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Bowled over

Northville area eyed as key attraction by Super Bowl XL committee

GAME ON!

- **WHAT:** Super Bowl XL
- **WHEN:** Feb. 5, 2006
- **WHERE:** Ford Field / Detroit
- **PREPARATIONS:** A 38-member team is visiting other Super Bowl host towns, as well as metro Detroit communities.

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

It's still more than 2½ years before the Super Bowl kicks off at Detroit's Ford Field and already area businesses are jockeying for their slice of the \$372 million pie.

Wayne County Commissioner Lyn Banks is expected to take

the Detroit Super Bowl XL Host Committee and its executive director Susan Sherer on a tour of Northville, Plymouth and Livonia May 16.

Banks said she and committee members will meet at the Wayne County Central Parks Office at Farmington Road and Ann Arbor Trail at 10 a.m. From there they'll go to Plymouth to

meet with Plymouth Chamber of Commerce director Fran Toney.

At 1 p.m. the committee is slated to meet with Northville Chamber of Commerce executive director Laurie Marrs and wrap up the day at 3 p.m. with Livonia chamber executive director Wes Graff, who was on with

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NPH up for sale by state

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Down from the Michigan State Police post, across from Rocky's, on the south side of Seven Mile Road, the familiar landmark Northville motorists that have passed for three generations soon will be gone.

The state today is posting the Northville Psychiatric Hospital property on its website with a for-sale-to-the-highest-bidder label on it. Officials are looking for a minimum price of \$65 million to \$69 million for the approximate 420-acre site, and they have a list of potential buyers.

The state Department of Community Health in November announced the close of the facility. The state Department of Management and Budget last week announced an aggressive timetable that would put the property in the hands of a purchaser by mid-September.

"Once the sale is announced, I'm sure there will be a groundswell of inquiries to the planning department," said Northville Township manager Chip Snider. "We are readying our staff to meet those demands."

Many developers have contacted the state, expressing an interest in purchasing the site, according to state Senator Bruce Patterson, R-Canton. A range exists in the amount of the minimum bid because there are environmental costs that may come off the top, he explained.

The senator and representatives from the state budget office met Monday with Northville Township officials to keep the locals in the loop.

"It was very satisfying," Snider said. "They are offering us an opportunity to participate in the process. Likely we'll take advantage of that."

One condition of the township at the table is a commitment that the municipality not be a bidder for the property, Snider said. The board did not direct him to pursue purchasing the parcel, he said.

The state-owned hospital site, west of Haggerty Road toward the southeast corner of the township, is a desirable piece of property, Snider said. He said the minimum bid price the state set came as no surprise.

"When you get back there, it's hilly," he said. "It's a beautiful piece of property."

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All smiles



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Maggie Steenburg leans of the arm of her date Chris Bernardo before the start of Northville's senior prom last Friday night. More photos of the prom appear on page 2A.

Drink up: Specialty water store open

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

Arlen Ingram doesn't sound like a septuagenarian, and the Northville businessman attributes that to a machine about the size of two loaves of bread.

Ingram opened H2O Express at 42991 Seven Mile Road to tout the benefits of what he calls "alkaline-restructured water." According to Ingram, from the food we eat to the water we drink, most Americans are consuming too much acid. "That's why we get sick," he declared.

Ingram first went to work in his parent's tool shop at 15, went on to make a fortune developing and decorative crushed stone industry; and then hit hard financial times in a condo project at the beginning of the first Gulf



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

H2O Express' Arlen Ingram explains the water-separation machine "The Alkalizer" at his 42991 Seven Mile Road shop last Friday. The Alkalizer separates water into more acidic (white plastic hose) and more alkaline (metal hose) for household consumption.

War. About five years ago he got involved in the water business — first in intravenous solutions and then with filtering equipment for catfish farms in Texas.

A little over a year ago he accepted a friend's invitation to a start-up meeting for a multi-level vitamin company in Grand Rapids. At the presentation he saw a new machine from Japan

sold in the United States as the Alkalizer. After the presentation, said Ingram, the man with the machine convinced him that if he drank the water it produced, he wouldn't need the vitamins.

The idea behind that, said Ingram, is that the human body is 80 percent water and that the flu-

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ZF shifts into second gear

■ Transmission supplier starts big expansion

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

Chill winds, gray skies and splashes of rain kept ZF executives from pushing their chrome-plated shovels into the carefully manicured turf outside their North American Technical Center on Monday, but it did nothing to dampen the German auto parts manufacturer's enthusiasm over its expansion plans for North America.

The company, which got its start transmissions for the Zeppelin airship in 1915, opened its doors in metro Detroit for the first time in the early 1980s with three people in Farmington. A decade later it was in larger quarters on Beck Road in Northville

"This is the most competitive automotive market in the world."

Bernd Habersack
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Township. The company moved again to a building on Sheldon Road before finally settling into a brand new building on Centennial Drive off Five Mile Road between Sheldon and Beck Roads three years ago.

Since the initial announcement of the Centennial Drive facility's expansion, plans have grown from 137,000 to 148,000 square feet and Julio Caspari, president

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The BIG Night

Northville High School's Senior Prom 2003

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Dressed in their finest, Northville High School students headed to Dearborn's Hyatt Regency May 9, for an evening of prom frills and festivities.

Prior to the event, Lindsay Schultz, a prom co-chair and NHS math teacher, said students were abuzz with anticipation.

"I think it's something they're looking forward to," said Schultz. "Obviously, they're going to have a good time. It's all they've been talking about all week. The girls are looking forward to having their nails done and their hair done. They're planning their limo rides."

Schultz sponsored the event with the help of Michele Mikonczyk, another NHS math teacher, and said the chosen prom song was "Wonderful Tonight" by Eric Clapton.

Plenty of prom preparation and planning preceded the gala event.

Schultz said the senior class has done fundraisers for the past three years through gift certificate sales.

"They actually had a lot of money for prom," she said.

Salutations in downtown Northville assisted with the invitations, memory books and helped with the decorations.

Prom tickets were \$60 a couple, if purchased early.

Schultz said the event was open to seniors, who were allowed to bring guests from other grade levels or schools. All prom participants were required to sign a contract, indicating their willingness to follow student conduct standards.

In addition, Schultz said a parent reception was available prior to the students' dinner. But it may have been hard to tell

"I think it's something they're looking forward to...it's just as exciting for [parents] as it is for students."

Lindsay Schultz
Northville High School

who was having the most fun. "It's just as exciting for [parents] as it is for students," she said.

This year's senior class officers included Greg Johnson, president; Bethany Sprader, vice-president; Ashleigh Doinidis, secretary and Pete Kelley, treasurer. Jen Larson and Matt Cornelius serve as class historians.

Following the conclusion of the annual event, Schultz said one of the evening's highlights for teachers and chaperones was witnessing the students arrive in limousines and festive attire.

"It went very well," said Schultz. "The students for the most part enjoyed the food and the deejay. I've had mostly positive comments."

This year's prom menu featured a choice of filet mignon, chicken piccata, peppered salmon or a vegetarian lasagna. The selected colors for the event were gold and silver.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville High School students Sara Atkins and Rachel Martin dance at Friday night's senior prom.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville High School students register for their table assignments at last Friday night's prom at the Dearborn Hyatt hotel.

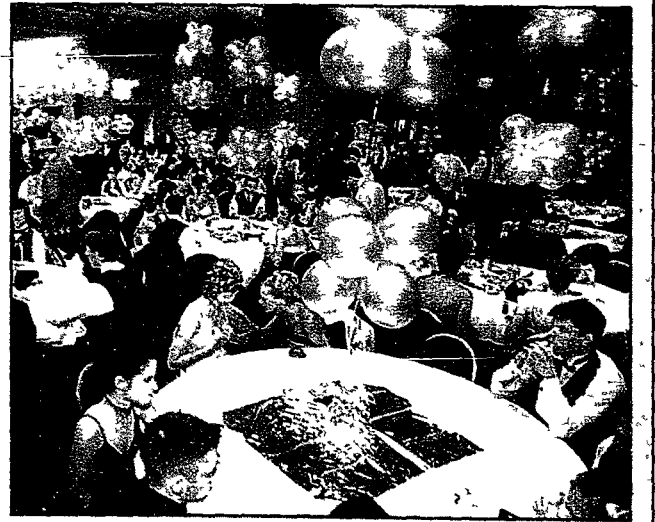


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville High School prom goers prepare to enjoy their meal last Friday night at the Dearborn Hyatt.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Roger Garfield, center, dances with a couple of friends at Friday night's Northville High School senior prom at the Dearborn Hyatt hotel.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Stacey Taylor gets ready for Friday night's prom at the Dearborn Hyatt hotel.

Specialty H2O now available in Northville

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fluids inside human cells are positively charged acids. He maintains that nutrients carried by a negatively charged alkaline water will actually be driven into the cells.

"Negatives and positives attract and two positives repel," he said, adding that the Alkalizer "restructures" water into smaller groups of molecules that make it easier for it to pass through the cell wall.

According to Ingram, most water around the country used to have a pH of about seven, which about the same as human blood. However, with the advent of the large scale consumption of fossil fuels, "water slid to four or five nationwide."

He said currently there are only three high pH bottled waters sold in the U.S. — Essential from Arizona and Trinity and Aquarush from Iowa. However those products cost \$2 a liter, while his is \$2 a gallon.

Ingram said people can come to the H2O Express bottle in Northville for water bottled to order at any pH they want or they can purchase an Alkalizer for \$1,200.

Along with filtering the water, said the Alkalizer treats the

water with ultra-violet light and ozone, which creates a "ionized water, a structured water that's very smooth and hydrating," said Ingram. He said that one of the first thing's people notice about "structured water" is that since it's more readily absorbed by the body, people drink more and use the bathroom less.

Ingram said a side benefit to the Alkalizer is that it also produces acidic water, which Ingram said is a natural antiseptic. He said the Japanese use water with a pH below three to sterilize surgical instruments. This, he said, means acid water is perfect for washing dishes and rinsing vegetables.

H2O Express is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. On Mondays and Fridays, the store reopens from 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. to offer seminars on the benefits of "structured water" as well as seminars on Dr. Matthias Rath's Inc.'s line of vitamins, which the German company claims helps in the treatment of cancer and heart disease. For more information, call (248) 374-9477.

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MILL RACE MATTERS

May 15	9 am - 1 pm 9:15 am - 3 pm 11:30 am - 6:15 pm 4 pm - 5 pm 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Archives Open to the Public School tour Kodak Film Workshop Rehearsal Church Northville Historical Society Board Meeting	Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Church, Cady, Smithy, School
May 16	9 am - 1 pm 10 am - 11 am 10 am - 1:30 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm 6 pm - 8 pm	Archives Open to the Public Private Tour School Tour Rehearsal Rehearsal	Cady Inn Buildings & Grounds Wash-Oak School Church Church
May 17	10:30 am - 12:30 1 pm - 3 pm 3:15 - 5:15 starting at 5:30 pm	Wedding Wedding Wedding Relay for Life	Church Church Church Parking Lot
May 18	ending at 10 am 10 am - 2 pm 1 pm - 4 pm 2 pm - 4 pm 4 pm - 5:30 pm	Relay for Life Mill Creek Community Church Private Tour Heirloom Rug Hookers Wedding Venture Scout Crew #8	Parking Lot Church Buildings & Grounds Cady Inn & Cottage Church Cady Inn
May 19	9 am - 3 am 2 pm - 5:30 pm 6:30 pm - 9 pm	School tour Daisy Scout Bridging Lion's Club	Wash-Oak School Cady Inn & Bridge Cady Inn
May 20	9 am - noon 9:15 am - 1:15 pm 6:30 pm - 9 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Stone Gang School Tour Cub Scout Bridging Ceremony Weavers Guild Meeting	Village & Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Cady Inn & Bridge Cottage
May 21	9:15 am - 1:15 pm 7 pm - 9 pm	School Tour Mill Creek Community Church Prayer Service	Wash-Oak School Church
May 22	9 am - 1 pm 9:15 am - 1:15 pm 3:45 pm - 5:30 pm	Archives Open to the Public School Tour Brownie Scout Bridging Ceremony	Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Cady Inn & Bridge

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.

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NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

CEREBRAL PALSY WRITING CONTEST

United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan sponsored a writing contest in which sixth and seventh graders at Hillside Middle School participated. Students in classes of Donna Hicks, Linda Stein and Pat Stebbins wrote about how "we're more alike than different" based on their experiences with the Building Bridges program.

The Hillside School community is enriched and enhanced when these students work together with the former Old Village students in Mary McKay's and Dave Bartlett's classes. All students who entered the contest were recognized with certificates from United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan.

One student, Haley Johnston, received an honorable mention notice for her composition. Her writing explained her insights about her learning community that includes her schoolmates with disabilities.

The Northville Police Department has received a donation of \$250 from the Northville Chamber of Commerce for the department's Drug Abuse Resistance Education program. The funds will be used to provide materials to the students.

CANDIDATES FORUM

The Legislative Action Network of the Northville Council of PTAs is hosting a Candidates Forum on May 20 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Forum Room at Northville High School.

Voters will have the opportunity to meet the candidates running for the Northville Board of Education and hear their perspectives on the issues facing public education.

For more information, contact Jane Reitman at (248) 596-9067 or Barbara Moroski-Browne at (734) 420-0466.

parent workshop on toilet training children with special needs May 10 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Krista Kennedy from Behavioral Building Blocks, P.C., will be presenting. Kennedy has a master's degree in clinical behavioral psychology from Eastern Michigan University. She has extensive experience and success assessing, developing, implementing and monitoring in-home toilet training program for students with special needs.

Call (248) 344-8489 by May 8 to reserve your spot. Lunch will be provided.

OVS ANNUAL PICNIC

The annual family picnic is scheduled to take place June 4 at the Walnut Shelter at Maybury Park. Families are invited to join their Old Village student at the picnic.

Contact the school office at (248) 344-8460 if you plan to attend.

place May 21 at Hillside Middle School. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. This will be a combined grade level concert for students in grades 6, 7, and 8. This year's concert will be hosted in the gym.

GOLF OUTING

The fourth annual golf outing, geared to benefit Old Village and Cooke Schools, is scheduled for Sept. 27. Golfers, hole sponsors and prizes are needed. Those interested in participating should call (248) 344-8460.

UPCOMING OLV ASSEMBLIES

Jerry Jacoby, from Lifesong Entertainment, Inc. will perform two programs for Our Lady of Victory 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.

The staff of the Record will make each selection. The winning teacher will be featured in the Record on the second Thursday of the month.

ALL NIGHT PARTY

Tickets to Northville High School's 2003 Senior All Night Party are on sale. 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.

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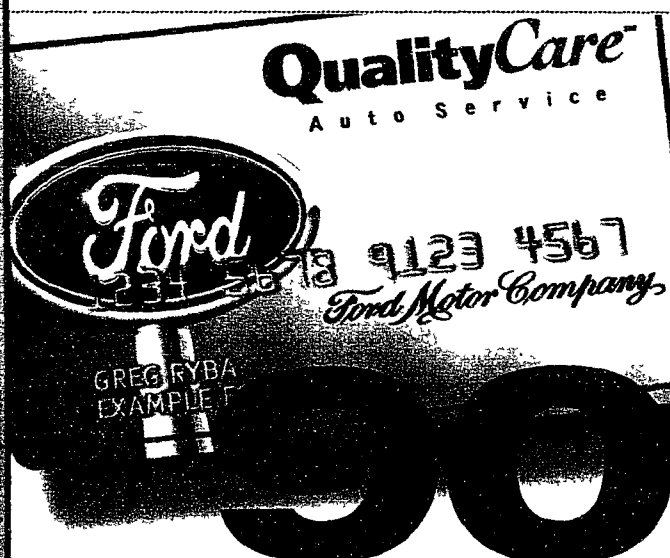
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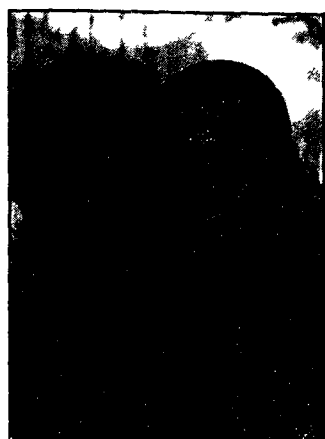


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Casinelli-Linker

Mr. and Mrs. Hank Casinelli announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Bardoni, to Michael Linker, son of Lois and George Linker of Northville.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Northville High School and a 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan. She is employed by Stevenson High School in Livonia. The groom-elect is a 1998 graduate of Northville High School and a 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan. He is enrolled in U-M's architectural master's degree program.

A July 26 wedding is planned.



Shah-Schultz

Mr. and Mrs. Navnit Shah of Northville and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Schultz of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Precious Shah and Alan Schultz.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Northville High School and a 2003 graduate of Northwestern University. The groom-elect is a 2003 graduate of Northwestern University.

An Aug. 2 wedding is planned.

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LIBRARY HOURS

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BETWEEN THE LINES

Join us for this lively evening book discussion group, which meets second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. On June 9, we will discuss the non-fiction work "Seabiscuit: An American legend" by Laura Hillenbrand. This best-seller describes the life and times of the race horse who, at the height of his fame in the 1930s, garnered more column inches in the newspaper than Roosevelt or Hitler.

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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.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

• THIS WEEK •

Collection of worn American flags for Girl Scout Silver Award project

DATE: Ongoing through June 12
LOCATION: Northville Hall (215 W. Main Street) / Community Federal Credit Union (400 E. Main Street)
TIME: Call for info
DETAILS: The flags are being collected for a local Girl Scout's Silver Award project. The Silver Award is the second-highest honor able to be earned in Girl Scouts.
PHONE: (248) 344-4635

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

Education seminars for off-leash dog park permits

DATES: May 15
LOCATION: Rec Center at Hillside (May 8, 15); Northville Community Center (May 8, 10)
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: Attendance by a household member at an 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

Fundraiser dinner to benefit Northville High School's Class of 2005

DATE: May 15
LOCATION: Rio Bravo (19265 Victor Parkway, Livonia)
TIME: All-day event
DETAILS: Rio Bravo will make a 20 percent profit donation from patrons of the restaurant who mention they are dining on

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behalf of NHS's Class of 2005 fundraiser. Patrons are required to notify their server of their purpose in order for money to be contributed. Proceeds go toward covering the cost of various high school events for the Class of 2005.
PHONE: (248) 347-3534

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

Northville Parks and Recreation badminton tourna-

ment

DATE: May 16-18
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside (700 W. Baseline Road)
TIME: Call for info
DETAILS: The event is open to both participants and spectators. Entries for participation must be postmarked no later than May 9.
PHONE: (248) 349-0203

Parking lot benefit garage sale

DATE: May 17
LOCATION: Coldwell Banker Schweitzer (41860 Six Mile Road)
TIME: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
DETAILS: Call for info
PHONE: (248) 347-3050

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 / E-MAIL: (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

Sarah Ann Cochrane Northville Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meeting

DATE: May 19
LOCATION: Call for info
TIME: Noon
DETAILS: Call for info
PHONE: (734) 455-2864

• COMING UP •

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

SKRUFF (Suburban Kids Rockin' Under Ford Field)

DATE: May 31
LOCATION: Ford Field (Griswold / Hutton streets)
TIME: 5 p.m. - 10 p.m.
DETAILS: Five local bands from Novi and Northville (Shadowbox, Desktop Heroes, Redd Walther, The Same Fate, Tony Flow) will be performing. Admission is \$5
PHONE: (248) 349-0203, ext. 1411

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.
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Open and Clothed owner Karen Slack, right, and employee Nancy Flanagan show off some of their colorful wares last Monday morning. Open and Clothed has been in business at 120 North Center in Northville since February.

Open and Clothed is now, well...open

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

What started as some jackets and sweaters in the corner of Karen Slack's Northville home decor and gift store, Traditions, has bloomed into a store of its own.

Slack opened Open & Clothed at 120 North Center Street in February and so far, she said, the 1,000 square foot shop is doing pretty good.

"It's something I've always had in the back of my mind, she said, "I decide try it out and dedicated a few square feet to clothing" in Traditions a few years ago to test out market."

Eventually the clothing line expanded to the point it was

crowding Traditions' core products and this winter Slack decided to expand across the street to the Old Church Square.

She said she chose the name because she thought "it would be just hilarious to answer the phone that way." Slack said she wanted a playful store for women 30-50 looking for casual clothes for anything from a weekend party to puttering around the garden.

Her clothing lines include April Cornell, Basic Threads, Putamayo, Icelandic Designs, Marisa Christina, Rico Sweaters and Treska Jewelry. Depending on the season, she said the store will carry between 300 and 500 items at any time.

The store's hours are 10 a.m.

to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and as least for the moment "Sundays' by chance," said Slack, although she hopes to open at noon on Sundays once summer business picks up.

She said the store offers gift certificates and accepts Master Card, Visa, Discover and American Express. Slack said the store will have seven to eight employees, depending on seasonal requirements, led by manager JoAnne Molin.

Phil Foley is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 108 or at pfoley@ht.homecomm.net.

COMMUNITY EVENTS (CONT'D)

Continued from 6

meeting

DATE: June 3

LOCATION: Maybury State Park classroom building (located off Eight Mile Road)

TIME: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

DETAILS: General membership meeting to plan interpretive programs for the balance of the year. The public is welcome.

PHONE: (248) 347-0899

Northville High School

Class of 1993 reunion

DATE: June 7

LOCATION: Northville Hills Golf Club (15565 Bay Hill Drive)

TIME: Call for info

DETAILS: Daily events will include a golf tournament at an area course.

PHONE / E-MAIL: (734) 525-4589 / cyndichevitz@msn.com

Mill Race Village buildings summer opening

DATE: Begins June 8

LOCATION: Mill Race Village (west of Griswold, north of Main Street)

TIME: Every Sunday, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

DETAILS: All village buildings will be open with docents on hand to provide a small, free tour of each building.

PHONE: (248) 348-1845

Auditions for "The Diary of Anne Frank"

DATE: June 10

LOCATION: St. Kenneth Church Social Hall (14951 Haggerty Road, Plymouth)

TIME: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

DETAILS: Performance dates are Sept. 12-14 and 19-21.

PHONE: (734) 420-0288

Northville Parks & Recreation

motor coach trip to Cedar Point

DATE: June 13

LOCATION: Meet at Recreation Center at Hillside (700 W. Baseline

Road)

TIME: Buses will pick up riders at 7 a.m., return at midnight

DETAILS: Fees are determined by residency of participants. The trip is for middle school-age students and up. Complimentary tickets will be provided to all adult chaperones. Students will not be under constant supervision while at the park.

PHONE: (248) 349-0203

Wynton Marsalis / Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra benefit performance

DATE: June 18

LOCATION: Novi High School Fuerst Auditorium

TIME: 7:30 p.m. / 9:30 p.m.

DETAILS: Tickets are \$35, \$40 and \$50. Proceeds benefit Novi Rotarian charities, which will help search for a cure for polio.

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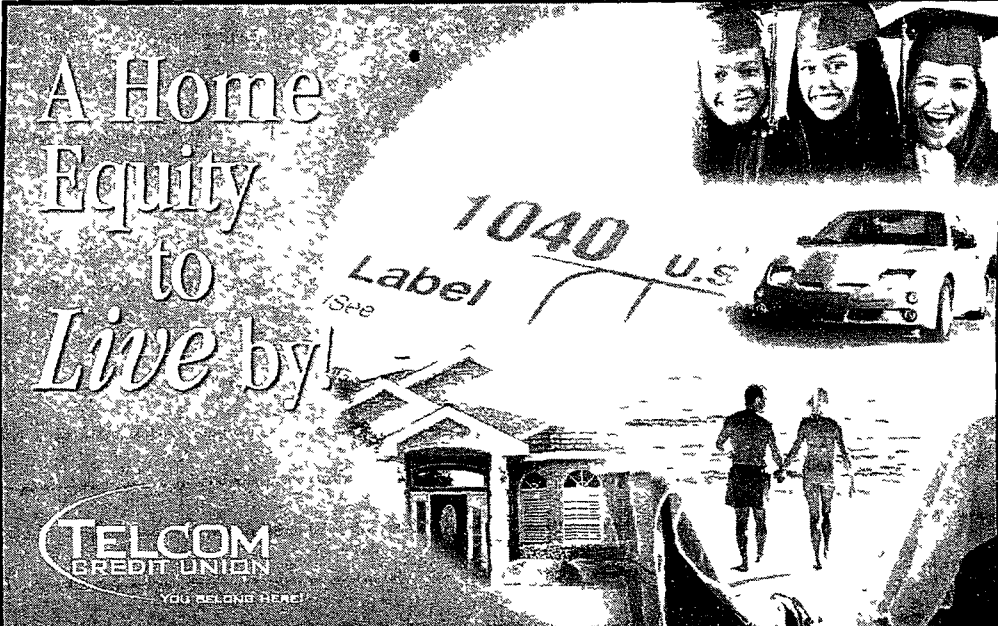
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Moak returns from Livonia for twp. job

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

In the next couple of weeks, Jen Moak will likely help handle phone calls from developers inquiring about property just listed for sale in Northville Township.

The deputy clerk-in-training will know how to handle it. The newest staff member at the township hall brings to her position a career of experience from the Livonia clerk's office as well as a previous term in the township.

"It's good to be back," Moak said. "It's a wonderful opportunity. It's good to be working with [Northville Township clerk] Sue [Hillebrand]"

Hillebrand, the elected township clerk, these days is working side-by-side with Moak, bringing her deputy up to speed on the administrative responsibilities of the position. She succeeded in the spot Chris Devlin who left the township position in November.

"I'll do more of the management and policy part," Hillebrand said.

On the front line for resident inquiries, the clerk's office addresses topics ranging from voting issues to trash pick-up, to birth and death certificates.

"Any little question you can imagine a resident asking, they seem to call the clerk's office," Hillebrand said.

Residents who reach Moak will hear a hint of drawl remaining from her early years in Kentucky. Working with people is what she likes best about her job, she said.

"There's just nice people here to work with, as well as the residents"

Changes in the community have forced the office to refine its operation over the years and become more user-friendly, Hillebrand said.

In addition to the clerk and deputy, visitors to the department will find Diane Jefferson in an information role, as well as Debbie Kocienski as the voter registration clerk. Despite the

"There's just nice people here to work with..."

Jeri Moak

Northville Township deputy clerk

growth in the township, that is the same number of people who staffed the office as 30 years ago, Hillebrand said.

"There's your technology advancements," the clerk said, citing the benefit of their computer indexes. Throughout the township offices, the staff is in the process of converting to an electronic form of record keeping to conserve storage space.

Moak will fulfill many of the township's state-dictated duties, as well as prepare documents for board action, such as minutes, resolutions. Other duties encompass record-keeping, elections, and providing public information, such as development documents.

"I did a lot of that in Livonia," Moak said. "There's so much going on — so much growth."

The new deputy also brings 15 years familiarity as a former resident of the township. Moak started April 14 and expects her training to last six to 12 months. The mother of three is called "interim" deputy until she begins the formal clerk certification process through a Michigan State University extension program.

"We were real thrilled Jeri came forth," Hillebrand said. "We had quite a few candidates" Moak had worked for Northville Township 1988-1995 before leaving for an opening in Livonia

"If you can run an election in Livonia, you can do it anywhere," Hillebrand said. "That was a definite benefit for the township."

Maureen Johnston is a reporter for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 or mjohnton@ht homecomm.net



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New Northville Township assistant clerk Jeri Moak looks at some computer figures with Township clerk Sue Hillebrand last Friday morning.



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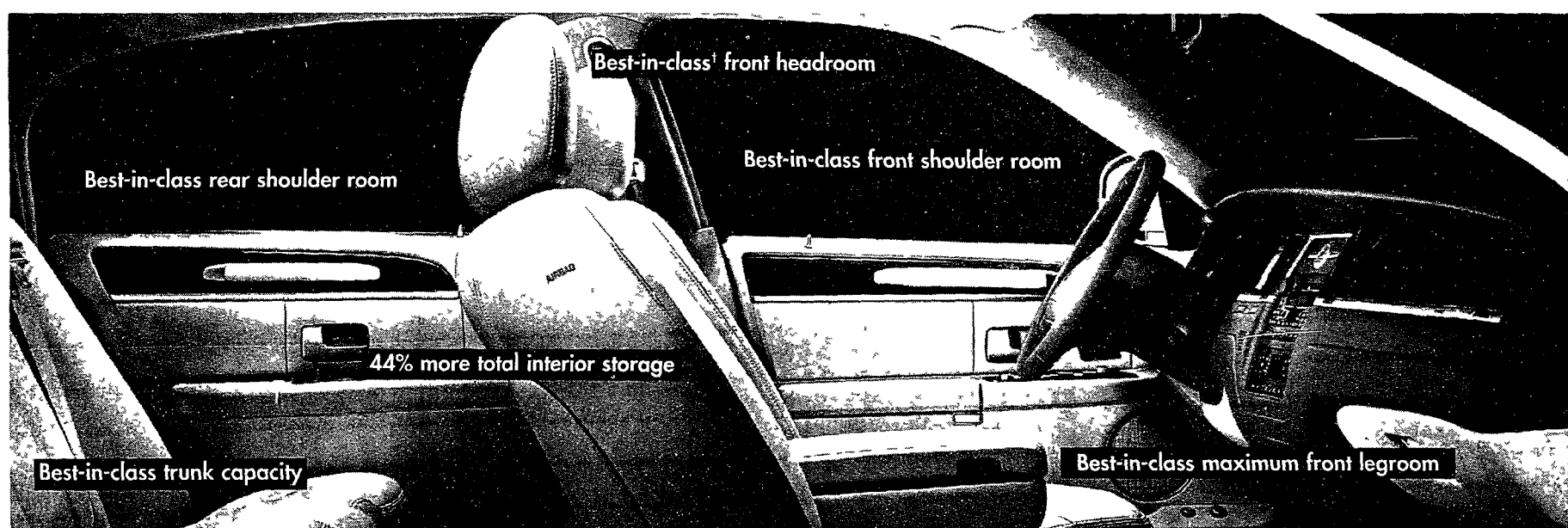
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EMU lacrosse puts on Hillside clinic

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Brett Pederson loves teaching lacrosse nearly as much as playing it.

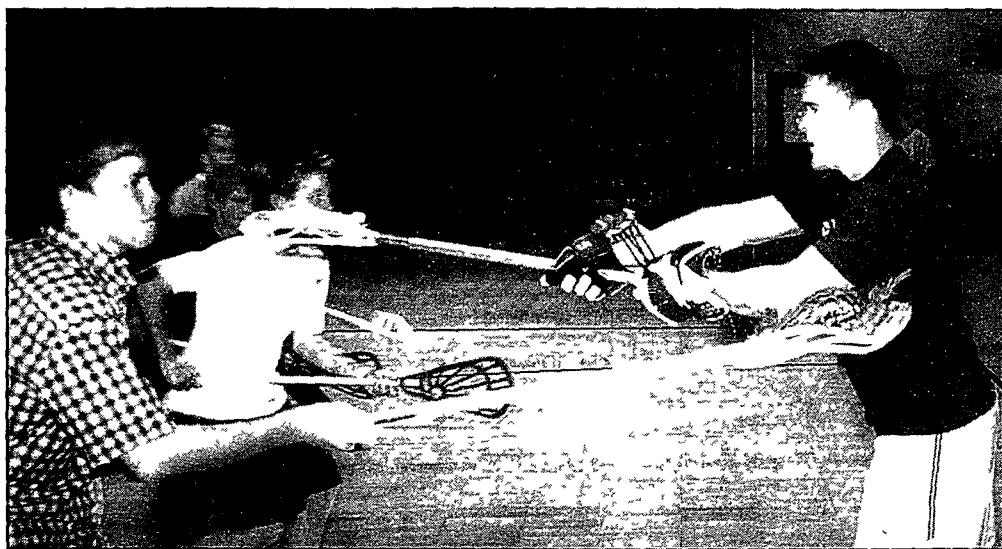
Pederson, a physical education teacher at Hillside Middle School, is in the midst of teaching a three-week unit on the sport of lacrosse. And he had a little instructional help from unlikely sources last week.

Three lacrosse players from Eastern Michigan University visited Hillside, assisting Pederson in teaching the basic fundamentals and skills of the sport to students.

Pederson, who has also played on EMU's lacrosse team, brought in three of his college teammates to help students better understand the sport and improve their athletic abilities.

"We have it in our curriculum, but it's nice to have players from the college level come over," said Pederson, adding that the sport is steadily gaining notoriety, particularly with the students.

"We're having a really positive



EMU lacrosse player Brett Pedersen runs a few agility drills with prospective Hillside Middle School students last Thursday afternoon.

response from the kids," he said. "It's such a big activity in Northville. It's really growing. The lacrosse community here is grow-

ing by leaps and bounds."

Pederson's lacrosse teammates — David Herbert, Brian Simerville and Ryan Farr — said they were

excited to share their abilities and teaching techniques with the students.

"It's been a blast," said Herbert.

"I didn't realize how fast they pick things up. It's a really fun experience."

Farr also spoke highly of the opportunity to visit Hillside Middle School and promote the sport of lacrosse.

"It's been great," he said. "It's my favorite sport. It's been a great experience."

The three lacrosse visitors from EMU offered instruction over a two-day period and appeared to be well-received by the students.

Eighth grade student, Tyler Probst, said, "All the teachers make it pretty fun. It's cool to have college people mentor us and teach us new things."

His classmate, Neal Gallagher, who has played lacrosse for three years, shared a similar opinion.

"It's really fun to play a sport in school that you play out of school," he said.

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The Eastern Michigan University Men's lacrosse team is hosting a two-day camp June 28-29 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for boys' lacrosse players who are interested in improving their skills.

The camp is divided into two groups: the middle school division and the high school division. The top players and coaches at EMU will provide instruction for all positions (attack, midfield, defense and goalie.) The cost is \$100 per camper for two days. Players must provide their own equipment.

For more information, contact Hardy Shah, camp director, at (734) 417-9360 or by e-mail at emulacrosse@yahoo.com

High school, Mother's Club pairs up to help resident

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Members of the Northville Mother's Club and Northville High School students will be rolling up their sleeves this weekend as they spruce up the grounds of an elderly Northville woman's home.

"It's a service related project," said Lisa Engles, a project co-chair and past president of the Northville Mother's Club. "We wanted to do something more service oriented."

Engles said the Mother's Club is collaborating with Northville Civic Concern and the Young Educators Society, a student group from Northville High School comprised of student mentors who counsel other students.

"Civic Concern helped us find an individual who needed help

cleaning up the outside of their home," said Engles. "We're going to be washing windows, sprucing up flower beds, raking and trimming."

The event is slated to take place May 17, with volunteers working in shifts from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Northville Civic Concern has donated funds to cover the expenses of the project, said Engles.

"Obviously, we do a lot of fundraising throughout the year and this is a way to give back to the community and involve some students at the high school," she said. "We have about 15-20 Northville Mother's Club members with their families coming and about 10 high school students."

"We want to see how this goes and hopefully we'll be doing it again. If this goes well, we could hopefully do something similar in

the fall for someone who might need it."

Engles said the recipient of the service project was identified by Northville Civic Concern.

She said extensive support has been provided by Karin Pearson, a counselor at Northville High School, and Northville Civic Concern officials.

"Everybody's been so open to the project," said Engles. "We do a lot of things throughout the year. This is something kind of different. We like when we can involve children. Showing them about service projects is a good thing."

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State park refreshed at weekend cleanup

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

People headed to Maybury State Park this week for a hike, practice or a picnic will see the park looking spiffy and feel the road a little smoother.

A dozen Friends of Maybury State Park members spent their Saturday morning on the grounds, planting flowers, painting playground equipment, and sprucing up the area by the Eight Mile entrance. A state-hired crew was scheduled mid-week to patch the pot-holed asphalt drive into the park.

The volunteers started their three-hour visit to the park with a discussion of how to carry out the group's ongoing, core mission to improve the quality of the park.

It was an inventory of sorts for the seven-year-old group in light of the state's plan to cut interpretative program funding by the summer's end. A groundswell of emotion and publicity followed the February loss of the park farm to a fire, which prompted the creation of Voices of Maybury, a spin-off of the original group.

"We support what those others are doing," McCarthy said. "If there are too many people, it gets too confusing."

As the sun poked through the morning rain clouds, the men and women gathered at picnic tables outside the farm classroom recommitted themselves to providing what they are able in educational and recreational activities. Friends' president George McCarthy will lead discussion at the next meeting on proposed interpretative programming for the remainder of the year.

The meeting is at 7 p.m. on June 3 at the park classroom, easily accessible from the Eight Mile entrance. McCarthy invited the public to bring suggestions to the meeting or e-mail him at gmcCarthy@comcast.net.

Specifically, the group leader planned to contact previous program presenters at the park to see what the non-profit group can afford to host. Friends members questioned whether parents would be willing to pay for children to attend the natural and cultural history events the state staff provided at no charge.



photo by MAUREEN JOHNSTON

Bill McKnight and Shirley Schmidt help dig out a tree near the Eight Mile entrance to Maybury State Park last weekend.

"[It's] another example of what volunteers have done to help make our park beautiful."

Roger Dyjak
Maybury State Park ranger

The annual Harvest Festival is one example of a successful past event that may now be in jeopardy. The farm horses each fall pulled a wagon-load of excited children to the pumpkin patch.

"Without the farm, maybe we'll do some kind of scaled-down Harvest Festival," McCarthy said. A decision at the June meeting would still allow pumpkin planting in time, he said.

The park was humming Saturday with the activity of a fundraising walk, individual visitors, sports practices, as well as the support-group meeting.

Park ranger Roger Dyjak said he appreciated the Friends' efforts.

"This is something that's visible," he said. "That's another example of what volunteers have done to help make our park beautiful."

"We're getting a lot of people out here this time of year for butterfly and bird watching," Dyjak said. Picnic sites and the 20 miles of trails are also a big draw, he said.

The volunteer teams planted

native flower varieties, brown-eyed susans, penstemons, flax, swamp rose, and "cone flower." They also repaired boards broken on the horseshoe pits.

Also on Saturday: The group formally amended their by-laws and elected officers. They are: McCarthy, president; Chen Pelic, vice president; Elise McGough, treasurer; Art Greenlee, secretary; and Jerry Mittman, Tom Griebel and Edie McKnight, board members.

Jean Bemish of the Maybury Trail Riders' Association announced a pancake breakfast to benefit efforts to return the farm, which was destroyed in a February fire. The event is from 8 a.m. to noon June 8, near the horse staging area accessible from the Beck Road entrance to the park. The cost is \$13 for adults. There will be a raffle and prize drawings.

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Maybury reacts to DNR changes

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Turnover at the top of the state Department of Natural Resources should have little impact on past leaders' commitment to keep open local Maybury Park.

That word came Monday from Bob Garner, a member of the state Natural Resources Commission, which oversees the state department. The Democrat from Cadillac led the unanimous vote Friday not to extend the contract of DNR director K.L. Cool.

George McCarthy, president of Friends of Maybury State Park, said he was disappointed to hear the news that Cool would not have the opportunity to continue as DNR leader when his current contract expires.

McCarthy echoed the applause of Cool's April 26 visit to Northville when he laid out for an audience of 120 residents at Genetti's Hole-In-The-Wall the practical aspects of running a state park such as Maybury, as

well as the impact of state cuts on the DNR budget, including park operations.

Maybury suffered a serious loss in February, when the park's barn caught fire and the 50 animals inside were killed.

"I'm disappointed that the continuity of leadership at the executive level will be broken," McCarthy said. His tenure gave him historical perspective in that position, he said.

"I thought he made an excellent presentation at the public meeting." At the Northville meeting, the director stated specifically there were no plans to sell Maybury or to close Maybury during his tenure.

"It's not possible while I'm here," he said.

The conservation message needs to be carried out, Garner said, particularly in southeastern Michigan. The commissioner said he grew up in Clarkston so he knows the importance of the park.

"I think it would be a major mistake to inextricably link [Cool's] leaving to that park leaving," he said. "I'd have a lot of people down there to answer to."

Cool's contract expires May 31, 2004. The commission usually conducts a performance evaluation one

year prior to the expiration of the contract and then extends it for an agreed period of time. Cool has served as DNR director for seven years.

"We just chose not to roll his contract over another year," Garner said. "I think everybody has their own individual reasons for that." He declined to comment further.

The current seven-member commission is comprised of three Republicans, two Democrats and two Independents.

"It's been set up to keep politics to a minimum," Garner said. "They're really set up as independent boards."

Putting the DNR budget in the context of the rest of the state finances, Cool described during his April talk how his department is the only state agency that pays property taxes. That is a dramatic drain on the DNR's ability to provide programming, he said.

Garner repeated the figures that Cool cited: the Maybury program as it had existed annually ran a \$330,000 deficit, plus the department incurred another \$250,000 in property taxes.

"It's a very expensive park," Garner said. "That park is an important one to us."

"We're not interested in closing Maybury even with all the budget concerns."

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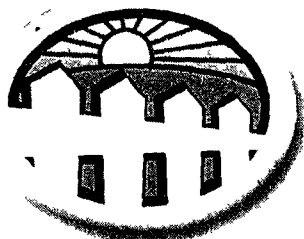


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Voices of Northville take center stage at Youth Arts Festival

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Members of Northville High School's Chamber Choir gave their vocal cords a workout as they performed at the Michigan Youth Arts Festival last week.

The event was hosted on the campus of Western Michigan University.

The NHS Chamber Choir was selected by the Michigan School Vocal Music Association, a statewide professional choral and vocal music organization.

According to officials, the Chamber Choir participated in the MSVMA District and State level Solo and Ensemble Festival and received No. 1 superior ratings at both events. The chamber choir was then selected by MSVMA to be among the top ten choirs/ensembles in the state and participate in the Michigan Youth Arts Festival.

Mark Krempski, co-director of choirs at Northville High School, said news of the choir's acceptance to the event was a welcome surprise.

"This is unexpected," he said. "I'm very pleased. They really worked hard to get there."

"We had hoped to be a part of it. It's kind of like icing on the

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cake to be chosen. This is really a high honor."

According to a press release, the festival is the culmination of a nine-month search for the finest artistic talent in Michigan high schools. The adjudication process involves more than 60,000 students statewide. Of these, 1,000 of the most outstanding students are invited to attend the festival. Officials said students share their talents with their peers and the public through performances and exhibitions. In addition, each student has the opportunity to attend clinics, workshops and master classes in his or her own discipline. Dance, theatre, instrumental and vocal music, visual arts, film/video and creative writing are included in the three-day event.

Students become ad reps for a day

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Approximately 100 third grade students from Silver Springs Elementary strolled through downtown Northville last week interviewing local store owners about their businesses as part of an annual social studies project.

For the third year in a row, Silver Springs students have incorporated touring local businesses into their school curriculum, as they study economics and various business infrastructures.

Four classes of third grade students were split into small groups and allowed to visit one of 16 local businesses, where students interviewed the owner about their company and its background.

Prior to visiting the local shops downtown, students received a visit from Laurie Marrs, executive director of the Northville Chamber of Commerce, who spoke about the types of businesses that are in Northville and why businesses come to the downtown area.

"She does a lot with economic terms and helps [students] understand how businesses operate," said Jan Purtell, educational partnerships facilitator for Northville Public Schools.

Ed Fleming, account executive for the Northville Record, spoke to stu-



Silver Springs Elementary students visited area businesses in downtown Northville May 7. Here students visit Great Harvest Bread Company.

dents on advertising, discussing the purpose of print ads, slogans and various ways businesses promote themselves.

Purtell said the two guest speakers helped prepare students for their visit and interviews with downtown merchants.

"Each business is a little different," said Purtell. "When they get back to school they share what they learned from the business."

In addition, each student group will create an advertisement of the

business they visited. That student-generated ad will appear in a future edition of the Northville Record.

Purtell said there are many benefits in having students visit local merchants and learn about their trade.

"It gives them a real picture of the business world," she said. "It's not just reading out of a textbook. It helps them so much to be able to see it. The business owners are usually blown away by their questions."

Beth Kuriluk, a third grade teacher at Silver Springs, said she was

pleased with this year's event. "The outing was very successful," she said. "The children enjoyed visiting all the businesses. They came back with so much information about the different types of businesses in Northville. The business owners were very friendly and very open with the children."

Students were also given tours of the businesses by the owners.

"The third grade students have to be aware of businesses and types of business," said Kuriluk. "This is one way they were able to see what's in their community. We would not have been able to do this without the help of the business owners."

"I'm just so grateful I have the backing of the community on this project."

Kuriluk also said the project integrates the school's language arts and social studies curriculum.

"Hopefully we'll be able to continue this," she said.

The student groups visited downtown Northville businesses including Salutations, Northville Candle, Main Street Family Chiropractic Center, The Fraser Inn, Van Dam's, Edward Jones, Long Plumbing, Fine Threads, Great Harvest Bakery, Century 21 Town & Country, Geniti's Hole in the Wall, Stampeder Plus, Pamplousse, Rebecca's, Ultimate Toys & Gifts and Orin Jewelers.

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Matrix leaves you begging for more Neo

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

You know you've been wanting to see this movie — and let me tell you, it's worth going to see.

There are few movies that I actually get excited when I hear they are coming out. "Matrix Reloaded" was one of those particular movies.

The trailer of most movies, typically, shows the best stuff before you even get to the movie. Then, unfortunately, you often find out that you should have just stayed home and watched the trailer. "Matrix Reloaded" offers viewers a drool-worthy trailer with plenty of action, special effects and top-shelf actors — all brought to you at blinding speeds. You're in luck with this particular movie though, because this one leaves the best for when you're eating your popcorn and watching it on a 30-foot screen.

"Matrix Reloaded" takes place not long after the first film. Neo (played by Keanu Reeves) returns to the human city of Zion along with Morpheus (Lawrence Fishburne) and Trinity (Carrie-Anne Moss) after finding out that the machines are tunneling in an attempt to destroy the human city and all who live there. As you can guess, this isn't a good thing. The military leaders of Zion are sure that their only defense lies in having all available personnel on hand to fend off the machines — but Morpheus isn't so sure. He believes, as do many of Zion's citizens, that the only answer to the riddle of ending the war is one thing. Neo.

There isn't much that can be said about the movie without giving away its twisting and break-neck-paced plot. The one thing I

can say is that if you enjoyed the fight sequences in the first film, then you're going to be falling out of your seat as your eyes remain locked on the intense kung-fu on the big screen. The Wachowski Brothers have outdone themselves with this one. Before seeing the movie, I heard that they believed they had done something that no other movies had been able to do when it came to effects and fight scenes — I have to say I agree. It's not every day you get to see a single man fight off a horde of enemies, and make you laugh at times while doing it.

For those who are intrigued by the plot of the original movie, bring your thinking caps to this one. Surprising new revelations are made about Neo's purpose in the Matrix, as well as some abilities that not even he was aware he had.

The whole cast fits perfectly in their roles, in my opinion. All of them except one. I am still shaking my head over the casting of Jada Pinkett Smith in this movie. She plays Captain Niobe of the hovercraft called the Logos and it's the furthest reach for an actress of her limited capabilities. Not only is she unbelievable as a confident, determined military officer, but she's also one of the worst actresses I've ever seen. Her attempts to be a fierce fighter and a courageous captain fall short, and I was disappointed to see her character make it through the film — which no doubt means she'll be in the final installment of the trilogy, called "Matrix Revolutions," which is due out in November.

Other than that particular move by the studio, "Matrix Reloaded" is the kind of movie that you can see over and over again and see

and realize new things. I've seen the original more than a few times, and each time I catch something that I didn't see before — the sequel is no different.

This summer looks to be the summer of sequels, with "X2," "Charlie's Angels 2," "The Terminator 3" and "Spy Kids 3" hitting the silver screen, and I am going to confidently say that this is the best of the bunch.

If you've seen the first "Matrix" and liked it, then this is a must see for you. If you haven't seen the "Matrix" yet, then I have a single suggestion. Go out and rent it, then high-tail it to the theater to see "Matrix Reloaded."

In a world of mediocre movies, "Matrix Reloaded" is sure to reign supreme.

And, just as a side note. Already chewing your nails over the idea of a trailer for "Matrix Revolutions?" Well, you're in luck.

Sit through the credits after the movie, even if they are really, really long, and you'll be rewarded with a brief glimpse of the third and final installment.

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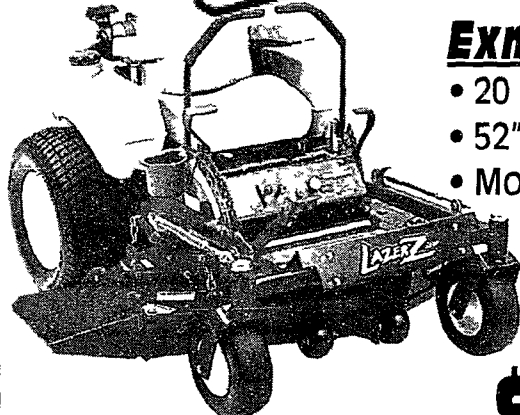
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Thursday, May 15, 2003

VIRTUAL VIC

Dear Virtual Vic,

I have been corresponding with a man I met over the Internet for quite some time and he wants to finally meet. My parents are freaking out because they say I don't really know this guy and don't want me to go. I really want to meet him so what should I do?

Internet Infatuation in Walled Lake

Dear Internet Infatuation in Walled Lake

Since I empathize with your parents, it pains me to say I think you should meet him despite their wishes for you not to meet in person.

Believe me — I know what they are going through.

My sister discovered the world of Internet dating about two years ago and it still troubles me every time she decides to meet her suitors in the flesh.

And I understand the whole World Wide Web and dating scene!

Just think how your parents must feel!

If they are anything like my dad, they just don't get any of it.

Meeting face-to-face at the soda shop is the way it used to be.

I am also always encouraging my sister to meet fellas in person.

I tell her to take some classes, develop a new hobby or volunteer somewhere as a way to meet guys, but she doesn't listen.

She feels with her crazy schedule, Internet dating works.

The truth of it is, she is probably right.

I personally know four people who are hooked up in love with people they met on the Web.

Two couples are married and two couples are in happy, monogamous relationships.

So obviously it can work.

The middle ground between those who get Internet dating and those who don't, is rules.

Rules will keep you safe and keep your parents from pulling out their hair while you are on the in-person rendezvous.

I have compiled a list of rules for your meeting from common sense and the book "Dating for Dummies" by Dr. Joy Browne.



Victoria Sadlocha

• Provide someone (like your parents) with all of the details of your date — let someone know your date's name, his cell phone number and home number, address, where you are going and when you plan on returning home. The more someone else knows, the better.

• Call your designated contact person when you are home. If for some reason you decide to extend the date longer than the original plan, let your contact know and then keep them updated throughout the evening. The first date is not the time to cry out independence.

• Meet your date. The first meeting should be a public place you both arrive at separately. The first meeting should not be your date picking you up at your home or place of business. Plus, if he freaks you out in person, you can take off while he is in the bathroom. With that being said, if you do have a cell phone, you should probably use that at first too, instead of giving out your home phone or work phone number.

• Take cash. I'm sure your parents have already given you this advice, but I'll say it again. Always make sure you have plenty of cash on you. You shouldn't have to call a cab because YOU WILL HAVE YOUR CAR THERE, but you never know what else may pop up.

• While we are on the subject of things your parents beat into your head, never leave your drink alone. This tidbit of knowledge I never really understood when I was younger despite hearing it from my mom a million times. But as I grew older and date rape drugs became more prevalent, I completely understood. The drink bit is good

advice.

• There's safety in numbers. This can have a double meaning. For starters, it can mean group dating which is always a good idea for the first date. I understand though, that many Internet daters are not group daters so the safety in numbers credo can also mean meet in a place where there are lots of people around. Dr. Browne also suggests possibly meeting in a place where people know of you, like a town diner, but I know these days towns are not very "small" anymore. This isn't Mayberry.

• Pay attention to your intuition. I've starred this in case you didn't notice! Dr. Browne says out, "if it feels all wrong to you, it probably is." Studies have shown people's (and predominately women's) intuition is right more times than wrong. Many women who find themselves in unsafe predicaments later say they felt something wasn't right before things went awry. Unfortunately, the same women said they didn't get out of the situation because they didn't want to appear rude or offensive. A curse of womanhood. Total bunk! If something doesn't seem right, leave. And if it means literally screeching out of the parking lot while your date is in the bathroom, do so without feeling bad.

Now I know a lot of this probably sounds like overkill, but just take the tips to heart at least the first time.

These are safety tips that will only benefit you, not hurt you.

And, if you explain to your parents that you are taking all of these precautions, they will feel a lot better about your clandestine tryst.

My sister has been on 29 Internet dates and none have been creeps, but that won't mean a whole heck of a lot if you are the one who meets the exception.

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.

'Robotech' great buy for fans

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

I'm not sure if many of you are old enough to remember Robotech, so I'll give a little summary of the classic series. Back in the 1980's, Robotech stormed the Saturday-morning cartoon scene big time, and introduced us all to what is now known as anime.

A highly inventive and stylized cartoon full of action, drama and suspense, Robotech was simply a different breed of cartoon.

Yet, Robotech-licensed video games never seemed to be able to capture that magic, and they all ended up being — well, terrible. But now, thanks to TDK, that streak might be considered broken by many fans. "Robotech: Battlecry" could be the game fans have been waiting a long, long time for.

Never has a license been so properly translated visually than in "Battlecry," as everything from the effects to the Veritech's are perfectly in tune with their animated brethren. Speaking of Veritech's, the transformable fighters have

been crafted beautifully, with loads of detail and solid animation. The transformations between the Veritech's three modes are smooth and fast, without any clipping or stuttering of any kind.

PS2 Review

The enemies and allies aren't rendered in as much detail as the Veritech's, aside however from the infamous green Zentraedi Capital Ships. The game's environments suffer as well, especially the cityscapes. Bland buildings and repetitive color schemes detract from the ground missions, as it seems every city looks the same as the last. On the upside, the framerate is solid regardless of the amount of onscreen action, which by the way there is an absolute ton! All those die-hard fans can rest easy too, as Robotech's trademark missile-trails looks stunning in "Battlecry." Loads of missiles litter the screen with white streaks trailing behind.

The three Veritech forms control very well, especially the fighter, and never feel too complex or con-

fusing, even despite each having its own scheme. Switching between the fighter, Battloid and the guardian and finding the most effective form for each situation is critical. In a few missions it can seem a bit vague which form to use, but after some playing the strengths and weaknesses of each become second nature.

A few flaws accompany all the action that is bottled up in this game, and hold "Battlecry" back from becoming a classic shooter. Something most all shooter's suffer from is lack of mission variety, and this game is no different. By the half-way mark you'll have pretty much seen every variation, as later levels are just slight changes to the formula.

"Robotech: Battlecry" is a great game for the Robotech fan to sink their teeth into — if they haven't gone nuts playing it already. For the non-fan, the game may prove a bit too repetitive and slightly confusing at times. Though a good shooter for those who love that genre, "Battlecry," at best, is a rent-before-you-buy title.



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One good movie to sink your claws into

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

You weren't thinking about passing this one up, were ya Bub?

The first thing that comes to many movie-goers' minds is the fact that the majority of sequels on this planet absolutely stink up a theater compared to the original — I'm happy to report that "X2" isn't one of those sequels.

Picking up not long after where the first movie ended, "X2" brings with it a few new characters to enjoy as well as a well-written story line that finds our crew of mutants trying to not only save the world from the madmen that would harm it, but also to save their own kind from those who would do mutants harm.

Though some fans of the comic series will find a few things that are off whack, such as the main baddie being a tad bit different than many will remember, this movie is a good one to pay and go see. Wolverine, Jean Grey, Professor X, Cyclops, Rogue and Storm are all back in business along with Magneto and Mystique. A deeper investigation into Iceman is visited, as well as the transporting blue-devil known as Nightcrawler. There are some quick scenes where we see the raw power of Pyro, but really don't delve into his background any. Brief glimpses of Kitty Pryde (Shadowcat), Colossus and Stryker are seen as well.

The premise is an easy moving one, and viewers will hardly notice that they have just sat through 134 minutes of viewing pleasure.

Mutants, once again, are facing the threat of the Mustang Registration Act and an Anti-Mutant Movement now led by William Stryker, a man rumored to have experimented on mutants during his military past.

After an attack on the President of the United States by a mutant assailant, Stryker is given permission to invade Professor X's mansion and question the mutants who are suspected to reside there.

Don't worry, there's a twist too. Magneto, who manages to escape

from his plastic prison, proposes a partnership with the X-Men to combat their common enemies.

There are few stalling spots in the movie, leaving everything to continue along smoothly throughout the plot with bits of comedy, plenty of action and some heart-wrenching moments adding to the flavor of Marvel's newest movie.

For Wolverine fans, this movie is a top-notch thriller. Those who have flipped through the pages to follow Logan in his quest to find himself and to be something more than just an animal are probably thrilled to see Hugh Jackman back as the lovable Canuck. This time around, and I'm very pleased to see it, audience members will be witness to the ferocity of Wolverine's berserk — and my therapist thinks I have a temper!

Though I fully admit that it's been a while since I've picked up an X-Men comic book, I don't recall a couple of mutants that made a showing in this sequel. Beyond that, I have to say that they were worth while to the story, and didn't damage the histories of the X-Men as we know them.

The effects were well done and exciting at times. Wolverine and Nightcrawler showcase their talents, and Jean shows that her true potential is beyond anything that she and others may have suspected in the past.

"X2" is definitely worth catching, and shouldn't be a disappointment to any of those out there who have enjoyed the first flick or the comic books. Purists may find this or that to complain about, but overall, the movie is well done and brings with the question of a possible third installment? For those wondering what the chances are at an X3 film, let's just end it by saying that it would be the only way for the Phoenix to rise.

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X3 WISHLIST

There were a few things that we would like to have seen in the "X2" movie that they either didn't have the technology to really put together yet or the budget to do it with. Hopefully, for "X3," they are able to bring a few of our X-Men wishes to life.

• **Angel:** A guy with a 20-foot wingspan? Why not? If they could put wings on John Travolta for "Michael," then why can't one of the original X-Men be brought to life on the big screen?

• **Beast:** Yeah, I know having two blue-skinned mutants on screen was probably enough, but this guy is just great! Not only is he witty and funny, but to mention super acrobatic and strong, but he's also in the same boat as Angel: He's an original!

• **Jubilee:** Jubilation Lee and her ability to "dazzle" her opponents. She quickly became one of Wolverine's best friends and the two were practically inseparable through their time together in the comics. In fact, they had a relationship much like that of Logan and Rogue now — hmmm! Her role in "X2" was nothing more than a cameo stuck in a pit and in the classroom.

• **Wolverine's bone claws:** In the comics, after Magneto so nicely chooses to remove all the metal from Wolverine's bones, we (gasp!) find out that Wolverine had bone claws! After all of those years thinking they were just implants and to find that out! Wait, that sort of makes William Stryker's comment in the movie about giving Wolverine claws a lie — double hmmm!

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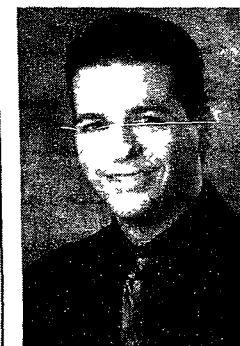
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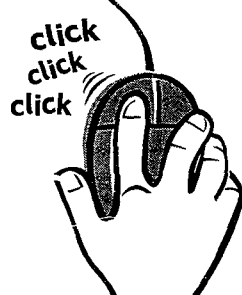
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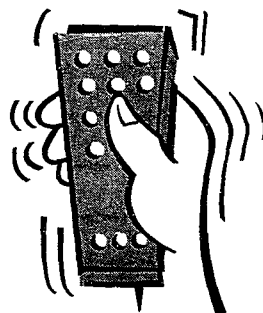
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NPH closure has us thinking

The buildings may look the same from the outside, but the inside of Northville Psychiatric Hospital is a vastly different place today.

