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The season of snarls

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Major roadwork gets underway in Northville area

Area motorists commuting morning and night might be steering through orange barrels in their sleep as road construction season begins in earnest in the coming weeks.

Simultaneous projects on north-south routes — Sheldon,

Beck and Northville roads — will make the summer months particularly interesting. Drivers will need to dream up alternate paths with ongoing and soon-to-sprout orange county detour signs in those locations and others.

"Road construction will be an

issue for drivers this summer," said Northville public services director Jim Gallogly. "With two of the major arteries between the miles of Five and Six torn up, it just is going to impact traffic at rush hour. It's going to impact everyone going to work."

Conditions are favorable for road construction only six to eight months out of the year, said Oakland County Road Commission public information officer Craig Bryson.

"Unfortunately, we have to pack a lot of construction into it,"

he said. "You'll get better, smoother, safer, more efficient roads," he said. "We appreciate their frustration. We just ask for their patience."

Sheldon Road Project

Many new homes with many

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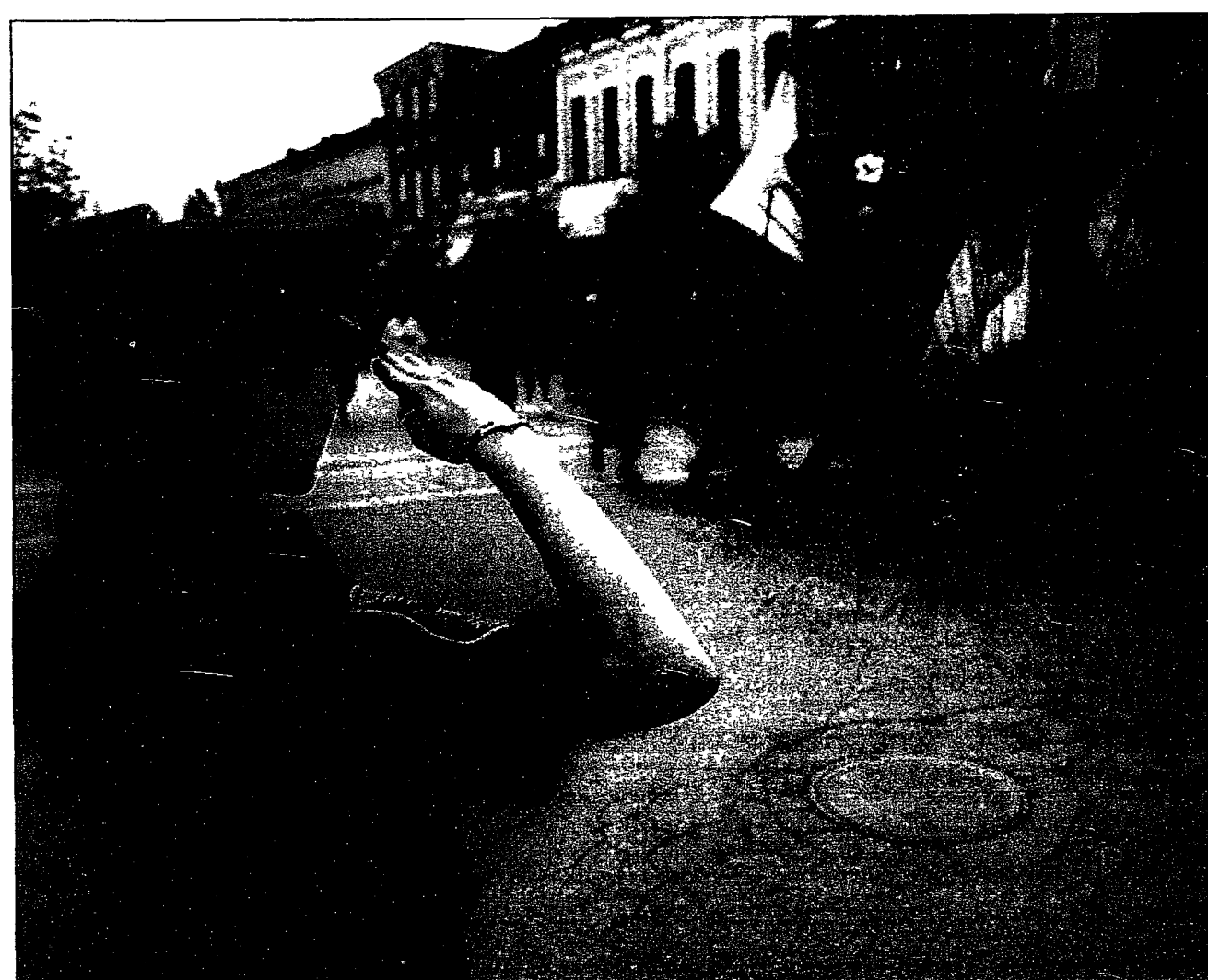


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville Township police officer Stacy Fox salutes a group of U.S. armed forces veterans marching in Monday's Memorial Day Parade through downtown Northville. More photos of the parade appear on page 4A.

On deck: A new parking structure for city?

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Northville leaders will resume discussion of creating additional downtown parking at a special meeting next week.

The City Council is hosting a joint meeting of the Downtown Development Authority and the Planning Commission at 7 p.m. on June 5. A May 15 vote by DDA members gave the biggest degree of support to construction of a new three-floor deck on Wing Street between Main and Dunlap, and expansion of the surface lot on the north side of the Marquis Theater.

DDA director Lori Ward and Matt Jobin of the city's architect Rich and Associates earlier this month presented to the council, commission and DDA five conceptual considerations for a new parking structure. They also presented three alternate plans for netting an additional 24 parking spaces in city Lot No. 3 on Dunlap. All three plans called for demolition of the building that is

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Canadian trash import debate heats up

Onyx Arbor Hills facility stands to lose business from pending garbage shipping legislation

By James Mitchell
STAFF WRITER

Last year, the Onyx Arbor Hills Landfill in Salem Township ended a five-year contract with the city of Toronto that negotiated the disposal of Canadian trash in the location. The company stands ready to lose additional business under legislation being considered in Lansing that would, among other aspects, restrict or reduce the amount of foreign or out-of-state waste brought into Michigan.

Although the practice of accepting trash from outside sources has been a long one,

recent attention has been subject to more than a dozen pieces of legislation being introduced in the state legislature, which framed a public hearing held last week at Oakland University in Rochester Hills.

Hosted by state Rep. Ruth Johnson, R-Holly, the public hearing on Wednesday, May 21, made available members of the House Land Use and Environment Committee and the Senate Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee, the panels currently considering the various bills.

Several residents spoke in near-unanimous voice last week, reflecting a growing

public consensus regarding imported trash. A number of community groups have formed a coalition under the banner "Don't Trash Michigan," and spoke their peace last week.

"Most of the trash is from Canada," said resident Henry Dreisner, speaking on behalf of the North Area Citizens Conference. "It's a nice country, and a large country, sparsely populated."

Imported trash sometimes needs to make its way through Northville Township roads to be dumped in Onyx Hills.

Dreisner echoed popular sentiment that such a vast land mass with so relatively

people should not be sending refuse to a smaller, more densely populated area.

Statistically, Canada's land mass is 150 percent of the United States, but has one-tenth the population.

As worded, the legislation would address the importation of waste products from all "states and provinces," yet the hearing and public comments clearly focused on the trash that routinely arrives from Canada, specifically from state contracts held with businesses in and near Toronto.

Locally, Onyx Arbor Hills had been

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A GREEN THUMB'S BEST FRIEND

Jamie The Golden Retriever • 1990 - 2003

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Friends of Donna and Larry Podpora, owners of Donna's and Larry's Flowers for 19 years in Northville, are mourning the loss of a very special member of the shopkeepers' family this month — Jamie, their 13-year-old golden retriever.

Since the Podporas, of Dearborn Heights, took Jamie to work with them, and everywhere they went for that matter, he was a fixture in the community.

Residents have been hurt by the beautiful dog's sudden death May 1 of lymphoma.

"It was very quick," Larry

"People came in just to see the dog."

Larry Podpora
Larry's Flowers

Podpora said. "My mom noticed that his glands in his neck were swollen on Sunday, and we took him to the vet on Monday. They gave him some medication, but we weren't even able to give it to him he was so sick," he recalled.

The Podporas took him to an emergency veterinary service in Novi later that night.

"They gave him some shots, and he seemed to be doing better," he said. A few days later, however, they found themselves back at the emergency vet.

"They told us we weren't going to get our miracle," he said.

Ironically, the Podporas had just taken Jamie to the veterinarian about three weeks before, and he'd received a clean bill of health.

"They did blood work and everything and couldn't find a thing wrong with him," Larry Podpora said. "The vet said that it's not unusual for lymphoma to hit that quickly."

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Jamie, the golden retriever, sits with her owners, Donna and Larry Podpora.

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Memories abound for flower store's mascot

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Motorists can see the hand-painted sign — "Jamie" In Our Hearts Forever — the Podporas placed outside their business in memory of their beloved pet.

The outpouring of sympathy from the community has been overwhelming.

"Kids are drawing little cards and people have brought in poems about Jamie," Donna Podpora said. "Everyone's been coming in or calling to say how sorry they are. He was an ideal shop dog. He'd go up and greet the customers."

"He was good for business. People came in just to see the dog," Larry Podpora said.

Donna Podpora said Jamie was really her husband's dog, and he also wrote a poem about the dog.

"Jamie just loved Larry. They had a special bond," she said. He even taught the dog to pull off order sheets when they came off the printer.

Mark Schilling, the Podpora's former mailman in Northville,

was especially sad about Jamie's death and sent a card.

"He was our mailman for more than 10 years. Then he got a driving route, so we weren't one his stops anymore. But he still stops by. He used to eat lunch with us every day," Larry Podpora said.

"We went to buy a car, and one of the customers even recognized Jamie," Donna Podpora said.

Even former Red Wing goaltender Kevin Hodson knew Jamie.

Jamie loved Kensington Metropark with a passion and his favorite spot was Springhill Picnic Area, the first spot in the park off Milford Road, according to the Podporas.

The couple thought he was a stray when they found him at a floral supplier while buying poinsettias one day.

"They let us take him home. Then later we found out who the owner was. We talked to him and told him how much he meant to us, and he let us keep

him," Larry Podpora said.

"We prayed like crazy that we would get to keep him," Donna Podpora said. "He stole our hearts from the day we met him," Larry Podpora said.

The Podporas have another golden retriever, Sammy, they got from a neighbor about a year ago.

"Jamie was like Sammy's big brother," Larry Podpora said.

"He taught him how to behave in the shop," Donna Podpora said, including how to retrieve those orders off the printer.

And even though the Podporas have Sammy, it'll never be the same without Jamie around.

"If there's such a thing as a perfect dog, he was it," Larry Podpora said.

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Holy-in-one? It's a possibility, as church hosts minigolf tourney

By Grace Blum
SPECIAL WRITER

If you happen to see some crazed golfers running around town this Sunday, don't be alarmed — they're just members of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville competing in the church's 13th annual "Puttbyterian" miniature golf contest.

Mike Sullivan, a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, began the contest as a couples event for church members. Due to its popularity, the event has become open to the entire congregation, with golfers coming from as far as Canada to compete in the event.

The course involves nine holes in the backyards of church members in downtown Northville, with the ninth hole ending at the church.

"It's just nutty. People build these diabolical golf holes..."

Mike Sullivan
First Presbyterian of Northville

Backyards have been transformed into miniature golf courses and a team of four is required to compete in the event.

"It's just nutty. People build these wacky, almost diabolical, miniature golf holes in their backyard," said Sullivan.

The event is a fundraiser for congregational activities within the church. Couples miniature golf through each course and join together for a chicken dinner

afterwards. After the adults are finished with their round, the church's high school youth group goes through the course, raising funds for their summer missions trip.

Steve Russell, the man in charge of organizing this year's Puttbyterian, said the golfers meet at the church, form teams, sing an annual "golf hymn" and then depart for the miniature golf scramble.

If a golfer is able to get a hole in one, then his prize is a car, a 53-piece construct-it-yourself model car, that is. Many other prizes are awarded, including best miniature golf course, best dressed golfer, and first place team.

Sullivan said the event has been both well-attended and satisfying for its players.

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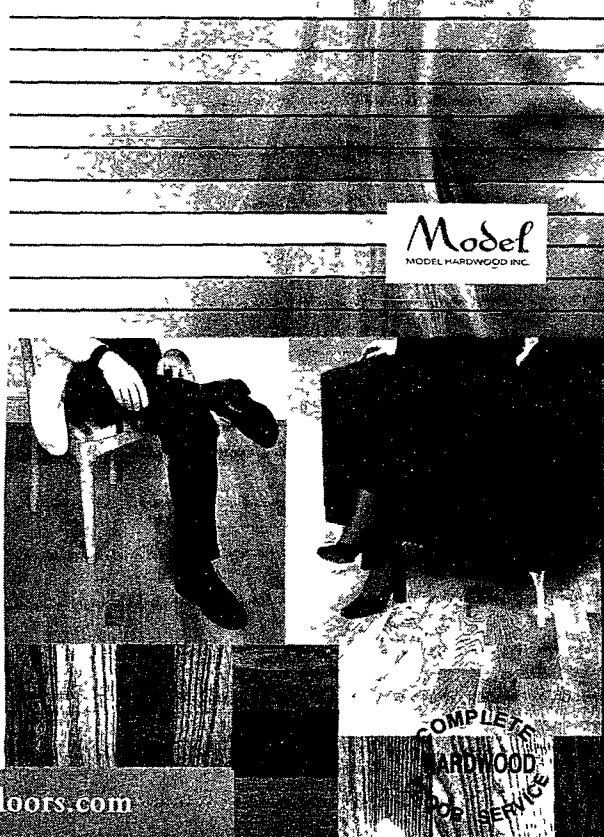
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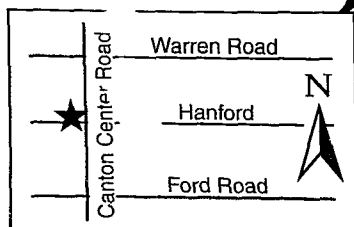
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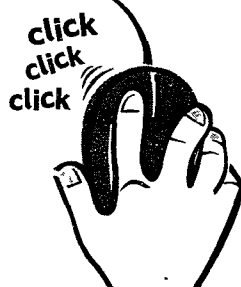
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Flower sale draws huge crowd

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Mere storm clouds did not deter shoppers who scooped up flats, plants and hanging baskets during the annual downtown flower sale last weekend.

Gardeners finally free from winter flocked to the temporary booths set up on Main Street from Center to Hutton. Fourteen members of the Detroit Metropolitan Flower Growers Association displayed their multi-color varieties, traditional greens, and yard ornaments at the 16th annual sale.

Visitors browsed among the neat rows of impatiens, geraniums, rose bushes, petunias, and other species — a profusion of red, yellow, pink, white, purple and lavender. As temperatures fought to stay at the 60-degree mark, a range of ages in shirt-sleeves to sweaters pulled wagons, pushed strollers and hugged their selections on the way back to their vehicle.

Hanging baskets with a variety of flowers was the consensus best-seller Friday, according to growers moving among their merchandise in fanny packs or aprons.

"I do sell a lot of combination baskets, here and at the greenhouse," said Gary Dinser of the family greenhouse he co-owns in Novi at Ten Mile and Dinser roads, just west of Beck.

"I've really moved a lot of everything," he said late in the

"It's been a fabulous day — very vigorous sales this morning."

Gary Dinser
Dinser's Greenhouse

day Friday. He cited varieties he and his stepson Anthony Kozadinos stocked for the sale: rieger begonias; pink, red and white verbena; regular impatiens; geraniums; cascadias; yellow eye petunias.

The 50 ferns they brought from Novi were gone by 3 p.m. "It's been going great," Dinser said. "It's been a fabulous day — very vigorous sales this morning."

Deeper pinks, purples and salmon-colored geraniums were the top color choices, Dinser said.

"Red, of course, is always a great seller, in any flower," he added.

Greenhouses from here on out will be humming through mid-June, Dinser said, citing the break in the weather that finally allowed people to work in their garden.

"People are about a week to two weeks behind in their planting."

The flower grower said he

fielded questions on where to plant — sun or shade — and whether certain flowers need to go in the ground or could hang in a basket.

"People can feel free to call our greenhouse with questions about how to grow or save a plant," he said. "We do a lot of that."

Dan Rorabacher of Prielipp Farms and Greenhouse in Brighton helped Joyce West of St. Clair Shores with her selection of three bright red Gerber daisies to adorn the entrance of her second home. When Rorabacher quoted her \$6, she double-checked that was the price she was asked to pay for all three plants.

"Maybe I should get more," she said. "They're so cheery. I've been looking at them and now I have some."

West stopped at the sale on her way from work in Plymouth to her cabin in Montague, north of Muskegon. She said a friend at work told her she always has fun when she comes to the flower sale every year.

"I thought I would come and see what I could find."

Many people found what they were looking for based on the wagons and carts pulled to the parking lots surrounding the police-cordoned off Main Street area. Shoppers conferred with their companions, pointed at their choices, then hefted their selections.

"The geranium pots went

over good," said Carol Evanski of Evanski's Greenhouse in Belleville. Also, the yellow and purple color combination containers sold well, she said.

Evanski and her husband Bob have attended the Northville flower sale since it started 16 years ago. However, the couple was in town Friday only, she said, headed to Detroit's Eastern Market on Saturday.

The pretty aroma of the fresh flowers mingled mid-block with the sweet, sweet smell of one vendor's almonds. In addition to the green offerings, booths this year also offered metal birds, garden-theme T-shirts, decorative stones, and other garden accessories.

Merchants along Main Street flung open their doors to welcome the added foot traffic. Michelle McDade, a server at Helen's Uptown Café, said the sale definitely meant more lunch customers for them both days.

A cooperative effort produced signs in the windows of Ultimate Toys and Gifts, and the Angel Attic, that offered "Free Wagon Parking." Meanwhile, the Kitchen Witch was one of the stores that offered a discount on everything with flowers, Friday and Saturday only.

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ENGAGEMENTS



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A Sept. 20 wedding is planned.

BIRTHS



Ethan Hadley James

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Members of Northville's Veterans of Foreign Wars post march in Monday's 2003 Memorial Day Parade.

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— Oliver Wendell Holmes, 1884

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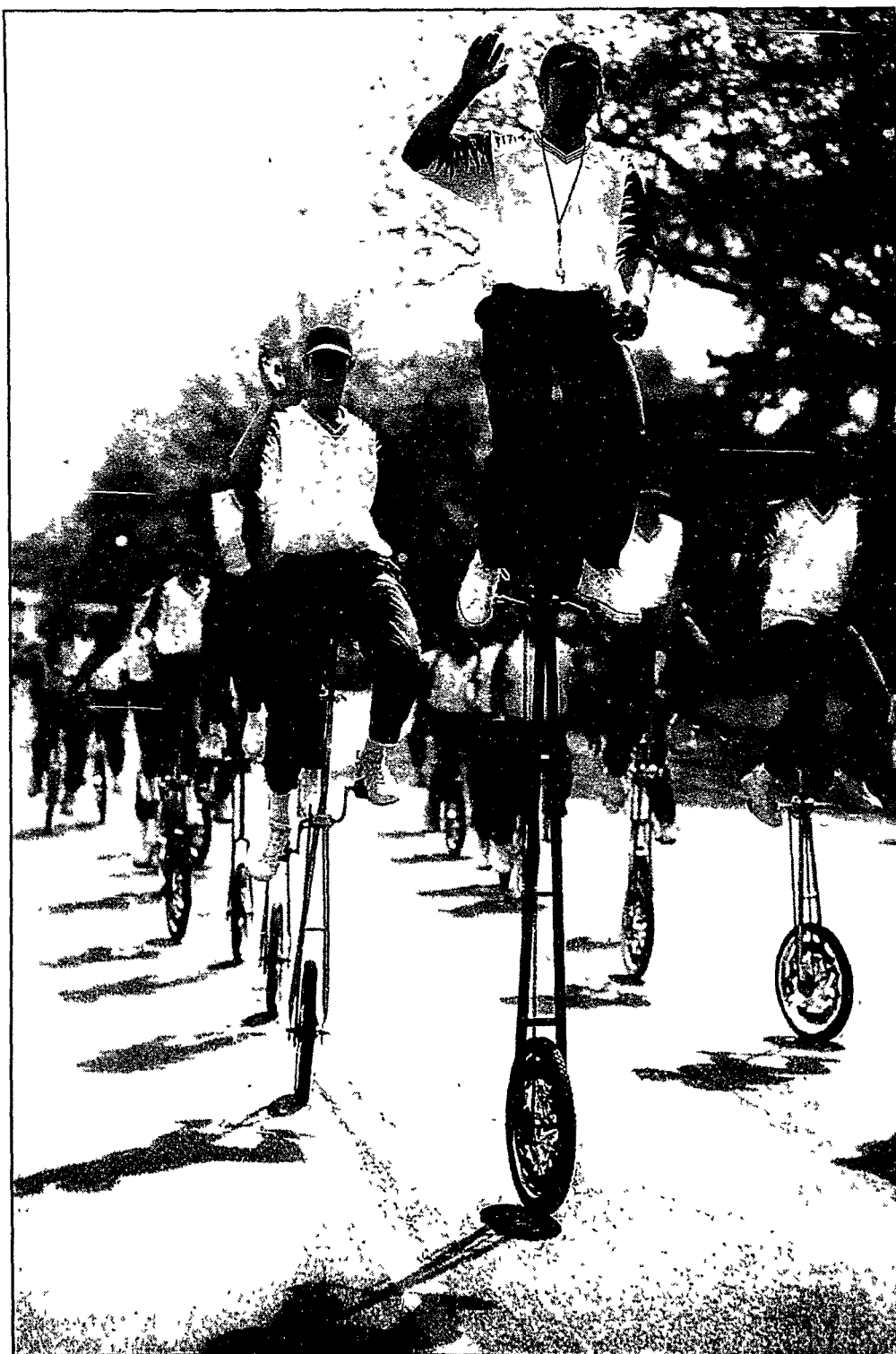
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— President George W. Bush
D-Day Commemoration, 2002



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Emon Winship, left, and Eric Pasturale, Cub Scouts of Novi's Pack 375, carry the American Flag during Monday's Memorial Day parade through Novi.



Members of the Redford Township Unicycle Club roll through Monday's Memorial Day parade in Novi.

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City juggles possibilities with parking lots

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home to Edward's Catering at 116 E. Dunlap.

Mayor Christopher Johnson said the council was interested in which option the merchants represented in the downtown association would recommend.

Estimates prepared for the discussion showed the Wing Street "Concept A" — which the DDA favored — would cost approximately \$5.9 million. City administrators outlined a plan to pay for the deck through issuance of a 15-20 year limited tax obligation bonds. Bond payments would be

made through the capture of tax increments within the DDA district, use of the parking fund, and payment of parking credits.

Proposed developments on the north and south ends of Deck "A" were factors included in considering the net impact of the decision. Jim Long, who owns the property north of the suggested deck site, said he would be ready to proceed with his two-story building with retail and or service businesses on the first floor and offices on the second.

Margene Buckhave, also member of the DDA, agreed that "Concept A" would allow the

"I don't want to see [demolition of Edward's Catering] happen. I don't think Northville wants to see that happen."

Mary Pearce
Edward's Catering

combined commercial/residential project tentatively planned to front Main Street along the south side of the suggested deck site.

The city would incur expense acquiring land related to the

combined commercial/residential project tentatively planned to front Main Street along the south side of the suggested deck site.

"If we can work out developer agreements, 'A' is definitely a possibility," Johnson said.

Mary Pearce, who has operated Edward's Catering from the

Dunlap location for more than 17 years, said she hoped city leaders turned their attention elsewhere. The merchant understood the need for additional parking with the growth downtown, she said, but she wants to stay put.

"Certainly, I don't want to see it happen," she said. "I don't think Northville wants to see that happen either."

Parents come to make graduation party arrangements at the same Edward's location they planned their children's baptism parties, Pearce said. Because this is the height of the summer entertainment season, the caterer said

she was not sure she will attend the June 5 meeting.

"My landlord assured me that it wouldn't happen for a year and a half," Pearce said. She said demolition of the building in favor of parking spaces has been discussed since she opened there.

Long, whose family owns the Edward's property, said Edward's is a "wonderful tenant" and a "wonderful attraction for the city of Northville."

"We are not interested in seeing it go away, but we recognize the benefits to the city," Long said. "We are willing to discuss the sale of this building to the city."

LIBRARY LINES

LIBRARY HOURS

The Northville District Library is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and open Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. Starting June 8, the library will be closed on Sundays for the summer. Located at 212 W. Cady St., near Northville city hall, with parking off Cady St. For detailed information about programs or services, or to request or renew library materials, call (248) 349-3020.

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Northville District Library board of trustees will be on June 26 at 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend these monthly meetings, which are typically scheduled on the fourth Thursday of the month.

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7:30, 9:00, 9:40
FRISAT LS 11:10, 11:50
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THE LIZZIE McGUIRE MOVIE (PG)
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FRISAT LS 11:30
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FRISAT LS 11:35
IDENTITY (R)
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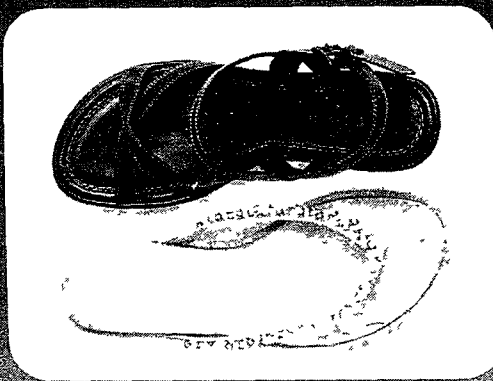
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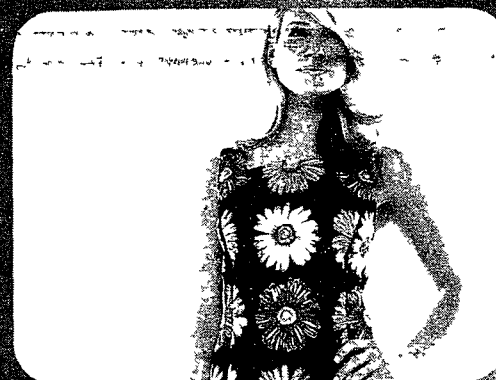
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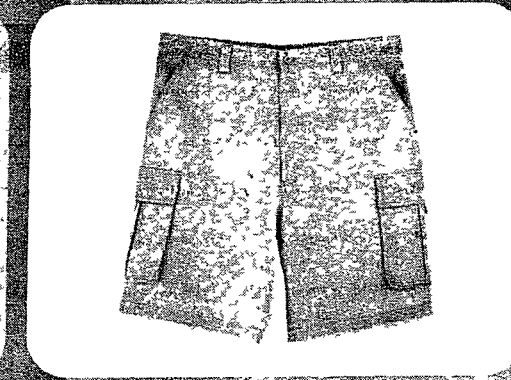
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New Victorian's housing starts catching on

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

A name-brand cup of coffee, a variety of dinner options, a seat in a church pew — every thing at Northville shops — is within walking distance of a New Victorian address.

Long-time Northville residents Lynda and Dennis Heaton, with the help of partner Dennis Engerer, banked on the appeal of a downtown Northville location in 1998. The partners bought the Cady/Church corner from the city that year, started construction in 2000, and opened the doors to tenants two years later.

"We really count on the fact people want to live in downtown Northville," Lynda Heaton said. "I would say it's biggest advantage is you can walk uptown anywhere. It's an alternative to the types of condos that they're building in the township right now. It's urban living."

She likened the New Victorian to the Ashley Mews project in Ann Arbor.

Downtown Northville's only condominium building recently welcomed a second resident; six homes, two on the third floor, four on the second, still are available for sale. With historic character on the exterior and modern conveniences inside, the unique three-story address offers a view of Main Street to the north and Northville Downs to the south.

The neo-Victorian style red-brick building and contrast brick accents combines commercial use on the main floor with residential above. The Cady Church Development Company, the business name of the three friends, secured physical therapy and landscape architectural firms to fill the first floor.

"The city was very much in favor of the concept," Lynda

Heaton said. The attractive building expanded commercial space as well as residential offerings right in the heart of the town, she said.

Although they used to personally show prospective homeowners the condos upstairs, the developers contracted local realtor John DiMora of Keller Williams to conduct the tour. Visitors entering by elevator from the Cady Street entrance discover vintage flavor in the floral carpet, wainscoting, and comforting colors.

The model unit, decorated in the latest colors of spice, showcases features found in all the units: hardwood floors, arched windows that let in lots of light, and an open living-space floor plan.

Condo shoppers can choose from four different layouts, including one remaining with a circular dining nook at the southwest corner of the building.

"We think this will appeal to young, married double-income no-kids, a second home for a retired couple who wants to maintain a Northville residence, or young urban professionals," Heaton said.

The developer listed features standard in the Cady Church project that most of her counterparts attach as premiums, such as granite kitchen countertops, tile and double sinks in the bathrooms, French doors to the office, and two parking spaces. Plus, there are the unique views of a friendly downtown, she said.

"We're very big on community — a feeling of connectedness to your community."

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Lynda Heaton of Cady-Church Development Co., stands inside a furnished model of one of the New Victorian Building's condominiums last week.

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OBITUARIES

Ruby Harmon

Ruby Harmon of Northville Township died May 14. She was 95.

Ms. Harmon was born Oct. 14, 1907, in Berea, Ky. She relocated to the Plymouth community in 1940. An avid bird-watcher, she was employed at Rexall Drugs during the 1960s and 1970s.

Ms. Harmon is survived by her daughter, Helen Range of Plymouth; her grandchildren, Bonnie (Ken) McWatters, Deborah Thams, Sheryl (James) Koerner, Gwendolyn Rippee and Christine Craig; her great-grandchildren, Todd, Craig and Scott Brevik, Jason Puckett, Zachary Craig, John and David Koerner.

A memorial service for Ms. Harmon was held May 17 at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. Norman Long officiated the service. Interment will be at Parkview Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice or Meals on Wheels.

Ambrose (Abe) F. Baidas

Ambrose Baidas died May 15 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He was 83.

Mr. Baidas was born April 25, 1920, in Simpson, Pa., to the late Petro and Francis Dolowy Baidas.

Mr. Baidas was the founder of General RV, formerly General Trailer Mfg. and Dist., headquartered in Wixom but having four additional dealerships in the state. Mr. Baidas' company become the nation's largest dealer of motor homes and travel trailers. He also converted a three-pump gas station at the corner of Schoolcraft and Meyer roads in Detroit into the largest supplier for Mobil, with multiple locations.

Mr. Baidas is survived by his second wife, Nancy J. Baidas of Northville; his children, Claudia Schwartz of Boulder, Colo., Richard (Ruth) Baidas of West Bloomfield, Randall (Bill) Baidas of Holland and Robert (Nancy) Baidas of Northville, his grandchildren, Austin, Lanise (Wade) Loren, Genna, Grand and Robyn; his great-grandson, Abe, his brother, Gene Baidas of Carbondale, Pa.; and two stepsons, Chrsitian and Aron Griffin. Mr. Baidas was preceded in death by his first wife, Grace; and seven siblings.

A memorial service for Mr.

Baidas was held May 16 at Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. John Grenfell officiated the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the McCarty Cancer Foundation or Hospice of Michigan.

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, 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 Wilma Muntz.

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.

Mary Elizabeth Eichen

Mary Elizabeth Eichen of Howell died May 11. She was 85.

Ms. Eichen was born May 31, 1917 in Northville to William James Elkington and Edith Luella Gale. She later married Kenneth Charles Eichen in 1939. He survives her.

A former resident of Florida, Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, Ms. Eichen had been a Northville resident for nine years. She worked as a registered nurse at various hospitals, was a member of First United Methodist Church of Howell, was a life mem-

ber of Ypsilanti Chapter No. 119 OES, and was a member of the Hilltoppers.

In addition to her husband, Ms. Eichen is survived by her children, Roger Eichen of Howell, Gerald (Betty) Eichen of Columbus, Ind., and Karl Eichen of Fort Wayne, Ind.; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sister.

A funeral for Ms. Eichen was held May 15 at First United Methodist Church of Howell. Rev. Charles Jacobs officiated the service. Interment will be at Washtenog Memorial Park in Northfield Township.

Funeral arrangements were made by MacDonald's Funeral Home of Howell.

Charles E. Stewart

Charles Stewart of Applevalley, Calif., formerly of Walled Lake died May 18, 2003. He was 75.

Mr. Stewart was born May 13, 1928 in Steel, Mo. to Frank Stewart and Myrtle (Edwards) Stewart. He lived in Walled Lake 31 years, then moved around Michigan while working for the State Government. He was a retired Plumbing and Heating Inspector, a Journeyman plumber and a police officer for the city of Novi. He had worked for the city of Novi from 1974-1984 as a Plumbing and Heating Inspector, then worked for the state of Michigan until his retirement.

He was a past President for PLAM, a member of the Masonic Order, a Shriner, a member of the American Legion and a member of the Plumbers Local Union #98. He was also a WWII veteran of the United States Army.

Survivors included his wife, Anna Stewart; his daughter, Peggy (Kent) Oden of Rockford, Ill.; his siblings, Maud Boerner of Arkansas, Delna (Johnny) Carter of Mo., W.T. (Opal) Stewart of Arkansas, and Pat (Virginia) Stewart of Texas; and three grandchildren, Anna, Julie, and Mary Oden. Anna's children also survive him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Bernice, with whom he raised a daughter in Walled Lake, and his siblings, Frank Stewart, Lex Stewart, Max Stewart, Rex Stewart and Georgia Atkinson.

A Funeral Service will be held Saturday, May 24, 2003 at 11 a.m. at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 W. Dunlap, Northville. Visitation will

be from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Saturday morning. Pastor Wesley Dixon of Torrey Road Baptist Church in Fenton, will be the officiant. Interment will be at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

Arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home in Northville. Memorials may be made to Torrey Road Baptist Church in Fenton, Mich.

Eileen Marie Chervenak

Eileen Chervenak of Westland died May 16 in Ann Arbor. She was 64.

Ms. Chervenak was born Jan 8, 1939, in Detroit. She worked as an administrative supervisor in mail distribution.

Ms. Chervenak is survived by her mother, Dorcas Lewallen of Westland; her children, Alicia (John) Jamison of Westland, Elizabeth Paquette of Northville, Mark (Laurie) Lewallen of Garden City, Cheryl Koharchik of Brownstown; her brother, John Lewallen of Dearborn; and six grandchildren.

A memorial service for Ms. Chervenak was held May 16 at

Vermeulen Funeral Home of Westland, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. William Connell officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48103.

Caitlin Joy Ramsay

Caitlin Joy Ramsay died May 22 in Northville Township. She was 2 months old.

Caitlin was born Feb. 28 in Commerce Township to Jim and Debrah Ramsay of Northville, who survive her. She is also survived by her grandparents, William (Elizabeth) Ramsay of Plymouth and Bo (Joy) Westerkamp of Northville; and her aunts, Amy (Aaron) Chestnut of Novi and Andrea (Brian) Krautler of Los Angeles.

Private funeral services will be held, arrangements for which were handled by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to the Northville Community Foundation, c/o Maybury Endowment Fund, 321 N. Center

Street, Ste. 130, Northville, Mich. 48167.

William H. Vernon

William Vernon of Northville died May 24 at Dorvin Convalescent Center. He was 96.

Mr. Vernon was born Nov. 10, 1906 in Anderson, S.C., to Charlie and Owia (Vickery) Vernon. For more than 20 years he worked as an engine inspector for Chrysler Corporation before retiring in 1966.

Mr. Vernon is survived by his wife, Ann; his children, Harold (Donna) Vernon of Arkansas, Doyce (Donna) of Florida, Dave (Jackie) of Michigan, Marlyn (William) Stone of California, and Nancy (Howard) Odom of Northville; 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Visitation for Mr. Vernon will be held 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. May 30 at Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. Jonathan Wilkes of First Baptist Church of Northville will officiate May 31 funeral services. Interment will be at Old Lane Cemetery in Hodges, Ala.



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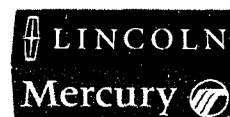
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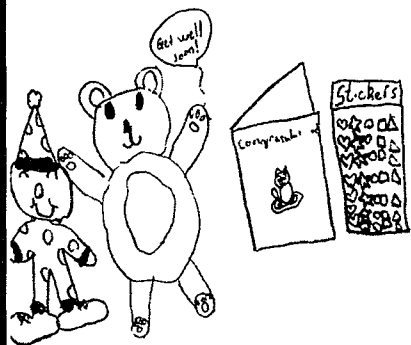
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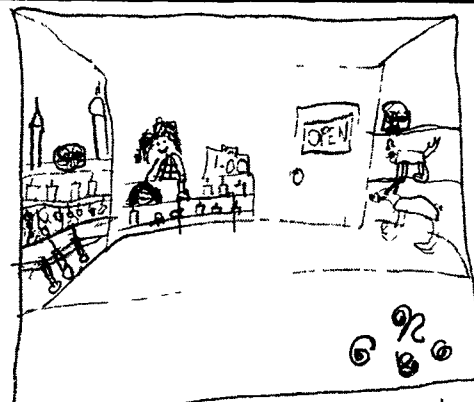
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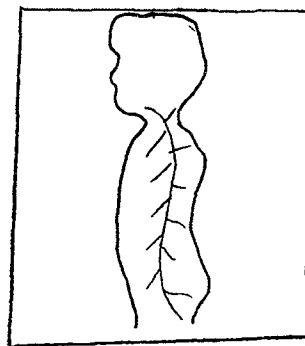
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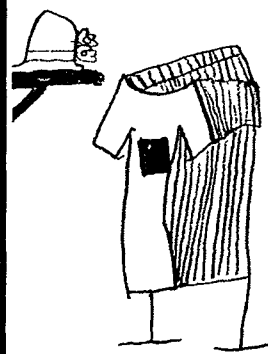
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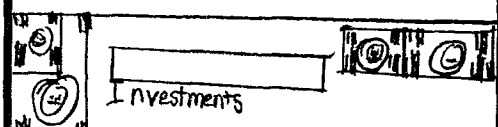
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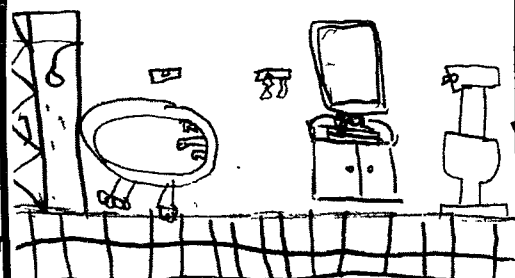
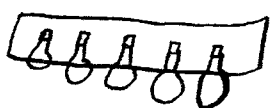


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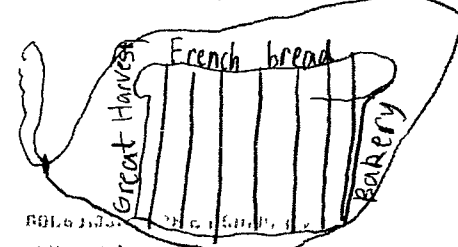
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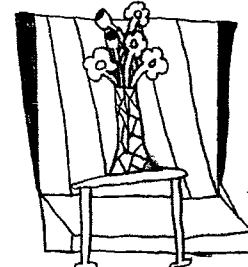
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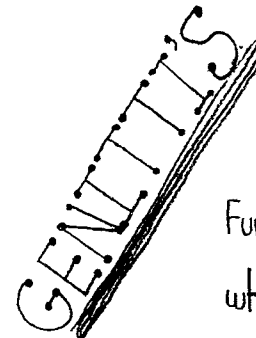
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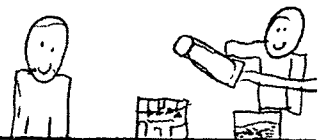
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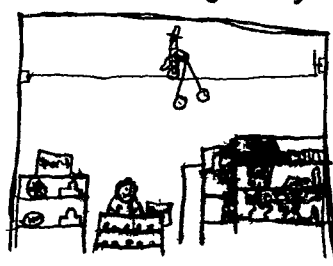
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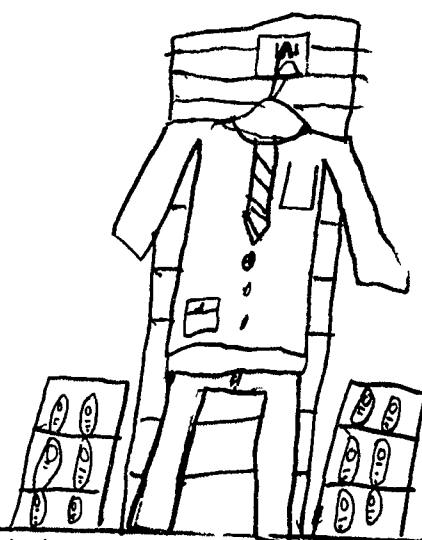
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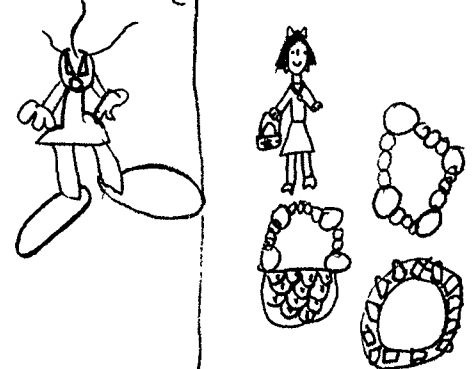
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• THIS WEEK •

Northville Arts Commission free concert — Northville High School jazz ensemble
DATE: May 30
LOCATION: Downtown Northville bandshell
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Call for info.
PHONE: (248) 449-9950

Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall stage presentation of "Motel Murders"
DATE: Various dates through May 31
LOCATION: Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall (103 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

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 Childer 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 Herdies, Redd Walther, The Same Rate, 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.
PHONE: (248) 349-0295

Parenting workshop
DATE: Begins June 3 (continues for three weeks)
LOCATION: Psychotherapy and Counseling Services, P.C. (670 Griswold, Ste. 4)
TIME: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
DETAILS: The workshop will cover issues pertaining to communicating with teens, discipline, resolving differing parental approaches, working with schools and utilizing community resources. The workshop will be led by psychologist Russell Dore, who specializes in family and marital counseling. Northville schools' special education director Bob Sornson will also speak.
PHONE: (248) 348-1100

Friends of Maybury State Park 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

• COMING UP •

Northville Arts Commission free concert — The Weepers (country / bluegrass / swing)
DATE: June 6
LOCATION: Downtown Northville

bandshell
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Call for info
PHONE: (248) 449-9950

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

Maybury Trail Riders / Raisin River Riders pancake breakfast and ride-along
DATE: June 8
LOCATION: Maybury State Park (Eight Mile / Beck Roads)
TIME: Starts at 8 a.m.
DETAILS: Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Riders may depart at their leisure. A portion of the proceeds will benefit reconstruction efforts of the Maybury State Park barn. A \$13 per-person donation for breakfast is recommended. Door prizes will be made available as well.
PHONE: (248) 349-5286

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

Northville Arts Commission free concert — Ick and Erk (pop music)
DATE: June 13
LOCATION: Downtown Northville bandshell
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Call for info
PHONE: (248) 449-9950

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.
PHONE / WEBSITE: (248) 348-8500, ext. 406 / www.veeland.com

Northville Arts Commission free concert — Novi concert band
DATE: June 20
LOCATION: Downtown Northville bandshell
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Call for info
PHONE: (248) 449-9950

Northville Arts Commission free concert — Plymouth Community band
DATE: June 27
LOCATION: Downtown Northville bandshell
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Call for info
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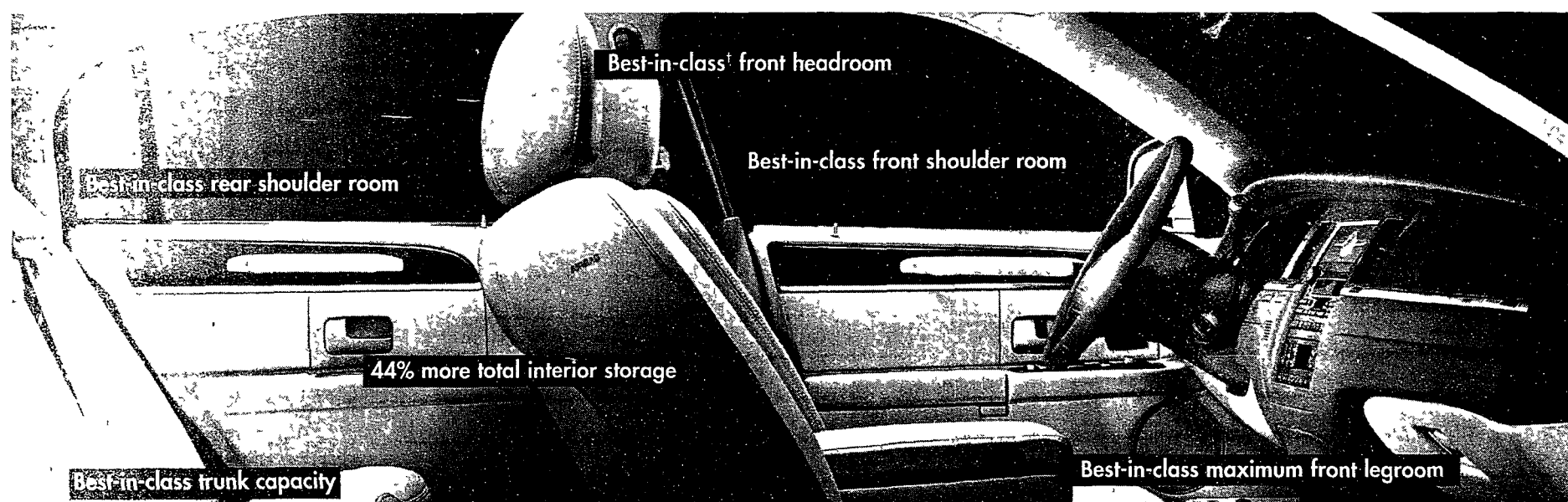


Ward Church is located at 40000 6 Mile Road in Northville,
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In case of rain, the celebration will take place in the church sanctuary. For more information, call 248-374-5920. Come join us for this night of praise and worship. You will be blessed.

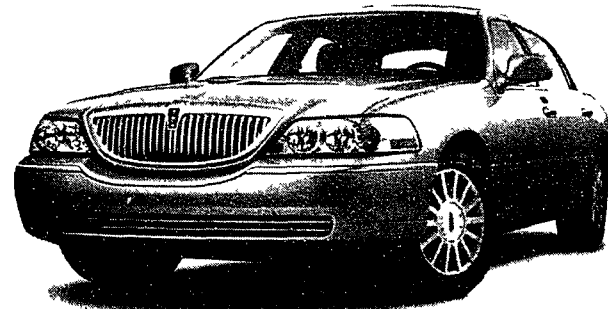
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Foreign trash import policy sparks debate

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accepting Toronto trash until last year. General Manager Dave Rettell said that the five-year contract ended in 2002, leaving Onyx with approximately 10 percent of its business coming from places other than Michigan.

Rettell said that legislation to restrict the importation of trash would result in the loss of additional contracts for Onyx.

"We would lose some business, but it wouldn't have a large impact," Rettell said. "I have customers from Canada, and we think we should be allowed to take in out-of-state waste."

Rettell said that the landfill, under current and previous ownership, has accepted out-of-state waste since 1992. In recent years, however, lawmakers and citizen groups have grown concerned about the importation of trash, resulting in numerous pieces of legislation. Among other affects, the proposed bills would impose a \$3 surcharge on every ton of trash disposed of in a landfill or incinerator in Michigan, providing \$50 million annually to help fund recycling programs. Four separate bills would require that states or provinces that export trash to Michigan impose solid waste regulations comparable to this state's. Another series of bills would ban returnable bottles and cans from Michigan landfills.

Although last week's public hearing featured statements only from supporters of the legislation, it was attended by representatives from the Waste Industries Association of Michigan. Marketing coordinator Deborah Wudyka said that the recent public concern over imported trash is inflated, given the small percentage of waste that is brought in from other sources.

Wudyka said that currently there are only three landfills in Michigan that accept a significant amount of foreign trash: Carleton Farms in Sumpter Township; Pine Tree Acres in Macomb County; and the Richfield landfill in Genesee County. Conversely, Wudyka said, trash flows from state-to-state on a regular basis.

"There are landfills along the Indiana and Ohio borders that receive municipal waste from Michigan," Wudyka said. "Solid waste flows across the boundaries every single day."

In addition to concerns about adherence to environmental regulations, Wudyka said that residents have indicated a belief that Michigan landfills are threatening to exceed capacity, due to imported waste.

"People have been given this impression that Canadian trash is pouring into the state and eating up our capacity," Wudyka said. "That is simply unmerited and false." The waste association has estimated that the minimum capacity overload, without change or technological advancements, would be a minimum of 35 years.

"We're not running out of places to dispose our trash," Wudyka said. "The second thing you hear is that this flow of trash represents a health and environmental risk. That is also untrue."

In the past 20 years, Wudyka said that environmentally-friendly laws and restrictions have improved the disposal of solid waste material, to include the standards for acceptance of outside trash.

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MILL RACE MATTERS

May 29	9am - 1 pm 9:15 am - 1:15 pm 3:345 pm - 5:45 pm 5 pm - 6 pm	Archives Open to the Public School Tour Brownie Scout Bridging Ceremony Rehearsal	Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Cady Inn & Bridge Church
May 30	9 am - 1 pm 10 am - 1:15 pm 3 pm - 5 pm 5 pm - 6 pm 6 pm - 7 pm 6 pm - 9 pm	Archives Open to the Public School Tour Wedding Private Tour Rehearsal Hackett Shower	Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Church Buildings & Grounds Church Cady Inn
May 31	Noon - 2 pm 2:15 pm - 4:15 pm 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Docent Luncheon Wedding Wedding	Cady Inn Church Church
June 1	10 am - 12:30 pm 1 pm - 4 pm 3 pm - 5 pm 1:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Mill Creek Community Church King's 8th Boy Scout Court of Honor #903 Marley Graduation Party	Church Cady Inn Church Cady Inn
June 2	9:30 am - 2:45 pm	School Tour	Wash-Oak School
June 3	9 am - noon 9:30 am - 2:45 pm 11:30 am - 4 pm 6 pm - 7 pm	Stone Gane School Tour Country Garden Club Galyan Solstice Run Meeting	Village & Cady Inn Wash-Oak School Cady Inn Cady Inn
June 4	9:30 am - 1:45 pm 7 pm - 9 pm	School Tour Mill Creek Community Church Prayer Service	Wash-Oak School Church
June 5	9 am - 1 pm 9 am - 3 pm	Archives Open to the Public School Tour	Cady Inn Wash-Oak School

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CANDIDATE FORUM TELE- VISED

The Northville Board of Education Candidates Forum, which took place at Northville High School May 20, will be tele-vised at the following times

- Northville Comcast — Channel 18
- June 3, 6 p.m.
- Novi SWOCC Studios— Channel 12
- May 31, 4 p.m.
- June 3, 3 p.m.
- June 7, 4 p.m.

MEADS' CHOIR PERFORMS

The Meads Mill Middle School sixth, seventh, and eighth grade choirs, under the direction of Patricia McLaughlin, presented their Spring Concert May 19 at the Northville High School auditorium.

The concert focused on the theme of "love" with several choral selections including "Alleluia" by Mozart, "A Joyful Madrigal" by Donald Moore and

"Seasons of Love" by Jonathan Larson. The program concluded with songs from the musical "Aladdin", arranged by Ed Lojeski. Students in the Eighth Grade Select Chorus acted out the Arabian folk myth "Aladdin and the Magic Lamp". The cast members included Roger Zatkoff as Aladdin, Jordan Bucciere as the Princess, Megan Smith as the Genie, Will Bickie as the Sultan and Bryce Jenney as the Wizard. The Spring Concert was the culmination of a highly successful year for the eighth grade choir students at Meads Mill. In addition to their concerts, the students have participated in community service at Providence Hospital in Novi and the Toys for Tots radio broadcast by Channel 4 at Twelve Oaks Mall.

Amanda Getschman and Angela Guerro participated in the Regional Honors Choir held in Monroe, Michigan. Thirteen No. 1 and 2 medals were taken home by choir students Jeremy West, Charles Murphy, Jennifer Ferch, Amanda Getschman, Angela Guerro, Magan Haller, and Elizabeth Comben at the Solo & Ensemble Festival held in Saline, Michigan.

Charles Murphy received a scholarship to Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp and Jeremy West will be on tour in Europe with the Blue Lake International Choir.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION JUNE 9

Local polls will be open Monday, June 9, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

School offices at 501 W. Main Street in Northville will be open for absentee voters Saturday,

June 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

VIEW DECORATIONS FOR SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY

The Senior All-Night Party is a longstanding Northville tradition that provides a safe and fun night for graduates. The party runs from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. on graduation night. The event features casino games, music, food and various forms of entertainment.

Each year, parents of senior students select a secret theme for the party then plan, design and construct displays based on the theme. Since last August, large groups of volunteer parents have been working to make graduation a night to remember for Northville High School's Class of 2003.

Area residents are invited to see the results of this hard work at a community walk-through of the Senior All Night Party. This walk-through will take place on Saturday, June 7th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Northville High School. Please enter through the doors on the west end of the school.

HUANG, SABHAPATHY HONORED

Grace Huang, a student at Amerman Elementary School, was selected as the first place winner in her age group in the third annual World Refugee Day poster contest sponsored by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

The UNHCR received many entries from students all over the country. As a winner of the poster contest, Huang has the opportunity to be flown together

with a parent or guardian to Washington DC on June 20 to participate with UNHCR's Goodwill Ambassador Angelina Jolie in the World Refugee Day celebration at the National Geographic building, among other events.

Her poster will be displayed at National Geographic throughout the entire World Refugee Day celebration and for several following weeks.

Huang's poster reflected the theme, "Shared Dreams: Refugee Youth and Us."

Gita Sabhapathy, another student at Amerman Elementary, also submitted a poster to the same contest. Her entry earned an honorable mention.

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.

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.

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.

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To nominate a teacher, send the teacher's full name, school address and school phone number along with a statement of no more than 200 words indicating why this instructor deserves to be our Feature Teacher.

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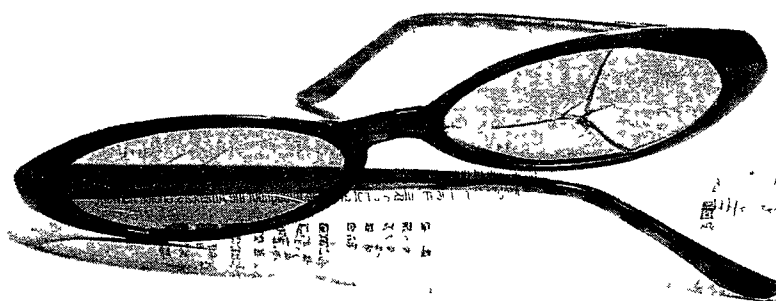
Tickets to Northville High School's 2003 Senior All Night Party are on sale. Ticket prices for the night of events for graduating seniors is \$75.

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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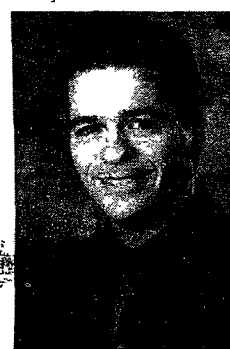


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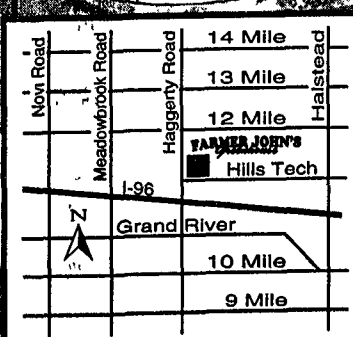
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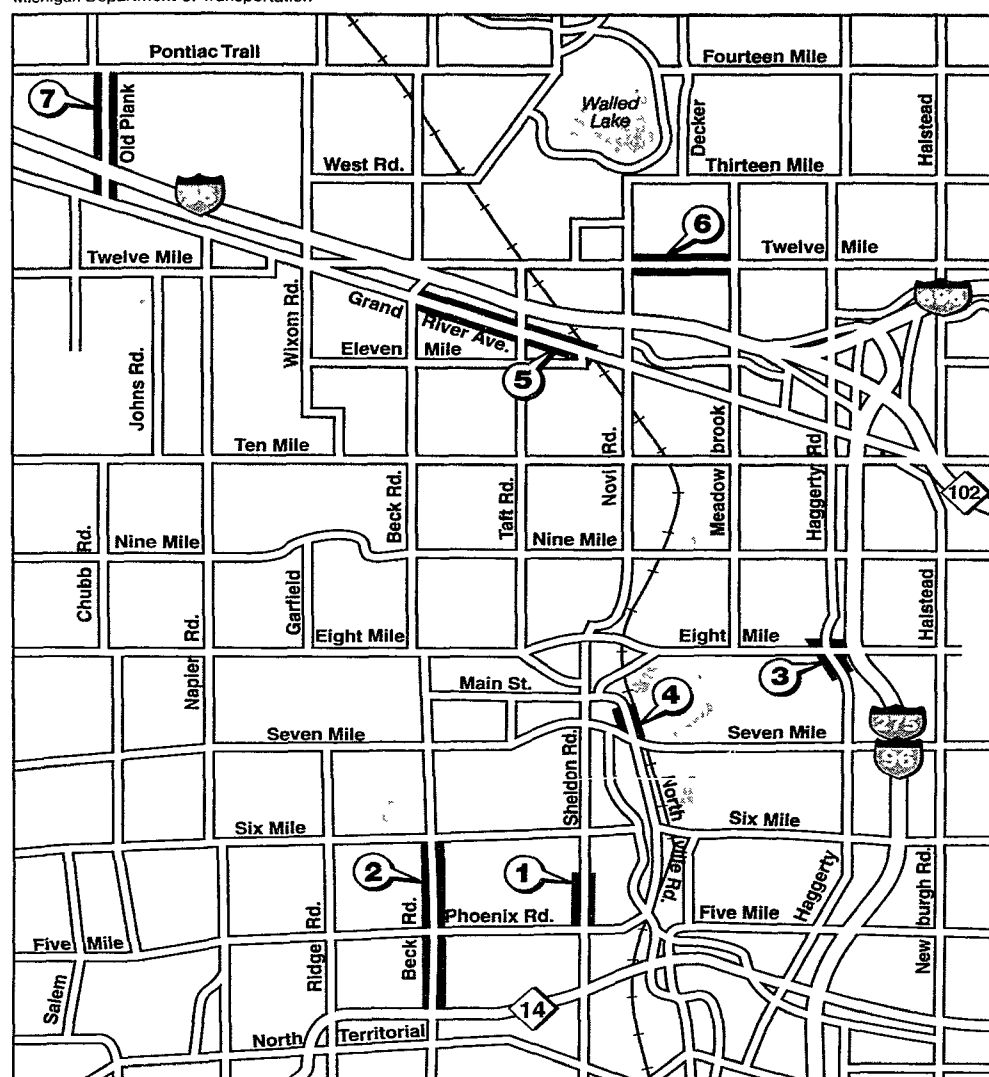
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Road Work Under Way

SOURCES: Wayne and Oakland County road commissions, Northville City and Township departments of public services, Michigan Department of Transportation



1. Sheldon Road Project

Location: From Five Mile Road north approximately one half mile, to the entrance of Northville Hills Golf Club development
Scope: Road widening to five lanes, including center turn lane
Estimated timeline: Project completion target mid September. Two lanes of two-way traffic expected to open early July
Project cost: \$2,656,200

2. Beck Road Project

Location: Five Mile to Six Mile
Scope: Construction of four-lane concrete boulevard
Concurrent project: Asphalt cap and road widening to five lanes, including center turn lane from Five Mile Road south to M-14 interchange
Estimated timeline: Early June through mid-November
Project cost: \$3,722,187
Concurrent project: Construction of bike path in front of Community Park, Our Lady of Providence and township DPS building.

3. Eight Mile/Haggerty Project

Location: In the intersection, east on Eight Mile to I-96 interchange, south on Haggerty to Target shopping center
Scope: Asphalt overlay resurfacing, concrete repair, minor widening
Estimated timeline: Early June through September
Project cost: \$1.4 million

4. Northville Road Project

Location: Seven Mile Road north to Beal Street
Scope: Resurfacing, including milling and adding new asphalt
Estimated timeline: Early June through late September
Project cost: \$148,800

5. Grand River Avenue Project

Location: Beck Road east to the CSX railroad bridge
Scope: Road widening to five lanes, including a center left-turn lane. The road is open to local traffic during construction, but closed at the railroad bridge.
Estimated timeline: Target completion date is November
Project cost: \$6.1 million
Grand River Avenue Bridge Project
Location: Over the CSX railroad tracks, just west of Novi Road.
Scope: Demolition of old bridge, construction of new bridge over the railroad tracks.
Estimated timeline: Target completion date is November
Project cost: \$7.7 million

6. Twelve Mile Road Project

Location: Meadowbrook Road to Novi Road
Scope: Road widening from two to four-lane boulevard.
Estimated timeline: Target completion date is end of September
Project cost: \$5.2 million

7. Old Plank Road Bridge Project

Location: Pontiac Trail to Grand River Avenue
Scope: Reconstruction of Old Plank Road bridge over I-96.
Estimated timeline: Target completion date is Nov. 1
Project cost: \$2.1 million
 During the closure, the detour route is South Hill and Wixom roads.

Road work lineup announced

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additional drivers demanded increased traffic capacity on Sheldon Road, said Northville Township public services director Don Weaver.

Wayne County and developer Toll Brothers are splitting the \$2.6 million road widening project — with center turn lane — from Five

Mile Road north approximately one half mile.

Removal of old utility tunnels under the road requires the road block near Tournament Drive, explained Weaver. When that part of the project is completed in late June or early July, limited two-way traffic on Sheldon Road will resume, he said.

The county expects completion

of the entire road widening project in mid-September, Wayne County Road Commission project engineer Craig Wolbrock said.

On the east and west sides of Sheldon, more than 600 single-family homes are planned as part of the Northville Hills Golf Club

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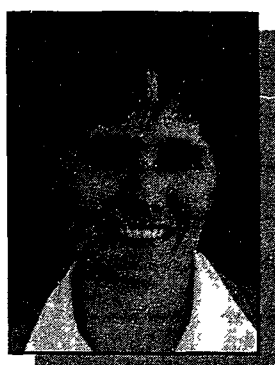
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Faces of the Future

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Carol Poenisch



Marilyn Price



Libby Smith



Robert Sochacki

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Current part-time physical education teacher, Livonia Public Schools
- Part-time high school physical education teacher, Wayne-Westland Alternative Education
- Bachelor's degree, physical education
- Master's degree, public health education
- Married, 2 children.

- EdD, counseling — Indiana University
- MA, counselor education — Central Michigan University
- BS, health education — CMU
- Former 9th grade health teacher
- Former assistant director and staff psychologist at Binghamton University Counseling Center
- Secretary-elect, Northville Co-Council of PTAs
- 10-year Northville resident
- Married, 3 children

- BA, University of Michigan
- Four years as stay-at-home mother
- 13 years advertising / marketing work
- Served as Detroit manager of *Parenting Magazine*.
- Thornton Creek PTA president
- PTA Co-Council
- Thornton Creek School Improvement Team
- District School Improvement Team
- Married, 3 children.

- 10-year resident of the city of Northville
- BA, University of Detroit
- MBA, Wayne State University
- 15 years labor relations experience
- 10 years training and development experience
- Five years corporate recruiting experience
- Six years Northville Recreation Dept. soccer coach experience
- Two years "school-to-work" program in Utica Schools.
- Married, 2 children

QUESTIONS & RESPONSES

To help save money during tough economic times, do you prefer trimming budget expenditures in specific areas, or favor more equitable cuts across the board? Why?

Eventually, cuts will have to be made across the board, deeper in some areas than in others. I favor reducing programs in areas furthest from the curriculum. I would consolidate curricula to avoid eliminating certain classes and ask parents to pick up costs in transportation or athletics. Small learning communities such as seminar and middle-school teams, as well as low elementary class size are programs which make our district unique, and contribute to our success.

I support efforts to maintain child-centered schools. A cornerstone of that effort is maintaining small class size. We need to examine all areas that do not directly affect delivery of services to kids. Eighty-five percent of the Northville Schools budget goes to personnel, all other areas need to be carefully examined to make the cuts necessary to achieve a balanced budget.

Given the current and potential future budget situation, I think it's imperative to examine all specific areas within the district in lieu of making cuts across the board. This district offers such a variety of programs at different levels (academic, athletic, etc.) I believe each area needs to be evaluated relative to the timing, the overall economy and the budget.

I believe that the more academically sound method of reducing budgets is to look at each area of the districts operations. The last area to look in priority order should be academics. We should also be looking at methods to raise revenue.

An often-heard criticism of public education is that graduating seniors sometimes lack basic skills necessary for success later in life. Do you believe this is true in Northville, and if so, what do you believe can be done to correct the problem?

The mission of the district is to prepare our students to be analytical thinkers, effective communicators, quality contributors, and continuous learners. We want them to have demonstrable skills, be knowledgeable, and to possess the drive to achieve personal success. With these tools, our students will be able to meet ever-changing demands later in life.

In general, Northville students are well prepared, as evidenced by the large percentage of students who go on to colleges and universities. There are resources available for those who need assistance in specific areas, for example, the writing center. Students, with the support of their parents, have a responsibility to assess their skills and select courses that will strengthen areas of weakness.

