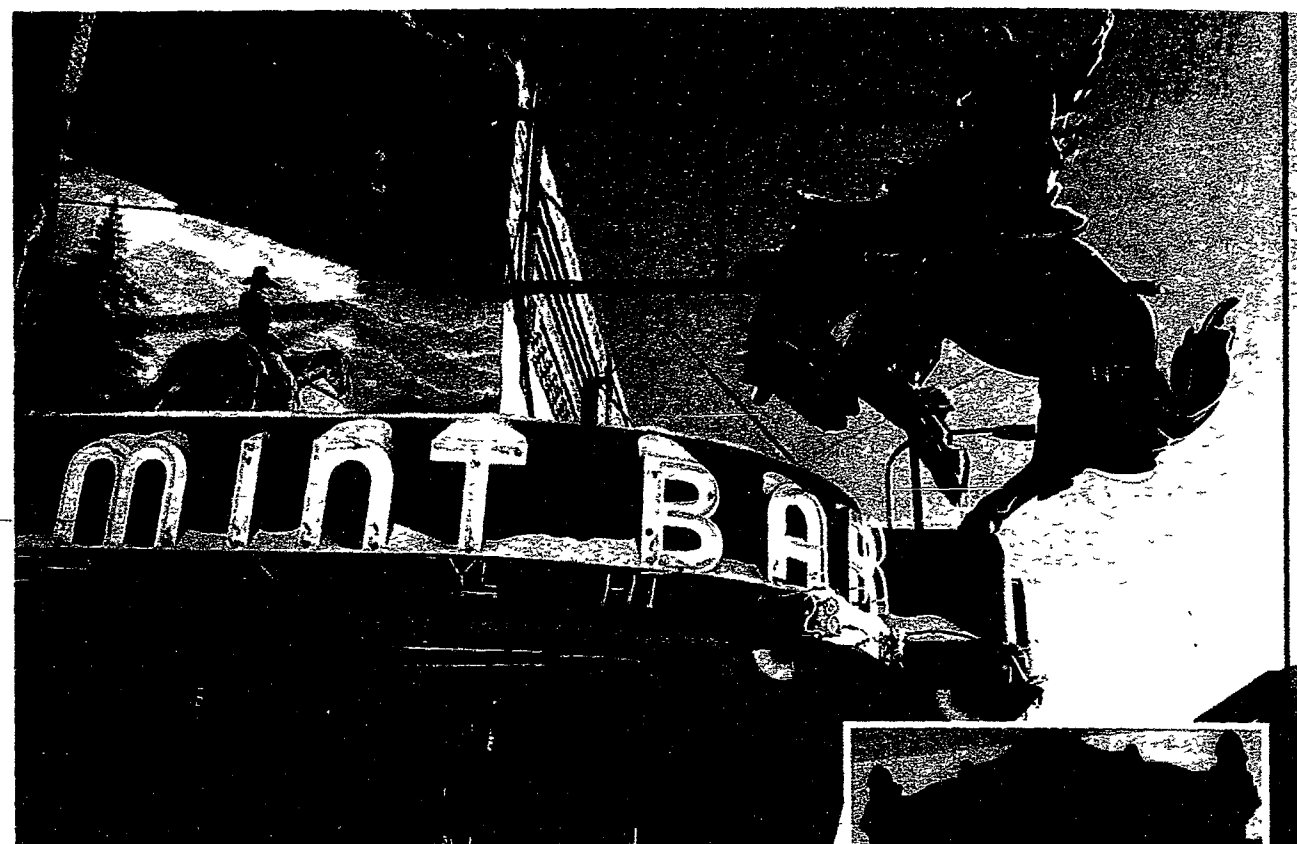
William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody would still feel at home looking out a window of the 1893 Sheridan Inn, where he once watched disembarking train passengers to spot anyone he might want to audition for his famed Wild West Show.

"Buffalo Bill used to stand right here and look over at the depot, so he could see whether anyone interesting was getting off the train," says Della Herbst, pointing from a Sheridan Inn window.

Herbst, a former Wyoming state legislator and mayor of Sheridan (pop. 16,900), helped preserve the National Historic Landmark, once partly owned by Cody, after it was sold to developers and slated for demolition in 1965. Today, the inn's exterior has been restored and a \$2.5 million interior restoration is well under way.

"Too much American history has been lost," Herbst says. "If we can keep this building a viable part of the community, it will help people remember their roots."

Sheridan took root in the 1880s to serve the region's sprawling cattle industry. The inn, with its 69 gables, hasn't been open as a hotel since 1965, but many guest rooms remain in their original design. Third floor rooms are small, only 6-by-10 feet, and originally included a bed, wash stand, and clothes rack. Downstairs, the main floor rooms are refurbished and open again for dining, meetings, and receptions—including the main dining room, ladies parlor, the oak and mahogany bar (built in England), and the original lobby and registration desk.



An Old West neon on Sheridan's Main Street.