Not only is the departure of the last patients at NPH on tap this week, but as of today, the hospital and its adjoining Seven Mile Road property is up for sale, marking the beginning of the end for one of the largest pieces of township land still owned by the state of Michigan.

We're not particularly worried about a purchaser — or purchasers — being located for Northville Psychiatric. It is, after all, a huge chunk of real estate in one of the hottest zip codes in metropolitan Detroit. Northville Township manager Chip Snider echoed that sentiment.

"When you get back there, it's hilly," he said. "It's a beautiful piece of property."

The township has already put in its 2 cents, favoring a planned unit development for the location. In all likelihood, that means a combination of residential and commercial properties replacing the main hospital structure and smaller buildings that flank it.

No, we're not concerned about if a buyer can be found. Our concerns rest in other areas:

- First and foremost, making certain that former patients at NPH are properly cared for. NPH was one of the few state-run facilities that catered to the needs of the mentally ill. Under former Governor John Engler, the movement to privatize such services ran rampant. From a financial standpoint, that's not necessarily a bad thing, assuming that those who need the care can still get it.

- Making certain developers pay top-dollar for the property. At a time when the state's coffers are still hemorrhaging, it's critical that the state get every dollar from the deal that it can...and then use those monies in a responsible manner.

- Making certain residents and businesses along Seven Mile know what's coming. People have moved to the township and retailers set up shop with NPH dominating the landscape, literally and figuratively. With the hospital gone, they need to know the answer to the burning question, "Now what?"

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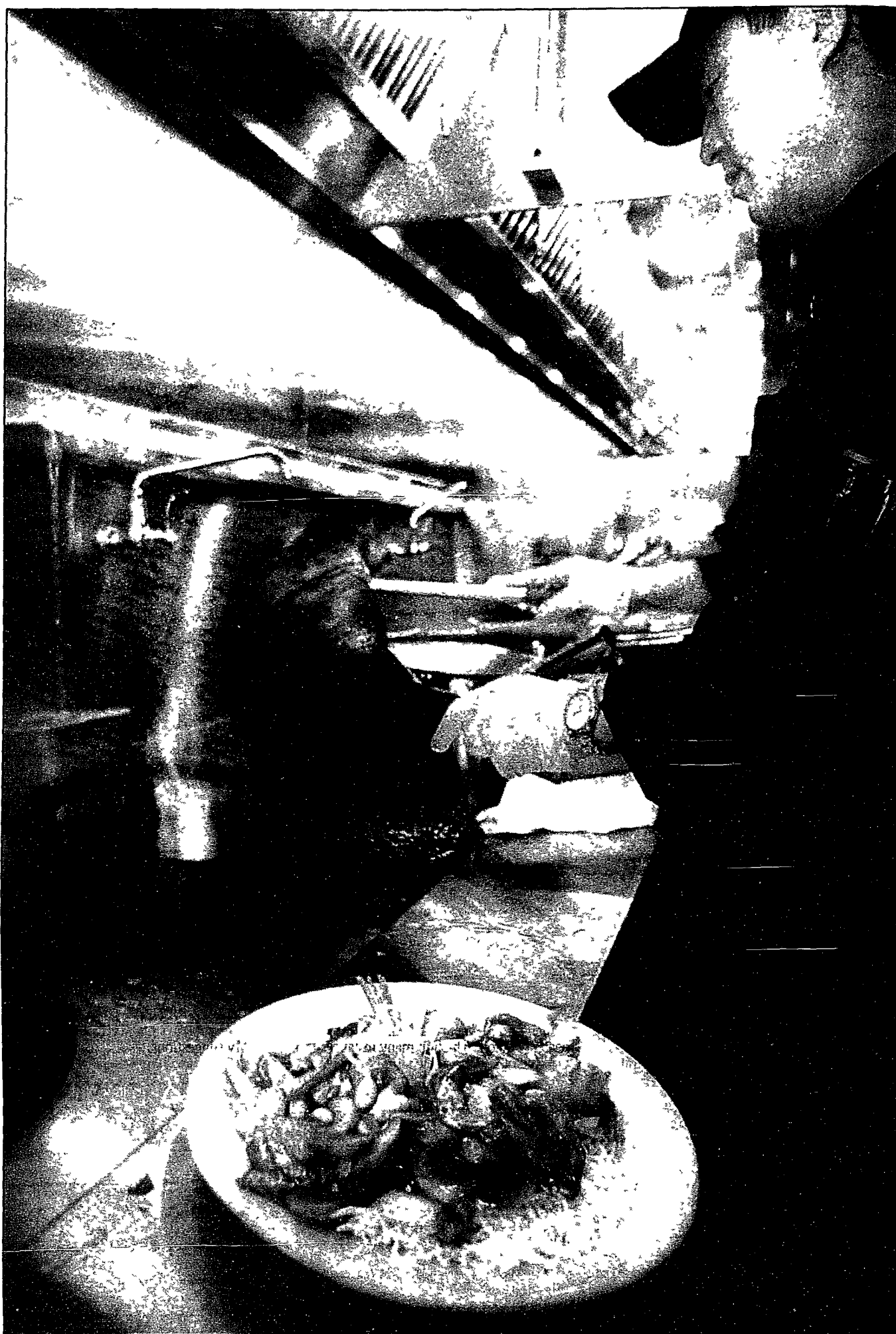


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Bamboo Club chef Hanguang Chen finishes a kung pow scallop and shrimp dish during their grand opening dinner two weeks ago.

LETTERS

Column on Patriot Act called attention to rights

Thanks for calling the public's attention to another example of the invasion of our privacy. It seems that there is more and more of this sort of things happening, with this present administration in Washington.

I am very disillusioned and sad at what is happening. I am sorry to say that what I see, read or hear, a huge majority of the population is not aware of what is happening or couldn't care less. Isn't this a sad commentary about our country?

I am so pleased to see persons in your capacity bringing these type things to our attention. Keep up your efforts in this regard.

Bill Craft
Northville

Record shouldn't have run mother's letter

I question the decision of the *Northville Record* to publish the letter from Ms. Cheri Jones regarding the selection of athletes for the NHS women's softball team. The letter was nothing more than a personal attack on the credibility and character of Ms. Jean Calabrese. Disagreements of this nature should be settled between parties and not in a public forum.

Ms. Calabrese was not afforded an oppor-

tunity to refute this letter and the *Record* did not validate the accuracy of these comments. Ms. Calabrese has a reputation of being an outstanding educator and coach who has gone out of her way to assist many students in helping them achieve their dreams. She is a teacher who has demonstrated the highest ethical and moral behavior. Northville would be lucky to have more teachers of the caliber of Ms. Calabrese.

It is difficult and heartbreaking for a parent when their child does not make a team, but it is also an agonizing decision for a coach and one that is not made lightly. All coaches will admit that there are many factors that go into selecting players including talent, commitment to the sport, leadership, and team chemistry. I would suspect that Ms. Calabrese weighed all of these factors prior to making a very difficult decision.

The *Northville Record* would be well-served to review its policy of publishing letters from individuals who attack others of high character for personal reasons.

Michael Paciorek
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Appreciation given for help with Art Show

The Northville Arts Commission recently hosted its fourth annual Student Fine Arts Show. This show is unique in that it recognizes the accomplishments of students in art programs through the Northville Public Schools. Nearly 200 pieces of artwork were displayed at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville and more than 200 people attended the opening reception.

This is a wonderful testament to the fact that art is valued in our community and needs to be fostered and recognized. Special thanks goes to the First Presbyterian Church for hosting this annual show. Additional supporters include Carmine Bossio Interior Design, McGuire's Fine Art, Stampeddler Plus, Poole's Tavern, Meijer, Center Stage Dance Company, Northville High School PTSA and Orin Jewelers.

Recognition must also be given to the art teachers at Northville High School and Hillside Middle School who are so willing to go the extra mile to insure that their students get proper recognition for the wonderful work they create. This is a volunteer effort for them and these teachers have embraced and willingly added to their busy day. Based on the number of people who attended the show, it is clear that the students and public appreciate all that these teachers do to support their students.

Sue Taylor
Chairperson
Student Fine Arts Show

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. Craft's letter is in reference to a May 8 column written by Hometown Communications Network chairman Phil Power, discussing the ramifications of the Patriot Act on public libraries.

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Could she do any (Beard)more?

Readers of this column with good memories will recall how much I admired Dorothy Beardmore, who was probably the single most distinguished advocate for schools of her time. I am sorry to report that Dorothy died of cancer at home in Rochester Hills on May 2. She was 76.

She told me she originally got interested in schools while raising her children. She was elected to the Rochester school board in 1967, to the Oakland County school board in 1974 and to the state board in 1984. She served as the state board's president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. She never missed a meeting in her entire 16 years as a board member.

Phil Power

During her time on the state board, she was instrumental in pushing the legislature to adopt Public Act 25, the first Michigan school law that required school accreditation, annual school improvement plans, a comprehensive school curriculum and annual public reporting of educational outcomes. School reform had been a subject of talk but relatively little action from the 1980s on, but the passage of Public Act 25 put school improvement front and center of public policy in Michigan.

She received a ton of awards, including the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of State Boards in 2000 and the Michigan Education Association Distinguished Service Award in 1999. She was elected to the Michigan Hall of Fame in 1996.

In April, the state Board of Education unanimously created a new award in her honor, the Dorothy Beardmore Service to Education Award, which annually will honor a person for outstanding work in education.

All this recital of impersonal fact is fine, the

sort of stuff that keeps reporters and columnists employed and busy. But it misses the real point of Dorothy Beardmore's life and career. She was one of those rare people who became enormously involved in public policy and got a tremendous amount done, but who did so not out of personal ambition or aggrandizement but from a sense of commitment to internal values and public responsibility.

Here's an example. I have from time to time written columns on things educational. Nearly every time I did so, I would receive about a week after the column was published, a perfectly written, literate and clear letter from Dorothy, commenting on the column over several single-spaced pages. Errors were gently corrected. Illogical conclusions pointed out. Omissions in the public record rectified. Never once did she ever inject herself or her ego into the discussion. She was entirely focused on education and how to make it better.

A good editorial in the *Rochester Eccentric*, Dorothy's hometown paper and a sister publication to this newspaper, began: "Independence, not ideology, underscored Dorothy Beardmore's days on the Michigan Board of Education. Her longtime friend and fellow state board member, Kathleen Straus, told me 'Dorothy was interested solely in making things better, getting things done, improving education for kids. She was selfless and entirely without political ambition.'"

According to Wayne County commissioner Lyn Bankes, a former 14-year state legislator and friend, Republican Dorothy Beardmore "had a harder time with the [party] nomination process than with the voters. She didn't believe in litmus tests." In Michigan, candidates for state Board of Education are nominated at partisan conventions. Both political parties have litmus tests at their conventions, but the GOP test includes pro-life and pro-charter schools. Dorothy was both pro-choice and (largely) anti-charter school. She told me she ultimately decided not to run for a third term because she figured she couldn't make it through the Republican convention.

Although a staunch Republican, Dorothy wasn't afraid to take on even tough guy Gov. John Engler (mostly over charter schools). And she didn't toe the line of the Michigan

Education Association, Michigan's largest teacher's union, either.

"She truly was an independent thinker," Bob Harris, former secretary to the board and now an MEA official told the *Rochester Eccentric*. "For her, what was best for the kids always came first. She really walked a tightrope between her beliefs and party ideology."

Dorothy was a person who was terrifically effective at the political (small "p") process of setting public policy, but who was never the least bit partisan. She enjoyed service in the various offices she held, not as an ego trip but as a point of leverage to affect the making of policy. She never once in our long acquaintance talked about "higher office."

Dorothy Beardmore was the archetype of the citizen politician who puts herself forward to get something done, not from personal ambition but from deep commitment to make things better for all of us. Somehow she always felt to me a figure out of a more principled time, one who excited trust and who won admiration both for her career and for the rarity she exemplified in the sorry political system of today.

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@ht.homecomm.net.

Readers with good memories will know how much I admired Dorothy Beardmore, who was probably the most distinguished advocate for schools of her time.

We could make Northville super

I'll admit it — when I first heard that Northville was being eyed as a potential attraction by the Super Bowl XL committee, I chuckled. I mean, this is an event that pulls the kind of crowd you'd see only in a papal visit, only with more pomp and circumstance.

And they wanted to plug Northville as a place to check out in the days leading up to the Big Game? A town with more small businesses than a New Delhi marketplace? Oh, c'mon!

Get serious! To me, this concept seemed like it had just a slightly better potential for success as the Lisa Marie Presley /

Chris C. Davis

Michael Jackson marriage. Yeah, right — Northville? Northville? Hmmm. Northville. Northville... Northville...!

Sure...Northville! Why not Northville? After all, there's only so many times you can lose at the blackjack tables before you start to get a hankerin' for a different town. Northville seems as good a choice as any, and it gets par-

ticularly good when you look at the suburbs nearest Detroit, which in many instances lack the kind of identity and charm Northville has.

We have a chance to cash in on the extremely lucrative financial payout and image spotlight that will rain down in February 2004. That, of course, assumes that Northville is made a featured destination by the committee. Even if it isn't, Northville still stands to gain a great deal of residual and trickle-down benefit from the Super Bowl.

Folks who keep their fingers crossed for an infusion of more modern attractions and offerings (I happen to be one of them) need to be reminded of what put Northville on the map in the first place. It was precisely the kind of small-town, high-class kind of businesses and services that kickstarted Northville's reputation as an attraction throughout metro Detroit. If you look at attendance figures at some of Northville's annual events — the Victorian Festival chief among them — you begin to see the lasting impression Northville makes on its visitors.

More important, though, is the need for Northville not to get swept up in the mania of being a quasi-Super Bowl host city. Inasmuch as the Super Bowl is a big, big, big event, it's an event that lasts one week — 10 days, tops — and the majority of people who descend on metro Detroit probably won't come back again. That's not an indictment against Detroit or Northville. It's just the way it is. Sure, there'll be a few people who add Northville to the "Let's-go-back-there-next-summer" vacation list...

...but is it really worth doing handsprings and spending an enormous sum of money

and time for so small a payout?

My suggestions:

- Have something special going on during Super Bowl week. Something unique to Northville, something rather inexpensive to put on. (If you're looking for specific suggestions, I'm out of them at the moment. Check back with me in a few months after I've had a chance to digest all of this.)

- Have the parking decks constructed by the Super Bowl. It looks as if this will happen anyway, so this won't be a major issue.

- Coordinate package deals between local businesses and area hotels. The city of Detroit simply won't have the quantity of hotel rooms needed to house all the out-of-town visitors. Northville could be a very tempting destination, if rates were kept reasonably low and interlaced with good buys from restaurants and community attractions.

There's plenty of time to prepare for the Super Bowl and all its implications, but thinking these things through now will make us better-prepared for the game when we're shivering in the snow and cold of a southeast Michigan winter.

(Here's one idea I don't think we can live without: let's make certain that visitors don't confuse Northville's Ford Field with Detroit's Ford Field. With all due respect to our community's parks and recreation department, I think things are a lot more comfortable in mid-February when you're inside instead of on the banks of the Middle Rouge River.

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A Mustang returns to her roots

Hello, Northville! There are two things I want you to know about me. I love what I do. And, I'm a Mustang.

Here's where I'm coming from. I look at reporting as a continuous education. I get to listen to people describe topics about which they are passionate and knowledgeable. My challenge is to listen carefully and then write concisely, accurately, and hopefully, interestingly, for our readers.

Maureen Johnston

When the city/township/public safety reporting position opened up in my home town of Northville, I asked to transfer from our sister publication in South Lyon. Doing what I love in a community I care about — this is job satisfaction.

Bottom line for you -- my goal is to help make the Northville Record all about you.

Eventually I have to end up at my desk because I have to literally write, but I plan to be out there with you. Let me know

what's going on. Give me a call at (248) 349-1700 ext. 109 or mjohnston@ht.homecomm.net.

Bear with me initially when I get that dazed look — it's just my mind putting events, faces and locations in the context of my past experience.

My first days back in town have been an exhilarating mix of memories and introductions. Like this stuff:

- I can thank a Meads Mill teacher, Mr. Stover, and Northville High School teacher, Mrs. Woodard, for fostering my interest in writing.

- Now my soon-to-be-teenage niece, Samantha, attends Meads Mill. My nephew David goes to Winchester.

- When I graduated in nineteen-eighty-something, Hillside was NHSE.

- I guess my summers working at Brooklane Golf Club are over.

- Do people still bring a couple of empty milk jugs to the well?

- When the floors are refinished in the Community Center on Main Street, they are going to keep the sponsor squares. Know what I'm talking about?

- The trees in my former Sutters Lane yard are huge!

- I learned more about Maybury State Park during the Friends meeting last Saturday than I had in all my visits there combined as a teen.

- Likewise for my "mature" appreciation of the historic architecture in town — I used

to just drive by what I now crave to own.

- I went to my brother and sister-in-law's new house on Spyglass (they used to live on Victor) for a cookout Saturday. Oh, my — lots going on over there.

- My youngest brother ended up in a home on Knightsford after a lovely wedding at Mill Race and reception at St. John's this summer.

- That same brother and his wife co-coach one of the rec league's co-ed softball teams. Let's just say we're undefeated at this point.

- Thanks to the city and township folks for the warm welcome, including a fun lunch Monday. Upon reflection, I think I was the one who answered all the questions.

- My daughter and I took my mom and dad to MacKinnon's for dinner Sunday. Our server, Chris, made our Mother's Day.

- The necklace Mary at Forget Me Not's helped me select was a hit.

- I'll see how my four-year-old feels about frogs, flora and fish next Saturday when we join the Johnson Creek Day activities.

I grew up reading the Northville Record and want to help put the stuff in it that makes you look forward to receiving it each Thursday. So call me! I am a Mustang.

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Peace gets a chance with student's poster

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

When 11-year-old Claire Richett was designing and creating a peace poster as part of a school-wide project, she never expected to win a blue ribbon.

Richett, a sixth grade student at Hillside Middle School, was recently named the first place winner in the International Lions Club Peace Poster contest.

Although initial news of her win was meant to be kept a temporary secret, Richett said she saw a notice in the library announcing her newest accolade.

"I didn't think I'd really won," she said.

Following a theme of "Dream of Peace," Richett used a combination of markers and colored pencils to create her prize-winning piece.

She said her ultimate success seemed inconceivable and believed her work didn't measure up to previous winners' posters.

"It didn't seem like it was good enough," she said.

But contest officials thought otherwise.

In honor of her achievement, Richett was invited to attend a Lions Club dinner. Along with her

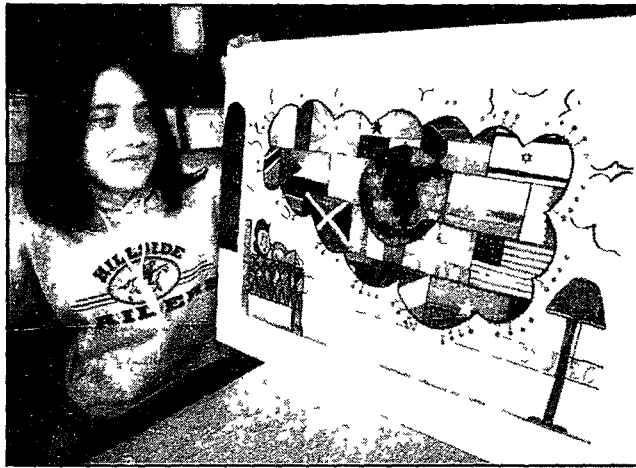


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Hillside Middle School student Claire Richett won an award for this peace poster that she created.

first-place ribbon, she was presented with a certificate and \$100.

That amount of money can go a long way for an 11-year-old student and Richett already has the funds earmarked for special things.

"I had to put \$50 in the bank, and the other \$50 I'm saving for vacation," she said.

Richett's social studies teacher, Pat Stebbins, grinned broadly as she spoke of her student's award.

"I was thrilled," she said. "Absolutely thrilled."

Stebbins said approximately 250 students from Hillside submitted entries to the contest, which is sponsored locally by the Northville Lions Club.

After winning at the local level, Richett's poster went on to compete at the state level competition.

Richett worked about five days to complete her project.

Public safety expo at Meijer slated for Sunday morning

Child fingerprinting, an opportunity to inspect special operations gear and a lesson in bandaging will be an added bonus for Meijer shoppers Sunday.

The retailer at Eight Mile and Haggerty roads is joining the Northville Township police and fire departments to offer a public safety expo from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 18 in the north end of the parking lot. Shoppers should look for a 20' by 20' tent where seven police officers and four firefighters will inform and entertain, said officer Samantha Bowlin.

Law enforcement officials expect up to 500 people, Bowlin said. The variety of equipment on display and activities will be

interesting to all ages, she said. "I'd really like to see that many come through," she said. "We have so many people moving in — they don't know about what we have."

"We want to let them know, we are very community oriented."

As the community liaison officer, Bowlin will be assisting with the child identification program. In addition to their child's fingerprints, parents are advised to collect a lock of hair and a recent photo.

"They can keep it if, God forbid, anything would ever happen to the child, they would have the information," Bowlin said.

An Special Operations Team member in full gear will attend.

He will display the specialized weapons and explain what they do, Bowlin said. The Drug Abuse Resistance Education truck also will be there.

Also, emergency medical service personnel will demonstrate bandaging and breathing rescue techniques.

"They'll have fun with the kids, basically," Bowlin said. "They're looking forward to bandaging some of the kids."

In addition to a display of safety-related products available in the store, Meijer staff will photograph youngsters with the police motor cycles and mountain bikes, Bowlin said. They also will provide balloons and refreshments at the expo.

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OBITUARIES

Dorothee R. Johnson

Dorothee Johnson of Northville died May 11 at her home. She was 79.

Ms. Johnson was born Sept. 17, 1923 in Montrose, Colo., to Ray F. Howell and Lola Hale. Ms. Johnson relocated to Northville one year ago after having lived in Long Beach, Calif. She was a retired guest relations employee of Disneyland and was a member of the Church of Religious Science in California. Ms. Johnson enjoyed spending time with her family and grandchildren, and at her daughter's Northville business, Northville Candle and Gifts.

Ms. Johnson is survived by her children, Richard (Cindy) Johnson of Texas, Beverlee (Lance) Lindeen of Northville, Jeanette (Pendleton) Brown of Georgia, and Donald (Caroline) Johnson of Virginia; her sibling, Arold Bernard of California; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sister, Phyllis Johnson, and her grandson, Ricky Johnson.

Private memorial services were held. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association Memorials and Tributes Program, Dept. 77-3968, Chicago, Ill., 60678; or the Lupus Foundation of America, 2000 L Street NW, Ste. 710, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.

Robert L. Hazlett

Robert Hazlett of Wolverine died May 5 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. He was 82.

Mr. Hazlett was born May 27, 1920, in Detroit to Percy and Beatrice (Taylor) Hazlett, who survives him. He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1938 before entering the U.S. Army in 1939. He served in Europe during World War II and earned four Bronze Star medals.

In 1944, Mr. Hazlett married Florence Brown in Devon, England, after which time the couple relocated to Northville. Mr. Brown served as Northville Township's first constable. He retired from Ford Motor Company's Rosenville Plant in Ypsilanti in 1980 and moved to Wolverine. Mr. Hazlett enjoyed farming, gardening and deer hunting, and was a life member of Plymouth Rock Lodge F & AM and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 4012 in Northville.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Hazlett is survived by his children, Thomas (Sandra) Hazlett of Shelby, Wyatt (Mary) Hazlett of Plymouth, Louis (Susan) Hazlett of Kent City, Steven (Mary) Hazlett of Oqueoc, Kathleen Hazlett of Wolverine, Paul (Lori) Hazlett of Walker; his siblings, David (Ellen) Hazlett of Lake Wales, Fla., Vivian (John) Dingleline of Sun City, Nev., Ruth Marroni of Northville; Norma Hazlett of Northville; seven great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service for Mr. Hazlett was held May 10 at Lintz Funeral Home in Indian River, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. Michael Sanders officiated the service. Interment was at Silver Lake Cemetery in Wolverine.

Memorial contributions may be made to Northern Michigan Hospital's Intensive Care Unit.

John L. Staszal, Jr.

John Staszal, Jr. of Northville died May 6 at his home. He was 75.

Mr. Staszal was born April 5, 1928 in Hamtramck to John L. Staszal, Sr. and Josephine Yest. He later married Marjorie Staszal on April 25, 1953. She survives him.

A retired carpenter, Mr. Staszal was a Northville resident for the past 10 years. He enjoyed fishing, spending time with his family and his dogs.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Staszal is survived by his children, Cheryl (James) Reidy of Las Vegas, Debra (David) Fetters of Hudson, John (Jacqueline) Staszal III of Livonia, Evelyn (Bill) Confin of Northville, and Carol (Rick) Delaney of Hudson; his siblings, Carolyn (Ralph) Zakerski of Dearborn, Evelyn (Dick) DeVinney of California, Jack (Virgie) Staszal of Dearborn Heights; his sister-in-law, Barbara Staszal of Plymouth; and his grandchildren, Erik, John IV, Jeremy, Jason, Marjorie, Leeanne, Staci, Cheryl, A.J., Mary, Keri and Johnny. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Jerome Staszal and Thomas Staszal.

Funeral arrangements for Mr. Staszal were made by Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.

Albert W. "Lefty" Earehart, Jr.

Albert Earehart, Jr. of Luther died April 28 at his home. He was 78.

Mr. Luther was born July 10, 1926, in Fort Wayne, Ind., to Albert Earehart and Lucile Conrad. He later married Jean Ann (Hann) Earehart on Aug. 10, 1958. She survives him.

Formerly from the Northville and South Lyon area, Mr. Earehart relocated to Luther in 1987. He was a retired inspector from the Ford Valve Plant in Northville who worked at Showman's Market in Ann Arbor and also as a bartender in Northville and South Lyon. In addition, Mr. Earehart served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and was a member of Elks Lodge No. 1780 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 2502.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Earehart is survived by his children, Charles (Maureen) Earehart of New Hudson, Mary (Roy) Hilderbrandt of Novi, Jake (Patty) Earehart of Pinckney and Andy (Michelle) Earehart of Atascadero, Calif.; his brother, Eddie Earehart of Ypsilanti; his in-laws, Donna (Mike) Richards of South Lyon, Deanne Russell of Hitchcock, Texas, Jerry Hann of LaMarque, Texas and Judy (Ron) Wilson of Gatezville; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, Bud.

A memorial service for Mr. Earehart was held May 2 at Casterline Funeral Home of South Lyon, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. Joe Hilyard of Hospice of Michigan-Ludington officiated the service. Interment will be at South Lyon Cemetery in South Lyon.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Hospice of Michigan-Lake County, 10 Atkinson Drive, Ste. 3, Ludington, Mich. 49431.

William L. Grant

William Grant of Hawes Township died May 11 at his home. He was 68.

Mr. Grant was born Oct. 17, 1934 in Romeo to Roy Grant and Helen Giddy. He later married Lois (DeGuerre) Grant, who survives him.

Mr. Grant was a retired General Motors engineer and also a veteran of the U.S. Navy and Air Force. He was active in both the Methodist and Lutheran faiths.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Grant is survived by his children, Debbie (Dan) Kelterborn of Northville and Raymond Grant of Walled Lake; his siblings, Harn (Mary) Grant of Melvindale and Gary (Carol) Grant of Texas; and his grandchildren, Chad and Trevor.

A memorial service for Mr. Grant will be held May 15 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville — which handled funeral arrangements — at 7 p.m.

Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. the same day. Rev. John Hice of First United Methodist Church of Northville will officiate the funeral service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. Twelve Mile Road, Southfield, Mich. 48076.

Dorothy M. Biddle

Dorothy Biddle of Summerville, S.C. died April 19 in Summerville. She was 87.

Ms. Biddle was born Dec. 17, 1915 in Washington, Ind., to Rufus Grubb and Mattie Peed. She later married Vernon Biddle, who preceded her in death in 1984.

A Northville resident for 50 years before relocating to Summerville, Ms. Biddle was active in the Ladies Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 4012 in Northville. She worked as an assembly line employee at Burroughs.

Ms. Biddle is survived by her children, her children, Larry (Kathi) Biddle and Verna (John) Foote; 11 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her children Richard Dietz, William Dietz; and her sisters, Thelma VanBuren and William Muntan.

A memorial service was held April 25 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Pastor Jonathan Wilkes of First Baptist Church of Northville officiated the service. Interment will be at

Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens of Novi. Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Heart Association Midwest Affiliate, Memorial and Tributes Program, Dept. 77-3968, Chicago, Ill., 60678; or the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. Twelve Mile Road, Southfield, Mich. 48076.

Rachel Allison Richters

Rachel Richters died May 9. She was 20.

Precious daughter of Sandra, dearest sister of the late Katharine Anne, beloved granddaughter of Gizella and the late Andrew J. Ban, niece of Janet Ban. Rachel was lovingly cared for by doctors, caregivers and friends.

Mr. Richters was one of the first group of babies in the William Beaumont Hospital's neonatal care unit. She was originally given five years to live, but her life was extended thanks to the care given to her.

Ms. Richters attended special ed classes in Northville for 17½ years, including Old Village School, Bryant School and Cooke School.

A memorial service for Ms. Richters was held May 12 at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth, which handled funeral arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the Rachel Richters Memorial Fund for Multiply-Impaired Children, c/o Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

Northville resident **Michelle Malinowski** received a master of business administration degree from Baker College.

Northville resident **Jenna B. VanWagoner** received the Van Ess Scholarship Award during the annual honors convocation at Hope College on April 24.

Northville resident **Jack Sprauer** was honored by **Adrian College** for his poem, "my corner," during the school's 2003 Creative Writing Contest.

Northville resident **Justin R. Schlanser** was among the graduates of the college of veterinary medicine at **Michigan State University** during May commencement activities. He was promoted to the rank of U.S. Army Captain following the ceremony and will enter the Army on July 6.

Northville resident **Cass Huyck** was granted a position on the parade field cannon crew at **Howe Military Academy** (Howe, Ind.) last fall.

Northville resident **Megan Hill** was named to the honorable mention list at **St. Edward's University** (Austin, Texas) for the fall 2002 semester.

Northville resident **Richard Wang** was among the entrants admitted to the Dual Admissions Program at the **University of Cincinnati**.

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Northville eyed for Super Bowl hot spot

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the Metro Detroit Visitors and Convention Bureau when the Super Bowl deal was signed.

Bankes said that when Sherer came to the commission in December seeking \$150,000 of the tourist tax levied on liquor sales and hotel room and car rentals in Wayne County, "I wanted to make sure the people in my

district benefited from that."

She noted that at the intersection of Six Mile and Interstate 275 alone, there are eight hotels and scores of restaurants and lounges across her district.

While Ford Field can seat 65,000 fans, Lovio George public relations firm communications specialist Kim Skeltis said more than 120,000 people are expected to visit metro Detroit for the

Super Bowl, which is expected to attract 3,000 members of the media and will be viewed by an estimated 800 million people worldwide.

Skeltis said based on past Super Bowls, hotel revenues alone in the tri-county area are expected to top \$21 million for the event. She said there are 17,500 hotel rooms within Detroit's city limits and another 31,000 in the Wayne,

Oakland and Macomb counties.

Noting that his community has only one hotel, Northville Township manager Chip Snider, said he expected the event's impact will be "very minimal," coming mainly from pre-game and post-game meals.

"The good news is, there will no negative impacts either," he added, Northville City Manager Gary

Word, said he also expects the "benefits will be somewhat diluted by the time the get to us."

"We are 25 miles from heart of Detroit," Word said.

That, however, is not going to stop businesses in the area from trying to cash in on the Super Bowl party. Bankes said the host committee will be putting together an "enhanced package of restaurant coupons, lists of things

to do and charity events," when they check into hotels in the Northville, Plymouth, Livonia area.

She added, "We're also hoping to create special events for the people in our area."

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NPH closure marks start of property sale

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The Seven Mile Road vantage point shows the eight-story, many-window, reddish-tan brick main hospital and a series of two-floor facilities. Beyond the parking lots and series of service drives, the topic property reaches back into heavily wooded, rolling hills.

A corridor study conducted by the township supports a planned use development preference, Snider said, although nothing is concrete. A PUD generally represents a combination of commercial and residential uses, he explained, that both drives the land value up and creates strong revenue streams for the township.

"We're going to provide that to people as a guide for what the township would like to see in the development of that property," Snider said.

For example, if the PUD called for single-family residential, placement of those homes on the south side of the property would be compatible with existing homes. Maple Hill Drive, accessible in the development of the same name off Six Mile Road, loops back on the northern edge of that property toward the state-owned parcel.

Back at Seven Mile — down from Rocky's — Marilyn, Maxwell and Fry streets, as well as the Northridge residential development, soon will be facing a new neighbor in place of the green and yellow "Northville Psychiatric Hospital" sign.

"I would speculate that no one would intend to keep the existing building," Snider said. However, the state likely would agree to keep operational the plant that provided power for Hawthorne

Center and the hospital for a specific period while the site required water and electricity during development.

The 2002 House Bill that authorized the facility close mandated that the sale of the "realize the highest price for the sale and the highest return to the state," using a method such as a competitive sealed bid.

"They want the land to sell at the very best value for their benefit," Snider said. "They want the use of the land to be very beneficial for the township."

Despite the departure of the final patients scheduled for this week, the state will still have an interest in maintaining security at the site, the township supervisor said.

"I would expect a visible presence by the state to protect their land," Snider said.

Northville Psychiatric was built in the 1950s with the capacity to house more than 1,200 people. At the time state officials announced plans to close the facility, they cited the nationwide movement away from institutionalization and toward community-based placements.

At that time, 540 employees cared for approximately 250 patients there. State health care staff planned to direct the community placement or inpatient transfer of residents.

Under the closure plan, some of the employees who were either not eligible or did not opt for early retirement, planned to transfer to other state facilities.

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Off-Leash Dog Park Update

The Northville Parks and Recreation Department added another seminar this Tuesday to acquaint residents with procedures to obtain a Northville Dog Park pass.

The half-hour session is at 7 p.m., May 20, in Meeting Room A at Northville City Hall. A fourth, previously scheduled seminar for tonight at 7 p.m. at the Northville Community Center still is a go, said recreation director Traci Sincok.

"We've had about 80 people so far," Sincok said Tuesday. "It's been well received."

Beginning June 1, the temporary dog park will be located behind the Senior Center at 215 W. Cady Street. Attendance by a household member at one of the education seminars is mandatory.

Members of the Dog Park Organization Committee will review the park rules and procedures during the sessions. Two hundred and fifty park passes will go on sale May 27 at the recreation offices in the rear of Hillside Middle School, 700 West Baseline Road. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The passes are \$30 for the first dog and \$8 each for any additional dog, up to three dogs per household.

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Golf peaking at the right time

Girls set Northville High School record for team-low score

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Talk about a record-setting pace.

The Northville Mustangs girls' golf team is making sure there are nothing but believers out there — they are the real deal.

After snapping the competition in half when it came to the Western Division title, the Mustangs had to sit back and wonder what they would do next. Heck, why not set the school record and, to make it even more notable, why not do it on the road?

The Northville squad did just that, setting the school record for lowest strokes by a team with a staggering 164 at Edgewood Country Club.

"It didn't shock me," Northville coach Trish Murray said of the score. "I was so happy for them, but I wasn't surprised. This team is very capable of it."

And capable they have been. Last season, the Mustangs broke the record three times — and almost all of the members on the squad this year are returning players. The last record set was a 168, which the Mustangs also set on the road when they played Farmington.

"To shoot a 164 is great," Murray said. "To do it on the road is even better."

The Mustangs had no troubles topping the Walled Lake Central Vikings with that score. Combined, the Vikings collected a 209.

"We made some unbelievable putts," Murray said of some incredible shots she was witness to. "There were a lot of good par putts, and even a couple of birdies out there."

Andrea Fillipps was the leader on the course, shooting a stellar 38 to earn the medalist nod. The most impressive thing about the number that Fillipps recorded was the fact that she even shot out of bounds at one point, earning a penalty stroke for the error.

"She is definitely hot right now," Murray said.

But even with such an incredible score, Fillipps isn't the dominating player on the team. In fact, there isn't a dominating player, as their scores show.

Layne Scherer and Marie Snyder both recorded a 41 on the day. Therese Juthage rounded out the scoring for the Mustangs with a 44.

Though they didn't score on the day, Allison Grant recorded a 51 and Marie Defer notched a 52.

The Northville squad was a bit eager to see where they could improve their scores too, though



Mustang golfer Andrea Fillipps tees off on the second hole at Tanglewood during a game in May.

Murray said they should be careful about asking for too much on the links.

"All the way home, they were

picking apart their scores," she said. "I told them to wait a minute. I let them know that we were just going to take the 164

and go home."

It wasn't a day of all business for the Mustangs either

"We went to Edgewood with

six girls and almost came home with seven," Murray said. "I found a little boxer puppy on the course, and I don't think she was even a year old."

After driving around the course, asking parties of golfers if the dog happened to be theirs, Murray returned to her team of Mustangs. The girls looked at Murray, then the dog and became fairly inquisitive.

"They wanted to know what I was doing with a dog," Murray said. "I told them that you never know what you'll pick up while you're out playing golf."

Murray, who's dog died in September, thought it was a bit strange that she would find a puppy while out coaching golf.

"I've been saying that when it was time to get another dog, the right one would come along," she said. "Strange how it just happened to be when I was on a golf course."

Murray turned the dog over to some workers at the country club, who said they would try to find the owners of the animal. If they couldn't — well, Murray already took care of that scenario.

"I left my card there and told them to call me if they didn't find her home," Murray said.

Northville 174, Wayne 235

The Northville Mustangs wouldn't have had to worry a bit even if the Wayne Memorial Zebras were in their division this year. The realignment of the league, which is scheduled for next year, will find the Zebras prowling around as members of the Western Division — but, the Mustangs would have won the title all the same.

The game was one that the Northville linksters weren't sure they were going to be able to get in due to poor weather conditions.

"It was raining, but I knew we needed to get a matchin'," Murray said, noting the girls were forced to cancel against the John Glenn Rockets just two days earlier due to rain. "Just about the time we were scheduled to start, it stopped. So we went out and we played, and we played well."

Scoring their season-low at home, the Mustangs followed the lead of Andrea Fillipps with an impressive 41 on the day to earn the medalist position. Shannon Lewicki and Marie Snyder each collected a 43 on the day, while Layne Scherer shot a 47 to round out the Mustang scoring.

Also playing, but not being counted towards the final score, were Kelly Harrison and Andrea Gorecki. Harrison carded a 49 while Gorecki recorded a 54.

A whole different ballgame

Playoffs. The very word can cause such a variety of reactions. Some people cheer, others frown. Some get pumped up and ready to play, and others nervous as though it was about to be their first game of the year all over again.



Sam Eggleston

The teams from Northville and Novi aren't the kind that cower in some corner and bite their nails in fright. Instead, they are the squads that rise up and play to the best of their abilities at the best times. They are the squads that other teams quake in fear over. Will their seasons end off a goal by the Northville Mustangs? Will the Wildcats blow them out of the water with a killer defense and intense offense?

Some playoffs involve team sports, and the Mustangs and Wildcats are more than happy to bind together and play as a unit instead of individuals. Other playoffs require individuals to climb out of the pack and stand above the rest as an all-star. It's their turn to shine, and the athletes from Northville and Novi hardly shy away from such a request either.

The coaches of these athletes prepare them through tough practice sessions and from demanding the best of results. Yeah, not all of the squads can go to the state finals, and there are a lot of teams and individuals out there to compete with, but is that really something to worry about?

How have these teams made it this far? By working hard each and every day and taking each team on one at a time. You can't win the district title until you are in the game, and there are steps to make it to that point. You can't win the state title in track until you make it by the regional first.

The one thing the Novi and Northville athletes have to remember is that these contests and events are no different that the rest of the year. All of the teams have gained experience compared to day one of the spring season, and all of the teams are ready to play to their best abilities. Sure, as you progress the competition gets tougher and tougher, but that's why the competition was scheduled to be so tough during the regular season.

Competitive nature is something that the athletes from Northville and Novi possess. They know what it takes to win, and they can't over think the process. Every dog, 'cat and mustang has their day — and the only way to win is to play the best game you can.

I have no doubt, and neither do the fans of these remarkable athletes, that all of them will do just that.

Good luck to all of the athletes from Northville and Novi that are hoping to advance through the playoffs and to the highest peaks of high school sports. The dream is there for the taking — but just remember that even if you don't reach the summit, you'll still be winners in the eyes of your friends, family, coaches and fans. And, not to mention, in this sports section.

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Baseball team takes first division loss

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Considering they played five games in five days, the results weren't half bad.

The Northville Mustangs baseball team ended a long week with a division win over Livonia Churchill, 10-4. They even collected two wins in a double header against Livonia Stevenson, beating the Spartans 8-7, 13-8.

It was the other two games of the week that stung. Against Canton, a Western Division opponent, the Mustangs fell 4-3 in the opener of a double header. The second game was called due to weather and is scheduled to be made up this week. Later in the week, after going 10 innings, the 'Stangs fell to Plymouth Salem 6-5.

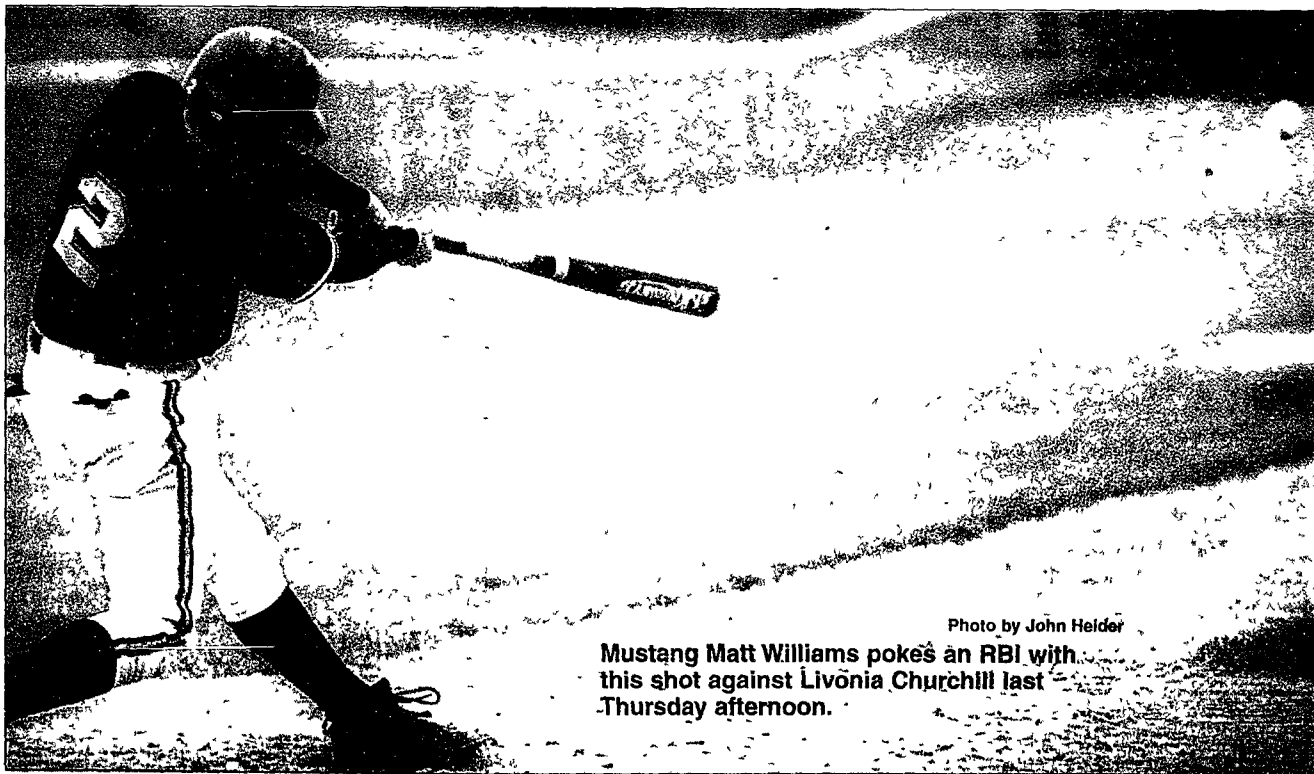
"We played 41 innings of baseball in three days," Northville coach Mickey Newman said. "We were a little tired, but that's no excuse."

Against Salem, the Mustangs found the Rocks winning the game on a wild pitch from Brett Asher. The hurler had won two games in a row to that point, and Newman was willing to roll the dice. He came in to relieve senior Tyler Carter and Carter had relieved senior Roger Garfield.

"He was on a hot streak," the coach said of Asher. "I just tried to get him another one."

Joe Zumstein had a big day against the Rocks, slapping a two-run home run and collecting a single. Brian Barton went 2-for-five on the day with two RBIs.

Against Canton, the Mustangs took a 4-3 loss with Brian Tellish and Jimmy Riehl sharing time on



Mustang Matt Williams pokes an RBI with this shot against Livonia Churchill last Thursday afternoon.

the mound.

"We gave up 12 hits," Newman said. "Somehow, they only scored four runs."

Brendan Buckley went 2-for-4 on the day with two doubles and run scored. Matt Williams went 2-for-three with two doubles and a run scored, and junior Mark Sorensen, who had a two-run single, went 2-for-3.

In their double header against Stevenson, the Mustangs found themselves down 7-2 in the nightcap. Tellish cranked out a solo

dinger in the third before the 'Stangs put together an eight-run fourth inning keyed by Garfield's bases-loaded single. Jake Dumbleton cranked out a bases-loaded double to score three in the inning.

Garfield collected five RBIs in the contest, while going 2-for-4. Dumbleton went 2-for-3 with three RBIs and Barton went 1-for-3.

Not only did Asher win that game for the Mustangs from the mound, he also won the opener after coming in to relieve Steve

Besk. Riehl took the save in the seventh inning of the first game.

Senior Scott McNeish went 2-for-3 in the game with a RBI and scoring two runs, while Williams went 2-for-4. Carter went 2-for-4 with two RBIs, while Jeff Huguely proved to be a big spark for Northville with two runs scored, two stolen bases and reaching the bags three times.

In the final game of the week, the Mustangs earned a 10-4 win over the Churchill chargers. Sorensen earned the win with six

hits given up, one walk and seven whiffs. The win brought him to 4-0 on the season.

Riehl had a big hit in the game — a three-run homer at the end of the third inning to tie the game. He collected four RBIs on the day while going 1-for-3 with a sacrifice fly. Williams went 2-for-4 with a RBI double and two runs scored.

McNeish went 2-for-3 and reached base three times. He crossed the plate three times as well.

GAME OF THE WEEK



Northville Mustangs

The Post Season is Here

Knights take brutal loss to St. Joseph's

By Sam Eggleston
and Kita Mason
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Though it's not really an excuse, the Northville-Novu Knights Rugby Football Club could probably blame it on prom.

With Northville's prom behind them by about eight hours, and Novi's ahead of them by the same amount of time, the Knights found themselves on the wrong end of a major 25-0 beating from the St. Joseph Eagles May 10.

The Northville players, groggy from their prom the night prior, were visibly groggy and slow to react on the field. The Novi players didn't seem to be focused, rather anticipating the night that was still ahead of them. Needless to say, a rugby game and being out on the pitch was the last thing on the Knights' minds.

The Eagles, on the other hand, seemed quite in the mood to have a good scrum. St. Joseph's scored their first points of the day on a three-point penalty kick mid-way through the first half of the contest. Later in the same half, they notched their lead to 10-0 with a try and the extra-point kick, which sailed through the uprights with little trouble.

The Knights, on the other hand, were getting used to being situated on the field with their

own goal line right behind them. Every time they seemed to generate even a sliver of momentum in the game, a penalty would find them being escorted back 10 meters.

The second half, much like the first, was all St. Joseph's. The Knights' defense, their strongest weapon so far this season, did what it could to slow down a surging Eagles scoring machine — but it wouldn't prove enough to keep their opponents out of the try zone. Midway through the second half, the Eagles tacked on three points with a penalty kick before adding a try and two extra points for a 20-0 lead.

With time expiring, and the Knights struggling to keep the Eagles from scoring before the final horn, St. Joseph's attacked. An Eagles winger took the ball to the outside and had a quick jaunt down the sideline. Quick thinking Knights hooker, A.J. Morris, forced the winger to the sideline, where the ball was taken into the try zone for the five-point score and the 25-0 final. The defensive move, which showed strategic thinking on Morris' part, kept the Eagles out of good position for the points-after kick, which failed.

The Knights final home game was slated for Wednesday night against a very strong Brighton squad.

Tennis team playing with determination

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

The whole idea is to take the wins when they come, and shrug the losses aside when they show their ugly faces.

The Northville Mustangs boys' tennis team, under the coaching supervision of Chris Ford, have learned how to do both very well. Not only will they gladly take their victories over Hartland, Plymouth Salem and Livonia Churchill, they'll also learn their lessons from, but not dwell on, their loss against the Novi Wildcats.

The Mustangs proved that as they went on to earn two victories since taking a loss to their cross-town rivals. Their latest win came in the form of a handy victory over Livonia Churchill 6-2.

Earning victories for the Mustangs were Adam O'Donnell at two singles and Brian Bensette at three singles. The doubles teams, which have been strong all season for Northville, swept their Charger opponents. The first doubles team consisted of Matt Lewicki and Chris Irvine, while junior Jeremy Reisman and sophomore Colin Ackerman also earned a win at second doubles. The three doubles team of Nishant Valecha and Ashlyn Saltz notched a victory, as did the fourth doubles team of Brett Eathorne and Varun Shekhar.

The day prior, against the Rocks of Plymouth Salem, first singles found Jason Spruit earning yet another victory on the year as the Mustangs climbed away with a 6-2 win over their WLAA foes.

Not only did Spruit earn a win in

singles, but O'Donnell and Bensette were back in prime form and earning wins yet again to help the Mustangs to a conference win.

In doubles action, Lewicki and Irvine combined their talents once again to earn a win at one doubles, while Reisman and Ackerman notched another win at two doubles. The third doubles team of Valecha and Saltz peppered their opponents to gain a win for Northville.

The Mustangs aren't immune to losses though. Against the Novi Wildcats, the Northville netters took the brunt of a 6-2 defeat.

It wasn't for naught though, as the Mustangs were able to earn to flight victories in the match. O'Donnell had a sweet showing at two singles as he smacked Prasanna Venugopal with a 6-0, 6-2 loss. The second flights were the name of the game it seemed, as the other victory for Northville came from Reisman and

Ackerman at two doubles. They defeated Robin Lin and James Pourach 3-6, 6-2, 6-3.

At first singles, Novi's Suraj Ramachandran defeated Spruit 6-3, 6-3, while Novi's Andrew Laskowski defeated Bensette 5-7, 6-3, 6-4. At fourth singles, Lance Dehne felt the sting of a 6-1, 6-2 loss as he fell to Steve Chiang, and Lewicki and Irvine fell to Joe Lynch and Vishal Rungta 6-3, 6-4 in one doubles.

Valecha and Saltz took the brunt of a 6-3, 7-6 (4) loss to Drew Doster and Jeff Wallen at three doubles, and Eathorne and Shekhar fell to Connor Hogan and Jeff Korby in a hard fought match, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

In fifth singles, and just for fun, Max Malisak fell to Solomon Zheng, 8-6, while Bogdan Oaida fell to Zheng 8-2.

Novi's Jim Hanson said facing Northville again would be some-

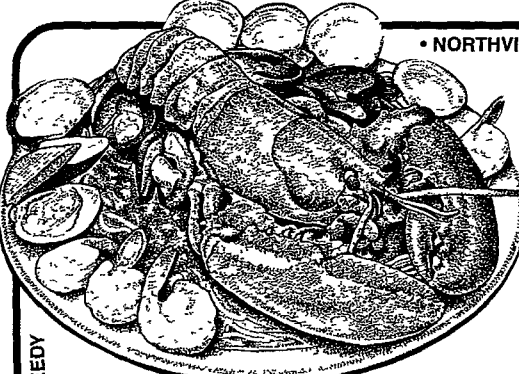
thing the Wildcats would prefer not to do.

"What is of concern is that we have to face Northville again in our regional tournament," Hanson said. "They will be a force to reckon with later this year and that is for sure. I am impressed with their talent."

The Mustangs also earned a victory over Hartland in non-conference play before their Novi meet.

Against the Eagles, the Mustangs found Spruit winning first singles, while O'Donnell dominated second singles and Bensette earned another win at the third singles flight.

In doubles action, Lewicki and Irvine were at one doubles; Reisman and Ackerman at two; Valecha and Saltz at third; and Eathorne and Shekhar were at fourth doubles.



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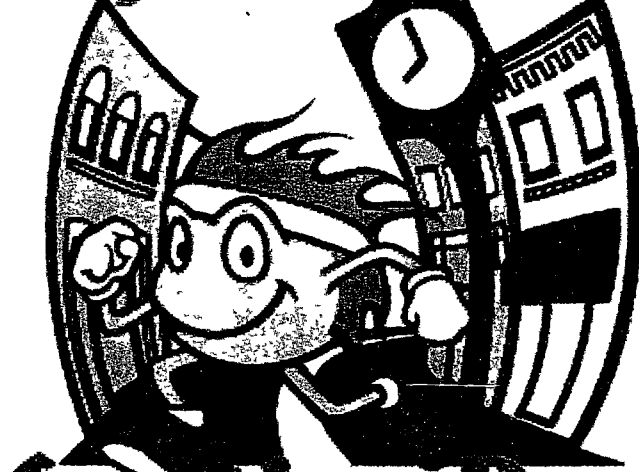
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Boys' track team very enthusiastic

Team on a natural high as they take third in Observerland Relays

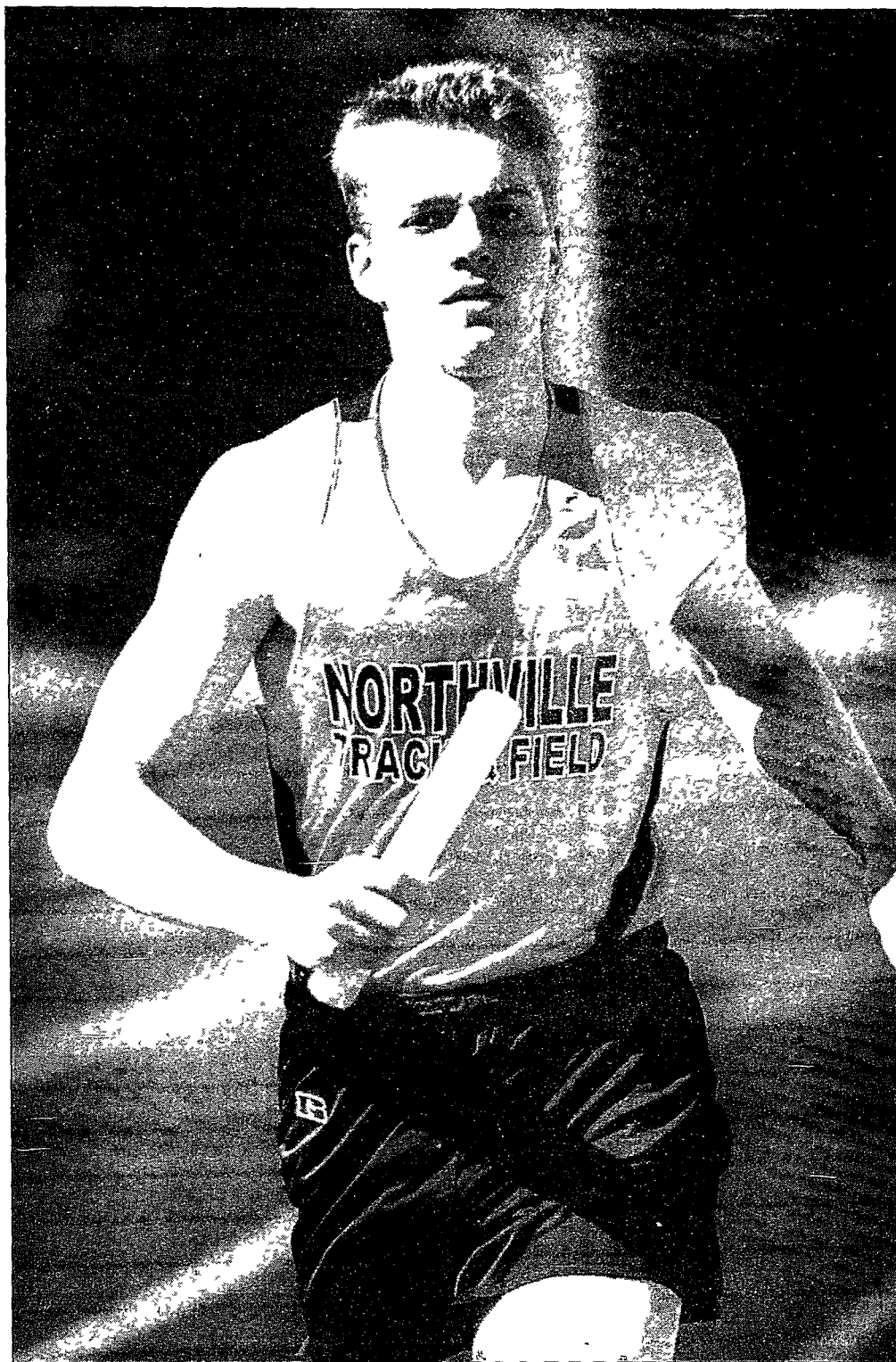


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A Mustang relay runner competes in the 4x400 meters during a home meet in late April.

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

It's always nice to be on a high note for a team.

The Northville Mustangs boys' track team is definitely on a high — and they aren't afraid to show that the future of Northville track is a bright one.

The Mustangs, under the coaching of Bill Cornelius, not only blasted the Plymouth Salem Rocks 87-49, but also slammed Livonia Franklin 94 1/2-42 1/2. Besides that, the Mustangs earned an applause-worthy third-place finish at the always-tough Observerland Relays.

Against Livonia Franklin, the Mustangs were well aware of one thing — they were expecting to win. With that in mind, Cornelius told his team to concentrate on bettering their positions for the regional meet by focusing on their individual events.

With Brad Stoner out due to a slight illness, the Mustangs found themselves sliding a few other bodies into positions where they normally might not be — but it all paid off in the end with a huge win.

Taking firsts for the Northville squad were athletes like Alan Shanoski, who went a personal best in the high jump with a leap of 6-foot-4. Matt Cornelius took first in both the long jump and the shot put. His leap of 20-6 was the best of the bunch, as was his single throw of 42-2.

In the discus, Ken Schleh took the top spot with a hurl of 120-1, while Matt Siwicki took first in both the 110 hurdles (15.94 seconds) and the 300 hurdles (43.1 seconds). Senior Clark Paciorek turned in a nice time in the one mile run, finishing first in 4:47, while Mike Gabrys won the two mile in 10:05.6. Rob Steiner had a nice showing in the 400 as he finished first in 52.9 seconds, while Tim Dalton showed his speed to the crowd with a first in the 800 in 2:01.8.