The Northville board of education has established a profile of what a Northville High School graduate should be: an analytical thinker, an effective communicator, a quality contributor, a continuous learner and a world-class citizen. This profile is then used in curriculum review, various studies on effective learning and throughout the school improvement process. I believe this district has done an excellent job in preparing graduates to live a very successful and thoughtful life.

I agree with that notion. I have seen this phenomenon first hand in my experience as a corporate recruiter of both professional and manufacturing employees, but my gut feel is that Northville grads perform quite well. It will be my job as a member of the Board to ensure that all of our grads whether college bound or not are fully equipped for success.

If demographics indicate the school district's enrollment will further push Northville High School's capacity, do you believe additional expansion should be pursued, or are there other remedies that should be investigated?

Projected growth will add 1,000 homes around Ridge Wood Elementary, 1,200 homes west of Beck and north of Eight Mile, and another 320 homes north of Nine Mile and west of Napier. The state will allow us to build for only five years into the future. We should continually evaluate how to reconfigure programs to maximize existing space and avoid expensive new construction. In addition, we will need to plan for an eventual leveling enrollment.

Current expansion provides space for the projected student population for the next five years, the maximum the state allows for demographic projection. It's unknown if today's rapid growth rate will continue in the future or begin to level off. I value the community spirit that is generated by having one high school and hope we'll be able to accommodate our student population in one building, however quality education must be our priority.

Based on the growth in the district the past few years and the anticipated building in many areas of this community, I do believe Northville High School's capacity will be pushed. I would love to see the board of education explore all alternatives before pursuing additional expansion. The last thing Northville should do is get into an 'overbuilt' situation. The economy and state budget will have a major impact on this, as well.

There are physical limits to the ability to expand the High School physical plant. That will limit our options. It is the Board's responsibility working with the Administration to remain in constant communication with the Counties, Township, Chamber of Commerce, and various development companies in order to understand where the growth will occur and at what rate to meet the educational needs of a growing community.

Are there areas of Northville's K-12 program you believe are over-emphasized or under-emphasized? Which ones, and how so?

We have a well-balanced program. I think if you ask 100 parents or students in the district you might get 100 different answers. We could consider making some small changes regarding computer technology graduation requirements. I think that our graduation requirements need to reflect the state-mandated core curriculum. We need to do the most we can for the greatest number of students. We should make sure our teachers have everything they need in order to do the best job possible in the classroom.

We need to strengthen our programs through the increased use of differentiation of instruction in the classroom. Children will benefit from instructional methods and an academic plan that is tailored to individual needs. The district already has programs in place for those students who need additional support and for those who need additional challenge. Differentiation in instruction would better meet the needs of all Northville students.

Northville offers such excellent programs throughout the entire K-12 program, I don't think anything can be overemphasized. Relationship-building with community groups is something I think could be emphasized more. A good example of this is the Senior Prom that Hillside Middle School puts on for the Northville senior citizens. This program is being recognized and replicated in other areas of the state.

I believe that the district has a well-balanced curriculum. The board is constantly working to improve it. The challenge will be to maintain this balance in the face of shrinking budgets.

What are your feelings on "pay-to-play" interscholastic athletics?

Northville parents are being asked to help maintain after-school activities because of the current budget crisis. Booster clubs, fees and parental help will enable us to keep these valuable programs. After-school activities enhance the learning process by developing self-esteem and providing healthy social settings for our youth. It is hoped that all students will find some way to be connected to the school community through extracurricular activities.

In light of the current budget situation, I am in favor of an athletic fee for students who choose to participate. The bottom line is that we must generate funds or cut programs and this is a fee where those involved can help support the activities they value.

I'm not an advocate for "pay-to-play" athletics. However, given this current budget crisis, I would be interested in exploring it as a temporary alternative to cutting classroom teachers and certain programs.

This is one area that has to be seriously considered as a method of generating some revenue and allowing revenue to be reallocated to the academic areas.

Northville braces for flurry of road projects

Continued from 12

of the Northville Hills Golf Club development, according to Northville Township planner Maureen Osiecki. The 24 detached condominiums called Northville Hollow can enter only off of Sheldon Road.

In the same area, the Northville Hills Golf Club Villas attached condos represent another 184 families entering and exiting at Five Mile and Sheldon.

Northville Township officials agreed to allow the contractors performing the road improvements to locate their concrete manufacturing operation on township-owned property at Five Mile and Sheldon, Weaver said.

"Not only does that provide for better quality, it provides for more expeditious construction," he said.

Beck Road Project

There is not yet a firm date to start work on widening Beck Road between M-14 and Six Mile Road, Wolbrock said. Timeline estimates for the \$3.7 million project range from a start as soon as two weeks and as late as two months.

The project is expected to take 100 work days, he said, so it could last six months. As soon as the contract is awarded, the county will share the information, the engineer said.

"That's the biggest key, getting the word out so people can plan," Wolbrock said.

Weaver said, "There are definitely peak hours we need additional lanes." A Wayne County engineer also is looking into the timing of the traffic signal at the Six Mile/Beck Road intersection to try to alleviate congestion, he said.

In Northville Township, a four-lane concrete boulevard is planned from Five Mile to Six

Mile. The board trustees entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the county and Plymouth Township in order to secure the specifications they sought.

In Plymouth Township, the county contract specifies a simultaneous project for an asphalt cap and road widening to five lanes, including center turn lane from Five Mile Road south to M-14 interchange.

"We wanted to make a little bit of a softer entrance to the township," Weaver explained. "We don't have that many opportunities and needs to make left-hand turns, and we know where they are."

Thus, the township anted approximately \$80,000 for the mile stretch of grassy median, rather than additional center-turn lane. Concurrent completion of a bike path between Five Mile and Six Mile roads will cost the township \$28,000, Weaver said.

During the Beck Road construction, preliminary plans detail a small wedge of asphalt shifting traffic to the east, allowing cars to travel northbound only from Five Mile to Six Mile. During the second half of the project — in late August if the contract is soon awarded — traffic will return to two directions, one lane each north and south bound

Eight Mile/Haggerty Project

Asphalt overlay resurfacing, concrete repair and minor widening is planned at the Eight Mile/Haggerty Road intersection, as well as east on Eight Mile to I-96 interchange and south on Haggerty to Target shopping center

"We're anticipating any time now," Wayne County Road Commission project engineer Eddie Bizek said Tuesday. It is a 90-day estimated \$1.4 million

project that likely will last through September, he said.

"It's not like they're adding another lane of traffic," Weaver said. "But people will notice it's more convenient there."

Because of the volume of traffic in that area, the contractor might work at night, Weaver said.

"They're really constrained out there because of the amount of traffic," he said.

Northville Road Project

Wayne County road crews in the next couple of weeks are expected to commence the \$148,800 project of resurfacing Northville Road from Seven Mile Road north to Beal Street.

"They indicated to us they would start early in June," Gallogly said. A preliminary timeline showed projected completion, including resurfacing, milling and adding new asphalt, in late September.

The county performed a similar project from Beal north to Griswold three years ago, Gallogly reminded.

"It will be a nice, new smooth surface," he said. The DPS director said he expects Northville Road will remain open to traffic during the resurfacing.

"I don't think they'll close the road except for the day of paving," he said. "It's not that big of a project."

Grand River Avenue and Bridge Projects

The \$6.1 million construction on Grand River Avenue from Beck Road east to the CSX railroad bridge is scheduled through November, Bryson said. The Beck Road/Grand River intersection is part of the project.

"You can get up to the bridge on either side to access the residences and businesses," he said.

The county is widening Grand River to five lanes, including a

center left-turn lane. The road is open to local traffic during construction, but closed at the railroad bridge.

"It's definitely a case of short-term pain for long-term gain," Bryson said. When completed, Grand River Avenue will handle more motorists, more smoothly and more safely.

Meanwhile, workers are creating the largest bridge on an Oakland County road, the spokesman said, over the CSX railroad tracks, just west of Novi Road. Demolition of old bridge dating back to the 1920s, and construction of new bridge will cost approximately \$7.7 million.

"It was a major, major undertaking," Bryson said. Completion of the bridge as well is targeted for November.

Twelve Mile Project

Work started last year continues on the widening of Twelve Mile Road from Meadowbrook Road to Novi Road. Drivers will travel the two temporary lanes

until the four lanes and grassy median are complete.

Oakland County targeted the end of September for completion of the \$5.2 million boulevard project.

Old Plank Road Project

The Michigan Department of Transportation closed Old Plank Road from Pontiac Trail to Grand River Avenue to reconstruct the bridge over I-96, said Rob Morosi, MDOT communication specialist. The target completion date is Nov. 1, he said, including fixing any final punch-list items.

"With a scheduled completion date of Nov. 1, we're confident we can open the bridge to traffic the middle of October," Morosi said. During the \$2.1 million project, suggested detour routes are South Hill and Wixom roads.

The new bridge will last 30-40 years, the spokesman said. While the old bridge was of legal height at 13-foot, 10 inches, the new span will be 16-feet

tall.

"For a summer of detours, we're not going to encounter those bridge hits of before," Morosi said. Removing the possibility of trucks swiping the overpass will eliminate safety concerns, related maintenance costs, as well as delays for I-96 travelers, he said.

"Bobby the Barrel" radio ads sponsored by one MDOT project ask drivers to be careful during the construction season. The top three reasons for accidents, the ad says, are lack of patience, speeding and driver inattention.

"It's the kind of thing — people want it, but they don't want to put up with it," Gallogly said. "Everyone's always grumbling about detours."

"We have two seasons in Michigan — winter and construction."

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

REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WAYNE, OAKLAND AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN
TO BE HELD
JUNE 9, 2003

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 9, 2003. THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

At the regular school election there will be elected two (2) members to the board of education of the district for full terms of four (4) years ending in 2007.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

Carol Louise Poenisch
Marlyn T. Price
Libby Ann Smith

Robert Martin Sochacki
Kevin Michael Wine

Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 p.m. Friday, June 6, 2003.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT the following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the regular school election:

OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL NON-HOMESTEAD AND NON-QUALIFIED AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY TAX

This millage will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills against non-homestead and non-qualified agricultural property required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation guarantee.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, exempting therefrom homestead and qualified agricultural property as defined by law, in Northville Public Schools, Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, be increased by 18 mills (\$18.00 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2003 to 2012, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes, the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2003 is approximately \$8,202,600 (this is a renewal of millage which expired with the 2002 tax levy)?

SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY COLLEGE REGULAR BIENNIAL ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial Election of Schoolcraft Community College, Michigan, will be held at the same time and at the same voting places as the regular school election on Monday, June 9, 2003, and will be conducted by the same school officials for those electors of the Community College District residing in this school district.

ONLY REGISTERED SCHOOL ELECTORS RESIDING IN THE SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY COLLEGE AREA OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR BIENNIAL ELECTION OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

At the Regular Biennial Election there will be elected two (2) members for the office of Community College District Trustee for full terms of six (6) years ending June 30, 2009.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

SIX YEAR TERMS
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2)
Richard J. DeVries
Carol M. Strom

Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 p.m. Friday, June 6, 2003.

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. 1
Voting Place: Northville City Offices, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 2
Voting Place: Silver Springs School, 19801 Silver Springs Drive, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 3
Voting Place: Winchester School, 16141 Winchester Drive, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 4
Voting Place: Amerman Elementary School 847 North Center, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 5
Voting Place: Northville City Offices, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 6
Voting Place: Morrae School, 46811 West Eight Mile Road, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 7
Voting Place: Thornton Creek Elementary School, 46180 Nine Mile Road, Novi, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 8
Voting Place: Meads Mill Middle School, 16700 Franklin Road, Northville, Michigan
All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964

Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of April 29, 2003 the total of all voted increases in excess of the Constitutional fifteen mill tax rate limitation and the years such increases are effective are as follows affecting the taxable property of Local Unit:

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan

Portion located in the City and Township of Northville, Wayne County, Michigan

Local Unit	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years	Increases Effective
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill		2003 thru 2009
Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency	August 6, 1974	1 mill		2003 Indefinitely
Wayne County Jail	November 8, 1988	1 mill		2003 Indefinitely
Wayne County Parks	August 6, 2002	1.5 mills		2003 Indefinitely
Wayne County Comm. College	August 6, 2002	1 mill		2003 thru 2010
Wayne County Transit Authority	August 8, 2000	0.25 mill		2003 thru 2005
Northville Public Schools	November 3, 1998	1 mill		2003 thru 2004
	November 6, 2001	1.5 mills		2003 thru 2010
	August 6, 2002	0.6 mill		2003 thru 2004
	None			None

RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ
Wayne County Treasurer

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT NO. 62 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1933 AS AMENDED

I, Patrick M. Dohany, County Treasurer of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of April 28, 2003, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the Northville Public Schools, Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

LOCAL UNIT	VOTED INCREASE	YEARS INCREASE EFFECTIVE
Northville Public Schools	None	Unlimited
Township of Lyon	1.00	1997 to 2016 Incl.
	2.50	Unlimited
City of Northville	1.00	Unlimited
	1.00	Unlimited
City of Novi	1.80	Unlimited
Township of Novi	1.00	Unlimited
	2.5257	Unlimited
County of Oakland	.25	2002 to 2011 Incl.

Dated: April 28, 2003

PATRICK M. DOHANY, TREASURER
OAKLAND COUNTY

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of May 1, 2003 the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Northville Public Schools, Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan is as follows:

Charter millages are not over and above the tax limitation, but are listed here for information purposes.	
Washtenaw County	0.2443 mill parks 2007
	0.2457 mill parks 2009
	0.2186 mill HCMA Indefinite
	0.0012 drains Indefinite
	0.2500 mill natural areas 2011
	0.9131 mill charter Indefinite
Salem Township	None
Northville Public Schools	1.9733 mill Indefinite
Wayne Regional Intermediate Schoolcraft Community College	1.8193 mill charter Indefinite
Dated: May 1, 2003	

This Notice is given by order of the board of education.

WASHTENAW COUNTY TREASURER CATHERINE MCCLARY

GREGORY W. PELC
SECRETARY, BOARD OF EDUCATION
(5-29 & 6-5-03 NR 59319)

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WESTERN TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
3:00 P.M., MONDAY, MAY 19, 2003

Regular meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.
Present: Thomas Yack, Steve Mann, Richard Henningsen
Agenda – adopted as presented
Minutes of regular meeting of April 28, 2003 – approved
Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$634,899 46 – approved
Operations & Maintenance Report for April 2003 – received and filed
Director's Report for May 2003 – received and filed.
Financial Statements for Six Months Ended March 31, 2003 – received and filed.
Bill's Outdoor Care Contract; Amendment No 2 – approved
Inspector of Repairs – Phase 3, Request for Proposals – approval to advertise for proposals
Accountant Position, Hours of Work Change – approved
Lower Rouge Pump Station, Debris Grinder Purchase – approval to solicit for written price proposals
Lower Rouge Pump Station; Bar Screen Installation – approval to accept the proposal from Process Piping & Equipment of Milford, Michigan
Nextel Digital Cellular Phone System Contract Renewal – approval
YCUA Plant Expansion Update – revised and filed.
The regular meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.
THOMAS J. YACK, Chairperson

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.
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Northville pays tribute to its fallen heroes

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Moments of respectful silence and bursts of applause for veterans walking past were the grateful tribute of the hundreds of area residents who lined Northville streets for the Memorial Day parade Monday.

"It was perfect," said parade chairperson Dana Manuel, a VFW ladies auxiliary member. "Everything went as smooth as can be. We had a great turnout."

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 4012 and American Legion Lloyd H. Green Post No. 147 and their auxiliary units hosted the 10 a.m. Monday event.

Manuel, the daughter of a Vietnam veteran, for the third year supervised the day of tribute to those who have served our country past and present. After investing four months of planning, she said she was thrilled that even the weather turned out right.

It was like a stadium wave as parade watchers progressively stood up and clapped as the first assemblies of veterans approached. Then, the city hushed as the parade paused for the rifle salute and bugled "Taps" at Oakwood Cemetery on Cady Street.

Members of the VFW, American Legion and their ladies auxiliaries, representatives from local public safety agencies, elected officials, the Northville High School marching band, and Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Brownies waving miniature flags, were part of the procession that wound its

way a dozen city blocks.

As the flashing lights of the final emergency vehicle approached, many along the route started to fall in step with the crowd of Scouts moving toward the end of the parade route.

It was a slice of Americana as the crowd ambled slowly down historic First Street. Neighbors waved from front porches, children manned lemonade stands in their front yard and proud parents snapped photos for memories of the day.

Police officers guided the group across Seven Mile Road onto Rural Hill Drive where parade watchers became solemn ceremony observers at the cemetery.

Sun filtered through the tree branches as adults and children trickled across the bridge, a half dozen abreast walking the gravel paths that wind back to the ceremony setting.

Framed by the metal arch denoting the Veterans Memorial, Jay Sugure of Northville's VFW Post served as emcee of the 30-minute tribute. The podium was flanked by neat rows of small white headstones each decorated by an American flag and poppies for the occasion.

After the wreath placement, First United Methodist Church Rev. Jennifer Bixby in a starched white uniform led with prayer. She thanked God for those who willing to die and in the service of their country and asked for a blessing on those gathered to remember them.

Northville Mayor Christopher

Johnson was among the many dignitaries Sugure introduced who were seated behind the podium.

"What we're doing right now is what Memorial Day is all about," Johnson said. "[We're] honoring those who gave their lives for freedom."

Manuel arranged a special presentation to Johnson and former mayor Mike Allen a plaque honoring the city of Northville for 50 years of supporting veterans.

The current mayor introduced Allen, who served as mayor from 1958 to 1977, as the 2003 parade grand marshal.

Allen, who attended the tribute with his wife Betty, recalled in the mid-1940s the creation of the specially designated resting place for Northville's veterans.

Farmers with their horse teams created the cemetery bordered, by the hill, he described. The cordoned-off memorial area came later, when it became clear the tiny, eight-grave plot set aside for soldiers would not suffice.

The Rural Hill ceremony also included recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance, poetry readings, a 21-gun salute, "Taps," and patriotic songs by the NHS marching band.

The crowd enthusiastically applauded Katie Schwalm's stirring rendition of "Proud to be an American." Audience members afterward complimented the Canton 12-year-old's poise and patriotism.

When Sugure introduced Manuel as the event organizer, the crowd applauded appreciatively

As people headed back toward town, she said she was happy with her Memorial weekend.

More than two hours after the parade began, the spirit of the day lingered as the community shared ice cream in the Casterline Funeral Home parking lot. Guernsey Farm Dairy continued its tradition of providing to parade watchers complimentary ice cream treats.

People at the parade cited a variety of reasons for attending. Whether they came to see a young marcher or a seasoned veteran, they tasted the patriotic flavor of the day in song, color and salute.

Cheryl Sauer of Wixom joined her friend, Paulus Davidovich of Northville, to watch the parade. The local woman said tradition has brought her to Main Street for 20 years.

Like many in the crowd, the two women were dressed in red, white and blue and sported patriotic accessories.

"We always celebrate Memorial Day to honor the people who have fallen for our country," Sauer said. The two arrived a half-hour before the parade start to set up their folding chairs and grab a coffee.

John Margle, too set up on Main Street, cameras ready.

"I have a son (James) who's in the marching band," he said. "He's a senior, so this is his last Memorial Day parade."

Karen and Bill Poulos invited Ed and Elva Asquini of Novi once again to attend the parade. Their grandson, Michael Poulos, also is a NHS marching band member.

Vivian and Jesse Gerrard perched at the corner of Cady and Wing for what they predicted would be their final Memorial Day parade in Northville. After 31 years, the couple is moving from Northville to the Rochester area.

The Gerrards recalled a tradition of attending the parade dating back to when their daughters Patty and Julie were NHS flag corps members in the 1980s.

Tracey Miller of Livonia stretched out on the grass along

Cady street for her first parade in Northville. Her husband, Gary, qualified to march in the parade as an S.A.L. (Son of American Legion). 2003 was his first year in the color guard for American Legion Post 32 of Livonia, she said.

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

INVITATION FOR BIDS CITY OF NORTHVILLE PERMANENT PAVEMENT MARKING PROGRAM

Sealed bids will be received in the City of Northville Council Chambers, City Hall, and 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until 2:00 p.m. local time on June 11, 2003 for the City's Permanent Pavement Marking Program.

Specifications for approximately 16,000 feet of pavement marking on streets in the City of Northville can be obtained by contacting the Northville Department of Public Works at (248) 449-9930.

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

JAMES P. GALLOGLY
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

(5-29-03 NR 59410)

Music acts hit Ford Field this weekend

By Grace Blum
SPECIAL WRITER

Looking for something fun to do on a Saturday night? Then venture downtown to Ford Field off of Hutton Street May 31 for Suburban Kids Rockin Under Ford Field, a concert featuring five local bands from Northville and Novi.

The show runs from 5 to 10 p.m. The entrance fee is \$5. Concessions can be purchased.

For more information on SKRUFF and the acts, see pages 16A and 17A.

during the concert. And if it rains, the rescheduled concert date will be June 1 at the same time.

"We want this to be a great success so we can continue to plan events for the youth of our community," said Northville

Chamber of Commerce director Laurie Marrs.

The concert originated from a community dialog that involved residents, students and community leaders of Northville. The group discussed ideas of things to do for the local youths and how to involve them in the community. G3 and the Northville Parent-Teacher Association made contributions so SKRUFF could take place. A group of six students designed the SKRUFF

logo, interviewed and booked the bands and designed a T-shirt for the event.

"If this is a great success, we will have another concert in August and maybe in October," Marrs said.

At least 500 are expected to show up for the event.

Grace Blum is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700.

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NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the Regular School Board Election on June 9, 2003, has been scheduled for Friday, June 6, 2003, 9:00 a.m. at Northville Public Schools, Board of Education, 501 West Main St., Northville, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program(s) and the computer being used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

GREGORY W. PELC, SECRETARY
NORTHVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION

(5-29-03 NR 59316)

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Northville Public Schools will be having a Roof Replacement pre-bid mandatory meeting on Tuesday, June 3, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. at Silver Springs Elementary School, 19801 Silver Springs Drive, Northville, MI 48167. Bids are due June 10, 2003. Any questions, please contact Chris Gears in the Operations Department, 501 West Main Street.

(5-29-03 NR 59217)

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SHADOW BOX

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville band "Shadow Box" rehearses on a recent Wednesday afternoon. From left is bassist Jack Doyle, drummer Matt Sklut, and guitarist Mike Troost. They will be performing at this weekend's SKRUFF concert at Ford Field.



By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Members of the band Shadow Box are slated to participate in an outdoor concert at Ford Field in downtown Northville May 31 and are eager to perform.

"It's supposed to have a huge turnout," said Jackson Doyle, who plays bass guitar for Shadow Box. "It's going to be fun to have a lot of people see us and hear our music. Not a lot of people play what we play."

"We're excited to be a part of it. We had to give a demo tape for it. We're looking forward to playing."

Doyle will be performing with guitarist Mike Troost and drummer

Matt Sklut.

All three band members are freshman at Northville High School.

"We've been a band since last December," said Doyle. "Me and Mike have known each other since Kindergarten. We just met Matt this year."

The concert, titled Suburban Kids Rockin' Under Ford Field, is planned to take place from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. SKRUFF will feature local bands performing music ranging from punk rock to jam.

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is \$5, with a rain date scheduled for June 1.

"We love expressing our music talents together," Doyle said, adding that Shadow Box performs blues, rock and funk. "It's inspired by Jimmy Hendrix and Eric Clapton."

Shadow Box also performed May 17 at the downtown Northville gazebo.

For more information on SKRUFF, contact Sue Taylor at (248) 349-0203 ext. 1411.

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THIS DYING HOUR

By Grace Blum
SPECIAL WRITER

"It's emotionally driven melodic hardcore," said Jim Margle, This Dying Hour's drum player, explaining what type of music the band plays.

This Dying Hour, a four-man band, will be replacing Desktop Heroes for the SKRUFF concert. Guitarist Evan Anselmo, vocalist / guitarist Bill Crawford, bassist Colin Floyd Margle make up the band.

"[Playing at SKRUFF] is going to be something we've never done before. It's going to be pretty new to me, but I'm looking forward to it," Margle said.

All members of This Dying Hour have musical experience to contribute to the band.

Crawford said This Dying Hour is a new band with a sound that probably not many people have heard before. However, he hoped the band would make an impact upon

some individuals.

"I think

[playing SKRUFF] is a pretty cool thing,"

Crawford said. "We try

to play at clubs, but there's only

100 people at the most.

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is stepping in

and saying

our music is a

good thing,

so it's cool."

Floyd

echoed his

bandmate's

sentiments.

"SKRUFF

is a nice way

of bringing it

all back together," Floyd said.

Margle expressed apprecia-

tion for the organization of the music festival.

"I think it's cool the community is putting this on. I'm really

happy the city is doing something for the music. We

want a place that's safe in this town for kids to go to."

SKRUFF will mark This Dying Hour's first public performance.

"I'm excited about this band because

I get to do things that I didn't get to do in other bands,"

Anselmo said.

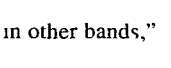
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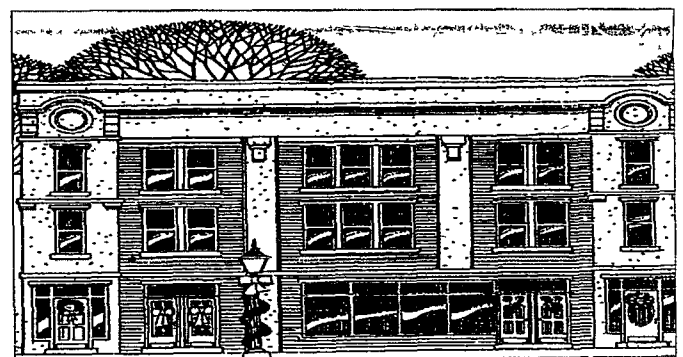
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REDD WAHLTER

By Grace Blum
SPECIAL WRITER

"Redd Wahler will rock," said the band's guitarist, Isaac Lusk, of the opportunity that Redd Wahler has to play at the SKRUFF concert on May 31.

The band is comprised of four members, Andrew Peterson, drummer, Josh Spooner, vocalist, Steve Taepke, bassist and Lusk, and has been together since February of this year. Musical background and playing in other bands have contributed to the band's musical skills.

Redd Wahler's music, was inspired by such musicians like Led Zeppelin, Pink Floyd and The Doors. "It's classic psychedelic funk rock review," said Peterson of the band's music style.

Spooner said, "Rock + wizardry = Redd Wahler."

The band writes their own music and lyrics and are excited about playing for SKRUFF.

"This show's paving the way for future shows. More venues will open up," Taepke said.

Lusk said Redd Wahler's members were looking forward



Redd Wahler will be performing at SKRUFF on May 31.

to the show.

"I think its going to be fun and its going to show a lot of local musicians the way to start. Its cool that its outside too," he said.

The band was quick to say that they play music because they like music, simple as that.

Peterson and Spooner are busy writing a movie script

about wizards, trolls and dark powers in a fantasy world that will include many of the band's songs. Parts of the story are written directly around their songs and music

Redd Wahler will next be taking stage at Coffee Studio in Plymouth June 6 at 8 p.m.

THE SAME FATE

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

On May 31, members of "The Same Fate" are will be taking stage at Ford Field in downtown Northville as part of an outdoor concert.

"It should be pretty fun," said Jeff Crawford, drummer for The Same Fate. "It's a good thing for Northville. It's something new."

Other band members include Caleb Porter, guitarist and vocalist; Brent Mosser, bassist, and Joe Wilcox, lead guitarist.

The concert, titled Suburban Kids Rockin' Under Ford Field, is planned to take place from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. SKRUFF will feature local bands performing music ranging from punk rock to jam

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Crawford said the band has been in existence for approximately 15 years and writes their own music and lyrics.

He described the musical style of The Same Fate as alternative punk rock.

"It's a lot of fun," said Crawford. "We've been through a lot. We've played at a lot of shows."

Some of those performances have taken place at Heritage Park

in Plymouth and other local gathering spots.

"We used to play at Rebecca's back in the day," he said "It brings back old memories."

Crawford encouraged local residents to attend the upcoming musical showdown.

"It's local and it's something new for Northville," he said "I think it's a good experience for everyone."

And being part of a band definitely has its highlights, he said.

"It builds friendships up. We really enjoy what we're doing."

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TONY FLOW

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Four members of the local band, Tony Flow, are anxious to display their musical prowess during an outdoor concert at Ford Field in downtown Northville May 31.

The band consists of Matt Tanski, Leo Svoboda, Nick Detrych and Evan McAlpine.

All four boys are juniors at Northville High School.

Band members said their name was influenced by another musical group, the Red Hot Chili Peppers.

The concert, titled Suburban Kids Rockin' Under Ford Field, is slated to take place from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. SKRUFF will feature local bands performing music ranging from punk rock to jam.

Tanski said he is anticipating the musical showdown.

"It's going to be a good time," he said. "We're looking forward to playing with the other bands and just



having a good time."

The event is sponsored in cooperation with students from Northville High School, the Northville Chamber of Commerce, Northville Parks and Recreation and Northville Youth Assistance. The entrance fee is \$5, with a rain date scheduled for June 1.

Band members practice about once a week.

Other Tony Flow members said they are eager to share their talent

with others.

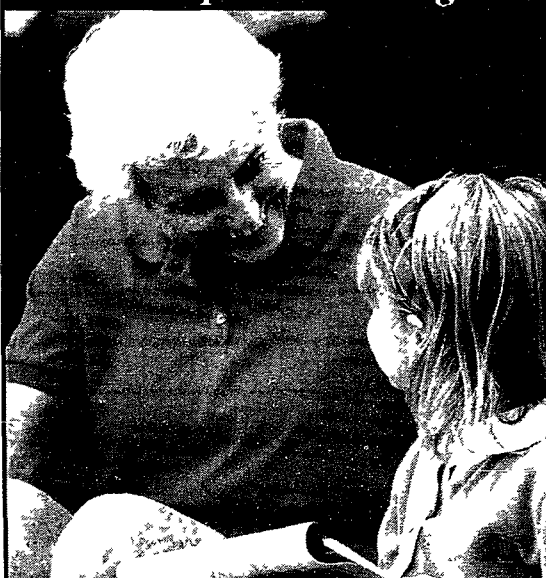
"I'm really excited," said Svoboda. "It's going to be fun to have such a big show. There's a lot going into it. Hopefully, it will be a big success."

Tanski said the group has a unique musical style.

"It's been called 'jazz core awesomeness,'" he said. "It's in a category of its own."

The group writes their own music and lyrics, members said.

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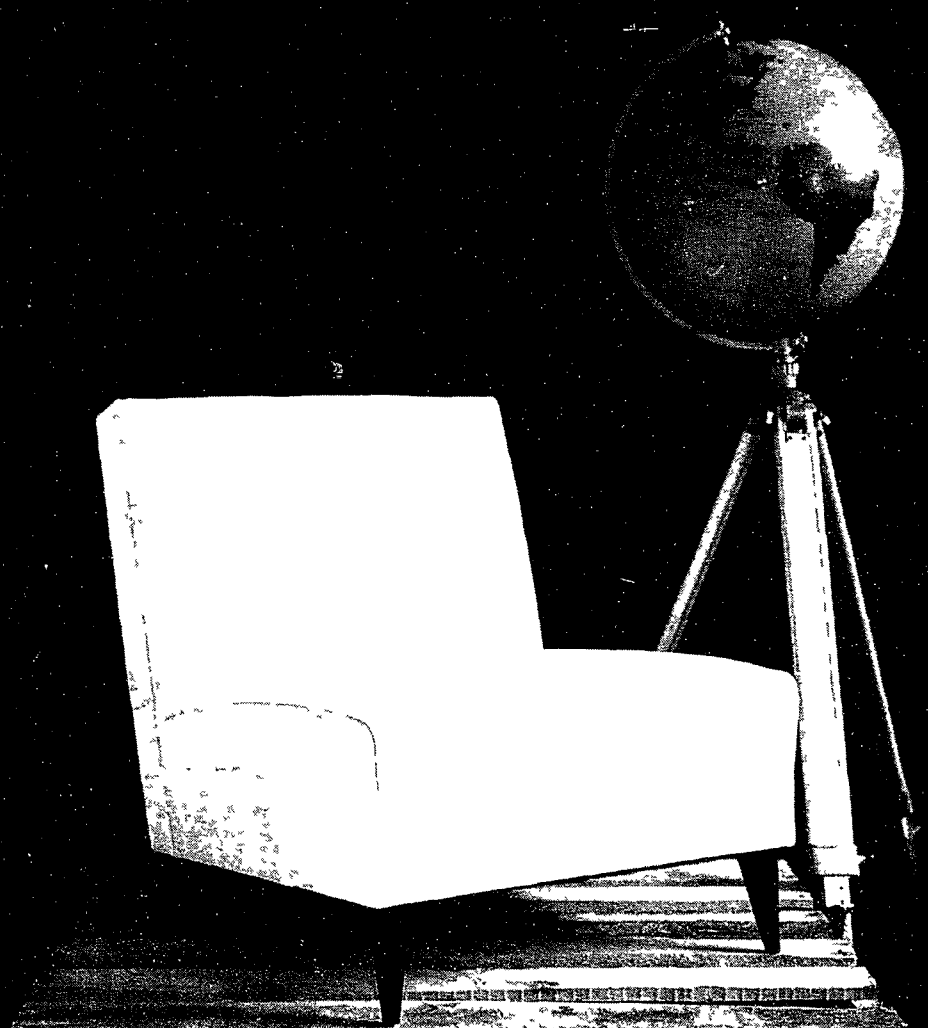
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Elementary students get their motors runnin'

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

It's not every day that elementary students get to slide into an authentic racecar and imagine themselves hurtling along a high speed race-track.

But that's exactly what happened when Chris Wojciechowski, a professional race car driver, visited Thornton Creek students involved in the Kids' Club program last week.

Kids' Club is a before and after school program for students in grades K-5.

Prior to the visit, Sandi Maynard, a Kids' Club teacher at Thornton Creek, said students had been studying the dynamics of auto racing and teamwork.

Students had also familiarized themselves with math, science and geographical data used in racing.

"It worked out really well," said Maynard. "It was very nice program. We had a lot of families come."

Along with scrutinizing the interior of the racecar, students grinned as the car's engine roared to life.

Maynard said students have been

"Having a driver come to their school was so overwhelming and exciting for them. It was so incredible. We had perfect weather."

Sandi Maynard
Kids' Club Teacher

learning about NASCAR since February.

Lessons on cooperation, sponsorship, race track varieties and locations were included.

Maynard said students also learned what it takes to win a race.

"It's not just a driver," she said. "It's a whole group of people that makes this successful. The kids have been studying teamwork and [learned] lots of people care for one car."

Maynard said Wojciechowski also signed autographs for the students.

"They were so excited," she said. "We have boys and girls of all ages involved with this. It's an ongoing program that has drawn the interest of the children. Now they're at a point where they're learning more than I am. They are so thrilled with this."

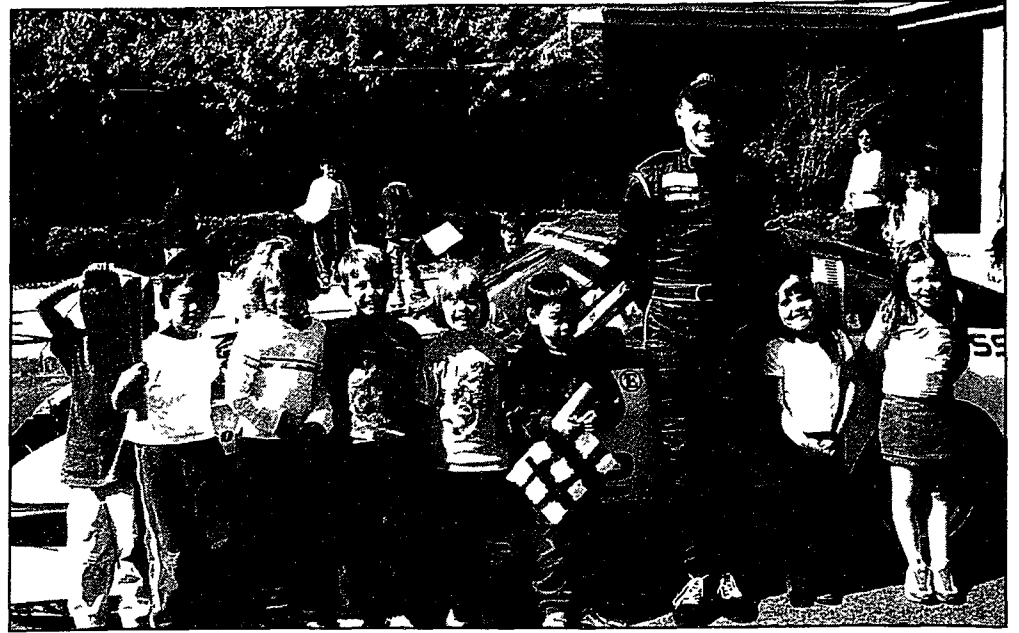
"This is the first time we've ever done this. We plan on him coming back. It's very positive for everyone."

Maynard said students have also visited the Motorsports Hall of Fame in Novi.

Thornton Creek students will likely not soon forget Wojciechowski or his race car.

"Having a driver come to their school was so overwhelming and so exciting for them," said Maynard. "It was so incredible. We had perfect weather. It worked out really well."

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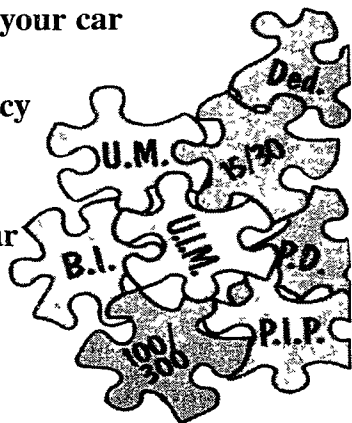
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Thornton Creek Elementary School kindergarten students Yesh Vempati, Jonathan Yang, Natalie Filipowicz, Michael McCauley, Olivia Ullman, Andy Tang, Claire Varvatos and Raegan Carlstein join race car driver Chris Wojciechowski as part of the Kids Club program.

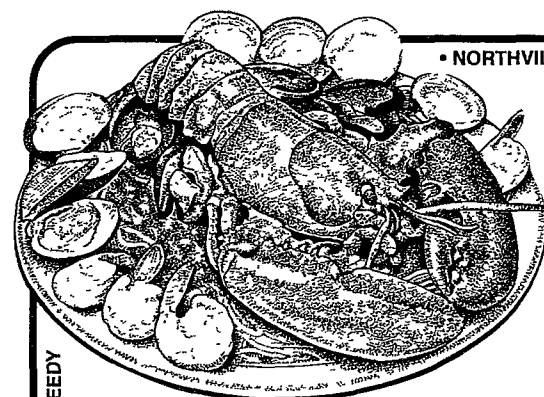
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Cooke lauded for school-to-work program

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Northville's Cooke School has a new trophy to display, after recently receiving the Michigan Association of School Boards' Education Excellence Award in the School-to-Work category. "It's not a special ed award, it's a general education award," said Cooke School principal, Marilyn

Bachorik.

An awards dinner was hosted May 6 at the Troy Marriott. Coincidentally, Bachorik said that day was also Teacher Appreciation Day.

In addition, she said that Greg Pelc, a Northville school board member, received an award for his outstanding commitment to the board of education at the event. "It was a nice occasion," said

Bachorik.

To be considered for the award, Cooke School was required to submit an application which included a written description of the building's programs, practices and philosophies.

After sending in the materials, Cooke officials crossed their fingers and waited.

"A couple months later they called me to give me the news,

which was a nice surprise," said Bachorik.

A written confirmation and a trophy followed. The trophy now stands in the school showcase.

Bachorik said this was the first time the school has received this award.

"We're very proud of our program and our students," she said. "It's very nice to be recognized."

According to school officials, Cooke School was also awarded the inaugural Governor's Award of Practice Excellence for Career Development in 2000 for the

school-to-work program.

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Amerman gets taste of space program

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Last week, fifth grade students at Amerman Elementary students explored a portion of "outer space," without ever leaving their school building.

Under the direction of Amerman teachers, Wendy LaValle and Robin Long, students participated in a simulated space sciences project, entitled the "Amerman Astronaut Space Mission."

"They have worked for an entire semester on designing and refining experiments that will tell them more about an unknown planet, which is actually the Amerman courtyard," said LaValle.

She said the students have named their planet 12639. The combination of numbers, LaValle said, represent the numbers of mission control workers, astronauts and other involved students and school officials.

As part of the project, a group of student mission control workers and astronauts were invited to stay overnight at the school last Friday. Astronauts were to sleep on their simulated planet in tents, while mission control workers rested in the classroom. A reception was organized to take place the next morning, to reunite the



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Amerman Astronaut Space Mission specialist Bobby Kruse races around a lunar surface tent last Thursday with others so that Mission Control workers can get an active pulse reading from their travelers.

space workers with their families.

LaValle said the space simulation provides students with several important lessons.

"It's a combination of Earth science and biological science, so that we look at the Earth and biology through the eyes of discovery," she said.

For the project, she said students conducted soil experiments and studied various aspects of their planet including the surface types, plants, gravity, weather and air currents.

"It's so much fun," said LaValle. "One of the things that

always impresses me is the kids take real control of their problem solving. Every day there's a glitch they have to find a solution to. These teams really pull together. It's cooperative learning at its best. It pulls the kids together so nicely."

The mock space mission takes place at Amerman Elementary every two years.

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There's the side that maintains that Michigan landfills (locally, Onyx Arbor Hills — just across the Northville Township western limits comes to mind) shouldn't allow Canadian refuse into the country. They argue that Canadian trash may contain contaminants we're not aware of which could poison the soil, air and water.

The problem with that line of thinking is two-fold. First, such commerce is regulated by the federal government, not state authorities. Lansing officials may be screaming at the top of their lungs to stop Canadian trash haulers from making the trek into our backyard, but until Washington steps up and makes an adjustment to interstate and international commerce regulations, there's little that can be done. Second, the long-standing relationship between Onyx Arbor Hills and the city of Toronto ended last year. To the critics of Canadian trash, we ask: is there something that different between a U.S. McDonald's cup and a Canadian McDonald's cup? (Besides the maple leaf, of course.)

On the other side of the debate

are the landfill owners, who say the widespread criticism of imported trash doesn't have any weight. Waste Industry Association of Michigan marketing coordinator Deborah Wudyka spoke to a couple of the more often-heard points of contention.

"We're not running out of places to dispose our trash," Wudyka told us. "The second thing you hear is that this flow of trash represents a health and environmental risk. That is also untrue."

Both sides make strong arguments for their case, but we tend to side with those who want to see out-of-state trash import stopped. Canada is, after all, a mighty big place with a population markedly more sparse than our own. We don't want to hurt our great neighbors to the north, but we don't think it's revolutionary to ask your sibling to keep his stuff in his room, rather than dump it in yours.

But we also need to keep in mind that this is a double-edged sword, and the trash we export (yes — Michigan residents are culprits as much as they are victims) to other areas should be kept at home, too. The "do-as-I-say/not-as-I-do" routine won't fly here.

We hope our state and federal legislators see the merit in asking each state to tend to its own waste needs and let other states (and countries) deal with their own trash issues.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Tara Wasik buys some snap dragon flowers from Sparr's Sally Sparr last Friday afternoon during the Memorial Day Weekend flower sale in downtown Northville.

LETTERS

Northville beats Cali for conservative ed

My wife and I attended the "One Big Happy Family" presentation at Winchester Elementary School in Northville on Thursday, May 22. We attend all of the school functions in which our four grandchildren participate. The theme, One Big Happy Family, included selections: parents are people, greatest mom in the world, spend some time with your child.

Our daughters-in-law spend considerable time with the teachers of our grandchildren's classes at both the Canton and Northville elementary schools. We have been assured that the teachers are skilled, and are doing a very good job teaching the basics: reading, writing, and arithmetic. The aberrations of other school curricula in other states which spend considerable time on attention to self-esteem, touchy-feely and even the teaching about homosexuals and homosexuality to seven-year old kids are absent.

In California at the present time, bills to encourage the teaching about varying family arrangements, are concentrated on foster parents, hoping to legislate sensitivity training emphasizing sexual orientation, gender identity, and the challenges faced by gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender youth, or youth with gender issues. The bills are wordy and lengthy, but the intent is clear. The teaching about homosexual behavior is to be introduced to the very young, experienced as early as the first grade.

My wife and I try to stay informed, stay out of the way (I was a teacher for 46 years), and support our sons, our daughters-in-law, and our grandchildren. We like what we see and what we hear about the educational experiences of our four grandkids.

Administrators need not fear my knock on the door in challenge or protest. We are happy and grateful.

My interest in the curriculums of Canton and Northville schools will continue as the children advance through the grades. It is my hope that American History and economics will be even more prevalent and important when the time has come for study in these disciplines.

Neil Goodbred
Livonia

Bush can keep his prescription drug plan

George W. Bush is offering prescription drug benefits to seniors on Medicare in two tiers. If the recipient joins an HMO, the individual will get more generous coverage than if he/she remains on a fee-for-service program. This is all part of his efforts to privatize Medicare and Social Security in his push to roll back the social gains made under the New Deal.

As one who pays thousands of dollars a year for prescriptions, I should consider this. Now, let's see — I will have to give up the following physicians with whom I have been dealing for many years: ophthalmologist, 18 years; Henry Ford Hospital for mammograms and orthopedics, 20 years and 4 years, respectively; heart specialist, 10 years; and a few others of several years of service each.

No thank you, Mr. Bush. I am not interested in joining you in attacking social programs. As far as I'm concerned, you know what you can do with your proposal.

Irene Piccone
Northville

Parade was perfect for city of Novi

I am writing this letter to inform residents who were unable to attend the Novi Memorial Day Parade to try and come next year. This parade was a slice of old Americana. I felt that I stepped back in time and enjoyed the sense of community that marched down our streets.

The parade started with our police on motorcycles leading the way for marching bands, baseball players, girls scouts and boyscouts, unicyclists, sheriffs on horseback, cars, elected officials passing out candy to the children, and much more. The parade recognized the veterans and really brought the community together.

I want to compliment Randy Auler, director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry, and his staff for an excellent job. There are countless

hours behind the scenes that took place to host this event and it was a very big success! Thank you.

Lynne Paul
Novi

Kelly Adams did well for historical group

The Novi Historical Commission would like to recognize Kelly Adams, a Novi parent, and her gift to the children of Village Oaks Elementary School: funding a performance by musician Lee Murdock at the school earlier this month. We applaud her generosity and her interest in expanding the students' study of Michigan history by arranging for Murdock's visit. We also express appreciation to Mary Goedert, Village Oaks principal, for recognizing the value of this wonderful opportunity for children.

According to the story in the Novi News, Ms. Kelly was in the audience when Murdock performed in the Michigan Week concert sponsored by the Novi Historical Commission last year and was favorably impressed by the reaction of children to Lee Murdock and his music. Ms. Kelly was not alone in her observation. The audience response was so great, the Historical Commission decided to bring Murdock back to Novi for another community concert this summer as part of the city's summer concert series.

Our goal then and now is to provide families in our community with an opportunity to enjoy a free performance by a professional musician knowledgeable about the music and history of our region. A better understanding of the history of our state is a good basis for greater awareness of the role and place Novi has had in the development of Michigan, a major focus of the Historical Commission's work.

On August 7, at 7 p.m. on the lawn of the Novi Civic Center, everyone will have the opportunity to discover for themselves the excitement of Lee Murdock performing the music of the Great Lakes. Bring your children, your grandchildren, your neighbors and friends. It is free and it will be fun. This is a performance you will not want to miss!

Kathy Mutch, chair
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OTHER OPINIONS

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Thursday, May 29, 2003

If we're not driving, park!

A plea to Northville city leaders: please, please finish the proposed parking deck as fast as you possibly can. For you see, based on the amount of road construction planned for Northville and the surrounding community over the next six months, I'm worried I'll have no means to travel from Point A to Point B, meaning I'll need a place to park while I wait for the orange barrels to be moved.



Chris C. Davis

ing and paving. All this, mind you, to keep metro Detroit's heavyweight title as The Motor City.

Unfortunately, I'm getting the sense that this cycle — of which Northville is as much a part as anyone else — of building more roads / urban sprawl / more cars / so build more roads isn't going to let up anytime soon. Neither will the incessant political babble from regional leaders who insist that mass transit is needed! and oh, yeah - we mean it this time! we're gonna solve this problem once and for all! and we recognize that world-class cities need world-class transportation! and blah blah blah...all of this is just a bone to throw at a public that worships

the car more now than ever.

Nearly all of us have been to other metropolitan areas in the U.S. Pick any one you'd like — Boston comes to mind for me — and think about how slick it was to grab a coffee and the morning newspaper, flop down in a subway seat, zip along without a care in the world, and re-emerge 10 minutes later foot-steps from your office. No car to fuss over, no traffic jams to fight, no fenderbenders to narrowly avoid. Sure, there was that weird guy kind of oogling at you three seats away, but you never saw him again, so what's the big deal?

Compare that to here in Northville. By show of hands, how many of us have jumped into our autos at the crack of dawn (supposedly to beat The Rush, but once again failed to do so), performed the bob-and-weave at 65 mph only to be whiteknuckled to a dead stop moments later, slopped that same cup of Boston coffee in our laps, cursed at the imbecile driver next to us, and showed up to work 15 minutes late?

Uh huh. That's what I thought. I'm not saying anything new here, obviously. Southeast Michigan leaders two years ago this week powwowed on Mackinac Island and formulated their best-looking window dressing yet — this time that superduper buses would rocket us along to work and to play. They made the case all the more believable when they actually continued to discuss the Mackinac Manifesto a full month after the conference ended, unlike previous years where such topics were a distant memory by the time the Shepler's Ferry docked on the mainland.

(IRONIC TWIST: *Marine mass transit is used to take community leaders from a mass transit-hamstrung region to an island that has no means of transport besides bicycles.*)

But here we are, some 24 months after that magical moment in the Straits, and I daresay

you'll still have to go to Boston or Chicago or Toronto to see mass transit at work, because we're effectively no better off now than we were then.

Do I sound a bit fed up? That's because I am. I'm tired of gnarled traffic, dodging potholes, computing commute times, fuel emissions, rising gas prices, insurance premiums, and not fully being able to enjoy all there is to enjoy in this part of Michigan simply because getting there is such a royal pain in the wazoo.

Northville — and our neighbors in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties — could all stand to benefit from the creation of a genuine, reliable mass transit system. I'll go out on a limb and say that the creation of such a network could end up being the greatest single regional advancement we've made in the last 50 years. We are a region on the move, and we're getting more mobile with every day that goes by. It makes me sick thinking that our laptop computers have a great degree of mobility than the people who operate them.

All of this brings me back to the whole city parking deck issue. The way I see things, if the cars we have can't get us anywhere, there's no point in using them, so we may as well park them.

So again: I'm begging the city of Northville to finish the parking deck just as fast as our little suburbanite hands and feet can build it. But even so, I'm pretty certain Northville could build ten parking decks for vehicles to travel to nowhere before southeast Michigan gets with the program and actually does something to solve this mass transit crunch.

Nothing would make me happier than to be wrong.

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A few tips for the Class of 2003...

As graduation time draws near and high school seniors are preparing for final exams, commencement and a whole lot of partying, I couldn't help but to reflect on the time I had when I graduated high school about eight years ago.

It was a very fun and exciting time for me, as I'm sure it is for this year's graduates. As such, it can be easy to get a little carried away. For this reason, I came up with a list of do's and don'ts for our graduating seniors.

Ramez Khuri

It's too easy to blame bad grades on senioritis.

- Don't do something stupid to get yourself suspended a week before commencement.
- If someone is planning a graduation party in your honor, do plan on attending.
- When your name is called to go up and

get your diploma during commencement, don't trip and fall.

- If someone trips and falls, do laugh at them, but not too loud.
- No matter how tempting it is to spend all of your graduation money on stupid junk, don't.
- Do attend your friends graduation parties if you're invited.
- Don't give them a scratched up compilation CD from 1994 as a gift.
- Do keep in touch with high school friends.
- Don't crash other people's graduation parties just because you thought you should have been invited.
- Do remember to thank all of your teachers who helped you get to where you are.
- Do try to get everyone in your class to sign your yearbook. Those are memories you will keep forever.
- Don't draw a mustache on your best friend's picture in your yearbook.
- Do draw a mustache on the class bully's picture.
- When commencement is over and everyone throws their hats in the air, don't look up at them...your eye might get poked out.
- Do eat all the food you can while you're at graduation parties because in college you won't have any money.
- For guys, don't dump your girlfriends

because you think you'll find someone better in college.

- For girls, do dump your boyfriends because you will find someone better in college.
- And last but not least...do remember to write to your favorite Novi News or Northville Record education reporter, telling him or her how great of a job he's doing.
- Just kidding.
- Just have fun!

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GUEST COLUMN

Shame and anxiety can be related

It may seem odd to think of shame and anxiety as related, but as I have pointed out in a previous column about anger, a person who feels ashamed opens them up to other potential problems.

Let me explain how this works with anxiety. My friend Richard Pfeiffer, whose workbooks I use in my classes on anger,



Paul Melrose

anxiety, and assertiveness talks about anxiety. He calls a panic attack a "sudden intense surge of anxiety that seems to be coming out of the blue, involving symptoms from heart palpitations to trembling to fears of imminent danger to losing complete control." When anxiety occurs, you try to avoid it and by so doing may start to avoid people, places, events or patterns of behavior. Anxiety ranges from mild to severe. Two secondary problems along with it are dependency and depression. You can become dependent on someone or something to help you with the anxiety, to the point of becoming overly dependent. You can become depressed about the hopelessness of not being able to handle the anxiety.

Don't feel alone. Anxiety affects about 5 percent of the American population. Some

of the common contributors to anxiety might include overly critical parents, and/or excessively high standards of behavior, a history of emotional insecurity and dependency; cumulative stress. These major contributors to anxiety and include a host of other emotional, relational or physical stress points. So where does shame fit in to all of this?

Shame contributes to anxiety because of the sense that you are not a good person. This creates anxiety in any of the forms listed above. This feeling manifests itself in some of the ways also mentioned above. Depending on how ashamed one feels can give some clues as to how anxious one might feel. The defenses against shame, such as denial and withdrawal, lead people to disconnect with their environment and those whom they love.

When one is isolated a personal loss, however its size, takes on greater weight. A life change can be harder to handle, both because there is a thought that it should not have happened and also how well will I handle it.

When you more closely look at yourself to see what your shame level might be you often come up with the realization that you always criticize yourself, that you often compare yourself to others, and that any change in relationship gives proof that you cannot hold on to good ones and thereby confirm your sense of shame. When you feel ashamed you fear being alone. You will be whatever someone else wants you to be. You will ignore yourself. Your sense of anxiety is heightened the more you experience disconnection from yourself. You feel anxious that maybe you cannot protect yourself from being seen by

others. You also feel anxious that you are not good enough to be seen by others.

Here is where the hard work comes in. You need to learn about these issues and how they work on anxiety in you. You need to accept yourself as you are, complete with anxiety and panic and use any one of a number of good tools to begin to learn how to deal with these problems. This is part of the goal of the course, which I teach. You can learn to distinguish different forms of panic and what their consequences could be. You can learn to retreat when appropriate. You can learn diversion techniques. You can accept that you, like everyone, feel some sense of shame and that that is normal. You can seek support from a person or persons to help you deal and cope with your anxiety. In more difficult anxious moments you may need the assistance of a professional therapist and/or appropriate medication.

Working with anxiety deals not only with coping with it. It also means helping to heal the shame that is within you. Do this with someone who can help. Challenge the shame. Set positive goals based on humanity, humility, autonomy, and competence. These and many other strategies help you to reduce your level of shame and to manage your anxiety more effectively.

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The final swings of '03

It's never easy to say good-bye to seniors

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

These aren't a bunch of inexperienced girls that will be wearing orange and black at the MHSAA State Golf Finals tomorrow and Saturday as they represent Northville High School and the surrounding community.

In fact, this isn't even their first trip to the finals. Instead, 2003 marks their second-straight season as a qualifying team. Last year, the girls finished fourth in the state for Division I teams — and this year they're looking to be even better.

"I think we can win it if we all play our best," Northville senior Shannon Lewicki said. "We are all very capable of shooting really well. If we all play to our capabilities, we should have a chance to win it."

The squad that will be competing in the finals will be Lewicki, sophomore Therese Juthage and juniors Andrea Gorecki, Layne Scherer and Marie Snyder. Senior Kelly Harrison will be the squad's alternate.

The team is selected by the lowest averages from the dual meets and tournaments throughout the year. Though the majority of the state finals team is underclassmen, everyone is well aware that it takes a strong senior presence to keep things working properly — and the three seniors in Lewicki, Harrison and Andrea Gorecki were perfect choices as captains this season.

"Each one of them brings something different to the team," Northville coach Trish Murray said, noting that she normally only has two captains on the squad. "It's hard to compare the three of them to one another, but it's easy to say that each of them brought so much to the team."

Though Gorecki and Harrison won't be in the mix of it all, both will be in attendance to the finals and both are planning on cheering their squad to victory.

"I was very happy to see that they qualified," Gorecki said. "It's been a lot of fun with this team, and I'm sad that it's over. But, I'll be up watching them at states and hoping for the best."

Harrison agreed, and added that the team has something that's a little different than most squads. "Everyone is capable of shooting in the 80s," Harrison said of the finals. "We don't have just one player that holds up the team, and that's what's better about us than most teams we come across. Our whole line-up is strong, not just one or two players."

According to all three of the seniors, their four-year careers on

the Northville golf team under Murray have been fun. Each of them has their favorite memories, and each of them had a goal they reached. But, there's always one that stands above the rest.

Harrison has the distinction of being the only Mustang on the squad to nail a hole-in-one. The shot came last season while the team was on the road.

"It was definitely a lot of fun to get that," Harrison said. "It was great to be recognized for it, even by the community. Sometimes, I would be walking around and someone would say 'You're that player who got the hole-in-one this year.' It was pretty fun."

For the Mustang seniors, it will be hard to say good-bye to their squad and their coach. Harrison is headed off to Michigan State to major in elementary education, a field Gorecki will also major in but at Grand Valley State University. Lewicki will also be headed to Michigan State, but her plan is to major in a business-related field.

Saying good-bye to a squad that a player has spent four years with is never easy, but sometimes it's harder for their coach.

"I kind of get choked up when I talk about it," Murray said of her graduating seniors. "I've spent a lot of time with these girls, and hopefully I've had some kind of impact on their lives. I know they have really impacted my life."

Enough so that Gorecki and Harrison even found themselves being asked to baby-sit for Murray's children.

"I trust all of them to the point that I would invite them into my home to baby-sit," Murray said. "When you put that kind of responsibility on a young lady, it's no problem having them be a captain of the team. You know that if you ask, they will do it."

Though the Mustangs will be without three quality and team-oriented players come next year, all three seniors believe that the golf team will be no worse for wear.

"They are going to have a couple of great years coming up with Andrea, Layne and Marie shooting in the low 40s and probably high 30s," Harrison said. "Therese is a sophomore now, and she's already shooting right around there."

Gorecki agreed. "Next year, I am sure they will go to the states," she said. "There are a lot of talented players this year, and five of our six best players are underclassmen."

Gorecki added that the key to all of it is dedication.

"Last year, it seemed like Kate (MacDonald) held the team



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville golf seniors Andrea Gorecki (left), Kelly Harrison and Shannon Lewicki are always ready to lead their squad onto the links for a very competitive round of play. They are part of the reason for Northville's trip to the state finals this year and last year.

together when she was always the medalist," Gorecki said. "I think we were all striving to catch up to her and in our own ways I think we all did."

"The team is going to be really good next year, and they are all really dedicated girls. If they work hard, they will only be better than we are now. I'd love to see them win it all."

Murray noted the idea of the seniors expecting the golf team to only be better is a reflection of the types of personalities they have.

"It's great that they would say something like that," Murray said. "That just shows what kind of people they are. Most seniors might wonder how a team would make it without them, but these seniors expect that the teams is

only going to improve. That just says so much about them and how much they've meant to this team."

And it can't be easy to see such dedicated and reliable seniors take the long walk down the path of graduation and that which is still over the horizon.

"It's hard to see these kids go away," Murray said. "A lot of them never come back, and that's

always hard. You never hear from them and you never know how they are doing. That's why I always ask them to call or show up any time they want."

"It's very hard to let go. I've spent a lot of time with these kids, and I know they have what it takes to be successful and they've helped this team figure that out too."

Inaugural lacrosse season comes to an end

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Not a bad run at all, for a first-year varsity team.

The Northville Mustangs lacrosse team made a tough run throughout the season and into the playoffs as they opened up what seems to be a promising future of lacrosse in the Northville area.

The final game of the year came in a tough, sudden-death overtime game against the Hartland Eagles. A game that found the Mustangs falling 7-6 against their foes at the Northville High School Stadium.

The game found the Mustangs falling 1-0 at the end of the first quarter as the Hartland Eagles scored with just 3:25 left on the clock. The second quarter wasn't much different, as the Eagles collected two more goals. Northville did manage to get on the board though, following a nice flow of passing from senior Mike Dawson to freshman Max Lenn. Lenn then found senior Ryan Grigsby near the box, and the took it in for the score to cut the Eagle lead to 3-1 at the half.

In the third period of play, Hartland and Northville played an evenly matched game as

each team scored two goals to bring the tally up to 5-3 in Hartland's favor.

Northville's goals came from Rick Riegner off a pass from Richard Grejewski, before freshman Nick Thurber scores on an assist from Dawson at the end of the quarter.

Both of the Eagle's goals came at times that found the Mustangs taking a mental stumble. With 10:30 left in the third, the Mustangs found themselves down two players with a trip and a slash called on the same play before Northville's goalie earned a penalty of his own to put the Mustangs down three

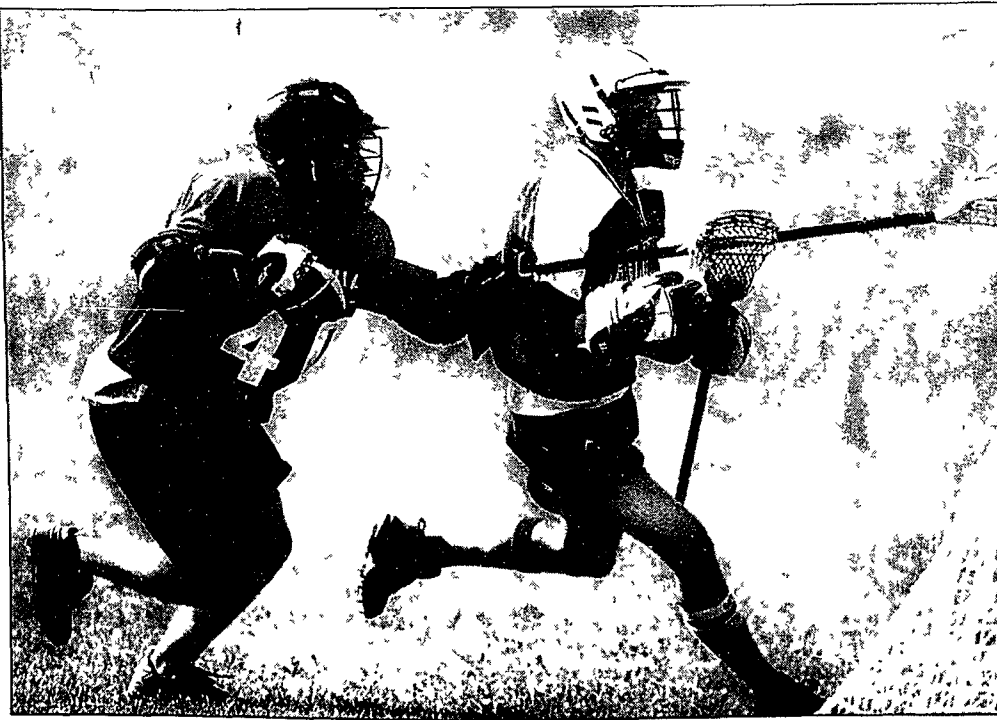


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Mustang lacrosse player Will Holden tries to check a Canton player during a home game last Tuesday afternoon. Holden made one thing clear this year to opposing players — if you come into his territory, you're going to get smacked.

players. In both instances, the Eagles were able to capitalize and score a goal to keep their

two-goal lead at the end of the third.

In the fourth, the Mustangs'

from sophomore Mike Monticciolo and finds the back of the net.

defense picked it up, and their offensive production went into overdrive. Riegner slapped in another goal off an assist from sophomore Mike Barnabei before the Eagles were able to notch another goal in the game off an intercepted pass from the Mustang goalie.

Riegner capped off his season totals with another goal on a pass from Dawson with 4:30 left in the game to pull the Mustangs within one. The final goal of the regulation play found Northville tying the contest at 6-6 as Dawson takes a pass from sophomore Mike Monticciolo and finds the back

The final goal of the game came off a Hartland shooter just 26 seconds into the sudden-death overtime period. Hartland dashed through the defense and slammed home a score to win the game and end Northville's season.

Northville 10, Saline 2

In the first game of the playoffs, and the first game played at Northville High School Stadium, the Mustangs made short work of their opponents.

The Mustangs started the game off right, holding onto a 7-0 advantage at the half with Barnabei, Justin Ferriman, Monticciolo and Geoff Perrin notched a goal each. Regina scored three goals in the opening half.

