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For birdie...



Dressed in their most dapper golf gear, Mike Sullivan and Terry Heaton, right, try out the miniature golf course they've laid out on Sullivan's Northville lawn for last weekend's "Putt-byterian".

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

NPH site attracts \$70M bids

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Surveyors, environmentalists and other assessment experts soon will descend on the Seven Mile site of the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital.

The state was expected to announce today which of three local developers that stepped up to the plate with bids in the neighborhood of \$70 million, and which would win the opportunity to develop the 422 state-owned acres on Seven Mile Road. An accelerated timeline assigned just 90 days to exercise due diligence prior to inking the final sales agreement.

When bidding closed Friday, Grand Sakwa of Farmington Hills, Pulte Homes of Royal Oak and REI of West Bloomfield had formally expressed their interest in purchasing the property. The land officially went on the market May 15.

An advisory committee comprised of private and public sector real estate and finance professionals spent the past week examining the offers submitted. The bids, unadjusted for any contingencies and associated costs, were Grand Sakwa, \$68.5 million; Pulte Homes, \$70 million, and REI, \$67 million.

"If [reconstruction] begins immediately, I would surmise at least a five-year development."

Chip Snider
Northville Township manager

The panel planned to make a decision based on criteria in the state's invitation to bid, including purchase price; bidder modification to purchase documents; developer qualifications and experience with projects of similar size and scope; demonstrated ability to work with local government; commitment and ability to expedite due diligence and close the transaction by Sept. 30, and financial wherewithal to complete the transaction.

Township Involvement

Local involvement in the process will begin with the completion of the sale, said Northville

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CHOICES FOR THE FUTURE

■ Field of four makes run for Northville school board seats

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Until the polls close Monday evening, four local residents will likely be on pins and needles as they await the public's decision on whether they will sit on the Northville Board of Education.

Four citizens—Carol Poenisch, Marilyn Price, Libby Smith and Robert Sochacki—are running for two open seats on the school board. Voting precincts will be open Monday 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.

Candidate Carol Poenisch said she enjoys working on issues which lead to better education for children.

Poenisch, who is currently a part-time physical education teacher in Livonia Public Schools, earned her master's degree in public health education and a bachelor's degree in phys-

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■ Voters asked for approval of district's operating millage

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

When voters head to the polls Monday to elect two new board of education members, they will also be deciding the fate of the nonhomestead millage renewal.

According to Northville schools communication coordinator Michele Fecht, the millage renewal provides a sizable source of funding for Northville Public Schools—to the tune of \$8 million—and represents 16 percent of the district's annual revenues. The millage renewal, she stated

in a press release, received local voter approval most recently in 1998 for a five-year period. Reauthorization is needed so the mills can be levied beginning with the summer 2003 tax bills, she stated.

The school district is asking for reauthorization of the 18 mills for a ten-year period.

Northville Board of Education trustee, Ken Roth, said the nonhomestead millage is merely a renewal of an existing millage and not a new tax.

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Schools have Reason to go on

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Northville board of education members last week approved Casey Reason as the district's new assistant superintendent for instructional services.

His new duties will begin July 1.

The post is being vacated by Linda Pallas, who held that position for the last two years.

Reason, a resident of Sylvania, Ohio, has an extensive background in educational leadership and years of classroom experience.

His hometown is located near the Michigan-Ohio state line, he said.

Most recently, Reason served as director of curriculum for the Lincoln Consolidated School District in Ypsilanti. In addition, he was employed as a graduate instructor at Eastern Michigan University. Reason has also served five years as a high school principal, three years as an assistant/associate principal and five years as a high school teacher.

"Being an assistant superintendent was a career aspiration," he said. "I've been hearing about the district and kind of had it on my radar screen for the last four years. I was very impressed with people I met in Northville."

Reason received his bachelors,

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Stakes get higher in race-ino debate

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Lobbyists on both sides of the issue of adding video gambling at the state's race tracks continued to spin their side of the story last week.

Michigan voters "overwhelmingly oppose" legislation that would allow video lottery machines at the state's seven horse racing tracks, according to poll results released May 21 by Marketing Resource Group of Lansing.

Meanwhile, race track representatives say that if venues such as Northville Downs fail to keep up with trends—such as appealing to a younger customer

attracted to video gambling—their business will be in jeopardy. In addition, the state school aid and agriculture funds will benefit from the proceeds from the new gaming product, said Joe Garcia, general council for the Michigan Racing Association.

"The return to the state will be much more significant than the gaming currently out there," Garcia said.

For more than 50 years, harness racing enthusiasts—and more recently year-round simulcast racing fans—have gathered at the local landmark at Seven Mile and Sheldon roads.

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Proposed legislation to add slot machines at Michigan Race tracks could have an affect on dollars spent by Northville Downs visitors like Roger and Ronna McCoy of Waterford.

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POLICE REPORTS

OUIL: A 22-year-old woman who listed residences in Northville and Rochester Hills has a June 12 court appearance in Plymouth.

A Northville police officer traveling westbound on Eight Mile Road at approximately 2:30 a.m. Saturday watched a red Dodge turn right from Novi Road onto Eight Mile during a red traffic light where "No turn on red" is clearly marked, according to a police report.

Following field sobriety and preliminary breath tests, the officer arrested the woman for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor and

with an unlawful blood alcohol content, as well as driving without a license.

The officer reported that after pulling over the woman and her passenger, a 24-year-old Northville man, the odor of intoxicants emanated from inside her car. The report also details the driver's balancing difficulties during the heel-to-toe test, her swaying while complying with the request to touch her nose, and eyes "glassy" and "bloodshot."

When a computer check showed the male passenger's license as being suspended, the report said, the officer transported both subjects to the Northville station.

The driver was released on \$500 bond around 1:30 p.m. Saturday, the report says.

HE'S NOT AMUSED: A coin machine that a local merchant installed as an amusement for his customers turned into a target for theft on a recent weekend.

The owner of a restaurant on Mary Alexander Court called Northville police May 24 to report that \$176 in prizes had been taken from a machine in front of his store, according to a police report.

Earlier in the day May 23, he had

refilled the individual plastic containers with bills of \$1 through \$100, the owner told police. He estimated the theft occurred between 7:30 and 10 p.m. that night, the report says.

The lid to the machine did not appear to have been tampered with, officers reported. The owner told police he wanted to make them aware of the incident, but did not want to prosecute, according to the report.

CROCK OF GIBRALTAR: A Gibraltar man traveling through town in the early morning recently caught the eye of a Northville police officer who

ended up escorting him to jail.

A May 22 computer check of a van heading west on Eight Mile Road near Center revealed the 33-year-old van owner had an outstanding felony warrant, according to a police report. At 1 a.m. that Thursday, the officer stopped the 35-year-old woman driving the van, the report says.

The officer who questioned the couple found that the passenger was the subject of the Gibraltar warrant for fraud in the false reporting of a felony. After processing at the Northville station, the subject was released to the Gibraltar police at 9:20 a.m.

Weighted grade program study yields little

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

In the end, weighted grades became *waited* grades.

After meeting seven times over a four month period, members of the Weighted Grades Subcommittee reported to the school board last week that they could not reach unanimity in determining the future of weighted grades for the district.

"We agreed that we could not reach consensus," said assistant superintendent Linda Pallas.

She said the group grappled with the question: "Should we have weighted grades or should we not have weighted grades?"

The subcommittee consisted of two students, four parents, three teachers, one social worker, one counselor and two administrators.

"Our subcommittee of 13 was fairly well-split down the middle on that question, but what is interesting is the research on that question is also split down the middle," said Pallas.

Within the report to the board, rationale was given to support and

WEIGHTED GRADES: THE PROS AND THE CONS

RATIONALE TO NOT WEIGHT GRADES

- Some colleges recalculate any weighted grades noted on a student's high school transcript
- Students with a college-level course, such as Advanced Placement, noted on the transcript benefit from their effort because all colleges recognize AP as a national standard of a higher-level course.
- Some would say if the high school enhances the status of a few students with a weighted grade point, there is by comparison a diminishing of the status of many other students.
- Weighted grades rewards AP students twice: first, with a college-level course noted on the transcript, and second, with a higher grade point.
- Some argue weighted grades do not affect all students favorably and therefore do not meet the criteria of our committee's point of agreement.
- Weighted grades may cause some students to inappropriately place themselves in AP classes.

RATIONALE TO WEIGHT GRADES AND UTILIZE A "DUAL POSTING" OR "SIDE-BY-SIDE" SYSTEM

- Dual posting presents both weighted grades and non-weighted GPA and combines the strength of curriculum that includes AP courses and the student grade-point that recognizes a student's higher achievement into a one number system colleges can use.
- Some would say weighted grades more favorably compares our students to those students from other schools that weight grades.
- Weighted grades with dual posting may provide incentive for some students to take AP courses.
- Our committee has reached a point of agreement that any system we recommend should consider all students. Some would say that a system includes accommodations is a system that takes into account the diverse needs of our high school populations and therefore meets the criteria of our committee's point of agreement.

reject weighted grades.

"Those pieces of rationale should work to help the board

make their decision," said Pallas.

"The board seemed satisfied with the report."

The weighted grades subcommittee is an appendage of the district's grading committee.

In March, the Weighted Grades Subcommittee voted on the issue of weighted grades, as well as other issues the group had been contemplating. The following is the results of those votes.

• Should Northville Public Schools support the use of an "Extended 4-Point" grading system?
Yes — 10
No — 2

• Should Northville Public Schools develop a system of weighted grades?
Yes — 4
No — 8

• Should Northville Public Schools develop a system of weighted grades with "dual posting"?
Yes — 6
No — 6

• Should Northville Public Schools eliminate the practice of "rank in class"?
Yes — 12
No — 0

Pallas said the grading committee will deliberate on the subcommittee's report and is slated to make a presentation to school board members June 9.

Included in the report, subcommittee members favored dropping a student's class rank and adopting an extended 4.0 grade point model.

Pallas said although new concepts and ideas were presented in the subcommittee's report, they have not been formally approved by the school board.

"I know our report will be a fac-

tor in their decision," she said. "I think the real essence is the committee was split on the issue [and] the research is split on the issue. It's a tough issue, a tough decision. Once a decision is made I hope people will come together and make it work for the benefit of kids."

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Trail riders raise funds for Maybury

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Whether they arrive by horseback or SUV, all will be welcome at a pancake fundraiser at Maybury State Park Sunday.

The Maybury Trail Riders, with the support of the Raisin River Riders from Monroe, will host a breakfast and ride-a-long starting at 8 a.m. Sunday at the Beck Road park staging area of the state park. The volunteers will serve pancakes, sausage, coffee and orange juice from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m., followed by a ride at participants' leisure, said local rider Jean Bemish.

Donation for the event is \$13 per adult. Proceeds will go toward helping to recreate the historic farm lost to fire in February.

"The main purpose of doing this is for a barn rebuilding," Bemish said.

"We're expecting 40, 50, 60 people or more," she said. Advance ticket sales through last week were more than 40, she said.

"A lot of people will be trailer-riding their horses in." Breakfast will be served at the picnic tables in the pavilion area near the staging area.

The River Riders are pitching

in on the fundraising cause like they have in other communities, Bemish said. "They don't have a home park so they have different charitable organizations that they work with."

The men of the Maybury Trail Riders do most of the cooking, Bemish said, led by pancake chairman Gary Houdeshell; his griddle assistants will be Dennis Deron, Larry Bemish and Lorne Purslow.

The breakfast ticket price qualifies the purchaser for a prize drawing at 2 p.m.; winners need not be present. Examples of donated items include: a La-Z-Boy chair from the factory head-

quarters in Monroe; four rounds of 18-hole golf from Brae Burn Golf Club; a \$50 gift certificate from Scott Colburn; a \$50 gift certificate from Lake Side Saddlery, and others.

The Maybury group has hosted the pancake breakfast in the past, Bemish explained, but this is the first year in the fundraising format. It is a lot of effort to host, she said, but rebuilding the barn is a good cause.

In addition to the breakfast tickets, the group hopes to assist barn rebuilding efforts with sales of Voices of Maybury T-shirts at the event.

Already, Voices has raised

\$3,500.00 since the 2002 state which depicts the 10-year-old barn and home of the state park is in the fire.

For information on T-shirts, call Bemish at 248-349-2657. For information on advance tickets for the breakfast, call Deron at 248-349-5286. Tickets at \$13.00. 7460 Nonesuch Rd. 48100 or Carol at 248-651-6111.

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Chamber offers marketing seminar

A computer installer, a consultant and a home-care provider are among the local entrepreneurs who next week are taking advantage of a "marketing on a shoestring" seminar offered by the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

Home-based businesses are the chamber's target audience for the 90-minute presentation starting at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 11, at the Park Place of Northville Apartments, 43001 Northville Place Drive. The cost is \$10 per person.

The chamber requested advance reservations by calling (248) 349-7640, said Janet Bloom, marketing and events director. Chamber members and non-members already have called with plans to attend, she said.

Fileen Hanrahan, president of Go Live Online of West Bloomfield, and Rick Rachner, president of R&M Marketing Group of Walled Lake, will present low-cost, turn-key marketing tips to help home-based entrepreneurs increase sales and generate referrals. A similar seminar hosted by the Brighton Chamber of Commerce was well-attended well-received, Hanrahan said.

"Really small businesses are who we appeal to, the people who are wearing all the hats," she said.

They're trying to run a business, but also sell their business and services, and be the operational business lead.

In addition to providing breakfast and a networking opportunity, the event will provide attendees proven strategies and helpful tools that they can implement the same day, at no cost, Hanrahan said.

"It does focus quite a bit on the service/home-based businesses," she said, but the marketing principles can readily apply and transfer to any field.

Rachner, an ambassador for the Northville Chamber, has more than 10 years experience in event management, marketing and promotions, working with clients from the legal field to the National Hockey League. He has designed and managed many successful integrated strategic marketing campaigns, developing for each a targeted business strategy.

While no two businesses are alike, the presenters pointed out, many home-based businesses experience marketing challenges, and all require a carefully executed marketing plan that focuses on the bottom line.

With 15 years of marketing expertise, Hanrahan has spent the past six years devoted to helping clients leverage interactive technology and e-marketing solutions to improve the efficiency of their marketing dollars.

Deadline closes for July 4 parade registration

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Just a short month from now Northville's streets will be filled with the celebration of Independence Day.

The Fourth of July parade committee is urging community residents interested in participating in the annual parade to sign up as soon as possible.

The deadline to pre-register a float, antique car (1930s or earlier) or musical group is June 10, said Shari Peters, executive director of the Northville Community Foundation, host of the parade for the fifth year. The theme this year is "Let Freedom Ring."

"We need them to call now," Peters said. "We've shortened it from last year. We will turn people away if they do not pre-register."

More than 35 volunteers are meeting at least once a week to prepare for the event. Traditional floats, clowns, bands and entertaining groups all will be back this year.

"There's always new entrants," Peters said. "We do like to keep it small-town. We like to see people put their floats together."

Entrants again will vie for judge's approval in a variety of categories: crowd pleaser, most patriotic, best in keeping with the theme, and most creative, for example. There will be 100-plus entries, Peters said.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital of Livonia is sponsoring the event. Once again there are two grand marshals, Dave Spivey of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, and Bob

Change for a change



Silver Springs Elementary student Dylon Cool, left, hands some cash for merchandise to cashier Ben Ely during last Thursday's fundraiser event for the Maybury barn restoration project. Students at Silver Springs bought baked goods and trinkets to raise funds for Maybury.

Russell, the Northville Citizen of the Year named by the Foundation and the Northville Chamber of Commerce, respectively.

As part of the "Let Freedom Ring" opening ceremony, more than 100 singers will gather in front of City Hall to lead the national anthem Peters said. Also, churches along the parade route will ring their bells.

The parade organizers planned distribution of thousands of bells

to the children who will line the route. Peters invited everyone who attends the parade to bring a bell to ring as part of the celebration.

The parade route will be the same as in previous years, Peters said, starting and finishing at Northville Downs. The entries will follow Griswold to Main, turn onto Rogers, follow to Cady, then Wing, turn onto Fairbrook, back into the track area.

On July 4, parade participants

only will be allowed one-way entry off Center Street; they must exit onto River Road, Peters said.

Children age five and older again are invited to ride their bikes in the parade, Peters said. Parents can drop their children and bikes at the northwest lot of Northville Downs at Sheldon and Center, she said. Moms and dads may walk with their riders, she added.

Meijer is sponsoring the bike parade, the director said. The boy

and girl with the best decorated bike will win a prize, Peters said.

Participation is free for those participating in the Northville Independence Day Parade. Call me at 248-349-1709.

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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 closed Sundays for the summer. Located at 212 W. Cady Street, 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.

BETWEEN THE LINES

Join us for this lively evening book discussion group, which meets second Monday of each

month at 7 p.m. On June 9, we will discuss the non-fiction work "Seabiscuit: An American Legend" by Laura Hillenbrand. This best-seller describes the life and times of the race horse who, at the height of his fame in the 1930s, garnered more column inches in the newspaper than Roosevelt or Hitler.

"LAUGH IT UP @ YOUR LIBRARY" YOUTH SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Open to all kids ages 2 through 12, the library's annual Summer Reading program will feature fun free activities, reading rewards

through the "Laugh it Up" Reading Game, and weekly prize drawings. Please register in person at the library starting Fri. June 13. You will receive your activity guide at registration, with a detailed list of programs running through the final party on July 31.

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at the library, featuring special programs, reading rewards, and prizes. Sign up at the library starting June 16.

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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All bids are due June 13, 2003 at 4:00 p.m. at: Northville Public Schools, Board Office, Administrative Services, 501 West Main Street, Northville Public Schools.

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Summer arrives for Mill Race

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

The opportunity to step back in time returns Sunday with the reopening of Northville's historic Mill Race Village.

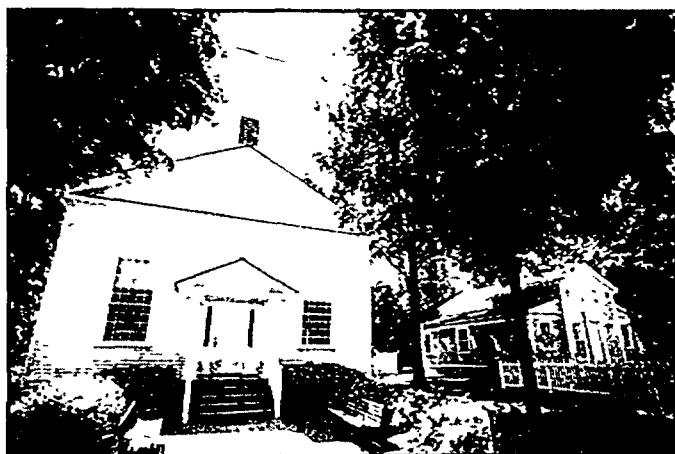
The 11-acre site is a wedding setting, the path for a picturesque stroll and a wealth of history about hometown origins. Docents starting June 8 will resume their weekly posts from 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays at the Griswold Road park. Tours run through Oct. 19.

"I think this is an absolute jewel for Northville," said Marietta Rathbun. "And it's free." Chairperson of the docents, Rathbun has volunteered her time at the village for 15 years.

Dressed in her Victorian-era attire, she recounted with familiarity stories about each of the buildings she enthusiastically shares with the community: the New School Church, built on the site of today's Michigan Gift Mart on West Main Street, was Northville's library for 72 years. The Wash Oak School was used as a schoolhouse until 1966. The Cady Inn likely was an early stage coach stop.

"This you might say is a living museum," Rathbun said. "We have something going on all the time."

One afternoon last week, dozens of kindergarten-age daisies burst through the door of the Cady Inn to fan out on the village grounds in search of scavenger hunt clues. A group of



A view of the church building and nearby grounds at Northville's Mill Race Village.

20-somethings trickled toward the gazebo as they gathered to rehearse a wedding ceremony. And a half dozen members of a local college watercolor class sought a creative vantage point among the vintage architecture and lush vegetation.

Ford Motor Company donated the land, just north of Main Street, for the historic village, which the Northville Historical Society created in 1972. Members saved the New School Church and the Hunter House from demolition by relocating them as the start of the unique attraction.

"All these houses used to be located in downtown Northville," Rathbun said. Historic villages in other communities are an assembly of buildings representative of a particular period from a variety of

locations, she said. Docents describe to Mill Race visitors where each of the buildings were and what currently is located there.

Docent coordinator Lucy Curtis, a volunteer for seven years, said the historical society provides volunteer guides a packet of information about the buildings.

The current roster of tour guides gathered at the Cady Inn last Saturday to sign up for the new season. Posts at each building require at least six docents every Sunday, Curtis said, so the historical society always is looking for new recruits. For information, call (248) 348-1845.

People act as docents for a variety of reasons, the two women said, for their love of history, to be part of a community project, to meet people from all

over visiting on a Sunday afternoon. It's a great family outing, they said. In the fall, visitors to Parmenter's Cider Mill and Winery on Baseline often stop in, Rathbun said.

"It's amazing how many people live in adjacent suburbs and say they don't even know that we're here," she said.

"With their years of experience greeting people, the two volunteers agreed interest in the historic village is increasing, especially as the number of activities and scope of the village expands.

"I think it gets progressively better as the years go by," Curtis said. Newcomers are surprised that they are actually allowed inside the buildings to view the period furnishings, she said, and that church still is the site of many weddings.

Northville School District third graders each year are treated to a trip through history with a visit to the Wash Oak School. They actually follow the curriculum from building's period, 1875, Curtis said.

"It's the three Rs, reading writing and arithmetic," she said. Above with wide-plank floor, slates, McGuffey's Sixth Grade Readers, pinafors and vests are neatly stored on shelves.

"The children get a big kick out of it," Rathbun said. "Kids in middle school and high school say they can remember where they sat when they came in the third grade."

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Mill Race Exhibits

New School Church

The church was built in 1845 by a splinter group, "a new school of thinking," of the Presbyterian Church of Northville and moved to the village in 1972.

Cady Inn

Moved to the Village in 1987, the salt-box style building is believed to have been a tavern and early state coach stop.

Hunter House

The classic Greek Revival home, built by Stephen and Mary Hunter in 1851, was moved to the village in 1972.

Wash Oak School

One of the few surviving one-room schoolhouses in Michigan, the school was built in 1873 and operational until 1966.

Gazebo

Modeled after a turn-of-the-century version, the gazebo was built in 1979 by John Glenn High School shop students.

Yerkes House

Built in 1868 by William and Sarah Yerkes, the traditional Gothic Victorian style house stood on the south side of Cady Street between Church and Center streets until it was moved to the village in 1975.

Weaver's Cottage

Built in the 1890s on the east side of Center Street between Lake and Rayson streets, local handicrafters now use it as a gathering site.

Hirsch Blacksmith Shop

A replica 1890s style shop built by volunteers, the fieldstone building is home to a blacksmith shop and general store.

Interurban Station

Moved to the village in 1990, the late 19th Century building was a transit system waiting room at Newburgh and Eight Mile until the 1930s.

Source: Northville Historical Society

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
June 5	9 a.m.-1 p.m.	Archives Open to the Public	Cady Inn
	9 a.m.-3 p.m.	School Tour	Wash-Oak School
June 6	9 a.m.-1 p.m.	Archives Open to the Public	Cady Inn
	9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.	School Tour	Wash-Oak School
	9:15 a.m.-11 a.m.	SUM Scout Meeting	Cady Inn
	6 p.m.-7 p.m.	Rehearsal	Church
June 7	3 p.m.-5 p.m.	Wedding	Church
June 8	10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Mill Creek Community Church	Church
	1 p.m.-4 p.m.	Buildings Open to the Public	Buildings & Grounds
	3 p.m.-5 p.m.	Brownie Bridging Ceremonies	Cady Inn & Bridge
	5 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Eagle Court of Honor	Church
June 9	10 a.m.-2:15 p.m.	School Tour	Wash-Oak School
	3:30 p.m.-6 p.m.	Brownie Scout Meeting	Cady Inn
	6:30 p.m.-9 p.m.	Lion's Club	Cady Inn

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
June 10	9 a.m.-noon	Stone Gang	Village & Cady Inn
June 11	7 p.m.-9 p.m.	Mill Creek Community Church Prayer Service	Church
June 12	9 a.m.-1 p.m.	Archives Open to the Public	Cady Inn

We are sprucing up the village for all the visitors we look forward to seeing during the summer. All of our buildings will once again be open to the public on Sundays from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. starting the 9th of June. All are welcome.

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Actually, the Record is looking for all kinds of readers — but the Record staff is looking for the most impressive readers off all, and wants to tell their stories.

Beginning later this summer, the Record will be kicking off a new periodic series in the paper — "Northville Records." Stories of the obscure, the off-kilter, the amazing and the just plain odd will be made part of the Record's fabric. And no matter whether it's the



reader who owns the smallest dictionary or the oldest goldfish, the Record's staff is eager to learn about the wildest claims to fame.

"Northville's Records is really a series about ordinary people who have extraordinary abilities or characteristics," said Record editor Chris Davis. "There are all kinds of

wild stories out there, and we think this series will give us as good a chance as any to tell people about how unique their friends and neighbors really are. It's also a great opportunity to earn some fun bragging rights around town."

Readers who have an impressive claim to fame can fill out a quick response form, found on this page. The Record's staff will evaluate the forms and get back in touch with readers as soon as possible.

Davis said he was optimistic for a strong response to the project.

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PHONE: (248) 349-8437

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS
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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN - NORTHVILLE/NOVI BRANCH
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AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION - NOVI OAKS CHARTER CHAPTER
WHAT: Bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow professionally.
WHERE: Wyndham Garden Hotel, 42100 Crescent Blvd., Novi.
WHEN: Every third Monday of the month
CONTACT: Bettie Johnson
PHONE: (248) 960-9559

AMERICAN LEGION NORTHVILLE - POST 147
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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA TROOP NO. 755
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WHEN: Every Monday from 9 a.m. to noon and 6:30-8:30 p.m.; the first two Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon; and the last two Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon
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WHAT: To discover, collect, observe, advance and disseminate knowledge of history of the Northville Region. The group's focal point is Mill Race Historical Village.
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WHAT: To help newcomers to the area as well as current residents who would like to become more familiar with the community on a social and civic level.

Newcomers hold fund raisers to aid the Northville community.
WHEN: Once a month, September through May. Meeting dates vary. Social interest groups meet once or twice a month.
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WHEN: The group meets every third Monday, except in January, July and August.
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He's among the toughest of the tough in the USA

By Jennifer Norris
 STAFF WRITER

While Brett Pedersen is not an official American gladiator, he may give the real ones dizzying competition.

Pedersen, a physical education teacher at Hillside Middle School, recently won the 2003 American Collegiate Intramural Championships National Fitness competition in Orlando.

The event, which was sponsored by Target, was hosted May 9-11.

Pedersen qualified to compete at the Florida competition after he and Chris Roberson, a college friend, earned the top two scores in the ACIC Eastern Michigan University Fitness Championship.

"I won the campus championship which involved pull-ups, a half-mile run, an agility jump drill and a V-sit and reach for flexibility," said Pedersen. "The top two finishers went sent to Orlando."

After receiving an all-expenses paid trip to the national contest, Pedersen and his partner competed in several events, designed to push athletic abilities to the limit.

"The national events were a little bit different, he said. "The first event was a duathlon, which is a 1 1/2 mile run and a 2-mile bike course."

Pedersen said he ran the course while his teammate hiked the established route. The two men finished third in that event.

The tug-of-war event resulted in a first place finish for the twosome.

Next, Pedersen and Roberson were separately harnessed to a sled weighing 150 pounds. Each contestant was required to pull his sled 40 yards. At the end of that event, the

"A lot of hard work had gone into preparing myself to complete in that event."

Brett Pedersen
 Hillside Middle School

two had earned another first place finish.

The final event — an obstacle course — required each man to complete a 40 yard dash, cross parallel rings, overcome a climbing wall and a variety of other hurdles. The two challengers also earned first place in that category.

"When the final points were added up, we were first overall," said Pedersen. "We were given medals and plaques."

Backpacks and T-shirt prizes also supplemented the contestants' paid excursion to the competition.

Pedersen said he felt a strong sense of victory at the event's conclusion.

"I was just proud, very proud," he said. "A lot of hard work had gone into preparing myself to compete in that event. I did a lot of preparation for it. I definitely trained for it and it was fulfilling to be rewarded in the end."

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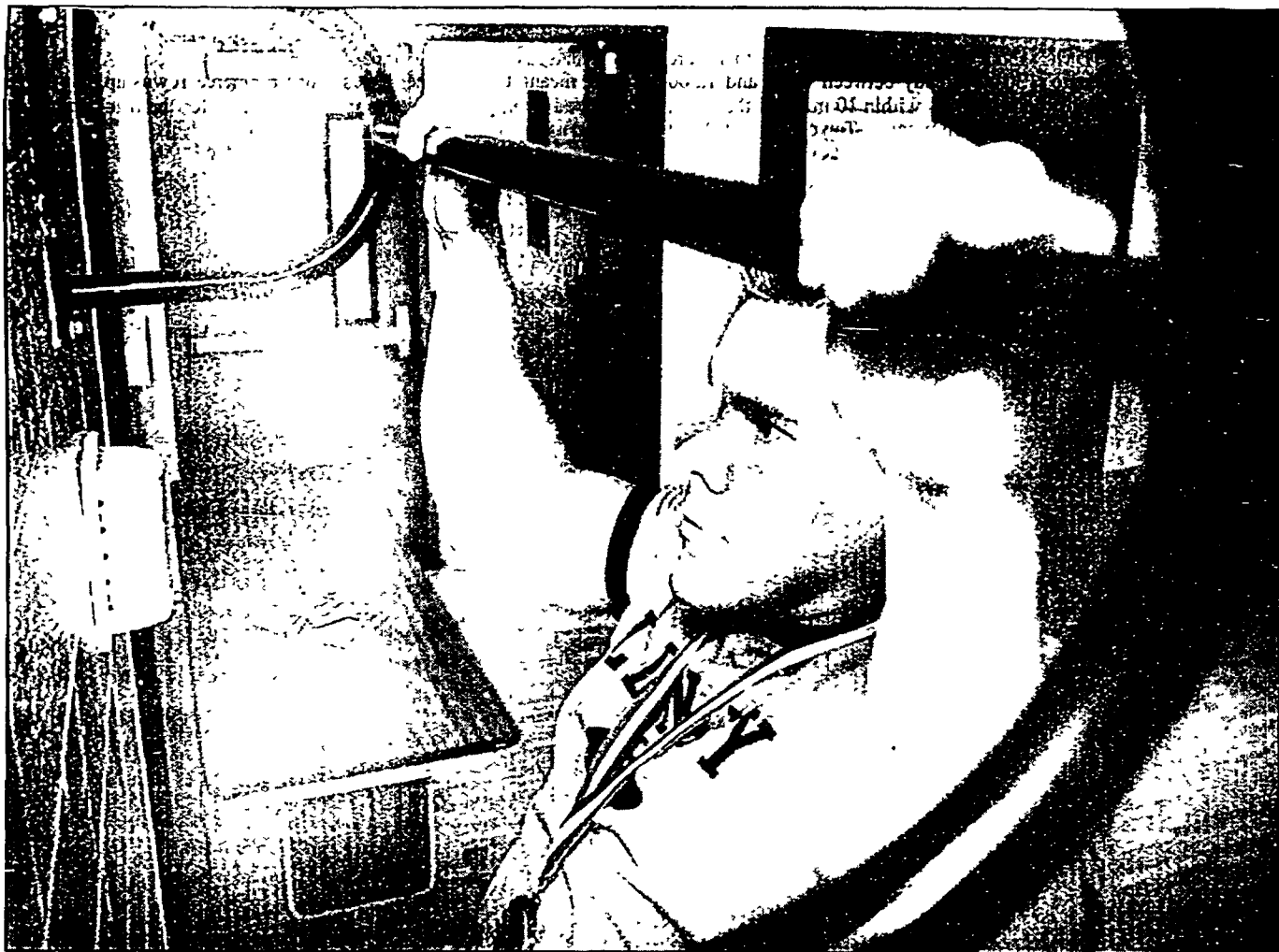


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Hillside Middle School physical education teacher Brett Pedersen, along with fellow EMU alumni Chris Roberson, recently won the 2003 American Collegiate Fitness Championship in competition in Florida. Wearing his gold medal from the rigorous event, Pedersen completes a few chinups in the school gym.

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Group lobbies against hospital bed move

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

Three hospital groups, including Novi's Providence, with a substantial presence in Detroit say they need to move hospital beds to Western Oakland County to remain solvent and serve the region's shifting population. Long-term opponents of the request counter that there are too many hospital beds in a region already and that building new facilities will only drive up medical costs.

Regardless of what the state Certificate of Need (CON) Commission does when it meets in Lansing June 10, the final answer could well be five years and legions of lawyers away.

After taking nearly a full day of testimony on the question May 28, commission members were told by Assistant Attorney General Ron Styka that after the Governor's office withdrew Jean Landerville's nomination to the CON Commission, the commission lacked authority to act. And even if it did have the authority, the provision in the Public Health Code that would allow it to block Providence, Detroit Medical Center and Henry Ford hospitals from moving beds to Novi, Commerce Township and West Bloomfield, respectively, is unconstitutional, according to Styka.

Representatives of the Novi-based Economic Alliance of Michigan urged CON members to vote to block the three hospitals from moving beds when the commission meets again June 10 and vowed court action if they don't.

"There is no need for any new hospital anywhere in Michigan," declared Larry Horowitz, the Alliance's executive director. The Alliance, which represents 28 business and union groups, has fought attempts by St. John Health System, Providence's parent organization, to move hospital beds to the suburbs for more than a decade, claiming it would only serve to drive up health costs.

Stifling competition

On the other side, representatives of Providence, DMC and Henry Ford, say the state's 30-year-old CON process is being subverted to stifle competition.

Critics of the planned move have charged repeatedly that the trio are abandoning the city of Detroit. However, Rob Casalou, Providence's president, noted that one of his institution's most vocal opponents, Novi-based Trinity

"There is no need for any new hospital anywhere in Michigan."

Larry Horowitz
Economic Alliance of Michigan

Health, closed its last Detroit Hospital, Samaritan (Mercy Hospital), in 2000.

Since 1980, Casalou added, 23 hospitals have closed in Detroit, taking nearly 6,000 hospital beds and more than 18,000 jobs with them.

Novi Mayor Richard Clark noted that financially-troubled DMC, one of only three major health care systems left in Detroit, announced plans to slash its workforce by 1,000. Commenting on plans by some city activists to sue DMC to halt that plan, he asked, "How can you enjoin people from going broke?"

Improved patient care

Bruce Muma, Henry Ford's medical director for Macomb and Oakland counties, said his institution's plans to move beds to West Bloomfield, "is a small step for us, but from the patient's perspective, there are huge benefits. He noted that not only does transferring patients from Henry Ford's West Bloomfield facility cost the patient between \$400 and \$2,000, but increases the potential for medical errors.

Nabil Khoury an emergency room physician at West Bloomfield told commission members that transferring patients causes "undue stress." He added, "patients shouldn't have disjointed care."

Casalou said that while Novi's population alone increased 43.6 percent between 1990 and 2000, Western Oakland County still has only 4.2 percent of the hospital beds in the county. He noted that a third of Providence's admissions in Southfield come from Novi.

Horowitz countered there are already between 1,200 and 1,500 beds within 10 miles of the Novi, Commerce Township and West Bloomfield sites with an occupancy rate of only 47 percent. Moving hospital beds around Southeast Michigan is not the solution to the problem, he insisted.

However, according to



Photo by PHIL FOLEY

Larry Horowitz, executive director of the Novi-based Economic Alliance, an umbrella group for 28 Southeast Michigan businesses and organizations, argues against allowing Providence Hospital and two others to move beds to the suburbs. Horowitz told members of the state Certificate of Need Commission in Lansing May 28 that there is no need for new hospitals anywhere in the state.

Casalou, Providence's 40-year-old facility is on the verge of having to replace one of its patient towers, and building a new facility in Novi would cost less than renovating the Southfield facility.

David Marin, director of Michigan State University's Institute for Health Care Studies, told commission members that the rise of managed care and other cost containment measures has shifted the balance of power from physicians to insurance companies over the past two decades. He said that while the medical arms race of 20 years ago saw the cost of technology, needed or not, passed on to consumers, changes in the nature of hospital compensation meant that by the 1990s increased competition led to lower costs for consumers.

Thomas Smith, director of health care and employee benefits at Delphi, the Troy-based auto parts maker, argued that "more choice is not the same as improved accessibility." He told commission members that Delphi

and other automotive companies learned the hard way in the '80s that "it does not make sense to add factories if there's no new business."

Casalou countered that sometimes it's more effective to build in a greenfield. "It's very difficult to create a new vision in an existing facility," he said, pointing to the example of GM's Saturn division, which built a totally new plant rather than renovate an existing one.

"We just want to create the best model of care possible," he said, noting that twice last year Novi's ER had to treat people with burst aneurysms because there was no time to go to Livonia, Ann Arbor or Commerce Township, but then had to transfer them to facilities with hospital beds.

"The need is there and has been there for a long time," said Clark. He urged commission members to "put patient needs before process." He countered Horowitz's assertion that hospitals are not subject to the normal

economic forces by saying the "23 hospitals that have closed [in Detroit] in the last 23 years will take great solace in that."

People over politics

Clark insisted, "It's time to put politics aside and do one thing and one thing only — the right thing."

However, it's unclear if the commission will do anything when it meets June 10.

According to a six-page opinion written by Styka, at the request of State Senator Nancy Cassis, when Landerville, a nursing home administrator from Garden City, asked the Governor to withdraw her name from consideration, it effectively stopped the commission from taking any action to block the hospitals from moving beds.

According to legislation drawn up by Cassis, if seven of the eight CON commissioners do not vote to stop the bed transfers by June 15, the hospitals can go forward

with their plans.

However, Landerville's replacement wasn't appointed until Memorial Day weekend, and state law gives the legislature 60 days to vote not to approve a gubernatorial appointment, which means the CON Commission won't be at full-strength until after the June 15 deadline.

Still, Horowitz insisted the commission has an "affirmative duty to act."

While Styka told commission members that provisions in the statute that would allow them to block bed transfers are unconstitutional, the Alliance's attorney, Mike Ashton, countered, "There's no veto here. There's no repeal of legislative authority."

One thing is fairly certain, regardless of which way the commission goes June 10, the two sides are likely headed to court.

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Residents asked to help school with brick sale

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Local residents will soon be able to leave their permanent mark on Ridge Wood Elementary, the district's newest elementary school.

Decorative, engravable bricks are being sold and each one is slated to be integrated into the landscaping near the front entrance to the school.

Lynne Mosteller, a member of the Buy-A-Brick committee, said the project is a major fundraiser for Ridge Wood Elementary.

"We've got a super group of parents," she said. "It's one of the programs that the parents are getting involved with to help kick off the new school and the new school year."

Mosteller said the committee is hoping to sell bricks to local families or businesses. The bricks may be personalized to honor an individual or specific event or memorialize a loved one.

Bricks are available in either 4" x 8" or 8" x 8" sizes. The cost is \$50 for a 4" x 8" brick and \$95 for an 8" x 8" brick. This price is a discounted rate for

families.

Corporate brick purchases are \$125 for an 8" x 8" brick only.

The profits of the brick sale will be used to fund the Junior Enrichment Series and other PTA sponsored programs at Ridge Wood Elementary School.

Mosteller said plenty of community participation in the project is necessary.

"We're hoping to get corporate sponsors," she said. "It's a new school. We're starting from scratch. We need the money for Junior Enrichment Series and other PTA sponsored programs and we're especially in need due to all the budget cuts we're facing in the next school year."

To purchase a brick, contact Julie Sugawara at (248) 374-0472 or Jan Smith at (248) 924-2271 no later than June 19.

"We're hoping people will want to leave their mark," said Mosteller. "They can be a part of history."

Mock interviews educate Hillside students

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Over a two-day period last week, eighth grade students at Hillside Middle School were getting a taste of "real-world" interviews as parents and community volunteers posed as employees in search of a few good workers.

Under the direction of Hillside teachers, students prepared personal resumes, cover letters and completed an employment application for their interviewer to examine. Letters of recommendation and other documents were

also included in the students' portfolios.

Hillside Middle School science teacher Roy Hall said this was the second year he has been involved with the project.

"Basically, every year it just seems to get better," he said. "Everything just went very smooth. There were literally no glitches. I thought it went really well."

Prior to the interviews, Tom Smetana, a local parent, advised students on the proper etiquette of effective interviews, which prompted several inquiries from students.

"They had wonderful questions,"

said Hall.

Although the interviews are not required school curriculum, Hall said the project teaches important life lessons.

"I never received this in school," he said. "I would bet a greater majority of people have never received any training or experience in interviewing."

Hall said the students benefit from preparing a professional job portfolio and being interviewed by adults.

"I think it was very well received by the students," he said. "I think a lot of them find interviewing fun."

Plans are in the works to host the event again next year.

"I would like to continue to do it and I think we will," said Hall. "I think it will become more of a team project."

Hall also said the project left an impression on the adult participants as well.

"Some asked to return next year," he said. "That speaks volumes as to how impactful the program is on the kids."

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Currently, she is the branch manager at John Adams Mortgage at Real Estate One. Her work also follows her home, as she is married to a Realtor and many of her close friends are also involved in real estate.

"I go home, and my husband and I talk about work. Then we go out with friends and we talk about work more. I like it, it gives me insight and experience that a lot of people don't have," Teresa said.

Though the mortgage business requires Teresa to be on call 24 hours a day, she still manages time to spend with her 6-year-old daughter and 5-year-old son. An advantage to her business is that she can do a lot of work at home and can even pre-approve people right from her living room.

"When people find a house

they like, things need to move quickly. I have the ability to get everything done as quickly as possible to make sure my customers get the house they want," she said.

A hometown girl, Teresa graduated from Milford High School 20 years ago. Though she lives in Livonia, she hopes to someday return to the area.

For all your mortgage needs, call Teresa Hartley-Becker at (248) 684-5581, or visit her inside the Real Estate One building located at 560 N. Milford Road, in Milford.



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Relax, dads — Father's Day is coming up...

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Sounds like some local dads will be wining and dining this Father's Day.

A quick poll of family members enjoying the warmer temperatures out on Main and Center street sidewalks last week found a variety of plans for the father in their life.

"I'm planning on getting my dad a few bottles of wine," said

John Toth of Northville. "He's a wine connoisseur. I'll probably take him out to eat, too."

Toth's buddy, Ariel Medina of Northville, also planned an outing for his dad.

"I'm actually going to take him out for a golf game, smoke a couple of cigars and take him out to dinner at Meadowbrook," Medina said.

Kristen Greco of Northville too planned a sport-related Sunday

"We'll probably play baseball as we typically do."

Claire Matthews was so excited about the gift she created for her dad, Bill, she gave it to him early.

"It was a picture of me and him," the five-year-old said. She made the frame, mom Katy explained. The Novi family of four, including 8-year-old Scott, still was deciding what to do Father's Day.

"We love holidays, so we'll

end up doing something fun," Katy said.

Two weeks was too far ahead to plan for a couple of people questioned.

"I think my graduation party is actually on Father's Day," said Northville High School senior Eryn Duffield. "I think my dad is going sailing."

Likewise, David Benson of Northville had not yet pinned down his plans. His parents, spending summers in the Upper

Peninsula makes it a little tricky, he said.

"I don't know what I'll be doing," he said. "They'll be in the U.P. I don't know if I'll go up there."

"I'll send him a card. That always works."

Denise DeGiorgio of Northville planned to head north too. "He can go fishing and I can read."

Amy Chait of South Lyon, visiting Northville with her 2-

year-old daughter Anna, described the most appropriate present for her husband Michael.

"We're having a baby the week of Father's Day," she said. "It could be the day. That's a way to celebrate."

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For those without a father, finding joy in holiday challenging

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

The racks of greeting cards that appeared in stores weeks ago remind Kathy Holmes that on Father's Day she is without.

"All the fathers in my life are dead," she said. "Both my grandfathers. And my dad died in 1996."

"It makes me sad when I see displays of father's day cards."

This Father's Day weekend, Sandy Prebenda — who was widowed three years ago — will take her two children to fish from the dock their dad always intended to, but never had the chance.

"I feel it's important for them to have an image of their dad," said Prebenda, the outreach and special events coordinator for the New Hope Center for Grief Support. Her daughter Morgan and son Ryan were ages 6 and 3, respectively, when their dad David died in 2000.

"It's shifted from a day of dread to a day to honor their dad in a favorable way," the mom said.

Prebenda and Cathy Clough, executive director of New Hope, said there are many positive ways to honor dad next weekend: share a story about him, light a candle, plant a tree, write a poem, listen to one of his favorite songs.

"Do something that he liked to do," Clough said, who lost her first husband 20 years ago this June. Even all these years later, she said that when she sees one of her sons, Jeff and Bart Nafe,

doing something that reminds her of their dad, she tells them.

"It's best to do something to remember," Clough said. Especially if this is your first Father's Day without dad, she advised, you need to plan to do something that day.

Making gifts for mom in May and Dad in June is part of the routine in elementary grades, the director said. Surviving parents need to make teachers aware of the family situation, she said.

Support from peers in the center's "New Hope for KIDZ" group makes them feel less excluded, Clough said. Approximately 20 children from Northville and the surrounding area attend twice a month the center's KIDZ four age groups who gather at St. Kenneth's at Haggerty and Five Mile roads.

Empathetic facilitators lead the youngsters' discussion, acknowledging that kids grieve in different ways and at different developmental levels. Whereas older children are able to talk about feelings, the younger ones may tell stories about their parent or draw, Prebenda said.

"So many of these kids won't talk to their surviving parent," Clough said. "They learn it's OK to talk to them."

If they do not express their feelings, they might come out in a destructive way, she said, through aggressive behavior or poor school performance.

"We want people to find us," Clough said. "We don't want them to find us a year from now."

However, she added, it's not

too late. Even if they lost a parent as a preschooler, they can come as a five-year-old."

Prebenda said the KIDZ groups give children comfort and confidence to talk. Sometimes a topic surfaces a couple of days after they attend.

"It's the only place with kids that are just like them," Prebenda said. "Every other aspect of their life — at school, at Brownies, at swim lessons — they are with kids that have their parents. Even if they are divorced."

"There's just a comfort level when you're with people who have been challenged like you."

At the June 10 meeting, all the KIDZ group members will release balloons in honor of their father or other lost loved one. It will be symbolic of being uplifted and cheerful, Prebenda said.

The support center, which shares the 113 E. Dunlap building with Jack's Barber Shop, offers grief support workshops and ongoing groups for people in a variety of circumstances, including children, widows and widowers, empty-nesters, those in retirement years, 9/11 families, and parents who have lost an adult child.

For more information, contact the New Hope Center for Grief Support at (248) 348-0115 or griefhelp@aol.com. The web site for the non-profit organization is www.newhopecenter.net.

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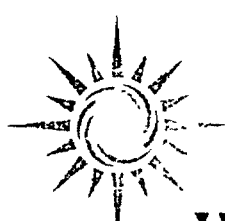


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Maybury Trailriders Assoc. members like Jean Bemish (left, on "Abby") and Sharon Deron riding "Dot", are holding a pancake breakfast and selling t-shirts to raise money for the Maybury Farm barn restoration project. Here they ride near Napier Road.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Road projects clear financial hurdles in Novi

By Phil Foley
STAFF WRITER

Novi city council unanimously passed its 2003-04 budget May 19, but not without a last-minute tussle over road funding.

City Council Member Laura Lorenzo unsuccessfully argued in favor of adding Dewill Street to the city's chip seal program, at a cost of \$28,000, and against planned improvements to Meadowbrook Road.

Council members, however, did go along with her request to add \$50,000 to the budget to chip seal Austin Street. According to City Engineer Nancy McClain, Austin Street, a quarter-mile long dirt road that snakes around the east edge of Shawood Lake, is one of the city's oldest streets.

Berry McCusker, the city's department of public works director, said the \$50,000 budgeted for chip sealing Dinser and Delmont drives is essentially a demonstration project to see how well the paving technique will work in the city. Novi still has 13 miles of unpaved roads within the city limits. McCusker told council members he believes chip sealing these roads will save the city maintenance money in the long run.

Council member Lou Csordas said he was opposed to paving Dinser and Delmont at public expense. "That's what SADs (special assessment districts) are for," he said.

Noting that plans to widen Meadowbrook Road were part of an earlier failed bond issue, Lorenzo argued for cutting the project from the city budget. "The people have spoken and it failed," she said.

Council member Mav Sanghvi, who's lived in Novi the better part of three decades, declared, "that road is a disgrace to the city." He suggested that the portion of the road north of I-96 is in such poor

shape that pregnant women could use it to help induce labor.

While Lorenzo argued that planned improvements to Meadowbrook would benefit mainly developers who should share in the cost, Mayor Richard Clark countered that Meadowbrook is in "deplorable" condition. "I don't want to see us back-peddling on this," he told council members.

Despite concerns over the possibility of even greater cuts in state revenue sharing later this year, Dinser, Delmont and Meadowbrook stayed on the city work plan and Austin got added.

City Manager Rich Helwig assured commissioners the money from existing accounts without changing city \$23.96 million budget. To fund the budget, the city agreed to levy a 10.5416 millage rate. Property taxes, however, will generate just slightly more than half the city's expected revenue for the year.

In earlier budget workshops, council members chopped \$35,000 from the Parks Recreation and Forestry Fund and another \$60,800 from the Planning Department, while adding \$260,000 to the Drain Fund to dredge Meadowbrook Lake.

The city is expecting at least \$4.01 million of its budget to come from Lansing in revenue sharing, but the state has already slashed revenue sharing projections. There could be even deeper cuts in state funding later this year if the economy doesn't rebound.

In arguing for the budget, Clark told commissioners, "There's nothing wrong with this economy. We simply have to believe in ourselves."

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ON CAMPUS

Northville resident Carolyn Farmer was named to the dean's honor list at Michigan State University for the 2003 spring semester.

The following Northville residents were named to the dean's list at Schoolcraft College for the 2003 winter semester: Michael Edward Amman, Demetrios Glen Anastasiou, Mark Joseph Asteriou, Fatina Attalla, Iulia Raluca Berry, Robert Albert Bialobrzewski, Bianca Lynn Bishop, Xiaojiang Bo, Jennifer Ann Bradley, Michael James Brenner, Maria Brhlikova, Brianna Rose Buckley, Daniel Patrick Bulgozdy, Jennifer L. Burton, Mark Owen Butcher, Susan Gail Campion, Stacey Marie Canu, Jason Sherron Carr, Linda Syau-Lin Chang, Nancy Jean Chesney, Diana

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Northville resident Asha Shajahan was among the gradu-

ates of Creighton University (Omaha, Neb.) during spring 2003 commencement exercises.

Northville resident Cynthia Anne Mille was among the graduates of Wake Forest University (Winston-Salem, N.C.) during spring 2003 commencement exercises.

Northville resident Laurel Rupley was named to the dean's list at Northwestern University for the winter quarter of the 2002-2003 academic year.

Northville resident William Waldmann was one of the recipients of the Ernest I. Nolan Award for excellence in a humanities dis-

cipline, awarded to students at Madonna University.

Northville resident Roger Kempa was named to the dean's list at the University of Michigan-Dearborn for the winter 2003 term.

Northville residents Ryan Lueker, Armand Samoelian and Allison Treloar were among the graduates recognized during spring commencement exercises at Alma College.

ENGAGEMENTS



Nelson-Vander Heide

Rob and Cheryl Nelson of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda, to Paul Vander Heide, son of Stuart and Nelleke Vander Heide of Grand Rapids.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Northville High School and a 2001 graduate of Hope College. She is employed by Nemes Allen and Company of Bingham Farms. The groom-elect is a 2000 graduate of Hope and is employed by Trace of Grand Rapids.

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Trio of bidders sets sights on hospital land

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"It would be premature to develop too many plans until they know what's out there."

Jennifer Frey
community development director

Township manager Chip Snider. The township controls the zoning and development review process for the property.

Earlier this week, the buildings that comprise the former hospital site were unoccupied and quiet, surrounded by rolling lawns, wooded areas, curvy drives, and empty parking lots. The main hospital, the power plant, the Plymouth Community Theater, the series of single-story buildings throughout the site soon will be scrutinized.

"There's a lot of buildings to take down once this starts," Snider said. What stays up or comes down all will depend on the buyer, he said.

"If it began immediately, I would surmise at least a five-year development," the manager said in response to a question.

Grand Sakwa and Pulte — both names familiar in the Northville area — have ongoing development projects in the community, said township director of community development Jennifer Frey. Prior to the state bid deadline, only Pulte sent representatives into the township to specifically discuss the state-owned property, she said.

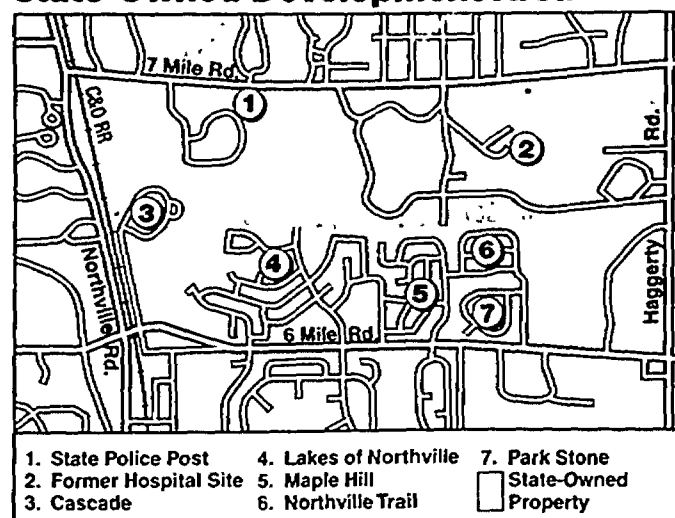
"I spoke in generalities to them," she said.

Township planning staff in recent weeks distributed 10 packets of site information, including a zoning map, Seven Mile Road Corridor Plan, and Planned Use Development zoning regulations.

Mixture of uses

The entire state-owned parcel is zoned PUD, including a mix-

State-Owned Development Area



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ture of office, research and development, residential and open-space land uses. The ordinance details specifics from lot size to residential architectural style to utility placement.

Due diligence will be quite a project, said Frey, who is familiar with the site from her work on drafting the township's conceptual plan for the property. In addition to exploring the lay of the land, the designated developer will look at subsurface, building demolition considerations, potential contamination, and other features, Frey said.

"They had an automobile repair facility out there," she said. "There are a lot of steam tunnels." She also said the site contains building foundations, basements, and possibly asbestos.

"Those are the kind of things they'll have to look at mitigating before they begin development," the community development director said. "All of those will affect where they build on the site and the amount of money it will take before it happens."

The new owner probably will want to start demolition as soon as possible, Frey said, if only from the public safety perspective.

Snider expressed his hope that the developer selected would immediately establish a presence on the Seven Mile Road site.

"Our concern at the township is that once these buildings are

vacated that the new owners protect their property," he said. "We've had past experience with buildings becoming a haven for criminal activity."

Frey said she expected the selected developer to come to the township to discuss further what they might find on the former hospital grounds. Detailed site plan discussion will come later.

"It would be premature to develop too many plans until they know what's out there," Frey said.

"In my mind, they would then develop a land-use plan," she said. "This is only the very beginning of the process."

Months of planning

Approval of a planned development concept for a parcel that size would take a minimum 10 to 12 months, officials estimated. After the PUD is approved, the township will require additional site plan or subdivision plan reviews and approvals for each land use, Frey said.

"The general overall framework is there," she said. "It could be tweaked or modified."

"The township was being proactive in rezoning to PUD," Frey said. Community input a year ago laid the groundwork for the plan the selected developer will work from today.

Several homeowners near the south side of the state-owned parcel approached township leaders with concerns about



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville Township Manager Chip Snider surveys the grounds of the Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital Monday morning. Much of the property, including the main nine-story dormitory seen at right, will probably be re-developed once it's sold to developers.

potential development. Houses in Maple Hill and Northville Trail developments accessed from Six Mile Road entrances are within a stone's throw from large green storage tanks and the power plant, which services the Hawthorne Center on Haggerty Road and the hospital, on the Seven Mile site.

Understandably, Snider said, "they want to make sure there's an attractive development."

The township plan calls for placing along the south end of the property single-family houses to abut existing homes, or providing a very large buffer setback.

"That was a very conscious decision," Frey said. Likewise, the planners revised the extent of Winchester Drive north into what will be the new development area, so that it would not include a straightaway

between Six to Seven Mile roads.

The township's plan also seeks to preserve the woodlands near the intersection of Seven Mile and Haggerty roads. And the Seven Mile Road park, about midway between Haggerty and Northville roads, would be expanded in the plan.

Long-term plan

"We would like to see a 50-acre donation," Snider said. Developer contribution of a portion of the 400-plus acre parcel might go toward a school site, park land, or a possible additional fire station location.

The township's board of trustees last August adopted the Seven Mile Road corridor plan, after six months of long-range planning discussion. The document attempts to establish a uni-

fied identity on both sides of the road for the complete stretch, from Northville to Haggerty, Frey explained.

Township leaders sought to establish guidelines that would preserve quality of life not only for people who live along the corridor and work along the corridor, but also travel along there. For example, identifies key natural resources to preserve and an integrated pedestrian pathway network.

The township attempted to balance resident wants with the rights of the new owners to develop their land, Frey said.

"I think there's potential to do something that benefits everybody."

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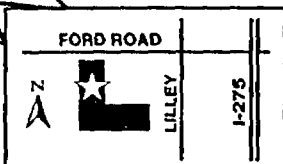
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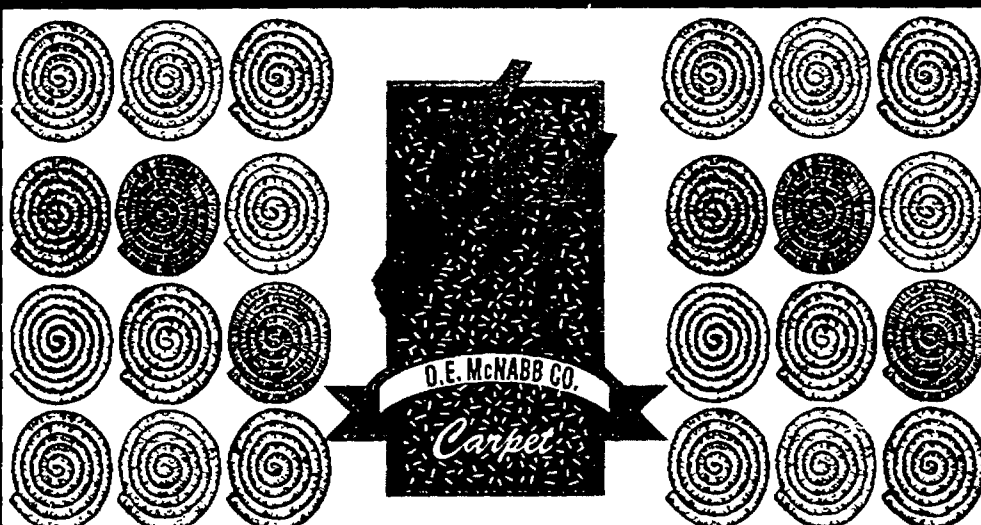
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DATE: June 5
LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: WDIV-TV (Channel 4) personality Lila Lazarus will speak on the importance of being active to maintain a healthy lifestyle and pleasant disposition.
PHONE: (248) 349-0911

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

King's Mill flea market

DATE: June 7
LOCATION: King's Mill condominiums (Northville, between Six and Seven Mile roads)
TIME: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
DETAILS: In addition to the sale, a 50-50 drawing and bake sale

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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

Gardeners of Northville & Novi

DATE: June 9
LOCATION: Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street)

TIME: 6:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Weedologist Jim Mackinder will speak on "Everything You Need To Know About Weeds."
PHONE: (248) 348-1946

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

• COMING UP •

Single Place — "Gratitude and the Three I's"

DATE: June 12
LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Richard Egli will speak on the importance of gratitude in a person's life.
PHONE: (248) 349-0911

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

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

DATE: June 16
LOCATION: Call for info
TIME: Noon
DETAILS: A plants and crafts auction will be held.

PHONE: (734) 455-5525

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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Saints with paints: Explorers lend hand with subdivision signs



submitted photo

Members of the Explorers lend a hand in painting signs in the Northville Estates subdivision last week.

By Grace Blum
SPECIAL WRITER

Braving the formidable sky, a group of teens known as the Explorers, did a good deed last Thursday evening by painting around 25 street signs in the Northville Estates subdivision.

"It drizzled a little bit, but the weather held up pretty nice for us," said 17-year-old Richard Hamilton, a two-year member of the Explorers group.

It all started when Pat Campion, a resident of Northville Estates, noticed many of the signs in the subdivision were "in'dire need of repair. Campion recalled hearing about the Explorers painting fire hydrants around Northville, and began thinking of how the

Explorers could make some money while helping out the subdivision. One thing led to another, and soon the Explorers were scheduled to re-paint the signs.

Campion said it would cost about \$22,000 to professionally replace the signs. The cost of having the Explorers re-paint the signs saved Northville Estates a large chunk of money, she said. The group was paid through the subdivision's homeowners' association, and the funds are going towards a national convention the Explorers plan on attending this summer.

The Explorers is a volunteer organization and a division of the Boy Scouts. Nine teens and four adults make up the group.

"The Explorers is a youth program for kids interested in going

into the fire department or the medical field," said Shari Allen, advisor to the Explorers.

"It's a great program for the youth. We do a lot of hands-on experiences. And the people involved with it are great, too," said Hamilton, a senior at Novi High School. Hamilton hopes to get his associate's degree with the fire program at Schoolcraft College and then become employed by the city of Northville.

"Even if you're not interested in the fire department, it's still a great learning experience to be involved in," Hamilton said.

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Don't expand DMC hospitals

There's no doubt about the serious crisis in the Detroit health care system. But one proposal under consideration — allowing Detroit hospitals to build new beds at their facilities in the suburbs — is not the remedy.

The issue has caused an enormous stir in recent weeks.

Hospitals serving the city of Detroit — Detroit Medical Center, Henry Ford Health System and St. John Health System — are losing money largely because most of their patients are either covered by low-reimbursement Medicaid or entirely uninsured. DMC recently precipitated the crisis by announcing \$300 million in losses over the past five years and threatening to lay off more than 1,000 staff and close units at Detroit Receiving and Hutzel Hospitals.

The Detroit hospitals say in order to survive they must improve their mix of patients, which is an elegant way of saying they want to move hospital beds to their suburban sites where patients have better-paying insurance plans.

Other hospitals, including systems like Beaumont and Trinity Health, as well as local independent hospitals such as Farmington's Botsford, are furiously lobbying against this idea. Allowing the Detroit outfits to move 300 hospital beds into their suburban markets would drain more than \$60 million from their annual revenue stream, they claim. Moreover, building 300 new beds represents an enormous capital investment, one that may not be needed in relatively well-served suburban communities.

All this comes to a head next week when the state's Certificate of Need Commission, whose job is to decide what hospital facilities will get built and where, is set to rule on an esoteric provision of Public Act 619, passed in a lame duck session of the legislature last year. That provision would allow three health care systems — DMC, Henry Ford and St. John — to transfer hospital beds to their suburban sites without the state's OK.

We have no doubt that the Detroit hospitals are facing a genuine crisis, and allowing Receiving or Hutzel to close

plainly would be a disaster. But allowing a piecemeal fix to a critical need in the entire health care system makes little sense. State leaders should be looking for a more comprehensive solution, which is the purpose behind the certificate of need process in the first place.

Other metropolitan areas around the country — Chicago and Denver, particularly — have faced similar health care problems in the past. Their solution has been to create a unified regional health care system that serves under-insured or uninsured patients in urban areas. In some cases, such systems are financed by a "tax" on hospitals throughout the state. In others, a regional levy on taxpayers has provided the funds.

One of the reasons Detroit hospitals want to be allowed to shift hospital beds to the suburbs just now is their calculation that neither the legislature nor Governor Granholm have the political will to consider a more comprehensive solution. They recognize the stopgap program under consideration is not a perfect solution, but they figure it's the only one that they can get through the political system.

This is silly. The only way to get lawmakers to take a wider view of health care is for the CON Commission to block the shift in beds, thereby forcing our political leaders to consider the future of health care in Michigan as a whole and over the long term.

The prospect of having more full-service hospitals operating in our suburban backyards may sound attractive. But it won't look so good if it penalizes existing hospitals, costs hundreds of millions of dollars in additional buildings and equipment, drives up health care expenses and health insurance premiums for us all.

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For school board: vote Price, Smith

Serving on a school board is a demanding and often thankless job, but for the sake of students, it's a vital part of the educational process. Northville is blessed to have four individuals who have stepped up and made themselves candidates for the board. Although all four candidates have demonstrated and voiced their devotion to education and the community in various styles, we believe the ideal candidates to fill the vacant positions are MARILYN PRICE and LIBBY SMITH.

Ampley equipped with a lengthy background in education and school involvement, Ms. Price has served as a past president and vice-president of the Moraine Elementary PTA and was a past chairman for the Health and Safety Committee at Moraine. She has also been a parent representative on the Northville Public Schools Elementary Career Development Committee.

Ms. Price received her doctoral degree in counseling from Indiana University along with two education related degrees from Central Michigan University. She is a former assistant director and staff psychologist at the Binghamton University Counseling Center and has taught at

CMU.

We believe Ms. Smith also has the level of leadership and charisma necessary to lead the school district. She is currently the PTA president of Thornton Creek Elementary and is also part of the Thornton Creek and district school improvement teams.

Her selfless school involvement and humble spirit combined with her knowledge of critical educational issues and student-focused initiatives have prepared Ms. Smith to be a valuable addition to the school board.

Our recommendations for Ms. Price and Ms. Smith are by no means indictments against Carol Poenisch and Robert Sochacki, the two other candidates running for school board. On the contrary, they share many of the same positive attributes we see in Ms. Price and Ms. Smith. Had a pool of less-qualified candidates been running, Ms. Poenisch and Mr. Sochacki would most certainly be receiving our backing on election day.

Still, we believe the greatest likelihood for stability and continued progress in the Northville school district rests in the hands of MARILYN PRICE and LIBBY SMITH. We encourage voters to send them to the school board this Monday.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Amy Zubor putts on the course she's laid out for this past weekend's "Putt-byterian", sponsored by the Northville First Presbyterian Church. Zubor's course was on her Grandview St. home.

LETTERS

Thanks for help with Novi parade

The [Novi] Memorial Day Committee would like to thank the following sponsors for their contributions to the Novi parade and ceremonies: Meijer, Oak Pointe Church, Novi Lions, McNish's Sporting & Trophies, Varsity Lincoln Mercury, Car & Truck Boutique, The American Legion, The Bauman Family, The Marcus Family, The McSweeney Family, Detroit Hummer, Henderson Glass and the Novi Police Lieutenant and Sergeant Association.

A sincere thank you to the veterans who

participated in the day and to the volunteers and employees, without which the day would not have been so successful.

Tracie Ringle
Event/Marketing Coordinator

Where's the work on Seven Mile Road?

Seven Mile Road has been closed for almost five weeks between Ridge Road and

Napier Road for access to a new housing development on Seven Mile. In my experience, this is too long a time for this work to be done. I have been down to this sight and have seen only one man working on this sight. I believe it's time to either put a full crew on this job, or give the job to someone who can handle the small amount of work that needs to be done. I have enough rattles in my car from Michigan's poor road system, and I don't need more.

Charles Tennant
Northville

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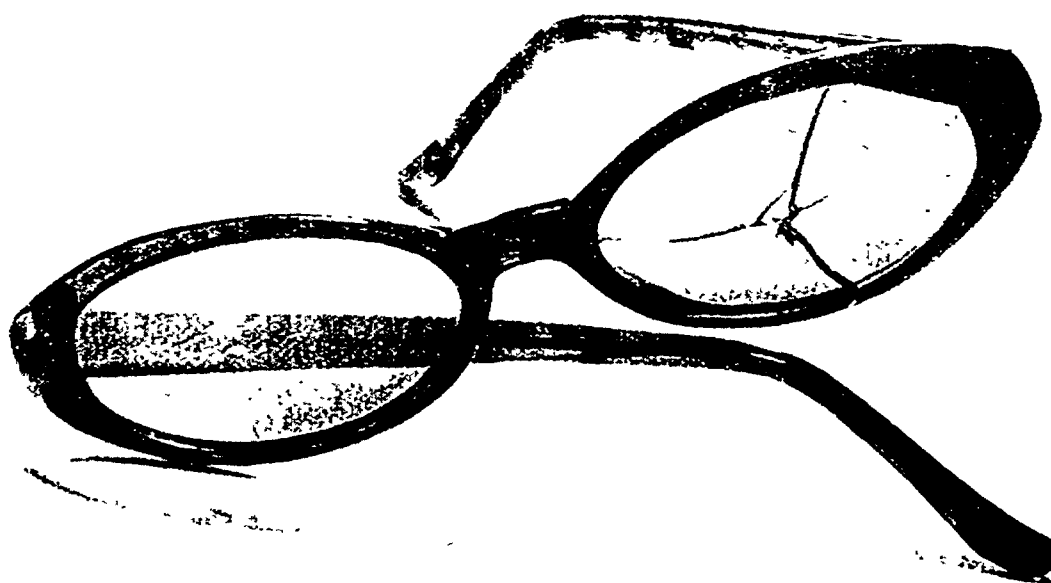


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Meap \$Scholarship needs work

So Michigan is going to get a \$655 million windfall from the feds, part of the big tax cut bill signed by President Bush last week. Even before the ink on the President's signature was dry, however, folks in Lansing were squabbling over how to spend the one-time windfall. What a surprise.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm wants to earmark about half for Medicaid benefits for low-income Michiganders and reserve some more as a cushion for the state School Aid Fund. But Senate Majority Leader Ken Sikkema announced — "announced," not "proposed" — that \$338 million would be used to fully fund the Michigan Merit Award program.



Phil Power

Something like half of the graduating high school seniors in Michigan score well enough on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program test to win the \$2,500 Merit scholarship to college. Over the program's first three years, nearly 150,000 students have applied for the awards — a large and politically significant constituency.

Those with long memories (or those who recently had kids in high school) will remember how the Merit Award program got started. Essentially, it was a bribe ginned up by former Gov. John Engler to encourage high school seniors to take the MEAP. Engler was facing a growing boycott against the MEAP. Parents and kids alike complained that students were being

tested till they dropped — regular school exams and college entrance tests such as the SAT and ACT. For them, the MEAP was the straw that broke the camel's back.

Teachers joined in, complaining they were expected to take extra time in class to teach to the test. And the percentage of students taking the MEAP — especially in college-bound districts like Birmingham, Farmington and East Lansing — plummeted. For those who felt the MEAP was a vital device in reforming the schools because it assessed what kids were actually learning out of the high school curriculum, collapse of the test would have been a disaster. Hence, universal approval for the Michigan Merit Award — especially when times were flush.

But evidence began piling up that much of the scholarship money was going to kids whose families really didn't need it. Stories circulated about parents taking the Merit money and using it to buy cars for their kids when they headed off for college. And some people began complaining that public money was being used to subsidize kids who were going to go to college anyway — "an entitlement program for the upper middle class" was the charge.

Maybe so, but there was a lot of grumbling when Gov. Granholm proposed a budget that radically cut back the scholarships from \$2,500 to \$500, citing Michigan's budget woes and arguing that the poor and elderly were being hard hit by tough times. And Sen. Sikkema, sensing a natural constituency out there, started saying that restoring full funding for the scholarships was the GOP's biggest legislative priority.

There are three things to be said about all this.

First, using a one-time windfall from the feds to fund a continuing program such as the Merit Awards makes no sense at all. The scholarships have been funded up to now from Michigan's share of the tobacco settle-

ment money, a cash distribution that should last for many years. The current funding practice properly matches a long-term state obligation with a long-term source of funding. It should not be changed.

Second, if the MEAP test is in fact as good indicator of pupil performance in school as everybody says, it's ridiculous for state universities and employers not to ask about MEAP results on their admission applications and job interview sheets.

Third, if the state budget is as tight as Gov. Granholm says and if maintaining the Merit Award scholarships is as important to the Republicans in the legislature as Sen. Sikkema avers, the obvious thing to do is work out a way to means test the program. Kids from wealthy families might get a token \$500 scholarship, plus the recognition that goes with receiving a Michigan Merit Award. Kids from poorer families might get the whole \$2,500 ride, which just might be the difference between going to college and getting a job.

Overall, a means tested program would cost the state a lot less than the full \$2,500 Award, and continuing the program helps sustain MEAP participation and rewards kids who do well in school. A convenient aspect of this proposal is that kids applying to college are already filling out family income statements to qualify them for scholarships or student loans, so there's no extra paperwork to do.

I realize this suggestion has the fatal (in Lansing, at least) drawback of being a common sense way to get the job done. But who knows? Maybe our political leaders will have come back from their big bash on Mackinac Island with their heads cleared enough to see that common sense sometimes works.

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

It's the most valuable lesson of all

Roy Hall is a great teacher.

I've never had him as a teacher. In fact, I've only met him once or twice, tops. Up until last Wednesday, if you asked me to identify him in a lineup of five people, I'd be stumped.

But I know he's a great teacher, and the reason I know this is because he's teaching a lesson few teachers will.



Chris C. Davis

More on that in a minute. I could tell Roy was *Educator* v2.0 from the moment I stepped into Hillside Middle School last week for the school's second annual mock job interviews. Here he was, setting out donut holes and orange juice one minute, shooting photos of students the next. He darted back and forth between stations like one of those super-bouncy balls you'd get in a box of jacks.

And all the while, I never saw Roy break a sweat. I never saw him lose his cool. I never saw him acting anything less than completely in control of his favorite project.

Now, these sorts of actions — in and of themselves — is not cause for a ticker-tape parade. I'm still getting to the point.

Roy (not to be confused with the hated former Colorado Avalanche goaltender

bearing the same last-name spelling) wanted very, very badly to let students at the school get a taste of what the proverbial "real world" is like, by making job-hunting skills part of the academic landscape. True enough: not one of these kids was probably even eligible for a job for another year or two, but Roy was giving each of them a leg up on the competition by preparing them *now* for what they'd almost certainly face eventually.

Finally! My point. In the materials Roy sent to the volunteers in advance of the Big Day, he made one thing abundantly clear: students were being told that life wasn't always fair, and that they needed to get used to it.

If there's a more important lesson that can be taught in America today, I don't know what it is.

How revolutionary!

Life.

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No, friends and neighbors, life *isn't* always fair. In fact, it can be a downright dirty and *un-fair* thing. That's an easy thing to forget when you live in a community like ours, where so much of it car audio systems that carry price tags only a government contractor could cover. That's an easy thing to forget when you live in a community like ours, where the answer to the question, "Do you want to go sailing this weekend?" isn't "yes" or "no," but rather "Your boat or mine?" Things so often seem to come easy around here, and when roadbumps pop up, it's tempting to dismiss the setback as something else other than our own shortcomings.

It couldn't possibly be my fault, could it?

Oh, yes it could. Yes, it could.

Life is not always fair. And I'll admit it: I took Roy's comments to heart, and was tough on the three students I evaluated. I gave them the kind of critique I'd give someone who was coming into my office for a job (okay — I cut them a little slack) and deducted points from their interview / portfolio evaluation for everything from constantly brushing back hair from a face to wearing white socks with dark pants.

Was it fair? Probably not. But that was precisely the point, and I'm glad Roy stepped up and let students learn that lesson now, before the stakes are raised and the specter of the big bad world puts an unsuspecting person through life's meat grinder.

The cherry on top — the thing that really showed me Roy had driven the point home — were the thank-you letters I received from the students I had interviewed. They were graceful, appreciative and heartfelt. Swallowing pride and being gracious in the face of adversity is a hard thing to do. Roy conveyed the importance of doing just that, though.

No, I never had Roy Hall for a teacher, but in a way, I feel as if I learned from him, just the same. I can only hope his students benefit from him the same way I did.

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I took notes about their notes

Let me tell you about my experience of interviewing two of the bands for the Suburban Kidz Rocking Under Ford Field concert. So far, writing articles about the bands has been my favorite assignment.



Grace Blum

The best part of journalism is talking to people. And thank goodness those boys were eager to tell me about their music. Their excitement about the SKRUFF concert made me excited, and when I came back from interviewing each band I experienced what I like to call "an interviewing high" because I had so much fun.

The first band I interviewed was This Dying Hour. When I arrived at the house, only two of the four band members were there. And then one left to pick up one of the other members. So basically I talked to one band member for a good twenty minutes. The poor guy was bombarded with questions and I could tell that he wasn't an overly talkative

person. I tried to ask questions that would encourage him to open up and give me more than a one word answer. It worked. Soon he was telling me about the differences between playing a bass and a guitar. I asked him as many questions as I could think of, and when my mind was finally running out of questions to ask, two of the other band members walked in. I then proceeded to ask them many of the same questions that I had asked their band mate. Fortunately, one of the guys was extremely talkative and he provided me with some great information to write an article about. After I was done asking questions, the guys played me a few songs so I could get a taste of their music. The screaming in the middle of the song caught me slightly off-guard, but other than that I was surprisingly impressed with their musical talents.

The other band that I interviewed was Redd Wahler. I had talked to one of the band members on the phone a few days before I conducted my interview and he sounded very excited about the interview. This, of course, made me eager to meet the band and ask them some questions. I arrived at the house and was ushered to the basement where the band was practicing. The guys were in the middle of a song when I arrived, so I sat off to the side and listened to their music. After they finished their song, they asked me if they could play a few more songs for me. I quickly agreed, anxious to hear some more of their music. They reminded me off a mix

between The Doors and Jimi Hendrix. After playing two more songs, I then began asking my questions.

After each interview, I returned to the *Record's* office and hammered out a rough draft article.

I found myself finishing each article in a scant 30 minutes because it was so easy and enjoyable to write about the two bands.

So far those have been the only face-to-face interviews that I've done for my internship. I found that although phone interviews can suffice, live interviews are much better to get more details for a story. I hope to do many more interviews like that.

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OBITUARIES

Joan Harrick

Joan Harrick of Northville Township died May 28 in Ann Arbor. She was 60.

Ms. Harrick was born Sept. 25, 1942 in Detroit to Samuel and May Gracey. A former resident of Livonia and Whitmore Lake, Ms. Harrick had been a Northville Township resident for eight years, where she was a homemaker and an insurance salesperson. She attended Old St. Patrick Church in Ann Arbor and enjoyed travel to Ireland and Italy.

Mr. Harrick is survived by her children, Mark (Alysis) Harrick of Marquette, Brian (Alicia) Harrick of South Lyon, and Colleen (Clay) Hulen of Chicago; her grandchildren, Madelyn, Gwyneth, and Claire; her siblings, Patricia (Wilbur) Rau, Shirley (Norman) Nettle, Beverly (Gary) Bailey, Michael Gracey, and Danny Gracey.

Visitation for Ms. Harrick will be held Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth — which handled funeral arrangements — on June 6 from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. A funeral will be held June 7 at Old St. Patrick.

Interment will be at Old St. Patrick Cemetery in Ann Arbor.

William L. Grant

William L. Grant of Hawes Township was 68.

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

A veteran of the U.S. Navy and Air Force, Mr. Grant was a retired General Motors engineer. He was affiliated with both the Methodist and Lutheran faiths.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Grant is survived by his children, Debbie (Dan) Kelterborn of Northville and Raymond Grant of Walled Lake, his siblings, Ham (Mary) Grant of Melvindale and Gary (Carol) Grant of Texas; and his grandchildren, Chad and Trevor. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Joan McAllister.

A funeral for Mr. Grant was held May 15 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. John Hice of First United Methodist Church of Northville officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. Twelve Mile Road, Southfield, Mich. 48076.

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John Martin Miller

John Miller of Hudson died May 15 at Highlander Assisted Care of Traverse City. He was 92.

Mr. Miller was born April 26, 1911 in Jackson, where his family owned and operated the Miller Nursery.

He was the founder of Green Ridge Nursery and Tree Service of Northville, where he lived from 1941 to 1998, when he relocated to Vanderbilt. During World War II, Mr. Miller served as an inspector of B-24 airplanes at Willow Run Airport.

He was an active Rotarian, served on the zoning board and planning commissions of Northville, and was a steadfast conservationist.

Mr. Miller is survived by his brother, Robert Miller of Grand Rapids; his children, Carolyn Goodrich of Sonoma, Calif., and John Martin Miller II of Traverse City; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elva Budd Miller; and eight siblings.

A memorial service for Mr. Miller was held at his Huffman Lake Home. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the giver's choosing: the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, 2021 N. Kinney Road, Tucson, Ariz., 85743; or the Little Traverse Conservancy, North Boyne River Preserve, 3264 Powell Road, Harbor Springs, Mich. 49740.

Memorial arrangements were handled by family members.

Michael T. Gillahan

Michael T. Gillahan of Lambertville died June 1. He was 56.

Mr. Gillahan was born Dec. 1, 1946 in Detroit to A.T. Gillahan and Doris Mae Murray. A Northville resident for 50 years before relocating to Lambertville, Mr. Gillahan was a 1965 graduate of Northville High School who also attended Schoolcraft College, where he earned an associate's degree in applied science.

Mr. Gillahan enjoyed sailing and serving as a HAM radio operator. He worked as a senior field service engineer in the medical service.

Mr. Gillahan is survived by his wife, Jacqueline "Jacki" Gillahan; his father; his sons, David Gillahan of Lambertville and Scott Gillahan of Okemos; his siblings, John Gillahan of Tennessee, Kathy Yaeger of Hastings and Geana Leslie of Tennessee. He was preceded in death by his mother, Dons.

A funeral for Mr. Gillahan was held June 4 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. John Hice of First United Methodist Church of Northville officiated the service. Interment will be at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

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

Doris L. Larkin

Doris Larkin of Northville died June 1 at Garden City Osteopathic Hospital. She was 85.

Ms. Larkin was born Nov. 15, 1917 in Novi to John Green and Sarah Hammond. She later married Harry E. Larkin, who survives her.

A homemaker in the community for most of her life, Ms. Larkin was a member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Plymouth.

Ms. Larkin is survived by her son, Danny E. (Lynn) Larkin of Sterling Heights; and her grandson, Bradley R. Larkin. She was preceded in death by her son, Jerry R. Larkin; and her siblings, Howard Green and Dorothy Eastman.

A memorial service for Ms. Larkin was held June 4 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. Paul Schoof of St. Peter's officiated the service. Interment will be at Oakland Hills Memorial Garden of Novi.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the charity of the giver's choosing.

Pasquale A. Buoniconto

Pasquale Buoniconto of Chelsea, formerly of Novi/Northville area died June 2, 2003. He was 94. Mr. Buoniconto was born October 27, 1908 at Springfield, MA to Antonio Buoniconto and Christine Amato.

He was a Psychiatrist/Medical Superintendent at the Child Development Center (Wayne County Training Center) in Northville and was a member of St. Mary of Chelsea, formerly a member of St. James Catholic Church in Novi.

Mr. Buoniconto was also a member of Knights of Columbus, Rotary, Northville Golf League, Optimist Club, American Medical Association, American Psychiatric Association. He enjoyed golf, bowling, gardening and canning his own vegetables. He actively pursued his hobbies until age 93.

Survivors include his daughter, Phyllis (Patrick) Doyle of Indiana; one sister, Annie Petronino of Mass, four grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife Aline Buoniconto; his parents, one son, Mark in 2001, three sisters, and two brothers.

A funeral service will be held Friday, June 6, 2003 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary of Chelsea, 14200 Old US 12, Chelsea with Father William Turner officiating. Interment will be at Rural Hill Cemetery, Northville.

The family would appreciate masses to St. Mary of Chelsea.

Arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. Northville.

Gambling poll stirs debate across state

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City leaders have gone on record as opposing the expansion of gambling in Northville, citing concerns that increasing Northville's appeal as a gambling destination will mean stress on the infrastructure, increased public safety issues, and an altered identity for the downtown.

Northville already reaps the benefits of the track's presence, as it takes in money from "breakage" — a portion of the money generated from each wager made at the track.

State Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth, also came out against the original package of four "racino" bills that the House passed May 22. That outcome was expected, he said, but added that residents shouldn't expect the new law to hit the books any time soon.

"The votes are there because of the extensive lobbying," Stewart said. He said the Senate might not vote on the issue until fall.

The proposals May 27 were referred to the Senate gaming and casino oversight committee, chaired by Sen. Jason Allen of Traverse City.

"My instinct tells me that a whole lot of people are going to ask him to take these bills up for a hearing," Garcia said Monday. "He has not yet scheduled a hearing on the bills to my knowledge."

One of the four bills did not progress to the Senate committee, falling short of the three-quarters majority requirement to amend the 1996 voter-initiated law that allowed

creation of the three Detroit casinos.

In Michigan, 66 percent of the 600 registered voters polled oppose the legislation, according to the May 5-9 survey by MRG. Only 25 percent said they supported it, MRG reports.

"The results clearly show Michigan voters are overwhelmingly opposed to the racino legislation," Marketing Research Group president Tom Shields says in a prepared statement. "And the intensity of the voters' opposition will make this a tough sell by the legislators and groups pushing for it."

Garcia discounted the survey findings, citing survey backers as supporters of Detroit casino interests.