In the relays, the 3,200 team of Ryan Cameron, Brandon Bednar, Kellen Smetana and Kyle Banter finished first in 9:15.9. The 400 team of Tim Downing, Tim Higgins, Cornelius and Bill Brown won with 46.1 seconds, while the 1,600 team of Momchil

Filev, Colin Keifer, Steiner and senior James Wang took first.

"James Wang is our morale king," Cornelius said. "He just loves track, and he works really hard all the time. He's very positive and a good inspiration to the team."

Observerland Relays

The Northville Mustangs knew going into the Observerland meet that the chances of winning it all were pretty slim — but they didn't scoff at taking a third-place in the meet either.

The Mustangs collected 62 points to finish behind top dog Farmington Hills Harrison's 87 and Plymouth Canton's 79. The Northville squad was able to beat out teams like Detroit Catholic Central, Livonia Churchill, John Glenn and many others to secure third.

"The kids were so happy," Cornelius said. "They were running around the track with the trophy like they were little kids. They were completely energized and so enthusiastic. I've never seen them like that before."

The Mustangs earned a victory in the long jump — and had a surprise there as well. Brown jumped over 20 feet on all three of his attempts, and even beat out the normal team leader Matt Cornelius for the top spot. The team of Brown, Cornelius and Scott Hammerle earned the first place spot.

In the high jump, the Mustangs earned second off of jumps from Shanoski, Brown and Mike Jameson. The Northville squad also took second in the mile relay with a time of 3:30.4 with a team comprised of Stoner, Steiner, Dalton and Ryan Lionas.

Siwicki took fourth in the high hurdles, finishing in 15.4, while the distance medley team of Stoner, Lionas, Keiffer and Dalton took third.

Gabrys had a nice showing in the mile, running it in 4:41, while the 3,200 relay team of Paciorek, Cameron, Steiner and Dalton took fourth. The Mustangs also had a nice performance from the sprint medley relay team that took fourth with Stoner, Lionas, Downing and Keiffer running it.

"I was thrilled that we took third

place," Cornelius said of his team. "Everyone did real well and ran to my expectations."

Northville 87, Salem 49

The Mustangs had another strong showing as they blasted WLAA rival Salem right out of the water as Cornelius took first in the shot with a throw of 45-8, as well as firsts in the long jump with a mark of 20-7. The senior also took first in the 100 dash with an 11.66 second time, and was part of the 100 relay team, along with Downing, Jameson and Brown, which finished first in 45.6 — the season best for the team.

Shanoski returned to form for the first time since having some difficulties this year. The sophomore cleared 6-3 in the high jump.

Siwicki ran to a win in the 300 hurdles, which was his first showing this season after having mono and some other ailments. The senior took the win with a time of 43.2 seconds.

Stoner ran well in the 400, finishing the grueling sprint in 51.23 seconds to secure a first-place finish, while teammate Dalton finished in first in the 800 with a time of 2:03.6. Downing ran to victory in the 200 with a time of 24.25 seconds, while Gabrys continued his domination in the two-mile run as he took first in 10:13.

The Mustangs actually had a sweet showing in the 100, 200 and 400 sprint events. In the 100, behind Cornelius, Downing took second and Brown took third. In the 400, behind Stoner, Northville's Steiner and Lionas were second and third, respectively. The Mustangs also swept the 200, with Downing taking first, Brown in second and Lionas in third.

In the relays, the Mustangs took first in the 3,200 with Steiner, Dalton, Patrick Kelleher and Keiffer taking first in 8:17.7. The 1,600 team of Keiffer, Steiner, Dalton and Stoner took first in 3:37.

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Lacrosse tops Tecumseh

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

It's always nice to thrill your fans.

The Northville lacrosse team did just that after waiting for the eighth-graders to finish out their own game against Tecumseh — a game the youngsters won 6-0.

As the varsity Mustangs took to the field, the young lacrosse players sat back and watched poetry in motion, knowing full well that they were the future of the program. Northville didn't let them down, as they blasted Tecumseh 8-3.

Sophomore middle Mike Monticello gave the youngsters someone to look forward to being like as he started the game off on the right foot. A sweet pass from the sophomore found freshman Max Lenn breaking into the Tecumseh defense before bouncing one home from just outside the crease for a quick 1-0 lead.

Moments later, the Mustangs made it a 2-0 game as junior middle Steve Houran snagged the ball and dove into the box before ramming home a sweet, unassisted goal — right passed a stunned Tecumseh goalie.

The Tecumseh squad wasn't about to let the game get out of reach in the first quarter though. They fought back and notched their first goal after regaining their composure and fighting through a stingy Northville defense to cut the Mustang lead to 2-1.

Northville responded in turn,

letting Tecumseh know that this wasn't going to be an easy game for the visiting squad. Lenn earned an assist with a tight pass to senior scoring monster Rick Reigner, who worked his magic and found the back of the net for a 3-1 lead.

Though the Northville defense, led by senior Will Holden, wasn't about to give up a straight-out goal, the cost of a penalty ended up being too much. Tecumseh made the best of an odd-man rush as they scored their second goal of the game.

Northville came back with a fury of shots-on-goal, but the Tecumseh goalie was up for the challenge until freshman attack Zach Elker, who positioned himself just outside the crease, screened him. With the body blocking his view, the Tecumseh goalie fell victim to a low shot from Monticello, which sailed under Elker and found its way into the net for a 4-2 advantage.

A two-goal lead just wasn't enough for the Mustangs — especially with their young fans in attendance — and they pushed their offensive production into high gear. Junior attack Pete Vacketta took a pass just inside the box and turned it into a single-handed score to give Northville a 5-2 cushion. Not long after, Vacketta notched goal two for his statistics on the night as he took a pass from senior middle Lance Blair and slammed it home to put the Mustangs up 6-2.

Tecumseh bolted down their defense and fought for a scoring

chance. The chance came with just eight seconds left in the first half and they capitalized on the opportunity with their final goal of the night.

The second half found the Tecumseh squad notching plenty of shots on goal, but Northville goalie Dan Schaumann making a string of nice saves. It wasn't just the offense that Tecumseh turned up, but their defensive stability as well as they managed to keep the Mustangs out of the net for most of the remainder of the quarter until Monticello drew the defense to himself thanks to his speed before hitching a pass to Reigner. Reigner blasted the goal into the back of the net to give the Mustangs the 7-3 lead going into the final quarter.

Though Tecumseh played with as much determination they had shown in the third period, the Mustangs were just too powerful for them to control. The Mustangs peppered the goal with shots during a two-minute man-up advantage over their foes, but didn't find their final goal of the night until Reigner took a breakaway into the defensive zone and fired a strong, low shot that gave him a hat trick on the night and sealed the Mustang victory, 8-3.

YOUTH RESULTS

Boys' soccer

The Northville Stompers made a point by edging out a squad from Hamburg, 2-1. With goals from Kevin Woods and Aris Zervos, the Stompers were able to make good use of their stifling defense. Kyle Cummings and Patrick Cowher were named the game Most Valuable Players thanks to their strong defensive presence and ability to limit scoring opportunities.

The Stompers also found themselves on the right side of a victory against the Express, a team they blasted 4-1. Woods earned himself a soccer hat trick with a staggering three goals on the day, while Alex Hartmann notched a single tally in the win. Austin Esquenda and Allen Chen were the MVPs, earning the nod with their intense play and strong midfield occupation.

The Northville Cosmos wanted to let everyone know that it's not easy to score on them — and they did just that. Most recently, the Cosmos added an exclamation point to that statement with a crushing 5-1 victory over Farmington. Daniel Jouppe led the attack, scoring two goals, while Brennan Berry, Alex Zimmer and Kevin Fitzsimmons scored one each. The MVP honors went to Drew Fisher, for incredible

defensive play, and Julian Todor, for good defense and some great dribbling for many shots on goal.

The Cosmos were also able to stymie a Novi attack, and beat them 3-1. Brandon Cuffe, Zimmer and Fitzsimmons were the goal scoring trio for this match-up. Christian Preseau and Cory Borawski made a lot of good defensive saves and played hard on offense for MVP.

Girls' soccer

The Northville Hot Spurs are well aware that winning isn't everything — it's just part of the game. The Hot Spurs played a tough game against a good Farmington team and neither team left the pitch as losers. Instead, they fought to a 2-2 tie. Scoring in the contest were Kelly Englert and

Nikki Metrausias, who also earned an assist on the first goal and was named the team MVP.

The Northville United squad played fast-paced game against the Northville Express and earned an impressive 4-1 win in some tough weather conditions. The Express broke the scoreless tie, minutes into the second half, with a determined goal by Kathleen Keiffer. Not to be outdone, United battled back to score directly off two fabulous corner kicks. One came off the foot of Chelsea Atzinger, the other from Sam Mustonen. MVPs of the game were offensive threats Nicole Allman and Hannah Deacon with each girl scoring a single goal. Clare Richette, who played incredible defense, also earned a share of the MVP honors.



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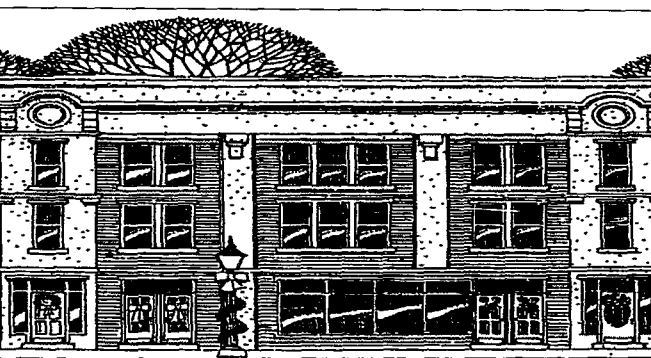
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Anyone with this information should contact the high school via mail by sending the documentation to: Novi High School, 24062 Taft Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, Attn. Julie Fisette, Athletic Records

Summer Baseball/Softball Camps

Total Baseball and Softball will be holding their summer camps June 16-18 at Novi's Powers Park; June 23-25 at Northville's Community Park; July 7-9 at South Lyon High School; and July 15-17 at Wixom Camp.

All camps run from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. for ages 7-17 years old. Professional players and college coaches will instruct kids in the proper techniques of pitching, hitting and fielding. Kids will also be clocked on a radar gun for arm speed. Rainouts will be held at Total Soccer in Wixom's indoor facility.

The camps cost \$135 per player. For more information, please call (248) 668-0166 or email totalballwixom@aol.com. For more details or to register online, visit www.total-baseball.com or www.total-softball.com.

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. For more information, contact Henry Ford Health Systems at (248) 380-6201.

Volunteers Needed

Northville Parks and Recreation is seeking volunteers to help with the inaugural

Galyan's Solstice Run June 21.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the start line, registration tent, help desk, the kiddie course, aid stations, food/refreshments, clean-up crew, finish line set up and also to help along the five kilometer course.

All volunteers will receive free food and refreshments and a Galyan's Northville Solstice Run T-shirt. 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 fee and bring correct change. Dates and times are subject to change. Cancellations will be posted on the Recreation Center doors.

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.

Golf Lessons Available

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

Call (248) 486-3355 and ask for Brad, Larry or Tom.

Track honors seniors with win

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Not a bad way to make a last stand at home.

The Northville Mustangs girls' track and field team, coached by Nancy Smith, won their final home track meet of the year over Livonia Franklin 83-54. The meet, which was a WLAA contest, was also senior night.

"This meet was the seniors last home meet on the track where they have experienced success," Smith said. "They also ended it that way."

The Mustangs made some noise across the board. In the field events, Northville swept the long jump as Erica Dobson took first with a season-best leap of 14-feet-9, while Nicki Probst was second with a 13-5 and Lauren

"This meet was the seniors last home meet on the track where they have experienced success. They also ended it that way."

Nancy Smith
Northville girls' track coach

Rocco was third with 13-2. In the pole vault, junior Amanda Crawford came oh-so-close of her goal of breaking the school

record. She cleared 7-0, which placed her second in the meet, and just missed the school mark of 7-6. Jean Hanely took third in the event.

On the track, the Mustangs continued their impressive performances. In the 3,200-meter relay, the team of Devon Rupley, Kate McClymont, Lisa Bowen and Katy Miller stayed undefeated on the year.

The 100 hurdles found Andrea Watts taking first with a time of 18.4, and she took the same finish in the 300, with a time of 51.0.

In the 100, the Mustangs took second through fourth. Courtney Bzymek finished second in 13.4 seconds, while Emily Weaver was third and Angela Neihoff took fourth place.

In the 400 and 800, the Northville girls swept. Rupley won the 400 in 1:02, while senior

Shannon Hogan took second in 1:03 and Rocco was third with a 1:08. In the 800, Bowen was first with a 2:30, while freshman Ashley Flohr was second and Miller was third.

"Ashley Flohr ran an incredible race today," Smith said. "She will definitely be a huge asset in the upcoming seasons."

In the 200, Rupley finished first with a 27.6, and Hogan was third in 28.9.

Senior Heather Moehle continued her dominance in the two-mile run with a first in 12:26 while Molly Gavin finished third.

The 1,600 meter relay team of Hogan, Bowen, Julia Williams and Weaver took first in 4:28.

"It turned out to be a great meet today," Smith said. "We started off by honoring our senior athletes and then continued to excel on the track"

Softball gets win, pays price with season-ending injury

By Brian Doyle
SPECIAL WRITER

After a tough week of games, the Northville Softball team finished with a strong showing. The Mustangs beat a very good Garden City team, sporting a 15-4 record, at the Canton Tournament to grab a victory which will hopefully carry some momentum over into the rest of their games.

"They're learning how to win," Northville coach Jean Calabrese said.

Early in the game, which Northville won 9-8, freshman third baseman Laura Zima went down with what appears to be a season ending knee injury. When Zima went down, it hit home with her teammates and lit a fire under them.

"They perked as a team," Calabrese said. "They decided to play the game for Zima; that was inspiring."

Although Zima was only a freshman they realized her importance on the field and in turn their own importance in their individual roles.

"They realized that even though she is a freshman she's a critical component of the team," Calabrese said. "They really came together."

Freshman Lisa Mueller pitched the entire game letting in only nine hits and one walk, while striking out two. The fielders behind her played very well and Northville kept the game within reach.

Northville found themselves

down 5-1 going into the bottom of the sixth. Then the runs started adding up. Even though Garden City had hit well, Northville stepped up to the challenge.

The Mustangs drew within one run at the end of six, but Garden City scored three in the bottom of the seventh to go up by four.

Northville refused to be discouraged and put together a rally to score five runs to take the lead and the game. Freshmen Emily Doren and Senior Allison Long hit singles and after a couple Garden City errors and sound base running on the Mustangs part, Northville was in position to take the game.

Lindsay Tomasak came up with only one out and runners on first and third. Tomasak knocked a triple which scored Candra Nabozny and Long all the way from first for the winning run and hand Garden City only its fourth loss on the season.

"Tomasak just crushed a triple out to left field," Calabrese said. "Hitting wise, we just cranked the ball."

Tomasak also had a double on the game and four RBI's. Nabozny had one hit, one run, and one RBI. Long went 3-4 and scored twice with two runs knocked in. Lauren Karney also scored twice.

"We worked very hard for this win. We deserve it."

Trenton 10, Northville 0
Northville had a tough time get-

ting things going offensively and only registered four hits in their first game of the tournament. Karney, Long, Tomasak, and Laura Zima were the only players who were able to get hits.

Nabozny pitched all five innings of this game and managed to strike out seven batters. The Mustangs who kept the game close until Trenton had two four-run innings in the fourth and fifth.

Churchill 6, Northville 2

Northville did all their damage offensively in the second inning of this game on Thursday, when Amy Prentiss scored Long and Karney on a triple for the team's only two runs. Although the team did have some strong defensive performances, a few mistakes might have been the difference in the game.

"I thought we probably over thought some plays instead of just reacting," Northville coach Jean Calabrese said. "We made a few critical errors in terms of play selection, where the ball should have gone."

Freshman Christy Badeen played very well at first base and made some nice plays.

"(Badeen) played an outstanding game defensively and was all over the place," Calabrese said. "She saved us over at first a few times with great efforts."

Long and Suzi Bowl both played well in the outfield for the Mustangs and Allison Jenney

played well at second.

"(Jenney) had a lot of opportunities at second base and she made the most of them," Calabrese said.

Jane Kruszewski pitched the whole game after leaving a game the day before with a back injury. Kruszewski allowed six hits, didn't walk any and struck out eight.

Salem 16, Northville 3

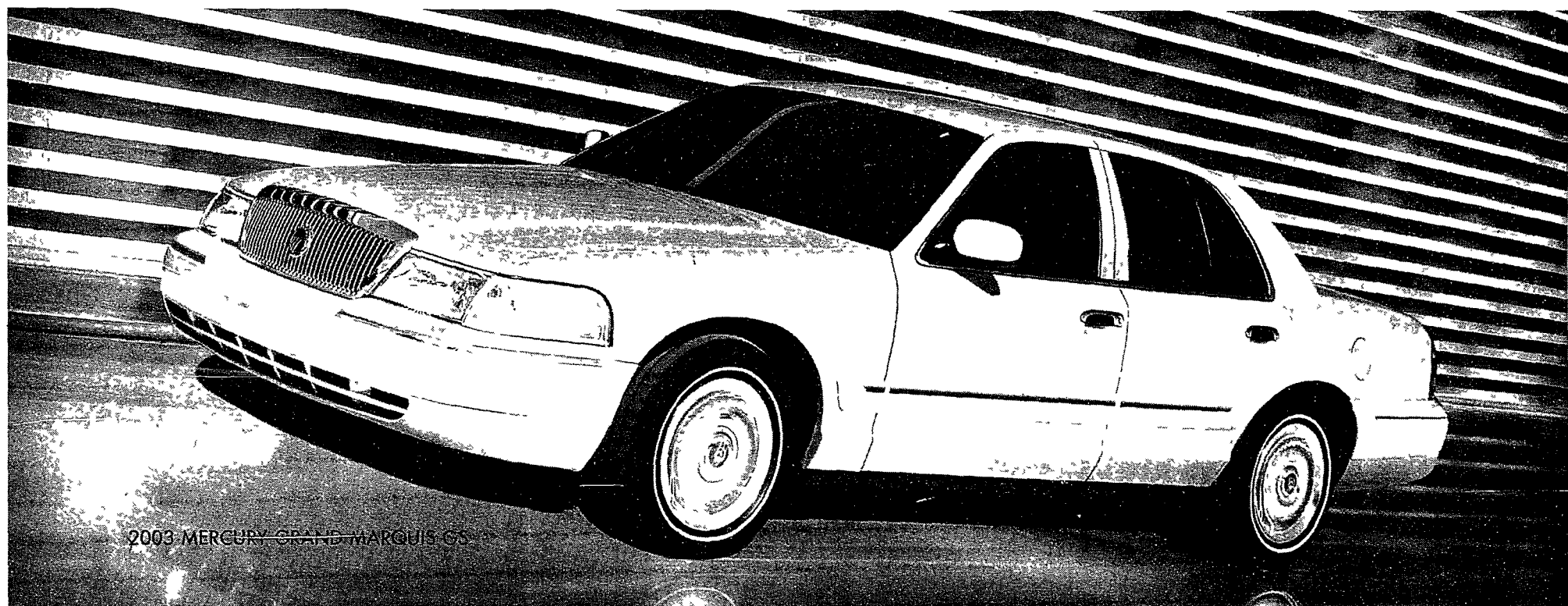
Zima and Badeen mustered Northville's only hits in this game, but Northville didn't actually play too bad offensively. Canton has some strong pitching but Northville was able to hit them, unfortunately, a lot of them were line drives right at people.

Northville also was able to walk nine times in this game, so getting on base wasn't the problem — getting hits at crucial times was. The Mustangs had the bases loaded two or three times in this game and couldn't bring the runners in.

"We just aren't stringing hits together at the right times," Calabrese said. "If we could hit together more consistently and hit the runners in that are getting on base we would've beat quite a few teams we've played this year."

Nabozny returned for her first game pitching in this game after missing last year to an injury.

"It was nice to see her back there and have confidence," Calabrese said. "She's had a great year for us in the outfield."



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MONEY MATTERS

I wonder how identity thieves can victimize more than 500,000 people annually, stealing their names and social security numbers to open bogus bank accounts, buy cars and charge up credit cards, and still sleep at night.

An imposter can seize your personal information in a variety of insidious ways.

Be on the lookout for these identity-stealing scams:

The double-swipe. Retail employees who handle customers' credit cards swipe the card twice—once for the transaction and once into another card-reading device to create new accounts using the encoded information on the magnetic strip.

The peepers. Thieves put plastic sleeves in ATM card slots so that when a consumer inserts the card the machine can't read the strip. It keeps asking them to re-enter their personal identification number (PIN). Meanwhile someone is watching over their shoulder noting the numbers they entered. Thinking the machine ate their card, they walk away, only to have the peeper remove the plastic sleeve and the card and empty their account.

Credit card application fraud. An identity thief completes a pre-approved credit card offer in the victim's name and has it sent to another address.

Business-record theft. A dishonest employee obtains social security numbers from their employer's database.

To minimize your chances for becoming a victim of identity theft, consider making these practices part of your routine:

- Shred all pre-approved credit card applications, bills or personal documents before discarding them. A light duty cross-cut shredder, which shreds about seven pages per minute, costs about \$40 and can be found at most office supply stores.

- Review your bank statements every month and reconcile your accounts regularly.

- Pay attention to billing cycles so you'll realize quickly if you're missing a bill.

- Ask your financial institution about its policies on account errors and loss.

- Provide your social security number only when it's absolutely necessary. Prior to revealing it, ask the business or financial institution why they need it, how will it be used, what law requires its disclosure and, finally, ask what will happen if you don't provide the number. Volunteer to give them another number and tell them why.

- Keep track of your credit cards and find out when the credit card company will issue you a new card.

- Approach an ATM machine carefully. Run your finger along the card slot before inserting your card. Feel for tiny prongs that enable thieves to get the plastic sleeves out of the slot.

In addition to shredding important documents, monitoring bank and credit card statements, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends taking these proactive approaches to guarding and managing your private information.

- Order a copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit bureaus once a year. (Equifax: www.equifax.com, (800) 685-1111; Experian: www.experian.com, (888) 397-3742; Transunion: www.transunion.com, (800) 888-4213.)

- Avoid using your mother's maiden name, your birth date, social security number or phone number as passwords for your bank, credit card and phone accounts.

- Ask about the information security procedures at your workplace. Identify who has access to your personal records and whether the documents are shredded before disposal.

If you are a victim of identity theft, call the FTC's Identity Theft Toll Free

Hotline at 1 (877) 438-4338. Counselors will note your complaint and offer advice on how you can deal with the credit-related problems that could result from the theft. Here are some additional suggestions from the FTC:

- Contact the three major credit bureaus and ask them to place a fraud alert on your account. Provide a written statement that asks creditors to call you for permission before any new accounts are set up in your name.

- Contact creditors about any accounts that have been tampered with or opened without your knowledge. Put your complaints in writing.

- File a police report. Send copies to your creditors and credit bureaus.

Mary Davis manages public affairs for the Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL), a statewide trade association representing Michigan credit unions. Send questions or comments about this article to mdc@mcuol.org.

ADVERTORIAL



Photo by Hal Gould

Chris Meredith relaxes at her Milford interior design store, Your Nesting Place. The shop is an eclectic mix of French country, shabby chic and transitional furnishings with a few vintage items sprinkled throughout.

A boutique with affordable pricing and small-town service

By Pamela A. Zinkosky
SPECIAL WRITER

Your Nesting Place certainly lives up to its name. It's a place where people know your name, you feel comfortable, and you can get just about any home furnishings or accessories that suit your "nest."

Owner Chris Meredith hesitates to call her business a furniture store—or even a home décor store. She prefers "design boutique," although even that can be misleading—it sounds a bit too haughty. "We're really very low key and funky," she said.

Tucked away at the north end of town on West Summit at Milford Road, Your Nesting

Place doesn't exactly draw walk-in customers. "People aren't sure if we're open to the public or just for designers or what," said Meredith. "But once they come in, they love it, and they come back."

The store has everything for home decorating except wall-to-wall carpet. That includes Flexsteel furniture, rugs, wallpaper, decorative accessories and design services. Meredith employs a seamstress to make curtains and other home fashions, painters and a wallpaper expert.

The store also provides one-on-one attention from experienced designers—Meredith herself, who has a design degree and

a passion for painting, and long-time employee Sandi Hinzmann, who's been with the shop since it opened in 1995. If you've been to the store, chances are you've talked to one of them, and that's the way Meredith wants it. "You're not dealing with a bunch of miscellaneous sales people," said Meredith.

Meredith displays at least 12 Flexsteel couches, 10-15 chairs and some tables in her 2,700-square-foot store, but she doesn't restrict customers to what's on the showroom floor. As a Flexsteel gallery, Your Nesting Place has more than 1,000 samples of the dealer's designer fabrics for custom orders, which are typically available in four to six weeks.

Sound expensive? Think again. Meredith doesn't tack on fees for special orders. Pricing is the same as it would be for the merchandise in stock. It's only higher if the fabric you order is more expensive.

Pricing based on materials? Almost unheard of. But it's one of the ways Your Nesting Place competes with the big guys.

Another way is by building relationships, explained Meredith. "We're not a big shop," she said. "We don't have a lot of capital. So we have to create relationships. We're a mom and pop place. We can do special things for our customers. We give one-on-one attention. I try to remember everyone's name and what they bought last time so that I can hold conversations with them."

Meredith makes sure her customers get the most out of their purchases. "It sounds like a little thing, but if a customer buys a

table I've painted, I'll give them the extra paint in case it chips or wears off. Or I'll go to their house and do a touch-up," she said.

Meredith also provides in-home design consultations at reasonable prices. Her \$250 consultation fee—what she calls a "protection factor" against giving her services away for free—applies toward merchandise purchases of \$500 or more.

And lest you think her consultations are ploys to sell more merchandise, Meredith points out that customers often end up buying less than they intended. "What I love to do if people will let me is dig around in their basements and other rooms and pull out things maybe they haven't thought of [to use as decorations and furnishings]," she said. "It's kind of like shooting myself in the foot, but they may think they need a couch, a table and two chairs, and they may end up needing just one chair."

It's been almost a year since Meredith purchased Your Nesting Place from its previous owner, and she couldn't be happier. She gives much of the credit for the store's success to its first owner, who built accounts with vendors, found a niche market for an artsy, cottage-y home décor shop with a flair for the original, and established a healthy client base.

Most of Meredith's customers live in Milford and have an appetite for the unique finds and personalized service she provides. They're also perfectly suited to the styles she offers—French country, shabby sheik, antique, and not much in the way of pure contemporary. "People

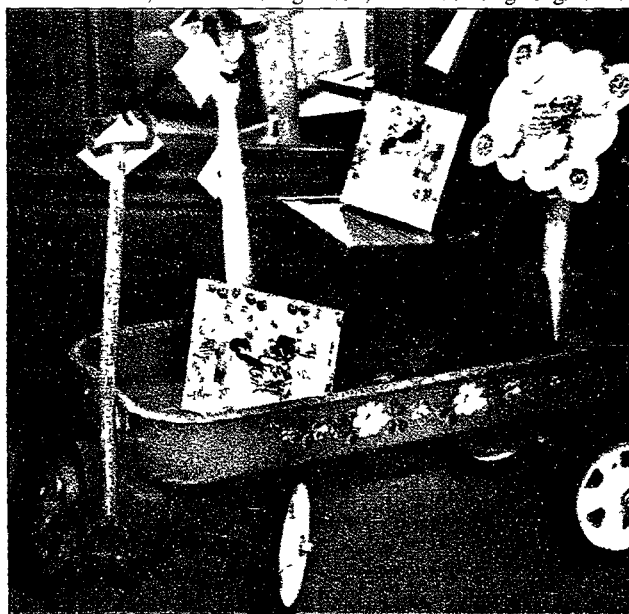
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around here are typically looking for their own little treasure," she said. "And I never design the same thing twice, which is important to some people. It can be as exclusive as they want it to be."

When Meredith bought the shop, many customers were upset. "They had built a relationship with the previous owner, and they were worried I would make too many changes. But they kept coming in and gave me a chance, and I'm thankful for that."

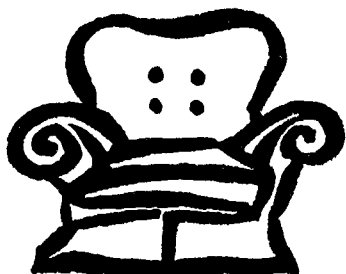
She's also thankful for a job she loves. "I was in advertising for 10 years and thought I'd never do anything else. I loved it. But then I fell into this, and now I know this is where I belong."



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Gardening made easier

Typical gardens not your thing? You might want to check out container gardens

By Annette Jaworski
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You might call them the goof-proof garden girls. Longtime friends Julie Lopez and Jodi Cook realize that busy people want to enjoy a beautiful garden, too. One way to accomplish this is by container gardening. They're colorful, versatile and don't take up a lot of space. And it's a good way to get your feet wet in the hobby of gardening without a large and overwhelming project. It's not as hard as you think as long as you stick with the basics.

"The more information people have, the better chance they have of success," Lopez said. In fact, the ladies share their knowledge by teaching various classes through Huron Valley Continuing Education.

If you pay attention to the following steps, you should have a flourishing container garden in short order.

Establish a good base or soil mix to plant in. Using two types of soil including a lite potting soil mix and a regular potting mix prevents the soil from becoming too heavy. Retention crystals sprinkled in the pot will help lock in moisture.

Add a slow-release fertilizer such as Espoma Plant Tone. They highly recommend using a slow-release fertilizer along with a quick-release formula such as Miracle Gro throughout the flowering season, since annuals have a short season to display their beauty. Manufacturer recommendations advise every seven to 14 days.

"If you only do one type of fertilizer, do the slow release," Lopez suggested. That way you don't have to remember to fertilize.

Consider drainage. If there's no hole in the bottom of the pot for drainage, put in stones, gravel or wood chips. Bark or wood chips can help make the pot lighter and easier to move as well. In the "grand" pots, you can invert an inexpen-



Photos by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

sive nursery container or pot in the bottom so it can take up some of the space. That way it requires less potting soil and is much lighter to move.

"Just make sure you have adequate soil depth for your plant," Cook said.

Consider sun, shade and wind when choosing where to place your plants. The beauty of the container is that you can always move it, but select plants that will do well for where you want to put your planter.

For sun some of Lopez and Cook's recommended choices include annual grasses, geraniums, snapdragons, dianthus, petunias, wave petunias, moos rose, salvia, zinnia, alyssum, stock, heliotrope, flowering tobacco, gold coin, moist sun begonias and New Guinea impatiens.

Shade choices might be impatiens, begonias, fuchsia, pansies, coleus, ivy, browallia, torenia, lobelia, bergenia and hostas.

When selecting plants, also consider that you can change your container garden with the seasons. For example, your first container might be a spring bouquet with pansies, primrose, violas and spring bulbs.

"It probably won't tolerate a hot porch. So in the summer you can switch to something like geraniums, bacopa, and vinca vine," Lopez said.

You'll probably have to replace most of the soil because it often stays on the roots. In fall you can add something like mums.

Perennials can be used, but you would probably want to remove them from the container and plant into a flowerbed.

Don't skimp on the flowers, Cook said. "People are hesitant to add too much to the

Groupings to try:

Fragrant containers: Lavender, verbenas, sweet alyssum, sweet William, flowering tobacco, stock, petunias and roses.

Aromatic foliage: rosemary, lemon thyme, lemon balm, lemon verbena, scented geraniums, citronella plants.

Edible containers: Herbs or vegetables such as basil, parsley, dill, chives, oregano, lettuces, grape or cherry tomatoes.

pot. I like to tell them don't be afraid to add that extra plant to add the extra display."

As far as color, the ladies don't like to dictate personal taste, because everyone has different preferences. Lopez, for example, chose a burgundy perennial grass to bring out the color of her front door. However, they do suggest that using one of every color is probably too much of a good thing. Using color in the container helps add "curb appeal."

"You want to simplify colors for the most impact," Cook said.

Keep your plantings consistent, Lopez suggests. For example, in all of her pots she used the same ornamental grass and bacopa, and then varied an herb or flower here and there to complete the arrangement.

As visual focal points you want to keep the pots to scale. For example, a large brick wall would dwarf a small pot.



Far left: Julie Lopez and Jodi Cook say plant color is a personal choice, but using too many might be overwhelming. Near left: Lopez and Cook arrange flowers into containers. Don't be afraid to add that extra display for a more dramatic display, Cook says.

designed garden. It includes a design, all the plants, planting instructions and an artist's rendering of the garden by Art by Mari Beth in Brighton. They come in a variety including small and large butterfly garden, small and large shade garden, small and large sunny garden, a light-post garden, small and medium mailbox gardens, a flagpole garden and a fragrant and hummingbird garden.

Lopez and Cook's "Gardens to Go" will be available at the Milford Farmer's Market from 3-8 p.m. on Thursdays from June to September, and at the Brighton Farmer's Market from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturdays.

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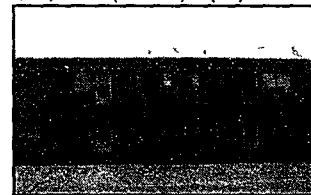
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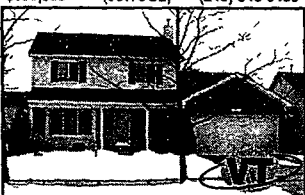
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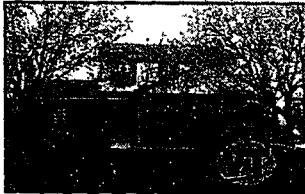
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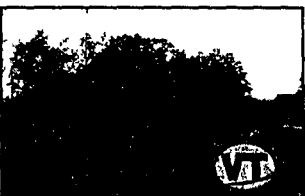
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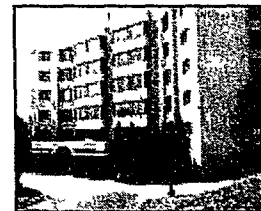
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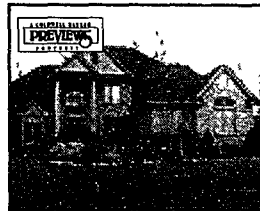
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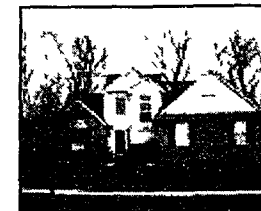
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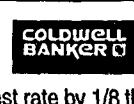
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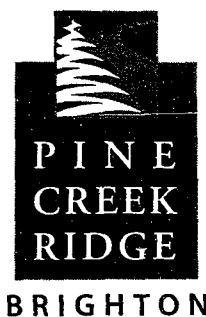
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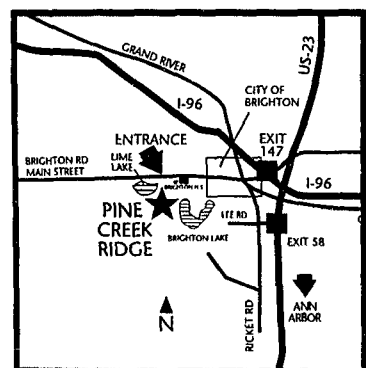
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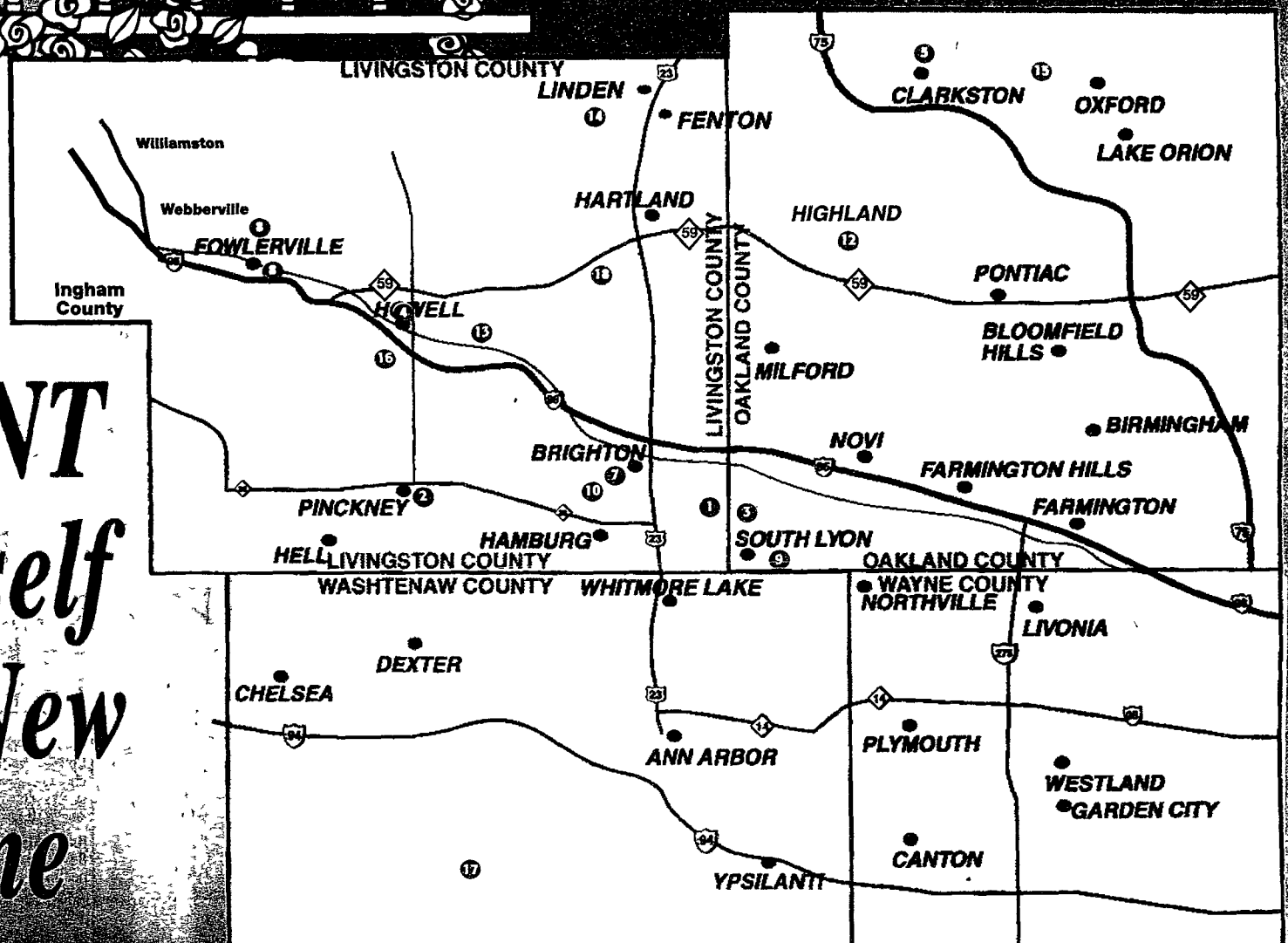


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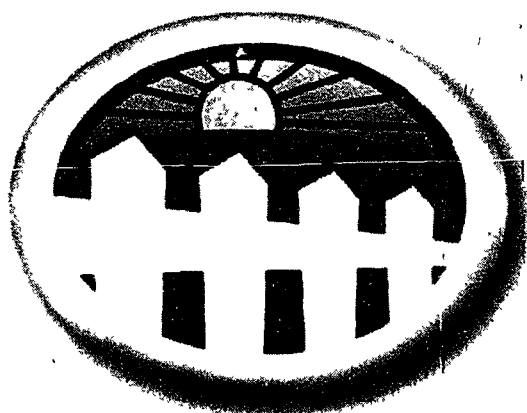
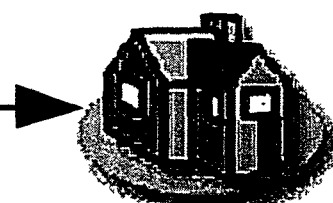
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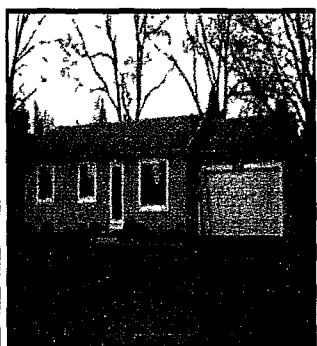
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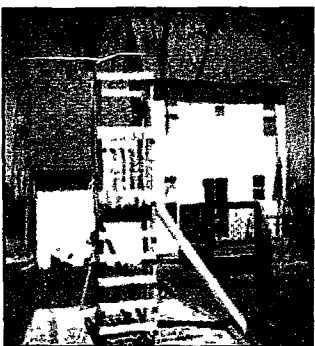
OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
BRIGHTON AREA \$200,000
 6463 Hollyhock Trail
 3 BR, 2 BA. Private master suite, freshly painted & decorated. Volume ceilings. Partial finished lower level. Deck & shed. Large yard with mature trees. Rickett Rd. from Brighton to Lee Rd. East to Hollyhock.
 Hosts: Jeff & Judy Urban, Ext. 259



OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
BRIGHTON AREA \$185,000
 6357 Hollyhock Trail
 3 BR, 1.5 BA. Super energy efficient ranch in friendly sub. All new ext, many int updates. Lrg yard, nice deck for relaxing & entertaining. Home Warranty. US-23 to Lee Rd. exit, W. on Lee to N. on Rickett, E. on Hollyhock.
 Hostess: Eileen Crockett, Ext. 319



OPEN HOUSE 12-3 PM
BRIGHTON AREA \$424,900
 4788 Windswept
 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Price reduced 15,000! No better deal in Brighton Schools! Stunning '96 cont. on private lot nearly 2 acres and overlooking protected wetlands. Beautiful partially finished walk-out lower level. A must see!
 Hostess: Cynthia Zimmerman, Ext. 696



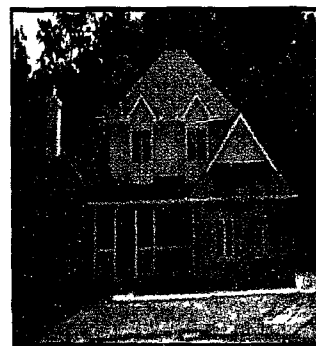
OPEN HOUSE 1-4:30 PM
HOWELL AREA \$214,750
 2716 Laurel Oak Drive
 4 BR, 2.5 BA. North on Eager from M-59 to Birchwood West one block to Laurel Oak. One of the largest lots in this beautiful family sub. See photo of back yard. Ceramic in kitchen, baths & much more. A must see! MLS#23008896
 Host: Ron Laroche, Ext. 257, Pager 810-595-3414



OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
HOWELL AREA \$179,500
 91 S. Burkhardt
 4 BR, 1.1 BA. Owner says "Sell!" Reduced a total of \$15,000! Lovely split level Colonial on large private lot right down the street from Outlet Mall and I-96 interchange. Perfect location! Don't miss it - won't last long.
 Hostess: Cynthia Zimmerman, Ext. 696



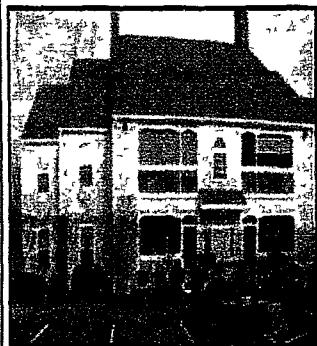
OPEN HOUSE 2-4 PM
HOWELL AREA \$389,900
 2640 Black Eagle Ridge #64
 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Quality built gorgeous new const. features the finest amenities thruout! Finished bonus rm could be 5th BR. Glamorous master suite. Hrdwd & ceramic flooring. Take D-19, W. on Coon Lk. Rd., N. on County Farm Rd., sub on right. MLS#22095727
 Host: Larry Buckmaster, Ext. 271



OPEN HOUSE 2:30-5 PM
HOWELL AREA \$329,985
 2561 Black Eagle
 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Private wooded lot on 1 acre. Beautiful subdivision. House is 2500 sq. ft. w/3 car garage. Open floor plan, great room, dining room or use as den/office. Immediate occupancy. Room for pole barn! MLS#21094187
 Hostess: Dina Sabuda, Ext. 251



OPEN HOUSE 2-5 PM
HOWELL AREA \$329,900
 Lot 23 Sundance Ridge
 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Great new ranch on acre lot with walkout. 3 car garage, in sub with tennis & basketball park! Take D-19 South to Coon Lake Road, go W. 1/2 mile to sub. MLS#22006104
 Host: Jeff Stamm, Ext. 225



OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
HOWELL AREA \$129,900
 620 Curzon Court
 2 bedrooms, 2 baths. Ground floor end unit condominium in Berwick Glens. Screened in porch with pond view. One car garage, living room with den/dining room, all appliances included. MLS#23032464
 Host: Tim Vogel, Ext. 239



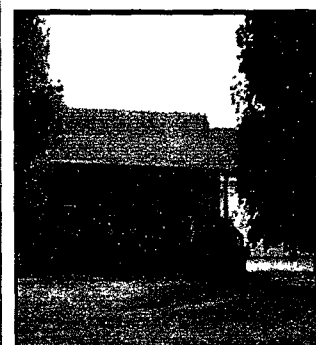
OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
HOWELL AREA \$194,900
 8002 Bryon Road
 4 bedrooms, 2 baths. Large sprawling ranch on a country acre across the street from Hunter Ridge. Has 24x40 pole barn. Just 1/2 mile North of Chase Lake Road. Not a drive by. MLS#23036667
 Host: Tony Jiskra



OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
FARMINGTON AREA \$206,000
 23460 N. Stockton Court
 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. Directions: N. of Grand River, S. of 10 Mile Rd., take Lamar East off Orchard Lake Rd., ends at Stockton. Turn right & immediately left onto Stockton Court. MLS#23026733
 Hostess: Jo "C", Ext. 322



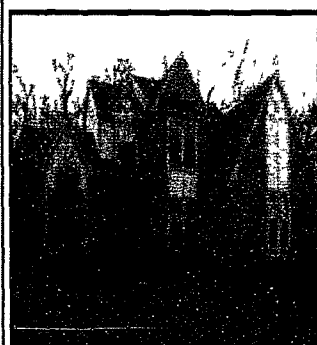
OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
FOWLerville AREA \$187,900
 Brandi Lane
 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. New construction on 1 acre, 1454 sq. ft. Great location. Full basement, natural gas, 2 car garage. Take Grand River to Nicholson, go North less than 1 mile to Brandi. MLS#23017826
 Hostesses: Karen Wing, Lori Talbot, Ext. 630/336



OPEN HOUSE 12-2 PM
PINCKNEY AREA \$279,000
 21925 Spearswood
 10 acres! 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. Oak cabinets in kitchen with hand made leaded glass stemware cabinet. Full length country porch. Andersen windows, 6' door-wall, 2 outbuildings. 3 acre, split available.
 Hostess: Dina Sabuda, Ext. 251



OPEN HOUSE 12-3 PM
HAMBURG AREA \$356,900
 7884 Kilkenny Drive
 3 BR, 3.5 BA. Tara Glen Sub. Almost 2900 sq. ft. of luxury living space. First floor master suite with Jacuzzi. Finished walkout with family room, study or fourth bedroom and full bath. Beautiful lot. M-36 to Hamburg Rd. N. to Kilkenny Dr. E.
 Host: David Miller, Ext. 247



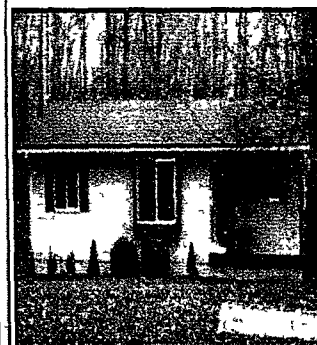
OPEN HOUSE 2-4 PM
SOUTH LYON AREA \$359,900
 12036 Brooke Ct.
 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Executive home in South Lyon Pembroke Sub. Formal dining room, family room w/fireplace. Don't miss this one. E. of Rushton, W. of Dixboro, S. of Ten Mile. Take Pembroke Circle to Brooke Court turn right.
 Hostess: Diane Heinig, Ext. 218



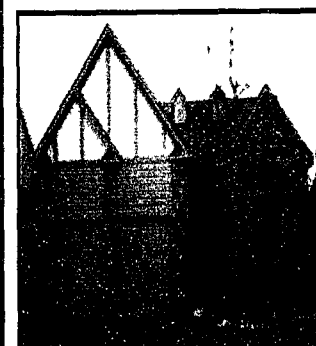
OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
STOCKBRIDGE AREA \$199,900
 5257 E. M-36
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 Host: Randy Meek, Ext. 220



OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM
STOCKBRIDGE AREA \$167,900
 5310 E. M-36
 Great Opportunity! 1456 s.f., 4 bedrooms, 2 bath, country ranch home built in 1952, recent updates, w/o basement, 3 acres. Stockbridge Schools. Take M-52 to M-36, go E. 2 miles, home is on N. side.
 Host: Randy Meek, Ext. 220



BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
HOWELL AREA \$153,000
 3 bedrooms, 1 bath. 1 acre wooded lot, very neat well kept home. 2 bedrooms including large master bedroom. Add a wall for 3 bedrooms, also existing 3rd bedroom in basement. Fenced yard. MLS#23033385
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FARMINGTON - Easy peaceful living. Walk to town from this clean, comfortable 1st floor ranch 1 bedroom, 1 bath, nice Florida room, spacious living areas, no maintenance, hardwood floors under carpet, 1 car garage Stove, refrigerator included It's all here and affordable. \$74,900 (53KIN) 734-455-5600



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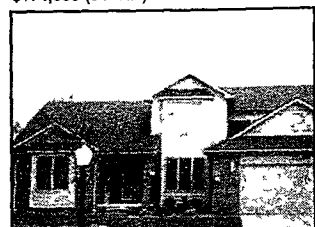
FARMINGTON HILLS - 3 BR, updated Cape Cod Lower level has cove ceilings/wet plaster walls Upper level drywall new in '99, fin bsmt & lg fenced backyard w/WO from kit deck (new in '01), gar elect, workshop, loft, insulated New roof & door in '02 Driveway new in '00. Siding new in '02 \$204,000 (40SUN) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Absolute Cream Puff. Unbelievable offering This maintenance free 3 BR brick home has 1.5 baths, cozy FR w/frplc, formal LR w/bay window, beautiful oak kit, neutral decor, 2.5 car garage, large patio, sprinkler system, C/A. All appls included & quick occup Mint Condition \$209,900 (26MAR) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - Blue Heron Beauty W/O. 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath, 1 story with walk-out to the water w/boat & more 2 story great room, walk-out has its own fireplace Could be in-law quarters Newer carpeting Too many amenities to list \$419,500 (85BLU) 248-349-5600



NEW BOSTON - Better Homes and Gardens Home Absolute beauty! 4 bdrm cape cod on 3/4 acre lot w/1st floor mstr ste w/WIC & Jacuzzi tub, 2.5 baths, LR w/gas FR DR, lg country kit w/lt oak cabs, oak flr in foyer, lt oak trm t/o. 2.5 car att gar, 90% eff trm & C/A. Home Warranty. \$328,900 (09BRY) 734-455-5600



BELLEVILLE - Country Living Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath colonial sitting on 1 acre w/large family room & master bedroom upstairs Newer furnace, bath, windows, roof, entry doors, carpet in living room + garage & driveway. \$209,900 (50LEN) 734-455-5600



WESTLAND - Roomy & Clean. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo offers newer carpet thru-out, neutral tones, baths w/beautiful ceramic, also ceramic foyer, unit offers carport, doorwall to deck, all appliances w/new refrigerator & home warranty \$114,850 (67SHO) 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON - Desirable area offers this awesome 3 bedroom ranch. Newer roof, freshly painted & updated oak kitchen Lower level also offers additional 2 bedrooms, full kitchen & family room. \$172,000 (42OXF) 248-349-5600



WESTLAND - Breathtaking brick home. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch w/newer roof, windows, kitchen, bath, C/A, carport and more Livonia schools Great Location The list keeps going You won't believe your eyes This is worth your visit \$164,900 (54SAN) 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - Sharp entry level ranch Enjoy the wooded view from this sharp end unit in rear of complex w/separate entrance 1 bedroom, 1 bath, patio, laundry/storage room All appliances included Carport nearby w/tons of guest parking \$82,500 (66MID) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Beautifully updated ranch 3 bedroom ranch w/everything done. Newer kitchen, windows, roof, furnace, C/A & carpet. 2 car attached garage, partially finished basement, Plymouth-Canton schools \$179,900 (38CHA) 734-455-5600



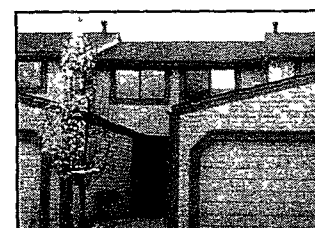
GARDEN CITY - Lovely corner lot. 3 bedroom bungalow w/2 car garage, family room w/fireplace, updated kitchen w/oak cabinets, remodeled bath, sitting on a large lot \$136,900 (11LEO) 734-455-5600



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NORTHVILLE - Walk to Downtown Northville Better than new 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 half bath condo Foyer opens to GR w/gas FP & marble surround, Newer kitchen w/cust.cabs./flooring, counters & appls DR-used as study, 2 doorwalls to deck, newer mstr BA w/ceramic tile & more \$217,000 (10CHA) 734-455-5600



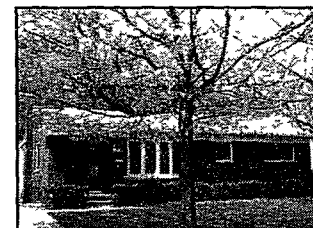
LIVONIA - Classy colonial condo. Don't miss this sharp well maintained 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath end unit w/2 car attached garage, full basement, walk-in closets, light oak cabinets in kitchen Very private deck. Home Warranty offered. \$193,900 (27MEP) 734-455-5600



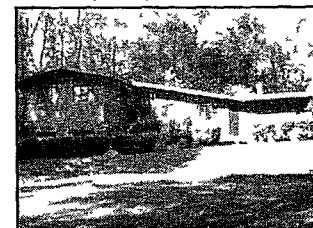
OAK PARK - Updated Ranch 2 bedroom, 1 bath home w/updated kitchen & bath, fresh paint throughout, C/A, vinyl windows, deck in fenced in back yard Open floor plan Perfect starter in this move in condition home A must see \$98,900 (41TRO) 734-455-5600



WHITE LAKE - Beautiful home w/3 bedroom, 1.5 bath w/1st floor master w/WIC. Great room w/skylight & tray ceiling, Pergo flooring, gas fireplace, large double lot, shed, wood play structure, gas forced air furnace & A/C. Appliances stay. \$194,900 (47HIC) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - Need more space? It's here. Downtown Northville/Cabbagetown 3 BR home offers the basics and more Large FR looks over shaded rear yard. Finished basement has home office/workshop, full bath and laundry A short trip to restaurants and shops, playgrounds and schools \$229,900 (65HUT) 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - Warm weather is on its way Enjoy this spacious 5 bedroom, 2.5 bath custom home on an incredible approx 85 treed lot w/gardens, trees & pool. Offers a huge kitchen, great room w/frplc & wet bar-Possible in-law suite & w/o basement \$539,000 (46MIL) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Beautiful end unit. 2 bedroom, 3 bath ranch w/attached garage, prof fin bsmt, master suite w/Jacuzzi tub & separate shower, kitchen w/cherry cabinets & matching panels on stove & refrigerator, fireplace in living room, formal dining room w/mirrored wall \$224,900 (09COP) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Great starter under 95k Updates, updates & more Newer/updated roof shingles, furnace, windows, hot water heater, driveway, walk, paint, carpet & more. Just turn the key & move in. \$89,900 (51NOR) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Classic custom brick ranch in Plymouth. Brck courtyard entrance! 4+ bedrooms, 3.5 baths, cathedral ceiling, hwd floor, newer crpt in GR, volume ceiling! French doors to library, bay windows in DR & brkfst rm, spacious mstr ste w/jetted tub & WIC, fin LL walk-out to patio. \$589,900 (15WES) 734-455-5600



NOVI - Waterfront Colonial Great 4 BR, 2.5 BA home on Village Oaks Lake. Lovely 4 seasons room w/porcelain tile, cathedral ceiling Beautiful large open kitchen w/solid oak cab, island & hardwood floor FR w/nat frplc, hrdwd foyer & powder room Many updates Clubhouse & pool \$289,900 (21VIL) 248-349-5600



NOVI - Wooded views Well built 2 year old brck 2-story home w/almost every option 5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, sunroom, large dream kitchen, 2-story fieldstone fireplace, enlarged family room & 2-level deck 3 car garage 6' whirlpool, alarm system, skylights, C/A, bsmt & more \$899,900 (99ABE) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Newer brick colonial. Absolutely immaculate 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath home on quiet street near Hines Park Spacious master bedroom. Partially finished basement, deck, 1st floor laundry & 2 car garage Move-in ready & close to everything \$229,900 (75ALO) 248-349-5600



HIGHLAND - Lakefront Cape Cod. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 car attached garage, FFL, FR & DR w/covered patios all on approx 5 acres of land Lakes and wetlands. Approx 800 ft frontage on 2 lakes and your own putting green, garage allows for 2nd floor addition \$260,000 (04GAF) 734-455-5600



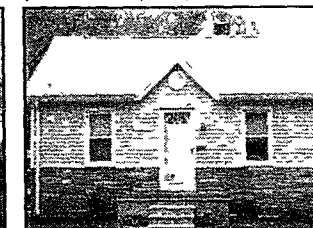
LIVONIA - Sharp updated colonial Nestled in desirable Windridge Village Sub, Livonia schools Remodeled kitchen w/bay windows, formal dining room, attached 2 car garage, finished rec room, doorwall to deck off family room, 1st floor laundry, stone fireplace. \$264,900 (90NOR) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Like new Canton colonial. 1998 built w/3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, neutral decor, 2 car attached full basement, 1st floor laundry, master bedroom w/WIC & master bath, family room w/gas fireplace, sprinkler system & much more. \$249,900 (39WES) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Downtown Charming 3 bedroom, 2 full baths. Numerous updates include kitchen, roof, windows, HWH & privacy fence. Pottery barn perfect. Hardwood floors, finished basement w/4th BR or study 2 car garage. Great corner lot & top rated Plymouth schools. \$239,900 (90ROS) 248-349-5600



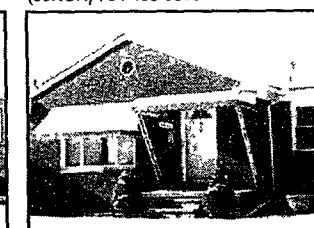
WESTLAND - Ranch - Come See Cute! Dollhouse! Starters dream! Are just a few of the ways to describe this 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath newly sided ranch home. Great lot w/updates galore Come & see for yourself \$99,900 (35GLE) 248-349-5600



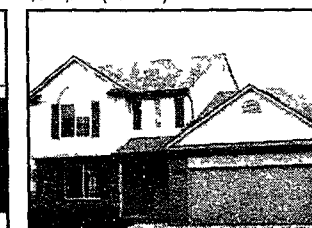
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ALLEN PARK - Clean brick ranch 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2.5 car garage w/opener, finished basement w/sauna & bath, updated windows, beautiful Florida room off master bedroom, large closets, plenty of storage, appliances included. 1 year home warranty. \$136,900 (27HAR) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN HGTS - Brck ranch, 3 bedroom home offers C/A, newer windows, hardwood floors, partially finished basement w/full bath, glass block windows Appliances included, 1.5 car garage. \$144,500 (55RIV) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Like new Canton colonial. 1998 built w/3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, neutral decor, 2 car attached full basement, 1st floor laundry, master bedroom w/WIC & master bath, family room w/gas fireplace, sprinkler system & much more. \$249,900 (39WES) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Backing to Commons Desired 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial Cul-de-sac location Culinary enthusiasts custom built kitchen with ceramic tile t/o. Spacious bedrooms. Remodeled walk-thru bath off master bedroom, 2nd level deck off master bedroom \$219,900 (13ABB) 248-349-5600