The second half was much of the first. Dawson, Monticciolo and Regina scored a goal each to ensure the victory.

Senior Will Holden, sophomore Andy Koupal, Leo Oteyza and Steve Houran also played top-shelf games in the victory for Northville.

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WLAA meet proves tough for Mustangs

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

The Northville Mustangs boys track and field team may not have ended the season the way they had hoped, but at least they know that the future is still bright for their program.

The boys, under the guidance of second-year coach Bill Cornelius, took sixth place in the Western Lakes Activities Association Conference Track Meet May 21 at Walled Lake Northern.

"It's a beautiful facility," Cornelius said of the brand-new school. "Everything was just wonderful. They even had two long-jump pits so the boys and girls could compete at the same time. It was nice."

The Mustangs took sixth place, a few slots down from where they had hoped. Unfortunately, two of their major events found them without their major star. Senior Matt Sewicki suffered a groin pull in the 110 hurdles, which stopped him from running in the 300 as well.

"Unfortunately, he wasn't able to compete," Cornelius said. "That probably cost us 16 points."

And, with bad luck comes more bad luck. The 4-by-100 relay team found themselves running out of the exchange zone — an immediate disqualification.

"Without those two mishaps,

we probably could have taken third," Cornelius noted.

The day wasn't all for naught though. Senior jumper Matt Cornelius took first in the long jump with a career-best leap of 21-feet-4 3/4.

Boys' Track and Field

"It was on his last jump,"

Coach Cornelius said of his eldest son. "I'm happy to see

him go out on a positive note like that."

Tim Dalton, who will be competing at the state finals, won the 800 meter event in two minutes flat — not a bad time considering there were extreme wind conditions to slow the runners.

"It was an exciting race," Cornelius said. "He managed to beat the Stevenson runner and ran a real smart race."

The biggest event of the day was no doubt the high jump. Sophomore Alan Shanoski, who will also be leaping in the state finals, took first with a jump of 6-6. Not only was it good for the top spot in the conference, but also the top spot in the record book as he set the school mark.

Another good showing on the day came from the 4-by-400 team of Colin Keiffer, Dalton, Brad Stoner and Rob Steiner. The squad took second place behind Canton in 3:28.7.

"That was a really, really

good time for how windy it was," Cornelius said. "It was probably the best race of the day. Canton only edged them right at the end by about half a foot."

The 4-by-800 team also took second in the day. The state-finals-bound squad fell behind early in the race and chose to conserve energy instead of wasting it in hopes of catching the lead team.

"They were pretty far behind," Cornelius said. "So, they decided to save their strength."

The 4-by-200 team took fourth in the WLAA meet, as did Mike Gabrys in the mile and Brad Stoner in the 400 meter dash.

Two other highlights were that of Clark Paciorek and Kellen Smetana. Paciorek notched his personal best time in the two mile run with a finish in 10:13. Smetana put up a 2:09 in the 800 meter event, which also marked his personal best time.

"I'm really happy with this season and the effort everyone put forth," Cornelius said. "Everyone ran to my expectations or better. You can't ask for more than that."

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Northville players help win Ohio Tournament title

Submitted Photo

The Novi Jaguars U12 girls' soccer team, consisting of players from Northville and Novi, took their talents to Ohio over Memorial Day weekend and showcased them as they won the Warrior Classic Soccer Tournament. They squared off in a championship game that found the Jags defeating the Lady Warriors of Ohio 2-0. The victory marked the girls' fourth victory of the tournament as they went 4-0-1 through the weekend. The U12 Novi Jaguars team is comprised of: Brittany Black, Julie Blaszcak, Megan Burns, Katie Caruso, Taylor Comiskey, Natalie Krick, Shannon Maturi, Karen Mayhall, Paige Mazza, Hayley Miller, Megan Morad, Emily Nee, Karen Piasecki, Lisa Pierce, Elise Schubring, Jenna Showerman and Erin Zerio. The championship Novi Jaguars are coached by Piotr Westwalewicz.

NEXT LEVEL ATHLETES

To step out and give it your all each and every time — that's what it takes to become a next level athlete. The collegiate athletes listed below are well aware of the determination and dedication it takes to compete at the next level. They know how much grit they have to produce in hopes of being one of the best athletes in a field of best athletes.

To be a next level athlete means more than just competing with your body — it means you have to compete with your heart too. To do so requires determination and dedication that are a step ahead of one's peers. To do so requires an athlete to sometimes make personal sacrifices in their strive to be the best they can be.

Hillary

McCrumb,

Sophomore, Adrian College — Hillary McCrumb, a graduate of Northville High School, has been making her mark in the long-distance running events for the Bulldogs of Adrian College. She is one of the top distance runners on the women's track and field team.

Heather Kotylo, Freshman, Albion College — Heather Kotylo, a first-year athlete from Novi, is strutting her stuff as a member of the Albion College women's track and field team. Kotylo, who is a freshman, recently tied for eighth in the pole vault for the Britons with a clearing of eight feet.

Harvey Steele, Junior, Albion College — Harvey Steele, a graduate of Novi High School, isn't afraid to throw. Recently, the Briton

marked a fifth-place finish in discus with a hurl of 139-feet-9. The throw helped the Albion men's track and field team to a second-place finish in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Championships.

Next Level Athletes includes former athletes from the readership area of the Northville Record and Novi News. The Next Level Athletes are individuals who have taken the next step beyond high school athletics to the next level — including college, semi-professional, minor league and professional athletics. Anyone who would like to submit information about an athlete can do so via email at seggleston@ht.homecomm.net or mail information to The Northville Record, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, MI, 48167.

SPORTS SHORTS

Basketball Camp

The Northville High School Basketball coaching staff will be hosting the 2003 Summer Basketball Camp July 7-11 at Northville High School. The camp is open to boys and girls entering grades 5-9 grades. The camp for 5-7 will be from 9-11:30 a.m. and the camp for 8-9 will be from noon-2:30 p.m.

The cost for the camp is \$85 and questions should be directed to coach Darrel Schumacher at (248) 344-8420.

Summer Baseball/Softball Camps

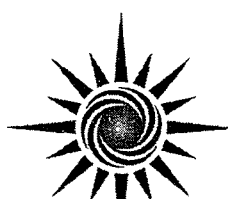
Total Baseball and Softball will be holding their summer camps June 16-18 at Novi's Powers Park; June 23-25 at Northville's Community Park; July 7-9 at South Lyon High School; and July 15-17 at Wixom Camp.

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 totalbbballwixom@aol.com. For more details or to register online, visit www.total-baseball.com or www.total-softball.com.

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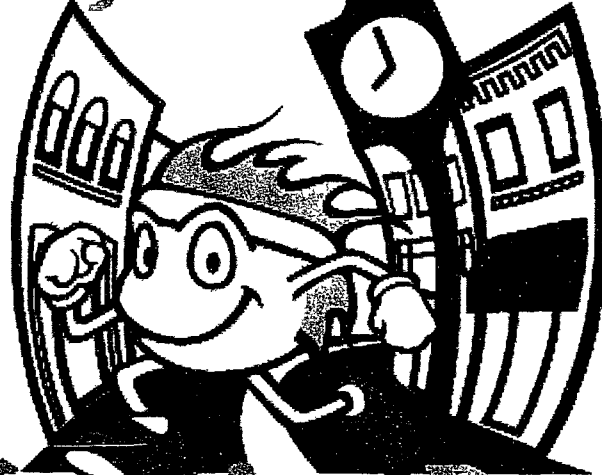
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Northville ties Chiefs in division run

But lose the tie breaker to play in the WLAA championship

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

It was so close, this team could taste it.

In a year that has found the Northville Mustangs baseball team playing to their potential and sometimes beyond, they were on the verge of winning their division outright and playing for a chance to take home the WLAA title.

Unfortunately, with some thing's, a little twist can mean all the difference. After losing to Walled Lake Western 1-0 May 19, the Mustangs found themselves tied with Plymouth Canton for first in their division. After going down the list

of tie-breakers, the Mustangs learned it would be the Chiefs playing for the conference title.

"We lost out to Canton for the opportunity to play in the championship game off the fifth tie-breaker," Northville coach Mickey Newman said.

The 1-0 loss to Walled Lake Western was the eventual cause of the ultimate goal of winning the WLAA coming to a halt. The Warriors scored their only run of the contest in the sixth after a double-play ball suddenly took a bad bounce and Northville allowed the run off of a throwing error.

The Mustangs had put the game on senior Tyler Carter's

shoulders from the mound.

"He threw an outstanding game," Newman said.

Carter tossed a two-hitter in the losing effort, allowing one walk and giving up no earned runs as he fanned four.

Taking the win was Walled Lake's ace — John Sowders. The Warrior allowed three hits, gave up no runs and struck out eight while walking one to earn the victory.

"Ultimately, our performance cost us the chance to play in the championship," Newman noted.

Collecting hits for Northville were Brendan Buckley, Alex Richard and Matt Williams as they notched a single each.

The Mustangs are going into district action this weekend and they are scheduled to play South Lyon at South Lyon Saturday.

Northville 11, Salem 4

In a game between two teams that were second in their respective division, the outcome only meant one thing — the winner would be third in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The Mustangs took full advantage of the situation and

earned the third-best spot in the conference as junior Mark Sorensen tossed six innings of play as he gave up seven hits, no walks and whiffed five to earn his sixth win of the year. Brian Tellish finished the game up in the seventh as he came in for relief.

Earning offensive stats for Northville was Buckley, who went 2-for-3 with a double and a run scored, while Steve Besk went 2-for-4 and scored three times. Williams collected two RBIs on the day as he went 2-for-3, while Richard collected two doubles and a run scored with his 2-for-4 showing.

Scott McNeish, a senior catcher for the Mustangs, had a

nice showing as well. He knocked in three runs as he went 2-for-3 on the day. Jimmy Riehl had a two-run single to add to his statistics.

Brian Barton was the big hitter on the day, cranking out a two-run dinger in the winning effort.

The win was the final game of the regular season for Northville, ending their record at 15-7 overall and 6-2 in the division.

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Mustangs do what they can at WLAA

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

It wasn't the way the Northville Mustangs girls' track and field team was hoping to end the season, but it was still a valiant effort on their part.

Taking on the wind as well as some of the best teams in the Detroit area, the 'Stangs competed in and took seventh in the Western Lakes Activities Association conference meet May 21.

"I am pleased with the performances throughout the season," Northville coach Nancy Smith said. "It's hard for the girls to run the conference meet knowing you can't win it."

And the reason for the knowledge is simple. Due to some unfortunate illnesses and one of the most ragged schedules around, the Mustangs found themselves literally sick and tired. That didn't stop them though, and they still gave all they could muster in hopes of making a dent in the conference.

The 3,200 relay team of Devon Rupley, Kate McClymont, Katie Miller and Lisa Bowen finished third with a time of 9:53 as they kept as much strength as they could for training for the state finals meet.

Erica Dobson had one of the

best days for the Mustangs. She leaped a career-best jump of 15-feet, 1/4 inches in the long jump to finish fifth.

In the 300 hurdles, the Mustangs managed to notch a second-place finish.

"Andrea Watts did an amazing job on an injured ankle and finished fifth with a time of 50.8 seconds," Smith said. "Freshman Kari Oshanski had a great season, finishing fifth with 51 (seconds). She was also sixth in the 100 hurdles with a time of 17.5. Kari had a great season and improved throughout."

And she wasn't the only one. Bowen continued to show steady improvement throughout the season, and ended her conference meet with a seventh-place finish in the 800 with a time of 2:30. Freshman Ashley Flohr also competed in the event, finishing in ninth with a season-best time of 2:31.

The 1,600 meter relay team of Shannon Hogan, Miller, Julia Williams and Bowen captured fourth in the final race of the day with a time of 4:20.

Ending an applaud-worthy high school career was senior Heather Moeche, who topped it off with a fourth-place finish in the 3,200 with a time of 12:08.


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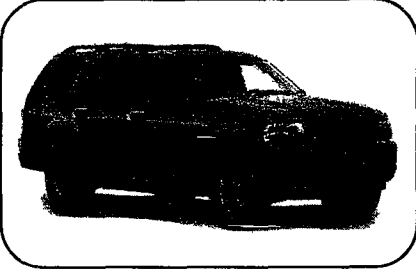
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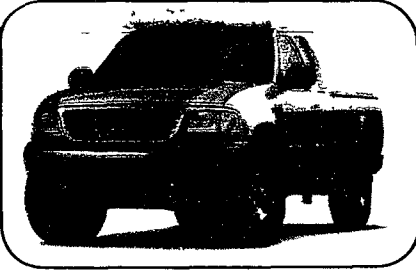
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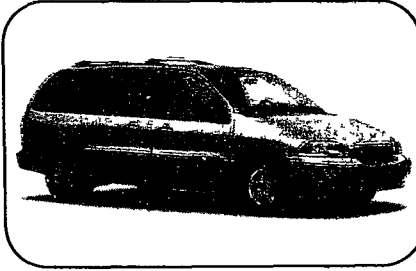
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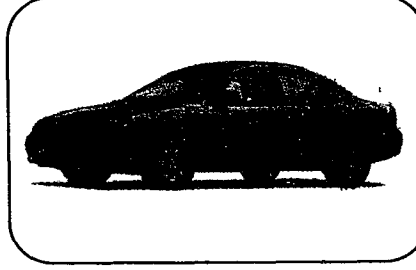
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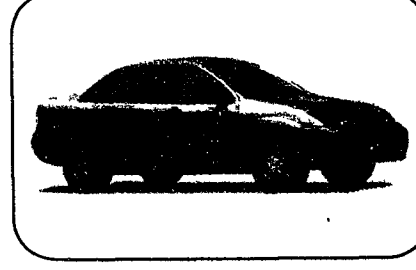
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What if God was one of us?

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

And just what would you do if you could harness the powers of God for a spell?

No doubt, plenty of options run through your mind. Some may even think of answers like world peace and the end of starvation and poverty — kudos to those people.

Others, however, no doubt find themselves thinking of a few more self-serving things to do with the omnipotent abilities of God. I know I'd probably end up rearranging things a little, making sports writers one of the highest paid professions in the world, and dropping lawyers down to just about the level of a newspaper delivery boy. But, that's my personal preference.

Jim Carrey is really no differ-

ent. Playing down-trodden TV newsmen Bruce Nolan in his newest release, "Bruce Almighty," he finds himself accusing God of failing to do a decent job after he's passed over for an anchor job that he feels he rightfully deserves, crashes his junker car into a lamppost and fails miserably at housebreaking his dog.

Well, sometimes even God gets tired of all the whining.

God, played by the always impressive Morgan Freeman, decides to give Bruce a chance at holding the key to the universe and all of the powers to go with it. The intention? To show the puny mortal that being God isn't all sugar and spice and everything nice. And, no doubt, you can guess the end to that is nothing but humorous havoc.

Just like any of us would, Bruce has a heck of a time being the

most powerful being ever. And he doesn't mind being self-serving while he's at it. In one scene that nearly everyone has watched on the television previews, he smiles over breakfast after his live-in girlfriend Grace, played by Jennifer Aniston, comments that her breasts seem to have grown overnight.

In a particularly funny scene, Bruce even shows the vengeful ability of God. After coming across some muggers who had beat him up the day before he gains his newfound ability, Bruce demands an apology.

The leader of the gang isn't so sure that's a good idea.

"You'll get your 'sorry' the day a monkey comes out of my butt," he says with an evil grin.

"What a coincidence," replies Bruce.

He even uses his powers to get ahead at work by getting back at a rival anchor in one of the funniest scenes in the movie, as well as to forward his love life as he romances Grace after erasing the clouds from the sky and pulling the moon closer to Earth to enhance the romantic mood. And, while he's at it, Bruce decides that he's tired of scooting around in a car that definitely needs work, and puts himself in the driver's seat of a sweet Italian-made coupe instead. Behind the wheel of that little beauty, Bruce finds he can part traffic just as easily as he can part tomato soup.

Oh, and let's not forget, he even manages to take house-breaking his dog to a whole new level as the canine is suddenly lifting the toilet seat and reading the Sunday paper to help pass the time on the commode.

But, with every job comes responsibility. It's not long until Bruce suddenly finds his head filled with a thousand prayers whispered around the world. Thinking quickly, though not thoroughly, Bruce organizes all of the prayers into e-mail form and adjusts his system to automatically reply "yes!" to all of them. And as we all know, with every action there is an equal and opposite reaction. Soon, Bruce is learning the consequences of his own prayer-answering as tidal waves



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The "Almighty" played by Morgan Freeman, gives Jim Carrey, in the role of Bruce Nolan, a lesson in his new powers in this scene from "Bruce Almighty."

flood Japan because of unusual lunar activity and 11,000 lottery winners find themselves only getting \$17 from the jackpot.

In the end, the movie has a predictable story arc as Bruce has a lesson to learn and there's no way God is going to let him escape without learning it. The writing, done by Steve Koren, Mark O'Keefe and Steve Oederkerk, is wickedly witty and hits home runs with highbrow and lowbrow humor. Carrey also makes the movie work by not always being the crazy, rubber-faced actor. Instead, he balances it nicely and comes off as a believably regular guy prone to sidesplitting fits of craziness.

In fact, "Bruce Almighty" strikes me as one of Carrey's funniest and wittiest movies. Combined with the acting ability of Aniston, who has been showing great progress since her initial steps into the world of the silver screen, and the always impressive

presence of Freeman, Carrey finds himself in a role among some of the most recognizable faces in the industry. That's a big leap from holding up movies on his own, as he's been asked to do more times that I care to think about.

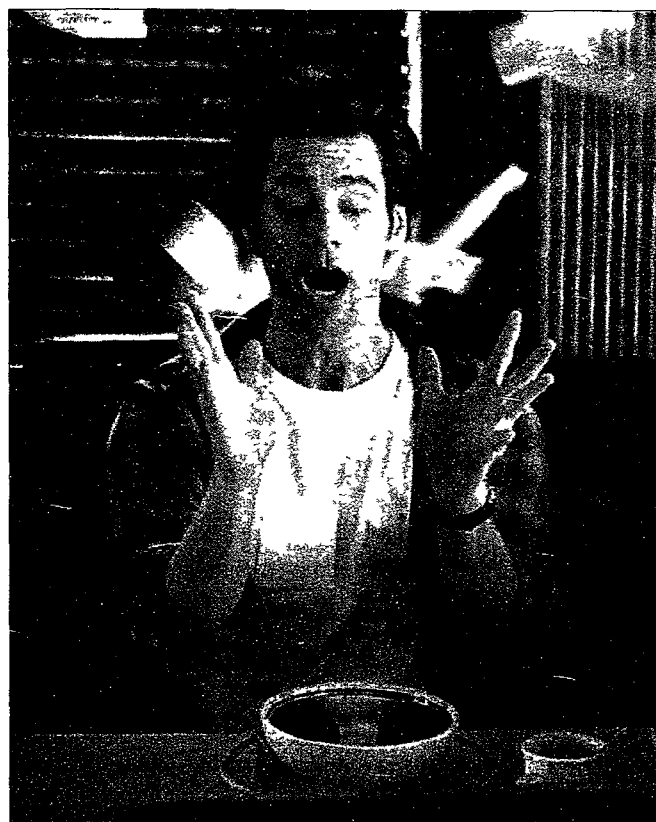
The only major downfall is the closing of the film almost finds it crashing and burning in the final scenes. For some reason, the writers found their minds tapped of witty and intelligent humor, and resorted to the suddenly awkward deliverance of feelings to the audience. The scene is almost painful to watch, but doesn't ruin the film as a whole. Luckily, the entirety of the flick, combined with Carrey's ability to pull it out of the fire, finds "Bruce Almighty" a decent film to go and watch — just make sure you don't go when you should be sitting in the pews.

And, for those who love the outrageous out-takes that movies have been known to splice into

their ending credits, "Bruce Almighty" is one to stick around in your chair for. In a movie like this one, there was no doubt that some funny antics would take place, and the scenes intertwined with the final credits show that is definitely the case. If you have the time, hang around and enjoy.

All in all, this movie does a fine job of making up for some of the more devastatingly humiliating movies Carrey has found himself in. Though many fans of the comedy genre will pass this off as another freak-fest with the antics of the film's star, those who have come to enjoy Carrey's wide abilities and creative process will no doubt enjoy seeing him back in form.

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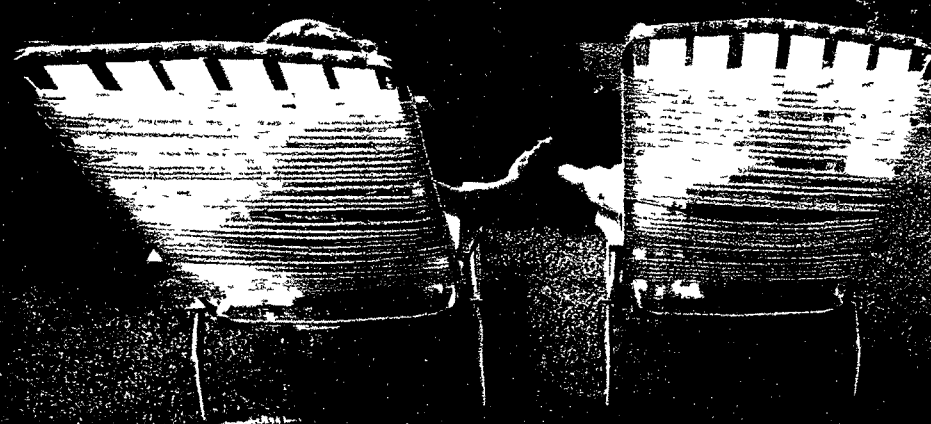
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THE SCREEN BEAT

By Brian Renner
 THE MOVIE INSIDER

Coming to theaters this week-end is computer-generated **"Finding Nemo"** where you can dive into a whole new world with this underwater adventure. The film follows the comedic and eventful journeys of two fish - Marlin and his son Nemo - who become separated in the Great Barrier Reef when Nemo is unexpectedly taken far from home and thrust into a fish tank in a dentist's office overlooking Sydney harbor. Buoyed by the companionship of a friendly-but-forgetful fish named Dory, the overly cautious father embarks on a dangerous trek and finds himself the unlikely hero of an epic journey to rescue his son - who hatches a few daring plans of his own to return safely home. **"Finding Nemo"** is a Walt Disney Pictures release and rated G for general audiences.

Heist remake **"The Italian Job"** follows a band of thieves, led by Charlie Croker (Mark Wahlberg), as he pulls off the ultimate heist by rigging the stoplights of Los Angeles so that they can drive right out of the city with a car filled with gold, with nothing but green lights, as everyone else gets red lights, thus resulting in the largest traffic jam in L.A. history.

"The Italian Job" is a Paramount Pictures release and rated PG-13 for violence and some language.

Now showing

Now in theaters, the comedy **"Bruce Almighty"** starring Jim Carrey as Bruce Nolan, a "human interest" television reporter in Buffalo, New York who is discontented with almost everything in life, despite his popularity and the love of his girlfriend Grace (Jennifer Aniston). At the end of the worst day in his life, Bruce angrily ridicules and rages against God - and God responds. He appears in human form (Morgan Freeman), and endowing Bruce with all of His divine powers, challenges Bruce to take on the big job and see if he can do it any better. **"Bruce Almighty"** is a Universal Pictures release and rated PG-13 for language, sexual content and some crude humor.

Screwball comedy **"The In-Laws"** follows daredevil secret agent and irreverent father of the groom Steve Tobias (Michael Douglas) as he gives conservative podiatrist and father of the bride Jerry Peyser (Albert Brooks) a bad case of pre-nuptial jitters when they finally meet during the celebrations leading up to the wedding of their children. **"The In-Laws"** is a Warner Bros. release and rated PG-13 for suggestive humor, some drug references and action violence.

Now in theaters is kids' comedy **"Daddy Day Care"** starring Eddie Murphy as a father who is laid off from his "dotcom" job and finds himself in jeopardy of financial ruin. He joins his friends (Steve Zahn, Jeff Garlin) in opening a free-spirited "guy-run" business called **"Daddy Day Care"**, in his house, much to the disgust of the owner (Anjelica Huston) of a more traditionally-operated day daycare center. **"Daddy Day Care"** is a Sony Pictures release and rated PG for language.

"The Shape of Things" is the contemporary story of love and art is set in a small town, the film follows the steadily intensifying relationship between Evelyn (Rachel Weisz) and Adam (Paul Rudd). As Evelyn strengthens her hold on Adam, his emotional and physical evolution discomforts his friends Jenny (Gretchen Mol) and Philip (Fred Weller), with unexpected consequences for all. **"The Shape of Things"** is a Focus Features release and rated R for language and some sexuality.

Exclusively showing at the Emagine Novi, **"New Suit,"** the contemporary update of the fairy tale **"The Emperor's New Clothes."** Set in present-day Hollywood, the story concerns a script which does not exist, but nonetheless draws praise and bids from the creative community. **"New Suit"** is a Trillion Entertainment release and rated R for language, some sexuality and drug use.

Video and DVD

On video and DVD shelves this week, romantic comedy **"A Guy Thing"** (PG-13), low-budget documentary **"Life and Debt"** (NR), dark comedic drama **"Love Liza"** (R), goofy action/comedy **"National Security"** (PG-13), emotionally charged drama **"Talk to Her"** (R) and paranoid thriller **"The Recruit"** (PG-13).

Showbiz satire **"Adaptation"** (R), fact-based tearjerker **"Antwone Fisher"** (R), sequel to Disney's theatrically released underwater adventure **"Atlantis: Milo's Return"** (G), offbeat drama **"Max"** (NR) and tenth feature film in the **"Star Trek"** franchise **"Star Trek: Nemesis"** (PG-13).

Chase-thriller **"Catch Me If You Can"** (PG-13), interpersonal drama **"The Emperor's Club"** (PG-13), extreme sports adventure **"Extreme Ops"** (PG-13), drama **"Kandahar"** (NR) and heartwarming drama **"The Way Home"** (PG).

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"Come swing with us," say Novi Rotarians

The Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis will play two shows (7:30 and 9:30 p.m.) on Wednesday, June 18 at Novi High School auditorium (see the ad in this section for details). This is a Novi Rotary Club event, sponsored by JCK&Associates.

In the upcoming weeks before the shows, this newspaper will take a look at the LCJO and the 15 band members that make up one of the swiftest ensembles in jazz today. - Editor

Ted Nash (alto and soprano saxophones, clarinet) was born in 1959 in Los Angeles into a musical family - his father Dick Nash and uncle Ted Nash both being well-known jazz and studio musicians. He first came to New York at the age of eighteen and soon after released his first album as a leader, *Conception*. Within a couple of years he joined the Mel Lewis Jazz Orchestra, an association that lasted for more than ten years. It was in this fertile environment that Nash began to write his first arrangements, which have been featured on two of the band's recordings. In 1994, Nash was commissioned by the Davos Musik Festival (Switzerland) to compose for a string quartet in a jazz setting. This commission was the inspiration for *Rhyme and Reason*, which was voted one of the top five CDs of 1999 by *Jazz Times Magazine*. Besides being a regular member of the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra - which he joined in 1997 - Mr. Nash has recently toured Europe with the Carnegie Hall Big Band, and toured and recorded with Marcus Roberts and Joe Lovano. He also can be heard on several acclaimed CDs produced by the

Jazz Composers Collective, including the Herbie Nichols Project's *Love is Proximity* and Dr. Cyclops' *Dream* and Ben Allison's *Medicine Wheel*, *Third Eye*, and *Riding the Nuclear Tiger*, as well as recordings by Wynton Marsalis, Wycliffe Gordon, and others. His latest CD, *Sidewalk Meeting*, featuring his new ensemble *Odeon*, was released in June 2001.

Marcus Printup (trumpet) was born and raised in Conyers, Georgia. He had his first musical experiences hearing the fiery gospel music his parents sang in church, and he later discovered jazz as a senior in high school. While attending the University of North Florida on a music scholarship, he won the International Trumpet Guild Jazz Trumpet competition. In 1991, Mr. Printup's life changed drastically when he met his mentor to this day, the great pianist Marcus Roberts. Mr. Roberts introduced him to Wynton Marsalis, which led to his induction into the LCJO in 1993. Mr. Printup has performed and/or recorded with Betty Carter, Dianne Reeves, Eric Reed, Cyrus Chestnut, Wycliffe Gordon and Mr. Roberts, among others. Mr. Printup has recorded several records as a leader, *Song for the Beautiful Woman*, *Unveiled*, *Hub Songs*, *Nocturnal Traces*, and his most recent, *The New Boogaloo*. He made his screen debut in the 1999 movie *Playing by Heart* and recorded on the film's soundtrack.

Herlin Riley (drums) was born into a musical family in New Orleans, Louisiana and began playing the drums at age three. Mr. Riley was a member of



Ahmad Jamal's band from 1984 through 1987, and has performed and/or recorded with Dianne Reeves, Marcus Roberts, Dr. John, Harry Connick, Jr., George Benson, Steve Turre and The Clayton Brothers, among others. His theater experience includes playing in *One Mo' Time* and *Satchmo: America's Musical Legend*. In the spring of 1988, he joined Wynton Marsalis's Septet, with which he toured and recorded for six years. He appeared on the cover of the April 1995 issue of *Modern Drummer* and is featured in an instructional video, "New Orleans Drumming

Ragtime and Beyond - Evolution of a Style." Mr. Riley has performed regularly with the LCJO since it began touring in 1992. He has released one recording as a leader, *Watch What You're Doing*, which features fellow LCJO members

Joe Temperley (saxophones) was born in Scotland and first achieved prominence in the United Kingdom as a member of Humphrey Lyttelton's band from 1958 to 1965, which toured the U.S. in 1959. In 1965, he came to New York City, where he performed and/or recorded with

Woody Herman, Buddy Rich, Joe Henderson, Duke Pearson, the Jazz Composer's Orchestra, Thad Jones-Mel Lewis Orchestra and Clark Terry, among many others. In October 1974, he toured and recorded with The Duke Ellington Orchestra as a replacement for Harry Carney. Mr. Temperley played in the Broadway show *Sophisticated Ladies* in the 1980s, and his film soundtrack credits include the Cotton Club, *Biloxi Blues*, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, *When Harry Met Sally*, and *Tune In Tomorrow*, composed by Wynton Marsalis. Mr. Temperley is a

mentor and a co-founder of the FIFE Youth Jazz Orchestra program in Scotland, which now enrolls 70 young musicians ages 7 to 17 playing in three full-size bands. Mr. Temperley has released several albums as a leader, including *Nightingale* (1991), *Sunbeam* and *Thundercloud* with pianist Dave McKenna (1996), *With Every Breath* (1998), and *Double Duke* (1999) with several fellow LCJO members. He is an original member of the LCJO, and serves on the faculty of the Juilliard Institute for Jazz Studies.

Ron Westray (trombone) was born on June 13, 1970 in Columbia, South Carolina. He began studying piano at age 5 and was introduced to the trombone at age 11. In 1991, while studying at South Carolina State University, Mr. Westray met Wynton Marsalis and Marcus Roberts in a Columbia jazz club and soon joined the Marcus Roberts Septet for several recordings and national tours. Mr. Westray received his B.A. in Trombone Performance from South Carolina State University and his M.A. from Eastern Illinois University. Mr. Westray toured Europe as a member of the group *Jazz Futures II* in the summer of 1992. In addition to leading his own ensembles and working as a sideman, Mr. Westray recorded a widely acclaimed album with fellow LCJO trombonist Wycliffe Gordon entitled *Bone Structure*. He first performed with the LCJO in 1993 in which he currently serves as lead trombonist and frequently contributes new compositions and arrangements.



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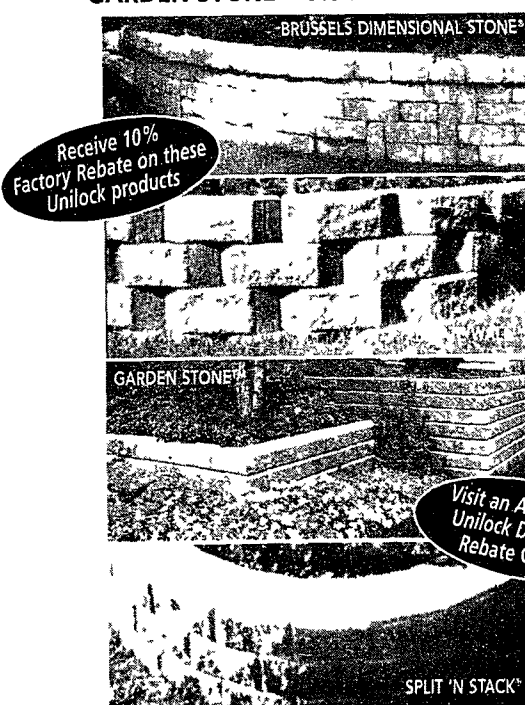
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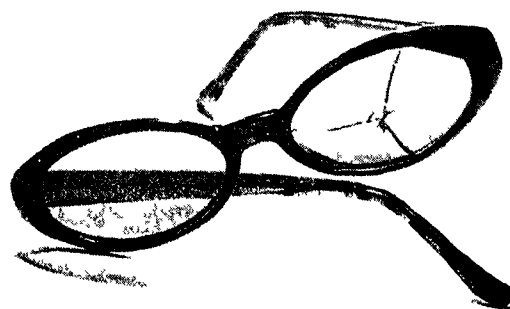
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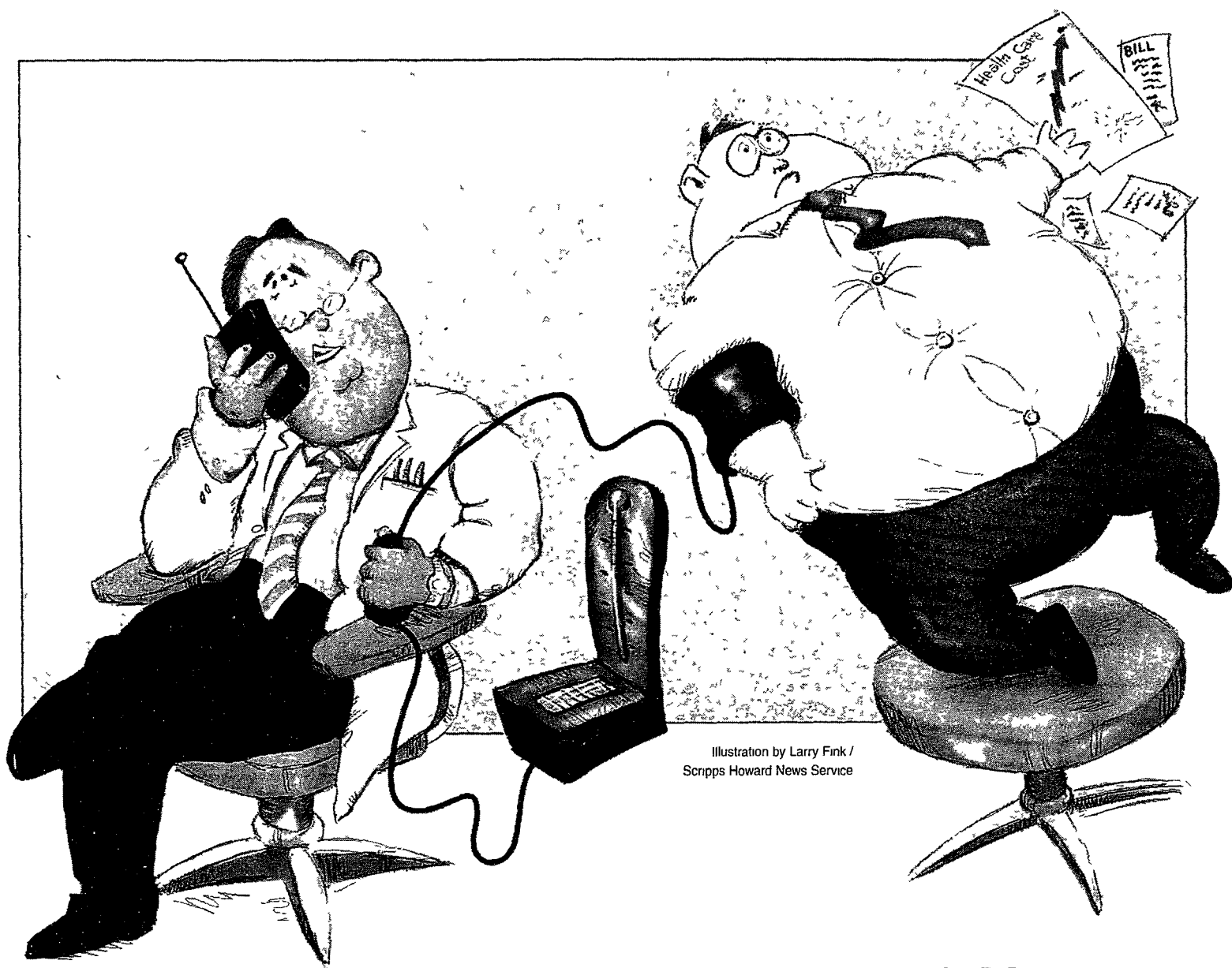
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Up, Up, Up, and aWay

Businesses of all sizes struggle to keep up with rising cost of health benefits

By Tom Raithe

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Tom Slade attended a recent small gathering of printing company officials in Billings, Mont., when up came the topic of employee health-care insurance.

It wasn't the first time, but this time "it was one of the main agenda items," said Slade, who with his wife Lisa, owns Alphagraphics of Evansville, Ind.

Everyone at the conference agreed that rising health insurance costs are getting out of control.

"It's not unusual for us to look at 20 to 30 percent increases on a yearly basis," said Slade. "This is one of the hot topics for businesses with 10 to 20 employees."

It's a hot topic for bigger companies, too. "Like everyone else, costs just keep going up and up," said Brad Hershberger, general manager of Kight Home Center, an Evansville company that employs 170.

"I think part of the problem is the perception in anything," Hershberger said. "The idea that there's no limit to where this thing can go is just crazy."

Two-thirds of Americans — more than 163 million people — get their health coverage through their employers, according to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. And in recent years, paying for employee benefits has increasingly become a burden.

The chamber estimates there are 41 million uninsured people across the nation. About half of the uninsured work for small businesses with fewer than 100 employees, the study found.

Most companies that don't offer insurance to their employees cite the cost. But they also complain of administrative hassles, said Kate Sullivan, health-care policy director for the U.S. Chamber.

The problem for small companies is that it's difficult for them to self-insure, Sullivan said. Companies with more than 150 employees normally self-insure. Those with fewer than 100 employees rarely do.

Self-insurance usually lowers costs for employers and gives them more flexibility in their policies, Sullivan said. But it's not economical for small companies because they have too small a pool of employees to work with, and the pool's insurance history can fluctuate severely, she said. Thus, small companies usually must buy policies from an insurance company. The insurers are often restricted in

their flexibility, Sullivan said.

But large companies that can self-insure are affected, too.

"It seems like it's becoming a larger and larger portion of our compensation package," said Jeff Mulzer, vice president of administration for Mulzer Crushed Stone, based in Tell City, Ind. The company has about 400 employees.

Mulzer said his company copes with insurance-cost hikes of 8 percent to 9 percent a year. The company has joined Preferred Provider Organizations (PPOs) and done other things to try to control costs.

One of the things companies can do is have employees pay part of the costs.

At Kight, two-thirds of the cost of health insurance is paid by the company and the rest by employees, said Tom Bernhardt, co-owner.

Both employees and employer pay when premiums rise.

Sullivan said lawmakers should take a multifaceted approach. It will take public programs, tax incentives and other action.

"The reality is health care is a personal matter and people want a personal approach. It's going to take many solutions."

"I think part of the problem is the perception in society that business can bear the brunt of anything. The idea that there's no limit to where this thing can go is just crazy."

Brad Hershberger,
general manager of Kight
Home Center in Evansville,
Ind.

When recognition comes from colleagues, not supervisors

Peer Recognition

How to start a co-worker award program:

- Talk to your managers. You need the support of your employer, especially if money is involved.
- Spell out clear rules for nominations to avoid popularity contests.
- Lobby your co-workers and be open to their suggestions, but don't be discouraged if they're not interested.
- Large awards can breed jealousy; small gifts are often more appreciated.
- One award program shouldn't exclude another. Several different award programs could work better than just one.
- Paperwork and red tape are a deterrent. Make it easy to award a co-worker.
- Stick to the program and be consistent.

By Karin Rives

RALEIGH NEWS & OBSERVER

Most workers get feedback from their bosses through evaluations, pay raises and promotions. Very few ever hear from co-workers in the office or on the factory floor that they're appreciated.

That's too bad, says Sally Reynolds, who is trying to get a co-worker recognition award program started at the small public accounting firm in Raleigh, N.C., where she's an intern.

Reynolds, 55, formerly a French professor at University of North Carolina at Asheville and now training to be an accountant, thinks many workplaces would improve if employees encouraged certain behavior in one another.

If you happen to be the kind of person who maintains civility and works well under pressure, for example, your co-workers could reward you for that, Reynolds said. Or you might be recognized for taking time to share your skills and help others meet deadlines.

"I'm trying to get at how workers treat each other on the job," said Reynolds, who got the idea from the outstanding-teacher awards common in the academic community.

"I'm interested in specific positive behaviors that affect how comfortable and produc-

tive we feel on the job."

Reynolds acknowledges that the response to her initiative has, with a few exceptions, been lukewarm.

She blames tax season and hectic schedules for the lack of interest and hopes an employee advisory committee will take up the matter later this spring.

Her timing may actually be just right.

"Many companies are looking for ways to create recognition, build morale and create community at a time when there just isn't as much money available to support the range of benefits that were common in the late 1990s," said John Challenger, chief executive of Challenger, Gray & Christmas, an outplacement firm in Chicago that tracks workplace issues.

Peer recognition programs seem to be catching on as employers continue to look for low-cost employee incentive programs, Challenger said. He cited as an example a pharmaceutical company, Roche Carolina of Florence, S.C., that offers awards ranging from restaurant gift certificates to airline tickets for employees who were nominated by their peers.

Still, co-worker award programs face challenges. One is getting people to divert attention to a program that would offer relatively

small rewards.

Workers who are very busy, especially those who feel unappreciated by their superiors, may have a hard time summoning generosity to recognize their fellow employees, said Nancy Lynch of Human Resource Consulting Associates in Buffalo, N.Y.

"People really need praise, but they may feel that they really want it from upper management instead of their co-workers," she said.

The economy can be an undermining factor for workers (or managers) trying to start inexpensive award initiatives. In a downturn, many employees may resent such awards as misplaced substitutes for disappointing pay raises or weaker benefit programs.

"A lot of companies are downsizing and while employers are looking for other ways of recognizing employees, this just doesn't seem to be at the top of anybody's list right now," said Adele Hanna of AHD Consulting in Hendersonville, N.C., a company that helps small businesses with human-resource matters.

But some employers have been successful at implementing co-worker awards, in some cases because they were employee-driven initiatives rather than programs concocted by managers.

Estate planning tips

Death often leaves families bound up in financial red tape, trying to make sense of what is owed, what taxes apply and where the money and property will end up.

It doesn't have to be this way. By understanding the ins and outs of estate planning, you can enjoy your assets while you're alive and take care of your family once you're gone.

Jack Otter is senior editor of Smart Money magazine, a personal business magazine providing information on investment opportunities and pitfalls. Here he outlines some key steps to protecting your estate for your heirs.

FINE LIVING

■ **Determine estate value.** The first step, says Otter, is to determine the value of your estate. Prepare a detailed list of all your assets and make sure there's a paper trail showing where every one of them is located. You should update it at least once a year, and this is probably easiest to do at tax time.

■ **Reduce estate over lifetime.** For tax purposes, consider gradually reducing the size of your estate over your lifetime. You can give \$11,000 each year to any heirs tax-free and an unlimited amount to your spouse.

■ **Set up trusts.** Setting up a living trust can be very helpful to your heirs because it lets your assets bypass probate. Married couples can set up what's called a credit shelter trust to protect up to \$2 million from taxation.

■ **Name institution co-executor.** Once you've named your executor, make their job easier by naming a bank or trust company as co-executor. The co-executor can handle the estate's paperwork, leaving your executor to handle the personal details.

■ **Always check with your accountant.** Otter says the \$11,000 gift tax exclusion and the \$1 million estate tax exclusions are current for 2002, but estate tax exclusion limits will continue to increase through 2010 when the tax itself is scheduled to be repealed. Check with your accountant or financial planner each year to make sure you're gifting the maximum amount allowable.

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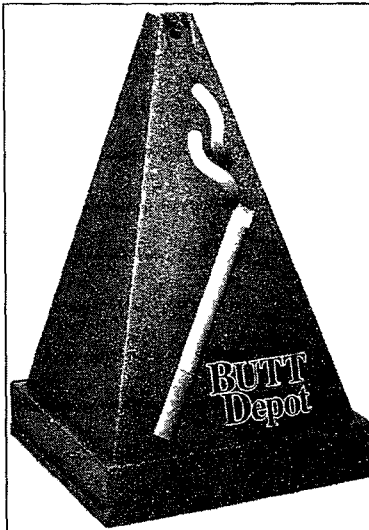


Photo courtesy Durability Seating

A 22-pound, all-weather ashtray

By Mark Albright
ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

Maria Gerelus, who puffs on a cigarette once in a while, sees profits in Florida's new ban on smoking in restaurants.

"We've done well in other smoke-free restaurant states, so Florida's going to be big," the owner of Durability Seating said.

The St. Petersburg company makes furniture for chain restaurants, but it has developed a sideline: the Butt Depot. Now Gerelus hopes to get 2 percent of her company's \$7-million annual sales from the 22-pound outdoor ashtray.

Restrictions have forced most workplace smokers outdoors. Yet gadgets aimed at stopping cigarettes at the door of stores and employee break areas are flawed. Rain causes wall-mounted Duck-It ashtrays to overflow their contents. Hubcap-size ashtrays must be emptied before swirling winds send their contents flying into flower beds and sidewalks.

Solutions range from chi-chi designer butt cans to a plastic pile that comes equipped with a twist-off sand trap bottom. At \$159, Durability's Butt Depot is a more expensive yet easier-to-empty version that collects 2,000 butts in a steel drawer.

Officials at the St. Petersburg Main Post Office tried out Butt Depots for a week before buying some.

They hand-counted 1,900 cigarette butts caught by a pair of them.

The product has undergone some changes along the way. The top of the pyramid-shaped container was tilted to stop smokers from balancing lit cigarettes there for later retrieval. And college kids stole some for dorm rooms so Butt Depot now can be bolted down.

HOME & GARDEN

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Housing wizardry for cheap

By Marcelene Edwards
TACOMA NEWS TRIBUNE

Danni and Jeff Owen couldn't decide what to put on the kitchen counter tops of their new house. Danni, 29, and Jeff, 33, spent hours at the New Home Showroom in Bellevue, Wash., examining 2-inch samples of laminate. They were looking for the best match for the flooring in their home, which was to be constructed the next month in the Berkshire Glen subdivision in Auburn, Wash.

This was their third visit to the Quadrant Homes showroom to sort through 5,000 options of carpeting, light fixtures, doorknobs and other accessories.

"So much for thinking we had it done during the second visit," Danni Owen said.

Quadrant Corp. asks customers to visit the showroom at least three times to make sure they're happy with all their choices. That's part of the new home-building philosophy that makes Quadrant and its Weyerhaeuser Co. parent the biggest home builder in the Puget Sound region.

And it's making the company's real estate division one of Weyerhaeuser's most successful. Quadrant sold 913 homes in the first 11 months of 2002, nearly three times as many as its nearest competitor.

Home buyers select from a set of more than 30 house plans, depending on the subdivision, and then choose the details that go inside from a selection at the showroom.

The downside: There are no deviations. Homeowners who want a custom light fixture have to buy it after the house is constructed and install it themselves.

Quadrant executives say that keeps their prices low and gives consumers more home for their money.

The company, which also is building in other regional developments, has refined its production



Photo by William Wilson Lewis III/Tacoma News Tribune
Jim and Wendy Hite's year-old home is on the panhellenic tour. It was designed and built around their impressive art collection.

so it can put up a house — even its largest design — in 54 working days, about a two-thirds the normal time.

The scrap lumber that normally clutters construction sites is in short supply at Quadrant-built homes. Just about every inch of wood is used.

Much of the flooring and many walls are nailed together in a nearby factory and hauled to the job site. For some designs, 70 percent of the framing is done off-site.

That precision has helped make the Weyerhaeuser real estate operation one of the more profitable divisions in the company, at a time when Weyerhaeuser's core wood and paper businesses are having tough times.

Five years ago Quadrant sold 357 homes. The company either built the house first and then looked for a buyer, or allowed buyers to specify custom-designed floor plans, interiors and landscaping. But in 1998 the company scrapped that model and went to a more predictable and profitable home-building concept.

Before the change, Quadrant would build whatever its designers thought would fit the needs of most buyers. Most houses came with a fireplace. But once the company let consumers make the choice, only 40 percent picked fireplaces.

Now, the company won't build a house unless it has been sold. The company usually has people on a waiting list to build houses in its developments.

Quadrant now has 30 plans from which a customer can choose, with selection depending on the size of the lot. That cuts down on design and architecture costs.

The company's contractors have become adept at building this selection of houses. They start four new houses every day somewhere in Washington.

"If you can have a smooth, predictable schedule, we benefit, the customer benefits and our suppliers benefit," said Steve Dennis, president of Quadrant. "Most people don't believe it's going to happen, but it does with alarming regularity."

That predictability eliminates surges and lags in construction.

One big time-saver is Quadrant's contract with Woodinville Lumber, which puts together much of the wall, roof and floor structures so the site workers just have to nail the big pieces together. That saves money on labor and production costs.

Selection of fixtures and other details of the houses has been simplified. Quadrant equips each house with everything a homeowner will need to live in it. But at the New Home Showroom, buyers can get upgrades on many items — at extra cost. They can get hardwood instead of vinyl flooring, or add a home networking package.

The showroom displays the choices. Walls are lined with shutters, cabinets and stair railings. Home buyers can examine each item to make sure it's what they want.

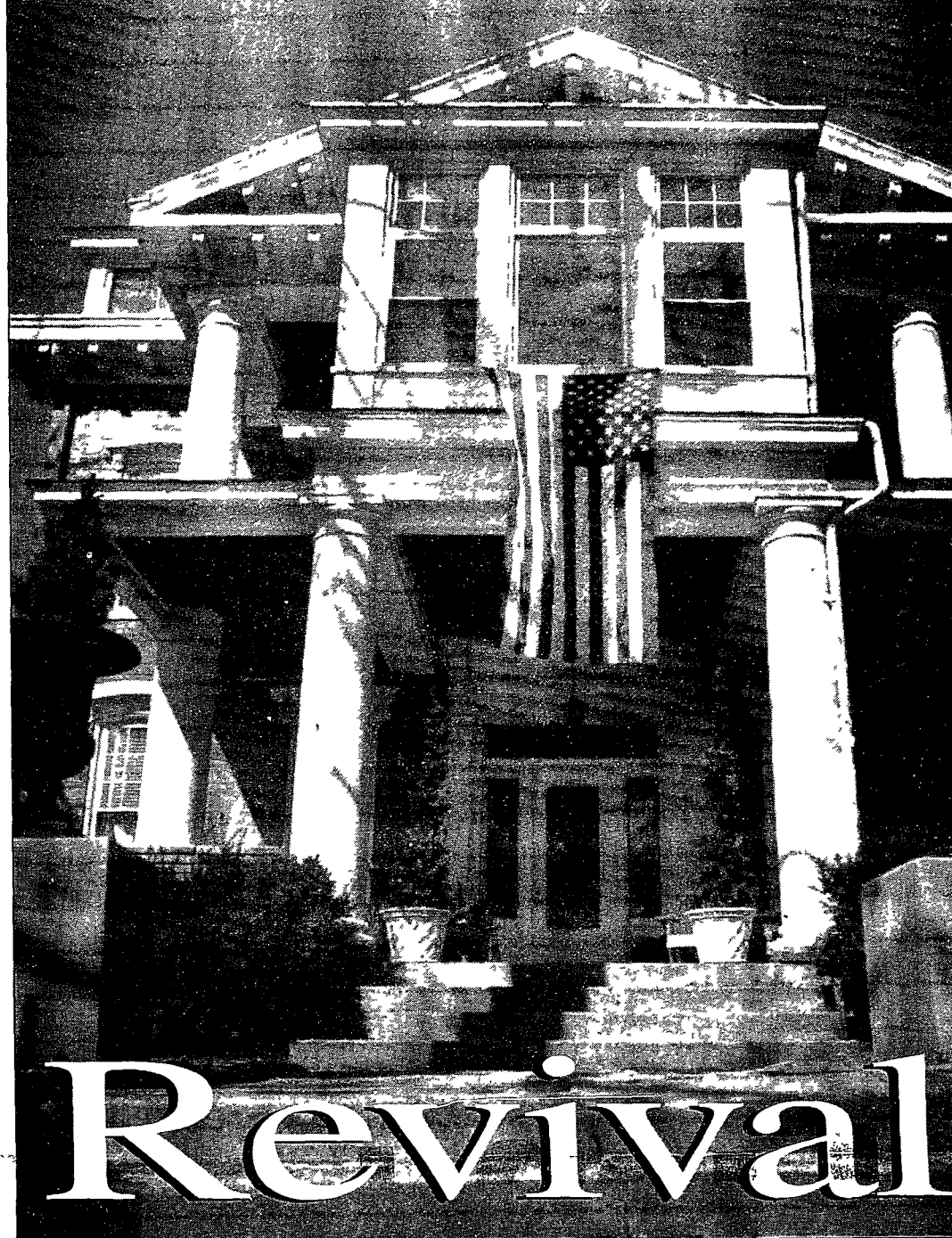
The Owen family is trading their 1947 fixer-upper for a 3,161-square-foot home with enough room for their 2-year-old twins to run around.

They decided on hardwood flooring in the entry, better carpet, double doors to the master bedroom, a double vanity in the master bathroom, and nicer windows and lights.

That added \$27,000 to the cost of their house — originally priced at \$278,000.

"We got quite a few upgrades and pretty nice options for what we paid," Danni Owen said.

a Greek



The Ifft family's 1872 Greek Revival house in Ben Avon.

Interior changes emanate an easy elegance but maintain the house's character

Story by Gretchen McKay ■ Photos by Tony Tye ■ Scripps Howard News Service

If Kevin Ifft had remembered to fill up his tank earlier that day, he might have missed his chance to own a sprawling, 130-year-old Greek Revival in Ben Avon, Pa.

Houses in the leafy, turn-of-the-century neighborhood along the Ohio River get snapped up fairly quickly, especially when they're big, architecturally interesting and priced lower than you'd expect.

But as good luck would have it that night three years ago, he noticed the "For Sale" sign as he headed toward a gas station.

"It was so striking, I immediately called my wife, Kim, and told her to get us an appointment as soon as possible," says Kevin, 43.

"We were more curious than anything," says Kim, 34, who called the Realtor at 10 on a Friday night.

The moment the Iffts stepped through the tall front door, it was a done deal. Kevin was blown away not only by the size and height of the house's 12 rooms (the ceilings stretch 11 feet) but by the near-pristine tiger oak floors throughout the first and second floors.

Kim was enchanted with the second-floor sun room. With its beadboard walls, French doors and 6-foot-tall windows on three sides, "it literally took my breath away," she says.

Less than 24 hours later, they had agreed to the asking price of \$149,900.

Now, three years later, they have nearly finished its renovation. The home reflects Kim's love of antiques and a decorating style that walks the line between relaxed and refined. Filled with comfortable furnishings and colorful vintage accessories, it exudes an easy elegance that embraces family living but still maintains the house's historic character.

Built in 1872, the 2-1/2-story house is one of Ben Avon's earliest residences. Though it had been split into three apartments in the 1960s or '70s, it had been fairly well maintained over the years. The 7,000-square-foot house still boasted all seven of its original fireplace mantels and most of its original hardware and woodwork. All it really needed, Kim says, was to be given back its "dignity."

"This is a house that needs to be lived in and loved," she says. "We wanted to make it romantic all over again."

When the Iffts moved in, the living room was bare, with just a floor-to-ceiling orange brick fireplace as a focal point. At 18 by 21 feet, the room needed something big to make a statement. But what?

With the help of craftsman Dan Trobee, they eventually decided to plaster over the orange brick and build a mantel that mirrored the front staircase. Picking through piles of architectural salvage the couple stores in their garage, Trobee discovered a curved piece of wood with an elaborate medallion gleaned from an old restaurant. He added double-banded columns on either side.

The dining room's real centerpiece, however, is a rustic, 9-foot-long table that Kim discovered. Used by a carpenter in the 1800s, it is covered with cuts and nicks — you can even see the holes left by a vise in one corner.

Her love of color comes through on the second floor, where a navy blue and soft taupe-painted hallway leads to three oversized bedrooms and a laundry.

Three-year-old Kemmer Jane's room is particularly charming. Kim and her mother hand-painted a light blue-and-cream checkerboard design on the walls and swathed the large windows with periwinkle-colored velvet gathered in puffs. Pink and chartreuse organza streamers drape from the ceiling over the metal bed and a collection of flower fairies hang from tulle ribbons tied to wooden pegs.

Down the hall, 2-year-old Alex's bedroom features built-in bunks and walls hand-painted with yellow and green diamonds.

The third-floor bedrooms of daughters Madison, 7, and Abby, 6, lie on either side of a jazzy yellow-and-royal blue polka-dotted and striped hallway. Madison's room features a cloud-painted ceiling, blue walls and a window above some built-in bookcases. Abby's room has purple walls and a headboard made from an old picket fence.

Another highlight of the second floor is the unique sun room. This sunny, windowed space serves as a sewing/art room furnished with rustic antiques and brightened by a moss green-and-cream painted wood floor.

"This is the most wonderful place to just sit and relax," says Kim.



Dining room in the Kim and Kevin Ifft home in Ben Avon.

A sturdy house of foam blocks

Home able to withstand wind, water, termites

By Leon M. Tucker
ST PETERSBURG TIMES

A drive past suggests it's just another home construction project, with workers lumbering about shouldering steel rods, concrete blocks and other hardware.

But what's with the plastic foam?

Using a material similar to that of the squeaky-to-the-touch supermarket beer cooler, CaCo Construction of Dunedin, Fla., is working on a 7,000-square-foot home in Clearwater, Fla.

Usually, houses in Florida are built using concrete blocks or wood to frame the structure. These days, as more home buyers and builders try to be frugal and environmentally conscious, insulating concrete forms are becoming more popular.

Insulating concrete forms are hollow Poly Steel foam blocks or panels that crews stack into the shape of the exterior walls of a building. After the forms are fastened or sealed with foam adhesives, reinforced concrete is poured inside. The end result is a foam-concrete sandwich.

"It's a little different, so it scares a lot of people," said Craig Pavlik, president of CaCo Construction. "But I like it for its strength and energy efficiency."

Proponents of this type of construction laud it as stronger, more energy efficient, quiet and durable.

This is the first time Pavlik's company has used insulated concrete forms to build a home.

Dr. Steve Steller, a chiropractor, hired Pavlik, one of his patients, to do the work.

"I've bought several houses (in Florida), and the termite and water damage was so crazy that I thought I'd like to try something new," Steller said. "I think it's the new wave of construction in Florida because it's termite-proof, waterproof and wind-proof. It only makes sense."

According to the Web Site www.icfweb.com, only about one-third as much noise gets through an insulated concrete wall compared with that of conventional wood-frame or steel-frame wall.

The insulated concrete homes are "energy-efficient, consume about 43 percent less energy for heating and 32 percent less for cooling, according to studies."

The walls are designed to withstand winds of more than 200 mph.

"It's not really widespread, but I've seen (insulating concrete forms) from the Panhandle to South Florida," said Dave Howell, a veteran general contractor and building inspector from DeLand, Fla. "It appears to me that if it's built to the manufacturer's standards, it's a very substantial, very efficient type of construction."

One drawback, however, is the cost. It's estimated that building with insulating concrete forms costs about 1-1/2 times what it does to build a traditional concrete block or wood-framed home.

"I think it's a good technique," said Howell, a contractor for 29 years. "I think it could be a very good product if it could come into the mainstream and the price could come into reach for common housing."

New products for home and garden

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The Heavy Duty Wall Hanger is a simple and effective way to hang pictures or mirrors without nails or screws. This quick alternative to nails will hold items up to 100 pounds, according to Mels Enterprises, the distributor.

The Wall Hanger works best in wallboard, but works just as well if you drill a small hole in a plaster wall before inserting it.

One end of the hanger has a sharp point. Simply push and twist the hanger into the wall until only the hook is exposed. But make sure the wall is free of electric wires; the point will easily penetrate non-shielded wires.

You can order a 10-hanger pack for \$15 from Mels Enterprises, Box 47174, Plymouth, MN 55447 or online at www.heavydutywallhanger.com.

THE RITUAL OF THE BATH

Take a deep soak in chin-high warm water while air jets create bubbles that massage the skin. Close your eyes to the sound of water as it spills over the edge of the tub.

It's OK, it's supposed to do that in the sk overflowing bath by the Kohler Co. of Kohler, Wis. A sheet of water spills over the tub's rim into a water channel and recirculates back into the tub, maintaining a consistent water height and temperature.

The sleek 75-inch-long tub with a 24-1/2-inch deep basin comes with a heater and a pump. Its outside walls can be finished in tile, stone, wood or concrete. The sok bath was the winner of a 2002 gold Industrial Design Excellence Award from the Industrial Designers Society of America. The manufacturer's suggested price starts at about \$6,000.

For information and local suppliers, contact Kohler Co. at 1-800-456-4537 or go online at www.kohler.com.

FOOD

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Specialty spuds

Add pizzazz in a range of colors, flavors and textures

By Kathie Smith

TOLEDO BLADE

All-purpose or specialty, there's a variety that's right for any potato dish you want to make.

Staple varieties include russets, long whites, round reds and round whites. Russets account for 65 percent of the potatoes grown in the United States and are used for frying, and food processing. Round whites are grown in the Midwest and the East and are used for chip production. Round reds are raised mainly in the Northwest and are the "new" potato choice of consumers.

Within the last decade, Yukon Gold with its buttery golden flesh appeared in supermarkets. At a time when consumers were skipping butter, this potato offered the illusion of color and a depth of flavor.

Today, specialty or heirloom potatoes — Delta Gold, Purple Viking, and Red Bliss — are considered haute cuisine among restaurant chefs and home cooks.

These gems can add a fresh nutty flavor, a splash of color and added nutritional benefits to potato dishes.

More than 200 varieties of potatoes are grown in the United States today, according to the U.S. Potato Board. Skin colors include pink, purple, tan, blue, buff and red. These tubers are often named after their colors or geographic origins. For example, the Banana Fingerling potato has a yellow skin and flesh, while the Blue Peruvian has a flesh that ranges from dark blue to lavender.

Like traditional potatoes, specialty potatoes have vitamin C, potassium and fiber. Due to the pigment of the skin and flesh, specialty potatoes also provide increased antioxidant activity.

As the popularity of specialty potatoes increases, they are more likely to be found in specialty supermarkets, stores specializing in organic produce, and farmers' markets, says Mary Palu, a U.S. Potato Board spokeswoman.

Fingerlings seem to be the most plentiful in supermarkets, but blues and purples are becoming more mainstream," Palu says.

If you see these specialty potatoes for sale, don't hesitate to try them in some standard recipes such as potato salad, grilled or sautéed potatoes, and even home fries.

Recipes for many specialty varieties are featured in "Potato Salad: Fifty Favorite Recipes," by Barbara Lauterbach (Chronicle Books, \$18.95). Yukon Gold is recommended for Pennsylvania Dutch hot potato salad. Red Bliss is suggested for Greek potato salad.

Or combine Yukon Gold, Royal Purple and redskin new potatoes in Tricolor Potato Salad. By a stretch of the imagination, you could call it



Photo by Scott Bauer/ARS Image Gallery
Americans do love their spuds; we each eat about 125 pounds of them a year, about half from fresh potatoes and half in processed foods.

red, white, and blue potato salad.

Use any of the specialty potatoes in Sautéed Honey-Fennel Potatoes flavored with a little balsamic vinegar and the crunch of walnuts.

If you find fingerling potatoes, try Grilled Scallops with Warm Fingerling Potato and Bacon Salad. Otherwise, a small new potato or redskin potato can be used.

Use large Idaho or all-purpose baking potatoes for an Idaho Potato Tart. Slice the potatoes thinly with a mandoline or food processor. Then layer them in a 10-inch pie pan with other ingredients and seasoning and bake for 1 hour. It's a great alternative to baked potatoes when you are cooking a roast or ham for a family dinner.

top of the pops

A favorite snack cooks up kernels of truth

Story By Dan Vierria/Sacramento Bee ■ Photo Illustration By Dan Pittman/Scripps Howard News Service

Popcorn is happy food. A handful has the heft of air. Its crunch is delightful, its smell irresistible. Americans treasure popcorn. Each of us crunches through 58 quarts a year. Movies enjoyed at home or in theaters are the perfect complement to popcorn and its hybrids — caramel corn and kettle corn.

"If I'm eating popcorn at home, I like just regular popcorn," says Buz Minow of Sacramento, Calif. "Maybe add a little salt to it."

Minow, who owns The Sacramento Sweets Co., makes and sells candy and popcorn. Minow says he's noticed sales spike during special events like Oscar night and the Super Bowl. Caramel corn is an especially big favorite for big TV events, according to Minow.

Most popcorn is eaten at home — 70 percent. The remainder is consumed in movie theaters, at sporting events and in amusement parks.