The inn's original registration book has Buffalo Bill's signature. Others guests at the inn included Calamity Jane, Herbert Hoover, Will Rogers, Wendell Wilkie, and Ernest Hemingway, who wrote part of *Farewell to Arms* in an upstairs room.

High-stakes poker hands were played in the card room, ranch women checked in to give birth to their children in comfort, and the fabled Bozeman Trail ran just north of the inn.

History has been kept alive in other Sheridan structures as well.

Across the street, the original wooden railroad depot owes its survival to David Frank, a California native who lived in Britain before moving to Sheridan nine years ago.

"Being in a place where I could walk two blocks to a pub that had been there since the 1400s probably helped me develop an appreciation for antiquity," says Frank, a bird expert who used to appear on Johnny Carson's *Tonight Show*. He bought the two-story depot to restore it, finishing the job in 2001. Now he leases it to the Daniels Fund, a philanthropic organization headquartered there.

Shops selling Western wear, saddles, and ranch gear remain Main Street fixtures. So does the Mint Bar, where five generations of Stetson-wearing regulars have traded stories, and where ranchers have burned their brands into the wood walls.

"Sheridan feels like what I would imagine the West to be like," says Julia Monczunski, a visitor from Indiana. "Beautiful surroundings and a definite cowboy attitude pervading."

Many of Sheridan's cultural events happen in yet another restored historic building, the WYO Theater on Main Street. The 483-seat auditorium opened for vaudeville in 1923, and now features national and international touring artists, including ballet companies, childrens' theater troupes, South American musicians, Israeli pianist Rami Bar-Niv, and country singer Garth Brooks.

"To see someone like Garth Brooks in a theater of fewer than 500 seats is really incredible," says Fabian Wyatt, WYO Theater executive director.

In this town no one would think it strange to pull on cowboy boots, sit in the Mint Bar discussing rodeo, and then walk across the street for ballet. As Della Herbst says, Sheridan may be civilized now, but it's still the Old West. ☆

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To some, this was a simple matter calling for more firewood and stronger chains, but about 1820 the journal, *New England Farmer*, suggested weatherproofing a home instead. Stuff rags into

broken windows, the journal advised, and glue newspaper over cracks in the walls.

Then, as today, the tighter a house is sealed and insulated against the weather, the less one pays for heat or air conditioning. A few simple techniques can cut up to 60 percent off heating and cooling bills in older homes, according to federal energy officials.

The first step is to walk around and through your home, seeing where heat may be leaking in or out. Simple cracks and holes in the building envelope

cause most older homes to lose their entire volume of indoor air every 30 to 60 minutes.

Start with windows and doors. A 1/16-inch crack around an exterior door frame is equal to a hole the size of your fist, and that costs money. Self-adhesive plastic V-strips available at hardware stores are ideal for sealing the track where a double-hung window travels up and down, as well as on top and bottom. These, or foam gaskets, are ideal for weather-stripping around exterior doors.

Don't forget to inspect windows and vents in an attic, cellar, or crawl space.

Next, look for cracks in the building envelope—such as joints in window and door casings, where the wood may have separated from itself, or from the wall. These can readily be filled with an acrylic/latex caulk. This can be cleaned up with a wet sponge and won't require repainting the casing or wall. Some water-based caulks include silicone these days, making for greater durability.

Cracks or gaps between the house foundation and sill also can be plugged with caulk. If the gaps are too wide for caulk, try pressing strips of fiberglass insulation into them. Another great solution for even larger gaps and holes is foam insulation that comes in a can and is sold at most hardware stores. This can be messy stuff to clean up, however, so use it only where you won't have to look at it.

In stone foundations, it works wonderfully between rocks where mortar might have fallen out with age.

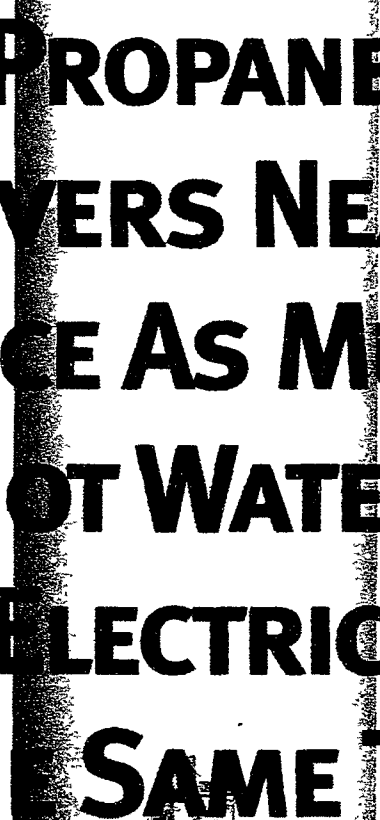
Storm windows are also a wise investment, both for summer and winter. A single pane of glass has virtually no insulating value, whereas the dead air trapped between two panes cuts heat transfer considerably.

Speaking of insulation, check in the attic or cellar to be sure your insulation there completely fills the space between joists. If not, add some. All the insulation in the world does little good if heat or cold can simply bypass it.