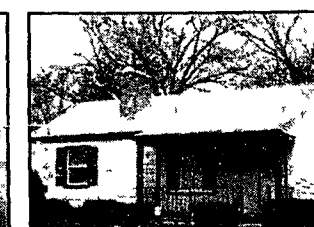
FARMINGTON HILLS - Move-in Ready. 2 bedroom, 2 bath raised ranch condo Affordable & adorable w/open floor plan. View from balcony MBR offers walk-in closet & full bath Carport for snowy days Appl's stay. Included are: washer/dryer, stove, frng & micro. Just painted too \$109,900 (50MID) 248-349-5600



WESTLAND - Super brick ranch. Perfect location for this 3 bedroom brick home w/partially finished LL. Newer C/A, furnace, doors, windows & doorwall, roof '93 & well insulated Professionally landscaped Hardwood floors under newer carpet This one is a must see! \$154,900 (23CAN) 248-349-5600



YPSILANTI - Beautiful ranch. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home w/2 car attached garage, full basement, maintenance free exterior, brick paver patio C/A, appliances, 6 panel doors, beautiful kitchen. Great home for entertaining Better than building new \$194,900 (08HOM) 734-455-5600



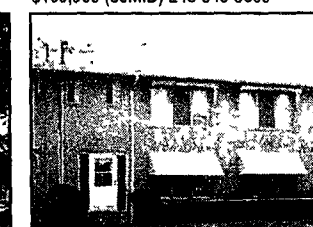
DETROIT - Lovely starter home. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, updated vinyl sided ranch w/full basement, fireplace in living room, C/A, Florida room w/door to patio & large treed lot + garage. \$116,500 (10RIV) 734-455-5600



LIVONIA - Great Location. Walk to park & school from this 3 bedroom, 2 bath tri-level w/2 car garage, updated windows & doorwall, furnace, C/A, driveway + updated bath w/ceramic tile & vanity. Also Home Warranty. \$184,900 (81WIS) 734-455-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - Farmington Hills Ranch Perfect setting for this 3 bedroom home w/2 + garage w/workshop & heat. Dining room, brick patio, huge lot. Updated cabinets in kitchen. Super clean. Above ground pool Original Owners Great feeling for space and comfort \$155,000 (13WHI) 248-349-5600



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OCEOLA TOWNSHIP - 1996 Cape Cod. Fantastic 3 bedroom, 4 bath home w/finished walk-out w/library, full bath, wet bar could be teen or in-law quarters, 2 master suites, white bay kitchen, hardwood flooring A realtors delight to show. \$249,900 (79LAK) 248-349-5600

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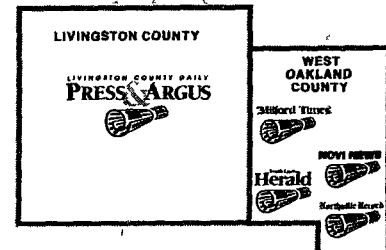
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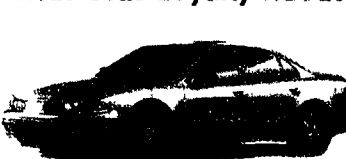
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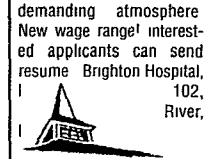
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Rummage Sales & Flea Market (7080)

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FOWLERVILLE Order of the Eastern Star May 16-17, Fri 9-3, Sat 9-1 7146 Grand River

7100 Estate Sales (7100)

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Auction Sales (7060)

7100 Estate Sales (7100)

FOWLERVILLE - Power tools, household goods, utility trailer, wood burner, furnace, riding lawn mower, etc 1260 Elliott, S of Mason Rd May 16-18, 9-5pm

SOUTH LYON - Estate Sale Some antiques May 22nd-23rd, 9-5pm 8420 Dixboro, between 6 & 7 Mile

WIXOM 2345 Fairbury May 15-16-17, 9am-4pm 1 Mi E of Wixom Rd off Loon Lake Rd Greenhouse full of crocks, jugs, planters, McCoy, Fenton, Shauene Stuckley quaint chairs Red glass, wardrobe, lawn tractor, tools, vanity Something for everyone! No early sales

Garage Sales (7110)

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BRIGHTON Lake Edgewood community garage sale, May 15, 16, 17, 8-5pm Located on Grand River 1/4 Mi W of Hacker Rd

BRIGHTON Stonegate Sub Annual Sale Off Brighton Rd & Washake Trl Follow signs May 15-16, 9am-5pm

BRIGHTON Large Annual Rummage Sylvan Mobile Estates Club House Fri May 16, 8-4, Grand River W of Brighton, E of Hughes

BRIGHTON Gigantic Book Sale + More Kissane Ave off Grand River May 16-17, 9-5

BRIGHTON - Sub Sale! 40 homes May 15-17, 9-4pm Off Rickert Rd, S of Lee Rd

BRIGHTON Multi-Family May 15-16-17, 9-4pm Furniture, baby/kids items, tools, etc Brighton Rd to Clifford Rd N to 4487 Filbert 810-227-1803

BRIGHTON Multi Home Sale! May 17 & 18, 9-4pm At Old US-23 & Hyne Rd, head E on Hyne to Corlett, 1/4 mile to Stonewood Lane

Auction Sales (7060)

Garage Sales (7110)

BRIGHTON, May 15, 16, 17, 9am to 5pm. Bedroom set, kitchen cabinets - misc furniture, TV's, microwaves, home decor items and more 5300 Lawnwood, W of Kensington Rd, off of Larkin

COMMERCE Huren Hills Community Yard Sale May 16-17, 9-4 Off Commerce Rd

GREEN OAK TWP May 9, 10 9-5pm Greatest Sale on Earth! Antiques, loads of furniture, collectibles, nick-knacks, too much to list! 9886 Silverside Dr Off Silver Lake Rd & Marshall

HAMBURG Fri-Sat only 9-4pm 20 family sale Benefits local Animal Shelter 7343 Norene Ct (Strawberry Lake Rd./Hamburg Rd)

HAMBURG Antique & Furniture Sale Thurs-Sat 8-5 11604 Rebecca on Strawberry lake between Merrill & Mast

HIGHLAND bicycles, books, coats, concert t-shirts, games & toys, small appliances, jewelry, kitchenware, tools, videos & more! Thurs Fri Sat 9-6pm 2780 Cherry, 2 Mi N of M-59 off Duck Lake Rd

HIGHLAND Huge multi-family Thurs May 15 thru Sat May 17, 9-5pm 1047 Middle Rd

Highland Cong. Church 1605 Hickory Ridge N of 59 Bake & garage sale Thurs & Fri, May 22 & 23, 9-4 pm

HOWELL May 17, 9-4 Black Eagle Valley Sub Clothing, children & adult, beds, camper, bikes, home decor, copier, good stuff

HOWELL Fri-Sat May 16-17, 9-4 Teen clothes, household, antiques, misc 86 S Burkhardt

HOWELL May 16, 17, 9am to 5pm Everything must go, moving 2900 West Schafer

MILFORD May 17, 9-3 Adult clothes, air compressor, household items, furniture & more! 31100 Star Trail, Bowers Hill Sub (off Pontiac Tr, E of S Hill)

MILFORD Thurs, Fri, May 22-23, 9-4 Husband made be get rid of all my good stuff 1786 Hidden Valley Dr Milford & Rowe Rds

MILFORD - Community Yard Sale! Childs Lake Estates 4377 Old Plank Rd May 16 & 17, 9-6pm

MILFORD - Sub Sale! Fri & Sat, May 16th & 17th, 9-4pm Furniture, toys, clothes, tramp & more River Oaks Sub, 1/2 mi N of downtown Milford, S of Rowe, on E side of Milford Rd

MILFORD Old Garden items, old windows, misc 650 E Huron St, behind Feed Store Thurs, Fri, Sat 9-4pm

MILFORD MOVING sale May 22, 23, 24, 9am to 5pm 729 Bird Song

MILFORD SATURDAY ONLY Household, kids, misc 1431 Rowe, W of N Milford Rd

NEW HUDSON May 16-17, 8:30-5pm 5674 Rice St, across from Dolsen Elm Lots of different things, old jewelry

NEW HUDSON - Clothes & misc May 16th & 17th, 8-4pm 30380 South Hill Court, Grand River & South Hill Rd

NEW HUDSON May 15, 16 & 17, 9-4pm 54870 Walnut Dr, off South Hill, bet Grand River & Pontiac Trail Kids clothes, household items, tools, misc

NEW HUDSON/S. LYON May 16-17, 9-5 Just S of Grand River-30714 Martindale

NORTHVILLE 3 Subdivision garage sale May 16-17, 9am-5pm Northville Colony Estates, Northville Commons & Woods of Northville (between 5 & 6 Mi Rds off Winchester or Bradner)

NORTHVILLE Big Sale! 582 Morgan Circle (N of 8 Mi off Taft Rd) Thurs 5-15, Fri 5-16, 9-4pm

NORTHVILLE Fri-Sat, 9am-3pm 645 Potomac (Off Rogers) Tables, clothes, etc

NORTHVILLE Sub-Wide garage sale at Woodside Village, Hagerty between 5 & 6 Mile May 16-17, 9-4pm

NORTHVILLE - 920 Scott 15th, 16th & 17th, 9-5pm Antiques, household & kids stuff Take Orchard St off of 7 Mile, 3/4 mile E of Beck

NORTHVILLE - 3 Family! May 16 & 17, 9-6pm Collectibles, tools, misc 720 Fairbrook (corner of Orchard)

NORTHVILLE - Multi family garage sale! Lots of home decor items, small appliances, books & sports equipment Fri & Sat 9-4pm 47068 Red Oak Dr, Hills of Crestwood sub, (6 Mile & Beck)

NORTHVILLE, May 16th, 17th, 18th, 9-5pm Household items, fridge, bedroom/kitchen/baby furniture, bikes, kids clothes/toys 18356 Clairmont Circle W, Stonewater sub, near 7 Mile & Beck

NORTHVILLE Garage sale, 235 S Center, in back of apt bldg, next to Northville Downs May 15, 16, 10am to 5pm

NORTHVILLE MAPLE HILL Annual Sub Sale N of 6 Mi, W of Hagerty, Sat, May 17th, 8-2 pm No early birds! Over 25 homes participating. Furniture incl light fixtures, couch, tables Hardware, crafts, electronics incl new Play Station Toys, sports equip, bikes, household items, linens, bread maker, piano, telescope, oriental rugs & much more!

NOVI 12 families Kingspoint, N of 10 mile, W of Meadowbrook Meadowbrook Glens Sub 5/15-18, 9-30 am New stuff daily!

Novi - Chase Farms Sub Div May 16, 9-4, May 17, 9-2 Bet. 8 & 9 Mile, just F Novi Rd

NOVI Multi Family Sale, 5-15 & 5-16, 9-3 Furniture, household, exercise equip, 44689 Huntington, N of 10 Mile, W of Novi Rd (248)305-5440

NOVI Dunbarton Pines Sub annual garage sale! Sat May 17, 9-4pm 9 Mile Rd & Taft

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NOVI Garage Sale! Sat May 17, 9-4pm Top of the line kitchen appliances w/ transferable warranties, furniture, misc. 45235 Courtview Tr, Dunbarton Sub, 9 Mile & Taft (248)380-3752

NOVI Sub-wide sale May 15, 16, 17, 9-3 Royal Crown Estates, 9 Mi & Taft Rd

NOVI Large garage sale Household, exercise, Holiday items May 16th & 17th, 9am-4pm 47114 Scarlett Dr South Briarwood Village

NOVI YARD SALE! Saturday, May 17th 24296 Woodham - West of Beck & North of 10 Mile TV's, toys, household, sports & more!

NOVI - GIANT Sub Sale! 50+ Families at a house! May 16 & 17, 9-4pm 41300 Singh Blvd, Turtle Creek Sub, 1 blk S of 9 Mile & Meadowbrook Furniture, household items, computer printers, lamps, bikes, clothing, 1000's of items! Follow blue balloons

NOVI - May 15th, 16th & 17th, 9-5pm Birchwood Annual Subdivision sale! Off Wixom, between 10 & 11 Mile

NOVI - Community Wide Garage Sale, Maples of Novi, off of 14 mile between Welch & Novi Rd Sat, May 17, 9am-5

NOVI - Meadowbrook Glens Sub Huge Annual Garage Sale! May 16th, 17th & 18th, 9am-2 (N of 10 Mile, W of Meadowbrook Rd)

NOVI May 16th, 9am Furniture, toys, clothes, computer, household items Price to Sell 23675 Maude Lea Circle, S of 10 Mile, W of Hagerty

NOVI - MULTI-FAMILY Jamestowne Green Sub (across 10 Mi from Civic Center) Sat, May 17, 8am-2

NOVI SUB GARAGE SALE! Autumn Park Sub, 9 & Beck, May 15-17, 9-4pm

NOVI AUTUMN PARK SUB SALE at 9 Mile & Beck May 15 & 16, 9-4pm 47159 Sunnybrook Lane Late 19th century high quality antiques

NOVI SUB SALE Orchard Ridge Estates (S side of 10 Mi between Novi & Taft Rds) May 15-16-17, 9am

NOVI UPSCALE SALE Antique tables, chairs, glassware, pottery, 1/2 Hall, Stangl, Silver 4 sets of china, floor & table lamps, collectibles, artwork May 15-17 8-4, N off 9 Mile, W of Novi Rd, Plaisance, then right on Midway, 44489 Midway Dr

SALEM, DOWNTOWN Moving/Barn Sale Tools, car parts, kids items & household Sat only, 8:30-4pm 9571 Six Mile, bet Salem Rd & Chubb

SOUTH LYON Fri, May 16, 8am-5pm (NO early birds please) Furniture, misc household, toys & clothes 910 Westbrooke, Oak Creek Sub between 9 Mi & Griswold Rds

SOUTH LYON May 17 & 18, 10-4pm Trundle bed, couch & chairs, water heaters, fish tank, & misc 27515 Clemens Circle, off Milford, bet 11 & 12

SOUTH LYON Huge Sub Sale! May 15-17, 8am-4pm Computers, antiques, kids clothes, furniture, and more everything must go Sandy Creek Sub, 9 Mile & Marshall

SOUTH LYON Cool plus size clothes, books, toys, music, housewares, furniture, 1997 Ford Explorer May 16, 17, 18 8-5pm Travis Road, 1/2 Mile S. of Grand River E side of Milford Rd Follow Signs

SOUTH LYON 3 Family Sale Childrens clothes, toys, household May 17-18, 10-4 22690 Sandra St off Lillian

SOUTH LYON Multi-family sale Fri 9-2pm, Sat 8-2pm Clothing, toys, household items No early birds 59655 Woodfarm off Griswold between 8 & 9 Mi

SOUTH LYON Sat, Sun 9-5pm 13752 Windmoor Dr N of 10 Mile, W of Dixboro Bay Items, toys, music cds, Tonneau cover for F-150 supercrew & much more!

SOUTH LYON Multifamily Thur-Sat 5/15-17, Post Lane, off of 8 Mi, W of Pontiac Tr

SOUTH LYON May 17, 10-7pm 1156 Sheldahl Dr Trotters Point Sub (11 Mi & Pontiac Tr) Furniture, art, etc

SOUTH LYON May 16-18 2 family moving 61008 Evergreen Ct

SOUTH LYON - May 17 & 18, 9am 26877 N Dixboro Rd Kids clothes, Avon products - Cellusculpt, Kawasaki Voyager motorcycle, and more!

SOUTH LYON - Toys, household items, computer games, clothes (girls & teens), desk, radial arm saw, air hockey, weight machine, tread sewing machine, 74 250 Yamaha May 15th, 16th, 17th, 9-5pm 60475 Trebor (Pontiac Trail, N of 11 Mile)

SOUTH LYON - Estate Sale Some antiques May 22nd-23rd, 9-5pm 8420 Dixboro, between 6 & 7 Mile

SOUTH LYON / GREEN OAK Subdivision Garage Sale Greenoak Hills subdivision May 17th, 9am-3pm Sub is S of 10 Mile Rd, W of Dixboro

SOUTH LYON, May 16 & 17, 9-5 13735 Monarch, Windcrest sub, off 10 Mile, W of Dixboro 2 family sale Loads of household goods, kids clothes, santa bears, beanies & more!

SOUTH LYON - Estate Sale TV's, air conditioners, furniture, baby equipment & clothes. Sat, May 17, 9am to 5pm 121 Woodland Dr, off Ten Mile, W of Pontiac Trail

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WHITMORE LK Stilsonburg Sub 10272 Harpers Ct Stuffed animals, furniture, clothes, household 5/16&17, 8-5pm

Moving Sales (7130)

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HIGHLAND May 16, 17 10-4pm 374 Lone Tree S of M-58 Off Milford Rd Tons of Baby/kids items Lawn trailer, household items

NORTHVILLE 19315 Clement 5-17 & 5-18 8:30am-3:30pm N off 7 E of Beck Antiques, household All Must Go!

NORTHVILLE:Household items, furniture, treasures, Sleepers sofa, double bed, mahogany library table, retro blonde sewing machine cabinet, glass washboard, canning supplies, rowing machine, Tunturi stationary bike, two Infinity speakers, Micro Seiki direct drive turntable, albums, sporting goods, coats, fishing tackle boxes, Kitchen Aid meat grinder attachment, Braun coffee maker, misc Good stuff! May 16 & 17, 9am-4pm 20387 Woodland North Beacon Woods Sub, 1 st E of Beck, S off 8 Mile

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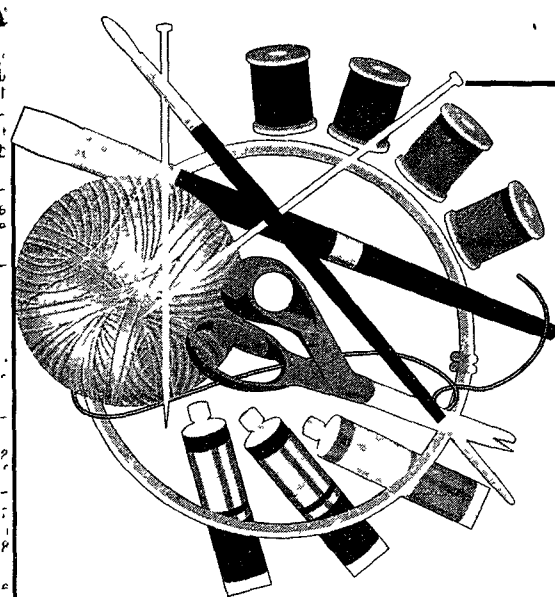
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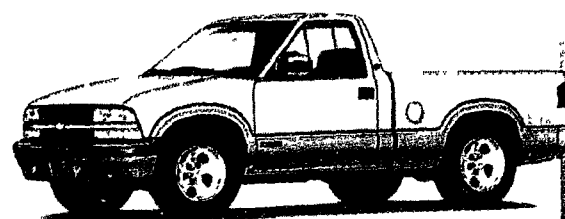
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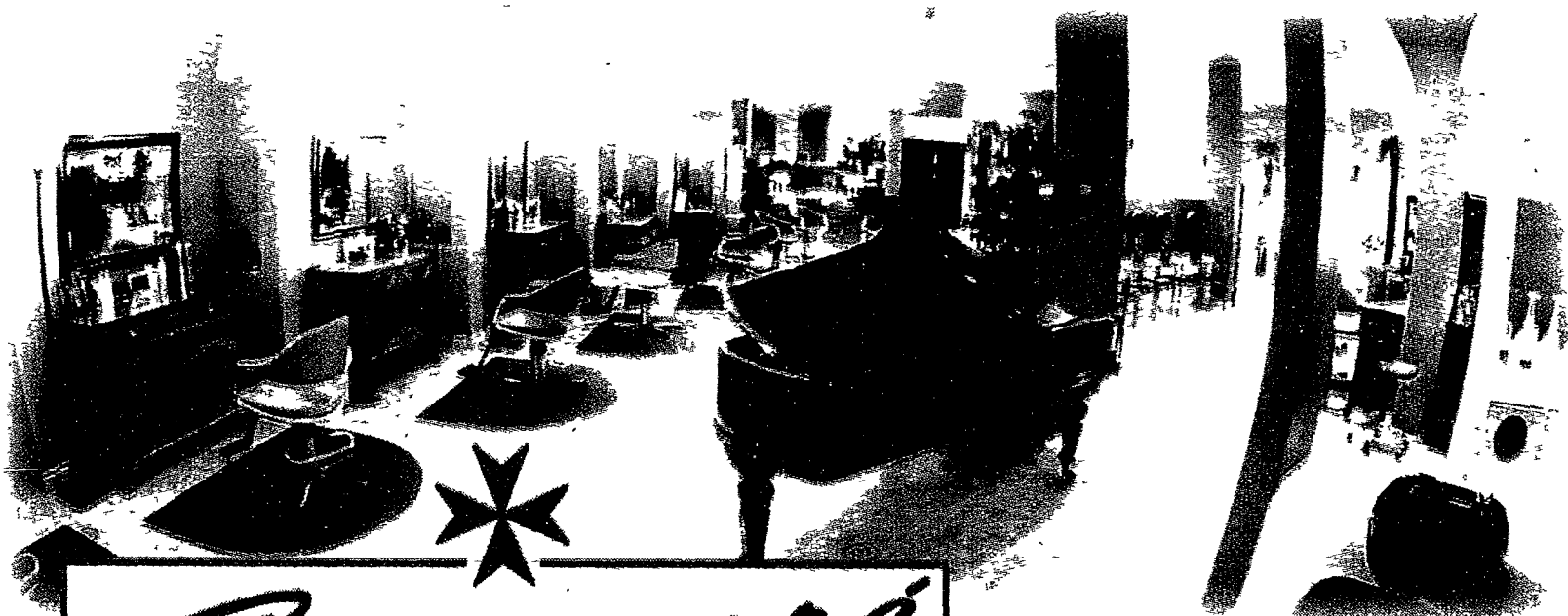


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'The House on the Grand River' honored for best Mexican food in Lyon area

By Anna Troppens
STAFF WRITER

La Casa del Rio Grande in New Hudson offers authentic Mexican cuisine. Just ask the cooks, who are from Mexico.

Owner Dawn Salvati opened her restaurant on May 17, 2002, on a piece of land her father bought more than 35 years ago. Although the family lived at "The House on the Grand River" for a number of years, they eventually moved to Depot Street.

"My dad was very fond of the property and the surrounding area, so he kept the house and used it as rental property," Salvati stated in a narrative on the restaurant's menu. "Fortunately for me, a few years ago he decided to sell this property and keep it in the family."

The name of her restaurant, La Casa del Rio Grande, means "The House on the Grand River." Inside, Mexican sombreros, colorful blankets, piñatas and decorative birds hang from the walls and ceiling.

The food and drinks served inside are authentic Mexican, along with some American dishes and beers and a seafood salad that comes highly recommended by Salvati. Southern Mexican fajitas and the Mexican sandwich are other favorites.

The Mexican sandwich consists of three flour tortillas, layered with rice, refried beans and a choice of diced lean pork, shredded beef, ground beef or chicken and topped with melted muenster cheese. The sandwich is served with jalapenos on request.

Salvati said patrons also enjoy enchiladas suizas, which are made of three corn tortillas sautéed and dipped in special green salsa, stuffed with chicken, topped with more green salsa, sour cream and cheese and then oven baked.

The food is not overly spicy, as some diners might fear.

"It's awesome food," Salvati said. "This is not hot (spicy) Mexican food. We can make it spicier, but as a rule, things are not served to you hot."

Mexican/American brunches are served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sundays, adults can choose from a variety of items for \$7.95, while children 12 and under can eat for \$3.95.

They can select from enchiladas, burritos, French toast, bacon, sausage, huevos and chorizo (scrambled eggs with sausage, served with Mexican potatoes and three tortillas), burritos, breakfast burritos, soup and more.

In addition, there are lunch specials — a meal and a beverage — featured Monday through Friday for \$3.99.



Photo by Anna Troppens

Dawn Salvati is the owner of La Casa del Rio Grande in New Hudson. The restaurant, whose name means "The House on the Grand River," offers authentic Mexican cuisine.

Salvati is usually at the restaurant and can assist diners in making their selections.

"If you want to try something new, I will find you something," she said.

Patrons can sit outdoors on the patio, and there is a menu for children 12 and younger. On Saturdays and Tuesdays, children can select from this menu for \$2.99 each.

Numerous types of margaritas also are available for \$3.50 to \$6 each, along with Mexican and American beer.

La Casa del Rio Grande is located at 57721 Grand River Ave. in New Hudson and can be reached at (248) 446-7700.

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Readers choose Norm's Total as Best Automotive Service in area

By Anna Troppens
STAFF WRITER

When his customers need him, Norm Fultz of Norm's Total Automotive Service is there.

Fultz has operated his business at 115 W. Lake St. in South Lyon since 1980. Norm's, which South Lyon Herald readers voted Best Automotive Service winner, is open seven days a week and also includes towing.

Fultz and his employees, including his oldest son, offer a wide range of automotive services, from replacing worn-out windshield wipers to fixing engines and transmissions.

"We do pretty much everything," Fultz said.

A master certified mechanic, he is dedicated to his customers and believes a key to success is working long days.

"We're here for our customers, and we're going to treat them fairly and honestly, and as quickly as possible," he said. "My customers are the greatest people in the world. That's what's made my business very successful."

Fultz has taken classes in auto mechanics, including ones offered through South Lyon Community Schools' vocational program, but he is mainly self-taught and has always wanted to be an auto mechanic. As a young boy, he rebuilt his first carburetor, which was part of his mother's lawn mower.

"I was doing this stuff at a very young age," he said. "I enjoy the work, and it's been very good for me."

Norm's Total Automotive Service has won other awards in addition to this year's Best Auto Repair, including recognition



Photo by Anna Troppens

Norm Fultz of Norm's Total Automotive Service hooks a battery charger onto a car at his service station at 115 W. Lake St. in downtown South Lyon. South Lyon Herald readers chose Norm's Total Automotive Service for the Best Automotive Service award.

in the former Insider Business Journal's 2001 Best Of contest.

But Fultz's customers already knew the value of the work done at Norm's Total Automotive Service.

"We get a lot of customers through word-of-mouth," he said.

On a typical day, the parking area of the business is filled to the brim with vehicles needing oil changes, patched tires and more intensive repairs, and Fultz and his employees are busy working to make room for more inside the service station.

Fultz said they are not too busy to provide assistance to more people.

"We always can help," he said. "Our customers know that we

are available if they need us."

Norm's Total Automotive Service is open seven days a week. From Monday through Friday, it is open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday hours are from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., and the service center is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

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Downtown attorney favored for small-town approach

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

People are always poking their head in Philip Weipert's office door, just a quick hello to their favorite attorney.

Whether he travels to court, conducts research or consults with clients, the People's Choice "favorite attorney" award winner exudes the familiar accessibility and competence that has helped build his 14-year-old practice.

"I try to treat people well, honest and fairly," Weipert said. After a quick visit from a client and fellow Kiwanis member, he proudly displayed the gift of a novelty plaque that denotes an "honest attorney at law."

In his 415 S. Lafayette office, the University of Michigan and Cooley Law School graduate assists area residents with a variety of issues.

About half of his general practice is related to real estate transactions, estate planning, and probate, will writing and administering an estate after a death, for example, Weipert said. The other half of his time he devotes to incorporations, family matters and traffic tickets.

"That's the kind of practice I have," he said. "People stop in and I take care of them."

That "country lawyer" aura Weipert relishes is founded in family tradition. The sheepskin law degree of his maternal grandfather is among the law-related memorabilia displayed in his office. Marshall R. Guidot, who practiced law into his 80s, was sometimes approached while he tended his yard and asked to resolve disputes.

Some issues have not changed that much, Weipert said. Like his inspirations, the local attorney reviews home purchase agreements, investigates property boundaries, represents clients in court, and acts as a notary and witness.

The attorney has learned that a simple request to notarize a document can turn into a multi-hour commitment. Weipert said he enjoys that part of his work that enables him to help people through an inch-thick stack of documents they have been asked to sign.

Weipert contributes countless hours to community organizations, which can come back to him in clients through acquaintances. He said word-of-mouth referrals from his primarily South Lyon customers account for most of his new business.

"Part of being a lawyer is giving back to the community," he said.

After law school and clerking for a Birmingham firm, Weipert and his wife, Pam, moved to South Lyon in 1989. He moved his practice to its current location after a year in the plaza at Nine Mile and Pontiac Trail.

"I appreciate being voted, but (all the attorneys) established in town seem to care about the town," Weipert said.

The interpersonal aspect of the profession probably is a lot like when his grandfather practiced 50 years ago. But, Weipert said, technology recently has made other parts of lawyering



Philip Weipert was chosen as the best attorney in the South Lyon area by South Lyon Herald readers in the annual People's Choice contest. Photo by HAL GOULD

easier. For example, one CD contains the content of 500 law books. And there are more and more Internet law sites every day, he said.

"You can search through the cases in seconds," he said. "It's unbelievable the amount of research I can do from my desk."

Also, today traveling to court in Pontiac from this far corner

of Oakland County is much easier.

"People probably made an all-day event to go record their deed," he said. "They probably had to plan it out."

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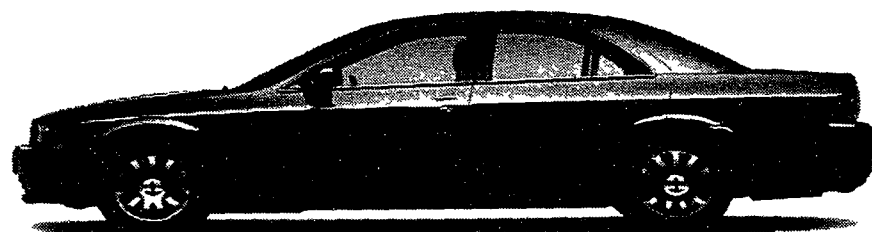
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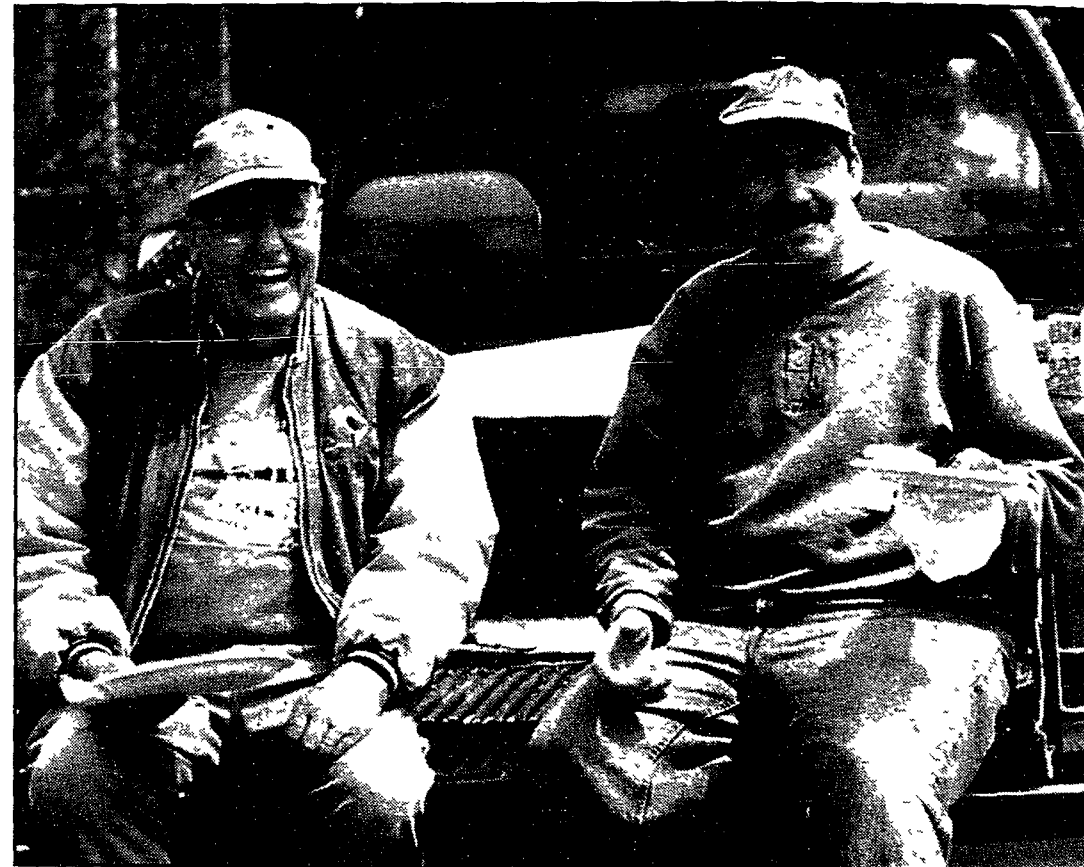


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South Lyon businessmen Jack Renwick and Phil Weipert sit on a tailgate for lunch during the Christmas in April event earlier this month. The two were among hundreds of volunteers who helped repair homes for the elderly and disabled. The two are also big winners in the People's Choice contest. Jack is the owner Parkside Cleaners, 22645 Pontiac Trail, which won the Best Dry Cleaners category, and Weipert was voted best attorney.

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Five Lakes Grill voted best quality dining

By Aileen Wingblad
STAFF WRITER

Stepping through the doors of Five Lakes Grill in Milford is like walking into a hip urban bistro.

The look is clean and crisp. The atmosphere is energetic and exuberant. It's classy casual at its finest.

And just wait until you taste the food.

No wonder Five Lakes Grill was voted Best Quality Dining Restaurant and Best Romantic Dinner by Milford Times readers.

Chef Brian Polcyn, who opened his Main Street eatery eight years ago, is no stranger to success — and for good reason. Business is strong, thanks to his insistence on consistently providing a quality product. He's diligent about getting everything "just right," from the uniquely tantalizing menu choices that change four times a year with the seasons, to the carefully chosen wine selections, to the restaurant's signature coffee blend. Indeed, he's created a dining experience like no other.

"It's all about doing food right, understanding ingredients and not overworking anything. I don't overmanipulate. Rather, I respect food," Polcyn said. "I look at food like an artist looks at music. I feel in my heart what works."

Among Polcyn's more popular specialties are the Georgia Bank Sea Scallops, served every weekend with various accompaniments, depending on the season's best. Another favorite is potato-crust Lake Superior whitefish, drawing in patrons from near and far.

"I once took it off the menu for a time and people complained intensely. So, back on the menu it went," Polcyn said. "Half of me is creative chef, but the other half is businessman, telling me if it isn't broke, don't fix it."

The key to a successful restaurant, he explains, is freshness, nourishment and versatility — as well as affordability. "Our mission statement is innovative American food at a reasonable price. I purposely look for value in all the ingredients I use." A dynamic mood is vital, too. "Things are always moving. We have a lot of action here. It's high energy."

Rounding out Five Lakes Grill is a compe-



Photo by Hal Gould

Chef Brian Polcyn opened his Main Street eatery eight years ago. Five Lakes Grill in downtown Milford was selected the People's Choice for Best Quality Dining.

tent, upbeat wait staff. Polcyn prides himself on finding associates who are attentive, bright and well-versed in the food and wine choices. "This is my style, my recipes and my vision, but I surround myself with employees who are thirsty for knowledge, who like being here, who feel good about their jobs. Happy employees make happy work. Customers see that, and I appreciate that."

As for Five Lakes Grill's designation as a top spot for romance, Polcyn understands how the ambiance of the restaurant lends itself to setting the "right" mood. Of course, romance can happen anywhere," he said. "We aren't a

dark or dimly lit restaurant. What we are is great food, great wine and great service. It makes for a nice night out, and to many people, that means romance."

Five Lakes Grill has an open airiness throughout, yet manages to maintain a certain sense of privacy for patrons. During the past year, it has enjoyed extensive remodeling, though Polcyn made sure the new look maintained Milford's quaintness and charm.

"Milford is an awesome place. There is growth all around, but the village is still a village. Hopefully, it always will be," he said. "I love this location and I love doing business

here. I'm living the dream."

Five Lakes Grill is located at 424 N. Main Street in Milford. It's open for dinner, Monday through Thursday, 4 p.m. - 10 p.m. On Friday and Saturday, it's open 4 p.m. - 11 p.m. The restaurant is closed on Sunday. Reservations are recommended. For more information, call (248) 684-7455.

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Photo by Hal Gould

Co-owners Elaine Aittama and Laura Helwig have been custom-crafting the Milford Baking Company's best bakery items for 13 years.
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Milford Baking Company is the sweetest treat

By David Aguilar
STAFF WRITER

At the Milford Baking Company, the recipe for success has not changed much during the past 80 years.

Employees still mix bread dough, bake fresh cookies, cakes and specialty pies, then serve visiting customers with the same personalized service for which the friendly Main Street, Milford bakery has long been known.

Like many of its assorted confections, the Milford Baking Company (or the Milford Bakery, as it is commonly known by the many loyal faithful who regularly parse its front and anterior doors) is a bakery built — and rebuilt — on the strength of its hand-hewn delights.

Whether its doughnuts you fancy, a hand-decorated cake — or even lunch — the

Milford Baking Company has just what you're looking for.

"The key to our success is having a very good staff," said co-owner Laura Helwig, who purchased the bakery along with her best friend, Elaine Aittama, 13 years ago. "Without such a good staff none of our success would be possible."

Aittama said that 22-member staff includes cake decorators who meticulously personalize special occasion cakes, bread makers who roll dough during early morning hours, cookie makers, donut makers and delivery drivers who cater to the sweet appetites of corporate clients as far away as Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor and Saline.

Sweet news travels fast apparently.

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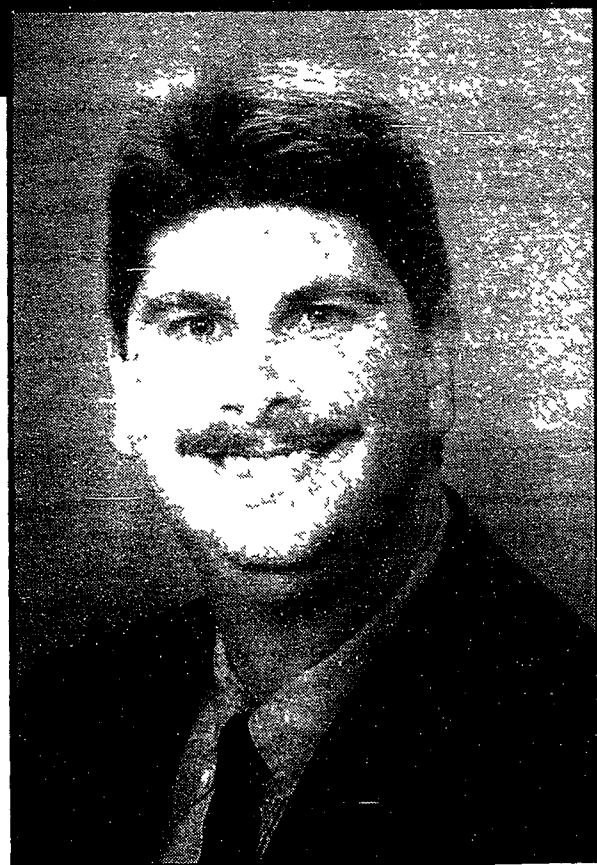
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FINANCING THE AMERICAN DREAM

Native American items are his specialty

By Erin Johnson
STAFF WRITER

Once you set foot into Legends of Time it's easy to forget you are in downtown Milford. The store, which features a wide variety of Native American art, jewelry, books and other items, transports customers to another era and offers endless browsing opportunities.

That may be why Legends of Time has been selected as the 2003 People's Choice for best specialty shop.

Owner Dan DeClark has been in business on the corner of Main Street and Commerce Road for 10 years, but Milford wasn't his first location choice. DeClark said he was returning from visiting another business he had been interested in purchasing and was stopped at a traffic light when he noticed the 'For Rent' sign in his future store's window.

"It was meant to be," DeClark said.

DeClark said the type of store he owns is also something that was fated. Being part Cherokee, he said he wanted to sell items that would help teach people about Native American culture and heritage.

"It's always been part of me," he said.

Legends of Time offers everything from incense to books about Native American history to pottery. DeClark said he goes out of his way to find the most unique items for his store.

"There's nowhere else like us," he said.

Some of the store's most unique offerings include teepee lamps that can hang or be mounted on a wall, bow and arrow sets and 2,000-year-old saguaro cactus lamps.

While the exclusive and unusual items keep his regular customers coming back, DeClark said new customers often come in looking for the basics.

"I'd say the No. 1 item is dream catchers," he said.

DeClark's shelves are always stocked with dream catchers, talking sticks, Black Hills gold, and turquoise jewelry as new inventory arrives almost daily.

"We pretty much have something for everyone," he said.

He said when new customers first enter Legends of Time they are overwhelmed by all



Owner Dan DeClark stands by just a few of the many items featured at Legends of Time in Milford. A wide selection is just one reason why voters named the store best specialty shop.

Photo by Hal Gould

there is to see and that it's not unusual for people to spend hours taking it all in on their first visit. DeClark also said it didn't take long for the store to find clientele as people started visiting not long after to the doors first opened.

"It started immediately," he said.

DeClark said it's not just residents of the Huron Valley area that have discovered all the shop has to offer but people from Arizona, Florida and Canada are customers, as well.

In addition to the Milford locations, there is also a Legends of Time store in Owosso and one soon to be opened in downtown Rochester.

DeClark said he was somewhat surprised by being chosen best specialty shop but feels his customers know what he sells are unique, quality items which is part of being the best.

Legends of Time is located at 453 N. Main St. in Milford. Store hours are Monday

through Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The store is also open during all downtown events. For more information visit their web site at www.legendsoftime.com.

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Klancy's takes control in several categories

By Aileen Wingblad
STAFF WRITER

At Klancy's of Milford, mealtime is just like eating at home, only better.

There's a variety of tasty, nourishing foods, served with a smile in a warm, friendly atmosphere — and you can leave the dishes.

It's no wonder Klancy's came away with so many People's Choice Awards. According to Milford Times readers, if you're looking for the best breakfast, best Sunday brunch or best salad bar, you just can't beat Klancy's of Milford. What's more, Klancy's employee extraordinaire, Sarah Inderhees, was chosen best waitstaff.

Indeed, Klancy's is doing plenty of things right.

"Our goal is to have everyone feel at home at Klancy's," said owner Dave McManamon. "It's clean, it's comfortable and it's quality food at a reasonable price. It's family dining at 14 • People's Choice • May 15, 2003

it's best."

Kids enjoy Klancy's for the child's menu, featuring up to 10 favorite selections like spaghetti, hamburgers and — the always popular — chicken nuggets. "It is a great finger food and they just love it. We use all white meat, so it is nutritious and delicious."

Breakfasts at Klancy's are excellent as well, McManamon said. "We use only top quality meats and we cook the eggs any way the customers want. People get what they ask for around here."

The salad bar offers the freshest ingredients possible and the best toppings and fixings around. It's all you can eat, featuring tossed salad, potato salad, macaroni salad — something for everyone.

The Sunday brunch buffet is all about variety, yet most people come for the cinnamon French toast and, especially, the pancakes. "I've heard we have the best pancakes in Oakland County," he said. "And I'm sure we

do. It's our own secret recipe."

Dinner favorites are New York top sirloin steak, fish and chips, homemade chili and Klancy's infamous homemade soups, including baked potato soup, beef cabbage soup, beef vegetable soup and cream of mushroom. "People love our soups," he said. "They just can't get enough of them."

Since 1994, Klancy's has been satisfying the taste buds of customers throughout the Milford community and beyond.

"People expect a good meal every time they come in," McManamon said. "We guarantee you'll love our food. If something is not right, we'll fix it. That's why we've been in business here so long."

Klancy's also keeps ahead of the competition with its tremendous wait staff. "Our success story starts with our wait staff. They all get to know our guests and everyone gets to know each other here. Everyone comes together to make things work, and it works

well."

For about the past year-and-a-half, Sarah Inderhees has waitressed at Klancy's. She was "really surprised" to learn she was selected as top waitress in Milford.

"I was speechless at first," she said. "I think it's really great, though, and I really like what I do. It must show through to my customers."

Inderhees, 20, is a Highland resident. When she's not waitressing at Klancy's, she's attending school. This fall, she moves on from studies at Oakland Community College to Northeastern Illinois University. She's majoring in social work and minoring in Spanish.

"I really like working with people, meeting people and talking with them," she said. "At Klancy's, I try to be really friendly and talkative. And I keep smiling. I guess people like that."

Amy McManamon, co-owner of Klancy's,

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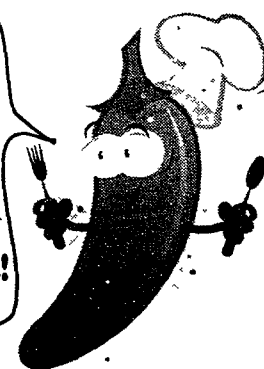
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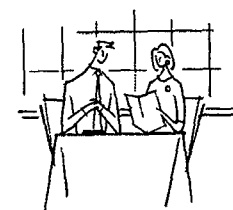
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Milford Travel helps find a perfect vacation

By Erin Johnson
STAFF WRITER

Many people spend what seems to be a lifetime conjuring up their perfect vacation. When it comes time to actually take the trip, however, sometimes it's better to let others handle all the details.

The others that people in the Huron Valley area turn to are the travel agents at Milford Travel, Inc. which may be why they were voted as the 2003 People's Choice for best travel agency.

Manager Rachel Tater said the agency has conducted business in Milford for 30 years and was purchased by current president Joe Schultheis in 1999.

Tater said she and the three travel agents at Milford Travel, Inc. consider themselves "dream consultants" who help make their clients' ideal vacation come to life.

"We primarily handle leisure travel," Tater said.

She said the travel agents' primary job is to make sure their clients get the vacation they want. Tater said that involves everything from suggesting places to stay and visit, handling payments and bookings, making sure the proper documentation is available and dealing with any problems that may arise.

"We're the one contact person for everything," Tater said.

Milford Travel, Inc. will also soon be more technologically advanced with software that allows agents to search for the best deals and prices online. Tater said that will permit the travel agents to do the same type of searching that people planning their own trips do through online web sites, while also being less time consuming for the customer.



The staff at Milford Travel is dedicated to finding the best possible vacation for its customers. The staff includes (L-R) Renee Baston, Shelly Diehr, Susan Bradley, Piper Boyd, Rachel Tater, Riia Vaughn and Joe Schultheis. Not pictured is Debbie Polk.

Photo by Hal Gould

Tater said most of the customers are return clients who plan most of their trips through the agency. She said that those customers will also benefit from another technology update where

the agency keeps track of clients' past trips and their interests.

The travel agents can also offer advice based on their own extensive travel.

"We haven't all been everywhere but between us we've been to a lot of places,"

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Mark Gates and Denise Sanborn stand for customer service at their respective Highland and Milford Village Fifth-Third Bank branches.

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Fifth-Third Bank: investing in people first

By David Aguilar
STAFF WRITER

They are banking on people at Fifth-Third Bank.

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"What sets us apart is customer service," said Mark Gates, branch manager at west Highland's recently opened facility.

Gates said Fifth-Third employees take an ownership stake in solving customers' financial problems, part of the reason why Fifth-Third Bank was selected the 2003 People's Choice winner for best place to bank.

"We take ownership of the problem," he said. "Whatever it is, we try to handle it for them so they don't have to worry about it."

That approach is made easier by an eight-member west Highland staff which Gates said averages 15 years of professional banking experience.

He said Fifth-Third offers myriad financial products, from interest-free personal and

business checking, savings accounts, personal, commercial and home equity loans, as well as life insurance.

"We don't have any of those hidden fees, like some other banks," Gates said, who is licensed to sell financial securities, along with two other branch employees. "The idea is to have one-stop financial services."

He said customers who utilize multiple Fifth-Third service qualify for additional discounts.

In Milford, Denise Sanborn has spent the past 30 years cultivating her Huron Valley roots.

"Loyalty to the customers, provided by people who know the banking business is what's most important to us. That's what sets us apart," Sanborn said, who manages the downtown Milford branch, located along historic Main Street.

By November Sanborn said the nine-employee branch will be moving to a new Milford Village location at 115 E. Liberty St., just east of Main Street. At the new location Sanborn said the new Milford branch will feature drive-thru capability, increased customer

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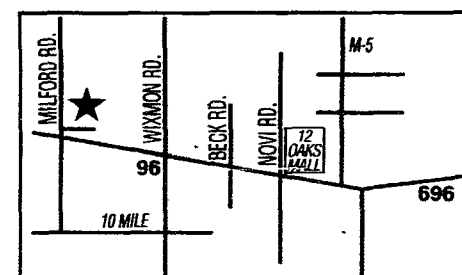
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Klancy's controls People's Choice categories



Klancy's of Milford racked up several People's Choice awards, including best breakfast, Sunday brunch, salad bar and waitstaff. Pictured are Klancy's manager John Bennett and waitstaff Sarah Inderhees.

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added Sarah is a terrific asset to the restaurant, indeed. "She is absolutely dedicated and works very hard," she said. "Sarah is a sweet-

heart who spends time with her customers, jokes with them and remembers them all. She's good to them and makes them feel special, too."

Klancy's of Milford is located at 210 N.

Main Street in Milford. The restaurant is open everyday, 7 a.m. - 9 p.m. and till 10 p.m. on Friday. Beginning June 1, Klancy's will be open till 10 p.m. everyday throughout the summer months. For more information, call

(248) 685-8751.

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Milford Baking Company is the sweetest treat

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It certainly did for Helwig and Aittama, who 13 years ago decided to parlay the combined retail experience they had already amassed — providing employee training for the Sears corporation and later selling such things as men's clothing and home appliances — into a life confecting sweet ideas.

Aittama, a 34-year Highland resident, had originally found out that the bakery she once used to work at part-time was suddenly for sale. Initially, she joked to Helwig about purchasing it, something about rolling their energy into a more personalized venture.

"Or we could clean airplanes..." Helwig said, hungry herself for a different professional challenge.

Aittama renewed her bakery idea and together they purchased the business. With supportive husbands, Dave Aittama and Arnie Helwig, the partners said they have never once looked back.

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How strong is the bond between the retail storefront and its surrounding community?

Consider that the concrete floor on which employees now stand daily was donated to the bakery by a Milford concrete company after a November 1991 fire shut the business down for six months.

Another customer had sent a \$10 check and a nice letter shortly after the fire: "Hope this helps," read the letter from the typically cynical customer.

The un-cashed check still hangs in a back office. And it still brings a tear to Aittama's eye when she recalls the community outpouring which oozed like jelly filling from local Huron Valley residents.

Aittama said all the support helped, right down to the regular faces which now routinely show up each morning for tea, coffee or specialty coffees, along with, of course, a freshly-made morning sweet-something. So regular is the routine, in fact, that employees set some orders aside in advance.

A friend in knead is a friend indeed.

"We really appreciate the vote of confidence. Our customers are just great," Helwig said.

She recommended a fresh-baked muffin, Danish or date-filled cookie for first-time visitors. Or perhaps some salt-rising bread. Maybe even a specialty brownie.

"We're known for our killer brownies," Helwig said, a self-professed choco-holic. "That's because they kill any diet."

But don't let the sweet taste fool you. The Milford Baking Company also serves daily soups, sandwiches and pizza rolls, along with fresh pasties and assorted soft drinks.

The partners and longtime friends agree that loyal employees and a solid partnership have proven to be the most important ingredients for their recipe of long-term success.

"We try to do all the little things," Helwig said. "We think the bakery is a very important part of the community... We couldn't imagine having it any other place."

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BAKED GOODS

The Milford Baking Company is located at 408 N. Main Street, in downtown Milford. The bakery specializes in all manner of fresh-baked items, from special occasion cakes and pies to everyday favorites such as hand-tossed bread, cookies, lunch items and catering services.

Bakery hours are Monday through Friday, 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (248) 685-2200.

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Tater said.

She said some of the most popular places people have been taking trips to include Mexico, the Dominican Republic and cruises. Tater also said the business hasn't suffered too much from the recent war in Iraq or fears of terrorism.

"We really didn't feel any major, major effects from the war," she said.

Tater said Milford Travel, Inc. was voted the best because their clients know the travel agents are friendly, knowledgeable and want

to provide the best vacation possible. She also said the business strives to make sure customers are getting the most value for their money.

"They want their dream vacation," she said. Milford Travel, Inc. is located at 417 N. Main Street in Milford. Their business hours are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The phone number is (248) 685-8787.

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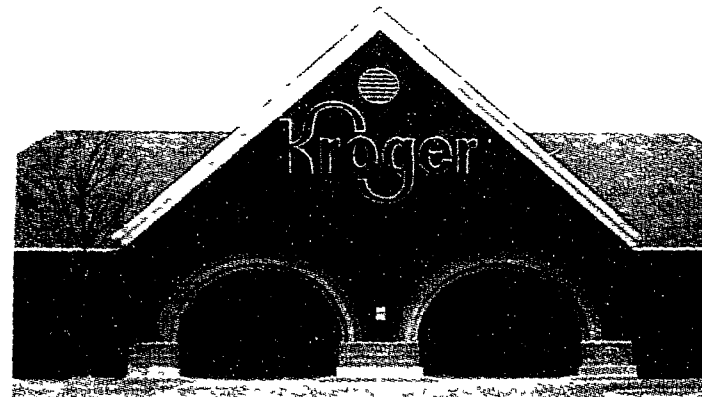
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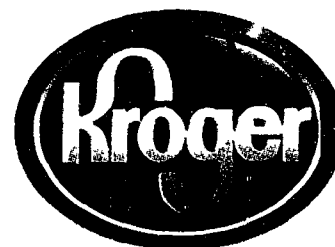


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parking, an ATM and a quaint paver sidewalk front which embodies Milford's homespun appearance.

What won't change, she said, is the Fifth-Third approach: dedicated customer service.

"We really push customer service," Sanborn said. "What's most important is that we meet

the needs of our customers."

Many times that means being community-involved. She said Fifth-Third has always been a major sponsor of many local events, including Milford Memories, Ice Spectacular and Christmas in April.

"Being involved like that connects you to the community," Sanborn said. "It lets you know what's really going on in the communi-

ty, much more than just sitting at your desk.

"Being involved in the communities we serve has always been important to us."

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BRANCH LOCATIONS

Fifth-Third Bank currently has five Huron Valley locations.

Two branches are located in Highland. Milford, Commerce and White Lake each have one Fifth-Third branch.

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Joseph's reigns as Coney King of Northville

Want a good hot dog? Just stop on in at Joseph's Coney Island and you can order the best.

Joseph's, a Northville staple since 1991, recently received the honor of the People's Choice award for the best place to get a hot dog. And while owner Nika Berisaj is pleased, he is not in the least bit surprised.

"It's excellent," he said upon learning of the award. "But I know they are the best. It's hard to beat National hot dogs and National chili, anyway."

Berisaj's confidence is due in part to the loyalty of his customers, many of whom have been stopping by for a bite to eat and a bit of friendly conversation since the restaurant's opening. They are addressed by name when they enter and it is always accompanied by a sincere smile.

Then there is also the added sense of pride that comes with having won the People's Choice for best sandwiches in 2001.

Berisaj also credits his family for the continued success of Joseph's Coney Island. His brother, Marejan, also works with him on the grill. The constant brotherly banter in their native Albanian, accompanied by occasional laughter between the two, just adds to the already family-friendly atmosphere. They talk while they work, preparing fresh and made to order sandwiches, Coney's, soups and side dishes.

"If you don't have family, it's hard to run a restaurant," said Berisaj, adding that two other brothers run a Coney in Novi. "We work together all day and help each other."

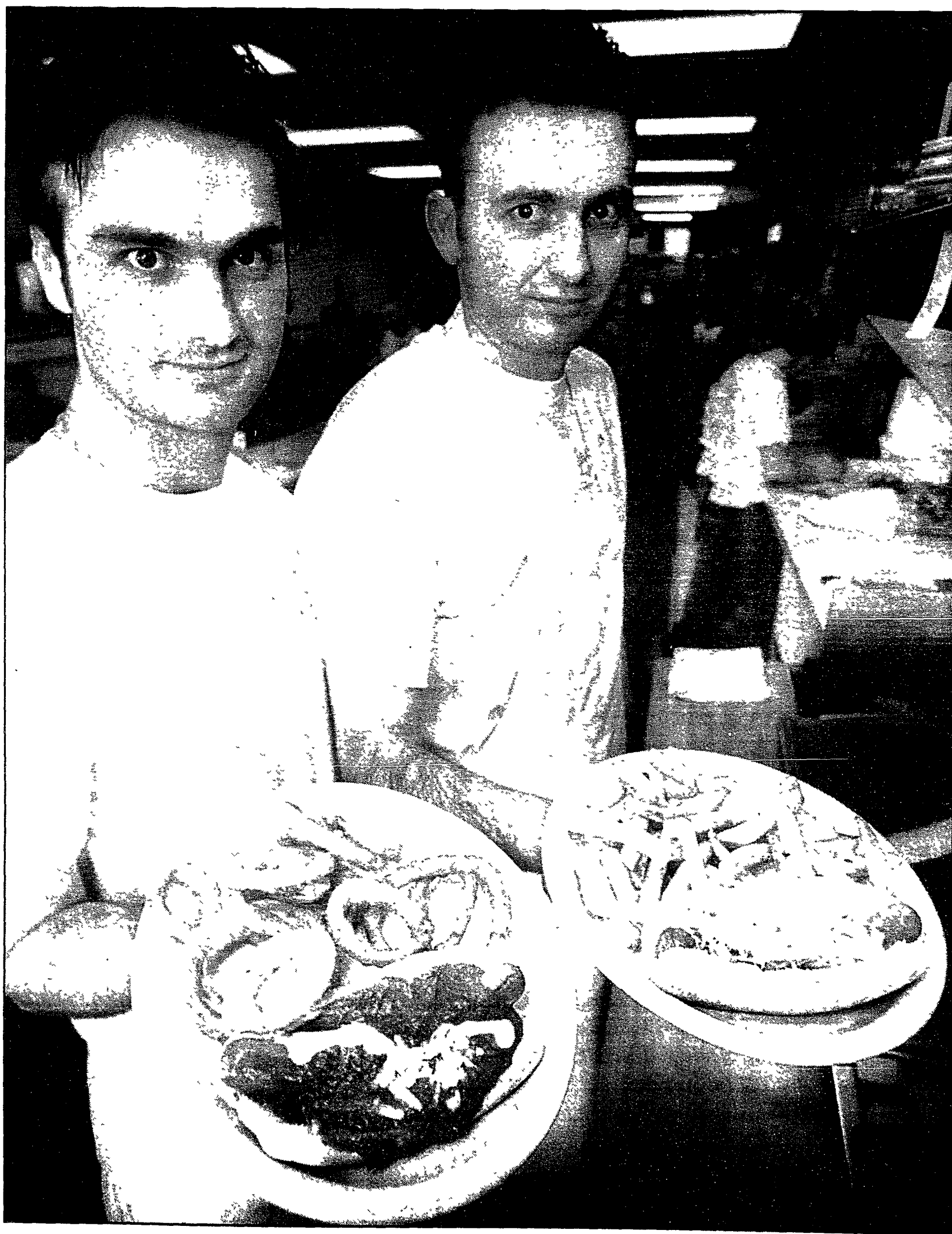
And the customers appreciate the brotherly banter. They appreciate being greeted by name as they enter and smile when they hear a "see you tomorrow" as they leave. This is all noticed by a woman who sits down at the counter and places an order for a bowl of soup.