Nationally, microwave popcorn is the biggest seller, accounting for \$1.1 billion of the \$1.7 billion in popcorn annual sales in the United States. Ready-to-eat popcorn and kernel popcorn (unpopped, stovetop popcorn) share the remaining sales dollars.

Once microwaves became a necessary appliance in most homes, it was only a matter of time for microwave popcorn's popularity to surge.

"The newer microwaves pop popcorn so much better," says Minow. "We bought a new one and it has a popcorn setting. We rarely get any (unpopped kernels), and it doesn't burn."

Purists insist that popping kernels in stovetop poppers results in better-tasting and healthier popcorn. With a stovetop popper, snackers have the choice of doctoring popcorn with varying amounts of butter, salt and oil. Multi-colored "gourmet" kernels are popular with the stovetop crowd, but even multi-colored corn pops all white.

Microwave popcorn dominates the market today because it's simple to prepare and ready to eat in two minutes or so. Since it can be eaten right out of the bag, there's no cleanup.

The numerous brands and styles of microwave popcorn make shopping for it incredibly confusing. Healthy Choice, Act II, Jolly Time, Pop Secret, Orville Redenbacher, Newman's Own and several other brands populate store shelves.

Picking a brand is followed by choosing from "natural light," "blast-o-butter," "light butter," "extra butter" and other descriptive names concocted by marketing geniuses. Double butter and kettle corn, a lightly sweet and salty variety, are driving current sales, according to the Chicago-based Popcorn Board.

But the joy of popcorn isn't in its purchase and preparation, but in its consumption.

"Popcorn makes people smile," says Deirdre Flynn, marketing director for the Popcorn Board. "When you're eating popcorn, you're usually doing something fun. Popcorn brings back great memories and makes people feel good."

Flynn says manufacturers are continuing to develop new microwave popcorns and flavors, some based on nutritional needs and others on lifestyle. Kettle corn is among the newer products and continues to be popular, she says.

ASAP Popcorn is the first and only microwave popcorn made with sunflower oil, which is low in saturated fat. Jennifer Deutsch, ASAP Popcorn's vice president of marketing, says microwave popcorn sales are up more than 6 percent in the past year, which she partially attributes to parents concerned about obesity and Type II diabetes in children. A sagging economy also boosts popcorn sales, she adds.

"Microwave popcorn is a very good snack, high in fiber, no sugar is added and you can get it in low-fat," she says. Of course, most of us enjoy butter or double butter on popcorn, which significantly ups the calorie count. Even so, popcorn is tough to resist.

By the Numbers

1.1 billion

Pounds of popcorn consumed in America per year.

3 feet

How high a kernel can pop.

48

Number of calories in 1 cup of oil-popped popcorn

1,600

Number of popcorn kernels in 1 cup.

58

Quarts of popcorn consumed each year by every American.

5,600

Age in years of an ear of popcorn discovered by anthropologists in a New Mexico cave.

400 to 460

The ideal popping temperature.

—Source: Popcorn Institute

Popping the Question

What makes popcorn pop?

A small amount of water is stored in a circle of soft starch inside the hard outer casing of each kernel. When heated, the water expands, creating pressure within, until eventually the casing gives way, and the kernels explode and pop. That allows the water to escape as steam, turning the kernels inside out.

Why don't some kernels pop?

Kernels that won't pop don't have enough water within the starch. The water shortage won't allow the build-up of pressure needed to pop the kernels.

What's the difference between white and yellow popcorn varieties?

Yellow popcorn pops up crunchy, big kernels with a nutty flavor. White popcorn has a crispy, tender texture and a slightly sweet flavor.

What are the recommended cooking

times for microwave popcorn?

It depends on the power rating of your microwave.

1,000-watt oven: 1:45-2 minutes

700-watt oven: 2:45-3:30 minutes

650-watt oven: 3-4 minutes

500-watt oven: 4:30-6 minutes

(Note: Never leave popcorn cooking in the microwave as it easily burns. When there's 2 to 3 seconds between pops, shut it off.)

Should young children eat popcorn?

No. It is not recommended for children age 5 and younger. Its round shape and small size pose a choking risk. Make sure older children don't run and jump while eating popcorn, or they also could be in danger of choking.

—Sources: Popcorn Institute, Jolly Time and interviews

Updated kitchen favorite fits busy lifestyles

By Louise Durman

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

It has the familiar red and white plaid cover, but the inside of the "Better Homes and Gardens New Cook Book" (Meredith Books) looks entirely different.

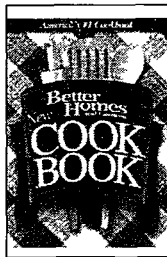
It has many of the old favorites, updated with changes in ingredients and quicker and easier methods of preparation. It has even more new recipes reflecting trends and using foods that are becoming traditions.

There are 500 new photographs and 900 new recipes (1,200 recipes in all), many updated versions of best-loved dishes.

All recipes have been tested; nutrition facts and diabetic exchanges can be found with each one.

The ring-bound edition of the new version sells for \$29.95, and the softcover edition is \$16.95.

The first "Better Homes and Gardens Cook Book" appeared in 1923. Among the oldest recipes to appear in this new edition is caramel pecan pumpkin pie from the 1937 second edition (labeled "best loved"). It's a recipe that's appropriate for the fall season when the new book appears.



CARAMEL-PECAN PUMPKIN PIE

1 single crust for pie
2 slightly beaten eggs
1 (15-ounce) can pumpkin
1/4 cup half-and-half, light cream or milk
3/4 cup granulated sugar
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon finely shredded lemon peel
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1/8 teaspoon ground allspice
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
1/2 cup chopped pecans
2 tablespoons butter, softened

Prepare and roll out pastry for single crust pie. Line a 9-inch pie plate with pastry; trim and crimp edge as desired.

In a large bowl stir together eggs, pumpkin, and half and half. Stir in the granulated sugar, flour, lemon peel, vanilla, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg and allspice.

Pour pumpkin mixture into pastry-lined pie plate.

To prevent over-browning, cover edge of pie with foil. Bake in 375-degree oven for 25 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a medium bowl stir together the brown sugar, pecans and butter until combined.

Remove foil.

Sprinkle brown sugar mixture over top of pie. Bake for 20 minutes more or until a knife inserted near the center comes out clean and topping is golden and bubbly. Cool on wire rack.

Cover and refrigerate within two hours. Makes eight servings.



Measuring molasses

When measuring gooey molasses, lightly oil or butter the spoon or cup before pouring in the syrup, and it won't stick to them.

Instant-read thermometers

An instant-read thermometer is a godsend if you been stymied by vague baking instructions such as "the bread is done when golden brown and sounds hollow when thumped". In general, breads are done when a thermometer inserted in the center of the bread registers 195 degrees.

Can't cook an egg?

If you think perfectly fresh eggs taste "rotten" — that is, sulphury — you might try cooking them less. The strong taste and aroma is a distinct sign they are overcooked.

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Bridal BOOTCAMP

Many women are enlisting in shape-up classes to get ready for impending June weddings.

By Debra Melani
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Many women are enlisting in shape-up classes or hiring bride-focused personal trainers to get ready for impending June weddings.

Forget the sickness part of those traditional wedding vows: These brides are preparing to have and to hold through fitness and in health.

It's a better vision than most brides adopt, instructors say. "We talk about this as not being a short-term thing," said Amy Holley, a Colorado Athletic Club fitness instructor, who works part time with a Denver program called Bridal Bootcamp. "We hope they are starting habits now that are going to continue with them into the future. The focus is on health, not on weight loss."

Rather than popping pills, trying starvation diets and shunning exercise — mistakes many brides make — boot-camp recruits do yoga and kick-boxing and learn about food choices and portion control to aid them in their beautiful-body quests.

"Most brides resort to quick fixes," said Tamara Kleinberg, founder of Bridal Bootcamp. They might lose the weight for the big day, but the newlyweds generally balloon back faster than a water-soaked sponge.

"And they never resemble again the photos they spent all that money on," Kleinberg said.

When brides turn to fitness-focused programs, they learn how to live more healthfully and keep the weight off, and their new skills tend to affect their significant others.

"By default, their fiances start exercising and eating better," Kleinberg said.

The phenomenon holds true in other bridal fitness programs. "He really started taking an interest in it," said Flossie O'Leary, referring to her new husband, Scott Smith.

O'Leary, 37, of Denver, joined a program called Fit to Be Tied before her Sept. 1 wedding. Focused on both fitness and nutrition, the program taught her healthy meal planning. Eventually, Smith wanted to be involved.

That's exactly how it should be, said Fit to Be Tied founder Liz Wendling.

"Living healthy together is a wonderful way to grow old together," said Wendling, who encourages her clients to share exercise with their partners, making gym dates or taking summer-night walks.

So why not bring the boys to boot camp?

"It's a girl thing," said Holley. Bootcamp brides are urged to enlist a buddy — a bridesmaid, a mother, a best friend — and set exercise dates outside class, she said.

"I think with females, there's a little more camaraderie, and they are more open than they would be if there were guys around," Holley said. Some women extend their enlistments, she said, staying in the program after their weddings.

Kleinberg credits the buddy system and common-goal environment for the program's success, saying it provides accountability, motivation and support. "If you know your buddy's going to be there, you aren't going to miss it."

Wendling has trained entire wedding parties as a group and says the women bonded while getting in shape. They also used the time to discuss wedding plans, she said.

Other brides look for fitness training before tying the knot because "... they decide that they had better keep it up, or their husbands are going to wear them down," Stacy Fowler, a personal trainer in Golden, Colo., said.

O'Leary admits that dropping a dress size and toning up for her backless gown were her primary goals. But she says she intends to continue her fitness-focused lifestyle and believes it will help her relationship.

"It's like I'm more comfortable in my own skin, and when you are both comfortable in your own skin, there are just fewer issues. It's made me stronger emotionally, and in that way, I can be a better partner."

Instructors like to see couples share their newly learned healthy lifestyles for many reasons, including the fact that fitness-focused parents breed fitness-focused children. Wendling said, "I think it's an investment they make in their future."



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Getting serious about PMS

Professor's research offers practical help for self-treatment

By Susan Fornoff
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

Premenstrual syndrome has been the butt of many jokes — Professor Diana Taylor at the University of California, San Francisco, even collects them.

But nary a one appears in "Taking Back the Month," her collaboration with Stacey Colino, subtitled "A Personalized Solution for Managing PMS and Enhancing your Health" (Perigee, 2002).

"I'm kind of offended by the jokes, actually," Taylor said. "They're not funny to women who have severe PMS, and they sort of trivialize PMS to make it seem like an excuse."

Taylor has written a very serious book based on her studies of PMS. "Taking Back the Month" reports on her findings about a disease that supposedly is all in women's heads, then takes the research a giant step farther by offering tools for symptom analysis and relief.

Thus, "Taking Back the Month" contains chapters on diet, exercise, relaxation, mind-set, time management and relationships, that women of any age or life stage might find useful in staving off illness.

Her work is geared toward the woman who inexplicably gets the blues and cries a lot for those few days every month, and her friend whose behavior veers more toward the irritable and restless.

And she has coping strategies for food cravings, bloating, constipation, cramps, fatigue and breast tenderness.

Through a series of questions, checklists and a day-by-day tracking chart, the reader can determine to what extent she has PMS. "There's still no positive-negative test," Taylor noted.

But a woman can identify her PMS symptoms and then attack them by following Taylor's simple, clear advice.

On the Web: www.takingback-themonth.com



Building a home gym

Making that long drive to the health club isn't the only way to stay healthy and looking good. Home exercise machines offer workouts just as effective as those you get from the professional models, and by building a gym in your home, you can achieve your fitness goals without having to go out.

Damien Lee is a Certified Personal Trainer who develops his workouts based on the abilities of individual clients. With more than 10 years experience as a fitness instructor, he offers the following guide to building a home gym:

■ **Cardio equipment is essential.** Lee says cardio equipment is a very important part of any home gym. Cardio equipment will help you burn body fat and build endurance.

■ **Choose free weights.** Free weights are important for muscle tone as well as tightening. Key items to have include a straight bar, a bench and safety clamps.

■ **Try an ab mat.** An ab mat can be used for doing abdominal crunches, side bends, yoga, and stretching.

■ **Customize it.** Lee recommends customizing your gym to fit your body needs. If you're using resistance bands, make sure the bands are right for your body length. If you're using dumbbells, make sure they're right for your physical abilities.

■ **Hire a personal trainer.** Since you've got your gym set up in your home, says Lee, you should hire a personal trainer. Just because you've used a piece of equipment in the gym doesn't mean it works the same in your home, so you'll want to have a trainer instruct you how to use it safely and effectively.

Left...right...left...right...wrong...

Fitness Vows

- **Commit to get fit.** Make a contract with yourself.
- **Be consistent** and schedule exercise, at least four times a week
- **Set realistic goals** and a plan to achieve them.
- **Exercise with friends** with similar goals
- **Create a home environment** that supports your decision to be healthy
- **Ask for support** and help.
- **Track your progress**
- **If you fall off the wagon**, get back on.
- **Make fitness convenient** and fun
- **Vary cardiovascular, flexibility** and strength-training routines

- **Too much, too late:** People tend to put off weight loss until they have three weeks to lose 20 pounds. Fitness should be part of weekly schedules and treated like other appointments
- **Setting unreachable goals:** If you have never been a size 6, don't kid yourself. Set realistic goals that you can attain
- **Radical diets or fitness programs:** Don't be lured by quick-fix diets. They are not healthy, and even if they work, results won't be long-term.

Diet mistakes

- **Not exercising:** A key to weight loss and management is exercise. Fitting it in, even with a bride's busy schedule,

is critical. Many brides say it eases their stress and helps them sleep. Exercise burns more calories and speeds metabolism.

- **Skipping meals:** Starvation diets and skipping meals can decrease metabolism, slowing weight loss and lead to binge eating. Eat six small meals throughout the day, making sure that they're balanced with carbohydrates and protein.

Exercises

For arms:

- **Push-ups:** These strengthen the arms and upper back and improve posture.
- **Dips:** These reverse-push-up exercises

- work the triceps, or backs of the arms.
- **Biceps curls:** These strengthen and tone the arms

For back:

- **Rowing or lat pull-down:** These increase back strength and tone waist-line.

For waist/back:

- **Abdominal exercises:** These improve posture and core and lower-back strength.

(SOURCE: LIZ WENDLING, FIT TO BE TIED, AND WWW.WORKOUTSFORYOU.COM)

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Job loss mortgage insurance

I love my home. I love how its wood floors creak. I love how its footsteps, how its walls have come to life with some novice brushstrokes of color, and the way it stands stoically in the face of inclement weather protecting all who languish beneath its rafters.

While not everyone shares my level of enthusiasm for their dwellings, most people shudder at the thought of losing a home, particularly to the bank. Traditionally, if homeowners couldn't make the mortgage payments, they were doomed for foreclosure.



Mary Davis

However, to the relief of nervous homeowners everywhere, fewer are walking the home foreclosure plank. According to a recent article published in Seattle Times (Nov. 10, 2002), lenders are actually helping delinquent borrowers avoid foreclosure. The Federal Housing Administration (FHA), the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) and the Federal Home Mortgage Corp (Freddie Mac) have all implemented national "loss mitigation" programs that enable delinquent borrowers to avoid foreclosure by making short term modifications to their loan terms, in the form of more affordable monthly payments or lower interest rates, depending on the severity of the borrower's financial problems.

While it's comforting to know that foreclosure isn't necessarily eminent if you can't make your mortgage payments, borrowers shouldn't assume their lenders would recast loans in the event of unemployment.

If you think your job may be in jeopardy this coming year and you don't have an emergency fund to cover at least six months worth of expenses, consider looking into a mortgage payment insurance policy that will pay all or a portion of your mortgage payment if you suffer involuntary unemployment.

Mortgage Payment Protection and Assurant Group both offer job loss mortgage insurance. These policies are typically sold through lenders and builders and are available to buyers and individuals who refinance their mortgages at the time of closing or soon after. Mortgage insurance policies are also available to individuals who have existing mortgages. General Electric (GE) Casualty recently unveiled a program geared toward homeowners who make their monthly payments on time. For \$45 per month—tacked onto a mortgage payment for \$100,000 loan—GE will pay 100 percent of the mortgage for up to six months in the event the homeowner gets laid off. Or for \$25 per month, GE will cover half the mortgage.

To find out about job loss mortgage insurance, contact your lender. Keep these questions in mind when conducting your research.

1. What is the policy's vesting period? (Many policies require the insured to pay into the policies for six months before benefits are administered.)
2. If I lose my job in the vesting period, will I be refunded my monthly premiums?
3. How many payments will the policy make if I'm unemployed?
4. How much is the monthly premium?
5. What is the maximum monthly benefit? In other words, does the policy pay all of the mortgage (principal, interest, taxes and insurance) or just a portion?
6. How soon after I become unemployed will benefits kick in?

If you are currently unemployed and struggling to make your mortgage payments, contact your lender right away. They may know of programs offered through public-private partnerships and state agencies that can help you avoid foreclosure. RealEstateJournal.com recommends some steps you can take to help you stay in your home.

- Get permission from your lender to postpone making payments until you find employment.
- Talk with a foreclosure prevention counselor.
- Consider refinancing or taking out a temporary loan.
- Sell your existing home and purchase one that's more affordable.

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Standing near one of the waterfalls built by Landscape Magic, Shelly Coomer, manager Tami Baldwin and owner Kurt Kilroy offer experience and ideas to make the most of any landscaping project.

Come home to relax with Landscape Magic

By Elizabeth Heer
SPECIAL WRITER

In a hectic world, home can be the center of our universe where we find much-needed safety and calm. Creating a soothing oasis for homeowners to come home to is what Kurt Kilroy does best. The Highland landscape contractor and owner of Landscape Magic designs and builds waterfalls and ponds, from initial sketch to the final finishing touches that will blend perfectly with the surrounding landscape.

Every job is unique, he explained. "You can put a waterfall, pond, or water feature at anyone's house, and each would

be completely different," Kilroy said. "Many people are spending more time and money at home now and want to enjoy the serenity of water."

Kilroy's special touch is in making newly-installed waterfalls and ponds look as if they were created by nature.

"The trick is the origin of the waterfall. It must be in the right spot and blend naturally into the setting," he said. For example, Kilroy explained that for a recent job, he created a 145-foot-long stream and waterfall system beginning at the house and running down to a lake where the water was recirculated. Tucked under spruce trees, he said the

stream looks as if it comes out of a hillside, and incorporates 35 waterfalls, boulders, rock, and slag stone for a natural look. The project was neatly finished with landscaping. "The homeowner was just elated, and said it just could not be any better," Kilroy said.

Low voltage pond lighting is another feature that Kilroy provides, which not only gives a dramatic look to the water, but is practical as well. "Most people work all day and come home in the evening, but still want to sit and relax by the pond," he explained. "With the pond lighting, you can enjoy seeing the fish and the plants."

Ponds are fun, and actually require little maintenance, according to Kilroy. "Initially, it takes three to four weeks for the water to balance. After the initial clear water period, it tends to turn a little cloudy but then it will stabilize," he said. "Adding the plant material and fish helps, because you're actually building an ecosystem. There are no chemicals to add, and because the water is filtered, it's all natural bacteria." Kilroy explains that his company uses a 45-mil liner for the bottom of the pond, and then completely covers the liner with natural stone, which acts as another natural filter. Conveniently located at Landscape Magic is The Pond Place, where customers can find quality pond plants, fish, and all the supplies needed to finish their pond.

Of course, one of the nicest features of a waterfall and pond is the relaxing sound of running water. Kilroy only installs high efficiency water pumps that don't cost an arm and a leg to operate. "These water features are designed to run 24/7 year round, and are never shut off. You'd be surprised at what pumps can do today," he said. Besides creating that inviting sound, the pumps also serve to oxygenate the water so fish can survive in the pond.

Like the natural evolution of the ponds he creates, Kilroy's life has been one of meeting change and challenge head on—evolving from factory worker, to student, to business owner, and finally to a specialized landscape contractor, "who builds really cool waterfalls and water features," he laughed. While work-

DETAILS

Kurt Kilroy of Landscape Magic is a specialist in designing and building waterfalls, retaining walls, stone steps, and low voltage lighting for your outdoor water features. The showroom, located at 2586 South Milford Road in Highland, has several waterfalls and ponds on display. Call Tami Baldwin, store manager, at (248) 684-1626, for more information or to schedule an appointment.

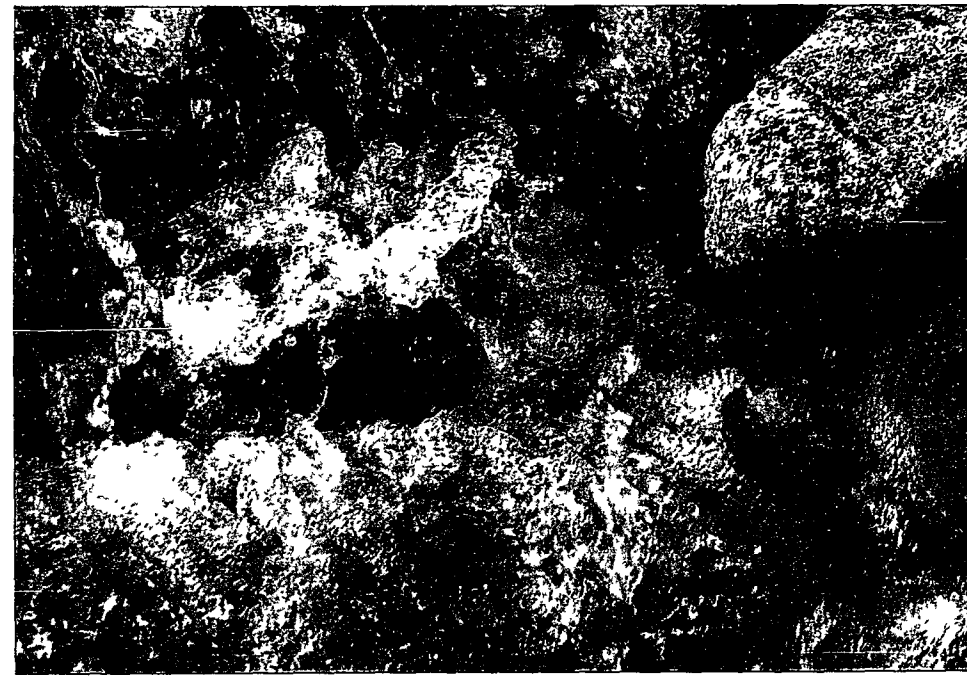


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Floods can destroy landscaping

By Jeff Rugg
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Floods can harm plants in several ways. Fast-moving water smashes plants and breaks their stems so they cannot grow upright. This is especially true of plants without wooden stems. Annual flowers and vegetable crops may be ruined by flooding and need to be replaced. Perennials can be propped up for now. They will grow new stems next year. Shrubs and trees can be propped up until they regain their strength.

When a plant is completely under water it has a hard time maintaining proper moisture levels in its stems and leaves. When plants eventually dry out, some of their leaves may die because they were covered in mud and silt, reducing their ability to photosynthesize. That is why it is best to wash off mud and silt left behind in yards by flooding.

When water covers the root system of a plant for a protracted period, it will drown. Most terrestrial plants need oxygen in the soil where their roots are growing to survive. The damage caused by flooding may not be apparent for several weeks in large trees. Plants that grow naturally in dry upland areas, such as oaks and junipers, need lots of loose soil with plenty of air. On the other hand, some plants that grow along streams and lakes can thrive in soil with low levels of oxygen. Silver maples come with a root system that tolerates flooding especially well.

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GARDEN TIP

How flooding affects foliage

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no harm to most trees and shrubs. But if water soaks the roots of plants for weeks or months, many of them will die. For this reason, homeowners living in low-lying or flood-prone areas should cultivate only water-tolerant plants. Many urban and rural parking

lots are designed to hold floodwaters for a while. As water is released from parking lots to nearby retention ponds, water levels in the retention ponds might remain artificially high. Trees planted around the edges of retention ponds should be flood-tolerant to begin with, but



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following a flood, the weak trees become apparent and can be culled out.

Lawns can tolerate being under water no more than a few days without showing some ill effects. A good example of the negative effects of flooding can be seen in the fungal diseases that often infect grass growing in humid, low-lying areas. Many urban subdivisions include parks, golf courses and open spaces in their designs specifically to channel water away from homes in times of flood. However, these parks and urban open spaces are not designed to remain wet for weeks or months. Consequently, prolonged flooding can be a problem.

If the open area, or park served as a soccer field or ball diamond, the grass was already weak from the wear and tear caused by the pounding of many feet in cleats. After the water recedes a good lawn-care program should be implemented. For the safety of participants and health of grass fields, play should be restricted until the muddy turf dries out. If played on while soggy, the turf will become compacted and hard when it dries out.

Whenever possible, mud and silt left behind by receding floodwaters on grass and turf fields should be washed off. Inundated sports fields will need a lot of remedial care to regain their pre-flood health. Normal fertilization and disease control should be resumed right away. In the autumn, grass areas should be aerated and probably even over-seeded. Overall, the effect of occasional flooding will be less on a landscape. However, if the flooding is protracted, you will need to watch for plants that have drowned and fungal diseases infecting plants in low-lying and shady areas.

You will just have to wait and see.

E-mail questions to Jeff Rugg at jlrugg@pondsupplies.com

There's no escaping weeds in grass seed

Q: I had a bunch of dead grass and I removed it and added topsoil. I bought grass seed from, I thought, a good place but now there are weeds coming up with the grass. There ought to be a law that they can't sell weeds in the grass seed.

A: There is a law, Matlock. Back your litigious self up and take a deep breath while the cosmic nature of grass and soil is explained. Michigan Department of Agriculture has tested all your supposedly contaminated grass seed. If it isn't exactly as the label says, the retailer gets a "stop sale" on the seed. This is thanks to our pals in the MDA Seed Lab in Lansing and local MDA inspectors. Sources of your odd weeds could be from a couple of sources. The topsoil that you bought came with weed seeds. It all does. That's the nature of soil. Nobody is baking it to kill all life forms. The weeds are going to be different than the ones already

living around your house. There are a bazillion weeds in Michigan and not all exist on your property. You get to meet new ones. The other possibility is that when you worked up your soil, you brought some seeds to the surface. Seeds need warmth and moisture to germinate. If they are down in the soil too deep, they just sit there, waiting. When you bring them closer to the top and the soil is warmer, it's instant plants. Mother Nature hates empty spots and always has seeds in reserve, just waiting for that moment. That's the cosmic part. But all is not lost. This is just part of the new lawn saga. Wait with weed control until early- to mid-September. If you have scattered weeds, use a ready-to-use liquid product. Spot treat the offenders. If the weeds are all over, use a granular product. And follow the directions. Remember that the label is the law.

Q: I am having some kind of a terrible problem with my soil in my garden and it has happened for as long as I have had a garden in this place. I end up planting my corn, tomatoes, beans, melons and squash several times before they will grow. The just sit there, get kind of yellow and die, or the seeds just don't come up. I am trying to get vegetables earlier than my neighbors and am planting in early- to mid-May.

A: Nothing is wrong with the soil, other than its temperature. All your listed veggies and fruit are considered warm weather crops. That means WARM WEATHER. They live and grow when the soil temperatures are above 50 degrees and the night temperatures aren't going into the forties or below. Your plants are being killed by cold. Since they grow on the second or fourth planting, it means that there probably isn't much wrong with the soil. It can't be poisoned or evil at the beginning of May and delightful at the end. This is a cold spring. Those who rushed to get warm weather crops in early will have no advantage. When the soil is warm, plants like beans will be up in less than a week. When the soil is cold, the seeds just rot. Hunt around and find some kind of a thermometer that will measure temperatures in the forties to the sixties for your soil. Check before you plant and listen to the predictions. Wait if it's going to be cold. Unless you can provide substantial protection like plastic row covers, just be patient.

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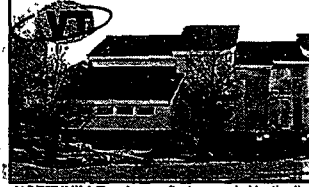
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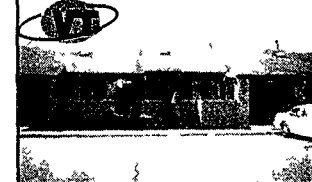
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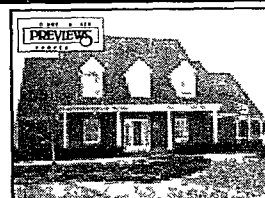
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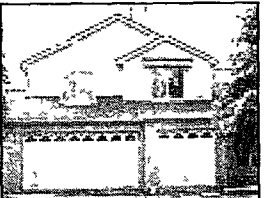
NORTHVILLE \$668,000
Distinction & Dignity! Classic Cape Cod w/architectural ambience. Gorgeous hwd floors, crown moldings & cherry wood kitchen w/granite counters 1st flr mstr ste 4bdrm, 3.5 baths (BGN67FOX) 888-870-9123



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Unbelievable Price for Townhouse Northville Condo! Freshly painted, new carpet, totally remodeled kitchen, new windows, new 6 paneled doors, remodeled lobby & walk to historic downtown (BGN25FAL) 888-870-9123



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Gorgeous 5.5 Acre Parcel Private drive in place and access to North Territorial, gas available at site Split available or could be purchased with home (BGS17VAC93NTER) 888-870-9131



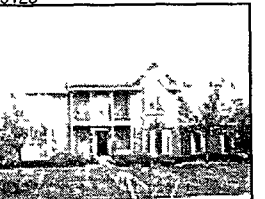
HIGHLAND \$394,900
Private Golf Club w/Social Membership! Custom 4br, 3.5 ba, fin bsmt. Many bld's upgrades including ceramic flrs, crown molding & dramatic 2 story foyer w/pillar & bridge (BGN79GAI) 888-870-9123



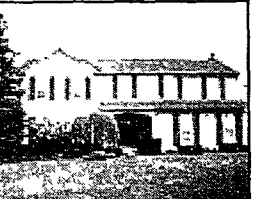
HOWELL \$269,899
Custom Built! Attention to detail Lg kitchen has dble island, desk, lg pantry, maple cabinets, hwd flrs 2 story foyer w/bridge Fabulous mstr ste. 9ft bsmt. 4br, 2.5 bath (BGN43WOO) 888-870-9123



NORTHVILLE \$429,900
Stately Northville Colonial! Gorgeous backyard w/multi-level park, gazebo, & built-in grill, new roof, new central air, 2 fireplaces, hardwood floors, 2.5 car garage & more! (BGN31WHI) 888-870-9123



NOVI \$430,000
Perfection Plus! 3000 sq ft, 2 story foyer, formal living/dining room, butler's pantry, family room, 2 way gas fireplace, gourmet kitchen w/corain, 22x13 bonus room, 1/2 acre lot (BGN60NAN) 888-870-9123



NOVI \$370,000
A Price to Move You! 2656 sq ft on 1/2 acre setting, formal living/dining rooms, family room w/gas fireplace, spacious kitchen w/Pella doorwall, 2 mstr stes, glamour bath (BGN36SHE) 888-870-9123



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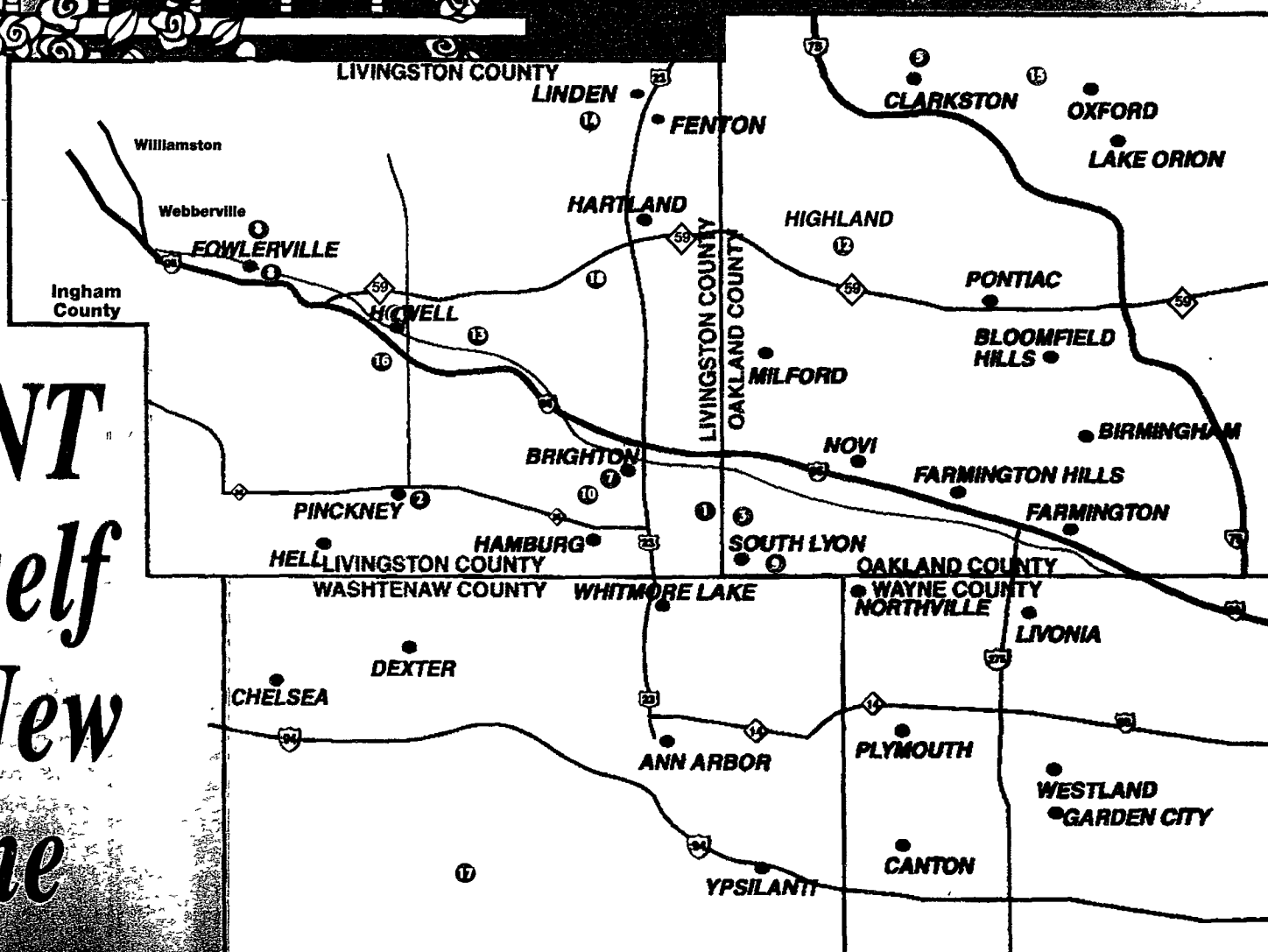
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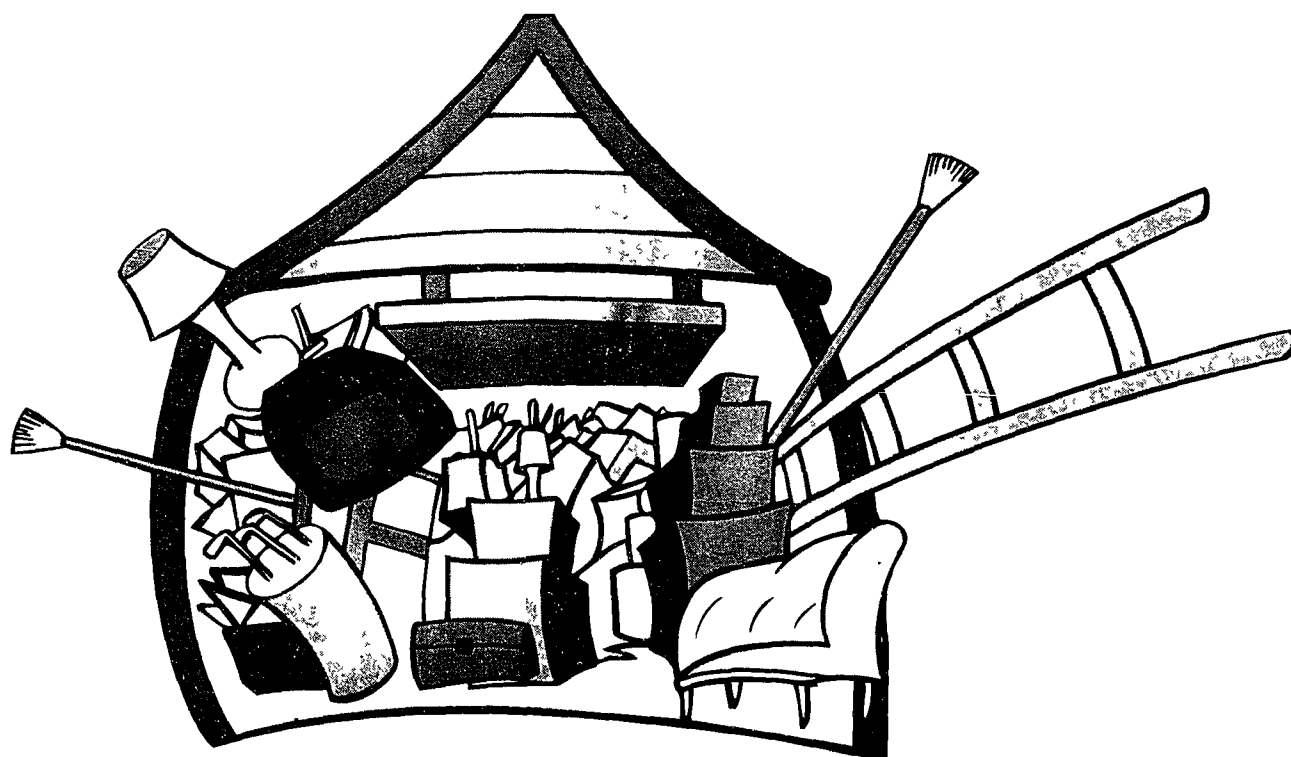
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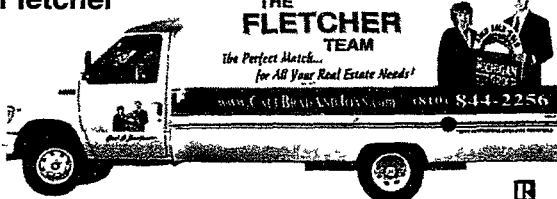


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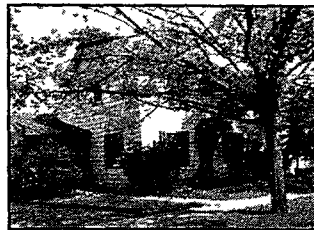
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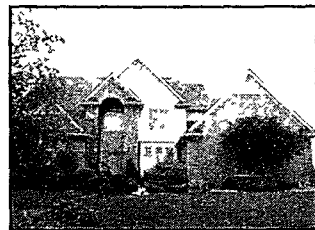
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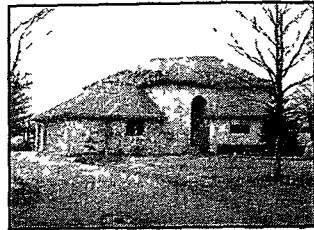
DETROIT - Warrendale brick bungalow. 3 bedroom home w/large upper master, dining room w/beautiful bay window, hardwood floors under carpet + newer windows, roof, furnace & hot water heater. Huge garage w/electricity. Close to shopping & schools \$109,900 (67PIE) 734-455-5600



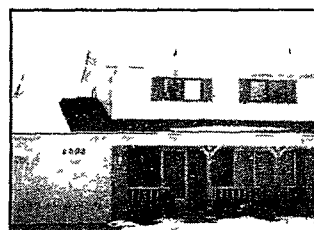
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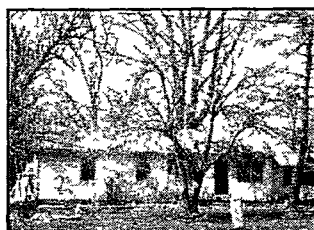
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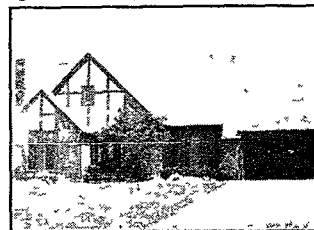
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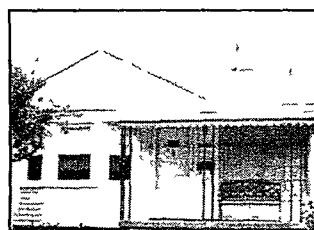
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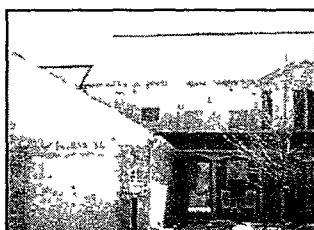
GARDEN CITY - Dream home ready to go 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch. 2 car heated AC attached garage. Large fenced yard. Newer windows & carpet. Extra storage w/built in shelves. Finished basement. Picture perfect and ready \$174,900 (73PAR) 248-349-5600



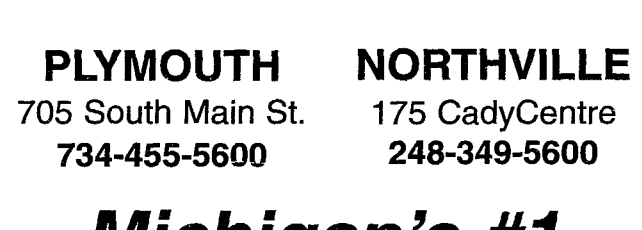
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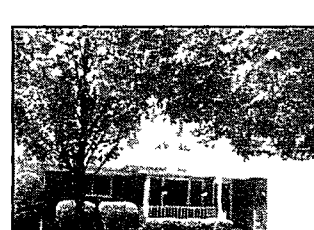
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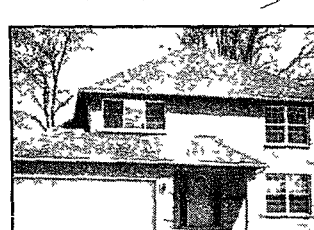
LIVONIA - Great Ranch Well maintained 3 bedroom, 2 bath all brick ranch w/updated kitchen, bath & finished basement. Newer windows t/o C/A w/humidifier. Doorwall to nice deck and extra deep yard w/2 car garage \$184,900 (42PER) 248-349-5600



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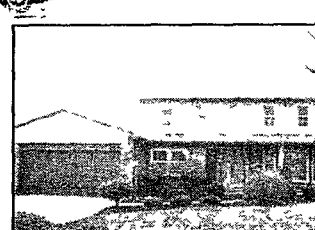
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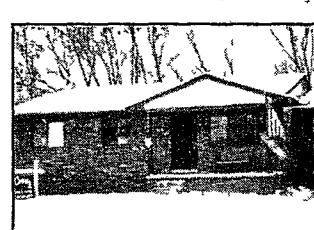
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NORTHVILLE - Picturesque privacy. Set high on a hill w/large wooded lot, this custom cape cod has 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths w/crown molding, hardwood, 1st floor master, 4-season sunroom & breakfast bar. Brick patio overlooks garden setting. 2.5 car garage & walk to town \$429,900 (15FON) 248-349-5600



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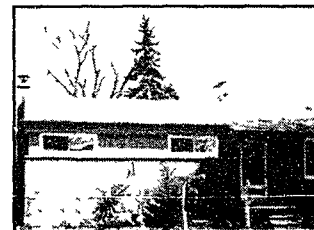
SOUTH LYON - Move right in. Nothing to do. Shows like a model. Custom white cabinets & island in kitchen. Master suite w/soaking tub. Custom mini blinds on all windows. Lots of updates. 1st floor laundry. Paver patio. Deck & professional landscaping \$269,900 (62CHE) 248-349-5600



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Oil change/repair technician Full or part-time NO Sundays required! Benefits including insurance, paid vacation, uniforms & 401k Earn up to \$10 per hour Apply in person DAVIS AUTO CARE, INC 807 Doherty Dr., Northville 248-349-5115

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Accounting Manager

Accounting Manager with residential building experience needed! If you are highly motivated, enjoy numbers and are a team player this may be the job for you. We are seeking a full-time Accounting Manager to work with a fun group and fast-paced company. Successful candidates must have no less than 3 years of full cycle Accounting experience, an accounting degree and exceptional knowledge of MS Word and MS Excel. Duties require a self-starter who is highly organized and has the ability to work well independently. Please e-mail resumes with salary requirements to: Resume@Singhmail.com

CARPENTER

w/under 2 yrs exp wanted to learn trade for career in rough framing benefits Call (810) 217-9512

PERMITTING ASSISTANT

Residential builder is seeking for a highly motivated and dedicated individual to assist in obtaining permits for new construction. Candidate must be very detail oriented, organized and quick to learn and possess multi-tasking capability. Excellent telephone & written communication skills a must. Send resume with salary requirements to: Centex Homes 100 Galleria Office, Ste 200 Southfield, MI 48034 Attn: Debbie MacEachern Email: debmac@centexhomes.com

HOUSEKEEPING/FLOOR CARE

Full time and part-time positions available Contact: Howell Care Center 3003 W. Grand River (517)546-4210 EOE

Printing Press Supervisor

HomeTown Newspapers is seeking an experienced supervisor who has a solid background in printing. We operate a Goss Community-SCC press, and produce daily and weekly newspapers and commercial printing jobs. This midnight shift person is being added because of growth. We offer a competitive wage and complete benefits package.

If interested, please apply in person to HomeTown Newspapers, 1551 Burkhardt Rd., Howell, or fax resume to 517-548-2589.

HOME TOWN

Newspapers

PART TIME PHOTO CLERK

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers is searching for a part time photo clerk to work in our Livonia office. Flexible schedule of 32 hours per week, including nights and weekends. High School diploma or equivalent required, along with at least one year of photographic experience. Photo reproduction, digital imaging skills and knowledge of Photoshop and Quark are also necessary. Excellent communication skills and ability to work within assigned deadlines are essential. Must have own transportation. We offer excellent benefits and a great work environment.

Please submit resume to: (Preferred) email: employment@oe.hometown.net

Observer & Eccentric

NEWSPAPERS

36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 Fax: 734-953-2057

Must include job code: Photo Clerk

Sales Account Executive

HomeTown Directories, a successful and growing independent yellow page publisher, is looking for highly-motivated account executives with strong work-ethics to join our sales team.

Requires prior outside sales experience, excellent communication skills and sound presentation abilities. Must be self disciplined, persuasive, resilient and confident. Knowledge of the yellow page industry is a plus.

We offer salary base plus commission, auto and cell phone allowance, local territory and protected accounts. Additional financial rewards are available to qualifying individuals through sales contests. Our comprehensive benefits package includes medical, dental and vision benefits, cafeteria plan, life insurance, 401(k) plan and vacation.

If you are interested in position with great earning potential, and have the desire to succeed, mail, fax or e-mail a cover letter and resume to our home office:

HomeTown Directories Attn: Human Resources 7559 W. Michigan Avenue P.O. Box 349 Pigeon, MI 48755 Fax: 989-453-2055 E-mail: fbatts@hdt.hometown.net

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Help Wanted General 5000

ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

An Assisted Senior Apartment Community in Oakland County is seeking a full-time Activity Director. Responsibilities include planning and implementing all program activities. Qualified applicants must have previous experience working with seniors. We offer competitive wages and benefits. Please send resumes to AD/HJR, P.O. Box 255005, West Bloomfield, MI 48325

AUTO Body Shop & Mechanic

full or part-time Good pay & benefits (517)552-1053

BE A TEAM LEADER

TARGET, America's largest and fastest growing upscale Discount Retailer is currently looking for candidates at our West Livonia & Commerce Township stores for the positions of:

- Sales Floor Team Leaders
- Guest Service Team Leaders
- Overnight Plan Team Leaders

Responsibilities: Prepare & maintain assigned areas to maximize sales, profits, productivity & guest service. Supervises, evaluates & coaches team members to maximize their productivity & guest service performance. Target offers competitive pay & benefits including vacation, medical benefits, employee discount & retirement/savings plan, as well as career growth opportunities. Drug Free workplace EOE

If you are interested in pursuing this exciting opportunity, apply in person at the following locations:

- 20100 Haggerty Rd., Livonia
- 46370 Ford Rd., Canton
- 495 Haggerty Rd., Walled Lake
- 27100 Wixom Rd., Novi
- 8043 Chalmers Rd., Brighton

TARGET

BRIGHTON MONTESSORI Pre-school seeks caring childcare aide for 2003-2004 school year. Approx 11:30-6 Mon-Fri (810)228-8660

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CONCRETE FINISHER/CONCRETE LABORER

Exp a must (810) 227-5055

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CONCRETE LABORERS & FINISHERS

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COOK - Novi preschool

Exp in food prep, & a knowledge of nutrition helpful. Part time hours Call 248-471-2333

CUSTOMER LIAISON

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Waltonwood, a senior congregational/assisted living company, has the need for an experienced Manager of Operations. This hands-on leadership role entails oversight of 3-5 locations throughout southeastern Michigan and reports directly to the Director of Senior Housing. Employing your extensive business knowledge to cultivate a positive environment that makes a difference, you will work to ensure high-quality service delivery, excellent customer service, solid financial performance with an emphasis on cost control and managing systems. Excellent communication skills are a must when coaching and supporting the career development of site manager, managing P/L activities and hiring and terminating staff.

A BS/BA, MBA or Industrial Engineering Degree required, as is the ability to motivate and manage diverse teams. You must also be willing to travel locally. We offer competitive pay, comprehensive benefits and excellent opportunities for growth. Please include salary requirements with your resume. To apply, please e-mail your resume to resume@singhmail.com

DIETARY

Part-time and Contingent positions available Contact: Howell Care Center 3003 W Grand River (517)546-4210 EOE

DIRECT CARE STAFF NEEDED

Part Time, to work in an apartment program in Howell. Salary starts at \$7.66/hr or higher depending on training & exp. Career advancement opportunities are available. Contact: Juanita or Tammy, (517)548-7161

DRIVER. Great Oaks

Landscape is looking for an experienced driver with a CDL Class A to move equipment and deliver plant material. Ability to load & unload equipment required. 248-349-2922

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Including CDL w/Class A, w/Air for landscape crew. Pay based on exp. Apply in person 1183 Parkway Dr., Howell, across from TW & Friends

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Send resume to Attn: Electrical Maintenance PO Box 701248 Plymouth, MI 48170

Fax resume to Attn: Electrical Maintenance (734) 416-3810

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0600 Decks/Patios/Sunrooms
0610 Delivery/Carrier Service
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0700 Electrical
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0800 Fashion Coordinator
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0900 Gas Lines
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1020 Handyman M/F
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1200 Kitchen

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1300 Machinery
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1910 Telecommunications
1920 Television/VCR/Radio/CB
1930 Tent Rental
1940 Tile Work - Ceramic/Marble/Quarry
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Rummage Sales & Flea Market (7080)

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HIGHLAND H.V. Mom's Club
Charity Rummage Sale May
30-31 9-3pm Briarcliff Sub
(off Milford Rd.) Antiques,
kids, books, furniture, more
Proceeds to Haven House

N'VILLE Kingsmill Flea Market
Sat., June 7, 9am-3pm
Northville Rd. (bet. 6 & 7 Mile)
Bake sale, coffee COME!

7100 Estate Sales (7100)

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Auction Sales (7060)

7100 Estate Sales (7100)

Another GOOD ESTATE SALE
Fri. and Sat.
May 30 & 31 10-4
723 Burroughs
Plymouth
96 west to 275 south to
Ann Arbor Road,
turn right, 3
intersections to Main,
turn right on Main to
Burroughs

In Historic Plymouth,
Lifetime Accumulation
Antiques & Collectibles

Arts & crafts sideboard &
china cabinet, dropleaf
table & chairs, large
mahogany ball & claw
bookcase, custom up-
holstery, Seth Thomas
Grandfather's clock,
antique rocker, Kindel
mahogany bedroom set,
antique chests & tables,
Nontake & Sango china,
antique toys, Deco cedar
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women's clothing, tools,
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ESTATE SALE

Commerce Township
Estate of Bob & Holly Laird
5570 Lynne Hollow Dr

Thurs. May 29th, 9am-6pm
Fri. May 30th, 9am-6pm
Sat., May 31st, 9am-6pm

American Flyer & Life-like
Train sets, bar ware, old door
knobs, fishing items, tools,
lawn mower, vintage linens,
Williams Toledo Pinball
machine, full length Red Fox,
Tiffany Crystal, Spode, Shelly
and Dior China, Sterling and
Victorian silverplate, furniture,
Costume, Sterling & Gold
jewelry, books, camera
equipment and lots more

Main Street to Carey Rd.
Carey Rd to Golfcrest Dr.
Golfcrest Dr to Lynne Hollow
Dr No Driveway Parking
Please No Early Birds

Sale By Bags Included

Auction Sales (7060)

7100 Estate Sales (7100)

HIGHLAND May 30-31, 9-5pm,
June 1, 10-3pm Complete
sets of china, lots of cut glass,
round oak table w/ chairs, col-
lector eggs, sterling, collector
dolls still in boxes, dressers,
head boards, Country French
dining room set w/ china cabi-
net, religious items, lots of
misc items 2595 W Wardlow,
1 Mi N of M-59, between
Hickory Ridge & Milford Rd

Garage Sales (7110)

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BRIGHTON Annual Ravens-
wood Sub Garage Sale! May
29-31 9-5pm Off Old 23,
betw Hilton & Hyne

BRIGHTON Baby items, lawn
equip, household misc Fri
May 30 7-2 S Hacker

BRIGHTON, Fri., Sat., 10 am
to 5pm 7115 West Ridge Dr
Oak entertainment center,
color TV, stereo, crib set, toys
and more Lots of misc

BRIGHTON MOVING sale #1
11802 Spencer Rd., near
Pleasant Valley Sat., 1 to 5pm

BRIGHTON SOCIAL Club
garage sale Fri, 5/30, Sat,
5/31, 8am to 2pm 5131
Timberline Ln Take Brighton
Rd, W out of town, approx 2
miles, Timberline Ln on left

COMMERCIAL - Preserve Sub,
June 5 - 7, 9-4pm
Off Commerce Rd, bet Bogie
& Carey Lake Rds

COMMERCIAL - Sub Sale!
May 30-31st, 9-3pm Old
Sherwood Square (Off Carey,
N of Commerce Rd)

COMMERCIAL TWP
Rummage/Bake Sale Country
Oaks Elementary 5070 S
Duck Lake Rd
(Commerce/Duck Lake Rd)
Friday May 30, 4-8pm,
Saturday, May 31, 9-3:30pm

DUNHAM LAKE - May 29-31,
9-5pm Misc junk & col-
lectibles 4540 Woodcock Way

FARMINGTON HILLS - 21606
Colgate Off Grand River/W of
Middlebelt May 30th - 31st,
9-5 Multi family, collectible,
furniture, Beanie Babies

HIGHLAND Highland Hills Sub
Sale May 29,30,31, 9-7pm
Off Clyde Rd W of Milford Rd

HIGHLAND - Briarcliff sub
sale, across from Milford High
School Clothes, furniture,
toys Sat., May 31st, 9-3pm

HOWELL Oceola Twp Quality
Garage Sale, Ram or Shine
Hall china, Pyrex, Federal
glass luncheon sets, Little
Tyke toys, like new rocking
horse, Power Wheels Jeep by
Fisher Price (works great),
childrens bikes, tools, misc
household, electronics Fri-
Sat., May 30-31, 9am-
4:30pm 3525 Squires Place,
Latson N, to W on Curdy,
past Eager to Squires Place

HOWELL - Larry Rodwell is
having a Toy
Salesman's Sample Sale
(Not a garage sale!) New
toys, games, infant &
educational toys Priced
below cost Fri May 30th
from 9-6pm Sat May 31st
9-5pm 110 Riddle (corner
of Michigan & Riddle St.)

HOWELL MULTI-FAMILY sale
May 30, 9am to 5pm, May 31,
9am to 1pm 1142 Fox Hills Dr

MILFORD 4 family big sale!
12621 Golden Oaks Dr Off
Pleasant Valley betw
Commerce & M-59 toys,
Clothes, Home goods, Wed
June 4 - Fri June 6 9-5pm

MILFORD - Huge sale, Oak
waterbed bedroom set, exer-
cise equipment, pop-up
camper, ladies clothing
(Express, Limited, Gap),
much more Thur-Sat 460
Shaw Ct S off Commerce, 1/2
mile E of Hickory Ridge
(248) 685-9599

MILFORD -Subdivision Sale,
Fri-Sat, 9-5, Milford Bluff,
Milford Rd & Summit

MILFORD - Milford Heights
sub GM & S Milford Rd,
Multi house sale May 29-31,
9-5pm Clothes, toys, house-
hold goods & Sunfish sailboat

MILFORD - 1170 Homestead
in Old Milford Farms May 29th
& 30th, 9-5pm May 31st, 9-
2pm Little Tykes, exercise &
sports equipment, bikes, love
seat, school desks & misc

Garage Sales (7110)

MILFORD - Antiques Thurs.
Fri., Sat May 29, 30, 31,
9am-2 325 First St bet
Liberty & Commerce

NEW HUDSON 59362 Albert
Lane May 30-June 1, 9-4pm
S of Pontiac Tr E of
Martindale look for signs

NEW HUDSON Huge Garage
Sale 3 homes, Cobblestone
Sub W of Martindale, off
Pontiac Trail Kids clothes,
toys, furniture Fri May 30, 9-
5 Sat., May 31 9-4

NEW HUDSON 4 Family
29797 Milford Rd S of Grand
River May 31 & June 1, 9-5

NEW HUDSON - Huge Sub
Sale, Lots of everything,
Thur-Sat, 9-5, Bramley Hills
Sub, N Side of Grand River
between Milford & Martindale

NORTHVILLE 5/30-31, 9-4
Antiques, home furnishings,
clothes & more Large multi-
family 45924 7 Mi east E of
Beck, corner of 7/Clement

NORTHVILLE Fri/Sat 5/30-31,
7-12noon Furniture, designer
clothes, home access, Mary
Kay products 333 N Rogers,
corner Dubur (downtown)

NORTHVILLE Whisperwood
Sub Sale, betw 5 & 6 Mile
rds E of Northville Rd Off
Bradner Friday May 30,
Saturday May 31, 8am-2

NORTHVILLE May 29-31, 9-5pm
Huge sale! Furniture,
dining room table set, house-
hold misc 985 N Center, 2
blocks N of 8 Mile

NORTHVILLE Toys, household
goods, crafts & collectibles
Highland Lakes Sub 42373
Anchor Ct Sat., May 31, 8am

NORTHVILLE 5/30-31, 10-3
8 Mi to Silver Springs S, L
on Ruppung Ln, R to 19797
Scenic Harbour Childrens, Old
Navy, Cap, Gymboree, Little
Tikes, clothing, strollers,
carseats, toys, VCRs, grill, toddler
beds, car bed, high chair

NORTHVILLE - Huge Garage
Sale! College student moving!
22811 Napier Rd., between 9
& 10 Mile Rds Fri., 30th &
Sat., 31st, 9-6pm

NORTHVILLE - 1/2 off all
5/31, 8-3pm 19315 Clement,
W. of Beck, N. of 7 Couch,
sports, bed frame, & misc

NORTHVILLE Multi-Family
Stonewater Sub, Fri-Sat May
30-31, 9-4pm Enter at 6 Mi
W of Beck

NORTHVILLE - Moving/multi-
family sale, something for
everyone, antiques, tools, fur-
niture & much more Thur,
Fri, Sat, June 5, 6, 7, 9am-
5pm 1131 Jeffrey Dr

NOVI Deerbrook Sub, May 29-31
8-5pm S of 9 Mi, W of
Meadowbrook

NOVI May 29 & 30, 9-3pm
22126 York Mills Circle,
Barclay Estates, S E corner of
9 Mi/Beck Rd Furniture, toys,
stereos, gifts, jewelry

NOVI 5/29, 30, 31, 9-4 pm
Lots of baby items Peg Perego
high chair, changing table,
toys, clothes, other household
items 24096 Westmont, off of
10 Mile just W of Taft Rd

NOVI 24759 Venice, 10 Mile
& Beck May 28-30, 9-5
Tools, toys, clothes, etc

NOVI multi-sub sale,
Addington, Windridge &
Westmont subs S of 10 Mi,
W of Taft May 29,30,31 9-5

NOVI Grand multi-sale,
household, furniture, garden,
100's of pieces of Costume
jewelry May 30-31 10-3pm
N off 9 Mi W of Novi Rd
22465 Pleasant

NOVI
Community Yard Sale
Sat & Sun 9am-5pm
23399 Haggerty Rd

NOVI - Multi family, 23127 W
Leibost (Meadowbrook & 10
Mile) wide variety & great
prices May 29th, 9am-noon,
30th, 9-4pm, & 31st 9-4pm

NOVI - Sub garage sale!
Village Oaks May 30th &
31st, 9-5pm Off 9 Mile, bet
Meadowbrook & Haggerty
Maps at entrance to sub

NOVI - Greenwood Oaks Sub
Sale! Green 5, 6, 7, 9-4pm W
of Beck, N of 10 Mile Baby
items/cnrb, housewares, more

NOVI - Multi family Sale
Meadowbrook Lakes sub,
23228 Gilbar Fri & Sat 9-4pm

NOVI / CONNEMARA HILLS
May 29, 30, 31, 9-5pm
45202 Emery Dr Lots of stuff!

NOVI garage sale Orchard
Hills Sub May 30-31, 9-4pm
Meadowbrook & 10 Mi

NOVI SUB-WIDE sale Fri
May 30, 9-4 & Sat May 31, 9-4
Mystic Forest Sub off Novi
Rd bet 9 & 10 Mile Follow
the balloons!

NOVI, Cedar Springs, off 10
Mile bet Novi Rd & Taft on
Keenan Ct May 29, 30, 31, 9-4

Garage Sales (7110)

S. LYON Multi family May
30-31, 9-5 Hidden Creek
Sub, off 9 Mile Great stuff

SOUTH LYON Sub wide
garage sale Brookfield Sub
W of Pontiac Tr, S of 9 Mi
Thurs May 29-Sat May 31

SOUTH LYON May 29, 30, 31,
9-5pm 13633 Merne Meadow,
S of Silver Lk Rd off Dixboro
N of 12 Mi Little Tykes, kids
clothes, toys & much more!

SOUTH LYON 5/29-31, 8-3-5
Christmas items, lamps,
glassware, clothing, etc Off
10 Mi to 24700 Milford Rd

SOUTH LYON Oak Creek
Village Sub Sale May 30 &
31 & June 1, 9-5pm N of 9
Mile, E of Pontiac Tr

SOUTH LYON Saturday May
31 9-4pm 10817 Silver Lake
Rd Antiques, B B guns,
something for everyone No
early birds please

SOUTH LYON 9581 Pontiac
Trail, 1/4 mile S. of Eight Mile
Thurs Fri, 9-5, Sat 9-1

SOUTH LYON - Toys, fur-
niture, Mac Computer & acces-
sories, books, lots of misc
items. 7336 Dixboro, N. of 5
Mile May 30 & 31st, 8-4pm

SOUTH LYON 3 FAMILY SALE
Friday 9-5 57661 Hadden
Timbers Dr, 10 Mi./Milford

SOUTH LYON/NORTHVILLE
Huge Lots of everything
22200 Chubb Rd bet Milford
& Beck S of 10 Mi May 28,
29, 30, 31, 8-3-5

Moving Sales (7130)

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Moving Sales (7130)

NORTHVILLE household, fur-
niture, freezer, Fri Sat., 8-4
18001 W Northville Trail sub,
6 Mile/Haggerty

NOVI Queen size bed set,
book shelves, computer table
(248) 374-9388

SALEM May 29-31, 10-5
9332 Chilton, corner of 6 Mile
& Leota (248)349-4016

Household Goods (7160)

3 PIECE Entertainment Center
Plus sofa table & end table, all
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Patio table set, good cond
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BRAND NEW Queen Size 21"
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Sells for \$1,100, will sell
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Household Goods (7160)

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pine. Large rectangular table
w/ 8 chairs & 2 leafs China
cabinet & dry sink \$600/best
(248)486-4218

DINING ROOM TABLE Black,
marble, w/ 6 black parsons
chairs Exc cond Hardly ever
used \$500, (810)623-0277

GRANDFATHER'S CLOCK,
perfect cond, cherry double
bed, loveseat hide-a-bed, 5
cherry Hitchcock chairs,
Harden sofa-perfect, cherry
gun cabinet, cherry book-
shelves & 3 storage cabinets
(can be 1 unit), glass-top oval
coffee table, 3 oak tv tables,
Weber grill (810)229-4043

HOOKER CUSTOM 6 piece
oversized entertainment cen-
ter Distressed oak, 12" wide
by 6'10" high Heavy unit,
curved ends, numerous draw-
ers & shelves, some glass,
some wood Cost \$10,000
sell for \$3700 cash,
Howell (517)548-0161

INDOOR/OUTDOOR wrought
iron glass top table & 6 chairs
\$850/best (517) 552-0535

LEATHER CHAIR rocker/recliner,
cream, like new \$295
Patio table set, good cond
Taupé, \$65 (248)684-0448

MOVING, solid oak computer
hutch w/hide a way chair
solid oak dining table
w/chairs, \$1200ea Rustic
queen log poster br suite,
\$800 (517) 548-6767

NEW QUEEN size finished
Amish Log bed \$250 Call Bill
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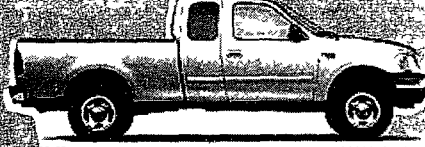


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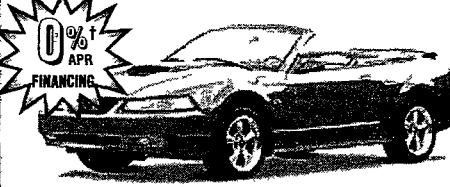


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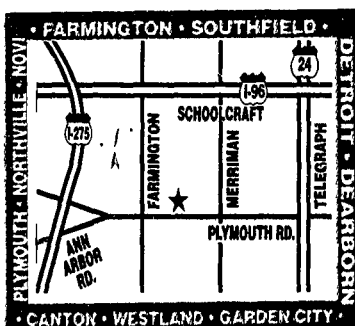


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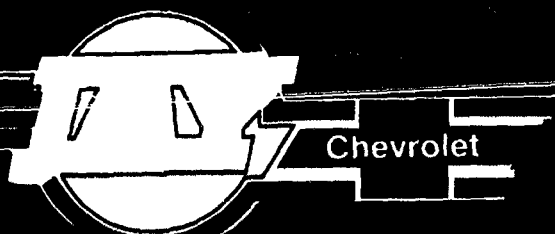
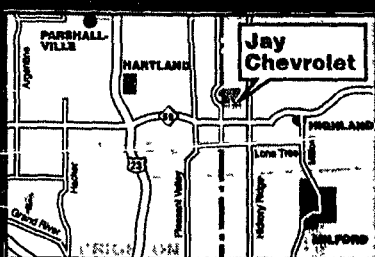
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Senior Profile: Helen Baldwin

Eighty may be old enough to stop working, but it isn't old enough to stop volunteering, according to Helen Baldwin. The Fraser resident recently retired after 17 years at the Macomb County Department of Senior Citizen Services, but within weeks was back to volunteer.