Look on all this work as an investment, not an expense, because it will repay you year after year without you lifting a finger.

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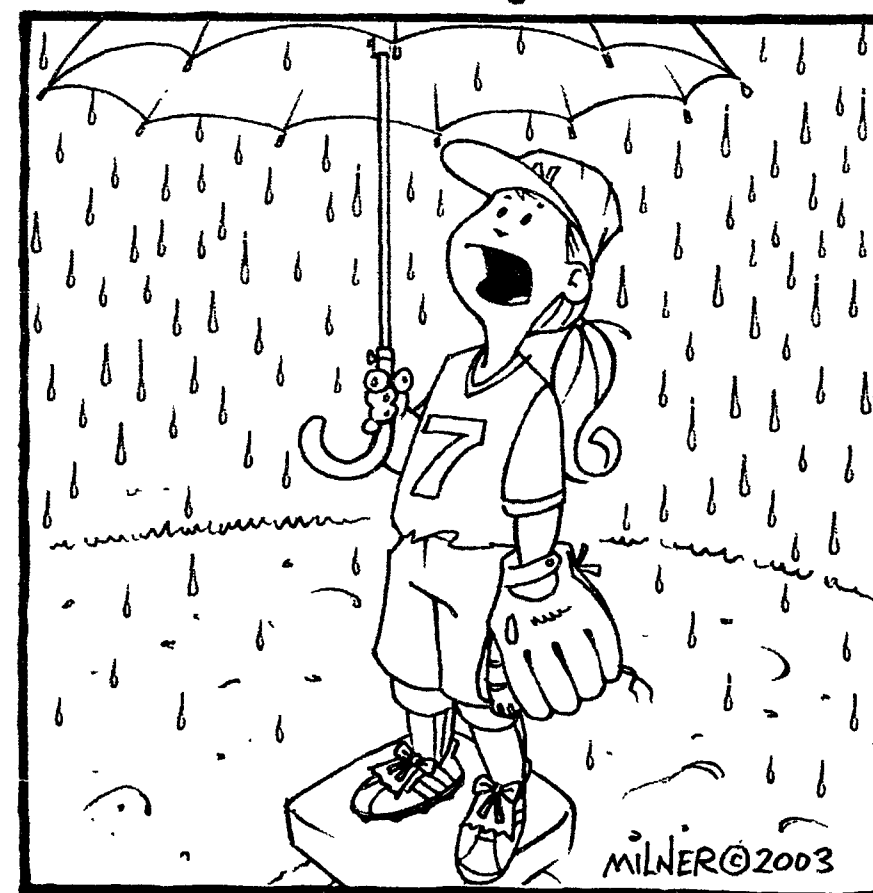
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INDIANA

Great Lynn Community Days Festival—Lynn, May 16-18. Truck and antique car shows, crafts, a town yard sale, live entertainment, and a fish and tenderloin fry highlight this event. (765) 874-1625.

IOWA

Narrows River Day Cruise—Council Bluffs, May 17. Celebrate the natural and cultural history of the Missouri River on a two-hour trip aboard the *River City Star*. The tour begins at Narrows River Park. (712) 328-5638.

KANSAS

Rock Swap—Ellinwood, May 16-18. Rock hounds gather to swap and sell rocks, gems, minerals, and jewelry during this 30th annual event, which also includes entertainment, an auction, and potluck supper, at City Park. (620) 564-2364.

MICHIGAN

Northwestern Michigan College Barbecue—Traverse City, May 18. Billed as the state's biggest barbecue, this 48th annual event features buffalo burgers, potato salad, baked beans, and coleslaw served on the main campus at East Front Street. (231) 995-1000.

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MISSOURI

Fine Art Fair and Wine Fest—Washington, May 16-18. In its 22nd year, this festival features local and out-of-state artists showing their works and local wineries offering samples of their products on the riverfront. (888) 792-7466.

NEBRASKA

Native American Music Festival—Bellevue, May 16-17. Watch American Indian dancers and musicians perform in outdoor concerts at the Fontenelle Nature Association's Camp Brewster. (402) 731-3140.

NORTH DAKOTA

Syttende Mai Festival—Valley City, May 17. Celebrate the town's Norwegian heritage with historical displays, ethnic music, and Scandinavian-style food at the Barnes County Historical Museum. (701) 845-0966.