She says it is her first time at Joseph's. A waitress, with a glass of water already in hand, greets the woman and responds by saying, "It won't be your last visit. To know us is to love us."

By the time she has finished her meal, the woman agrees. She will be back.

"It's the atmosphere. It's just so friendly and I feel very comfortable," said Mary Lou Battley. "I've lived in Northville for over 30 years. I just wish I had started coming here sooner."

Joseph's Coney Island is located at 113 West Main Street in downtown Northville. Business hours are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Carry-out orders can be placed by calling (248) 380-6111.



Northville's Joseph's Coney Island cooks Marjan and Nika Berisaj display their namesakes: a couple of coney's - one with chili and the other topped with sauerkraut.

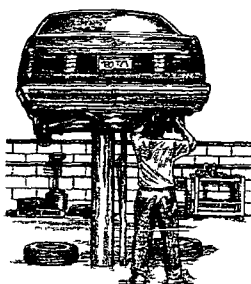
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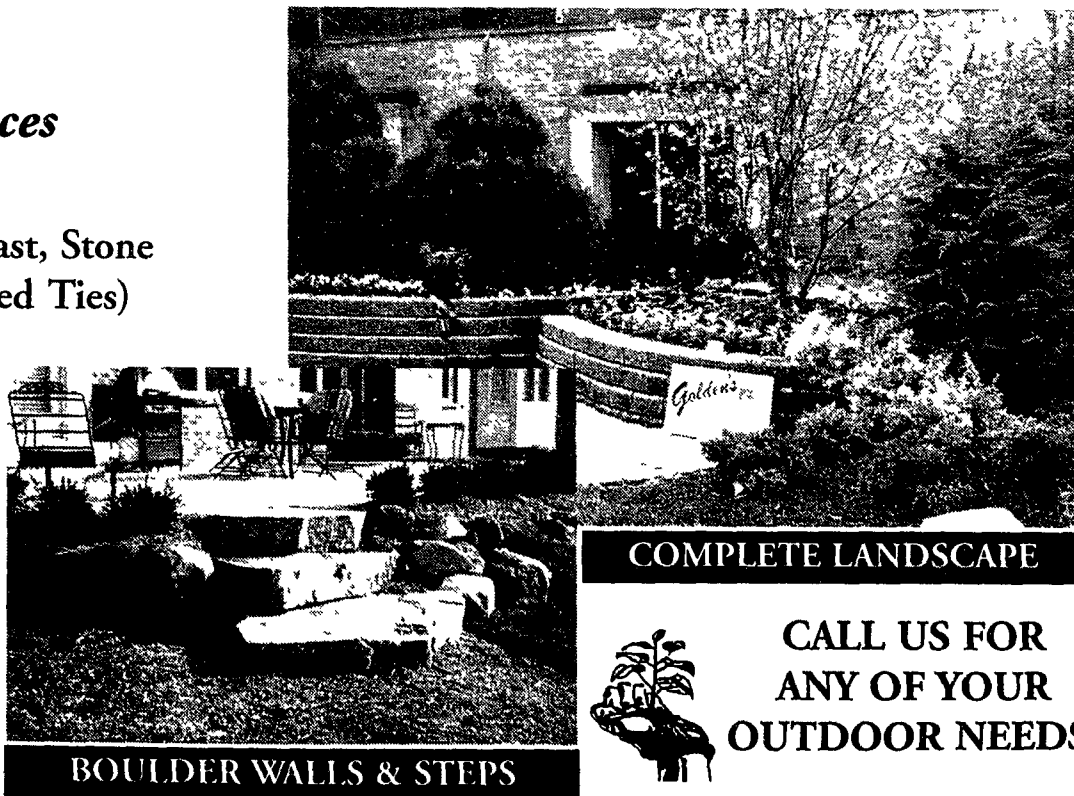
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They've got the Edge on hairstyling

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

After the votes were tallied, Northville residents overwhelmingly named the Cutting Edge the town's best place for a haircut.

Owner, Kris Mobarak, has a few ideas on why.

"It's quite an honor," she said, after receiving notice of her salon's newest accolade. "I have a great group of girls. If it wasn't for them, it wouldn't have happened."

The Cutting Edge, located at 135 East Dunlap in Northville, can provide the essentials when it comes to updating your hairstyle, managing your tresses, or just adding a bit of pizzazz to your appearance.

Along with providing cuts, perms and hair coloring, the salon features manicure and pedicure facilities.

Mobarak, who was born and raised in Northville, has owned the business for 11 years.

"It's an all-around family salon," she said.

And her staff of 17 employees are ready to serve their clients, completely equipped with the necessary training and professional experience to carry out requested beauty services.

"All the girls are trained to do everything," she said.

For Mobarak and her crew, tending to clients is given top priority.

"We try to help them out as much as we possibly can," she said. "I enjoy the girls that work here and the people that come in. We have a lot of fun. It's like family. It's really rewarding."

Keeping that new hairstyle in tip-top shape is also simple with a wide array of available haircare essentials.

"We have a good variety of products we sell," said Mobarak. "If we don't have what somebody wants, we can order it."

Housed in the former Kroger building, the Cutting Edge prides itself on becoming familiar with the background of its clients and their families.

"There's always something going on here. Always," said Mobarak. "We have a good time."

The Cutting Edge can be reached at (248) 380-2890. Walk-ins are welcome. Salon hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays. Saturday hours are 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Cutting Edge stylists Kathi Strobel, left, and Robin Hayden work on customers Pam Hoetzel and Jean Valrance on a recent Thursday morning in their Northville shop.

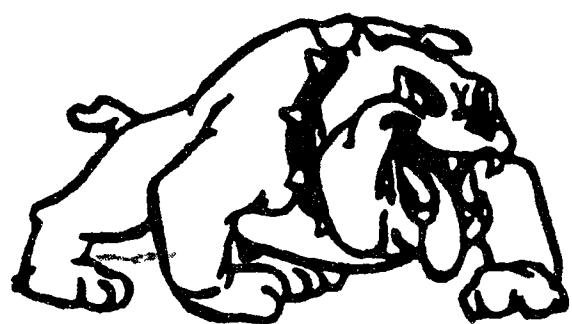
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Ahead of two Walled Lake Central defenders, Northville's Kristin Dolmetsch takes a ball out of midair in a home game in late April.



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We have tried to keep the *Red Dog* a Family run business with a Family feel to it. Our Meats come from the Village Butcher who delivers the product fresh every morning. At any given

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All and all the *Red Dog* has become the local *Bar and Grill* that it was when the *Timm's* family owned it in the Early days of Milford. We're glad to have brought it back to a place your not afraid to be seen in wearing your work clothes or stopping in for a drink wearing your tux on the way to your wedding reception.

Thank you again, from the Bonish family and all the Staff here at the *Red Dog Saloon*. Stop in for a Burger, they're the best ones in town, and see if what everyone is saying about the place is true.

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When it comes to pumping up, slimming down, or toning up, the residents of the Northville community have chosen the Water Wheel Health Club as the best place to get the job done.

"Being that our business is the Northville area, it is nice to know that people appreciate us and that our service is being recognized," said Chris Klebba, owner and operator of the club.

"Whatever it is, we can help, and that's what makes us special and unique."

Chris Klebba
Water Wheel Health Club

Klebba, who is also a licensed and certified fitness trainer, believes that the Northville residents selected the Water Wheel as their People's Choice because of the service, the staff, and the variety of options available to members and non-members of the Waterwheel. Klebba also believes that the Waterwheel's unique approach to fitness is also a factor.

Looking for a trainer? More guidance? A one-on-one weight loss program? Perhaps you want to get ready for spring or an upcoming wedding and you'd rather be left alone to enjoy the exercise classes or a simple walk on the treadmill. Whatever your needs, Klebba and the Water Wheel staff is confident they can — and will — meet them.

"Whatever it is, we can help and that's what makes us special and unique," said Klebba.

Memberships, although offered, are not required to participate in the services offered at the Water Wheel. For those considering the option of a membership, the unique option of a five day, no-obligation trial membership is a pressure-free way to decide if it is right for you.

"We have a totally unique health club in that we have a variety of options open to member and non-members. We are a lifestyle enhancement club, which simply means that we sit down with a person to find out what their needs are and customize a plan for them," said

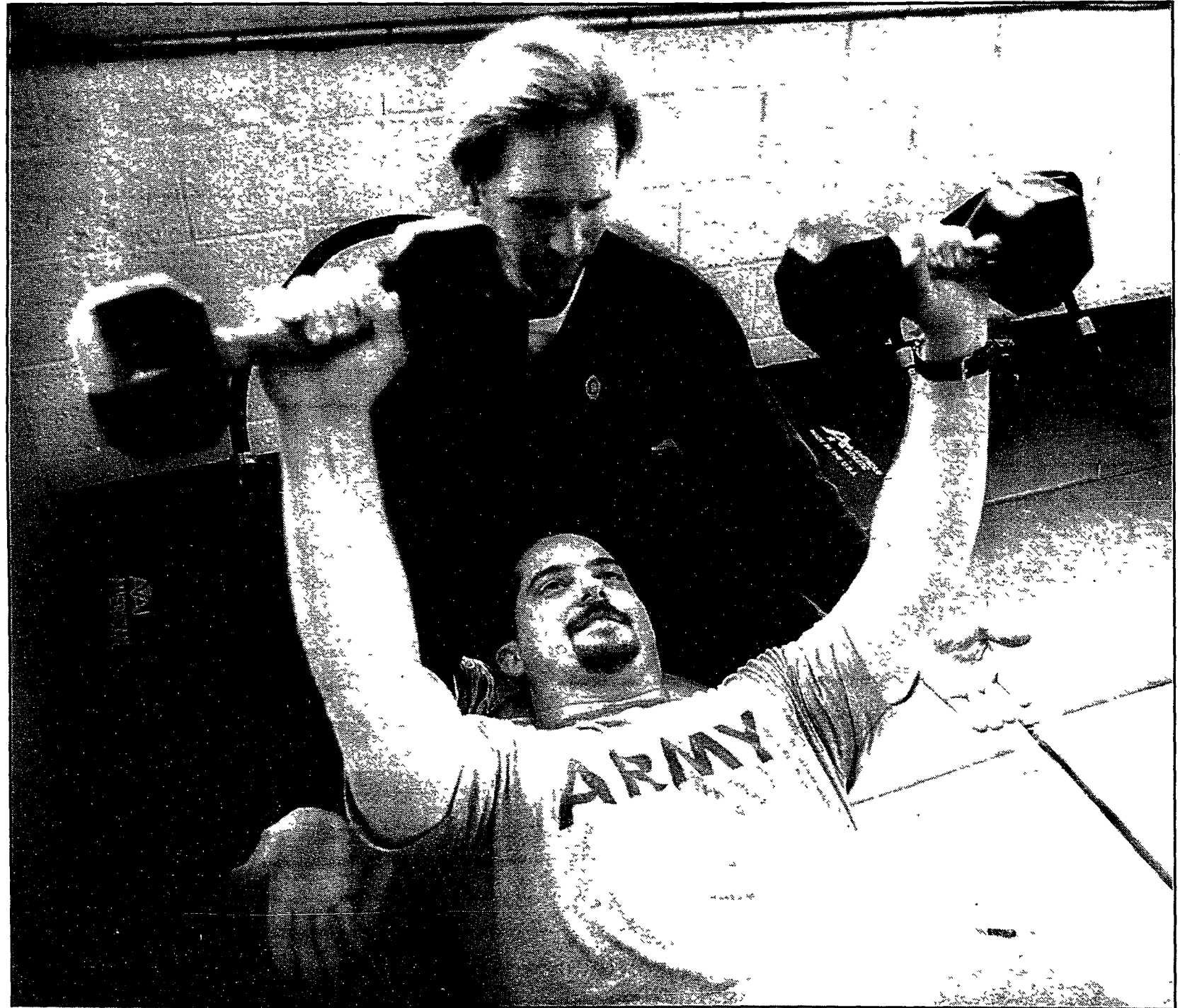


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With a couple of 20 lb. weights in his hands and balanced on a training ball, Water Wheel Health Club member Dana Letarte, bottom, gets some assistance from trainer Chris Jeffery on a recent Thursday afternoon. Water Wheel can tailor work-outs and training to an individual's needs.

Klebba. "But we openly admit that we are not for everyone. We are a specialty club. We are all-adult and are looking for people who want more from their workout."

Dana Letarte, a 33-year-old Northville Township resident, has been a member of the Waterwheel for the past four years. He said he knows it is the best place to work out in the community because of the atmosphere and the

staff.

"They are very friendly and very helpful," said Letarte. "And what means a lot is that each time I renew my membership I get a signed thank-you card, as I am sure everyone else does when they renew. And it makes a difference. I really enjoy working out here."

The Water Wheel Health Club is located at

235 East Main in Northville. Please call (248) 449-7634 for more information on the variety of classes (such as pilates, yoga, or step classes), memberships, or the Frogger's Smoothie Bar. Hours are 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7 a.m. 7 p.m. Saturday through Sunday. More information can also be obtained by logging on to www.wtrwheel.com.

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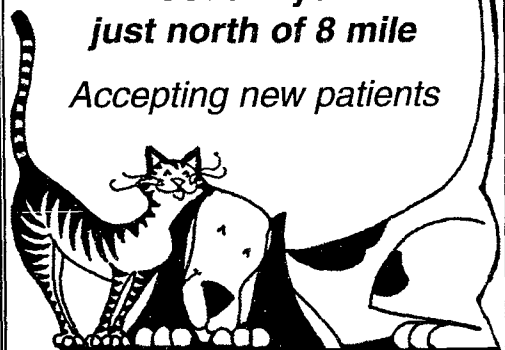
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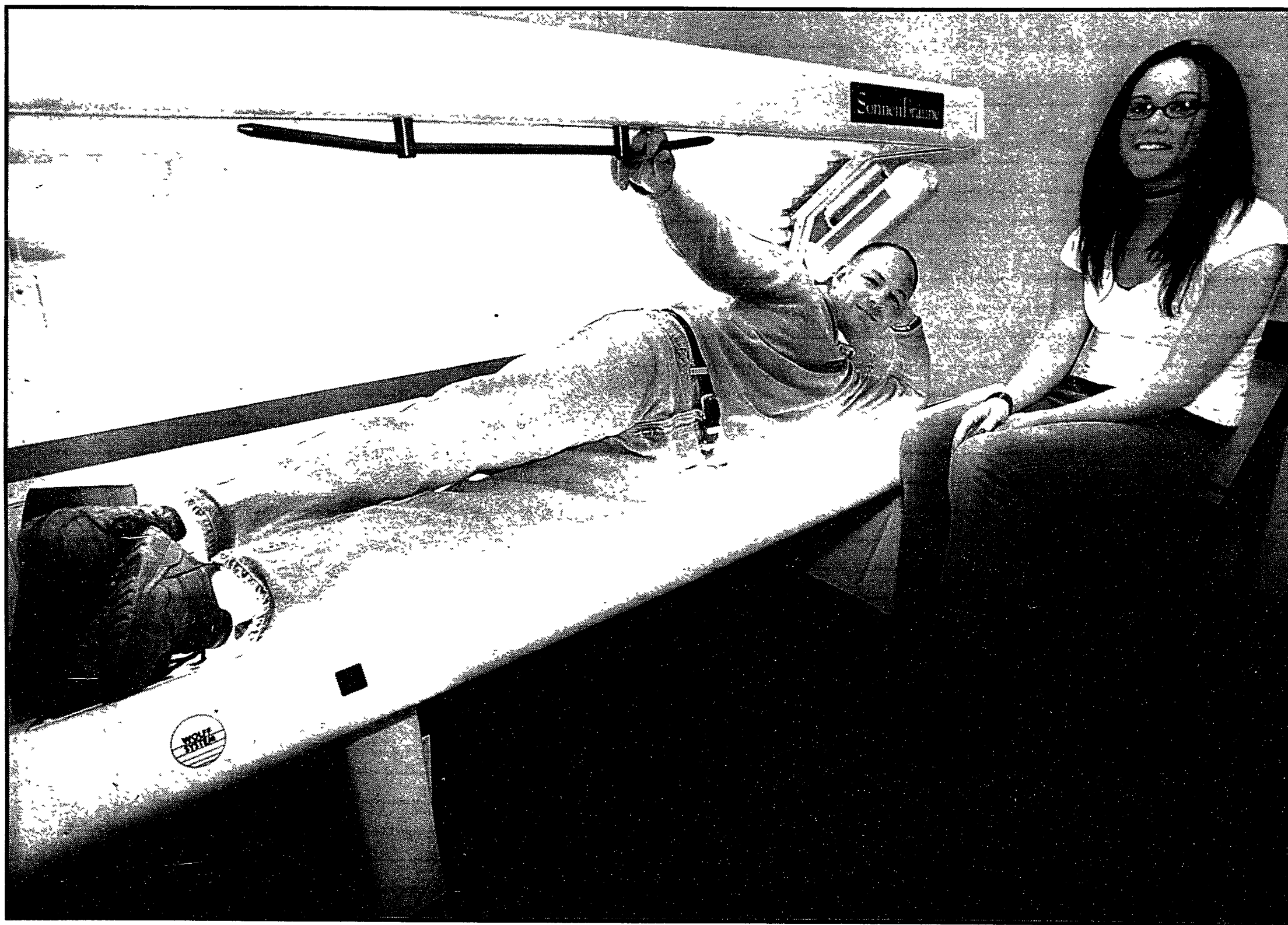


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Ultimate Sun tanning salon's Matt Cooper and Beth McCanna relax in one of their tanning rooms in Ultimate's Novi Rd. location.

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Whether you want your skin tone to reflect a light, sun-kissed appearance or sport the deepest tan possible, Northville's Ultimate Sun Studio can make it happen.

Located at 1027 Novi Road, Ultimate Sun Studio was lauded the "best tanning salon in Northville" in a contest conducted by HomeTown newspapers.

The facility features eight private rooms and is equipped with six tanning beds and two stand-up tanning units.

Owner Matt Cooper has headed the business for five years and can instruct residents on the proper techniques of tanning.

He follows a simple mantra.

"Tanning is OK, burning is not," he said.

Providing clients with a clean, high-grade facility coupled with educating customers on tanning are key priorities, he said.

"It's a fun business," said Cooper. "The customers that come in, they enjoy being here. We really don't get many complaints or problems. Everybody's happy to be here. We're not selling a commodity that can go bad. It's a fun environment."

Catering to clients' needs is also on the top of the studio's to-do list.

"If they have any concerns, we take care of it 100 percent," said Cooper.

Cooper, who co-owns the business with his wife, said he has enjoyed being part of the Northville community.

"The people in Northville are very sincere, very nice people," he said. "We just enjoy the community."

Tanning appointments are not necessary.

Cooper said he was quite pleased with the People's Choice contest results and the tanning salon's newest accolade.

"I think that's great," he said. "It was very much a surprise. We feel honored. The work we've done has paid off. Our philosophy on how to run a business has paid off."

The Ultimate Sun Studio can be reached at (248) 349-3492. Hours of operation are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Sunday hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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



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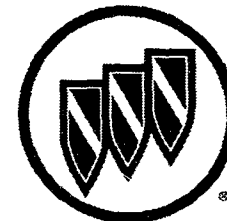
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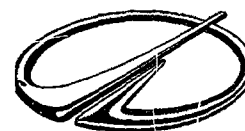


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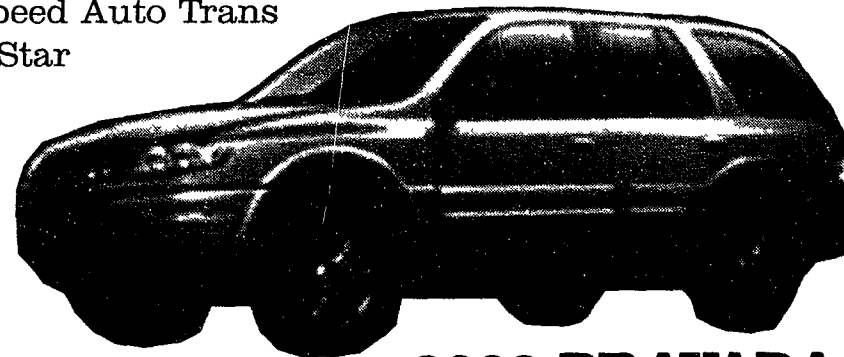


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Selection and service make Vintage the best

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

A first breath, Morey Gergis will tell you that his career in retail began at Packers Food on Nine Mile at Coolidge and Oak Park in 1968. However, talk a little longer and you'll find his earliest training came at his father's liquor and wine shop in Baghdad 45 years ago.

Gergis' family are Chaldean Christians and only Christians were allowed to sell alcohol in the Muslim kingdom. Even then, being Christian wine merchants in the Middle East guaranteed a tenuous existence. "I always knew we were going to America," said Gergis.

By the time he was 22, Gergis had purchased his first store. He renamed Jim's Market, located on Five Mile between Lasher and Telegraph, to Morey's and within three years he had double the business and sold it. He next headed to Detroit where he bought a liquor store on Puritan between Schaffer and Hubble in 1975 and stayed there until 1979.

About the time he bought his Detroit store, Gergis' whole family moved to West Bloomfield and his brother opened Vintage Wine Shoppe of Novi. "Six months later I bought my brother out. He wasn't doing so good," Gergis recalled.

Little wonder, Meadowbrook Road at the time was little more than a dirt farm trail. The city had less than a tenth of the population it has today.

Still, Gergis knew this was the right place for him. "I could see Southfield had filled up and people were moving out this way," he recalled. Besides, he added, the neighborhood his Detroit store was located in was becoming too dangerous.

Although the Novi News' readers have selected Vintage Wine Shoppe of Novi the best place to by beer and the best party store, Gergis says his real claim to fame is his wine selection. While his father sold three kinds of wine in Baghdad, all poured from barrels into bottles he washed by hand in the shop, Gergis has more than 600 kinds of wine from the most modest table wine to the most expensive champagnes.

"You have to have a great wine selection in the beverage business and you have to offer great service," he said. "We are a family-run operation and we keep it clean for the community." He proudly noted his shop has received plaques from the Novi Police Department three years running for refusing to sell alcohol to minors.

Along with his huge wine list, Gergis maintains a stock of more than 60 kinds of beer and more than 50 types of liquor. "We try to give the best service," he said.

While he's worked hard to get where he is today, Gergis gives most of the credit to his parents for bringing the family to the U.S. "This is the greatest country on the planet," he declared.

And just as his father helped him in the



Photo by John Heider

Novi's Vintage Wine Shoppe has an extensive selection of wine for its patrons. Owner Morey Gergis, center, is flanked by son Derrick, right, and longtime employee Samantha Bingham.

store when he first started out, Gergis' children Eric, Benjamin and Candice are now helping him. His wife, Renee, has her own dollar store in Dearborn.

While Gergis once had three Vintage shops, he sold the other two to focus on his Novi

store. "This is the place I want stay with. I love this community," he said.

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Maisanos restaurant - now that's Italian!

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

When Frank and Jackie Maisano first opened their business in Novi 22 years ago, it was Towne Club Pop Store, just north of the sleepy corner of Grand River Avenue and Novi Road. Today it is the People's Choice for the best Italian restaurant in the area.

According to Jackie, they came to Novi after the building that was home to the Italian grocery they had run for eight years in Livonia was rezoned to commercial. "When our lease was up they asked us to leave, so they could replace us with offices," she recalled.

After several unsuccessful attempts to relocate the grocery in Livonia and surrounding communities, the Maisanos took over a Towne Club Pop Store on Novi Road. It was the early '80s; the economy was tight and interest rates were at all-time highs," recalled Jackie. "We couldn't get a loan without a lot of money. There wasn't much you could do," said said.

When they took over the pop store, Jackie and her husband decided that people might want to buy some lunch items with their soda,

so they put a few deli items in a corner. Over time, the deli corner expanded until it eventually pushed the pop store right out of the building.

"We started serving soups and chili," said Jackie. Eventually she and Frank collected the best of their respective family's Sicilian recipes and became the Maisanos that now draws repeat customers from as far away as Ann Arbor, Lansing, Flint, the Pointes and beyond.

The draw, she said, is a family atmosphere, home cooking (if your mom's from Sicily) and moderate prices. "We want to be a place you can come in with your family and children," Jackie said. "We see everything from shorts and jeans to suits and tuxedos."

She added, "Some of our customers started as little kids sitting in high chairs. Then they came in for the prom. Now they're bringing their wife and kids. It's heart warming."

If Maisanos feels more like the dining room of a big Italian house than a restaurant, it's no accident. The wedding photos starting down from the walls are all various branches of the extended Maisano family. The china cabinet is

the one Jackie would have in her home, if her dining room were big enough.

"I didn't want red, white and green. I wanted like a family dining room," she said. And that's what she got.

"There's nothing I like better than family around the table," she said. That's why she now takes Sundays off to cook at home for her own family.

"I used do all the cooking, but now I have a staff that's been with me for years," she said. "Still, I check to make sure they make everything the same. People want consistency. If you like the food this week, if you come a month later you'll still like it," she said.

No one is allowed to deviate from grandma's lasagna recipe or to tinker with the family's marsala sauce. However, Jackie said she does let the chef experiment with the seafood menu on the weekends.

"My husband says he owns the place, but I am the boss," she laughed.

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Jackie and Frank Maisano have a seat at their Novi Italian eatery and are joined by employees Kim Swindel and Ivan Bunjik.



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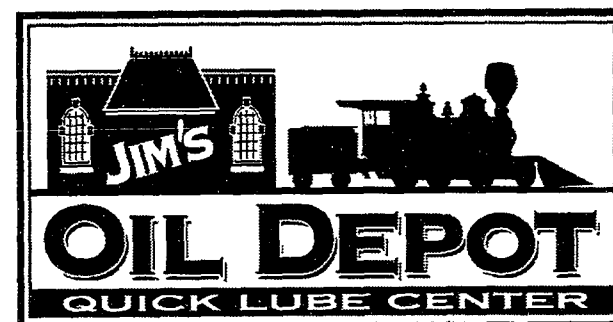


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For the best breakfast in Novi, head to Rosewood

By Ramez Khuri
STAFF WRITER

Large portions, friendly service, good coffee and large portions are what made the Rosewood Family Restaurant the number one place in Novi for eating breakfast. There is a reason why large portions was mentioned twice.

The breakfast menu consists of fresh eggs, beef, omelettes, pancakes, cereals and the most popular one, the Working Man's Special, which consists of three fresh eggs made any style, bacon, ham or sausage, hash browns or American fries, a choice of orange, tomato or grapefruit juice, toast and jelly. Each plate is packed with so much food that most people don't even know where to begin.

"You better bring your appetite if you want to eat breakfast here," said head waitress Colleen Crawford. "We have regulars and a lot of comments are made on the portions. Most people can't even finish what's on their plate, so we box it up for them."

Dave and Sally Zdravkovski have owned Rosewood since March 15, 1976.

"We started out with a lot of truckers and with them came other people as well," Sally Zdravkovski said. "Mainly, it was a truck stop at first. Now we are seeing more families come in to eat. There are a lot of construction workers coming in now because of all the construction going on Grand River. People know about our restaurant by mostly word of mouth and we are still here. Things are slow right now and the construction is affecting us big time. A lot of landscapers used to come down Grand River and stop here and eat on their way. Now they can't go straight through, so they go in different directions. We still have most of our regulars who come in every now and then though."

Milford resident Matt Cox is a Rosewood regular.

"I only get breakfast here," he said. "At any other restaurants I never order breakfast because they honestly don't compare. The portions here are way better quality, they are delicious and they give very large portions. It has been kind of a hangout for my friends and I for years. It appears that everybody, no matter what age, enjoys the breakfast here."

According to Sally Zdravkovski, the food at Rosewood is like home cooking.

"I have been to other restaurants and they serve portions, like only so much," she said. "We don't weigh anything, we just cut it up and put it in there, so our omelettes are big. Every time somebody new comes in, they always say 'Oh my God.' They can't believe how big it is. We don't measure anything; we give plenty of food."

In 27 years, the Zdravkovski's have met many people in their restaurant who they now consider friends. So much so that many of them were invited to their daughter's wedding.

"Our portions are really big and we serve breakfast all day," Zdravkovski said. "We also get many compliments about the coffee. Our food is homemade, which makes it taste better. The people who come in here want fresh food. They don't want something that was already made and just heated up, and that is what we provide."

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Sally, left, and daughter Silvana Zdravkovski of Novi's Rosewood Family Restaurant display some of what won them "best breakfast" in the People's Choice: a lot of good breakfast foods.

Benton's got the best carpet and flooring, say readers

By Ramez Khuri
STAFF WRITER

Bill Benton has been in the carpet and flooring business for 27 years. His experience has taught him many things, but the most important one is how to keep and satisfy his customers. That is why his store, Novi Carpet, on 10 Mile and Meadowbrook, was voted to have the best carpet and flooring in the city of Novi.

"I have done my share of homes in Novi," Benton said. "We go through thousands of yards of carpet every year. One particular year I sold over 10,000 yards of carpet. It's hard to say how many people we have sold to, but I know it's been quite a few."

Benton has his own installers, whether it's a wood installer or a vinyl installer or a carpet installer. All of these products take different installers because they have to work with the product.

"If you don't work with it, it won't turn out right," he said. "Some people say they're good vinyl installers, but it's hard to find a good carpet guy who can do vinyl and hardwood. Usually they stick with one particular type of product. I know the products and the product lines and what has to be done to put the floors in properly. I make sure that there are no complications or problems."

Novi Carpet carries everything that is out there, from Berbers to hardwood floors to ceramic to piles to twists to commercial carpet. According to Benton, people usually come in



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Novi Carpet's Bill Benton holds a sample of cut pile berber by Sutton in his Ten Mile Road store.

with an idea of they want. They might bring fabrics from draperies or furniture fabrics, or they may be starting from scratch.

"Normally when you design a house it's basically done from the ground up," Benton said. "I have had decorators work for me in the past as well. We take it from there, we find out what kind of lifestyle they are, whether they're more into the design end versus the longevity, or if they want to replace sooner than later down the road. That has a lot to do with it. Then after they order, it usually takes two to three weeks from the time ordered to the time of installation."

After September 11, business was kind of

down, as it was for all businesses, but it has picked up recently. "Business has been good lately," Benton said. "To do something like this for 27 years, I really can't go anywhere and do anything else now, so I just go fight the elements and go through it. I've been through this before. Wars seem to knock businesses down for a while, but it comes back. It's like a valley and you go through it until things are better."

Benton started out installing floors. "That's how I started my business," he said. "I was a flooring installer and I used to hand sew carpet, but now it's different. We do hardwood floors, vinyl floors, ceramic floors, bathrooms. We do all

the floors of a house. We carry all the manufacturers. We carry Mohawk, we carry Galaxy, we carry Philadelphia, Sutton, pretty much every design in carpets. That's what we're known for. A customer comes in, they know I have a wide selection of products that they can choose from, and I'm good at decorating as far as putting colors together. That's pretty much how it works."

Benton's carpets range from \$5.99 per yard and up. "It's usually not price that's our concern," he said. "We usually have great pricing and I have been using the same pad company for years, which is Carpenter Pad. It's the top of the line for padding. That's always a concern in flooring. You have to have a good under construction to make the carpet last. Years ago we used to be in the carpet cleaning business as well, but you really can't get all the carpets clean all the time. It always seems to get dirty fast, so you can't really blend the two businesses together. We sell custom area rugs and we make custom area rugs too."

People who work with Benton at Novi Carpet are Wilma Gibroux, who is a secretary/saleswoman, and Vic Carol, who is a designer/salesman. "We try to sell people the type of carpet they need and what they are using, not how the price goes. If they want a \$6.99 carpet, I try to get them the best \$6.99 carpet that's out there. That's what helps out a lot. They can see that. You don't make a business on just one person."

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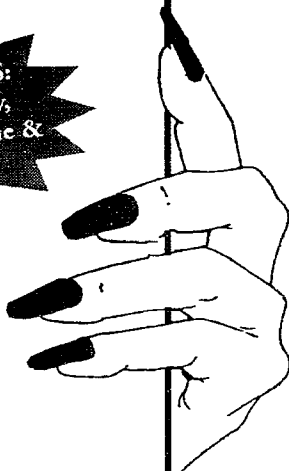
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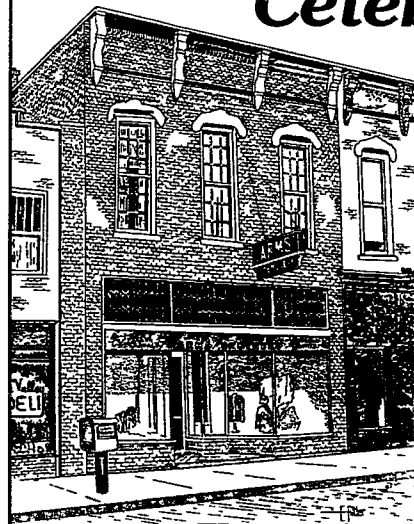
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Salon is heads above the rest of the competition

By Victoria Sadlocha
STAFF WRITER

Giving is the philosophy behind the success of Salon Head West.

The salon receiving first place in the *Novi News* People Choice awards for best haircut practices the successful philosophy by reaching out to the community, clients and employees.

Jeffery West opened the 10 Mile Road salon 15 years ago with nothing but devotion on his mind.

With Jeffery's wife, Carolyn, by his side, the 21-year Novi hairdresser developed the philosophy that residents of Novi agree is the best.

The first two principles involve giving to his customers and employees.

West said clients entering the salon for a haircut receive nothing but the best treatment.

All customers, whether they have been with the salon for 15 years or 15 minutes, receive a complimentary consultation.

Consultations ensure each client receives cutting edge, unique cuts fitting their hair and

life style.

Making sure hair is healthy and manageable for his client is very important to Jeffery despite the salon's apparent dedication to education on current trends and techniques.

Weekly, monthly and traveling seminars are mandatory for all stylists.

Jeffery said all members of the Salon Head West team participate in weekly in-house training sessions as well as monthly sessions involving out-of-salon representatives for fresh ideas.

Traveling is also included in stylists' continuing education.

"We are sending a couple of hairdresser off next month to New York for an academy," Jeffery said. "Our main objective is to provide current and up-to-date styles which are doable for our clients while never compromising the integrity of the condition of their hair.

Another plus patrons receive when coming in for a cut include experience.

Jeffery requires all of his stylists to go through a two-year, in-house academy before they receive their own chair.

This means if someone requests services

from the newest face, they will receive someone with a minimum of one year of education and two years of Salon Head West experience.

"We all know the same technique, but it doesn't mean we don't have our own ideas and styles," Jeffery said. "I think the quality of our work is second to none."

The salon owner said although education, consistency and quality are factors he focuses on, he believes success really comes from being a good person.

"I couldn't be more proud of the people I work with," Jeffery said. "That is what keeps us so strong."

Humility is the other portion of the owner's giving principle.

"I believe in the community I am in," he said. "These are the people who put food in my mouth and in my family's mouths."

Jeffery said his appreciation of Novi comes out in many different ways.

Layered among his commitment to high school sports, community service and gift basket donations to many charities, is a genuine commitment to the city.

Jeffery said he also does all of his business

in city limits.

"It goes with the whole philosophy of community. We do business with everyone that does business with us," Jeffery said. "We thank the community for their support, there is no question about that."

Salon Head West additionally specializes in styles, updos, nails, makeup and color.

Expert hair color services include tints, overlays, translucence and highlights.

The salon also offers perms and bends.

Prices for all services vary depending on stylist and work done.

"I'm very proud of the people we work with," Jeffery said. "I just have the best staff in the world."

Salon Head West is located on 10 Mile Road, just west of Novi Road in the Eaton Center Mall.

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Novi's best sports bar offers a whole lot more

By Victoria Sadlocha
STAFF WRITER

It is unanimous - the Library Sports Pub & Grill has it all including a great place to watch the game.

Residents throughout the city voted the Grand River Avenue pub the best sports bar in the Novi News 2003 People's Choice contest.

Whether it received the top nod for its great food, abundance of televisions, live music, pool tables, video games or drink specials is hard to say.

Where else in town can you get two frosty glasses of beer with each pitcher you order?

The bar also offers an excellent place to watch sports.

The seven-year-old establishment offers patrons the opportunity to watch one of the many televisions carrying just about every sports event.

Library Sports Pub & Grill owner Bob Barnett promises there is a view of a TV set from pretty much anywhere a patron decides to sit.

Professional football lovers may, on any given Sunday, watch every game played on one of the bar's strategically located sets.

The TVs range in size from 27-inch to

jumbo screen.

Drink, meal and promotional events are also offered on Sundays during the pigskin season.

But you do not have to be a sports junkie to enjoy what the regulars refer to as just the "library."

On Fridays, Saturdays and some Thursday nights, the establishment offers live entertainment.

Bands performing at the "library" range in genre from blues to pop.

And for all you singers at heart, Tuesday is karaoke.

"I think our business has evolved from more than just a sports bar," Barnett said. "It has evolved into a sports eatery. We attract a lot ages, our crowd is all over the place."

Although the crowd is primarily younger after 10 p.m., the pub owner said specials like two-for-one burgers on Saturdays and half-off pizzas on Monday nights really pack in the families.

"I think people come in here just as much for the food as they do to watch a game or order a cold beverage," Barnett said.

Menu specialties range from full-entree-size salads to pasta dishes to chicken entrees.

"Our most requested entree is our herb stuffed chicken," the owner said.



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Beth King serves up smiles and beverages at Library Sports Pub & Grill.

The pub also serve dishes like fish and chips and potato encrusted white fish.

"There is a little something for everyone," Barnett said.

But despite all the menu options, the owner still swears by his burgers.

"I'd be happy to get in a burger challenge with anybody," he said.

The library is also open for lunch and offers daily lunch and dinner specials.

"It's like home away from home," Barnett

said. "We're just glad to have been selected people's choice for the best sports bar."

The Library Sports Pub & Grill is located at 42100 Grand River Avenue, east of Novi Road.

For more information, call (248) 349-9110.

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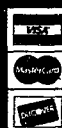
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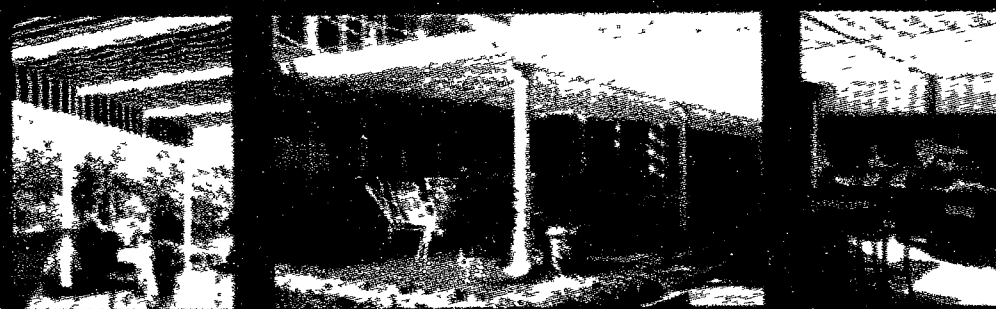
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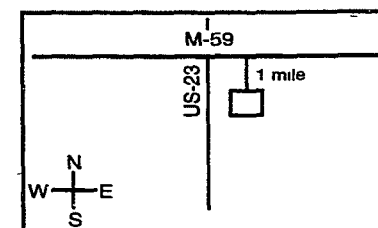
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Brick Ideal for Recreating Many Popular Home Styles

Whether you're a purist looking to create your own English manor or just interested in hinting at Frank Lloyd Wright in your new home, a brick exterior can help you create many of today's most popular home styles.

Let's face it, the plethora of terms used by builders, architects and realtors can be confusing at best, especially when you consider that many homes built today are a mix of several different styles. The guide below should help you identify some of the most popular styles, including Tudor, English Country, Craftsman Bungalows and Prairie style homes, which were recently named the top home styles in About.com's Dream House survey. You'll also find a "brick pick" — a suggested brick type that lends itself well to the individual home style. Because brick is so diverse in its color, texture, mortar and pattern options, it is a top choice for all the architectural styles listed below.

Tudor and English Country — This cozy style is reminiscent of Medieval English cottages and manor homes and often include small, diamond-paned windows and exposed wood framing. Intricately patterned brickwork is also a hallmark of this period home. The Tudor was originally built from 1890 - 1940, but is seeing a resurgence as indicated by its No. 1 position on the Dream House survey. The English country or cottage style home is similar to the Tudor, though somewhat less grand and without the exposed beamwork. This picturesque style resembles a storybook cottage with cozy corners, quirky angles and other charming details.

Brick Pick: Antique-look brick (also referred to as wood-mold, handmade or tumbled) in muted stone-like earth tones — buff, tan, charcoal gray or even a subdued red — with decorative patterning in accent areas.

Craftsman Bungalow — A true American original, these homey bungalows featuring low-pitched roofs and exposed rafters were all the rage at the beginning of the 20th century, starting in

California and quickly spreading to the rest of the country. The style's popularity ended in the 1930s, but it is now making a comeback thanks, in part, to movements toward simpler living. Representing structural simplicity, efficient use of space and understated style, it was named the No. 2 style in the Dream House survey.

Brick Pick: Understated and utilitarian, dark brown, extruded brick (very linear and consistent from brick to brick) is a perfect choice for this style. Dark green trim will accentuate the Craftsman look.

Prairie — Frank Lloyd Wright pioneered this modern style in Chicago at the turn of the century. Low-pitched hip roofs make these homes look as though they are part of the earth, and the square, often symmetrical lines reflect strength and homespun values. Brick, which literally comes from the clay of the earth and is formed into modular, rectangular shapes, is a perfect fit for the Prairie style home.

Brick Pick: A mixture of earth-tone brick (reds, browns and creams) blend seamlessly into the Prairie style home — the colors can be mixed or used in color blocks on different parts of the house. As with Craftsman homes, extruded brick works better than antique-look on the Prairie home.

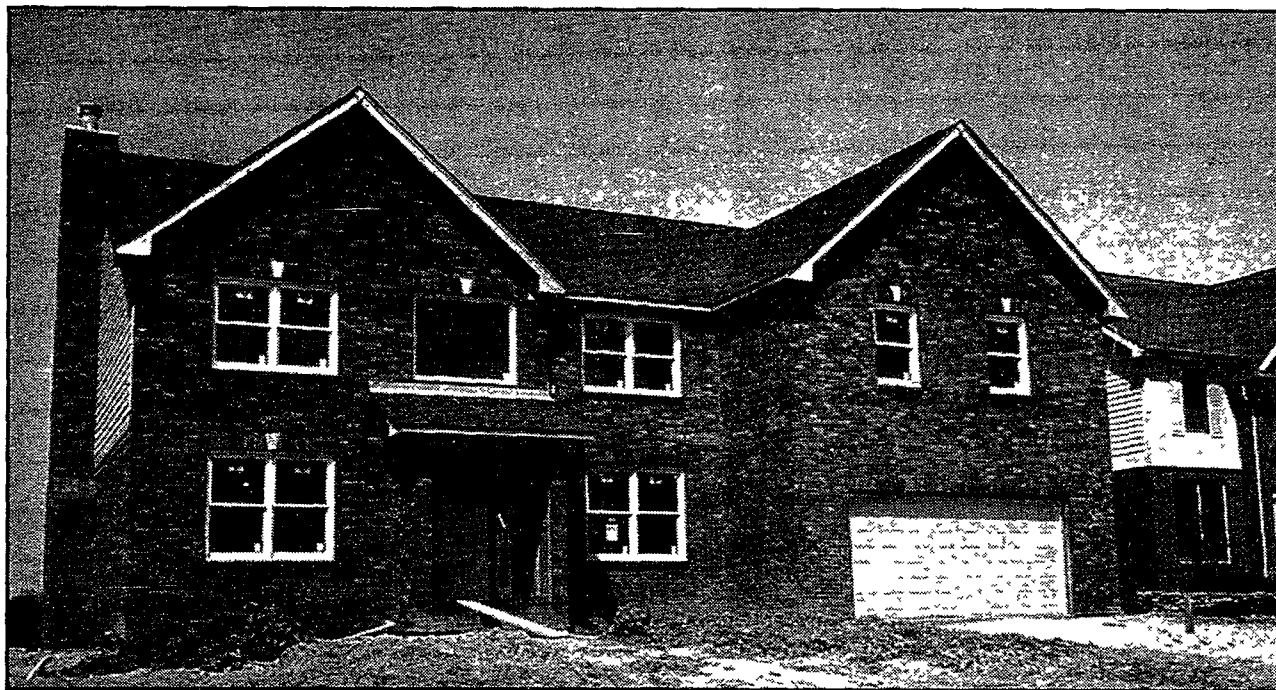
French Countryside — Originally popular in the U.S. from 1915 - 1945, this style includes French Provincial, Normandy and Eclectic designs.

Normandy homes resemble miniature castles with arched doorways and round towers, while Provincial houses are much more square and symmetrical, resembling small manor homes with tall hipped roofs and window shutters (think Madeline's "old house in Paris that was covered with vines"). French Eclectic borrows from both styles and other French influences for unique looks.

Brick Pick: Cool grays work well on all of these sophisticated French styles. Light gray matching mortar between the smooth, extruded brick gives these homes clean lines that allow decorative brick accents like quoins to stand out.

Colonial — Another broad category, this genre includes popular Georgian and Federal style homes, introduced to the U.S. just before and just after the American Revolution, respectively. Both styles were the result of influences from across the pond and were popular with new Americans trying to re-create familiar icons of prestige. Though the two are often confused, the difference is in the details. While Georgian homes are square and angular, Federal style homes include more curved lines and decorative flourishes than their simpler Georgian counterparts.

Brick Pick: Classic red brick is ideal for both of these traditional style homes. Choosing an antique variety enhances the Colonial period appeal.



Benefits of a brick exterior include low maintenance and an increased resale value.

While it's the look and feel of brick that makes it work in so many different home styles, once it's in place, homeowners will reap many other benefits including a low-maintenance home, increased resale value (brick homes have a 6 percent higher resale value than their non-brick neighbors) and a feeling of security that comes from living in a home that protects against a variety of threats — from fire to mold to bullets.

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Man and Machine

Lawnmowers cut to heart of personality

It's no secret that you can tell a lot about a man by the car he drives.

Want proof? Picture the devoted family man and a sensible sedan or van comes to mind. Likewise, the style-conscious professional wouldn't be seen in anything but a high-performance sports car. And there's little doubt that the person tooling around in a hybrid electric vehicle feels strongly about the environment.

What's parked in the driveway also is a good indicator of what's stored in the garden shed, according to Jeanine Yanson, Home Depot's top buyer for outdoor power equipment.

"The same factors that influence the decision-making process when buying an automobile can be applied when selecting a new mower," said Yanson. "When shopping for a new car, you compare the features, kick the tires and check under the hood, but in the end it's the one that best suits your personality that seals the deal."

Yanson offers the following "personality profiles" to match man and machine.

Dream Machine

For those who dream of owning a Hummer and wouldn't drive anything but a 4-wheel-drive, John Deere tractors exceed even the toughest test. With plenty of power under the hood, cruise control, automatic transmission, a deluxe high-back seat and even a power port for plugging in a cell phone or CD player, these machines will keep the driver content for hours.

Matt Brooks, an Atlanta homeowner who recently went shopping for a tractor at his local Home Depot, said he is a perfect example of how his car and mower type match.

"My truck takes me where I want to go, on the road and off," said Brooks. "I wanted the same the same flexibility and durability from my mower. With a lawn tractor, I can mow, plough, till or tow. You name it, it can do it."

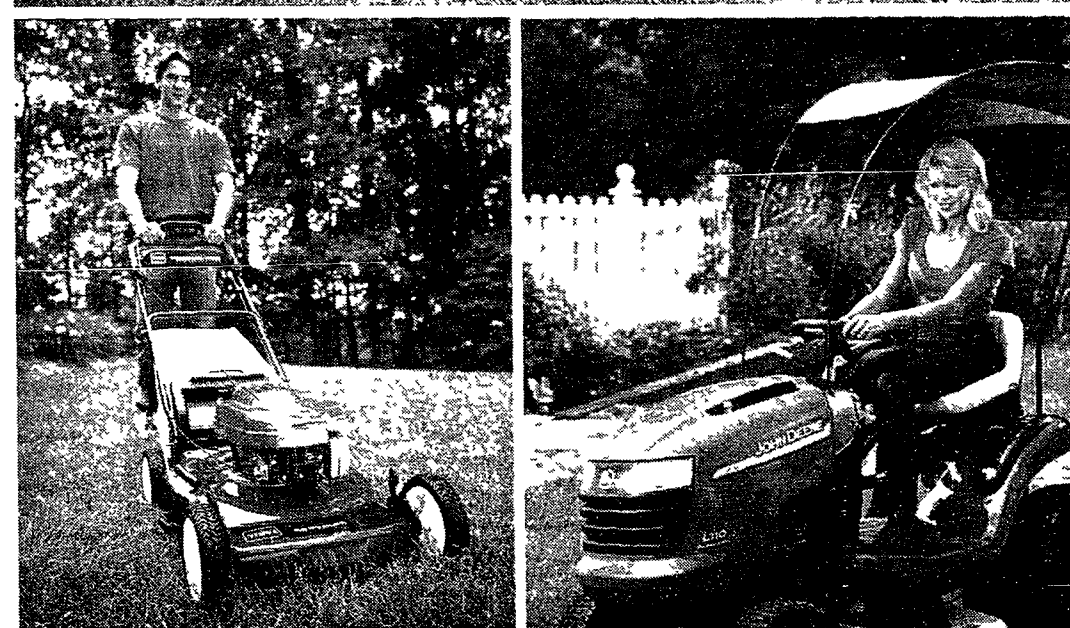
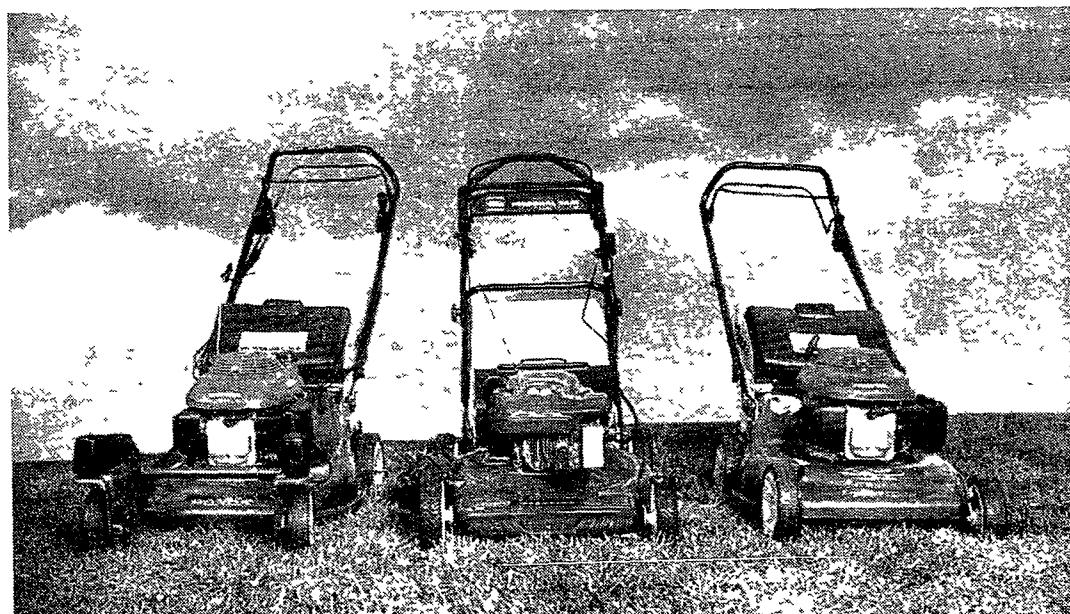
Cut to the Chase

The family man who prefers to drive a van or sedan wants a reliable mower that will complete the job quickly, since the yard is little more than a distraction from the busy rigors of home life.

"There's no question that this personality requires easy lawn maintenance," Yanson said.

She suggests an easy-starting, low-maintenance mower from Honda.

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The Manicurist, who prefers the precision of a high-performance sports car, might choose a Toro (left) for its exact cuts and precise edging. Above, a John Deere tractor may be the ultimate Dream Machine for someone who drives a sports utility vehicle.

ing residential mowing, leaving more time for a friendly neighborhood game of kickball, said Yanson.

The Manicurist

If the lure of European precision and high-performance sports cars fires you up, Toro mowers will take you where you want to go. This is the perfect mower for those who like exact cuts, precise edging and plenty of compliments from envious neighbors.

"There's no need to break a sweat with one of these mowers," said Yanson. "The self-propelled system allows you to slow down or speed up effortlessly, something you'll appreciate on a hot day."

Mr. Down to Earth

For the sentimentalist or grounded environmentalist who sees green, a push reel or electric mower is the way to go. Neither type has an internal combustion engine, are quieter and don't produce emissions like gas-powered mowers.

Battery-powered mowers are good for smaller yards and require little maintenance and push reel mowers are simple machines with no power source, so you'll get a light cardiovascular workout while sprucing up your yard.

No matter your personality, Yanson said, size up your landscaping needs before purchasing a new mower. Then, take a look in the driveway.

Tune Up

Protect your mower in five steps

When it comes to an important investment like your power equipment, a little prevention pays big returns. Equipment like mowers, trimmers, edgers and blowers can fail if they are not properly maintained.

By following these tune-up guidelines, the experts at Home Depot say your mower and other outdoor power equipment will provide many years of reliable operation. Here are five steps to help protect your investment.

Keep it clean

- A clean mower will mow, bag and mulch better.
- It will run cooler and last longer.
- If you use fertilizer, wash your mower after every use. The chemicals will rust or corrode the under side of the mower and shorten its life.

• It is especially important to clean the machine before removing the air filter, fuel cap and oil cap. This will prevent debris from entering areas where it could cause damage.

Air filter

- A small engine uses about 700 times more air than fuel, so a clean air filter is very important to an efficient, environmentally-friendly, smooth-running engine.
- The air filter should be cleaned at least every other time you mow.

Fresh fuel

- A small engine is different than your car's engine because it only has one cylinder to do the work, so it's critical to keep it running efficiently. The carburetor has very small passages and can plug up easily.
- Fuel will go bad faster in small amounts. The fuel loses its volatility if left in a carburetor fuel bowl.
- If you are not going to use your mower for a few months, it is best to run it dry before storing.

Oil

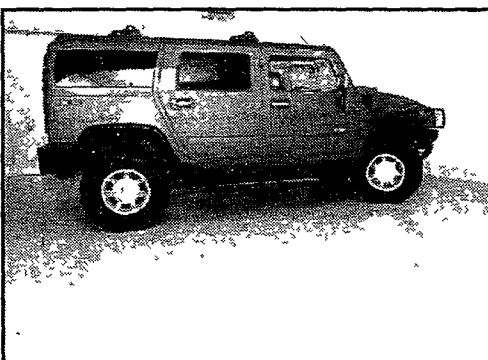
- Most small engines only use about 20 oz. of oil. (check your owner's manual)
- Most mower engines do not have an oil filter, so the oil gets dirty fast.
- Most manufactures recommend that you change your oil about every 25 hours.

A sharp blade

- A sharp blade leaves a nicer looking lawn with less stress on the engine.
- To tell if your blade is getting dull, look at the cut end of the grass to see if it is smooth or ragged.

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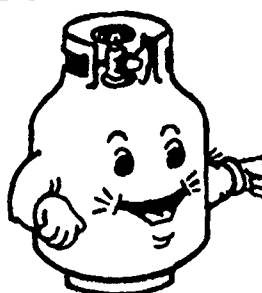
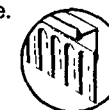
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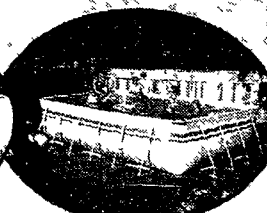
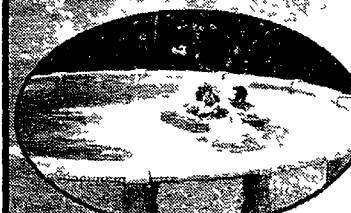
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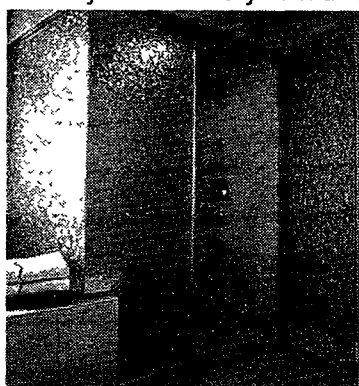
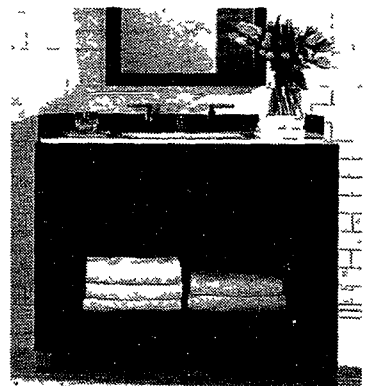
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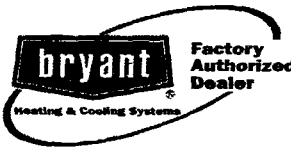
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Interior Motive

Keeping your car clean is an inside job

By Pat Stein
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Treat your car's interior with TLC and it will not only last longer and be a more pleasant environment on those long commutes, but it also will add value to the vehicle when you're ready to sell it or trade it in.

A car interior's worst enemies are heat and the sun's ultraviolet rays, according to Steve Mazor, principal automotive engineer for the Automobile Club of Southern California.

His No. 1 recommendation for protecting your car's interior is to keep it parked out of the sun as much as possible.

The dashboard is one of the most vulnerable areas when it comes to sun damage. Tinted windows and windshield sunshades offer some protection, as do periodic applications of products such as Armor All, which claim to help protect vinyl dashboards from drying out. Aftermarket accessories such as fabric dashboard covers are available at automotive stores and offer added protection or conceal flaws on already damaged dashboards.

Of course dirt, sand, dog hair, spilled milkshakes, coffee stains and cookie crumbs don't help a car's interior either, but with the array of cleaning products and aids on the market today, these are easily remedied.

No. 2 on Mazor's car interior care list is frequent cleaning.

"Clean spills and stains as soon after they happen as possible, but be sure to use products that are appropriate for the materials," he said.

Vinyl cleaners and protectants, for example, should not be used on leather interiors. Leading manufacturers of automotive care products such as Armor All, Turtle Wax and Meguiare's all offer special formulations for care of leather interiors. For cloth upholstery and headliners there are other specialty clean

ing products.

"Read the label before you purchase a car interior-care product to make sure it's suitable to the material because there is no one product that does it all," he advised.

He also suggests checking your owner's manual for the car manufacturer's recommendations on interior care and cleaning because some cleaners are too abrasive for plastic parts such as the bezel that covers the instrument panel. The key for proper care of these plastic parts is to use an appropriate product and a soft, smooth cloth to avoid scratching or marring the surface.

Clean windows are not only more pleasant, they are also safer, according to Mazor.

"A clean windshield mitigates the glare from oncoming headlights," he said.

While ordinary household window cleaners work just fine on glass, he suggests using only manufacturer recommended products on plastic windows in convertibles and applying with a soft, smooth cloth to avoid scratching. Windows with aftermarket tints (which are usually a type of plastic film) should also be cleaned with the same kind of care.