In recounting what she calls a "wonderful life," Helen points out that she grew up with the tradition of serving others. Her parents were involved in volunteer work in church, school and community, and her father held political office in Bay County. "My father always said being involved was not only a right, it was a responsibility."

It's advice Helen remembered and took action on after her only child, James, was born.

Before those more settled years began, however, she enjoyed some interesting times. After completing high school and finishing some college in Bay City, Helen and three young women headed west. "We four girls drove to California. World War II was still going on, so we all went to work in a defense plant. I worked in the tool crib, but didn't know the difference between a screwdriver and a caliper, so I told the men who came for tools just to point to what they needed," she laughed. During the five years she spent out west, Helen also devoted some time to picking grapes in Oregon and apples in a Washington orchard.

On her way back to Bay City, Helen met her future husband James, who was on a motorcycle trip. The couple moved to Mt. Clemens where James worked as an engineer for Ford Motor Co.



Their love to travel always played a role in their relationship. The couple took summer motorcycle trips and visited all of the national parks in the west. They also owned and flew two small planes.

Helen eventually settled into her home, motherhood and a life of community service. In 1959, she was asked to serve on the Macomb Family Services Board and she remained active with that organization in various capacities until 1985. The United Way, the Area Agency on Aging 1-B and the Office of Services to the Aging benefited from many years of her service, and Helen volunteered with the Friends of the Macomb County Library, the St. John Hospital Advisory Council and United Community Services. For a year she was the voice and face of seniors on Macomb public access television, and since 1975, she was active with the Macomb Arts Council. In 1982,

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What's the Buzz...on West Nile Virus?

Mosquito season is fast approaching and counties and cities across the state are implementing plans to increase public awareness about the West Nile Virus and effectively control mosquito levels. Mosquito season is June through September, however breeding can begin in April and May. It is not too early to protect yourself and reduce the risk of being infected.

What is West Nile Virus?

The West Nile Virus is a disease spread to humans by mosquitoes that have bitten birds infected with the virus. West Nile is not spread person-to-person, horse-to-person, or bird-to-person. However, in rare cases, the virus has been transmitted through organ transplants and blood transfusions.

The chance of anyone becoming infected with West Nile is very low, according to information released by the Michigan Department of Community Health. Even when infected, most individuals have no symptoms or only mild symptoms, including body aches, headaches or rashes that begin within three to five days of being bitten. Last year, however, Michigan had the nation's second-highest incidence of human cases of the virus at 644, and recorded 51 deaths attributable to West Nile.

Older Adults Most At Risk

Most of the individuals who died of West Nile Virus were over the age of 50. Older individuals are most at risk of experiencing severe symptoms from the virus. These may include encephalitis (inflammation of the brain) or meningitis (inflammation of the lining of the brain and spinal cord). Symptoms of encephalitis require immediate medical care and include rapid onset of severe headaches, high fever, stiff neck, confusion, loss

of consciousness (coma) or muscle weakness.

There is currently no vaccine for West Nile Virus and no specific treatment outside of supportive treatment for those most seriously affected.

Protecting Against West Nile Virus

Mosquito eggs can be laid and hatch mosquitoes in water that has been standing for as little as 5 days. Consider the following steps to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes and reduce your risk of becoming infected with West Nile Virus:

- Old tires, cans, pails and other water holding containers are ideal breeding sites. Store them upside down or get rid of them.
- Eliminate standing water in other areas such as birdbaths, boats, unused pools, and gutters. Store boats and canoes upside down when not in use. Unused backyard swimming pools may also create breeding problems—change the water at least once a week. Drain water from tarps or plastic sheeting, which cover woodpiles, boats, ponds, pools, etc.
- Fill in or drain low spots in your yard.
- Keep eave troughs clean of leaves and debris.
- Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well-trimmed so adult mosquitoes will not hide there in the daytime.
- Make sure that doors and windows have tight fitting screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or holes in them.
- Repair leaky outdoor faucets.
- Avoid outdoor activity at dawn, dusk or early evening.
- Wear light colored, long sleeved shirts and pants outdoors.

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MI Choice Coalition Impacts Change

In February 2003, a coalition of more than 650 organizations and individuals gathered at the State Capitol to call for change in Michigan Medicaid policy that will allow more low-income seniors and persons with disabilities to receive long-term care services in their own homes, rather than nursing homes. The coalition is part of a statewide campaign, launched by the Area Agency on Aging Association of Michigan, advocating that the Granholm administration re-open the community-based MI Choice program for persons receiving Medicaid assistance for their long-term care needs.

"States across the country allow people to receive long-term care services at home and still qualify for Medicaid," said Tom Czerwinski, president of the Area Agency on Aging Association of Michigan. "It is time for Michigan to incorporate real choice into our long-term care system by expanding the MI Choice program."

MI Choice is a less-costly and preferred alternative to nursing home care that allows older adults and disabled individuals the freedom to choose where to reside while receiving long-term care services. Over the past two years, MI Choice suffered several cutbacks, including a \$26 million cut in December 2002 when the State of Michigan tried to balance its budget. Cuts have eroded the number of people enrolled in MI Choice from a high of 15,000 in 2001 to about 7,500 today. As a result the only option open to Michigan seniors and individuals

with disabilities is nursing home care. While nursing home care has nearly doubled in the past decade with an average cost of \$98 per person per day, average care costs under MI Choice programs have remained at \$39 per person per day.

The average older adult has only enough savings to pay for one year of nursing home care. After that the individual must go on Medicaid. About 70 percent of Medicaid funds are used to support older adults and individuals with disabilities. This amounts to nearly 20 percent of the state's annual spending. As the population of older adults in Michigan continues to grow exponentially – the number of people age 85 and older grew 33 percent from 1990 to 2000 – Medicaid will bear the brunt of long-term care spending.

According to the Area Agencies on Aging Association of Michigan, expanding MI Choice is one small way for the state to alleviate its current budget crisis – and a big step toward averting a potentially catastrophic Medicaid crisis in the decade ahead.

People in Michigan are literally trapped by a bureaucratic and outdated Medicaid funding system that stubbornly resists change," Czerwinski said. "If our state wants to successfully finance Medicaid long-term care into the future, change must occur now – and MI Choice is exactly the kind of change Michigan needs."

To date more than 1,064 members have joined the MI Choice Coalition and there is positive news coming from Lansing. On March 6, Governor Jennifer Granholm announced her intention for the Michigan Department of Community Health (DCH) to "open up" the program for enrollment, listing home-based, long-term care services as one of the top five priorities for DCH. The following week, DCH Director Janet Olszewski presented the governor's recommended budget to the House Appropriations

Subcommittee and in her written remarks said DCH will indeed open enrollment in the program, funded at \$100 million, in the next few months.

"Our coalition looks forward to working proactively with our governor and Republicans and Democrats in the legislature to make MI Choice a viable solution – for Michigan's budget and Michigan's families," said Czerwinski.

For more information on MI Choice initiatives or to join the MI Choice coalition, log onto www.savemichoice.com.

There are more than 1,064 individuals and organizations across Michigan who have joined the coalition to support the expansion of MI Choice. Below is a list of organizations in the Area Agency on Aging 1-B's six-county region of Livingston, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe, St. Clair and Washtenaw who support re-opening the MI Choice program.

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Ask the Expert

By Kyra TePaske

Q. I am not sure if I am getting the best benefit from Social Security. How do I find out?

A. You may be eligible for a larger Social Security benefit than what you are currently receiving, according to Elder Law of Michigan, Inc. Their pamphlet, "Benefit Finder," explains several types of benefits available. You will be paid the highest benefit for which you qualify:

- **Social Security Disability** - for those who are disabled and under age 65
- **Spouse Benefits** - if your spouse is receiving Social Security retirement benefits or Social Security Disability benefits and you are over age 62
- **Divorced Spouse Benefit** - if you were married to an ex-spouse for at least 10 years
- **Widow/Widower Benefit** - if your spouse is deceased and you were married for at least nine months, you may qualify. If your ex-spouse is deceased and you were married for at least 10 years, you may also qualify. You must still be single, unless you remarried after age 60, or after age 50 if you are disabled.
- **Supplemental Security Benefits** - if you are low-income with few assets, you may qualify if you are disabled or over age 65

If your circumstances change, you are entitled to switch from one benefit type to the other if the new benefit type for which you qualify is higher. You should do a separate analysis for your spouse. Also, if your spouse is deceased, you should check into survivor benefits offered through previous employers. If you are divorced, you will need to look at your divorce judgment to determine if you are entitled to any of your ex-spouse's pension.

For more information contact your local Social Security office; call 800-772-1213, or contact Elder Law of Michigan, Inc. at 800-347-5297.

Q. I think I may be eligible for pension benefits that I am not currently receiving from a previous employer. Who do I contact?

A. If the company is still in business or operating under another name, use the Internet, Yellow Pages, or any documenta-



Kyra TePaske, Director of Access and Benefits Assistance for the AAA 1-B

tion you have to locate an address. Then send the company a letter asking for a copy of the Summary Plan Description that was in effect when you stopped working there. Be sure to include your social security number.

If the company has gone out of business, look through any paperwork you have that may list the name of the company Plan Administrator. If you don't have this information, you may need to do further research. You can call the State of Michigan Corporation & Securities Bureau at 517-334-6202.

If the company pension plan has been terminated, the government may be managing the funds through the Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporation. You should look on their website at www.pbgc.gov to see if the company or your name is listed. If you do not have internet access, you can call 800-400-7242.

If you have worked for the government or the armed forces, you need to contact them directly and ask for the personnel department who can direct you further.

For legal questions, call the Legal Hotline for Michigan Seniors at 800-347-5297, or contact the Area Agency on Aging 1-B's Information and Assistance Program at 800-852-7795 or www.aaa1b.com.

If you have a question for Kyra TePaske, please email her at Benefits@aaa1b.com, fax her at 248-948-9691, or write to her at the Area Agency on Aging 1-B, 29100 Northwestern Highway, Suite 400, Southfield, MI 48034.

Ann Arbor Talks & Tours: Housing Bureau Program Helps Seniors Evaluate Low-Cost Housing Options (See Calendar on page 8)

The Housing Bureau for Seniors (HBS) in Ann Arbor is a community-supported service of the University of Michigan Health System that provides counseling about housing for older adults with limited incomes. This June, using a grant from the Area Agency on Aging 1-B, HBS will offer "Talks & Tours," a series of presentations, question-and-answer sessions and tours of subsidized senior housing in the Ann Arbor area.

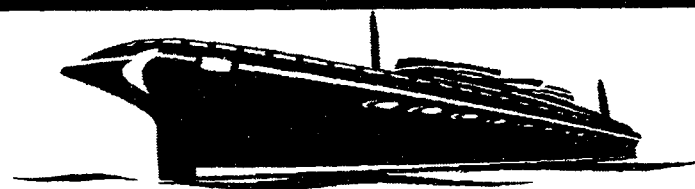
If you or someone you know is thinking about moving, is in need of housing that fits a limited budget or has questions or concerns regarding the application process, income calculation or credit or rental histories, be sure not to miss

these valuable sessions to be held on June 4, 12 and 18, 2003.

The June 4 program will feature Cranbrook Tower, Ann Arbor Housing Commission and Lurie Terrace. On June 12, Carpenter Place, Clark East Tower and Towne Center will be highlighted. And on June 18, the HBS program will focus on Sequoia Place, Mill Pond Manor and Courthouse Square Apartments.

Transportation between sites is available for a limited number of seniors. For more information from the Housing Bureau for Seniors, call 734-998-9339.

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ASK THE CARE MANAGER

By Barbara Lavery, Regional Supervisor of the AAA 1-B St. Clair County Access Office

Q. My loved one takes more than nine medications and some vitamins. She sees three doctors for her medical problems. I am worried about the potential risk of her medication interactions or reactions. What should I do?

A. I am glad to see that you included vitamins as part of your concern. Herbal and vitamin supplements, tobacco, alcohol, and both prescription and over-the-counter medications are drugs. There are several things that you can do to reduce your loved one's risks associated with medication use:

reactions or problems previously and any allergies. Ask for a medicine review at least annually. Also, be sure to ask your loved one's specialists to keep her primary doctor informed of her status, diagnoses and treatments, either verbally or in writing.

- Discuss any new prescriptions with either her doctor or pharmacist. Be sure to ask about any common side effects, special rules for storing the medicine, and any dietary restrictions related to the new drug. Some drugs may not work properly if taken with milk or some juices. Other drugs only work properly on an empty stomach. Follow the instructions exactly to minimize risk and optimize effectiveness of each drug.
- Always fill prescriptions at the same pharmacy. Many drugs have names that are similar to other drugs. There are also brand name and generic versions of many drugs. The pharmacist will check the current list of medications which you have had filled and will be able to alert you if any duplicate medications are ordered, or if any of your current medications interact with the new medication. Always ask questions about your concerns. If the medication name, dosage or directions seem different than what your doctor explained, ask why.
- Maintain good communication with her primary physician. The doctor should be kept aware of all of the drugs she is taking including herbal and vitamin supplements. Many drugs are derived from natural sources, and herbal supplements can be as strong as prescription medications. Other herbs and vitamins can block, inhibit or increase the effectiveness of medications. Bring all of her medicine bottles, or a thorough list of all medications, to each appointment. Include medications that have caused

Older Americans Month:

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead

May Honors Growing Number of Older Americans

Back in 1963, when May was first established as Senior Citizens Month (President Jimmy Carter changed it to Older Americans Month in 1980), only 17 million living Americans had reached their 65th birthdays. Today more than 35 million Americans (13 percent of the population) are at that mark or beyond. By 2030, 70 million citizens - one in every five Americans - will be 65 or older, and 1.2 million of them will live in southeast Michigan.

We're living longer lives. Life expectancies in this country have increased with better living conditions and medical care, so that an individual who is 65 today has a 78 percent chance of living until age 80, and nearly a 44 percent chance of celebrating a 90th birthday.

Reaching the 100-year mark is also more of a possibility. Today there are 76,000 American centenarians. That number will climb to 2.5 million in the year 2060, according to gerontologists from the Baltimore Longitudinal Study that has followed a group of older people for several decades.

As Americans live longer, there's a greater focus on maintaining the quality of life. While genetics certainly play an important role in determining how long and how well you live, you're in control when it comes to making positive lifestyle changes. Consider the following ways to take care of yourself:

Take Good Care of Yourself

- Keep moving -- try to accumulate a minimum of 30 minutes of physical activity each day. Not only will this improve mood, it will decrease stress.
- Exercise your mind as well as your body -- read a book, play cards and board games, do a crossword puzzle, take a class.
- Enjoy a healthy lifestyle -- eat well to stay well, don't smoke, limit alcohol intake, drink plenty of water, wear sunscreen outdoors and get enough sleep.
- Schedule regular medical and dental check-ups.
- Maintain a recommended weight level and keep your blood pressure under control.
- Participate in an activity, sport or hobby you enjoy.
- Maintain a positive self-attitude about your own aging.
- Enjoy a circle of friends of all ages.
- Volunteer to help others.
- Ask for help when you need it and accept it graciously.
- Focus positively on today and the future, and let the past go.
- Try to find humor in your daily life -- it's a great way to relieve stress and tension

Chuckle Power

You've heard the saying, laughter is the best medicine. It may not come as a surprise that health professionals are finding it's true...and that laughter may be a key to positive aging.

While average adults enjoy a laugh 17 times a day, it turns out they're also diffusing stress, lowering their blood pressure, relaxing their muscles, boosting their immune systems, enhancing positive moods...and maybe even staving off heart attacks and heart disease, according to a study conducted in 2000 by the University of Maryland Medical Center. Humor has also proven to be a valuable tool for people facing serious illness and medical treatment.

California clinical psychologist and past president of the American Association for Therapeutic Humor Steven Scharoff believes that "humor changes negative thinking and emotional distress and therefore can be a powerful health intervention."

It's easy to add a little more humor and positive attitude to your life.

- Read "Chicken Soup for the Golden Soul", edited by Canfield, Hansen, Meyer, Chesser and Seeger.
- Log onto the website for the World Laughter Tour (www.worldlaughter.com) founded by psychologist Steve Wilson and nurse Karyn Buxton to learn about therapeutic laughter -- laughing without the aid of jokes.
- Locally, contact Mike Millington (Michigan's only certified laughter leader and one of 550 in the nation who have trained with Steve Wilson's organization) at mike@masterofmerriment.com.
- Call Wellness Reproductions and Publishing at 800-669-9208 for information about their Humor Kit of four books, including "What's So Funny About Getting Old?" or their three-video set of the "Funniest Moments of the 20th Century."

And, by the way, have you heard the one about the old gentleman driving down the highway in his usual slow and careful manner? A patrolman waved him over and asked, "I suppose you know why I stopped you, sir?" "Sure do," the man answered. "I was the only one you could catch."

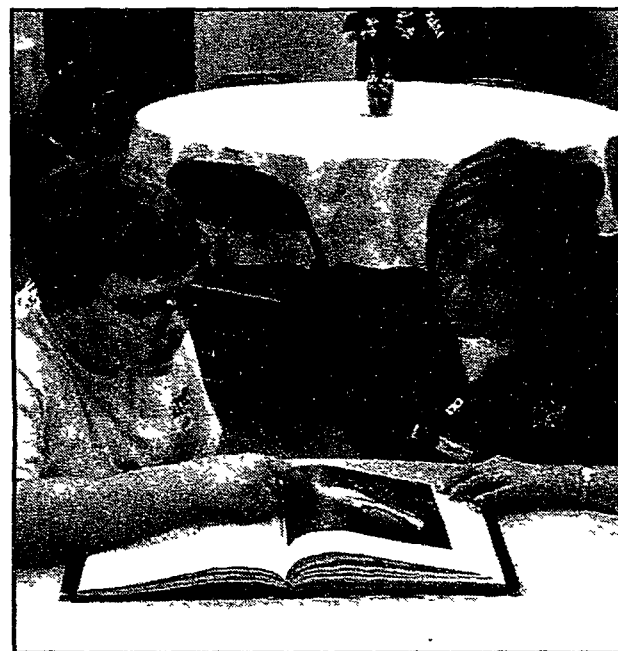
Title V Program Helps Older Workers

It's not often that enrolling in an employment program is a life-changing experience...unless that program is the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). This special program is operated under Title V of the Older Americans Act and it provides training, experience and part-time employment opportunities with nonprofit organizations for a limited number of low-income individuals, age 55 and over.

Suzanne Linman-Duda coordinates the Title V program for the Area Agency on Aging 1-B (AAA 1-B), and has seen firsthand how vital this service is. Returning to work at an age when many people hope to be securely retired is a daunting challenge. "Many of our clients have not used their work skills for 10 or 20 years, and the work world has altered radically in that time," she said.

During the past year, Linman-Duda has worked with some 85 individuals -- mostly women -- ages 58 to 77. Participants leave the program fortified with marketable computer skills, Red Cross certification as nurse assistants, or training needed to work in the food service or maintenance industries.

When you multiply those numbers over the more than 25 years that Title V programs have been in place, the numbers of people living enhanced lives is impressive. When you talk to some of the individuals, it's even more so.



Sandy Flake working with a student.

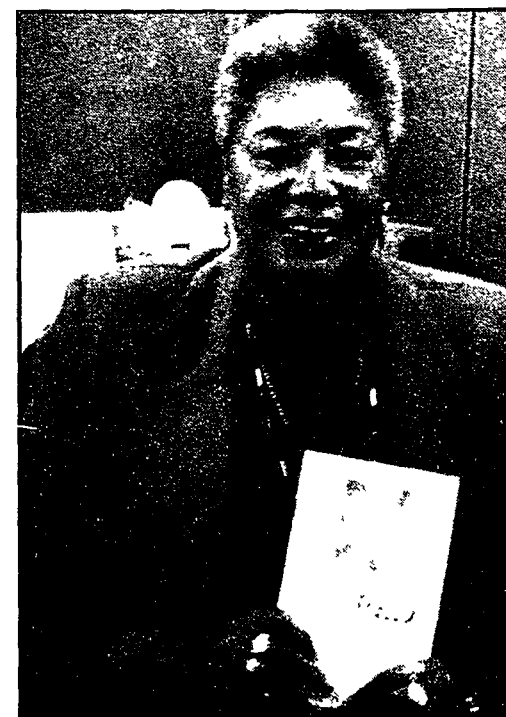
Sandy Flake, 63, of Chesterfield Township worked in the auto industry for 24 years. Two years ago, she lost her job, but took the opportunity to complete her high school diploma. Then her husband got sick, passing away in 2002. During her husband's illness, Flake had applied for a prescription discount card and noticed that the workers were seniors working through an Area Agency on Aging 1-B program. "After my husband died, I called the AAA 1-B and talked with Suzanne," Flake recalls. Flake qualified for Title V training and was placed at the Salvation Army in Mt. Clemens, just eight miles from her home. She was in the right place at the right time. Within the month, she was hired part-time to assist the director of Youth Services. "I absolutely

love it. For all those years I worked with my body not my mind. Now I have a wonderful job working with children. My work has given my life a focus, and I feel truly blessed," Flake said.

Helen Hannon has found the Title V program filled with similar blessings. The 64-year-old Farmington Hills resident contacted Linman-Duda late in 2001. Hannon had worked at many jobs through the years, most recently at a mortgage company in Farmington Hills. When she reached the limit of what Social Security allowed her to earn, she left her job then "sat around the house wondering what to do."

After enrolling in the Title V program and passing computer skills tests, she found something that fit her needs perfectly. She was hired part-time at the AAA 1-B's Southfield office, as a data entry clerk for the agency's Information and Assistance Program. Hannon enters community resource information into the AAA 1-B's constantly expanding database that serves seniors and their families and caregivers. "I work with wonderful people who are so dedicated to what they do. And I love what I do, too," she said.

Hannon not only finds fulfillment in her work. She's recently completed another lifelong ambition: writing a book titled "Sacred Years and Numbers," available at the Spiritual Reflections bookstore in Farmington Hills. For 25 years, Hannon has worked with numbers and numerology, especially with people's birthday numbers -- day, month and year. "These numbers reveal so much about every person. They give insight about our gifts, talents, strengths and growth challenges as we strive to become our personal best," she said.



Helen Hannon

What We Do Makes a Difference



An Oakland Literacy Council volunteer tutors adults to read, write and speak conversational English.

America Needs You: Stay Involved By Volunteering

In its National Call to Service issued in December 2001, the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) noted that volunteerism is "even more American than apple pie" and that with a big boost from baby boomers, Americans 50 and older are volunteering more hours to more community service activities than ever before.

Volunteers are vital in today's nonprofit organizations that face increased demand for services often along with cuts in funding available to provide those services. Older volunteers are particularly welcomed at many types of organizations because they have a history of life and work experiences from which to draw...and because they've often volunteered before.

For individuals new to volunteering or seeking new opportunities, the Volunteer Match organization is a good place to start. Log on to the website, www.volunteermatch.org, to find local opportunities posted by nonprofit and tax-exempt organizations or look in the community section of your local newspaper.

Another avenue is to check out the National

Senior Service Corps. Established in 1973, this organization is the principal vehicle of volunteerism for Americans 55 and older. It is now a part of the Corporation for National and Community Service that works with nonprofit groups, faith-based organizations, schools and civic associations to provide opportunities for all Americans to give back to their communities.

More than 500,000 older Americans volunteer through the Senior Corps (www.seniorcorps.org) which includes:

- The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) that matches the personal interests and skills of older Americans with opportunities to solve many types of community problems
- The Foster Grandparent Program that offers emotional support to children with special needs
- The Senior Companion Program that assists older adults needing help to live alone
- Seniors for Schools that trains volunteers to provide literacy services in elementary schools

Choosing the Right Volunteer Opportunity

There are so many ways to get involved in your community. But how do you choose the opportunity best for you? Answering these questions can help you narrow the field.

- *Do you want a hands-on role? (Examples: hotline counselor, youth mentor, visitor for the homebound, meals-on-wheels driver, literacy tutor, AARP Tax-Aide volunteer tax preparer)*
- *Are you happier working behind the scenes? (Examples: volunteer recruiter, fundraiser, publicity writer, receptionist, community outreach coordinator)*

Once you've thought about the kind of volunteer position you'd like to fill, ask friends and family about the organizations for which they volunteer; call the United Way to see which organizations they fund in your community; look in your phone book under an organization's name; check the organization's website; or call toll-free directory assistance at 800-555-1212. You'll find literally hundreds of choices including:

- *Local nonprofit organizations (Examples: hospitals, nursing homes, homeless shelters, food banks, pet rescue leagues, crisis centers, faith-based organizations)*
- *Affiliates of national nonprofit organizations (Examples: American Cancer Society, Meals on Wheels, Boys and Girls Clubs, Habitat for Humanity, American Hospice Foundation, America's Second Harvest, SCORE -- The Senior Corps of Retired Executives)*

One "Cool" Volunteer

Evelyn Cogan doesn't believe that as people grow older they should "sit back and talk about their aches and pains." The 96-year-old Rochester Hills resident has never been an advocate of that philosophy. In fact about eight years ago, she went to the Rochester Library where a flier caught her eye. "It was from the Oakland Literacy Council saying they needed tutors. That flier laid on my desk for about a month, then I decided I'd do something about it." Cogan, the Council's oldest volunteer, has enjoyed her once-a-week tutoring sessions where she meets students at the Rochester Library. She's found it especially rewarding to work with South Korean adults, helping them learn conversational English, grammar, spelling and "all those American idioms of ours."

But that's not the extent of her volunteer activity. For the past five years, Cogan has been going to a first grade class at Long Meadow School in Rochester to help first grade students with their reading. "I was never trained as a teacher, but I think this is one of the most important years of a child's life. I teach one student at a time, and we work on words and reading. By June, they can read anything," she said.

Her volunteer work has netted her praise from the Oakland Literacy Council (nearly half of whose 300 volunteers are 60 or older) and from

the school. But the best praise of all comes from her youngest students. At the end of the school year, the first graders each write her letters of thanks. "One of them wrote that I was 'cool,'" she laughed. High praise...and wonderful encouragement...to stay active and make a difference in the world, one person at a time.



Evelyn Cogan

Job Ideas for Older Workers

Susan Allan, executive director of the nonprofit Senior Employment Resources group in Virginia, suggests that mature workers consider the following types of positions:

- Teacher assistant - check out classified ads and school websites for these positions that often offer on-the-job training
- Consultant - use your past work skills to help companies looking to outsource project management, marketing, business strategy and quality-control initiatives
- Bank teller - put your reliability, responsibility and customer-service skills to work
- Floral assistant - enjoy flexible work schedules working at peak holiday times
- Customer greeter - get out there to meet and greet for a retailer or car dealer
- English instructor - spend some time in a foreign country teaching English (some training required)
- Tour guide - welcome and orient visitors at museums, parks and other hospitality-focused businesses
- Home care assistant - put your experience of taking care of an older relative or spouse to work (moderate level of on-the-job training may be required)
- Mystery shopper - got an eye for customer service? Many fast food restaurants, car dealers, property management firms and other businesses

use in-store and telephone mystery shoppers to ensure quality service (check out firms such as SecretShopper.com and Service Intelligence).

Printing companies and auto dealerships are also known to seek out older adults to coordinate deliveries, man phones, move cars, and various other responsibilities.

(Source: AARP Bulletin Online, September 2002)

Michael Gruley of First Financial Mortgage Corporation in Farmington Hills is looking for older adults who are interested in helping other seniors obtain reverse mortgages. "I am familiar with a mortgage company in Florida that has hired older adults to fill 60 percent of their loan officer positions," said Gruley. "It has worked out beautifully because seniors are helping seniors." Gruley added that older adults can choose to assist with general marketing activities, such as simply educating others about reverse mortgages or they can fill out the paperwork and manage the entire loan process. For more information about opportunities with First Financial Mortgage Corporation, contact Michael Gruley at (248) 347-7439.

Grocery Delivery Service Can Help Seniors Stay Independent



The Ansaras of Redford — Bill, his wife Norma, and sons Billy, Jimmy and Steven — are a family with a special mission. Since 1993, the Ansaras have operated the Residential Grocery Service, Inc. (RGS), initially processing and delivering grocery orders to dozens of area group homes. Now the service has expanded, and older adults and disabled individuals — as well as people who are just too busy to do their own grocery shopping — are benefiting.

Bill's been delivering groceries for a long time. Years ago when he visited his elderly grandfather, he always took an armful of groceries. Soon he found himself doing the same by helping his grandfather's older neighbors.

Today, his company works with the Value Center Market at Six Mile and Inkster roads in Livonia — a store that carries an inventory of 50,000 items, including a full line of groceries (Spartan and

name brands), fresh fruits, vegetables, meats, dairy products, dietary items, and health, beauty and cleaning items.

Focusing on quality and customer service, the Ansaras have streamlined the grocery shopping process. At an initial meeting with an RGS representative, customers receive a comprehensive shopping list, complete with prices, and can check off the items they'd like to receive, noting any special brands they want. The minimum order for each delivery is \$75, plus a \$20 delivery charge. The Ansaras include a postage paid envelope with every grocery list so it's simple to send in an order.

Once an order is received, Norma enters it into a computer, located in the RGS office at the Value Center Market. Within two or three days, an RGS personal shopper picks and packs the order into special protective tote boxes, and it's delivered in special refrigerated trucks. Uniformed RGS employees bring the order into the person's home. To make it convenient for customers to use credit cards, delivery staff carry hand-held cordless credit card processors with them. They can also accept payment by cash, check or bridge card (food stamps). RGS delivery people can even give customers credit for coupons and refunds on bottles and cans on the spot.

RGS currently serves the communities of Livonia, Garden City, Redford, Westland, Plymouth, Canton, Novi, Northville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Farmington, Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield and Southfield.

For more information about Residential Grocery Service, Inc., call 734-525-2300, e-mail them at rgsgrocerydelv@aol.com, or visit their website at www.seniorgrocery.com.

Senior Profile: Helen Baldwin (continued from page 1)

Helen was named an honorary life member of the PTA after giving years of her time to the PTA at local, state and national levels.

In 1985, all of Helen's years of community involvement were put to good use when she was asked to be the Macomb County Department of Senior Citizen Services' first program development and volunteer coordinator. She was the impetus behind many advocating efforts and Macomb's annual participation in Senior Power Day in Lansing. Helen organized Senior Outreach Days in 10 to 15 Macomb County Commissioners' districts each fall, and planned the county's annual Older Americans Festival held each June at Freedom Hill Park.

She was drawn back to volunteering at the Macomb County Department of Senior Citizen Services because of her desire to continue to shepherd "at least for a while" three programs she was instrumental in beginning. Her volunteer projects include a telephone reassurance effort, a friendly visitor program for Macomb seniors where 20 to 30 volunteers keep in touch with at

least 30 homebound older adults each day, and a Focus Hope Food for Seniors program where volunteers deliver 40 pound boxes of food staples to 40 clients each month. Helen's church has even asked her to organize telephone reassurance and shut-in visitation programs.

While she'll continue to volunteer as long as she's able, Helen is looking forward to traveling. She plans to spend more time with family members in California, and with her son, James, who is 40 years old and recently married. James, who inherited a sense of adventure and a love of travel from both parents, has spent 20 years sailing around the world on two major voyages. These days his home is in Trinidad, where he continues to sail the high seas delivering yachts to clients and writing about his worldly travels.

Helen views the years ahead as an opportunity "to do something a bit different," but she shares some advice with others: "I would advise anyone to go out and volunteer. It opened my life in so many ways...and what a wonderful life it has been."

West Nile Virus (continued from page 1)

- Use insect repellents. Those with more than 35 percent DEET work best, but follow directions carefully, especially for use with youngsters. Do not use DEET on children under 2 years of age.
- Report dead birds — especially crows — to your county's health division; wear gloves when touching dead birds and animals, and dispose of them in double plastic bags.

For more information, contact your county health department or:

Michigan Department of Agriculture
888-668-0869 www.michigan.gov/mda

Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
888-232-3228
www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/index.htm

Livingston County Environmental Health Department
517-546-9858

Oakland County Health Division West Nile Virus Information Hotline
877-377-3641
www.co.oakland.mi.us/health

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586-469-5473
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Monroe County Environmental Health
734-240-7900

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810-987-5306

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The AAA 1-B Presents Leadership Awards

Each May at its annual meeting, the Area Agency on Aging 1-B honors a special volunteer, one of the agency's service providers, and a corporation or other organization or legislator for their work in enhancing the quality of life for older citizens.

At this year's May 16 meeting, held at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington Hills, three awards were presented.

Robert Esper of Warren, a long-time member of the AAA 1-B Advisory Council, received the 2003 Volunteer Leadership Award. Executive Director Sandra Reminga told Esper in a letter that "his contributions have been invaluable, not just to the AAA 1-B, but to the many other organizations and boards on which you serve in Warren and Macomb County." Reminga also noted that Esper is a "strong advocate for older adults" and has been especially supportive of the AAA 1-B's unique and innovative out-of-home respite program.

Fairfax Manor Health Care Associates in Ypsilanti received the AAA 1-B 2003 Service Provider Award for its participation as one of the original partners with the AAA 1-B in the out-of-home-respite program. Reminga commended Fairfax Manor for "consistently providing quality care to residents and an overall positive experience for caregivers," as well as for assisting the AAA 1-B "in times of crisis when other out-of-home respite beds were not available."



Robert Esper

The Corporate/Business Leadership Award was given to Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) for its commitment to a pilot project begun by the AAA 1-B in fiscal year 2000. The project was designed to expand community-based long-term care options by helping eligible individuals qualify for Section 8 vouchers that assist low-income individuals with housing costs to be used in combination with the MI Choice Medicaid Waiver that helps low-income older adults access in-home, long-term care services. Reminga commended MSHDA staff members for their commitment to the program. "After two years, more than 70 persons have received assistance from this program, and 65 currently reside in either assisted living facilities or their private homes rather than in a nursing home."

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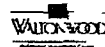
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Can't Agree on Caregiving Issues? Mediation May Help

Being a caregiver for a family member can be an exhausting and sometimes overwhelming job. More than 40 percent of caregivers helping an older relative are also caring for children under 18. And 64 percent of caregivers are employed and face the stressful task of balancing work with caregiving.

So what happens to this delicate balance when a dispute – with the elder who requires care or another family member – arises? All too often such disputes can end up in court, and result in shattered family relationships that leave frail older adults with fewer choices for good care.

Preventing these consequences is something that a trained mediator can often help with, says Susan Butterwick, directing attorney for an innovative demonstration project - The Family Caregiver Mediation/Shared Decision Making Services Project - at the Center for Social Gerontology in Ann Arbor. Project collaborators include the Area Agency on Aging 1-B, and the dispute resolution centers that operate in Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair and Washtenaw counties.

Mediation is a process in which people meet in a private, confidential setting to work out a mutually agreed upon solution to their problems with a

neutral party – a mediator.

During the 1980s and 1990s, mediation involving guardianship issues proved highly effective, Butterwick said. Extending the mediation concept to resolving issues that center around caregiving before they escalate into court battles seemed a logical step.

All of the volunteer mediators, who include active and retired professionals, in the project have undergone intensive training in basic community mediation skills and additional training in mediating adult guardianship and family caregiver cases. Butterwick said that some of the issues most successfully resolved through mediation are respite care and support for the caregiver; living arrangements; family relationships and communications issues; and decisions about finances and medical care, including discharge and transitional plans from hospitals and nursing homes.

During the demonstration project, mediation services are available at a minimal cost, and fees can be waived for those who do not have the ability to pay, said Butterwick. For more information, call the Caregiver Mediation Project's toll free number in Ann Arbor, 866-665-1126, or contact Butterwick, at sbutterwick@tcsg.org.

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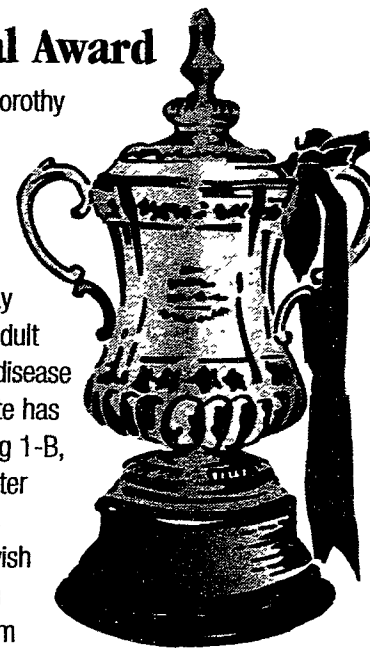
Recommended Reading for Caregivers

- 1) "Elder Rage or Take My Father Please: How to Survive Caring for Aging Parents" by National Speaker Jacqueline Marcell. To order call (949) 975-1012 or visit www.ElderRage.com
- 2) "Faith and Illness: Reflections on God's Sustaining Love" by Nancy Groves, MSW 1-866-799-1444 or Langenfeld@patientpress.com
- 3) "Elder Care: A Six Step Guide to Balancing Work and Family" By John Paul Marosy, President of Bringing Elder Care Home LLC. www.bringingeldercarehome.com or call (508) 854-0431

AAA 1-B Funded Video Wins National Award

The National Adult Day Services Association recently honored the Dorothy & Peter Brown Jewish Community Adult Day Care Program with a Media Award for Local Accomplishment.

The award, presented in March, recognized the program for a video produced to educate the community about the benefits of adult day care services. Through vignettes and personal anecdotes, "Adult Day Services: Enriching the Lives of Senior Adults," demonstrates how adult day care centers extend the quality of life of people with Alzheimer's disease and other memory disorders. It also highlights the importance respite has for family caregivers. The video, funded by the Area Agency on Aging 1-B, is being used throughout Michigan, and Brown Program Director Peter Ostrow has received requests all over the United States to purchase copies of the video. The Brown Program is operated by JVS and Jewish Home & Aging Services. For more information about Brown Program services or the video, please call Ostrow at 248-559-5000 or email him at postrow@jvsdet.org.



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AAA 1-B Senior Driving Program Expands

Since 1997, the Area Agency on Aging 1-B's (AAA 1-B) You Decide: Senior Driving Awareness Program has been serving older adults in five locations across southeastern Michigan — where more than 50 percent of the state's older drivers reside. In February, the nationally recognized program expanded to better serve older adults in northern Macomb and in Monroe counties.

Now northern Macomb residents have the choice of attending the Senior Driving Awareness Program at its long-time location, the Romeo Senior Center, as well as at its new location in the Washington Senior Center. The program will alternate between the two sites on the second Tuesday of each month. The Washington Senior Center will host You Decide on June 10, August 12 and October 14 at 1:00 p.m. The Romeo Activity Center will host the Senior Driving Awareness Program on May 13, July 8, September 9 and November 18 at 10:30 a.m.

For the first time, seniors in Monroe County will be able to access You Decide in their neighborhood at the Monroe Senior Center, where the program

will be offered at 10:30 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

You Decide is designed to empower older adults, ages 60 to 95 years, to continue to drive safely as long as possible. Monthly programs feature an expert speaker on mobility-related topics, as well as a question and answer period. The program also provides information to older adults about local transportation alternatives when participants feel they can no longer drive.

"We find that seniors who attend our monthly programs leave feeling that they have learned something valuable," said Roberta Habowski, project coordinator at the AAA 1-B. "Some participants begin to plan their routes in advance, reconsider driving at night if necessary, or say they have become more focused when they are behind the wheel."

Older adults, family members and friends are invited to attend You Decide sessions. There is no cost to the public. For more information about the AAA 1-B's driving program, fact sheets on signs of declining driver performance, or a list of questions to ask your doctor on medications and driving, please contact Habowski at the AAA 1-B at 248-262-1293.



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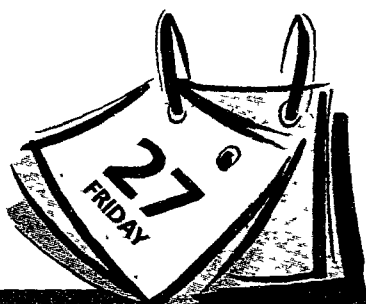
Information and Assistance (I & A) specialists can quickly answer questions and access information for callers using a computerized database listing 5,000 senior services and providers in southeast Michigan. The I & A number for AAA 1-B is **1-800-852-7795**. Hours are 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., weekdays. AAA 1-B also has a website:

www.aaa1b.com

AAA 1-B Access Centers

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Calendar of Events

Don't forget to mark your calendar with these important events.

Senior Synergy Open Discussion Group

Wednesday, May 28, 2003

Presenter: Jim McGuire,

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"Obtaining Affordable Prescription Drugs:
What Are My Options?"

Farmington Community Library

10:30 am

(248) 848-4307

Talks & Tours

June 4, 12, and 18, 2003

Housing Bureau for Seniors

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Older American Festival

Wednesday, June 18, 2003

Macomb County Department

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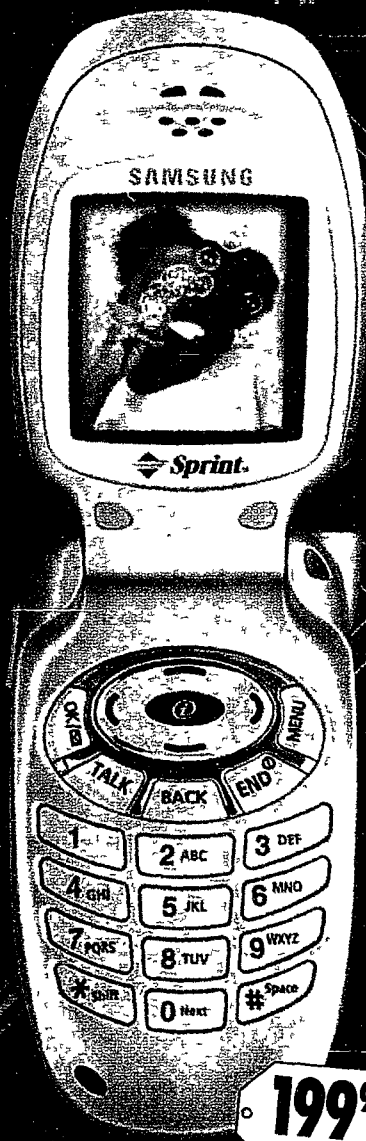
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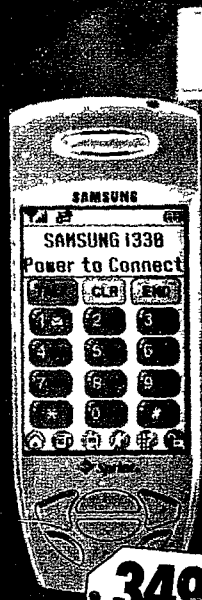
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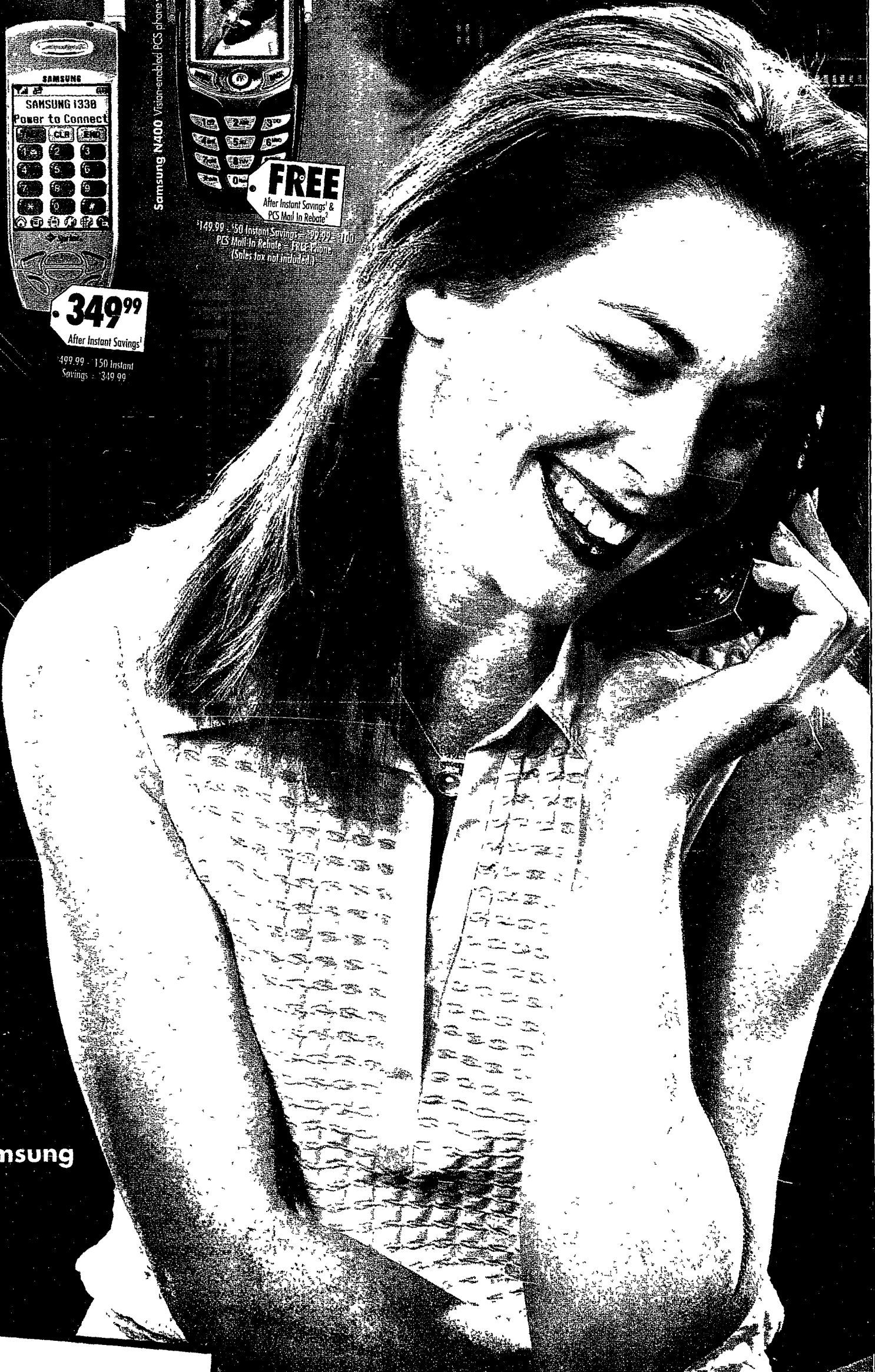
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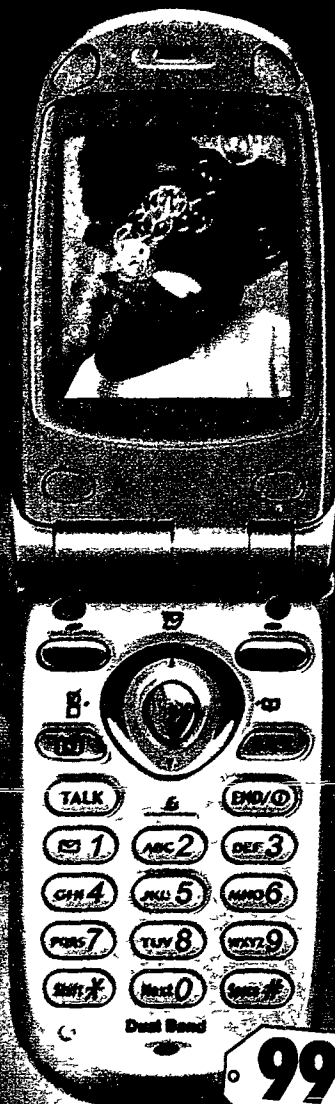
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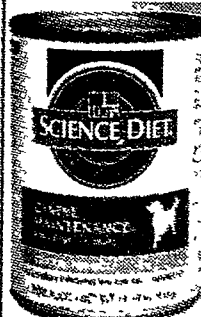
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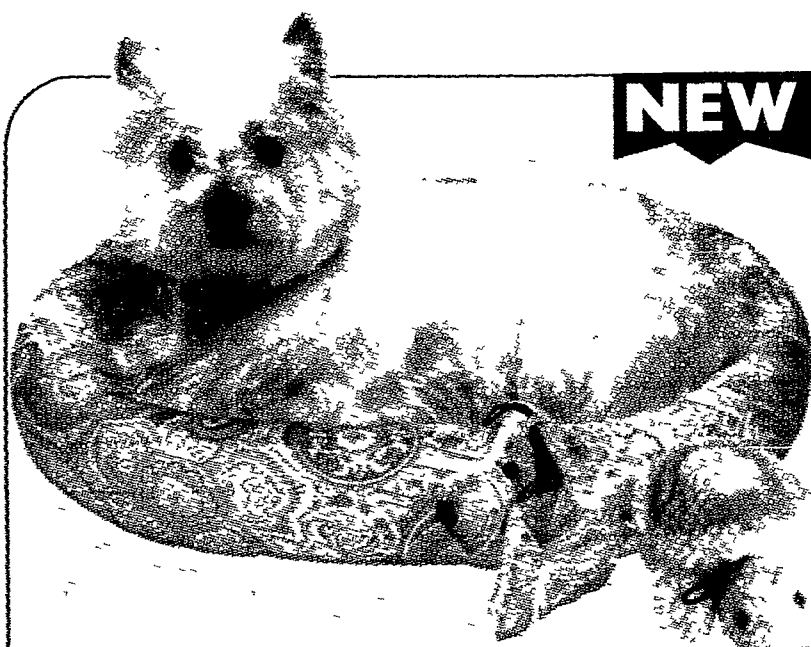
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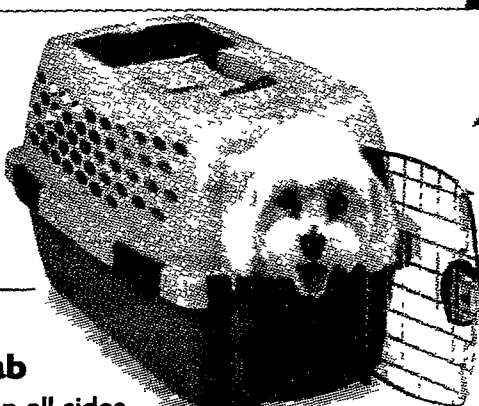


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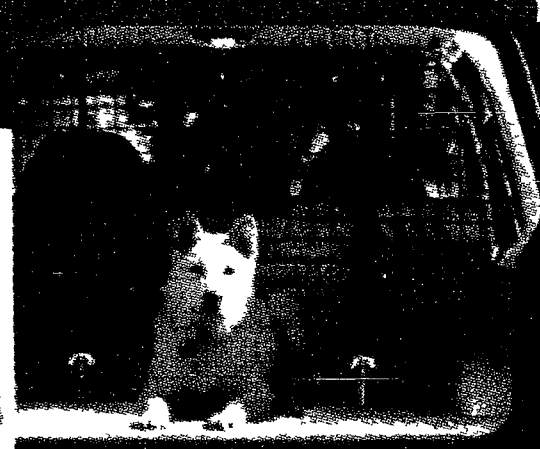
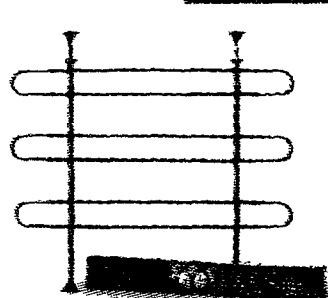
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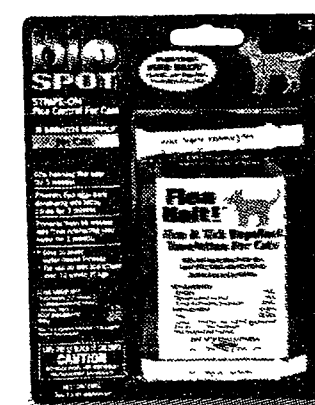
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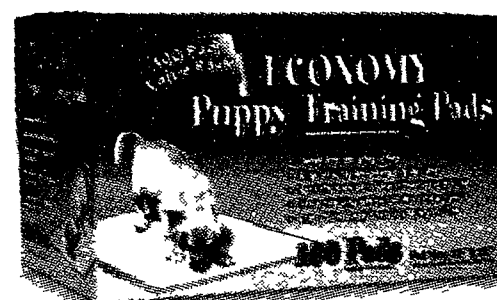
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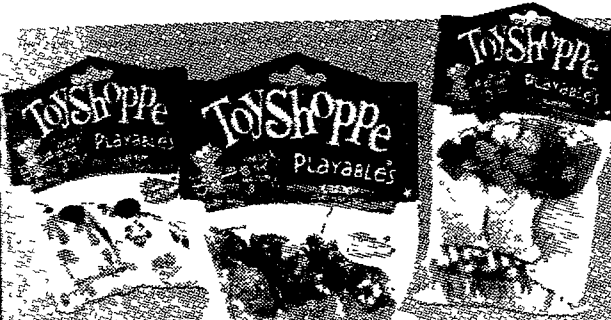
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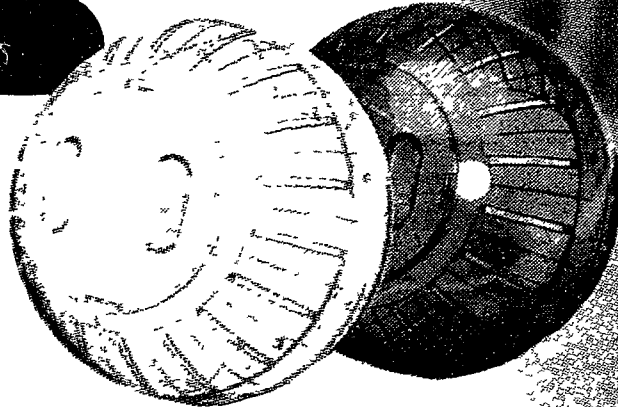
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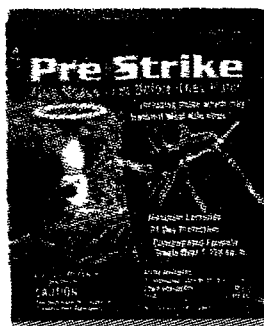
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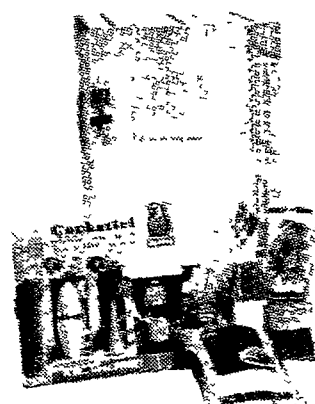
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Parakeet
or cockatiel
5 lb. bonus bag



Receive a free 20 oz. bag of Nutra-Puffs
inside specially packed bags of Kaytee Fiesta



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**Top Wing
Deluxe Square
Cockatiel Starter Kit**

Includes: cage, millet, book,
cuttlebone, pacifier, toy,
bedding and a coupon for
trial size Pasta Diet.

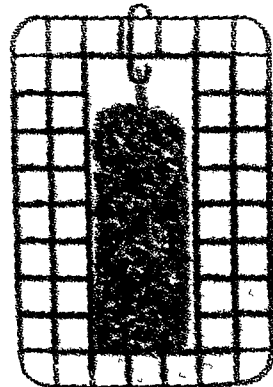
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Hand-Red
Grey
Cockatiel

**VET
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NEW



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**Finch Bar and
Feeder Combo**

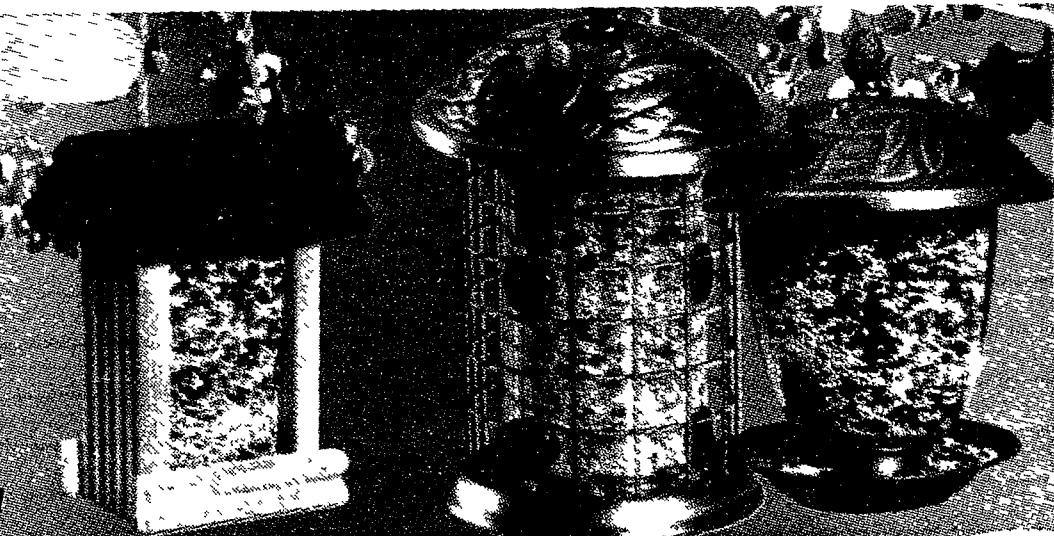
Finch Bar
14 oz. **2⁹⁹**

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**Log Cabin
Wild Bird Feeder
With Green Roof**
Holds up to one pound
of seed.

Seed not included



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17⁹⁹

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& mingle

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fun games with
your pet.

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Critter or Ferret Treats**

Crunchy treats filled with
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1.06 oz. package

free bird seed*

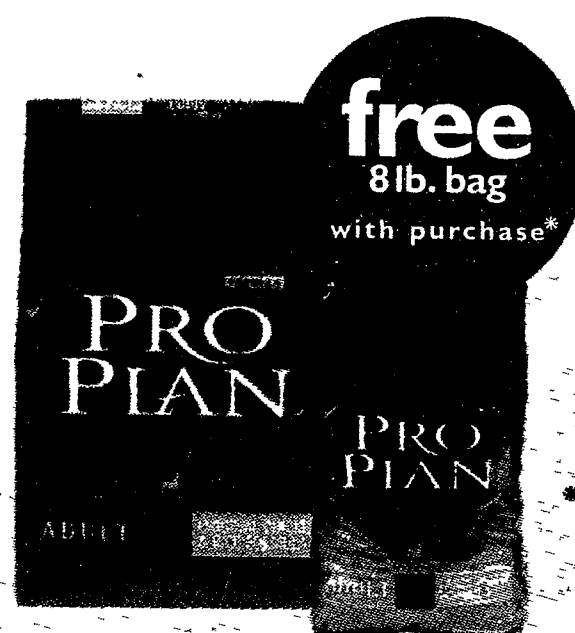
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BASICS**

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Free one lb. bag of
Graceful Flight wild bird
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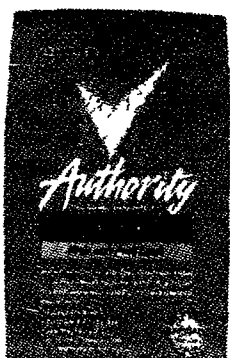
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Dog Food**
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senior, lite, lamb
meal & rice or
puppy
36-44 lb. bonus bag

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puppy
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Cat Food**
Adult, light senior
or salmon
3 lb. bag



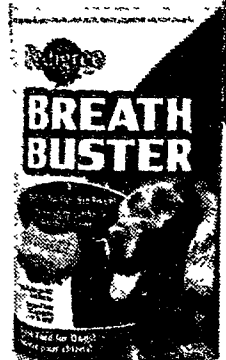
Kitten or hairball management
3 lb. bag **4.99**
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Low Price
**Fancy Feast
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Choose from
49 varieties.
3 oz. can

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Made from real
ice cream. A good
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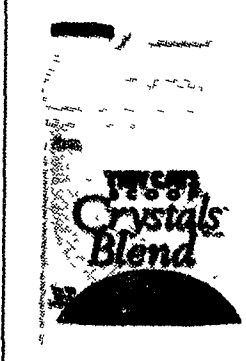
PRICE DROP save \$3

9.99
after savings

\$12.99 reg. retail
**Pro Plan Total
Care or Extra
Care Cat Food**
Assorted formulas
8 lb. jug



PRICE DROP save \$2



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\$8.99 reg. retail
**Tidy Cats
Scoop
Crystals
Blend**
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Colorful florals,
crisp gingham and
classic solid colors.

All are available in
a choice of bright
hues that look
beautiful together.

With the 3-Star
& Martha Stewart
the fun
choices.

These
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proven.