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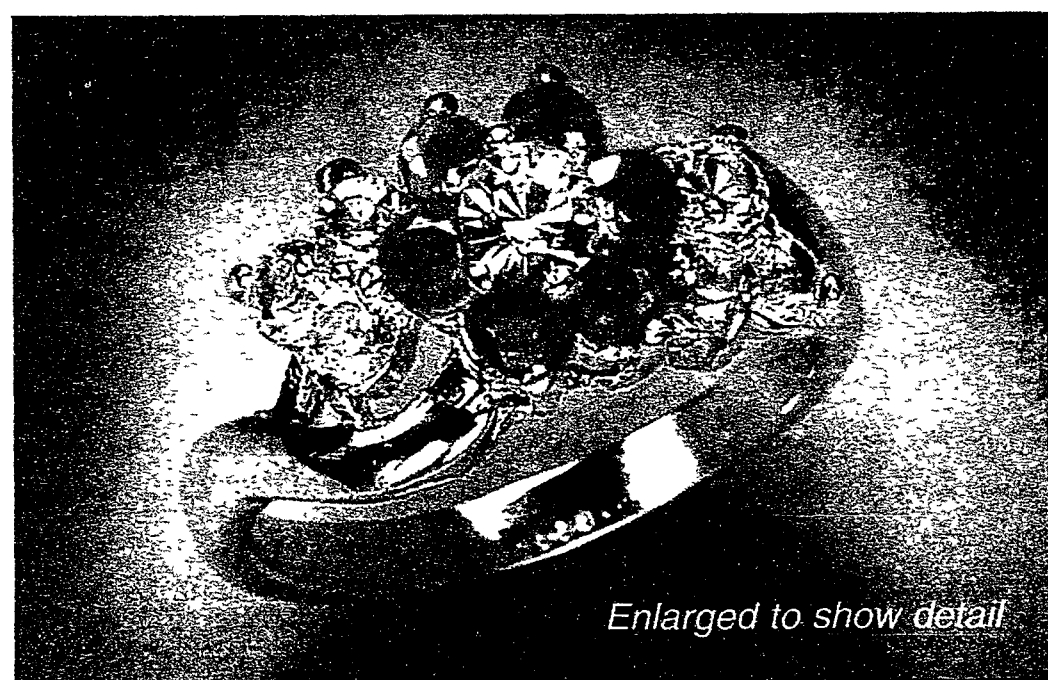
Dulcimer Days—Coshocton, May 16-18. The Mid-Eastern Regional Dulcimer Championships, workshops, concerts, and musical instrument exhibits highlight this event at Roscoe Village and Lake Park Pavilion. (800) 877-1830.

SOUTH DAKOTA

State Parks Open House Weekend—Statewide, May 16-18. Features free entrance to all parks and free fishing, plus other special activities such as car shows, family games, and guided tours at individual parks. (605) 773-3391.