A little prevention goes a long way in keeping the interior looking good for the life of the car. Floor mats, which are available for less than \$10 at general merchandise and automotive stores, protect the carpet. Frequent vacuuming help keep carpet and upholstery in good shape, but if carpets have gotten really soiled, Mazor suggests having them steam cleaned.

For people who have dogs, messy kids who



eat and drink in the car, or who engage in outdoor sports such as surfing, having seats covered with waterproof seat covers when the car is still new will protect the original upholstery. Custom seat covers made from wet suit material are easy to clean with plain soap and water, and because of the moisture barrier on the back side of the material no water or spills can seep through to damage the original upholstery. A set of these custom seat covers, which fit like a glove, costs about \$500.

The other alternative is to have custom seat covers made after the original upholstery is already shot. Reupholstering seats to look new costs about \$500, depending on the material you choose. As with new upholstery, leather is more expensive than fabric, but

Mazor says it has some advantages — in addition to lending a touch of elegance.

"Leather is easier to clean because it's not as porous as fabric," Mazor said.

But if you only want to cover up the stains and tears, you can purchase a set of "universal" seat covers at a swap meet, an automotive store or general merchandise store for about \$30 and install them yourself. These do-it-yourself seat covers come in a variety of styles and materials. Choose from zebra or leopard prints; real sheepskin (which has the advantage of being cool in summer and warm in winter); imitation sheepskin; polyester velour in conservative designs; or smooth fabrics with specialty designs, such as angels or cats.

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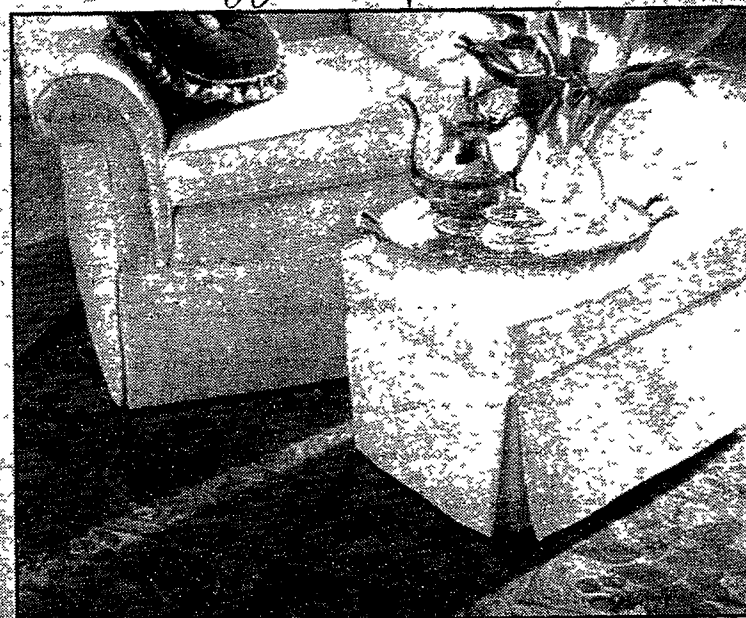
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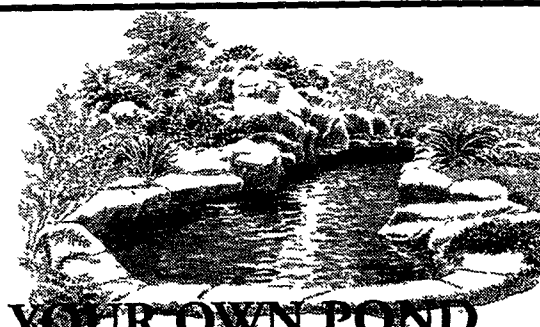


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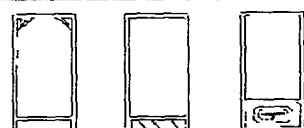
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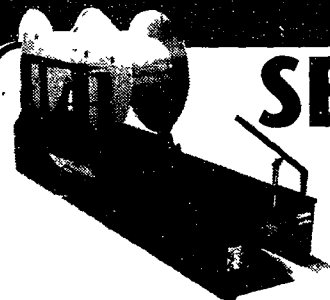
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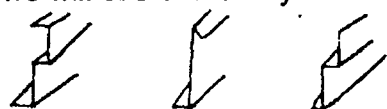
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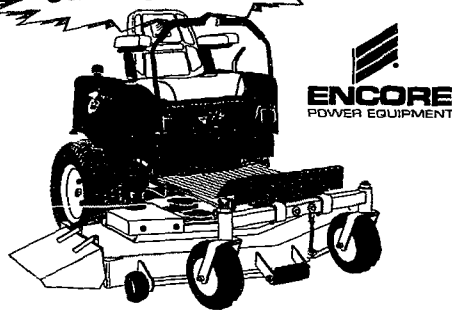
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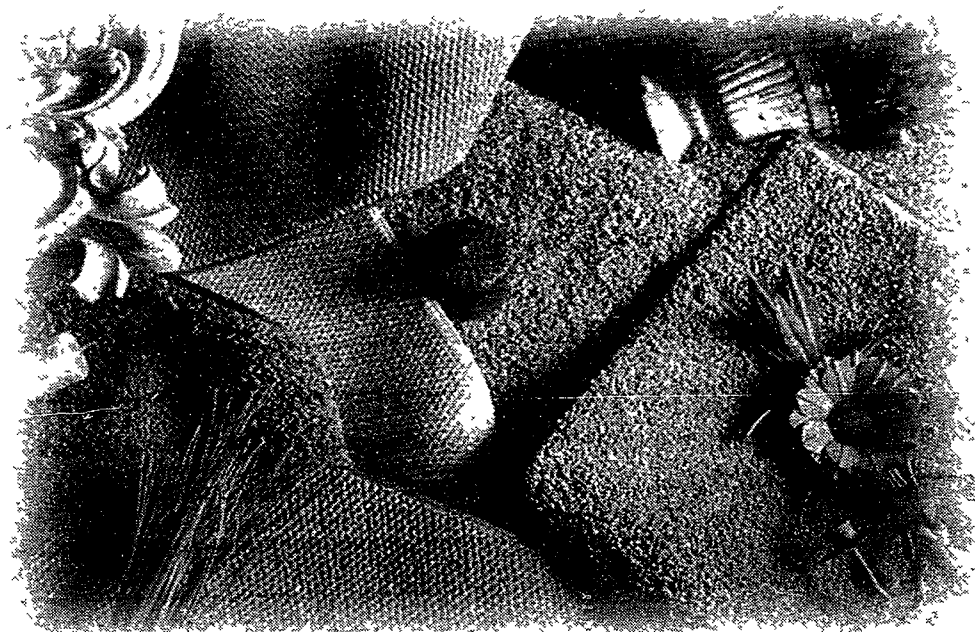
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This year, homeowners have a new tool in their lawn and garden arsenal with www.yardcare.com, a Web site filled with information and inspiration to help you get your yard in shape.

"It's a different, more personal look at how you take care of your outdoor space," says Dave Francis, Yardcare.com Web site manager. "We've found that people approach yard care in different ways. Some people love it, it's their passion. Others just want to get the job done quickly. We've gathered information to help both ends of the spectrum and everyone in between."

Visitors can log on and take a simple quiz to determine their "yard personality," then they will be directed to tips and techniques that fit their style of caring for their yard and garden.

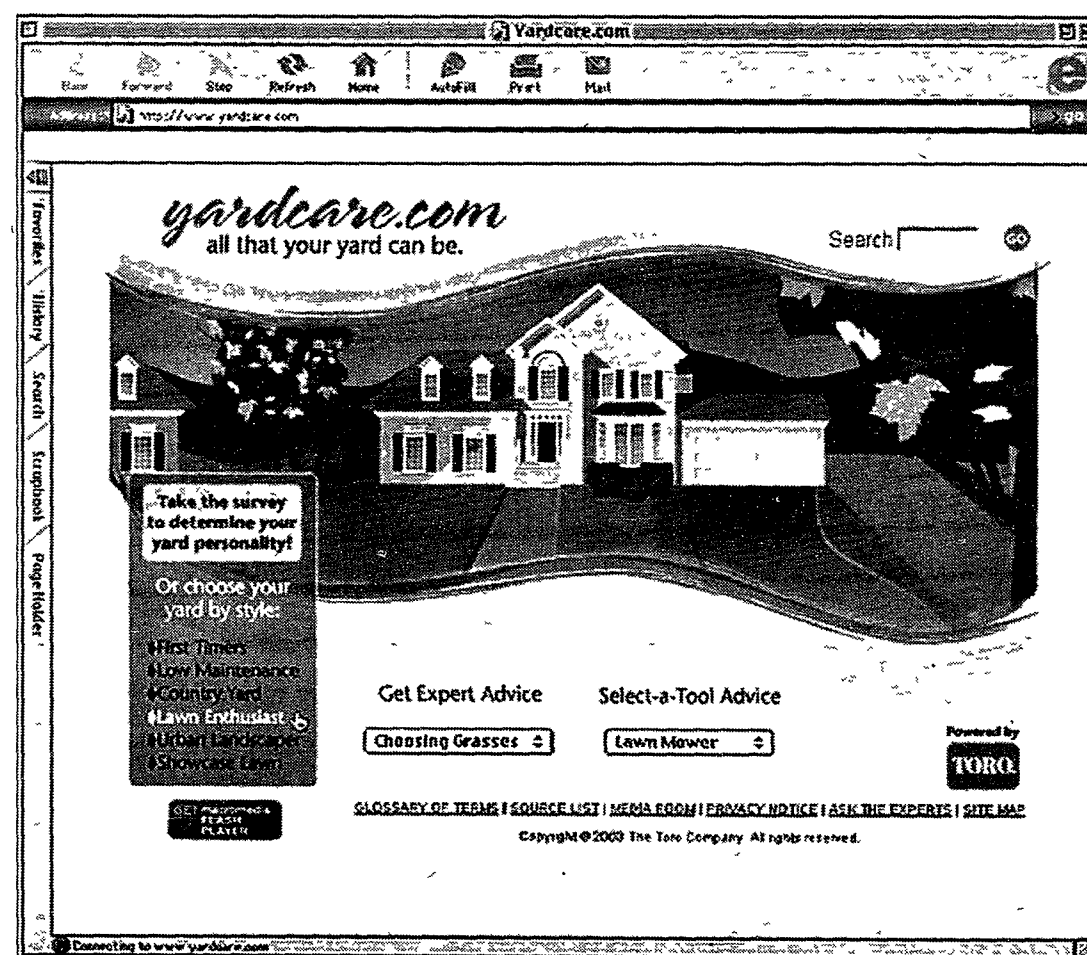
"This is real life information," Francis says. "You no longer have to wade through a ton of techniques just to find out when is the best time to seed your lawn. The personalized

answers are right there for you, and you can print out the results for later reference."

For avid gardeners, the site has information to help you have the best yard on the block, including tips on landscape design, unique plant choices and the latest advances in yard care technology. If you're a busy homeowner who doesn't have a lot of time to invest in your yard, there are plenty of timesaving tips to help you get the job done faster. There is information on low maintenance lawns, weed control and the latest tools that make yard care easier. Visitors to the site can also submit their own case-specific questions to a yardcare.com expert.

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Give Me a Brake

Proper attention will keep you stopping on a dime

By L.E. Klein
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Despite advances in technology and a host of fancy names, automobile brakes are still mechanical systems for stopping your car and need regular maintenance, experts say. And since it takes twice as much energy to stop your car than to get it going, brakes in good working condition are vital for the safety of you and your family.

Don't wait until you hear a grinding noise from your brakes to go in for maintenance, experts warn.

"That's a very expensive noise," said Tony Molla, a former certified mechanic and spokesman for the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (www.ase.com). Because modern brakes are made from metallic parts, some squeaking can be expected. But when in doubt, get it checked out, Molla said.

To help schedule maintenance and learn how to trouble-shoot brake problems, first familiarize yourself with some basic brake terminology.

-- Disk brakes, the most common types of brakes in modern cars, work by pressing

on a spinning rotor that is attached to the wheel. Pressure from the brakes slows the rotor, which slows the wheel. Most cars have disk brakes on the front and back wheels.

-- Drum brakes work by pushing brake shoes against a drum attached to the wheel. Some economy cars have drum brakes on the rear wheels.

-- Anti-lock brakes use speed sensors and electronics to apply rapid and repeated brake pressure so a car's wheels don't lock in emergency conditions.

Next, assess if you need immediate service by paying attention to your car's braking and driving behavior. Some signs of trouble:

-- Does it take you longer to stop lately? Is your car less responsive to brake pressure? You may be low on brake fluid or have other brake problems. Don't let the problems get worse.

-- Noises like squeaking and grinding signal that your brake pads are worn. Grinding especially is a bad sign -- get immediate service.

-- Check your steering wheel for pulsa-

tions or pulling that could signal brake problems.

-- Does your car pull to one side as you stop?

-- Check for warning lights and sensors. A lit ABS light means your anti-lock brakes need service.

Experts warn that waiting for symptoms of brake problems to appear may result in risk to yourself and your passengers and a higher bill in the end. Damage to parts like drums and rotors can cost far more than routine replacement of brake pads.

The key to safe and reliable brakes is regular preventive maintenance, especially in cold climates. Get your brakes checked for wear every spring and fall by a certified mechanic. Heavy snow and mud can easily damage anti-lock sensors, so get your brakes checked after extreme weather.

Driving behavior also determines how long brake pads will last. Stop-and-go driving wears out brakes much faster than highway driving, so check your car accordingly. Front brakes tend to wear out first in most cars, especially front-wheel drive cars and minivans.

Another important maintenance tip is to keep your brake fluid topped off and be alert for leaks. If brake fluid is allowed to drain away, a car loses all braking power. If your brake pedal sinks slowly to the floor as you press, that could be a sign of a fluid

leak.

Brake fluid also attracts water, which can cause rust and cost you braking power, Molla said.

"Once moisture gets in there, it will do all kinds of funky damage," he said.

The fluid should be replaced once every three years at the outside, and more often in mountainous areas.

Once you're familiar with your braking system, start watching your driving behavior for common errors that can wear out your brake parts.

-- Abrupt stops -- going from the gas to the brake in quick succession -- wear out your brake pads and put you at risk of an accident. Look ahead and try to anticipate stops in advance so you can ease into braking.

-- Resting your left foot on the brake pedal in an automatic car can eat up brake pads as well. Although it does allow for faster stops in some circumstances, be aware of the increased wear on the car.

Don't forget about your parking brake, either. An important emergency backup to other braking systems, the parking brake should be used regularly to keep it free of rust and corrosion. Using the parking brake also works the self-adjusters in the rear brakes, which helps keep the linings in drum brakes in tune.

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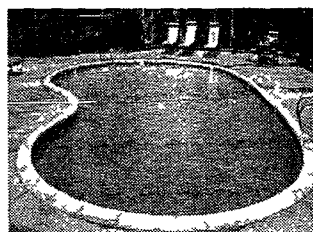
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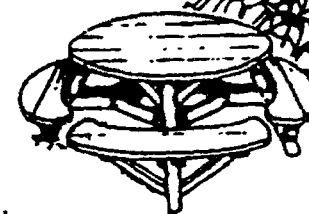
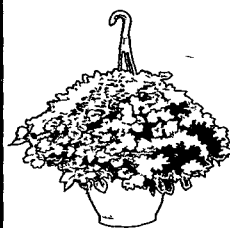


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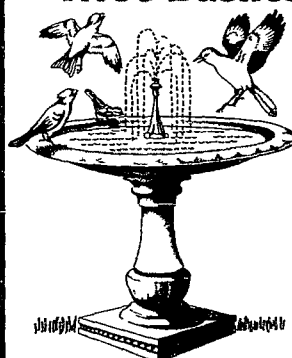
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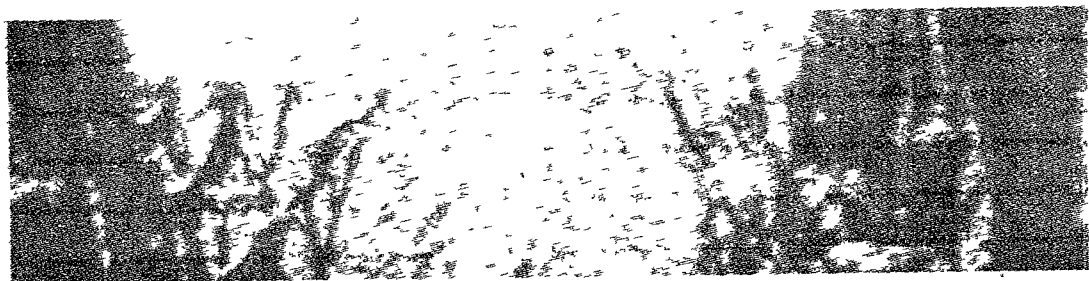
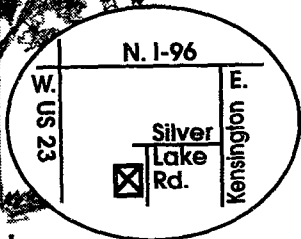
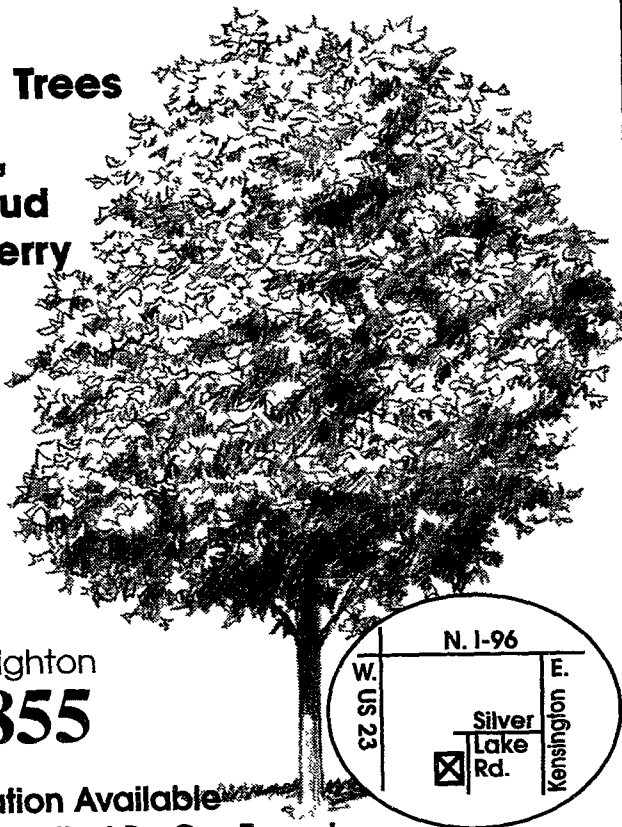
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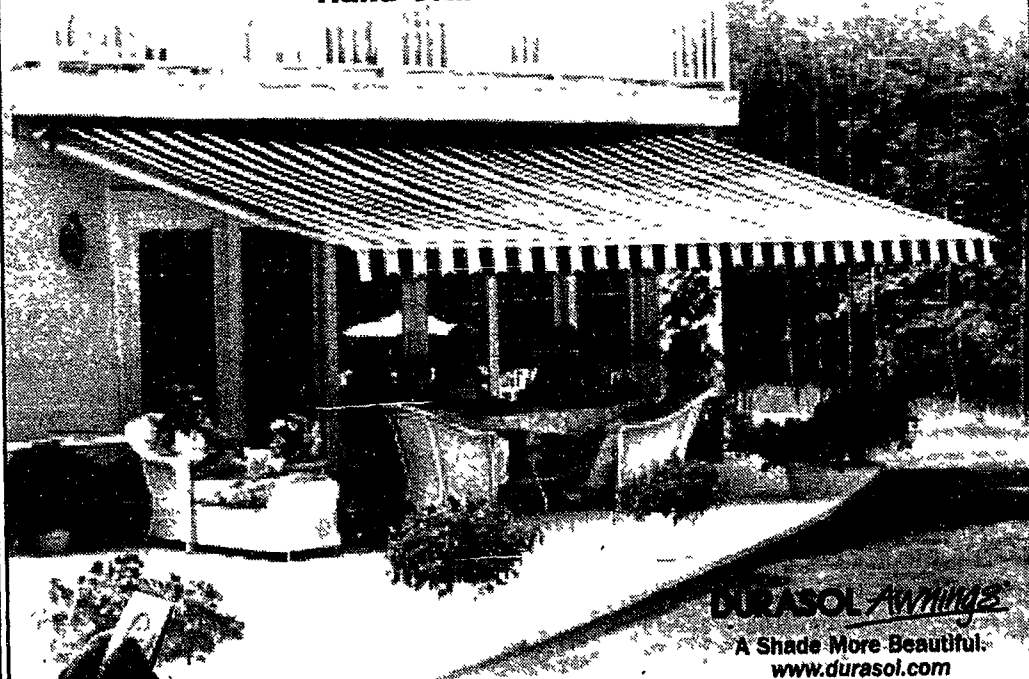
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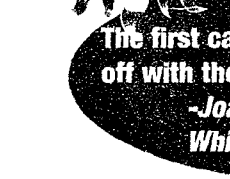
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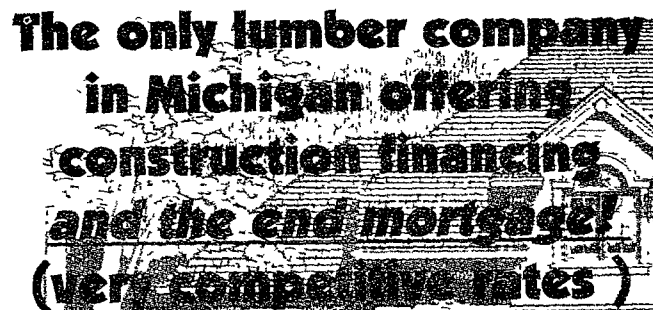
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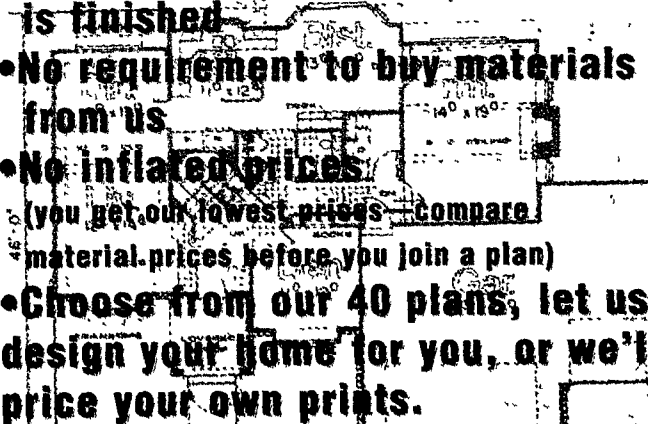


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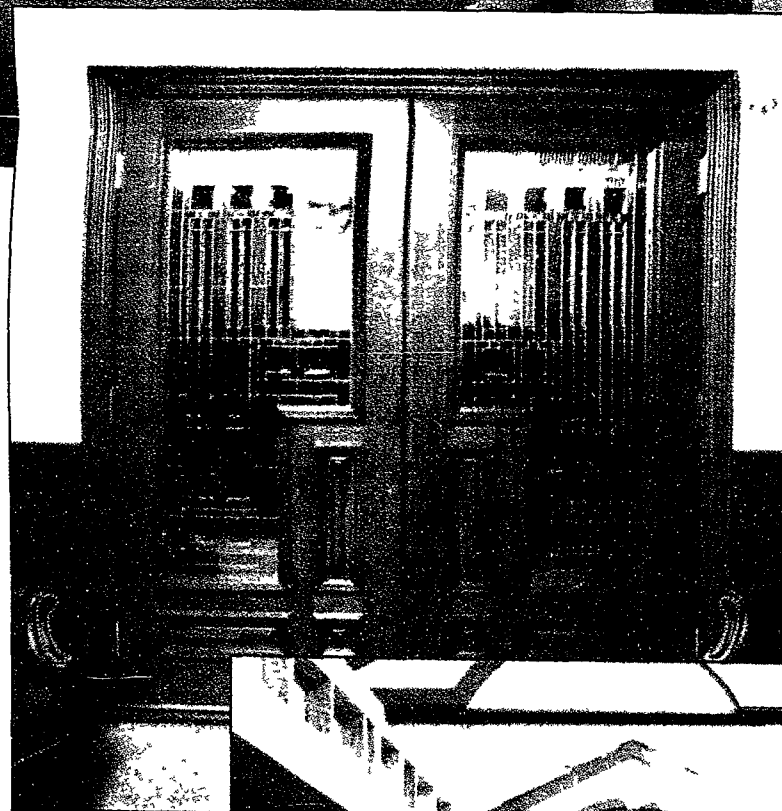
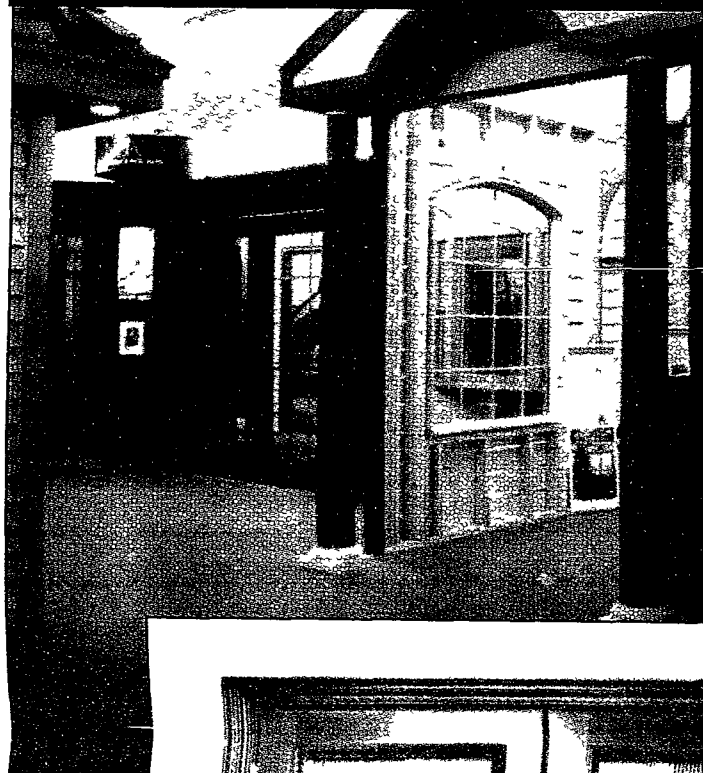
***No one else knows the lumber and
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- 
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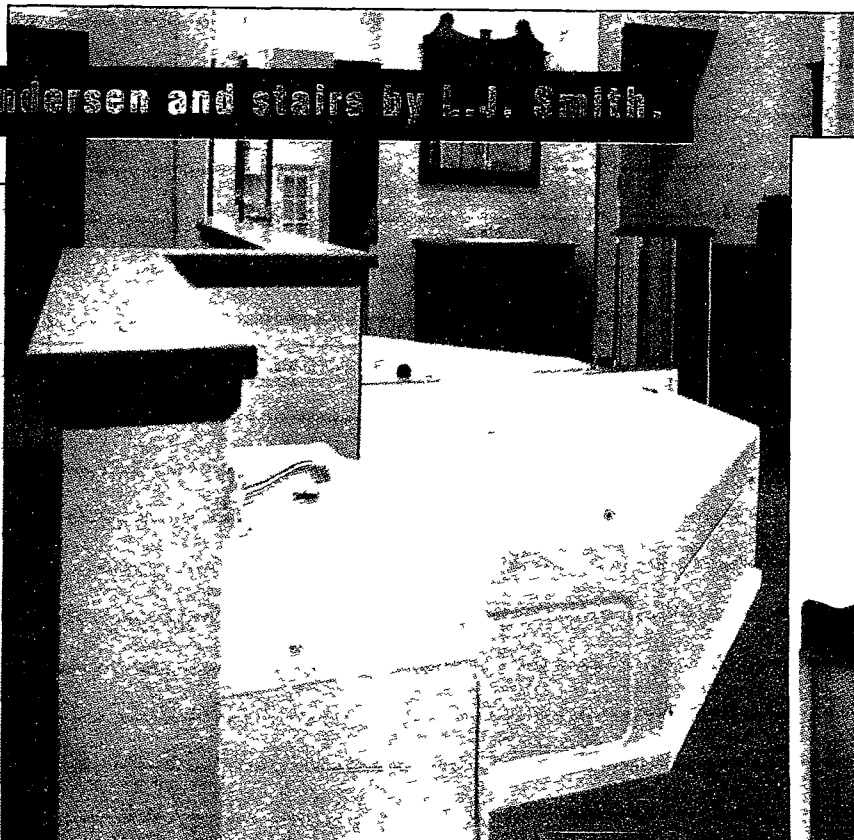
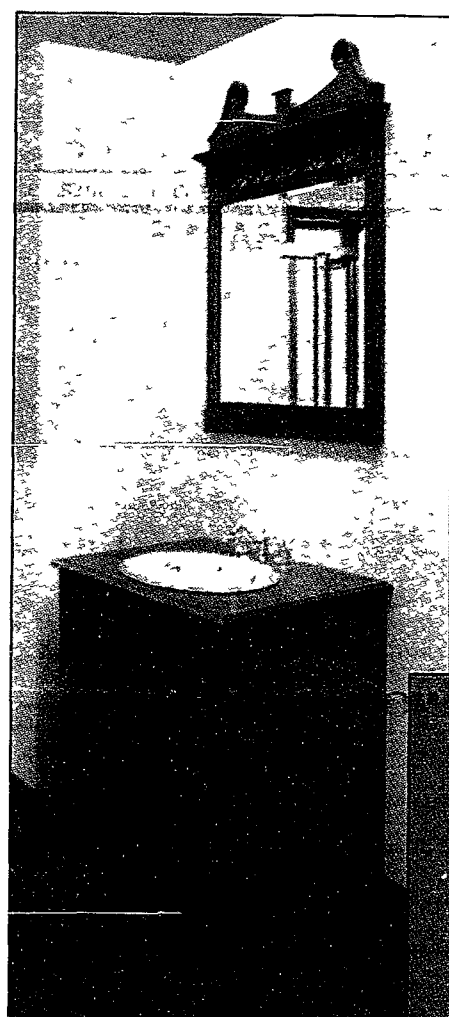
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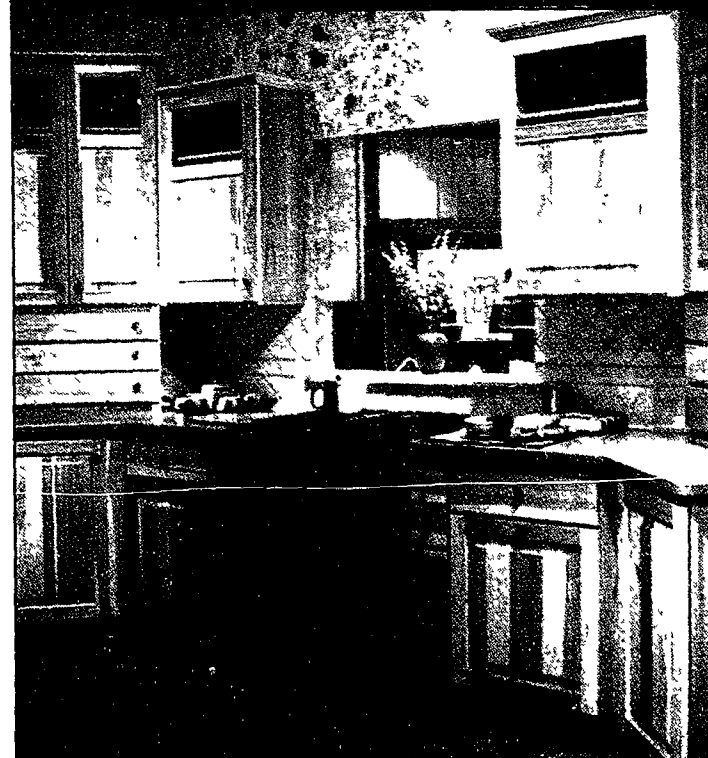


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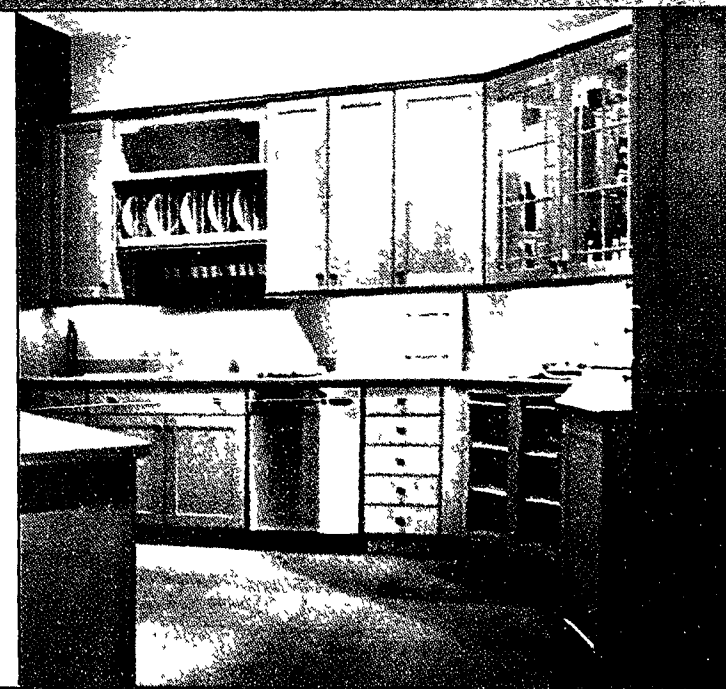


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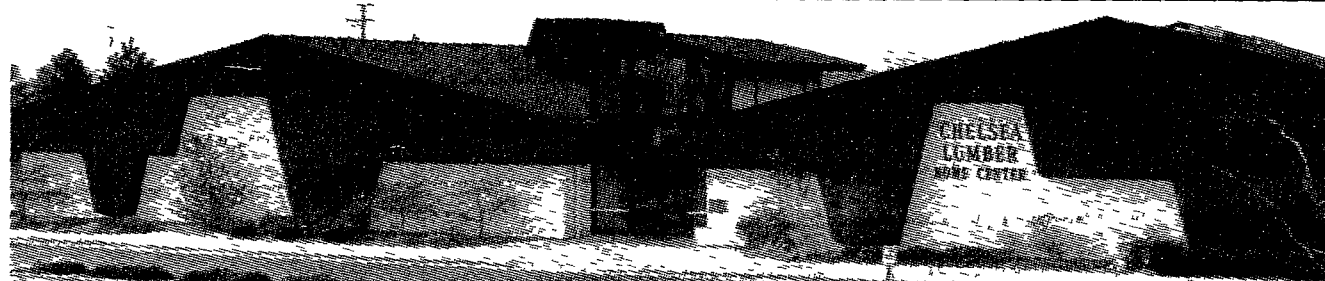
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Chelsea Lumber's Construction Financing Plan

Compare our interest rates and material costs; you are not required to buy materials from us; we give you experienced help from start to finish.

We started Construction Financing 36 years ago. That experience makes us the best choice for you, hands down. We know how to help you make your new home a reality, not just a dream. Can you imagine the pride of managing the construction of your own home. Come on... together we can make your dream come true... and you can start now. *Come in and meet our Construction Financing Professionals. Call 1-800-875-9126 for an appointment.*

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When you visit us, we'll assign you to your own Home Construction Financing Professional, one of nine people who work exclusively in our Construction Financing Department. They have the expertise to explain the financing details *and* to help you with your construction from start to finish.

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Why consider a Home Construction Financing Plan?

- **Compare our interest rate.** Banks provide the dollars for a final mortgage, but not during construction. **WE DO BOTH!**
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- **You don't have to wait**, why not start your home now? Nothing will make you prouder than building the home of your dreams.

Why select Chelsea Lumber Company's Home Construction Financing Plan?

- **EXPERIENCE!** Our Financing Plan is the **original**. All others have tried to copy ours! For more than 36 years, we've been financing new-home construction, making it possible for over 4,000 homes to be built in a 17-county area. We've helped more people and financed more homes than all the others put together.
- **WE MAKE IT SIMPLE.** When you talk with Chelsea Lumber, the whole process shifts from complicated to doable. All the estimating, qualifying and arranging for any outside contracting is done with the help of your personal Home Construction Financing Professional.
- **WE PROVIDE FINANCING.** Cash to build your home is provided by Chelsea Lumber Company, and no payments are due until your home is completed. We are your one-stop source for money and materials (You don't have to buy the materials from us).
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- **WE NOW OFFER A DESIGN LIBRARY LOUNGE WITH 40 PRE-PRICED HOME DESIGNS PLUS HUNDREDS OF OTHERS TO SELECT FROM.**
- **WE ALSO HAVE DESIGN CONSULTANTS TO MODIFY A CURRENT DESIGN OR TO DESIGN TO YOUR SPECIFICATIONS.**

How important is this decision?

- Building your home is the most important financial decision you'll ever make - *it's that important!* Join the hundreds of Michigan families who choose Chelsea Lumber's Home Construction Financing Plan each year. **Come learn the facts...see our facilities...meet our people at our FREE CLINICS Wednesday, May 14th or Thursday, May 15th at 7:00 PM, and then make an informed choice about this most important decision.**

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kitchen & bath design center

New Home or Remodeling Start with us.

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We can now supply doors and cabinets with matching colors.

**KITCHEN
CLINIC
Tuesday,
May 13th
7:00 pm**

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We are truly a kitchen and bath specialty house.

- 11 Experienced, creative staff.
- All of the best name brands.
- Over 3,500 sq. ft. showroom.
- Over 30 exciting and diverse displays
- Computerized, 3-dimensional designs
- Complete service from start to finish, including installation
- Learn more about our design staff and many of the quality products at www.chelsealumber.com



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Service, Design and Quality are what you can expect from us.

Our goal is to bring your thoughts and ideas for your kitchen and/or bath areas to fruition, so every detail of the project is addressed from faucets to crown moldings. We'll help you select the right cabinetry and counter tops; we'll present fixtures and accessory choices that accent the space; and, we'll work with you in coordinating other material selections.

Whether you're expanding, remodeling or building new, you will find exciting ideas and products at the Chelsea Lumber Company design center.

Whether your home's design is classic or contemporary we'll provide the creativity, expertise and assistance to ensure your complete satisfaction.

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**FREE ANDERSEN CLINIC
Tues., May 13th at 7 pm**

WINDOWS

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- Perma-shield System
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Norco products are available in thousands of shapes and sizes complemented by a vast variety of glass and grill options.

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• DOOR CRAFT

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- Many Glazing Options
- Adjustable Thermal Oak Threshold
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ENTRANCES

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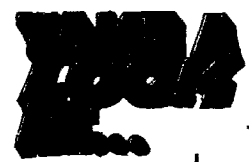
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	4x4	\$18.89	\$22.89	\$27.98	—	—	—	—
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Rough sawed face,
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Ruff-back, clear

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BEVEL SIDINGS

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CEDAR, RUFF-SAWED, KILN DRIED

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KILN DRIED, RUSTIC THIK-BUTT
CEDAR BEVEL SIDING

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KILN-DRIED CEDAR

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1X6	\$2.39	LIN. FT.
1X8	\$3.39	LIN. FT.
1X10	\$4.49	LIN. FT.
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5/4 x 6 x 16'	1" x 5-1/2"	\$15.69

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2x6x8	\$4.98
2x4x10	\$4.29
2x6x10	\$6.69
2x4x12	\$4.98
2x6x12	\$7.59

construction lumber

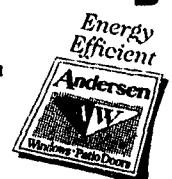
		8'	10'	12'	14'	16'	18'	20'
2x4	PRE-CUT FULL 8'	\$1.88 \$1.98	\$2.39	\$2.78	\$3.39	\$3.98	\$5.39	\$5.88
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2x8		\$4.48	\$5.39	\$6.45	\$7.49	\$8.78	\$11.98	\$13.39
2x10		\$6.39	\$7.68	\$8.75	\$10.88	\$12.19	\$15.39	\$17.39
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	\$3.25	\$4.10	\$5.15	\$5.75
	22'	24'	SPF EXTRA-LONGS	
2x6	\$12.69	2x6 \$14.98	26'	
2x8	\$18.38	2x8 \$19.95		
2x10	\$22.98	2x10 \$25.18	2x10	\$32.89
2x12	\$27.58	2x12 \$29.88	2x12	\$39.88

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.40 TREATED						
DECK SIZE	2x6 #1 S.Y.P.	5/4x6 POND. PINE	5/4x6 CEDAR	5/4x6 WEATHERBEST	5/4x6 NEXWOOD	2x6 EVERNEW VINYL
10X8	\$170	\$170	\$295	\$510	\$475	\$630
12X8	\$220	\$210	\$355	\$535	\$500	\$735
12X10	\$250	\$240	\$420	\$650	\$600	\$875
14X10	\$275	\$280	\$480	\$835	\$770	\$1135
14X12	\$345	\$350	\$595	\$1010	\$930	\$1370
16X8	\$280	\$275	\$465	\$695	\$650	\$960
16X10	\$325	\$320	\$555	\$850	\$785	\$1155

.40 TREATED						
DECK SIZE	2x6 #1 S.Y.P.	5/4x6 POND. PINE	5/4x6 CEDAR	5/4x6 WEATHERBEST	5/4x6 NEXWOOD	2x6 EVERNEW VINYL
16X12	\$415	\$415	\$695	\$1050	\$965	\$1395
18X12	\$480	\$445	\$780	\$1185	\$1105	\$1560
18X14	\$545	\$490	\$875	\$1225	\$1265	\$1865
20X10	\$400	\$395	\$685	\$1065	\$985	\$1475
20X12	\$480	\$480	\$830	\$1295	\$1190	\$1760
20X16	\$625	\$615	\$1090	\$1700	\$1550	\$2350
24X16	\$810	\$850	\$1420	\$2130	\$1945	\$2795

garages

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MATERIALS ONLY	\$2870	\$2925	—
ERECTED ON YOUR SLAB	\$6280	\$6910	\$3875
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*SLAB (FLOOR) INCLUDES: A 4" slab rimmed with expansion joint, fiberglass reinforced concrete, a 42" deep footing, two rows of block, a 24" apron at garage doors, and a 3'x3' apron at service doors. 4" of sand is included for the base. Certain soil conditions may require additional reinforcement of slab and/or footing at extra cost. Important Note Erected prices are based on a pre-leveled site free of vegetation

landscape timbers

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\$1500 to \$2000	-0-	-0-	\$20	\$30	\$40
\$2000 to \$2500	-0-	-0-	-0-	\$20	\$30
\$2500 to \$3000	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	\$20
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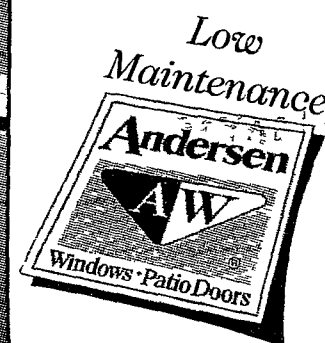
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THE ARROYO 24'x32' 10 FT. HIGH WALLS 12 FT. x 9 FT. DOOR	\$3745	\$3650	\$5890	\$6180
THE MESA 24'x40' 8 FT. HIGH WALLS 12 FT. x 7 FT. DOOR	\$4060	\$3890	\$6565	\$6865
THE CORRAL 30'x40' 10 FT. HIGH WALLS 14 FT. x 9 FT. DOOR	\$5065	\$4910	\$8070	\$8480
THE MESQUITE 30'x40' 12 FT. HIGH WALLS 14 FT. x 11 FT. DOOR	\$5405	\$5280	\$8430	\$8875
THE FRONTIER 30'x48' 10 FT. HIGH WALLS 12 FT. x 9 FT. DOOR	\$5610	\$5455	\$9120	\$9650
THE ASPEN 30'x48' 12 FT. HIGH WALLS 12 FT. x 11 FT. DOOR	\$5965	\$5825	\$9495	\$10,040
THE ROUND-UP 36'x56' 12 FT. HIGH WALLS 12 FT. x 11 FT. DOOR	\$8300	\$8185	\$12,630	\$13,445
THE OSAGE 40'x64' 14 FT. HIGH WALLS 14 FT. x 13 FT. DOOR	\$10,480	\$10,450	\$15,975	\$17,135

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		STEEL	T1-11
24 X 38 - 10' (INCLUDES 8' OPEN END) THE DOUBLE FURLONG	2	\$5420	\$5550
30 X 40 - 10' - WITH 8 X 16 LEAN TO THE STABLE	4	\$10,050	\$9950
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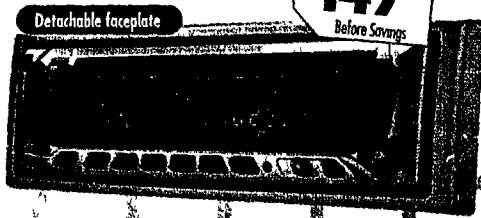
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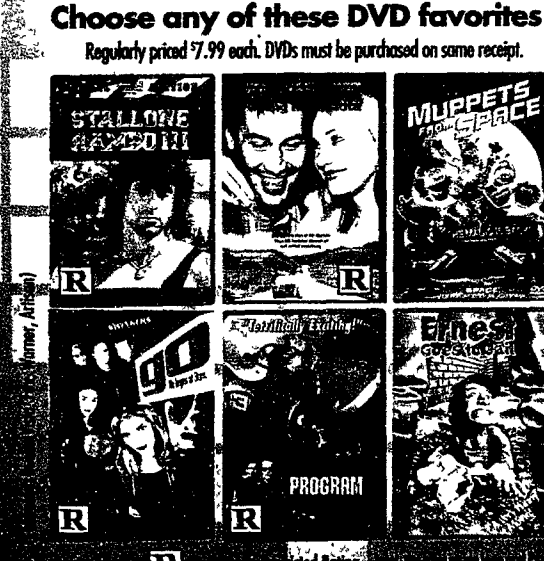
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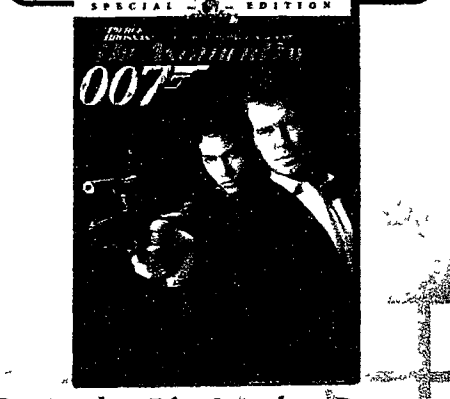
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SALE

12" RETAINER WALL BLOCKS

8" retainer wall blocks, Sale 10/\$11

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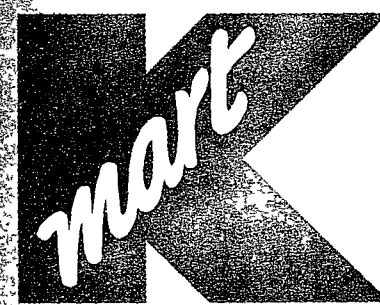


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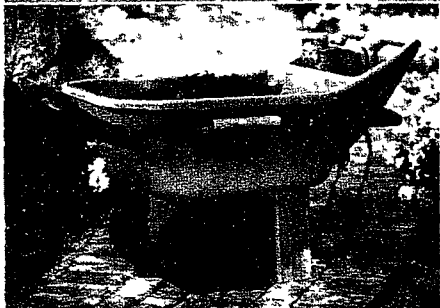


44⁹⁹ SALE

Was 49.99
20-GAL. PATIO POND KIT
Includes 20-gal. pre-formed pond, pump, bubbler and bell fountain. Can also be used in a whiskey barrel planter*.
35-gal. pond kit, Was 69.99, Sale 64.99
*Sold separately

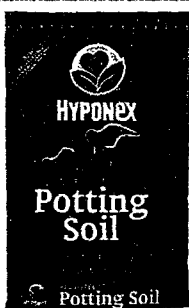


Lawn & Garden Center weekend projects start here!



19⁹⁹ SALE

ALL-PURPOSE YARD CART
200-lb. capacity.



5/\$10

HYPONEX POTTING OR GARDEN SOIL
40-lb. net wt



9⁹⁹ SALE

WEED BLOCK LANDSCAPE FABRIC
3'Wx50'L



9⁹⁹ SALE

Was 14.99
JACK DANIELS® 1/2-WHISKEY BARREL. Authentic oak barrel, ideal as a planter or use with 20-gallon pond kit*.
*Sold separately

Great values on all your lawn care needs

17⁹⁹ SALE

BLACK & DECKER ST1000 9" ELECT TRIMMER
1.8 amps, .065" line diameter.
1-yr. Product Replacement, 2.99



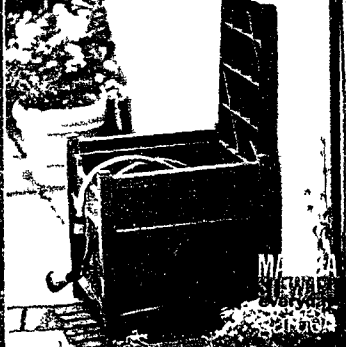
15% off
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY GARDEN™ GLOVES



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MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY GARDEN™ TOOLS



14⁹⁹ SALE
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY® GARDEN GARDEN HOSE. 5/8" x 80', with Microban® bacteria inhibitor.
*Inside diameter



33⁹⁹ SALE
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY GARDEN™ UNDERCOVER HOSE REEL



6⁹⁹ SALE
ORTHO WEED-B-GON
32-fl.-oz. concentrate.



7⁹⁹ SALE
SEVIN GRANULES
Use in place of Diazinon or Dursban. 10-lb. net wt.



9⁹⁹ SALE
FLO-MASTER ALL-PURPOSE ECONOMY SPRAYER
1-gallon capacity.



12⁹⁹ SALE
ROUNDUP® PULL 'N SPRAY II
1.33 gal.

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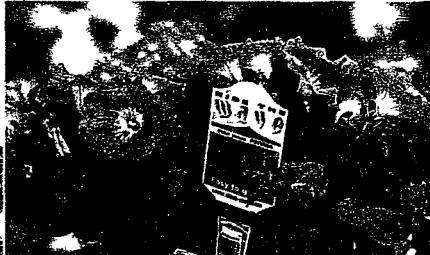


149 SALE
JUMBO PACK ANNUALS
6 plants per pack.



279 SALE
ZONAL GERANIUMS
Growing in 1-qt. containers.
Seed geraniums in 4" containers, Sale 99¢

279 SALE
PREMIUM ANNUALS
Growing in 1-qt. containers.



299 SALE
WAVE PETUNIAS
Growing in 6" containers.



179 SALE
ACCENT PLANTS
Growing in 4" containers.



499 SALE
DAYLILIES
Growing in 1-gal. containers.

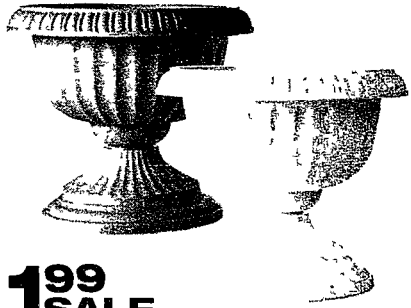
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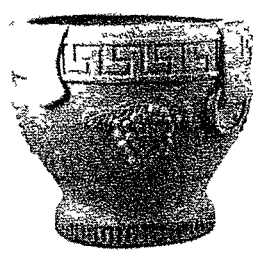
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689 SALE
MIRACLE-GRO® PLANT FOOD
Water soluble, 5-lb. net wt.



199 SALE
Was 2.99
12" GRECIAN URN
White or granite
18" urn, Was 8.99, Sale 7.19



399 ea. SALE
Was 5.99-7.99
SWAN PLANTER, GRAPE URN,
15" SQUARE DECK PLANTER
OR PEDESTAL BIRD BATH



3 days to save on flowers and gardening supplies



299 SALE
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY GARDEN™ PROFESSIONAL POTTING MIX WITH FERTILIZER OR PROFESSIONAL POTTING MIX
8-dry-qt. bag.

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Container plants should be watered twice a week during the hot days of summer. Use a slow stream of water, so you do not disturb the soil or the shallow roots of the plant.

20% off

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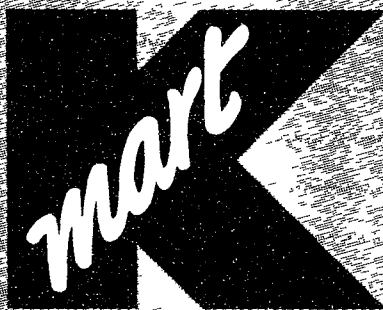
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Best Men's and Kids' Shorts

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Sleeveless top
Sale 7.79

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KATHY IRELAND® LINEN GROUP
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SAVE 40%
7.79 SALE
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KATHY IRELAND® MESH KNIT TOPS
Solids and prints
Sizes S-XL.
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8.99 SALE
Was 12.99
LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® EYELET CAMP SHIRTS
Sizes S-XL

Price may vary by store

Jaclyn Smith ladies' and plus size sportswear

30% off

Excludes shorts which are in the Buy One Get One offer

JACLYN SMITH.

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JACLYN SMITH®
SLEEVELESS
POLOS

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Sleeveless
top
Sale
10.49



Capri
Sale
11.89

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SAVE 30%

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Was 9.99

LADIES' OR PLUS SIZE
BASIC EDITIONS® SLEEVELESS
SEERSUCKER TOPS

Ladies' sizes S-XL Plus Sizes X-3X



Colors and assortment may vary by store

4.99
SALE
Was 6.99
LADIES' BASIC EDITION®
SCREEN TEES
Sizes S-XL

LADIES' BASIC EDITION®
SCREEN TEES
Sizes S-XL

on sale

ladies' and plus size
tanks, tees and capris



PLUS SIZE
SAVE 40%
5.99
SALE
Was 9.99
ROUTE 66®
SHELF-BRA
TANKS
Sizes X-3X

9.99
SALE
Was 14.99
LADIES' ROUTE 66® CAPRIS
40% off all Plus Size
Basic Editions®
or Route 66® capris

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Juniors' Joe Boxer screen tees

on sale

4.99
SALE

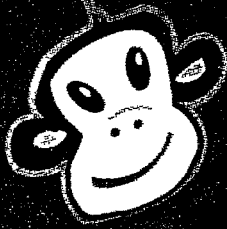
Was 7.99

**JUNIORS' JOE BOXER®
SCREEN TEES**

Sizes S-XL

Plus Size, Was 9.99,

Sale 6.99



JOE BOXER

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1349 ea. **SALE**

Price reflects additional 10% off

Original Price 69.99

Clearance Price 14.99

10-KT. GOLD ENAMEL

HEART EARRINGS

OR NECKLACE

Matching bracelet

Original Price 149.99,

Clearance Price 34.99,

Sale 31.49

Minimum 46,000 pieces chainwide.

**take an additional
clearance styles shown**

While quantities last. Sorry, no rain checks

2699 **SALE**

Price reflects additional 10% off

Original Price 139.99

Clearance Price 29.99

DIAMOND-ACCENT

AND SYNTHETIC

GEMSTONE

HEART

PENDANT

10-kt. gold.

Minimum of
9,000 pieces
available chainwide.

Heart of
America

3599 **SALE**

Price reflects additional 10% off

Original Price 199.99

Clearance Price 39.99

10-KT. GOLD TRI-COLOR OR
YELLOW GOLD FLEX BANGLE®

Minimum 14,000 pieces available chainwide.

70% off



red-tag fine & precious jewelry

Prices as marked. While quantities last. Sorry no rain checks. Minimum 40,000 pieces available chainwide.



CLEARANCE! 10% off

TAKE AN ADDITIONAL 10% OFF
ALREADY REDUCED CLEARANCE
PRICE ON STERLING SILVER JEWELRY

Styles may vary by store.

While quantities last. Sorry no rain checks.
Minimum 225,500 pieces available chainwide.

CLEARANCE! 50% off

ALL VICTORIA RHEIN WATCHES

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JACLYN SMITH.

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SALE

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JACLYN SMITH®
CHEMISE
OR WRAPS

Sizes S-XL



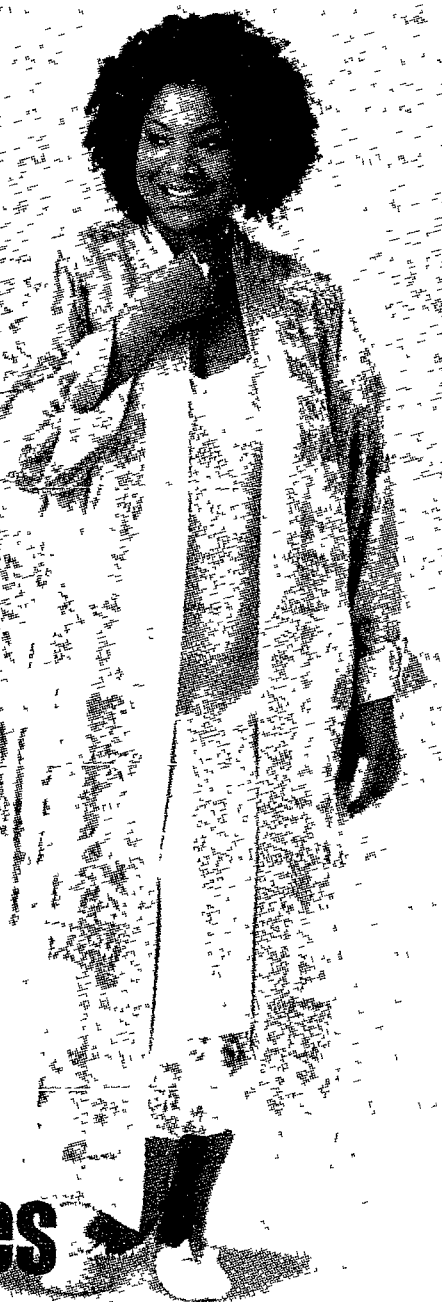
PLUS SIZE

1099
SALE

Was 16.99

JACLYN SMITH®
SATIN GOWNS
OR WRAPS

Sizes 1X-3X



35%
all sleepwear, robes
and loungewear

844
SALE

Was 12.99

LADIES' ASHLEY TAYLOR™
SLEEPSHIRTS

Sizes S-XL.

Plus Size,

Was 14.99, Sale 9.74

974
SALE

Was 14.99

LADIES' ASHLEY TAYLOR™
PAJAMAS

Sizes S-XL.