"As such, I don't put a lot of stock in their results," he said. "You have to look at who paid for it and what questions were asked."

The proposed legislation would tax the so-called "race-in" operations at more than four times the rate the state realizes from downtown casinos, Garcia said. Detroit casinos certainly are opposed to alternate gaming opportunities that could eat into their market share, he said.

"It's going to come from somewhere," he said. Likewise, the state benefits proportionately much less from the 16 Indian-owned casinos operating in the state, the lobbyist said.

"I'd say were a better bet for the state," Garcia said. "That's about the

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District taps Reason for assistant superintendent

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degree from Bowling Green State University.

At the May 27 Northville board of education meeting, school board members approved a one-year contract for Reason, at a salary of just under \$99,000.

According to school officials, Reason was one of four candidates interviewed for the position. A total of 32 applications were received.

Reason said he is looking forward to serving

Northville and its students in his new role.

"I just can't wait," he said. "I haven't slept a whole lot. I keep going over all things that I need to do. I'm motivated to provide the very best service."

He also addressed some of his visions for Northville schools.

"As we grow, we have to make sure that we continue to adhere to the practices that have led to a tradition of excellence," he said. "We need to maintain outstanding student achievement. And to do that, we have to hire and maintain and support the very best teaching staff we

possibly can."

Reason said he has worked with children from multiple types of backgrounds.

"I have a deep appreciation for diversity and have had the opportunity to work in many diverse settings," he said.

According to school officials, during Reason's tenure as principal at Whitmore High School in Toledo, the school was ranked the largest high school in Ohio.

Reason also said public participation in the school district is a crucial element for success.

"The only way schools can consistently be

effective is by having community involvement," he said.

He added that he and his family have been warmly welcomed by local citizens and school officials.

"I was overwhelmed and humbled by [superintendent Leonard Rezmierski's] words at the board meeting and the kind reception board members gave us," he said. "I'm extremely impressed by the professionalism of the people I met. The extra effort is obvious. It's one of the things I'll look back on and remember"

Reason also noted the disposition of area residents at the Northville Memorial Day parade.

"I was impressed with the way the community came together," he said. "I was a stranger in town and I had a number of people greet me."

Reason and his wife, Lisa, are parents of 2-year-old twin sons.

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Voters asked to approve school millage

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Disastrous repercussions, he said, would occur if the millage renewal is rejected.

"If the millage fails, the district will immediately lose over \$8 million," said Roth. "It will make the current budget issues look minuscule by comparison. This would be catastrophic to the district if the millage renewal failed. We hope it will pass, but you can't tell until the votes are counted."

Northville Board of Education trustee, Joan Wadsworth, said the nonhomestead millage needs to be renewed every so often.

"It's been part of our funding since 1994, but it needs to be renewed periodically," she said. "It's not a new tax and it's a sensible part of the whole. Proposal A package. It's just quite simply part of the package that was devised to fund school districts. Hopefully it will go flying through. It's important people go out and vote or we're going to be in trouble."

According to Fecht, the non-homestead millage represents pri-

marily a tax on businesses. It is part of the Proposal A legislation — approved in 1994 — which changed the way property taxes are levied for school operating funds, she said.

In accordance with Proposal A, Fecht stated, homestead and non-homestead property owners both pay six mills to the state for the school aid fund. Further funding goes into the state school aid fund from an increase of two percent in the state sales tax and other consumer taxes. Additionally, non-homestead property owners pay 18 mills directly to the local school district to help fund the state guaranteed foundation allowance, she said.

Northville Chamber of Commerce president Mike Haggerty said the chamber's board of directors endorsed passage of the millage.

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Four seek two seats on school board

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Candidate Carol Poenisch said she enjoys working on issues which lead to better education for children.

Poenisch, who is currently a part-time physical education teacher in Livonia Public Schools, earned her master's degree in public health education and a bachelor's degree in physical education.

She has served as chair of district-wide PTA committees for Legislative Action Network and Junior Enrichment. She has served on the Northville Public Schools' second Future Bond Committee and served on the Wayne County Citizens for Children Committee in 2002.

In addition, Poenisch is active with the Friends of the Library and was a past president of the group. She is currently chair of the used book sales, she said.

Also in hot pursuit of a seat on the Northville school board is Marilyn Price.

Price has served as a past president and vice-president of the Moraine Elementary PTA and was a past chairman for the Health and Safety Committee at Moraine.

She has also been a parent representative on the Northville

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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.

Public Schools Elementary Career Development Committee and served as a parent member of the district's Citizens' Health Advisory Committee. She has also been involved with the Moraine School improvement team.

"I'm very interested in maintaining the quality of Northville schools," said Price.

Price received her doctoral degree in counseling from Indiana University after receiving two education related degrees from Central Michigan University.

She is a former assistant director and staff psychologist at the Binghamton University Counseling Center and has taught at CMU. In addition, Price has taught ninth grade health

Novi resident. Libby Smith, is

also asking voters to appoint her to the Northville board of Education.

Smith is currently the PTA president of Thornton Creek Elementary and is also part of the Thornton Creek and district school improvement teams.

Along with earning her bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan, Smith has worked in the advertising / marketing field for 13 years before becoming a stay-at-home mother of three.

She has also served as a Detroit manager of Parenting magazine.

Northville resident Robert Sochacki is also running for an position on the school board.

Sochacki, a Northville resident for 10 years, earned his BA from the University of Detroit and his

Novi resident. Libby Smith, is



Carol Poenisch



Robert Sochacki

MBA from Wayne State University.

He is currently employed by Ford Motor Company and serves in the Human Resources department.

He has 15 years of experience in labor relations and ten years of training and development experience. In addition, he has five years of corporate recruiting experience.

Sochacki is a member of the Band Boosters organization and has served as a soccer coach with Northville Parks and Recreation.

"I want to help the board continue on the course it's been on," he said. "I will work hard to keep up the high level of education that Northville is noted for."

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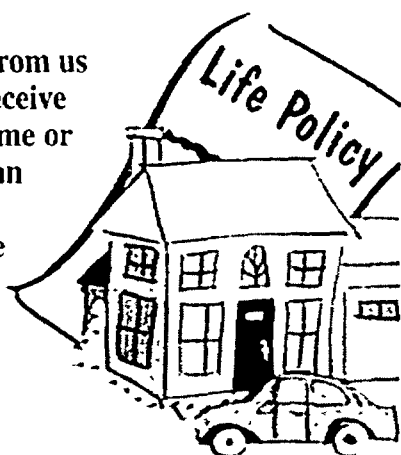
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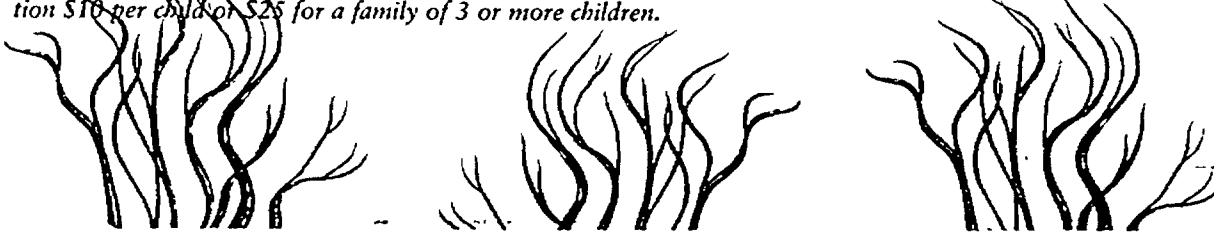


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Over the top

Northville finds sports teams giving plenty to cheer about in state finals

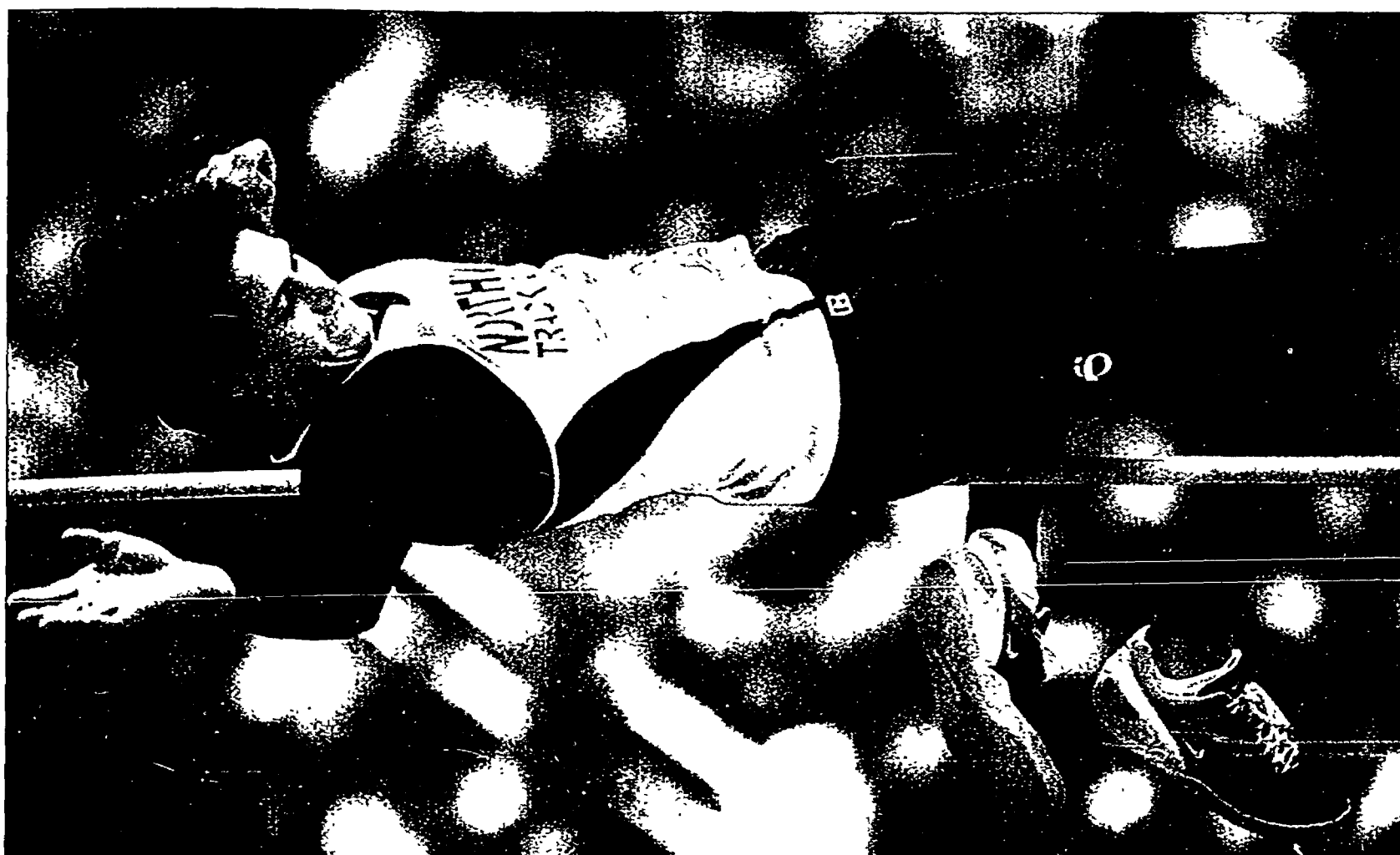


Photo by HAL GOULD

Northville's stellar sophomore high jumper Alan Shanoski clears the 6-foot-6 mark at the Michigan High School Athletic Association State Track and Field Finals. Shanoski finished in third place for Division I.

Alan Shanoski takes third in state

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

He flies through the air with the greatest of ease, that daring young 'Stang on the — high jump?

Sophomore Alan Shanoski showed that breaking the laws of physics really isn't that hard — as long as you stand 6-foot-3 and can leap over a bar that is 6-feet-6 off the ground.

The leap, which took place at Houseman Field in Grand Rapids, not only tied Shanoski's own school record jump, but also earned him a third-place finish at

the MHSAA State Track and Field finals May 31.

"Yeah, I'm pretty happy with it," Shanoski said. "I thought I was going to do better, but I'm definitely happy with it."

Shanoski, who also jumped at the state finals as a freshman, said that as he continues to learn the tricks and techniques of the trade, he's planning on making even more noise.

"I'm pretty confident that I will beat them (next year)," he said. "For some reason, I don't think they have enough skill to go higher."

And what about Shanoski him-

self? Can he reach even greater heights?

"Definitely yeah," he said. "At least four more inches, hopefully."

The stellar sophomore has some major goals in mind for his career. He hopes to clear 6-feet-10 next year, and then aim for the state record after that.

Currently, there are a number of things Shanoski can try to break. In the Division I state finals, the highest jump ever achieved was 6-feet-8, set by Michael Weishuhn of Pinckney in 2000 and 2001. The Class A state record is 7-0 set by three

different high jumpers in John McIntosh of Sterling Heights Stevenson in 1979, Dave Elliot of Ann Arbor Pioneer in 1979 and Jeff Kus of Grand Ledge in 1997.

The state mark, however, is a bit higher. Set by an Upper Peninsula high jumper in 1989, the mark of 7-1 was recorded by John Payment of Brimley High School during the U.P. Finals.

"I've got two more years to try to get first (in the finals) and to try and break the record," Shanoski said. "My ultimate goal for my high school career is to clear seven feet."

Shanoski notes that high jump-

ing is a very mental event, and for him, also very superstitious.

"I do the same thing for every jump," he said. "I do the same number of run-throughs, wear the same shorts and pretty much do everything the same. I just do the same thing for every height."

The sophomore jumper also says that being a competitor doesn't take away the fun of the sport.

"It's still a lot of fun," he said. "It's fun just to sit there and stare at your competitors and psyche them out. It's a game, and it all

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Devon Rupley finishes second in 800



Photo by SAM EGGLESTON
Northville junior Devon Rupley competes in the 4-by-800 relay early this season. Recently, Rupley set the school record once again in the 800 while taking second at the MHSAA state finals.

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Well, it sure wasn't a bad way to end the season.

Four members of the Northville girls' track and field teams took the trip to Houseman Field in Grand Rapids May 31 to compete in the MHSAA State Track and Field Finals.

Fighting through the stiff competition was junior Devon Rupley, making her mark in the 800-meter sprint with a second place finish in a time of two minutes, 13.20 seconds — just .02 seconds behind the winner.

"I honestly didn't even see her until she leaned," Rupley said of the photo finish that was not only disputed by coach Nancy Smith, but also reviewed multiple times by the officials of the MHSAA. "It was so loud, I couldn't hear anything, and then all of a sudden she was there."

At first, it seemed that Rupley would be declared the victor in the event.

"It was a shock to us," Smith said. "We were under the assumption that she had won. Devon was under the assumption she had won and even the girl from Davidson though Devon had won the race. It wasn't until they announced the award that we knew any different."

For Rupley, the second-place finish was well worth it though. She had no complaints about the final decision, and said she is very satisfied with her time.

"I'm really proud of my finish and my time," she said. "I didn't expect that I would finish that well at all. This year, I didn't perform as well as I had hoped, and I really wanted to make it count."

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well as I did."

And perform she did. Not only did Rupley show that she's the second-best 800 runner in the state of Michigan as of right now, she also set her own personal record — which just happens to be the school record too.

Last year, in the state finals, Rupley crossed the finish line in 2:16 to shatter a record that had stood at Northville High School for 28 years. This year, with her finish at the finals, she not only set the bar higher for herself, but for those who would hope to one day break that mark.

"It's a huge accomplishment," Smith said. "Basically, that's going to be her ride to college. It will probably get her anywhere she wants to go."

For Rupley, there was more to the state finals than just the 800. Instead, she was also a member of the 4-by-800 squad which consisted of Katie Miller, Lisa

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And this is the best reward of them all

Now and then, and honor is bestowed upon a person and it's one that they would have never expected.

Recently, that happened to me. In fact, it was Monday.

The Northville High School Sports Boosters Club honored the *Northville Record* for outstanding coverage of the high school sports in the area.

Many times throughout the year, my phone or email inbox will have a message



Sam Eggleston

from a particular parent or athlete who feels that their sport is getting shafted when it comes to proper coverage. These are part of the job, and I've been dealing with them since my first day ever as a sports writer. The truth is, you learn to just take what they said into consideration and try to rectify their situation before you realize that there really isn't much more that you can do.

Thanks to the reality that there are only so many things that can be packed into a work week, there is going to be better coverage of this sport or that sport one week and then better coverage of that sport or this sport the next week. It's impossible to give the same amount of space in the sports section to all the sports each week, and I've just come to accept that.

Then, out of the clear blue nothing comes a letter. At first, by glancing at the front of it, I assume that it's probably a notice for advertising costs in the next program or a press release — but it's not.

Inside, there is a letter addressed to little old me which invites me to receive an award to honor the *Northville Record* for the coverage we've provided the Mustangs this year.

And then it hits me. I've never received such an honor. Yeah, I had a newspaper association say I had the third-best sports writing in their contest, but nothing as meaningful as an award coming from the readers of my sports section on a week-to-week basis.

I can honestly say that this award means more to me than any I've received. And, when I think about it, I'm sure that there is no honor higher than having those who read your work each week decide that you are worthy of receiving such a thing.

And, mind you, it's not just me. It's my special writers over the year like Roger Garfield, Tyler Carter, Ryan Edwards, Michael Zerkich and, most recently, Brian Doyle. It's also the photographs that are taken by our in-house photographer John Heider.

It takes team work to make this work, such as cooperation from coaches and players. It takes some long hours and an understanding that we can't be everywhere at once. Instead, we do what we can and make the best of it.

I want to thank the Northville High School Athletic Booster Club for this award, as well as all of the readers who pick up this sports section each week.

I also want to thank all of the coaches and players who make this not only possible, but worth-while as well. Without you, I wouldn't have accomplished any of it.

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GAME OF THE WEEK



Northville Mustangs

The Most Special Reward



Photo by SAM EGGLESTON

Northville junior Andrea Fillipps puts for par in an earlier season meet this year. Recently, Fillipps helped lead the Mustangs golf team to a seventh-place finish in the MHSAA state finals at Forest Akers Golf Course in Lansing.

Seventh in the state

■ Northville golfers seem to want so much more, look to next year and slew of returning players

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

There are definitely worse places to finish in the state finals than seventh place — but, the Mustangs are already wanting more for next year.

Losing only one final participant to graduation in senior Shannon Lewicki, the Mustangs will be looking to be just as tough come next year as they were this year — and may be even more so.

"I think next year we are going to have a really solid team," junior Andrea Fillipps said. "Almost all of the girls are staying on the team, and as long as we practice hard and work at it, we'll score well next year."

The Mustangs earned seventh place with a 709 over two days of competition May 30-31. Grosse Ile took first place in the finals tournament with an impressive 653, while Grand Blanc was second with a 661. Livonia Stevenson, a WLAAC foe for Northville, had a good showing with a third-place finish with 684.

Taking the medalist position over the two-day tournament was Grand Blanc's Mandi McConnell, who shot a sublime 74-74 to lead the pack.

On the second day, the wind, cold weather and rain decided to pay Lansing's Forest Akers Golf Course a visit and spoil some of the fun.

"The weather conditions really hindered everyone's performances on the second day," junior Marie Snyder said. "But, everyone had to play in it."

The scoring found Fillipps carding a 44-43 on the first day and a 47-47 in the finals while Therese Juthage, a sophomore, shot 49-47 and 45-47.

Lewicki, the lone senior on the finals team, shot 48-46 and then turned in a 44-44 the second day for the most remarkable improvement on the squad.

"And she almost holed out too,"

coach Trish Murray said. "It was a par three, and she was only inches away. That would have been cool."

Layne Scherer, a junior, collected a 41-41 before shooting a 45-45 on day two. Snyder rounded out the scoring with a nice 44-42 and 41-49 in the finals.

Murray said the most frustrating thing about the finals is that coaches are only allowed to work with their team on the second day.

"That puts a bug in my bonnet," she said. "I don't like the fact that for the two days we are out there I can only spend a day coaching them. They don't ask the football coaches to sit in the stands during the state finals, and I don't think we should have to either."

But, according to Murray, rumor has it that rule may be changed by the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

Already, the Mustangs are looking to next year — even Lewicki, who won't be a part of the squad.

"It all depends on their talent and how hard they are going to work," she said. "But, I have to say that I think Northville has a shot at being one of the top teams."

In fact, that was the rumblings at the state finals as well.

"A coach mentioned that we should pencil Northville in as the state champs for next year," Murray said. "I don't know about that. It's a lot of pressure to put on a group of young girls."

But the Mustangs are willing to work at it, that's for sure.

"We will be working hard over the summer," Juthage said. "We have some younger players that didn't get a chance at varsity this year that should take Shannon's place. I think we will do a lot better next year."

Fillipps agreed that being a hard-working golfer was something that she and the others were going to be.

"We are going to be working our

butts off this summer," she said. "I am planning on playing a lot with the underclassmen over the summer. It helps that we are going to have strong leadership from Layne, Marie and I. We'll get their butts out on the course all summer long."

When it comes to a game like golf, one could easily argue that the off-season play is just as, if not more, important as season play.

"It's very important in golf," Fillipps said. "Those who don't practice in the winter will find themselves wishing they did. If you do put in the extra time during the off season, you're just as good in the beginning of the season as you are in the end. It's worth it."

Now that almost all of the girls that should be starters for next year's team have finals experience, they will know what to expect.

The course alone is challenging, especially with some of the longest par-four holes in the state.

"I think the course is appropriate," Snyder said. "It really challenged the girls who are unable to hit it as far as others. The holes there were generally a lot longer than the ones we normally play."

And the greens were a bit different too.

"The greens were tough," Fillipps noted, who probably didn't find herself having too much trouble on the long drives as she has one of the best distance swings in the conference. "The grass is so short compared to (our home course) Tanglewood. They were very fast, and I blew a lot of putts right by the hole."

Northville players are already starting to work on their games — and the season is only cold by less than a week.

"I called Andrea Fillipps and she was out playing," Murray said. "You can bet that more of them are outside playing right now too. That says a lot about these kids."

Mustang soccer falls to cross-town rivals

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

It's never easy to bow out of the state playoffs, especially when it's to your cross-town rivals and especially when it was oh-so-close.

The Northville Mustangs girls' soccer team took the brunt of a 1-0 loss to the Novi Wildcats May 30 in the District title game held at Novi Meadows soccer field.

The game, which was played in less-than-favorable conditions of slight rain, overcast and winds, found the Wildcats earning their first-ever victory over Northville to secure their first-ever district title.

The win came off the foot of Novi junior Colene Brockman. With 20 minutes off the clock in the first half, Brockman managed to take the ball through the Northville defense and find the back of the net for the unassisted tally to put Novi up 1-0 and to ice the scoring for the game.

"She won a 50-50 ball and got past her defender before she fired a shot just under the crossbar and out of the reach of the Northville goalie," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said.

For Northville, the loss stung especially deep, as it seemed that they just couldn't turn their offensive pressure into goals.

"I thought we dominated pretty much the whole game," senior midfielder Nicole Cauzillo said. "It was frustrating that we couldn't score because I felt we were the better team. It's just very frustrating to know you're the better team and not win."

In Cauzillo's opinion, the star of the game for Novi wasn't the goalie that was credited with the shut-out, but the defensive sweeper in Katie Ales.

"Their sweeper kicked the ball out twice," Cauzillo said. "She definitely saved their butts a few times."

The first half was the difference in the game with Novi earning the goal and the Northville offense not being able to find the back of the net. The Mustangs came out with a renewed desire in the second half, but just couldn't put it all together.

"I thought we didn't play as



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville goal-keep Stacey Taylor prepares herself for a rush of Central Vikings during their playoff game at Walled Lake last week.

well as we would have liked in the first half," Cauzillo said. "After that, we dominated the whole second half. The biggest difference was, Novi capitalized on their one opportunity and we couldn't."

For seniors like Cauzillo, this loss was exceptionally hard to swallow.

"All the other three years, we beat Novi," Cauzillo said. "And here it is, my senior year, and we lost. It's tougher because of that."

And for Cauzillo, this game was one she had to shake her head at.

"It was my best friend from when I was younger who scored on me," she said. "And then, my graduation party was after and she was one of the first people to arrive. I was like, 'You're killing me.'"

And it must have been deja vu for the Cauzillo family.

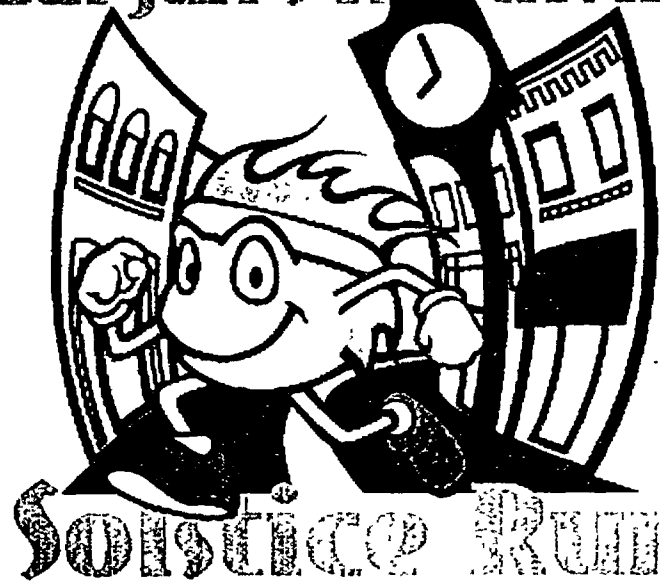
"When my sister (Meghan)

was a senior, they lost to Novi in the district final after beating them for three years," Cauzillo said. "They lost 1-0, just like us, and it was her best friend that scored on her too."

The Mustangs will be looking at bringing a solid core of players to the field again next season under the guidance of coach Ron Meteyer. The squad should have some strong leaders and has already shown this year that they are capable of playing all levels of competition.

For Cauzillo, who is easily one of the best players in Michigan and was selected as the Gatorade Player of the Year for this state, the game isn't quite over. She'll be spending her summer working out and training for her future with the University of West Virginia, where she'll be hoping to step into the starting midfield position.

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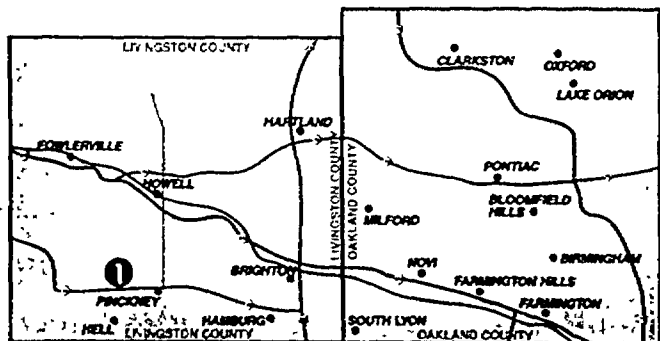
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Back-to-back crowns

Carter, Besk ignite to help Northville to victories

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

That's the sweet aroma of victory wafting in the air around Northville High School right now. And that bit of something a little extra nice? That's back-to-back District titles.

After having the District tournament postponed thanks to unfavorable weather, the Northville Mustangs baseball team stepped up to the plate and did what they do best — they worked hard for wins.

After narrowly escaping a surging South Lyon squad 3-1 in the District opener, the Mustangs moved on to top Novi 7-5 to take home their championship for the second straight year and earn a trip to Temperance Bedford to participate in the Regional tournament Saturday.

"After we didn't get a chance to win the conference championship, I had the feeling that maybe bigger and better things were in store for us," Northville manager Mickey Newman said. "We're riding with that right now. We ended up with a lot of bad breaks and no chance in the regular season, but maybe it's in the cards and the breaks will be with us in the playoffs."

In the title game of the contest, the Mustangs turned to junior hurler Mark Sorensen to showcase his arm in hopes of edging the Novi Wildcats — and edge them they did.

After leading 7-2 going into the bottom of the seventh, the Wildcats found themselves cranking out a three-run homer to cut the lead to 7-5 before earning another base hit. With two outs against the 'Cats and another runner on, Newman visited the mound.

"After that, I brought in Brian Tellish," Newman said. "Mark did a good job, but I brought Brian in to get that last out. He's got some good stuff."

Tellish walked a batter and another slapped a base hit to load the bases and put runners in position to tie the game or perhaps even win it.

Tellish calmed down, taking the time to throw his often sizzling pitches, and fanned the final batter to earn the District crown.

"We played really good defense behind Sorensen and Tellish," Newman said. "Tyler Carter had a great game at second, and Brendan Buckley was outstanding at short stop."

The Mustangs had jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first inning after Buckley and Steve Besk got on base before sophomore Matt Williams cranked in a run. Carter was next up, hitting base hit to score two more runners.

"Definitely," Carter said, responding to the question of if it felt good to top Novi in the Districts for a second-straight year. "Last year, we were the underdog and no one expected us to beat Novi. This year, we were more of the favorites. It was a huge effort, and we've come so far since the beginning of the year."

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Mickey Newman
Northville Baseball Coach

Joe Zumstein slapped in the fourth run of game for Northville in the third in a two-out situation, before senior Scott McNeish slapped one of his own in.

The final runs for Northville came in the fourth. Buckley cranked a dinger over the fence and McNeish added another RBI to his totals.

"This is the most talented of any team I have ever been on," Carter said. "Newman says it all the time, and I have to agree: We have the potential to do all kinds of things."

Buckley had a nice day, going 2-for-4 with two RBIs and a solo homer, while Williams went 1-for-3 with two runs scored and an RBI. Carter went 2-for-4 with three RBIs and Alex Richard, who has been Mr. Consistency as of late for Northville, went 2-for-4.

For Carter, the playoffs have proven quite sweet. After batting .167 in the regular season, his bat became hot and he went 3-for-7 over two games with three RBIs, three runs scored and a homer. Not to mention, he threw a complete game in the opener against South Lyon.

Was he just waiting for the post-season to get into his groove?

"I wish I could say that and I wish it was that easy," Carter said. "I struggled all year, and I don't know what happened. It helps to get some confidence though. Everyone was hitting in the second game (versus Novi) and I hope that stays throughout our run."

Northville 3, South Lyon 1

There wouldn't be any twisting of the truth if one were to say the Northville Mustangs thought they were going to crush South Lyon in the District opener. But, as with any post-season team, the Lions were ready to rumble.

"Yeah, we all expected to walk over them, but no one wanted to say it," Carter said. "We kept saying that we had to take it one game at a time and that South Lyon meant everything too. But, we expected to beat them more than that."

The game remained scoreless until the fourth inning when

Carter crossed the plate on a wild pitch after getting a base hit, walking to second and stealing third.

Not only was Carter a major factor in the offensive production of the contest, he also pitched a complete game. The senior hurler gave up one earned run and only four hits throughout the contest as he fanned eight.

The Lions came back with a big homer to tie the game 1-1.

"I was really happy with my performance, except when that kid smoked the ball," Carter said. "I feel that was my only real mistake."

Carter recovered nicely, and he says it has a lot to do with Newman and the confidence the coach had in him this year.

"You said it, I was really rocky in the beginning of the season and had absolutely no confidence," Carter said. "As the year has gone on, I've gained that confidence, and I have to credit Newman for that. If he would have lost confidence in me, I would have had no chance whatsoever. Instead, I kept improving, and I had a lot of confidence today."

With two outs and two runners on, Steve Besk stepped up to the plate and quickly became the hero of the game. With a hard liner to center field, Besk earned two RBIs as Carter and Jeff Huguette rounded the bases and crossed the plate to put Northville up 3-1 and to cap the scoring.

"After that, Tyler finished it off," Newman said, adding Besk has been a factor for Northville this year. "He has been great all year for us. Going into the playoffs, I didn't know who we would have in center field. Then, he comes out and gets the biggest hit of the Districts. I'm so happy for him. It was just fantastic."

"Now, he knows how it feels to know the team needs him and can count on him when they have to."

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What drives Rupley?

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Junior Devon Rupley had more than one reason to push herself to the limit at the Michigan High School Athletic Association State Track and Field Finals May 31.

Yeah, there was the fact that Rupley is a determined athlete with more ability in her pinkie finger than most people have in their whole body, and then there's the whole idea that she wanted to prove she was one of the best.

But for Rupley, there was another reason that drove her to break her own school record and set a new career-best finish with a time of 2:13.18.

"I think the fact that it was going to be my last race for at least three months helped push me along," Rupley said of her second-place finish in the 800-meter sprint. "I'm going to have to be staying away from the track surgery Thursday and I really wanted to make this one count."

Rupley's surgery, which finds her going into operation today, is to fix some ligaments in her ankle — a nagging injury that has been affecting her running since December.

The outlook and expectations is that Rupley will be back to 100-percent after the procedure is completed — she just has to stay out of the running for three months following it.

"The doctors tell me it's the best thing to do," Rupley said. "After the surgery, everything should be improved."

For this Northville junior, improvement is something she strives for.

"I'm really hoping I am able to improve," she said. "Every year, I wonder 'What if I reached my peak?' I thought I reached it this year, but ended up dropping my time. Hopefully, I can improve for next season."

The hard part for Rupley will be staying away from the track during the summer months, she said. "I usually like to be running, but I can't usually be found running for the Detroit Cheetahs Track Club."

"The track coach there showed me that I was an 800 runner," she said. "I didn't want to hear that because I wanted to be a sprinter or 400 runner. But he told me that it was the best even for me, and I could be one of the best if I just did it."

Rupley said that coach Harry Weaver was able to see her ability even when she couldn't.

"He can tell you things about yourself that you didn't know," she said. "He gets you to see things that you don't really want to admit. He's just awesome."

For Rupley, the goal now is to recover nicely before she can strive for an even better mark in the event that has become her bread and butter — the 800.

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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
Marilyn 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:

Voting Place: Northville City Offices, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 1
Voting Place: Silver Springs School, 19801 Silver Springs Drive, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 2
Voting Place: Winchester School, 16141 Winchester Drive, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 3
Voting Place: Amerman Elementary School 847 North Center, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 4
Voting Place: Northville City Offices, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 5
Voting Place: Moraine School, 46811 West Eight Mile Road, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 6
Voting Place: Thornton Creek Elementary School, 46180 Nine Mile Road, Novi, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 7
Voting Place: Meads Mill Middle School, 16700 Franklin Road, Northville, Michigan
PRECINCT NO. 8
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. WOJCIOWICZ, 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.

Local Unit	Date of Election	Voted Increases	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 thru 2010
Wayne County Comm. College	August 8, 2000	0.25 mill	2003 thru 2005
Wayne County Transit Authority	November 3, 1998	1 mill	2003 thru 2004
Northville Public Schools	November 6, 2001	1.5 mills	2003 thru 2010
	August 6, 2002	0.6 mill	2003 thru 2004
	None		None

RAYMOND J. WOJCIOWICZ
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	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

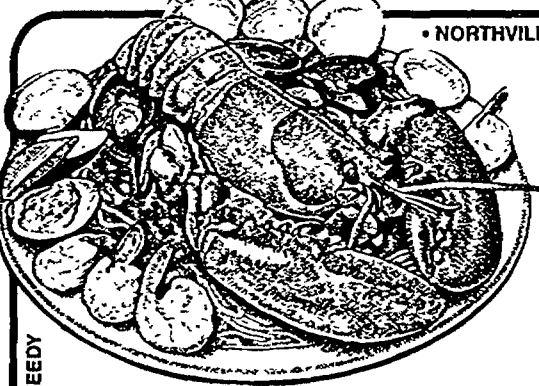
I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of May 1, 2003 the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the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

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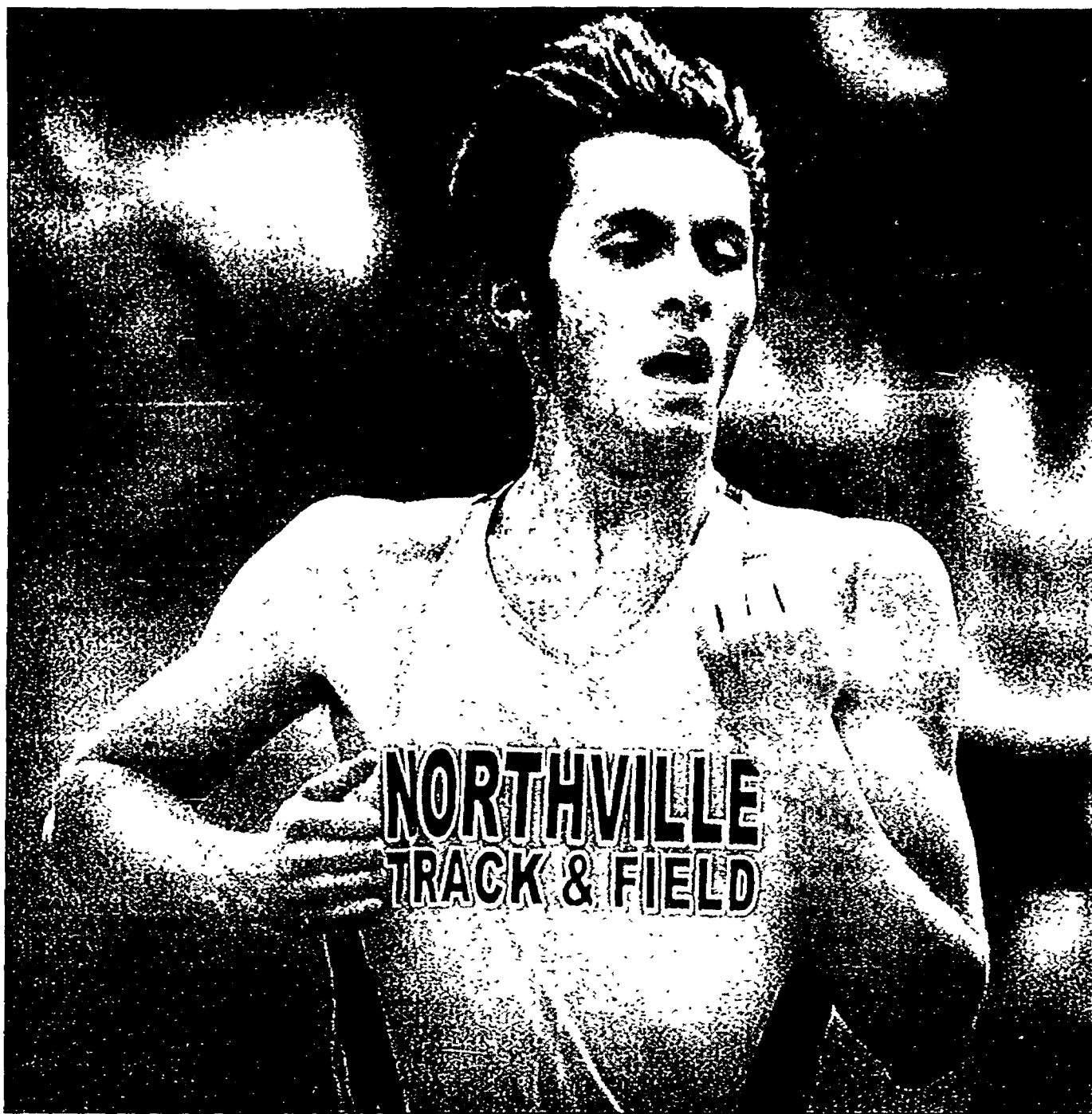


Photo by HAL GOULD

Northville junior Tim Dalton is in full stride during the 800 meter run at the MHSAA State Track and Field Finals May 31 at Houseman Field in Grand Rapids.

Boys track has fine showing

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comes down to who's the best."

And to be the best, Shanoski will have to prove it. The two high jumpers who finished ahead of him were both juniors — which means they'll be back for more come next year. Will the Northville sophomore be able to out-jump them?

"Oh, definitely," Shanoski said. "Not to seem cocky or anything, but I definitely think I'm better than those other two."

The other Northville competitors at the state finals had nice days too. The 3,200 relay team of Clark Paciorek, Rob Steiner, Tim Dalton and Brad Stoner finished their event in 8:05.8, which broke their old school record by 1.1 seconds.

Tim Dalton, who ran in the

800, finished in 1:58 to end an applaud-worthy season, while Mike Gabrys led for two laps in the mile run as he finished in 4:32.

"It was a pretty windy day," Northville coach Bill Cornelius said. "Mike led for the first two laps, and it seemed that he had a lot of fun."

The 4-by-400 relay team of Steiner, Dalton, Stoner and Colin Keiffer also had a nice showing as they ran to a finish in 3:27 — two seconds faster than their previous best time.

"Everybody was happy," Cornelius said. "It was a successful day for us."

The field at this year's state finals could possibly be considered one of the best of all time.

"I would say so," Cornelius noted. "There were so many state records set there. It seemed like every other event

they were announcing state records being set."

And the Millford Regional, where Northville competes in hopes of making the finals, was well represented as Pontiac Northern set two state records in the 400 as well as in the 4-by-200.

Cornelius said that has a lot to do with the track at Houseman Field in Grand Rapids.

"It's an older track and a lot harder than most of them built today," he said. "It was like running on concrete, and that means there will be a lot of speed."

Cornelius said that he hopes to see a lot of summer work done by his younger athletes as they start to prepare for next season. Captains for next year have been named and Northville will be looking to them to set

the pace for the off-season training.

Shanoski is the only junior captain, while Ryan Lianas, Andrew Moore, Steiner, Dalton, Keiffer, Bill Brown, Tim Downing and Ken Schleh will also be leading the squad as seniors.

"It makes all the difference in the world for an athlete to get stronger in the off season," Cornelius said. "That's the time when they should be working to increase their muscles. If they wait until the season starts, it's just too late."

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'Stangs give finals their all

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Bowen and Kate McClymont. The team, which took second at the regional tournament, didn't do as well as they would have hoped.

"They had a great season as a team," Smith noted. "Three of them had never run in the state meet before, and nerves definitely play a factor. They did all I could ask of them and put in the best performance they could."

McClymont and Rupley will be back again next year to form a solid core for what could prove to be another tough relay team, but Bowen and Miller will be heading their own separate ways after graduation.

"They both continued to improve throughout the year," Smith said. "Since last year, they've both improved by huge amounts. They are going to be very tough to replace in the mixture, which makes them a big loss to this program."

Bowen was also a participant in the 800 event with Rupley, but didn't fare as well. The senior, who had found a nice niche in that particular event, ran her second-best time of her career in 2:24.

"She really just learned to run the 800," Smith noted. "She doesn't like to lose, and always gave us a great, great finish. She was probably one of our runners that improved the most this season, and I knew she could."

Rupley noted that she thought Bowen had more potential than the senior knew.

"She ran a strong race, but didn't PR," Rupley said. "I don't think she knows she's as good of a runner as she really is. She's an amazing runner."

For the Mustangs, the future could prove to be a bright one. With athletes like Rupley, McClymont, Erica Dobson, Molly Gavin, Lauren Rocco, Kari Oshanski and Emily Weaver returning, the Northville girls' track team is hoping to be very competitive.

"Hopefully, some of the younger kids will develop through the course of the year and we can be competitive in all areas," Smith said. "We have to

"They had a great season as a team. Three of them had never run in the state meet before, and nerves definitely play a factor. They did all I could ask of them and put in the best performance they could."

Nancy Smith
Northville Girls' Track Coach

start training in the off season to accomplish that though. We have to be a year-round program and not just three-months if we want to be the program that Churchill and Stevenson are."

The Mustangs will be losing a good core of athletes to graduation this year. One of the most notable will be Heather Mochle.

"Heather has been a huge asset for the last three seasons," Smith said. "She's always been a strong leader for us. Her determination and dedication helped drive the team, and she was always a frequent scorer and someone we could always count on."

No doubt, each and every senior on the squad will be missed, but Smith is hoping the leadership next year will be comparable.

"Hopefully our new captains, who I haven't announced yet, will instill that hard work and determination into this team," she said.

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NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2003/2004 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 09, 2003 at 7:30 o'clock p.m. at Old Village School, Northville, Michigan, the Board of Education of Northville Public Schools will hold public hearings to consider the district's proposed 2003/2004 budget.

The board may not adopt its proposed 2003/2004 budget until after the public hearings. A copy of the proposed budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours after June 3, 2003, the Business Office, 501 W. Main St., Northville, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. This order is given by order of the Board of Education.

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GREGORY PELC, SECRETARY

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Bids will be received for the above work until 1:00 p.m., local time, on Thursday, June 26, 2003 at the office of the Construction Manager, J.S. Vig, 16650 Rancho Road, Taylor, Michigan. Bid Documents are available from the office of the Construction Manager, (734) 283-3002, Fax (734) 282-5320.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on Monday, June 9, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. at the Allen Terrace Facility, 401-A High Street, Northville, Michigan.

All architectural questions regarding the contract documents are to be directed to the office of the Architect, M.C. Smith Associates and Architectural Group, Inc., 529 Greenwood Avenue SE, East Grand Rapids, Michigan, (616) 451-3346 Attention: Don Smaligan or Scott DeKorte.

The City of Northville reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities in the bids submitted that are in the best interest of the City of Northville.

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'Finding Nemo' has nice message for all

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

Sometimes, you just want to hold your breath when you're watching this movie.

Yeah, "Finding Nemo" has plenty of suspense and action, but it's the underwater scenes that catch you staring in awe and shaking your head in wonder of the capabilities that computer animation has come to harness in this day in age.

This is a far cry from things like "Tron" or even the original Star Wars Trilogy. Now, cartoons are almost a thing of the past as computer-animated characters bring real-life movement and vast worlds to the screen.

Following in the steps of pioneers "Toy Story," "Monsters Inc.," and "Toy Story 2," "Finding Nemo" is the latest and possibly greatest release from Pixar and Disney. Following the tragic death of his wife and loss of most of the eggs that were waiting to be hatched, clown fish Marlin found himself the proud father of a single son, Nemo. The little clown fish that could is a unique character in the world of movies. You see, little Nemo has a deformity that finds

him with a small fin to swim with, known as his "lucky fin."

With a protective determination that is on the edge of obsession, Marlin doesn't want anything to happen to his son. He isn't sure if going to school is the right thing for his single offspring, but in the end he reluctantly lets his son leave.

And, of course, that ends up being the straw that broke the camel's back. Nemo is fish-napped and Marlin forgets all fears as he charges off into the deep blue sea to rescue his son.

Along the way, Marlin finds a friendly fish named Dori, who suffers from extreme short-term memory loss, and eventually runs into sharks, a sunken submarine, a pesky angler fish and even a friendly group of sea turtles.

Nemo finds himself in good company too, but his is far from in the great depths of the ocean. Trapped in a small aquarium in a dentist's office in Sydney, Australia, Nemo meets such characters as an angel fish named Gill, who just wants to return to his home in the ocean.

This movie is definitely going to rank as one of my all-time favorite

kids flicks. The animation is simply superb, and the story line itself is one to remember.

One of my favorite things about this film is the fact that little Nemo is a disabled kid, but he ends up not letting that stop him from doing the

things that deep down he knows he can.

Yeah, a lot of older folks will pass this one up because it's a little kids' movie, but if you have kids of your own, I'd suggest taking them to see the scenes of this well-made

movie.

"Finding Nemo" isn't just for kids and parents. If you like a good story, great animation and a heart-warming story, then you'll love what this film brings. If you're shy about going because you don't

have any kids, borrow one of your sister's kids for the day and be the great aunt or uncle you know you are. Spring for a little popcorn and you never know, there might end up being the word "favorite" in front of aunt or uncle.

SCREEN BEAT

By Brian Renner
THE MOVIE INSIDER

Coming to theaters this weekend is automotive action-sequel "2 Fast 2 Furious." The film follows former cop Brian O'Conner (Paul Walker) as he teams up with his ex-con pal Roman Pearce (Tyrese Gibson) to transport a shipment of "dirty" money for shady Miami-based import-export dealer Carter Verone (Cole Hauser), while actually working with undercover agent Monica Clemente (Eva Mendes) to bring Verone down. "2 Fast 2 Furious" is a Universal Pictures release and rated PG-13 for street racing, violence, language and some sensuality.

Next week

Comedy "Dumb and Dumber: When Harry Met

Lloyd" (PG-13), romantic musical-comedy "From Justin to Kelly" (R), action-drama "Hollywood Homicide" (PG-13), and kids-animated adventure "Rugrats Go Wild!" (PG).

Video and DVD

Comedy-drama "Vince & Steve" (R), stand-up styling of several comics in "Blue Collar Comedy Tour: The Movie" (PG-13), twentieth James Bond adventure "Die Another Day" (PG-13), Bollywood comedy "The Guru" (R), pre-WWII drama "Invincible" (R), and coming-of-age tale "Swimming" (R).


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CONSUMER NEWS

Credit-card issuers limit concessions

By Chris Serres

RALEIGH NEWS & OBSERVER

There has never been a worse time to miss a payment on a credit card.

Major credit-card companies are granting fewer concessions, such as lower interest rates and fees, to borrowers who are having difficulty repaying their debt. In many cases, companies are granting concessions only to people who cannot make their minimum payments or are on the verge of bankruptcy.

"Given the state of the economy, you would think there would be more sympathy," said Rebekah O'Connell, a credit counselor with Triangle Family Services, a non-profit group in Raleigh, N.C., that helps low-income families.

Industry analysts say credit-card companies are under pressure to restore profits, which have gotten whipsawed by a recent spike in loan losses. The loss rate on credit-card debt reached 7.5 percent in December 2002, the highest since Standard & Poor's began tracking it a decade ago.

Those losses have prompted credit-card companies to boost their loan-loss reserves, cash set aside to cover uncollectible loans.

"In an environment like this, (credit-card companies) are inclined to save every penny they can," said Robert McMillan, an analyst with Standard & Poor's. "That means fewer concessions for borrowers."

Concessions are difficult to track. Spokesmen for MBNA, Bank One and Citigroup, the nation's three largest credit-card companies, said they do not have data on what percentage of their customers are granted lower rates and fees.

"We don't really have any hard and fast rules," said Brian Dalthon, MBNA's director of investor relations.

Two years ago, a single telephone call was enough to persuade lenders to lower rates and waive fees, said Joyce Gibson, a credit counselor with the Raleigh office of Consumer Credit Counseling Service. Now lenders are requesting bank account statements, pay stubs and a list of money owed to other creditors, she said.

"You really have to make your case that (without the concessions) you wouldn't be able to pay," said Lisa Williams, executive director of Center for H.O.P.E., a non-profit group in Cary, N.C., that provides debt counseling services to local families.

Still, consumers who are persistent can find some help. Individuals who submit debt payment plans can often reduce their annual interest rates by more than half, said Gibson. Other companies will "re-age" an account — that is, require an immediate payment for only the current month, even if the borrower has missed previous payments, Gibson said.

Many companies will require three consecutive months of minimum payments as a sign of good faith before such concessions take effect, Gibson said.

If the credit-card companies tighten concessions much further, they could create more personal bankruptcies, warned McMillan of Standard & Poor's. "Concessions may be expensive," McMillan said, "but they are still preferable to bankruptcy."

STOPPING CORRUPTION

Answering the call from whistle-blowers

By Kris Hundley

ST PETERSBURG TIMES

Ceridian Corp. administers pesky details for employers including payroll, benefits and COBRA insurance coverage for departed workers.

Now the company wants to handle another potential irritant: whistle-blowers.

Ceridian offers customers a confidential ethics hotline, operated around the clock from its office near Philadelphia. Employers will pay a set fee per employee for Ceridian to be on call so nervous workers can report anything from suspected accounting irregularities to embezzlement to sexual harassment without fear of reprisals.

Ceridian said the new service is being offered to help publicly traded companies comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, giving employees a safe place to vent suspicions of wrongdoing. A spokeswoman said complaints will be passed along to the company; Ceridian will not keep a record of complaints or do any follow-up.

"Organizations that use Ceridian's Ethics Hotline will have a proper venue for whistle-blowers, thus reducing the probability that an employee will instead escalate a concern to the media, lawyers, stockholders, board members or government agencies," Ceridian's release announcing the service said.

Employees might be skeptical about the value of complaining about corporate wrongdoing when the complaint is routed right back to the alleged wrongdoers. But at least someone will answer the phone.



Illustration by Shea Stanley / Scripps Howard News Service

Ready for Anything

You'll always forget something, so it's best to have a wedding planner around to help keep you on track

By Donna B. Stinnett

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Every detail for the Western-themed wedding had been planned, from selecting the invitations to picking out the cake topper, when Pem Clark learned with one quick question that there's always a new problem for a wedding planner to solve.

The groom-to-be wanted reassurance that having livestock in the reception hall wouldn't be a problem.

Such is the life of the professional wedding planner, the person designated to make sure everything goes smoothly on a couple's big day.

They've put out fires at the altar, fashioned corsages on the fly, ironed bridesmaid dresses at the last minute and taken drastic action to keep the mother of the bride from walking out of her shoes on her way down the aisle.

They carry wedding-day emergency kits including such items as smelling salts, aspirin, Band-Aids, corsage pins, pantyhose, a sewing kit, shoe polish, tissues, breath mints — as one wedding director said, "You name it and it's probably in the box."

"You have to be ready for anything," said wedding planner Linda Parrish of Henderson County, Ind.

Nancy Long, another Henderson County planner, is well served by the experience she's gained after handling more than 250 weddings.

About 30 minutes before the start of one of Long's weddings, a blaze erupted in a candelabra of artificial and fresh greenery at the altar. "One of the groomsmen and I were standing about 3 feet away," she recalls.

"The fire was shooting up in the air and was falling on the floor."

Luckily a fire extinguisher was close at hand and things were quickly brought under control.

"It only aged me 20 years," Long said. "The mother of the bride was in there helping and she was just so calm and cool."

"It is so often overlooked. Without that, nobody will perform the ceremony and that wrecks everything. You can forget most anything else, but not that."

Pem Clark,

wedding planner, talking about the need to have the marriage license

"She didn't panic at all, and by the time the ceremony started it was as if nothing had happened."

Common challenges include working with small children who have a tendency to cry, get restless or even balk at the last minute.

"They have a tendency to steal the show sometimes," Parrish said.

There are "millions and millions

of tips" to help the bridal party, Clark said.

"It's always a good idea for the bride not to use a different hair color and makeup job and to not wear 3-inch heels if she's not used to wearing them," she advises.

"The last thing you want is your groom to look at you and say, 'My gosh, who's that?'"

Despite having lots of experience and attempting to prepare for anything, Parrish said she still gets "butterflies in her stomach" on the wedding day, but she doesn't let it show.

"I want the bride and her parents to feel at ease," she said.

"That's my job, and if they think I'm not comfortable, things are not going to run smoothly."

Long adopts that same attitude and has learned that a smile and a laugh go a long way toward putting people at ease and making members of the wedding party feel comfortable — starting with the night of the rehearsal.

"That way I know that come the day of the wedding, I'm not going to have a problem," she said.

Clark said there's one more little detail that's high up on the list of things to check on well before the ceremony goes off: The wedding license.

"It is so often overlooked. You don't want to get to the night before the wedding and not have the license," she said.

"Without that, nobody will perform the ceremony and that wrecks everything. You can forget most anything else, but not that."



Finding love in workplace can create dilemmas

By Jonathan J. Higuera

ARIZONA DAILY STAR

Dating services, photography classes and singles bars are all places where people can meet their potential soul mate.

But the most likely place to meet someone, conventional wisdom goes, is at work.

That may be the case at large businesses, where every floor and department holds a potential match or two. But it's not so common at small businesses where it's tough to conceal a workplace romance — and even tougher to work together if the fire cools.

A recent QuickBooks Small Business survey found that just 12 percent of small-business owners and managers had ever dated an employee. More than two-thirds said it would be ethically wrong to do so. And 58 percent said they would never date a customer.

"It's always a very delicate thing mixing business and romance," said MJ Jensen, who owns her own marketing and promotions firm.

She learned her lesson early in her career when she dated a co-worker. "I never felt it worked out," she said.

"Usually someone gets hurt, and the relationship is severed," she said.

But passing up a possible life partner because you work together may prove to be easier said than done. Sometimes the heart wins out over the head.

"I wouldn't rule it out simply on the fact there was an employer-employee relationship," said Chris Landi, president of a Tucson online job board. "If it's meant to be, it's crazy not to have that person in your life. But that's only if you believe life is above work."

Even rational, level-headed people may find it challenging when faced with such a dilemma.

"Intellectually, I would say no. It's fraught with too many risks," said Janina Latack, a Tucson career consultant and coach. "But these are extraordinary times where people are extraordinarily busy. The question becomes, how do busy small-business owners meet people if not in business?"

"The key is maturity and open communication," said Latack.

Dating a client can be as tricky as dating a boss, subordinate or co-worker.

"If I'm coaching someone, you are already in a complex and personal relationship," said career consultant Jan Aalberts. "To cloud that with an emotional romantic relationship would cause you to lose objectivity."

EMPLOYMENT ADVICE

Top questions in job interviews

By H.J. Cummins

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL STAR TRIBUNE

Want to look smart in a job interview? Come prepared to answer the following questions which, according to a ResumeDoctor.com survey of 2,000 recruiters and hiring managers, are the most common:

- Describe your ideal job and/or boss.
- Why are you looking for a job? Why are you leaving your current position?
- What unique experience or qualifications separate you from other candidates?
- Tell me about yourself.
- What are your strengths/weaknesses?
- Describe some of your most important career accomplishments.
- What are your short-term/long-term goals?
- Describe a time when you were faced with a challenging situation and how you handled it.
- What are your salary requirements?
- Why are you interested in this position? Our company?
- What would your former boss/colleagues say about you?
- What are the best and worst aspects of your previous job?
- What do you know about our company?
- What motivates you? How do you motivate others?
- Are you willing to relocate?

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Bracelets help safe return of loved ones

By Stephen Nohlgren
ST PETERSBURG TIMES

Because of Alzheimer's disease, Edward Birkner thinks his wife Elizabeth is his sister, or maybe the maid. He struggles to finish sentences. But he still has his moments.

Last October, Birkner, 83, wandered from his beachfront condo in Madeira Beach, Fla., with \$9 and an American Express card in his pocket. He somehow managed to get to Tampa International Airport, where he bought a cheap ticket to New York City, pretty much making a beeline toward his summer home just north of the city.

At LaGuardia Airport, his odyssey took a detour. Maybe he gave jumbled directions to a cabbie. Maybe a willing stranger gave him ride, then got fed up with his confusion.

In any event, he ended up on the shoulder of the Connecticut Turnpike, 1,200 miles from home, shivering in his short-sleeves.

Birkner's journey — aside from its resourceful cross-country scope — typifies a common yearning among people with serious dementia. They want to "go home," even though they're already home. They fixate on a destination, but have no idea where it really is.

What saved Birkner was a thin silver ID bracelet wrapped around his left wrist, courtesy of the Safe Return program run by the Alzheimer's Association.

The bracelet listed a 24-hour hotline. Association computers immediately identified Birkner, where he lived, what medications he needed and whom to contact if he got lost.

Within hours, his son from Massachusetts drove to Connecticut and picked him up.

Sixty percent of people with dementia eventually wander, says Gloria Smith, director of the association's Florida Gulf Coast Chapter. "They can be miles away in a matter of minutes. These folks can really cook."

Other identification programs may list a wanderer's name and address, which can work if home is nearby and the caregiver is available. The Safe Return bracelet works anywhere in the country.

Since it began 10 years ago, the Safe Return program has enrolled 100,000 people. About 8,000 have wandered far enough for strangers to call in and report them lost.

The program costs a one-time fee of \$40, which includes the bracelet, ID tags for clothing and advice on modifying homes to reduce wandering.

Glitzier, more expensive prevention systems also have hit the market, including motion sensors for doors and windows, electronic alarms and a watch-like wrist band that emits a radio signal, traceable up to a mile away by someone carrying a receiving antenna.

Those who can afford it can even track down their loved ones with satellites. GPS systems can be strapped on a wanderer's wrist. It looks like watch and can pinpoint a person's location down to a few yards. The one-time cost is about \$400, plus a monthly service charge between \$25 and \$35.

To learn more

■ Alzheimer's Association www.alz.org
■ Wherify Wireless www.wherifywireless.com

Taking drastic steps in beauty

By Karen Guzman
RALEIGH NEWS & OBSERVER

The request doesn't come that often but when it does, Dr. David Tobin carefully explains the risks of cosmetic surgery to the woman who thinks she can no longer live with her ugly feet.

Yes, feet. "I try to discourage it, but if somebody wants it done, that's their choice," says Tobin, a surgeon with Carolina Foot Specialists, which has offices in Raleigh, Cary, Durham and Clayton, N.C.

Blame it on society's obsession with all things superficial, but a growing number of women are braving surgery in order to slip perfect feet into summer sandals. They're opting for elective, nonessential procedures, including bunionections, hammertoe corrections and toe shortening and lengthening.

Most foot patients, including 99 percent of Tobin's, go under the knife only because their conditions have become painful and disabling. But that 1 percent just want nice-looking feet.

In New York City, where style often trumps substance, fashion slaves are making cosmetic foot surgeries routine. So much so, that Dr. Stuart Mogul, a podiatric surgeon in Manhattan, has developed a specialty niche.

"I've seen a very large increase. The interest is definitely there," Mogul says. "In Manhattan there's a pedicurist or manicurist on almost every block. There's a good deal of attention, time and a lot of money people spend on making their feet beautiful."

Mogul stresses that he only performs procedures that don't compromise a foot. "There's a small window where you can make changes to the foot without changing the function of the foot."

Feet, after all, were never intended to be crammed into stiletto sandals. Bearing the weight of an adult body is taxing enough without the contortions and imbalances fashionable shoes can demand. Many an otherwise insignificant bunion has been exacerbated by high heels, creating, ironically, a foot that's uglier — and painful.

But the true fashionista has a logic all her own, and the quest for beauty is insatiable.

"Why would you want to fool around with the breathing apparatus in your head — your nose — if you didn't have to?" Mogul asks rhetorically.

ANXIETY

People learn to live with — and conquer — chronic anxiety

By Ike Crumpler

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

There are times when Kerrie's mind resembles a minefield.

"My mind races constantly. I can't turn it off," Kerrie says. "When I'm having a panic attack, I feel like I'm gonna die. It overtakes your whole body."

In an attempt to thwart the attacks, Kerrie, a Stuart, Fla., resident in her early 40s, holes up in her home like a hermit.

"I was totally anti-social and would not leave my house for weeks at a time," she says. "There have been times that everything in my house that was edible was gone and I wouldn't eat for two or three days. I didn't even answer the phone when I had really bad periods of it."

Kerrie suffers from agoraphobia, a fear of public places. Hers is one of the myriad manifestations of chronic anxiety. Caused by chemical imbalances in the brain, the condition seizes its victims with an onslaught of irrational thoughts.

Advances in treatment and medicine have made life more manageable, and increase in public awareness has removed degrees of its stigma. Still, it is not a topic for casual conversation.

"Mental illness," says Kerrie, "is not easy to discuss — at all."

Miami Dolphins running back Ricky Williams has openly addressed his bout with Social Anxiety Disorder. It rendered him so uncomfortable with attention off the field that he'd don his helmet during interviews. The condition left him with a debilitating fear of social interaction, he admitted, to the point that he withdrew from

loved ones.

Self-loathing is a common side effect of SAD, says Dr. Dominic "Zack" Zaccheo, a Stuart psychologist who has treated many patients with anxiety disorders.

"You can't make a social faux pas if you don't go out," Zaccheo says of an anxiety patient's reasoning. "Something could happen, might happen, and they're not in control."

What is anxiety?

■ **Social Anxiety Disorder:** An excessive self-consciousness in everyday social situations.

■ **Generalized Anxiety Disorder:** A chronic anxiety that fills one's mind with exaggerated worry and tension.

■ **Agoraphobia:** Fear of about being in public places or involved in situations where escape might be difficult.

— SOURCE: NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH

No longer able to blame his interview avoidance and last-minute cancellations of speaking engagements on the "shyness" that embodied his childhood, Williams contacted a counselor who clued him in to the condition. He credits counseling and medication — specifically Paxil — with helping him recover. He shares his struggles with Social Anxiety Disorder on his Web site, www.runrickyrun.com.

For people wrestling with chronic anxiety, simply discovering that it is a legitimate disorder means a great deal.

A smile belies the hurt suffered by Patrick Mills, 42, of Stuart. "They call it the dark days," he says.

Mills won the school spirit award as a high school senior, but when a car accident claimed his sister's life that same year, it robbed him of his vibrancy.

Mills, who's bipolar and suffers from depression, anxiety and schizophrenia, spent years in and out of institutions and group homes and even attempted suicide. He credits Christianity, companions, counseling and medication with helping him recover enough to realize his current independence — living alone in an apartment paid for with state assistance. To express his gratitude, he gives the gift of laughter.

The clean comedian cracks up audiences at area churches, performing material he's amassed over his lifetime.

"I don't steal jokes," he says, "I just find ones that need homes."

But despite the laughter and the gags, the chronic anxiety remains. "I can't even drive to church without the fear of getting in an accident or getting killed."

When panic attacks pound him, he retreats to the quiet of his parked car to pray and play Christian music. It's impossible, says Mills, to separate his progress from his belief in God. Yet it frustrates him that simple scenarios make his nerves jump like live wires while public speaking — most people's greatest fear — fails to faze him.

"I can do stand-up in front of a couple hundred people and not have any anxiety at all," he says. "But it's the panic attacks that scare me. I tell God, 'Let me have one before or after (a performance), but not during.'"



Photo by Thomas Busler / Scripps Howard News Service

Hayes Paschal demonstrates running on his Powerisers. A fiberglass arc, like an archery bow, absorbs energy as the user steps down, then releases the energy as the user springs forward.

Powerisers jumping stilts turn leaps into bounds

By Barbara Bradley

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

When Hayes Paschal, 16, jogs through his Memphis neighborhood, he stops traffic. Strapped to his legs are springy contraptions that look like something out of "Star Wars."

With them, he can leap half a car length at a time, hanging in the air like a deer, or overtake any jogger, approaching from behind with a breathtaking "tap, tap, tap" and disappearing down a street so quickly one couldn't be sure what just passed.

He'd be great for pickup basketball since he can jump about 5 feet straight up — on top of the 18-inch-high platform upon which he stands.

Paschal's toy is a set of Powerisers, also described as jumping stilts. They're composed of fiberglass springs, in the form of large, narrow arcs tipped with rubber pads. Each arc has a padded knee and leg brace made of aluminum and a platform with two lock-and-release straps for the foot. The device for an adult is about 3 feet tall. A child's model is about half that size with double knee braces.

They allow an adult to jump as high as 6 feet and leap as far as 9 feet.

Paschal first saw them on TV in September. "Ten or 15 people were running across a stage flipping and jumping high, and I liked it right off," he said. "It seemed like the coolest thing in the world."

He takes them out two or three times a week. "It feels close to flying," he said. "You're going pretty fast, and you're off the ground a lot." Walking on them is "not at all like walking regularly. They're like stilts on a trampoline — real springy."

Powerisers are made and marketed by Poweriser Co. Ltd. in Seoul, South Korea, which also makes medical and beauty equipment.

Brian Vick, owner of Superdairyboy Toys and Extreme Sports in Mahanoy City, Pa., is a primary source for them. (Superdairyboy is a nickname acquired from his previous work in the grocery business.) He said he has sold "more than a few hundred pair" since acquiring them a year ago. Adult models cost \$395 (there are two versions based on the user's weight), and the child's model costs \$265.

Powerisers have their limitations. They require a hard surface, such as asphalt, concrete or dry, hard ground, and the user constantly must be moving to keep upright. The user can stop quickly, if he's not going too fast, by jumping straight up in the air a few times, Vick said.

Learning to walk in them requires support. Paschal learned by walking between two cars parked in his driveway. He must put Powerisers on by sitting on a platform, such as the hood of a car, so he can begin walking from a standing position.

Real jumping is the hardest trick. Paschal said it took him a couple of months to learn to leap.

And then there's falling and getting back up. He is strong enough to rise by putting one leg under him and pushing while leaving the other extended, she said. But a lot of people would have to "crawl to a tree," or just take them off.

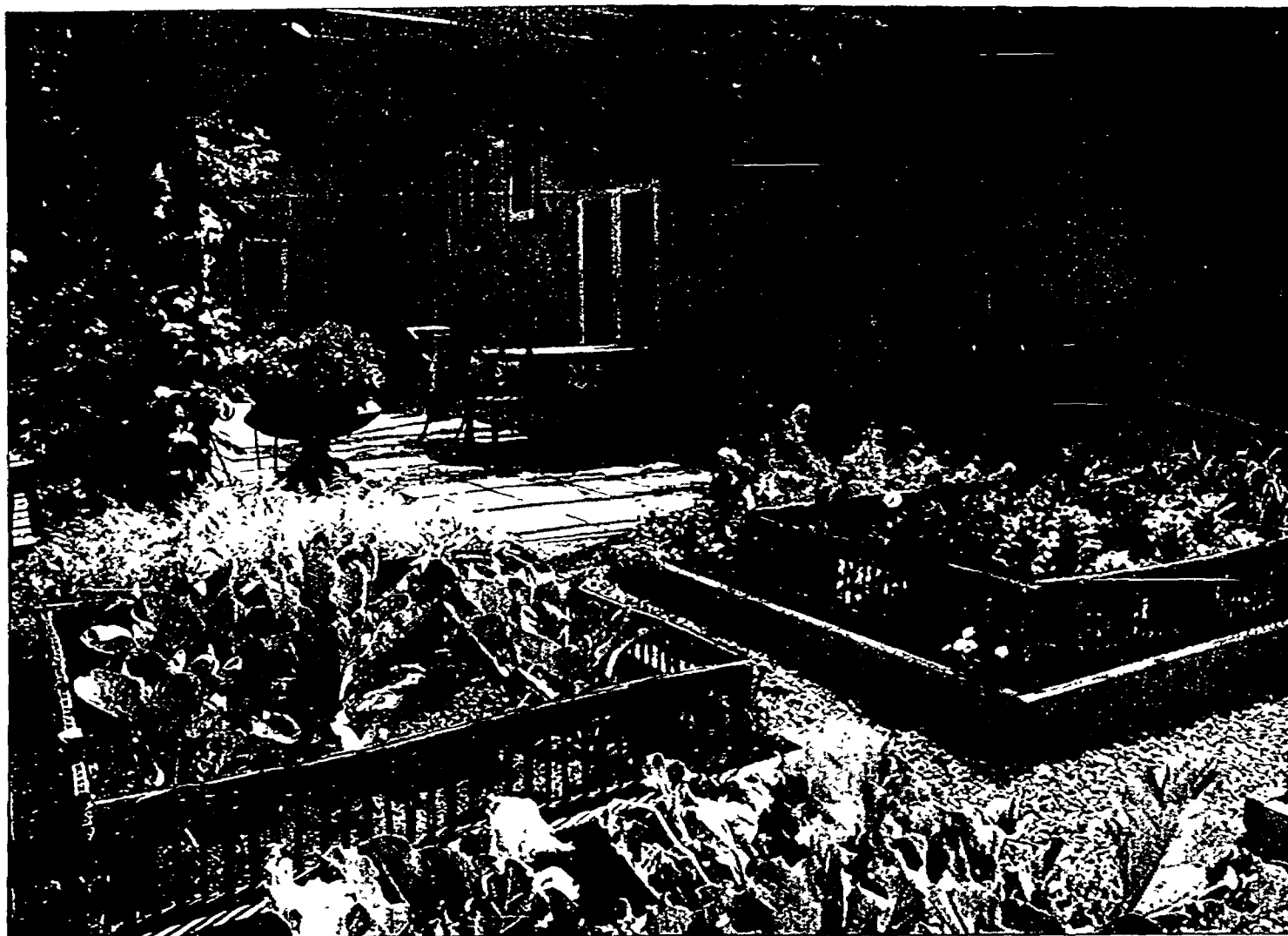
Vick said most people fall forward on the equipment where the pads on the knee braces help break the fall. Nevertheless, users should wear every kind of protection a skateboarder would wear, including a helmet and pads and protection for knees, wrists and elbows, he said.

Paschal calls Powerisers more strenuous than tennis, racquetball or running and leaping on one's feet. "It's a good workout. You get real thirsty. Fifteen minutes will tire you out pretty good."

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The garden produces enough vegetables throughout the summer for them to share with friends. A few of the beds have antique wicker fencing that helps to keep rabbits out.

comfort GARDEN

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Each fall, a small vegetable garden in Minneapolis reaps much more than a bountiful harvest. It brings three friends together.

Dean and Kathy Koutsky savor the baskets of produce they pick throughout the summer. But sharing the chores and the bounty with their longtime friend Madeline Betsch makes the veggies all the more tasty.

They grow tomatoes and onions for spaghetti sauce, celery for chow mein, and red and green peppers for stir-frying, rhubarb for rhubarb crisp and basil and marjoram for seasoning.

"I call it the garden for comfort food," Kathy said.

During the growing season, the garden is stocked with a medley of carrots, lettuce, onions, cauliflower, peppers and culinary herbs. Squash scrambles up a wooden tuteur (French for trainer) and plump green peppers and tomatoes are almost ripe for picking. Aromatic basil fills the air.

The trio's vegetable co-op thrives in six raised beds on the sunny side yard of the Koutskys' home. Nearby is a stone patio where the friends sip wine and view the garden after the watering and weeding is done.

The collaborative garden works because each gardener performs the tasks they enjoy: Madeline and Kathy plan and plant the vegetables; Dean prepares the soil and weeds the beds.

"I like things tidy and pulling weeds in the morning," said Dean. "For that, I get to eat the food they make."

For a splash of color among the green foliage, there are clumps of marigolds, courtesy of Madeline, and a small cutting garden of snapdragons, dahlias and asters that Kathy tends.

The three friends run an efficient kitchen garden that delivers fresh-cut flowers for the table and vegetables for sauces, salads and sandwiches.

But it didn't start out that way.

VEGETABLE GARDEN TIPS

Here are some gardening tips from Dean and Kathy Koutsky and Madeline Betsch:

■ Consider a cooperative garden to share the chores and the harvest.

■ Determine what veggies you want for cooking before planning your garden.

■ Consider planting in beds raised 6 to 12 inches off the ground. They are easy to plant and maintain. The Koutskys installed low wicker fencing around their raised beds to deter rabbits.

■ For an instant garden, plant greenhouse-grown seedlings.

■ Weed regularly by hand to avoid having to use chemicals.

■ Make your veggie garden attractive with a mix of flowers, or combine plants with contrasting colors, foliage, textures and shapes. Kathy plants peppers, herbs and carrots in the front of the garden and rangy plants, such as tomatoes, in the back.

■ Rotate crops. Growing a crop in the same place can eventually drain the soil of essential nutrients.

■ Consider going organic.

■ Compost kitchen scraps and plant waste.

In the spring of 1994, the urban backyard was composed of a ho-hum wood deck, concrete patio and grass. The tiny side yard had daylong sun.

"We were longing for a vegetable garden," said Kathy, who grew up only with flower gardens. "We wanted to grow organic vegetables because there weren't a lot of co-ops around."

Since Madeline lived in a downtown condominium and had no place to garden, they decided to start a mini garden co-op.

"We asked ourselves what we wanted out of the garden in the fall," Kathy said.

So they narrowed it down to vegetables that they would use for fresh salad fixings and to cook their favorite dishes, such as lasagne. They also planted carrots and green beans to freeze.

The trio had the garden they'd always wanted — along with aching backs and legs from tending the beds. So two summers ago, a friend built six raised beds from untreated cedar.

"Just 6 inches higher makes it physically easier to plant and maintain and the crushed limestone pathways are more defined," Kathy said. Another benefit: The height, coupled with low wicker fencing, keeps the pesky rabbits out.

Year after year, the Koutsky-Betsch co-op garden not only feeds the body and soul, but it cultivates an earthy connection between friends.

"It's inherently satisfying growing your own food," Dean said.

"I really look forward to the fun fall cooking ritual for our lasagne harvest feast," Kathy said.



From left: Kathy Koutsky, her husband Dean, and long-time friend Madeline work in the Koutsky's backyard to raise six small vegetable beds.

Grounds director takes Jeffersonian approach to gardening

By Louise Durman

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Thomas Jefferson, who in 1769 began leveling Little Mountain near Charlottesville, Va., for a home, loved to be in the garden.

Peter Hatch, director of gardens and grounds for the Thomas Jefferson Foundation, which owns and operates Monticello, Jefferson's home, is another avid gardener who doesn't hesitate to get into the dirt.

Author of the Declaration of Independence and third president, Jefferson was a "scientist, dreamer, family man, experimenter, gardener," says Hatch, who has been at Monticello since 1977.

Hatch, who lives in a "company house"

on the grounds at Monticello, is responsible for the "maintenance, interpretation and restoration" at Monticello.

"Peter is a combination of intellectual and hands-on gardener," says Dan Jordan, president of the Thomas Jefferson Foundation. "His undergraduate training was in English literature, and he writes and speaks intelligently and eloquently. He conveys a genuine passion for gardening."

Jordan's office at the foundation overlooks the vegetable garden. "I've seen him (Hatch) on a tractor ... working with his hands in a garden. Peter has no peer at what he does. His responsibilities are broad and complex."

Jefferson planted a usable kitchen garden.

Each spring, he would have a contest on growing English peas — who would be the first to harvest them for the table. The winners would have the losers to supper, says Hatch.

An eight-acre vegetable garden at Monticello was planted in the 1980s, using "meticulous research and Jefferson's documents." It now has 330 varieties of vegetables and 170 varieties of fruits. They are harvested two or three times a year, and many are given to people working at Monticello. Some plants are allowed to go to seed so the seeds may be harvested.

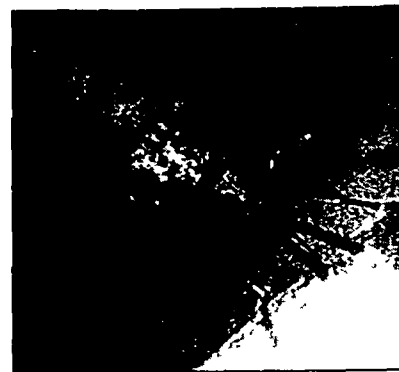
Hatch established the Thomas Jefferson Center for Historic Plants, now under the direction of Peggy Cornett. The center col-

lects, preserves and distributes plants documented in American gardens before 1900.

Hatch directs a field school for students from around the nation as well as horticultural workshops and other programs and an evening conversations series at Monticello. He also serves as project manager for the Thomas Jefferson Parkway, a \$6.5 million federal and privately funded highway project to create a park along the entrance corridor to Monticello.

Monticello is commemorating the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition with an exhibition in the entrance hall of Monticello, Hatch says.

On the Web: www.monticello.org



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Avoidance, repellents are simple skeeter strategies

By Laura Christman

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Mosquitoes play favorites.

John Albright, biologist with the Shasta Mosquito and Vector Control District in Anderson, Calif., said if you breathe out more carbon dioxide and are warmer than those around you, you'll be looking good.

Mosquitoes also are attracted to lactic acid in sweat, he said.

Gender seems to make a difference, too. "Women are generally more attractive to mosquitoes than men," Albright said.

Only the female mosquito bites. She needs the protein in blood for her eggs.

The highest risk times for being bitten are when mosquitoes are most active, dusk and dawn. You can avoid bites by avoiding being outside then.

But Albright said it's a good idea to wear insect repellent any time you're outside during mosquito season. Repellents with DEET (N,N-diethyl-meta-tolamide) are the most effective, he said.

Mosquitoes don't like citronella, a natural oil used in lotions and candles, but its effectiveness isn't long-lasting or long-range, he said.

"It's not like a mosquito flying 200 feet away looks down and says, 'Oh no, a citronella candle. I'm not going there.' It's not going to clear the yard of mosquitoes," he said.

But, he added, candles can help in a small area.

Bug zappers aren't effective for eliminating mosquitoes, Albright said.

"There's a real satisfying crackling noise, but they are totally ineffective for the control of mosquitoes," he said.

He said the light in the zappers attracts other bugs, but mosquitoes aren't particularly drawn to light.

Another product, The Mosquito Magnet, is getting good reports, Albright said. It uses carbon dioxide, heat, moisture and the attractant octenol to draw in mosquitoes.

Albright warned that the device could draw mosquitoes to your home if you live on a small property. "But if you have a large property and you can put it away from the house, that's a good idea."

The devices are pricey, he said. Smaller models are about \$300 and larger are approximately \$1,200.

Bats are another option. "Bats do eat a lot of mosquitoes," Albright said.

You can make or purchase a bat house to encourage bats to hang out near your home. However, make sure there are no gaps where bats can enter the attic. Otherwise, you may replace your mosquito problem with a bat problem.

"Don't stick one (a bat house) right next to the wall of your house," Albright said.

Choosing an interior designer

Re-decorating your home can be quite a task. It's fun and exciting, but the task can also seem overwhelming. Many people opt for professional help and hire an interior designer.

Jeanine Clark, an interior designer who works on both residential and corporate spaces, offers a few tips to help you find the perfect designer for your space.

■ Get referrals. If you have never hired an interior designer before, your first resource should be friends and relatives who have used a designer and been pleased with the results.

■ Go to a local showcase house. Visiting a showcase house near you will give you an idea of local designers' styles.

■ Search through a professional organization. Look in the phone book for organizations such as the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID). These types of resources are particularly helpful if you don't have access to showcase houses.

■ Decide how you want to use your space. Think about how you want to live in a room before you actually interview a designer. If you don't know what you want, she won't be able to help you achieve your goal.

■ Interview several designers. You should interview at least three designers. You may want to talk with more if your project is large or complicated.

■ Avoid "instant design." Shy away from anyone who comes into your house and immediately begins designing. A designer's job is to help you after she gets to know you and how you're going to live in the home.

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FETTUCCHINE WITH SAGE BUTTER, BACON AND ARTICHOKE

(Serves 4)
 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter
 1/2 cup coarsely chopped fresh sage leaves
 1/2 cup cooked bacon, cut in thin strips
 1-1/2 cups (18-1/2 ounces) drained artichoke hearts from a jar, cut in large dice
 1 pound (16 ounces) dried fettuccine
 1 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
 Salt
 Freshly ground black pepper

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil for pasta.

Melt butter in large skillet over medium-low heat. Add sage leaves and cook, stirring often, until butter begins to brown slightly and sage begins to crisp, about 3 to 4 minutes. Add bacon and artichoke hearts, and cook until heated through, about 1 minute.

Boil fettuccine until tender but still firm. Drain and add to sauce in skillet. Sprinkle in cheese and a generous grinding of black pepper, and toss with tongs. Taste and season with salt, if necessary. Tilt pasta onto a large warm platter or divide it among individual pasta bowls.

Nutritional analysis per serving: 770 calories, 32gm fat, 85mg cholesterol, 870mg sodium, 91gm carbohydrate, 4gm fiber, 30gm protein.

— Source: American Butter Institute

MAGGIANO'S STUFFED ARTICHOKE

(Serves 6.)
 6 large artichokes
 Blanching liquid:
 1/2 cup olive oil
 1 garlic clove, halved
 3-1/2 quarts water
 1/4 cup lemon juice
 2 bay leaves
 2-1/2 tablespoons kosher salt
 Stuffing:
 1-1/2 pounds herb focaccia bread, cut in 1/4-inch cubes
 2 tablespoons minced garlic
 2 tablespoons diced celery
 Salt and pepper to taste
 1/2 cup diced onions
 1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil or 1 teaspoon dried
 1 tablespoon chopped fresh sage or 1 teaspoon dried
 12 ounces chicken broth
 1 cup shredded Parmesan cheese
 Paprika, optional

Trim artichokes. Set aside.

To prepare blanching liquid, saute garlic in olive oil in a pot large enough to hold six artichokes. Add water and lemon juice, bay leaf and salt, and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 5 minutes, covered.

Place trimmed artichokes in boiling blanching liquid and cover. Cook for about 20 minutes, turning them over halfway through. Remove artichokes and place them upside down to drain.

While artichokes are cooking, begin stuffing preparation.

Bake diced focaccia on sheet pan in 350-degree oven until lightly toasted. Cool completely.

In large heavy-bottom skillet, heat butter over medium heat until melted. Saute onions and celery until translucent. Season with salt and pepper, and add garlic and herbs. Cook 1 to 2 minutes more.

In large bowl, combine sauteed vegetables, focaccia and Parmesan. Slowly add chicken broth and mix well. Cool completely.

When artichokes are cooled, pull out the center leaves and scoop out the fuzzy choke; discard. Gently spread apart the leaves and stuff the artichoke with about 1/4 cup of the filling. Then, starting at the lowest leaves, place a tablespoon of filling inside every leaf. Stuff each layer, leaf by leaf, working toward the center of the artichoke. Sprinkle with paprika.

The artichokes can be assembled one day ahead, wrapped well and stored in the refrigerator.

To heat, steam the artichokes until very hot in the center. This can be done in the microwave by putting a small amount of water in a microwaveable container and covering loosely with plastic wrap. Heat on 75 percent power for 3 to 5 minutes, depending on whether they are room temperature or refrigerated.

— Source: Maggiano's Little Italy, St. Petersburg, Fla.

ARTICHOKE TORTA

(Serves 10 as an appetizer.)
 3 9-ounce packages frozen artichokes
 2 large garlic cloves, minced
 1 large onion, small dice
 1/2 cup parsley, minced
 6 eggs
 1 cup dried bread crumbs
 1 cup parmesan cheese
 1 cup olive oil
 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 1 teaspoon salt

Boil frozen artichokes according to package directions, 15 to 20 minutes or until soft. Cool, then chop finely. Mix garlic, onion and parsley, and set aside.