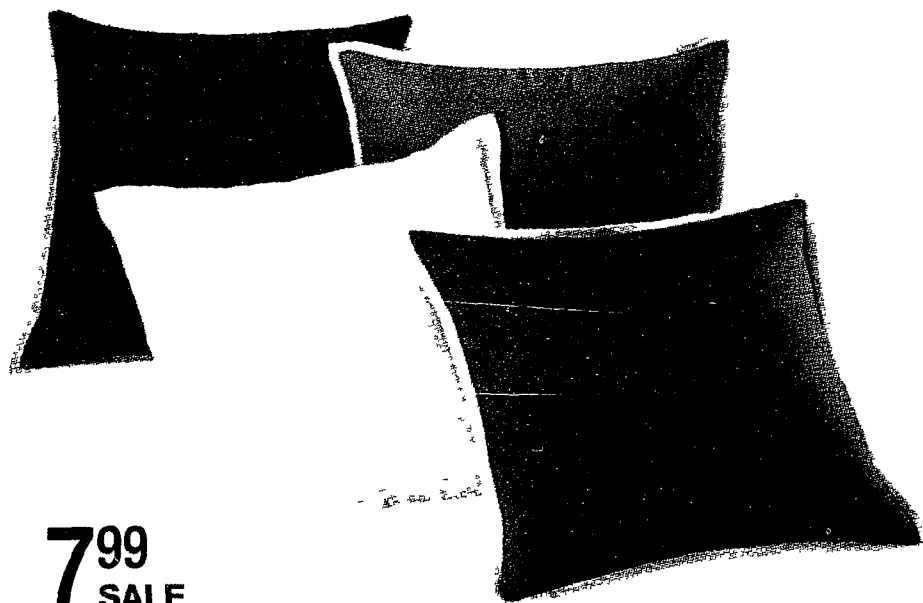
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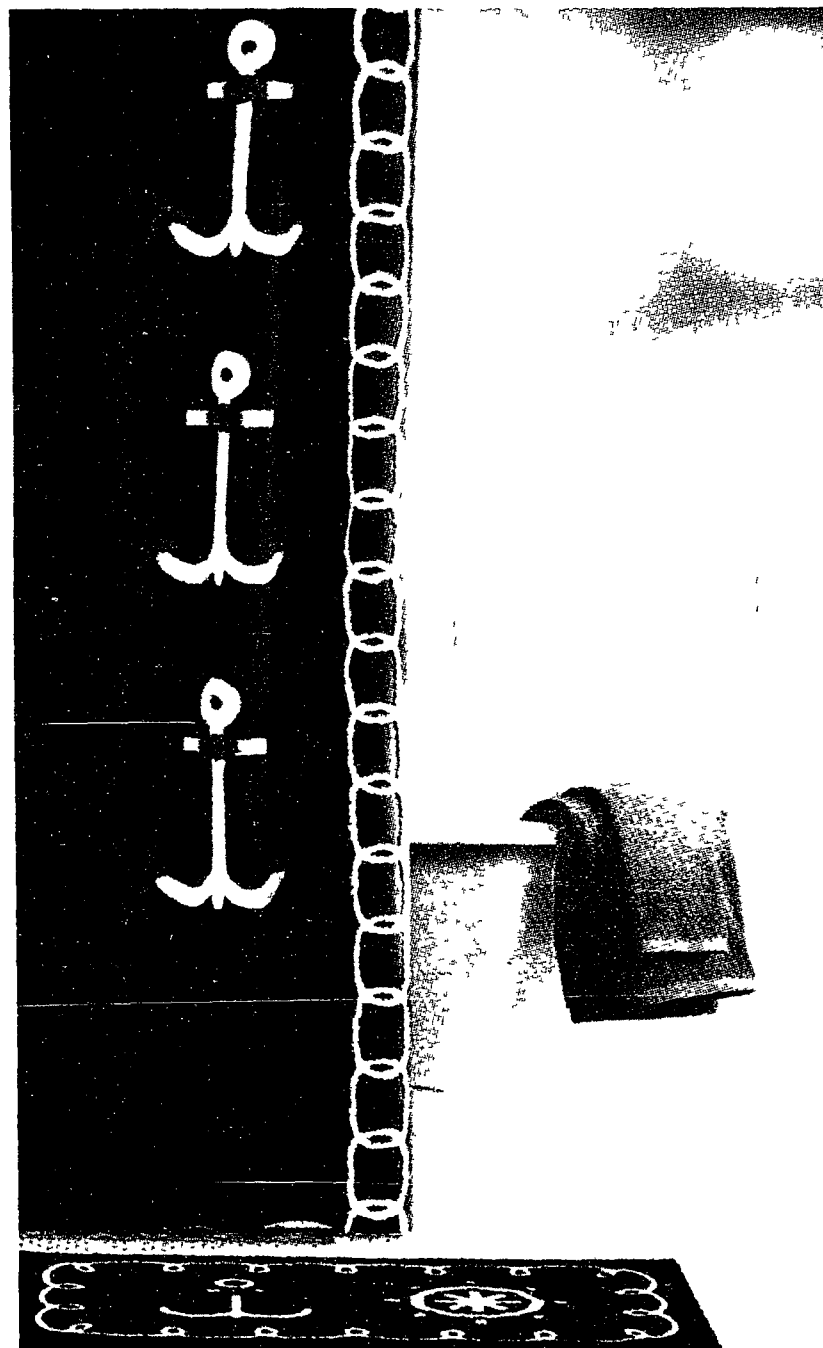
All 3-Star bedding and bath on sale



7⁹⁹
SALE

Was 9.99

MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
BRUSHED TWILL DECORATIVE PILLOW
Other decorative pillows, Sale 4.99-17.99

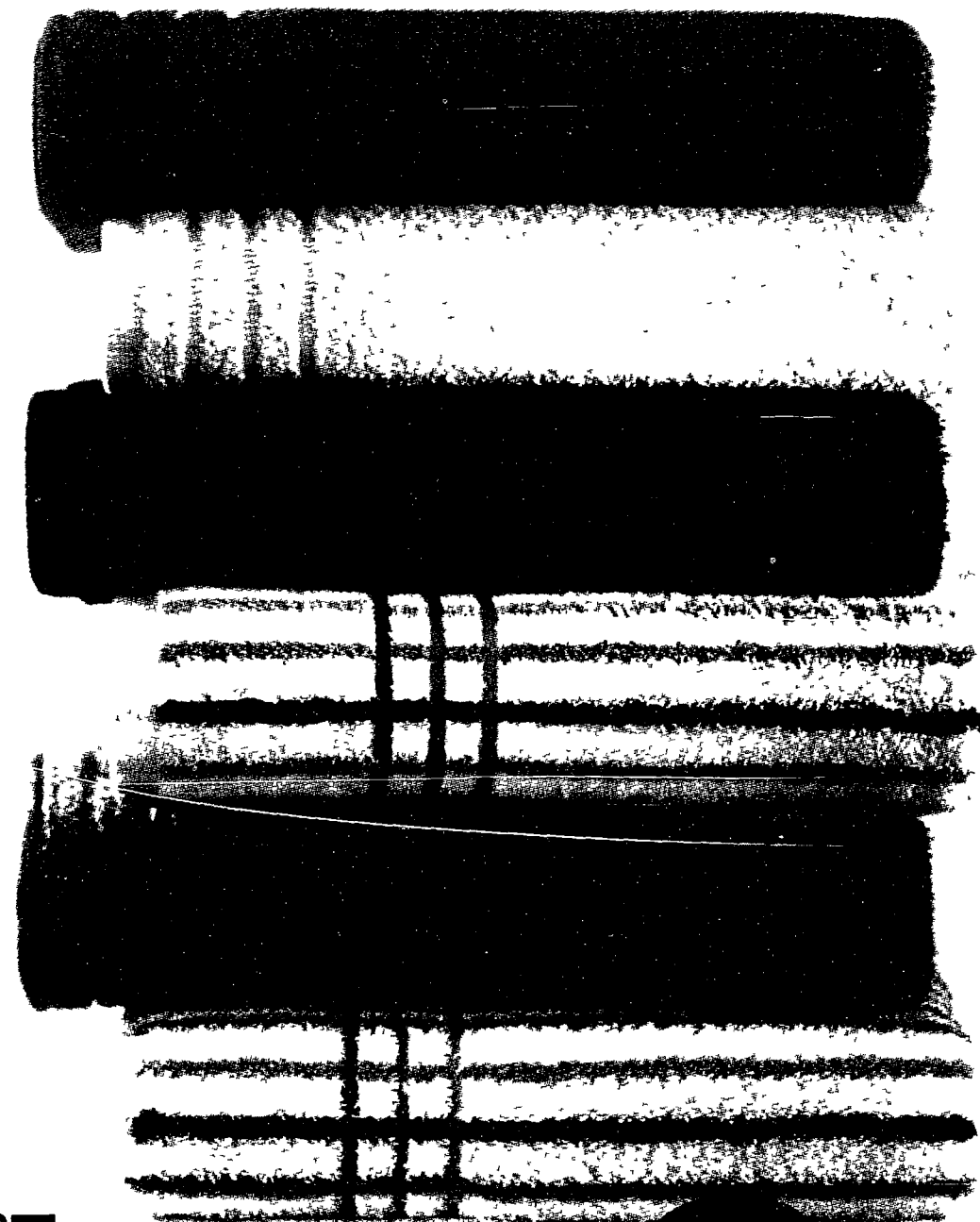


New Pattern!

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SALE

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SHOWER CURTAINS
20% off all other Martha Stewart Everyday
shower curtains

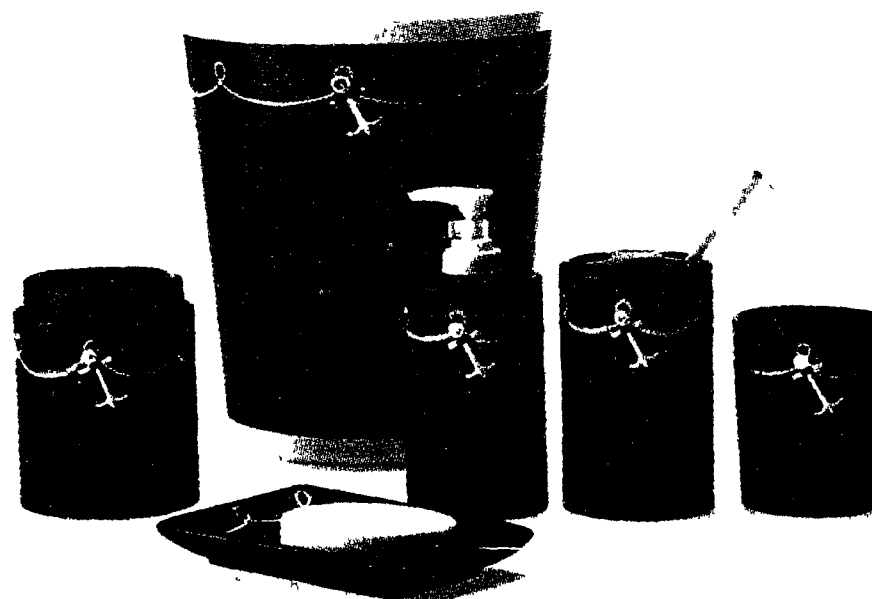


2/\$7 SALE

Was 4.99 ea.

MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY® 3-STAR
100% COTTON BATH TOWEL
All other 3-Star towels and bath rugs,
Sale 1.99-17.99

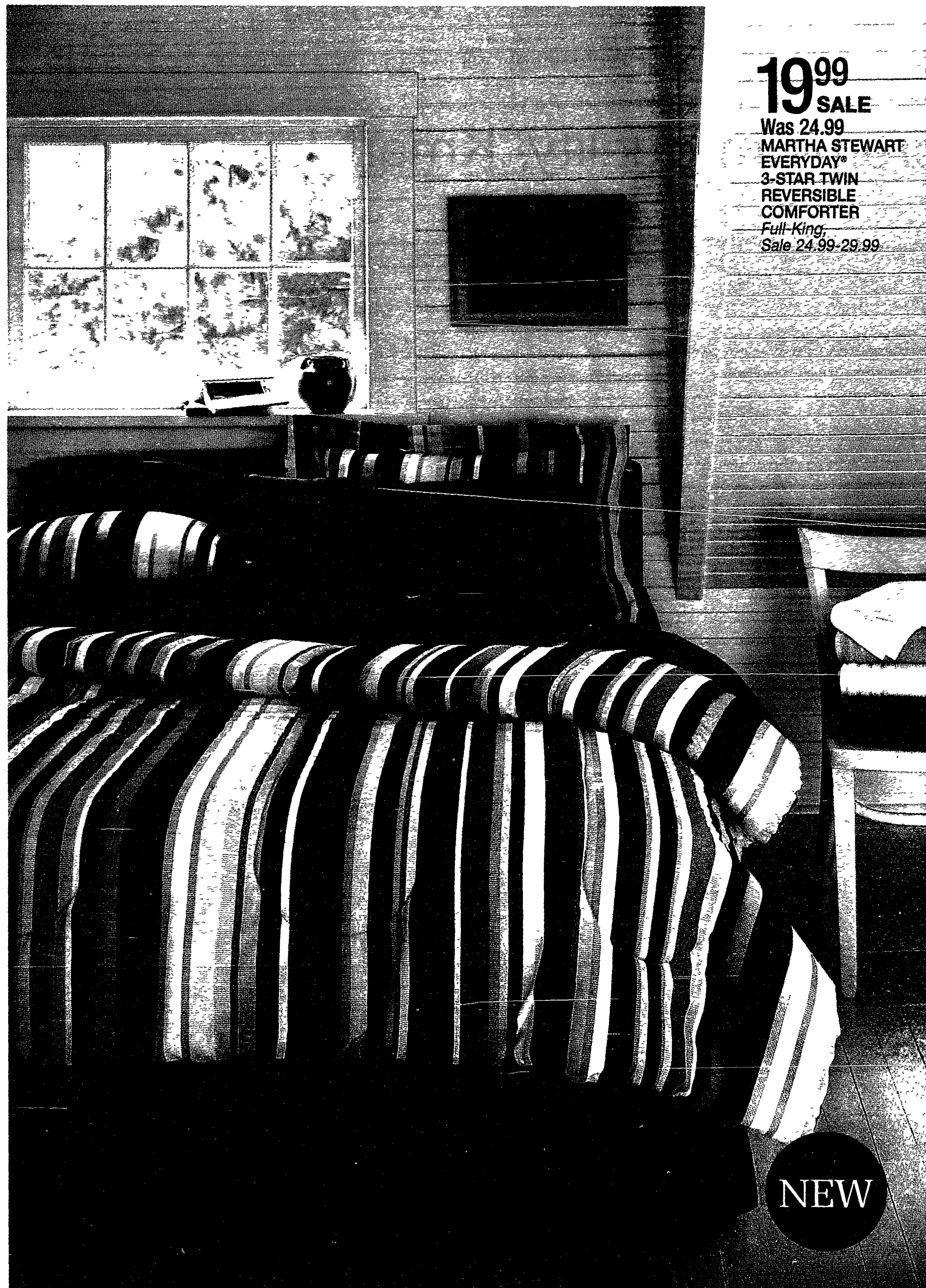
NEW



20% off

MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY®
BATH ACCESSORIES

Time for bed, so get cozy in the bold stripes, fun plaids and playful prints of the Martha Stewart Everyday® 3-Star Collection. And be sure to include window treatments, coordinating towels, bath rugs and other bath accessories.



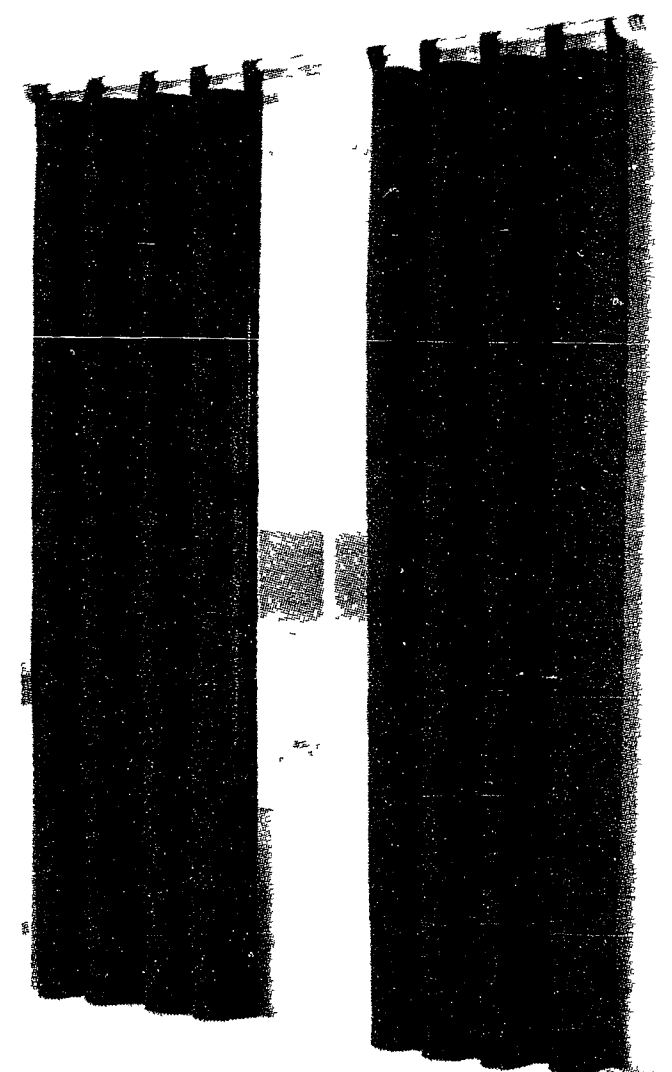
19⁹⁹
SALE

Was 24.99
MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY®
3-STAR TWIN
REVERSIBLE
COMFORTER
Full-King,
Sale 24.99-29.99



8⁹⁹
SALE

Was 12.99
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
3-STAR TWIN SHEET SET
180-thread count.
Other 3-Star bedding, Sale 5.49-35.99



**ANY SIZE,
ONE PRICE!**

19⁹⁹
SALE

Was 24.99-29.99
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
COTTON DUCK PAIR OF TAB-TOP
PANELS. 63"L or 84"L.
20% off all other Martha Stewart
Everyday Casual curtains

NEW

Pima Sateen sheets and pillowcases combine the lustrous feel of sateen with super-soft Pima cotton for a truly luxurious fabric. Choose from 6 beautiful colors.

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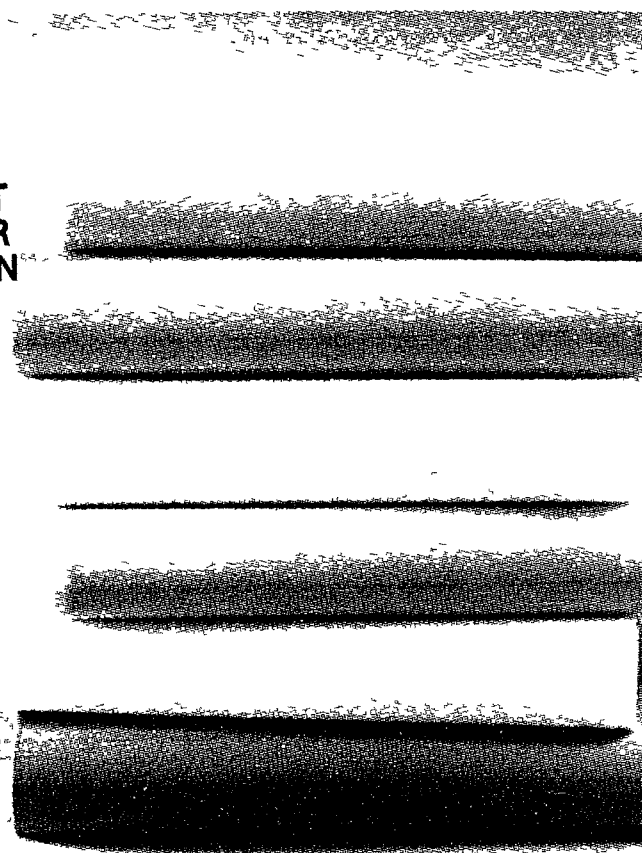


39⁹⁹
SALE

Was 49.99
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
5-STAR TWIN COMFORTER
Other 5-Star comforters
or coverlets
Sale 29.99-69.99

9⁹⁹
SALE

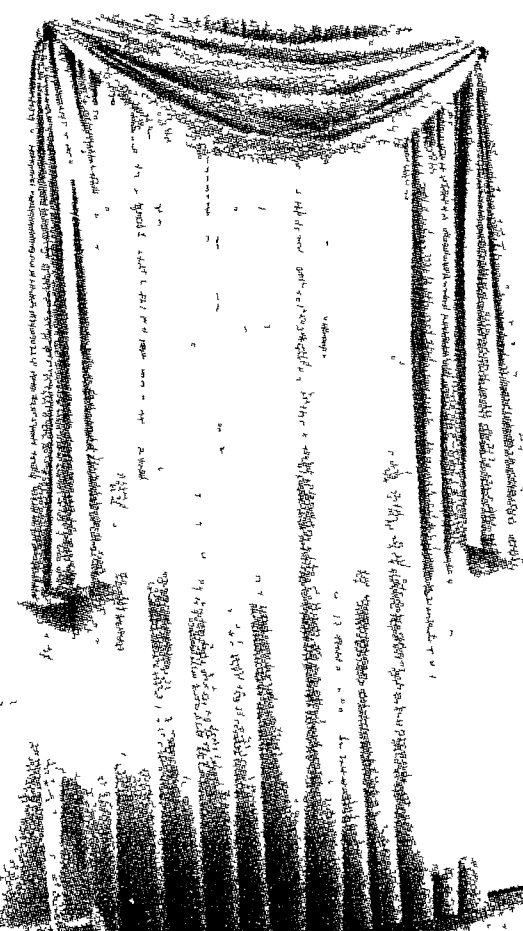
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MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY® 5-STAR
100% PIMA SATEEN
COTTON TWIN
FLAT OR
FITTED SHEET
270-thread count.
Other 5-Star
sheets and
accessories
Sale 12.99-34.99



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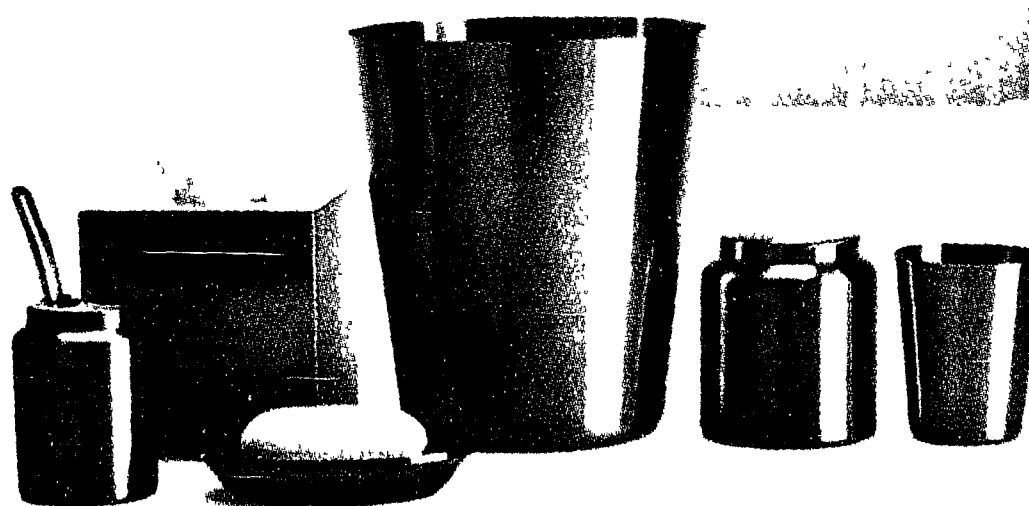
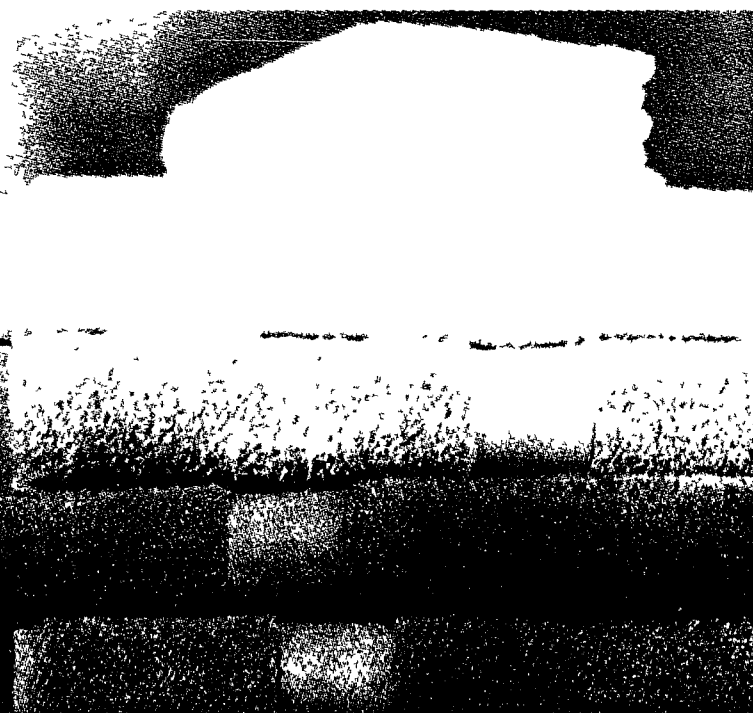
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SALE

Was 9.99-10.99
MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY® KNITTED
VOILE PANEL
63"L or 84"L.
Coordinating
scarf, 60" x 144",
Was 19.99,
Sale 14.99
20% off all other
Martha Stewart
Everyday lace
and sheers



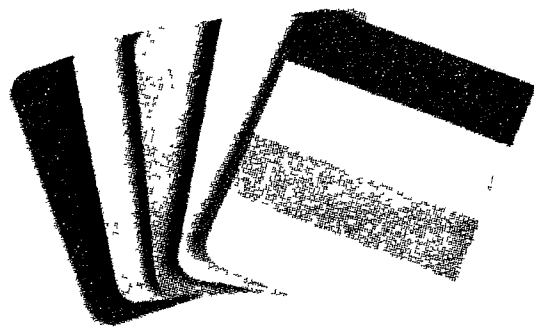
2/\$13
SALE

Was 9.99 ea.
MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY®
5-STAR 100%
PIMA COTTON
LOOPS BATH TOWEL
All other Pima
towels and Extra
large bath rugs
Sale 1.00-19.99



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MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
BATH ACCESSORIES



The perfect paint color will make any room come together beautifully. It's easy to redecorate with Martha Stewart Everyday Colors® – premium paint in more than 256 delightful colors.

In every Complete Bed bag, you will find: a comforter, coordinating flat and fitted sheets, pillowcase(s), sham(s) and a bed skirt. Valances, decorative pillows and table covers, overlays and additional sets of pillowcases are also available as unique add-ons to each of the collections.

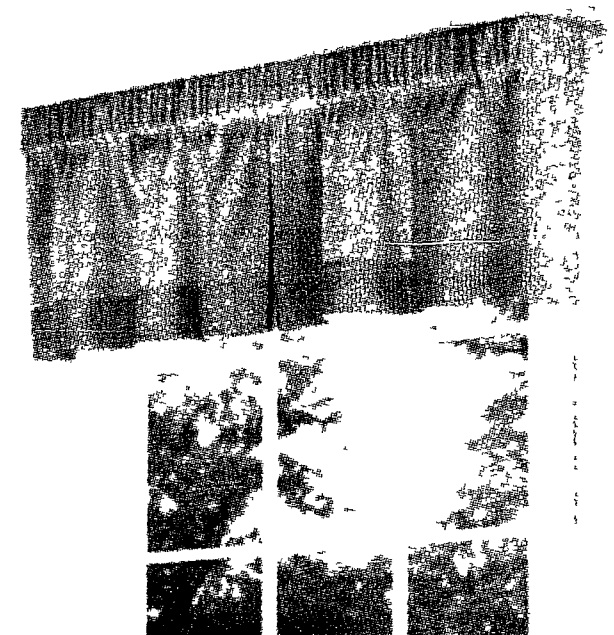
59⁹⁹
SALE
Was 79.99

MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
TWIN COMPLETE BED COLLECTION
Full-King, Sale 79.99-99.99
Coordinating bedding accessories,
Sale 8.99-12.99



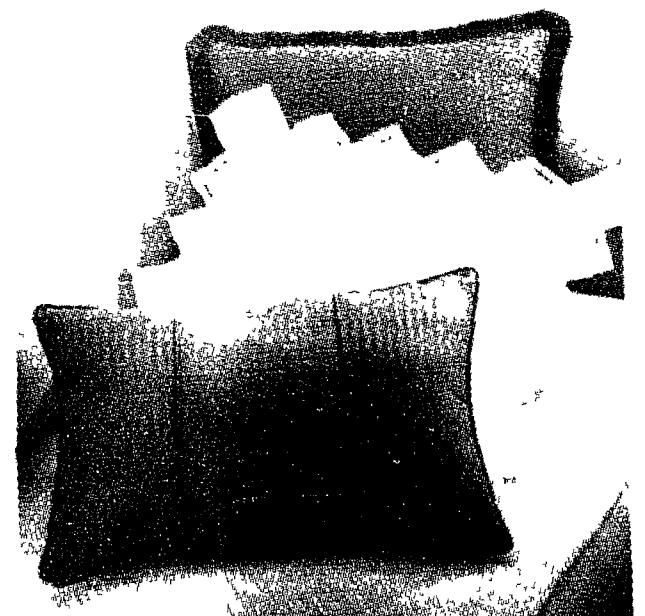
15⁹⁹
SALE
Was 18.99

MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY® COMPLETE
BED DECORATIVE
TABLECOVER AND
OVERLAY SET. 100% cotton.



10⁹⁹
SALE
Was 12.99

MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY®
COMPLETE BED
WINDOW VALANCE
52"W x 15"L.



7⁹⁹
SALE
Was 9.99

MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY®
DECORATIVE PILLOWS
Other decorative pillows,
Sale 4.99-17.99

5⁹⁹
SALE
Was 7.99

MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
SPA BATH TOWEL
Hand towel, Sale 4.99
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All bed pillows, mattress pads and blankets on sale

What a wonderful opportunity to get all you need for a good night's sleep. From cushiony pillows to soft blankets, you'll rest easy knowing that our bedding essentials are made to last and priced like a dream.

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3.99
SALE
Was 6.99

MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY® GRANDPA
STANDARD/QUEEN BED PILLOW
Grandma feather pillow or Grandpa
King pillow, Was 9.99, Sale 6.99

9.99
SALE
Was 14.99

MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY® TWIN
COTTON BLANKET

25% off all other Martha Stewart
Everyday® Blankets
Cotton • Acrylic • Vellux® • Fleece

25% off all other Martha Stewart
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Pima • Sateen-Stripe • Core-Support • Great Big Pillows
Grandma • Grandpa • Puffball • Custom-Sleep Pillows

19.99
SALE
Was 26.99

MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY® TWIN
PIMA MATTRESS PAD

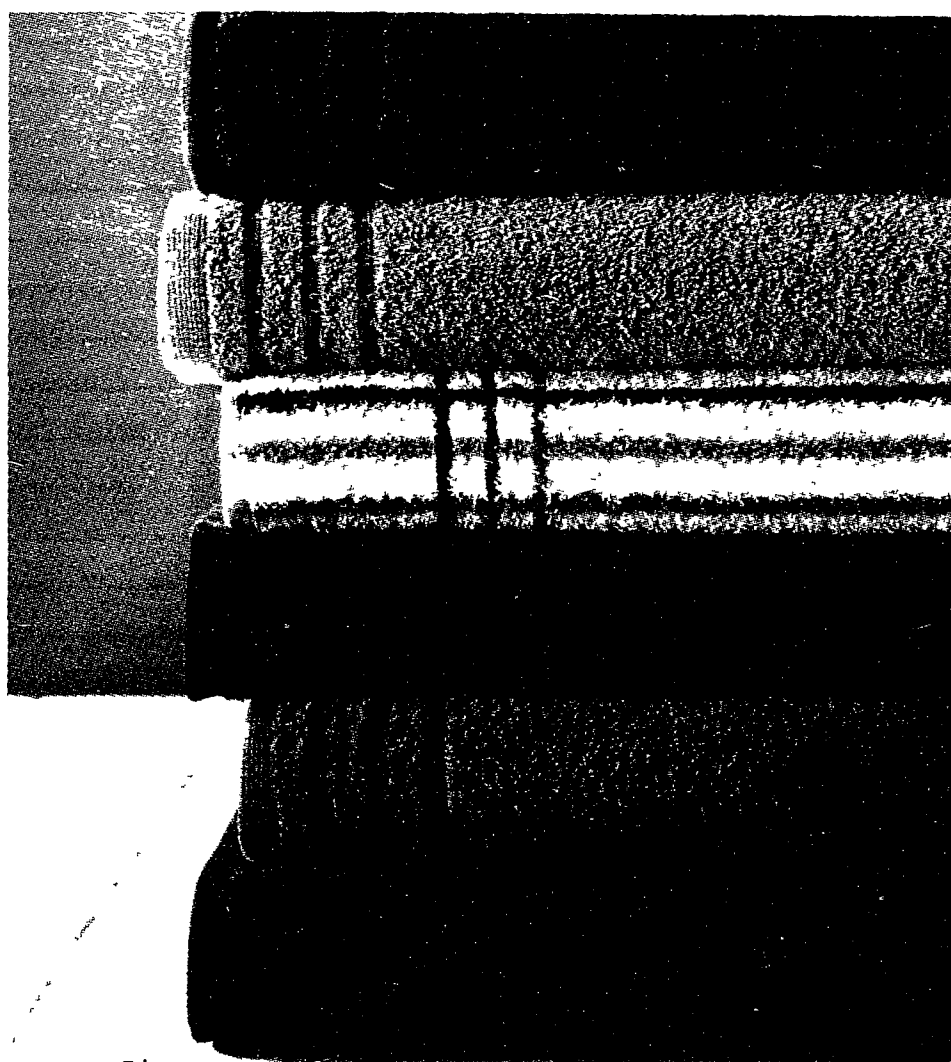
pima mattress pad

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Grandpa Ticking-Stripe

NEW

Wrap up in the softness of 100% cotton. Martha Stewart Everyday® 3-Star towels are made of durable California cotton. Our 4-Star towels offer fresh colors and are soft to the touch. The 5-Star Pima cotton towels have a plush pile for extra comfort. And our 5-Star Egyptian cotton towels feature long loops for extra absorbency and softness.



2/\$7 SALE **NEW**

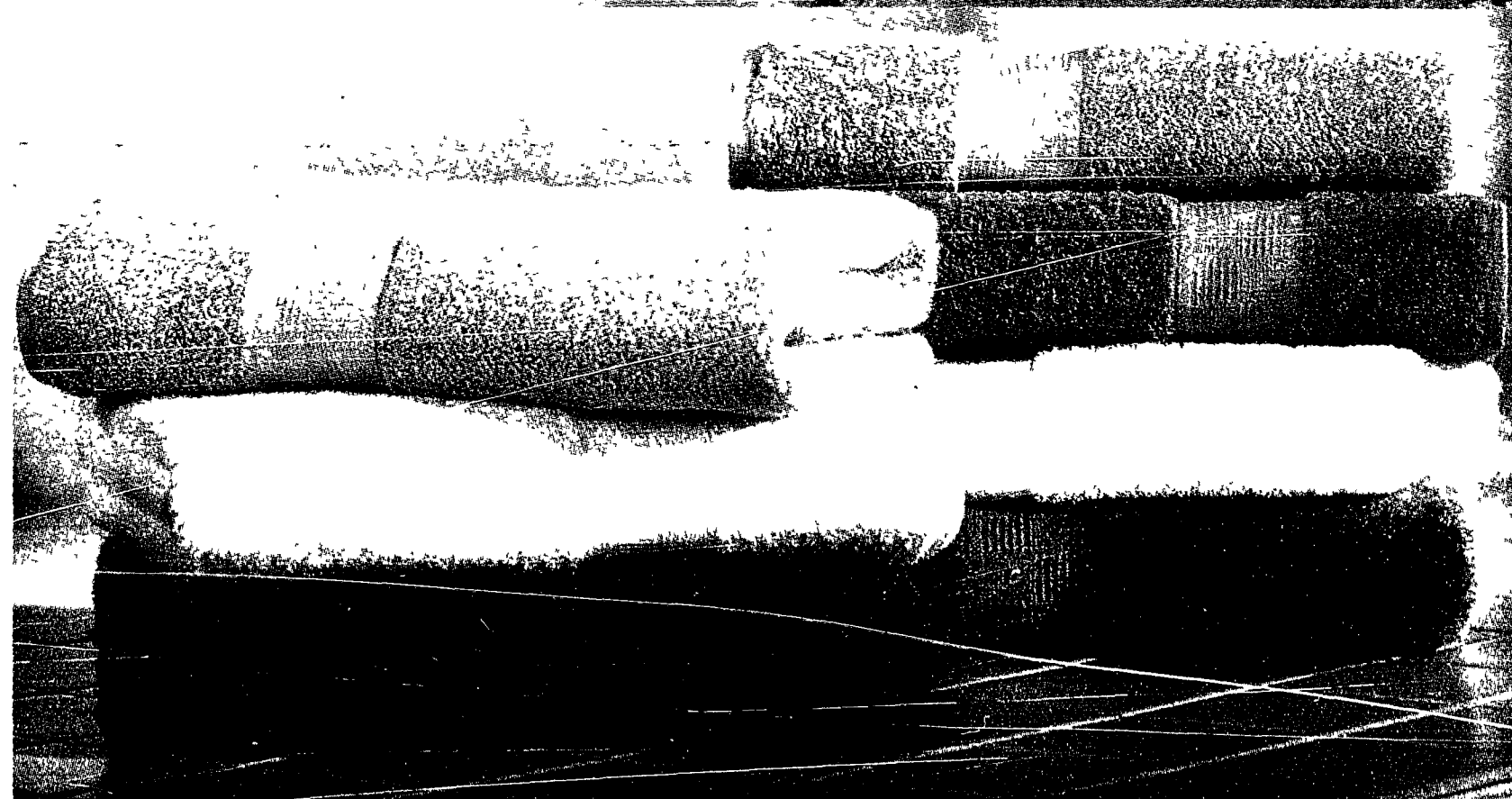
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MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
3-STAR 100% COTTON BATH TOWEL
All other 3-Star towels and bath rugs,
Sale 1.99-17.99



NEW

2/\$9 SALE

Was 6.99 ea.
MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY® 4-STAR
100% COTTON BATH TOWEL
All other 4-Star towels
and bath rugs, Sale 2.99-16.99



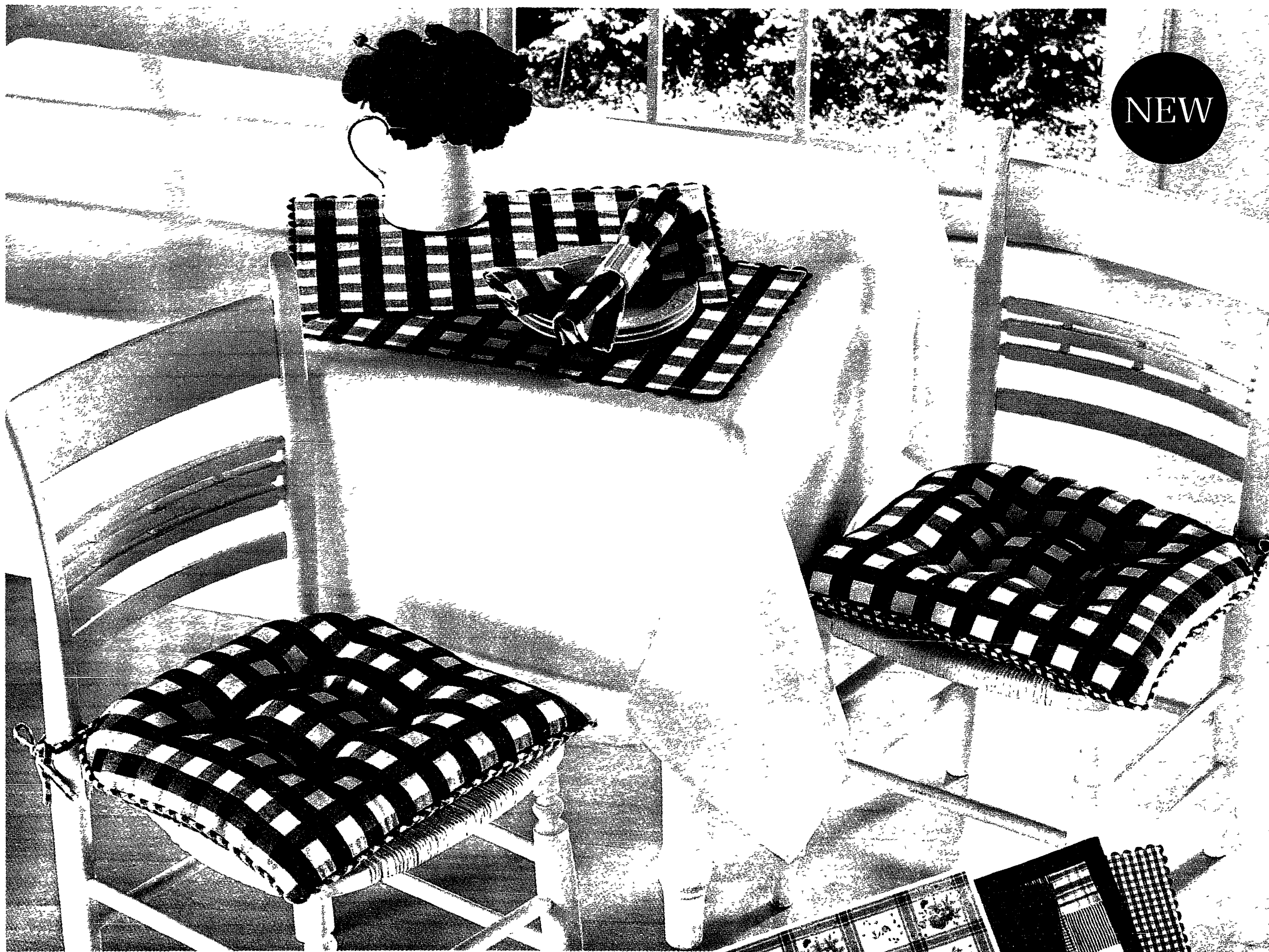
2/\$11 SALE

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MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY®
5-STAR 100% EGYPTIAN COTTON
BATH TOWEL
All other 5-Star Egyptian towels
and bath rugs, Sale 3.99-22.49



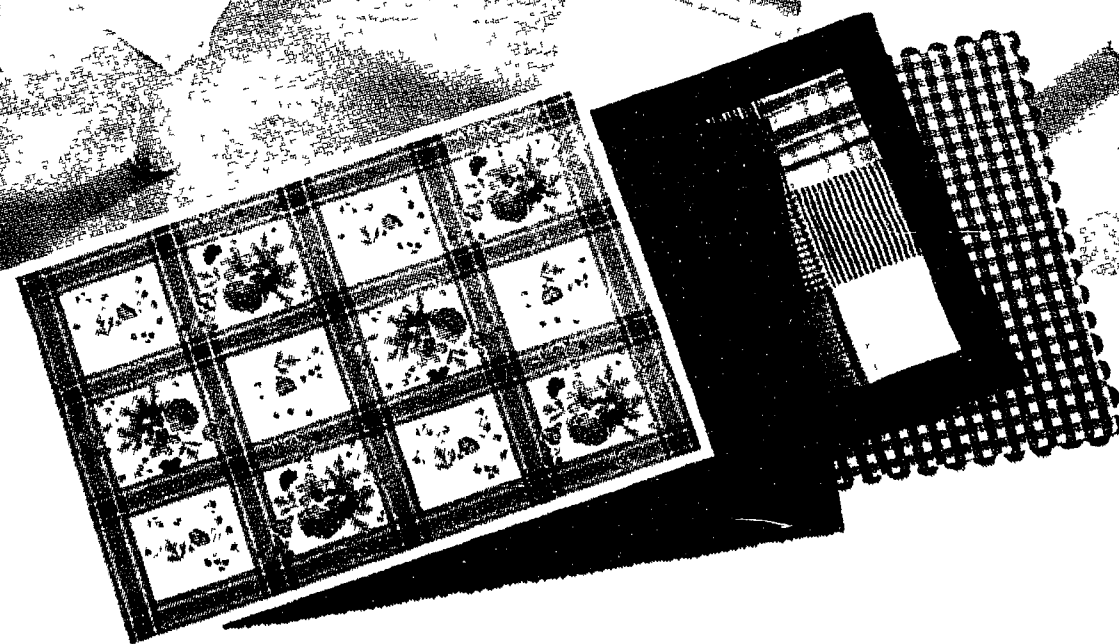
MARTHA
everyday

Martha Stewart Everyday offers so many pretty, yet practical touches that make a house a home. This classic Herringbone fabric tablecloth is paired with all-cotton Buffalo Check place mats and comfortable chair pads in Blue, making it easy to bring delightful color to your table.



Buy one, get one 50% off

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Vacation
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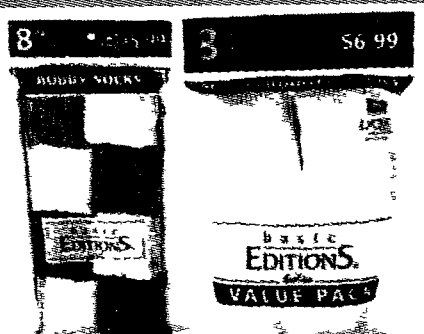
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LIMIT ONE COUPON PER PURCHASE

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Kmart Store Coupon VALID 5/24/03-6/7/03

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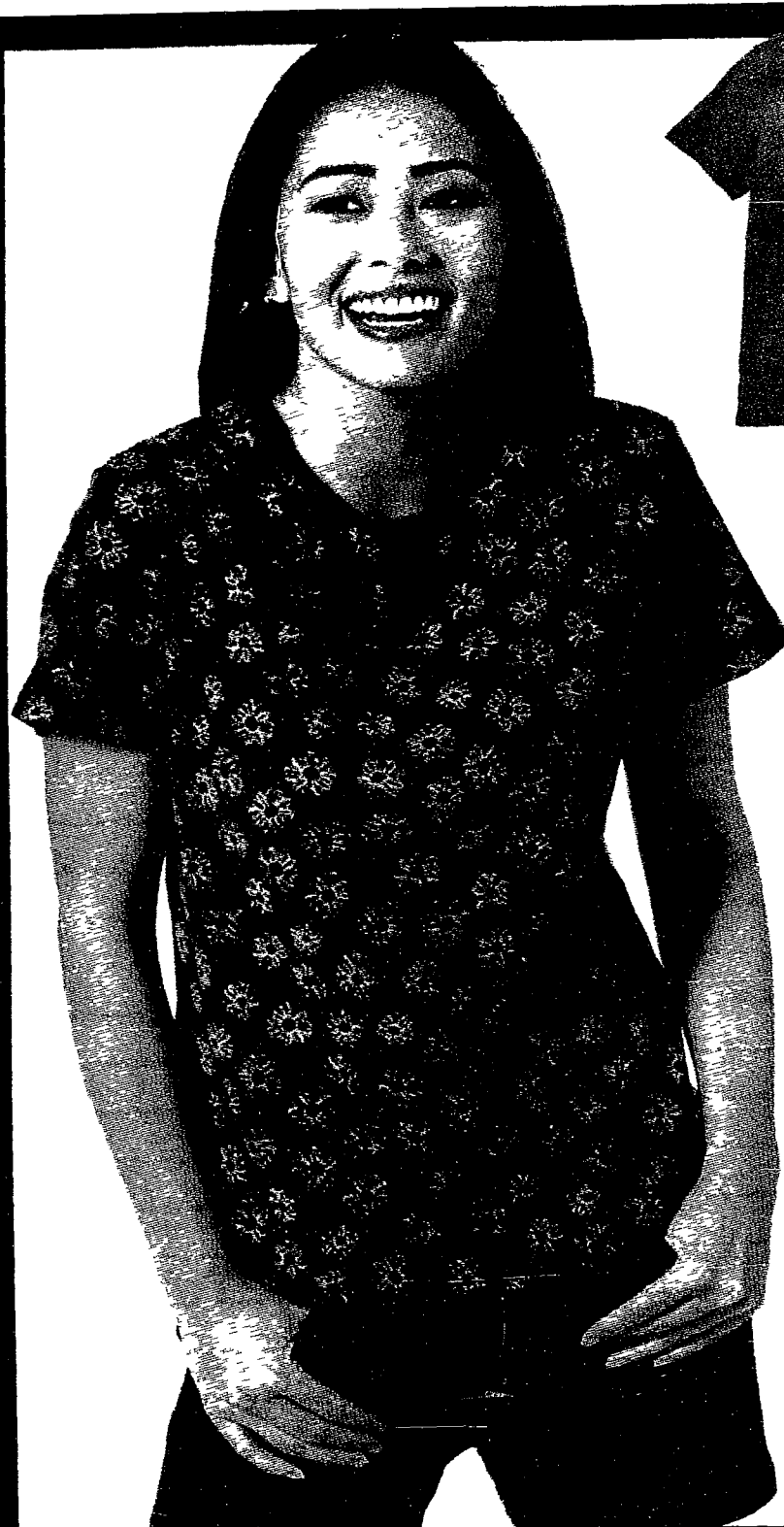
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SAVE 50%

3.99 sale

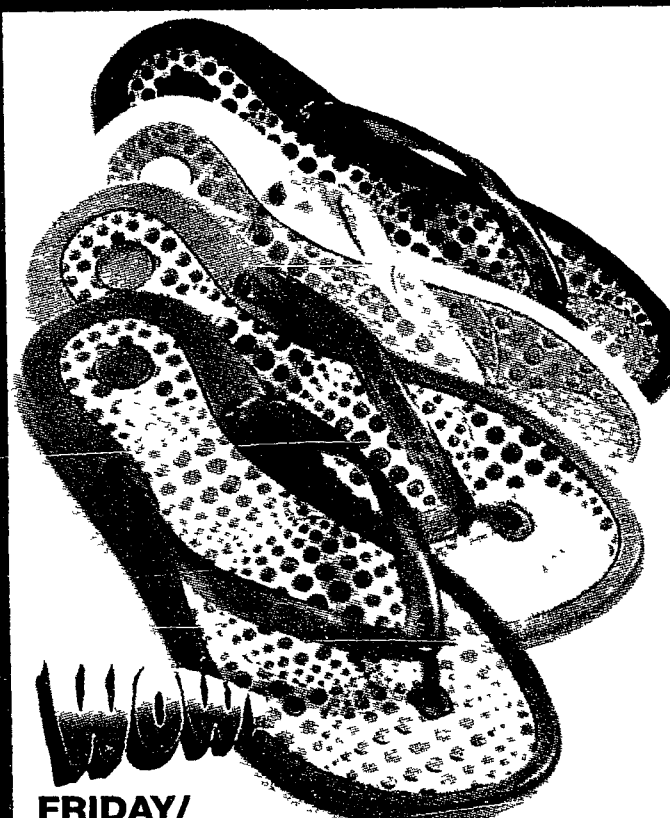
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Sizes S-XL.
Colors may vary by store.



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**FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY**

6.99 sale

Was 9.99 LADIES' BASIC EDITIONS® SHORT-SLEEVED EMBELLISHED TEES
Sizes S-XL



**FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY**

2/\$7 sale

Was 4.99 pr. ALL ISLAND CLUB® BEACH THONGS



50% off

LADIES' STRAW HANDBAGS

OFFICIAL RULES. Kmart/PEPSI GREAT SUMMER VACATION - GET THE DRIVE SWEEPSTAKES

No purchase necessary. Void where prohibited. To receive one free game piece without purchase, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope postmarked no later than July 5, 2003, and received by July 12, 2003, to Kmart-Pepsi "Get the Drive" Game Piece Request, P.O. Box 3170, Grand Rapids, MN, 55745-3170. Limit one free game piece per request per stamped outer envelope. Residents of the state of VT may omit return postage. Pepsi-Cola Company ("Sponsor") assumes no liability for lost, late, stolen, illegible, misdirected, mutilated, incomplete or postage-due mail.

Colorful savings for the garden

WOW!

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SATURDAY
ONLY

30% off

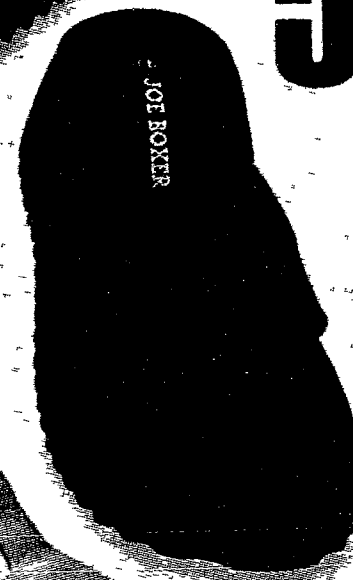
ALL JOE BOXER®
BRAS, DAYWEAR
AND PANTIES

JOE BOXER

WOW!
5.99
sale

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
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Was 9.99
WOMEN'S
JOE BOXER®
PLATFORM
SANDALS

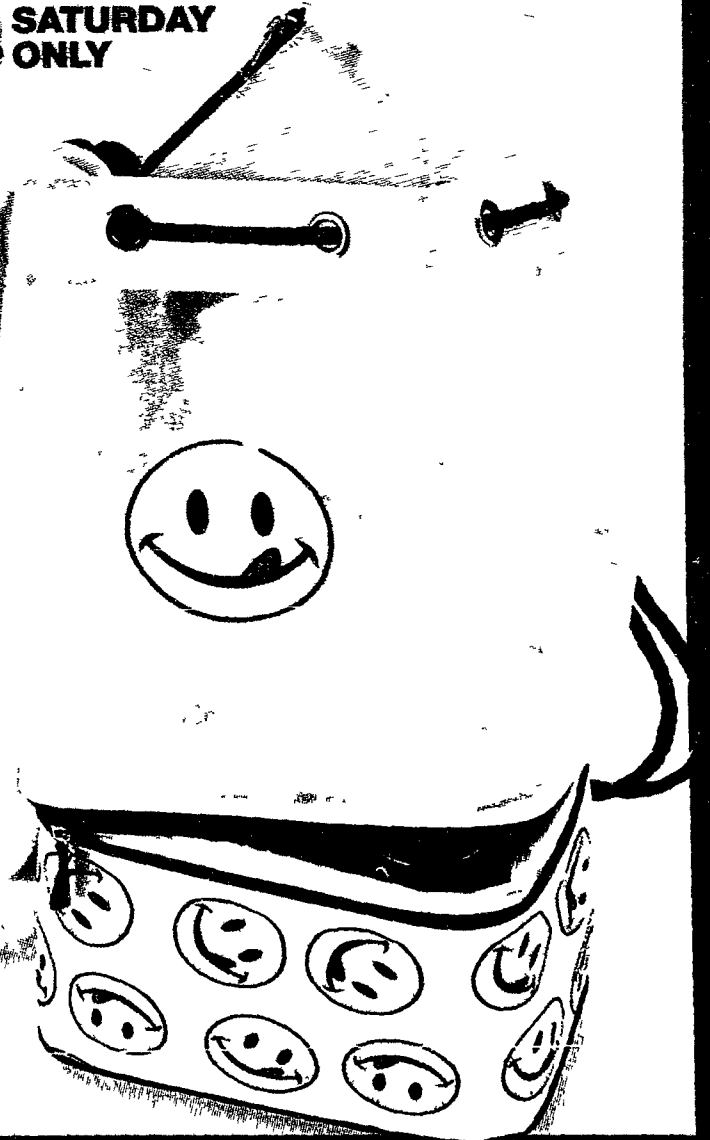


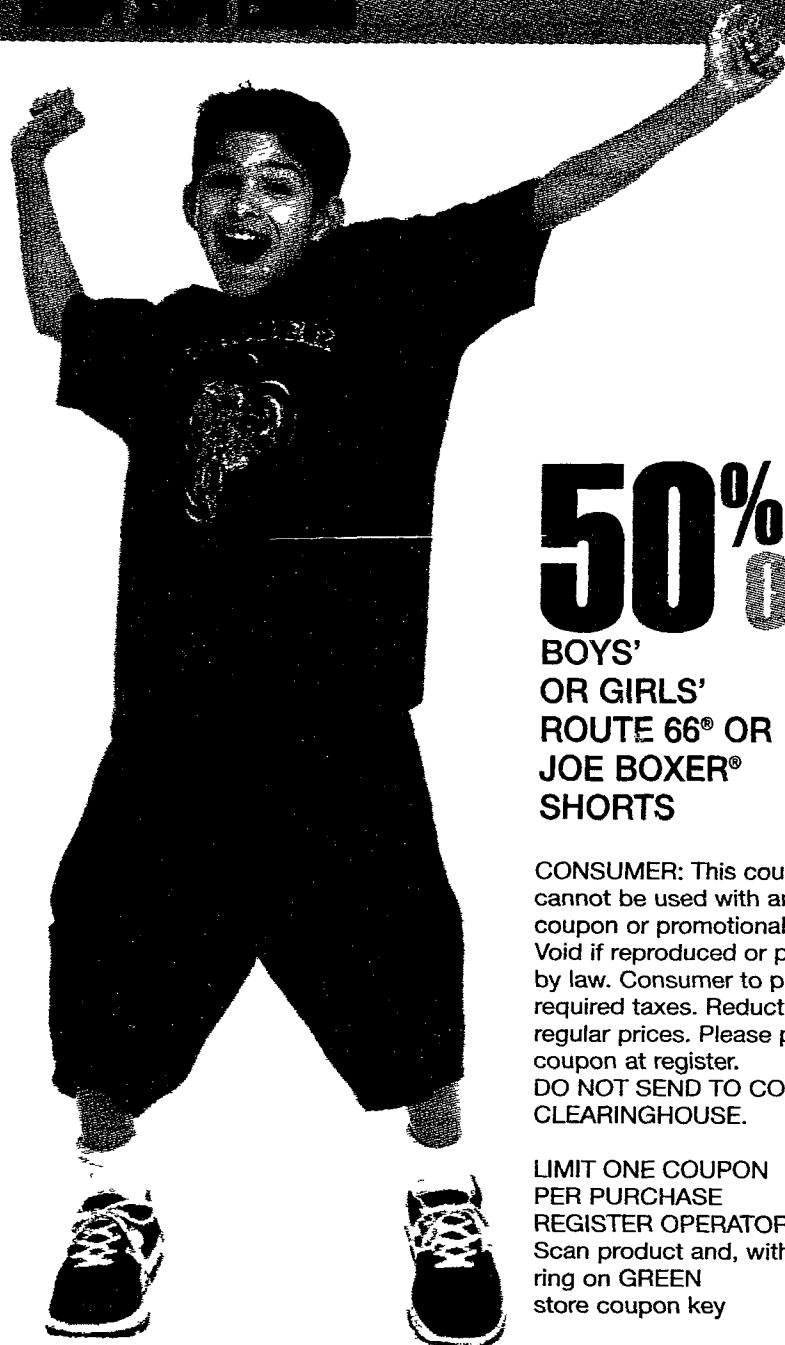
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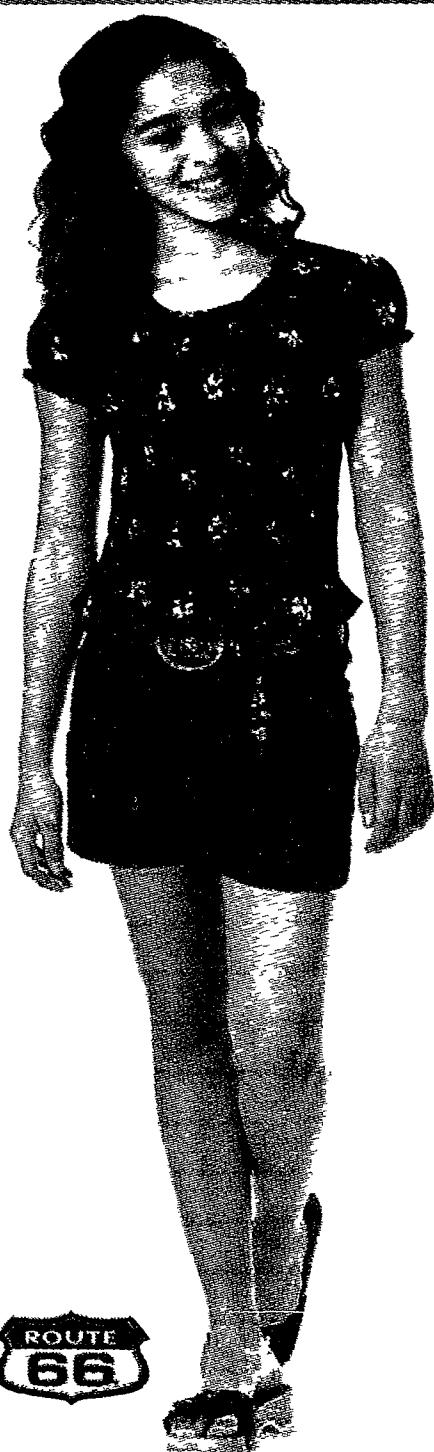
8.99
sale

Was 12.99
JOE BOXER®
BEACH
SLING TOTE
30% off all other
ladies' totes





JOE BOXER



50% off

**BOYS'
OR GIRLS'
ROUTE 66® OR
JOE BOXER®
SHORTS**

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WOW! **buy one, get one free**

**FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY**

Was 12.99 & 14.99
MEN'S AND BIG MEN'S
BASIC EDITIONS®
SOLID AND STRIPED
POLOS. Buy one at
the reg. price and get the
second one (of equal or
lesser value) FREE!



Smart Store Coupon

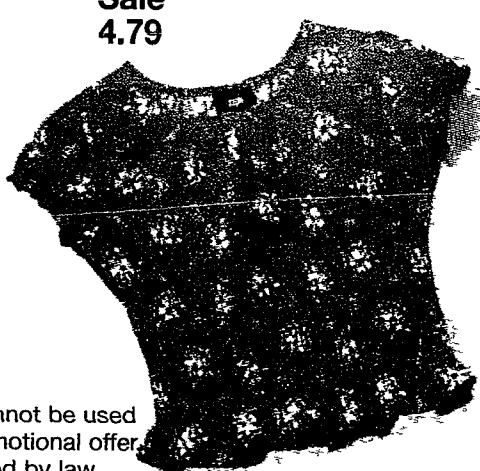
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40% off

**BOYS' AND GIRLS'
ROUTE 66® TOPS**



**Sale
4.79**



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**Sale
4.79**

Smart Store Coupon

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150 off

Was 6.99 ea.
**MEN'S BASIC EDITIONS®
8-PAIR PACKAGED SOCKS**

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**FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY**

2/\$9 sale

Was 5.49-5.99 ea.
**MEN'S, BOYS' OR LADIES'
FRUIT OF THE LOOM
6-PAIR PACKAGED SOCKS**



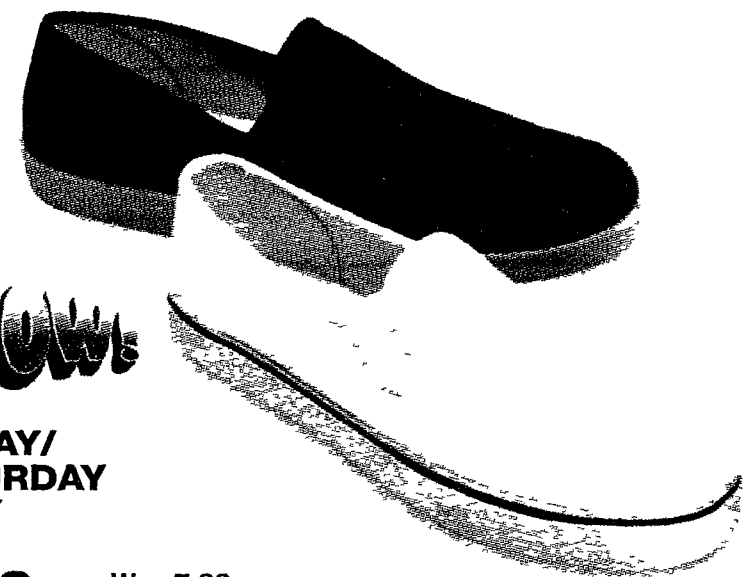
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FRIDAY/SATURDAY ONLY

**buy one, get one
free**

Was 9.99 - 11.99
MEN'S ROUTE 66® SOLID
CREW TEES, RIBBED VEES
OR BIG MEN'S SOLID CREWS
Buy one at the reg. price
and get the second one
(of equal or lesser value) FREE!
Colors and assortment may vary by store



WOW!

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

**4.99
sale**

Was 7.99
SELECT MEN'S
CANVAS CASUALS



WOW!

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

2/\$3 sale

MEN'S GOLDEN BLEND
TANKS OR MUSCLES
Sizes M-XL.
Big Men's sizes, Sale 2/\$4
Colors and assortment may vary by store

Save on cool clothes for hot weather

WOW!

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

40% off

MEN'S AND BIG MEN'S
BASIC EDITIONS®
PLAID SPORT SHIRTS
Colors and assortment may vary by store



WOW!