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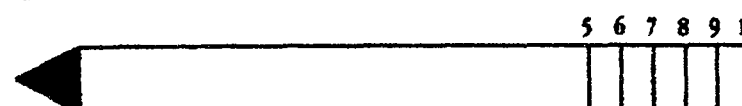
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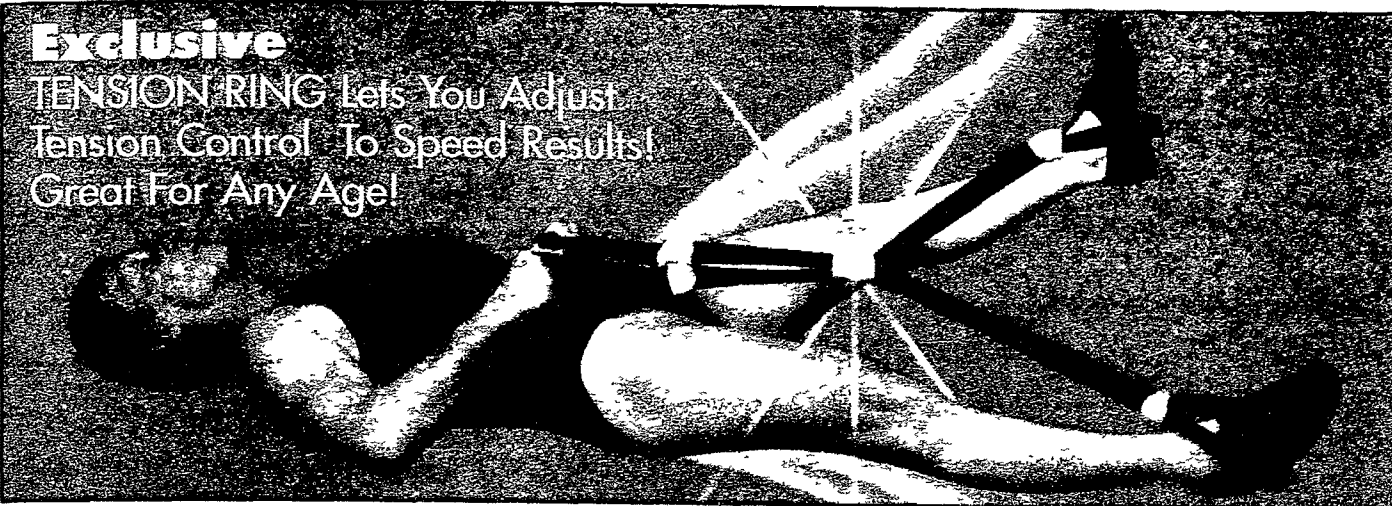
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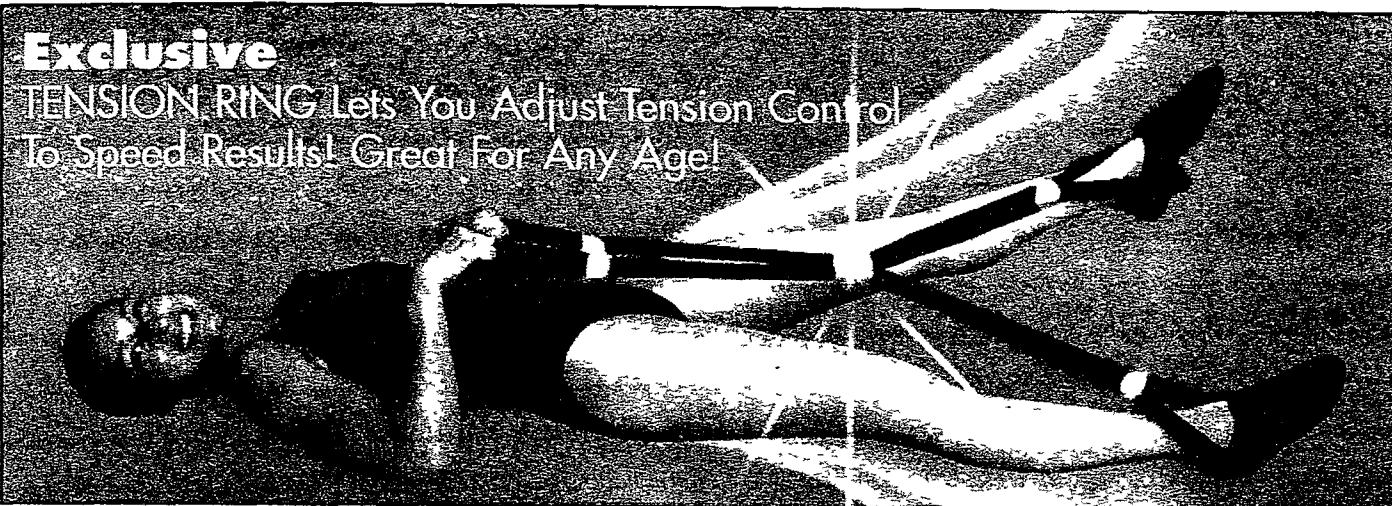
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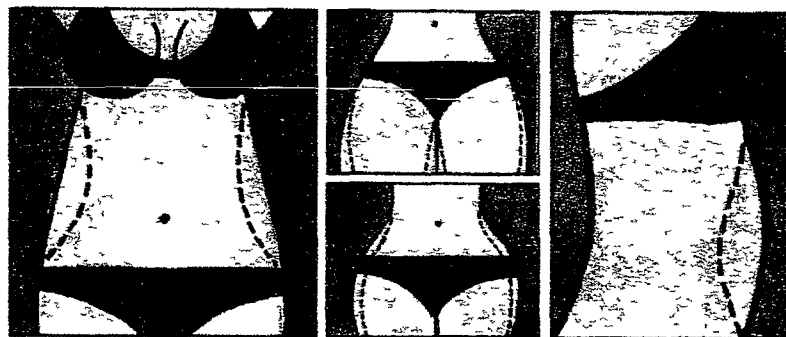