Beat eggs in large bowl until frothy. Add all ingredients except butter.

Pour batter into a 9-by-13-inch baking dish that has been lightly greased with olive oil or non-stick vegetable spray. Bake in preheated 325 degree oven for 45 to 50 minutes until golden brown.

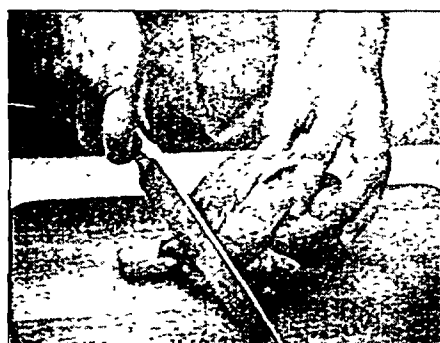
Let cool and cut into 1-1/2-inch squares. The torta is best served warm at room temperature.

— Source: Janet K. Keeler



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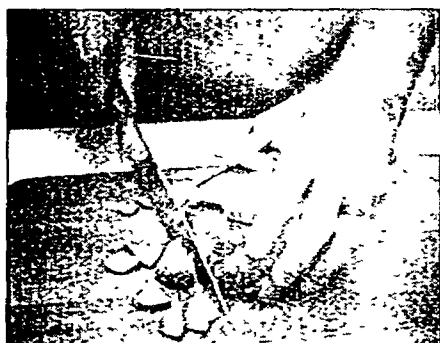
TRIMMING AN ARTICHOKE



1. Cut stem off at the base, or leave about 1 inch.



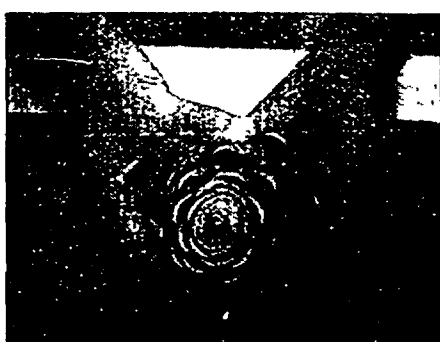
2. Tear off the two bottom layers of leaves.



3. Cut about 1 inch off the top.



4. Snip off the spine at the tip of each leaf.



5. The artichoke is now ready for steaming or blanching. For steaming, place the artichoke in the basket upside down.

Hearts In Armor

Don't let appearances fool you. Under the thorny exterior of an artichoke are tender leaves and a succulent center

By Janet K. Keeler

ST. PETERSBURG TIMES

The prickly artichoke looks more like a medieval weapon than something to serve for dinner. Anchor a chain to its stem, swing it overhead and imagine the damage to follow.

Ask any supermarket checker. They've learned to gingerly handle plastic bags of artichokes to avoid nasty stabs from the single thorn at the tip of each leaf. Still, an occasional ouch emanates from consumer and seller.

But, oh, they hurt so good.

Don't judge this vegetable by its intimidating look. Kitchen scissors disarm the artichoke by snipping off the thorny leaf tips. Then comes the good part.

The flip side of those tough leaves is succulent and earthy, but it's the heart of the artichoke that is the most delectable. The meaty center is the reward for your battle scars.

To get past the artichoke's threatening demeanor, think about its ancestry. It's a descendant of the thistle and a member of the sunflower family. The vegetable we eat is a bud of the plant's flower. If left to bloom, the blossom measures up to 7 inches and is a violet blue.

At our house, we steam artichokes until the stem is soft, about 40 minutes. Eating undercooked artichokes is akin to chewing bark. Each person gets one, sometimes two, and we tear them leaf by leaf, dipping the tender petals into melted butter. I like them with mayonnaise, too, and sometimes a squeeze of lemon.

That's the way California purists cook and dress them, especially those who live near Castroville, America's artichoke capital. About 90 percent of the U.S. crop is grown in Monterey County.

Eating an artichoke can be indelicate. Forget the knife and fork for most of it. Hold a leaf by the narrow end, dip it in something, if you like, and scrape the wide end between your upper and lower teeth to pull off the earthy meat. Soon you'll winnow away the leaves and be left with the heart, concealed by yellow leaves and the fuzzy "choke." Discard the small, soft leaves and scoop out the fuzz with a spoon.

Now you're at the core of the artichoke. At 1-1/2 inches around and maybe an inch thick, the heart won't feed an army. It's a solo treat, and most artichoke eaters get a little selfish when it comes to the heart. You want a bite of mine? I don't think so.

I cut it into four pieces, savoring each creamy, woody bite.

Here's the weirdest thing about artichokes: They are kid-friendly. I know children who love artichokes for their tactile attributes. How fun to be required to use your fingers when eating vegetables. And then to get to the center and find a prize? Way to go, Mother Nature.

You've got two chances a year to eat artichokes, hearty producers that yield a spring and a fall crop. Look for large artichokes that seem heavy for their size. They should not be bruised, but some black or brown markings are fine on a green artichoke. Store fresh artichokes in the refrigerator, with the stem wrapped in damp paper towels (shave a quarter inch off the stem before wrapping).

They can be eaten hot, warm or cold, and leftover artichokes are easily reheated in the microwave. It's best not to boil them or they get waterlogged. Canned or frozen artichokes are a great addition to quiches and omelets. The leaves of canned artichokes can be chewy, so it's best to trim the ends before using. Keep jars of marinated artichokes in your pantry to jazz up tossed salads.

Artichokes are worth the trouble it takes to bring them to the table. They aren't the prettiest veggie at the ball, but boy, do they know how to dance.

BOOKREVIEW

Traveling gastronome shares favorite recipes

By Karola Saekel

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

If you like to read the culinary recollections of a seasoned raconteur rather than a technically perfect manual, Arthur Bloomfield's "The Gastronomic Tourist" (Creative Arts, \$18.50), is a book for you.

Meandering from France's quiet Auvergne region to San Francisco's boisterous North Beach, from lively Lombardy to the seclusion of the Carmel Highlands, the onetime San Francisco music critic recalls the tastes and smells that both soothed and titillated him on his mid- to late-20th century travels and seem to have been driven in equal parts by musical and gastronomic curiosity.

The subtitle of the book, "Memories and Recipes of a Bistro Crawler at Home and Abroad," defines the scope of this book. Bloomfield doesn't venture into the rarefied temples of haute cuisine, and the recipes he has gathered show clear personal preferences and a gifted amateur's facility in the kitchen. It translates into dishes the experienced home cook will find doable and, in most instances, intriguing.

Think off-beat salads like leeks, beets and hard-cooked eggs with a walnut oil dressing created by a restaurant near Le Puy in France, or his mother's cracked crab with a remoulade made from tarted-up commercial mayonnaise.

Saying that Bloomfield's book is a fine guide for the experienced home cook does not mean to denigrate the quality of the recipes, but rather implies a caveat: Details are at times sketchy.

A homey fresh mango cake is identified as an upside-down cake, but the instructions fail to mention what you do with it after it comes out of the oven (cool on a rack about 20 minutes, then invert a platter over it and flip it fruit-side up).

Similar omissions of detail are fairly frequent, and a novice cook might be baffled by the often cavalier approach to quantities: "a little lemon juice and some balsamic vinegar" to achieve a "proportion of 2-1/2 to 3 oil to vinegar/lemon juice," or a boiled chicken with "some" julienne of carrots and "several" boiling onions. How many, the novice might ask, is some and several?

But Bloomfield's love of gutsy food makes up for these flaws, as does his idiosyncratic writing style that often mixes food with music and other non-edible art forms.

How could you not chuckle at the description of a Munich "Magic Flute" with "scenery all too suggestive of Emmmental" (he loved the wurstsalat at the city's railroad station), or the comment that Marcella Hazan's rejection of gremolata with osso buco is "like taking the seventh out of a climactic dominant chord in a Beethoven symphony"?

LEEK, BEET & EGG SALAD WITH WALNUT OIL DRESSING ARDECHE

Beets, Bloomfield tends to think, are better with company on the plate than alone, and this shrubby salad solves the problem. Souvenir of the Hotel du Nord in Thueys, France.

4 medium-sized beets, boiled, cooled, peeled and sliced
 3 well-washed leeks, trimmed, sliced, steamed and cooled
 2 hard-boiled eggs, cooled and halved
 Some soft lettuce
 Dressing:

A good 1/4 teaspoon Dijon mustard
 1 part red wine vinegar
 1 part canola oil
 2 parts or more walnut oil
 Crumbled walnuts to taste

On each salad-eater's plate, combine the beets, leeks, eggs and lettuce.

Be sure to position the beets between the leeks and the lettuce to avoid clashing shades of green — this problem will be somewhat less acute if you elect a two-toned mix of "boutique" greens including radicchio.

Dress red-white-and-green with a new vinaigrette combination.

(Note: The recipe gives no serving size, which is, in part, dependent upon the quantity of greens used.)



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Stock up on garlic

SACRAMENTO BEE

When buying garlic, look for plump, firm heads with the papery skin intact. There are at least 66 varieties of garlic, so taste varies widely.

Store garlic in a cool, dry place, not in the refrigerator or freezer. Freezing garlic alters the texture and taste. To make garlic oil, heat the garlic in the oil until the cloves begin to brown lightly.

Let the oil cool and then discard the cloves. The oil keeps for up to a week.

Generally speaking, one finely chopped medium clove yields 1 teaspoon of garlic.

Three finely chopped medium cloves yield 1 tablespoon and 12 finely chopped cloves yield 1/4 cup. Cooked garlic mellows in flavor, especially if it cooks slowly or is cooked in milk.

MONEY MATTERS

Protect yourself at the cash machine

Do you always observe your surroundings before you walk up to an automatic teller machine (ATM)? Do you have your card in hand when you approach the machine? Is your passenger window up and door locked when you're waiting in line at a drive-through ATM? If you think these sound like "no-brainer" precautions, you're absolutely right, but distractions—a cell phone conversation, a looming deadline and or that appointment across town—can make us forget we're vulnerable to unwelcome and fraudulent activity.



Mary Davis

PULSE EFT Association, an electronic funds transfer network, offers some simple measures you can take to help ensure your safety when using your ATM/debit card. Share these tips with the teenagers and elderly loved ones in your life.

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 ■ If you observe anything suspicious at the ATM, cancel your transaction and the immediately leave the area.
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Drive-up ATMs

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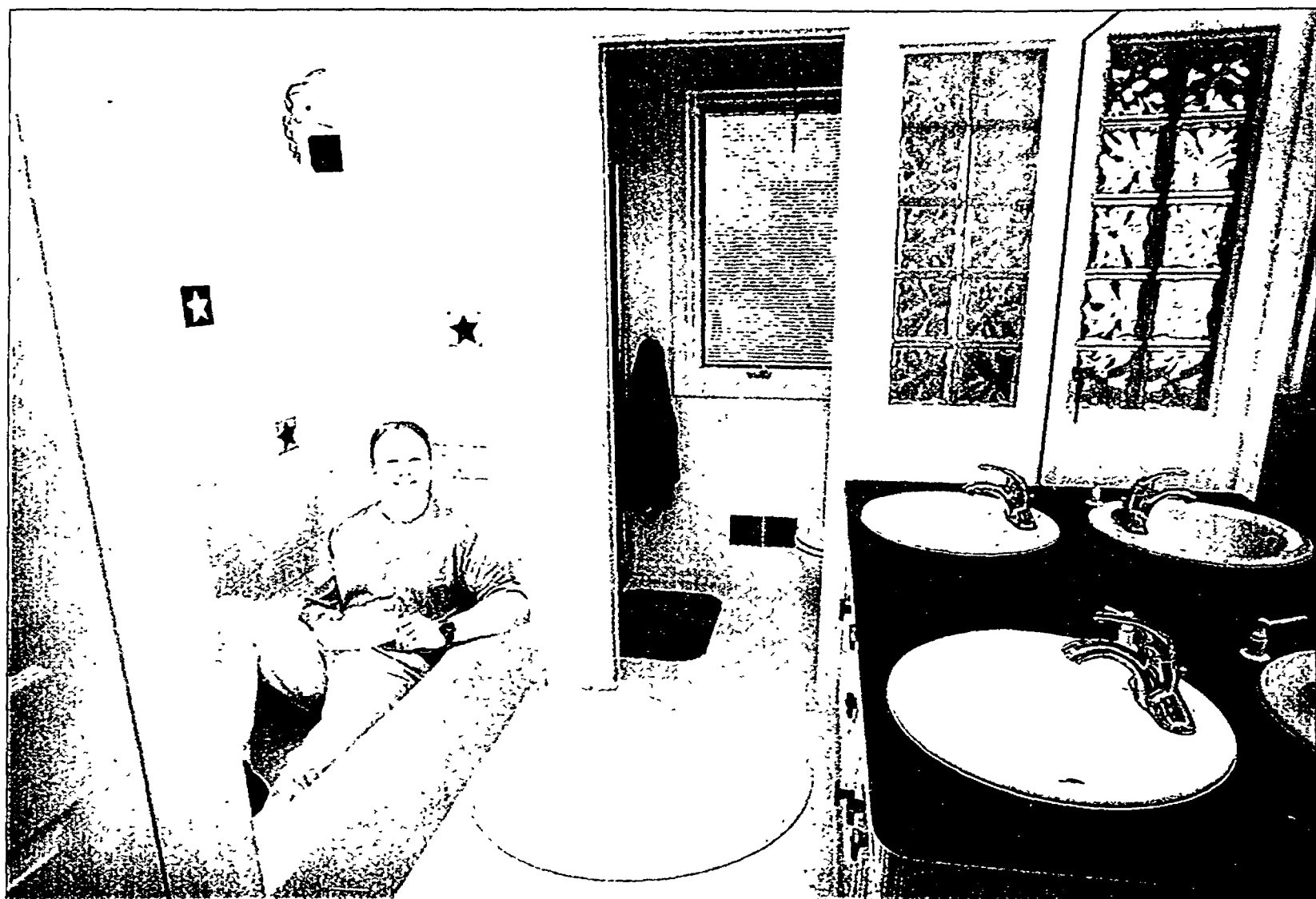
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Jim Faydenko and the bright colors of a child's bathroom.

Remodeling adds value to existing homes

By Elizabeth Heer

Savvy homeowners know the value of maintaining their investment. Homes are one of the best investments in today's market, and keeping it up-to-date and in good repair is just plain smart.

Remodeling is one of the few services that actually yields some kind of return — value added to the home, according to Remodeling magazine. How much of a return depends on location, costs of materials, the value of similar homes in the neighborhood, and the quality of the remodeler's design and construction.

What Jim Faydenko of Remodeling Remedies hopes homeowners realize is that remodeling dollars are a home investment that you not only profit from but also enjoy. From the standpoint of resale, bath-

room updates can be one of the more lucrative remodeling projects you can undertake. "With current rates, you can take that money and put it into a bathroom remodel, enjoy it, and then if you sell next year, you'll get 76 percent of your investment back," he said.

Bath remodels, however, can not only turn a worn-out room into a sanctuary but add to the resale value of the average home.

"You can spend maybe \$11,000 on a bathroom remodel, adding \$8,360 to the price of the home and recoup 76 percent of the cost," said Faydenko.

However, he notes many people find so much satisfaction in the results of remodeling that they are not so eager to sell their home.

"It makes sense to invest in your home and then enjoy the finished work. Why live with all

the annoyances?"

Buyers want a master bath plus at least a second bathroom. Adding another bath may cost an average of \$16,000 in the Detroit market, but can add \$9,000 in resale value, or 57 percent of cost recouped.

Kitchens are what sell a home, and protecting home equity by updating the heart of the home may be the best investment a homeowner can make. Upscale features such as cabinetry, tile, granite countertops, built-in appliances, designer faucets, and under-cabinet lighting can make a \$20,000 difference in the asking price of a home because of the perception of quality, according to Remodel magazine.

Faydenko points out that a kitchen remodel that costs between \$28,000 and \$32,000 to gut and replace can see a 59 percent return in value when it's

time to sell.

When it comes down to finding a remodeling contractor, Faydenko can suggest points to consider. Examining a company's experience, reputation, licensure, insurance, and ability to provide accurate estimates can help you choose the company that will make your dreams come true. He adds that homeowners need to be bold in asking to see a contractor's building license and proof of insurance. A licensed builder has met the state's requirements for carpentry, and a license is required for all jobs totaling \$600 or more.

"Ask to see their pocket card," he advised. "There's no reason why a licensed builders should not have it with him. We give every customer an information packet that includes a copy of our residential builder's license, along with how to verify it, and the name, address, and phone number of our insurance company. Call those numbers and verify that the insurance is valid, because it's very easy to get insurance, cancel it, and make copies of the policy to show to customers."

Remodeling Remedies is a fully-insured company, and employs only full-time employees who are covered by workmen's compensation and liability insurance.

"We are a full-service remodeling company. We do it all from start to finish," Faydenko said. "From initial design to sending customers to the showrooms to select cabinetry, tile, plumbing fixtures, you are dealing with just one person who handles everything. We've been doing this for a long time, and our years of experience show in the quality and service we provide."

Estimates are detailed and accurate and all costs are clearly outlined so no surprises sudden-

DETAILS

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ly appear midway through a project. Armed with his laptop and printer, Faydenko will do most estimates onsite for kitchens and baths.

"Because of my years of hands-on experience, I'm not guessing when I go to someone's home to estimate a job," he said. "I'm literally building that job in my head when I'm putting numbers together."

For larger projects, Faydenko also shoots onsite video when doing his estimates, which helps in recalling the finer details of a project. Homeowners appreciate the 3-D computer drawings of the proposed design of their project.

"I like my estimates to be complete, and we're very straight forward with the homeowner," Faydenko said. "Our focus is on providing quality service at a reasonable price."

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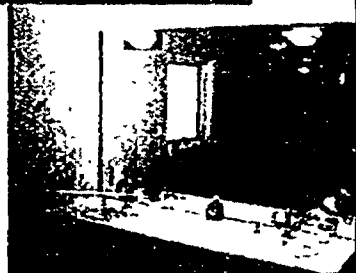
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Builder turns cottage into house that

By Annette Jaworski
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

There are a lot of words that could describe Russ Cesarz — artistic, creative, ambitious. But probably the one word that most accurately describes the Howell builder and renovator is inspired. Cesarz' vision recently transformed an aging 600-square-foot cottage into a carefully designed 2,300-square-foot lakefront beauty.

"This is the art that I chose. I suppose I could paint or draw, but I chose to work with wood," he said.

Cesarz dreamed of lakeside renovations even as a teen, imagining what could be built on an empty foundation.

"I've always had these visions of homes in my mind," he said.

He got his inspiration working at an architectural firm, where he was exposed to great designs at an early age. Later on, he would go home and draw the design, making simple changes and improvements, the way he thought it should be. Opportunity presented itself when he rented, then purchased, a home on Pleasant Lake. He tore it down to the foundation and rebuilt it from the ground up.

The most important factor he considered in the design was how to incorporate the natural lakefront view throughout the home. Every major facet of the structure takes this into consideration — from the kitchen sink, which he recessed into a bay to provide a view of the lake, to the jet tub upstairs. The most advantageous views beckon from the master bedroom, great room and dining area.

To utilize the full splendor of the water, Cesarz relied on curves, angles and turns, which also gave a unique and custom look to the layout of the home. One of the special touches he added was to change the pattern of the ceramic tile at the entry of each room, according to the flow of traffic. He set off each room with accent pieces of tumbled marble.

"It's refreshing to see angularity," said Sandy Sharp, associate broker for Keller Williams.

At 2,300 square feet, it's no weekend cottage, but it's not a



Above: Before renovations, the cottage was small and aging. Top right: The cottage gets an addition. Middle and bottom right photos show the end product, inside and out.

mansion, either. It's more of a "not-so-big house," as Sharp puts it. With its carefully detailed floor plan, open space and large storage areas, "it lives large," she said.

The floor plan is open throughout the first level, from the great room to the kitchen and dining area. The work island is situated for a view of the water. The dining area extends to a patio through sliding screen and glass doors.

"I tried to keep the living space and the hub of the house open to conversation and living," Cesarz said.

The great room is the heart of the first floor with its cathedral ceilings and floor-to-ceiling two-story windows. The marble fireplace with lighted glass windows was custom designed and built by Cesarz.

Three bedrooms are located on the second floor, including the

master bedroom, which has its own bath and his and hers closets. Each bedroom is wired for cable and computer connections and each has a study alcove.

Adequate storage space was an important consideration. Each bedroom has its own large walk-in closet. A mud/laundry room comes off the garage. The closet here provides storage as well as a handy bench for removing shoes. There's also an additional coat closet.

The doorway from the laundry room is arched instead of the traditional square. Cesarz also arched the door leading to the kitchen as well. In addition, there's an unfinished lower level walk-out.

In his designs, he thinks first of the homeowner's lifestyle.

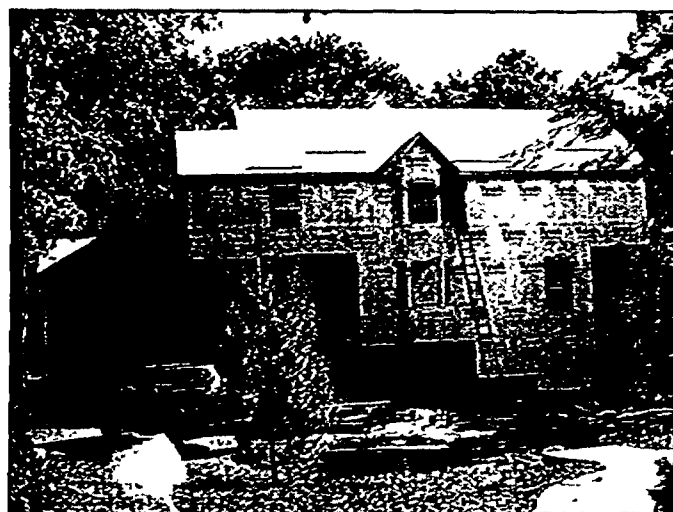
"Little things I do make a house live a lot better," he commented, like a spot in the upstairs hall for the vacuum. "Who wants

to haul a vacuum up and down stairs?" he asks.

Instead of rushing into decisions, he believes homeowners should take their time in considering renovations or remodeling projects so it can be adapted to suit their lifestyle more conveniently. The lakefront home renovation took about six months from start to finish, although he's anxious to start another project.

Working in tight confines presented other challenges, such as putting in the windows before the wall was raised. Crane work was essential because of the height of the house as well.

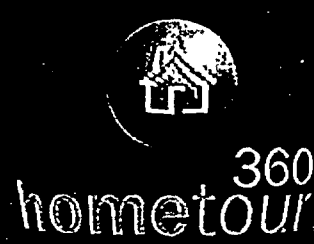
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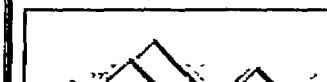
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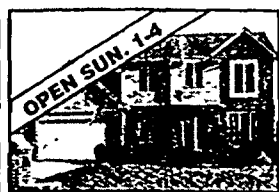
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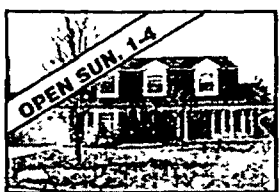
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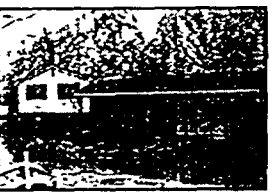
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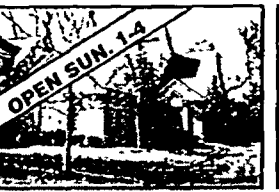
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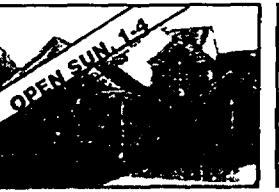
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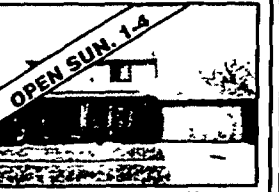
BEAUTIFUL HOME ON COUNTRY LOT - Big 4 bedroom home with lots of updates on wooded 2/3 acre lot in Livonia. Newer roof, A/C, bath, kitchen floor, more. Natural fireplace in family room. Newer deck overlooking woods. Two car garage with 220 electrical. \$254,900 (551WE)



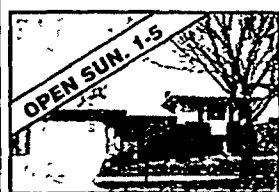
PLYMOUTH CAPE COD CONDO - 44550 Pinetree Dr., Plymouth. First floor master suite, 2 bedroom & full bath w/loft overlooking great room, oak kit w/granite counters, daylight w/dwgs basement, hardwood floors in foyer, kitchen, powder room & hall, FFL, 2.5 car att garage, central vac, deck w/hot tub, private setting. \$349,900 (550PI)



DETACHED CONDO IN PLYMOUTH - 51391 Northmead, Plymouth. Beautiful cape featuring 3 bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Great room with gas fireplace, dining room, den, island kitchen w/hardwood floor, 1st floor master suite, full basement and attached garage. Over 2,400 sq ft. \$369,900 (391NO)



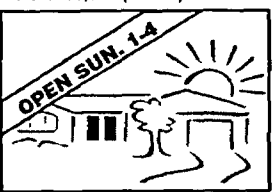
PRICED TO SELL - 1772 Morrison, Canton. Affordable and spacious 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial. Large remodeled kitchen and family room with fireplace, new carpet, roof porch and more updates. Quick occupancy \$224,900 (772MO)



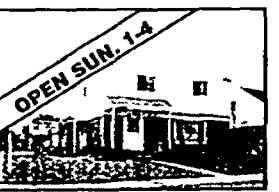
SUPER 4 BEDROOM QUAD - 7219 Willow Creek Dr., Canton. All that is left to do is move into this super quad-level. Updated and freshly painted, kitchen, family room, baths and lav. New windows, doors, privacy fence, 16x16 deck and two 2-car garages. \$259,900 (219WI)



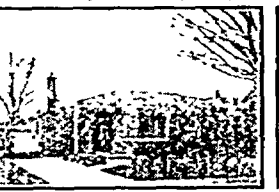
ALMOST NEW - 49041 Fifth Ave., Canton. Four bedroom, 2.5 bath Pulte St. James less than 1 year old. Hardwood floors, great room w/fireplace, formal dining and a side entry garage. Neutral decor, immaculately maintained & kitchen w/island. \$300,000 (041FI)



GREAT STARTER HOME - 15835 Norborne, Redford. Why rent - cute 2 bedroom ranch on double lot. Updated kitchen with oak cabinets, new windows, electrical, hot water heater. Fantastic finished basement and 1.5 car garage. \$112,900 (835NO)



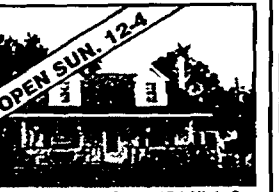
OWNERS PARADISE! - 17425 Doris St., Livonia. Plenty of space to store all of your toys. Beautifully updated and maintained colonial on a spacious corner lot in desirable Brookwood Estates. Energy efficient windows, tear-off roof, w/ry siding & seamless gutters all within the last 3 years. All reasonable offers considered. \$242,900 (425DO)



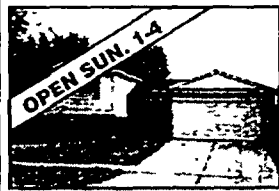
BEAUTIFUL UPDATED RANCH - Well maintained 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch in walking distance to school. Updates include kitchen with oak cabinets, new counter, new dishwasher, furnace, A/C, windows and siding. \$192,900 (124OR)



CHARM & COMFORT - Classic home has all the updates done. New roof, windows, doors, furnace, A/C, hot water heater and more. Updated oak kitchen and 2 full baths, finished basement, covered deck and a 2 car garage. \$164,900 (6356L)



VINTAGE CAPE COD - 454 High St., Belleville. Beautiful panoramic view of Belleville Lake from your front porch, 1,300+ square footage, formal dining room, fireplace in large living room and a knotty pine rec room. \$199,900 (545HI)



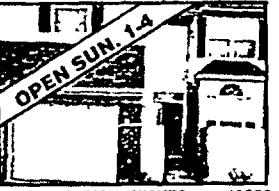
ALL THE UPDATES - 1645 Walnut Ridge Circle, Canton. This beautiful Canton quad level has been completely updated. Roof, windows, furnace, air conditioning and kitchen w/oak cabinets. Two-tiered deck, large basement & fenced backyard. \$209,900 (645WA)



WELL MAINTAINED COLONIAL - 49072 Stanton St., Canton. New construction complete w/landscape. Home offers full brick 2-story entry, 9' ceilings, dual staircases & 3-car garage. Oak kit w/built-in apps & hrdwd flrs. Master suite w/glam bath, guest room w/its own bath. For LR/DR, FFL, priv den, court location, full bsmt. \$438,900 (072ST)



A REAL BEAUTY! - This charming Plymouth home has tremendous appeal & is located within walking distance to downtown. It has a pleasing floor plan & offers 3 bedrooms, a large living room & spacious dining room. Situated on a nicely landscaped oversized lot, the backyard is fenced. Hurry on this one! \$189,900 (651EV)



WHAT DO YOU WANT? - 49852 Pointe Crossing, Plymouth. Price - location - move in condition. This 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo is for you. Featuring a gas fireplace in living room, dining room, skylights, walk-in closet in master bedroom, private entry, full basement, 2 car attached garage, pool, tennis courts, clubhouse, more. \$169,900 (852PO)



CANTON COLONIAL - 1529 Brookdale, Canton. Located across from park - this 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home features a large kitchen w/nook, family room w/fireplace, 1st floor laundry, attached 2 car garage. Patio & sprinklers. Includes appliances. \$285,000 (529BR)



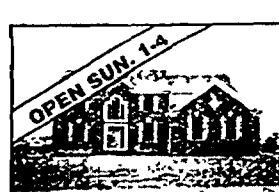
OUTSTANDING!!! - 13330 Wendover, Plymouth. This one has everything you could think of, tiled entry, kitchen, powder room, step-down formal dining area w/columns, step-down family room, open kitchen w/island & abundance of maple cabinets to ceiling, formal living room, 1st floor laundry w/cabinets, open & unique design, patio, sprinklers. \$354,900 (330WE)



ADD THIS UP - 23131 Hollander, Dearborn. Brick home, hardwood floors under carpet on main floor, 1.5 baths, 3 bedrooms, living room w/fireplace, updated electrical box, never cement drive, updated roof on house/garage. Handy persons come on down! Hurry - make your offer now! \$157,900 (131HO)



NORTHVILLE LAKEFRONT - Enjoy the views from this Moores built classic colonial with walk-out. Two story foyer, dual staircase, family room w/dual fireplace, gourmet kitchen, spacious master suite, deck off kitchen, brick paver patio and a 3 car garage. Many extras! \$1,199,900 (952MI)



UNBEATABLE NEIGHBORHOOD - 49072 Stanton St., Canton. New construction complete w/landscape. Home offers full brick 2-story entry, 9' ceilings, dual staircases & 3-car garage. Oak kit w/built-in apps & hrdwd flrs. Master suite w/glam bath, guest room w/its own bath. For LR/DR, FFL, priv den, court location, full bsmt. \$438,900 (072ST)



ONE OF THE FINEST - Fabulous colonial completely updated in 96 on 2.5 wooded acres. Open floor plan. Kit w/cust hickory cabinets, year round sunroom w/serene views to woods. GR w/tpic and custom built-in entertainment center. Formal dining room. Outstanding 750 sq ft. out-building w/12 ft door cabs & wood stove. \$565,000 (895BR)



A FANTASY OF FEATURES - 22644 Beckenham Ct., Novi. Nearly new 3,934 sq ft, 4 BR, 3.5 ceramic tile BA, cut-de-sac LR, den, sunroom, mstr ste w/luxury BA & sitting rm. Main level laund, chef's kit w/work island. Prof Indspd w/patio, deck, sprkdr & walk-out site. Novi schools. \$649,900 (644BE)



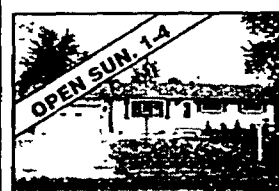
SPECTACULAR WATERFRONT - 12830 Lake Pointe Pass, Belleville. On 1.4 acres. Walkout ranch, 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, trees, privacy and 3 boat hoists on Belleville Lake. Walkout lower level to inground pool. \$519,900 (830LA)



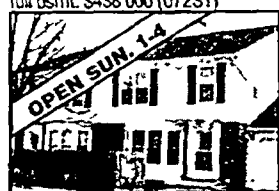
PLYMOUTH'S BEST! - 9084 Murland, Plymouth. 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial on treed interior lot. Formal LR w/gas fpic, for DR. Lv lot w/mid oak cabs, built-in oven/range & eating area. Master ste w/spa bath, jetted tub in main & master BAs, oak 6-panel doors, trim w/Corian, granite, neutral carpet. \$419,800 (084MU)



CHARACTER AND CHARM - 804 William, Plymouth. Charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath colonial located just 2 blocks west of beautiful downtown Plymouth. Built in 1905 with carriage house/garage. Updates: newer windows, electric, plumbing & heating, hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces. Must see! \$399,900 (884WI)



COUNTRY LIVING - CITY CONVENIENCE - 8215 Marlowe, Belleville. Three bedroom ranch on 1.1 acres, 1.5 baths, large country kitchen. Updates include central air, new roof, boiler in 02. Close to I-275 and I-94. \$173,000 (215MA)



DESIRABLE PLYMOUTH LOCATION - 42205 Mill Race Circle, Plymouth. Well maintained 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath condo in desirable Plymouth location. New roof, brick fireplace in living room, vaulted ceiling in master bedroom. Partially finished basement. \$164,900 (205MI)



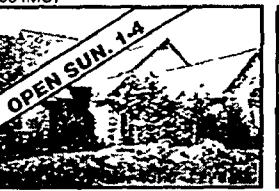
COUNTRY CAPE COD - PLYMOUTH TWP. - 48640 N Territorial, Plymouth. Metabolically updated - restored home on 2 acres close to downtown 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, new kit w/all apps, hrdwd floors, original wide woodwork, most w/dws newer, electric, plus full bsmt. Two garages - 35x22 & 24x24. Great location. \$380,000 (640NO)



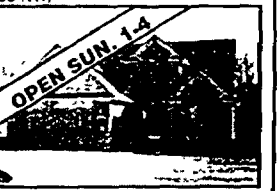
NEW CONSTRUCTION! - 1140 Wildwood, Westland. Can't beat this! Three bedrooms, huge ceramic tiled kitchen, bath w/double vanity, extra deep basement, neutral decor, open floor plan and brand new! Fantastic opportunity! \$154,900 (140WI)



JUST FOR YOU - Neat as a pin, with payments cheaper than rent. Come see this cute and cozy home on a deep lot. This one bedroom home with garage in a great area of Romulus is a must see. \$74,900 (065HU)



STUNNING CAPE COD - 797 Sandalwood, Canton. Open floor plan in this 3 bedroom cape cod in Canton. Great room, master suite, dining room & kitchen with golf course view. Fireplace in great room w/vaulted ceilings. Master bath, 1st floor laundry. Absolutely fabulous home. \$379,900 (797SA)



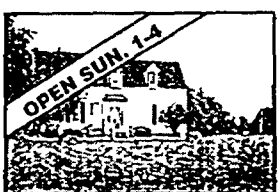
CAPE COD - 29977 Scr Mile, Livonia. Beautiful brick 3 bedroom cape cod built in 2001. Large lot, vaulted ceiling & fireplace in great room, 2.5 baths, 2 car attached garage. Master bedroom w/bath (Jacuzzi tub) and walk-in closet. \$284,900 (977SI)



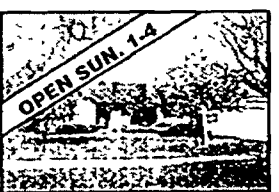
FIRST FLOOR CONDO - 44417 Saverly, Canton. Move-in condition with all the updates you look for! New remodeled kitchen & bath, neutral carpet, huge master bedroom with walk-in closet - lots of storage! Situated in the heart of Canton. \$108,500 (417SA)



ROSEDALE DELIGHT - 32227 Washington, Livonia. Fast occupancy on this beautiful 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch on huge private lot! Updates such as roof (brand new), windows, nicely fenced basement w/office, 2.5 car garage - a true must see! \$179,500 (227WA)



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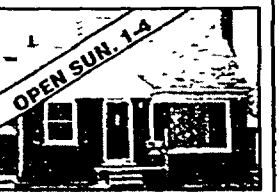
RANCH LOVERS DELIGHT - 1139 Knightsbridge, Canton. Located in Canton's desirable Embassy Square Sub. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch offers an open floor plan with great room and private master suite. Walk to elementary school and immediate occupancy. \$212,900 (139KN)



START HERE - 29425 Florence, Garden City. Start or retire here. Beautiful ranch, large master bedroom (could be converted back into 2 bedrooms for a 3 bedroom home), new oak kitchen, large living room, all appliances stay and a large lot. First showing will sell this beauty. \$112,900 (425FL)



THE VALUE IS IN THE LAND - 3199 acres in Canton. City water & sewer already there. Two bedroom home needs work or can be torn down to build home of your choice. Home has 845 sq ft., 2 bedrooms, 1 bath and 1 car garage. Call for more info. \$250,000 (714HE)



LOVELY UPDATED BUNGALOW - 9939 Seminole, Redford. 3 bedroom brick bungalow - South Redford Schools. This home is updated throughout. Never kitchen w/built-in appliances, newer windows, newer front porch. Finished basement w/gas log fireplace. Fenced yard w/above-ground pool. Great neighborhood. \$144,000 (939SE)



OUT-OF-THE-WAY TREASURE - 8939 Mantion, Plymouth. Well maintained home offering updates such as: windows, baths, roof, and landscaping. Living room with doorwall to deck and 2 1/2 car garage. Call today! \$214,900 (939MA)



NICE CANTON CONDO - 2071 Vineyard, Canton. Clean, updated townhouse condo. New carpet throughout, new paint, crown moldings & marble surround gas fireplace in living room, updated baths, & new flooring in kitchen. Big bedrooms. A nice, nice condo in move-in condition. \$144,900 (071VI)



NICE AREA! NICE PRICE! - 42273 Fairview, Canton. This wonderful 1975 built home offers 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, family room with fireplace, formal living room, kitchen/dining. Many nice features left for your surprise! \$199,000 (273FA)



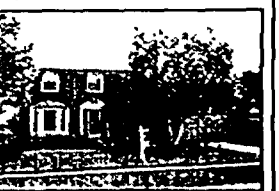
KNIGHTS BRIDGE - 5645 Tecumseh, Redford. Bring your white gloves, home is ready for your inspection. 3 bedroom brick/vynl ranch, 2 car gar, full bsmt w/updates & decor is super. Entertaining guests is easy w/open floor plan. Rec room in bsmt makes great play area. The price is right! \$136,500 (848TE)



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NEED 4 BEDROOMS? - 37297 Thimbar, Wayne. This four bedroom colonial is ready for the new family and close to park and elementary school. Kitchen has been updated, family room with fireplace, 1 1/2 baths, basement and 2 1/2 car garage. \$169,900 (297TH)



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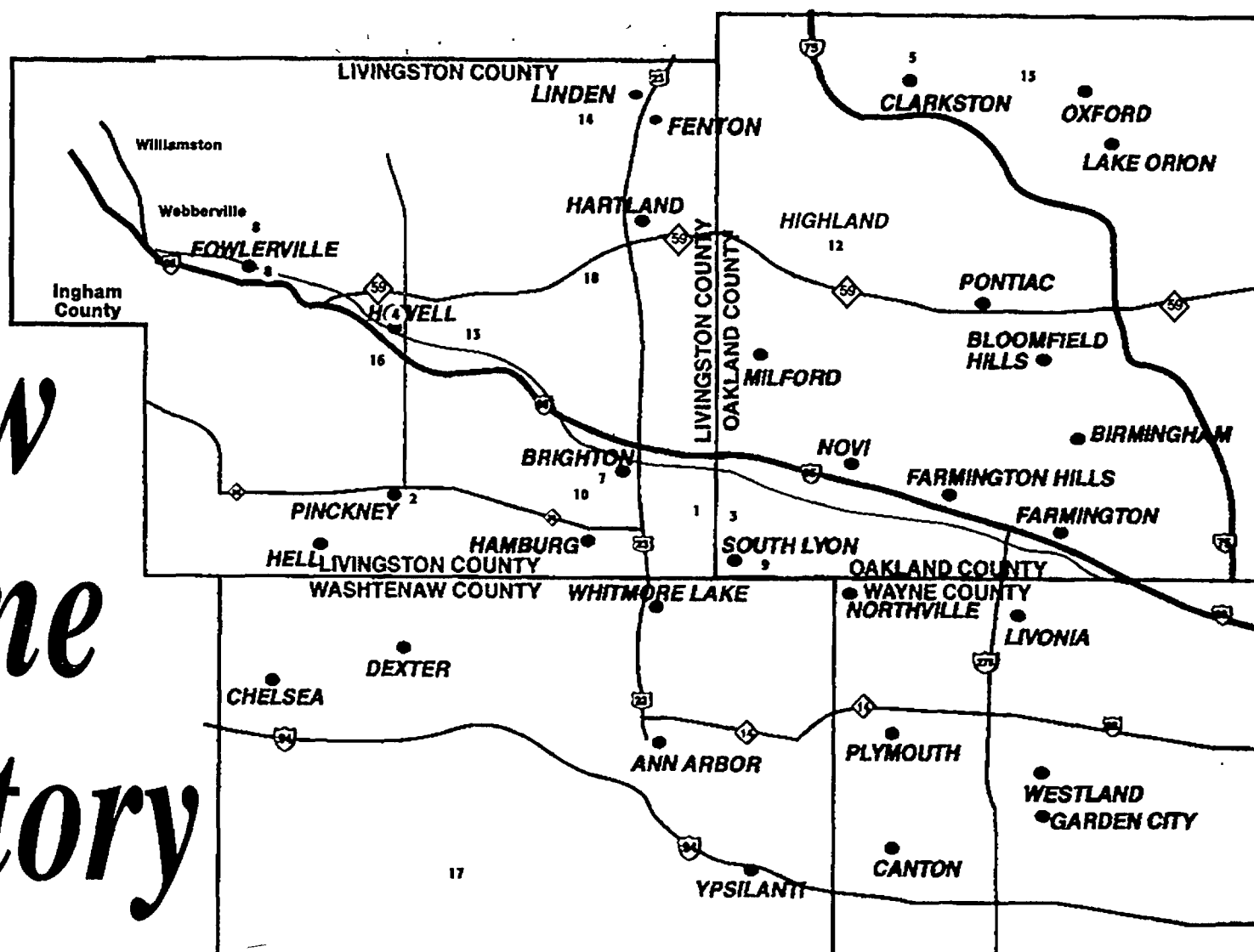
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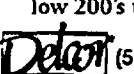
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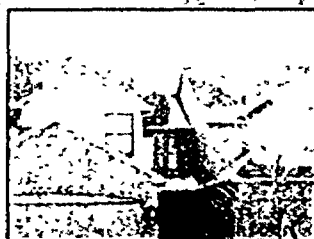
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WESTLAND - Three bedroom brick Ranch All major updates done! Great home with finished basement and 2 car garage Newer kitchen and bath Very nice home \$142,900 (05AYO) 734-455-5600



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LIVONIA - Don't miss this one! Gorgeous lot backing to wood and ravine offers this 3 bedroom, 2 bath quad-level with finished lower level, 2 car attached garage, formal dining room, family room with fireplace and home warranty \$229,900 (27RAV) 734-455-5600



LIVONIA - Stunning updated Ranch. 3 bedroom home with newer windows, roof, freshly painted, ceramic tile kitchen, fireplace, door wall to patio and great yard Huge partially finished basement. Ready for you to move in and enjoy \$209,900 (66ELM) 248-349-5600



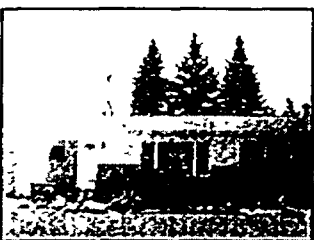
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GARDEN CITY - Great home for the price. Most major updates done in last 3 years include: roof, windows, siding, furnace & CA. Full partially finished basement. 2 1/2 car garage \$134,999 (80CAM) 734-455-5600



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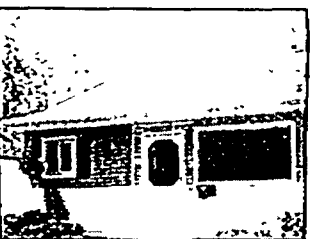
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DEARBORN - Dearborn Bungalow This home has received 2 city beautification awards. You'll love the updated kitchen w/ample cabinets & doorwall to porch. Steel door, vinyl windows, coved ceilings, & ceramic tile. Fin bsmt, 2 car gar & home warranty \$172,610 (11EDI) 734-455-5600



LINCOLN PARK - Great starter. 3 bedroom brick/aluminum Bungalow with wet plaster through out ceramic bath, garage and partially finished basement, plus covered patio \$122,500 (79LIN) 734-455-5600



DETROIT - Sharp updated Ranch. Beautiful open flowing plan with updated kitchen, windows, CA, roof, furnace, electrical and much more. Spacious open dining room, partially finished basement. 2 car garage and most appliances \$89,900 (71FAU) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Walk to downtown. Updated home with open and unique floor plan. Updates kitchen, bath, formal dining room, hardwood floors, great room with vaulted ceilings, vinyl windows and electrical service. Move in condition. Must see! \$204,900 (61WIL) 734-455-5600



FLAT ROCK - Great opportunity. Large 3 bedrooms Ranch on good sized lot. Roof and CA '02, some windows and furnace '01, vinyl siding '00. Large foyer with bay window. Bath remodeled. Home still needs some work but the majors are done. \$96,500 (26SEN) 734-455-5600



ANN ARBOR - Duxboro Village-Ann Arbor schools. Farm style for 21st century on approximately 1 acre. 3 bedroom home with many upgrades & additional square footage in studio/office suite over garage. Many extras. Must see to appreciate. \$449,900 (60CHU) 248-349-5600



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DEARBORN - Charm & value 3 bedroom Bungalow with all the major updates! Newer roofs, on garage and home! Newer furnace, CA & landscaping. Circuit breaker. Pella windows, finished basement. Family room off kitchen \$139,900 (35GRI) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Sharp brick Ranch! Great 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, family room with fireplace, deck, finished basement, CA, newer cement, windows, carpeting, hardwood floors, updated bath, some appliances stay. Steel entry doors, glass block windows, home warranty included. Must see! \$139,900 (66VOR) 734-455-5600



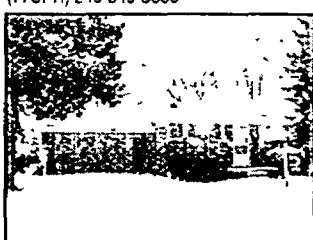
DEARBORN - Great starter home. 3 bedroom, 1 bath brick Ranch. Coved ceilings, hardwood floors in living room and bedrooms, + basement. Close to Oakwood Hospital and expressways. \$100,000 (20SOU) 734-455-5600



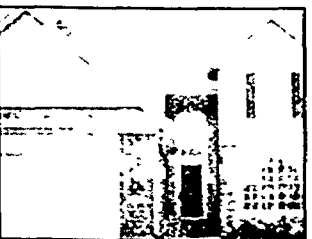
NOVI - Secluded paradise. Pristine condition on approx 1.25 acres 2-story with 1st floor master suite, great room, loft, family room, library, finished basement, huge kitchen, 2 decks, hot tub, sprinklers and much, much more. Built in 1990. \$412,900 (50NIN) 248-349-5600



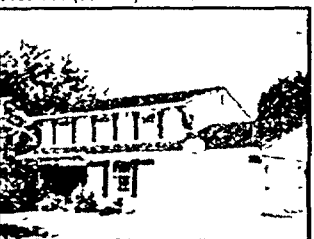
GREEN OAK - 4 bedroom Colonial in a park-like setting with association pond, swimming, fishing, canoeing on approx 1/2 acre. Remodeled BA '03, tear-off roof '02, kitchen counter '00, dishwasher '00. Family room w/FP w/newer sliding door. Gas grill. South Lyon schools. \$235,900 (29PON) 248-349-5600



WARREN - Perfect brick starter. This 3 bedroom 2 bath brick Ranch has 2 car garage w/newer garage door & electronic opener, newer furnace, HWH, dishwasher, kitchen & bathroom sink. 2 full baths, partially finished basement, copper plumbing. All hardwood flrs & cement patio in backyard \$125,900 (62POP) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Resort like living. Secluded pond like setting present this 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Cape Cod with 2 car attached garage, basement. Hickory kitchen loft overlooking great room with gas fireplace, custom deck overlooking delightful view of the pond \$328,000 (83HOG) 734-455-5600



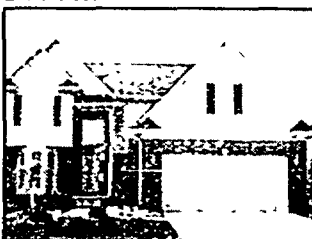
ALLEN PARK - Rare find! 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath colonial has oversized master suite with bath and hardwood floors, formal living room, dining room, family room with fireplace open to kitchen and basement, located on a cul-de-sac. Allen Park schools \$245,000 (00NOR) 734-455-5600



TAYLOR - Clean 3 bedroom brick Ranch. Finished basement with full bath, 2 car attached garage, family room with fireplace, CA, sprinkler system, full brick exterior, hardwood floors and wood trim throughout. Must see! Must sell! \$149,900 (33WIC) 734-455-5600



NOVI - Brick Ranch. Come fall in love with this fabulous home on approx 1.25 acres. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths with Northville schools. Walk to downtown. Newer furnace, hardwood floors, carpet and stone tile in baths and kitchen. A dream home with huge garage. Northville schools. \$299,900 (31BYR) 248-349-5600



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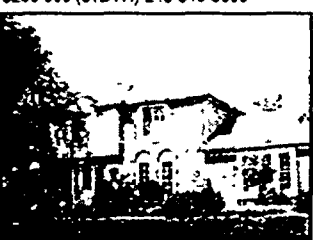
PLYMOUTH - Quiet street in downtown Plymouth. Walk to Hines Park! Living room w/refinished hwd flrs, cove ceiling & picture window. Kitchen w/newer Terra Cotta tile & eating area. Most windows, newer crown molding in BR. BA has newer ceramic tile, vanity & lighting. Deck & gar HPP. \$211,500 (45HOL) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Beautiful and maintained 3 bedroom Ranch, hwd flrs, vinyl windows, plaster walls & coved ceilings, updates include roof, furn, & CA, elec & carpet. Neutral colors, ceramic tile in kitchen, lg basement for added space. 2 car gar has 1 car door & South Redford schools \$132,000 (73ORA) 734-455-5600



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PLYMOUTH - Tucked away in Trailwood. Large 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial has huge family room w/fireplace & skylights. Big open kitchen. Den w/wet bar. Master suite with W/C & bath. Full fin bsmt has recessed lights & speakers. Newer roof, A/C & landscaping. Brick paver & wood deck. \$359,900 (69DOO) 248-349-5600



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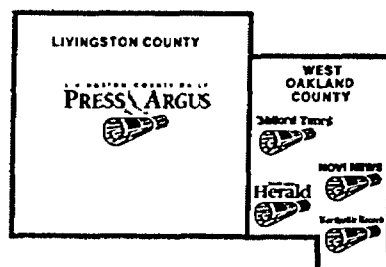
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4640 Misc. For Rent

5000-5740

Help Wanted
5700 Attorneys/Legal Counselors
5740 Business Opportunities
5620 Business & Professional Services
5360 Childcare Services
5370 Childcare/Babysitting Services
5380 Childcare Needed
5600 Education/Instructor
5400 Elderly Care & Assistance
5300 Entertainment
5640 Financial Service
5000 Help Wanted
5020 Help Wanted-Clerical Office
5260 Help Wanted-Couples
5040 Help Wanted-Dental
5420 Help Wanted-Domestic
5100 Help Wanted-Health & Fitness
5060 Help Wanted-Medical
5280 Help Wanted-Movers/Light Hauling
5200 Help Wanted-Part-Time Sales
5110 Help Wanted-Professionals
5080 Help Wanted
Restaurant/Hotel/Lounge
5120 Help Wanted-Sales
5340 Jobs Wanted - Female/Male
5680 Resumes/Typing
5420 Nursing Care Homes
5660 Secretarial Service
5760 Sewing/Alterations
5320 Students
5500 Summer Camps
5720 Tax Services
6000-6460

Announcements

6460 Bingo
6280 Car Pools
6030 Cards of Thanks
6020 Happy Ads
6420 Health/Nutrition, Weight Loss
6320 In Memoriam
6440 Insurance

6220 Legal Notices/Accepting Bids

6360 Lost & Found
6240 Meetings/ Seminars
6260 Political Notices
6200 Announcements/ Meetings
6380 Tickets
6400 Transportation/Travel
6480 Wedding Chapel
7000-7540

Merchandise

7020 Absolutely Free
7020 Antiques/Collectibles
7180 Appliances
7040 Arts & Crafts
7060 Auction Sales
7200 Bargain Buys
7220 Building Materials
7240 Business & Office Equipment
7140 Clothing
7280 Cameras and Supplies
7420 Christmas Trees
7300 Commercial/Industrial Restaurant/Equipment
7320 Computers
7340 Electronics/Audio/Video
7100 Estate Sales
7380 Farm Equipment
7400 Farm Produce/Flowers-Plants
7440 Firewood
7130 Garage Sales/ Moving Sales
7160 Household Goods
7450 Hobbies-Coins- Stamps
7460 Hospital Equipment
7470 Jewelry
7490 Lawn & Garden Materials
7480 Lawn, Garden & Snow Equipment
7500 Miscellaneous For Sale
7510 Musical Instruments
7260 Office Supplies
7190 Pools/Spa/Hot Tub
7080 Rummage Sale/Flea Markets
7520 Sporting Goods
7530 Trade or Sell
7410U-Picks
7360 Video Games, Tapes, Movies
7540 Wanted To Buy

7800-7930

Animals/Pets
7800 Animal Services
7820 Birds/Fish
7810 Breeder Directory
7830 Cats
7840 Dogs
7850 Farm Animals/ Livestock
7870 Horse Boarding
7880 Horses & Equipment
7890 Household Pets-Other
7930 Lost and Found
7980 Pet Grooming/ Boarding
7900 Pet Services
7910 Pet Supplies
7920 Pets Wanted

8000-8760

Transportation
8000 Airplanes
8320 Antique/Classic Collector Cars
8180 Auto Financing
8150 Auto Misc.
8760 Autos Over \$2,000
8160 Auto/Truck- Parts & Service
8780 Autos Under \$2,000
8170 Auto Rentals/Leasing
8190 Autos Wanted
8020 Boats/Motors
8040 Boat Docks/Marinas
8030 Boat Parts/ Equipment/ Service
8050 Boat/Vehicle Storage
8120 Campers/Motor Homes/Trailers
8140 Construction, Heavy Equipment
8060 Insurance, Motor
8280 Jeeps/4 Wheel Drive
8290 Junk Cars Wanted
8240 Mini Vans
8070 Motorcycles/Mini Bikes/Go-Karts
8080 Motorcycles - Parts & Service
8090 Off Road Vehicles
8110 Recreational Vehicles
8100 Snowmobiles
8300 Sports & Imported
8220 Trucks For Sale
826 Vans

Help Wanted General \$5000

IRRIGATION SERVICE TECH

3-4 yrs as a service person. Foreman position. Must have 2-4 yrs. as a crew leader w/ equipment exp. Please call Maxwell Irrigation (248)486-6060

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MACHINE OPERATOR

Must have own tools. Must be able to handle the daily routine of a fast paced operation. A minimum of 2 yrs. Management is required. Food service management exp is a plus. We provide a competitive wage/benefits package. Send fax resume to Convenience Depot Attn: Personnel P.O. Box 587 Howell, MI 48844 Fax: (517)546-4565 Do not apply at store

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MACHINIST: Our co has

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We are now accepting applications from motivated individuals with a positive attitude to manage our Pinckney Store. Successful candidate must be highly organized and be able to handle the daily routine of a fast paced operation. A minimum of 2 yrs. Management is required. Food service management exp is a plus. We provide a competitive wage/benefits package. Send fax resume to Convenience Depot Attn: Personnel P.O. Box 587 Howell, MI 48844 Fax: (517)546-4565 Do not apply at store

MANUFACTURING LABOR

Afternoon shift, indoor precast construction, some heavy lifting. \$8.50/hr to start. Health Insurance. Wixom (248)669-9886

Help Wanted General \$5000

MECHANIC Heavy trucks/Auto-

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Help Wanted General \$5000

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Help Wanted General \$500

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Walthamwood, 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.A. activities and hiring and terminating staff.

A BSBA, 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@smhmail.com

Parts Associate (Shipping & Receiving)
NLB Corp., a worldwide leader in the manufacture of high-pressure water jetting products is seeking a Parts Associate to join the team at our Corporate Headquarters located in Wixom. This position is responsible for stocking, packaging, performing cycle counts, shipping, receiving and distribution of parts & components. The ideal candidate will have experience working with UPS/Fed Ex systems, parts and shipping & receiving. Must be able to lift a minimum of 75 lbs and operate a forklift.

We offer a competitive compensation package including a variety of benefits including 401k and profit sharing. Visit our web site at <http://www.nlbcorp.com> to learn more about NLB. For consideration, please send your resume including wage requirements or apply in person to NLB Corp. 28930 Beck Rd Wixom, MI 48393 Fax: (248) 926-4343 or E-mail ercolasi@nlbcorp.com

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Successful candidate should have 3 to 5 years construction experience with windows, siding & doors. Mechanical aptitude & excellent time management and organizational skills. Must have your own hand tools.

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Tool room openings in our machine shop with full time days and afternoon shifts. Must have manual Bridgeport and manual Lathe experience. Plant is air-conditioned.

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ACE Controls
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FAX: 248-476-2470
E-mail: hrc@acecontrols.com

REAL ESTATE PROCESSING & MEMBER SERVICE

MidWest Financial Credit Union is looking for two Real Estate and Member Services Representatives. Both positions require a professional who is detail-oriented, organized and knows how to make our members their number one priority. Must be able to prioritize, multi-task and provide the ultimate in customer service in person and over the phone. Exemplary communication skills and demonstrated sales ability preferred. Please submit resume to MidWest Financial CU, 2400 Green Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48105 fax: 734-713-3026 or e-mail hrc@midwestfinancial.org

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Estimator - We are looking for an experienced estimator with a minimum of 3 yrs. experience with Structural & Misc. Steel to join our fast paced company located in Livingston County. We are a nationally ranked construction company and are nationally certified through ISO & AISC.

We work on structures such as office buildings, industrial, manufacturing facilities, stadiums and doghouses. We offer "World Class" benefits & competitive salary.

Send resumes to: P.O. Box 0610
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Livonia, MI 48150

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Fast paced company looking for an experienced pic n pac person that is extremely self-motivated, exp with UPS, Auburn, shipping and inventory. Must be computer literate. Mon thru Fri Haggerty/Daley Park area. Contact Charlotte. (248)669-4060

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co in Farmington Hills, exp required. Full time. Benefits included. 401k and profit sharing. Visit our web site at <http://www.nlbcorp.com> to learn more about NLB. For consideration, please send your resume including wage requirements or apply in person to NLB Corp. 28930 Beck Rd Wixom, MI 48393 Fax: (248) 926-4343 or E-mail ercolasi@nlbcorp.com

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Help Wanted General \$500

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Help Desk Support Specialist (First Level Support)

Large manufacturing and

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Office Clerical \$500

Accounting/Data Processing Experienced Brighton business. Send resume to, along with salary requirements Box 0614 c/o The Livingston County Daily Press & Argus 202 W Main St, Brighton, MI 48116

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PART-TIME

Trinity Health, located in Farmington Hills, has an exceptional opportunity for a part-time Administrative Assistant. Position works approximately 20 hrs per week, flexible between the hours of 9am until 5pm weekdays.

You will be responsible for

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Interested candidates should

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With good computer skills. Need good phone skills. Good communications skills. Work flexible hours. Work well with others. Contact Shawn at LeadGuard Midwest LLC or email leadguard@bnet.net

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Small growing co seeks aggressive Office Manager proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, as well as QuickBooks. Must be organized, punctual, customer service oriented & willing to work independently. This position offered as part-time transitioning to full-time with benefits. There is tremendous opportunity for advancement as we are a small co. growing at a very rapid pace. Serious inquiries only - job hoppers need not apply. Please send resume to: McDunnough, Inc 11636 Highland Rd - Ste 105 Hartland Michigan 48353

Office Clerical \$500

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For South Lyon real estate office. Perfect opportunity for College students. Requires flexibility. Must be able to work Tuesday & Thursdays, 9am-7pm and Saturday 9am-5pm. Looking for cheerful, responsible person for multi-line phones, filing typing and various office duties. Paid training provided. Must be computer literate. Ask for Amanda or Cindy at 248-486-5000

RECEPTIONIST - For Brighton

outpatient rehabilitation clinic. Full time w/benefits. Must be energetic & willing to learn. Fax resume to 568-752-1683

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Full and Part time. No Exp. Must be able to lift 70 pounds. Apply in person at 35950 Industrial Rd Livonia

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DENTAL HYGIENIST Needed full/part time new office, great staff, benefits. Novi 248-476-3800

DENTAL ASSISTANT

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DENTAL CARE PARTNERS seeks a highly motivated OFFICE MANAGER to provide management support for the day to day operations of our dental practice. Responsibilities include delivering patient satisfaction, supporting dentists, supervising & training personnel, tracking productivity insurance billing collections and producing financial reports. The ideal candidate will have a Bachelor's in business/healthcare administration or +5 yrs of dental management experience. We offer competitive pay plus incentives medical, 401K, paid holidays vacations etc.

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CLINIC MANAGER

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• CT Technologist: Ann Arbor,

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Applications are accepted at

the Employment Office at 5301 E. Huron River Drive; or send your resume to: Saint Joseph Mercy Health System, Employment Office, P.O. Box 933, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-0933; Fax: 734-712-4993; or Email: Kristina@stjoseph-health.org. Visit us on the Web at www.sjmh.com EOE

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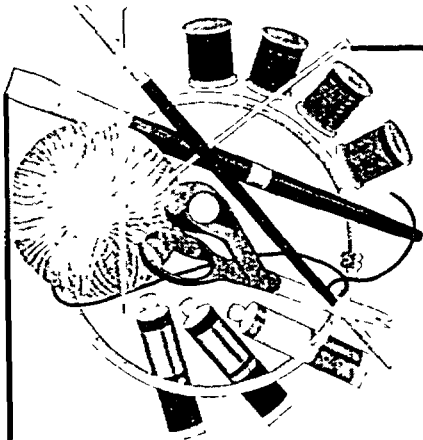
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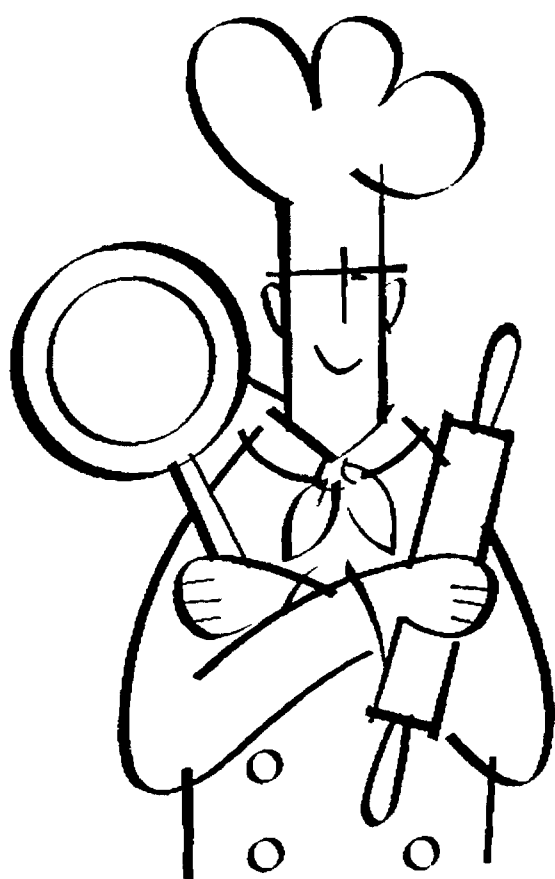
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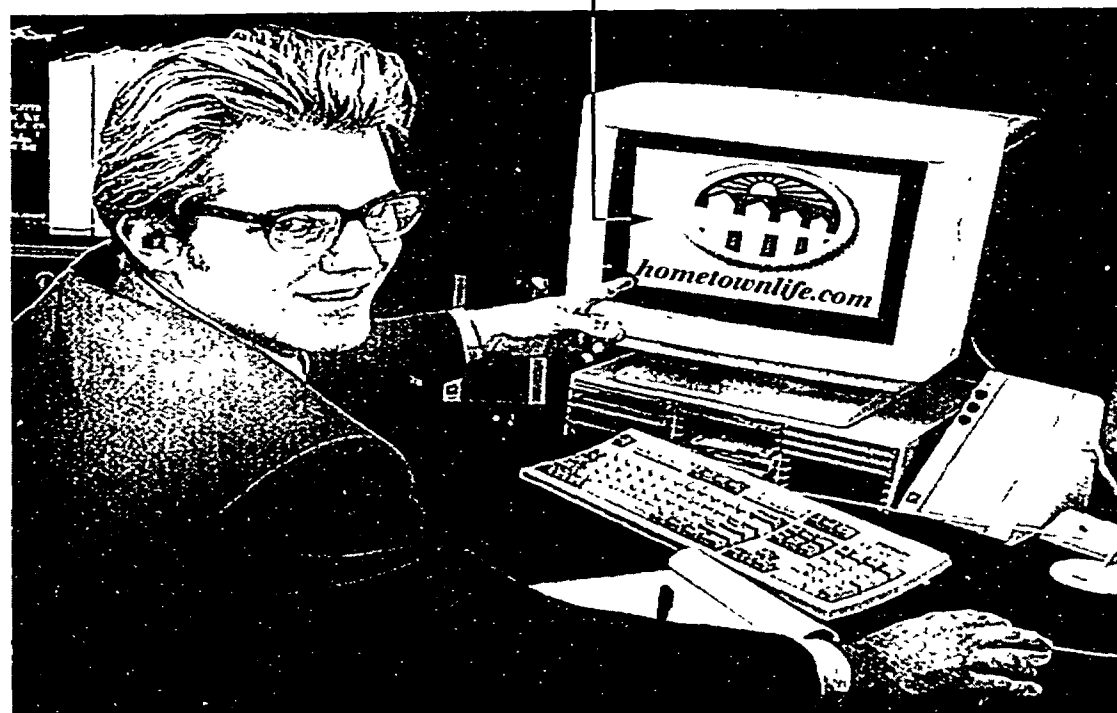
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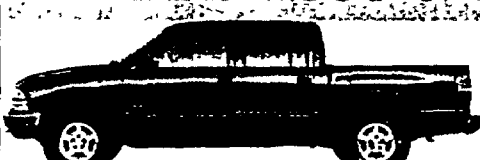
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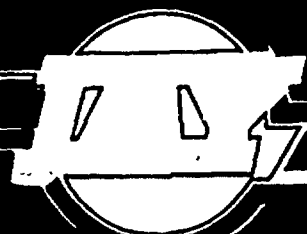
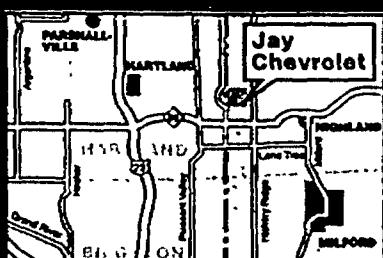
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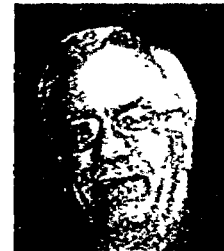
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Robert Brateman, M.D. • Peter Bullach, M.D.

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Dr. Robert Brateman and Dr. Peter Bullach have one thing in common — their professional lives revolve around the wants and needs of their patients.

That philosophy is also shared by Dr. Deanna S. Master and Dr. Olga Mondrusova, who are also on staff at Brateman's Family Practice (Mondrusova was featured in the recent "Women in the Know" supplement May 8.).

The office, located on Grand River Avenue, just west of Haggerty in Novi, is state of the art as Brateman describes.

"We try to be the best doctors

with the best equipment in the best office," Brateman added. "We have an on-site medical lab and are located close to Providence Hospital in both Novi and Livonia."

Brateman and Bullach are both on staff at Providence.

"We work in partnership with our patients and do what is in their best interest," added Bullach. "We tailor each program to individual patients who need individualized care. We do not take a cookie cutter approach to treatment."

Both doctors have very caring approaches to their professions.

"We take care of people when they are sick, help healthy people remain healthy and ease the suf-

fering of those people we cannot cure," said Brateman. "I want to make an influence on people's lives by making their personal and professional lives more satisfying. I want to make the world a healthier place."

Bullach added, "We are here to provide the best possible care — not only physically but mentally and spiritually. And we are always available to our patients, whether it is being on-call or working late."

Brateman's care for his patients is deeply rooted in his childhood days, thanks to his family doctor.

"My family doctor was my mentor," he added. "He took care of the whole family and he was always there for us, not just for physical problems but for other things like grief counseling."

He graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine in 1979 and then completed a residency in family practice at Providence Hospital in 1982.

After his residency, Brateman served in the Providence Family Practice residency program as a faculty physician for six years.

He founded this practice in 1989.

Bullach has been influenced by the teachings of the various doctors he has worked for.

The graduate of Albion College shows a special concern for his young patient athletes, thanks to his own background.

Bullach played baseball in college and baseball and football at his high school Warren DeLaSelle. He is a graduate of Wayne State University's School of Medicine.

He completed his residency at Providence Hospital and Medical Center in Southfield and joined this practice in 2002.

Brateman and Bullach never rest on their laurels, believing that life is a learning and improving process.

"We are always striving for improvement," added Brateman. "We are always looking for ways to make the business better."

But in the end, the brick-and-mortar building and the equipment inside are only secondary tools for this practice.

"Our patients are the most important feature of our office," added Brateman.

Brateman's Family Practice is located at 40015 Grand River Ave., Suite 100, in Novi. The



Photo by JOHN HALL

Peter Bullach, M.D., at left, and Robert Brateman, M.D. have very caring approaches towards their patients and believe in treating the mental and spiritual as well as the physical.

*"We take care of people when they are sick,
help healthy people remain healthy and
ease the suffering of those people we cannot cure.
I want to make an influence on people's lives by making
their personal and professional lives more satisfying.
I want to make the world a healthier place."*

—Dr. Robert Brateman
Family practice doctor



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Dr. Bullach and Dr. Brateman know that their patients are the most important part of their office and love helping them live healthy lives.

hours are 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call (248) 473-8580 for a routine or follow-up appointment with Drs.

Brateman, Bullach, Master or Mondrusova, or visit the Web site at www.drbrateman.com.

— John Hall

Dr. Kenneth S. Stopa Jr. Main Street Family Chiropractic Center, P.C. (248) 735-9800

DR. STOPA

- ☐ **Age:** 31
- ☐ **Family:** Single
- ☐ **Hobbies:** Exercising, fishing, going out to dinner and movies
- ☐ **Favorite TV Show:** "Friends"
- ☐ **Last Movie Seen:** "About a Boy"

Dr. Kenneth S. Stopa Jr. is very involved in the Northville community.

Stopa was voted Northville's "People's Choice Awards" winner as the community's best chiropractor.

He said his proudest accomplishment is the family practice he has built and maintained in downtown Northville. Dr. Stopa has been in practice for five years.

"We spend time with our patients and the families that come to see us," Stopa said. "Our clinic strives to create a professional atmosphere — one

that offers a variety of services ranging from quality chiropractic care to therapeutic massage, nutritional consultation and exercise rehabilitation."

Stopa, a former athlete who often used chiropractic adjustments during his career, said that he enjoys working with families and "guiding them to a quest of a preventative lifestyle."

The office, located at 109 W. Main St., next door to Joseph's Coney Island, is well equipped to care for patients with or without appointments.

"We have three traction

tables to ensure that our patients get serviced in a timely manner," he added. "We have a hospitable and professional staff at the front desk who serve with a smile and are always there to answer patient's questions."

The office is open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday and from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday.

Call (248) 735-9800 for an appointment.

For more information, visit Main Street's Web site at www.DowntownNorthville.com. — John Hall



Photo by JOHN HALL

Dr. Kenneth Stopa offers chiropractic care at Main Street Family Chiropractic in Northville.

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The Christian Real Estate Services Team includes hard-working, ethical people who can be trusted.

After owning the Pizza Works restaurant chain for 10 years, Glen Betts decided he needed a change. He is now an Associate Broker with Coldwell Banker Callan, Realtors, which has served the Huron Valley and surrounding communities for over 30 years.

Glen has been a licensed Realtor and has worked full time for over 10 years, serving both buyers and sellers. He has numerous credentials, including Accredited Buyer Representative, Certified Corporate Properties Specialist and Certified Residential Marketing Specialist. He is also a two-time recipient of the Coldwell Banker International Sterling Society Award.

Glen recently started the Christian Real Estate Service Team in part because he wanted to convey to the public that he and the other profes-

sionals he associates with are hard-working, ethical people who can be trusted.

Glen follows the advice found in the Bible at Colossians 3:23, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord."

Other Christian professionals on the team include a loan officer who is also a CPA and a home inspection company. Glen is still looking for an appraiser, a home improvement company, handy man, landscaper and other home services by people not afraid to profess their Christian faith.

Glen's services are available to all people needing real estate assistance and the non-Christian client can have the confidence that they will receive the same level of professional service without the fear of anyone pushing religion.

*"Whatever you do,
work at it with
all your heart,
as working for the Lord."*

—Colossians 3:23

"If someone wants to discuss my faith, that's another matter," Betts said.

Glen and his wife, Linda, also operate a real estate license holding company for licensed real estate sales people who don't actively work in the business.

Greg C. Downey • Edward Jones

(248) 437-3011 • www.edwardjones.com

GREG DOWNEY

- ☐ Age: 29
- ☐ Hobbies: Sports and anything outdoors
- ☐ Favorite TV Show: "Everybody Loves Raymond"
- ☐ Last Movie Seen: "That's a good question — I haven't seen one in a while."
- ☐ Hours Worked per Week: At least 60 — "I never get home before 8 p.m."

With 9,000 offices across the country, Edward Jones has a lot to offer, but what they specialize in is helping the individual with their financial situation.

Greg Downey, an investment representative from South Lyon, does just that.

"The main difference between Edward Jones and other companies is that we offer one-on-one, face-to-face help with short and long-term financial situations," Downey explained.

Downey has been in

the financial business for six years, spending four of them with Edward Jones. He got into the business because he wanted to support people on a personal level.

"I work and live in the same community, so I get to know clients on a personal level," Downey said.

In addition to helping the people of South Lyon with their financial needs, Downey is also active in the community. He's the president of Pumpkinfest and serves on the board

of directors for Kiwanis and the South Lyon Chamber of Commerce, as well as acting as the vice president of finance for the chamber.

"I love actively helping people," he said.

Edward Jones is located on the corner of 9 Mile and Pontiac Trail, in Benson Plaza across from Farmer Jack.

Set up an appointment with Downey today to prepare for your financial needs of tomorrow.

— Stacy Anderson



Photo by STACY ANDERSON

Active in the community as well as the financial business, Greg Downey is the perfect hometown investment representative.

Steve Anleitner • AAA Travel Agency

(248) 486-4813



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Steve Anleitner is a travel agent for AAA Travel Agency, located on Lafayette Street in South Lyon.

4 • 2003 Gentlemen in Business Oakland County

When your company is a familiar name to consumers across the state of Michigan, there is an automatic competitive edge.

When the company name is AAA Travel Agency, the edge grows even more. Just ask Steve Anleitner, travel agent for the AAA Travel Agency location on Lafayette Street in South Lyon.

"We are the largest travel agency in Michigan and for the past two years in a row we have been recognized as the best travel agency in the state," added Anleitner.

Why is the South Lyon agency is so successful?

"We have a large number

of preferred travel companies that we work with," Anleitner explained. "These companies provide great incentives and discounts that may not be available anywhere else. We also have a very large number of special group travel that offers even more travel bonuses and discounts."

Anleitner is well qualified to advise his customers. He is a Certified Travel Associate.

"I have been in the travel business for the past seven years," he added. "I have traveled throughout the United States, cruised the Caribbean and Alaska, have specialized in travel to Hawaii, Las Vegas and Walt

Disney World," he said.

Office hours at the South Lyon agency are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Appointments are available for non-office hours.

Working extra for his customers — regardless of the time of day — is part of the overall job satisfaction that Anleitner enjoys.

"I make vacation dreams come true," he added. "I provide the best value vacations for my clients. There are no ordinary vacations — each one is very special to everyone that I talk to. I consider it a privilege to help customers reach their dreams."

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—Steve Anleitner
Travel Agent, AAA Travel

Paul E. Corte, MSW, CSW, Psychotherapist

(248) 486-7976 • corte@ccahq.com

PAUL E. CORTE

- ☐ Age: 43
- ☐ Family: Wife
Lianne, children:
Brandon, 14,
Shaina, 13, and
Aaron, 12
- ☐ Hobbies:
Professional
musician and family
man
- ☐ Favorite TV Show:
"The Shield" on FX
- ☐ Last Movie Seen:
"This is Spinal Tap"
"I lived that movie."

Paul Corte of South Lyon loves to listen, so starting his own private psychotherapy practice was an easy choice.

With a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's degree in social work, Corte has spent 15 years in the mental health field and seven years practicing in South Lyon.

He specializes in adolescents and adults, — dealing with anxiety, depression, substance abuse and adolescent issues. He does on-site drug testing with immediate results and offers a very confidential, quiet, relaxed setting in which to

discuss problems.

"I chose mental health to help people find solutions to their emotional difficulties," Corte explained.

Corte also works with the schools in western Oakland County, court systems and is on the board of directors for South Lyon Youth Assistance.

When he's not helping people in his community, he's making music with his blues and rock band Blues Hammer. Corte has been a professional musician for 25 years and will release an album with Blues Hammer in June

titled "Burnin' It Up Live."

He also enjoys helping his children, Brandon, 14; Shaina, 13; and Aaron, 12; with their music projects. Brandon is in a band called Last In Line and Aaron is in one called Underestimated. According to Corte, their bands are doing "quite well for young kids."

If you're looking for someone to listen to your problems or just to chat with, Paul Corte is a great choice. He's a family man who knows just how to help his community and the individuals in it.

— Stacy Anderson



Photo by STACY ANDERSON

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the latest styles with a vast selection of engagement rings in yellow or white gold, as well as platinum. There's also a complete selection of gentleman's bands to compliment any engagement ring.

Young, talented and artistic, Jeffrey's designs are current with today's trends as well those with more traditional tastes. He and his wife Sara keep abreast of the latest designs by attending the latest jewelry trade shows and conventions.

"Whatever the gift, I can cover the occasion with earrings, bracelets, necklaces and colored stones. Or maybe a beautiful Citizen or Swiss-made Tissot watch," he said.

Jeffrey's career in jewelry began in 1985 through an apprenticeship with his cousin. Four years ago, he opened his own business in downtown Milford and has felt at home ever since.

You can trust Jeffrey Allen Jewelers with all your jewelry needs from sale to repairs.

"All repairs are carefully done on site, never sent out," he added.

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Jeffrey Allen Jewelers is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

JEFFREY ORZECH

- ☐ Age: 35
- ☐ Family: Wife Sara, son Thomas
- ☐ Hobbies: Traveling to jewelry shows
- ☐ Favorite TV Show: "I would rather spend quality time with my family."
- ☐ Last Movie Saw: "My Big Fat Greek Wedding"

Tom Renkes • Tom's Sports

(248) 446-0799

TOM RENKES

- ☐ Age: 44
- ☐ Family: Three kids: Ashley, 18; Tommy, 15; Joshua, 10
- ☐ Hobbies: Backpacking, kayaking, all sports, fishing, reading, music, wine and landscaping
- ☐ Favorite TV Show: "Seinfeld"
- ☐ Hours Worked per Week: 60

After 28 years in the health care business, Tom Renkes needed a change of pace and a more relaxing way to spend his days.

He opened Tom's Sports in South Lyon last December, a hometown sporting goods store, in hopes of doing just that. Tom's Sports offers everything in the sporting goods department plus a friendly, comfortable atmosphere that would make anyone feel at home.

"It's not your typical sporting goods store," Renkes explained. "We want our customers to feel comfortable enough to come in and just hang out. We wanted a place where anyone can come in and

just talk about their day."

Renkes offers competitive pricing and a knowledgeable staff eager to help outfit anyone in the sport of their choice.

"We've all played the sports, so we can help the individual with what they need based on experience," he said.

Tom's Sports offers complete team outfitting and is interested in everything the customer has to say.

"We gauge inventory to the needs of the community," said Renkes. "It really helps us when people come in and tell us what we need."

Along with offering the people of South Lyon a great selection of sporting goods and apparel, the store and Renkes

are integrated into the community as well.

"All my friends and relatives live here," Renkes said. "I could tell through the growth in the community that South Lyon really needed something like us here."

They also offer an athletic/academic scholarship to South Lyon High School and will hold PlayStation 2 tournaments in early summer, complete with refreshments.

Tom's Sports is located at 9 Mile and Pontiac Trail. Spring hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, but these may change for the upcoming summer.

— Stacy Anderson

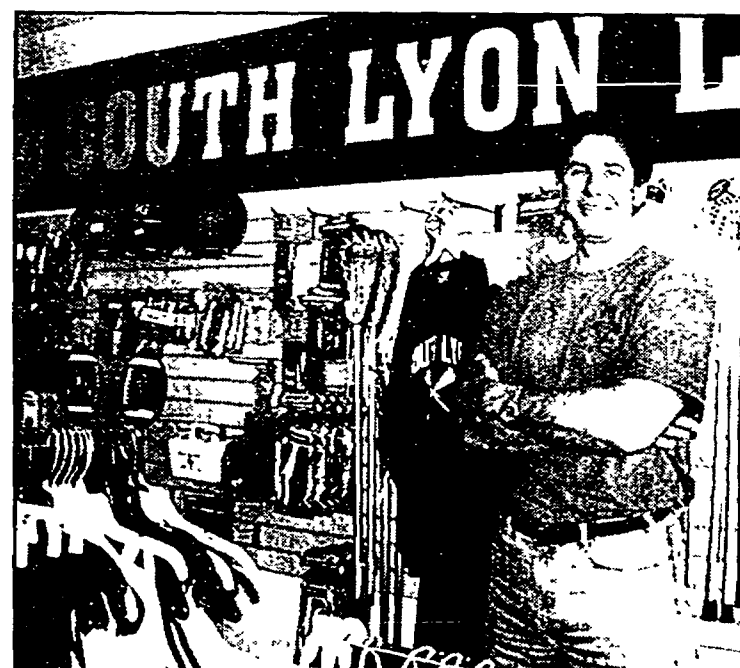


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Tom Renkes of Tom's Sports offers more than just sporting goods and apparel in his store; he also offers a place to hang out and talk.

E. Dallas Phillips • Phillips Travel

(248) 437-1733



Photo by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

E. Dallas Phillips had this sign installed as a tribute to his father, Edwin D. Phillips, who founded Phillips Travel Service in South Lyon.

Dallas Phillips, of Phillips Travel Service in South Lyon has spent a lifetime traveling around the world.

It sounds like a dream job, but Phillips says that although travel is exciting and certainly enjoyable, taking charge of a group of travelers in another state or another country can be a daunting responsibility. That's why it's so important to use an established and reputable travel agent, especially in today's uncertain times.

He uses his 35 years experience to create what he hopes will be a memorable adventure for all of his clients.

"We create memories, that's what we do, whether it's an

individual or group," said Phillips.

Phillips follows in his father's footsteps. Edwin D. Phillips Sr. founded the travel company. His work ethic, carried on by his son, is the reason Phillips Travel Service is respected in the industry.

"I'm very proud of the business and what my father started. He had an honest reputation," said Phillips. "Our customers know we're here to service them, not just to get their money."

Phillips Travel Service is actually a combination of two businesses — a retail travel agency and a tour business. This year marks the 50th

anniversary of the tour business. Although the travel industry can be demanding, it's also rewarding.

"It's very gratifying to see people gain knowledge by seeing the world," he said.

Phillips Travel Service continues to be a family business, with the help of wife Gretchen and daughter Jennifer. They look forward to serving the future needs of their growing community.

Phillips Travel is located downtown South Lyon near the corner of Pontiac Trail at 110 N. Lafayette St. Call (248) 437-1733 for your business, pleasure or group travel needs.

— Annette Jaworski

E. DALLAS PHILLIPS

- ☐ Age: 57
- ☐ Family: Wife Gretchen, daughter, Jennifer, Dean, Kristin and granddaughter Mabel
- ☐ Hobbies: Traveling, sailing, wine, music and food
- ☐ Hours worked per week: Varies from 35 to 50 hours per week

Max Assenmacher • Mill Valley Vacuum and Sewing

(248) 685-8090

ASSENMACHER

- ☐ Age: 36
- ☐ Family: Wife and three children, No. 4 coming soon
- ☐ Hobbies: Shooting baskets, gardening
- ☐ Favorite TV Show: "Trading Places"
- ☐ Hours worked per week: About 46-50 hours a week

After 17 years in the vacuum industry, Max Assenmacher can easily qualify as the King of Clean.