Plus Size loungers,

Was 16.99, Sale 10.99

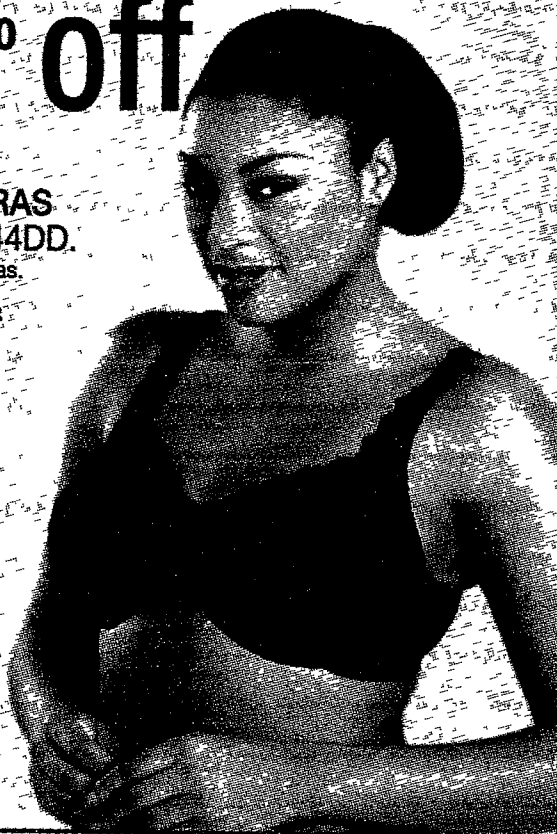


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Sizes up to 44DD.
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LADIES'
SWIMWEAR
AND COVER-UPS

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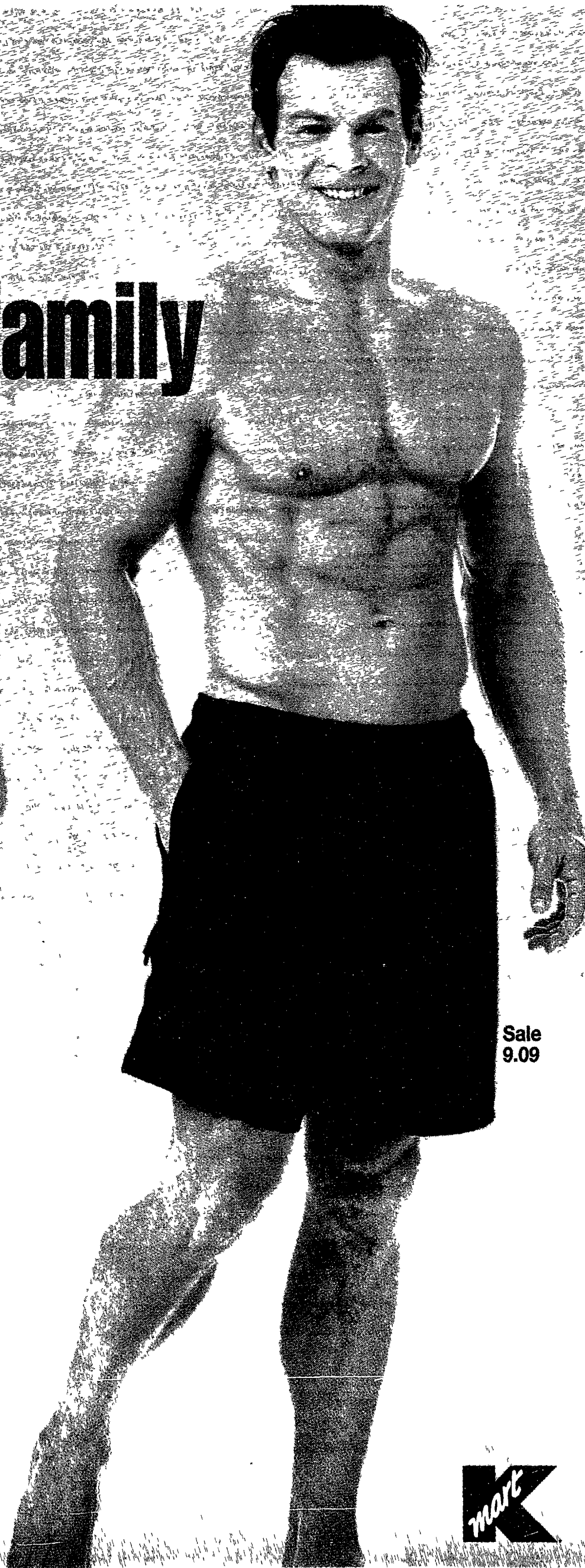
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Colors and assortment

for the family



Sale
6.99



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shorts
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2nd 9.49



**ALL LADIES AND
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Buy one at the reg. price
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(of equal or lesser value)
at 50% OFF the reg. price.

Juniors'
Joe Boxer®
shorts
1st 18.99
2nd 9.49

Girls'
1st 9.99
2nd 4.99

**GIRLS' OR
BOYS' SHORTS**
Buy one at the reg.
price and get the
second one (of
equal or lesser
value) at 50% OFF
the reg. price.



JOE BOXER

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everyone buy one, get one



ALL MEN'S SHORTS

Buy one at the reg. price
and get the second one
(of equal or lesser value)
at 50% OFF the reg. price.

Excludes men's activewear shorts, see
special offer on men's activewear page 14

1st 12.99
2nd 6.49

Boys'
1st 14.99
2nd 7.49

Colors and assortment may vary by store

all men's
active wear
one

50%

SHAQ

ATHLETECH

STARTER

ENTIRE STOCK
OF MEN'S ACTIVEWEAR

Buy one at the reg. price and get the second one
(of equal or lesser value) at 50% OFF the reg. price.

Colors and assortment may vary by store

kids' Basic Editions sets on sale

\$7 SALE

Was 9.99
BOYS' AND GIRLS' BASIC EDITIONS® SETS

**BUY ONE,
GET ONE
50% OFF**

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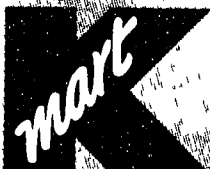
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STRETCH SWEETHEART
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Sizes S-XL

5.99
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SLEEVELESS
KNIT POLOS

Sizes S-XL



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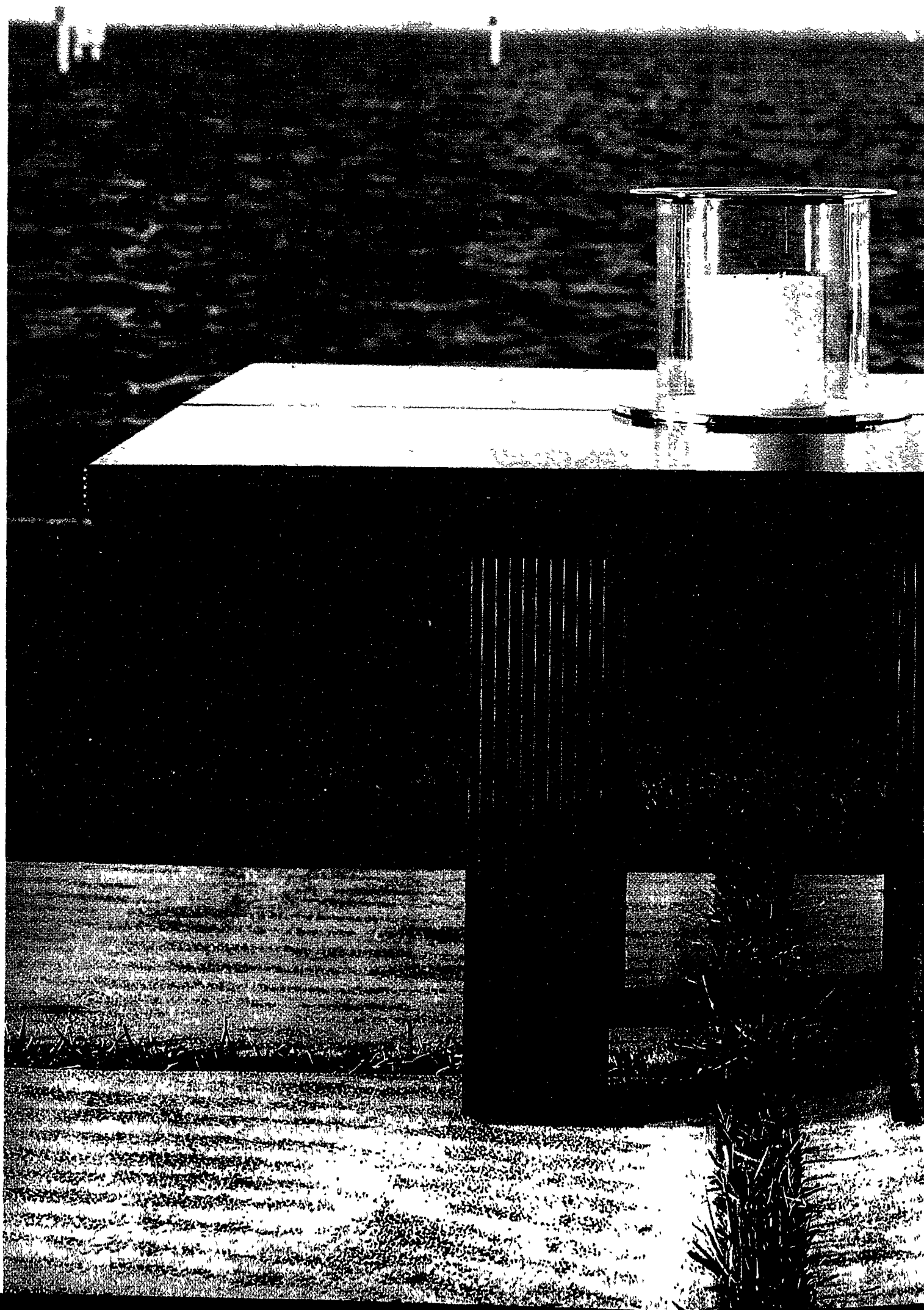
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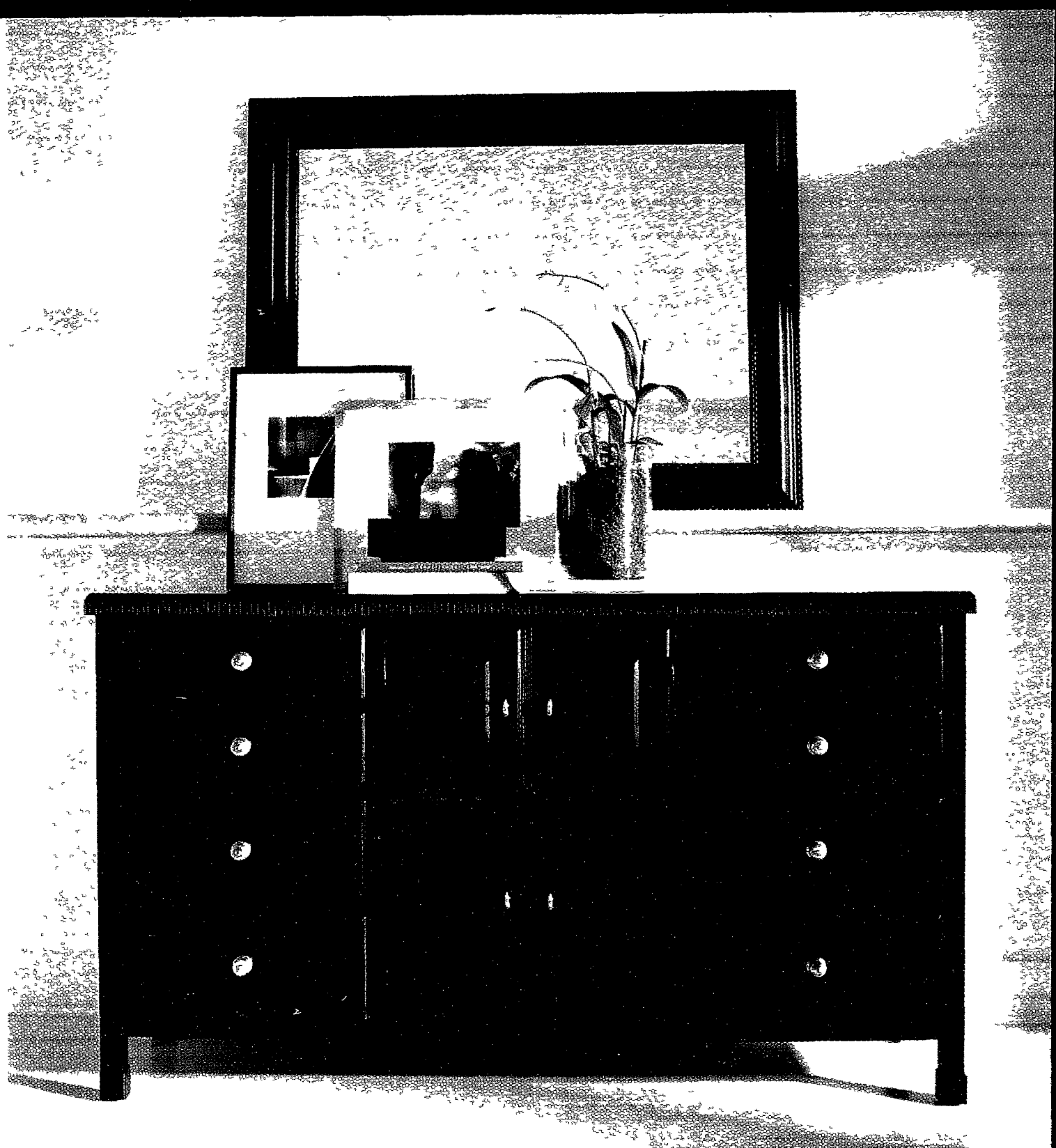
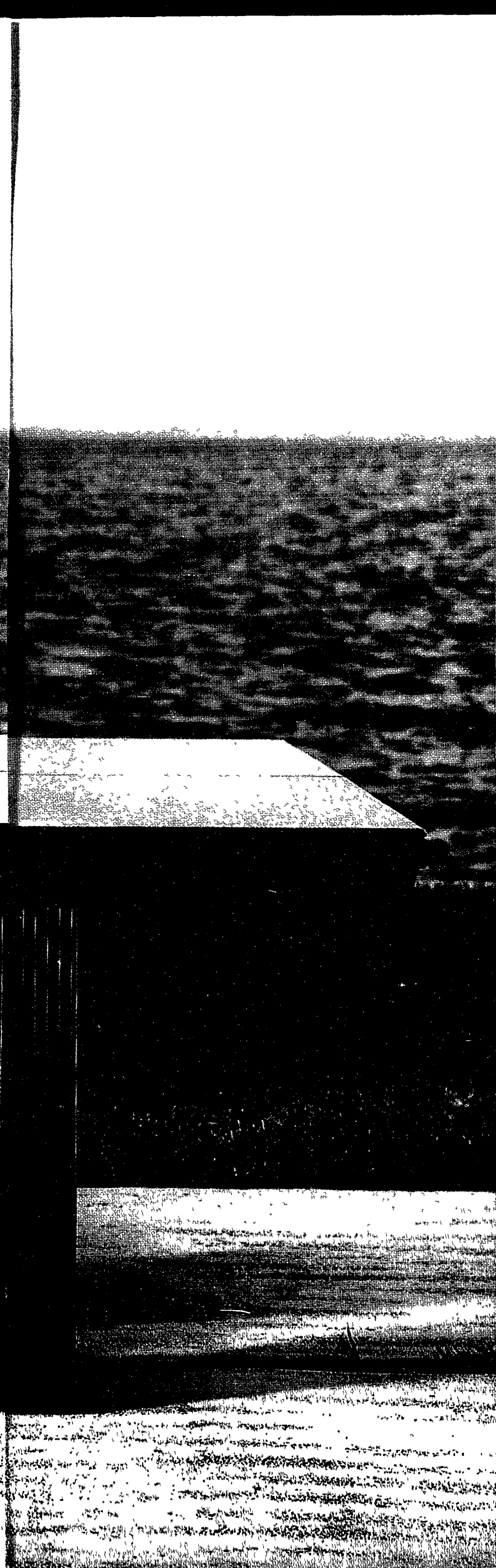
right: 01-0568-873 SQUARE DINING
TABLE | **\$1,575**

below: 01-0568-950 TIERED ROUND
LAMP TABLE | **\$650**



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NAUTICA represents the modern-classic, stylish setting. It's contemporary designs crafted from maple solids, cherry veneers, and select hardwoods in a dark cherry finish with brushed steel hardware.

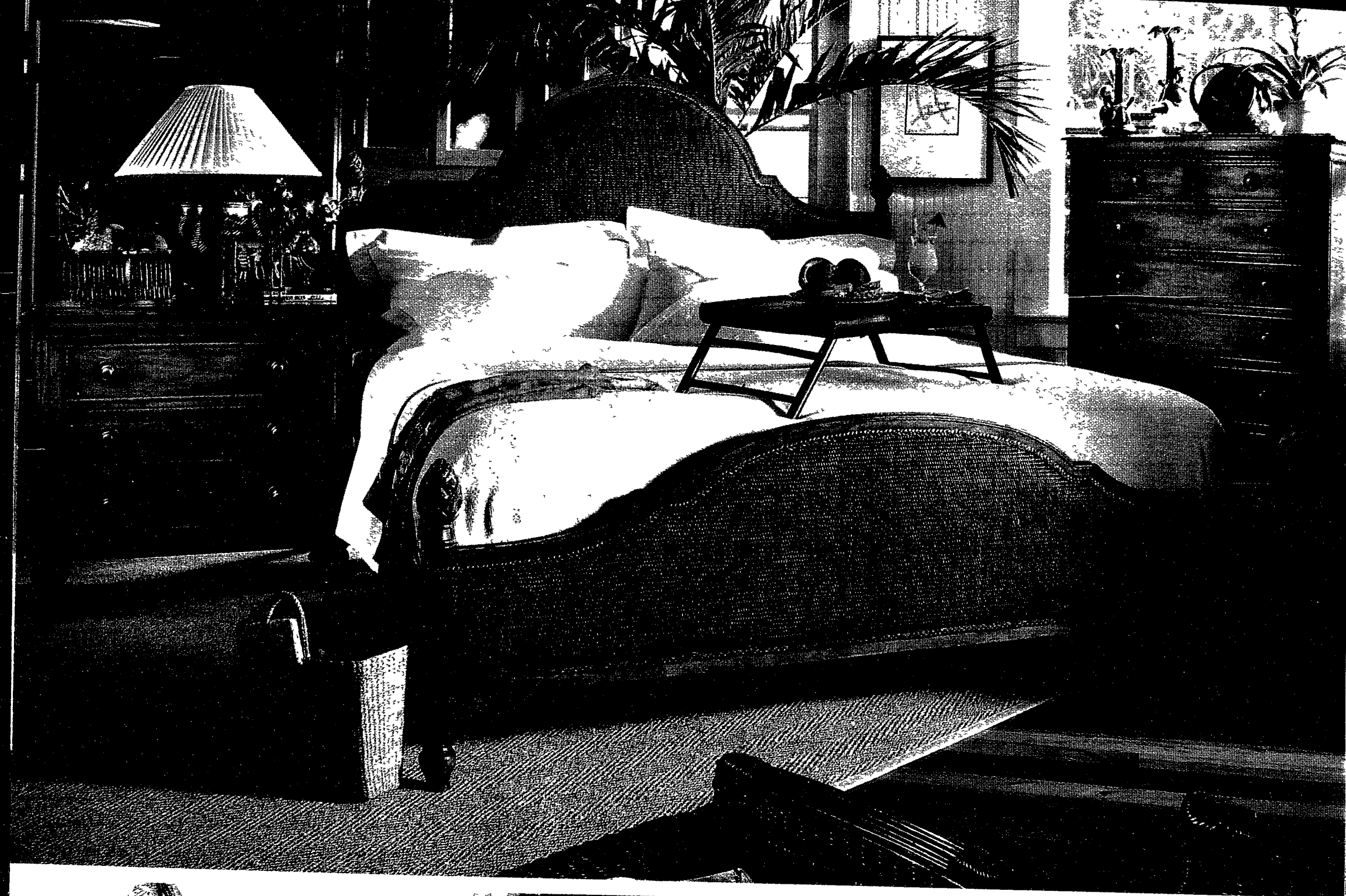
above: 01-0568-205 LANDSCAPE MIRROR | \$525

01-0568-236 TRIPLE DRESSER | \$1,675

below: 01-0568-621 NAUTICA NIGHTSTAND | \$875




NAUTICA
HOME



Tommy Bahama

above: 01-0515-624 ISLAND BREEZE
BEDSIDE CHEST | \$699

01-0515-144c ISLAND TROPICS
BED, KING | \$1,750

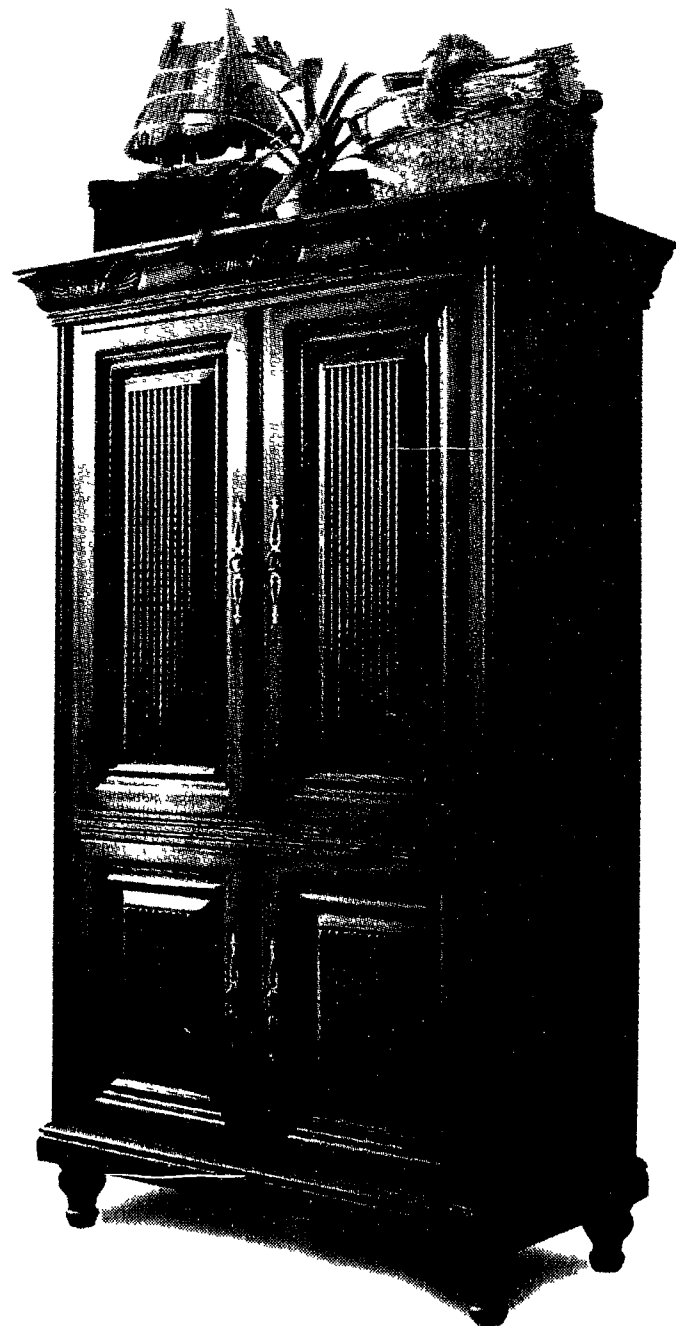
01-0515-307 SEVEN DAY CHEST
OF DRAWERS | \$1,225

far left: 01-0515-622 BUNGALOW
BEDSIDE TABLE | \$475

left: 01-0515-621 BAHAMA
COMMUNE | \$1,075



TOMMY BAHAMA represents the places we'd rather be; retreats from the world of care. The Tommy Bahama collection captures the essence of these places so you can bring them home.



REFLECTING THE TROPICS with a relaxed style and comforts describes Tommy Bahama. Inspired by a lifetime of island hopping, the antiqued finishes in worn white, distressed ebony and medium brown reflect the natural ease and relaxing lifestyle of the islands.

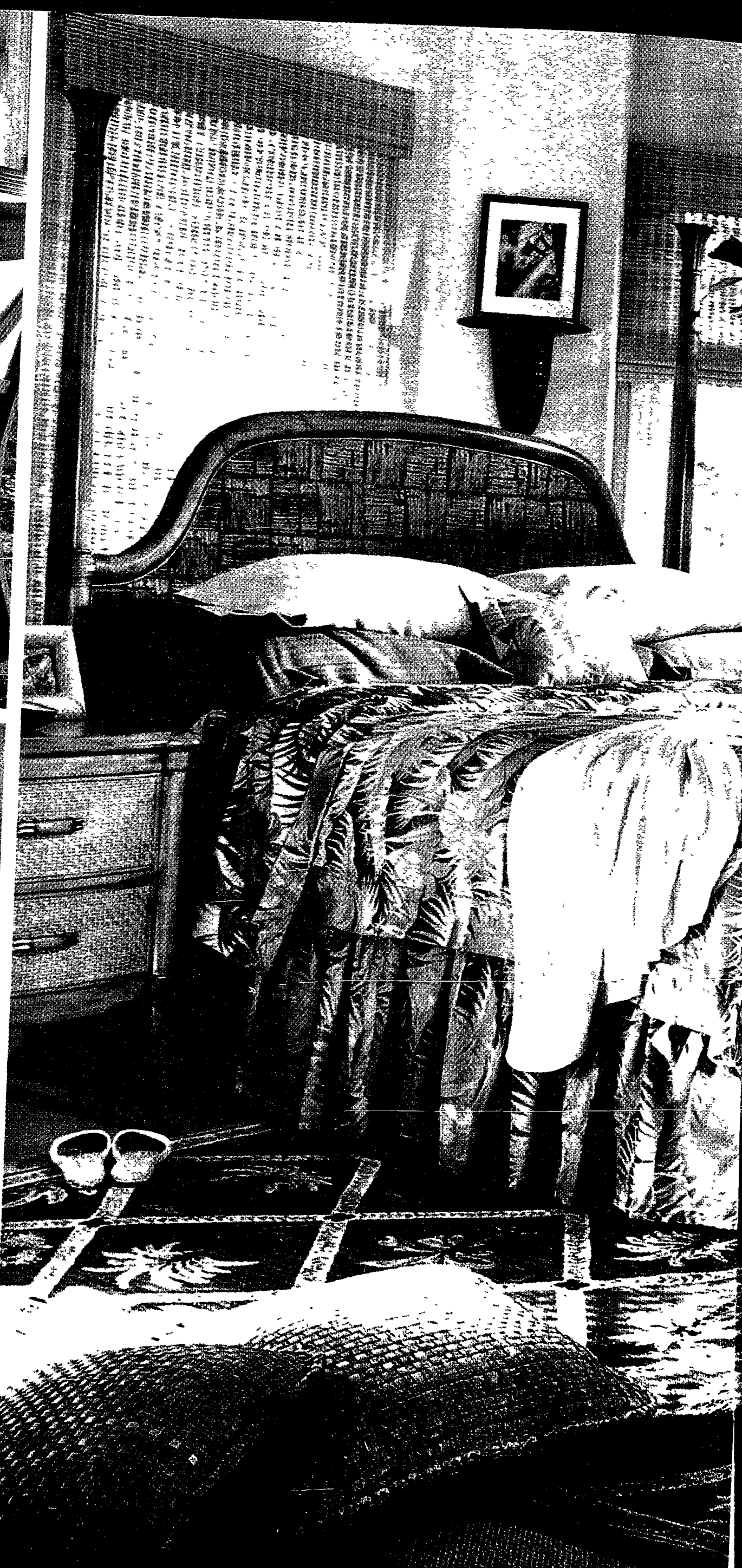
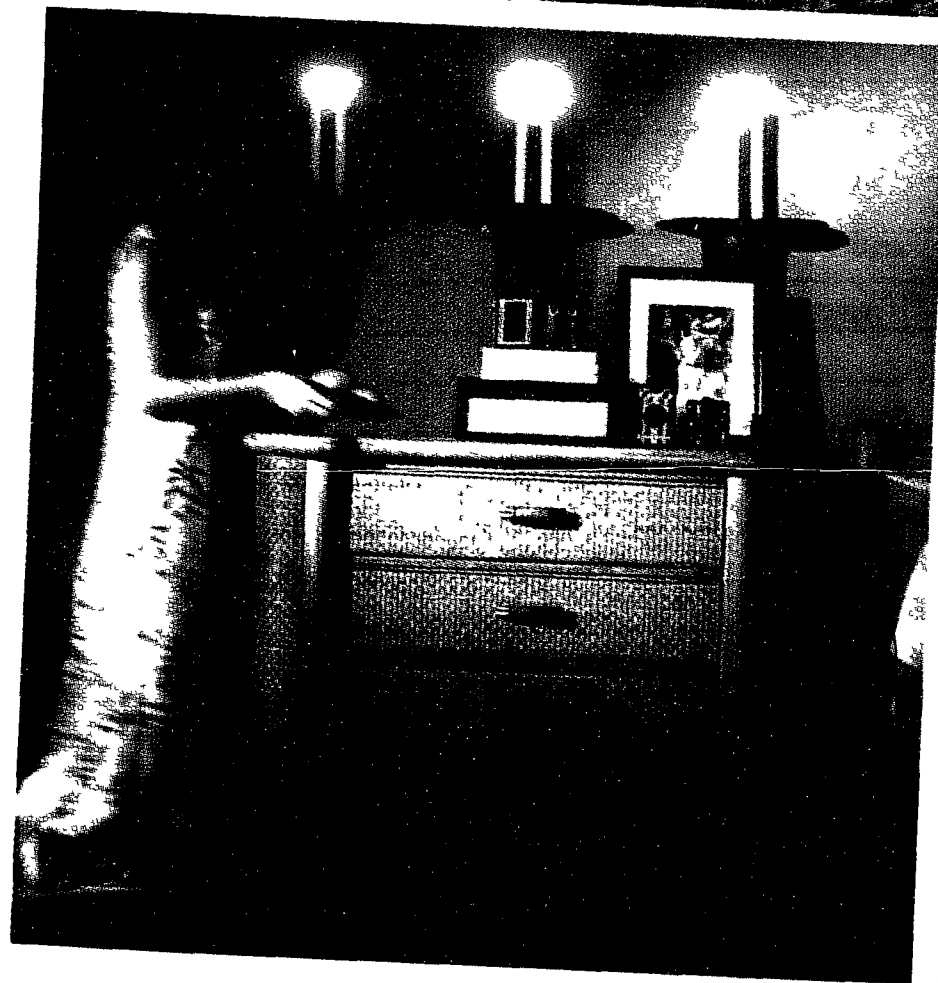
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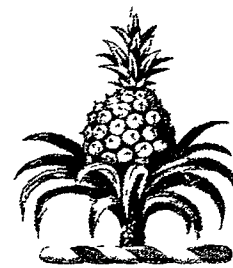
below left: 01-0515-912 CABANA ENTERTAINMENT CHEST | **\$2,399**

below: 1650-11 NASSAU CHAIR IN FABRIC 4926-12; INSIDE BACK IN FABRIC 8009-13; IN JAVA FINISH 01-4040-81 END TABLE | **\$500**





top: 01-0519-877 RECTANGULAR DINING TABLE | \$1,999
 01-0519-880 HAVEN SIDE CHAIR
 IN FABRIC 410541 | \$550
 01-0519-881PA HAVEN ARM CHAIR
 IN FABRIC 302541 | \$625
 above: 01-0519-221 PALM DESERT DRESSER | \$1,500



TOMMY BAHAMA

Amber Isle COLLECTION

AMBER ISLE FROM TOMMY BAHAMA is a sophisticated blend of amber and ebony furniture pieces with the fluid mood of the sunset. Make every hour in your home, the "magic hour."

CONTEMPORARY DESIGNS crafted from beech solids, primavera veneers, crushed bamboo and various other mixed materials allow you to step into paradise without ever leaving your home.

left: 01-0519-622 PALM DESERT WOVEN NIGHTSTAND | \$999

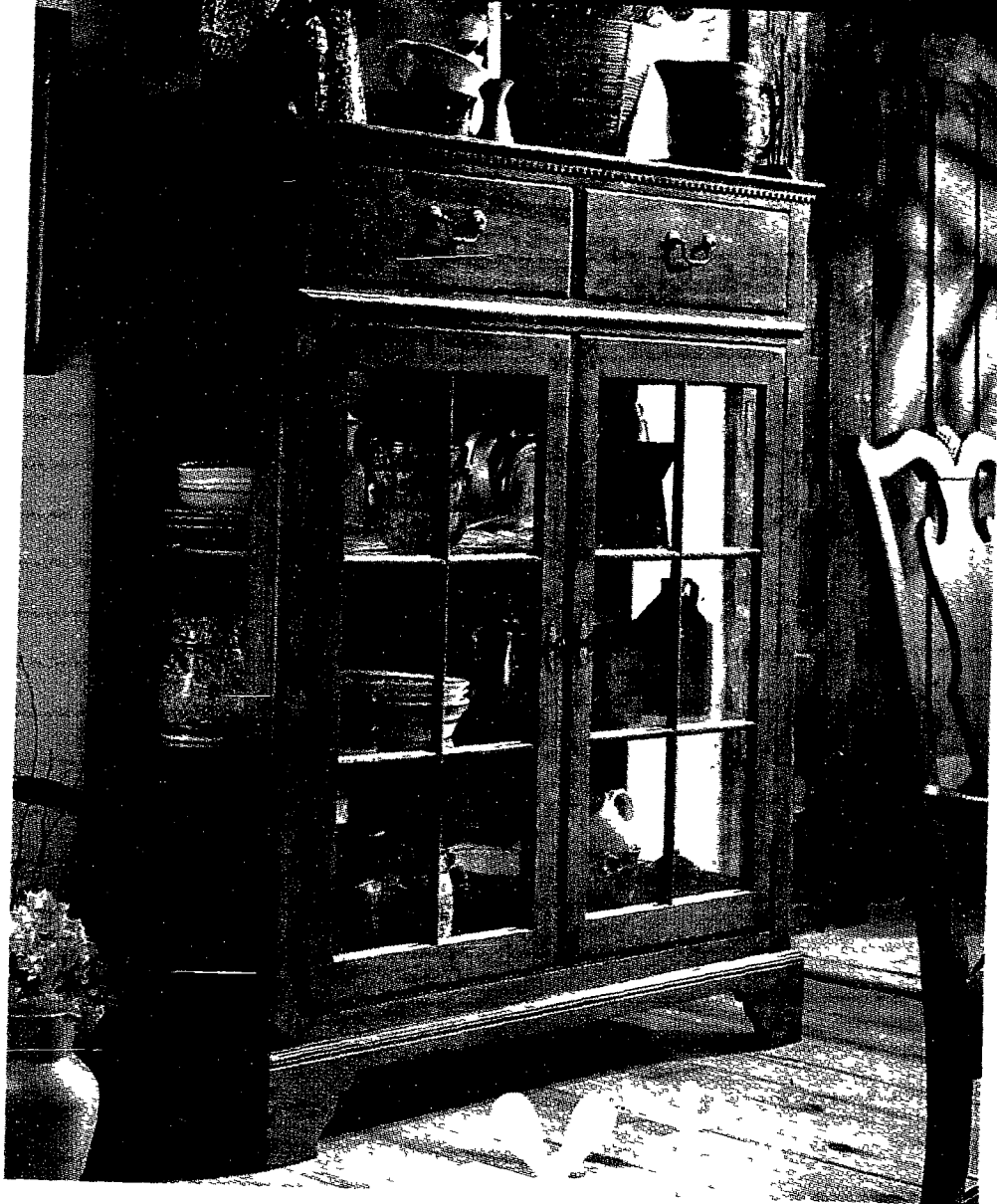
01-0519-173c VERANDA POSTER BED, QUEEN | \$2,099

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below right: 01-0521-943 OVAL COCKTAIL TABLE | \$1,099

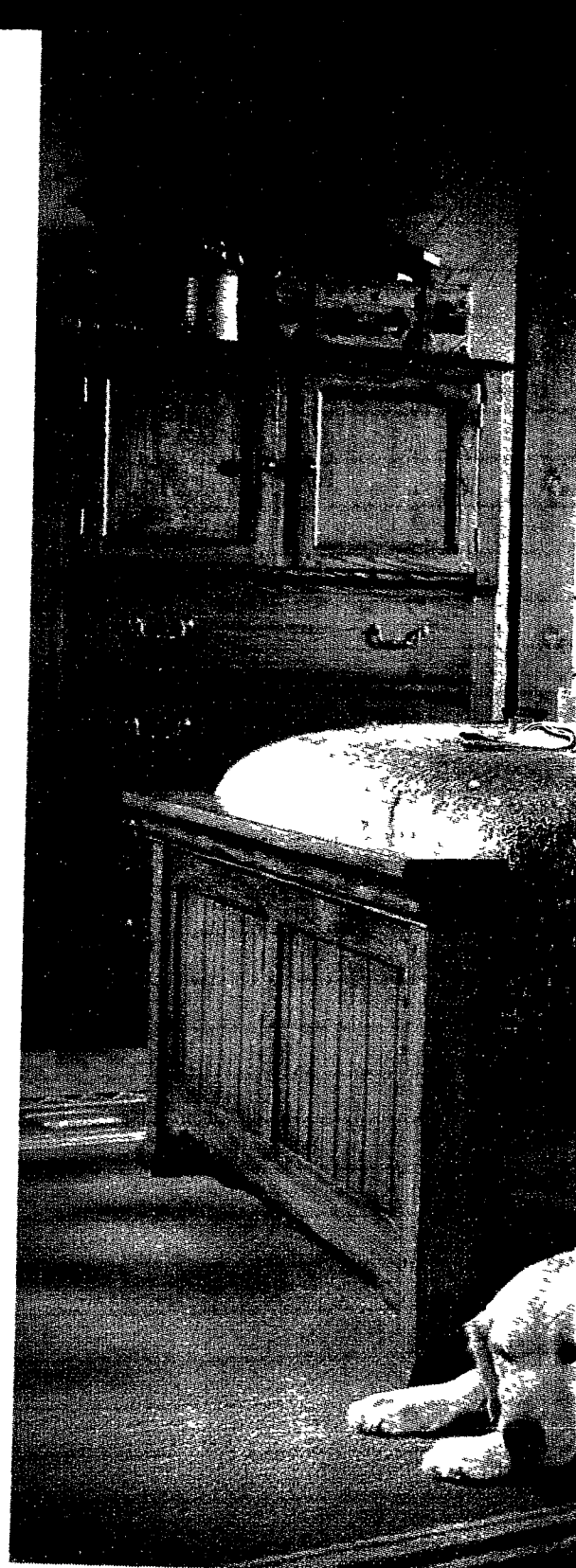
4250-11 PINEAPPLE CHAIR IN FABRIC 4116-42; CONTRASTING PILLOW IN FABRIC 6354-41;
IN JAVA FINISH | \$600





Bob Timberlake

REAL COUNTRY CRAFTSMEN used simple finishes – perhaps only linseed oil and buffing, while the fine cabinetmaker would have gone to greater lengths to protect the wood and highlight the detailing with multiple coats of finishing and hand rubbing.



THE APPEAL OF BOB TIMBERLAKE furnishings have always been its comfortable expression of casual sophistication, blending elements of both the city and country craftsman.

above left: 01-0833-865

DINING CHEST | \$1,550

left: 01-0843-676 DINING

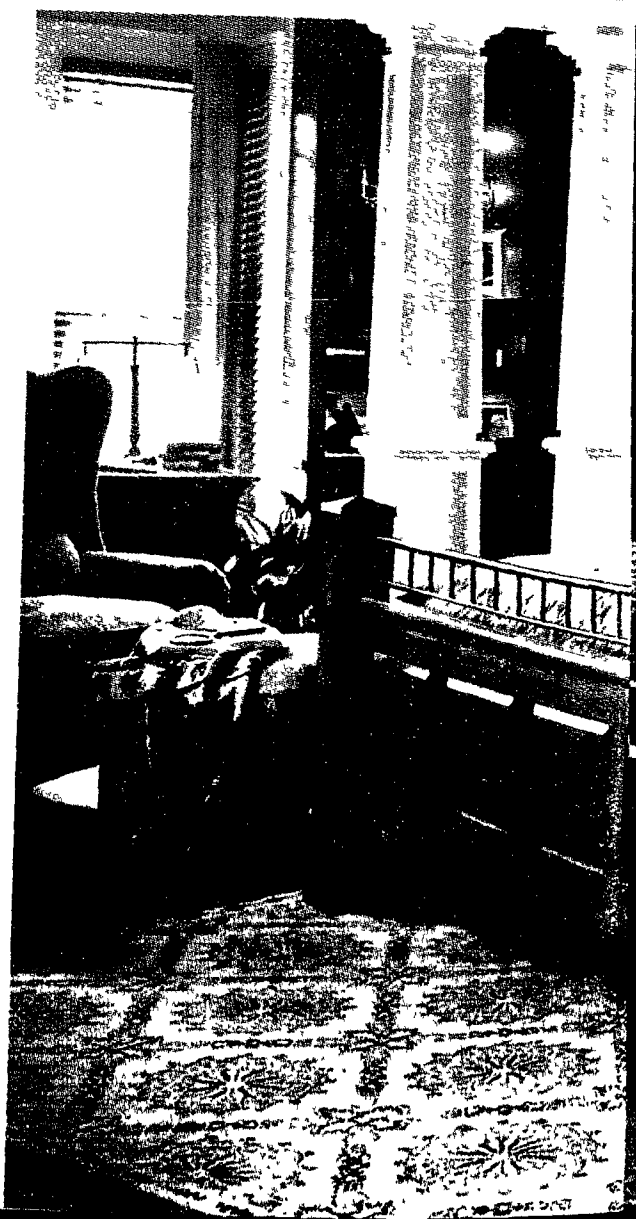
TABLE | \$1,999

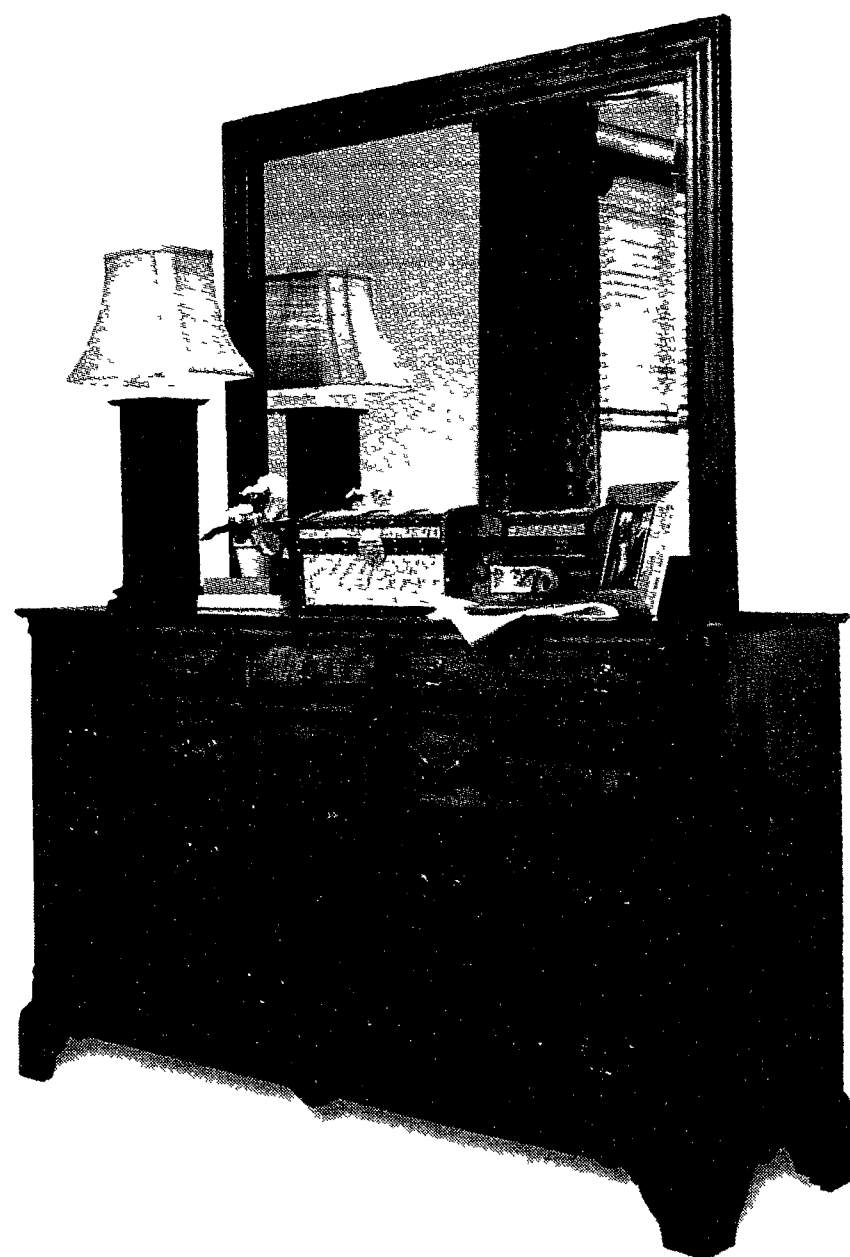
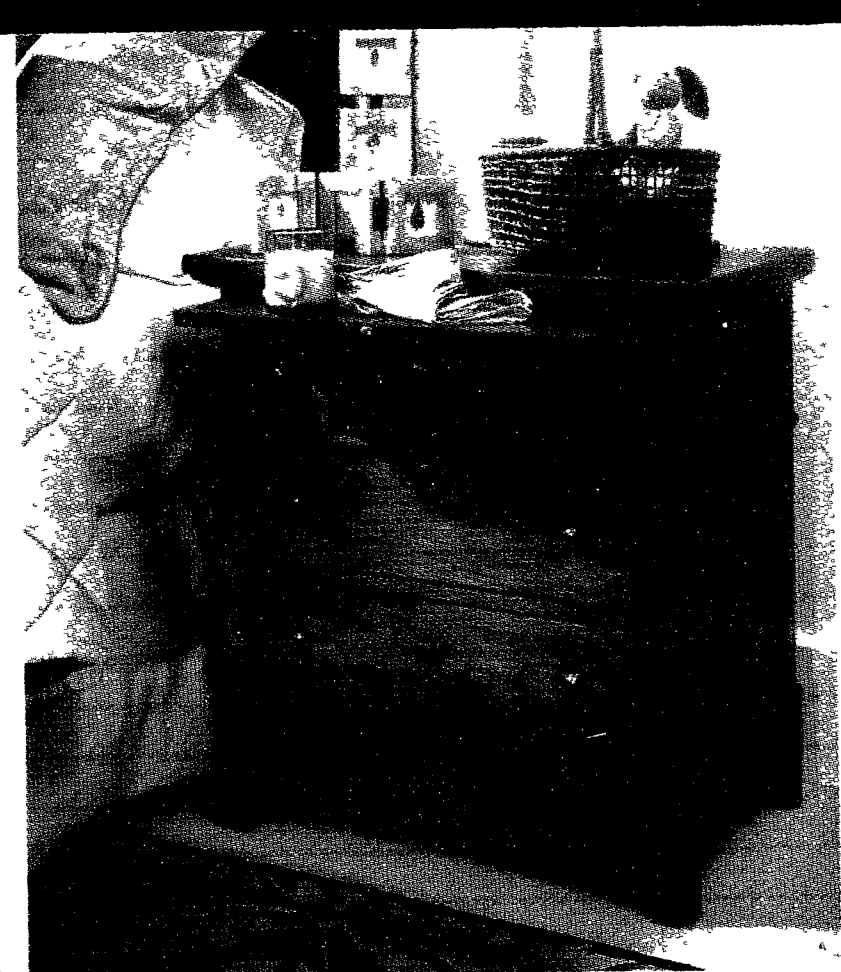
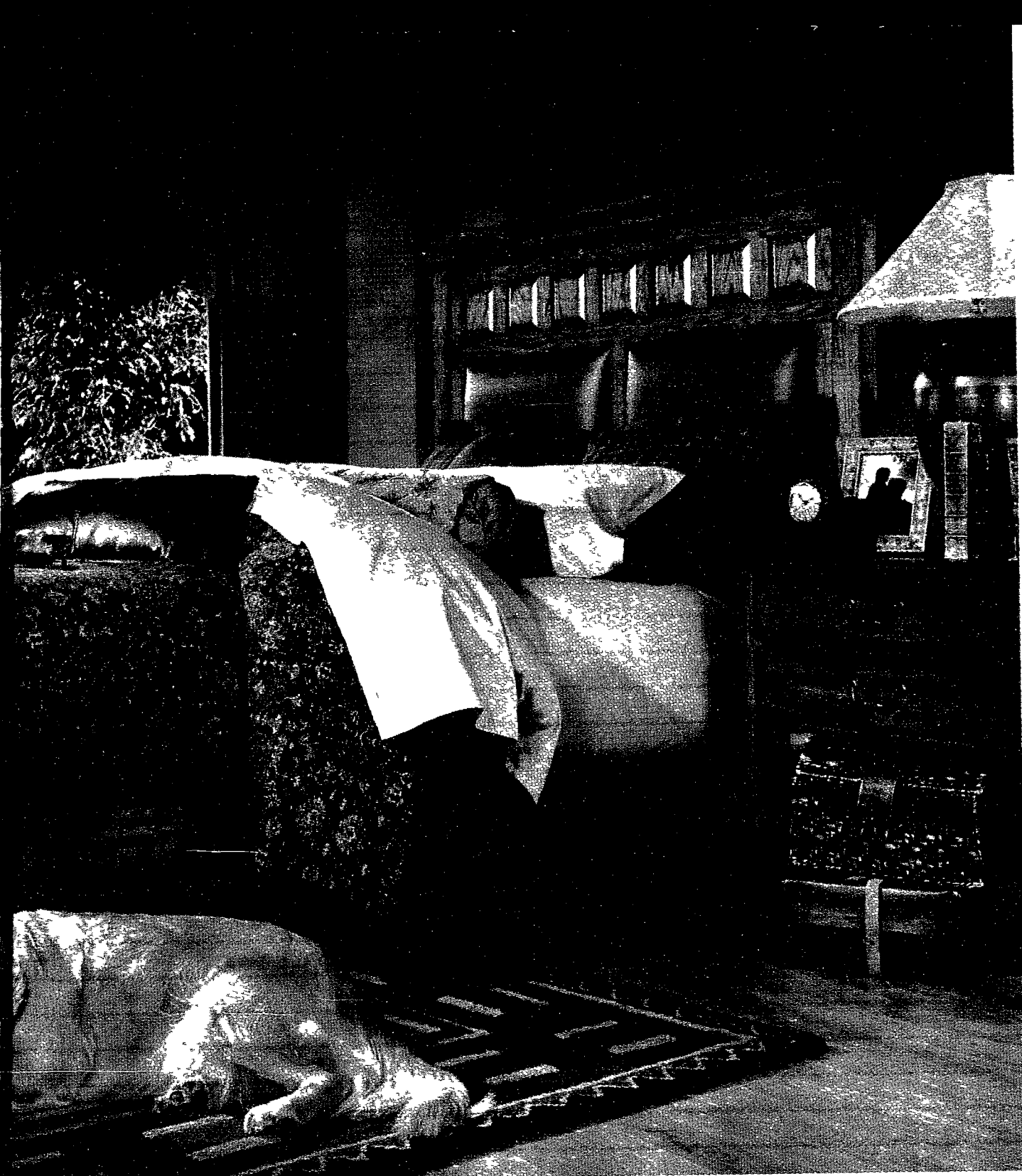
01-0843-821 ARM CHAIR | \$425

01-0843-820 SIDE CHAIR | \$360

01-0843-842c LOW COUNTRY

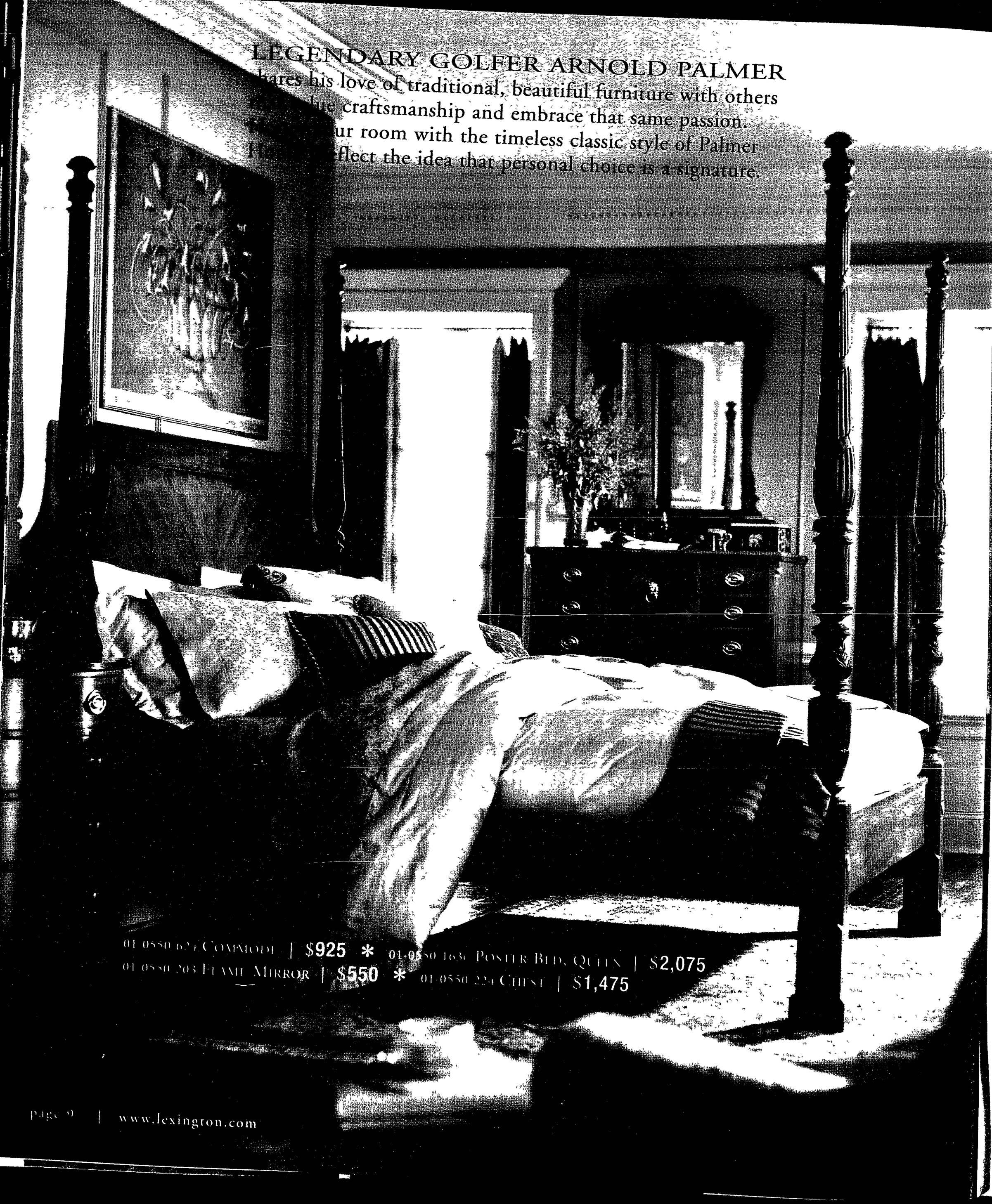
CUPBOARD | \$2,880





- above left:* 01-0234-307 CHEST | \$1,000
 01-0234-133c BED, QUEEN | \$999
 01-0234-622 NIGHTSTAND | \$405
top: 01-0611-621 NIGHTSTAND | \$850
above: 01-0843-207 LANDSCAPE MIRROR | \$585
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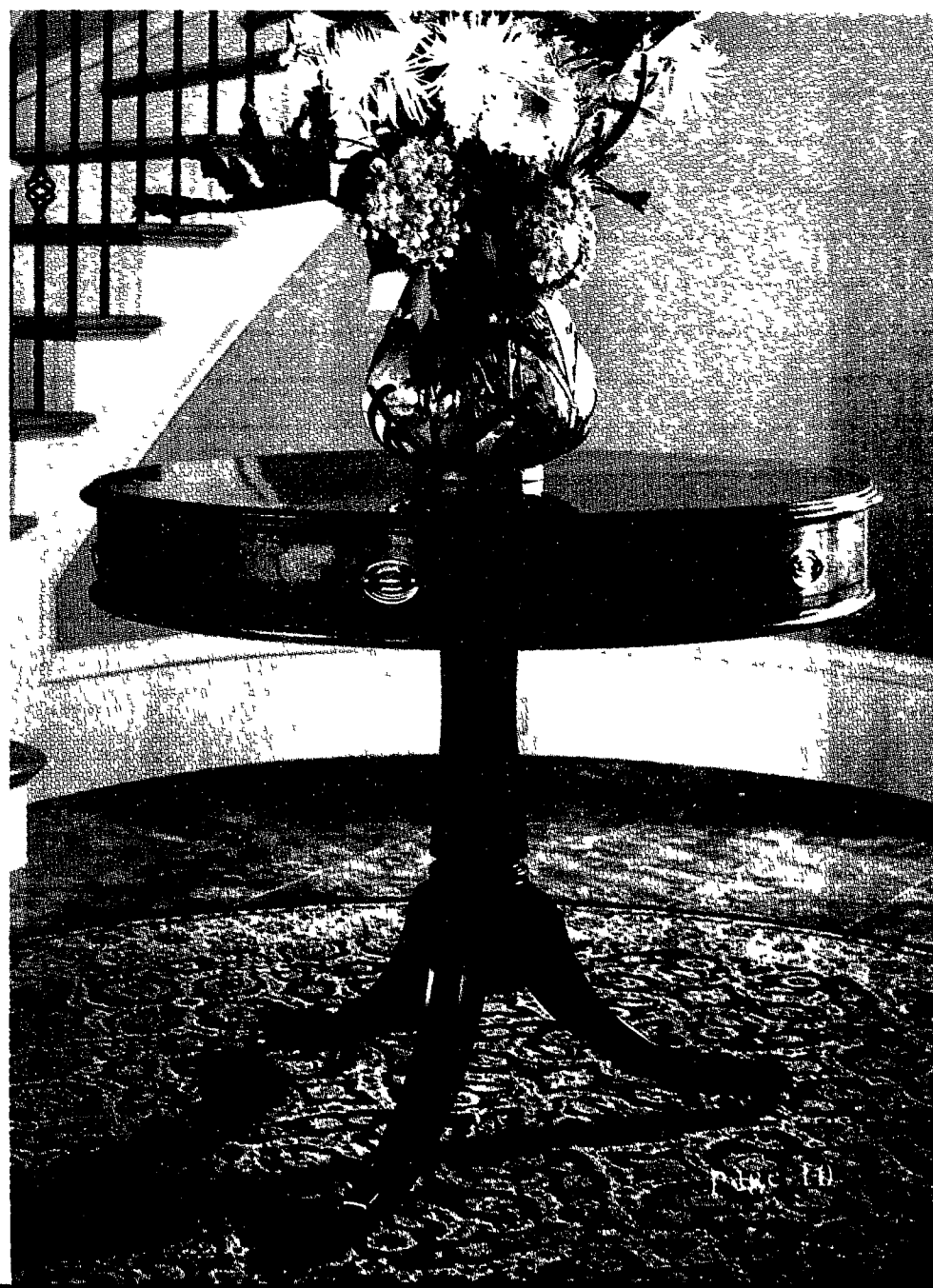
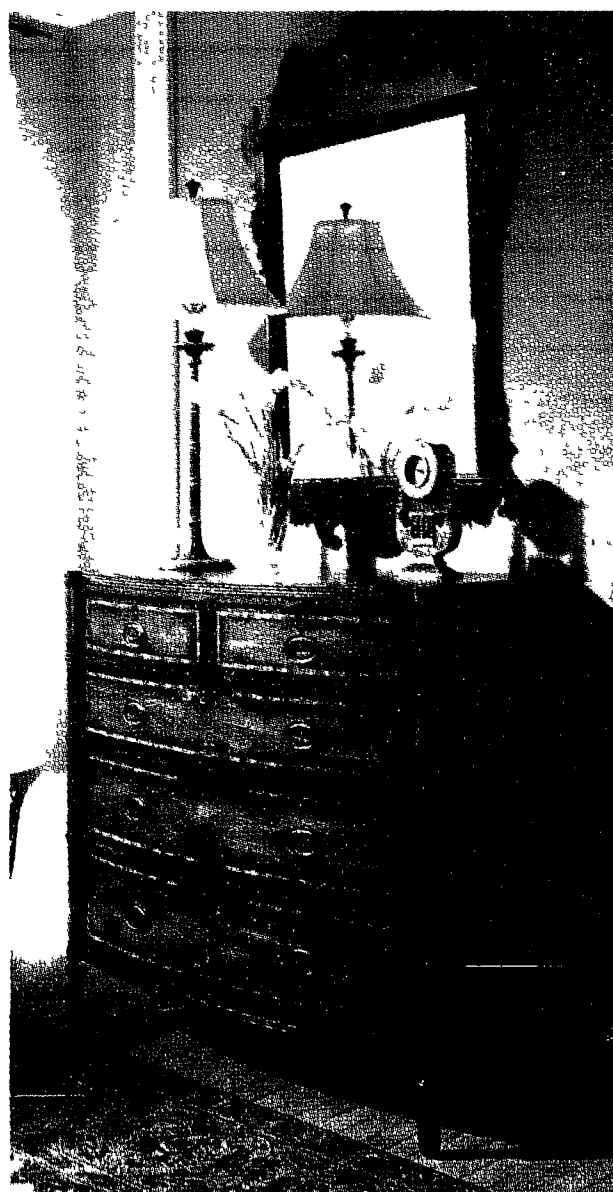
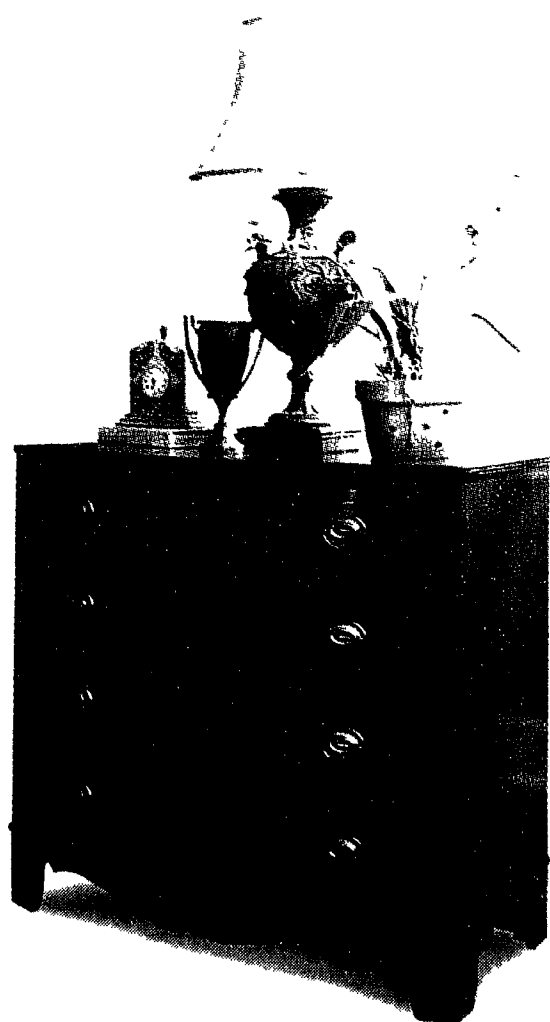
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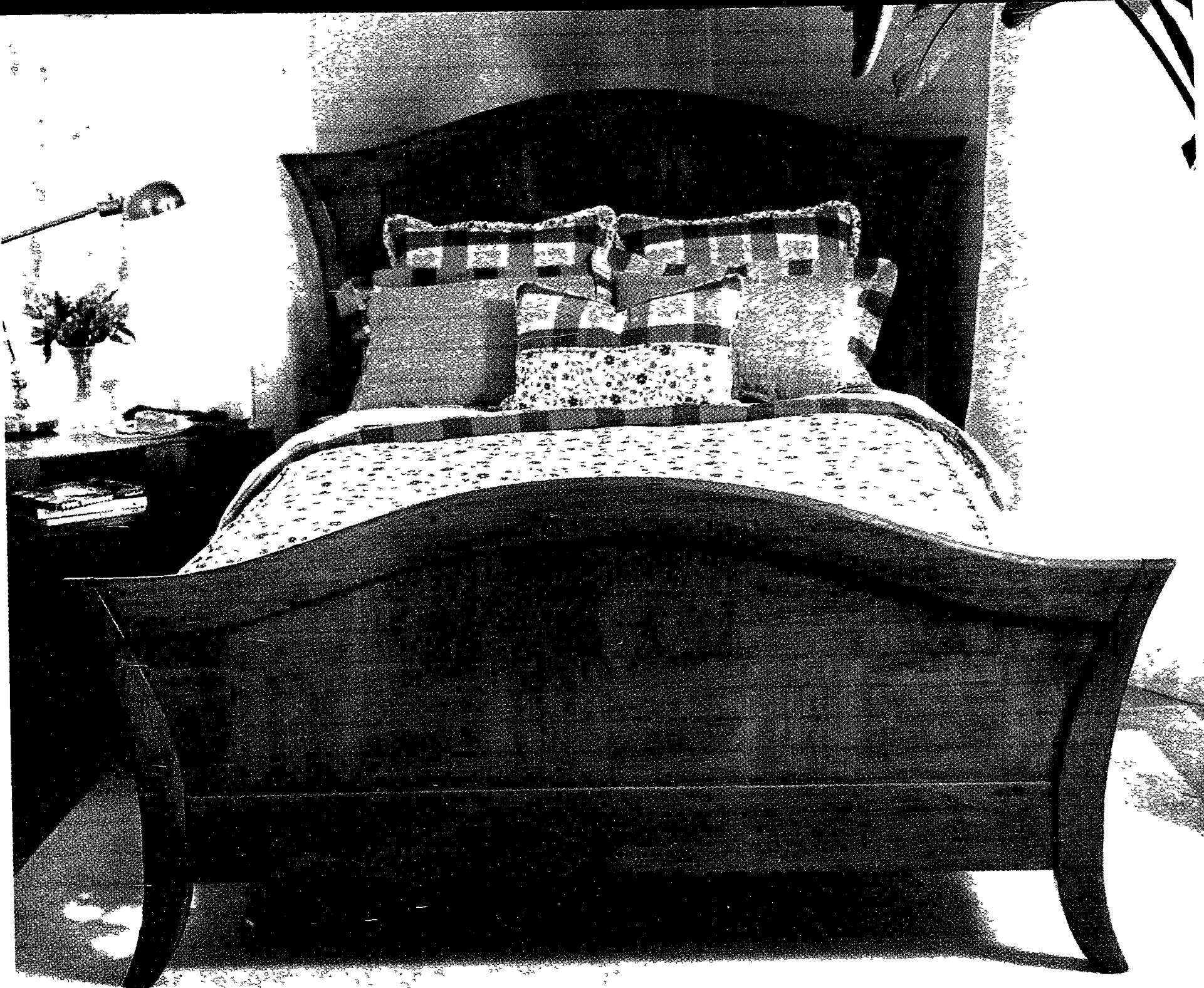