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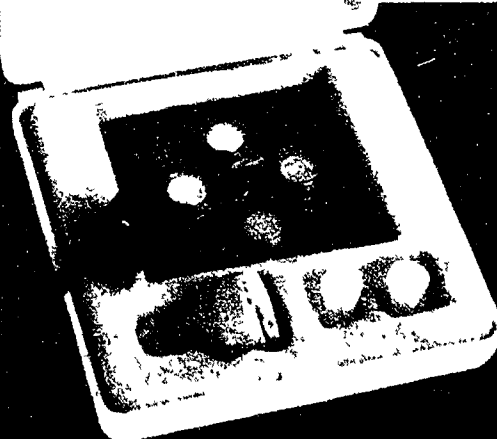
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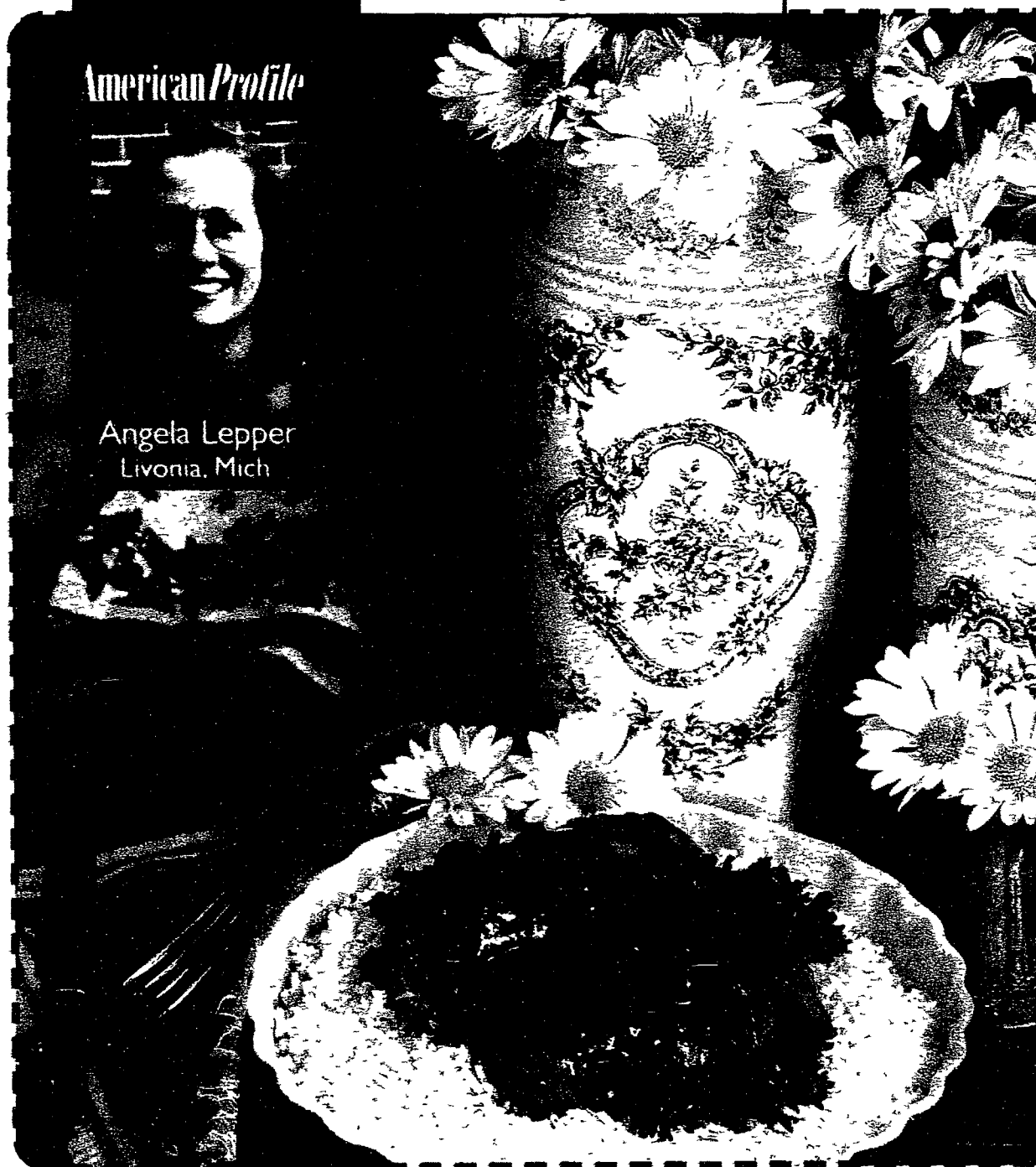
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RECIPE: Cranberry Chicken

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Angela Lepper
Livonia, Mich



- 4 medium chicken breast halves (skinless, boneless)
- 1 16-oz. can whole berry cranberry sauce
- 8 oz. Catalina dressing
- 1 packet dry onion soup mix

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray cooking spray in a 9-by-13-inch glass baking dish. Place raw chicken in pan, and set aside. Mix remaining ingredients in medium bowl. Pour over chicken, and bake for one hour.

Tips From Our Test Kitchen:

This sauce is so tasty it would go great with chicken tenders to distribute the flavor more fully, and also would be good for pork tenderloins. Try marinating the meat for an hour to strengthen the sauce's flavor.