It started when he was in high school, working in a shop owned by his best friend's dad. Today, he knows all the dirt on vacuums.

"It's so much easier to clean with good equipment," he said.

From a business standpoint, he doesn't believe in carrying hype and gadgets at Mill Valley Vacuum and Sewing. He just plain refuses to carry what doesn't perform. He continually searches for the highest quality and best performing machines. They're probably not ones you see splashed in newspaper or television ads,

but they are solid, dependable and hard-working machines that don't waste money on advertising. In many cases, the cost of these workhorses is nearly the same.

"When you buy name brands off the beaten path, they stand on their own merits," he pointed out.

If you're not sure what you want, Max will patiently listen to your needs help to select the best vacuum for the job. It's part of educating the customer.

"I get people to look at and think about their vacuum and how to clean and exactly what works," he said.

As someone who also does repairs, he can see what will go wrong even before it happens.

Max strongly believes that maintaining your equipment will dramatically extend its life.

"Vacuums need yearly service. You can't clean a house with a dirty vacuum," he reasoned.

By offering service and sales, he is there to stand behind his products.

Additionally, he repairs sewing machines and carries all accessories like bags, belts and filters.

Mill Valley Vacuum and Sewing is located in the brick building at 514 N. Main St., suite 300, downtown Milford. Curb service is available.

— Annette Jaworski



Photo by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

Max Assenmacher of Mill Valley Vacuum and Sewing offers dependable vacuums and accessories.

Dean Busbois • Country Water Treatment

(248) 437-9136

From left, Dean Busbois, Jeremy Dekle, Mark Bostic and Warren Busbois of Country Water Treatment are ready to improve the quality of your water.



Photo by STACY ANDERSON

After owning a bookstore for many years in downtown South Lyon, Dean Busbois decided it was time to return to the family business.

His father, Warren Busbois, had owned a water treatment business for Dean's entire life and he finally decided that the water treatment business was definitely for him.

In 1984, Busbois opened Country Water Treatment in South Lyon.

Their primary business includes fixing, selling and renting water softeners, while also offering delivery service of water and water salt.

Many knowledgeable service-

men are available on-site for any sales or questions from the customer.

Busbois has lived in South Lyon since opening the company in 1984 and says, "It feels like I've lived here my entire life."

The small town atmosphere was a perfect place for Country Water Treatment and the town has welcomed him warmly in the past 16 years.

Give Country Water Treatment a call today at (248) 437-9136 for all your water softener needs.

They're located at 16358 10 Mile Road, two streets West of Dixboro Road.

— Stacy Anderson

DEAN BUSBOIS

- ☐ Age: 38
- ☐ Family: Two sons: Chase, 10, and Chad, 12
- ☐ Hobbies: Hanging out with his kids
- ☐ Last Movie Seen: "X-Men 2"
- ☐ Hours worked per week: 65

Jim Winegarden • DigiComm Electronics Inc.

(248) 486-4343



Photo by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

Jim Winegarden of DigiComm Electronics is ready to put the wow in your television.

Jim Winegarden of DigiComm Electronics Inc. is ready to put the wow in your television.

"We're selling entertainment, we're not selling cable," said Winegarden.

You don't have to try to keep up with the latest electronic technology, or the best deals, he'll do it for you.

For example, DigiComm offers today's newest additions, PVRs or personal video recorders and high definition technology. A PVR is a handy remote like gadget that offers the convenience of watching the programs you choose, when you want.

"The great thing is you can

watch it without the commercials. It can store up to 60 hours of video," he pointed out.

DigiComm offers the best service, price and selection on the latest in electronic entertainment with satellite television packages, DISH Network systems, high-speed Internet access and on site service. It provides easy access to sport scores, weather in any city, pay-per-view movies or the Bloomberg financial report. Home Entertainment doesn't get easier than this.

"If they want us to install it, we make sure they know how to use and it try to answer any questions they might have,"

said Winegarden.

Educating customers comes with the territory said Winegarden.

"People come in here, we give them a demonstration. Some want basic and some want it all," he said.

Winegarden was born and raised in South Lyon and attended South Lyon schools.

He started working on dishes with his father Bill, who joins him in his business today.

DigiComm Electronics is located at 22882 Pontiac Trail, in South Lyon, in the King Plaza, south of 10 Mile Road.

Check out the Web site for a toll-free technical hotline for

WINEGARDEN

- ☐ Age: 39
- ☐ Family: Wife Cheryl
- ☐ Hobbies: Fishing
- ☐ Favorite TV Show: Enjoys "Cops"

help with any question at www.satfix.com, or stop in for a demonstration and learn about current promotions.

— Annette Jaworski

Brian Bak • Bakman Florist

(248) 437-4168



Photo by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

Brian Bak of Bakman Florist prepares for Mother's Day, a busy time in the floral industry.

After 23 years, Brian Bak of Bakman's Florist has never tired of seeing the smile on someone's face when they receive flowers.

Bak said it is like bringing a bit of sunshine into someone's day. And it is definitely one of the rewards he finds at his South Lyon business.

"We really try our best to please the customers. We do the best we can. It's like doing something for my own family," said Bak.

After all these years, many of his customers and fellow business owners begin to feel just like family.

Being a part of the community is what a small town is all about and a big part of

what makes his job worthwhile.

"The community spirit here is really gratifying," he said.

He is delighted to see the response from community organizations like Scouts and dance groups.

"In a small town you wouldn't survive unless you were doing something right," he added.

Bak is constantly challenging himself to try new things to please and surprise his customers. It's a continual process of redefining and recreating his talents as a floral design artist.

"In this business, you have to be creative. ... You

need to have a variety of styles and taste in your repertoire," he believes.

At the onset, Bak saw his floral shop as a business opportunity, but realized there's nowhere else he'd rather be. He is grateful to his staff, which he calls the "most helpful caring staff he could possibly as for."

Bakman plans to continue adding new additions to his gift lines, including the beautiful Willow Tree Angels.

Bakman Florist is located south of downtown South Lyon at 22880 Pontiac Trail, and is affiliated with FTD and Teleflora.

— Annette Jaworski

BRIAN BAK

- ☐ Age: 46
- ☐ Family: One brother
- ☐ Hobbies: Cooking, enjoying friends & family
- ☐ Favorite Movie: "Gladiator"
- ☐ Hours worked per week: 60

Chad Arnold • Two Men and a Truck

(248) 735-6683

"We take the necessary steps to protect our customer's furniture while taking the stress out of moving"

—Chad Arnold
President
Two Men and a Truck

Nearly every person recognizes the logo on the side of the Two Men And A Truck moving vans and that is good news to Chad Arnold, president of the Novi branch of the national company.

That good news translates into increased business.

"I've been able to triple our sales within the past two years," Arnold said. "This has come from a high level of customer satisfaction and a high referral rate."

Arnold said his company was originally located in Southfield and was divided in half.

He bought one half, relocated to his present location on Nine Mile Road east of Novi

Road and the rest is history.

The motto of his company is "Movers Who Care."

"We take the necessary steps to protect our customer's furniture while taking the stress out of moving," Arnold added. "We pad and shrink-wrap furniture while it is still in the home. We take care before any furniture leaves the home."

Two Men and a Truck is not just a residential mover. The company also specializes in commercial moving.

"We offer three men in a truck or multiple crews on several trucks," added Arnold. "Our goal is to complete the job in one day."

Arnold said his crew has

worked as far west as Wyoming and as far south as Miami, Fla.

Office business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

Although the office is closed on Sunday, the trucks run seven days a week.

More information on the company is available at www.twomenandatruck.com.

Arnold added that his company will always work hard to make customers happy, especially if there is a problem.

"We are committed to exceeding our customer's expectations," he said.

— John Hall



Photo by JOHN HALL

Two Men and a Truck has a high level of customer satisfaction and a high referral rate. In fact, sales have tripled in the past two years.

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Larry Lavigne • Jet's Pizza

(248) 676-9566



Photo by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

Larry Lavigne of Jet's Pizza thinks that Milford is the perfect location for Jet's.

When Larry Lavigne's cousin asked him if he wanted to own a Jet's Pizza franchise, it was an offer he couldn't refuse.

Although he just completed a Bachelor's Degree in Education, the offer by Paul Dudgeon turned out to be an incredible career opportunity. He tripled the Grosse Pointe franchise sales in one year.

Lavigne now owns two stores — one in Hartland, the other in Milford, and he's ready to open two more, in White Lake and Howell.

But, deciding on the Milford location was easy.

"I love this town, the small-town feel. It's where I want to raise my family," said Lavigne.

He and his pizza are clearly

welcome — they were voted the best pizza in Milford for the second straight year in a row. It's also No. 1 in sales for pizza chains in Southeast Michigan.

"We want to continue to deliver consistently good pizza people can count on," he added.

Maybe it's because they make their dough fresh every day — offering deep dish and hand tossed. They cut all their vegetables fresh as well, noted Lavigne. They also carry tasty subs, deli boats and side orders like wings, bread sticks and salads.

Lavigne also realizes its crucial to hire and train an excellent staff. It's really not luck, he says. His background in education has helped make him a

good judge of character when it comes to young adults, like his general manager Mike Kort, who's been with him five years.

When it comes to clean there's no compromise here, from the floors to the kitchen.

"I invite any of my customers to come back and see how clean this pizzeria is," he said proudly.

Lavigne looks forward to being a part of the local community.

"One of my goals is to be a positive influence," he said. "I want to be involved as much as possible."

Jet's Pizza is located at 525 N. Main St., in downtown Milford.

— Annette Jaworski

LARRY LAVIGNE

- ☐ Age: 31
- ☐ Family: Wife Julie, son Larry, and expecting a daughter in June
- ☐ Hobbies: Softball
- ☐ Favorite TV Show: "Seinfeld"
- ☐ Hours worked per week: 60

Bob Allwine • Realtor, RE/MAX 100

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"Today's consumer is very 'techno-savvy.' ... To properly serve those clients, we employ the latest in technology and Internet marketing."

—Bob Allwine
Realtor, RE/MAX 100

Bob Allwine says that teaming with his wife, Bev Gilbert-Allwine, at RE/MAX 100 in Northville has been the best business decision of his life.

He also finds that his marketing background serves him very well.

"I started doing all of Bev's marketing 13 years ago," says Bob. "Extensive unique marketing is extremely important to every successful sale."

"Today's consumer is very 'techno-savvy,'" states Bob. "A recent survey stated that 70 percent of today's buyers find their home on the internet while only 1 percent of homes sell through open houses. To properly serve those clients we employ the latest in technology and Internet mar-

keting."

Bob knows what he's talking about when it comes to recent selling innovations.

"We have three unique Web sites designed with today's consumer in mind. Along with a huge amount of information for both buyers and sellers, the Web shopper can even search the local MLS. See site above, HomeResults4you.com and ManyHouses.net."

Another example of their innovative marketing is their "Interactive Home Information" line.

"An 800 number goes on all our yard signs, Internet and print ads. When a buyer calls the number, my cell phone displays their name, number and the property

called on. I can then follow-up instantly. Our sellers love this service," Bob says.

Yet another innovation is an "Interactive Virtual Home Tour" CD placed in every listing.

"Buyers often see an average of eight homes a day ... soon it's all a blur," explains Bob. "When they take our CD home and pop in it their computer, they are much more likely to remember our seller's home."

As a team, Bob and Bev successfully serve buyers and sellers in communities located in Western Wayne and Southern Oakland counties. RE/MAX 100 is located at 422 N. Center, Northville. They can be contacted at the number above or by e-mail at BobnBev@REALTOR.com.



Photo by JOHN HALL

Bob Allwine, Realtor for RE/MAX 100, uses technology to help his customers find the perfect house in western Wayne and southern Oakland counties. Bob works with his wife Bev.

Jim Seghi • Jim Seghi Renovations

(248) 437-2454

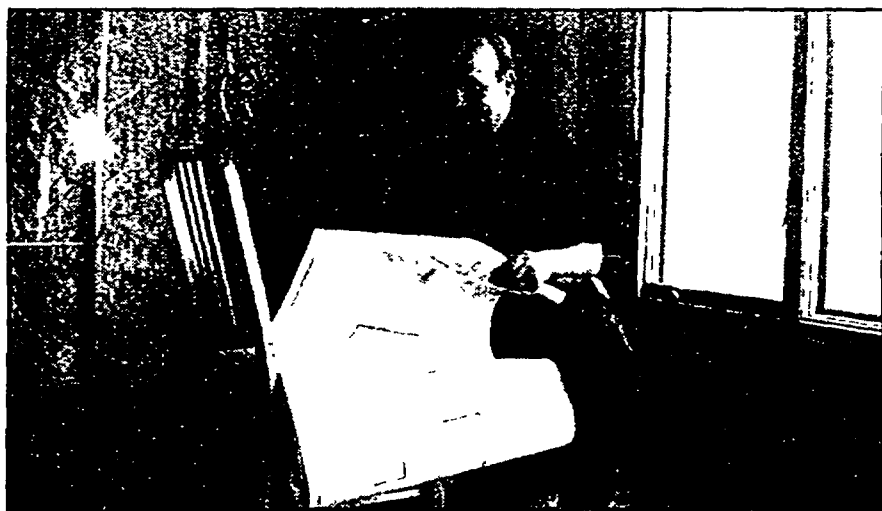


Photo by STACY ANDERSON

Jim Seghi of Jim Seghi Renovations turned his hobby into a career when he opened his business.

Jim Seghi of Jim Seghi Renovations always had a knack for fixing up his own house, so he decided to apply his handiwork to his day-to-day life.

"I liked fixing up my own house, so I turned my hobby in a career," Seghi said.

In 1989, Seghi started Jim Seghi Renovations. He began with small household repairs and has grown tremendously, evident in the 2,400-square-foot addition he just finished.

His company handles

kitchens, bathrooms, recreation rooms, master suites, additions and ceramic tiles.

They service the entire tri-county area, helping the people in their community to fulfill their dreams.

"Each customer is extremely different," Seghi explained. "Some customers have detailed plans already made and some have no clue what they want. I like taking their thoughts and creating their dream."

Seghi enjoys the fact that he can help the resi-

dents of the tri-county area upgrade, yet continue living in their home.

"These are nice communities. People want to stay in the area," Seghi said.

Seghi loves to be challenged and invests his time into a variety of projects because, as he says, "I like the fact that we work on different things all the time."

Give Jim Seghi Renovations a call today at (248) 437-2454 for all your renovation and addition needs.

— Stacy Anderson

JIM SEGHI

- ☐ Age: 46
- ☐ Family: Wife Ellen and children: Mario, 7, and Emilee, 2
- ☐ Hobbies: Fishing, camping, cooking and spending time with the kids
- ☐ Favorite TV Show: "World According to Jim"

Thomas E. Tuckey • Republic Bank

(248) 437-8186

THOMAS TUCKEY

- Age: 35
- Family: Wife Beth, son Andrew, 6, and daughter Amanda, 5
- Hobbies: Golfing and basketball
- Home: Eight year resident of South Lyon

Thomas E. Tuckey is a person who knows where his priorities lie.

The mortgage consultant for Republic Bank in South Lyon values two big accomplishments in his life.

"I divide my accomplishments on a personal and professional level," Tuckey said. "On a personal level without question my greatest accomplishments are my two beautiful children Andrew and Amanda."

"On a professional level my greatest accomplishments are receiving the Loan Officer Rookie of the Year Award from Republic Bank and receiving the President's

Quality and Service Award."

Tuckey said his role at Republic Bank allows him to wear a couple of hats.

"I am a mortgage loan officer but I prefer to think of myself as a mortgage consultant," he added. "Whether purchasing a new home or refinancing your existing home, the options for financing are mind-boggling."

Tuckey said that Republic Bank is "an absolutely fantastic organization to work for and to deal with."

"My wife teases me that my hours are 24/7 and she's right," he added. "When the need arises I must be able to conduct a pre-approval at

nearly any time. People have very hectic schedules and it is my job to accommodate them."

Tuckey has met individuals as early as 5 a.m. and as late as 11:30 p.m. Appointments are available weekdays and weekends.

"Quite simply I help make peoples dreams come true. There is no greater thrill than helping someone purchase their dream home," he said.

Republic Bank is located at 419 S. Lafayette, in South Lyon. The phone number is (248) 437-8186. The corporate Web site is located at www.republicbankcorp.com.

— John Hall



Photo by JOHN HALL

Thomas E. Tuckey is a mortgage consultant at Republic Bank in South Lyon



Brothers Mark, standing, and Gary Childs of South Lyon Cycle are devoted to ensuring customers receive proper fit and expert assembly of their new bicycle.

Mark & Gary Childs South Lyon Cycle

(248) 437-0500

As the owners and operators of South Lyon Cycle, the Childs brothers are devoted to bikes. South Lyon Cycle stocks a large selection of bicycles at great values — including hard-to-find women's, children's and comfort models! Mountain, Comfort, Hybrid, Road, Cruiser, Recumbent, BMX, Freestyle and Juvenile bicycles from top brands including Trek, Giant, and Haro are offered with expert assembly of all bikes from 12, 16, 20 and 24-inch wheel bikes for children to adult models. Customers are sold a bike that

meets their needs with proper fit for comfort and safety emphasized.

Helmets are recommended and correct sizing and fit for safety and comfort is free.

South Lyon Cycle offers an extensive parts inventory and popular accessories — including trailers, pedal trailers, child carriers, bike carriers, and women's and men's gel comfort saddles.

One-day repair service is available on all brands. Tune-ups are a specialty for better performance and safety of any bike.

South Lyon Cycle sponsors

two charitable bicycle events — The American Diabetes Association Tour de Cure and The Multiple Sclerosis Society MS 150.

South Lyon Cycle is located in downtown South Lyon at 209 S. Lafayette (Pontiac Trail), two blocks south of Ten Mile — minutes from Island Lake State Recreation Area, Kensington Metropark, Maybury State Park, the Huron Valley Trail System, and South Lyon's Rail Trail.

Hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Craig R. Swanson, O.D. • Swanson Family Eyecare, PC

(248) 427-9620 • www.eyefinity.com/swanson.

DR. SWANSON

- Age: 40
- Family: Wife Sue
- Hobbies: Golf, jogging
- Last Movie Saw: "Chicago"

Dr. Craig R. Swanson has a vision.

He wants to see a comeback of more personalized eye care without the feel of a "retail environment."

The optometrist, whose business is located on Grand River Avenue, west of Haggerty in Novi, said that his motto is "to provide outstanding care and service."

"We want all of our patients to feel welcome and feel that they have received a thorough professional examination and can make the right decisions about their eye care needs in a relaxed and welcoming environment," said Dr. Swanson.

Swanson Family Eyecare provides comprehensive dilated eye examinations for patients of all ages, treatment of eye disease, professional contact lens service, a large selection of designer and fashion frames and LASIK consultation and care.

Dr. Swanson, who has a doctorate of optometry and whose experience includes residency training in treating eye diseases and 10 years on the staff of the DMC Health Care Center (Novi) ophthalmology department, is very proud to have his wife Sue as the company business manager. He gets his inspiration from her.

"My greatest accomplishment is the relationship that I have

developed with my wife," Dr. Swanson added. "Her incredible support and encouragement, along with the support from my family, friends and patients, have enabled me to achieve my long-time goal of having my own private practice."

Dr. Swanson said that he has been fascinated with optometry since the ninth grade, when he had his first eye exam.

"The eyes are a fascinating part of the body and optometrists are uniquely trained to evaluate, treat and manage both the optical and health problems of the eye."

Swanson Family Eyecare is open Monday through Saturday (closed Thursday).

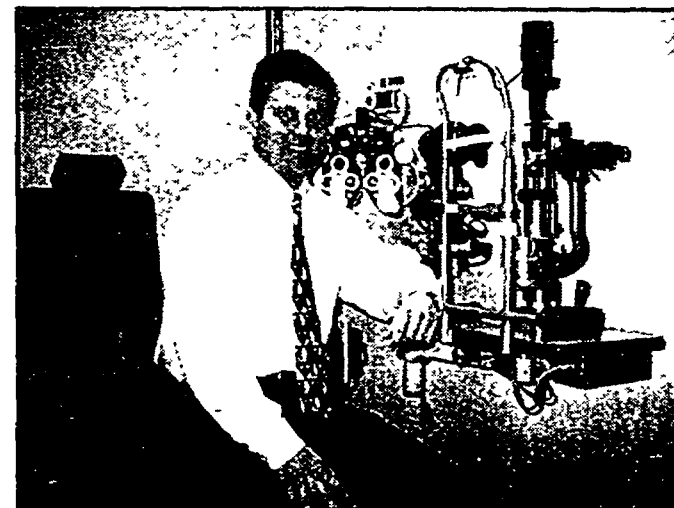


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Craig R. Swanson, O.D., has been fascinated with optometry since he had his first eye exam.

Dr. Thomas A. Hamway • Dr. Timothy G. Stroster

Brighton (810) 220-1700 • South Lyon (248) 446-6000



Photo by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

Drs. Thomas Hamway and Timothy Stroster, DDS, MS, PC, welcome patients in an attractive, open setting in both their Brighton and South Lyon offices.

Nothing brings confidence like a beautiful smile. Drs. Tom Hamway and Tim Stroster know the impact an attractive smile can have on a young patient. The end results can be truly amazing.

"It's very gratifying to get to the end of a case to see the impact it has on a child," said Dr. Hamway.

Dr. Stroster agreed, saying "There's a definite improvement in self image and self confidence."

Patients are seen in their state-of-the-art facilities in Brighton, and South Lyon. A comfortable and attractively decorated office welcomes their patients.

"The open setting helps kids feel more relaxed and comfort-

able," said Amanda Campbell, practice coordinator.

Children aren't the only ones who benefit from their services — Dr. Hamway and Dr. Stroster also help many adults in their effort to maintain healthy teeth for a lifetime.

The doctors get to know about their patients day-to-day lives throughout the treatment process. "Our strong points are the personal service and excellent treatment our patients receive in our practice," noted Dr. Hamway.

If you have any doubts regarding your child's orthodontics, intervening at the right time will produce the quickest results. In fact, with the most recent state-of-the-art tech-

niques, many cases are completed in a minimal amount of time.

"We encourage children to have an orthodontic screening by the time they're seven to make sure everything is developing properly," said Dr. Stroster.

They consider their staff exceptional and well-trained, as well as great with patients.

Both Doctors are graduates of the University of Detroit. The team met while completing their residency and have been partners for the past 10 years. Get a beautiful smile at one of their two locations at 10192 E. Grand River Ave., Suite 101, in Brighton, and at 21800 Pontiac Trail, Suite 200, in South Lyon.

—Annette Jaworski

DR. HAMWAY

- **Hobbies:** Golfing, biking, running and other sports
- **Education:** U of D Mercy School of Dentistry. Masters of Science Certificate Specialty of Orthodontic and Dentofacial Orthopedics

DR. STROSTER

- **Hobbies:** Golfing, traveling and making stained glass
- **Education:** U of D Mercy School of Dentistry. Masters of Science Certificate Specialty of Orthodontic and Dentofacial Orthopedics

RAY FOLEY

- **Age:** 46
- **Family:** Wife Terri, three sons and one daughter
- **Hobbies:** Coaches Little League, active in Walled Lake Braves
- **Professional Organizations:** MTLA Michigan Trial Lawyers Association, Michigan Bar Association, Mediator for Wayne County Circuit Court

After counseling many clients who were developers, mortgage brokers and Realtors, Ray Foley realized that it made perfect sense to expand his law practice to include Title Company Services.

He was not disappointed when three months ago he established Horizon Title and experienced a brisk start to his enterprise.

"We've been pretty pleased with the response, due in part to the current low interest rates," said Foley.

He believes the favorable interest rate period was the perfect time to establish Horizon Title while looking towards the future. Installing state of the art technology and software enables them to serve their clientele quickly and efficiently.

"If that (interest rate) changes, we'll be up and running and be able to handle other types of business," said Foley.

Typical clients include mortgage brokers, Realtors and business clients, Foley observed. The benefit to his legal clients is they don't have to go outside the company to clarify title issues. He can also offer important insights for potential problems that might occur during real estate transactions.

Foley's 20-plus years of legal experience provided a perfect background to the title company business, and made it relatively easy to obtain licensing.

He currently shares space with his brother, Leo Foley, Attorney, maintains an "of counsel" rela-

tionship with a large Metropolitan Detroit firm. Between the two, there is more than 40 years of legal experience.

Plans for the future include a new facility on the existing South Lyon location sometime next year.

Raymond Foley is a native of South Lyon who returned to the area six years ago. Last year he relocated his law practice there as well. The move required less traveling time, allowing him to devote more time to his family and businesses.

Horizon Title Company is located at 335 N. Lafayette, in downtown South Lyon. Call (248) 587-0062 or e-mail Ray Foley at HorizonTitle@cablespeed.com. —Annette Jaworski



Photo by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

Raymond I. Foley II of Horizon Title Company is a South Lyon native.

Raymond I. Foley II • Horizon Title Company

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Photo by SAM BLACK

Richard Miller brings the traditional and video camera to his customers.

Richard Miller has ridden brand new roller coasters, visited the Red Wings' locker room after two Stanley Cup victories and even talked to the likes of Michael Jordan and Barry Sanders — all in the name of video and photography.

Miller's video and photography service, Miller Media Vision, LLC, offers a "professional atmosphere and product at an affordable price," featuring award-winning videos and portraits taken right in your own home.

With photography and communications degrees and over 18 years of experience, Miller began his own service two years ago. He wanted to do something different

than the average photography and video service, so he decided he would come to the customer.

"I didn't want to convenience myself," Miller said. "I wanted to convenience the customer."

Miller's professional videos are taken all over the country and used for TV stations like CBS, ESPN and Fox. He is also involved in many local events, such as the Michigan Challenge Balloonfest in Howell, which he taped last year for numerous news stations across the state. He's also won multiple awards, including an Emmy and multiple Associated Press awards.

Miller's newest project is game-day photos. With the help of a league, he would go to children's

sporting events and take professional photographs, which are then printed on the spot for the customer to take home. Miller will also give a portion of the funds back to the league he works with.

Miller Media Vision is perfect for graduations, weddings or any event you want photographed or videotaped. It's a "professional atmosphere and product at an affordable price" and with all of Miller's experience, you'll be sure to receive the best video or portraits around.

Call Miller Media Vision at (248) 345-6741 or visit the Web site at www.millermediavision.com.

—Stacy Anderson

Richard Miller • Miller Media Vision

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RICH MILLER

- **Age:** 39
- **Family:** Wife Dawn, son Bradley, 4, and dog B-Roll
- **Hobbies:** Sports, photography and travel
- **Favorite TV Show:** "The Andy Griffith Show"

Perry Sinacola • Perriez Milford House

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PERRY SINACOLA

- Age: 41
- Hobbies:
Children and career
- Favorite TV Show:
"Sopranos"
- Hours worked per week: 65
- Favorite dish:
Veal parmesan

A career in food service came naturally to Perry Sinacola, who literally grew up in the industry.

"It's one thing I knew how to do well. I learned from my mom and dad, who had a restaurant and many different chefs along the way," he recalls.

Perry finds the catering and carryout business suits him well, offering him variety as well as daily challenges. He's served the public for over 20 years in several different locations, although his goal has never changed.

"We pride ourselves in high quality food at a reasonable price," said Sinacola.

He takes pride in offering a casual food menu for catering/carryout business at

Perriez Milford House, as well as the café where customers can sit and enjoy the downtown ambience.

The restaurant carries traditional fare like delicious home-made soups, ribs and chicken and a showcase of sandwiches with selections for hearty appetites to light fare, including grinders, pitas and subs. A variety of fresh salads are available with a tasty twist, like Kris's Salad with fresh cut romaine, topped with mozzarella and cheddar cheeses dried cherries, mandarin oranges and sliced toasted almonds. And of course you'll find their original and specialty pizzas.

Perry says his greatest challenge and goal is to make sure

they uphold their daily standards for high quality.

"When it comes to serving my customers, there are no do-overs, no second chances," he explained. "Customers are my number one priority."

Perry credits his loyal staff that supports his daily efforts, such as long time employee Dustin Schuler, Chef Dave DelCorvo, Jason Lovell and his family, including his sister, Linda Lowe and mother, Maria Sinacola.

"People here work with me, not for me. We're a team," he said.

Perriez Milford House is located at 508 N. Main St., in downtown Milford.

— Annette Jaworski



Photo by ANNETTE JAWORSKI

Perry Sinacola of Perriez Milford House has spent a lifetime serving people casual, high-quality food at a reasonable price.

Dave Skown • AAA Insurance

(248) 437-1729 • www.aaamichigan.com



Photo by JOHN HALL

Dave Skown can provide customers with all of their insurance needs at AAA Insurance in South Lyon.

Dave Skown is a busy man these days at AAA Insurance.

The insurance agent for the South Lyon branch said that his company handles a customer's complete insurance needs under one roof while providing the best service around.

"Everything is indeed under one umbrella," Skown said. "We can fill all insurance needs and ensure the best service — (and) customers should review all of their insurance needs yearly. At AAA, it can be done with no obligation. By packaging everything together, we can come up with a complete insurance plan."

Customers can also receive travel information such as tour books and maps, theme park tickets and fee-free travelers checks at the same location — completing the "umbrella effect."

As an agent, Skown's attention to personal service over recent years has earned him recognition as one of the top overall AAA agents in Michigan.

"I believe in treating everyone as if they were a member of my family — I want to do the best I can for them," he added.

Auto, home and life insurance, free quotes and travel planning are only a

few of the services that AAA South Lyon offers. The company has 24-hour claim service and emergency road service available, too.

Discounts are available for credit unions, professional organizations and certain credit card holders. Special group rates are also available.

AAA is located at 558 N. Lafayette. The phone number is (248) 437-1729. The corporate Web site is located at www.aaamichigan.com.

The office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or by appointment.

— John Hall

"I believe in treating everyone as if they were a member of my own family — I want to do the best I can for them"

—David Skown
Insurance agent, AAA Insurance

Abe Ayoub, associate broker • Mayfair Realty

(248) 486-9227 • www.soldabe.com

ABE AYOUB

- Age: 39
- Family: Wife Maureen and two children Brian, 6, and Lauren, 8
- Hobbies:
Jogging
- Favorite TV Show:
"Third Watch"

Abe Ayoub has a lot of experience and knowledge in the real estate business, thanks to an impressive list of mentors.

The associate broker at Mayfair Realty, which serves the South Lyon, Livonia, Redford, Plymouth, Lyon and Milford communities, has worked with three giants in the real estate business.

"I have worked with Marvin Moser, Jay Hughes and Bill Willis," Abe said. "All of these individuals had between 30 and 50 years in the business. They were all different people and I took a little bit from all of them."

Abe is the managing partner at Mayfair Realty and has worked

for the company for 12 years. He likes the challenge of the work because no two days are ever alike.

"You learn something new every day," he added.

Abe said that he initially entered the real estate business to make extra money — and then his career just "took off." But money is not his motivation — family is.

"Some people would say their business or how much money they make is their greatest accomplishment," he explained. "My greatest accomplishment is my family. They are what drive me."

Abe is also committed to the communities he serves. He is a member of the South Lyon

Chamber of Commerce and South Lyon Kiwanis as well as a volunteer with the Lyon Township Fire Department. He manages to combine a busy professional and personal life and personal contact is a major reason why he enjoys both.

"When people call Mayfair, they are dealing with an agent, not a company," said Abe. "I work 24/7 for customers and work very hard."

Abe also believes that personal contact, such as Open Houses, should be supported by technology, too. "I stress technology, like our Virtual Tours and Internet presence," he added.

— John Hall



Photo by JOHN HALL

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HomeTown Newspapers is a division of the HomeTown Communications Network and is home to four weekly newspapers — Milford Times, South Lyon Herald, Novi News and Northville Record — and one daily newspaper — the Livingston County Daily Press & Argus.

HomeTown Communications Network publishes about 70 newspapers in Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky, along with phone books and Internet sites. Its core business is suburban weekly newspapers around Detroit, Lansing and Cincinnati.

The gentlemen behind HomeTown Newspapers all play a part in each and every publication and it's their hardworking attitudes that allow the people of Livingston and Oakland Counties to stay informed with local, national and international news.

Rich Perlberg, vice president and general manager, has been with HomeTown Newspapers for 26 years.

His brother, father and grandfather all owned newspapers, so working for HomeTown was an obvious choice.

"I like the continuous steady improvement in people, product and technology. I do my job best if I provide resources, remove obstacles and then get out of the way so some really good people can do their jobs," Perlberg said.

He continued, "I have the privilege of working with outstanding people to publish community newspapers in Livingston County as well as in Northville, Novi, South Lyon and Milford."

Perlberg's wife Kathy is the chair of the Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce and they have two sons, Jim and K.C. Rich enjoys downhill skiing, boating, travel, "lowbrow, slap-stick" movies such as "Airplane" and "Caddy Shack," reading and politics.

Perlberg also offers some advice to those working long hours in the newspaper field: "I long ago quit counting. If you are counting hours, there is probably something wrong."

Chris Davis, editor of the Northville Record, chose journalism as a career by, literally, the flip of a coin. After five and a half years with the Record, he knows that the quarter he flipped in college lead him in the right direction.

Through his position, Davis interacts with people from all over Oakland

and Livingston Counties.

"This job affects the lives of people in our community and I've learned to respect the responsibility that comes with the editor's title."

Of all the people he comes meets, younger readers really excite Davis because they are the future of journalism.

"It's wonderful visiting (younger readers) at schools or having tour groups come through the Record office," he said.

Davis enjoys working out, mountain biking, "The Simpsons," video games, reading and spending time with his wife Emily and beagle Samantha.

Cal Stone, editor for the Novi News, is responsible for multiple facets of putting a newspaper together, including editing, story assignments and photography.

The Novi News is going on its 48th year and Stone and his team know what it takes to keep the paper going for another 48. Stone loves the variety of responsibilities and the community involvement that come with his role as editor, as well as the unexpected.

"There's definitely a weekly routine, but I never know what to expect day-to-day," Stone explained. "Driving a cab in Los Angeles for six years prepared me as much for this job as four years of journalism school."

Stone has been married to his wife Carrie for 15 years and has three children: Caitlyn, 9, Cullen, 7, and Christian, 5. He loves music as well as the movie "New York, New York," and likes to watch "The Conan O'Brien Show."

Sam Black, editor of the South Lyon Herald, has been with the Herald for four years and has loved every minute of it. He knows the importance of his job and wouldn't trade it for anything.

"The South Lyon Herald is sewn into the fabric of our community with 122 years of tradition," Black said. "When we write a story or snap a photo, we are recording the history of our community."

Black also enjoys knowing the people that read his newspaper every week, saying, "Community journalism isn't the anonymous journalism of the large dailies. We get to know the people we write about — we see them in the grocery store or when we're having our oil changed. It requires a higher degree of responsibility, fairness and caring."

Black is married with two children and

enjoys home improvement, which he says is a "never-ending hobby." His favorite movie is "Forrest Gump" and his favorite television show is "Enterprise."

Phillip Allmen, editor of the Milford Times, has been working with the Times for over two years and already has found his home.

The Times is a perfect combination of local, national and international news that makes established newspapers what they are.

"I have always had a passion for journalism and I want to help people know what's going on in their community," Allmen said.

For Allmen, the best part of his job is giving a voice to the people of Milford.

"I love working with the community and meeting different people," Allmen explained. "I like to give residents and business owners a chance to talk about what they feel is important."

When Allmen has a day off, he enjoys recreational sports like fishing, kayaking, golf, tennis bowling and darts, as well as reading, watching "Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back" and spending time with his wife Karen.

Justin Wilcox, sales director, describes himself as a "goal-oriented" person whose hobbies include mountain biking, seeing movies and restoring sports cars.

Wilcox has been an invaluable asset to the sales team. He joined the Livingston County Daily Press & Argus crew only 17 months ago, but has already created a name for himself in sales. He enjoys working with the team of professionals at HomeTown Newspapers and has enjoyed the relationships he has developed in the community.

"Livingston County is a wonderful place to work and live," Wilcox said. "It has a lot to offer and I am proud to be a part of it."

Wilcox has worked in the newspaper business since the age of 9. He has worked alongside his parents from childhood and learned the business from the ground up.

"I cannot imagine doing anything else," he said.

Wilcox is a Howell resident, having recently moved from Oakland County. His favorite movie is "Nothing in Common" starring Tom Hanks and Jackie Gleason and he says that the only television he watches besides the news is "E.R."

Ed Fleming, account executive, not only sells advertising, he also advises his customers on "how, when and where to advertise."

With HomeTown Newspapers for two and a half years, Fleming's creativity and salesmanship come in handy in the advertising field.

Working 40-70 hours a week can't be fun, so after work and on the weekends, Fleming enjoys strong involvement in his community, where he is the vice president of the Northville Central Business Association, a member of the Rotary Club and he's also on the Northville Eclipse vintage baseball team.

Fleming has family all over the country, including his mom, sisters, aunts, cousins and his son, from Florida to Washington State.

He likes watching Formula One Racing on the Speed Channel and "Frasier."

Bob Peri, account executive and self-proclaimed "space cowboy," has spent 25 and a half years with HomeTown Newspapers and still meets new people every day.

Peri puts his creative talents to the test by working in the advertising field, working on advertisements that both he and his customer are satisfied with.

"I love being creative, and there's always something new happening."

Peri has been married for 22 years and has a 19-year-old daughter attending Western Michigan University.

He enjoys "The Matrix" and watches "Boston Public" regularly.

Dan Douglas is an account executive and has been with HomeTown Newspapers for three years.

His love of people and advertising has merged into a full-time job, where he works 40-50 hours a week.

After work, Douglas spends time with his family, Janet and Amy, and enjoys woodworking.

His favorite movie is "Behind Enemy Lines" and his favorite television show is "Friends."



Rich Perlberg



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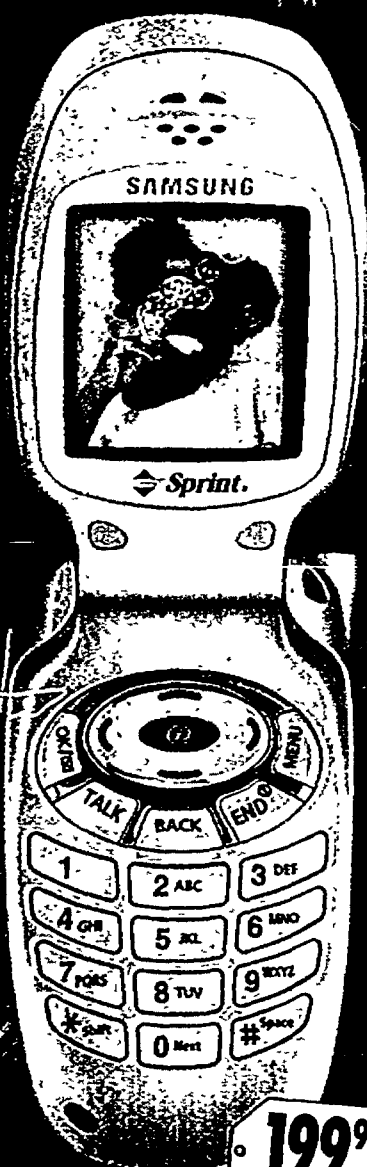


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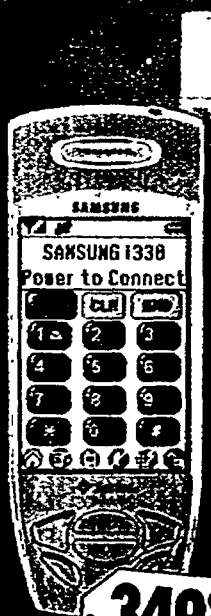
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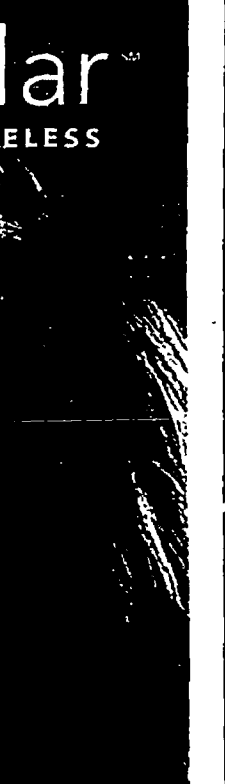
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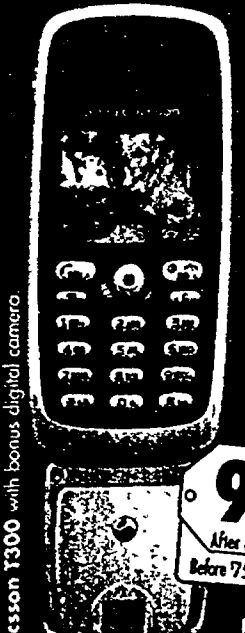
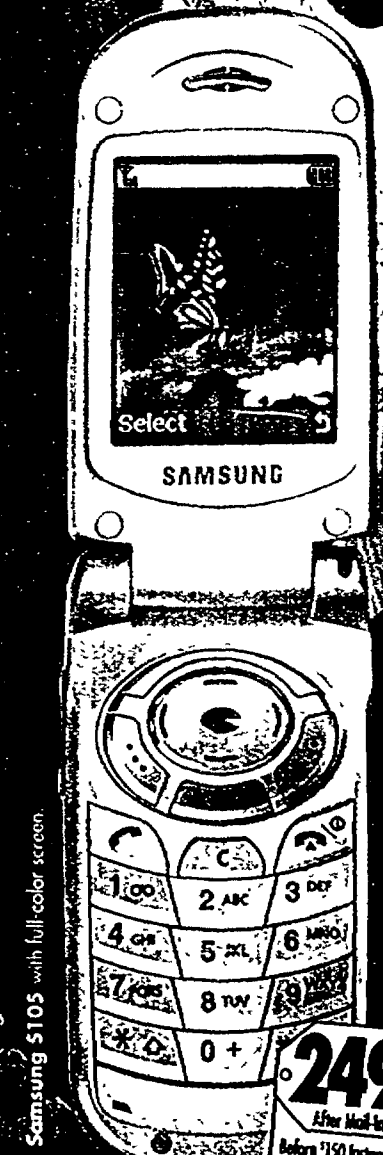


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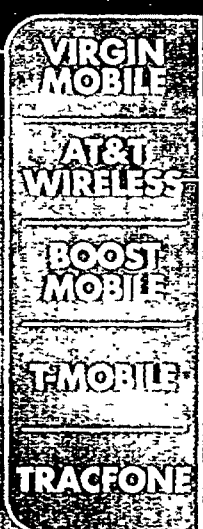
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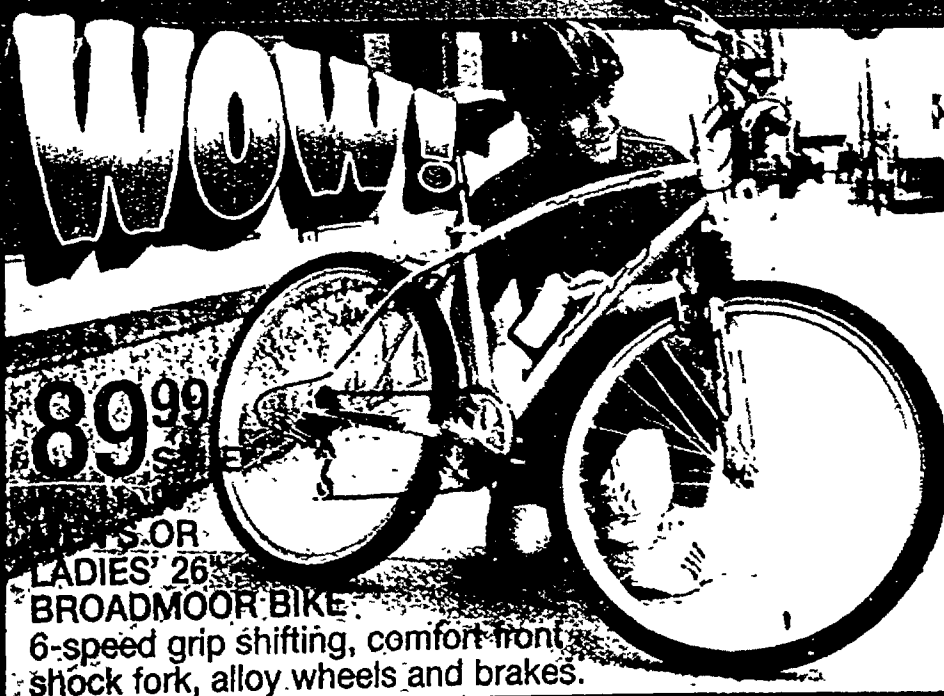


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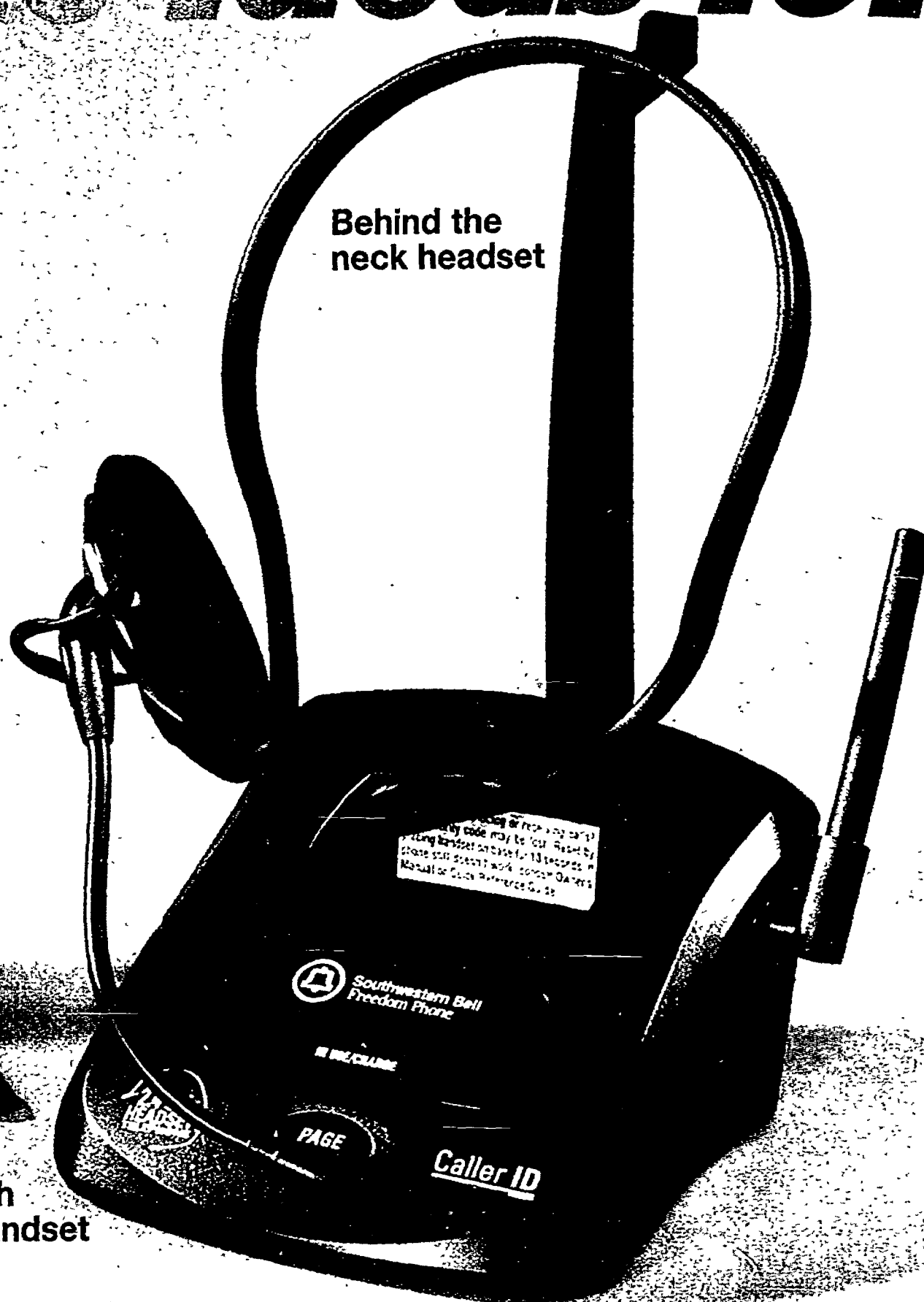
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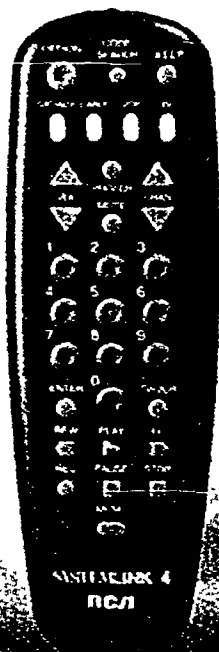
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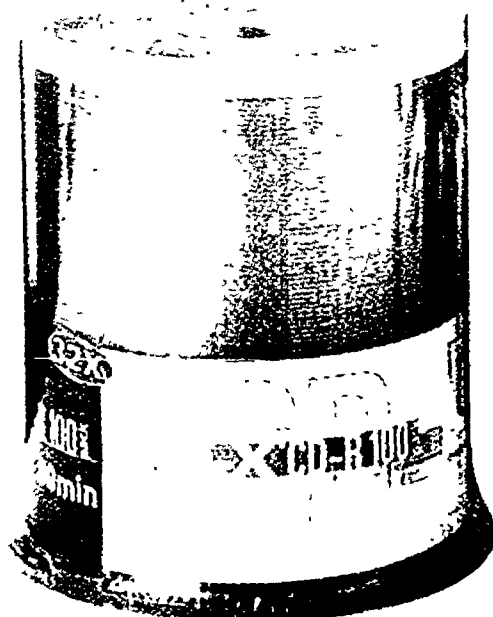
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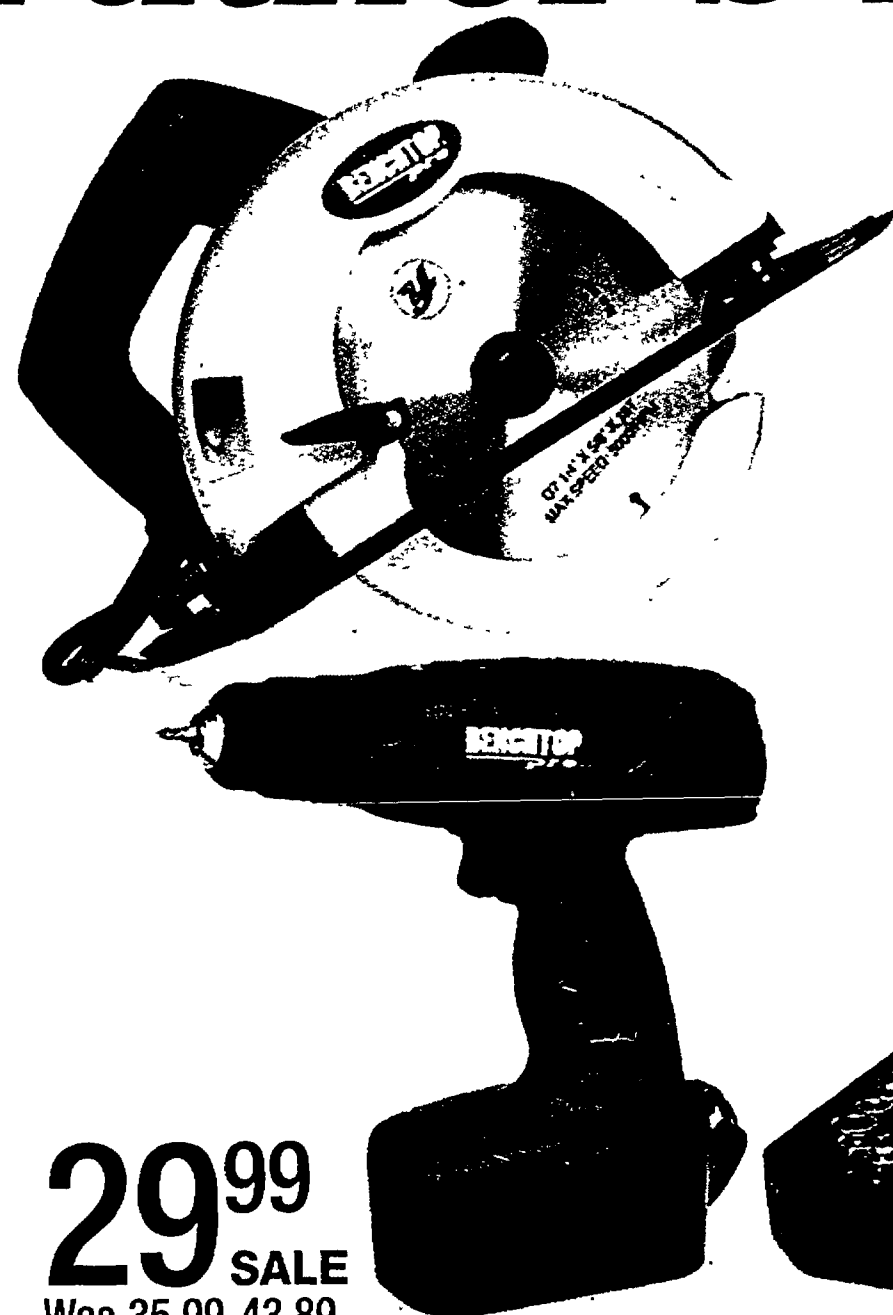


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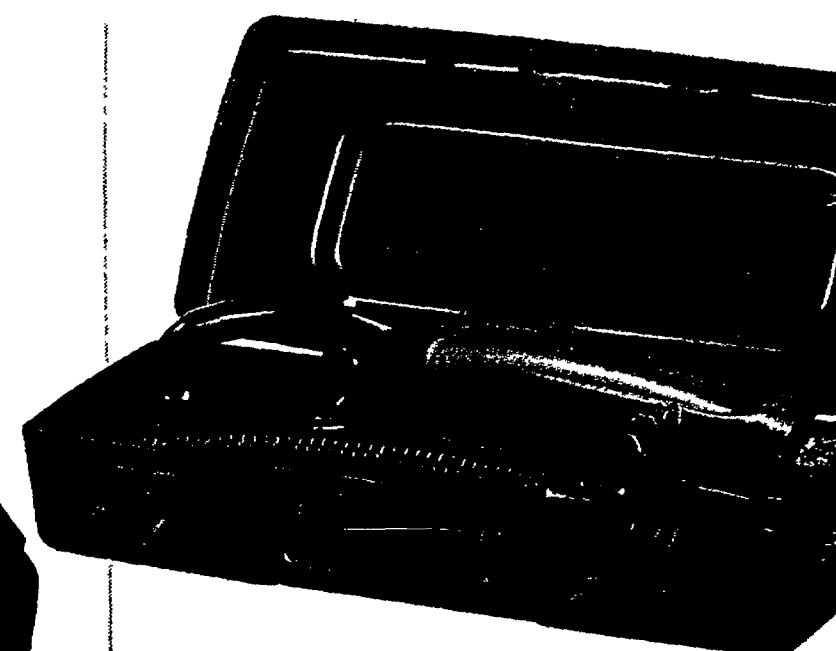
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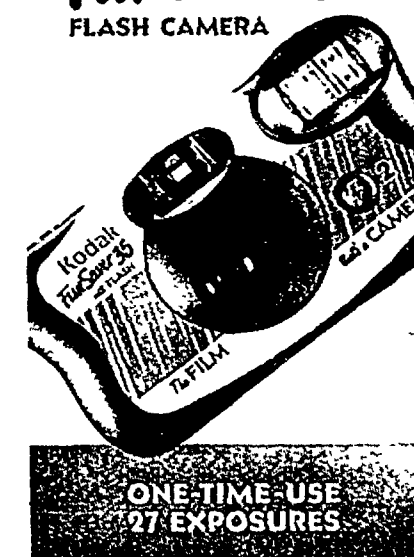


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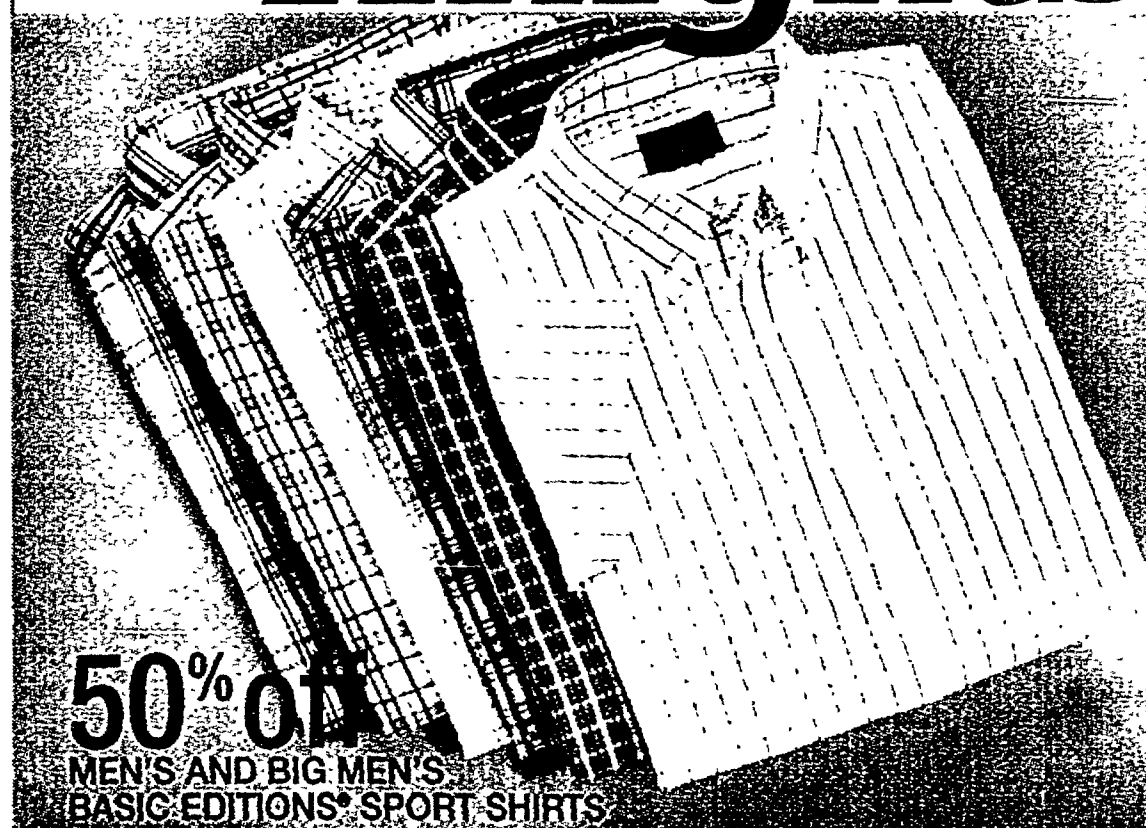


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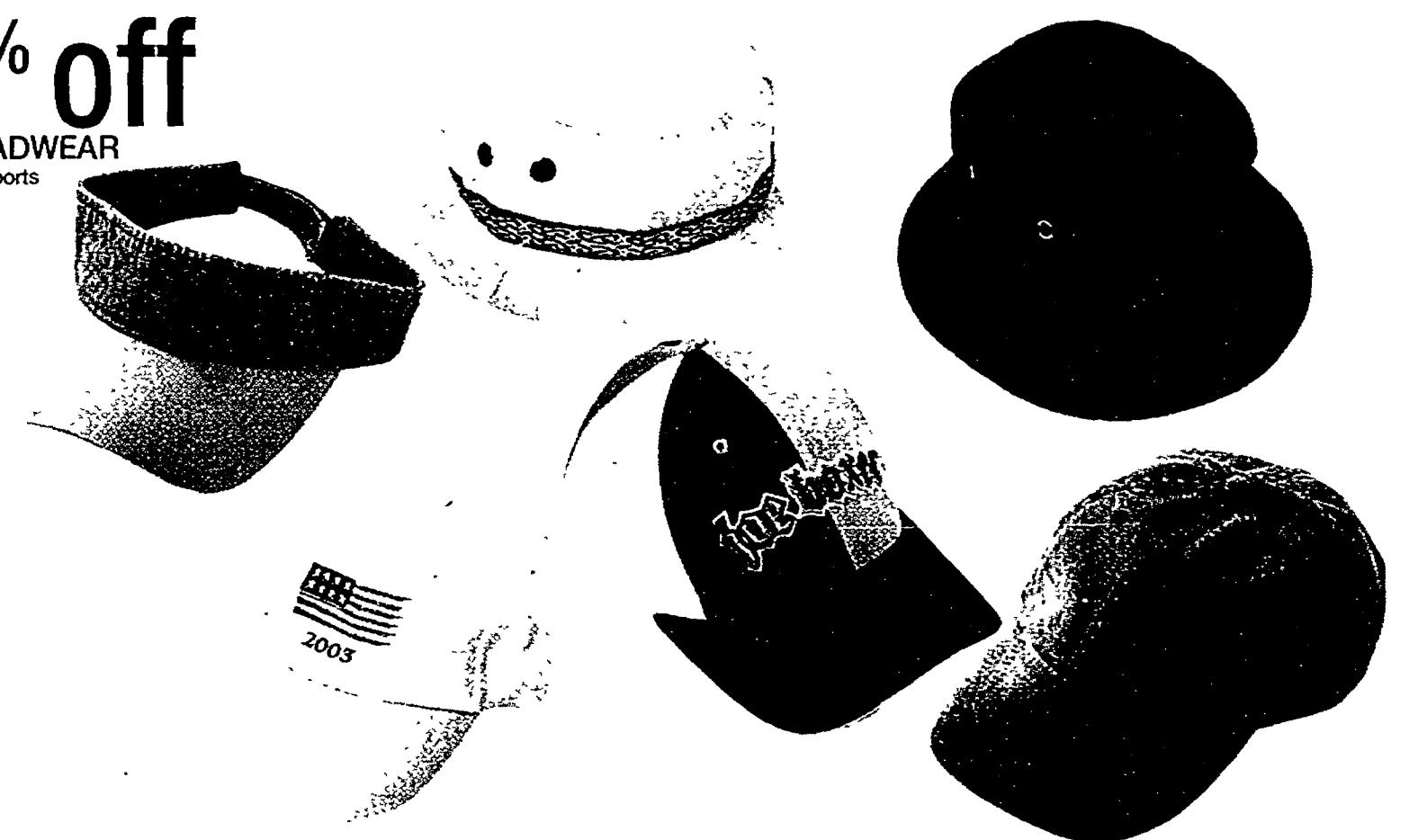


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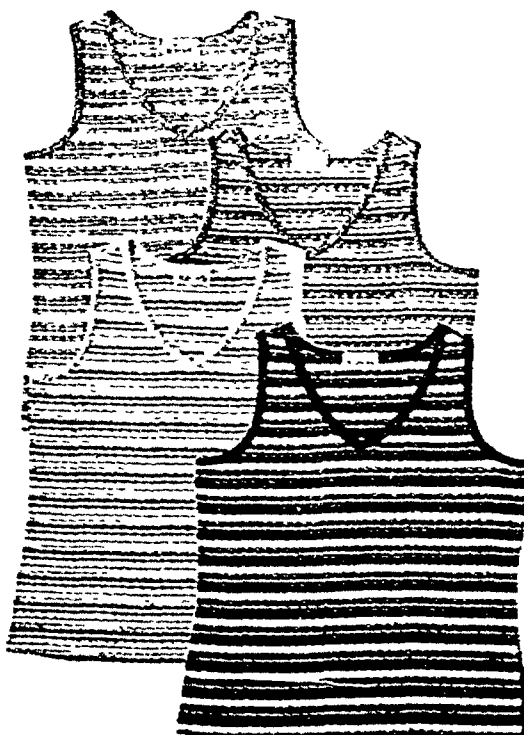
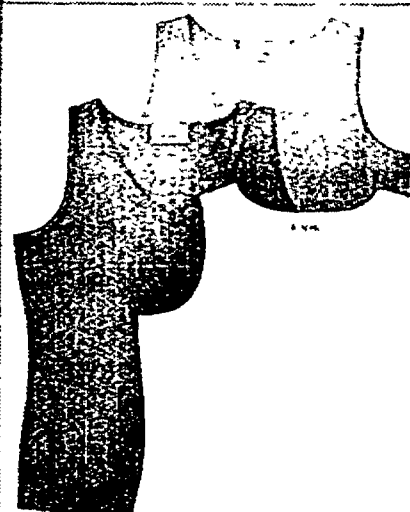
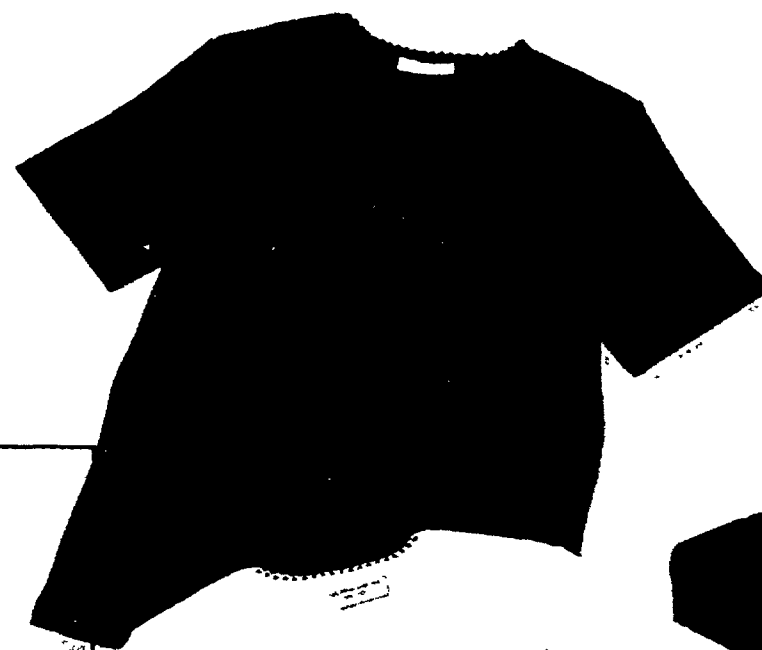
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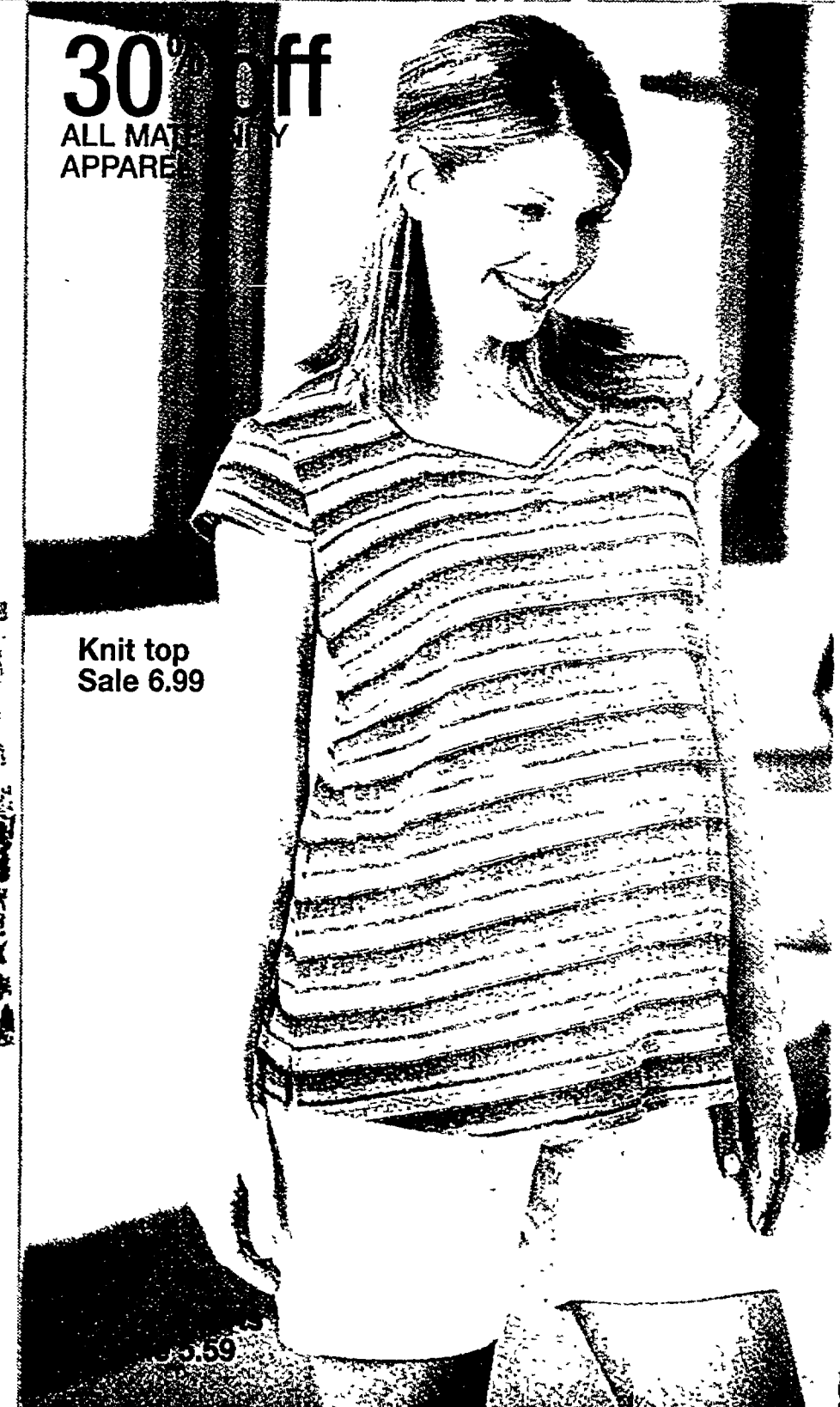
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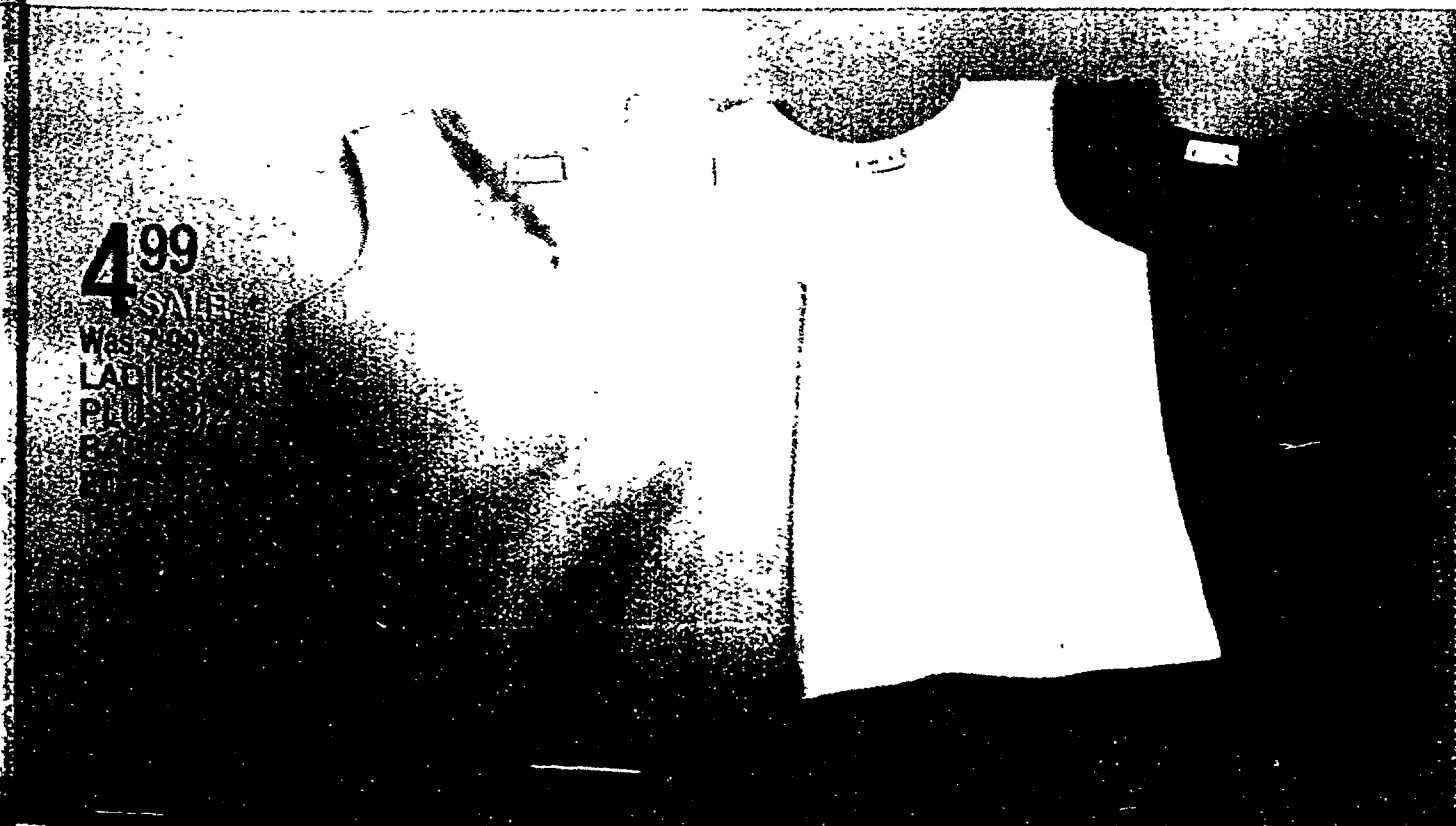
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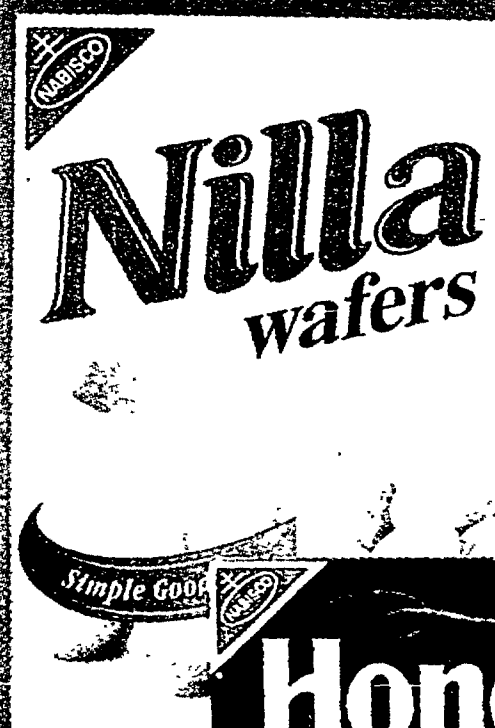
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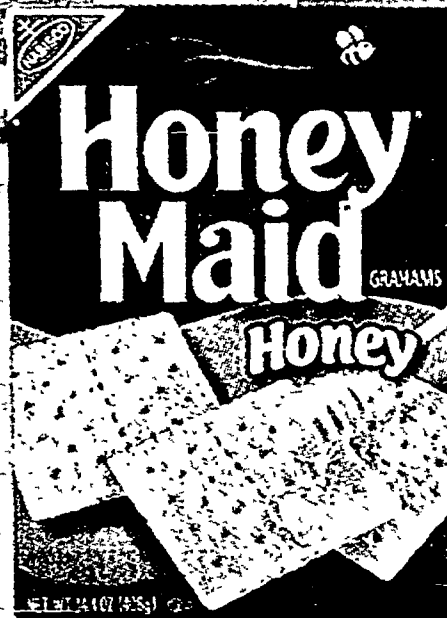
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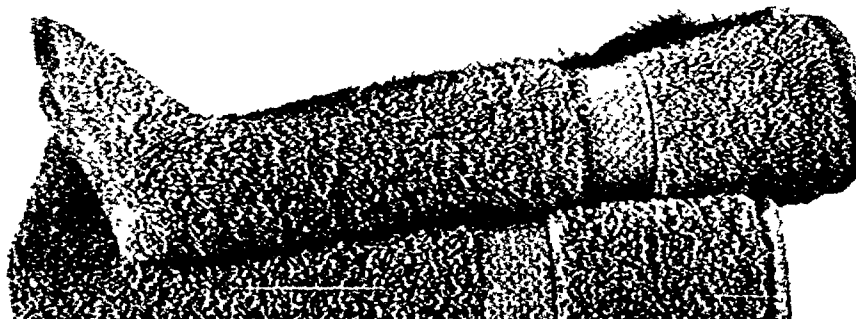


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 Ladies' or men's,
 2.7-3.25-oz. net wt.
 *Excludes 24/7 deodorant.
 Items may not be available
 at our White Lake, MI store
 or our Peoria, IL stores.



1.88 SALE
 CREST TOOTHPASTE
 8.2-oz. net wt.

2.79 SALE
 ULTIMATE II
 BATH TOWEL
 Hand towel, Sale 2.19
 Washcloth, Sale 1.39



79¢ SALE
 FAYGO OR
 SHASTA
 SODA,
 3 LITER
 American
 Fare® 1-liter
 sparkling
 water,
 Sale 2/\$1
 Plus deposit or
 CRV where
 applicable



Prices effective Thursday, June 5 thru Saturday, June 7, 2003

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Exclusive brands
 sure to make
 you say Wow!



**MARTHA
 STEWART**
 everyday

**ROUTE
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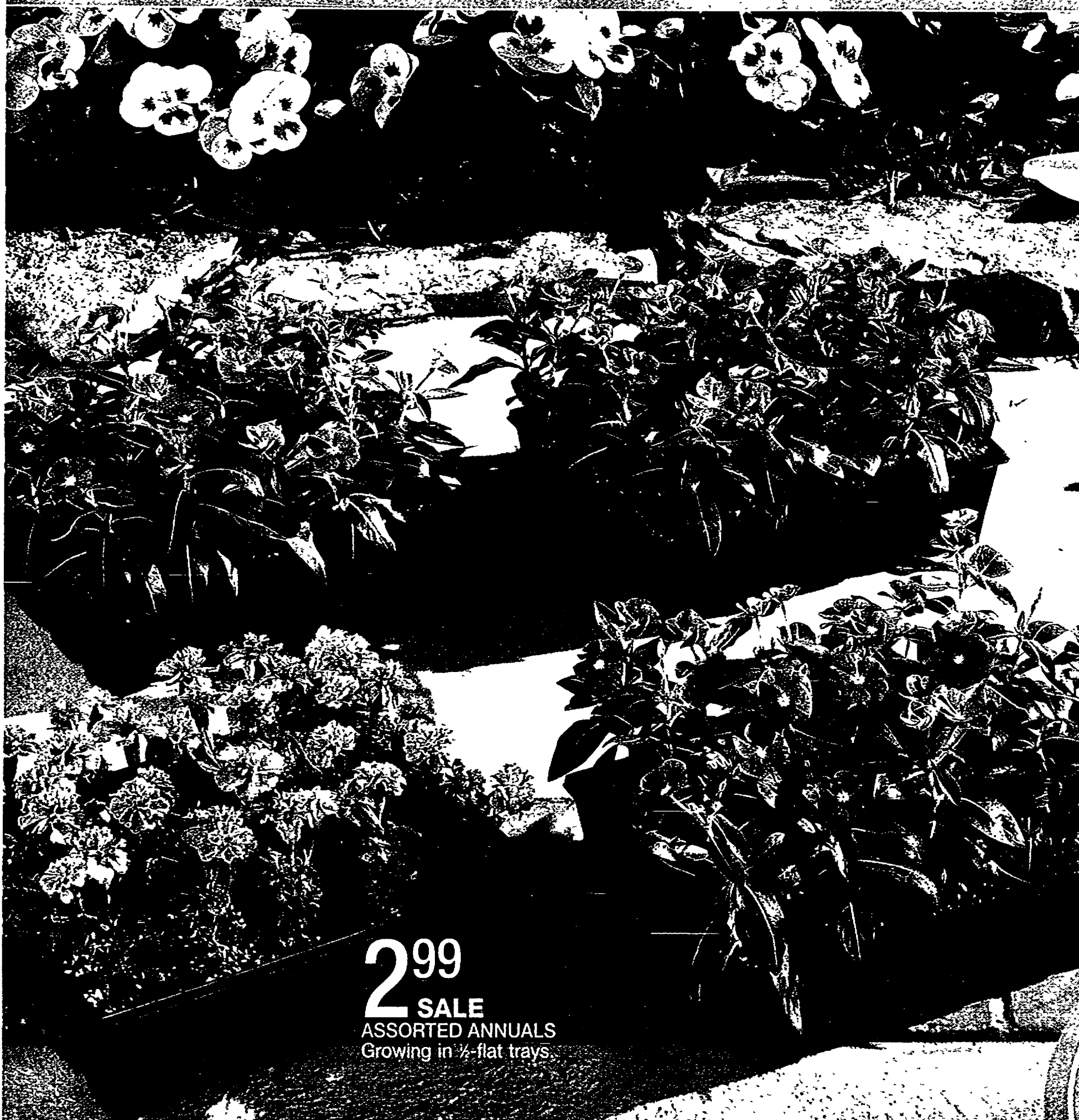
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Disney

EVERLAST



Save on summer blossoms



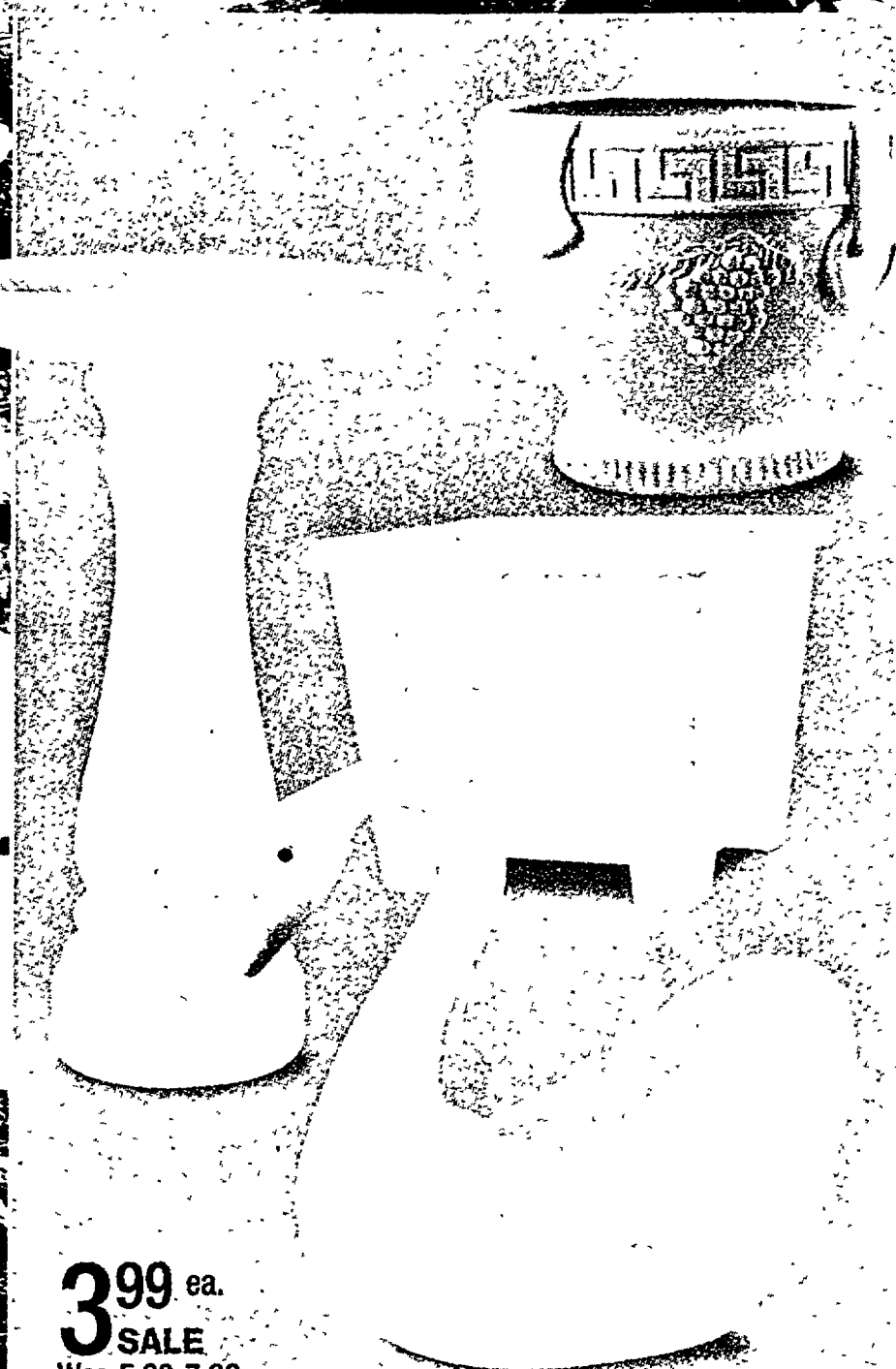
2.99 SALE
ASSORTED ANNUALS
Growing in 1/2-flat trays



20% off
ALL FLOWERING
SHRUBS AND
EVERGREENS
Selection varies
by location

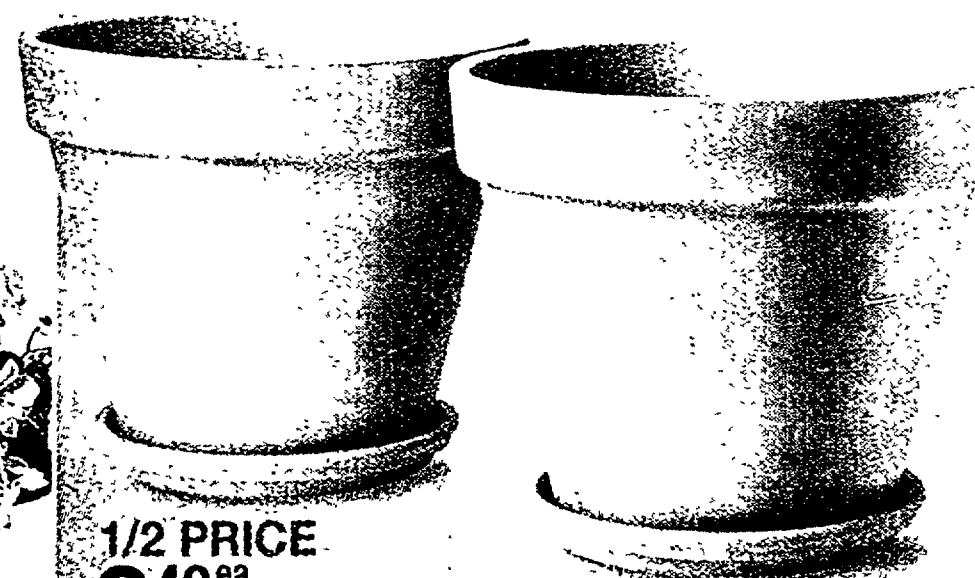


4.99 SALE
SUMMER FLOWERING
HANGING PLANTS
Growing in 10" baskets.



3.99 ea.
SALE
Was 5.99-7.99
SWAN PLANTER, GRAPE URN, 15" SQUARE DECK
PLANTER OR PEDESTAL BIRD BATH

it's a
Garden
thing



1/2 PRICE
2.49 ea.
SALE
Was 4.99 ea.
12" CLAY POT
10" low saucer
Was 2.99 ea., Sale 1.49 ea.