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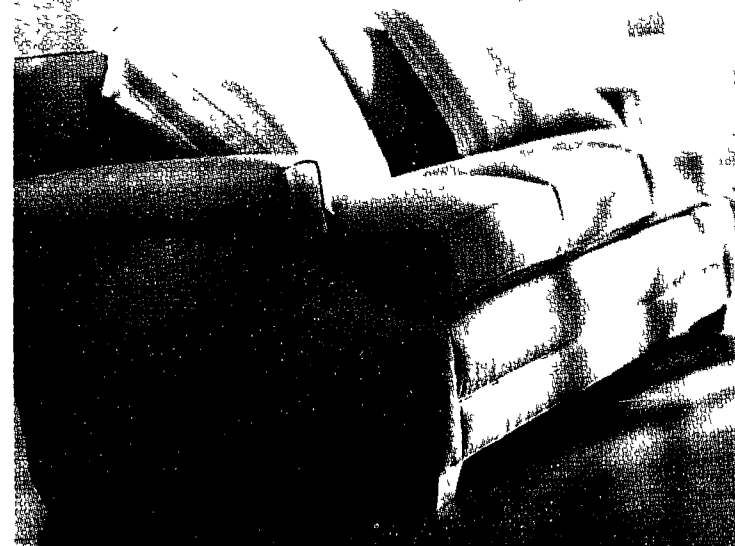



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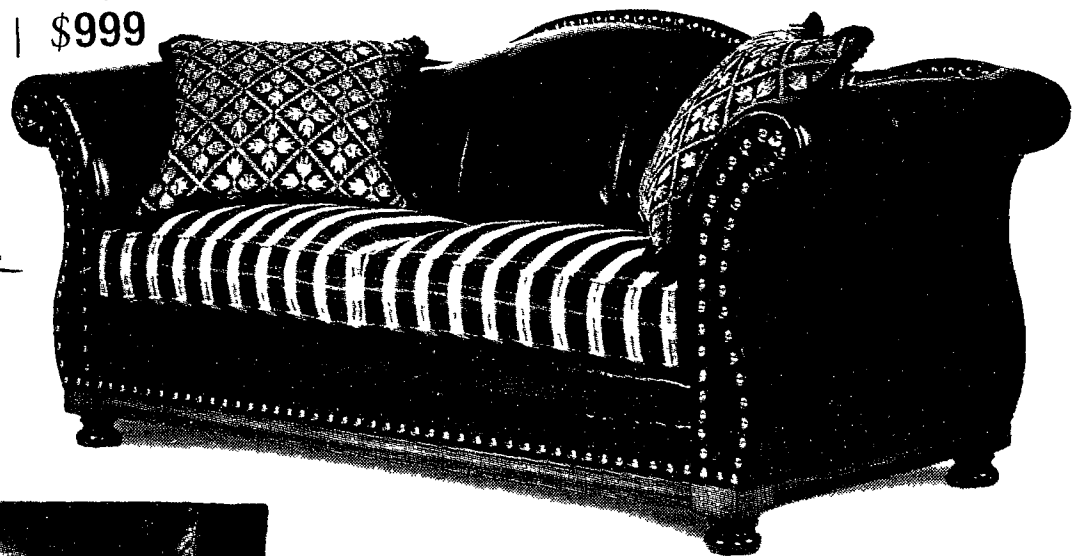
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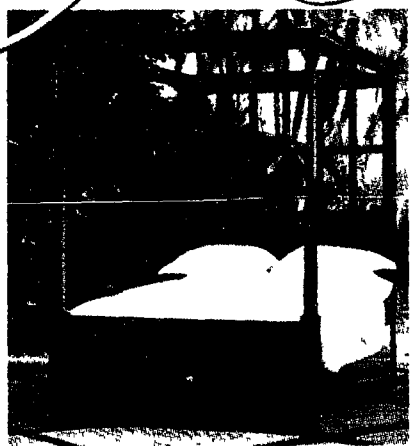
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7583-61; CONTRASTING PILLOWS IN FABRIC 7582-61;
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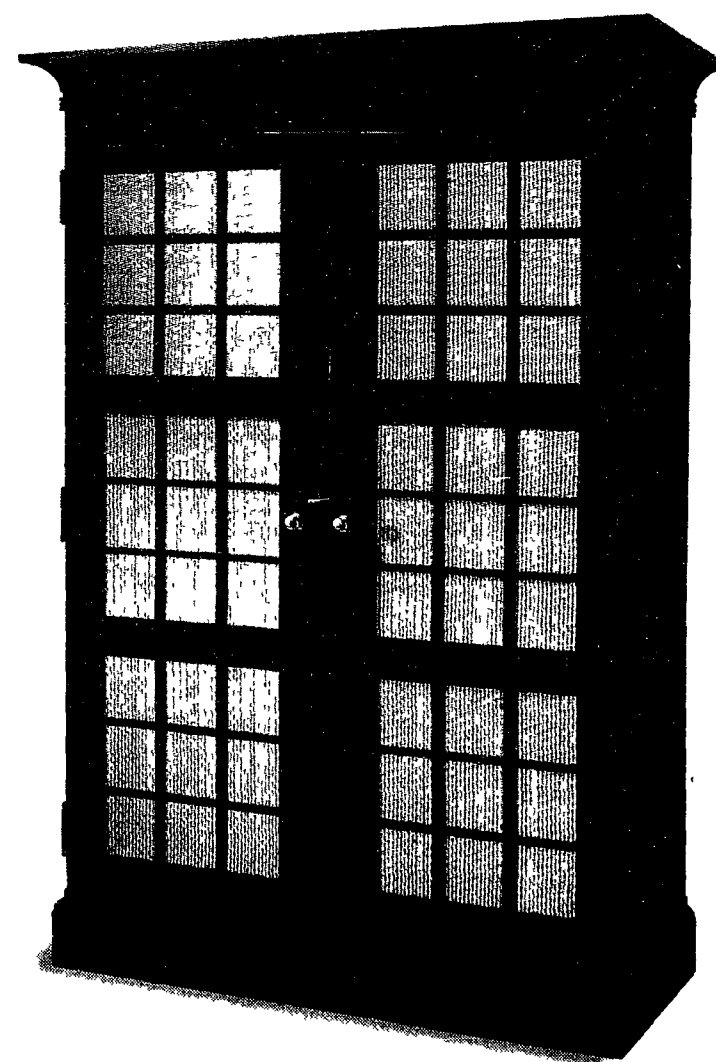


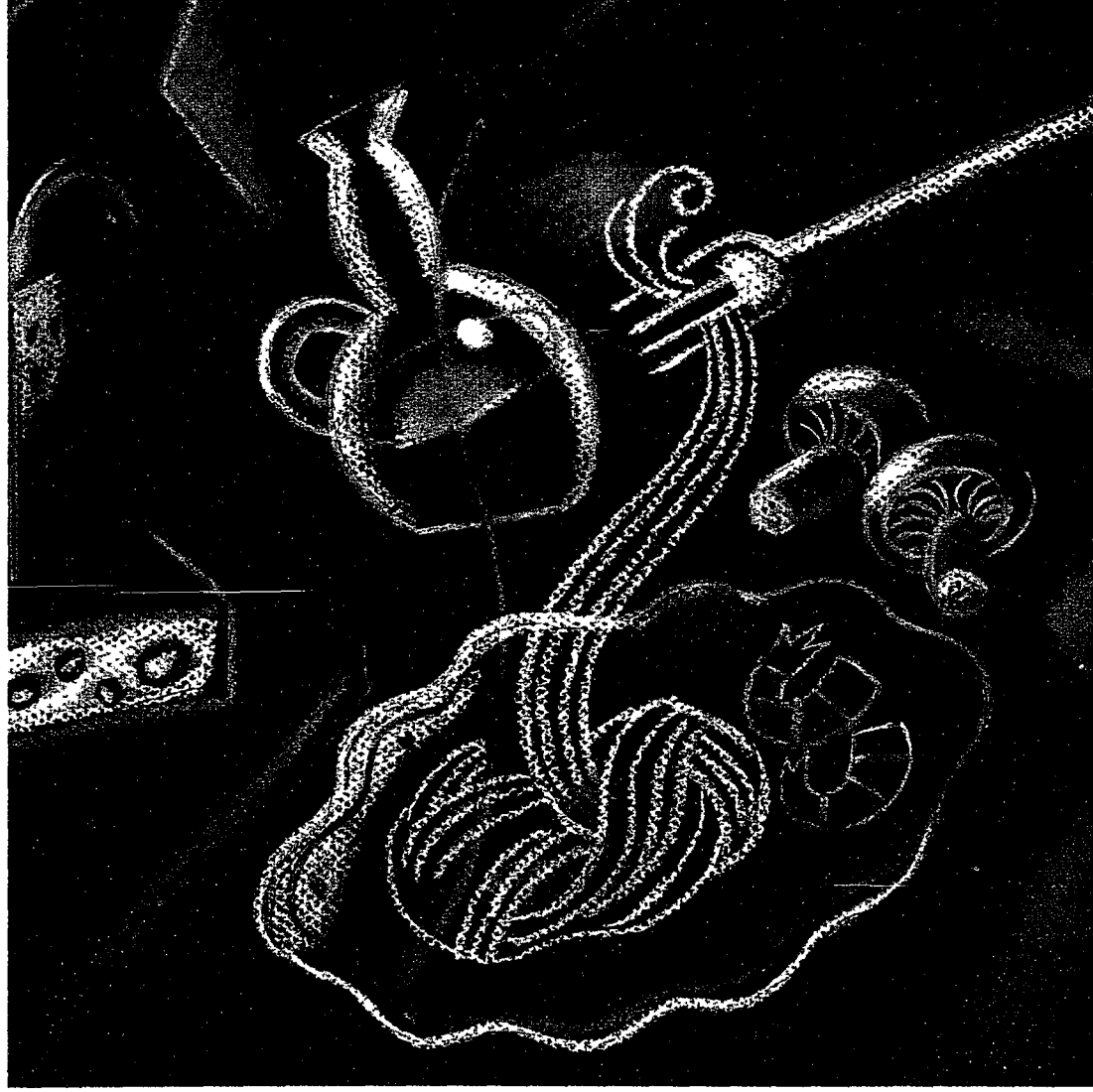
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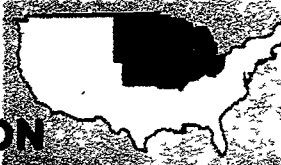
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Q I want to learn more about the country band Sawyer Brown. Lead singer Mark Miller is a great dancer and performer. How long has the band been together, and who writes their material?

—Sharon W., Ohio

The five-man country group recently signed a new record deal, this time with Walt Disney company's Lyric Street Records. Lead singer and Florida native Mark Miller was especially happy about the deal, since he worked for five years at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla. The band's first album for Lyric Street, their 19th career release, will be out later this year. Miller and Gregg "Hobie" Hubbard, the band's keyboardist, write quite a bit of the material. But the band has also recorded songs by writers such as Dave Loggins, Bill LaBounty, and Mac McAnally, to name a few. Little more than two decades ago—April 1, 1982, to be exact—Sawyer Brown was founded. The band includes Miller, Hubbard, Duncan Cameron on lead guitar, Jim Scholeten on bass, and Joe Smyth on drums. It zoomed to fame after winning the grand prize on television's *Star Search* in 1984.

Q I'm a Christopher Cross fan, and was wondering what's been happening with him. I heard he was ill, but I'm not sure with what. Can you enlighten me?

—Chris Q., Virginia



Christopher Cross

The singing/songwriting phenom from the 1980s is in perfect health and continues to perform in concert. Rumors about his health pop up regularly, possibly because he was everywhere for a period in the 1980s and then just seemed to disappear. With songs like *Sailing, Ride Like The Wind*, and the *Arthur's Theme (Best That You Can Do)*, Cross made a huge impression. He won five Grammys and one Oscar during that period. He worked hard, toured the world, rode the wave of immense popularity all those hits brought him, and then he took a break. While he rested, MTV emerged as a major force in music, and the type of music he created went out of fashion, as did his unglamorous regular-guy look. He didn't make it back onto radio and never became a video star, but he continued to write music and put out albums. Last year, Rhino



Crackerjack country mainstay Sawyer Brown has wowed crowds for more than 20 years.

Records released a greatest hits album, *The Very Best of Christopher Cross*. Now 51, Cross is married with two children, aged 13 and 9, and enjoys spending time with his family when he is not touring.

Q Who played Heathcliff in the movie *Wuthering Heights* back in the 1970s? Was it Timothy Dalton?

—Sue D., Illinois

Yes, it was. The actor, who would later play dashing secret agent James Bond, was just 25 years old when he made *Wuthering Heights*. Taking on a role made famous by the great Sir Laurence Olivier in 1939, Dalton impressed critics and moviegoers, even though the film left many of them cold. Dalton later complained about the film, saying, "We based the relationships on a physical toughness which is there in the language and landscape of the book (by Emily Bronte). It's a savage, analytical book. Now, just at this time *Love Story* came out. The producers decided that this is where the money was—and they cut 30 minutes, key scenes of the film. All the 'nicer' scenes were left in. We filmed an ending of total despair—Heathcliff collapsing on the moors haunted by Catherine's ghost. Three months later, the producers went off and filmed two extras running down a hill hand in hand as ghosts living happily ever after. But those producers could never understand that the greatest romance is the hardest romance, the one that goes through the trials and bad times, and ends up as some kind of torture. That's what the great poets have always talked about." Other actors who have taken on the romantic role of Heathcliff include Charlton Heston, in a 1950 live television production, and Ralph Fiennes in a 1992 television movie. ☆

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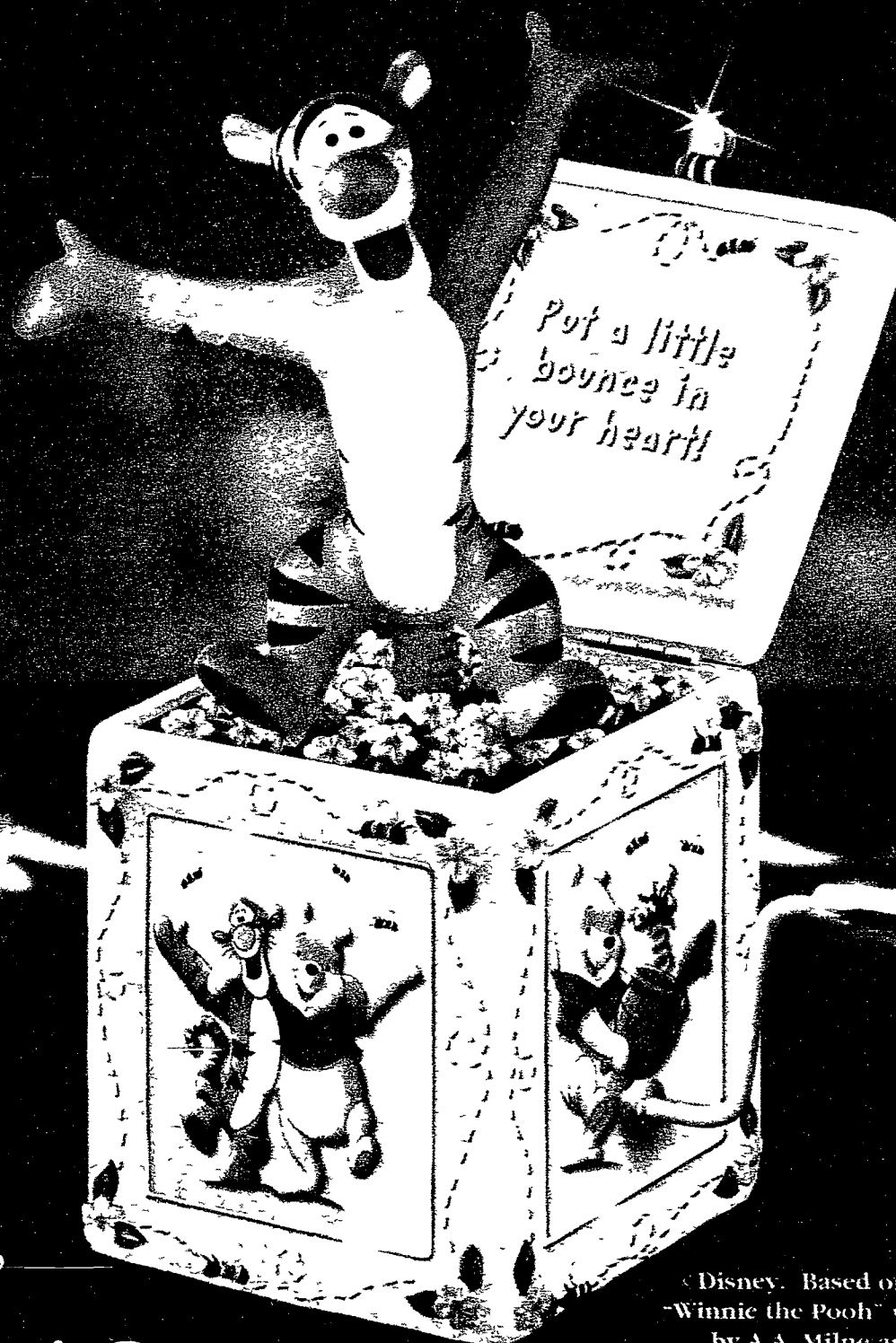
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Three years ago, Arthur Lurgio realized that none of the more than two dozen memorials in the Rhode Island Veterans Cemetery in Exeter (pop. 6,045) paid tribute to women veterans.

"I thought maybe, since we are honoring veterans, we should be honoring (women) as well," says Lurgio, who retired as administrator of the 275-acre cemetery in 2001.

Lurgio floated the idea of erecting a statue recognizing Rhode Island's women soldiers to Jane Hayward, deputy director of the state's Department of Human Services, which operates the cemetery. She, in turn, approached military officials. Lt. Col. Jeannine Vachon of the Rhode Island Army National Guard was tapped to head the project. Although Lurgio is reluctant to take credit for the idea, those involved say he planted the seed.



Lt. Col. Jeannine Vachon, Jane Hayward, and Arthur Lurgio spearheaded the memorial, which pays tribute to Rhode Island's women veterans.

Unsure where to start, Vachon issued a call to all the nearly 5,000 Rhode Island women veterans to attend a meeting to help plan a memorial. Only 13 people showed up, most of them World War II veterans. But a second meeting a month later drew 30 people and interest escalated.

"We wanted everyone involved, not just the National Guard," Vachon says.

To raise money, women veterans from World War II to the Gulf War stationed themselves at supermarkets and malls on weekends—in civilian garb, as military personnel are forbidden to solicit funds. Each time a story about the memorial appeared in newspapers or on television, a flurry of checks ranging from \$15 to \$25 arrived. One came with a note that read, "This is for my mother who served in World War II."

Private donations, along with a \$25,000 appropriation from the state Legislature, eventually provided \$150,000 for the memorial statue.

Narragansett sculptor Mimi Sammis was commissioned to create the memorial, a 7-foot-tall woman in uniform holding an American flag and standing on a 4-foot diameter globe atop a granite base.

The bronze statue was unveiled last November during a dedication ceremony, which attracted more than 500 people, including veterans from across the state. It's the first state memorial to be dedicated to women vets, and the only one in the country devoted strictly to women, with the exception of the national memorial to women vets, erected in 1997, at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

"You get the feeling of calm here and you know this is where it should be," Vachon says. "We're the first state to do this. It's an idea we hope will catch on." ☆

Gayle Goddard-Taylor is a frequent contributor to American Profile.


They've Always Served

From the American Revolution to today, women have helped defend our nation, serving in many capacities, both civilian and military. Although not officially recognized until the Army Nurse Corp formed in 1901, nearly 2 million American women have since done active duty in the Armed Forces.

More than 500,000 American women served in World War II (some 200 of them died). The Korean and Vietnam conflicts saw women enlisting by the thousands, and during Desert Storm in 1991, close to 35,000 women saw duty in the Persian Gulf, according to the Center for Women Veterans at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Today, there are more than 1.2 million women veterans.

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INDIANA—Before Ruth, another “Babe” made baseball history when rookie Charles “Babe” Adams pitched 3 winning games for the Pittsburgh Pirates in the 1909 World Series to beat the Detroit Tigers. He was born in 1882 in Tipton (pop. 5,521).

IOWA—Henry and Lena Johnson of Exira (pop. 810) celebrated their 83rd wedding anniversary on Feb. 8. The world record for longest marriage is held by William and Claudia Ritchie of Paris, Ky., (pop. 9,183), who celebrated their 83rd on April 12, 2002. William died last November.

KANSAS—Some 200 natural sandstone rock formations adorn the landscape at Rock City near Minneapolis (pop. 2,046).

MICHIGAN—*The Yale Expositor* in Yale (pop. 2,063) has been published since 1882 and is the city's oldest business.

MINNESOTA—Tomato cans and fishing poles were used instead of holes and flags on the state's first golf course in 1893 at the St. Paul Town and Country Club.

MISSOURI—Crown Candy Kitchen has sweetened St. Louis with chocolate and ice cream since 1913, when Greek confectioners Harry Karandzieff and Pete Jugalloff opened shop. This is the city's oldest soda fountain.

NEBRASKA—The 1928 Pilgrim Holiness Church in Arthur (pop. 145) is built with baled hay covered in stucco.

NORTH DAKOTA—The Bank of North Dakota in Bismarck (pop. 55,532) is the nation's only state-owned bank, established in 1919 to promote agriculture, commerce, and industry.

OHIO—In 1958, high school student Robert Heft in Lancaster (pop. 35,335) designed a 50-star flag to represent new states Hawaii and Alaska. His history project got a B- from the teacher and an acceptance from Congress. Heft, former mayor of Napoleon (pop. 9,318), gives patriotic speeches nationwide.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Built in the 1880s, an English-style windmill used by settlers to grind corn and wheat is the pride of Milbank (pop. 3,640).

WISCONSIN—Established in 1900, Interstate State Park in St. Croix Falls (pop. 2,033) is Wisconsin's oldest state park. ★



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white pines to Pacific red-
woods—but as the nation grew
and land was cleared, most of the
trees were lost. Yet here and there
some survived, and these old-
growth forests remain today as an
almost mystical part of our
nation's heritage.

The day is chilly, but the cold doesn't deter a small band of hikers winding its way through the Mohawk Trail State Forest in western Massachusetts. The group is led by Bob Leverett, whose campaign to document and protect ancient forests has earned him the moniker "Evangelist of Old Growth." Today's mission: to map the "Trees of Peace" trail, which winds past several white pines named for American Indian tribal leaders, the tallest of them reaching more than 162 feet.

"The white pine signifies peace among many tribes," Leverett says. "But it was the Iroquois who are said to have 'buried the hatchet' in a white pine to end tribal feuding."

The bushwacking brings the group to a massive, contorted grapevine, dangling from a branch 50 feet above to the boulders below. Its stem, 26 inches around, alerts the group that ahead, steeply up slope, lies something special: an ancient forest, undisturbed by humans for centuries.

The first impression is of clutter. A giant bowl carved into the hillside holds craggy boulders. The crevasses between them, plunging 30 feet, offer shelter to black bears. Scattered "snags"—dead, snapped-off trunks of trees—are pocked with holes left by pileated woodpeckers digging for bugs. Green moss and blue lichen carpet everything.

Secure among these glacial relics are white ash, sugar maple, and hemlock trees, some 300 years old. They persist here because the steep, rock-strewn slope has made logging difficult or impossible.

The Northeast's white pines were widely used during the days of sail to make ship's masts. Those that survived widespread cutting were often located in remote, hard-to-reach areas.

Navigating the hillside and boulders is made tricky by decaying "deadfall" trees and limbs, and while the hillside appears half dead, it's actually teeming with life, from the tiniest soil organisms to the creatures of the canopy. Time is a physical presence here. One is silent and reverent.

Aware of the mood the forest has evoked, Leverett says to no one in particular, "This is the magic of old growth."

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Leverett likes to speak of the magic of old growth.



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Leverett's love of old trees began as a child when he grew up in the shadow of the Great Smoky Mountains. But it wasn't until his son, Rob, began to take an interest in old-growth forests as a college student that Leverett focused on these ancient stands.

"Rob lamented that they'd be lost and no one would care," Leverett recalls. "It presented me with a challenge as a father, a way to show him and myself that one person could make a difference."

In 1988, father and son made their first "discovery" of a stand of 300-year-old hemlocks in the Cold River area of Mohawk Trail State Forest. His findings were published by the Massachusetts Forestry Association, and that "opened the floodgates," Leverett says. He was inundated with calls from those seeking other such stands.

Since then, Leverett and colleague Gary Beluzo have scoured Massachusetts for additional forest remnants, painstakingly measuring and taking core samples (to determine a tree's age by its annual growth rings). Their efforts thus far have documented 3,000 acres of old-growth forest in the state.

This came as a surprise to many because wholesale land clearing had denuded much of the eastern landscape by the mid-1800s. In the Northeast, as much as 80 percent of the land was deforested, spawning a belief that ancient forests could not have endured. Some did endure, however; they just weren't easy to find.

By contrast, the towering Redwoods and Douglas firs of the Pacific Northwest have been in the public eye for more than a century, and took on almost mythical proportions.

"The old-growth movement pretty much started here," says University of Washington old-growth research associate Dr. Robert Van Pelt. That was due in large part to the influence of such people as American naturalist John Muir and conservation advocate and forester Gifford Pinchot.

The public image of 350-foot trees in the Northwest was underscored in the 1980s when conservationists championed the spotted owl, a bird dependant on old-growth trees.

Since then, some 2 million acres of Eastern old-growth forests have been documented by researchers across the country. In the upper Midwest—Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan—more than 810,000 acres of old growth are recognized as such. This is about 1.1 percent of what grew before European settlement, according to Dr. Lee Frelich, a University of Minnesota researcher. Here the trees are modest in size compared to those of the Northwest.

"Typical 200-to-400-year-old hemlocks and sugar maples are 2 to 3 feet in diameter and 100 to 110 feet tall," Frelich says. "White pines reach maximum diameters of 6 feet and heights of 167 feet."

Some trees count their age in centuries, and a number of species in this country can boast that kind of longevity.

In Michigan, elms may reach 300 years, and white ash 450 or more, while the Joshua tree, found in the deserts and high mountain plains of the Southwest, may live to be 900.

In the intermountain West, junipers may exceed ages of 1,000, with one Western juniper aged 1,600 years. But of them all, the longest lived are bristlecone pines, which may be the oldest living trees on Earth.

In Inyo National Forest on the east side of the Sierra Nevada, some bristlecone pines have survived for more than 40 centuries—with the oldest found so far, named Methuselah, more than 4,700 years old—more ancient than the pyramids of Egypt.

180 feet tall. Aiding in their longevity is a long growing season and the fact that the land was never stripped of topsoil by advancing glaciers, says Prof. William Martin, director of the University of Eastern Kentucky's Division of Natural Areas.

"It's hard to characterize old growth in the East because there are many different forest types and they vary from place to place," Martin says.

The definition of old growth itself is elusive. Such a forest generally has old, big trees, snags, and deadfalls. But it also has younger trees whose moment in the sun came from gaps left in the canopy by natural disturbances such as storms or lightning strikes. The woodland will have little or no evidence of human interference.

"There's no threshold of passage," Leverett says. "It's like trying to define when someone becomes a senior citizen."

OLD AS METHUSELAH

Bristlecone pines can withstand centuries of weather, though they grow gnarled and bent by the powerful winds and fierce winters they endure.

In the southern Appalachian Mountains, about 150,000 acres of old growth are protected within the half-million-acre Great Smoky Mountains National Forest. Described as "the pinnacle of biological diversity" among the world's temperate places, these dense and complex forests support trees that can reach 600 years and

Leverett's efforts have earned him citizen activist honors from the Massachusetts Audubon Society and the New England Wildflower Society, but his interest in ancient forests is fueled mostly by the sense of history they impart.

"Trees that were alive in the 1700s are living benchmarks," Leverett says. "I feel a connection through them that I can't get by looking at something in a museum."

His wife, Jani, a Cherokee-Choctaw, explains that American Indians saw the ancient forests as places to be used, not abused. "With their heads in the sky and their feet in the earth, it's clear they have a relationship with everything here on earth," she says. "Without them we wouldn't be alive, so we honor them with prayers."

Beyond the "living history" they represent, old-growth forests are home to a complex web of plants and animals where organisms may hold the key to disease and other of nature's mysteries. And the forest's longevity provides a standard against which the health of other forests can be measured.

But there's something else, something intangible, that these ancient ecosystems offer.

"As important as anything else is the sense of peace and tranquility these forests provide," Leverett says. "Anything that slows people down and makes them reflect is a good thing. Old growth does that." ★

Massachusetts resident Gayle Goddard-Taylor likes to camp and ramble in the woods.

Bob Leverett and a friend take the measure of a forest giant. For Leverett, finding an old-growth forest is just the first step—he goes on to measure age, girth, height, and canopy of the trees.

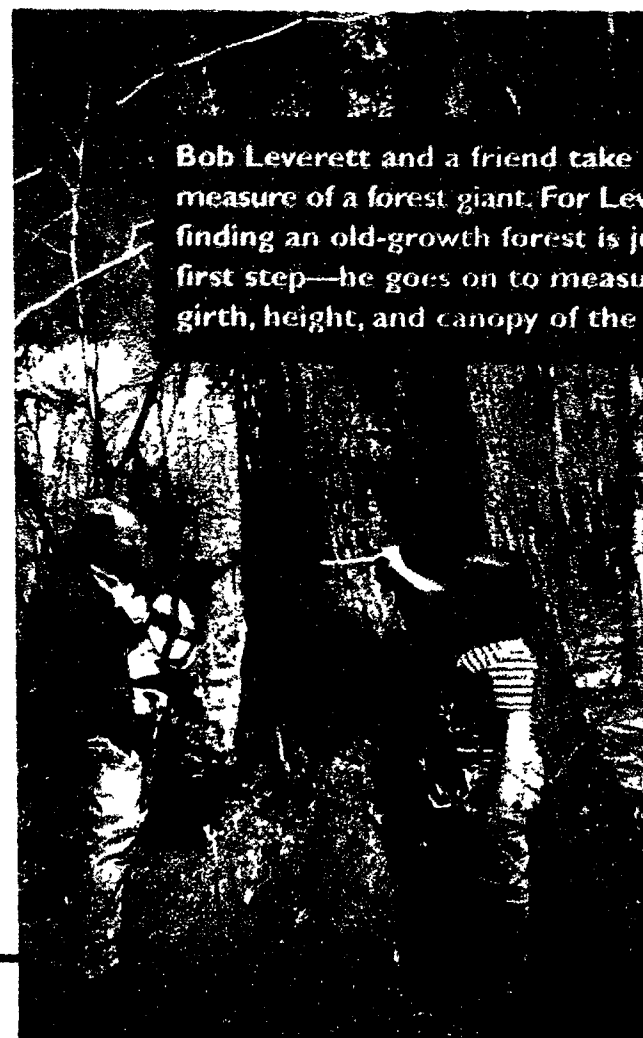


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In the Mood for Swing



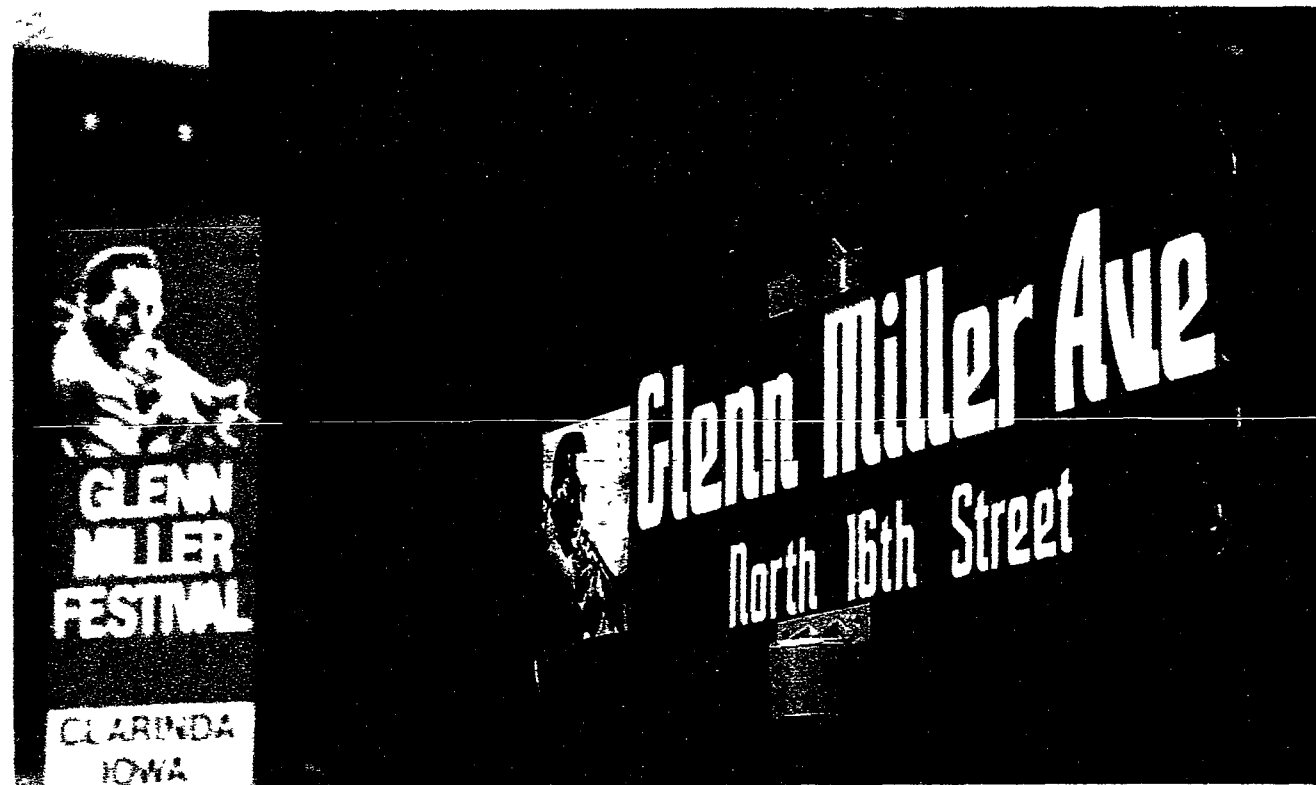
Miller's trombone,
a brass classic.

Locked in a vault of the Page County State Bank in Clarinda, Iowa, (pop. 5,690) is a treasure from America's musical past: the brass trombone played by Glenn Miller in the 1940s. This priceless instrument may someday be on permanent display in a museum honoring the famous bandleader and the music of the Big Band era.

The museum is still in the planning stages, but the musical legend already is celebrated in Clarinda, where Alton Glen Miller (he later changed his name) was born on March 1, 1904. The small frame house where Miller spent his first three years has been restored and opened to the public and local residents have established a scholarship fund for young musicians. And every June, hundreds of Miller buffs flock to Clarinda to celebrate the music he made famous.

"His music is appreciated all over the world," says Marvin Negley, president of the Glenn Miller Birthplace Society. "People who are in the area just continually stop by, or people make trips to come here."

People who attend the Glenn Miller Festival can hear songs such as *In the Mood*, *Chattanooga Choo-Choo*, and *Pennsylvania 6-5000* per-



A street sign and festival banner honor the community's legendary native son.

formed on the lawn of the Page County Courthouse. The courthouse was completed in 1887, two decades before Miller's parents, Elmer and Mattie Lou, left Clarinda with their two sons to homestead in rural Nebraska.

It would be three more decades before Miller's music took the nation by storm. During World War II, at the height of his career, Miller joined the U.S. Army Air Corps, where he formed the Glenn Miller Army Air Force Band and shipped out to England to play concerts and radio broadcasts to help the war effort.

Amid the Allied advance, the group was assigned a Christmas tour of Europe. On Dec. 15, 1944, Miller boarded a transport plane to Paris to make arrangements for the band, leaving behind the other members and his precious trombone. The plane disappeared somewhere over the English Channel and Miller was never seen again.

For years, Clarinda's connection to Miller also was lost, but the connection was rediscovered in 1976 when the town celebrated the nation's Bicentennial.

Looking for a way to honor the town's own heritage, the local Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce organized a concert of Miller's music on the lawn of his boyhood home. The concert proved so popular that it was made an annual event and led to the formation of the Glenn Miller Birthplace Society, which now has 1,700 members worldwide.

Yet the birthplace itself remained under private ownership until 1989, when Miller's only daughter, Jonnie Dee Miller, bought the home and donated it to the newly formed Glenn Miller Foundation. Miller decided to have it restored to look as it did when her father lived there.

"I think she felt that that's where the Clarinda history was—in 1904," says Arlene Leonard, secretary of the Glenn Miller Birthplace Society.

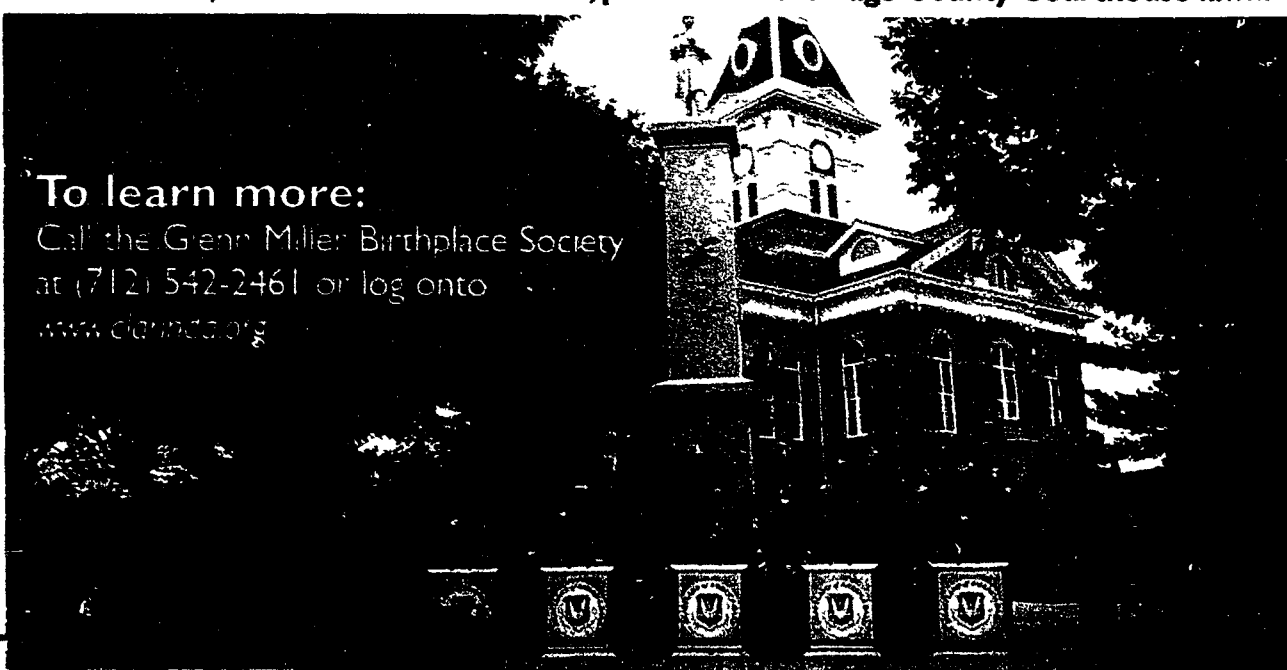
Soon after reconstruction began on the home, Miller's former band mate, trombonist Jimmy Priddy, donated Miller's trombone—one of two he left behind when he flew to Paris—to the foundation.

The horn is locked away most of the year for security, but it will be exhibited once again this year during the Glenn Miller Festival from June 12-15. The festival will feature Big Band era music by seven military and civilian groups.

And if Clarinda residents get their way—and raise \$1.5 million—the trombone will be on permanent display when the Glenn Miller Museum opens in 2005. If that happens, Clarinda residents will be planning a celebration to beat the band. ★

Hannah Wolfson is a freelance writer in Orange City, Iowa.

The Notables, a U.S. Air Force ensemble, perform on the Page County Courthouse lawn.



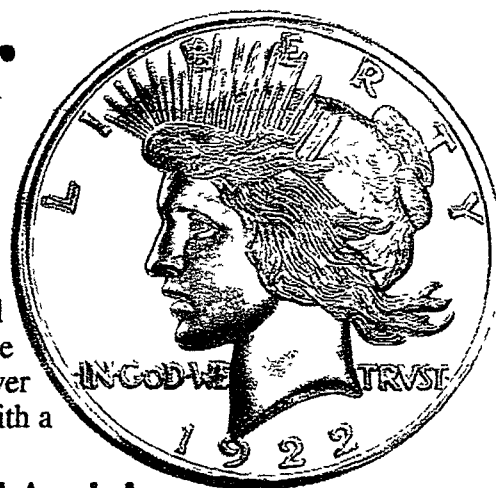
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Entertainment

by RICHARD McVEY

Country's BIG Night

Music fans will see country's biggest and brightest stars as the 38th annual Academy of Country Music (ACM) Awards airs May 21 (8-11 p.m. ET/PT) on CBS. Hosted by superstar Reba McEntire, the night promises to showcase appearances by the best of the best as witnessed by a peek at this year's top nominees.

Leading the pack with a whopping eight nominations is Toby Keith, followed by Alan Jackson with six, and Kenny Chesney and Trick Pony picking up five nods each. Other top vote getters include the Dixie Chicks, Willie Nelson, Brooks & Dunn, Tim McGraw, Rebecca Lynn Howard, Lee Ann Womack, and Rascal Flatts.

As the first winner takes the stage, viewers also will see a newly-designed trophy, which incorporates the award's signature cowboy hat into a sleek, updated style. The ACM hired the same company, R. S. Owens, that manufactures the Oscar, Emmy, and MTV Awards statuettes to produce the trophy.

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Once more, with feeling:
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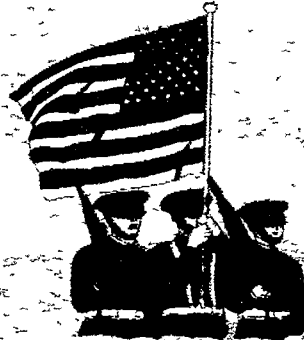
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IOWA

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KANSAS

Chautauqua Hills Blues Festival—Sedan, May 25. This third annual event showcases national talent, including Anson Funderburgh with Sam Myers, the Blackhawk Blues Band, and Michael Burks. (620) 725-3834.

MICHIGAN

Kruisin' Klassics Fun Run—Escanaba, May 30-31. Watch a parade of antique and restored autos followed by a classic car show and dance. Upper Peninsula State Fairgrounds. (906) 786-2192.

MINNESOTA

Buffalo Days—Luverne, May 30-June 1. This 19th annual event features 5K and 10K runs and walks, buffalo chip-throwing contest, a parade, arts in the park, a car show, buffalo burgers, and a skydivers jump. (507) 283-4061.

MISSOURI

Heart of America Sheep Show & Fiber Festival—Nevada, May 29-June 1. Enjoy spinning and weaving classes, a fleece show and auction, sheep, rabbit and goat shows, and dinner at the Vernon County Fairgrounds. (816) 697-2104.

NEBRASKA

Buffalo Commons Storytelling Festival—McCook, May 30-31. Storytelling by Barbara McBride-Smith, poetry and songs by Deb Carpenter, bluegrass music by the Toasted Ponies, and a children's festival highlight this sixth annual event. (308) 345-6163.

NORTH DAKOTA

Skydance Sakakawea—Garrison, May 24-26. In its 11th year, this event includes kite flying, kite-building seminars, and stunt kite-flying at Fort Stevenson State Park's Lake Sakakawea. (701) 337-5576.

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Hockhocking Folk Festival—Nelsonville, May 31. Folksinger Bill Staines, regional performers, the Ohio Flat Pick Guitar Championship, jam sessions, and storytellers highlight this event at Robbins Crossing on the Hocking College campus. (740) 753-3591, ext. 2875.

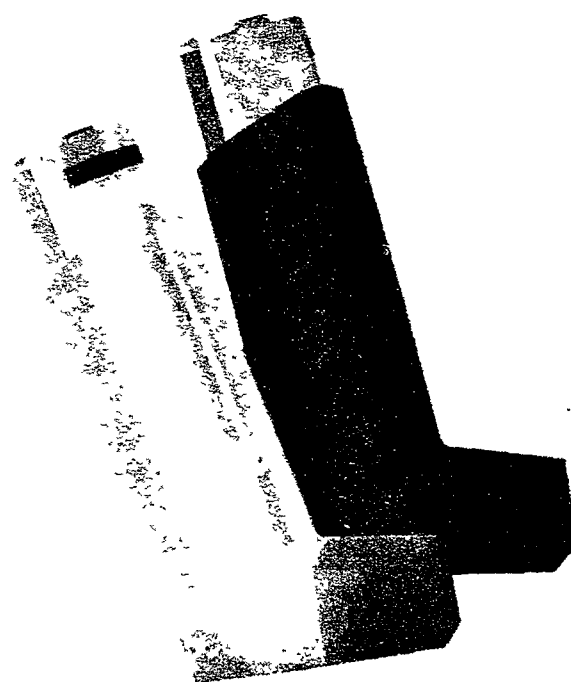
SOUTH DAKOTA

Mighty Thomas Carnival—Watertown, May 29-June 1. Enjoy amusement rides, games, and food during this event in the parking lot at the corner of Kemp Avenue and Third Street East. (605) 886-5814.

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Vying for the night's crown jewel, Entertainer of the Year, are Brooks & Dunn, Kenny Chesney, the Dixie Chicks, Alan Jackson, and Toby Keith.

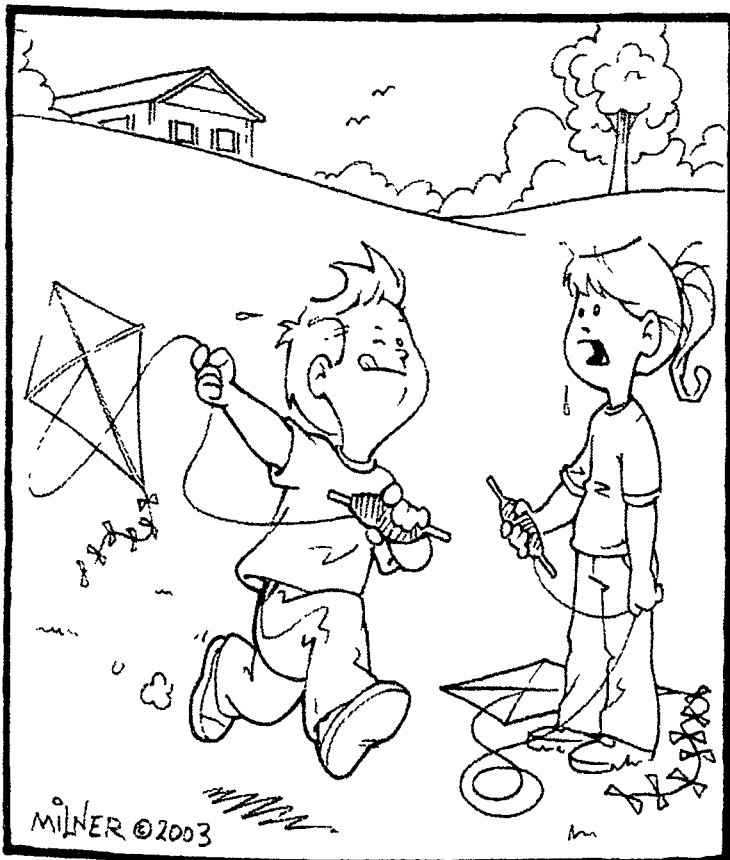
Nominees and winners are voted on by members of the Academy of Country Music, with the exception of the Home Depot Humanitarian Award. The winner of this recently introduced award is determined by fans who can vote online (www.homedepot.com/acm) up until the first two hours of the show. Brooks & Dunn, Lonestar, and Wynonna are all up for the honor, with a winner being announced in the final hour of the telecast. The charitable Reba won last year's first humanitarian award. As a result, a community playground was built in her honor in Atoka, Okla.

If previous ACM Awards are any indication, this star-filled night will be packed with performances, surprises, and—better yet—a lot of great country music. ☆

Richard McVey is managing editor of Nashville's Music Row magazine.

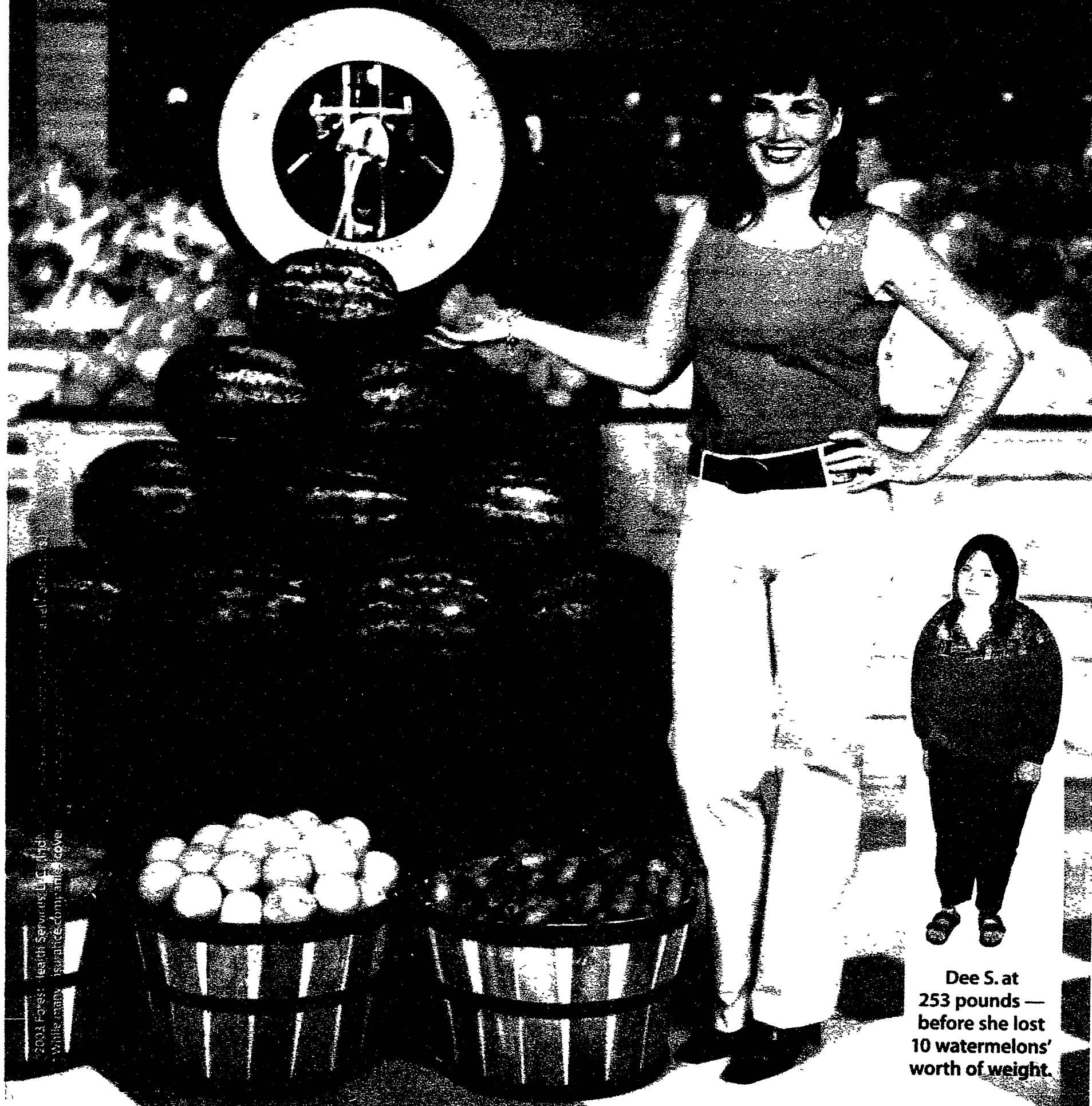
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- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
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- 1 pound back fin crabmeat
- 1 pinch of white pepper

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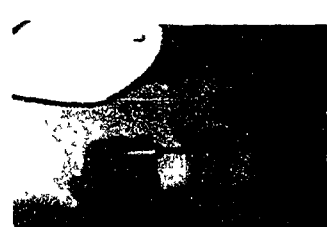
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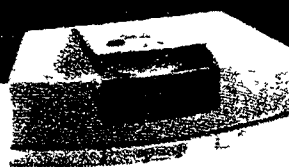
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