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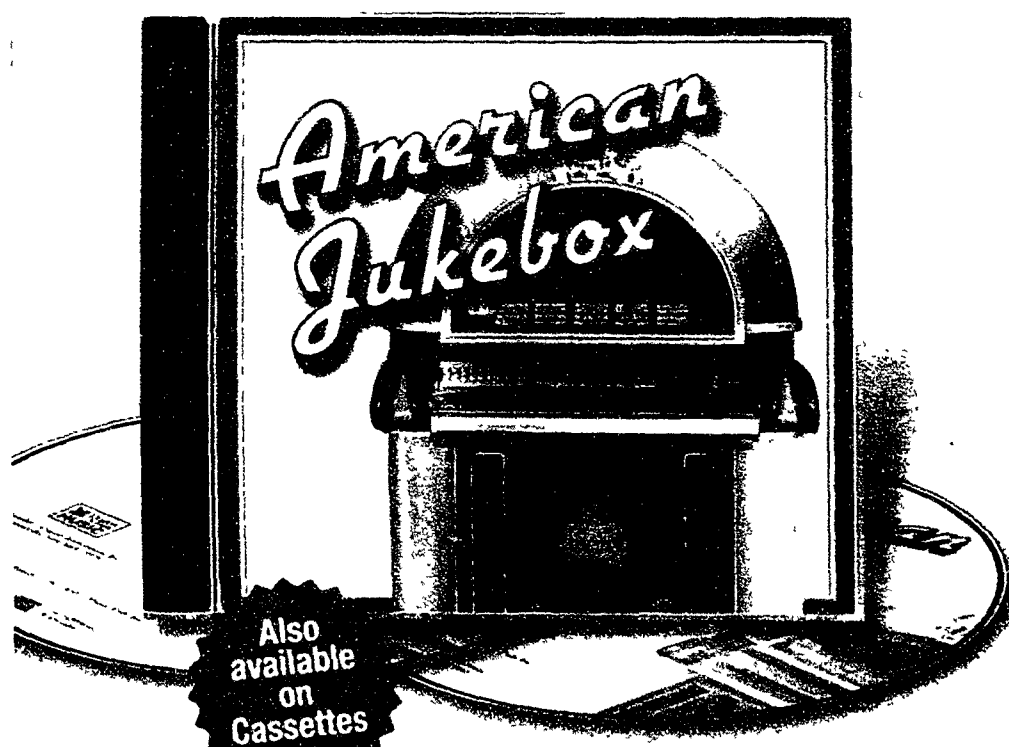
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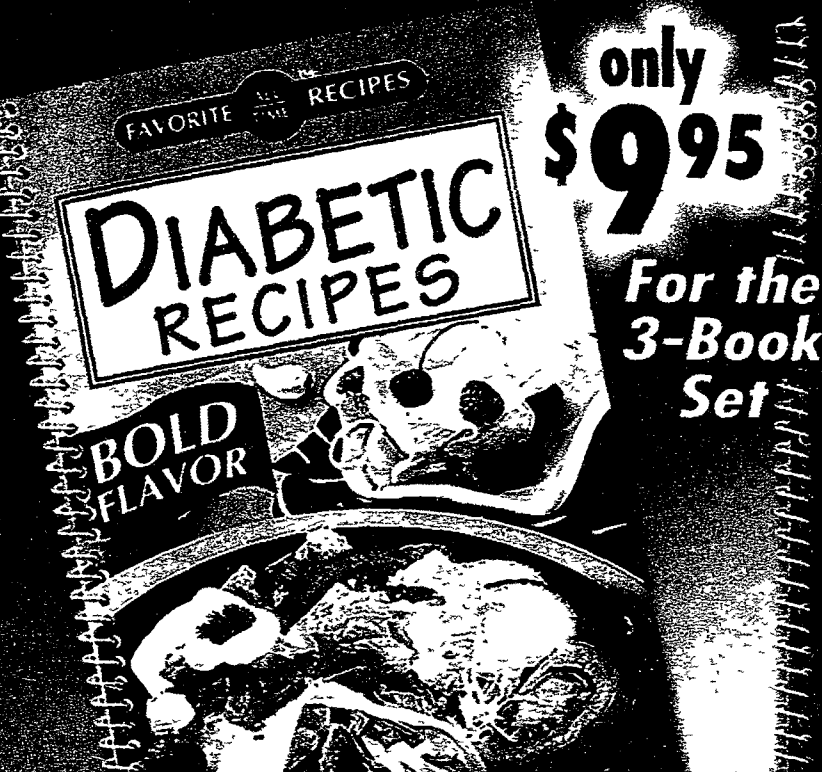
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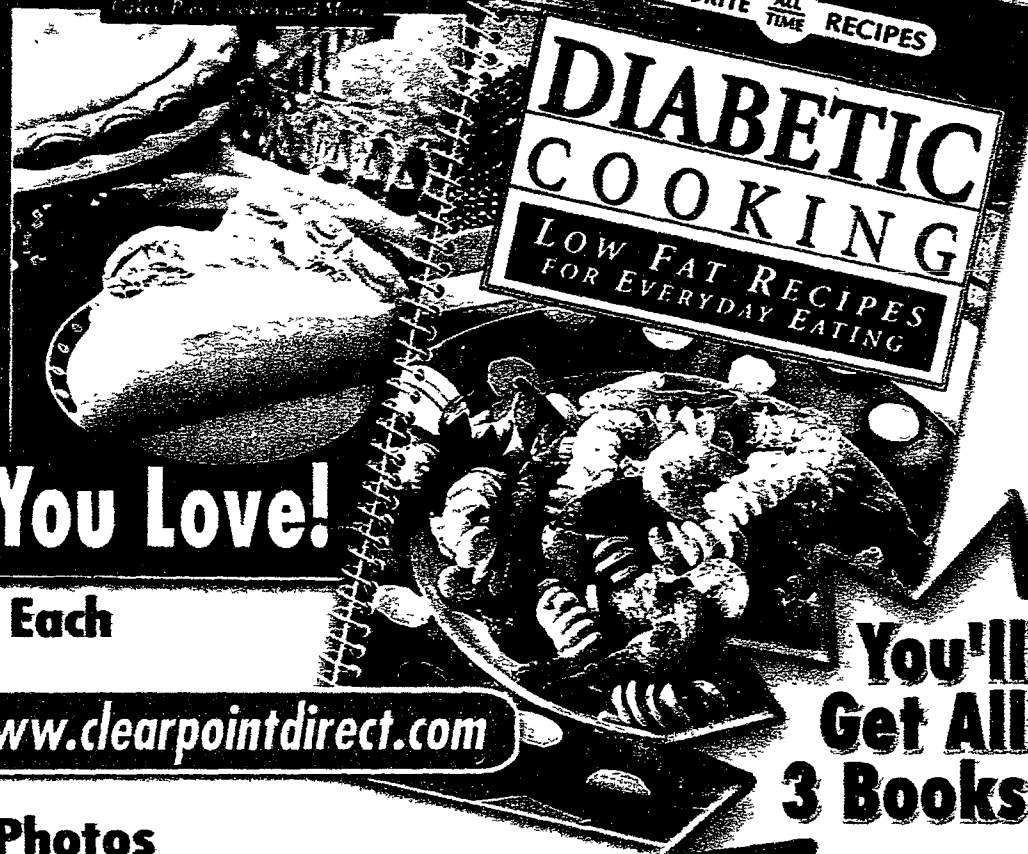