Prices effective Thursday, June 5 thru Sunday, June 8, 2003

Nursery stock available only in stores with Garden Center. All nursery stock shown are mature specimens.



**15%
off**

ALL CITRONELLA
PRODUCTS

Sale
4.24



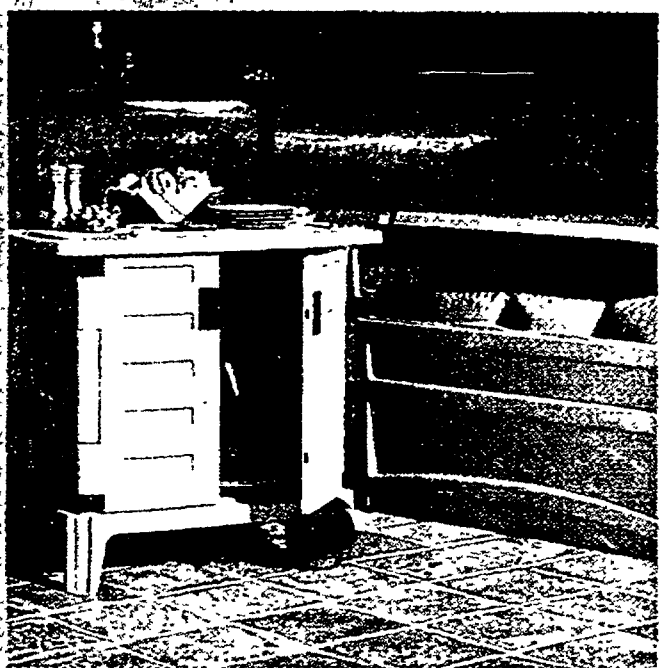
Sale
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Sale
3.39

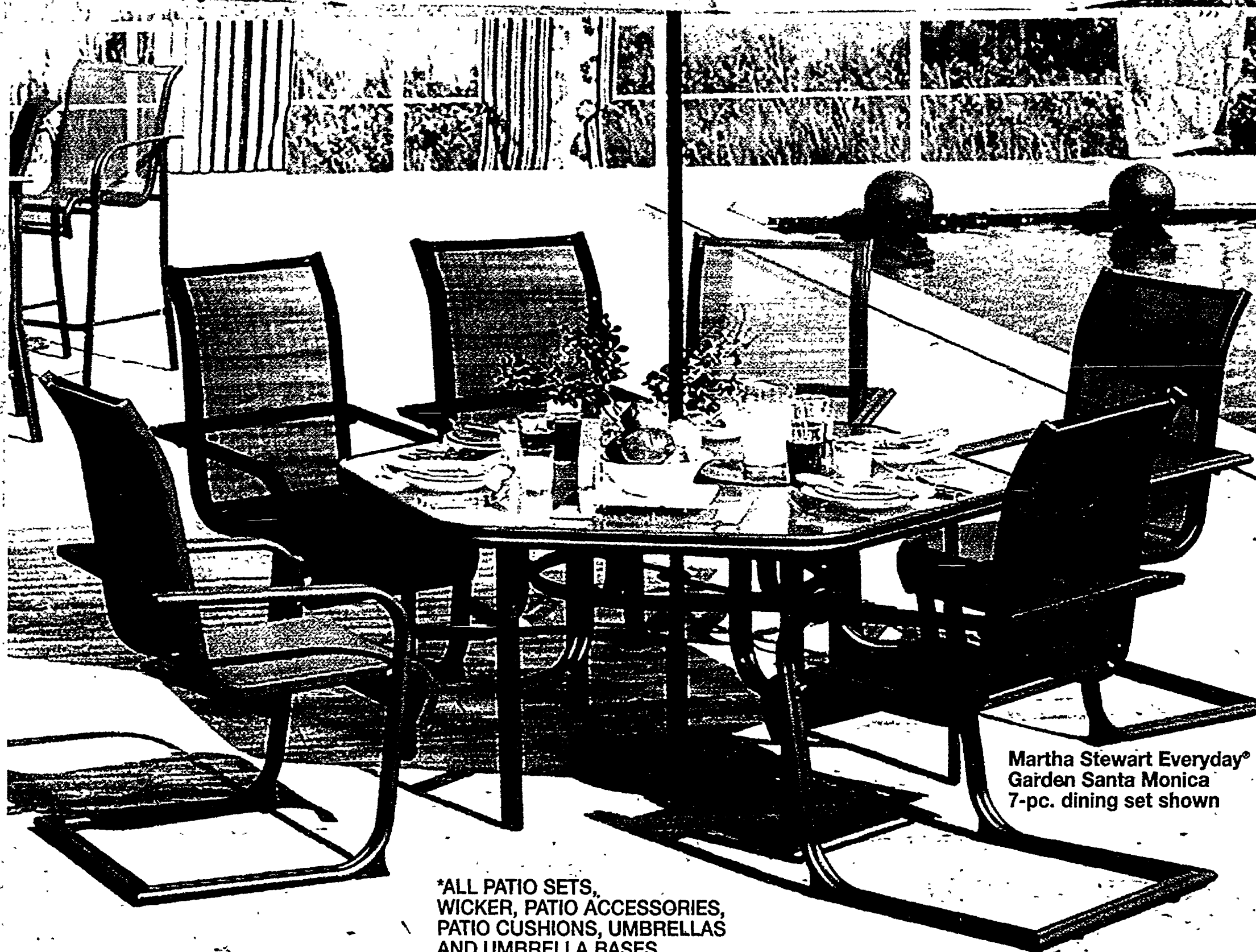
Sale
11.87

20% off

ALL SUNCAST STORAGE
SHEDS, DECK BOXES
AND GARDEN CARTS



**All patio sets and accessories*
on sale, 20%-33% off**



Martha Stewart Everyday®
Garden Santa Monica
7-pc. dining set shown

*ALL PATIO SETS,
WICKER, PATIO ACCESSORIES,
PATIO CUSHIONS, UMBRELLAS
AND UMBRELLA BASES
Assortment may vary by store



2.99

SALE
MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY™
GARDEN PROFESSIONAL POTTING MIX
OR PROFESSIONAL POTTING MIX WITH
FERTILIZER. 8-dry-qt. bag.



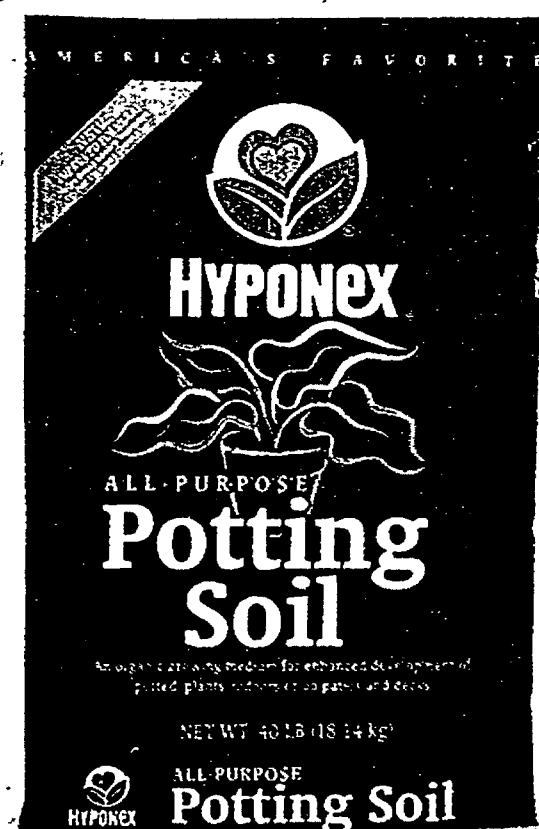
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SALE
KGRO® ALL-PURPOSE
PLANT FOOD
5-lb. net wt.



6.99

SALE
MIRACLE-GRO®
GARDEN FEEDER
No clog 4-1 feeder.



\$2

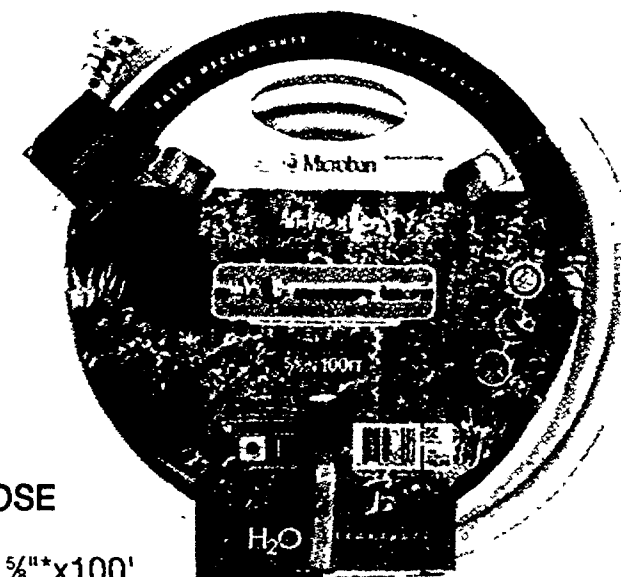
HYPONEX POTTING SOIL
OR GARDEN SOIL
40-lb. net wt.

Bagged goods available only in stores with Garden Center



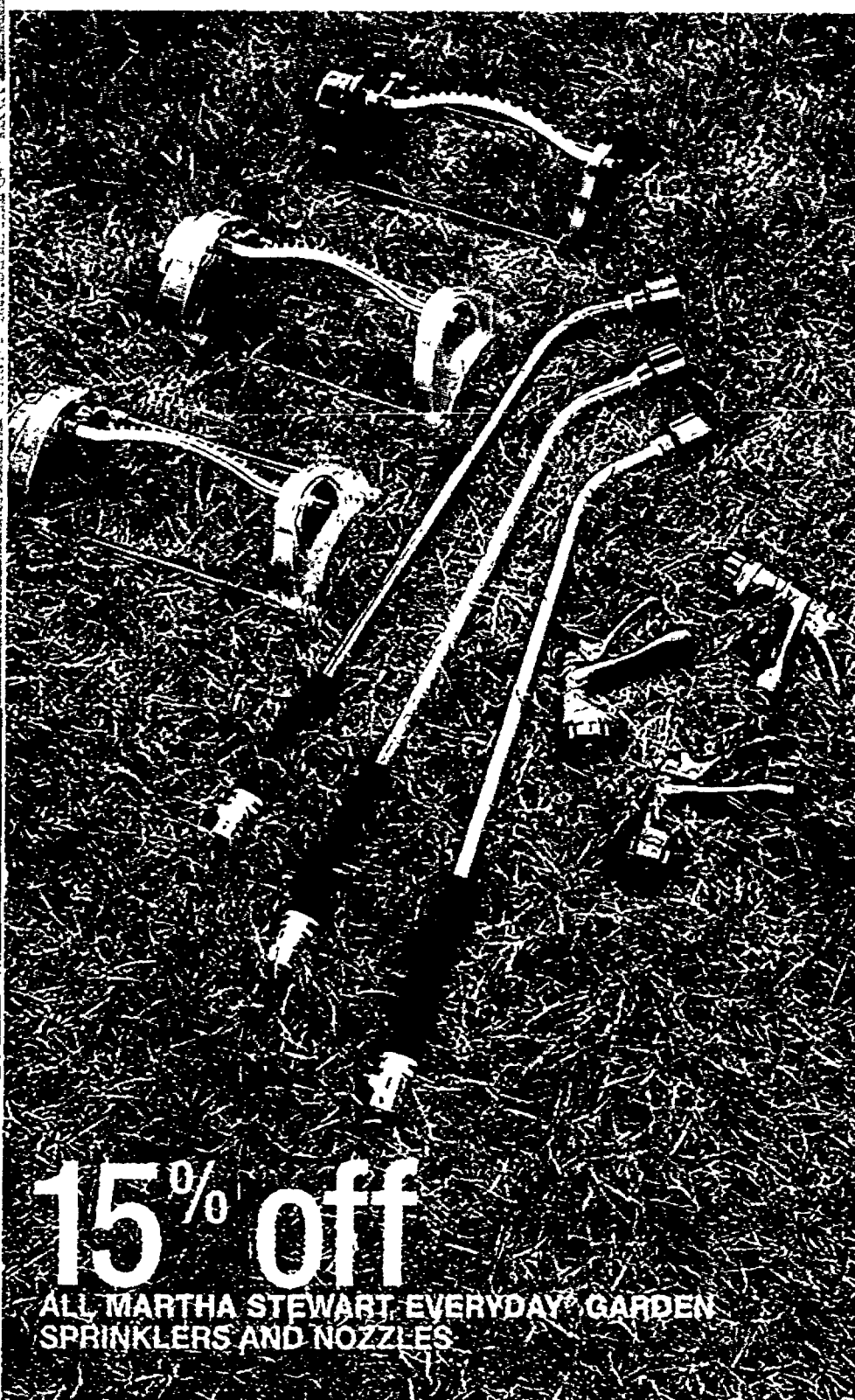
17.99 SALE

MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY™ GARDEN
HOSE-REEL
COUNTER HOSE-REEL



13.99 SALE

100' GARDEN HOSE
With Microban®
bacteria inhibitor. 5/8"x100'.
*Inside diameter



15% off

ALL MARTHA STEWART EVERYDAY™ GARDEN
SPRINKLERS AND NOZZLES

Everything you need to make gardening easier



12.99 SALE

5/8"x30' COIL HOSE WITH
8-PATTERN HOSE NOZZLE
The hose that coils itself.
*Inside diameter



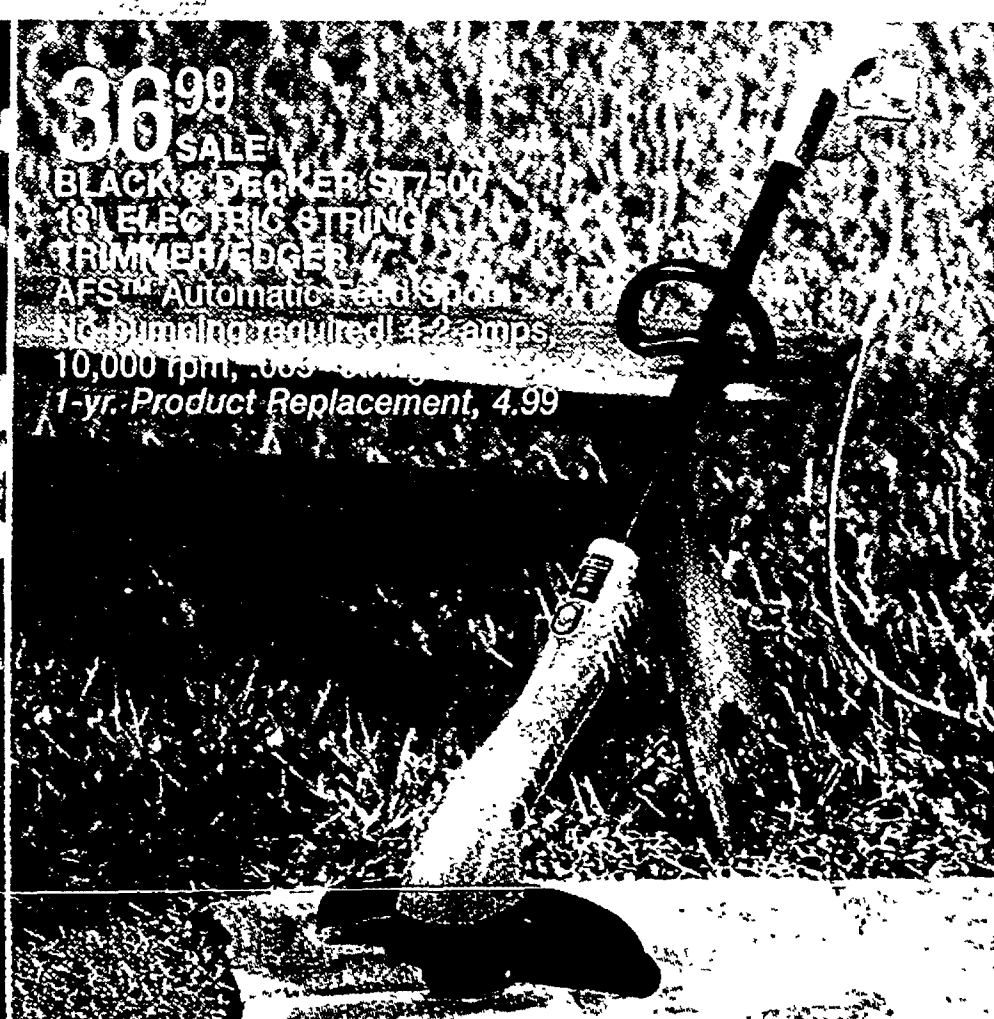
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MARTHA STEWART
EVERYDAY™ GARDEN
GLOVES OR TOOLS

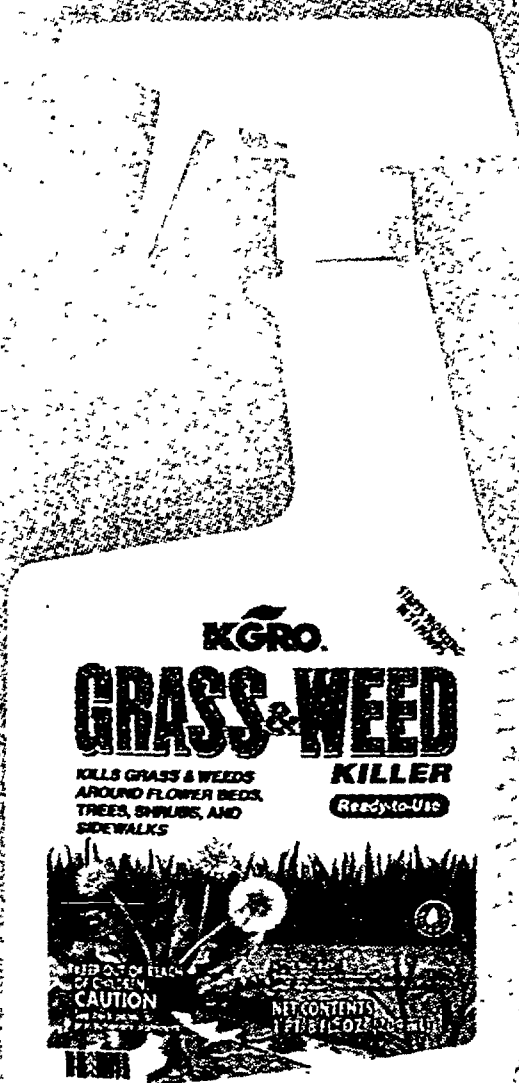
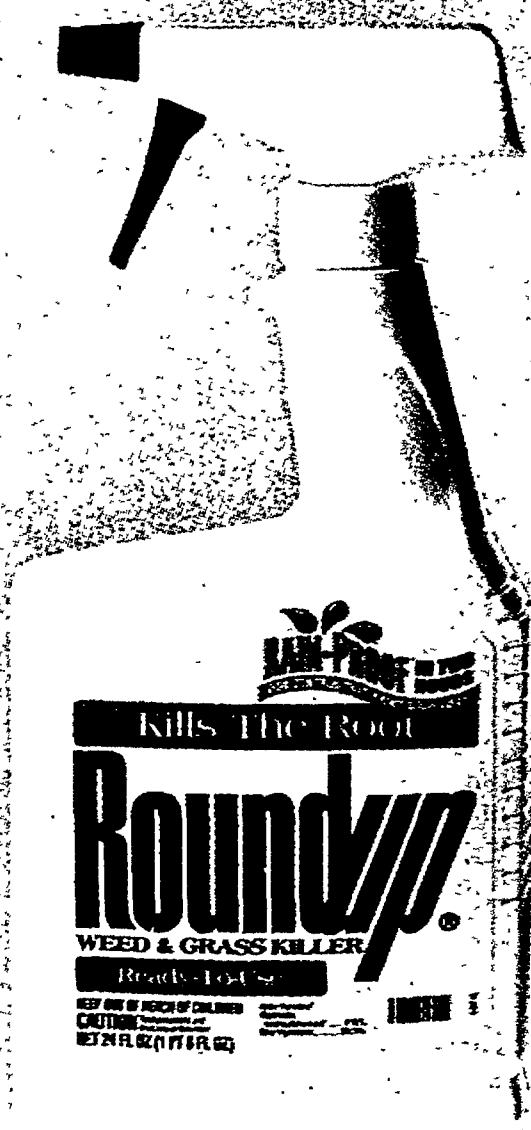


36.99 SALE

BLACK & DECKER® ST7500
18" ELECTRIC STRING
TRIMMER/EDGER
AFST™ Automatic Feed System
No bumping required! 4.2 amps
10,000 rpm, 665' cutting width
1-yr. Product Replacement, 4.99



Save on everything you need for weed control.



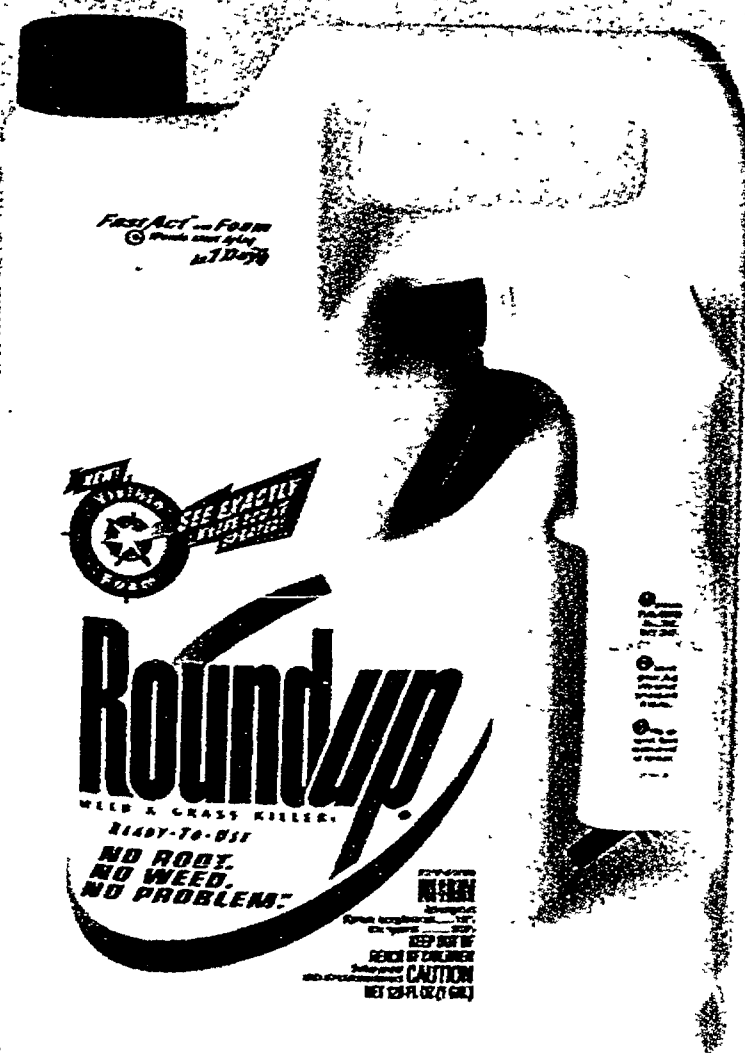
COMPARE & SAVE

3.89
SALE

ROUNDUP® READY-TO-USE
WEED & GRASS KILLER
24 fl. oz.

2.29
SALE

KGRO™ GRASS &
WEED KILLER
24-fl.-oz. ready-to-use spray.



COMPARE & SAVE

9.89
SALE

ROUNDUP® WEED &
GRASS KILLER
1 gallon, ready to use.

5.99
SALE

KGRO™ GRASS &
WEED KILLER
1 gallon, ready to use.

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6.99
SALE
ORTHO ANT, FLEA AND
TICK KILLER
FOR LAWNS
10-lb. net wt.



6.99
SALE
ORTHO
WEED-B-GON
Kills dandelions,
clovers and many
other lawn
weeds. 32-fl.-oz.
concentrate.



7.99
SALE
ORTHO
BUG-B-GON
MULTI-PURPOSE
INSECT KILLER
Use in place of
Diazinon or
Dursban.
8.8-lb. net wt.



7.99
SALE
SEVIN GRANULES
Use in place of
Diazinon or Dursban.
10-lb. net wt.

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SUPER DAD GIFTS

**Father's Day
is Sunday,
June 15th!**



I'll give him maximum entertainment for under \$100 after rebate—DVD/VCR combo

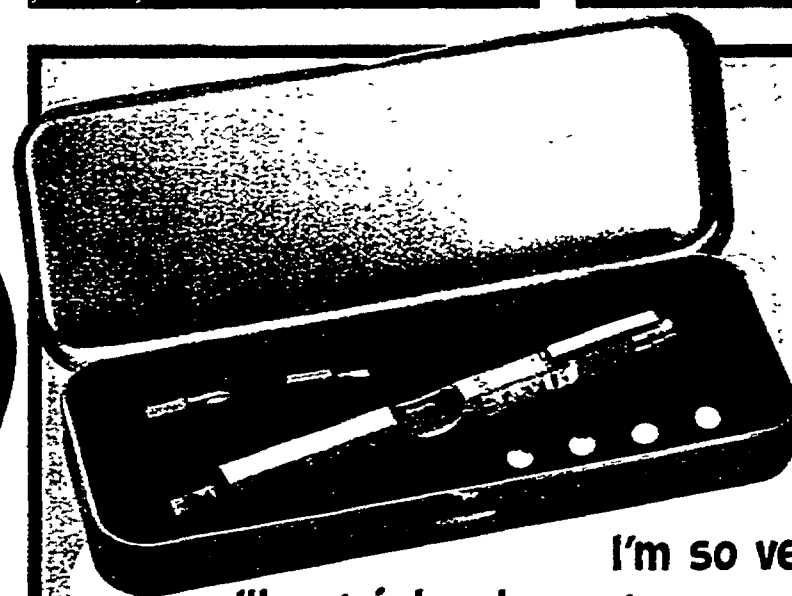
**SAVE \$30
after rebate¹**



Low As
**\$10 Per
Month***

Reg. price 129.99
RadioShack mail-in rebate¹ -30.00

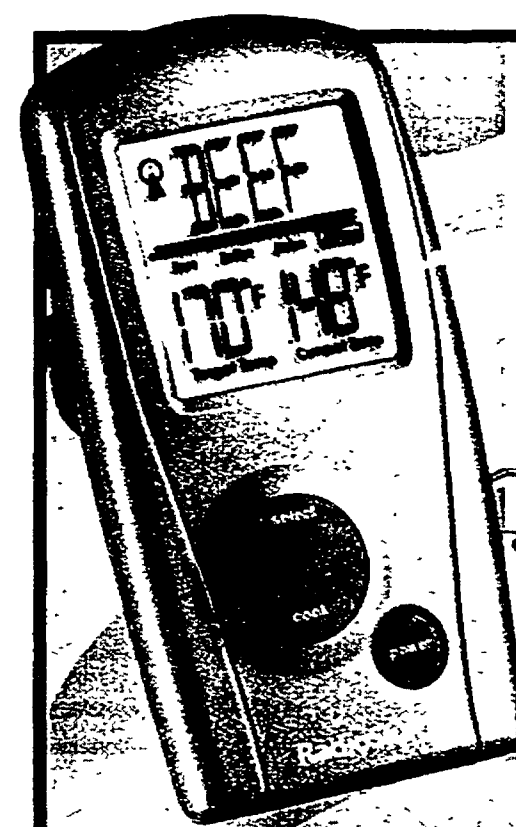
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I'm so versatile, Dad
will get jobs done at supersonic speed!
3-in-1 magnetic laser tool #63-1059 Reg. 29.99.

33% OFF New 19⁹⁹



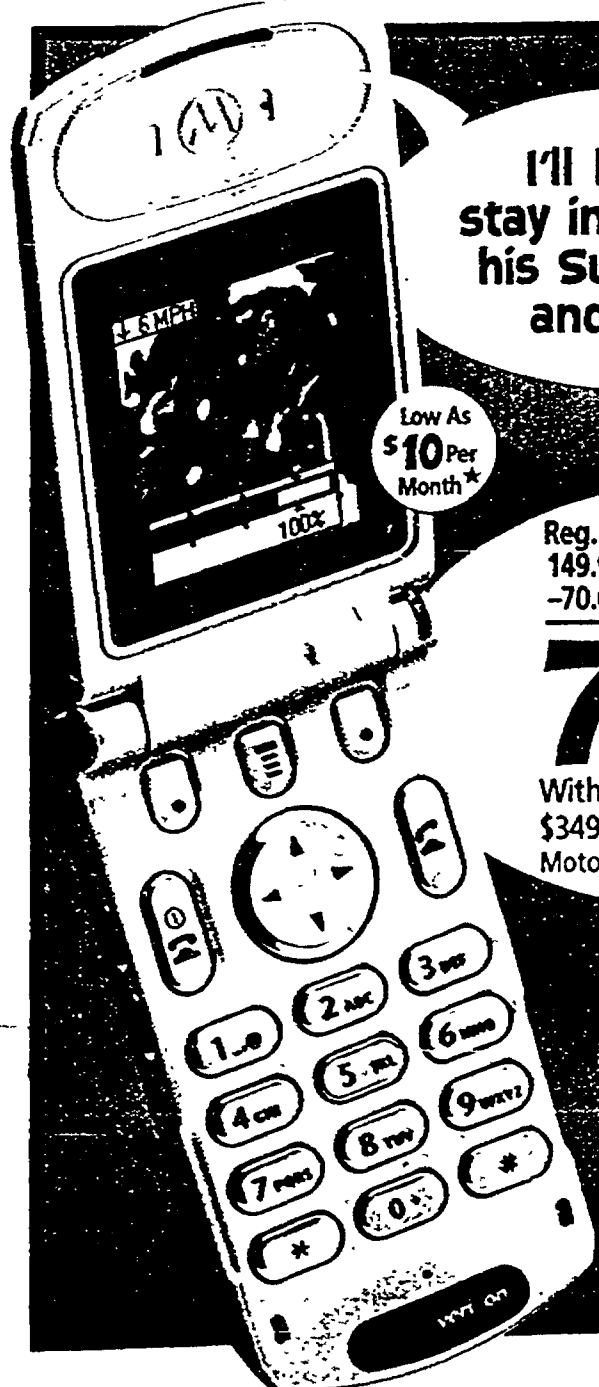
I can help make his next
cookout virtually foolproof!
Amazing wireless BBQ
thermometer

#63-1140 Reg. 49.99.

20% OFF

**New
39⁹⁹**

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I'll help Dad
stay in touch with
his Super Family
and friends

Low As
**\$10 Per
Month***

**SAVE \$150
after rebate²**

Reg. price 229.99
149.99 Sale price
-70.00 RadioShack mail-in rebate²

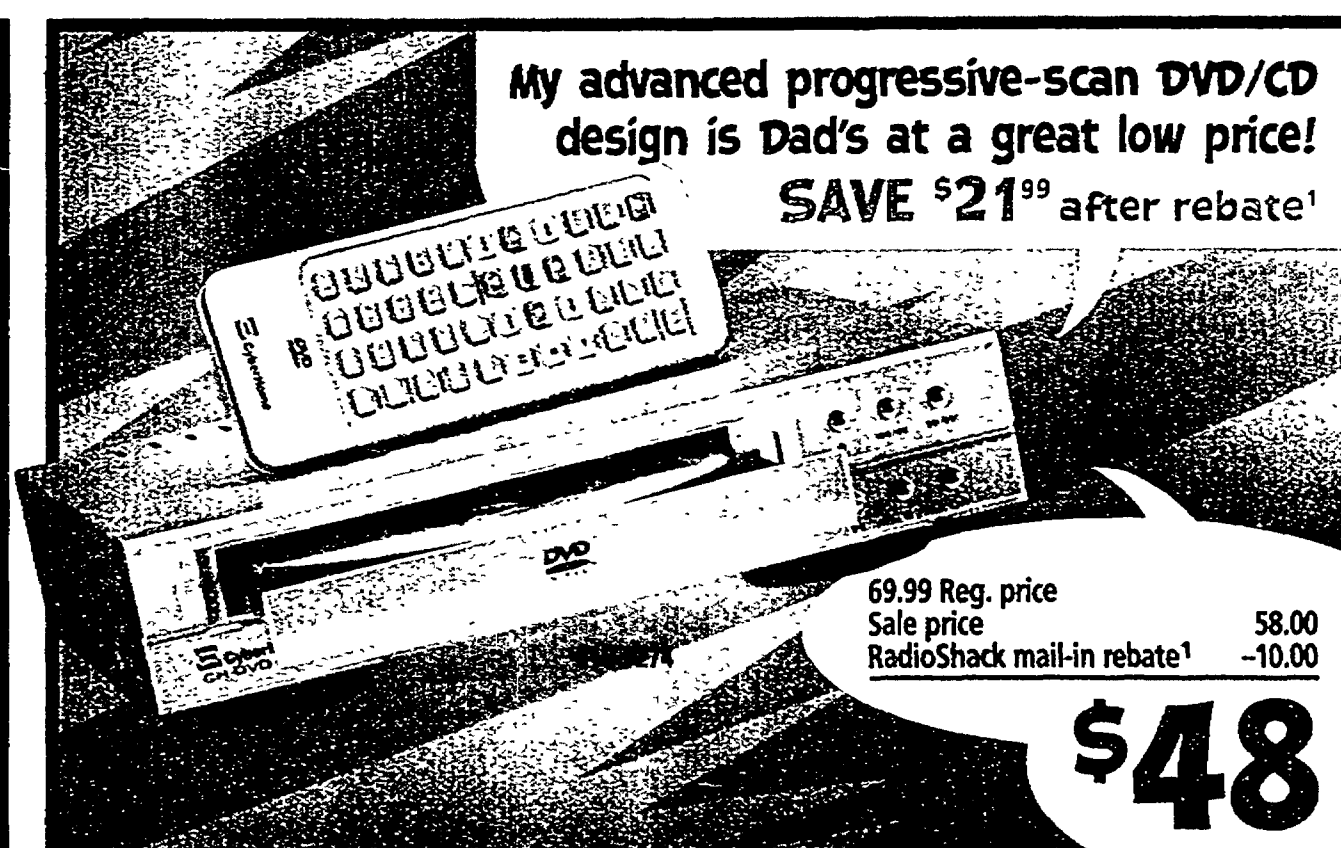
79⁹⁹³

With 2-year agreement.
\$349.99 without.
Motorola T720c. #17-1864/65

See page 2

**Wondering what
to get Dad this
Father's Day?**

**How about
whatever
he wants!**



My advanced progressive-scan DVD/CD
design is Dad's at a great low price!

SAVE \$21⁹⁹ after rebate¹

69.99 Reg. price
Sale price 58.00
RadioShack mail-in rebate¹ -10.00

\$48

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RadioShack®

You've got questions. We've got answers.®

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¹Offer good through 6/29/03. ²See 2 on page 2. ³See * on page 2.

RadioShack has phones, accessories & more.



"Happy Father's Day! We love you, Dad."

Send a voice or text message with your photo!†

PCS Vision™ Picture Phone with built-in camera (Sanyo® 8100)

New from Sprint! Picture Mail™ That Talks
Share it when it happens.
Works with Vision™-enabled phones and computer.

Sprint.

199.99 Reg. price
-100.00 Sprint instant rebate¹

99⁹⁹ New

With in-store activation.

Get all 4 for 149⁹⁶
Includes phone and accessories.
With in-store phone activation.

I take pictures
Built-in digital camera lets Dad take, view and send pictures† from his phone. #17-257172/73

SAVE \$100

Add these 3 accessories for only \$49.97
With purchase and activation of phone.
Save \$30
Reg. separate items 79.97.

Car power adapter. #273-1277
Genuine leather case. #17-831
JABRA® headset. #17-853



Reg. price 229.99
149.99 Sale price
-70.00 RadioShack mail-in rebate²

79⁹⁹* after rebate
With 2-year agreement. \$349.99 without.

Dad will flip for me
Motorola T720c. Download ringers, graphics, games and more†. #17-1864/65 Reg. 229.99.

SAVE \$150 after rebate²

Now double TXT Messaging!
400 TXT Messages just \$3.99³
monthly access when you sign up by 6/30/03.

get it now

verizonwireless

Get all 4 for one low price!

129⁹⁶*

Includes phone and accessories.
With in-store phone activation.

Add these 3 accessories for only \$49.97
With purchase and activation of phone.
Save \$30
Reg. separate items 79.97.

Genuine leather case. #17-816
JABRA® headset. #17-853
Car power adapter. #273-1261

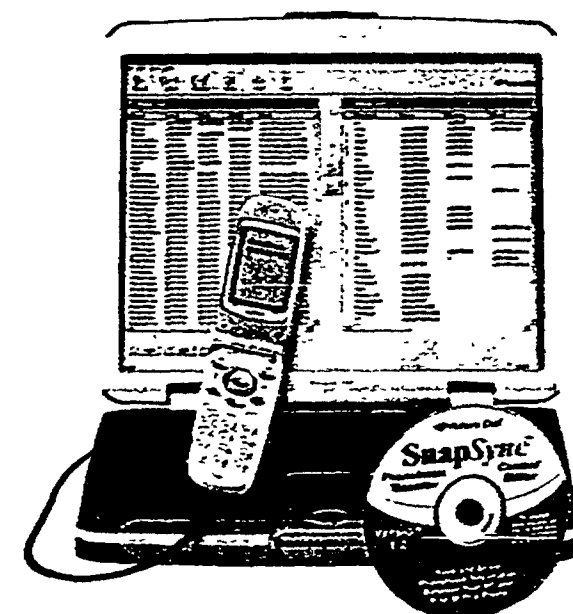
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FutureDial SnapSync™ Software

- Download info between your wireless phone and a laptop, PC or another wireless phone
- Access the Internet • Phone book transfer
- Works with most brands of phones

#17-780

Data cable included!
A \$19.99 value.
#17-781-88



Colossal phone deals for Dads or Grads at RadioShack



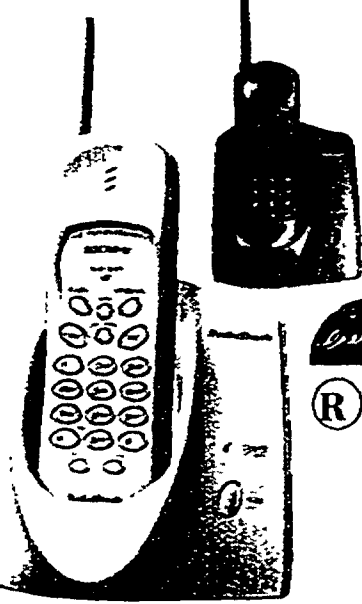
Panasonic

Includes FREE 2nd handset!
Add a 3rd anytime.

129⁹⁹ Low As \$10 Per Month*

- Cool color—only at RadioShack!
- Expandable 2.4GHz digital cordless system with FREE second handset
 - Digital answering machine
 - Speakerphone handsets
 - Built-in Caller ID/Call Waiting ID⁴
- Pearl White #43-9016

Expandable 2.4GHz digital cordless with second handset. Pearl White #43-9015, 99.99



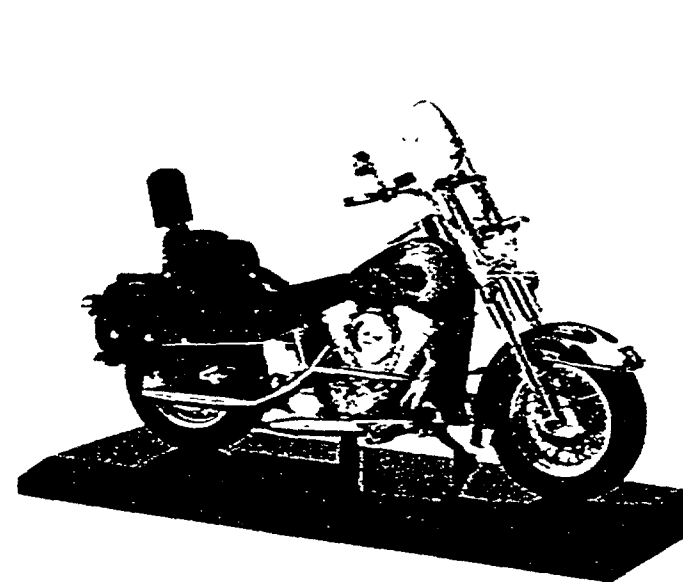
RadioShack

17.99 Sale price
-10.00 RadioShack mail-in rebate⁵

7⁹⁹ each

RadioShack 900MHz cordless phone. Handset stands upright. Headset ready. White #43-3533, Black #43-3534 Reg. 19.99.

60% OFF after rebate⁵




VROOOOM!
Hear motor rev when phone rings

Sale 29⁹⁹

Great gift for Hog lovers! Harley-Davidson® desktop phone. Cool look of leather and chrome. Headlight flashes when phone rings. #43-3251 Reg. 39.99.

25% OFF



Sale 34⁹⁹

TeleZapper™ makes telemarketing auto-dialing systems think your number is disconnected. Result: your number will be removed from most computer-generated calling lists! Just plug into any phone jack. #43-2218 Reg. 39.99.

12% OFF

\$100 instant rebate not available in all areas. Requires in-store activation on a new line of service. Terms may vary by Sprint Affiliate markets. Sprint offers good with credit approval through 6/29/03. \$36 activation and \$150 early-termination fees and restrictions apply. Terms may vary based on credit history; a prepayment of up to \$250 may apply. See store for details. ©2003 Sprint Spectrum L.P. All rights reserved. Sprint and the diamond logo are trademarks of Sprint Communications Company L.P. *\$70 RadioShack mail-in rebate offer good through 6/29/03 with purchase and activation of a new Motorola T720 phone. See store for details. †Sign up by 6/30/03 and get 400 TXT messages for only \$3.99 monthly access as long as you're on the plan. After the 400 text messages monthly allowance is depleted, text messages and alerts will be billed at 10¢ for messages sent and 2¢ for messages received. Charge is per address. CDMA two-way data-capable phone and digital service required to send text message. Not available in all areas. ‡Requires phone company service. †Offer good through 6/29/03. Limit 1 rebate per household. *Advertised prices require 2-year Customer Agreement with Verizon Wireless and credit approval. Monthly service fee, long-distance fees and charges for airtime will be made. Carrier will impose a \$175 fee for early termination. If you terminate service within 120 days of activation, to avoid a \$200 charge from RadioShack, you must return the phone. California residents: Sales tax is added to the unactivated price of the phone per the State Board of Equalization.

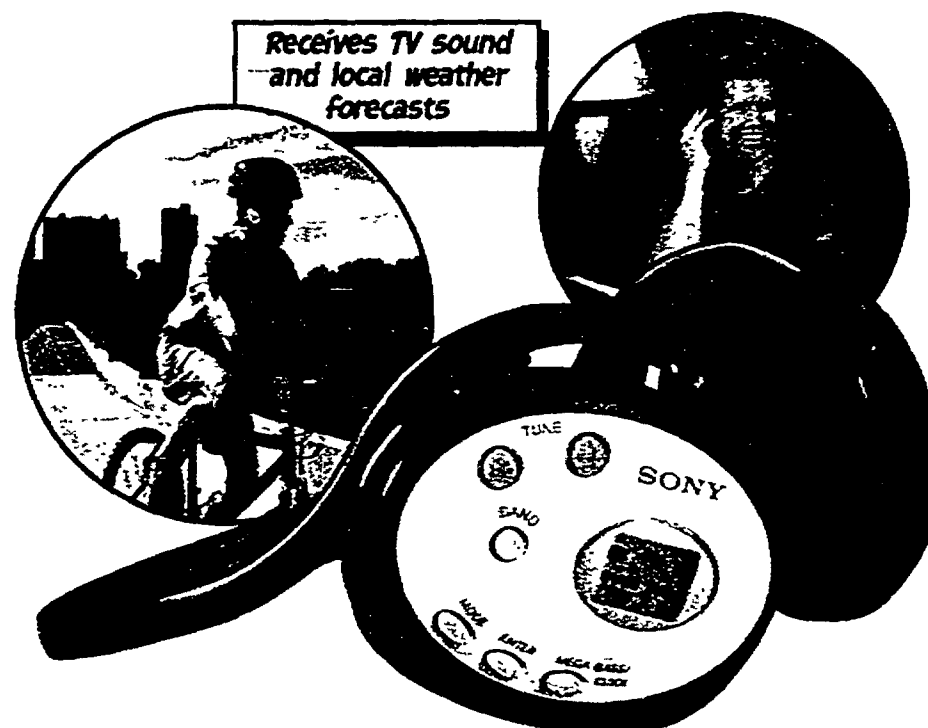
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RadioShack has a fantastic selection of sound for active Dads.



29⁹⁹ SONY

Personal stereo cassette/radio receives AM and FM, plus TV audio and weather bands. Digital tuner with 40 preset stations. #14-1275 Add 2 "AA" batteries.



59⁹⁹ SONY

Sony Street Style® headset radio stays put even if you don't. Easy digital tuning for AM, FM stereo, weather, channel 2-13 TV sound. Presets for 30 stations. #12-931 Add "AA" battery.



Sale 29⁹⁹

Rugged RadioShack armband Sports™ radio. Digital-tuning AM/FM stereo, built-in clock. Includes in-ear 'phones. #12-807 Reg. 39.99. Add 2 "AAA" batteries.

25% OFF

SONY

New 49⁹⁹

I look great and sound even better!

Sony's fashionable new PSYC™ CD Walkman®. Virtual Skip-Free G-Protection™ delivers smooth sound, even on rough roads. CD-R/RW playback. Bookmark function locates your favorite songs fast. Disco Yellow #42-6034, Move Blue #42-6033, Pulse Red #42-6035 Add 2 "AA" batteries. Not in stock in all stores. May be ordered from any RadioShack store.

Low As **\$10 Per Month***

Reg. price 129.99
119.99 Sale price
-20.00 Instant rebate¹

99⁹⁹

I'm the cool MP3 player Dad can wear like a watch

He can also clip this versatile TIMEX® MP3 player to his belt or backpack, or wear it with included neck lanyard. 64MB delivers an hour of digital music. #42-8044 Reg. 129.99. Add "AA" battery. Not in stock in all stores. May be ordered from any RadioShack store.

SAVE \$30 after instant rebate¹

Includes wired remote and earbuds

¹Offer good through 6/29/03.

Receive information on exclusive sales and special offers! Sign up today at RadioShack.com

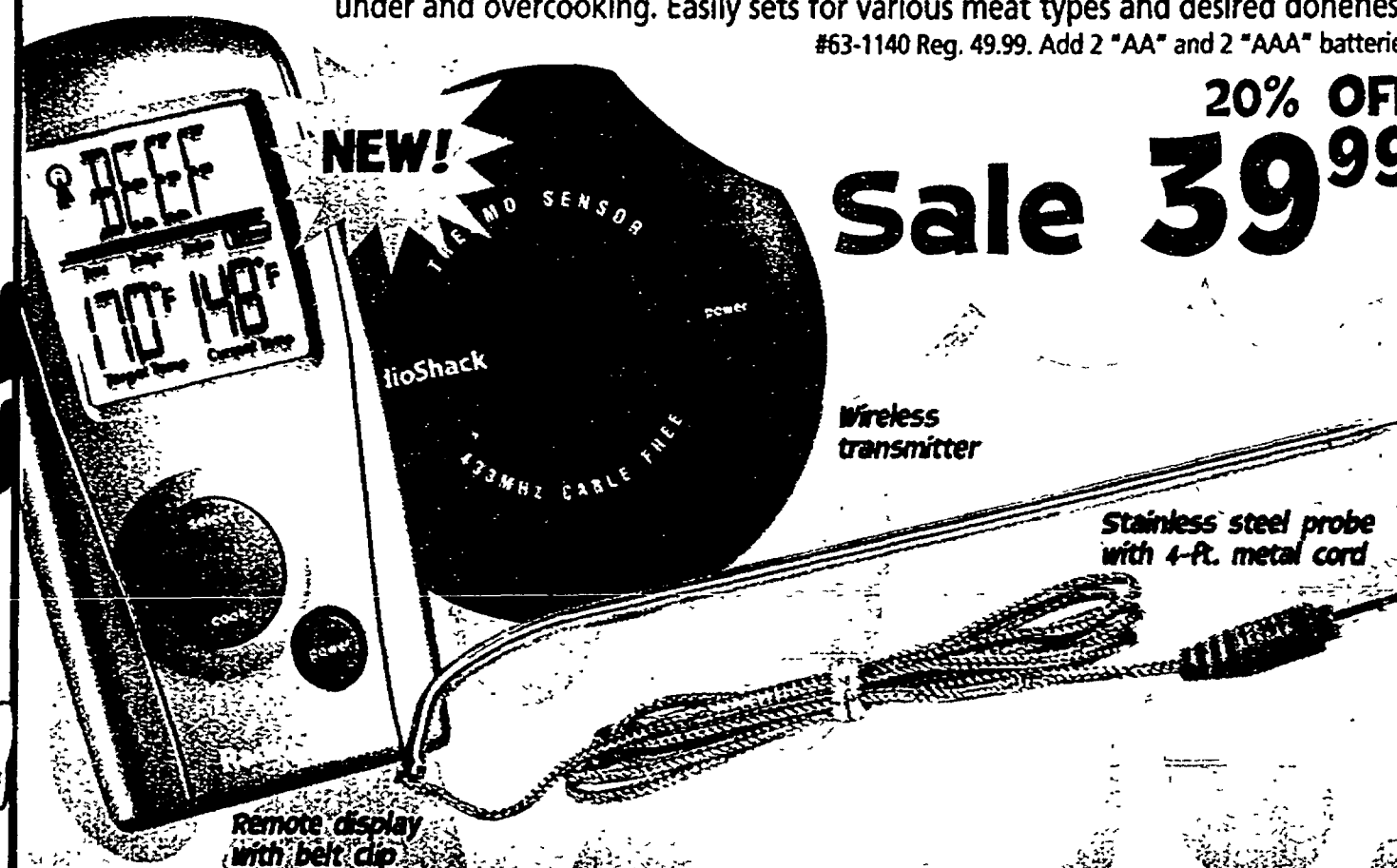
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I'll help Dad keep his cool when he cooks outdoors
Only at RadioShack! Wireless Barbecue Thermometer ends grilling guesswork. No need to stand over a hot fire—Dad can monitor temperature up to 100 feet away. Audible alerts help prevent under and overcooking. Easily sets for various meat types and desired doneness.

#63-1140 Reg. 49.99. Add 2 "AA" and 2 "AAA" batteries.

20% OFF

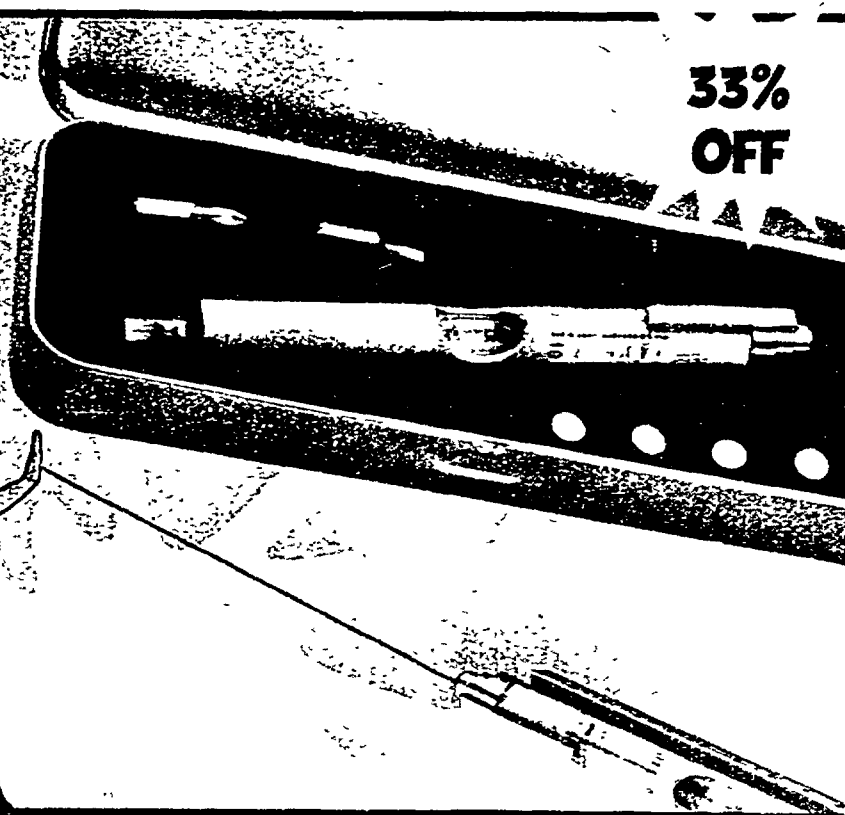
Sale 39⁹⁹



Hold on to your utility belt—magnetic laser level is 3 tools in 1!

It's a laser level, laser pointer and screwdriver, all in one. Magnet helps hold it in place while Dad works. Includes 3 screwdriver bits. Comes in an attractive case—ideal for gift-giving. #63-1059 Reg. 29.99.

NEW 19⁹⁹



33% OFF

SAVE \$7

I record on standard tapes, and I'm easy to take along

Compact RadioShack cassette recorder has built-in mic and speaker. Includes earphone. #14-1118 Reg. 31.99. Add 2 "AA" batteries or adapter. AC #273-1756/H, DC #273-1810/H.

Sale 24⁹⁹



I can tackle big rooms

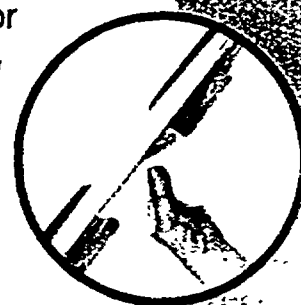
Only at RadioShack! Large Honeywell Environizer™ electronic air purifier—ideal for large rooms like living rooms, dens and master bedrooms. Three ionization levels and timer let you set it to run for up to 10 hours or continuously. 28" tall, 7" in diameter. #63-612

199⁹⁹

Low As \$10 Per Month*

I'll help Dad clear the air—quietly and electronically!

Easy to maintain—collection rods slide out for cleaning



Fresh air vents pull particle-filled air in and clean air comes out

Honeywell Environizer™
Electronic Air Purifier

Enjoy the many benefits today

- Environizer traps particles from the air that passes through it
- Ultra-quiet—it's practically silent so you can run it continuously
- Costs just pennies a day—uses only 8 watts of power

I can hide almost anywhere

Only at RadioShack! Small Honeywell Environizer™ electronic air purifier is the perfect size for offices, apartments and kitchens. Just 16" tall and 7" in diameter. #63-613

99⁹⁹

Low As \$10 Per Month*



AD GIFTS



No programming needed!
Just touch search
buttons for VHF marine,
hottanked, police/fire,
VHF air, Ham radio, and
NOAA weather.

**I'm easy—
Dad can find
hot frequencies with
just the touch of a button**

Only at RadioShack! Easy-to-use
RadioShack 200-channel scanner¹. Just press
the dedicated search buttons to find new
or unlisted action frequencies—at home or
when you travel. Weather alert. #20-315
Add 4 "AA" batteries or adapter: AC #273-1767,
DC #273-1810/C.

Low As
**\$10 Per
Month***

149⁹⁹



NEW

Removable clock
face doubles as
a watch

**I will give Dad the
power of punctuality!**

Only at RadioShack!
Retro '60s-look FM radio and
watch combo. Ideal for Dad's
desk or dresser. #63-1150
Add 2 "AAA" batteries.

19⁹⁹

- Golf • Hunting • Boating
- Track and Field
- Bright built-in red LED
Flashlight

**I can help Dad tame
the wind—great for
outdoor activities!**

RadioShack's Digital Sports
Wind Gauge accurately
indicates speeds from 6 to
30 mph and direction in
12 points. #63-1119 Reg. 29.99.
Add 4 "AAA" batteries.

**33% OFF
Sale 19⁹⁹**

NEW!



Includes
storage
case

**I make it easy for Dad to check
his tires—day or night**

Only at RadioShack! Deluxe digital tire gauge
has a lighted tip and backlit display. Accurately
indicates 5 to 150psi. #63-1114 Reg. 19.99.

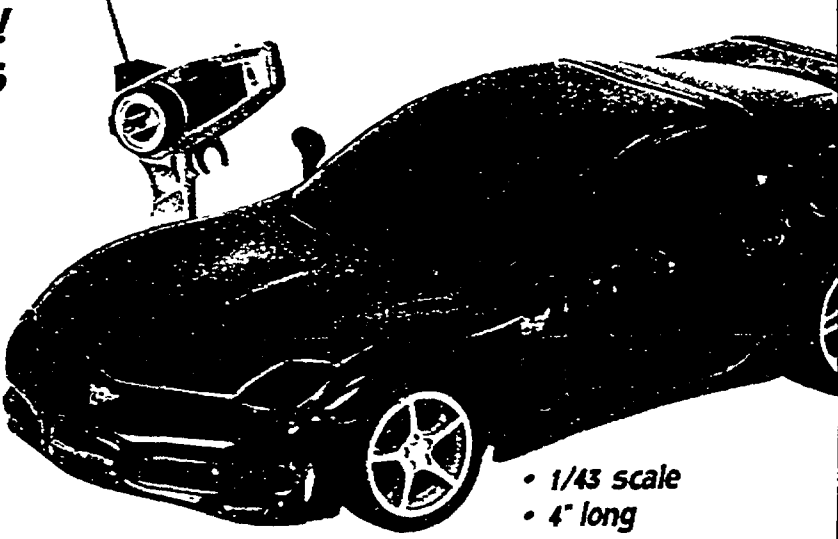
**25% OFF
Sale 14⁹⁹**

**Great style and handling!
I'm the RC car Dad wants**

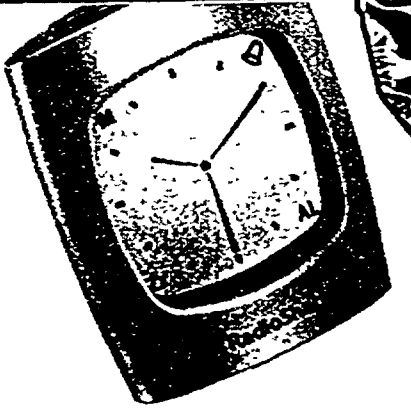
Only at RadioShack! Corvette 50th
Anniversary Limited Edition RC car
has Digital Proportional Control for
precise steering. Working lights and
turn signals. Recharge time less
than 2 minutes! Includes display
case. #60-4343 Add 6 "AA" and 9V batts.

49⁹⁹

**CORVETTE
50th
ANNIVERSARY**




- 1/43 scale
- 4" long



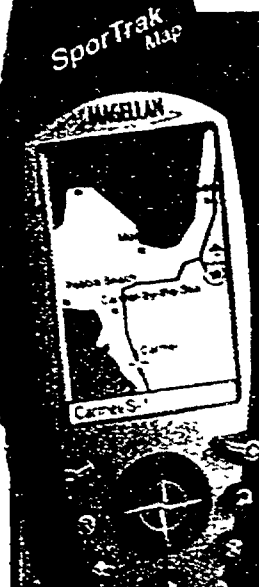
Dad can see right through me

Digital alarm clock with unique see-through
analog display. Alarm has easy-to-reach
snooze push bar conveniently located on
top. Great accent for Dad's desk, office or
bedside. #63-1425

9⁹⁹



**Please, no
more ties
or capes.
RadioShack
has the
gifts that
SuperDads
like me
really want!**



**Magellan® SporTrak™ GPS receiver
shows Dad maps and where he's at**

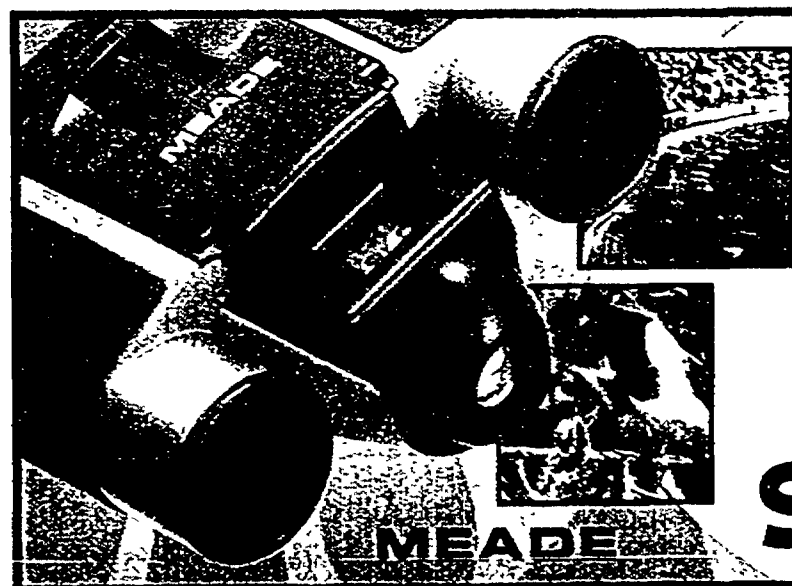
- Built-in 2MB basemap includes U.S. interstate
highways, cities, parks, waterways and roads
- 6MB flash memory lets Dad download detailed
maps (ask about special offer on software) #20-1610

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Low As
**\$10 Per
Month***

MAGELLAN

\$50 mail-in rebate²
available on other
models—see store!



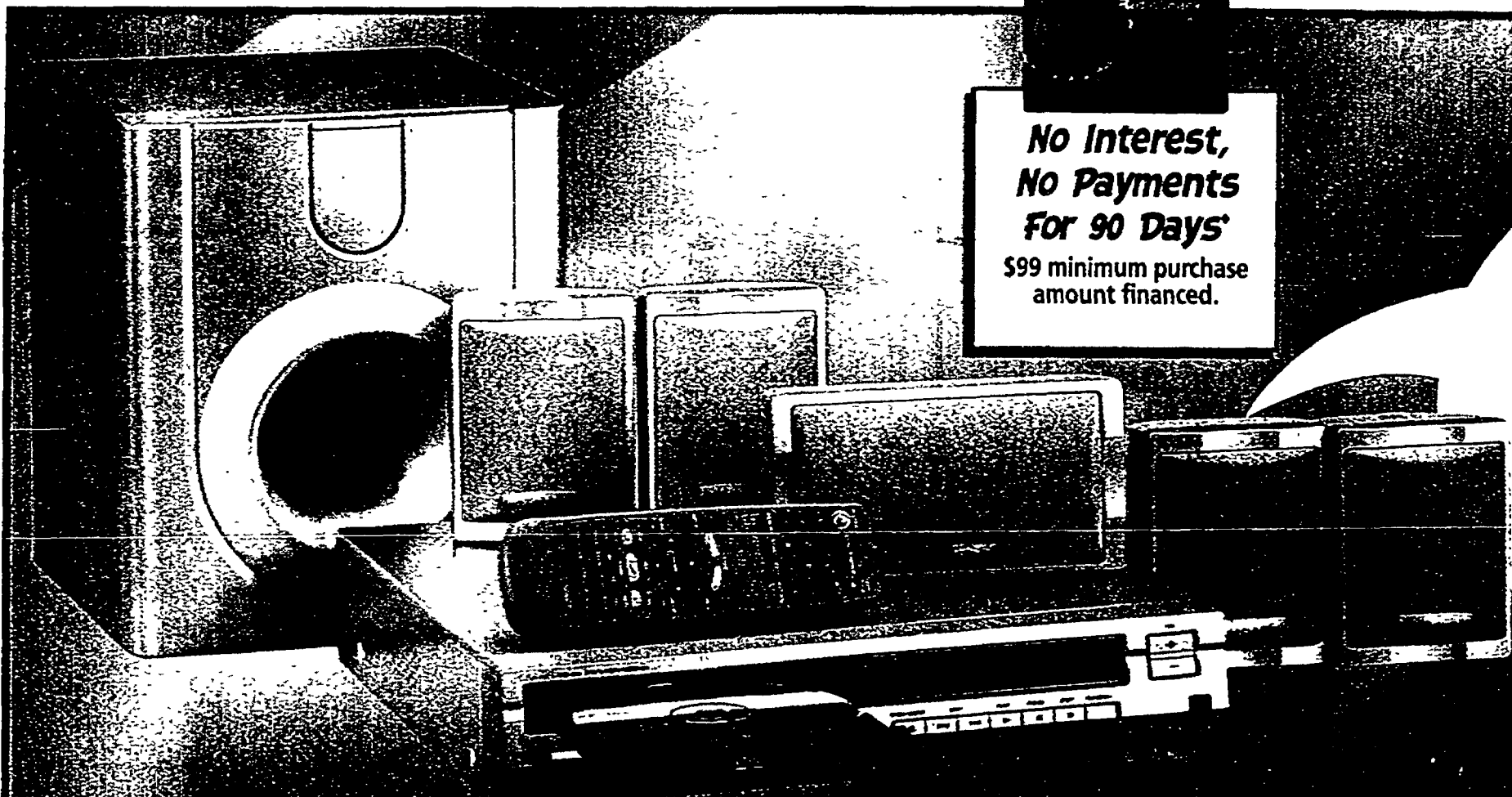
**I'm two gifts in one!
Meade® 8x binoculars
with built-in digital camera**

Just touch a button to take a photo of
what you see. Stores up to 100 images.
Includes case, CD-ROM and USB cable.
#63-1146 Reg. 99.99. Add 2 "AAA" batteries.

SAVE \$20

Sale 79⁹⁹

Tons of top gifts for Dad at RadioShack.




**No Interest,
No Payments
For 90 Days***
\$99 minimum purchase
amount financed.

Now 149⁹⁹ Low As
\$10 Per
Month*

I'll put on a show for Dad! Famous-brand home theater system with DVD/CD player

- Receiver delivers equal power to right, left, center and both rear surround channels.
- Dolby® Digital surround-sound processing puts you in the middle of the action.
- 6-speaker package including subwoofer. Preprogrammed AV remote. #31-5018 Was 179.99.

DOLBY DIGITAL DVD



**A must for family vacations!
Road-ready DVD/CD player**

New 349⁹⁹ Low As
\$10 Per
Month*

Perfect for train, plane or car! Portable DVD/CD player with 7" LCD screen. With lithium-ion battery, you get up to 4½ hours of play time. Listen through the built-in speakers or use the included headphones. Remote control. Includes home, car adapters. #16-3265

Includes car adapter and stereo earphones

RCA 5-CD mini system for Dad's den or office



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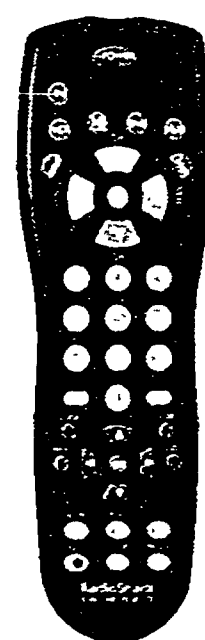



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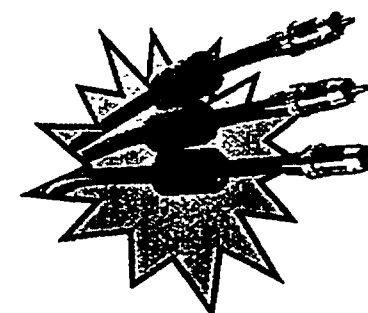
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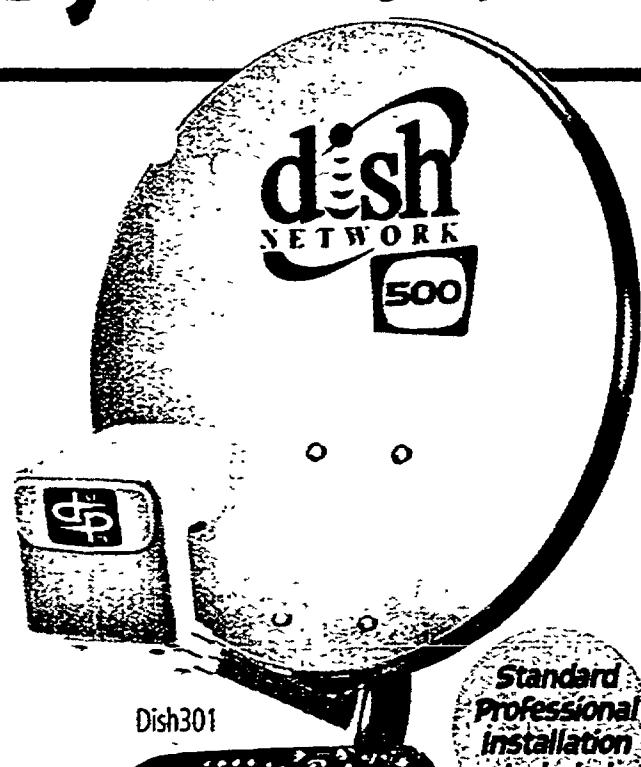
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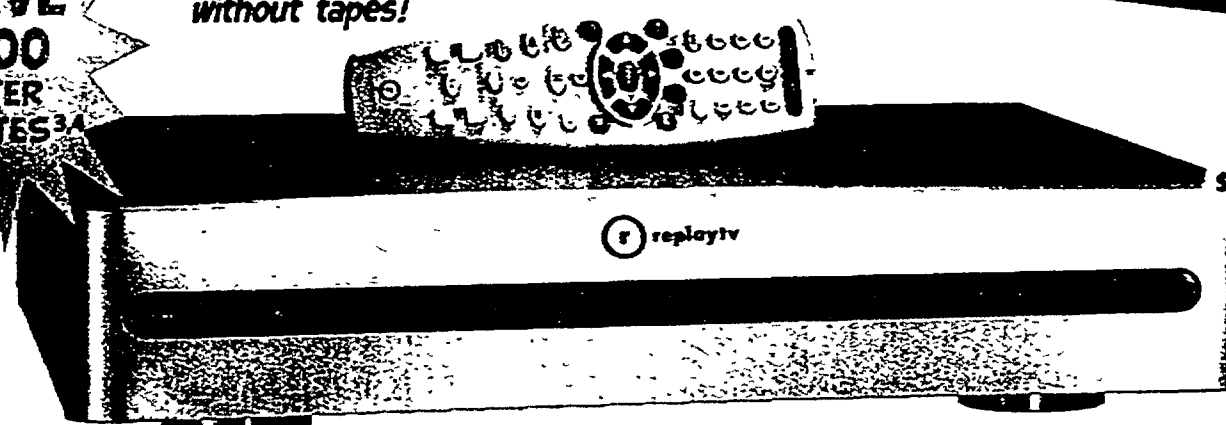
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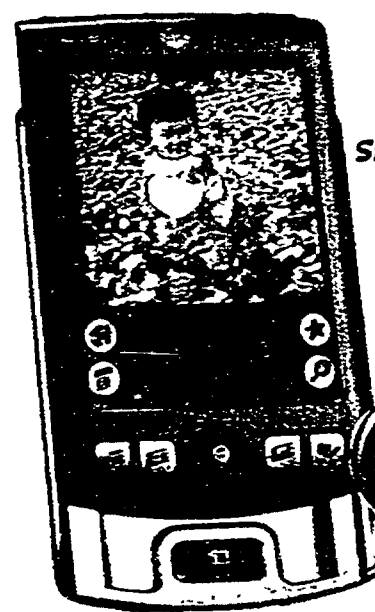
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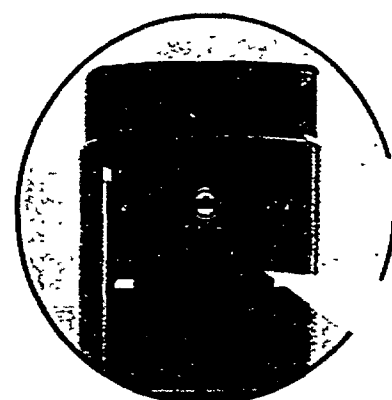
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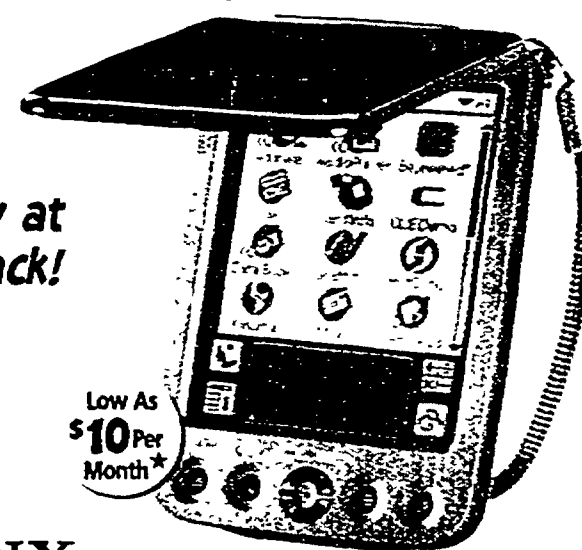


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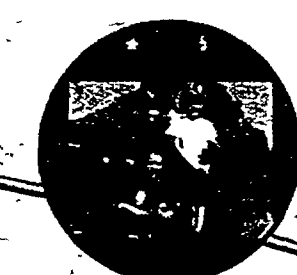
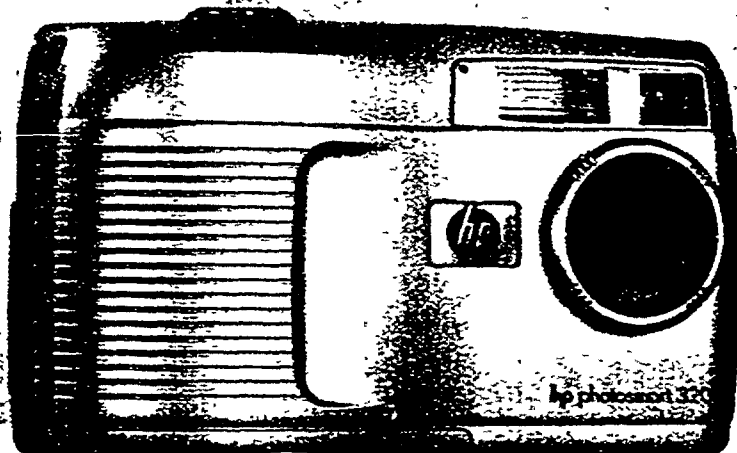
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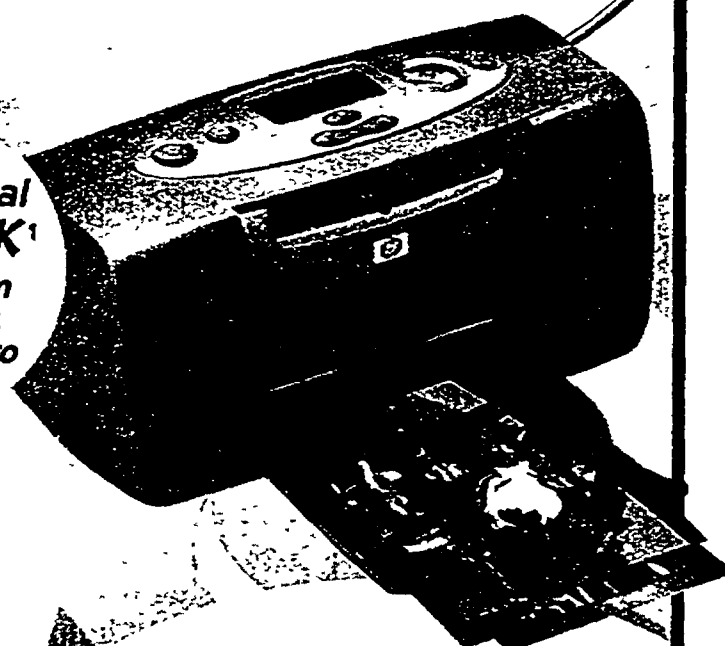
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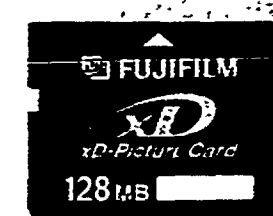
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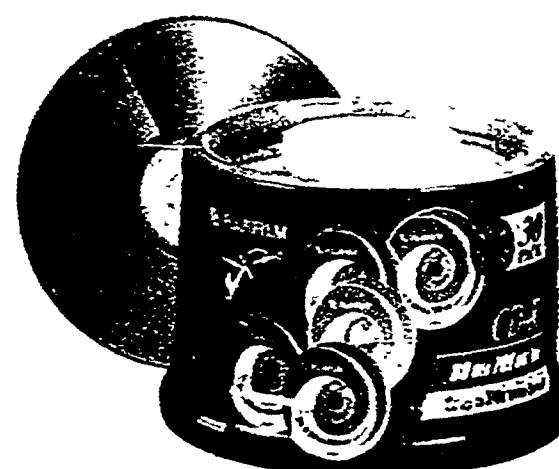
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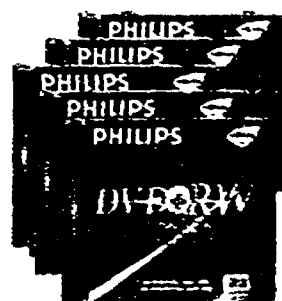
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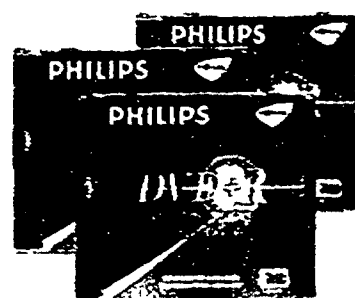
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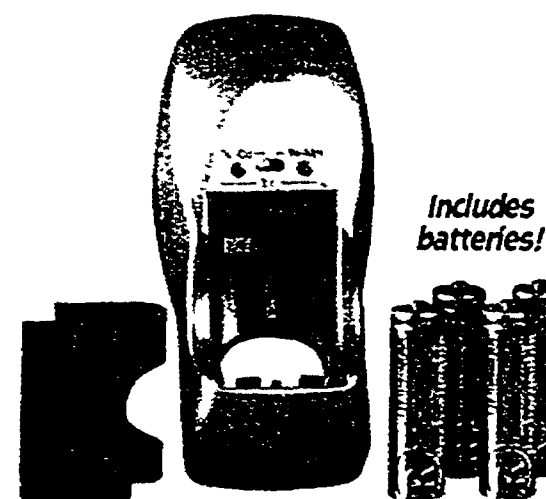


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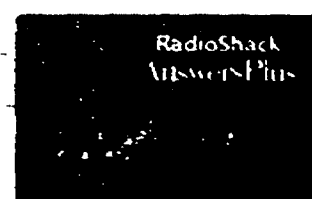
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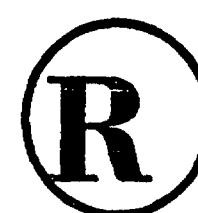
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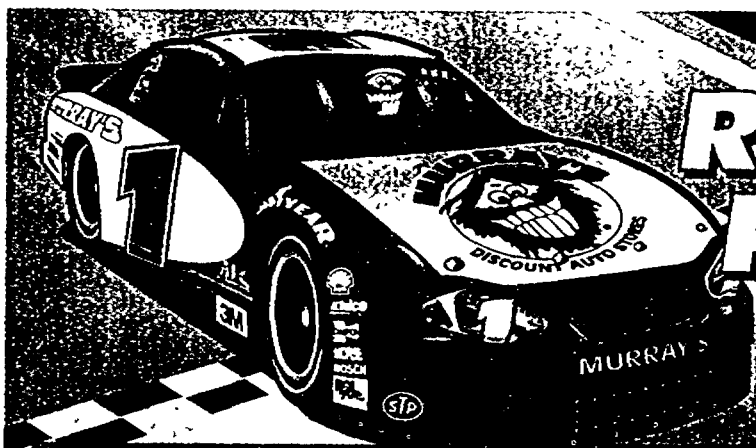


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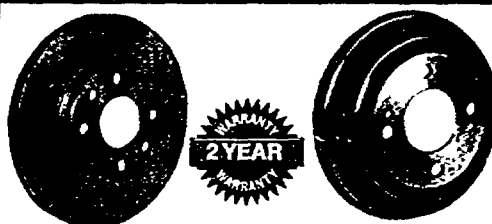
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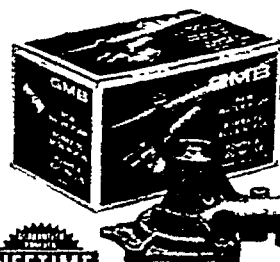
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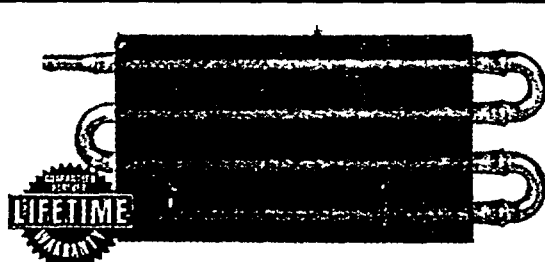
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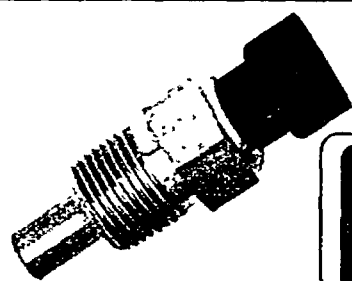


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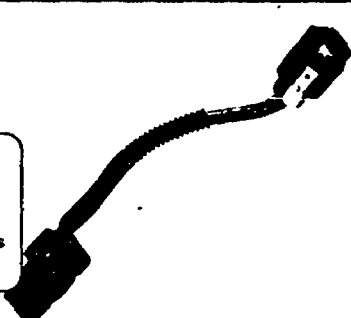
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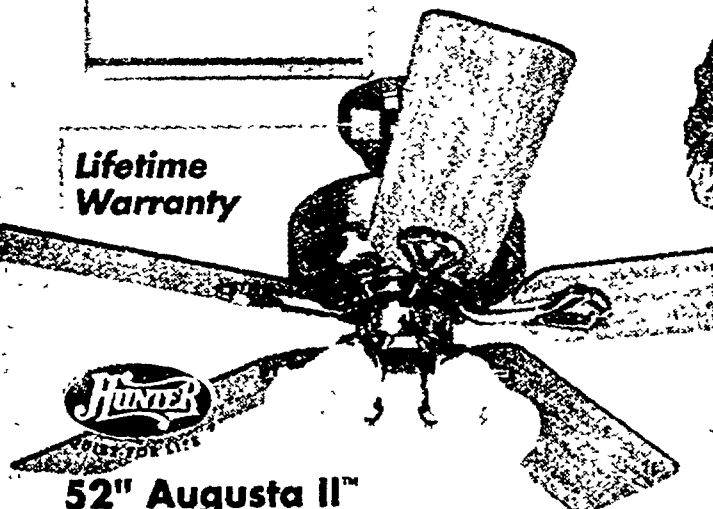
SPECIAL BUY

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9-Lite

- 32", 36"
 - limited lifetime warranty
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52" Augusta II™

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Begonias

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**Premium
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- Choose from Begonias, Petunias, Impatiens, and more
- Adds instant patio color (757101)

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You Can Design a Garden That Complements Your Home

Your home is an important part of your garden. Take cues from its architecture to create a colorful pallet that will excite your senses and soothe your soul, all while increasing its value.