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

2/\$7 sale

Was 4.99-5.99 ea.
MEN'S, BOYS', LADIES' OR
GIRLS' ATHLETECH® 6-PAIR
PACKAGED SOCKS



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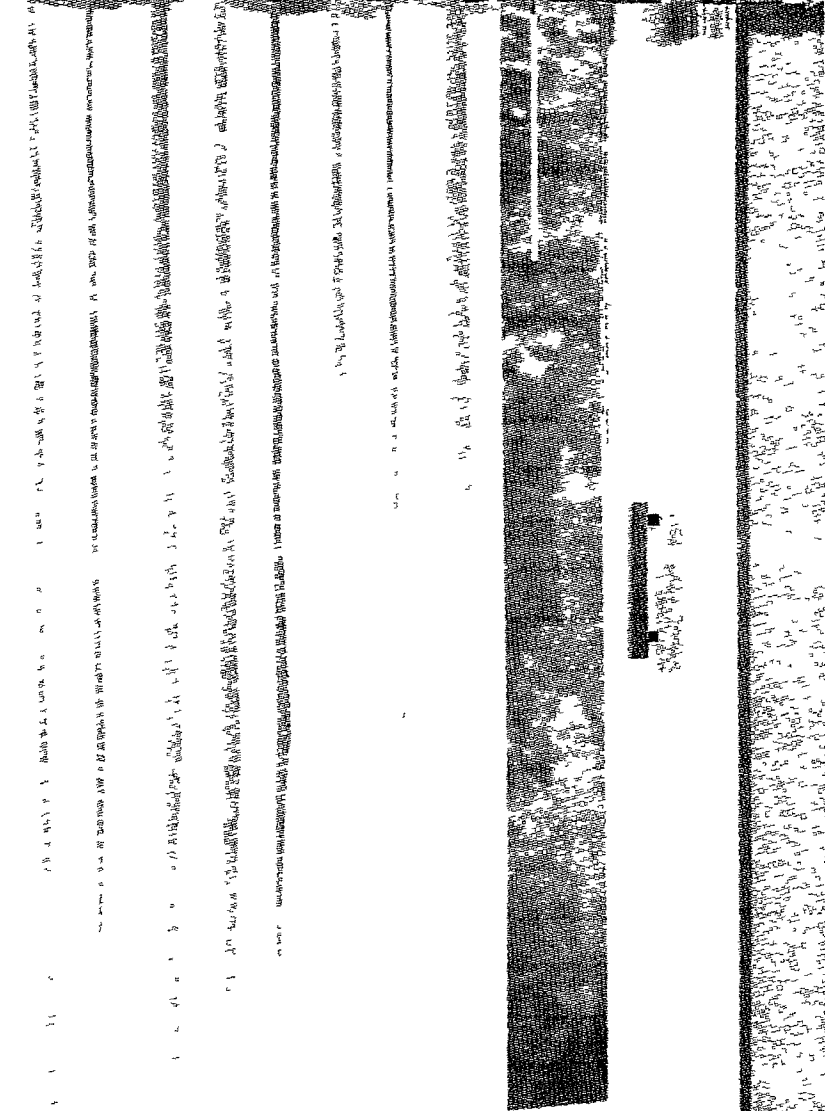
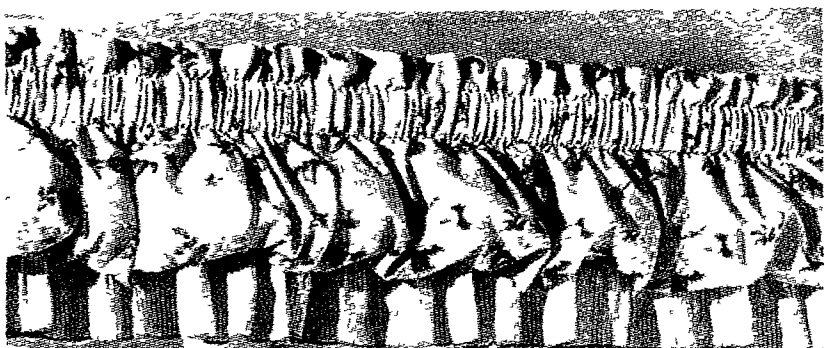
4/\$10 sale

MEN'S FRUIT OF THE LOOM
3-PACK WHITE BRIEFS
Sizes S-XL



Kmart Store Coupon

VALID 5/30/03-6/7/03


\$20 off

Was 39.99-79.99
ALL HOME ESSENTIALS™
PATIO VERTICAL
BLINDS

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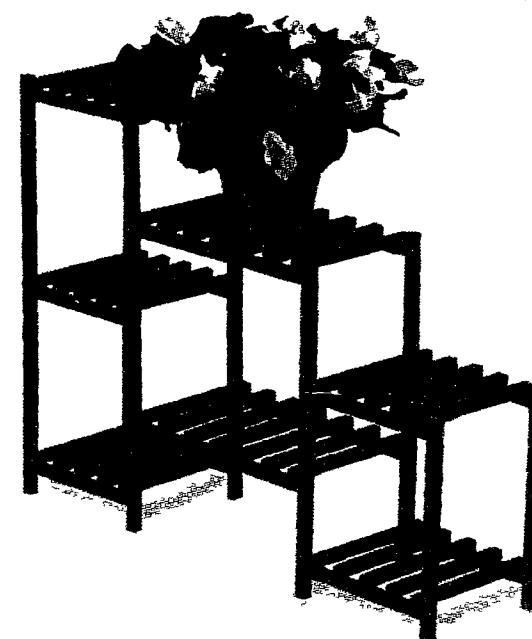
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15% off

GARDEN PLANT
STANDS

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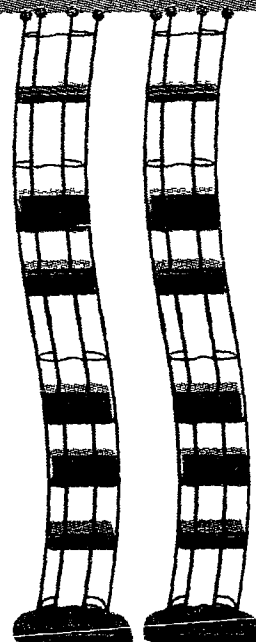
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30% off

ALL ATLANTIC
HOME STORAGE
UNITS

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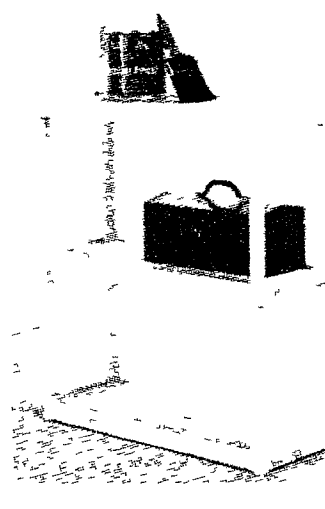
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\$3 off

Was 17.97
4-TIER PLASTIC
SHELVING UNIT

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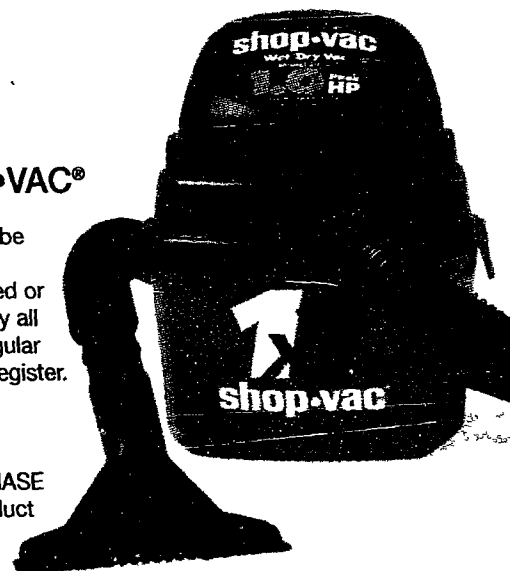
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\$4 off

Was 23.96
1x1 PORTABLE SHOP•VAC®

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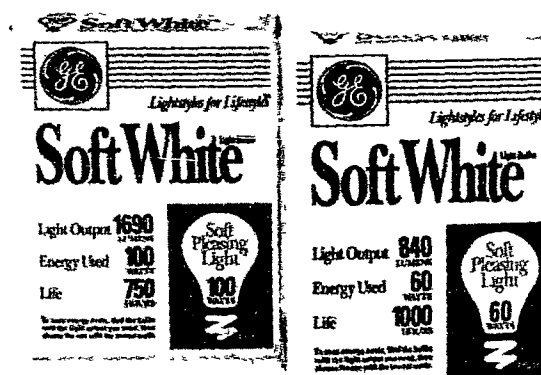
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28¢ off

GE 4-PACK
SOFT WHITE
LIGHT BULBS
40, 60, 75
or 100 watt.

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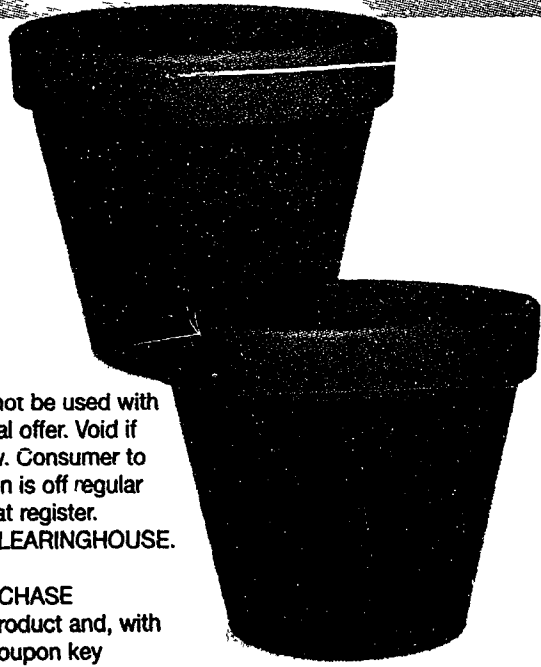
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50% off

Was 4.99
12" CLAY POT

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Kmart Store Coupon

VALID 5/30/03-6/7/03

\$10 off

Was 38.88
TEK NEK GLITTER
GIRLS' TRIKE OR BOYS'
911 RESCUE TRIKE

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Colorful savings for the garden



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SALE

FLOWERING
HANGING PLANTS

Growing in 10" baskets.



2⁹⁹

SALE

ASSORTED ANNUALS
IN 1/2-FLAT VALUE PACKS
20 plants per pack.

it's a
Garden
thing



20% off

ALL FLOWERING SHRUBS



6⁹⁹

SALE

Was 7.99
ASSORTED PERENNIALS
Growing in 1-gal. containers.



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SALE

ANNUALS
Growing in 6" or
1-gal. containers.



20% off

EVERGREEN
SHRUBS

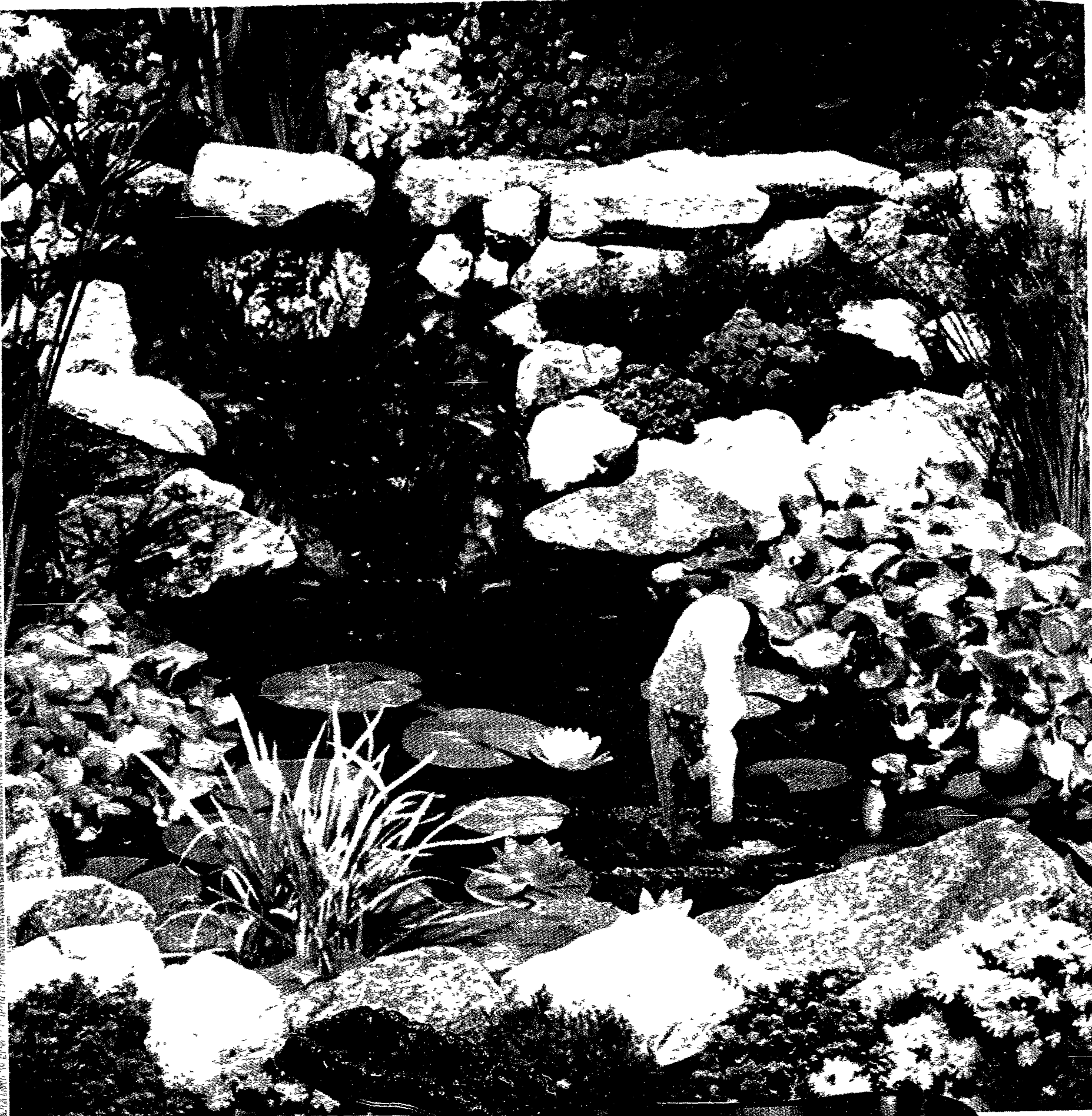
Prices effective Friday, May 30 thru Saturday, May 31, 2003

Prices shown are for plants in 1-gal. containers with Garden Center. All nursery stock shown are mature specimens.

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39⁹⁹ SALE
WOOD POTTING BENCH
41½" L x 23½" W x 47½" H.



79⁹⁹ SALE
90-GAL. POND KIT
Includes 90-gal. pre-formed pond, water course, pump, bubbler and bell fountain.
20-gal. pond kit, Sale 44.99

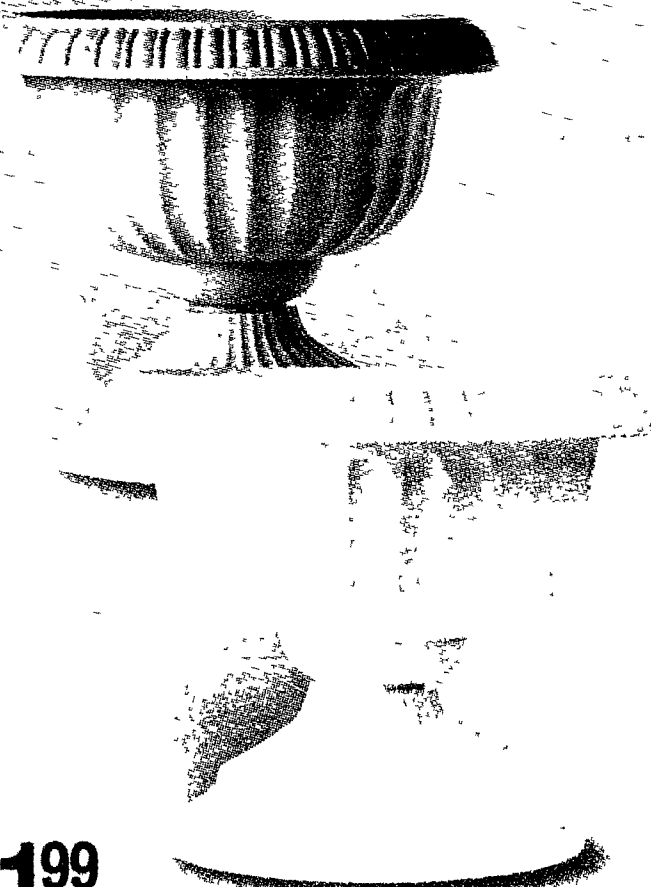
15% off
ASSORTED BIRD FEEDERS



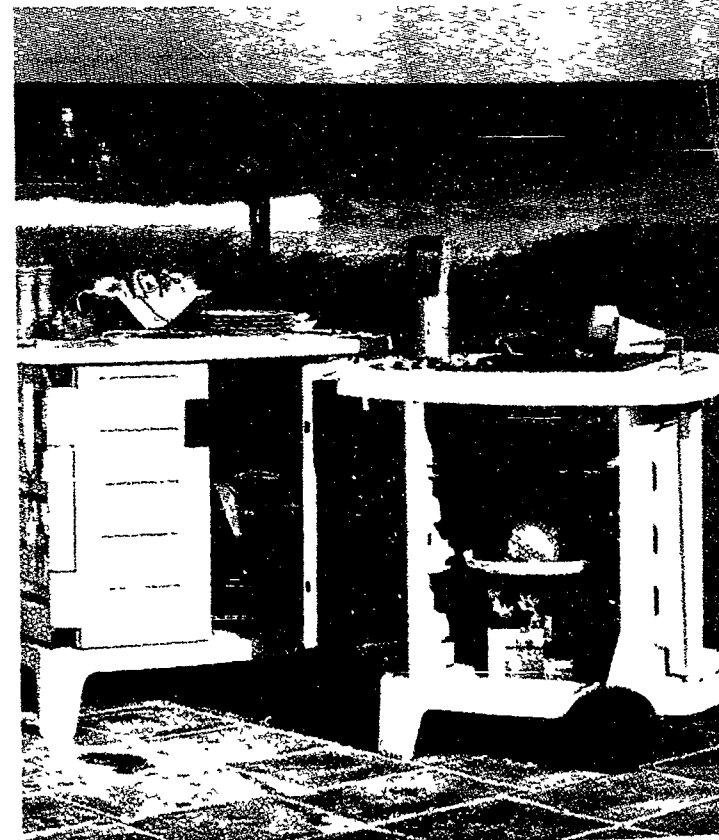
23⁹⁹ ea. SALE
DISNEY WINNIE THE POOH
OR MICKEY GARDEN STATUARY
©Disney based on the "Winnie the Pooh" works.
©A.A. Milne and E.H. Shephard



20% off
GARDEN PLANT STANDS
Assorted styles.



1⁹⁹ SALE
12" GRECIAN URN
Durable plastic urn in white or granite.
18" urn in white or granite.
Was 8.99, Sale 7.19



20% off
SUNCAST STORAGE DECK BOXES,
SHEDS AND GARDEN CARTS

It's a Garden thing

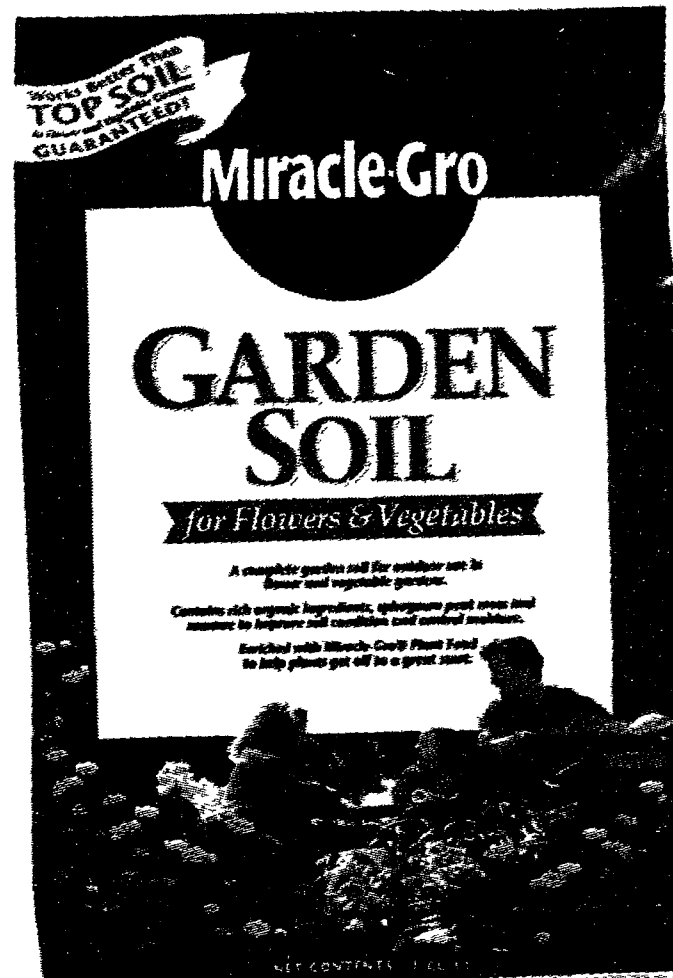
Before constructing a garden wall, lay out a garden hose along the line where you'd like your wall to be. This will ensure that the finished wall is the shape that you intended.

5/\$9

SALE

12" RETAINER WALL BLOCKS

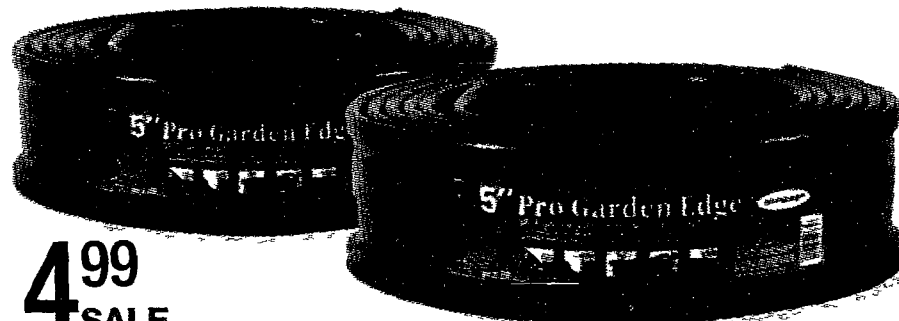
8" retainer wall blocks. Sale 10/5/99. Colors will vary by store. Sold only in stores with Garden Dept.



2/\$7

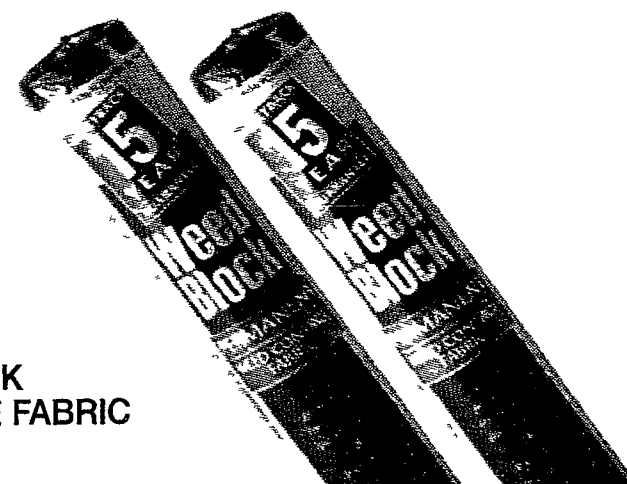
SALE

MIRACLE-GRO® GARDEN SOIL
For flowers and vegetables
or trees and shrubs, 1 cu. ft.



4.99

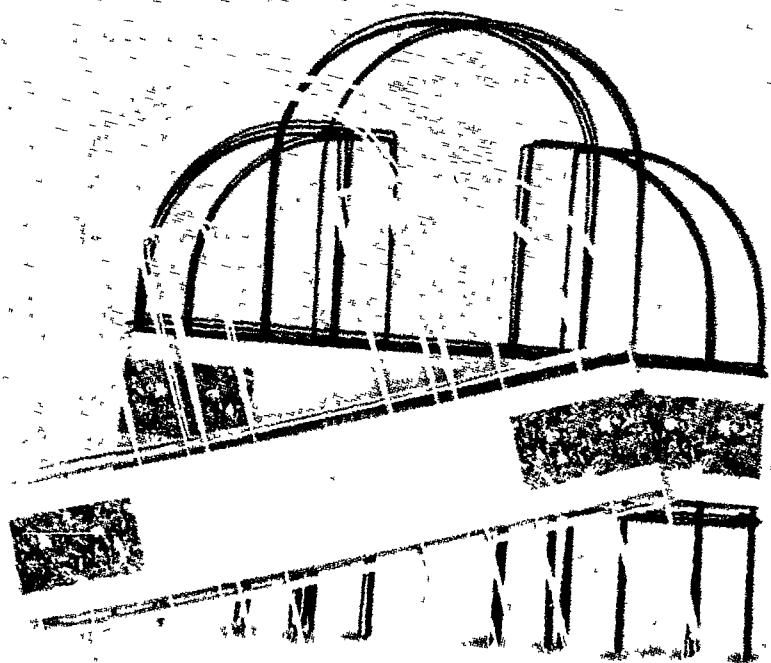
SALE
PRO GARDEN EDGE
5"Wx20'L.



9.99

SALE
WEED BLOCK
LANDSCAPE FABRIC
3"Wx50'L.

Put the finishing touches on a beautiful garden.



2.99

SALE

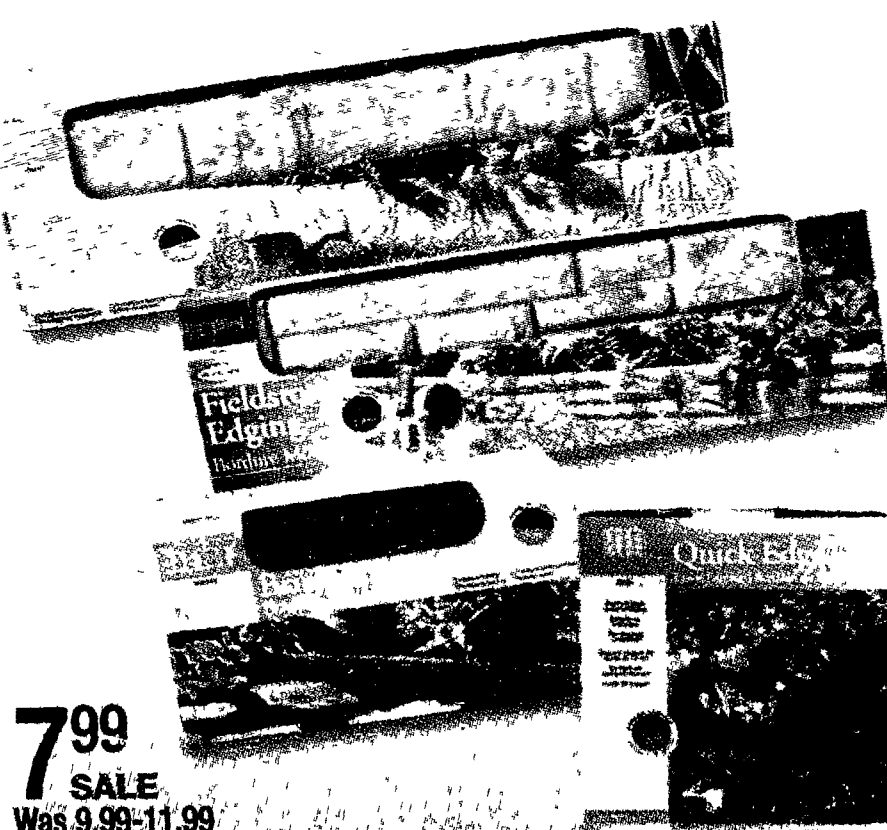
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY™ GARDEN
DECORATIVE WIRE FENCING, 18" in white or green.
32' length. Was \$11.99. Sale \$9.99.



2.99

SALE

PLASTIC CAPE COD,
IMPERIAL OR EMERALD
DESIGN FENCING



7.99

SALE

Was 9.99-11.99
DECORATIVE EDGING. Flagstone,
fieldstone, brick edge, 10' Quick Edge™
or 20' Quick Edge™ lawn edging.

right tools to get the job done.

36⁹⁹

SALE
BLACK & DECKER
ST1500 13"
ELECTRIC STRING
TRIMMER/EDGER
4.2 amps, 10,000-rpm.
1-yr. Protection
Replacement, \$9.99

8⁹⁹ ea.

SALE
Was 10.99
FIBERGLASS
GARDEN
TOOLS
Shovel,
bow rake
or hoe.

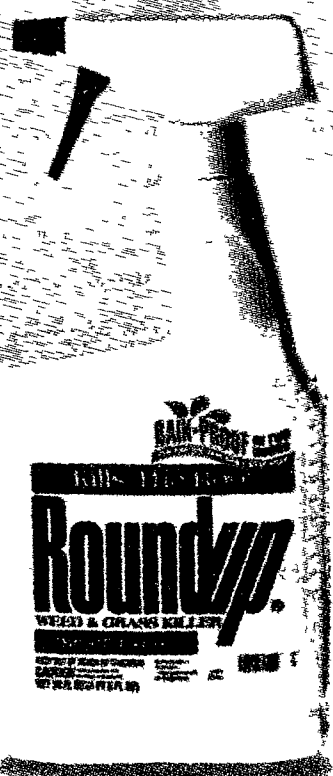
13⁹⁹

SALE
100' GARDEN HOSE
With Microban® bacteria
inhibitor. 5/8"x100'.
*Inside diameter

17⁹⁹

SALE
MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY GARDEN™
HOSE-REEL CART

MARTHA STEWART
garden



3⁴⁹
SALE
ROUNDUP®
READY-TO-USE
WEED & GRASS KILLER
24 fl. oz.

Miracle-Gro

Water Soluble
**All Purpose
Plant Food**

For All Flowers,
All Vegetables,
Trees, Shrubs,
Houseplants

Net Wt. 5 lb.
12.26 kg

6⁴⁹
SALE
MIRACLE-GRO® PLANT FOOD
Water soluble,
5-lb. net wt.

ORTHO
BUG-B-GON

MULTI-PURPOSE
INSECT KILLER

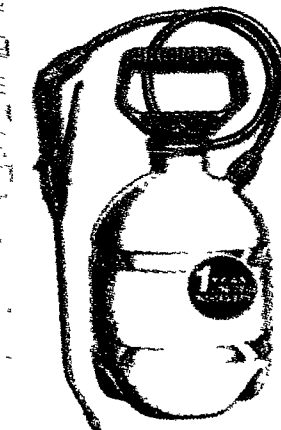
Kills Over 34 Insects
in Lawns, Gardens
and Around Homes

Net Wt. 8.8 lb.
3.99 kg

7⁹⁹
SALE
ORTHO BUG-B-GON MULTI-PURPOSE
INSECT KILLER WITH GRUB CONTROL
Use in place of Diazinon
or Dursban. 8.8-lb. net wt.

RL FLO-MASTER

All Purpose
ECONOMY SPRAYER

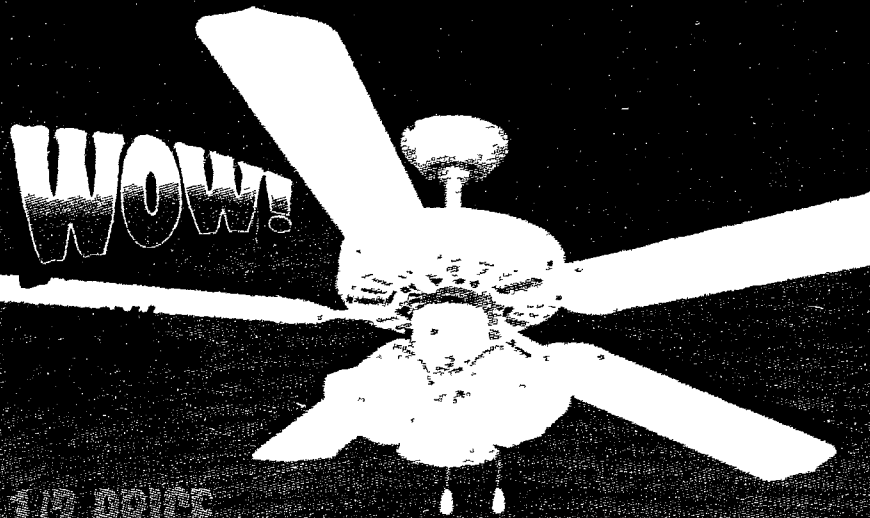


For Home & Garden Use

9⁹⁹
SALE
FLO-MASTER ALL-PURPOSE
ECONOMY SPRAYER
1-gallon capacity.

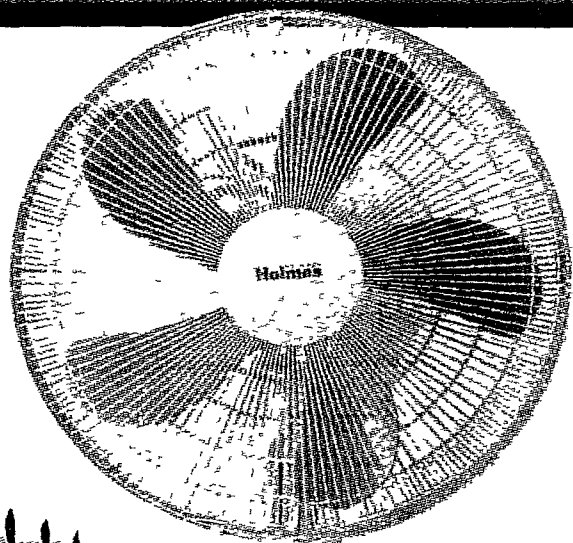
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WOW!
1/2 PRICE
14.99

12" BLADES TO PRESERVE FAN
WITH 3-SPEED KIT
Available in white or black



WOW!

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

29.99
sale

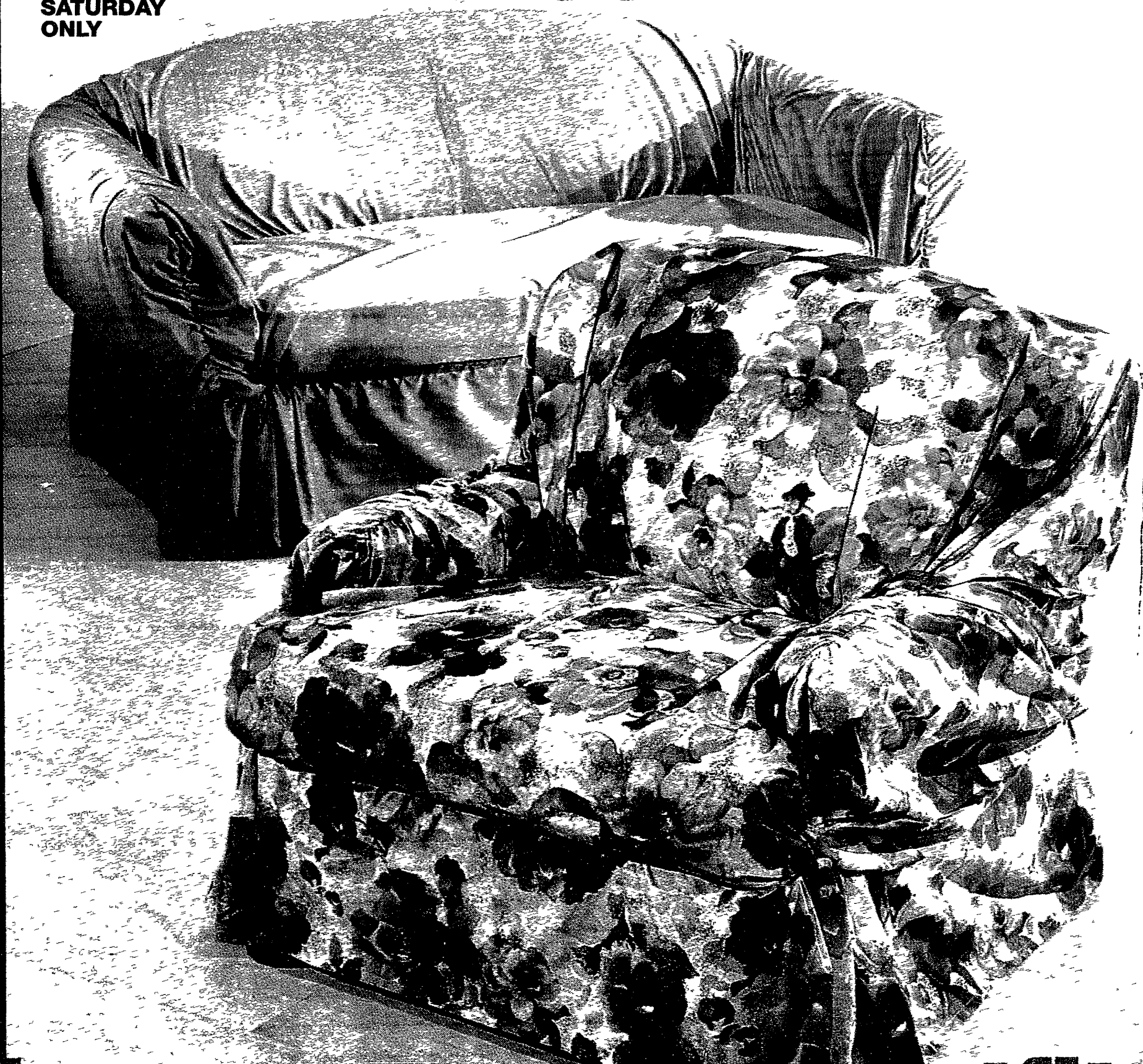
Was 34.99
HOLMES 5-BLADE
REMOTE 16"
ADJUSTABLE-HEIGHT
STAND FAN
Also available in black

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**buy one, get one
free**

HOME ESSENTIALS™ SOFA SLIPCOVERS
Buy any sofa slipcover at the regular price of
69.99-89.99 and get the coordinating chair
slipcover* FREE!
*A 39.99-59.99 value



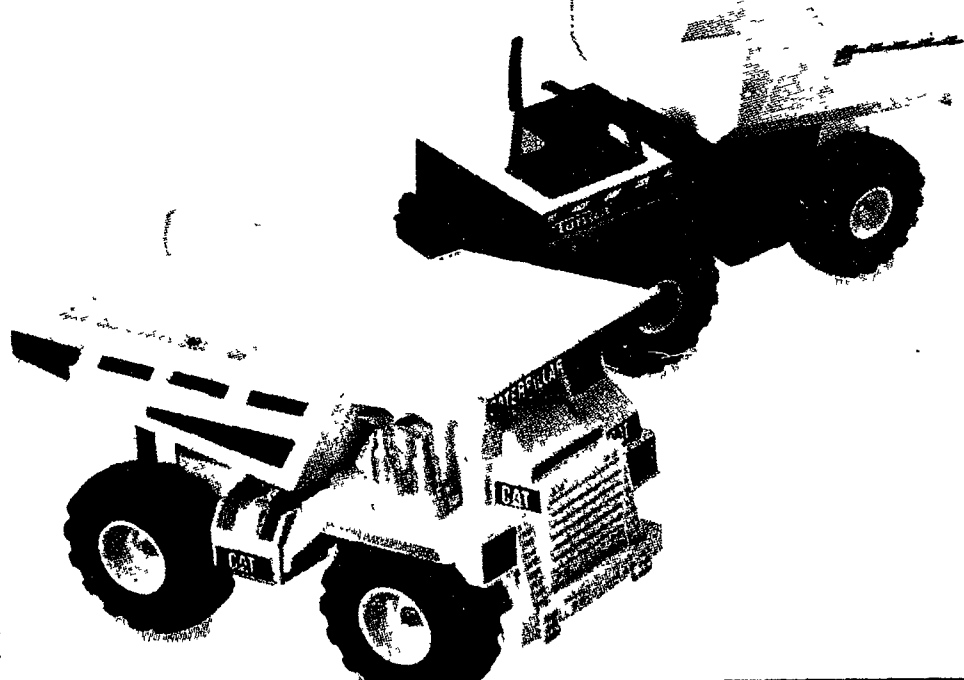
Give your home a summer outfit

WOW!

FRIDAY/
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11.99
sale

Was 14.99
TONKA MIGHTY
DUMP TRUCK
OR CATERPILLAR
SUPER DUMP TRUCK



WOW!

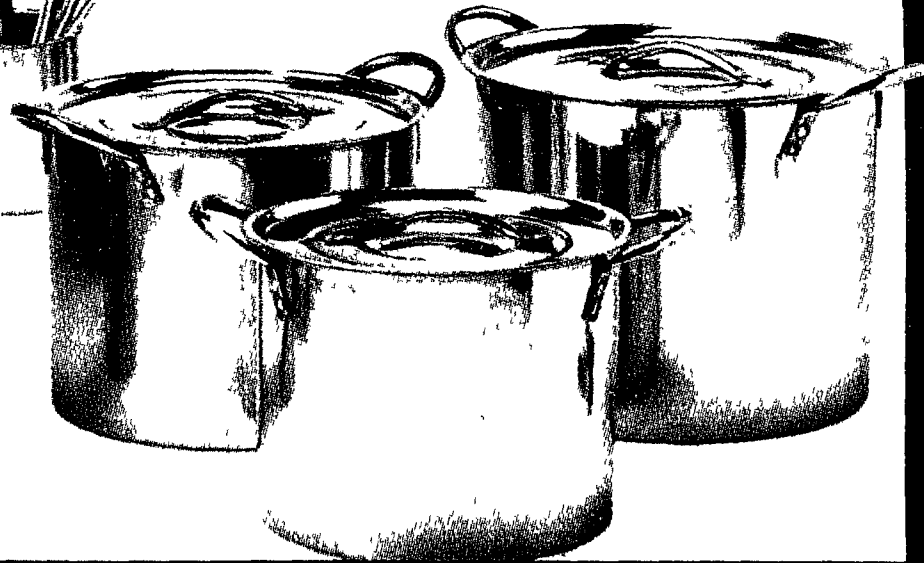
FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
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14.99
sale

Was 19.99
6-PC. STOCK POT SET



bonus!
7-pc. utensil set



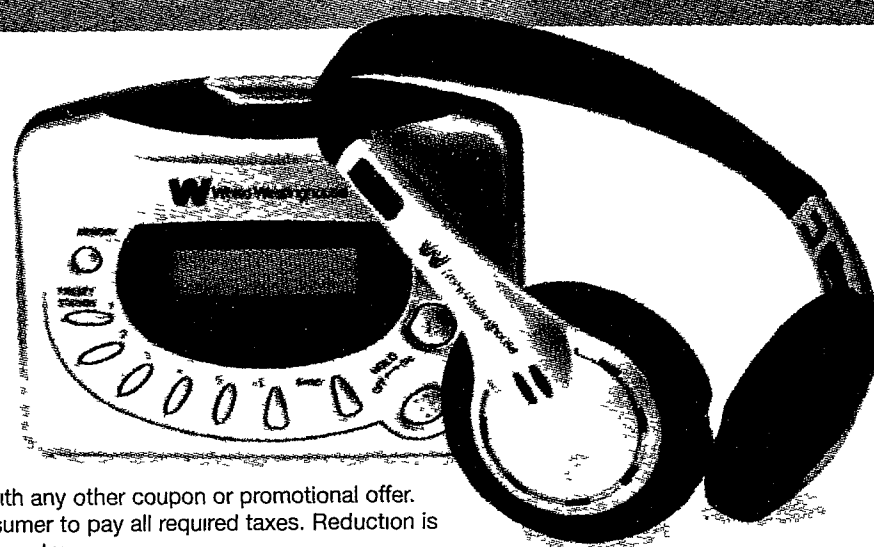
Save on the right tools to get the job done.

Kmart Store Coupon

VALID 5/30/03-6/7/03

\$4 off

Was 19.99
**WHITE-WESTINGHOUSE™
AM/FM/CASSETTE
WALKMAN WITH
DIGITAL TUNER**
WSC12456



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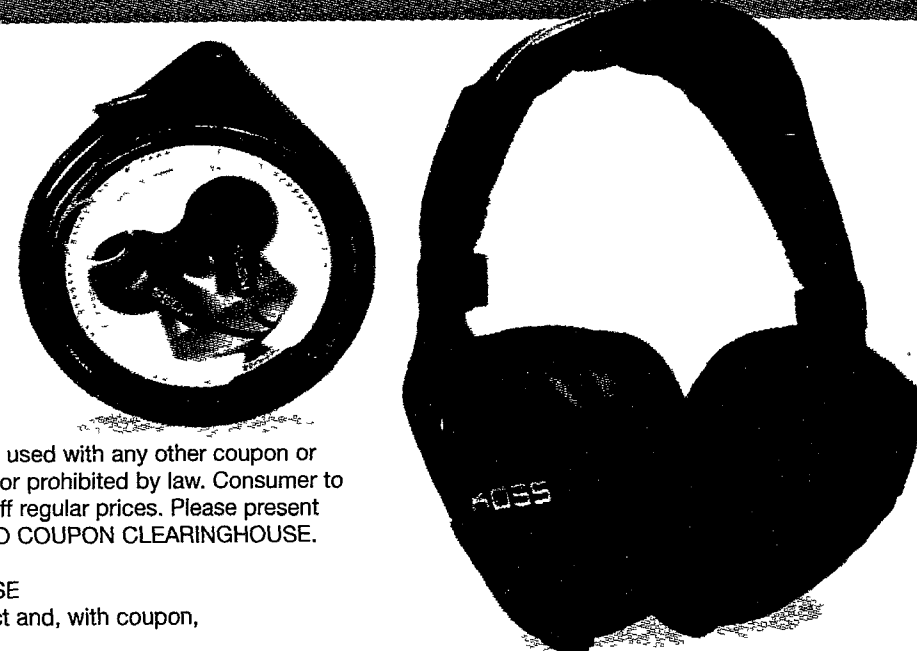
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Kmart Store Coupon

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50% off

**ALL KOSS
HEADPHONES**



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Manufacturer's Instant Coupon

VALID 5/30/03-6/7/03

\$2 off

**KMART STANDARD 4" DOUBLE
PRINTS, ONE-HOUR PHOTO
PROCESSING OR KODAK
PREMIUM PROCESSING**

Valid only on Kmart 4" standard double prints with next-day service. CONSUMER: Limit one coupon per purchase. Coupon good only on specified products. May not be copied, transferred or used with any other offer. You pay any applicable sales tax. Coupon void if restricted or prohibited by law. No facsimiles of coupons accepted. Good only in the United States, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Cash value 1/20 cent.

MAIL TO:
Redemption Center,
P.O. Box 880453
El Paso, TX 88588-0453

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Register Operator: Scan coupon

Call 1-800-886-0086 for the
1-hour lab nearest you.



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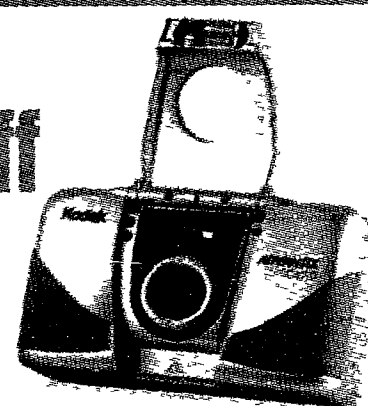
REDEEMABLE AT KMART LOCATIONS

Kmart Store Coupon

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\$10 off

**ALL KODAK
ADVANTIX
CAMERAS**



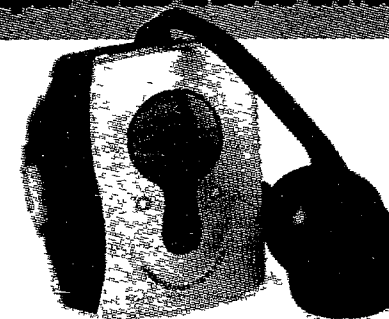
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\$1 off

Was 4.77
**WHITE-WESTINGHOUSE™
CASSETTE WALKMAN**
WCS12221



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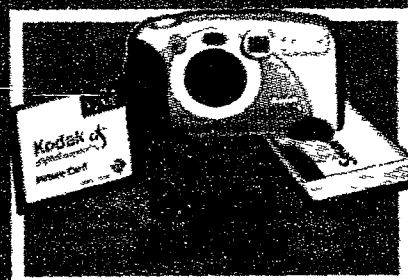
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**Buy one picture in minutes
from prints or a digital camera**



**BUY ONE,
GET ONE FREE**



Kmart Store Coupon

VALID 5/30/03-6/7/03

\$2 off

Was 6.99
15-GAL. CAR-GO BIN
Snap lock lid, won't leak
or rust; skid-resistant feet.
Sold in the Car Care Dept.



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LIMIT ONE COUPON PER PURCHASE

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Kmart Store Coupon

VALID 5/30/03-6/7/03

150 off

Was 4.99
**WILD BIRD
FOOD**
20-lb. net wt.



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150 off

ANY GAS CAN
Regular Price.



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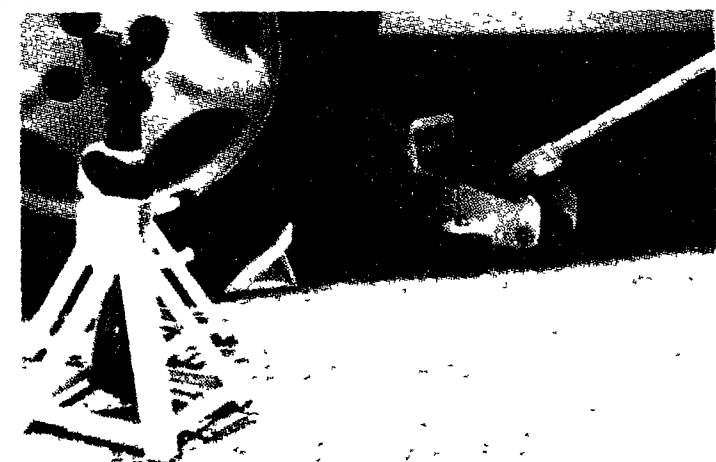
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Kmart Store Coupon

VALID 5/30/03-6/7/03

\$12 off

Was 36.99
**HYDRAULIC
FLOOR JACK KIT**
Includes 2-ton floor jack, two 2-ton
jack stands and 2 wheel chocks.



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ONLY

5⁹⁹ sale

MACH 3 OR
VENUS RAZOR
OR 4-CT.
REFILLS

WOW

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

2/\$5 sale

ELECTRASOL
Gel, 75 oz.; powder,
85 oz.; or tabs, 26 ct.
All sizes are net wt.

WOW

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

99¢ sale

1-QT. EXXON
SUPERFLO OIL
SAE-30, 5W-30, 10W-30
or 10W-40 weights.

WOW

FRIDAY/SATURDAY ONLY

10% off

ALL FUJI BLANK AUDIO,
VIDEO AND CAMCORDER
TAPES AND CD-R DISCS

WOW

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

99¢ sale

SOFTSOAP OR DIAL
7.5-fl.-oz. liquid pump.

WOW

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

2/\$1 sale

AMERICAN FARE® COTTON
BALLS, 100 CT. OR NAIL
POLISH REMOVER, 8 FL. OZ.

WOW

FRIDAY/
SATURDAY
ONLY

6²⁹ sale

HUGGIES
LITTLE
SWIMMERS
Medium or large.

Save on the right tools to get the job done.

Manufacturer's Instant Coupon

VALID 5/30/03-6/7/03

\$2 off

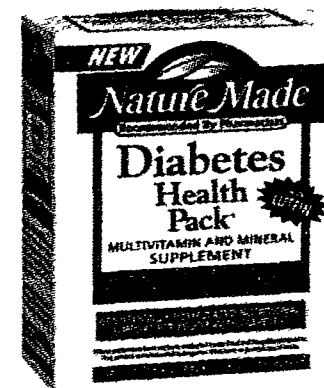
NATURE MADE DIABETES HEALTH PACK, 30 CT.

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Manufacturer's Instant Coupon

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\$3 off

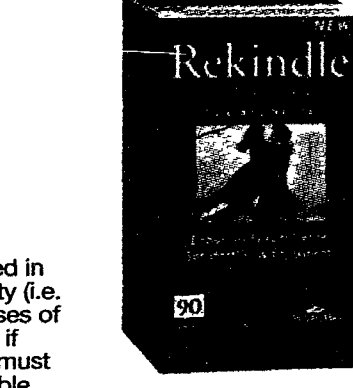
NATURE MADE REKINDLE, 90 CT.

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\$1 off

Was 5.99
SUNDOWN KIDS VITAMINS, 60 CT.



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Kmart Store Coupon

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\$3 off

Was 19.99
ARTHRI-FLEX, 120 CT.



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Kmart Store Coupon

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UVA/UVB Sunblock LOTION

SPF 45

Broad Spectrum UVA/UVB with Parsol® 1789
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DERMATOLOGIST RECOMMENDED SUNCARE

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150 off

BOOST 6-pack, 8-fl.-oz. cans.



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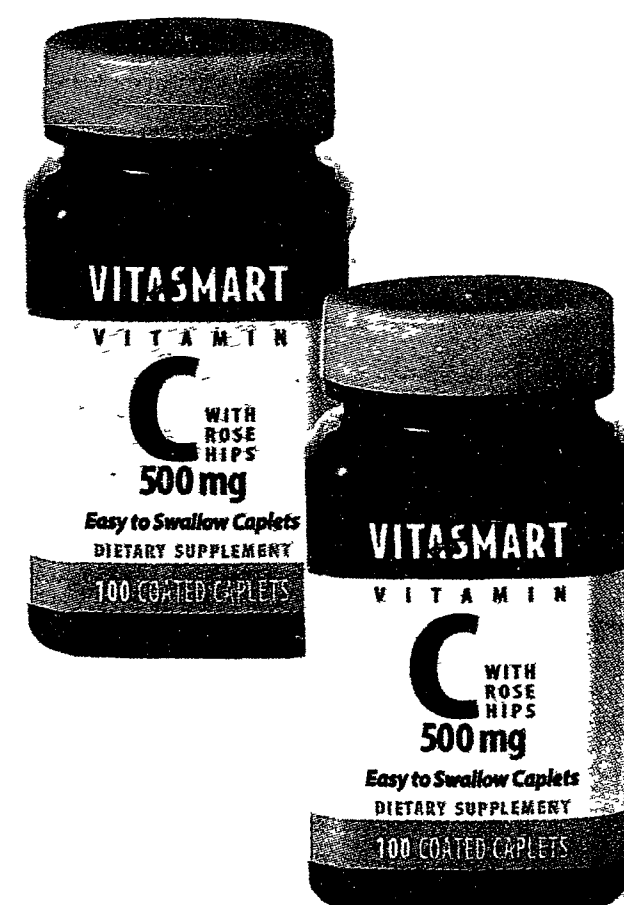
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\$1 off

ANY NIVEA, EUCERIN OR NIVEA VISAGE SKIN CARE

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\$2 off

Was 2.99
VITASMART® 500MG VITAMIN C WITH ROSE HIPS, 100 CT.

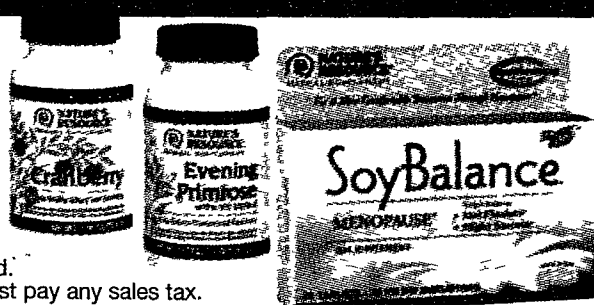
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Manufacturer's Instant Coupon

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\$1 off
NATURE'S RESOURCE
Cranberry Fruit, 90 ct.;
Evening Primrose Oil, 50 ct.;
or Soy Balance, 28 ct.



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\$2 off
NATURE MADE VITAMINS
CoQ10, 30 ct.; 1200mg. Fish Oil,
100 ct.; 400IU Vitamin E., 100 ct.
or Odorless Garlic, 100 ct.



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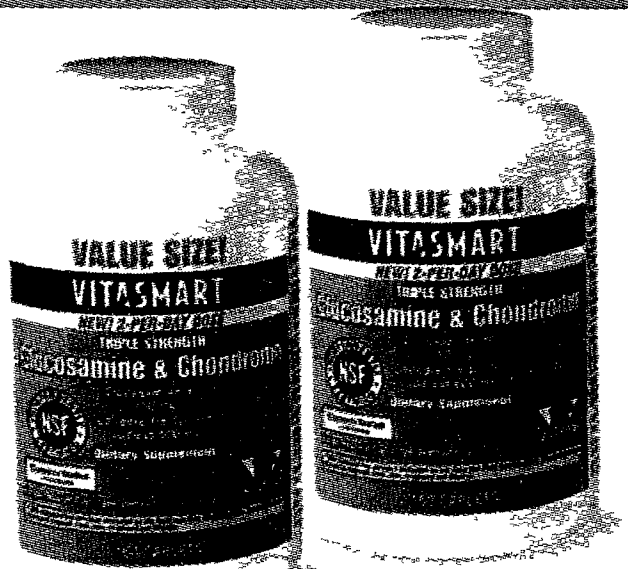


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Kmart Store Coupon

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\$10 off
Was 34.99
VITASMART® TRIPLE-STRENGTH
GLUCOSAMINE & CHONDROITIN, 160 CT.



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\$2 off
Was 5.99
NATURE'S BOUNTY
CORAL CALCIUM, 60 CT.



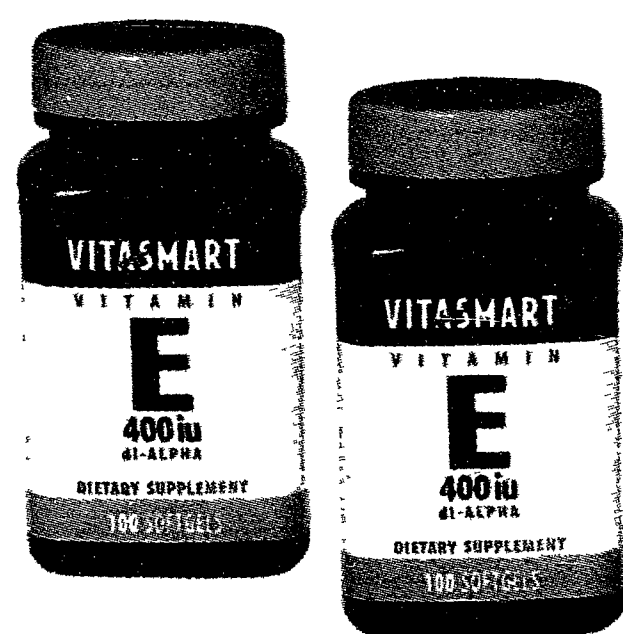
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2.60 off
Was 4.59
VITASMART® 400IU
VITAMIN E, 100 CT.

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2/\$5 sale
HEFTY FOAM PLATES
125 flat or 60 compartment.



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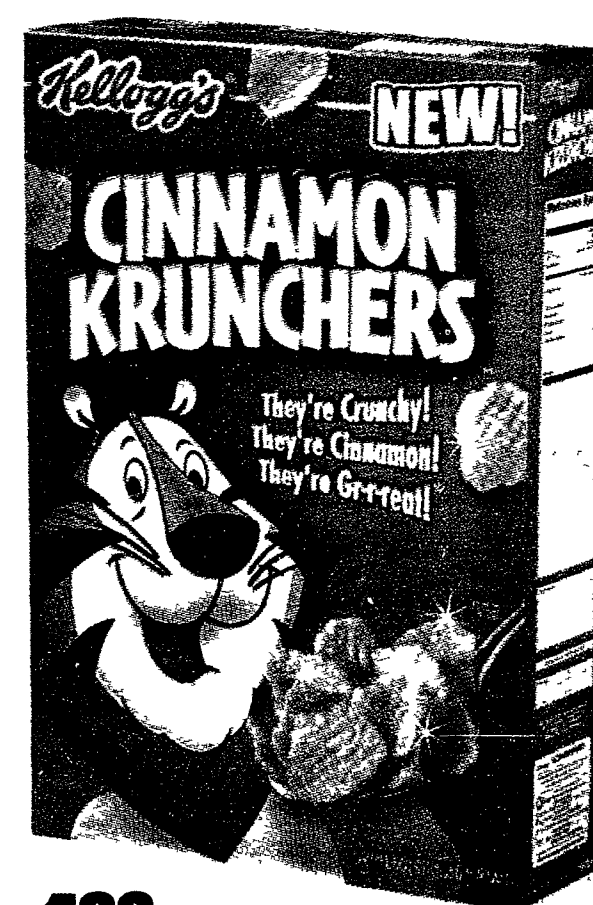
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1.80 off
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16.5-oz. net wt.

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SNACKS
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All sizes are net wt.



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69¢ sale

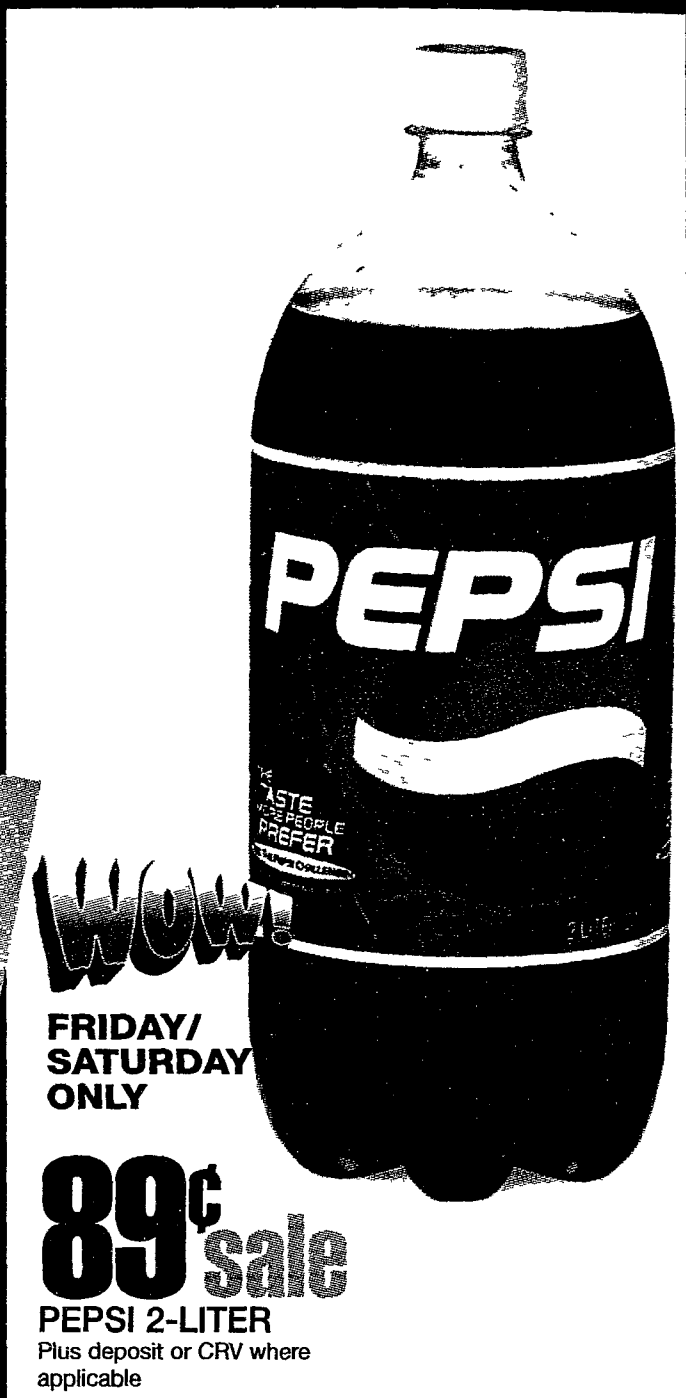
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59¢

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VARIETY PACK
24 ct.



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GLAD
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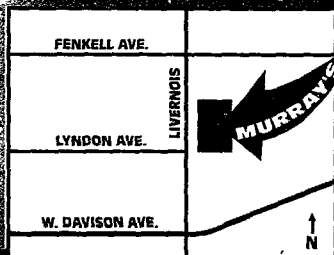
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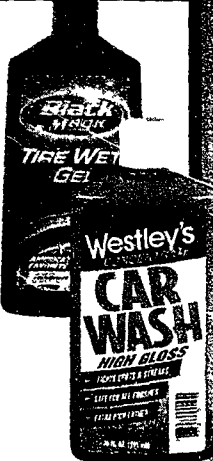


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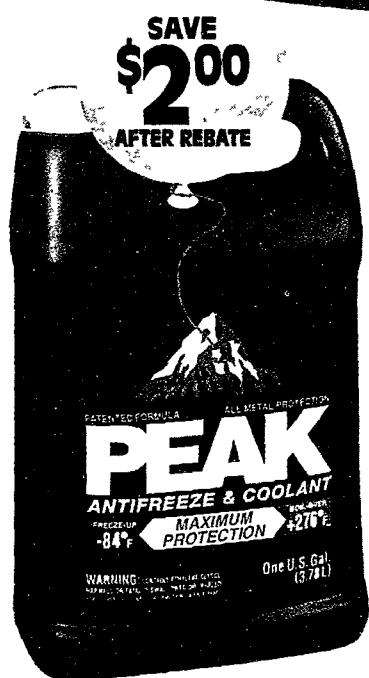
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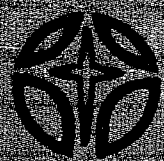
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Community Health Guide

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Spring/Summer 2003

Welcome!

to Saint Joseph Mercy Health System Community Education

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System is pleased to present the following programs, events and services for you and your family's better health. Programs have limited space available and require advance registration unless indicated. The classes listed here and/or their dates and times are subject to change. Please call the Saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine at **734-712-5400/800-231-2211** or the telephone number listed with the program for more information, dates, fees, directions and/or to get details on registration.

Look for the *health* **TIP** icons throughout the calendar for useful health hints. Remember, the health tips contained in this calendar are not intended to substitute for professional care.

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734-712-3456

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Howell, MI 48843
517-545-6000

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Saint Joseph Mercy Health System and its physician partners provide a comprehensive range of health care services for residents in Washtenaw, Livingston, Jackson, Lenawee, Monroe and western Wayne counties.

For information on physicians, services and community education classes, call Saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine: 734-712-5400 or 800-231-2211

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System Mission Statement

We serve together in Trinity Health, in the spirit of the Gospel, to heal body, mind and spirit, to improve the health of our communities and to steward the resources entrusted to us.

CPR/BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

Adult Heartsaver (CPR)

American Heart Association course covers adult CPR and foreign body airway obstruction maneuver. Use of barrier devices and automated external defibrillation (AED) is also discussed.

Ann Arbor/MHVI: Thur., June 26; 6-8:30 p.m. \$38
313-388-7772

Howell/SJMLH: Thur., June 12 or Tues., June 24. \$30
517-545-6517

Basic Life Support (BLS) — Initial Class for Health Care Providers

Course for health care providers who have no prior BLS training or whose card has expired. Covers adult, child and infant CPR; foreign body airway obstruction; and automated external defibrillation (AED) training. \$100

Howell/SJMLH: Tues., July 8, Sep. 9; 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
517-545-6517

Basic Life Support (BLS) — Renewal Class for Health Care Providers

Renewal class for those who have prior BLS training. Class reviews adult, child and infant CPR; foreign body airway obstruction; and automated external defibrillation (AED) training. \$50

Howell/SJMLH: Tues., June 3, June 17; 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or Thur., June 12; 12 noon-3 p.m.
517-545-6517

Pediatric Heartsaver

American Heart Association course trains participants to recognize emergencies and provide resuscitation to infants and children up to eight years old.

Ann Arbor/MHVI: Tues., June 17; 6-8:30 p.m. \$38
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Howell/SJMLH: Tues., June 10 or Thur., June 26. \$30
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CHILDREN'S, ADOLESCENT AND TEEN HEALTH

Saint Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Station

The Saint Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Station offers health programs for pre-school through high school fieldtrips. The larger-than-life interactive exhibit gallery is also open to individuals and families on the fourth Thursday of each month.

Canton/SJMCHC:
734-398-7518



Summer Camp — Offered at Saint Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Station!

Summer camps available for second through fourth graders from July 14 through July 18 or August 4 through August 8. Call **734-398-7518** for more information!

ShapeDown

Parents and kids work together in this innovative 10-week weight management program to learn how healthy eating, an active lifestyle and effective communication promote weight loss and family unity. Program offered at various sites and at different dates/times for both kid and teen groups. Call about FREE orientation sessions. \$400
734-712-5894

Advanced ShapeDown

Ongoing meetings held every other Wednesday; 6:30-8 p.m.
\$250/10 sessions
734-712-5894

“Surgi-nauts”

Program designed to familiarize you and your child with the surgical experience. A tour is included.