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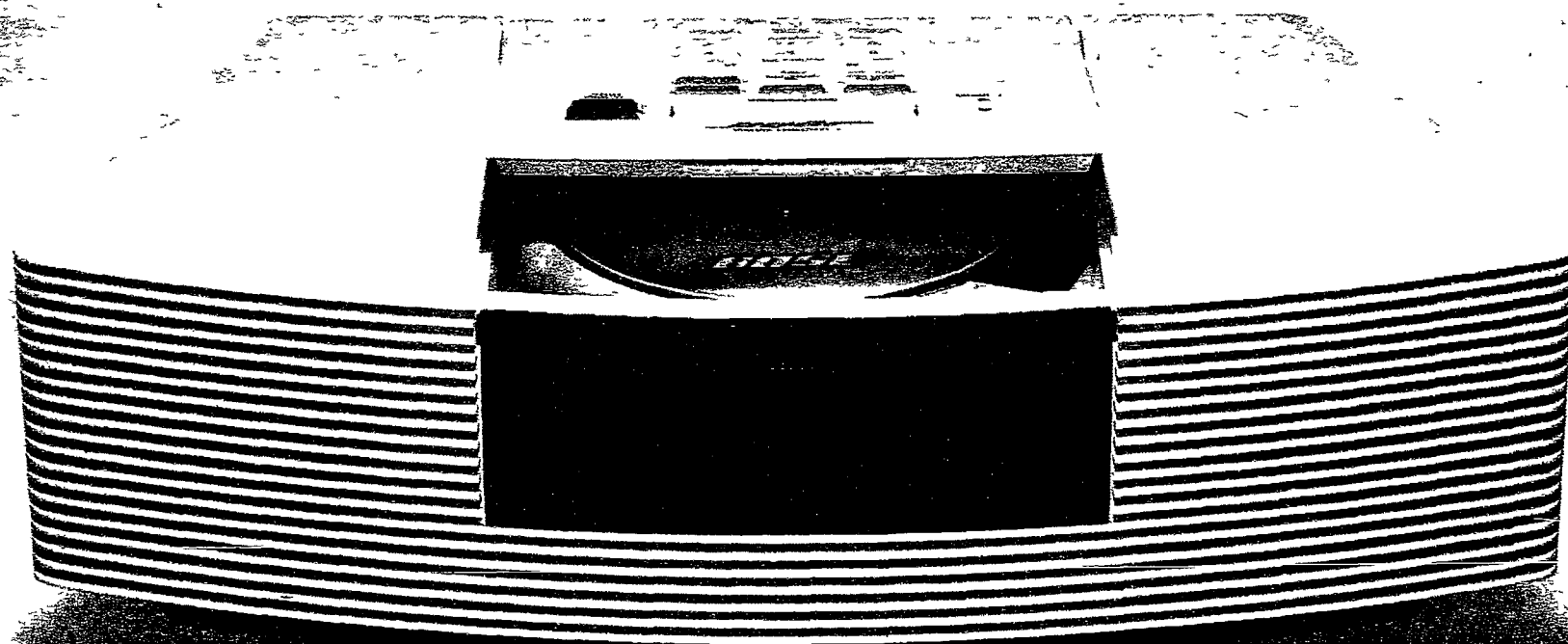
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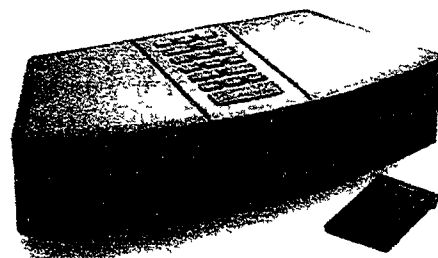
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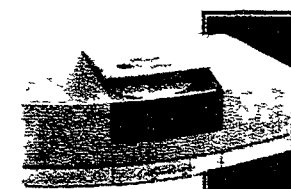


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