Formal or Informal?



Formal gardens feature straight lines and symmetrical, geometric patterns. Informal gardens



are more free form with unpredictable paths and abstract, flowing shapes.

Plants are important, but don't overlook landscape materials. Paths, patios, fences, porches and decks should be unified.

Add personality to your garden by including attractive features you love. Fountains, birdbaths, mirrors, lights, arbors, trellises and statues all contribute individuality and charm.



Assorted Annuals

- Choose from Impatiens, Petunias, Salvia, Vinca, Begonias, and more
- Ideal color accent plants for the landscape (708429)

\$5.48

1/2 Flat

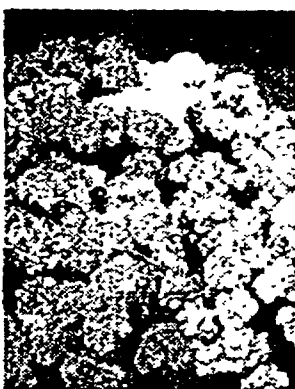


Hanging Basket

- Choose from Begonias, Petunias, Impatiens, and more
- Adds instant patio color (757101)

\$4.99

10"



99¢ 4" Geranium Starts

- Great for building your own color baskets
- Assorted colors
- Blooms spring to summer (473082)



\$3.99 6" Wave Petunia

- Blooms in summer
- Trailing, spreading form - great for hanging baskets (100107)



\$3.99 5" Annual Flower Fields

- Angelonia, Coleus, Guara, Nicotiana, Dahlias and more (385244)



\$2.38 1 cu. ft. Garden Soil

- Improves outdoor plant growth
- Good for planting flowers, vegetables trees and shrubs in the ground (190987)



\$3.49 1 cu. ft. Garden Soil for Flowers & Vegetables

- Complete garden soil for flower and vegetable gardens (512846)



\$5.49 1 cu. ft. Potting Soil

- For potting and repotting tropical, foliage and flowering houseplants, vegetables and herbs (559446)

WATERING EQUIPMENT



Adjustable Head Moves to any angle and has 8 different patterns

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Gentle Rain® Telescoping Water Wand

- Wand extends from 29' to 42'
- Front trigger with flow control (429458)



Rear Trigger 5-Pattern Nozzle

- Dial-5 spray head offers five patterns: flat, shower, jet stream, halo, and full flow (301416)

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Sprinkler/Timer Combo Pack

- Mechanical timer works with drip and soaker hoses
- Oscillator covers 3900 sq. ft. (169515)

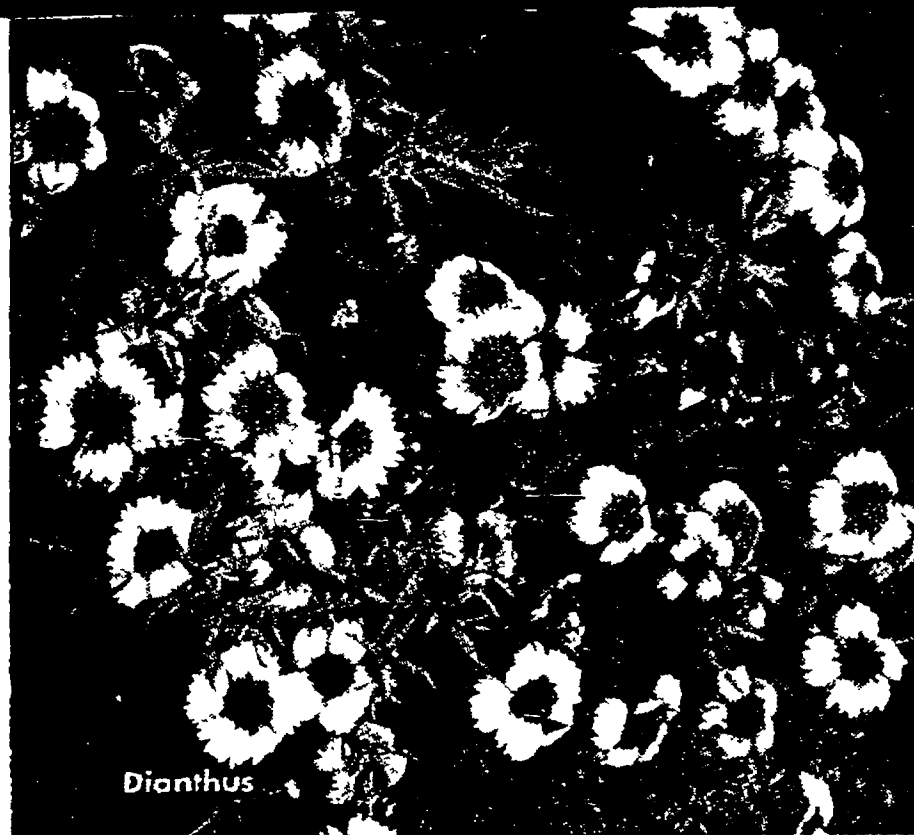
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\$9.97 Telescoping Rotary 3-Arm Sprinkler

- Up to 50' diameter area coverage
- Foot step spike for easy insertion into ground
- Adjustable from full to part circle
- Ideal for gardens, shrubs, and flowers (228263)

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Dianthus

Assorted Perennials*

- Blooms in summer
- Choose from Coreopsis, Daisies, Dianthus, Speedwell, and other colorful varieties (178170)

\$4.49
gal.



Hosta*

- Blooms in summer
- Fast growth rate
- Great for border planting
- Popular shade garden plant (619574)

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gal.



\$4.96
gal.

Daylilies*

- Long blooming season
- Drought tolerant
- Plant in sun to shade (714593)



\$12.96
gal.

Flower Carpet Rose*

- Grow in full sun
- Brilliant, assorted color (559905)



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1/2 Flat

Groundcover*

- Choose from English Ivy, Pachysandra, and more (920115)



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2 cu. ft.

Potting Mix

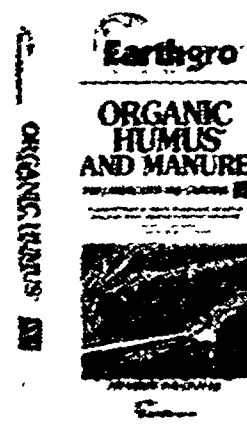
- Enriched with Miracle-Gro® plant food
- Ideal for indoor and outdoor container plants and flowers (513220)



\$3.49
1 cu. ft.

Garden Soil for Trees & Shrubs

- A complete garden soil for all types of trees and shrubs (207597)



\$12.80
40 lbs.

Composted Manure

- Use it straight from the bag
- Encourages vigorous plant growth (270253)

Buyer's Guide

You Can Select the Right Plants for Your Garden

Once you've decided on your garden style, it's time to choose plants. Here are a few things to consider:

Plant Hardiness Zone

Climate may be the most important factor in your gardening success. Check labels to make sure plants you choose are rated for your Zone.

Light

Choose plants that will do well in the full sun, partial or full shade available in your selected planting area.

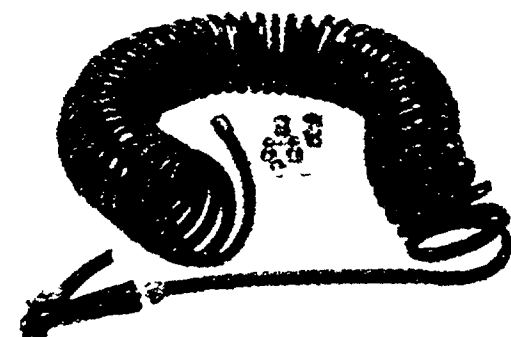
Soil Condition

Choose plants that match your soil's ability to drain water, available nutrients and pH.

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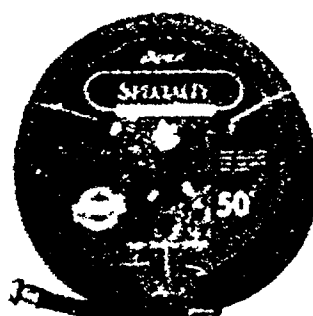
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Coil Hose Set

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- Set includes expanding 1/2"x60' coil hose, pro grip nozzle, (2) Snaplock™ hose connectors and more (350683)



5/8"x50' Soil Soaker*

\$7.98

- Efficient drip, sweating action soaks roots
- Use above or below ground
- 7-year guarantee (367219)



100' Ultra-Flex Garden Hose

\$29.97

- Coils easily
- 5-ply durable rubber/vinyl construction (256587)

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You Can Select Plants That Are Off to a Good Start

Once you've decided which kinds of plants you want in your yard, buying the ones that have the best chance of succeeding is easy.

First, look for plants with plenty of new growth and that stand upright in their containers. Choose plants that are compact and sturdy over lanky, floppy looking plants.

Next, check the roots. They should hold plants firmly in their pots, and a few root hairs should be poking through the drainage hole.

One Year Unconditional Plant Guarantee



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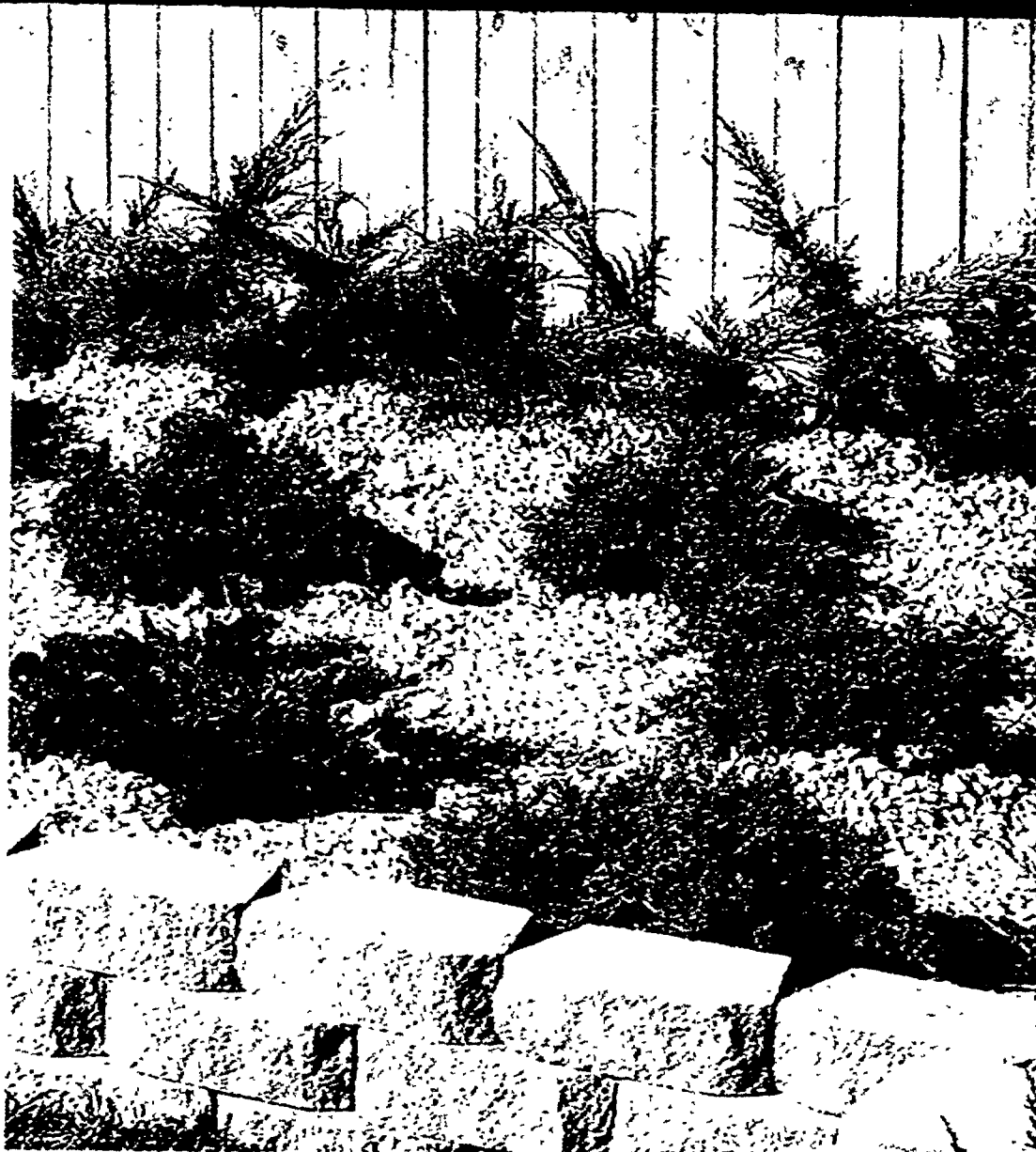
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Flower Gardening 1-2-3

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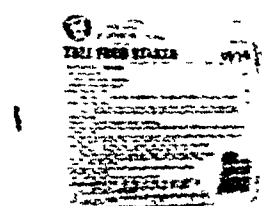
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\$29.96 4-5 ft.

Emerald Green Thuja Arborvitae*

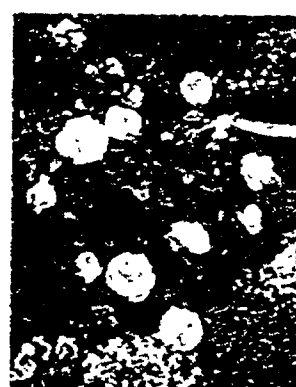
- Dense columnar evergreen with bright emerald green leaves [924571]



\$1.82 5-Pack

Tree & Shrub Fertilizer Spikes

- Feeds trees and shrubs at the roots, where they need it most [341975]



\$9.96 5 gal.

Rose Bush*

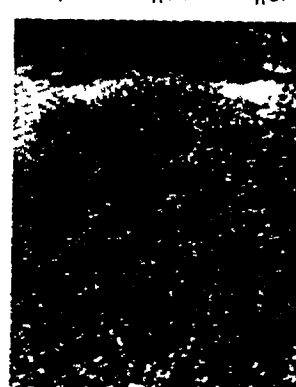
- Assorted colors and varieties to choose from
- Large clusters of formed buds and blooms [962988]



\$3.98 1 cu. ft.

Garden Soil for Roses

- Contains bone meal for better blooming and stronger roots [812531]



\$16.96 2 gal.

Assorted Boxwood*

- Choose from Green Velvet or Green Mountain
- Easy to grow [184404][525585]



\$7.98 3.8 cu. ft.

Peat Moss

- 100% natural
- Moisture controlled for consistency and easier rewetting [323209]

GARDEN TOOLS



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Fiberglass Handle Bow Rake, Round Point Shovel or Hoe

- Fiberglass handle with vinyl comfort grip
- Carbon steel blade [669791][669815][335086]



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Round Point Shovel, Bow Rake or Square Shovel

- Rake has 16-tine welded head
- Shovels have heavy-duty 16-gauge steel blades [499773][536981][500496]



6 Cu. Ft. Steel Wheelbarrow

- Heavy-duty steel tray
- Electrostatic paint ensures total protection from the elements
- 16" wheel assembly with pneumatic tire [784505]

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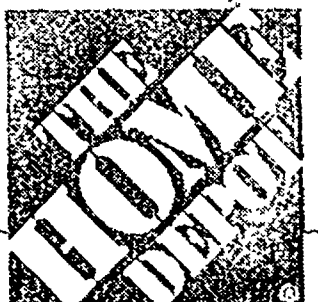
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- Specific instructions make your landscaping projects easy
- Plant encyclopedia helps you create a healthy and beautiful landscape (521527)



Midwest Flowering Shrubs*

- Choose from weigela, spirea, potentilla or hydrangea
 - Great in borders or as hedges
 - Clusters of showy flowers
- (899240)(837054)(826527)

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3 gal.

3-Gal Hydrangea (478271).....**\$18.96**



\$26.96
5 gal.
Rhododendron*

- Excellent colorful hedge or screen
- Moderate growth rate
- Grows best in partial to full shade (557015)



\$16.96
2 gal.
Assorted Euonymus*

- Choose from Emerald Gaiety or Emerald Gold
- Fast growth rate (963845)(963859)



\$19.96
5 gal.
Emerald Green Arborvitae*

- Easy to trim
- Good for hedges, screens or mass plantings (673290)



\$2.68
2 cu. ft.
Pine Bark Mulch

- Protects and adds beauty to landscaped areas
- Retains soil moisture (363944)



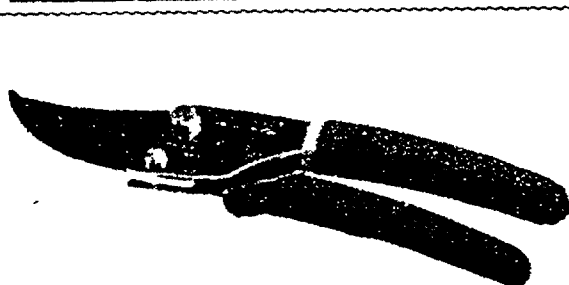
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2 cu. ft.
Cypress Mulch

- Beautifies landscapes
- Helps conserve soil moisture (304549)



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1 1/2 cu. ft.
Marble Chips

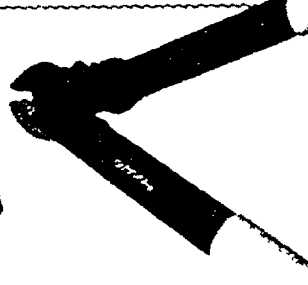
- Insulates plants from extreme temperatures
- Beautiful earth tone colors (383864)



FISKARS® 5/8" Bypass Pruner

- Teflon® coated blade
- Patented ambidextrous lock
- High carbon steel blade
- Enclosed spring
- Replaceable parts (259720)

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FISKARS® 15" PowerGear® Anvil Lopper

- 1-1/4" cutting capacity
- Stainless steel blade
- Lifetime warranty
- Lightweight -- 13 ounces (135211)

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14' Extension Tree Pruner

- 15" saw blade
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- Two point saw blade lock, prevents blade from lifting off or rotating
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- Cuts branches up to 1-1/8" diameter (351967)

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INDOOR OUTDOOR

30% More



\$7⁹⁷

1.3 gal.

Weed & Grass Killer

- Kills even the toughest grass and weeds
- Includes sprayer
- Next day results (707216)



\$2⁵⁷

17 oz.

Wasp & Hornet Killer

- Fast knockdown
- 22 foot jet spray
- Keeps bugs away up to 4 weeks (806259)



\$2⁹⁶

15 oz.

Hornet & Wasp Killer

- Kills hornets, wasps, ants, fleas and more
- Powerful jet spray reaches nests 20 feet above ground (533779)



20% More
Free

\$6⁹⁷

12 lbs.

Multi-Purpose Insect Killer

- 6,000 sq. ft. coverage
- Effective dursban alternative
- Controls for up to 4 weeks
- 12 lb. bag for the price of 10 lbs. (106392)



\$17⁹⁷

2-1/2 Gallon Premium Sprayer

- Automatic pressure relief valve
- Chemical-resistant poly flow control with lock-on/off feature (199452)



\$18⁸⁸

GrubEx® Insect Control

- 5,000 sq. ft. coverage
- One application controls grubs all season long
- Apply anytime spring through summer (236467)



1lb. Granules

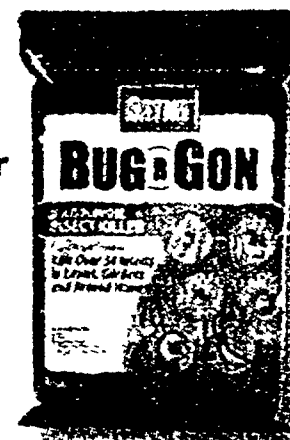
(108151) **\$3.97**

\$7⁹⁷

10 lbs.

Triazicide™ Soil & Turf Insect Killer Granules

- 5,000 sq. ft. coverage
- Effective Diazinon alternative (107022)

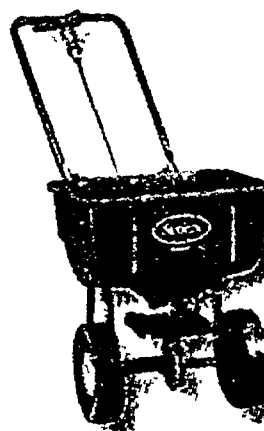


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8.8 lbs

Bug-B-Gon® Multi-Purpose Insect Killer

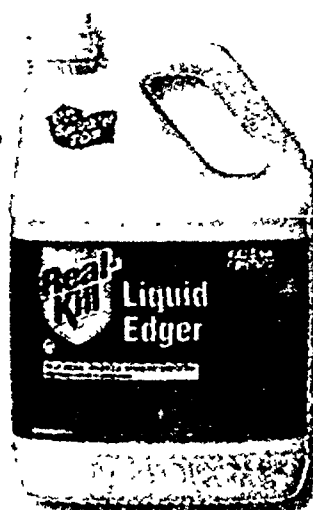
- Effective diazinon alternative
- Kills over 100 insects on contact (270635)



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SpeedyGreen® 2000™ Broadcast Spreader

- Hopper holds 8,500 sq. ft. of lawn fertilizer (573035)



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gal

Liquid Edger

- Kills weeds, grasses and unwanted vegetation in 24 hours
- Easy to use sprinkle top (273865)



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24 oz.

Grass & Weed Killer

- Quickly kills grass and weeds down to the root
- Next day results
- Able to reseed treated areas in 48 hours (318582)



\$9⁹⁸

gal

Weed & Grass Killer

- Kills weeds and grasses down to the root
- Includes sprayer
- Rainproof in 2 hours (131997)

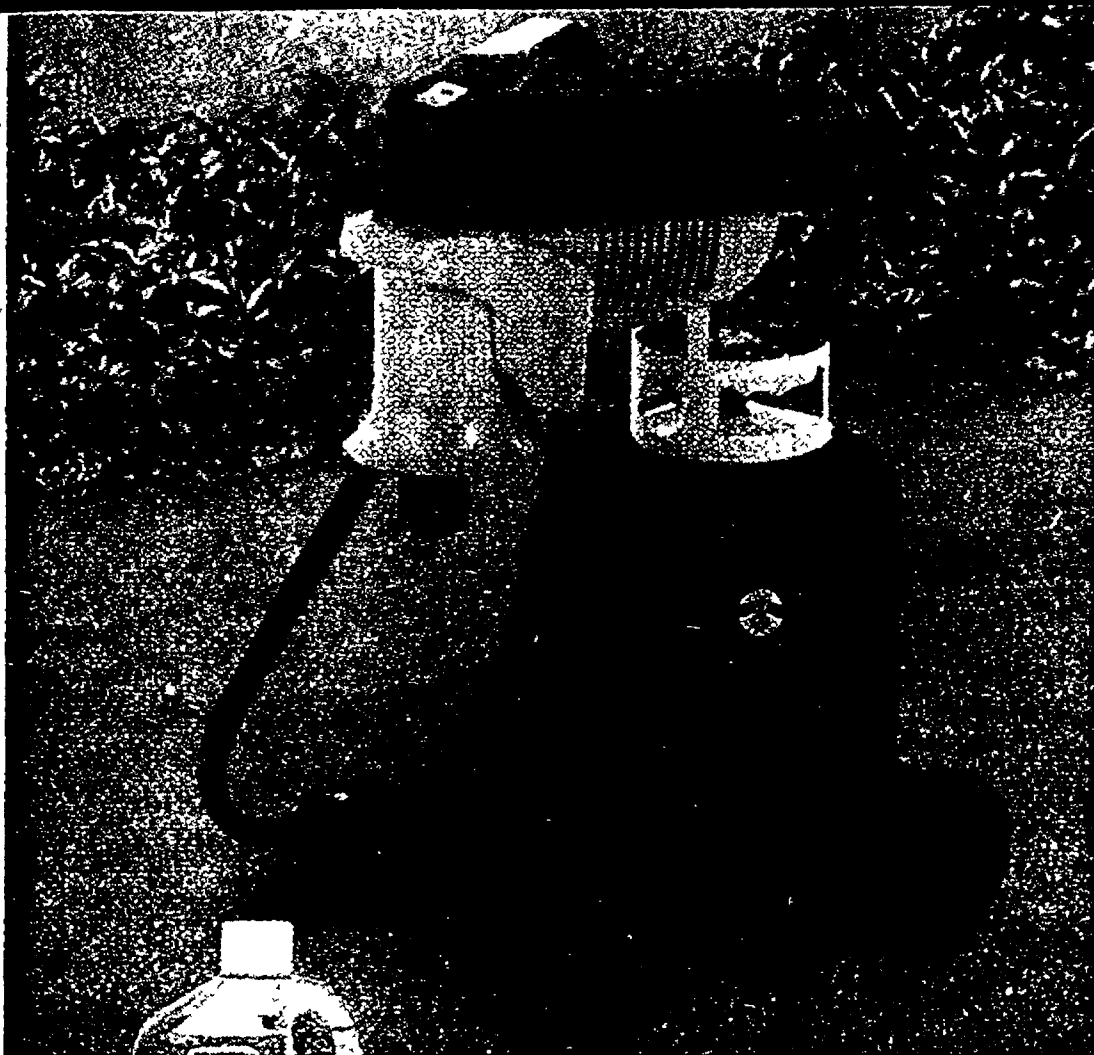
1.33 Gallon Pull 'N Spray

(123257)

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Liberty Mosquito Magnet®

- Protection up to 1 acre from mosquitoes and biting insects
- Includes self-regulated propane shut-off valve for added safety
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- All-weather, round-the-clock performance
- 1-year warranty
- Propane tank not included (461770)

Defender Mosquito Magnet®

- Protection up to 1/2 acre from mosquitoes and biting insects (238044). . . . \$295.00

Buyer's Guide

The Liberty Mosquito Magnet®:

- **Controls**
annoying mosquitoes, no-see-ums, and other biting insects
- **Simple**
uses standard propane tank, quick-start operation
- **Silent**
Operates and protects 24 hours a day



\$6.97
gal.

Citronella Torch Fuel

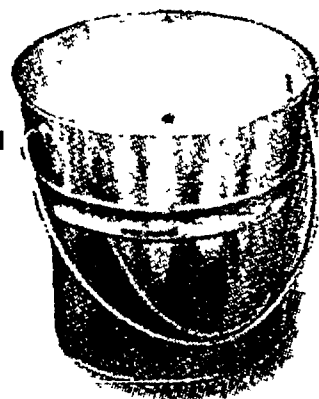
- Outdoor lamp oil
- Helps to repel annoying insects (513180)



\$5.97

Citronella Candle

- Triple wick
- Repels annoying insects
- Stays lit in the wind (412668)



\$3.88
2 lbs.

Skeeter Beater Citronella Bucket

- Leak proof bucket available in a variety of colors
- Exclusive butter wax for even burn (507798)



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Beachcomber® Bamboo Patio Torch

- Helps to repel annoying insects
- Comes with refillable Clear-Vu fuel canister
- Genuine bamboo pole and basket (509885)



\$6.94
16 oz.

Yard Guard

- Kills flying insects up to 20 feet away
- Lasts up to 6 hours
- Kills flies, mosquitoes, gnats and ants
- Water-based aerosol safe (779156)



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Bug Free Backyard Hose-End Spray

- Repels and kills mosquitoes and other annoying insects up to 4 weeks, even after it rains
- Treats up to 4,000 sq. ft.
- Water based, low odor (818840)



\$10.97
qt.

Mosquito-B-Gon™ Tree, Shrub & Lawn Spray

- For use on residential lawns, gardens, patios, and home picnic areas
- Kills insects for up to 4 weeks (507229)



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Cutter® Citronella Torch

- Ready to use
- Includes filled 12 oz. canister (555501)

12 Oz. Canister Refill

(557082) . . . **\$2.27**



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6 oz.

Skinsations Insect Repellent

- Lasts up to 4 hours
- Contains 7% DEET
- Contain Aloe and Vitamin A
- Clean, fresh scent
- Treat clothing as well as skin (651578)



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6 oz.

Deep Woods Insect Repellent

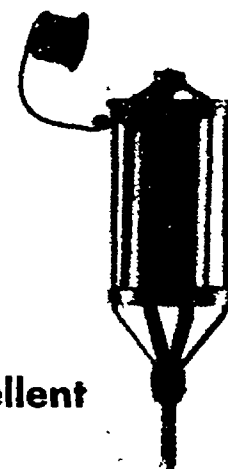
- Contains 23.8% DEET
- Unscented, non-greasy and resists perspiration (779164)



\$4.99
2-Pack

Unscented Insect Repellent

- 6 oz. each
- Long-lasting protection
- 10% DEET
- Proven effective under the most severe conditions (783319)



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6' Wrought Iron Torch

- Sturdy steel construction
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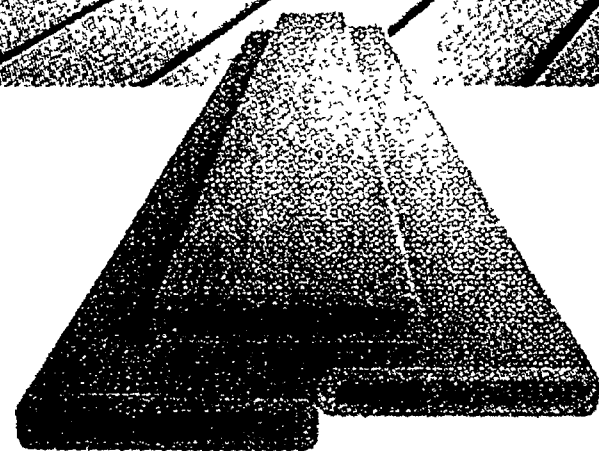


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Composite
Deck Screw** **\$22.97**
FMTR9212-350GY (502376)

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If you like the natural beauty of wood, but prefer the low-maintenance and long-lasting quality of today's engineered options, we've got the deck for you.

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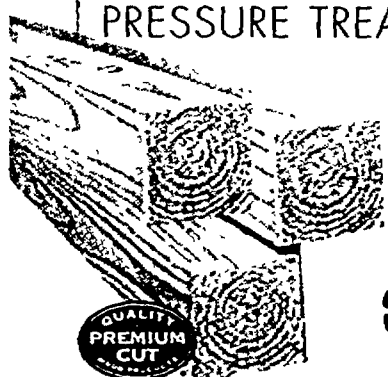


**EVERX Gray
Composite Decking**

- Will not split, warp, rot, cup or crack
- Never needs waterproofing or replacing

SIZE	8'	12'	16'
5/4"x6"	\$11.69	\$17.39	\$22.97

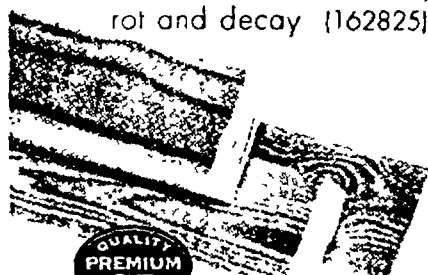
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**4"x4"-8' No. 2 Grade
Pressure Treated Timber**

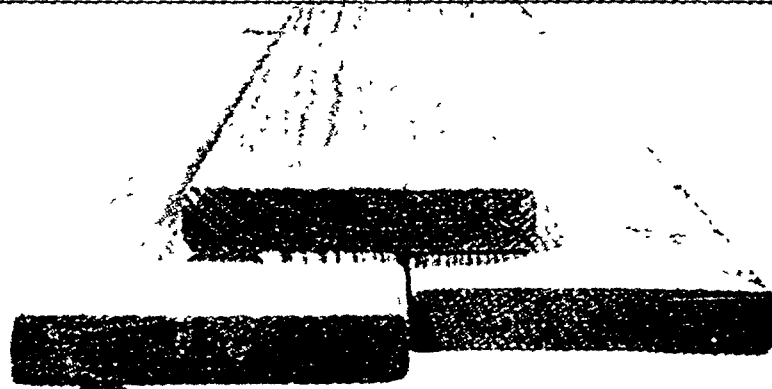
- Approved for ground contact
- Treated to resist insects, rot and decay (162825)



\$2.39 ea

**2"x4"-8' No. 2 Grade
Pressure Treated Lumber**

- Treated to resist insects, rot and decay (162612)



Premium

Thompsonized Pressure Treated Decking

- Water repellent is carried to the core of the wood during the pressure treating process
- Treated to resist insects, rot and decay

SIZE	8'	10'	12'	16'
5/4"x6"	\$5.39	\$6.69	\$7.97	\$11.69

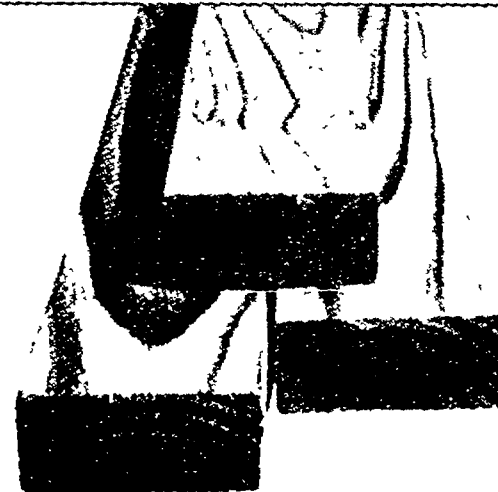


Standard

Pressure Treated Decking

- Treated to resist insects, rot and decay

5/4"x6"	\$3.59	\$3.95	\$5.19	\$8.49
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No. 2 Prime

Pressure Treated Lumber

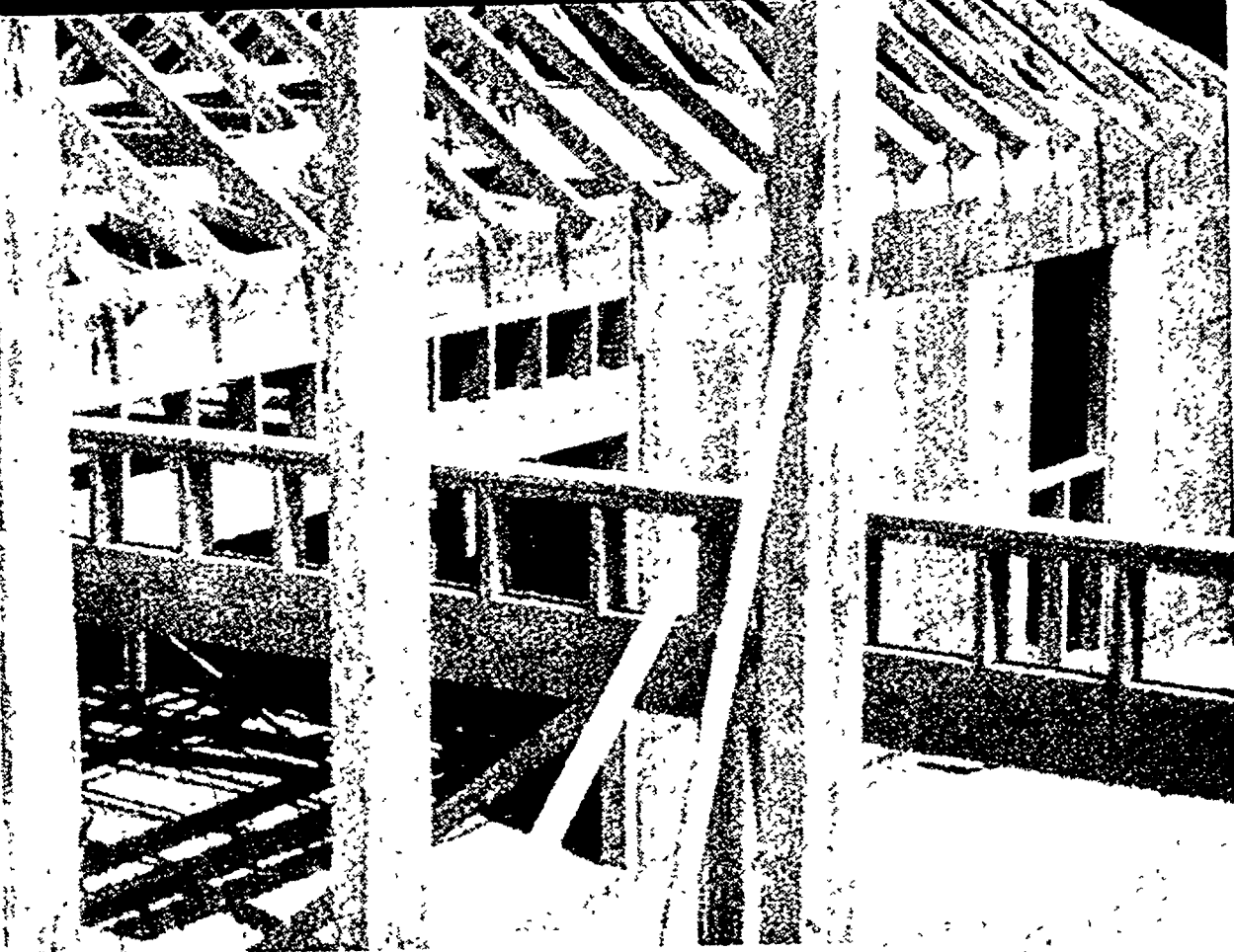
- Treated to resist insects, rot and decay

SIZE	8'	10'	12'	16'
2"x4"	\$2.79	\$3.97	\$4.39	\$6.49
2"x6"	\$4.79	\$5.97	\$6.39	\$9.59
2"x8"	\$6.49	\$7.97	\$9.49	\$12.97

No. 2 Pressure Treated Lumber

2"x10"	\$6.97	\$9.97	\$12.69	\$16.97
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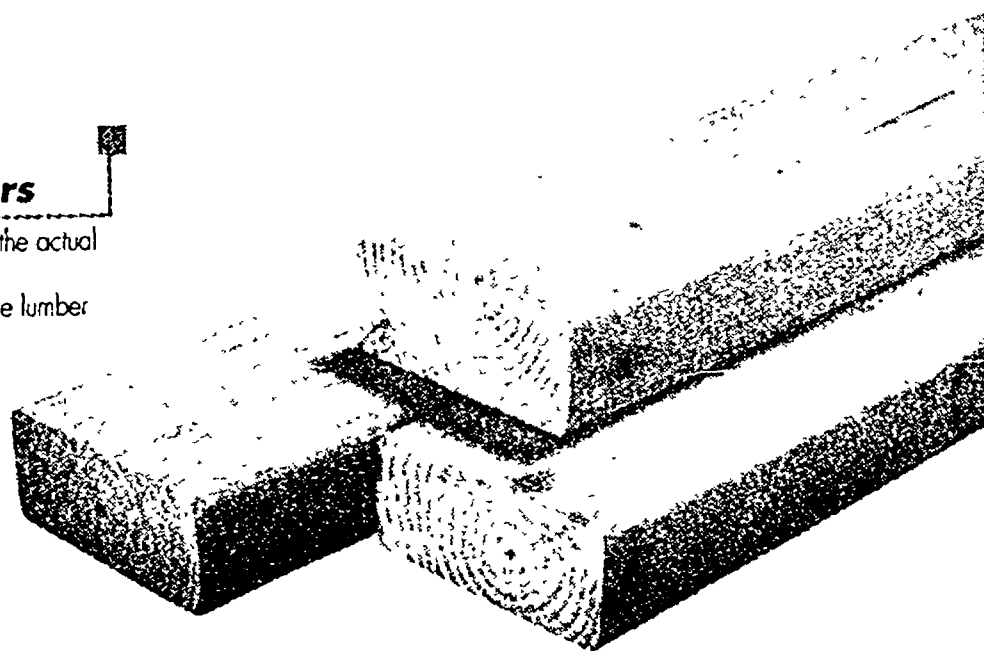
2"x4"-92 5/8" Whitewood Stud

- Agency grade stamped
- Select your own at no upcharge [569062]

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No. 2 Dimensional Lumber

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2"x8"	\$4.44	\$5.60	\$6.66	\$8.43
2"x10"	\$5.69	\$7.17	\$10.10	\$11.97
2"x12"	\$7.99	\$10.30	\$12.84	\$19.04

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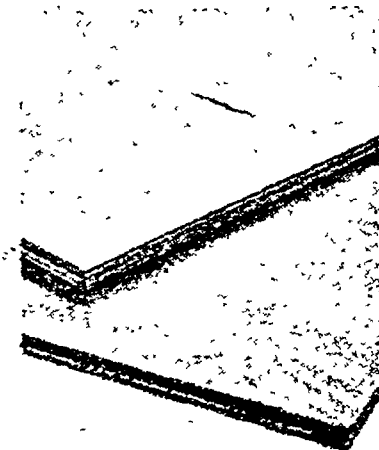


3/4"(23/32")-4'x8' CDX Rated Sheathing

- For use in sheathing and outdoor projects
- American Plywood Association Grade Stamp [166103]

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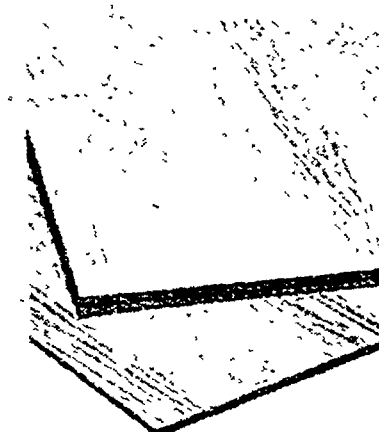
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- Tongue & groove [724084]

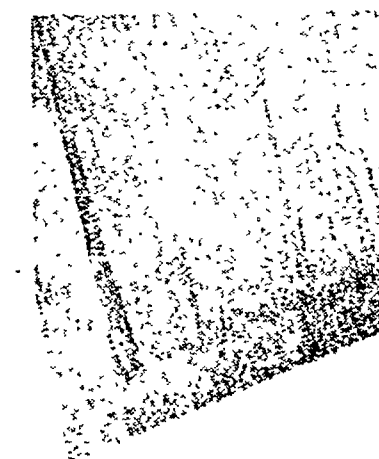


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3/4"(23/32")-4'x8' BC Plywood

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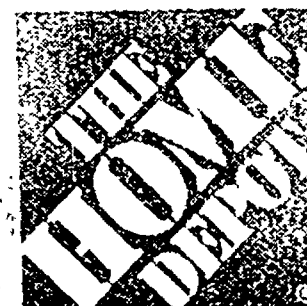
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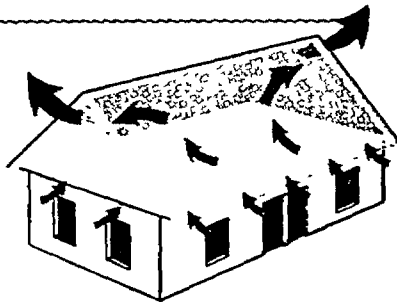
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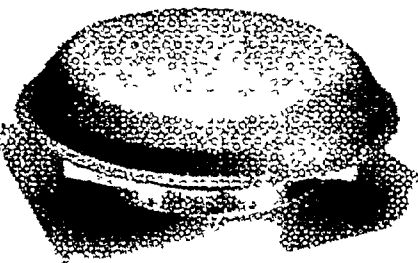
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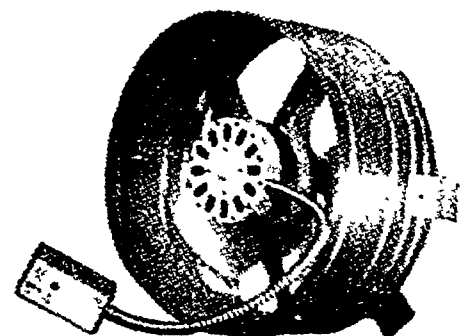
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Pro 3 Roof Mount Vent

- 1600 CFM
- For attics up to 3200 sq. ft. (539250)

1250 CFM Pro 2

(108877) **\$59.97**



\$49⁹⁵

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- Two-speed pull chain switch - no wiring through the wall required for installation
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R-19 6-1/4"x15"x93" Kraft Faced Batts

- Covers 77.5 sq. ft.
- The higher the R-value, the greater the insulating power (111861)

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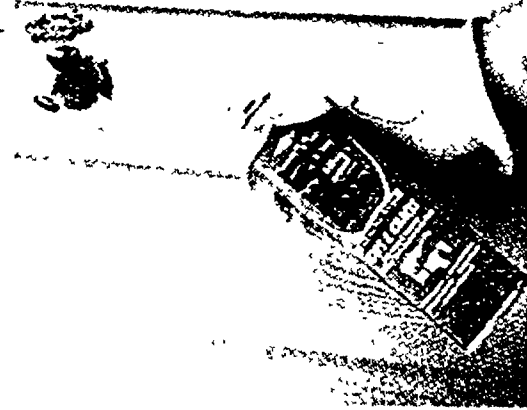
R-VALUE	SIZE	DESCRIPTION	COVERAGE	SKU	price	sq. ft.
R-13	3-1/2"x15"x32'	Kraft Faced Roll	40.00	(375004)	\$7.60	19'
R-13	3-1/2"x15"x93'	Kraft Faced Batts	106.56	(529258)	\$30.90	29'
R-13	3-1/2"x23"x93'	Kraft Faced Batts	178.25	(155895)	\$51.69	29'
R-19	6-1/4"x23"x93'	Kraft Faced Batts	118.83	(111875)	\$39.22	33'
R-25	8"x15"x26'5"	Unfaced Roll	33.13	(125140)	\$15.57	47'
R-25	8"x23"x26'5"	Unfaced Roll	50.79	(125828)	\$23.87	47'
R-30	9-1/2"x16"x48'	Kraft Faced Batts	53.33	(488107)	\$31.47	59'
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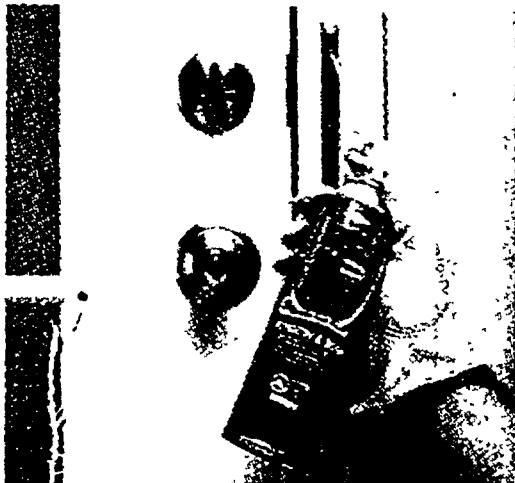
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- Convenient work tray (238092)

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SIZE	Type	SKU	price
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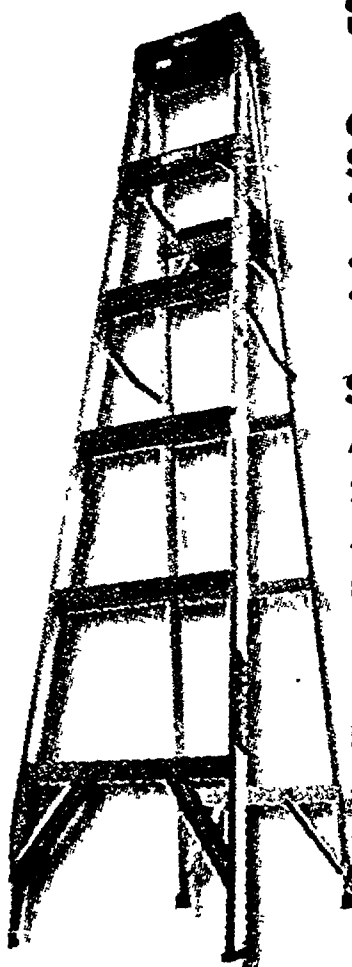
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- 300 lb. duty rating
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- Type II rating - medium duty for commercial use
- 225 lb. weight capacity
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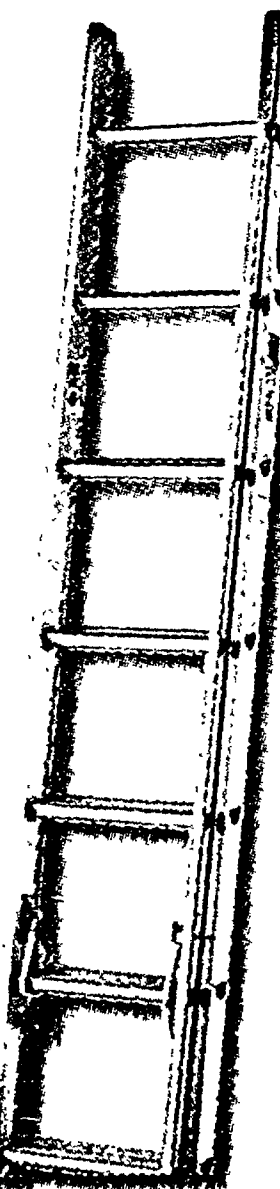
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Aluminum

2' Type IA (422695)	\$29.00
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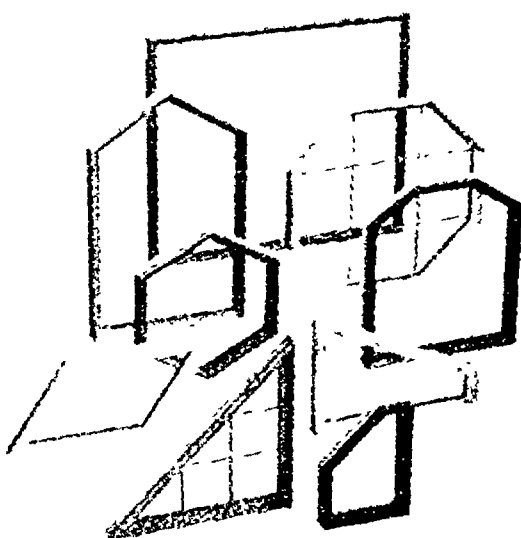
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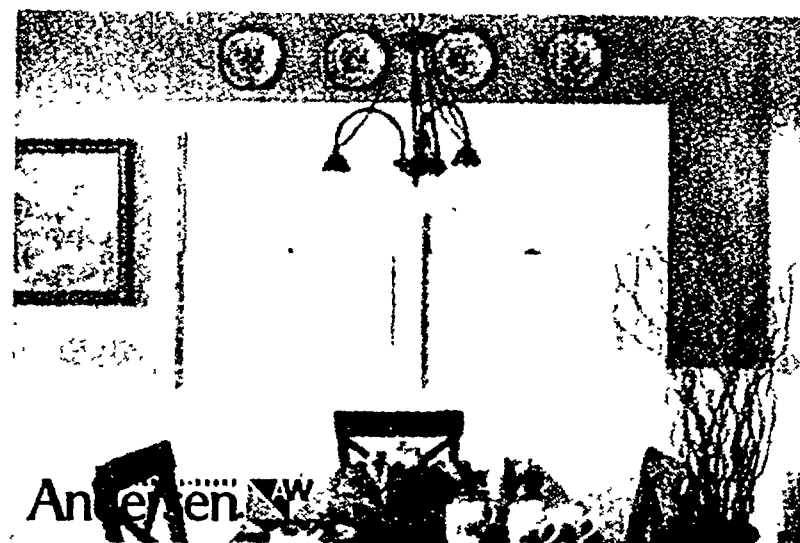


400 Series Tilt-Wash Double Hung Window

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- 29-5/8"x49-1/4"
- White Perma-Shield® vinyl clad exterior; clear pine interior sashes
- High Performance™ insulating glass
- Grilles/screens sold separately (471812)

SIZE	SKU	price
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200 Series Tilt-Wash Double Hung Window

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- 28"x42"
- Tilt feature allows wash access to either side
- Maintenance-free vinyl clad exterior (513590)

SIZE	SKU	price
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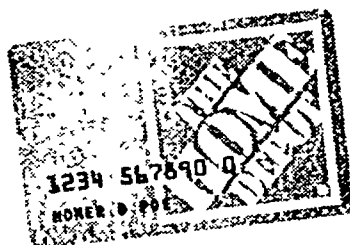


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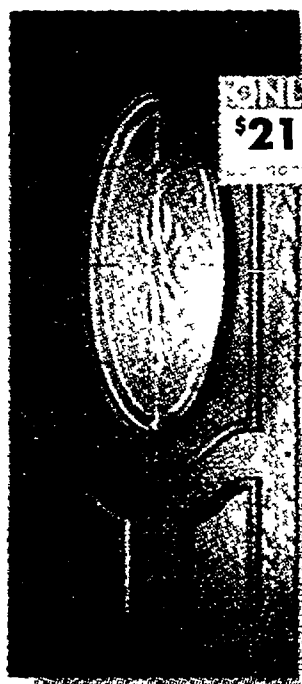
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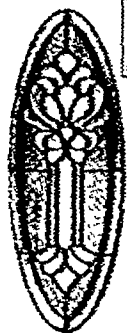


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36" Pre-Finished Fiberglass 3/4 Oval

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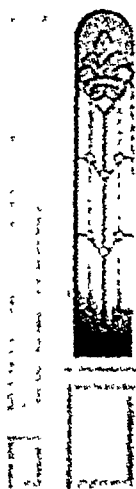


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36" Delaney Brass 3/4 Oval

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36" Lehigh Zinc Fan-Lite

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36" Iris Brass Fan-Lite

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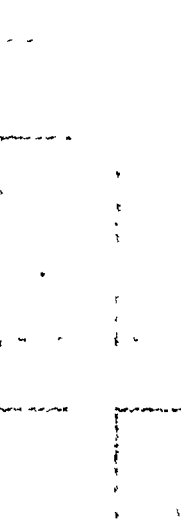
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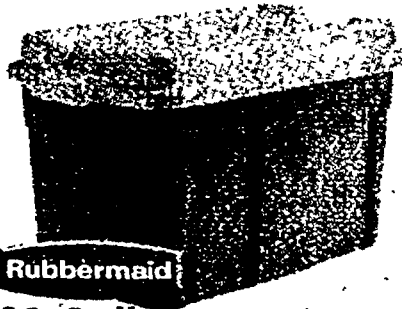
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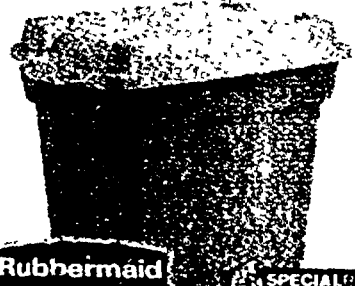
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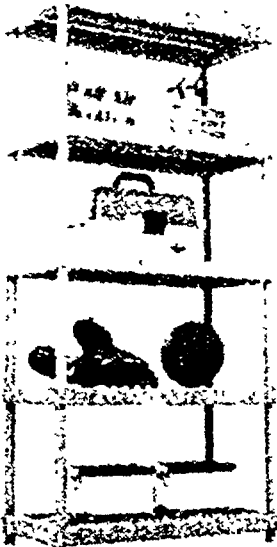


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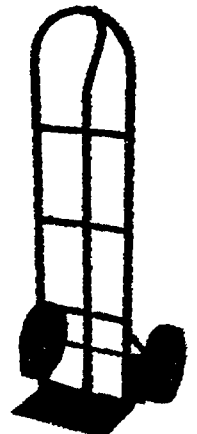


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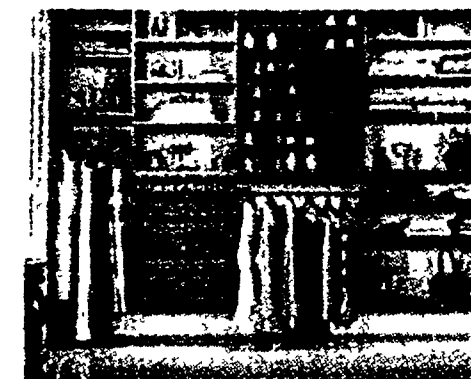
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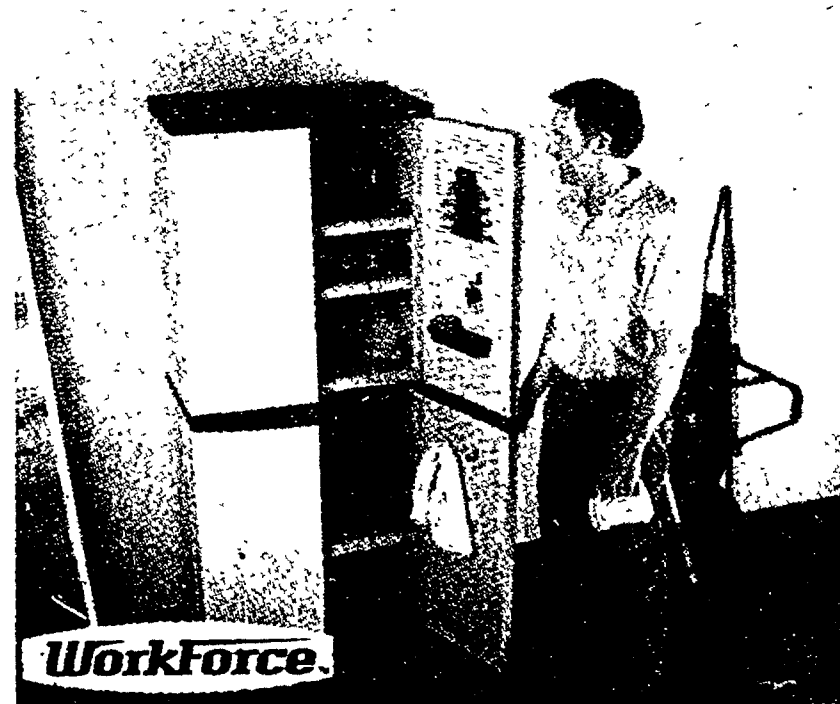
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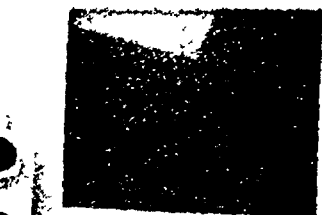
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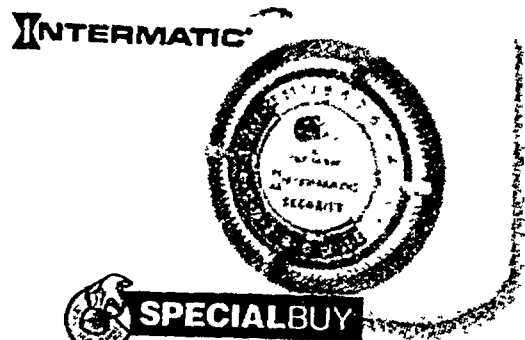
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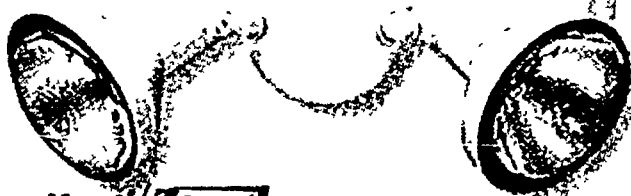


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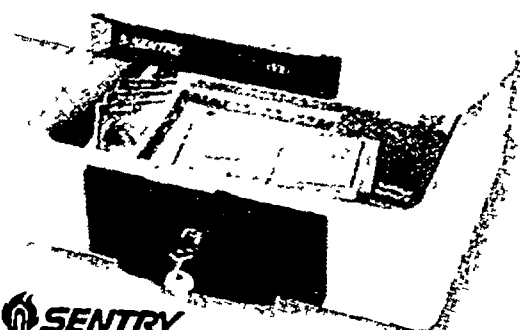
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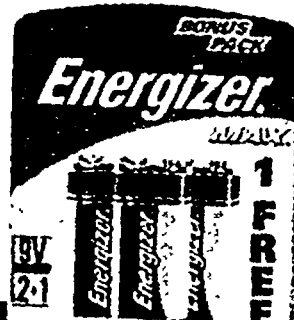
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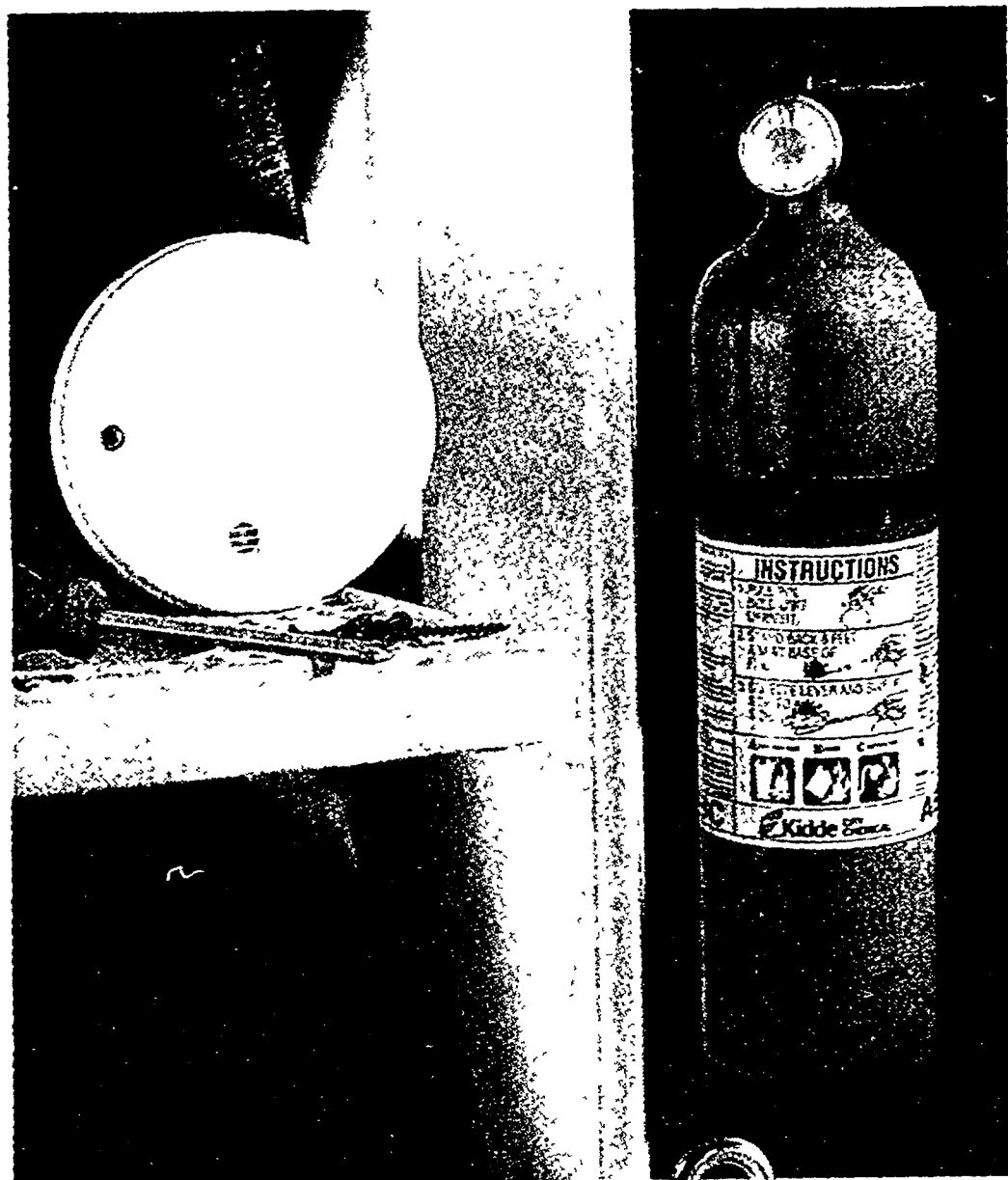
**Energizer
9 Volt 2-Pack
Batteries
with 1 Free**

- 2-pack with 1 free

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Safety Zone



Wisdom of the Aisles

There are three main types of fire extinguishers, so before you buy one, look at what kinds of fires it can be used on. The best multi-purpose choice is a dry powder type. You can find it at your local Home Depot.

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Your Choice

Fire Away 10 Fire Extinguisher

- UL rated 1A:10B:C
- Fights all common fires

466142 (547514)

2-Pack Smoke Alarms

- Test button and LED allow simple verification of battery and alarm operation
- Utilizes a state-of-the-art ionization sensor

0915D-072 (474073)

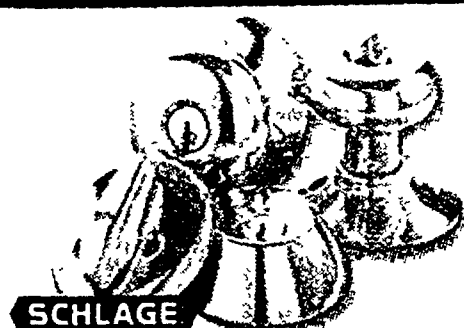
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- Bright brass finish
- Deadbolt and knob use same key

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1 3/4" Padlock

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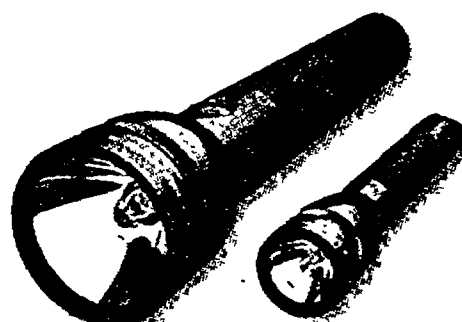
- 100% weather proof and Rustoleum certified
- Extended 1-1/2" long shackle

180KADIFCCSEN (174199)

1-3/4" Rustproof Padlock

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MAG-LITE

Mag-Lite Combo Pack with Holster

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- Includes: 3D-cell flashlight, AA flashlight with holster and spare bulbs
- Lifetime warranty
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- Includes: carry strap lanyard, both AC and DC charging cords and 6 volt bulb (319349)



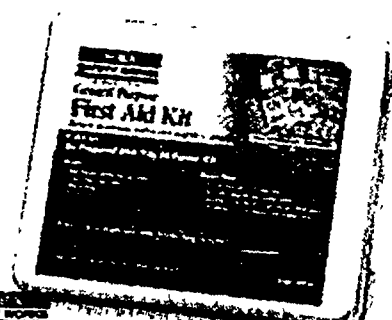
Compact Pro Jump-Start System and Power Supply

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- Safely jump starts vehicles

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Industrial First Aid Kit

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- Kit contains 134 pieces
- Sturdy plastic carrying case

818059 (292458)

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FREE How-to Clinics!

(See Store for Additional Clinics Offered Mon-Fri)

Tuesday

YOU CAN INSTALL LANDSCAPE LIGHTING

7:00pm

Thursday

YOU CAN INSTALL
VINYL REPLACEMENT WINDOWS

7:00pm

Saturday

YOU CAN LAY CERAMIC TILE

10:00am

YOU CAN BUILD A DECK

12:00pm

YOU CAN TURN YOUR HOME
INTO A SAFETY ZONE

2:00pm

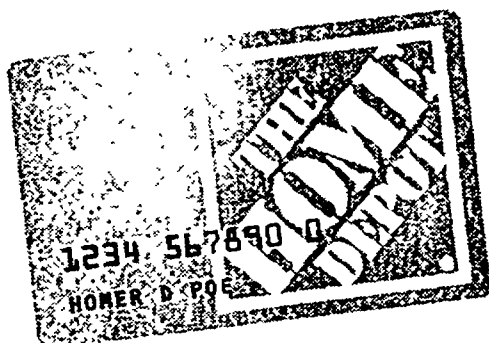
Sunday

YOU CAN LEARN FAUX PAINTING
TECHNIQUES

2:00pm

HOW TO CLINICS FOR KIDS

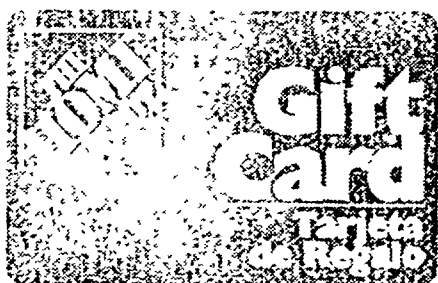
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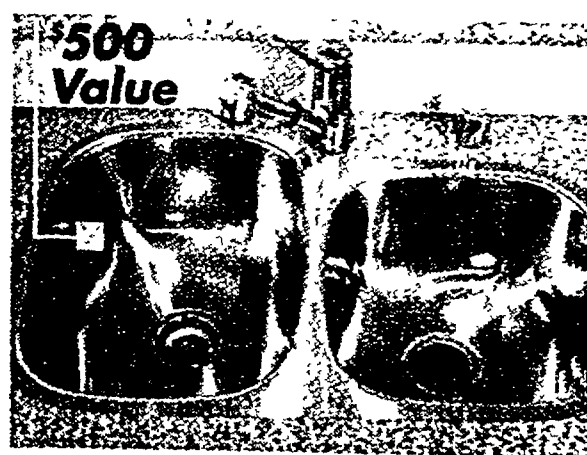
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Interior Installations



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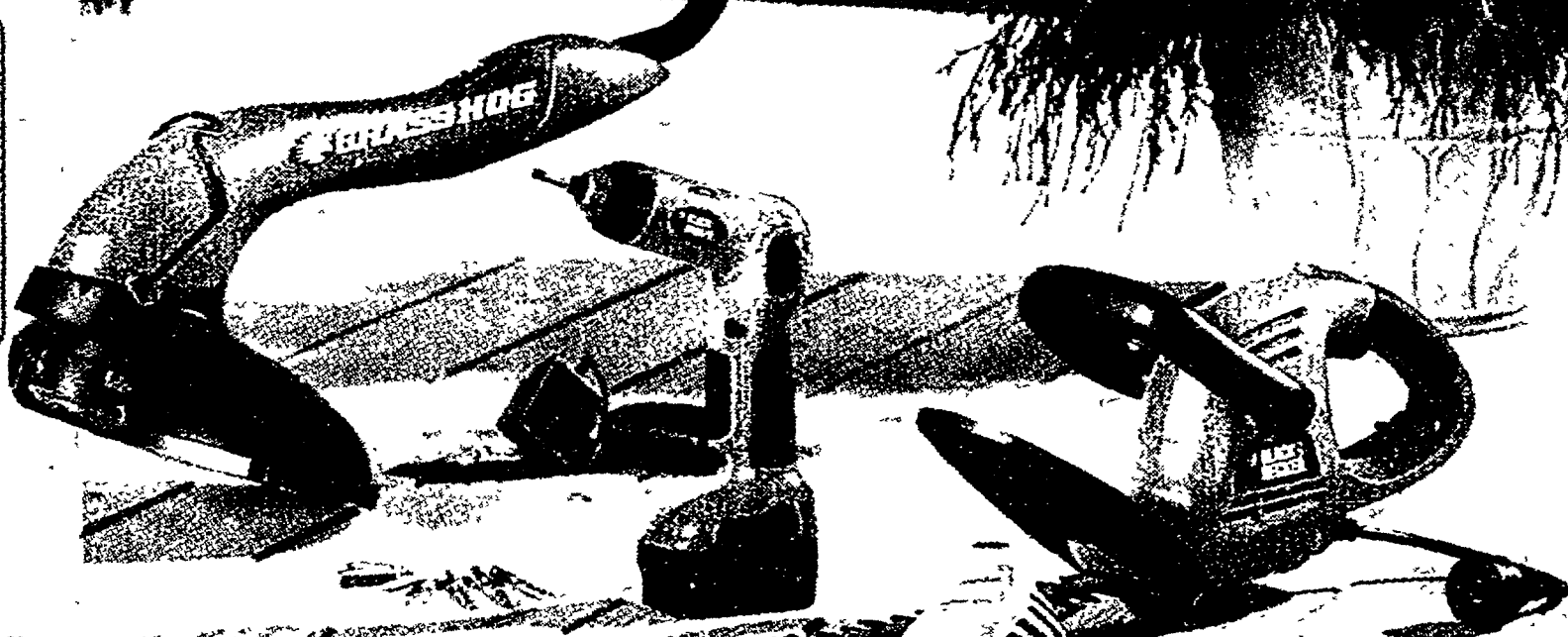
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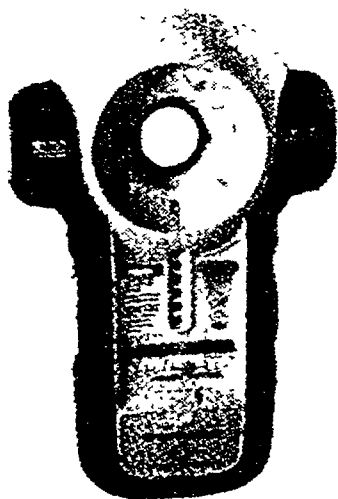


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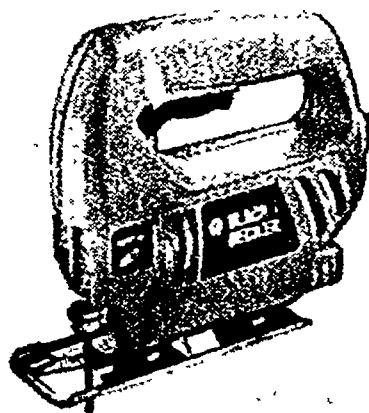
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Auto Laser Level and Stud Finder

- Includes:
(2) target cones, (1) hanging pin, (1) 9-volt battery and storage case
BDL100S (100045)



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Jigsaw Kit

- 3.5 amp, 800-3,200 spm
- Tool-less blade changing system
- Includes case
JS200K (543982)

BLACK & DECKER

1/2" Corded Drill

- Variable speed/reversing
- 5 amp motor, 0-750 rpm
- Triple gear reduction delivers 310 in./lbs. torque
DR500 (514262)

BLACK & DECKER

5-Position 12-Volt Swivel Drill

- Exclusive swivel head gives accessibility
- Quick connect bit change system
XD1200K (133682)

BLACK & DECKER

14" Curved Shaft Electric Trimmer/Edger

- 4.8 Amp motor
- 14" cutting width
- Automatic line feed with 0.065" line cut
GH600 (385582)

BLACK & DECKER

22" Electric Hedge Trimmer

- 2.6 Amp motor
- 22" blade
- Up to 3/8" cutting capacity
- Double-sided, single reciprocating blade
HT2200 (253406)

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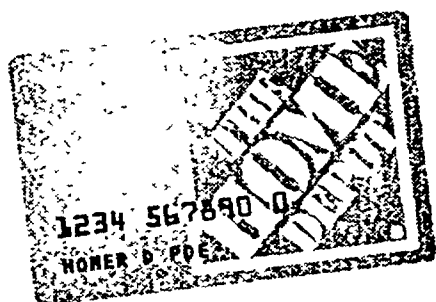
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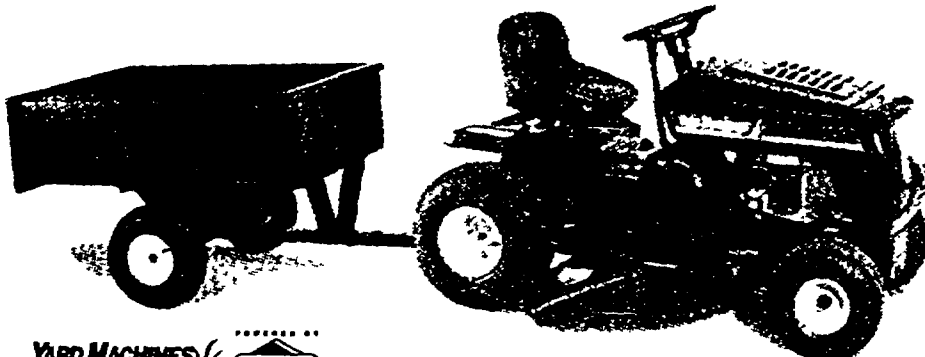
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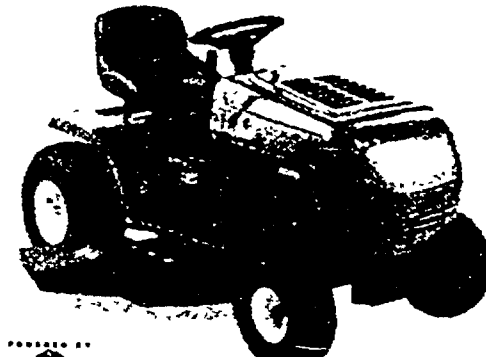
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- Cart requires assembly
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\$28
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YARD MACHINES

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- 24" turning radius with rack and pinion steering
- 2 year limited warranty

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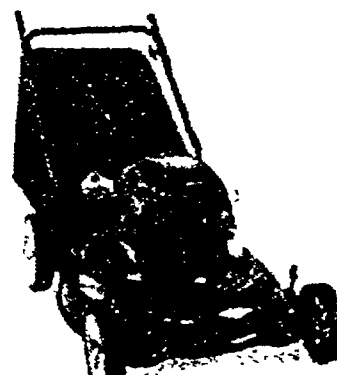
**6.25 HP, 21" 2-in-1
Self Propelled
Lawn Mower**

- 6.25 Briggs & Stratton® Quantum EasyStart™ engine
- Self-propelled with front-wheel drive
- 2-in-1: mulch and bag
- Supreme Mulch™ cutting system with patented mulching blade

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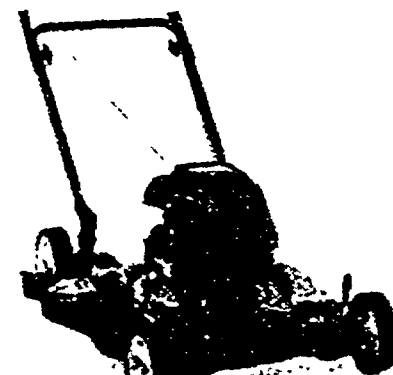
YARD MACHINES

**4.5 HP, 21" 2-in-1
Mulching Mower**

- 4.5 HP Briggs & Stratton®
- 2-in-1: mulch, and bag engine
- 21" Supreme Mulch™ cutting system with patented mulching blade
- 9-position: 1.5" to 3.5" cut height

11A414L129 (407896)

\$159



YARD MACHINES

**4.5 HP, 22" 2-in-1
Side Discharge
Lawn Mower**

- 4.5 HP Briggs & Stratton® engine
- 2-in-1: mulch and side discharge
- Standard mulching system
- 22" steel cutting deck
- 6-position: 1.5" to 3.5" cut height

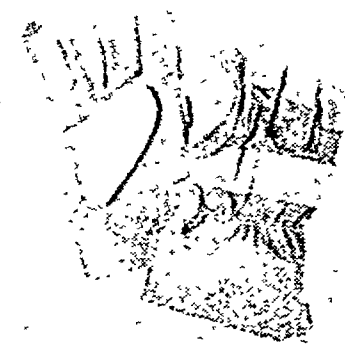
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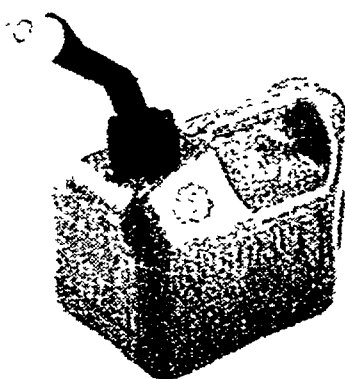
Double Leather Palm Glove \$3%

- Split cowhide
- Great hand protection for heavy duty and rugged job requirements



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- Stylish smaller wrap-style glasses



1-Gallon Self-Venting Gas Can \$2.97

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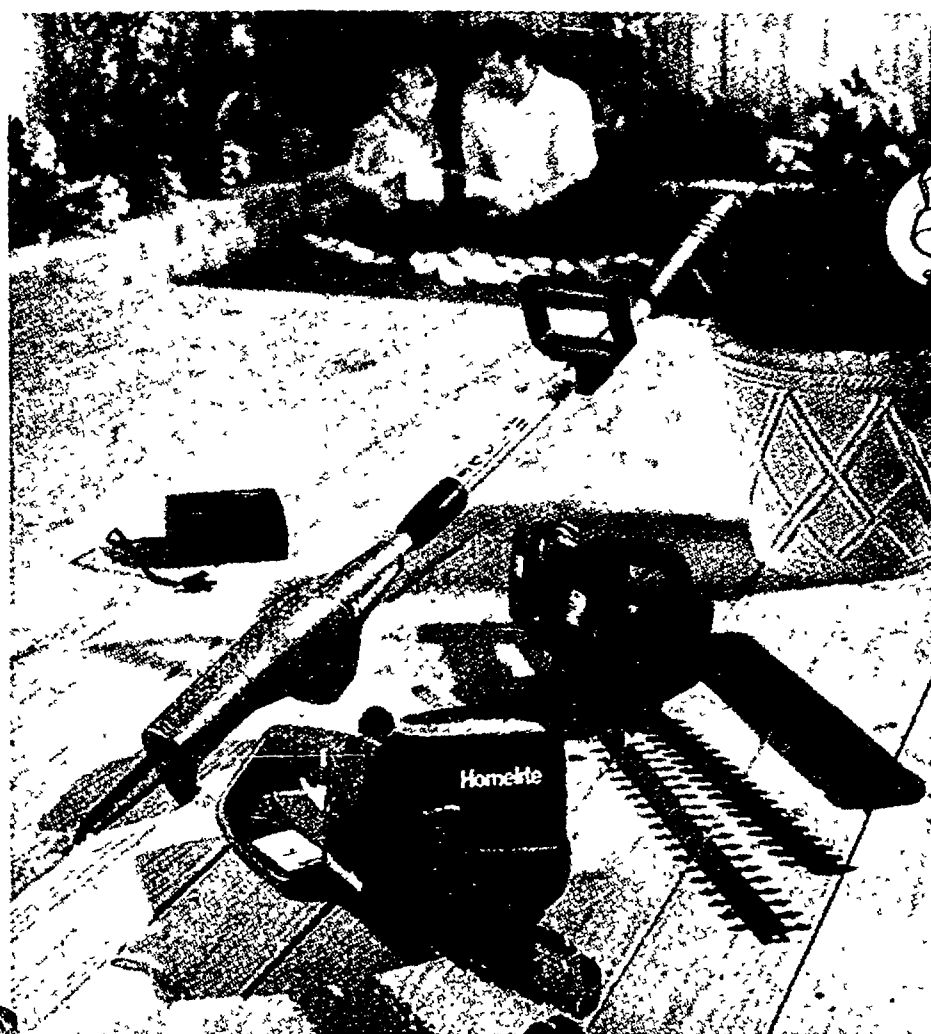
SPECIAL BUY

\$179

3-Piece Pruning Cordless Combo Kit

- Kit includes: 18 Volt chainsaw, pruner, hedge trimmer, (2) 18 Volt NiCad batteries and charger
- Chainsaw: push button oiling, Safe-T-Tip kickback device and a 10' bar & chain
- Pruner: 5" reciprocating blade, 6' pole and adjustable handle
- Hedge trimmer: dual action 18' blade with a 3/8" cutting capacity

UT31812 (164045)



ZipStart[®] starting system

Full crank engine

Profire[®] electronic ignition system

ECHO

17" 21.2 cc Straight Shaft Gas Trimmer

- 21.2cc 2-cycle engine
- 17" cutting width
- Tap-to-advance dual .095" CrossFire[™] line
- 2-year homeowner, 1-year commercial warranty

SRM210SP (306575)
16" Curved Shaft GT200R (753200) \$149.00

TORO Expand-It

18" Straight Shaft Gas String Trimmer

- 1 HP full crank engine
- 18" dual cutting width
- Bump advance with .095" line cut
- Expand-It[®] Attachment compatible
- 2-year warranty

51932 (111208)
18" Gas Brush Cutter/String Trimmer 51934 (109901) \$199.00

Homelite

17" Easy Reach[™] Straight Shaft Gas Trimmer

- .8 HP 2-cycle engine
- 17" dual-line cutting width
- EZLine[™] string advance with .080" line cut
- 2-year homeowner warranty

UT20769 (440449)
17" Trim N' Edge[™] Curved Shaft Gas Trimmer UT20772 (440447) \$79.00



ECHO

21.2cc Extended Life Gas Blower

- 21.2cc 2-cycle Echo engine
- 145 MPH air speed
- 305 CFM air volume
- Pro-fire[®] electronic ignition
- Cruise control throttle on hand grip
- 2-year homeowner warranty, 1-year commercial warranty

PB201 (639468)

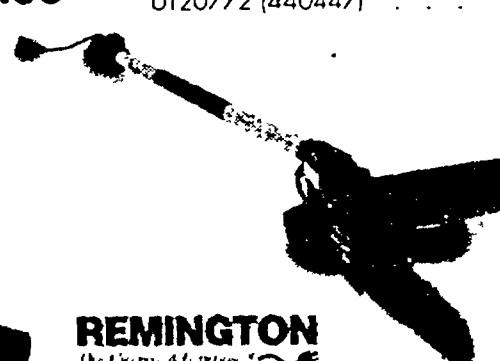


Homelite

25cc Yard Broom[®] Gas Blower

- 25cc, 2-cycle PowerStroke[™] engine
- 150 MPH air speed
- 350 CFM air volume
- Includes 2 6 oz Exact Mix oil
- 1-year warranty

UT08026-H (239220)



REMINGTON

1.5 HP 10" 2-in-1 Electric Chainsaw/Pole Saw

- 1.5 HP motor
- Low kick-back safety device and anti-kick back chain
- Pole saw reaches up to 15'
- Cuts up to 20", 10" bar
- 1-year warranty

106821 (502760)

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PORTABLE POWER

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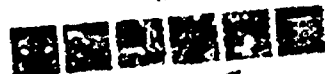
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Groom'n'Edge®
rotating head
for edging



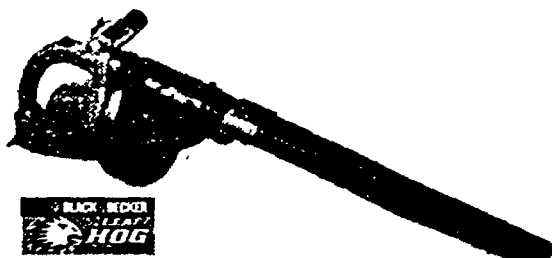
12 Volt, 12"

Grass Hog® Cordless Trimmer/Edger

- Cordless 12 Volt battery
- 12" cutting width
- Automatic feed spool, 0.065" cut line
- Features: Auto Feed Spool®, Edge guard CST2000 (683958)

4.8 Amp, 14" Curved Shaft Electric Trimmer/Edger

GH600 (385582) **\$49.97**



Leaf Hog® 3-in-1 Electric Blower, Mulcher & Vacuum

- 12 Amp motor
- 200 MPH air speed
- 415 CFM blower/320 CFM vac (684118)

Product availability may vary by store location.