Howell/SJMLH: First and Third Saturday monthly
517-545-6328/
517-545-6728



health TIP

Short Bouts of Exercise Can Add up to Big Benefits

Short bursts of exercise can offer benefits equal with longer workouts — as long as the total time spent exercising is the same. This is good news for people who have trouble finding time for physical activity. According to a recent study, the effects of one brisk 30-minute walk compared with three brisk 10-minute walks spread out of the course of a day were similar: a drop in blood cholesterol, an increase in aerobic ability, and a decline in stress. The key is to keep track of your active minutes and the amount of calories you expend.

What are the highest calorie burning activities? Try walking uphill, singles tennis, biking, climbing stairs, swimming, high impact aerobics and jogging. In contrast, sitting, strolling and slow dancing offer much lower health benefits.

CANCER EDUCATION, SUPPORT AND RESEARCH STUDIES

Cancer Lecture

Up-to-date information on a variety of topics. A light dinner is provided, so pre-registration is required.

Ann Arbor/SJMCCC: One Wednesday monthly; 6-7:30 p.m.
734-712-2920

Prostrate Screenings

If you're a male age 50 to 70, an African American male age 40 to 70 or have a family history of prostrate cancer, you are eligible for a first-time free prostrate cancer screening. Repeat screenings are \$15.

Ann Arbor/SJMCCC: Thur., July 24; 4-5 p.m.
734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Cancer Support Groups

Brain Tumor Support Group

Ann Arbor/SJMCCC: Fourth Tuesday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m.
734-712-3658

Breast Cancer Support Group

Ann Arbor/SJMCCC: Third Thursday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m.
734-712-2920

Prostate Cancer Support Group

Ann Arbor/SJMAS: Third Thursday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m.
734-712-3655

Share and Care Cancer Support Group

Ann Arbor/SJMCCC: Second/Fourth Tuesday monthly;
7-8:30 p.m.
734-712-5314

SENIORS

LifeLine

Phone response system that links subscribers to 24-hour emergency assistance at the touch of a button.

Ann Arbor/SHB: 734-712-3922
Howell/SJMLH: 517-545-6427

Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program

Peer counselors are available to answer questions regarding Medicare, health and long term insurance. Doctor or hospital bills may also be reviewed with a counselor.

Ann Arbor/SHB: Wednesdays; 9:30-11:30 a.m. (appt. req.)
734-712-3625/800-803-7174

Silver Advantage — for Adults 50 and Over

Health, wellness and educational program specifically designed to help you better understand personal health issues. As a Silver Advantage member you enjoy numerous benefits and at no cost!

Ann Arbor/SHB: 734-712-2989

Research Studies — Seeking Volunteers

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital is involved in various research studies. For more information, call the number listed.

Breast Cancer Prevention Study

Participate in a study for Tamoxifen and Raloxifene — medications that show tremendous promise in the prevention of breast cancer.

734-712-3304

Colorectal Cancer Screening Study

Participate in a study for a new screening tool for colon and rectal cancer.

734-712-3304

SELECT Prostate Cancer Prevention Trial

National study will evaluate whether Selenium and Vitamin E, either alone or in combination, can prevent the development of prostate and other cancers in men over 55 or African American men over 50.

877-590-5995

DIABETES

Comprehensive Diabetes Education

Learn how to live well with diabetes. This in-depth program covers all ten content areas recommended by the American Diabetes Association, including controlling your blood sugar, eating right and preventing complications. Fee involved.

Ann Arbor/SJMRHC: Call for appointment
734-712-2431

Living Well with Diabetes

Go beyond basic diabetes education and learn how to cook quick, healthy and tasty meals, and then enjoy eating them. Review healthy eating guidelines for people with diabetes. \$25

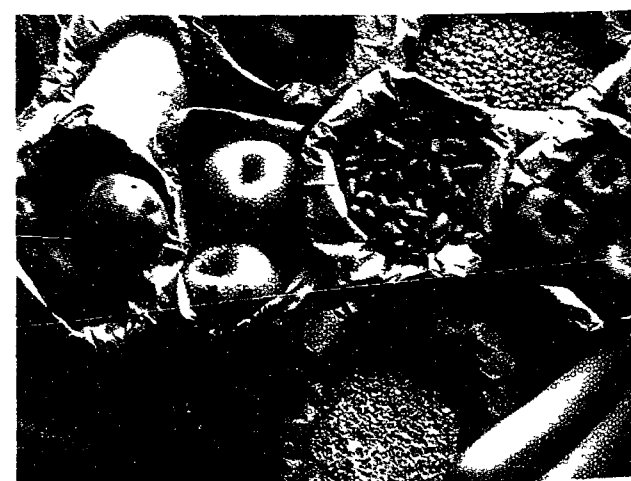
Dog Days of Summer

Ann Arbor/WHC: Thur., June 12; 5:30-7:30 p.m. or Wed., July 9; 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

734-712-2959

Bountiful Breakfasts

Ann Arbor/WHC: Thur., Aug. 7; 5:30-7:30 p.m.
734-712-2959



EXERCISE AND FITNESS CLASSES

All classes held in the **Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center** on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.
Call **734-712-5800** for more information or to register.



Ongoing Classes

Session Runs June 30 through August 14

CLASS	FEE	DAY	TIME
Body Sculpting	\$25	Mon.	12:15-12:50 p.m.
Body Sculpting, Co-ed	\$35	Tues.	4:30-5:15 p.m.
Body Sculpting	\$25	Thur.	11:30 a.m.-12:05 p.m.
Cardio Kickboxing	\$35	Mon.	4:15-5:00 p.m.
Cardio Kick 'n Step	\$45	Wed.	5:30-6:30 p.m.
Fab Abs on the Ball, Co-ed	\$25	Tues.	12:15-12:45 p.m.
Fab Abs on the Ball, Co-ed	\$25	Thur.	12:15-12:45 p.m.
Line Dancing, Co-ed	\$25	Tues.	11:30 a.m.-12 noon
Parkinson's Exercise Group	\$30/\$50 couple	Mon.	10:30-11:15 a.m.
Pilates	\$30	Wed.	11:30 a.m.-12 noon
Pilates	\$60	Tues.	5:30-6:30 p.m.
Pilates, Co-ed	\$60	Thur.	4:30-5:30 p.m.
Strength Training for Older Adults	\$30	Tues.	9:30-10:15 a.m.
Strength Training for Older Adults	\$30	Thur.	9:30-10:15 a.m.
Yoga	\$30	Mon.	11:30 a.m.-12:05 p.m.
Yoga, Co-ed	\$60	Mon.	5:45-6:45 p.m.
Yoga, Co-ed	\$30	Wed.	12:15-12:50 p.m.
Yoga, Co-ed	\$60	Thur.	6-7 p.m.

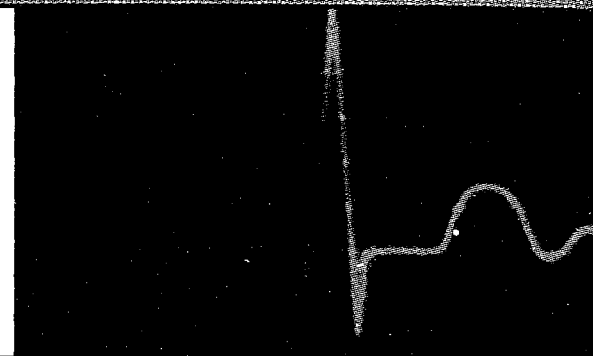
One-Time Only Classes

CLASS	FEE	DAY	TIME
Spring Tune-up for the Upper Body	\$15	Sat., June 7	9-10:15 a.m.
Increasing Bone Density: Intro to Strength Training for 60+	\$15	Thur., June 12	10:15-11:30 a.m.
Increasing Bone Density: Intro to Strength Training for 60+	\$15	Wed., July 16	10:15-11:30 a.m.

HEART/CARDIOVASCULAR

"...And the Beat Goes On"

Cardiovascular information whether you have a heart/cardiovascular condition or not. Call 734-712-3546 for more information or to register.



CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	DATE	TIME
Cholesterol and Your Heart	Brighton/SJMWHC	Tues.	June 17	4-5 p.m.
Heart Disease, Diagnosis and Treatment	Ann Arbor/MHVI	Mon.	June 9	6:30-7:30 p.m.
	Canton/SJMCHC	Thur.	June 12	1-2 p.m.
Lower Your Blood Pressure	Ann Arbor/MHVI	Mon.	June 30	1:30-2:30 p.m.

Cardiac Rehabilitation (AKA "Pumper Power")

Supervised exercise program for individuals with cardiovascular disease or significant risk factors for developing heart disease. Fee involved.

Ann Arbor/MHVI: Call for appointment
734-712-3105

Howell/SJMLH: Call for appointment
517-545-6385

Saline/SJMSH: Call for appointment
734-429-1640

"Heart of a Woman" Clinic

A clinic for women who want to learn more about their cardiovascular health and seek guidance from a female cardiologist. Fee involved (may be a covered benefit; check with your insurance carrier).

Ann Arbor/MHVI: Wednesdays; 9 a.m.-12 noon
734-712-5100

Support Groups

Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute offers the following free support groups:

Amputee Support Group

734-712-3516

Atrial Fibrillation Support Group

734-712-0595

Heart Failure Support Group

734-712-5100

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734-712-8036

Heart-to-Heart Network

(for people with cardiovascular disease)

734-712-3583

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Howell/SJMLH: Fourth Friday monthly; 1 p.m.
517-545-6289

Smoke Stoppers

Educational program to help adult smokers learn to stop smoking for good. One-on-one counseling.

Introductory session is FREE! \$200

Ann Arbor/WHC: Call to arrange start date
734-712-5539

PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH AND INFANT CARE

Basic Training: Survival Skills for New Moms

Prenatal class designed for women expecting their first baby. You'll learn lots of practical information on caring for yourself and adjusting to life with a new baby. \$25

Ann Arbor/WHC: Thur., July 17; 6-9 p.m. or Sat., Aug. 16; 9 a.m.-12 noon

Canton/SJMCHC: Sat., July 26; 9 a.m.-12 noon

Howell/SJMLH: Sat., June 28, Aug. 23; 9 a.m.-12 noon

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Boot Camp for New Dads



Class taught by men that teaches first time fathers practical information on parenthood, baby care, becoming a family and supporting the new mom.

You'll even get hands-on experience in holding and comforting a baby with the help of "veteran" dads who bring their babies to class. \$25

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Canton/SJMCHC: Sat., July 26; 9 a.m.-12 noon

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734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Breastfeeding Preparation

Class offers expectant mothers information and instruction on breast-feeding techniques. \$20

Ann Arbor/WHC: Monday evening or Saturday morning

Howell/SJMLH: First and Third Thursday monthly

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Childbirth Education

Labor and delivery preparation class for expectant mothers and their labor support coach. Information regarding natural childbirth techniques, relaxation exercises, medical intervention and Caesarean births is included. \$60

Brighton/Howell: Call to schedule best time for you!

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Childbirth "Refresher" Class

Childbirth refresher course for experienced parents who wish to review the relaxation and breathing techniques for natural childbirth and want information on medical interventions and comfort techniques for controlling pain. \$20

Brighton/SJMWHC: Wed., Aug. 13; 7-10 p.m.

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Family Birth Center Prenatal Tours

Tour the birthing facility of your choice. Call to reserve your time.

Ann Arbor/SJMH: Monday or Thursday evenings

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Infant Care

Class for expectant mothers and their partners to learn about basic newborn care. Includes information on feeding, burping, bonding, diapering, bathing, infant safety and much more! \$20

Ann Arbor/WHC: Monday evening or Saturday morning

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Pain Management During Labor

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Ann Arbor/WHC: Thur., July 10; 7:30-9:30 p.m.

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Prenatal/Postpartum Land-based and Aquatic Exercise Class

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Aquatic classes -

Howell/Aquatic Center;

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517-545-6517

Land-based classes -

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Tuesdays; 6:45 p.m.

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Tuesdays; 7:30 p.m.

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Ann Arbor/WHC: First Wednesday monthly (except July); 10 a.m.-12 noon

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Ann Arbor/Child Care Center: Call for next start date
734-712-4320

Parent Support Group

Free group for parents whose children are using or abusing alcohol or drugs. The group provides support and education for parents by other parents who are experiencing similar feelings about their adolescent's use of substances.

Ann Arbor/SJMBS: Tuesdays; 7:30-9 p.m.
734-712-4300

Substance Abuse Education Series

Series of five education classes for adults who have experienced abuse of alcohol and/or other mood altering substances. You can enroll and begin classes anytime. \$150

Ann Arbor/SJMBS: Saturdays
734-712-4300

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Learn how to recognize the signs of teen substance abuse and know when a teen's use of alcohol/drugs requires intervention.

Ann Arbor/SJMAS: Tues., June 3; 7:30-9 p.m.
734-973-7892

Part 2: What To Do

Learn strategies that can help when a teen substance abuse problem is suspected or identified.

Ann Arbor/SJMAS: Tues, June 10; 7:30-9 p.m.
734-973-7892

The Growing Tree

Eight-week educational and support program for children ages four to 12 who are closely associated with someone who is abusing alcohol or another drug or is in recovery. An alumni group is also available for those who have graduated from the program. \$300 (child and up to two caretakers).

Ann Arbor/Child Care Center: Call for next start date
734-712-4320

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Hospice Volunteering

Provide support and comfort to terminally ill patients and their families, assist in our office or on special projects. Training required — call to receive information packet and to pre-register.

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Hospice/Home Care Speaker's Bureau: 734-327-3413

Parish Nurse Partnership

Nurses help local churches develop a health ministry.

Ann Arbor: 734-712-8766
Howell: 517-545-6757
Plymouth/Canton: 734-414-1060
Saline: 429-429-1638

Volunteering

All three hospitals and several outpatient facilities have ongoing needs for volunteers to assist patients and/or staff. Call for details and to make an appointment.

Ann Arbor/SJMH: 734-712-4159
Howell/SJMLH: 517-545-6296
Saline/SJMSH: 734-429-1581

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System Golf Classics

SE Kiwanis of Ann Arbor Golf Outing (benefiting Saint Joseph Mercy Hospice)

Mon., June 2, 9 a.m.

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Mon., June 9, 8:30 a.m.

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Wed., June 11, 8 a.m.

Pheasant Run Golf Club, Canton

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Saint Joseph Mercy Saline Hospital Golf Classic

Mon., June 16, 9 a.m.

Travis Pointe Country Club, Ann Arbor

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Ann Arbor/WHC: Many dates/times to choose from
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Classes held at the **Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center** on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Prepayment required for all cooking classes. Classes are \$25 per class or \$20 with a multiple class punch card. Call 734-712-3777 for more information or to register.

CLASS	DAY/DATE	TIME
Joy of Soy 2	Mon., June 2	5:30 p.m.
Pasta Pasta!	Tues., June 3	5:30 p.m.
Grilling and Marinades	Wed., June 4	5:30 p.m.
Get Hooked on Fish II	Tues., June 10	5:30 p.m.
Grilling and Marinades	Tues., June 17	10:30 a.m.
Mediterranean Cooking	Thurs., June 19	10:30 a.m.

All dates and times subject to change

Weight and Healthy Lifestyle Classes

Classes held at the **Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center** on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. All classes are \$25 each or \$20 with a multiple class punch card.

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CLASS	DAY	DATE	TIME
Maximizing Your Food Choices	Mon.	June 2	7 p.m.
Supermarket Sleuthing	Wed.	June 4	7 p.m.
Finding Fats That Fit	Mon.	June 16	7 p.m.
Triggers and Cravings	Wed.	June 18	7 p.m.
Fabulous Fiber	Mon.	June 23	7 p.m.

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WOMEN'S HEALTH

Finding Wellness: Reviving Your Spirit

Four-week group designed for people who want to explore the connection between health and spirituality. Group will focus on experiential exercises and discussion to encourage personal insight and make choices for new beginnings. \$45
Ann Arbor/WHC: Tuesdays, June 3-24; 6-7:30 p.m.
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Good Living: Creating a Healthy Lifestyle When You Have a Chronic illness

Class geared toward women who have been diagnosed with a chronic illness such as lupus, rheumatoid arthritis or fibromyalgia. The program offers strategies and information that can empower you to impact the quality of your life. \$20
Ann Arbor/WHC: Wed., June 18; 6-8:30 p.m.
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Learning About Menopause Series

Classes are \$15 each. For more information or to register, call
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Menopause: What You Should Know

Ann Arbor/WHC: Mon., July 14; 7-8:30 p.m.

Hormone Replacement and Complementary Therapies

Ann Arbor/WHC: Mon., July 21; 7-8:30 p.m.

Menopause Lifestyle Strategies To Help You Maintain Vitality and Health

Ann Arbor/WHC: Mon., July 28; 7-8:30 p.m.

Mental Health Services for Women

Ongoing groups and individual meetings assist women with needs related to stress, depression, life changes, relationship difficulties, sexual trauma, compulsive behaviors, pregnancy, neonatal loss, infertility and other issues. Call 734-712-4334 for further information.

Women Who Love or Give Too Much

Workshop is geared toward gaining awareness in self-esteem, co-dependency, depression and family management for women who give too much. Recovery techniques for long term change will be discussed. \$15

Plymouth/SJMAHC: Wed., July 30; 7:30-9 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Women and Asthma: Dealing with Symptoms that Interrupt Your Life

Free program offers education and strategies that will help you understand how to deal with your asthma effectively. Geared toward both adolescents and women, ages 13 and up.
Ann Arbor/WHC: Mon. June 30; 7-9 p.m.
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A Heart-to-Heart Conversation for Mothers and Daughters on Puberty and Growing Up.

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Canton/SJMCHC: Sat., Aug. 23; 1-5 p.m.

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Monday-Thursday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Friday: 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

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SUPPORT GROUPS AND PROGRAMS

For more information about other support groups, call the Michigan Self-Help Clearinghouse at **800-777-5556** (Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.) or look for more groups listed under Cancer (page 4) and Heart/Cardiovascular (page 6).

Alzheimer's Support Group

Howell/First Presbyterian Church: Third Thursday monthly; 2-4 p.m.
517-545-6023

Ann Arbor Stroke Club

Ann Arbor/SJMH Rehab Unit: Second and Fourth Wednesday monthly; 1:30-3:30 p.m.
734-712-2417

Arthritis Support Group

Howell/SJMLH: Fourth Friday monthly; 12 noon
517-545-6289

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Support Group

Ann Arbor/SJMAS: Fourth Wednesday monthly; 7-9 p.m.
734-662-2906

Grief Support Group

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Ann Arbor/SJMRHC:

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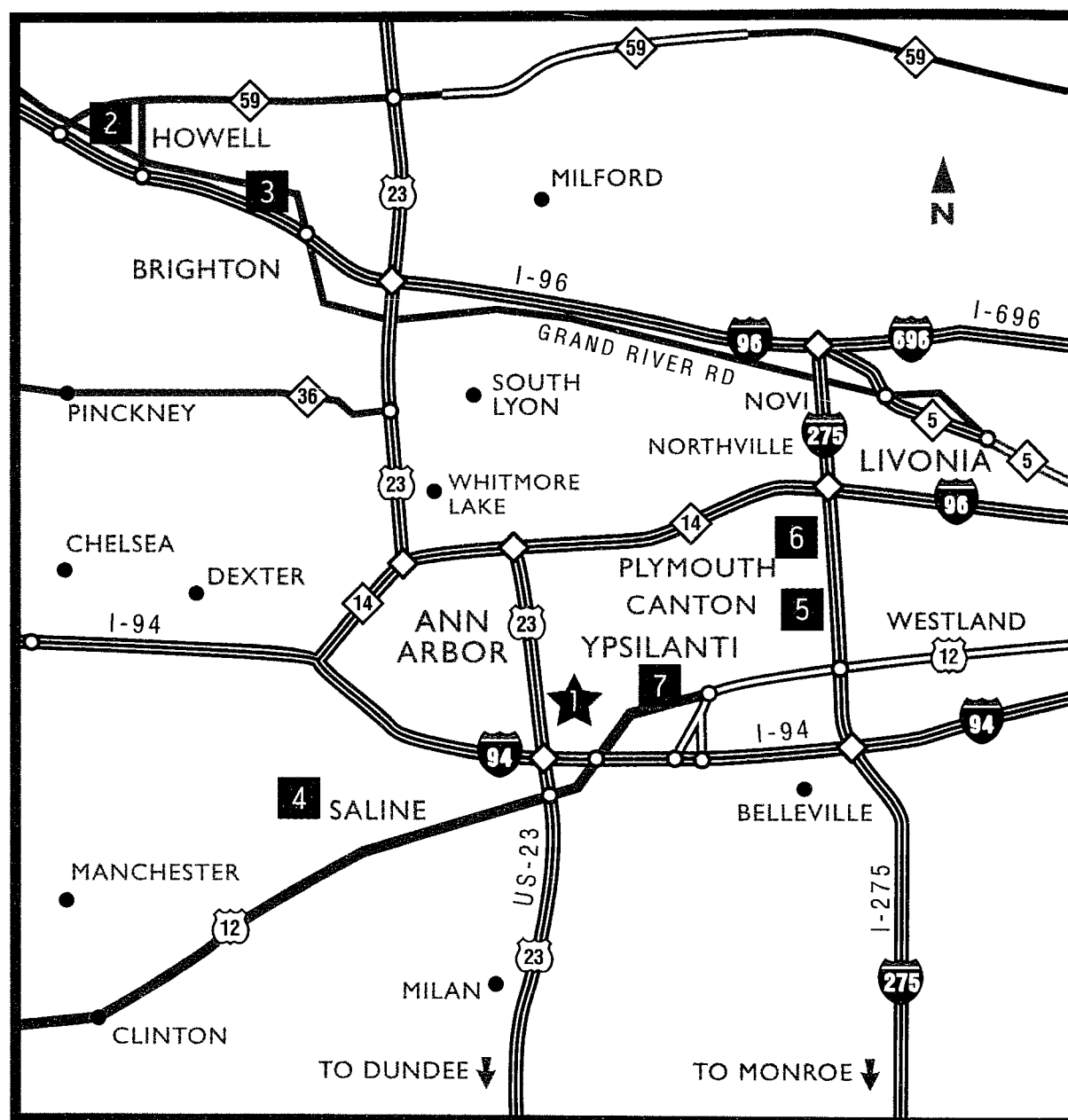
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3 Brighton/SJMWHC:

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Brighton, MI 48114
810-844-7575

4 Saline/SJMHS:

Saint Joseph Mercy Saline Hospital
400 Russell Street
Saline, MI 48176
734-429-1500



5 Canton/SJMCHC:

Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center
1600 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
734-398-7557

6 Plymouth/SJMAHC:

Saint Joseph Mercy Arbor Health Center
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Plymouth, MI 48170
734-414-1010

7 Ypsilanti/SJMHHB:

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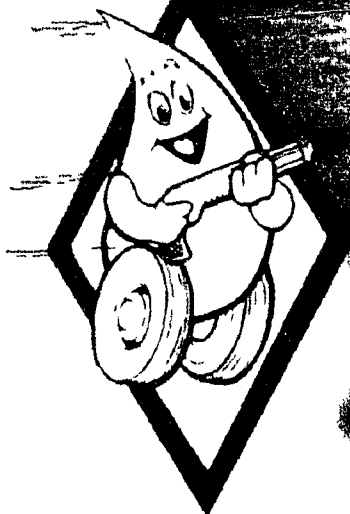
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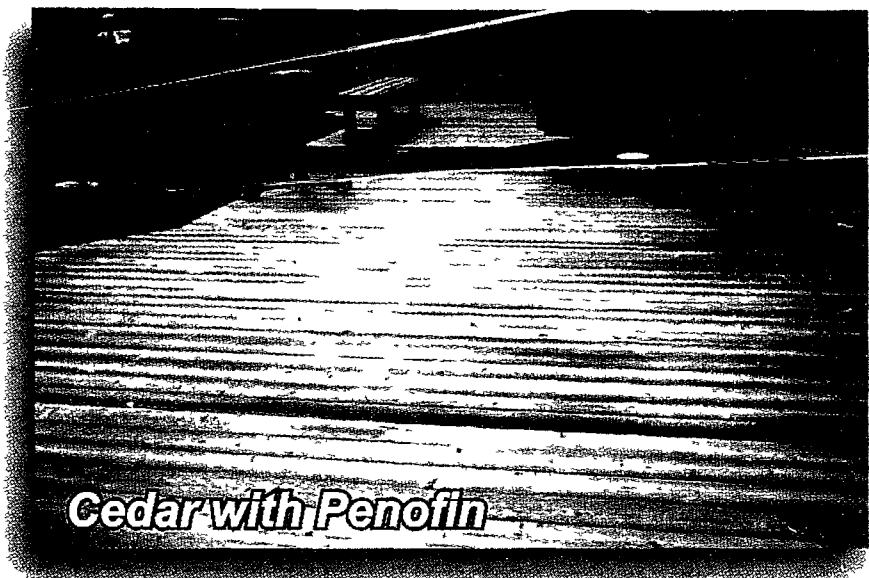


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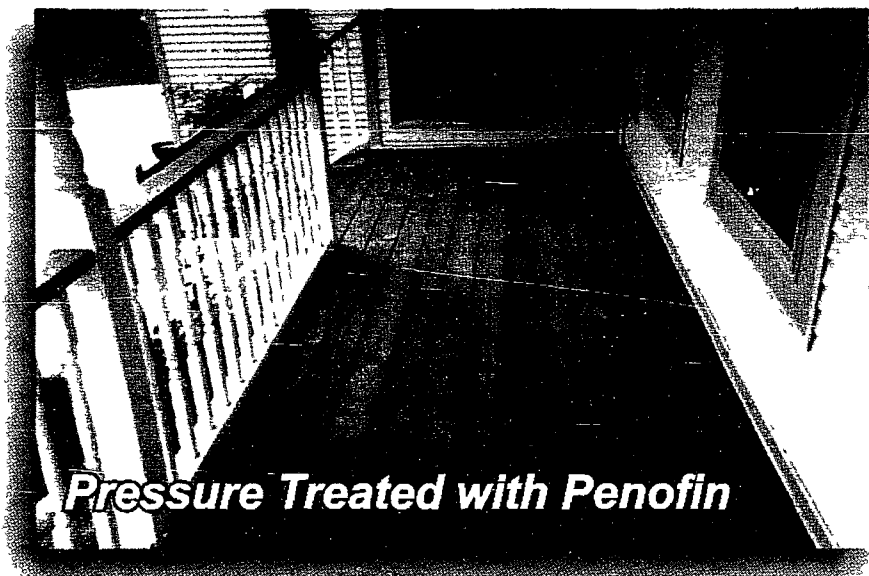


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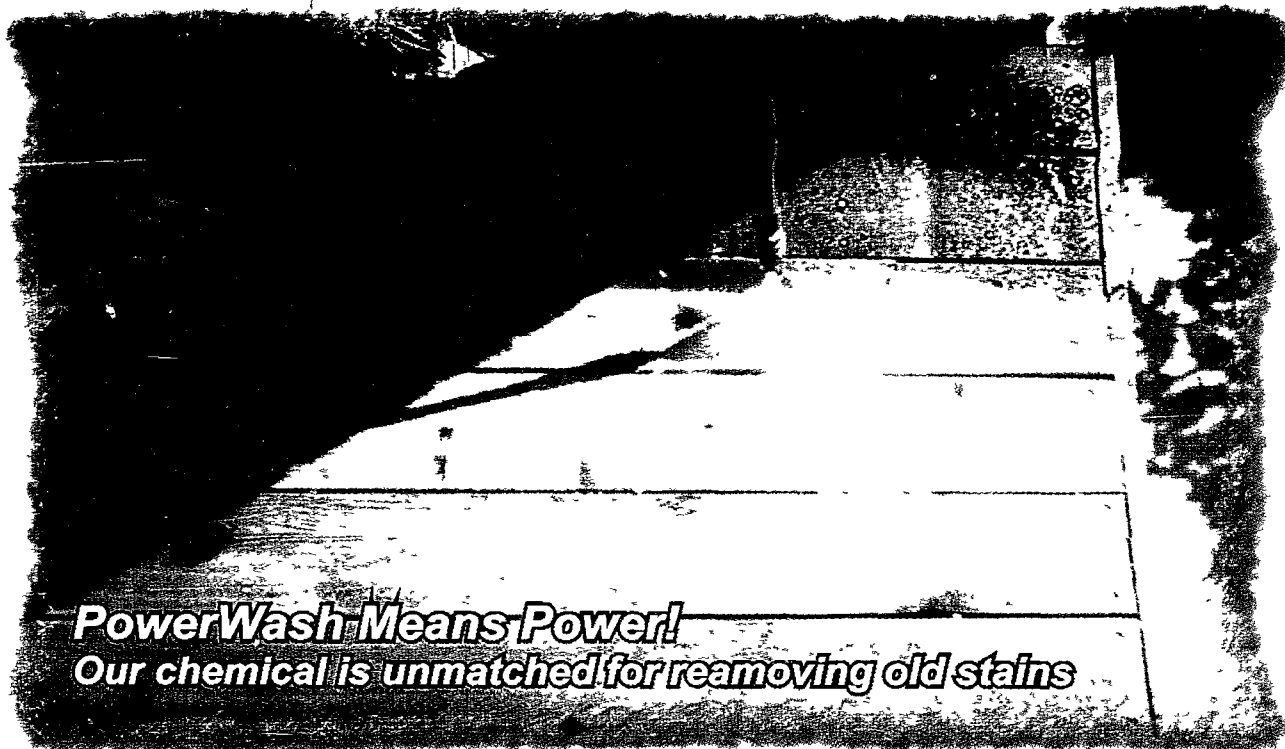
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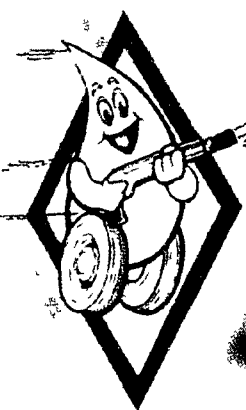
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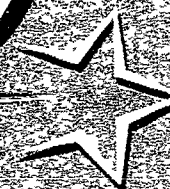
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Ask American Profile

Q Would you tell me about Connie Britton, who co-starred on the popular sitcom *Spin City*? Where is she now?

—Gene B., Idaho

Britton, who played Nikki Faber on *Spin City*, has been busy since the series ended. She is co-starring in an ABC mid-season replacement, *Lost at Home*, which premiered April 1. The Lynchburg, Va., native plays Rachel Davis, a stay-at-home wife and mother who threatens to leave her husband, an ad agency superstar played by Mitch Rouse, unless he cuts back on his workaholic ways and reconnects with his family. Britton's mom, a former teacher, stayed home to raise Britton and her fraternal twin, Cynthia. Now 35, Britton has been on the big screen, too, starring in the feature films *The Next Big Thing* and *One-Eyed King*, and has had a recurring role as Connie Tate in the television drama *The West Wing*. Britton lives in both New York and Los Angeles and enjoys hiking, biking, running, and doing volunteer work.

Actress Connie Britton has been busy.



Q John Madden is a high-profile personality in the National Football world. What's his background?

—Gil K., Illinois

The analyst for *Monday Night Football* was born in Austin, Minn., and grew up in Daly City, Calif. He and his wife, Virginia, now live in Pleasanton, Calif. They have two sons. Madden, 67, started on both the offensive and defensive lines as a player for California Polytechnic College in 1957 and 1958, where he was also a catcher on the school's baseball team. The Philadelphia Eagles selected him in the 21st round of the 1958 NFL draft, but a knee injury in his rookie season ended his career. Madden refuses to fly and travels from game to game in a custom-made bus called the "Madden Cruiser." He spent 21 seasons as a

John Madden has won 13 Emmy Awards.



game analyst for CBS and Fox, earning 13 Emmy Awards for outstanding sports personality/analyst. Before that, as head coach of the NFL's Oakland Raiders, he guided the Raiders to an overall record of 103-32-7, leading the team to seven AFC Western Division titles and a victory over the Minnesota Vikings in Super Bowl XI. His winning percentage (.750) is the best of any head coach in NFL history. He is the author of several books.

Q I'd like to know more about the country music group Asleep at the Wheel. Where are they from and what are some of their albums?

—Carl S., Nevada

There's an awful lot to tell about this Texas-based band that's been making music since 1970. Headed up by 6-foot, 7-inch Ray Benson, a native of Philadelphia, Asleep At The Wheel has seen more than 80 different bandmembers come and go over the years. Benson, born in 1951, grew up hearing Big Band music as well as jazz, folk, and country. In 1969, at age 18, he hooked up with Lucky Oceans and Leroy Preston in Paw Paw, W. Va., with the idea of forming a real Western swing band. In 1970, the band played its first big show, with Alice Cooper and Hot Tuna. Van Morrison became a fan, and when he mentioned them in an interview in *Rolling Stone*, it led to AATW getting a record deal. The group eventually landed in Austin, Texas, where it's still based, and they've released 22 albums, including *A Tribute to Bob Wills* and its follow-up, *Ride With Bob*, as well as *Swing Time* and *The Wheel Keeps Rolling*. The band has won nine Grammy awards. It still tours, and more than 20 years has put more than 3 million miles on its old bus. Benson will be releasing his first solo album this year, and has been doing some work as a producer for other artists, including Pam Tillis, Trace Adkins, and Suzy Bogguss. ☆

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Asleep at the Wheel is wide awake in Texas.

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Off to See the Wizard

People in Chittenango, N.Y., aren't joking when they tell you to follow the yellow brick road. They're no less serious when they say they've just seen the Tin Man, picked a few things out of Dorothy's Basket, or had a sundae at Oz Cream.

Few among Chittenango's 4,855 residents remain unaware of their village's most famous son, L. Frank Baum, whose novel *The Wizard of Oz* is now securely fixed in that same American firmament as baseball and Marilyn Monroe—and the marks of his imagination are literally beneath their feet. The sidewalks of Genesee Street, Chittenango's main thoroughfare, have been painted yellow since the 1970s. It's one of many ways the village honors Baum. Born here in 1856, he's remembered with a museum, an annual spring festival, and at least half a dozen Oz-inflected businesses.

"The Baum connection is of major importance," says Mayor Bob Freunscht, who has watched the celebration of Baum's imaginative legacy grow every year. "It's become quite a tourism draw for the community."



The Tin Man, Dorothy, and the Scarecrow are immortalized at the L. Frank Baum-Oz Museum.

Baum spent his early childhood in Chittenango, a 19th-century town whose name means "water that runs north" in the American Indian tongue. Nestled among the village storefronts is the L. Frank Baum-Oz Museum, a growing repository of books, documents, and Oz paraphernalia commemorating the author and his reach into American pop culture. It's a busy place during Oz Fest, the village's biggest annual event.

"During the festival, we probably draw between 15,000 to 20,000 people," Freunscht says. The four-day celebration of all things Oz, includes a costume contest, parade, golf tournament, and carnival. At the center of it are the Munchkins—a handful of surviving cast members from the classic *The Wizard of Oz* film who return each year to reminisce and bask in the glory of fans of every age.

"People follow the Munchkins like groupies," says Maureen Constance, an Oz Fest organizer, who notes the festival has become a fixture on the national "Oz circuit" of Baum and Oz-inspired events. Most look forward to the panel discussions and autograph sessions with the Munchkin actors, and Constance says the festival's buzz spills over to benefit many businesses.

While the Tin Man (a local contracting business) and Scarecrow Computers don't see much of a spike in business during the brief Oz season, Steve Bonaparte knows he's not in Kansas anymore when the festival kicks in the first weekend in June. That's when his Oz Cream dessert shop does extra traffic in Toto cones and wizard shakes, and Judy Garland takes up residence on the shop's television screen in continuous showings of the 1939 film.

Bonaparte's shop holds a collection of Oz memorabilia, but nothing rivals the Baum museum's prize holding. "We have first edition copies of all 14 of his original books," says Curt Tobin, the museum's president. Personal Baum memorabilia has proved more elusive, though a family genealogy and other information is being compiled.

Clara Houck helps provide that material. Known among local Oz enthusiasts as the area's authority on Baum, she was among the early proponents for a Baum-Oz museum. But echoing others in town, she says her pride in Chittenango has always been foremost in driving her interest in Baum.

"I just love the enthusiasm people have for a hometown boy." ☆

Michael Depp is a regular contributor to American Profile.



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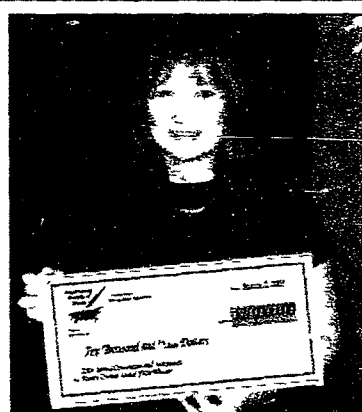
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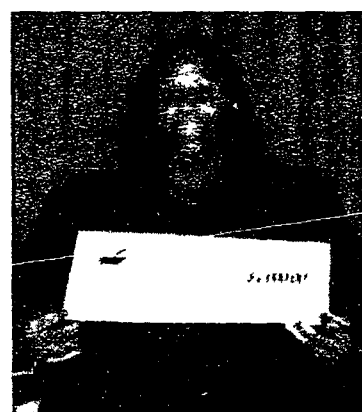
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INDIANA—The 2,000-acre Clark State Forest in Henryville (pop. 1,546) is Indiana's oldest state forest, established in 1903.

IOWA—Nevada (pop. 6,658) was named after the Sierra Nevada Mountains in 1853 by Joseph Thrift, a Story County commissioner who journeyed the mountains as a California "Forty-Niner." The word, *nevada*, is Spanish for snow-capped.

KANSAS—Astronomer Clyde Tombaugh, who discovered the planet Pluto in 1930, explored the heavens from his boyhood home in Burdett (pop. 256). He was born in 1906 in Streator, Ill. (pop. 14,190).

MICHIGAN—The state has about 500 commercial maple syrup producers and 2,000 hobbyists or home-use producers.

MINNESOTA—The Brass Band Music Lending Library in Chatfield (pop. 2,394) shares its collection of band music with the world.

MISSOURI—To promote the joy of reading, Ron Hornbaker of Kansas City launched *BookCrossing.com* in April 2001. Book lovers have left almost 265,000 free books in public places for other readers to find, then tracked the books' journeys through the website.

NEBRASKA—During World War II, 6 million soldiers passed through the railroad hub at North Platte (pop. 23,878) where volunteers at the North Platte Canteen welcomed them with homemade sandwiches, cookies, coffee, and encouraging words. The canteen was revived in January for National Guardsmen en route to the Persian Gulf.

NORTH DAKOTA—Established in 1884, Vikur Lutheran Church in Mountain (pop. 133) is America's oldest Icelandic church.

OHIO—Country singer Johnny Paycheck, whose 1977 hit *Take This Job and Shove It* became the workingman's anthem, was born Donald Eugene Lytle in 1938 in Greenfield (pop. 4,906).

SOUTH DAKOTA—From 1887 to 1902, Eureka (pop. 1,101) was the world's largest primary wheat market, with two-thirds of the world's wheat shipped from there.

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MOUNTAIN MAN SINCE 1825 Rendezvous



Trappers and hunters often wore beaver hats.

It's a page from history: Campfire smoke mingles with the smell of horses, aged buckskin, and sweet mountain air as traders hawk their wares over the sound of drums and the occasional blast of a black powder rifle.

This is rendezvous, a tradition begun by traders and mountain men in 1825 that soon spread from the western Dakotas through the Rocky Mountains to Idaho.

Every summer across the same region today, men, women, and children with a passion for history pull on buckskins and load up trade goods to make their way to a rendezvous—to one somewhere, every weekend of the season. They pitch canvas tents or tepees, cook over campfires, make music, shoot black powder rifles, throw tomahawks and knives at targets, and swap tales and trade goods.

"I'd do it every weekend if I could afford it," says Eric Russell of Encampment, Wyo. (pop. 462). As a teenager in Kansas 20 years ago, Russell started black powder shooting in a Boy Scout program. He loved hunting and fishing and traveling across the West during summers with his family. He was still in high school when he attended his first rendezvous and made his first set of buckskin clothes. And from the time he slipped on his first set of moccasins, he was hooked.

Since the early 1980s he's lived in Encampment working a variety of jobs—logger, fence builder, ranch hand, carpenter. But his first love is what he does in his free time—in the evenings, particularly in winter, Russell tans hides to make clothing and creates other trade items. And when summer comes . . . well, weekends are for history.

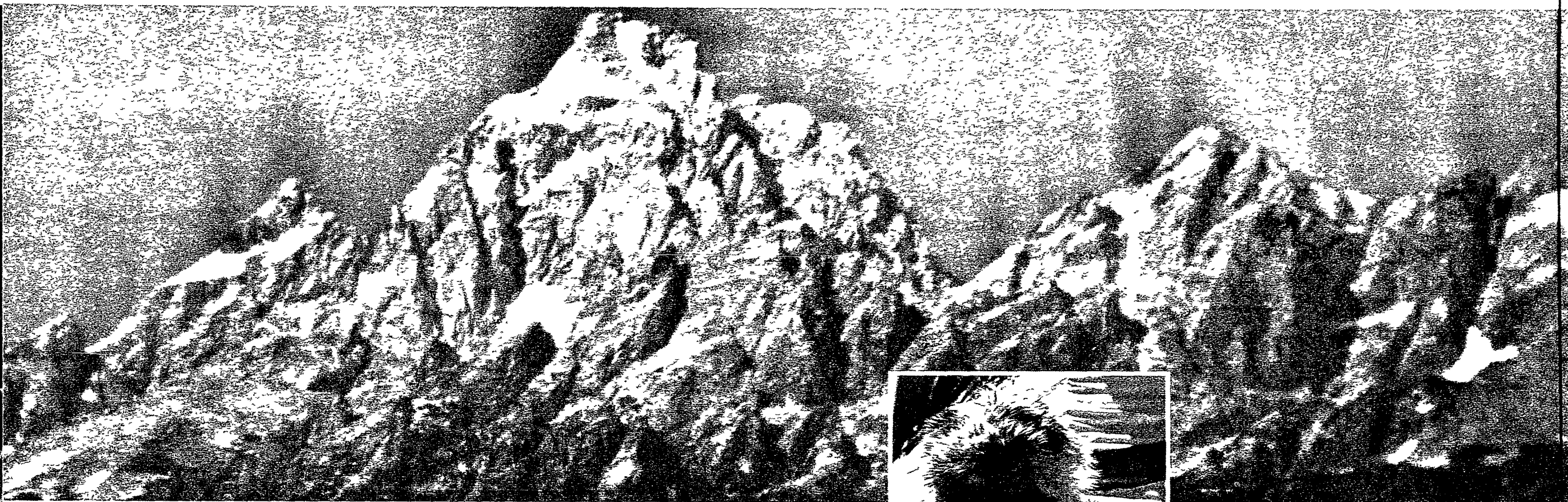
"Instead of going up in the hills and going camping, I head to rendezvous," he says. His wife, Debbie, goes with him along with their sons, Brandon, 14, and Bradley, 12, both accomplished black powder shooters.

Russell and his family have made all their own rendezvous clothes; he admits he spends much of his time making moccasins to keep up with the growing feet of his sons. "That's the constant thing, making moccasins every two years. And you can just imagine if they were wearing moccasins all the time, rather than regular school clothes part of the year," Russell says.



Pelts, especially those of the beaver for hats, were sought by trappers for sale back East and in Europe.

Though he faded early from American history, the mountain man, more than any other, made possible the settlement of the West.



The Origins of Rendezvous

In the early 1800s, trappers spread across the West seeking the sleek pelts of beaver, used primarily to produce beaver hats. The earliest trappers of the British Hudson's Bay Company and French Canadian North-West Fur Company, and even some of the American trappers working for the Missouri Fur Company, exchanged their furs for trade goods at a few fixed posts—such as Three Forks Post in western Montana, and Fort Henry in northeastern Idaho.

In 1822, Missouri trader William Ashley advertised for young men to join the fur trade, and lured men such as Jim Bridger, William Sublette, Tom Fitzpatrick, and Jedediah Smith—men who would become legends for their adventuring and exploring. Ashley's men first trapped streams in the Rocky Mountains, primarily in today's Wyoming, and supplies were a problem.

So when the enterprising Ashley decided to supply the trappers by organizing a pack train in Missouri and heading to the Henry's Fork of the Green River, the rendezvous was born.

The first rendezvous took place near the present southern Wyoming town of Burntfork, as a small group of mountain men—who had trapped through the fall and winter—met Ashley's caravan. They exchanged their furs for tobacco, coffee, whiskey, powder, and bullets, and then headed back to the mountains, knowing where next year's meeting would be.

From 1825 to 1840, rendezvous involved dozens, sometimes hundreds of fur trappers and traders, American Indians and mountain men—and usually a few women, most of them Indian.

Eventually the tradition waned, as beaver pelts grew scarce and desire for beaver hats declined. But during its heyday, each gathering was a huge outdoor fair, where mountain men and friendly Indians came to trade for goods, gamble, sing or dance, and to unwind and have some fun before beginning another year of

their lonely, dangerous work in the mountains.

Mountain man James Beckwourth described a rendezvous as a scene of "mirth, songs, dancing, shouting, trading, running, jumping, singing, target shooting, yarns, frolic, with all sorts of extravagances that white men or Indians could invent."

The Rendezvous Today

For residents of Pinedale, Wyo. (pop. 1,412), rendezvous is their hometown heritage. Seven such gatherings were held near Horse Creek and the Green River during 1833-1840, and the town brings the pageantry and the spectacle of mountain men to life at the Green River Rendezvous held each July.

Pinedale area residents have formed their own rendezvous tradition during the 66 years they've held the pageant—recreating the historical gatherings complete with wagon supply trains, mountain men packing black powder guns and wearing buckskin, and residents portraying legendary characters of the fur trade.

The area was attractive to 19th-century mountain men because, "It was easily accessible, there was a lot of open area, lots of water, lots of grass. They needed that for their horses," says Mildred Pape of Pinedale's Museum of the Mountain Man. Each of the 19th-century rendezvous involved hundreds of mountain men and Indians. "It was usually just one huge party, that's when they could let their hair down," she says.

Pinedale resident and outfitter Bill Webb spends his summers living in a tepee village at the north end of the



Authentic costumes are part of a modern rendezvous.

Wyoming Range, showing the rugged mountain country to visitors. But he keeps his calendar clear the second weekend in July because he needs to be in town to portray Tom Fitzpatrick in the Green River Rendezvous pageant. "It's an important part of our history, part of the heritage of Sublette County," Webb says of his participation.

The county's name comes from William Sublette and his fur trapper brothers, Milton, Andrew, and Pickney, who trapped in the area from the 1820s until the 1840s and regularly attended the rendezvous.

Likewise, Pinedale building contractor Van Huffman sets aside his tools each July to don buckskin and portray mountain man Joe Walker, who provided assistance to Lt. John C. Fremont as

Fremont explored the West in the 1840s.

Missionary wives Narcissa Whitman and Eliza Spalding were the first non-Indian women to see a rendezvous, when they were on the Green River in 1835. Father Pierre de Smet celebrated the first Roman Catholic mass in Wyoming at rendezvous in 1840. These are among the activities recreated each year during Pinedale's pageant, giving visitors a glimpse of the impact trappers and traders had on development of the West.

Other rendezvous in Wyoming include gatherings on the Wind River at Riverton, site of the major 1838 rendezvous; in Encampment, site of a smaller 1838 gathering; at Fort Bridger over Labor Day weekend, site of the trading post started by Jim Bridger and trader Louis Vasquez; and along the Bear River at Evanston.

But wherever they are held, the echo of the mountains—and the men who matched them—are heard. ☆

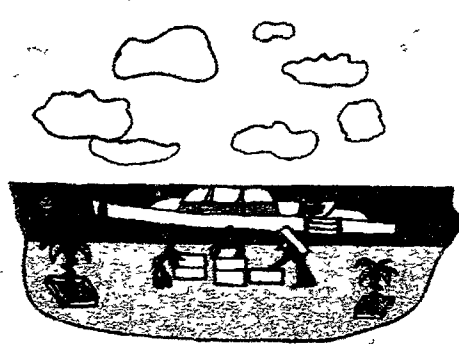
Candy Moulton is a freelance writer from Encampment, Wyo., and the author of Roadside History of Wyoming.

Women also came to rendezvous—and still do.



Happenings

JUNE 8-14



June is for gardens and open water.

ILLINOIS

Old Market Days—Skills from the Hills—Galena, June 14-15. Step back in time to a 19th-century open-air market with produce, flowers, crafts, breads, and pastries at the Old Market House Square. (815) 858-3392.

INDIANA

Civil War Days—Rockville, June 14-15. Billed as the state's largest Civil War re-enactment, this event includes battles, a military ball, medical camp, and crafts at Billie Creek Village. (765) 569-3430.

IOWA

Iowa Sculpture Festival—Newton, June 13-15. View works by sculptors from across the nation during an exhibit, sale, and silent auction Saturday and Sunday at Magtag Park. Includes a sneak preview and auction Friday at Newton Country Club. (641) 792-0882.

KANSAS

Heritage Daze Weekend—Colby, June 13-15. Rod run, craft show, musical entertainment, antique tractor show, and living history demonstrations highlight this event at Fike Park. (785) 460-7643.

MICHIGAN

Carriage Days—Ovid, June 12-15. Enjoy an auto show, a parade including carriages, music, rodeo, 3-on-3 basketball tournament, and children's activities during this 10th annual event. (989) 834-5062.

MINNESOTA

Buffalo Days Celebration—Buffalo, June 8-15. This community celebration features a classic car show, cribbage tournament, carnival, street dances, fireworks display, children's fishing clinic, pony rides, concerts, art exhibit, and food. (763) 682-4902.

MISSOURI

Blind Boone Music and Culture Festival—Warrensburg, June 14. Honoring musician J.W. "Blind" Boone, this event showcases music from blues and gospel to bluegrass and ragtime. Also includes a book fair, walking tour, and children's activities. (660) 747-3268.

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Turkey Days—Oxford, June 12-14. Enjoy a soap box derby, big wheel races, health fair, sand volleyball, car show and shine, dances, a parade, free turkey feed, and children's games. (308) 824-3231.

NORTH DAKOTA

Buggies and Blues—Mandan, June 7-8. A "Rock 'n' Roll Saturday Night" street dance, a car show featuring all types of vehicles, musical entertainment, and a craft show highlight this 10th annual event. (701) 663-2292.

OHIO

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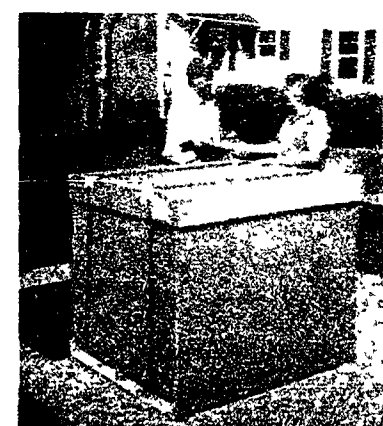
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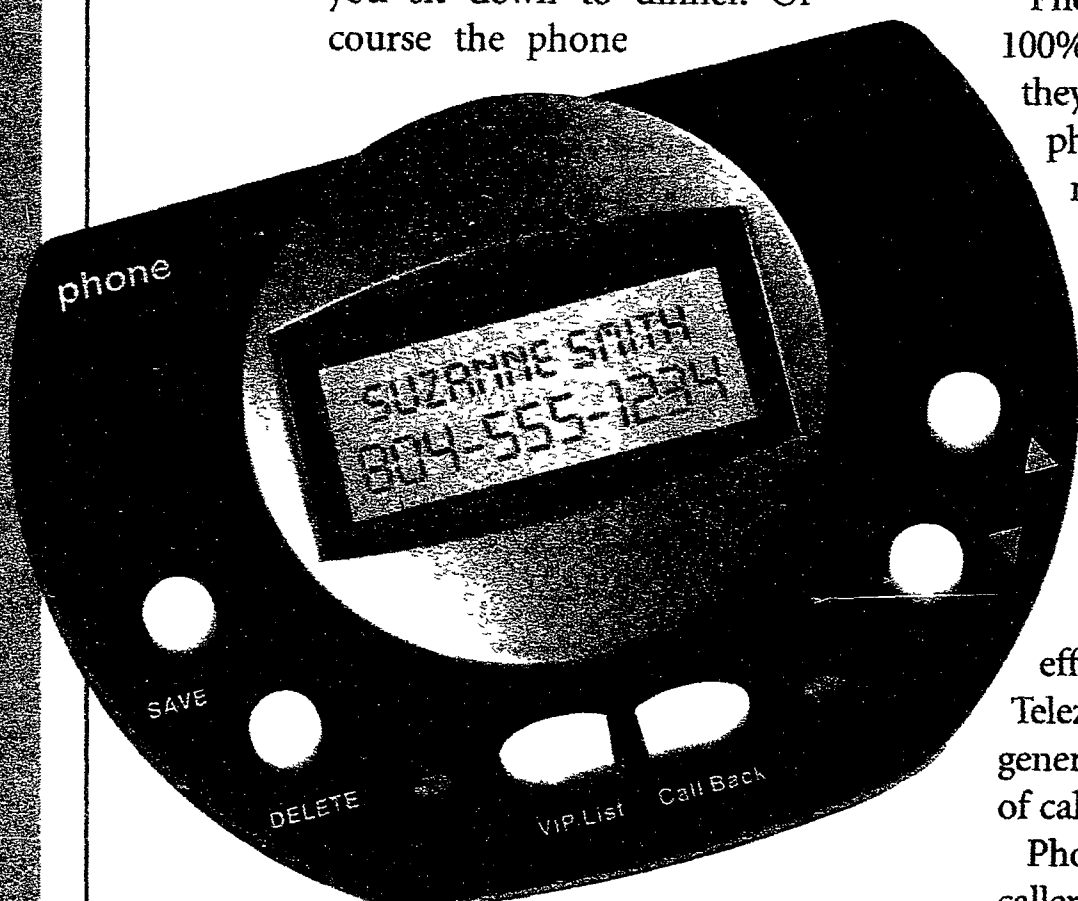
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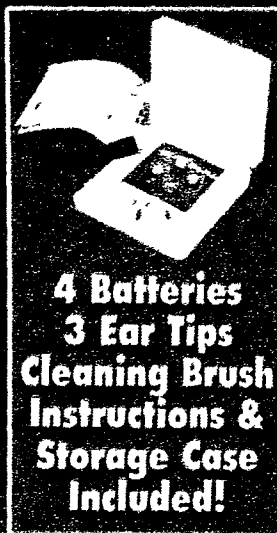
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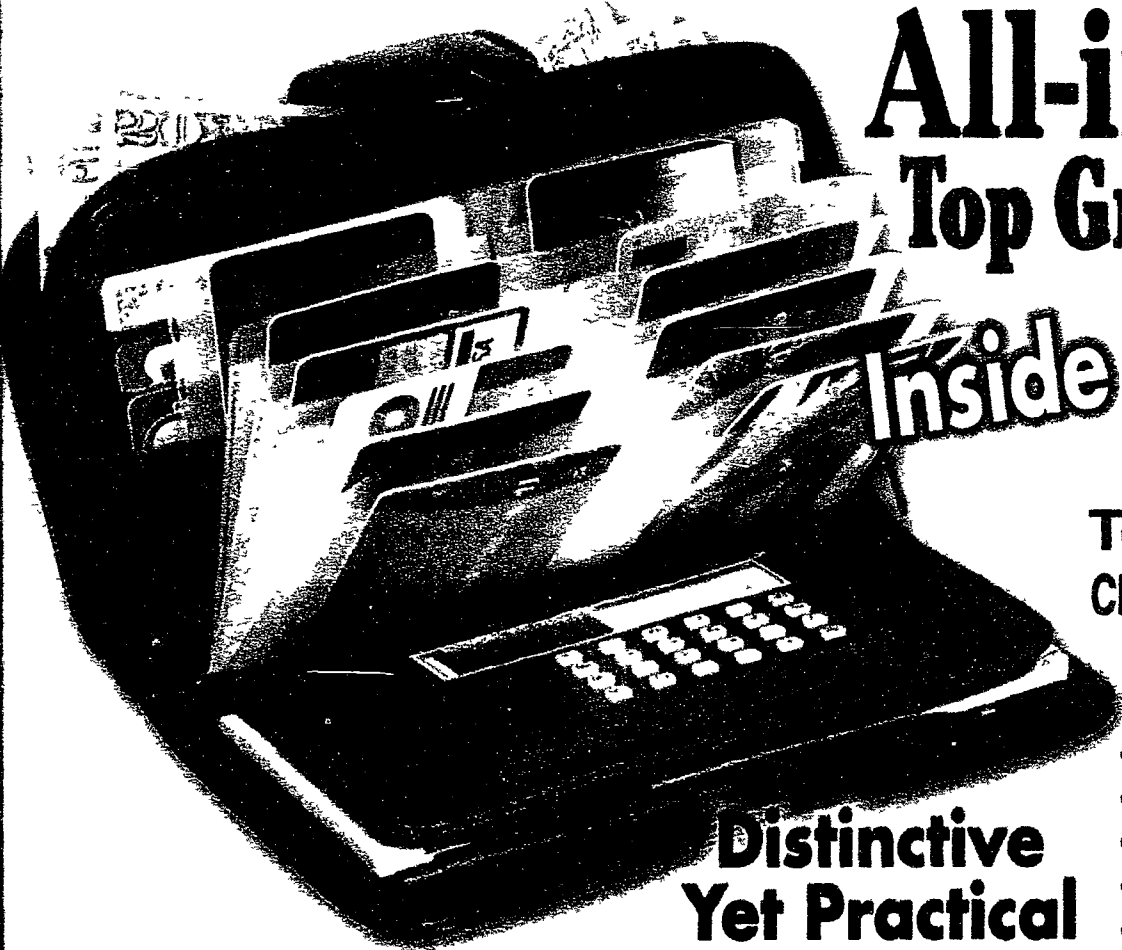
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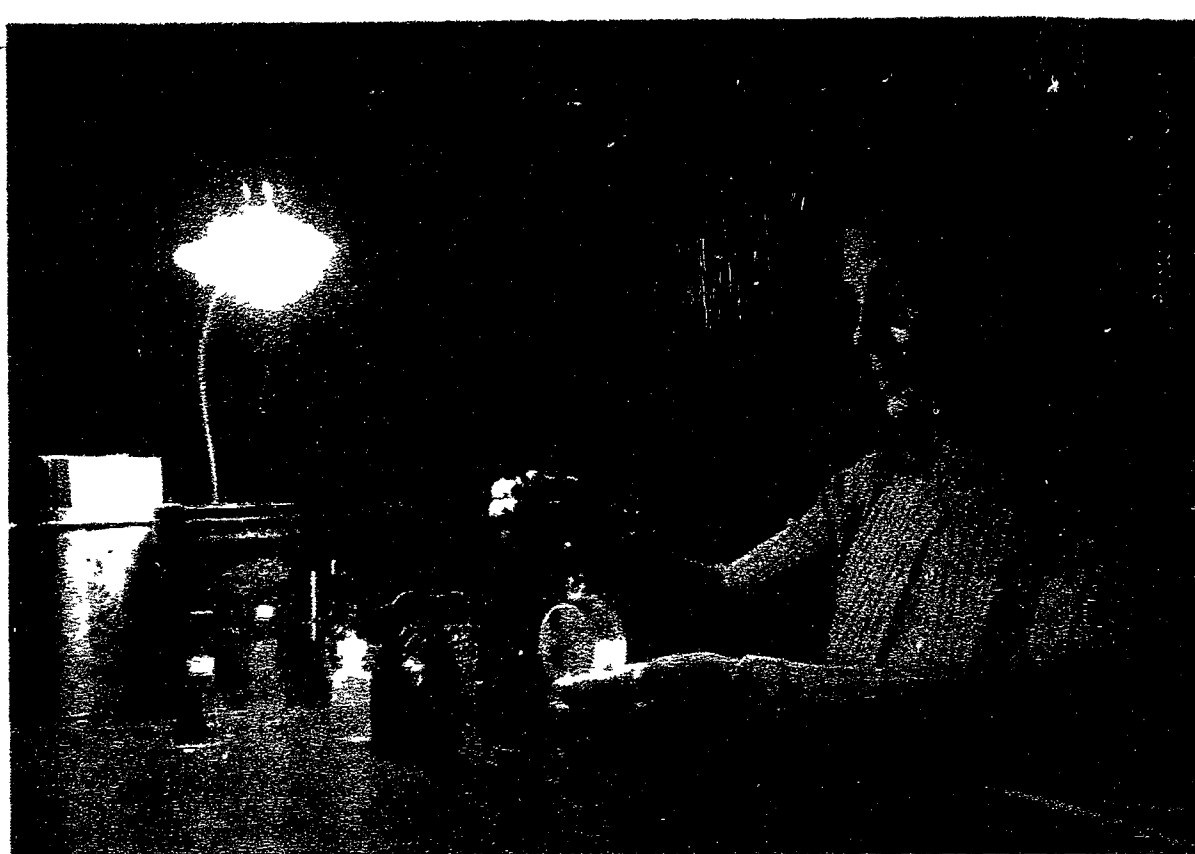
Hometown Hero

THE Sweet Smell of Success

by KARA CARDEN

Lisa Webre has always been a hopeless romantic, but 10 years ago it was harder to flaunt. Her career at the time, as a Louisiana state trooper, left little room for frivolity. But now, as a professional perfume-maker, she's free to indulge every fragrant whim.

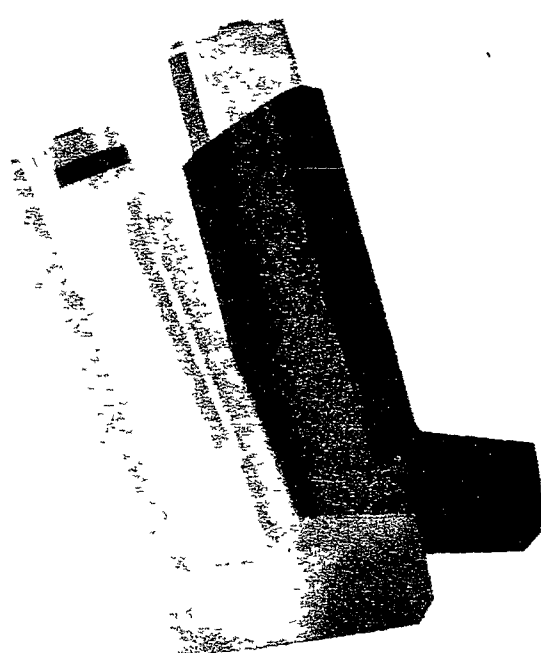
The story of her business seems straight from the pages of a romance novel. After 12 years on the force, Webre retired and fulfilled a dream by buying, with her sister, a 150-year-old perfumery in New Orleans. The two learned from the previous owners how to create distinctive fragrances, but less than a year later Webre met a man, a "died-in-the-wool Cajun," who swept her off her



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feet. They soon married and moved along the bayou in his hometown of Thibodaux, (pop. 14,431) about 45 minutes away.

"Commuting to New Orleans while living in the country was like living two lives," Webre says, so she turned the business over to her sister and stayed home with her husband in their 200-year-old cottage surrounded by oak trees.

But word travels fast in a small town, and soon everyone seemed to know of her fragrant past. Before long she was asked to create a scent for a local gift shop. Then a plantation manager asked her to re-create a fragrance described in the diary of a previous owner. The perfume, called Laura's Violets, was a hit with tourists, and Webre found herself back in business. She named her new company Lagniappe, a Cajun-French term that means "something extra."

"It's very romantic to deal with the oils. You blend them together and your whole house smells wonderful," Webre says. She does all the work in her kitchen, selling the products in stores, museums, and through a website: www.laoaks.com.

Over 12 years she has expanded her product line to include parfum, cream, powder, bubble bath, and bath salt formulas. She focuses on what she calls "Heirloom Victorian" scents, similar to what was popular between 1840 and 1910.

Some of the fragrances, including Les Fleur Magnolia and Vetivert, have local inspiration. In fact, vetivert is a grassy reed once used by Louisiana plantation owners to control erosion. The savvy farmers also discovered that the dried roots made natural air fresheners, and used them as wreaths and sachets.

"It's a kissing cousin to patchouli," Webre says. Though she buys most of her other fragrance oils from larger companies, she actually grows the vetivert, which has a scent she likens to baby powder.

Webre's business has grown mostly by word-of-mouth, particularly among customers who enjoy the special treatment she provides.

"I'm blind and can't always tell one bottle from another, so Lisa devised a system of labeling that allows me to easily identify the different products," says Cay Bartlett, of New York.

Webre calls this "spoiling the customer" and relishes every opportunity to do so. She'll even alter the fragrance to suit a customer's request. For Bartlett, that means an extra drop of vanilla in her bottle of Lady Evangeline. And for a pregnant customer whose olfactory senses are working overtime, she'll soften the floral notes.

Some might say that's a lot of work for one customer.

"But you know what? She'll be with us forever," Webre says. "And we'll get pictures of the baby." ☆

Kara Carden is a regular contributor to American Profile.

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RECIPE: Chicken Cacciatore

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- 1/2 cup olive or cooking oil
- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breasts
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1 large red or Vidalia onion, sliced
- 2 large red peppers, sliced into 1/2-inch strips
- 2 large celery stalks, sliced into 1/4-inch strips
- 1/2 pound fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 2 28-oz. cans crushed tomatoes
- 1 28-oz. can diced tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons Italian seasoning
- 1 teaspoon fresh cracked pepper
- 1 cup white vinegar

In a large Dutch oven, warm oil on low/medium heat. Add chicken pieces, cooking 6 to 8 minutes. Add all remaining ingredients, except vinegar. Cook on low/medium heat, covered, stirring every 30 minutes, for 2 1/2 to 3 hours. In last 30 minutes, add vinegar. Serve over white rice, or linguine pasta. Serves 6-8.

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