3.0 Amp 24" Hedge Hog® Electric Trimmer

- 3.0 Amp motor
- 24" blade
- Up to 3/4" cutting capacity
- Double-sided, dual action reciprocating blade HS2400 (252678)

\$69.97

Pull-Up Edge Guide
converts edger to
landscape trencher



11 Amp 2-in-1 Edge Hog® Electric Edger/Trencher

- 11 Amp motor
- 7.5" blade
- Adjustable 3-position cutting depth up to 3"
- Features: Pull-up edge guide converts edger to landscape trencher IE750 (684089)

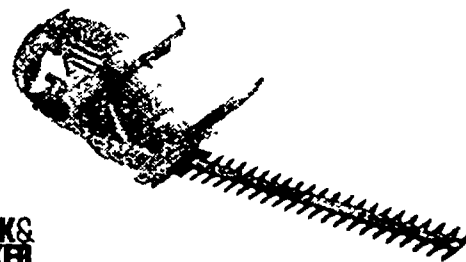
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1.8 Amp 9" Straight Shaft Electric Trimmer

- 1.8 Amp motor
- 9" cutting width
- Bump feed, 0.065" cut line
- Trigger grip start system ST1000 (862860)

\$19.97



2.4 Amp 17" Electric Hedge Trimmer

- 2.4 Amp motor
- 17" blade
- Up to 3/8" cutting capacity
- Double-sided, single reciprocating blade
- Unit weighs 4.5 lbs.
- 2 year homeowner warranty TR1700 (253244)

\$29.97



3.6 Volt Cordless Grass Shears

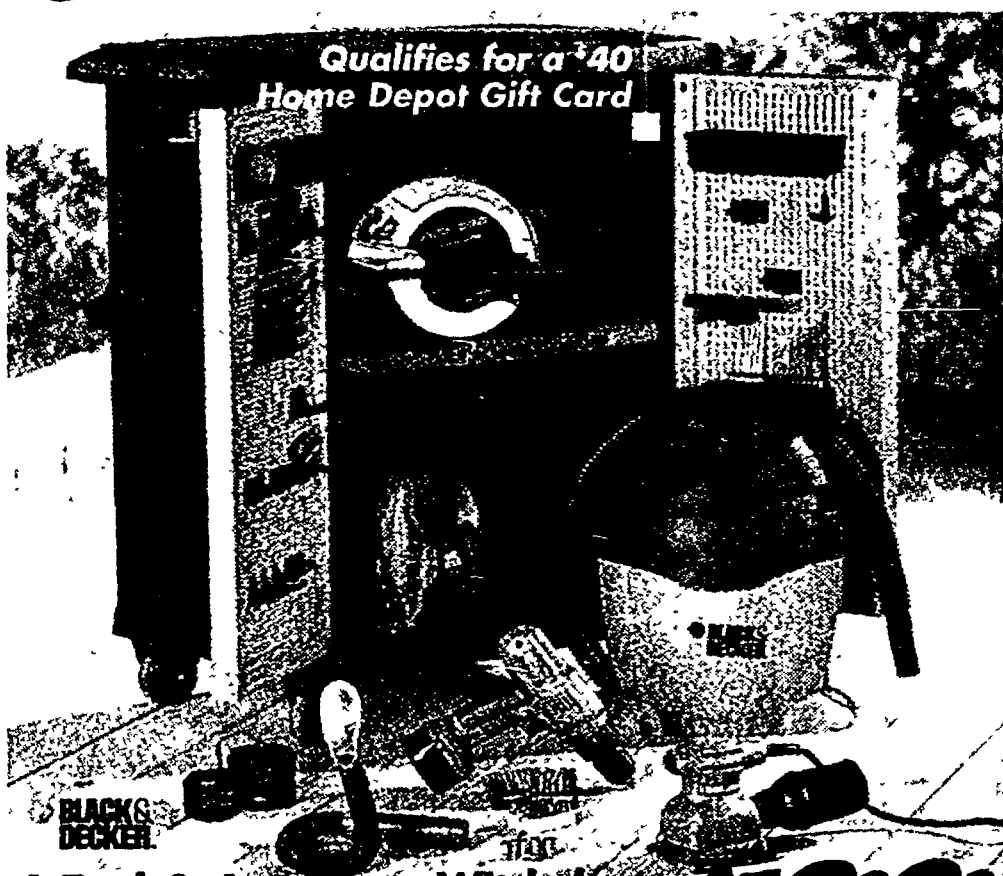
- For controlled trimming of grass around flower beds, trees, walkways and more
- Includes charger for up to 35 minutes of use (466029)

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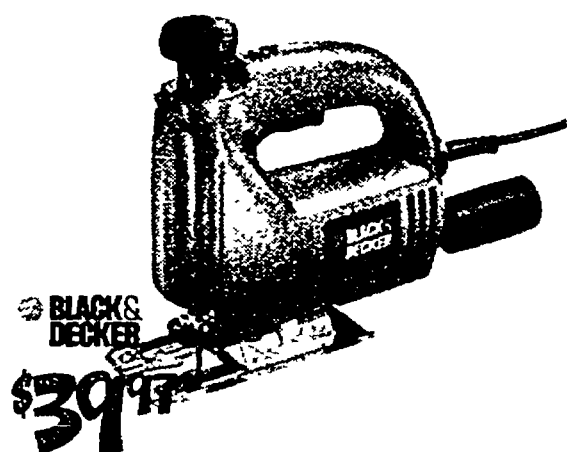
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6-Tool & Accessory Workshop

- Includes: Keter storage kit, 9.6 volt cordless drill, 1/4 sheet sander, 7-1/4" circular saw, jigsaw, utility vacuum, snakelight and 100 accessories to assist in all projects

BD 6TW (224092)

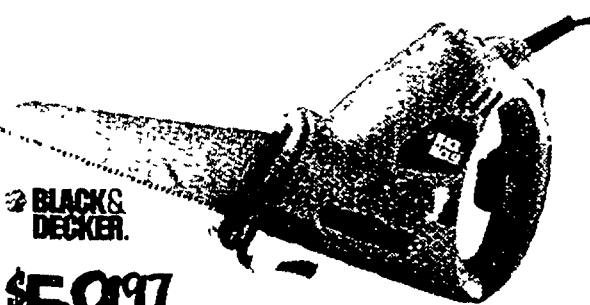
\$199



Scrolling Jig Saw

- Exclusive Quick Clamp blade change allows for tool free blade change
- Pop-up scrolling knob rotates 360 degrees for intricate cutting
- Includes kit box for durable, protected storage

JS350B (161770)



"Navigator" Handsaw/Jigsaw

- Powerful 3.4 amp motor for controlled cuts in wood, plastic and metal
- Two tools in one: easily converts from handsaw to jigsaw
- Patented tool free blade change
- Includes 3 blades for a variety of applications

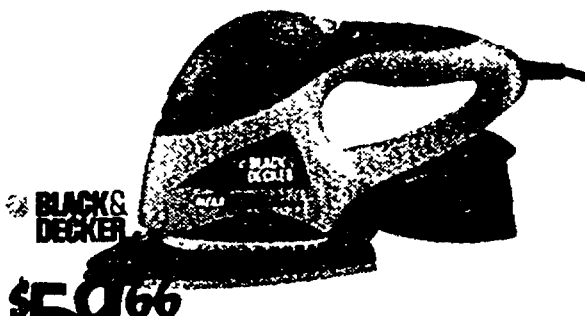
SC500 (299666)



14.4-Volt 3/8" Firestorm Cordless Drill/Driver Kit

- Variable speed: 0-300/0-1,100 rpm
- Maximum torque of 235 in./lbs.
- Includes: (2) rechargeable batteries, charger, double ended screwdriver bit and case

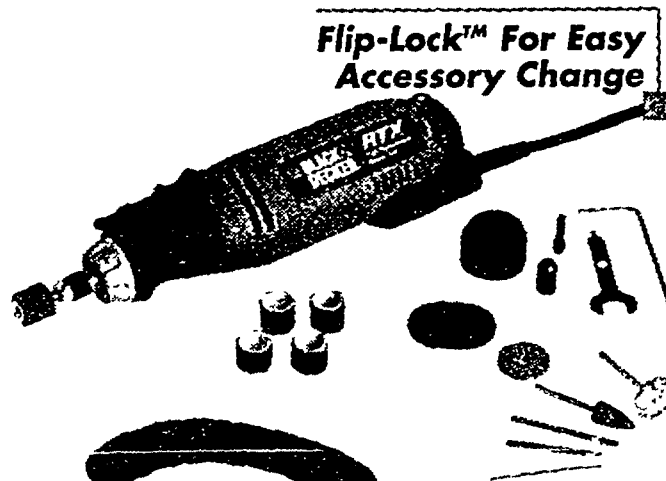
FSD142K1-2 (296778)



Mega Mouse 4-in-1 Sander/Polisher

- 1.4 amp for reduced vibration
- Includes: detail sanding, ROS, waxing/polishing and finger detail sanding
- 13 accessories for capabilities of all applications

MS700K (377705)



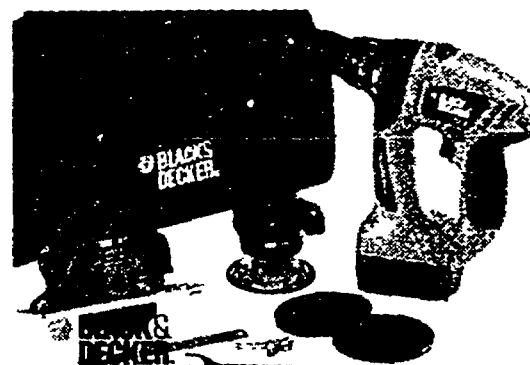
Flip-Lock™ For Easy Accessory Change

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RTX™ High Performance Rotary Tool

- 12/24/30,000 RPM motor
- Universal collet system
- Includes: (30) accessories and storage case

RTX-4 (589666)



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12-Volt Multi Tool

- Drills holes through wood, metal and plastic
- Keyless chuck makes bit changing quick and easy
- Includes interchangeable drill head, circular saw head and router head

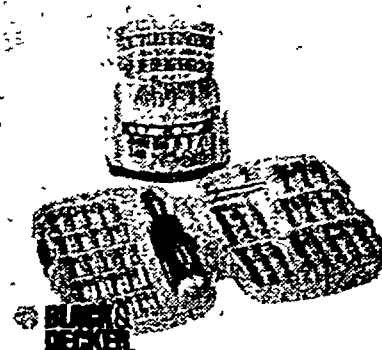
MT12V3B (331059)



3.6-Volt Pivot Cordless Screwdriver

- Maximum torque 40 in./lbs. of driving force
- Auto spindle lock for extra torque
- Rocker switch controls forward and reverse

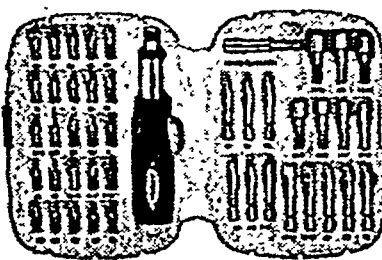
VP750 (620035)



62-Piece Value Set

- Includes 17-piece drill bit set and 45-piece screwdriving set

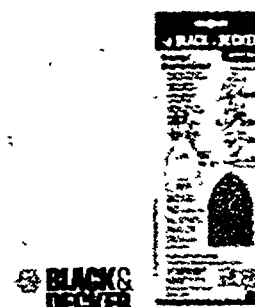
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45-Piece Screwdriver Bit Set

- Includes: ratcheting handle, (25) 1" and (11) 1-1/2" screwdriver bits, (7) nut drivers with case

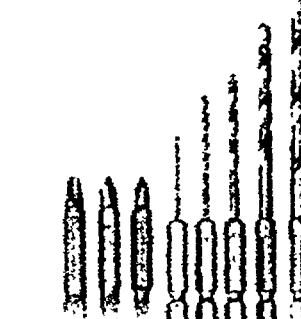
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Universal Detail Sander Paper

- Works on 5" different hand sanders
- Assorted grits: 80, 120, 220

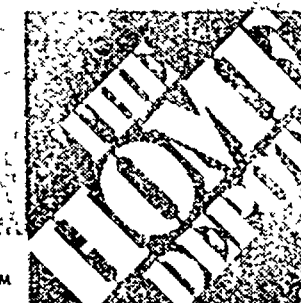
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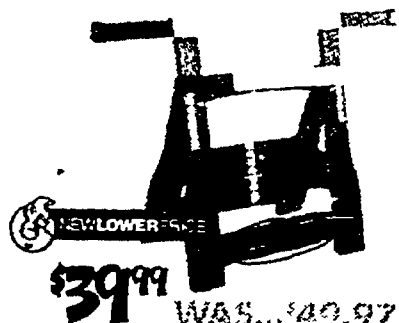
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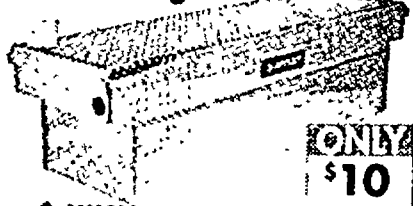
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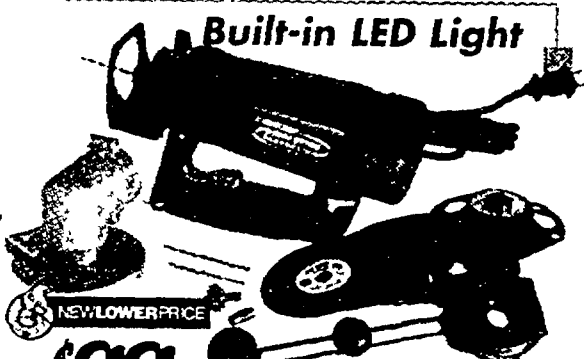
- Includes: reciprocating saw with (2) general purpose blades, drill with 24-position clutch, compound miter saw with carbide blade, circular saw with carbide-tipped blade, Speed Saw™ with 1/8" and 1/4" collets, flashlight with high-intensity Krypton bulb, (3) rechargeable batteries, charger and mobile work station MK618K3 (312712)

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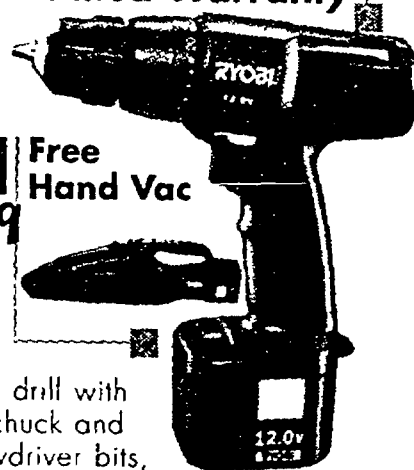
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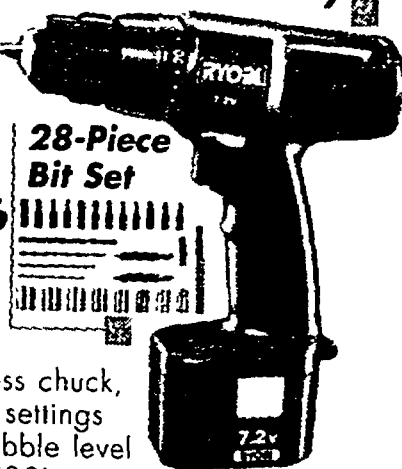
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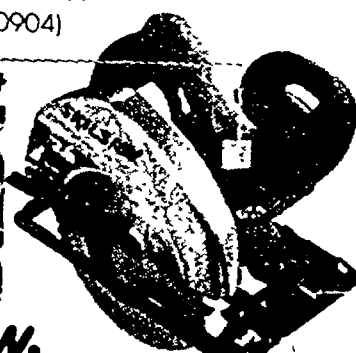
28-Piece Bit Set

Site-Light



SKILSAW 7-1/4" Circular Saw

- 13 amp
• Includes: (3) blades and case 5700-04 (332862)

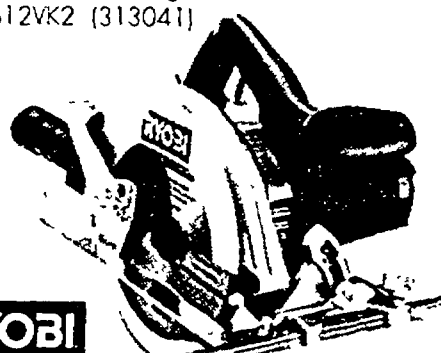


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- 13 amp
• Includes: blade, wrench and case CSB131K (312053)

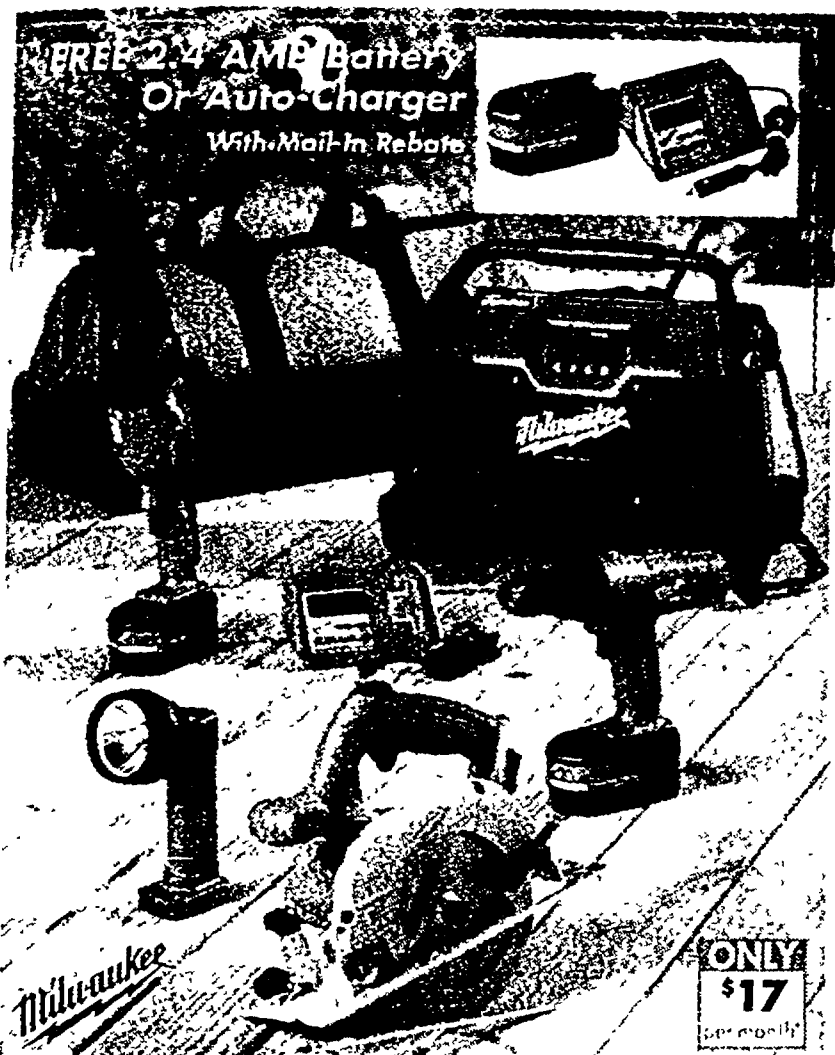


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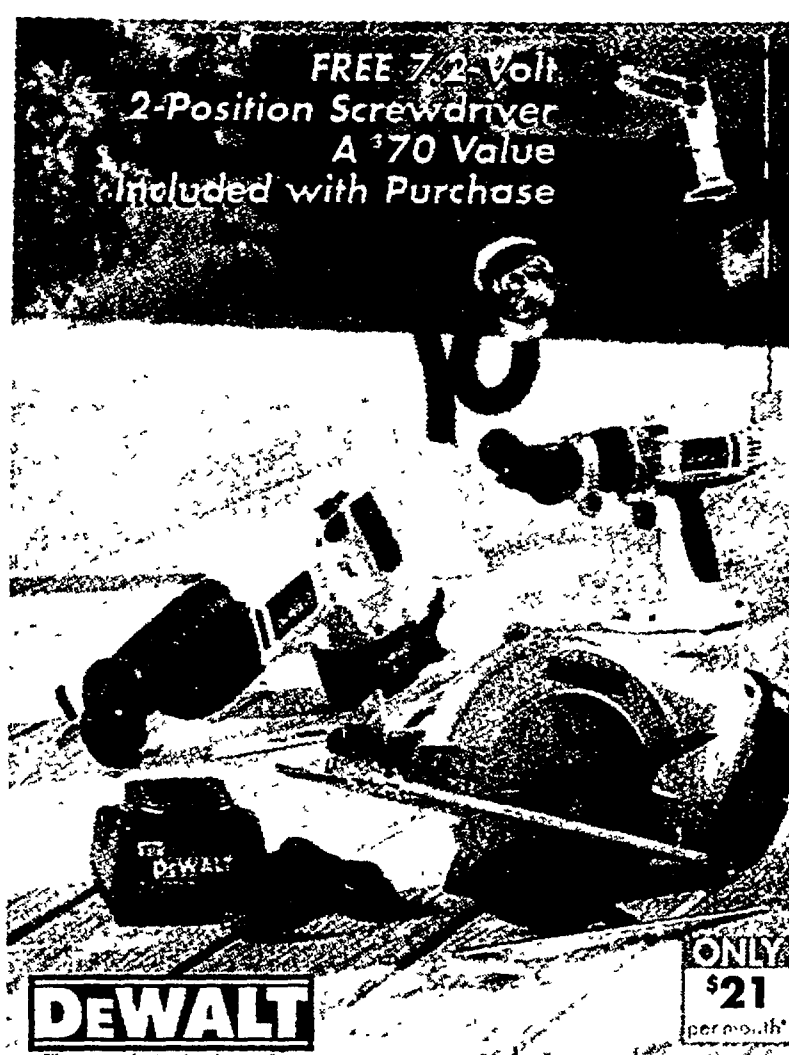
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- Includes: double-ended screwdriver bit, (2) rechargeable batteries, charger and case DW928K-2 (349103)

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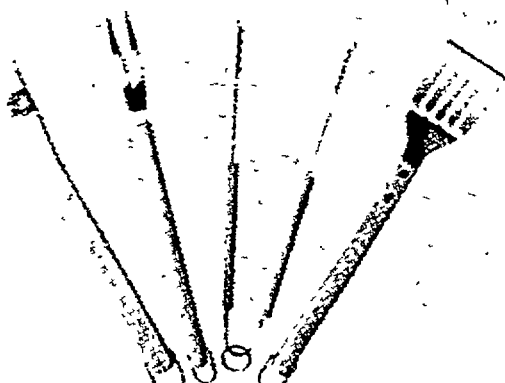
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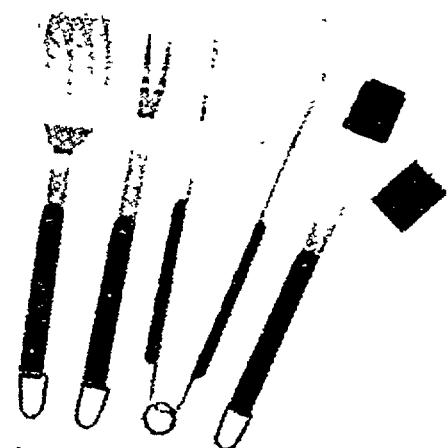
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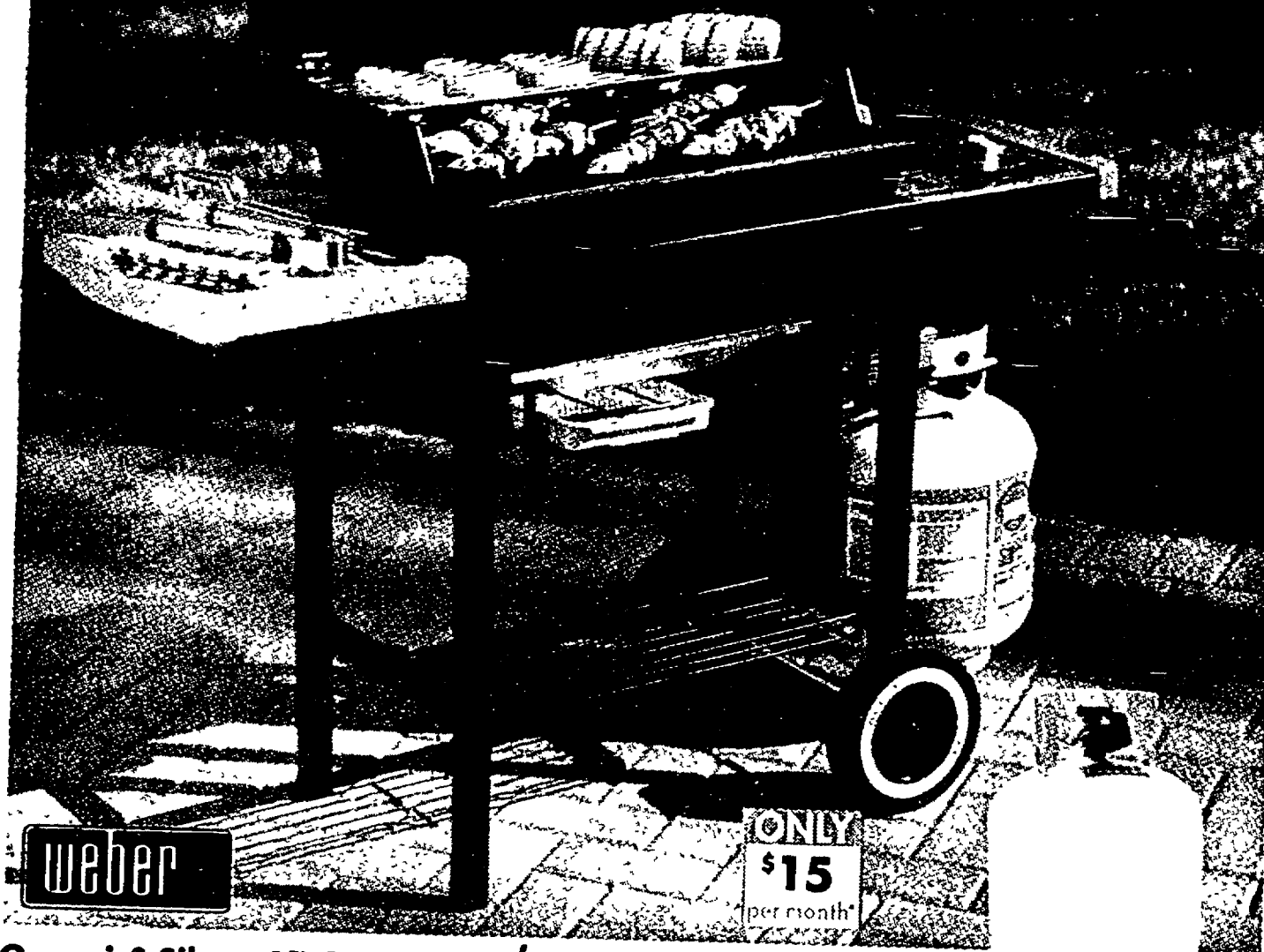
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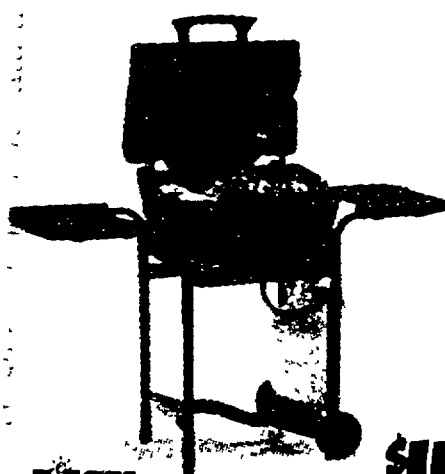
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- 458 sq. in. total cooking surface with 108 sq. in. warming rack
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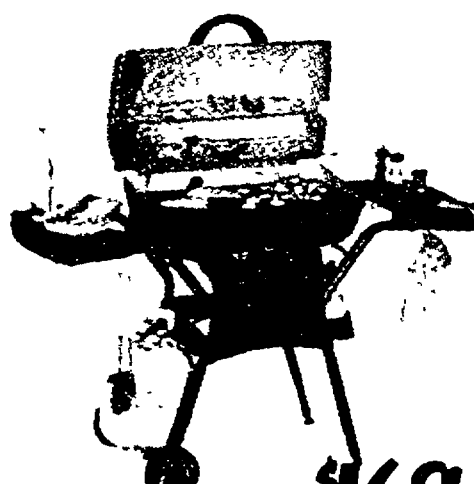
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Advantis 1000 Gas Grill **\$119**

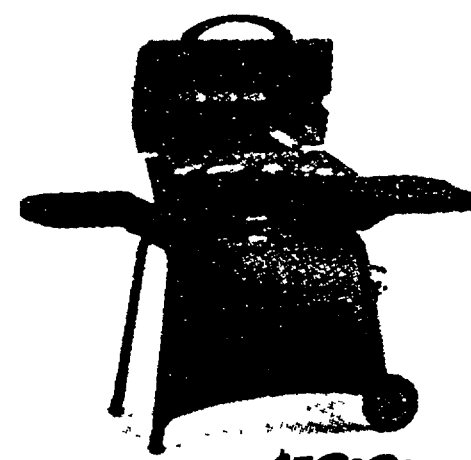
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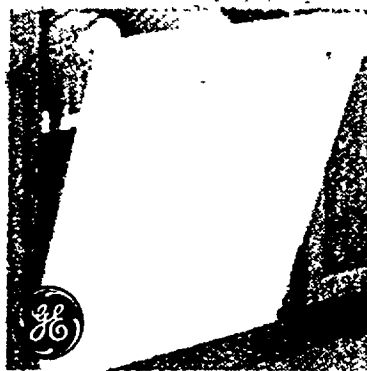
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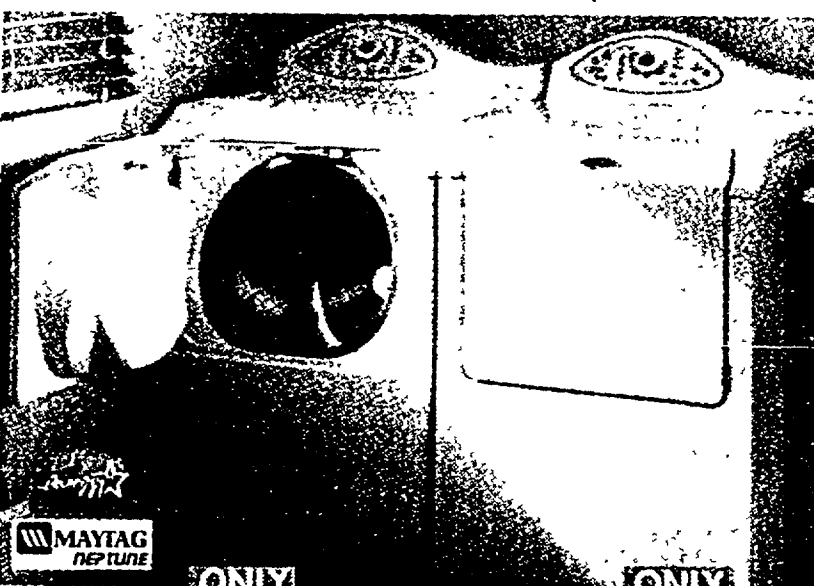
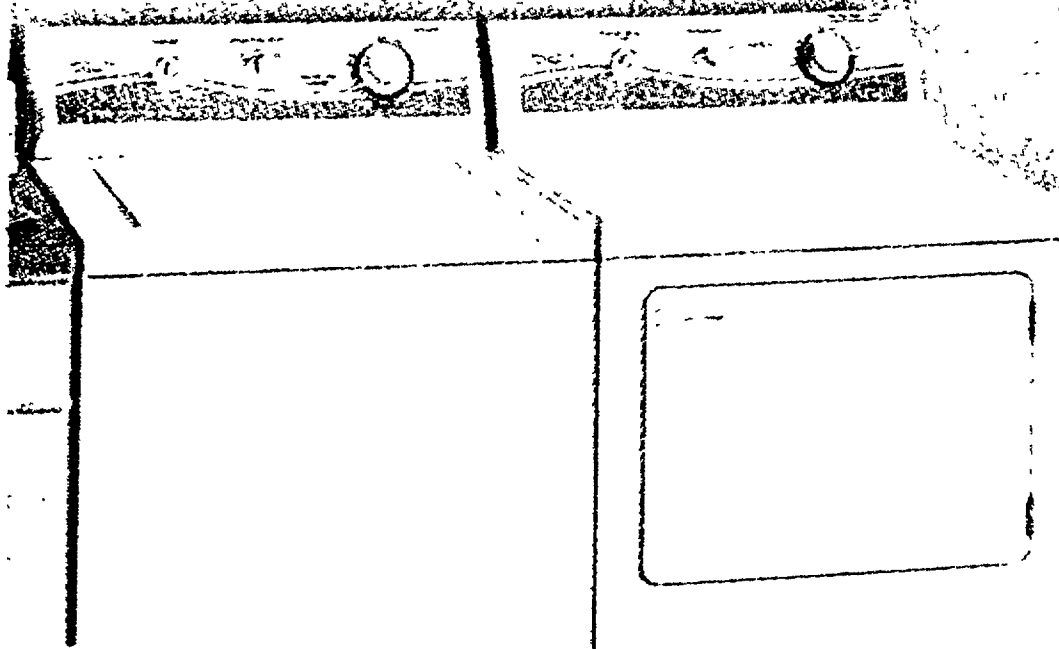


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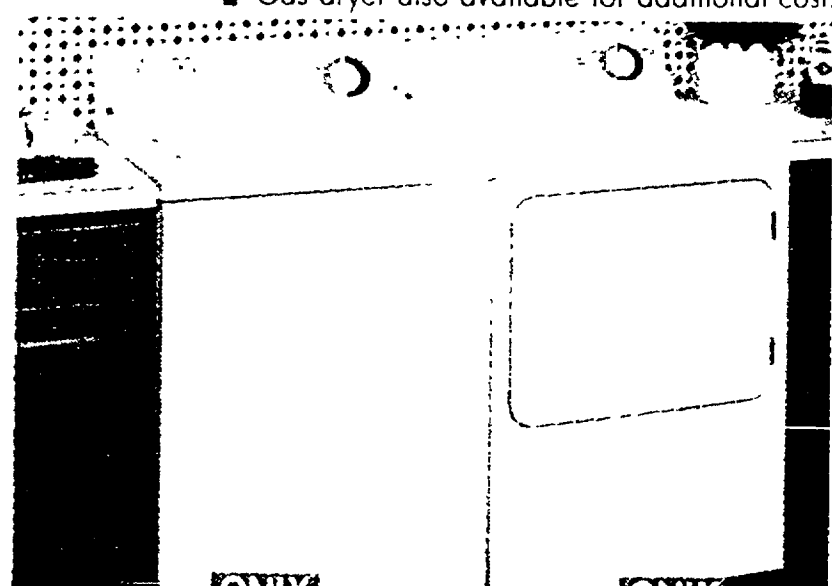
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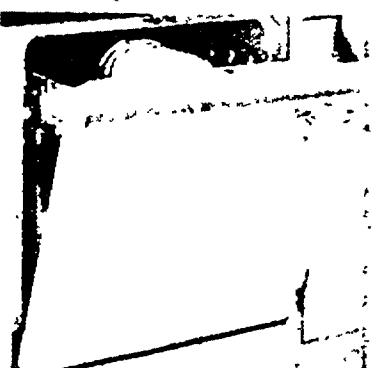
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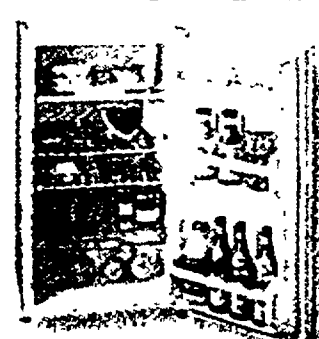
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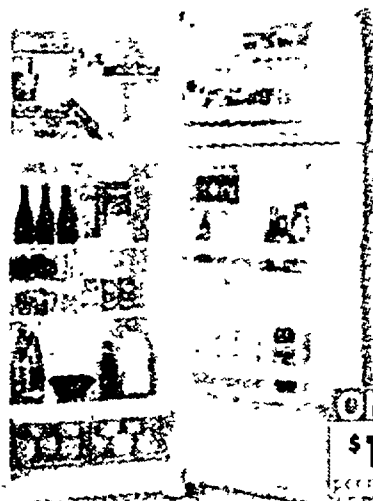
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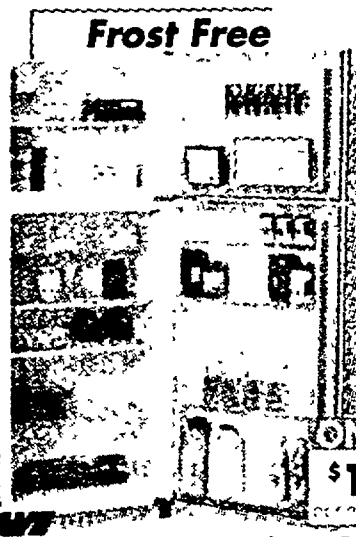


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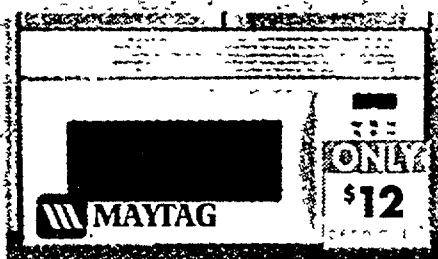
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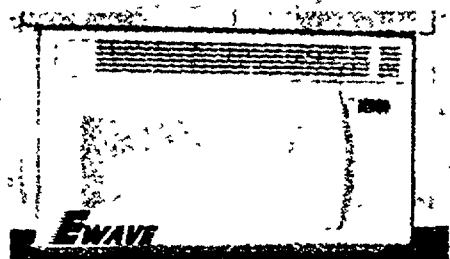
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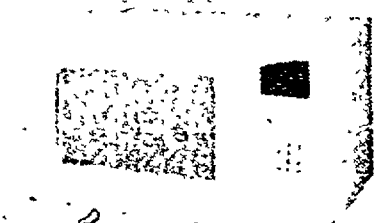
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Magic Chef®

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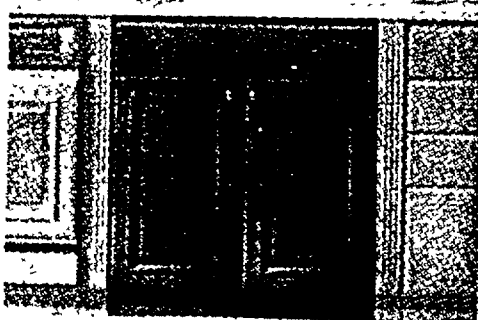
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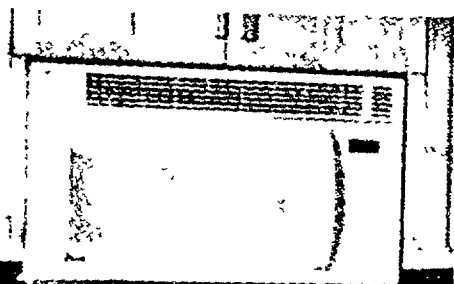
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Prices Starting at:

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Charlottesville Maple Mocha

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For a bright, crisp and clean look, choose the Newport kitchen. Crafted of thermo foil for durability and ease of cleaning, the Cathedral features light rail and rope molding, a frieze valance above the sink and various storage options.



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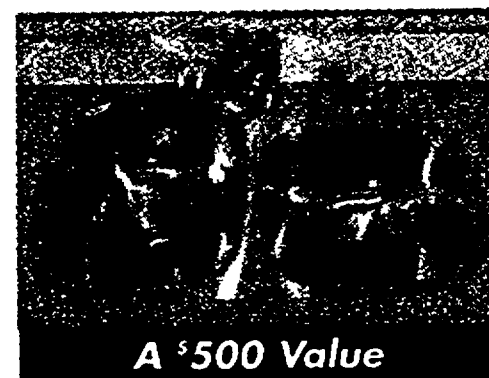
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Ashland Cherry Spice Square

Designed for ultimate storage, this kitchen has large, stacked wall cabinets and pots and pans drawers. Furthermore, the recessed square panel door combined with a spice finish on cherry creates a truly refined look.

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A \$500 Value

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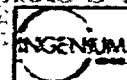
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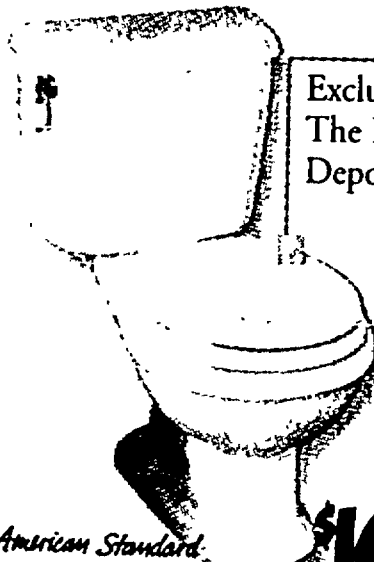
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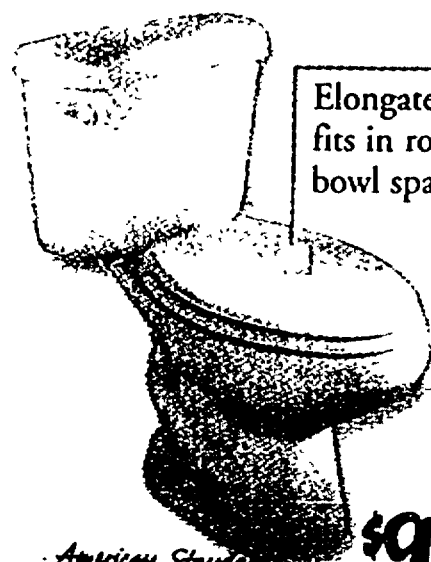
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Williamsburg†

- Elegant turn-of-the-century styling
- Round bowl
- Two piece
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Elongated bowl fits in round bowl spaces

American Standard

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Compact†

- Space-saving design
- Elongated bowl
- Two piece
- (465730) (465695)



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Cadet†

- Round bowl
- Two piece
- (744795) (749611)

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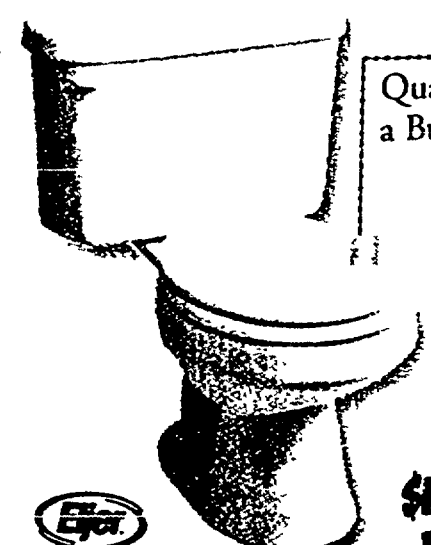
Elongated Bowl



Patriot†

- Easy installation for the Do-It-Yourselfer
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Savoy†

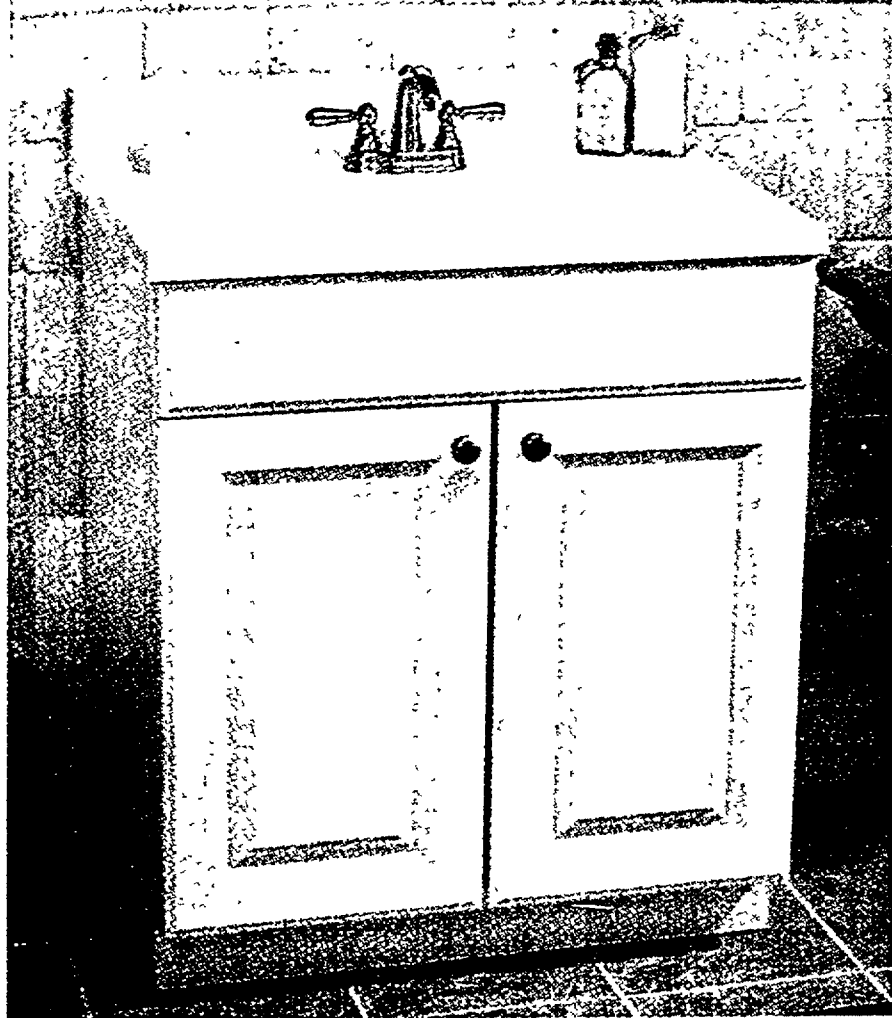
- Round front
- Two piece
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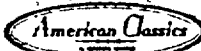
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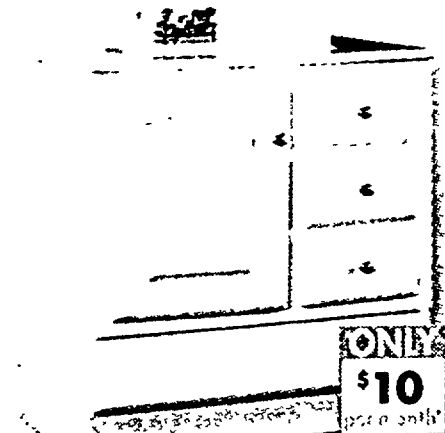
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- Fully assembled

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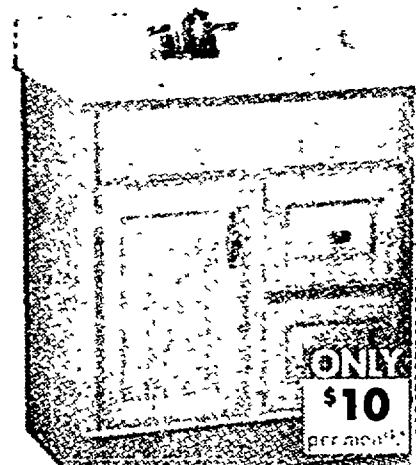


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Virginia

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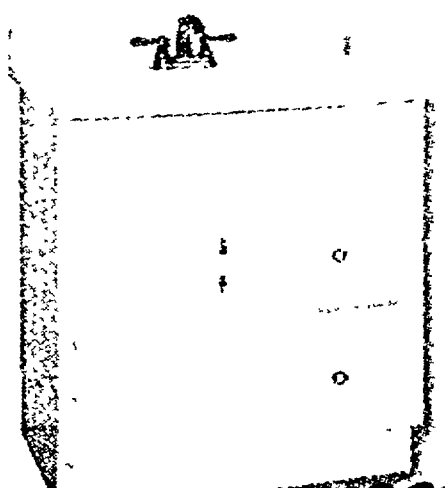


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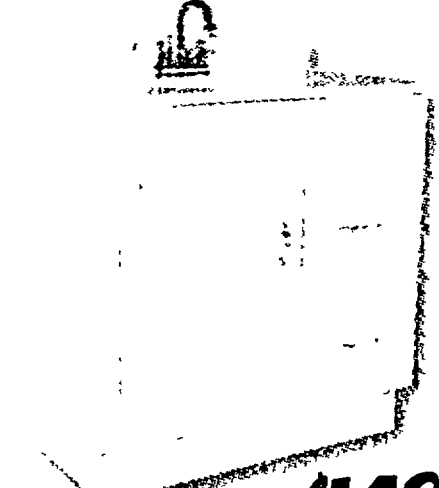


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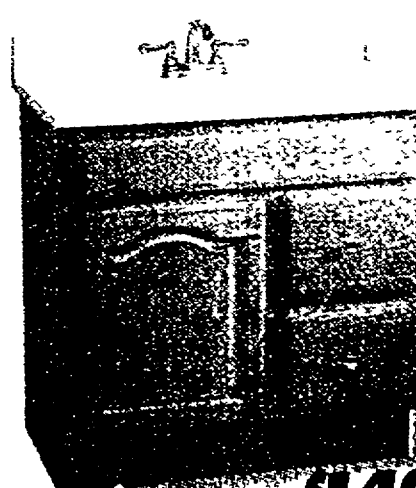


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Kingston

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- Includes door hardware
- Fully assembled

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Lancaster

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- Fully assembled

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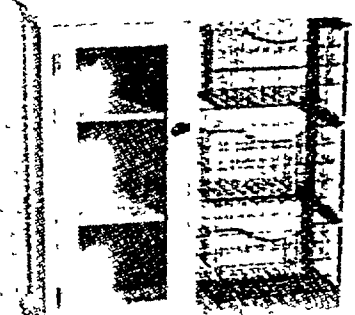
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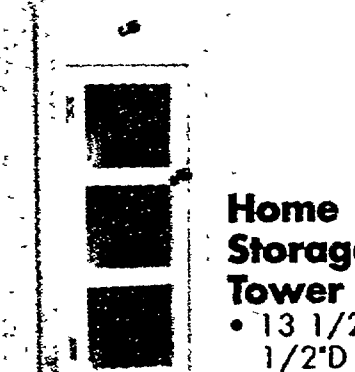
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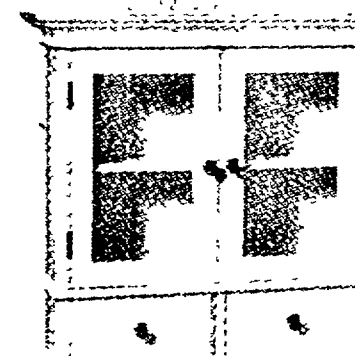
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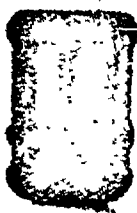
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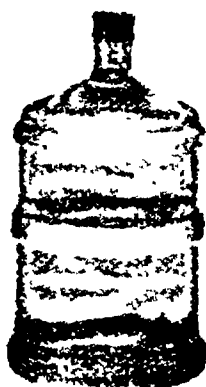


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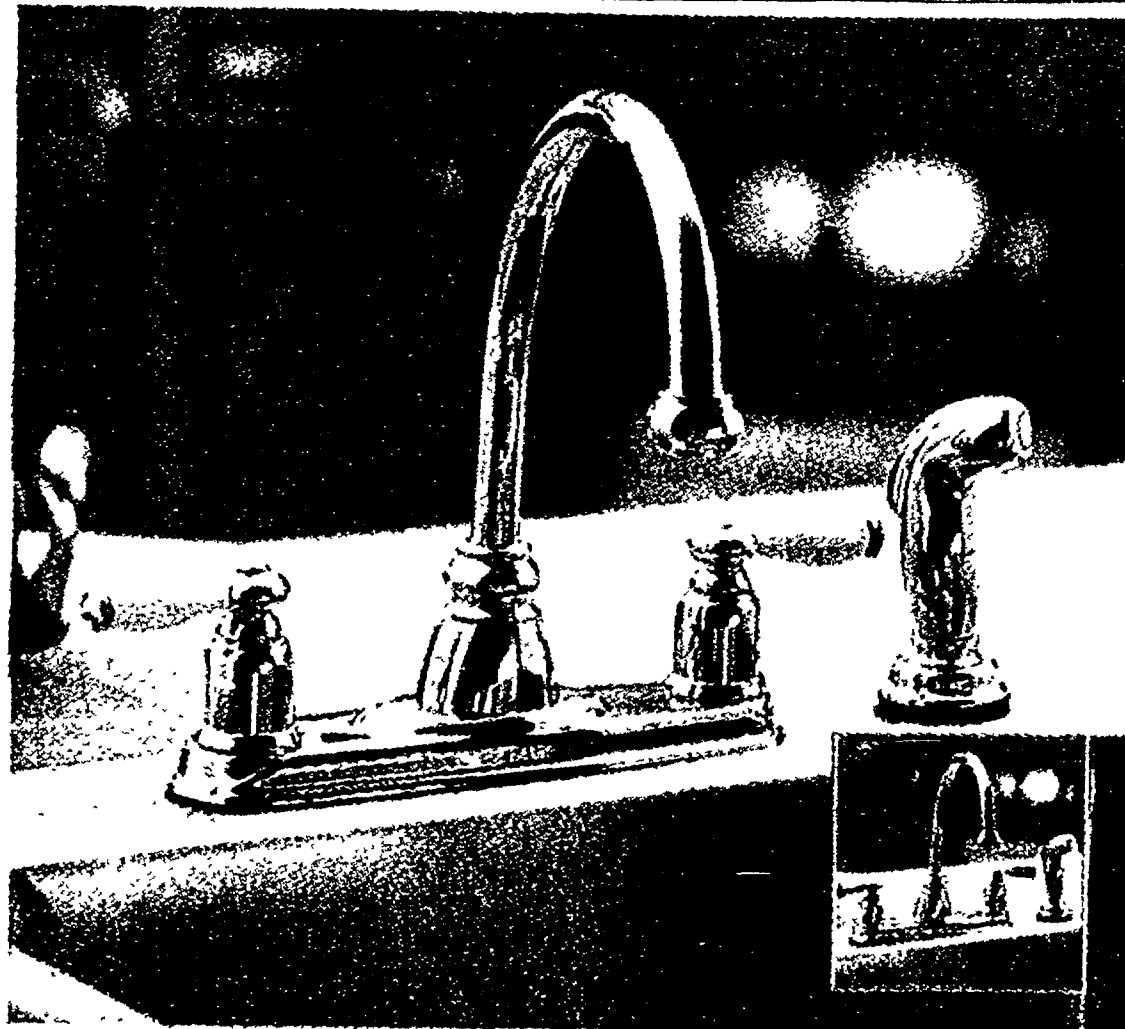


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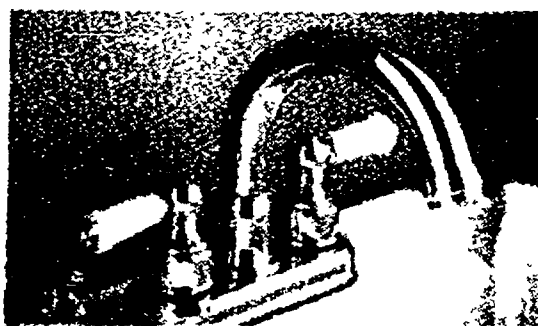
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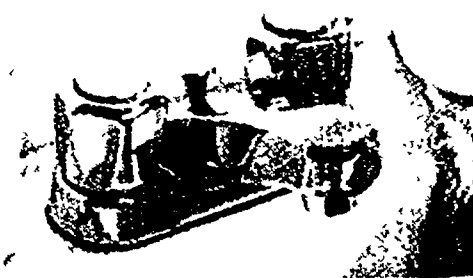


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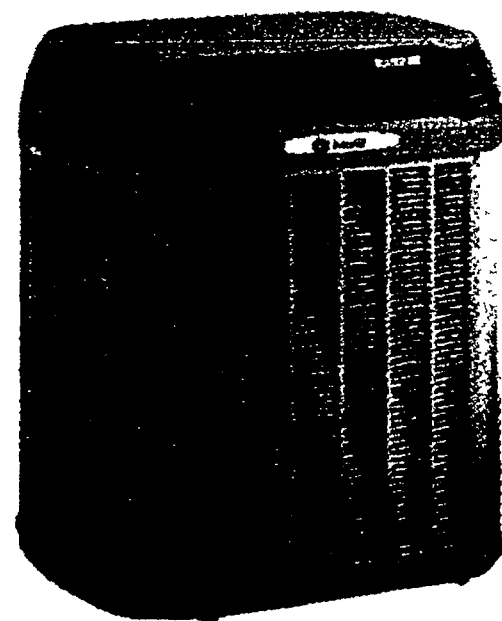
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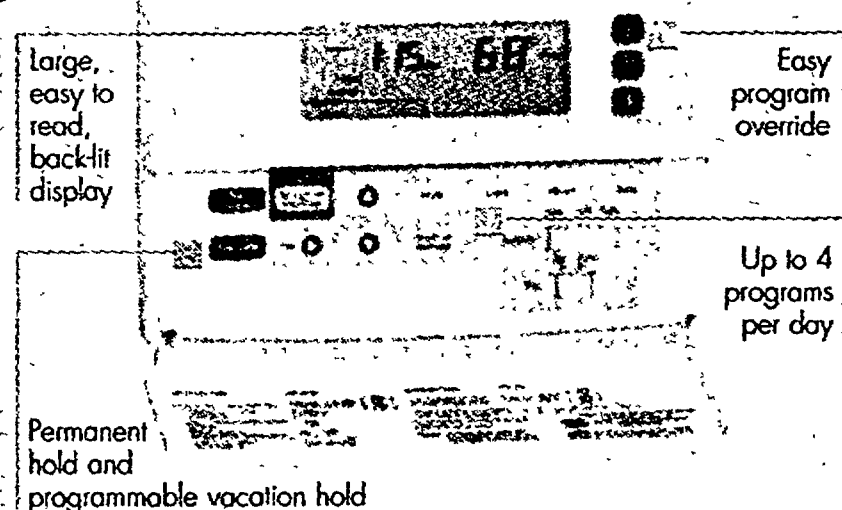
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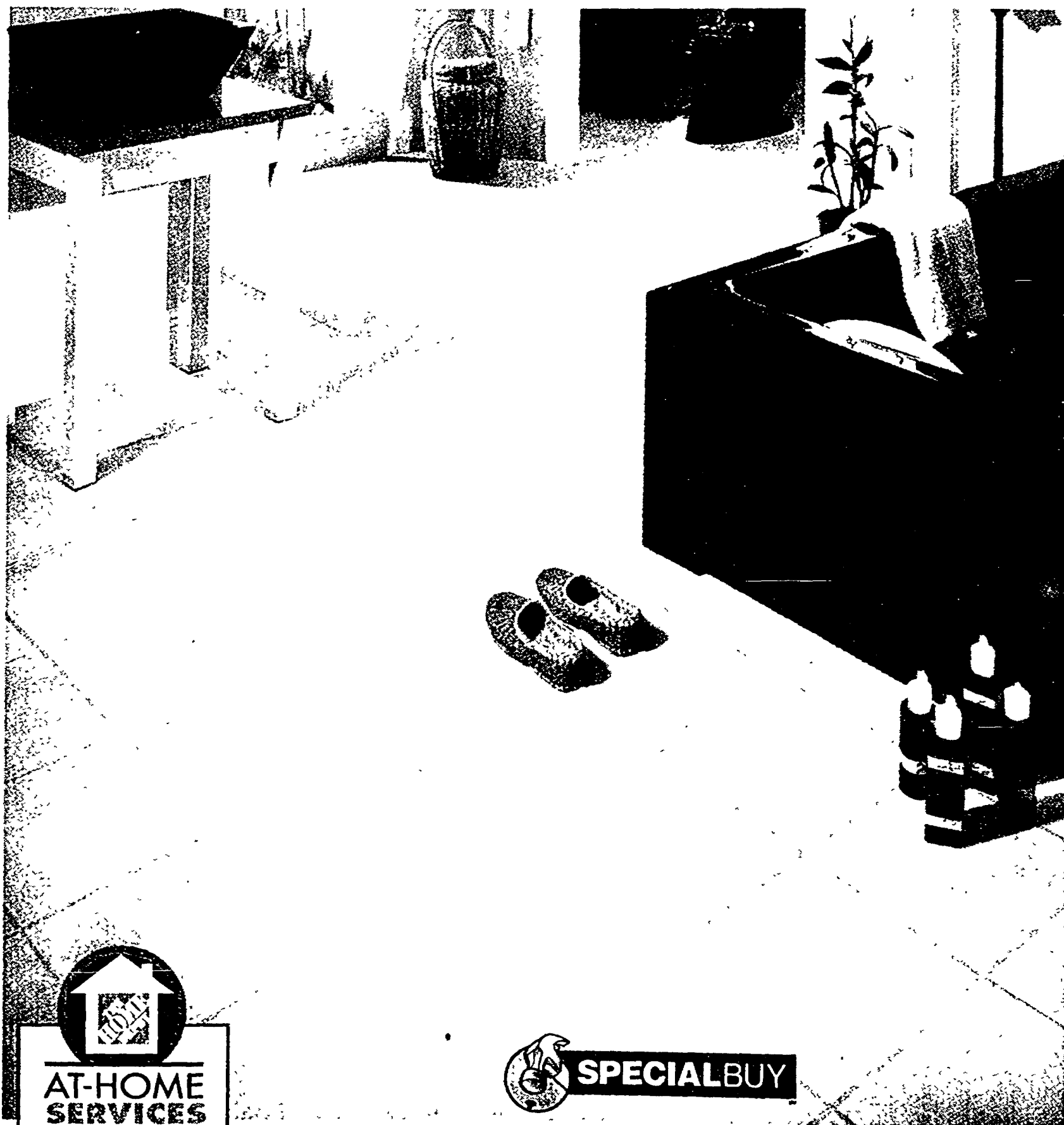
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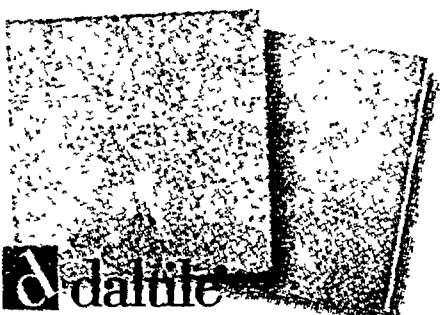
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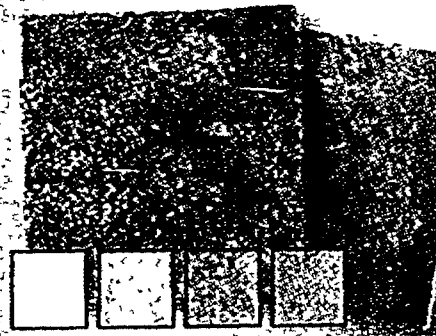


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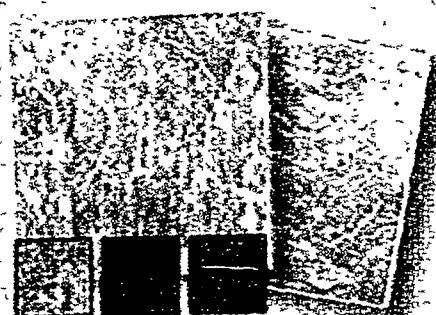
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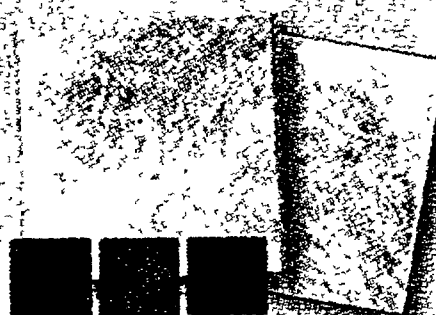
12"x12" Terra Antica Porcelain **\$365** sq. ft.
 • Porcelain tile
 • Case covers 14.53 sq. ft.
 • Available in 4 colors
 • Special order (514691)



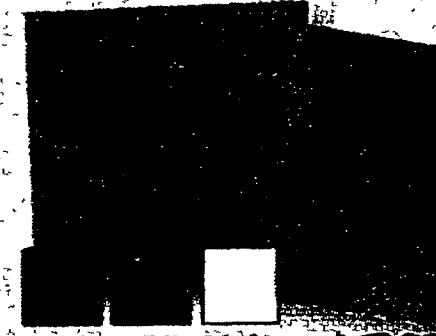
13"x13" Montesano Porcelain **\$405** sq. ft.
 • Porcelain tile
 • Case covers 14.31 sq. ft.
 • Available in 5 colors
 • Special order (514691)



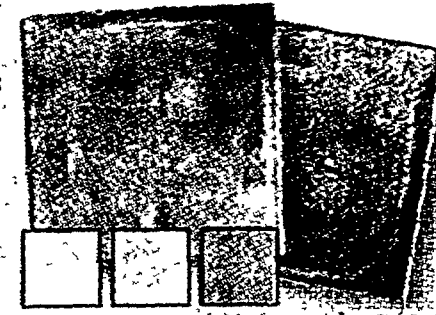
12"x12" Tajah **\$359** sq. ft.
 • Ceramic tile
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 • Available in 4 colors
 • The look of natural Indian slate
 • Special order (514691)



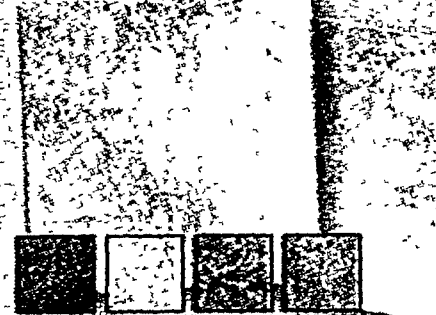
12"x12" Continental Slate Porcelain **\$388** sq. ft.
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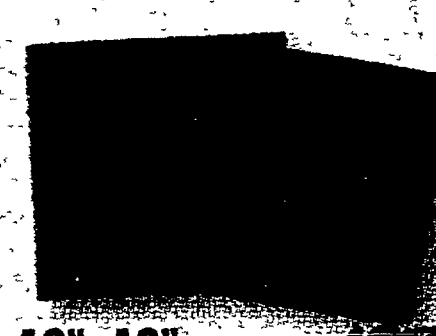
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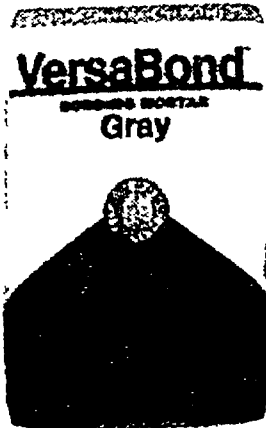
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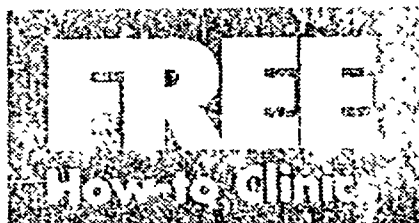
- Seals and protects tile and grout
- Repels dirt, oil and stains
- Easy cleanup
- Resists mold and mildew growth
- Water-based formula (124078)



\$13.97 50 lbs.

Multipurpose Thin Set

- Excellent adhesion to a wide range of interior surfaces
- No additives needed (399727)



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INTERIOR EXTERIOR



\$15.98
gal.

Bulls Eye 1-2-3 Latex Primer Sealer

- Water-base
- Water clean-up
- Topcoat in 1 hour (389749)



\$10.97

8-Piece Professional Tray Set

- Includes metal tray, 9" 5-wire frame, (2) 3/8" covers, 3" trim cover, 3" 4-wire frame, 2" brush and 9'x12' plastic drop (530805)



\$8.97
3 pack

9" White Dove 3/8" Nap

- For use with oil and latex enamels, flats and stains (659603)



\$6.44

2"x60 Yard Long Painter's Tape

- Premium grade tape with medium adhesion (315026)

Stuff You'll Need

- Brushes
- Ladder
- Drop cloth
- Masking tape
- Rags
- Roller/roller covers
- Bucket/bucket grid
- Paint tray/liners

Wherever You Find Inspiration

BEHR Premium Plus Lifetime Warranty



\$18.97
gal.

Premium Plus Interior Flat

- 100% acrylic latex
- Hides minor surface imperfections
- Super scrub and washability
- Lifetime guarantee
- Matte, flat finish (135992)

Behr Premium Plus Interior Paint

FINISH	SKU	one gallon	SKU	five gallon
Flat	(135992)	\$18.97	(136433)	\$84.97
Flat Enamel	(366860)	\$19.97	(367484)	\$88.97
Eggshell	(347973)	\$19.97	(348031)	\$88.97
Satin	(894485)	\$20.97	(926948)	\$93.97
Semi-Gloss	(152390)	\$21.97	(152412)	\$97.97
Hi-Gloss	(985007)	\$23.97	(225583)	\$99.97

WOOD SEALER & FINISH



\$24.97
gal.

Premium Weatherproofing Wood Finish-Natural/Clear

- Transparent protection that keeps the natural beauty of the wood
- No color added
- Protects against sun, mildew and water
- Ideal for decking, fences and siding 500 (208461)

Behr Deck Prep

ITEM	SKU	one gallon
Quik-Fix Deck Restorer	(554262)	\$11.96
Cleaner, Brightener & Conditioner	(266474)	\$10.96
Stain and Mildew Remover	(873942)	\$3.97

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\$15.98 gal.
Interior Flat White

- Ideal for living rooms, dining rooms, and bedrooms
- Hides surface imperfections
- Washable
- Excellent touch-up
- 20-year warranty (122178)



\$11.97 gal.
Ultra-Hide Interior Flat

- Formulated for spray, brush and roll
- Excellent hide and touch-up properties
- Quick drying and recoat (555333)



\$9.97 gal.
Interior Latex Flat

- America's Finest
- Pastel base
- Good coverage
- Washable
- Ideal for walls and ceilings (561551)

EVERMORE Glidden Evermore Interior Paint

FINISH	SKU	one gallon	SKU	five gallon
Flat	(122178)	\$15.98	(122021)	\$70.98
Eggshell	(101137)	\$16.98	(101485)	\$75.98
Satin	(857599)	\$17.98	(968889)	\$79.98
Semi-Gloss	(968927)	\$18.98	(969001)	\$84.98
Hi-Gloss	(625179)	\$20.98		

ULTRA-HIDE Glidden Ultra-Hide Interior Paint

FINISH	SKU	one gallon	SKU	five gallon
Flat	(555333)	\$11.97	(555486)	\$49.97
Eggshell	(555852)	\$13.97	(557535)	\$59.97
Semi-Gloss	(567989)	\$15.97	(568018)	\$69.97

AMERICA'S FINEST Glidden America's Finest Interior Paint

FINISH	SKU	one gallon	SKU	five gallon
Flat	(561551)	\$9.97	(291613)	\$43.97
Satin	(562702)	\$11.97	(302445)	\$52.97
Semi-Gloss	(563213)	\$13.97	(303890)	\$61.97



\$16.98 gal.
Exterior Flat House & Trim

- 100% latex acrylic
- Traditional flat finish
- Ideal for vinyl and aluminum siding
- Resists peeling and blistering (429009)



\$13.97 gal.
Exterior Semi-Gloss White

- 100% latex acrylic
- Uniform semi-gloss finish
- Fade and chalk resistant
- Easy application
- Quick drying and recoat (305193)

EVERMORE Glidden Evermore Exterior Paint

FINISH	SKU	one gallon	SKU	five gallon
Flat	(429009)	\$16.98	(429057)	\$75.98
Satin	(274444)	\$18.98	(274458)	\$84.98
Semi-Gloss	(105279)	\$19.98	(105347)	\$88.98

Glidden Glidden Speedcote Exterior Paint

FINISH	SKU	one gallon	SKU	five gallon
Flat	(750980)	\$11.97	(743184)	\$49.97
Semi-Gloss	(305193)	\$13.97	(304745)	\$59.97



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WINDOW TREATMENTS



Exterior/Interior Roll-Up Blinds

- Natural woven shades for the interior or exterior of your home
- Great for use on screened in porches, patios and decks
- High quality PVC is durable and moisture resistant

48"x72" (138002)	\$8.97
72"x72" (138010)	\$11.97
96"x72" (138029)	\$15.97



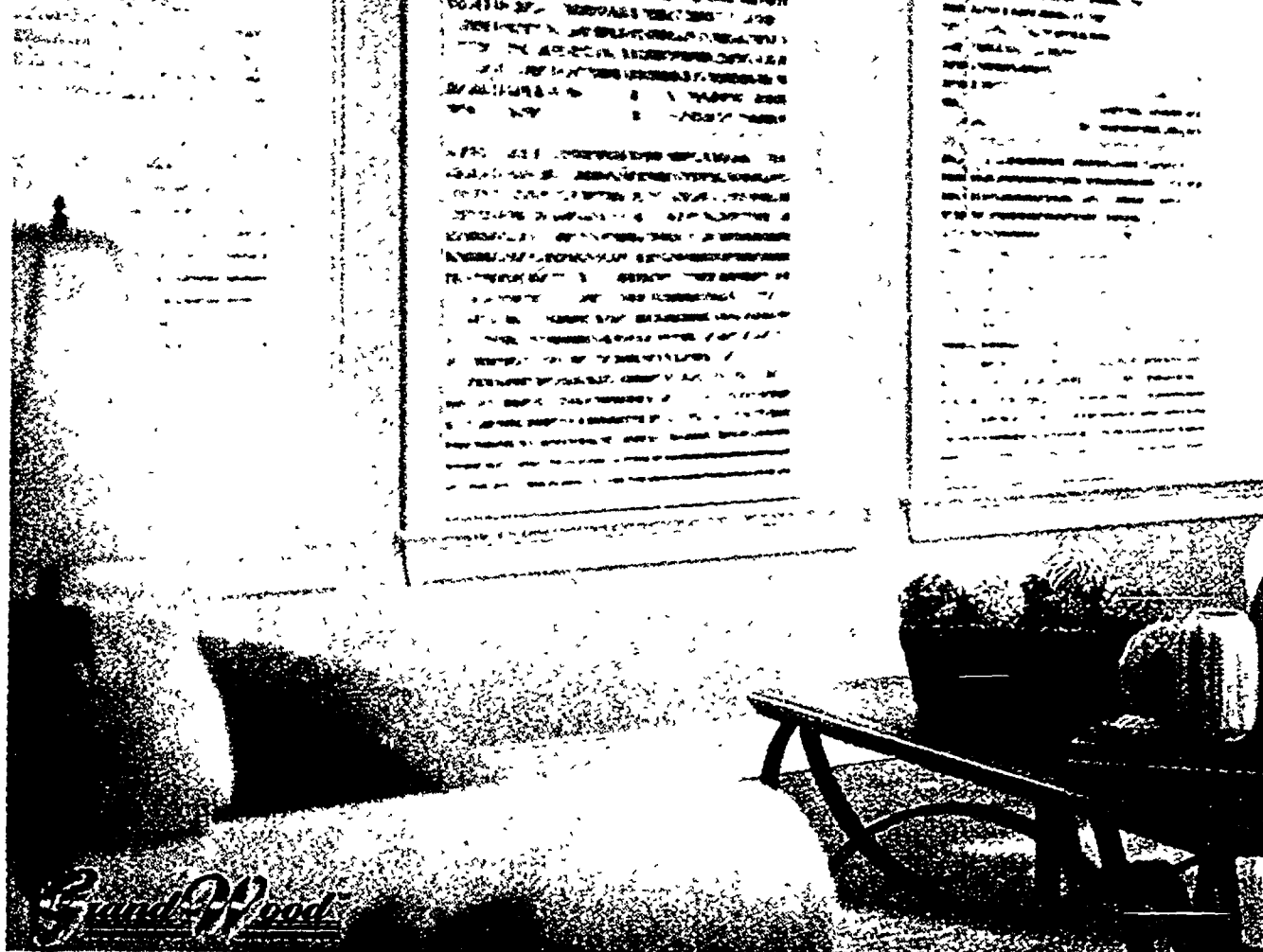
Low-E Light™ Window Film

- Easy Application!
- Protect furnishings from fading
- Available in Gray, Silver and Platinum
- Scratch-resistant

3'x15' (115049)	\$26.96
3'x15' (898186)	\$29.87

Your Window of Opportunity

The lowest price you'll find on Grand Wood™ Faux Wood Blinds

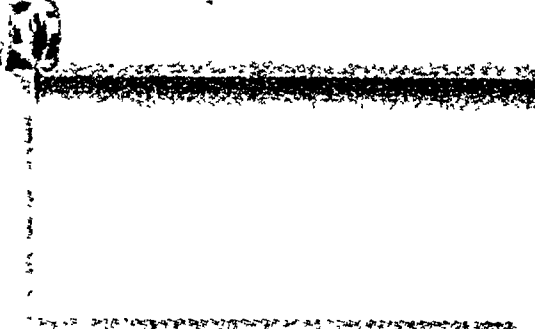


2" Fauxwood™ Blinds

- Faux Wood Blinds are a perfect solution for a high moisture window application
- Room darkening for privacy
- Matching valance included
- Select the size you need or it can be **cut to your size today™**
- 5 year limited warranty

	23"	27"	31"	35"
64" Length	\$19.47 (122555)	\$21.46 (122587)	\$25.46 (122686)	\$28.22 (122770)

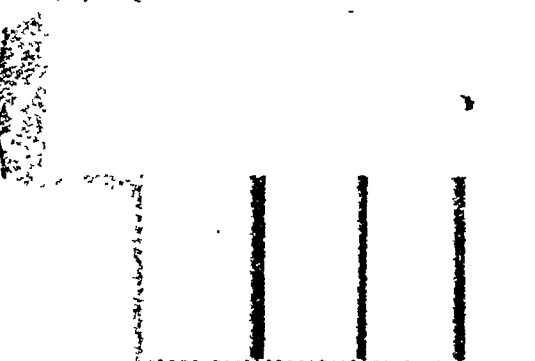
In-Stock Window Treatment



Roller Shade

- Select your privacy level-room darkening for high level of privacy and light control, or light filtering
- Select the size you need or it can be **cut to your size today™**

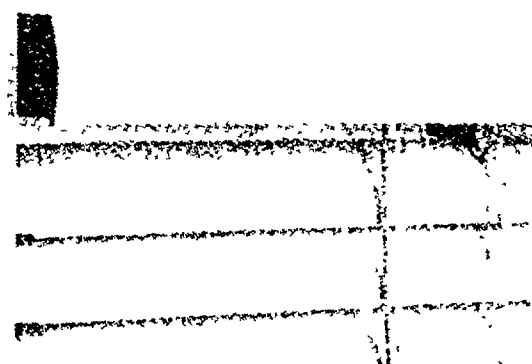
37"x60" (967696)	37"x66" (967726)	55"x66" (967742)	37"x78" (967912)
\$2.45	\$4.47	\$10.43	\$7.84



Vertical In-Stock Blind

- The perfect solution for patio doors
- Headrail is reversible for left of right stacking with control wand. No cords or chains
- Matching decorator valance included
- Select the size you need, take it home today

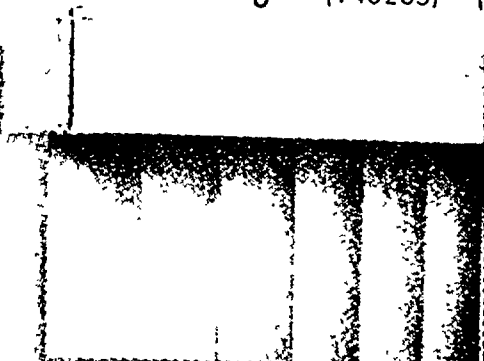
84" Length	78" (705625) Embossed	78" (280774) Smooth	104" (705642) Smooth	104" (280800) Embossed
	\$29.96	\$49.90	\$59.90	\$68.98



1" Vinylplus™ Blinds

- Light filtering for privacy and light control
- Premium steel headrail and bottom rail
- Integrated valance
- Select the size you need, or it can be **cut to your size today™**

	23"	27"	35"	51"
72" Length	\$10.96 (143285)	\$11.96 (725992)	\$15.96 (731537)	\$24.95 (143317)



Vertical Blinds

- A perfect solution for patio doors or any window application
- Room darkening for privacy control
- Select the size you need, or it can be **cut to your size today™**

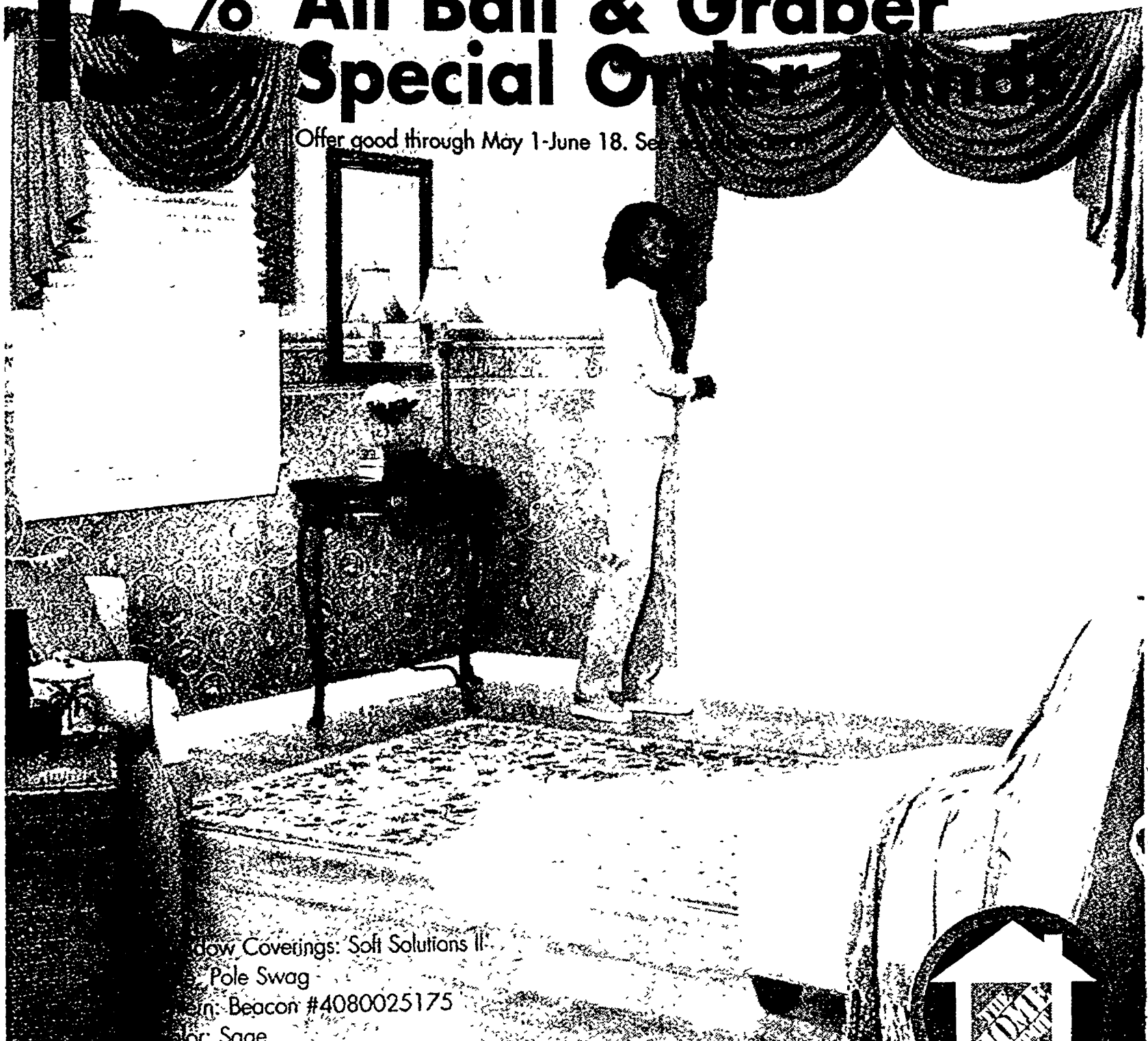
3 1/2"x78 (564401)	3 1/2"x84" (564467)	3 1/2"x84" (564499)
\$19.97 Replacement Headrail	\$9.97 Louvers 9 pack white	\$9.97 Louvers 9 pack alabaster

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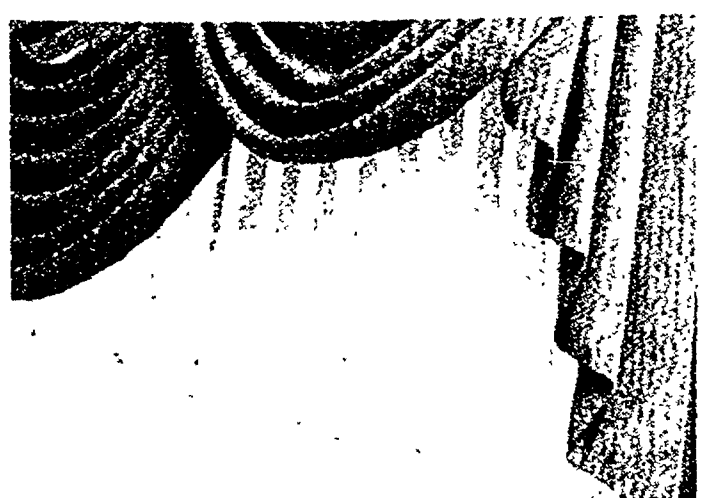
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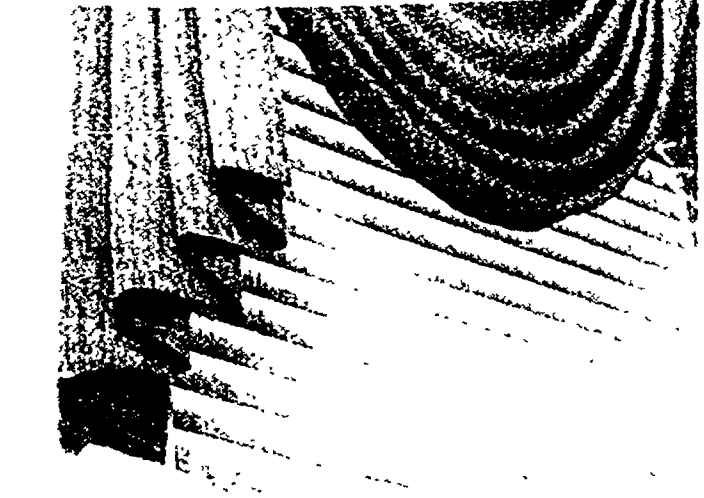
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Window Coverings: Soft Solutions II
Pole Swag
Beacon #4080025175
Color: Sage



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• Fashionable berber style fabric
• Free hanging vanes
• Complements any decor
• Color: Cream
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Hampton Bay® Americas #1 Ceiling Fan & Lighting Brand

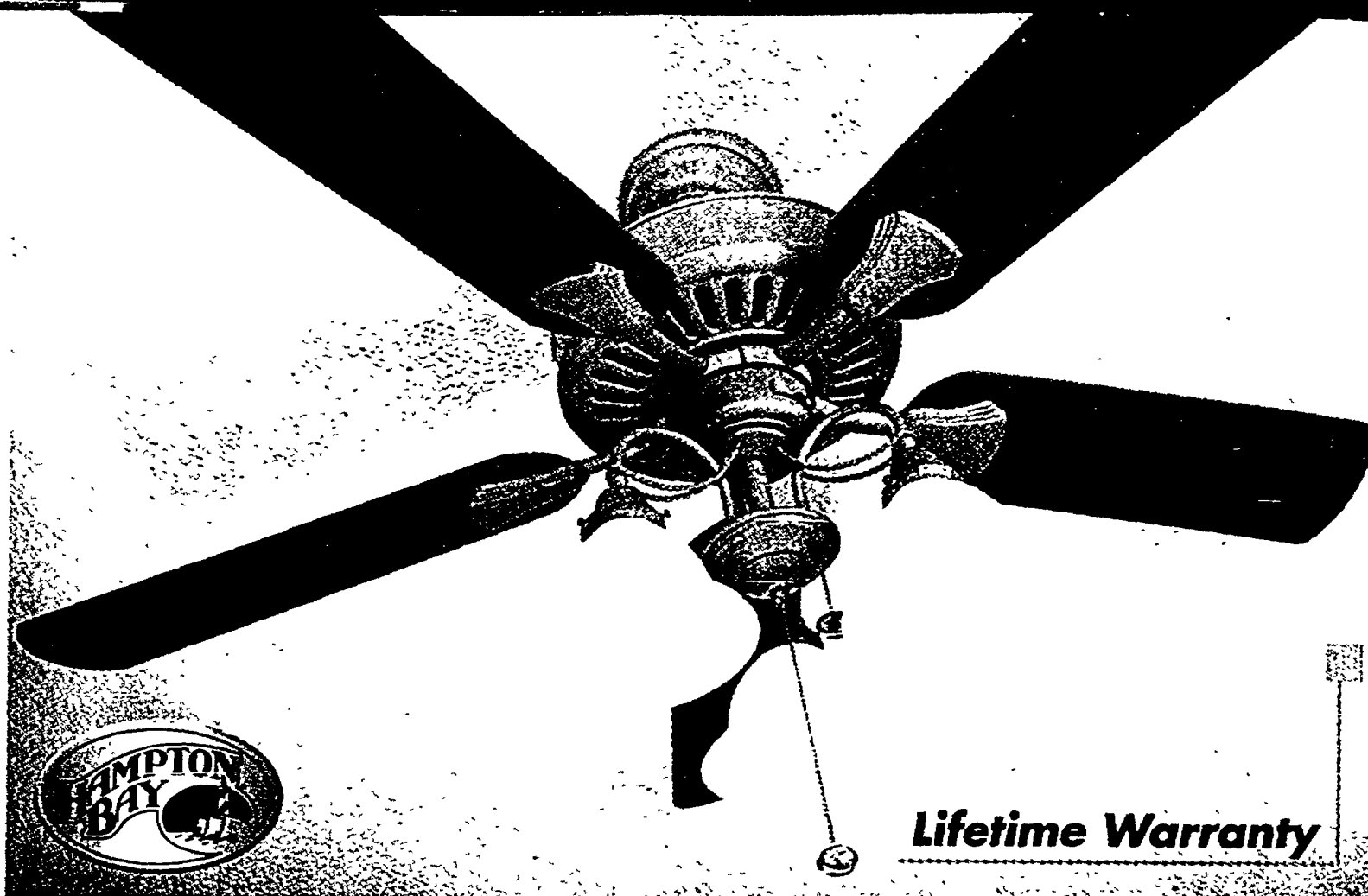
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We have a whole new and unique assortment of fans with the latest looks by top brands Hampton Bay® and Hunter®. Rich, textural accents in rattan, tiffany art glass and leather dress up decorative fans. The wide variety of styles on display, from contemporary to traditional, means you'll find a fan that fits any decor. As always, you'll also find outstanding value. Visit your local Home Depot store and ask about our newest selection.



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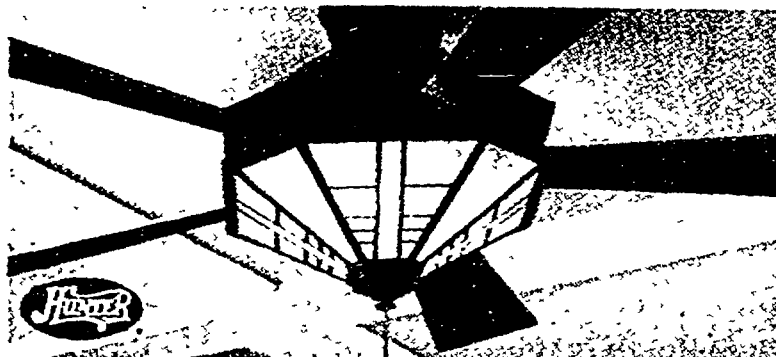


52" Cameron II Plus™

- Multi-step hand applied, trendsetting rustic stone finish
- Quiet and wobble-free
- 5 reversible rosewood/pine blades
- 3-light alabaster glass light kit with twisted rope accents
- AccuArm for accurate, easy installation
- Coordinates with Hampton Bay® lighting fixtures 544071 (544071)

Lifetime Warranty

\$999⁹⁷



54" Mission™

- Bronze finish
- Mission inspired, detailed die cast design
- 5 reversible walnut/cherry blades
- Tiffany art glass light kit
- Whisper quiet performance
- Exclusively at The Home Depot 21978 (186906)

\$189

**Lifetime
Warranty**



52" Stratford II™

- Brushed nickel finish
- WobbleFree™ mounting system
- 5 reversible EasyLock™ maple/cherry blades for easy installation
- Swirled "milk glass" bowl light kit 20531 (728901)

\$129

**Lifetime
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White or Polished Brass

(373912) (373916)

\$99.97

44" White (373487)

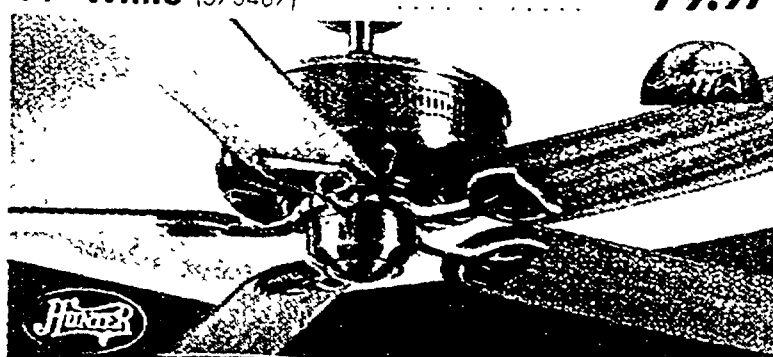
\$79.97



52" Mariner™ Indoor/Outdoor \$999⁹⁷

- White finish with all aluminum and stainless steel construction
- WobbleFree™ mounting system
- 5 white all weather blades
- UL® listed for indoor or outdoor use (462193)

**Lifetime
Warranty**



52" Passport III™

- Choose from antique brass or white
- WobbleFree™ mounting system
- 5 reversible rosewood/medium oak blades
- Light kit adaptable 25530 (833908) (833916)

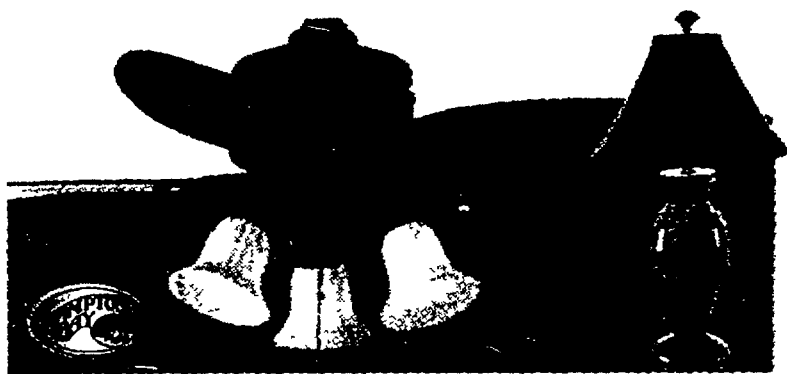
\$899⁹⁷

**Lifetime
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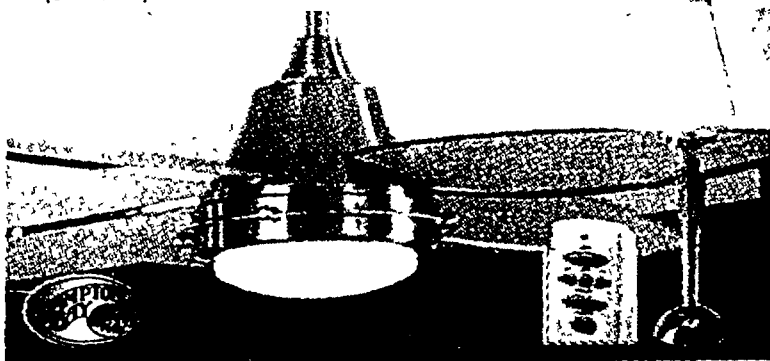


52" Marquesas™ & 26" Coordinating Table Lamp

- Fan and lamp have natural iron finish with rattan and faux leather accents
- Quiet and wobble-free
- 5 tapered oval rosewood blades
- 3-light amber scavo glass light kit (592393)

\$169

Lifetime Warranty

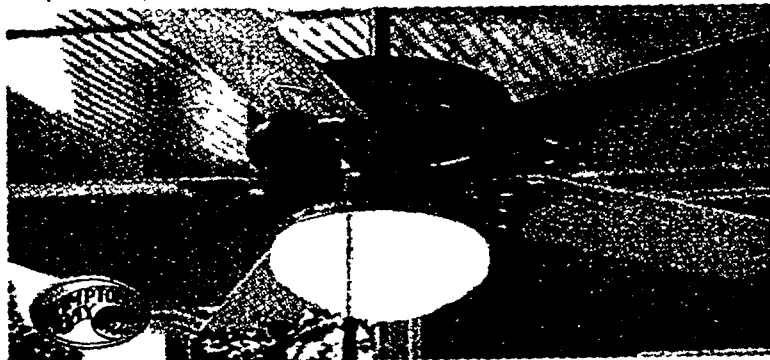


52" Romano™ with Remote & 26" Coordinating Table Lamp

- Fan and lamp have a brushed nickel finish
- 4 white oak blades with steel edges
- Opal glass light kit
- Includes (3) 40-watt candelabra bulbs
- Includes 7-way remote control (589382)

\$149

Lifetime Warranty



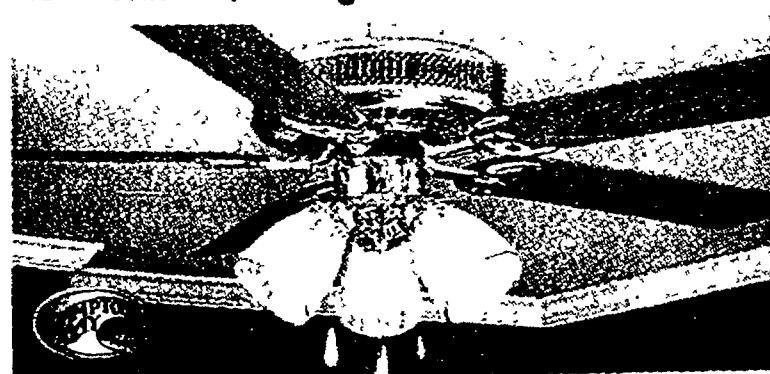
52" Gazebo Plus™ Indoor/Outdoor

- Special galvanized copper patina finish
- Quiet and wobble-free
- 5 oak woodgrain weather resistant blades
- Stepped dome light kit
- UL® listed for indoor or outdoor use (527184)

\$99.96

Lifetime Warranty

White (473131) **\$89.97**
42" White w/out Light Kit (284411) **\$59.90**



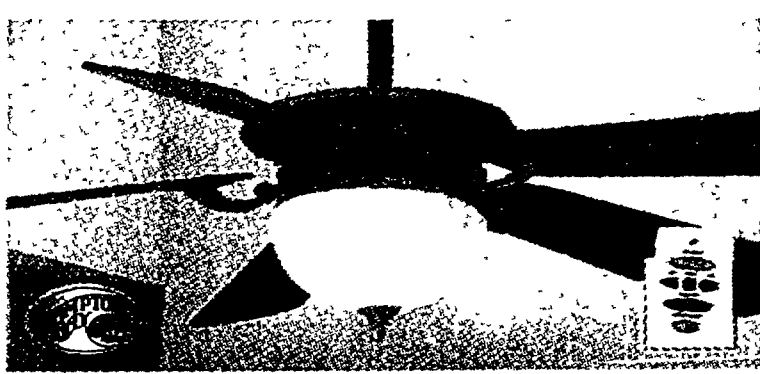
52" Landmark III™

- Choose from polished brass, white or antique brass
- 5 reversible medium oak/rosewood blades
- 3-light ribbed glass light kit (525930) (525963) (525918)

\$399.97

15 Year Warranty

42" White (547578) **\$29.97**

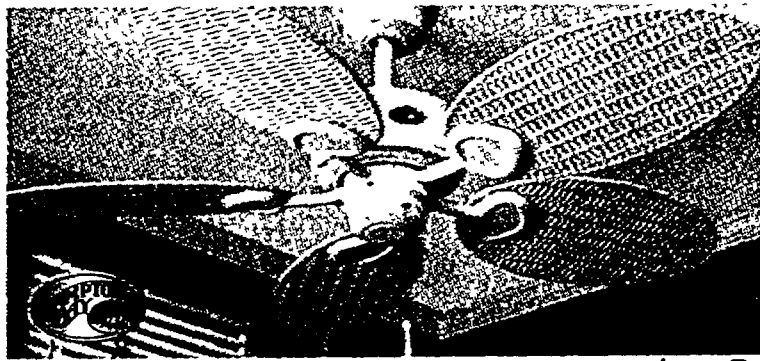


52" Romanesque™ with Remote

- Trendsetting ancient stone finish
- 5 natural walnut finish blades
- French scavo glass light kit with integrated up and down lighting
- Includes candelabra bulbs
- Includes 7-way remote control (233798)

\$149

Lifetime Warranty

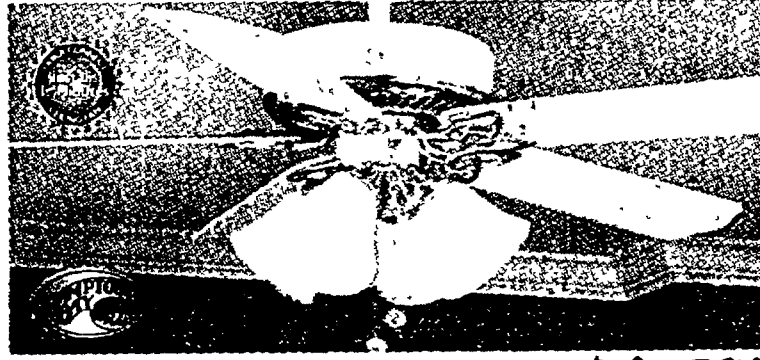


48" Palm Beach™ Indoor/Outdoor

- Textured white finish
- Quiet and wobble-free
- 5 rattan style/wood grain reversible blades
- UL® listed for indoor or outdoor use (460470)

\$119

Lifetime Warranty



52" Huntington III™

- Choose from white with polished brass, black, white, polished or antique brass
- Quiet and wobble-free
- 5 reversible white/bleached oak blades
- 4-light alabaster glass light kit (522904) (547677) (522861) (522680) (522306)

\$64.96

Lifetime Warranty

Copper Patina or Brushed Nickel (547644) (547632) **\$74.96**



42" Littleton™

- White finish
- 4 reversible white/bleached oak blades
- School-house globe light fixture
- Flushmount design for low ceilings (270614)

\$16.88

15 Year Warranty

ACCESSORIES



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Thermostatic Remote Control

- Includes 3-speed fan control with light dimming
- Programmable temperature sensor with 24 hour fan and light timer helps save energy
- "Auto-mode" turns fan on/off and adjusts fan speeds based on room temperature
- Works with most Hampton Bay® and Hunter® fans (838956)

Portable Remote Control

(191691) **\$24.98**



Super Fan Brace

- Fits over light-weight hanger bar
- Expands to fit 16" or 24" joist 22200 (759163)

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Fan Saf-T-Bar with Saf-T-Cap

1525 (398995) **\$7.98**



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Magic Touch Electrostatic Duster

- Electrostatic fibers attract dust like a magnet
- Fully extends to 82"
- Bendable head for dusting hard-to-reach places 27078 (321912)

Extendable Blade Duster

27076 (692735) **\$9.98**



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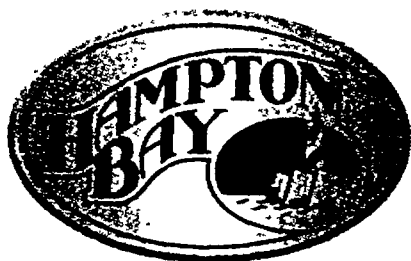
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Duramax™ 2-Pack Fan Bulbs

- Clear or white (239611) (239612)

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DECORATIVE INTERIOR



Introducing Flair Lighting Collection by Hampton Bay®

A Shade Above the Rest

Our newest, luminous gathering of fixtures brings striking style at an outstanding value to every room in your home, from bath to entry to dining room. And you won't find this exclusive designer collection anywhere else.

The high-quality craftsmanship is evident in each piece. A clean brushed nickel finish blended with flair glass shades form a transitional "less is better" design. The etched opal glass shades cast a welcoming glow of light.

For a breakfast area or bar, try the mini pendant or 4-light chandelier. The 6-light chandelier fills a larger space in perfect beauty. Use a pair of sconces or a bath bar to transform a darker room into an inviting room. For the amazing value, quality and style, you won't find a better deal.

We dare you to compare.



*Interchangeable
Decorative Rings*



Flair 6-Light Chandelier

- Brushed nickel finish
- 6 etched marble glass shades with interchangeable blue and frosted white decorative rings
- 27-1/2"W x 23"H
- Uses (6) 100-watt medium bulbs** (462426)

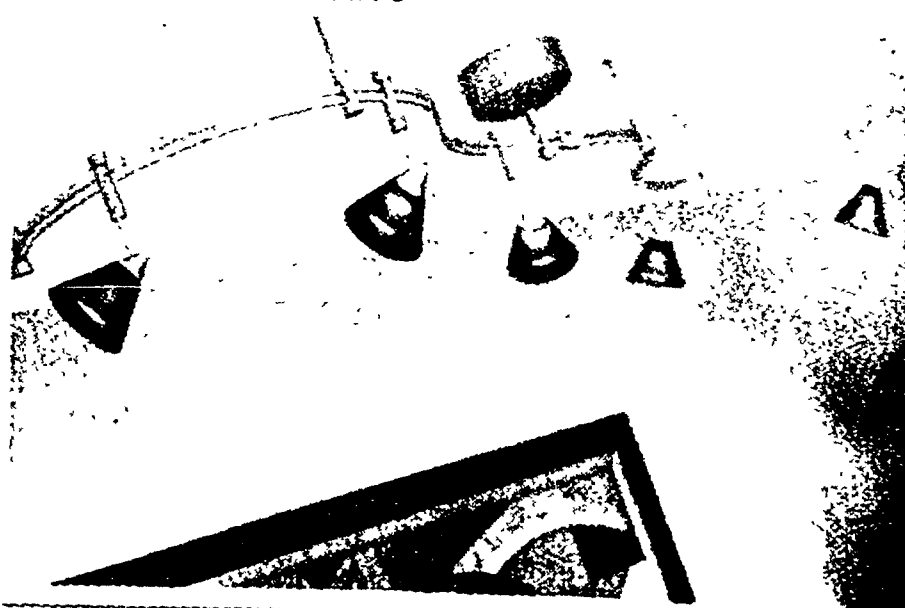
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4-Light Chandelier

18-1/2"W x 20"H (462465)

\$98.82

TRACK LIGHT KITS



\$169

Komet 5-Light Flexible Track Kit

- Platinum metallic finish
- Includes 5 fully directional track heads with 5 frosted white and 5 blue glass shades, 10' of bendable track, 120-watt transformer, MR16 shielded bulbs, mounting hardware and instructions (447909)

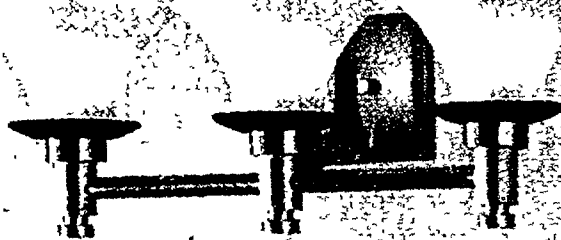
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3-Light Bath Bar

24-3/8"W x 8-1/4"H
(394551)

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1-Light Mini Pendant

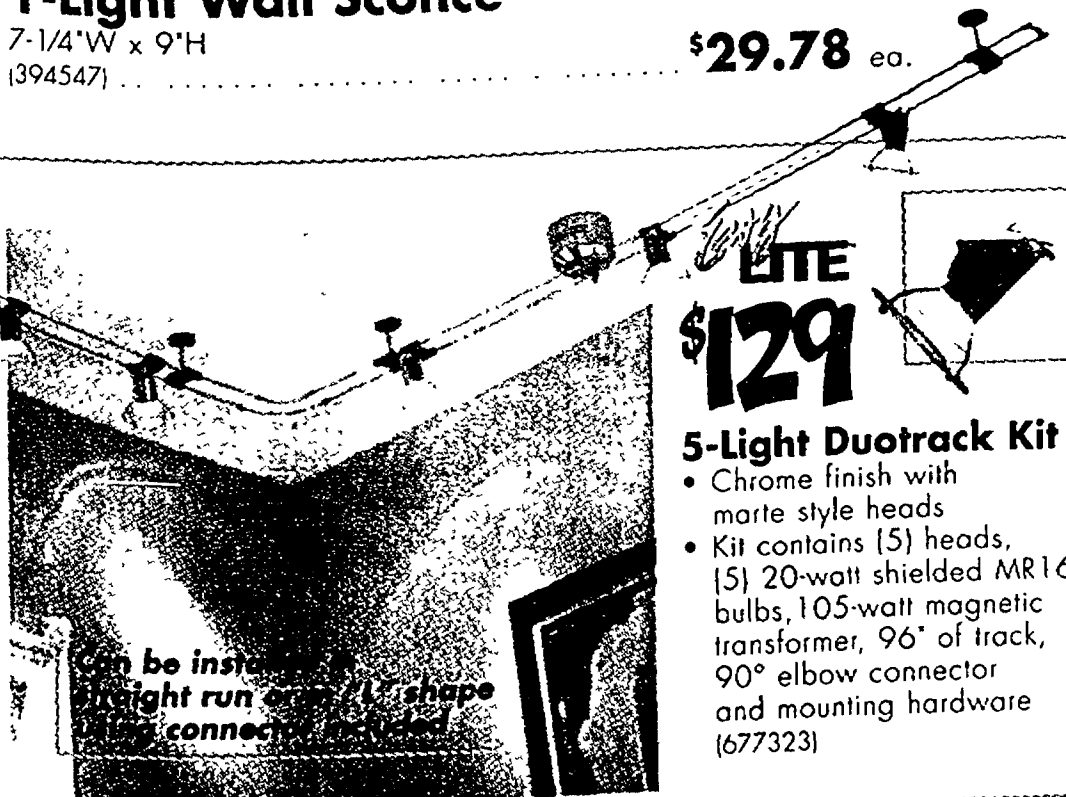
7-1/4"W x 8-3/4"H
(462537)

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1-Light Wall Sconce

7-1/4"W x 9"H
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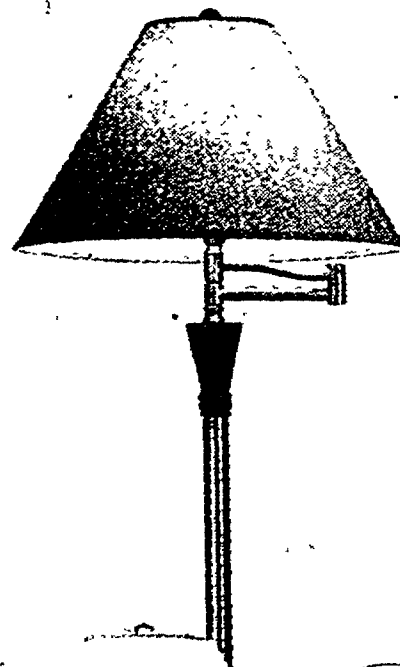


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5-Light Duotrack Kit

- Chrome finish with marte style heads
- Kit contains (5) heads, (5) 20-watt shielded MR16 bulbs, 105-watt magnetic transformer, 96" of track, 90° elbow connector and mounting hardware (677323)

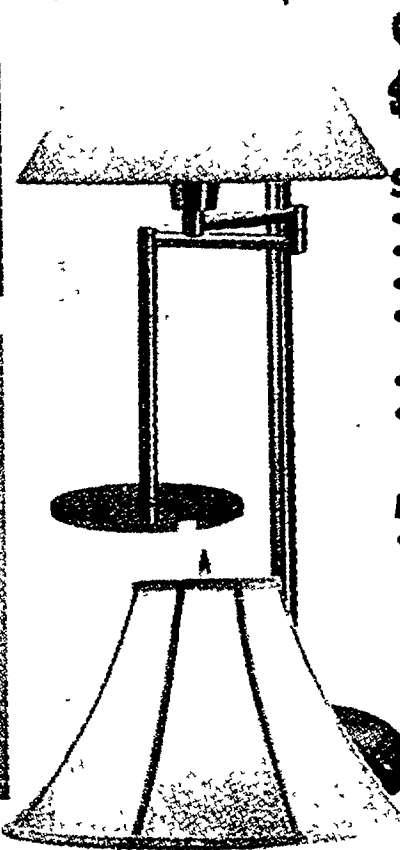
HAMPTON BAY FLOOR & TABLE LAMPS



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Swing Arm Floor Lamp

- Brushed nickel finish with cherry wood accent
- Parchment hardback shade
- 57"H
- 3-way lighting
- Uses (1) 150-watt base bulb** (119439)



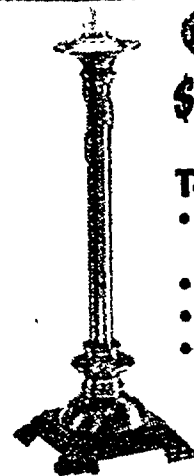
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Swing Arm Floor Lamp

- Brushed steel finish
- White linen shade
- 56"H
- All metal construction with low profile cast base
- Heavy duty swing arm extends 22"
- Uses (1) 3-way 100-watt bulb** (125784)

Matching Table Lamp

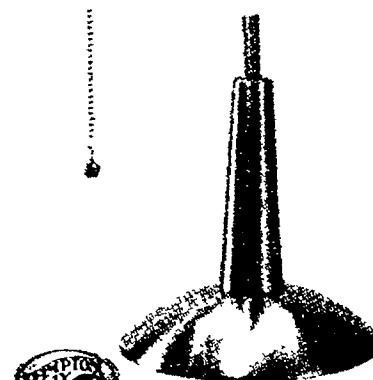
- 22-1/2"H (126738)..... **\$34.77**



\$47.87

Table Lamp

- Brushed nickel finish
- 31-1/4"H
- 3-way lighting
- Uses (1) 150-watt base bulb** (709849)



\$34.90

Bankers Desk Lamp

- Brushed steel finish
- White oval glass shade
- Metal construction with up/down adjustable arm
- On/off pull switch
- Uses (1) 60-watt max bulb** (215517)



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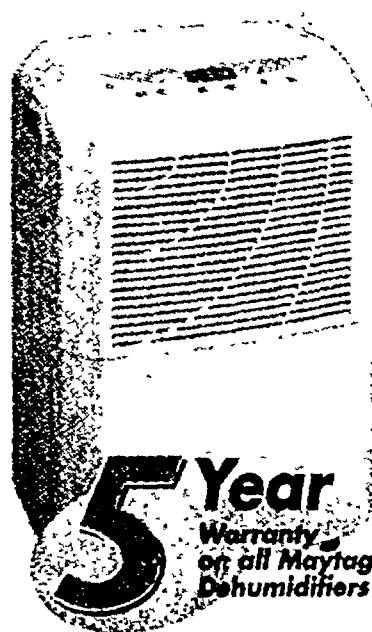
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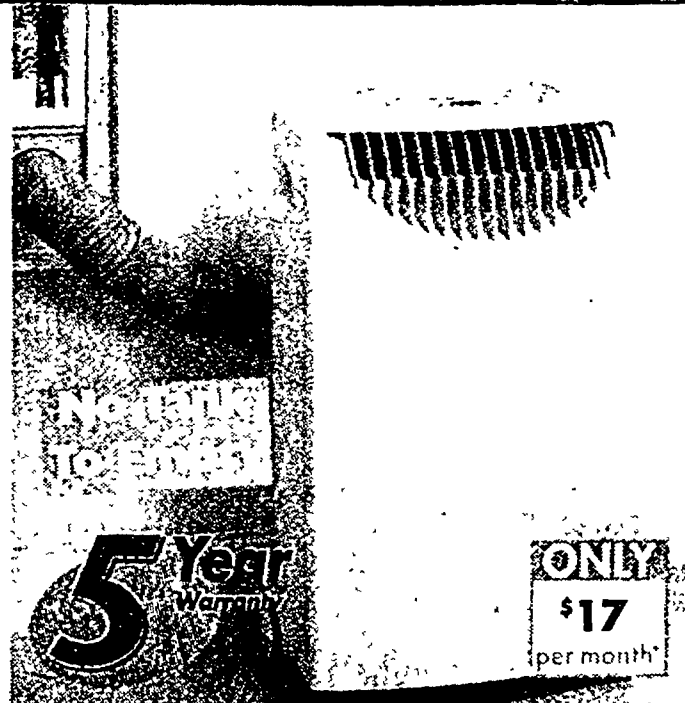
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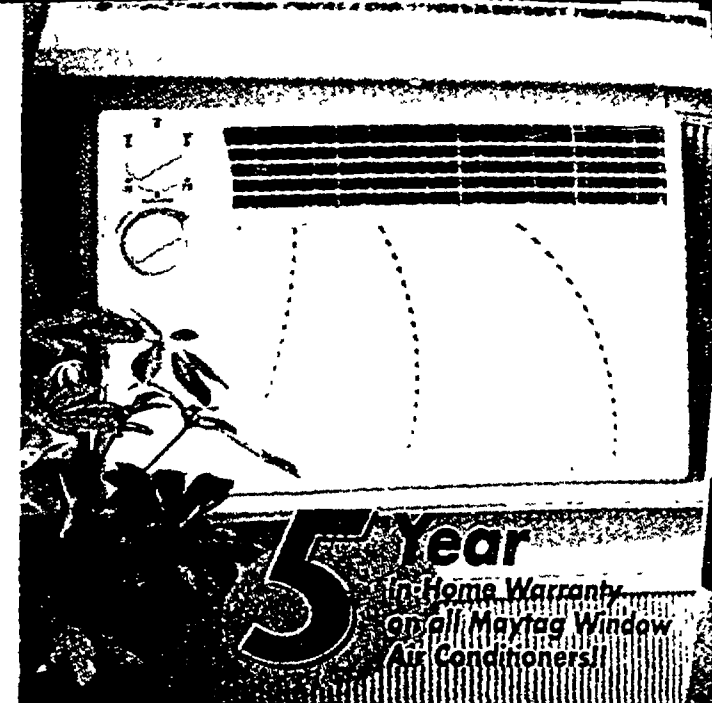
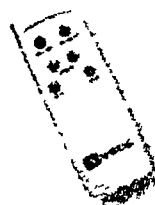
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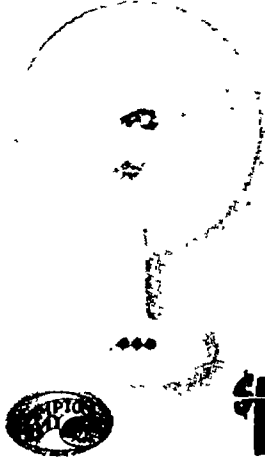
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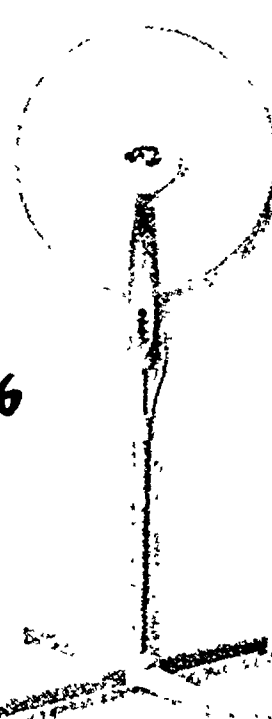
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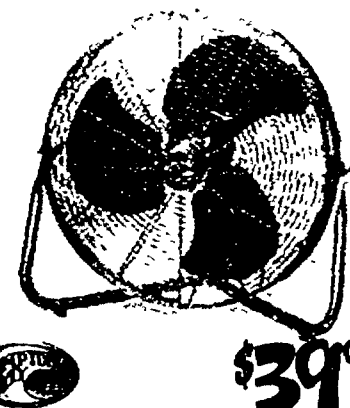
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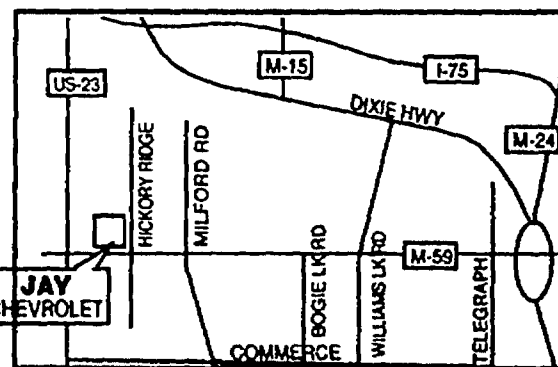
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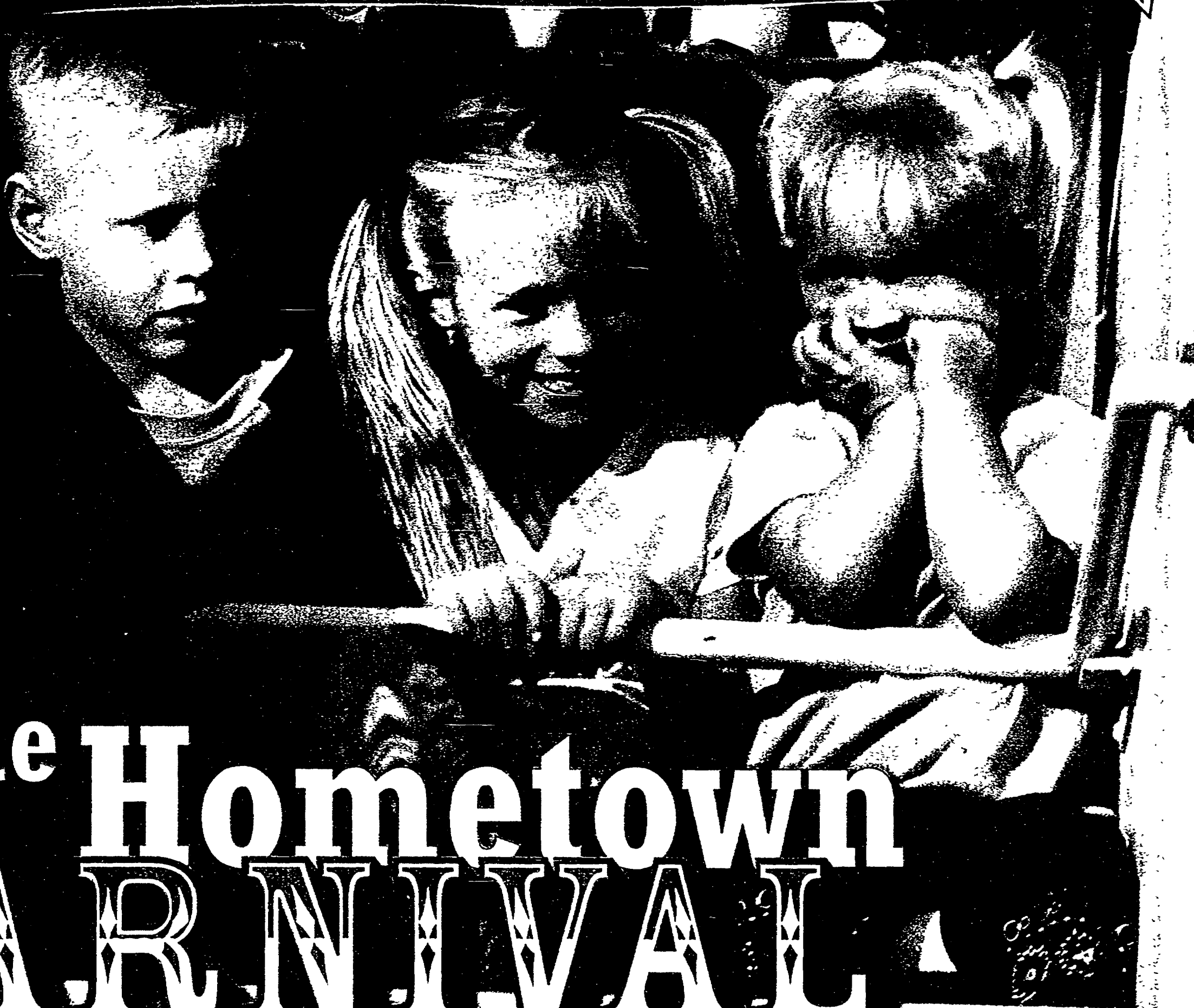




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Ask American Profile

Q I would like some information on Clint Black. Does he write his own songs? How did he get started?
—Virginia B., Illinois

The youngest of four boys, Clint Black was born 40 years ago in New Jersey, where his steel-worker father had taken a six-month contract job. When he was 2 months old, his family settled back into their regular life in Houston. When he was 13, Clint grabbed his older brother's harmonica and taught himself how to play. Next he tried the guitar. While still in his teens, Black started making a living in music, playing bass and singing harmony in his older brother's band. This was clearly not a hobby but a career for the talented youngster, and before long he was playing clubs on his own, writing and performing his own songs. It didn't take long for someone with Nashville connections to discover him, and he became a huge success with his first record. He's won numerous awards for his songwriting, as well as his singing. In 1991 he married actress Lisa Hartman, and the two of them had a hit song with the duet, *When I Said I Do* in 2000. Their daughter, Lily Pearl, is almost 2. Black, who has produced his own albums in the past, recently signed on to produce the debut album by the winner of television's *Nashville Star* competition.



Clint Black started playing harmonica, then guitar.

working as a bouncer and touring with artists such as Willie Nelson, the Rolling Stones, and Elvis Presley. After a stint of teaching at the University of Hawaii, he reapplied to vet school and got in, graduating in 1983, and finally setting out on the career he always wanted. He practices at Alameda East in Denver, often working into the night. "Some people might see the next patient as a number, but I see them as a member of somebody's family. If an owner thinks it's important enough to call me, then I think it's important enough to see them," Fitzgerald says. Outside of work, the doctor has a thriving sideline as a stand-up comedian, and is currently working on his own CD. ☆

Q I just adore Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald from *Emergency Vets on Animal Planet*. What can you tell me about him?

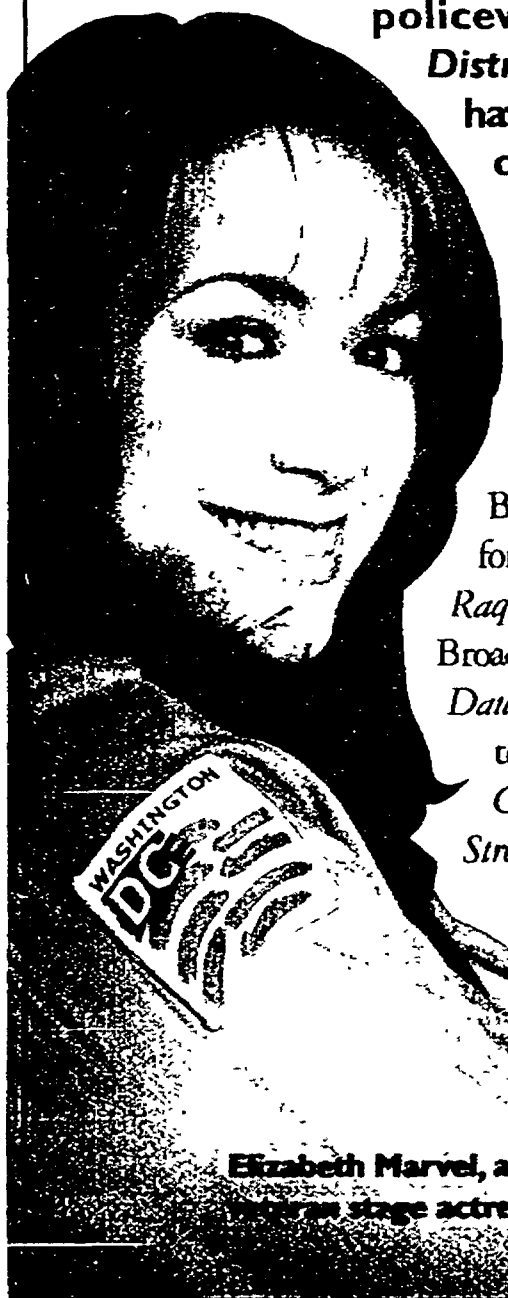
—Vickie B., Texas

First of all, we can tell you that he had quite an interesting life before he became a veterinarian. Though he applied to enter vet school after graduating from the University of Colorado, he didn't get in. "They said, 'show us you're serious. Do something in the field and apply again.'" So he went back to school, earned his master's degree and a Ph.D., and spent his summers

Q Elizabeth Marvel, the red-haired policewoman who co-stars on *The District*, seems so familiar. Do you have any background information on her?

—Jean R., Florida

Elizabeth Marvel has done more theater than television or movies. In fact, *The District* is her first series. The Juilliard-trained actress began acting off-Broadway and won three Obie Awards for her stage work in *Misalliance*, *Therese Raquin*, and *A Streetcar Named Desire*. Her Broadway performances include *An American Daughter*. She has done a few guest stints on television shows such as *Law & Order: Criminal Intent*, and *Homicide: Life on the Street*. Marvel also co-starred in the 2001 film *Ten Hundred Kings*. She was born in Los Angeles and raised in Pennsylvania. Marvel attended high school at the Interlochen Art Institute in northern Michigan, then moved to New York, where she currently lives.



Elizabeth Marvel, a theater stage actress.

Emergency veterinarian Dr. Fitzgerald mends a broken leg.



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Joining Old and Young

It was sadness that helped 14-year-old Alexis Kusy form a musical group that brings joy to lives of both young and old.

Alexis always thought of her grandmother as the keeper of the family's traditions. She was the one who was most excited about family "bake days" before Christmas. She was the one who really loved singing carols. But when Alexis was in seventh grade, her grandmother was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, and her enjoyment of family traditions began to wane. She lost interest in cooking; she threw away the recipe for Alexis's favorite Christmas cookies. A year later, unable to talk intelligibly or take care of herself, she entered a nursing home.



Pianist Alexis Kusy and Kendra Mara sing with Christian Health Care Center residents.

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Alexis visited her, of course, from her home in Franklin Lakes, N.J., (pop. 10,422), but she'd come back sad and disappointed that she and her grandmother could no longer communicate. One day, out of frustration, she sat down and played the nursing home's piano to help pass the time. Much to her surprise, Alexis says, her grandmother came alive. Laughing and dancing around the piano, she was even able to sing along with the Broadway tunes and Christmas carols Alexis played for her.

"Her favorite was *Dancing Around the Christmas Tree*," recalls Kusy, now 17 and a senior at the Academy of the Holy Angels in Demarest, N.J.

Alexis has been enrolled in the Yamaha Music Center since she was 3 years old, and music is one of the most important things in her life—so she was thrilled it gave her a way to communicate with her grandmother. When other Alzheimer patients at the nursing home began to gather around the piano, her delight grew greater.

"They loved it when I played *Jingle Bells*," she says. "They jiggled their walkers and shook their keys."

And then they began to sing along with whatever she played.

Alexis had discovered what psychological studies have shown—that music can reach people who have cognitive disabilities. Stroke patients who are unable to speak, for example, can sometimes sing the lyrics to familiar songs.

She was so happy her music had allowed her to connect with her grandmother and the other patients that she decided she would ask students at her school to join her for a Christmas performance at the nursing home. She called the impromptu chorus JOY—an acronym for Joining Old and Young.

Since JOY's initial appearance in 1999, the group has performed for more than 1,000 residents in 18 nursing homes, and they also make house calls, taking their music to people who are too ill to leave home.

When patients' families told Alexis they wanted to give donations to JOY to thank them for all they were doing for their loved ones, she determined the money should go to a charity that could put it to good use. She chose Operation Smile, a nonprofit medical services organization that provides reconstructive surgery for facial deformities to children and young adults who can't afford it, both in the United States and in many foreign countries.

Next year Alexis plans to attend Harvard or Yale—she hasn't decided yet—so she's recruiting younger students to JOY, to make sure the group will continue.

"Playing at nursing homes and fundraising for Operation Smile are all part of the same thing," she says. "They're part of the circle of life, in which young contribute to old, and old contribute to young." ☆

Laurel Holliday is an author and writer based in Seattle.

Happenings

JUNE 15-21



It's time to start thinking of Father's Day, June 15.

ILLINOIS

Ice Cream Social—Freeport, June 19. Enjoy fresh baked cakes, pies, and ice cream in the arboretum, tour the Victorian mansion, listen to music, and visit Civil War history exhibits at the Stephenson County Historical Society. (815) 232-8419.

INDIANA

Bill Monroe Bluegrass Festival—Bean Blossom, June 15-22. Billed as the oldest bluegrass festival in the world, this 37th annual event features performances by more than 40 bands, workshops, children's activities, and camping. (800) 414-4677.

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Scandinavian Mid-Summer Fest—Forest City, June 14-15. A parade, Scandinavian arts and food samples, children's activities, and meatball and lutefisk dinners highlight this second annual event at Heritage Park of North Iowa. (641) 585-2125.

KANSAS

Echoes of the Trail—Fort Scott, June 14-15. Working cowboys present their original stories, poetry, and songs about life in the early American West at Fort Scott Community College. Also includes a sale, breakfast, and demonstrations. (620) 223-0736.

MICHIGAN

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NEBRASKA

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OHIO

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SOUTH DAKOTA

Czech Days—Tabor, June 20-21. In its 55th year, this event features parades, a craft fair, dance and accordion club performances, polka dancing to a Czech band, and Czech food. (605) 463-2476.

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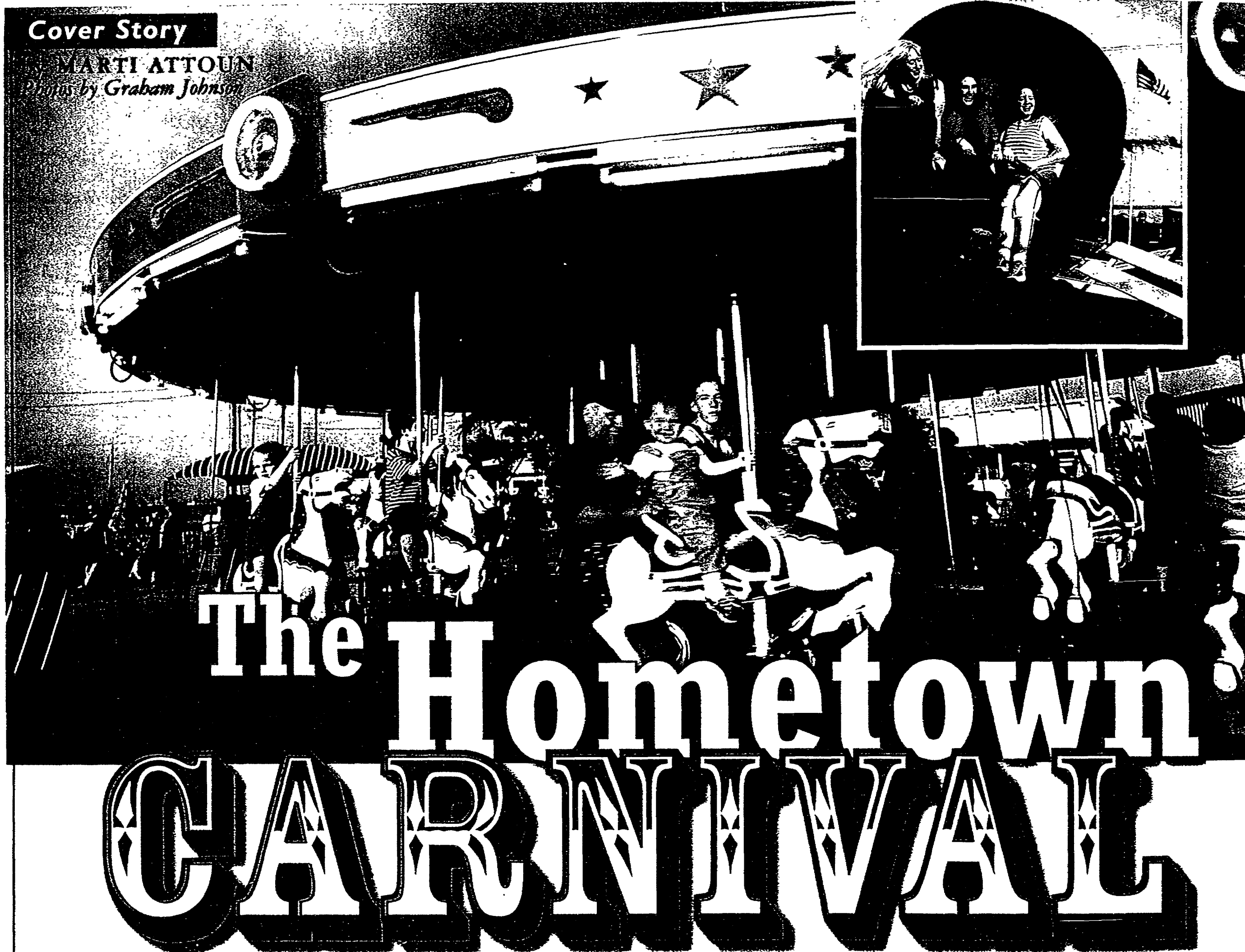
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The Hometown CARNIVAL

Most things cost more than a quarter today, but thanks to a group of forward-thinking volunteers, it still buys a carnival ride at the Wichita County Fair.



One quarter, one ride, still a bargain.

"The alligator, the alligator!" says Alison Carr, 8, leading her mother, Christine, toward a tyke-sized roller coaster painted like a giant green gator.

Fair goers face a dizzying choice—the Tilt-A-Whirl, Flying Scooters, Lindy Looper, Merry Mixer, a carousel, pedal cars, and six other rides that whoosh and whirl at the summer fair in Leoti, Kan. And each ride costs 25 cents, just as it did 20 years ago.

Built and operated by volunteers, this homegrown carnival is a "step-right-up" attraction that draws people from throughout western Kansas. It's not much of a stretch to say that every one of Wichita County's 2,531 residents shows up at the fair the first week in August. After all, it takes more than 2,000 of them to operate it for four days.

"This thing draws from everywhere. The town doubles in size," says Roger Porter, who helped paint the 1940s kiddie cars that clack around a raised platform. "Where else can you go and have a lot of fun for a quarter?"

Residents turned into carnies after a traveling carnival company hired in 1981 pulled a no-show, leaving a fair-ground full of long-faced kids.

"They called the day of the fair and said 'we got a better offer and won't be there,'" Sharla Krenzels recalls. "You just don't realize how much a carnival adds to a fair."

Mary Gerstberger remembers that summer well. "I had four kids and the youngest was 4 and the oldest was 10. It was a dead, quiet fair. The kids were so disappointed."

Knowing that their isolated town would always have trouble booking a quality carnival, residents formed the Wichita County Amusement Association to build and manage their own fun. They knew about other rural towns that operated their own carnivals. Some had been successful, some not.

The Leoti group insisted on what's proven to be the brass ring—each ride costs a quarter. No more disappointed kids.

"We wrote the 25-cent ticket price right into the bylaws, so it can't be changed," Krenzel says. "That's part of the success of this carnival. Everyone can afford to ride."

Kathy Wing, association treasurer, agrees that the cheap thrills make this carnival a winner.

"I don't think there's anybody left in the country who charges a quarter," she says. "We do this for the kids. It's good, clean fun. And we haven't gone in the hole yet."

The first year, rides were a little makeshift. Members rigged a horse walker with plastic horses and a frame with swings made from tractor seats on chains. They partitioned two game booths with corral fencing. It wasn't glitzy, but it was a start.

Since then, the carnival has grown by leaps and loops. In 1982, the association bought a kiddie car ride for \$400 and a 16-foot Ferris wheel for \$400. The next year, the Leoti Rotary Club chipped in \$6,500 for a miniature train and 2,000 feet of track and donated it to the association.

The rides are secondhand, generally castoffs from established amusement companies. When they arrive in Leoti, they're outdated, rusty, and often-missing vital parts, such as the Ferris wheel that was one bucket short. Then hometown ingenuity and elbow grease works its magic. Rides are parceled to barns, sheds, and garages for overhauling.

"The train (that the Rotary Club bought) was sitting in a back woods and the men literally had to dig it out," Twilla Nickelson recalls. Her husband, Dan, a mechanic, helped restore the engine on the 30-passenger train, a replica of the *Southern Rose* that once operated between San Francisco and New Orleans.

The 1937 Tilt-A-Whirl needed a new deck and every seat had to be reupholstered. High school art students painted the eight whales on another kiddie ride and local artists painted the 16 seats on the Merry Mixer.

"Our town is really the right size for this," Wing says. "We're so small that everyone knows that it won't get done unless you do it



Second-hand and cast-off rides get a new life in Leoti's homegrown carnival.



Dan Nickleson and Kathy Wing ride the Ferris wheel.

yourself. It takes a winter of hard work, but each ride will be smoothly running and shine with a fresh coat of paint."

Donations, memorials, and sales of 100,000 tickets (or \$25,000) during fair week help keep the carnival whirling. When a resident died and left her home to the amusement association, the sale provided \$25,000 to buy an antique carousel. Community organizations operate the game booths and raise several hundred dollars for their own projects.

The carnival association is successful, says Wing, because it doesn't go into debt for equipment. Members hold fund-raising soup suppers, bake sales, garage sales, and auctions. Residents literally clean out backyards and barns to find goods to donate for the auctions.

"Non-running cars, knickknacks, porta-pots, furniture, and live goats—we sell it all," Wing says with a laugh. "We work and make the money first. We don't borrow any money or make payments."

Since 1899, community members have gathered for the Wichita County Fair to showcase their green thumbs, livestock-raising skills, and blue-ribbon jellies. An Old Settlers' Breakfast on Tuesday morning honors long-time residents and kicks off a jam-packed week of gospel singing, a 4-H style show, rodeo, parade, and teen dance. Businesses and organizations team up to serve a free barbecue dinner. Last year, they dished up 1,500 platefuls in Leoti (pop. 1,598). And Wing estimates that 15,000 people attended the fair and carnival.

"It's a tradition now that the school reunions are held during fair week so we can bring all the residents back home," Krenzel says. "And many families have their family reunions this week."

On Saturday night, the carnival lights flash until midnight. That's when as many as 100 people wait in line for rides, but no one seems in a hurry. The lines meander beside snack wagons that sell 50-cent snow cones and cotton candy and \$1.50 hunks of homemade pecan pie. Older residents linger at picnic tables with friends and catch up on family news.

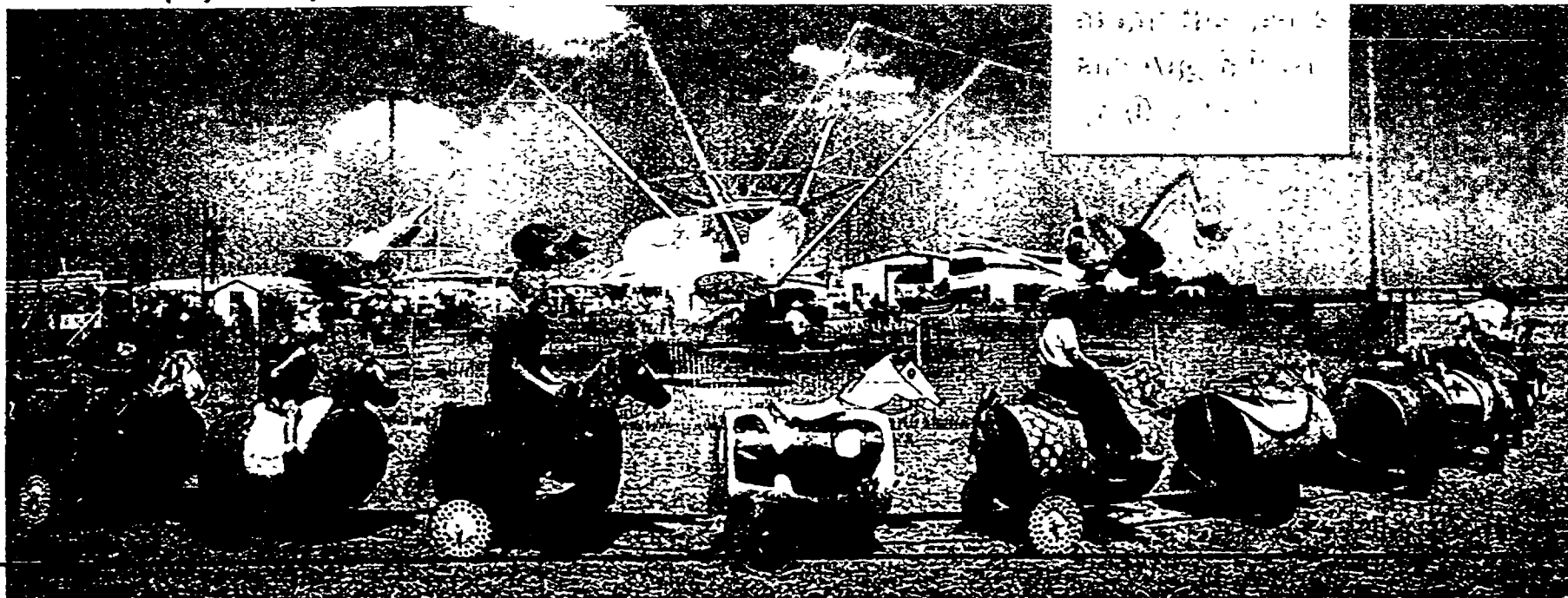
"People love this carnival because it's home-owned and everybody knows everybody," says Ken Breitreutz, association president. "You can let your kids run around here and not worry about them. As soon as they run out of money, you know they'll be back."

Back for more quarters. ☆

Marti Attoun writes from her home in Joplin, Mo.

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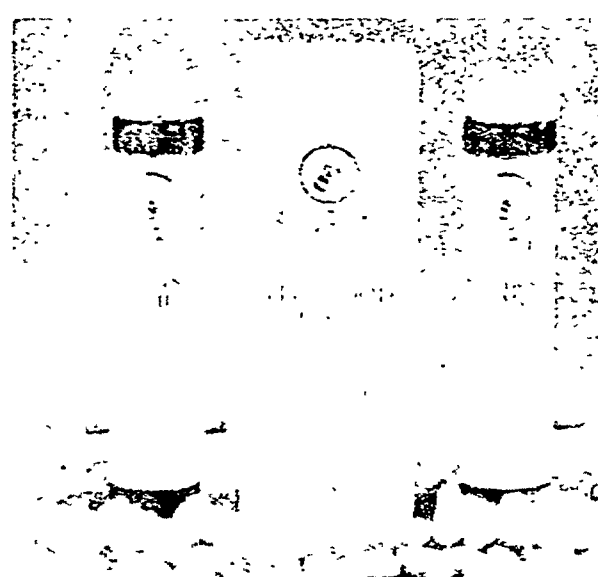
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KANSAS—In 1909, the state passed the first law abolishing the common drinking cup or tin dipper in public places.

MICHIGAN—Melvin Bissell invented the carpet sweeper in 1876 to clean carpets in his Grand Rapids crockery shop.

MINNESOTA—The Minnesota State Law Library in St. Paul was created in 1849 by the same act of Congress that created the Territory of Minnesota.

MISSOURI—Hogs, cows, and soybeans can be bartered for college tuition at Lindenwood University in St. Charles (pop. 60,321).

NEBRASKA—The Naval Ammunition Depot in Hastings (pop. 24,064) provided 40 percent of the Navy's ammunition for World War II.

NORTH DAKOTA—About 18,000 white pelicans, the largest colony in North America, nest at Chase Lake National Wildlife Refuge in Woodworth (pop. 80).

OHIO—In North Canton, (pop. 16,369) all ages kick up their heels at prom when Hoover High School hosts its Senior Citizen Prom, complete with dinner, queen contest, and prizes.

SOUTH DAKOTA—The Joseph Nicollet Tower and Interpretive Center in Sisseton (pop. 2,572) is dedicated to the French mapmaker who created the first accurate map of the vast area between the Mississippi and Missouri rivers in 1838-1839.

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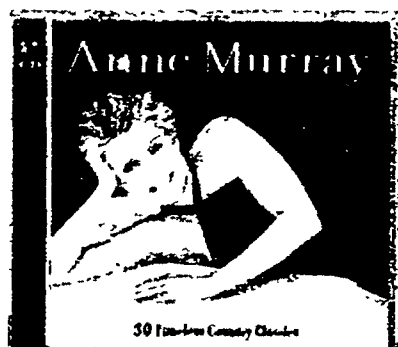
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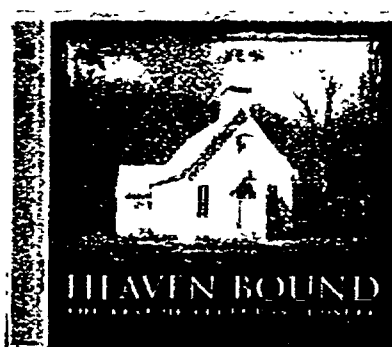


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Hometown Spotlight

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Home TO Hoover Dam

by ALAN ROSS

If you've ever turned your back on something "safe" to embark on an uncertain journey, then you can relate to what residents of Boulder City, Nev., (pop. 14,966) experienced in 1960, when they elected to "separate" from their owner since birth—the United States government—and become an independent, incorporated community like most of the rest of America. It wasn't unlike jumping from an airplane with a parachute packed by somebody else.

Boulder City was born in 1928 when the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Reclamation chose the area for the location of what would soon become one of the engineering marvels of the world—Hoover Dam.

This was during the Great Depression, and the lure of work on the Boulder Dam project, as it was then called, swelled southern Nevada with thousands of job hopefuls. The Bureau of Reclamation envisioned a federally owned town, America's first "planned community," where men could work without distraction in an economically and socially planned environment. The government chipped in with a police department comprised of federal employees (called "rangers") and firefighting equipment, though the fire department itself was staffed by civilian volunteers.

"This 'managed capitalism' was a huge experiment," says Dennis McBride, the town's chief historian and curator of the Boulder City Hoover Dam Museum. "They didn't want Boulder City to become just another boom/bust town."

What arose from the desert was literally a gated city, an effort to isolate the community from the gambling,

liquor, and prostitution that were legal everywhere else in the state and abundant just 33 miles up the road in Las Vegas. The federal government banned those activities, making Boulder City the only city in Nevada to claim that distinction.

Liquor was eventually legalized in 1969, but gambling is still forbidden and is one reason people are attracted to Boulder City.

"We have a different mentality here," says Bill Ferrence, manager of the Boulder Dam Credit Union. "People wonder why we have growth control (6,000 people per month are moving to southern Nevada) when we could be putting up casinos every 200 yards down the street. It's lifestyle differences. We take pride in that."

Indeed, billboards on the outskirts of town proclaim Boulder City as clean, quiet, safe. "It's an ambience that reminds people of somewhere else," Ferrence says. "We're like a back East town, but without mosquitoes and humidity."

Goldie Begley, a 29-year Boulder City resident, echoes Ferrence's assessment. "We're clean, we're green, we're small town, we're family, we're friends," she says, before pointing enthusiastically to the restored Boulder Dam Hotel. "It's our pride and joy," says Begley of the town's famed landmark.

Celebrities such as Shirley Temple, Boris Karloff, Howard Hughes, Bette Davis, Will Rogers, and Margaret Bourke-White all were guests at the vintage 1930s hotel. Along with its elegant charm and impeccable appointment, the facility contained in-room bathrooms and air-conditioning—both luxuries of the day.

Today, Boulder City faces yet another crossroads: a bypass that will take travelers around the city rather than through it to get to Hoover Dam. That bypass threatens local commerce and could dramatically affect Boulder City's economic status quo. Instead of catering to tourists, the town may have to look at long-term self-sufficiency.

But the bet is that Boulder City will make it. After all, it's already survived one free fall. ☆

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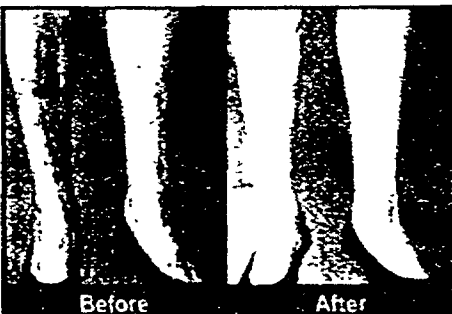
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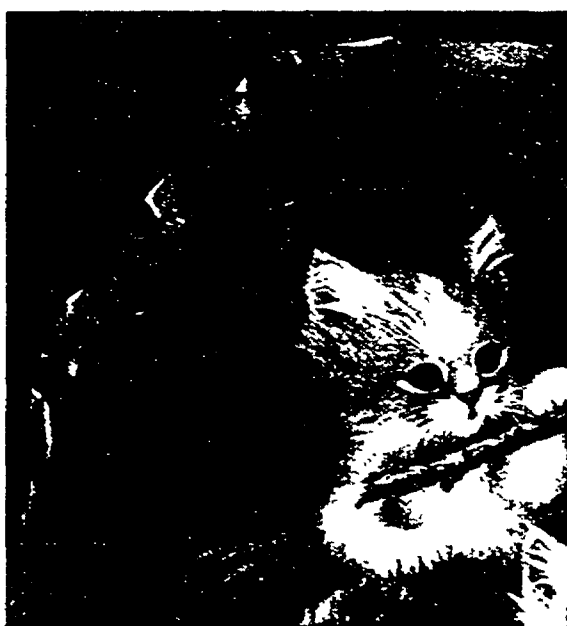
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Take a Hike with CHILDREN

Parents need to strike a balance between caution, and frolic, whether they're hiking with children in the woods on a local trail or planning a vacation to a national park.

"It's important for parents to be realistic that there are dangers out there for kids," says author Caryn Boddie, an avid hiker who has written guides with her husband about hiking in the mountainous West. "You have to take it seriously."

It all begins by offering children simple, prudent advice before setting off, says Boddie of Littleton, Colo. Teach children how to react if they get separated from the family. "Kids should hug a tree if they're lost," Boddie says. "They shouldn't run around and try to find their parents. Parents will find them."

If lost, children shouldn't hide beneath a bush, an action that has resulted in tragedy when foliage shielded a lost hiker from rescuers, Boddie says. "If they do need to hide to get out of the weather, they should mark their spot by putting a tag on a tree with something like a ribbon from a jacket," she says.

Parents can prevent many accidents by coaching children to treat the family as a team, Boddie says. Each child should watch out for siblings and parents, which emphasizes the responsibility needed for safely negotiating the backcountry. Boddie's children, Crystal, 19, and Robin, 14, proved the concept on a hike a dozen years ago.

"My daughter once caught my son from falling off a cliff," Boddie says. "He just dashed after a lizard and didn't realize a cliff was there. It was a good save."

And while children can learn safe practices, the responsibility remains with adults. Children often relish racing ahead, Boddie says. A quick dash can leave them out of a parent's sight, exposing the child to the possibility of a fall or other incident.

"Don't let a child get separated. Make sure they can see you, and if they tend to wander off, you must enforce the rules," Boddie says.

Parents can safely plan adventures with even the youngest children. Each Monday, Lauren Lang of Clifton, Va., travels with her 3-year-old son, Jason, to woodland trails cutting through northern Virginia. Together with other outdoor-minded parents, she introduces the youngest of hikers to the wilderness.

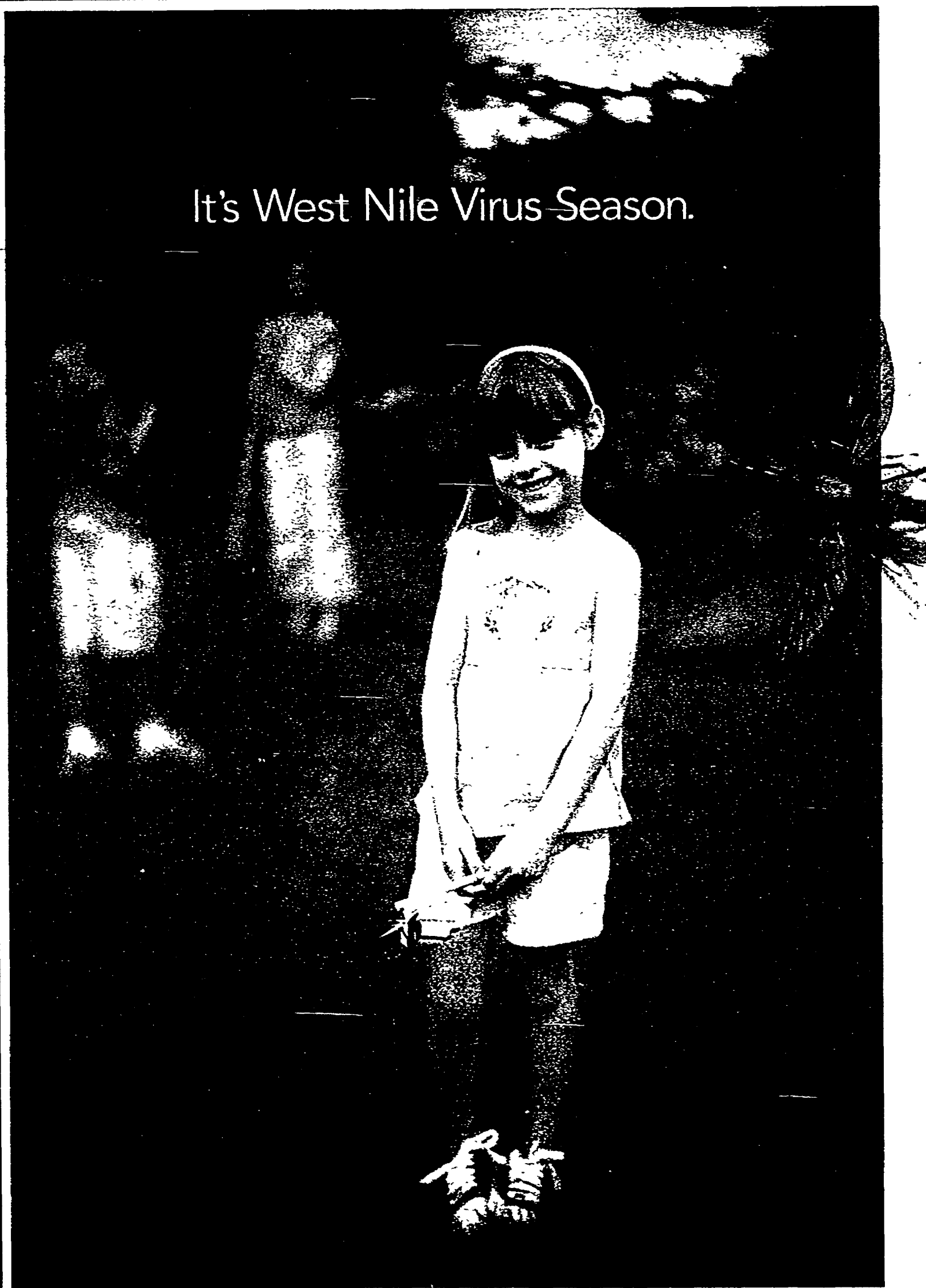
Lang and her husband, Larry, are both avid hikers, and each completed the 2,168 mile-Appalachian Trail. It was only natural to include Jason, carried in a pack, on short hikes even before he could walk.

Parents should remember critical items such as water, snacks, sunscreen, and insect repellent. The last two are important, because nothing can spoil a hike faster than a bad sunburn or a swarm of hungry mosquitoes. But there's another essential—patience. Youthful hikers should have the time to throw rocks, look for frogs, or climb over fallen trees, Lang says. With the proper care and attitude, venturing into the woods with children is safe and worthwhile. ★

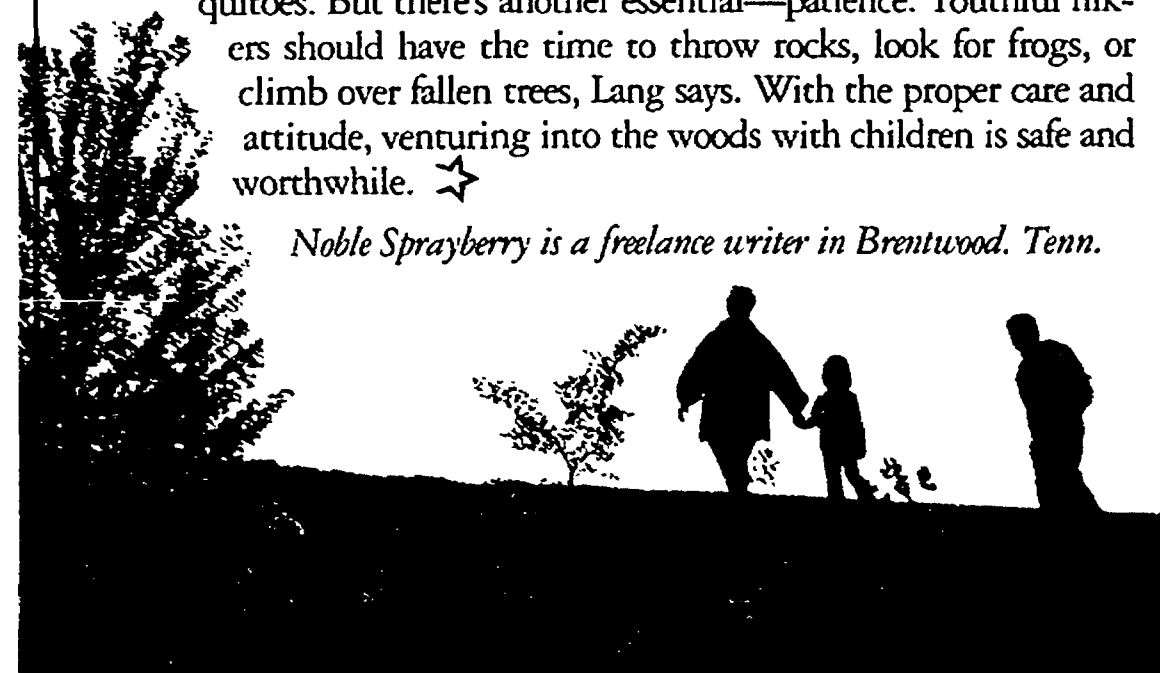
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When the family goes hiking, it's important for children to understand the rules of trail safety.



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HIKING with *Happy Feet*

by CAROLE MARSHALL

Invigorating and healthy, hiking is fun—until your feet start hurting. Whether enjoying day hikes or overnight treks, some simple foot care can keep feet stepping comfortably.

Proper footwear depends on the type of hiking planned. On maintained trails, below the ankle boots are great. A good comfortable running shoe also will work on maintained paths if there are no rocks or potholes and if you're not carrying a lot of weight, says foot and ankle specialist Dr. Marion Bartl—but sneakers and tennis shoes aren't recommended. "A running shoe has a wider heel base that rolls with the foot," Bartl says.

A high-cut boot providing lower leg and ankle support is best for rough trails and steep terrain. For bumpy off-trail routes, a mid-cut boot that wraps and supports the ankle is best. "Ankles are the most vulnerable part of the body when stepping around and over rocks and logs," Bartl says.



Photo: Brennan Sharp

When buying new footwear, keep these tips in mind:

- Walk in the shoe. If it rubs anywhere, don't buy it.
- Purchase shoes and boots at the end of the day when your feet are swollen.
- Wear socks you would normally wear when hiking.
- Don't be talked into buying uncomfortable boots, no matter how good they look.

Socks play an important role in foot care. Wool and cotton absorb perspiration and provide cushioning. Some of the newer synthetic socks wick away moisture, too. Wearing a thin liner sock inside the outer one will keep feet warmer and dryer. Also, any boot friction will occur between the sock layers. Blistering is less likely when wearing two socks, as long as there's enough boot room.

To further prevent blisters and sore toes, before setting out on a first hike check for boot and foot compatibility by walking in the neighborhood. "If you can't walk comfortably for an hour and a half, don't go up into the mountains," Bartl says. "If your feet become sore after a few miles, you probably haven't done long-term damage, but if you've hiked in 10 and out 10, chances are you'll take a lot longer to heal."

To prevent stress fractures, don't hike downhill too fast, she adds. "Take as long to go down as you took to go up."








Wash and dry feet thoroughly after hiking, especially between toes. Bring an extra pair of socks so you can change out of wet ones.

For young hikers, parents should check last year's boot size. Children's feet grow fast, and old boots may not fit. Adult feet change, too. If it's been a few years since you've worn your hiking boots, check the fit. And for some, a good boot isn't enough. Arch supports or tongue padding may be required. Folks with diabetes, circulatory, or nerve disorders should consult a physician before hiking to learn how to prevent foot infections. ☆

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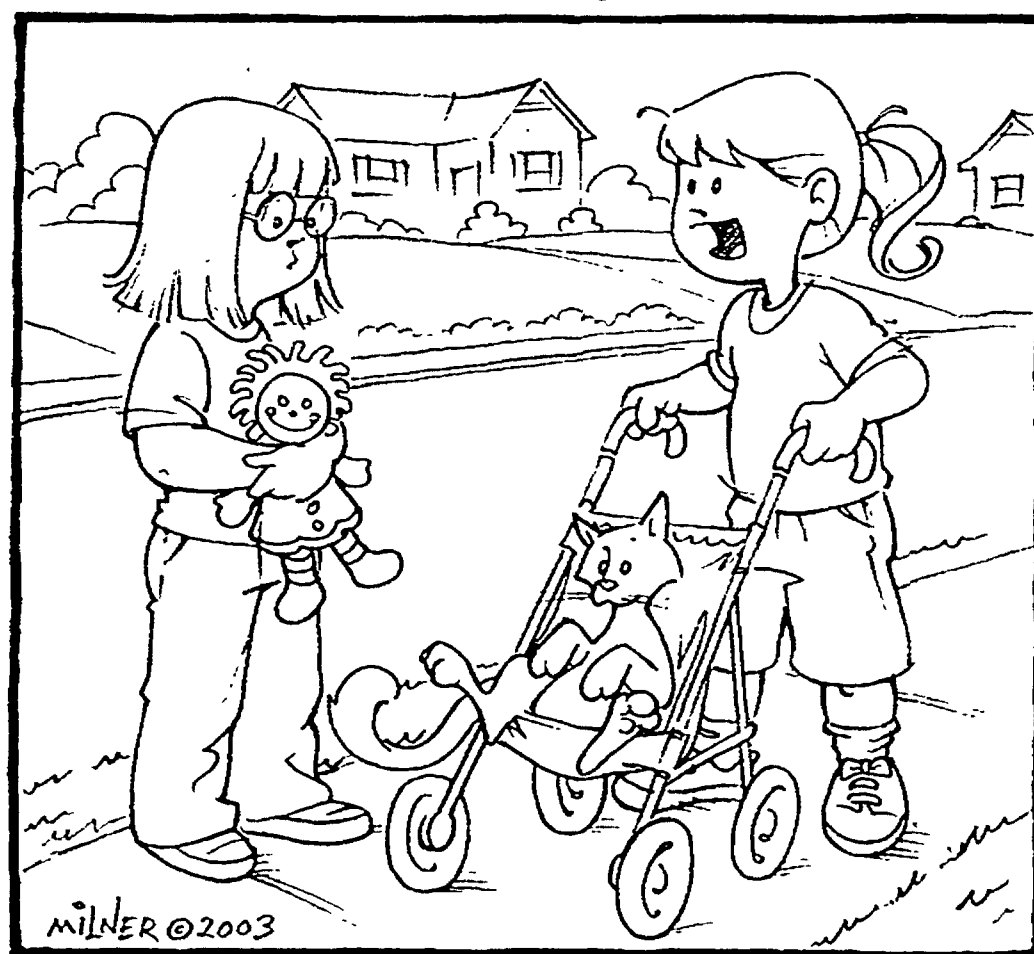
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Family

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Gifts for Dad

From One Dad's Perspective

All right, it's almost Father's Day, I'm a dad, I love gifts, and I'm writing this story—so I see an opportunity here and I'm going to take it.

The most important thing to me about getting something for Father's Day is that it say "love." Cost has nothing to do with it. I love my kids beyond measure, and the best thing I can give them sometimes is a hug, so if my son drove in that day to give me a hug, I'd probably cry right there on the spot. (Tell no one this.)

Or if the gift is something special from them, or something special to me, that also makes it special. I have hand-tied trout flies, hand-painted signs saying "#1 Dad," framed photos of us, and things like that all over the place. The love behind them just keeps on giving.

Put together a photo album of your dad (or both parents) over the years, since they were young. It takes time, but few gifts can mean more. I know of one family where the kids put together a Trivial Pursuits of family trivia, and gave it to their parents for Christmas.

Personal gifts such as cologne are also nice (hint: Stetson). Come to think of it, a digital camera would also be good, because I can use it (and remember you) for a long time. Maybe a new Weber grill? A Bailey's cowboy hat and a pair of Justin boots? A gift certificate to Tractor Supply Co.? I'm just thinking out loud here, kids.

No ties. Absolutely no ties. And no socks. Grandma did that, and I'll never forget it.

A Vince Gill CD would be nice, though. Or Alan Jackson. Or you could promise to mow the lawn for me. (Better yet, you could actually *do it*.)

Here's one: Write a list of some of the most wonderful moments we had together over the years. Frame it, if it's not too long. I'd love that. Or make dinner for us. Take us to an event—a ball game, a museum, or something else you know I'd enjoy because we're all there together.

I also don't want cash, or a new tool. Unless it's a fun tool—like a pocket knife with umpteen attachments, or a cordless power drill. A beautifully made garden tool is always welcome.

Keep in mind that any tool you buy me must come with a Global Positioning chip in it, or you'll have to buy me another one next year.

Oh, and one more thing, and you'll laugh at this but it matters more than you can imagine, more than anything in fact.

Give me a hug. ☆

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