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City gives go ahead on Wing Street deck plans

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

The Northville City Council last week endorsed a plan to add parking by building a Wing Street structure and reconfiguring the surface lot behind the Marquis Theater.

Three 3-1 votes June 16 affirmed recommendations by the city Planning Commission and the Downtown Development Authority. The consensus emerged after city administration, appointed and elected officials, as well as local business owners, for many months studied Northville's current and projected parking needs.

City leaders are targeting construction next year, with the additional spaces available in time for the Christmas shopping season — around the start of October 2004. Estimates that the council reviewed show the total costs of building the deck, and reconfiguring and resurfacing the two city lots on Dunlap street at approximately \$6.2 million.

Mayor Pro-Tem Carolann Ayers, and councilmen Jerry Mittman and Tom Swigart voted "yes"; councilman Kevin Hartshorne voted "no." Mayor Christopher Johnson was absent.

"We're on our way," Ayers said after the vote. The series of motions included location and structure descriptions, as well as permission to contract

an architect and construction manager for the project.

The deck concept that the council approved includes a basement, three supported levels, and rooftop parking. It will be located on the site of a current city parking lot on Wing Street, between Dunlap and Main streets. It will be accessible both from Wing Street and an alley that will run along the

east side of the structure.

Council approval of this location complements two local developers' site selection at the north and south ends of the structure.

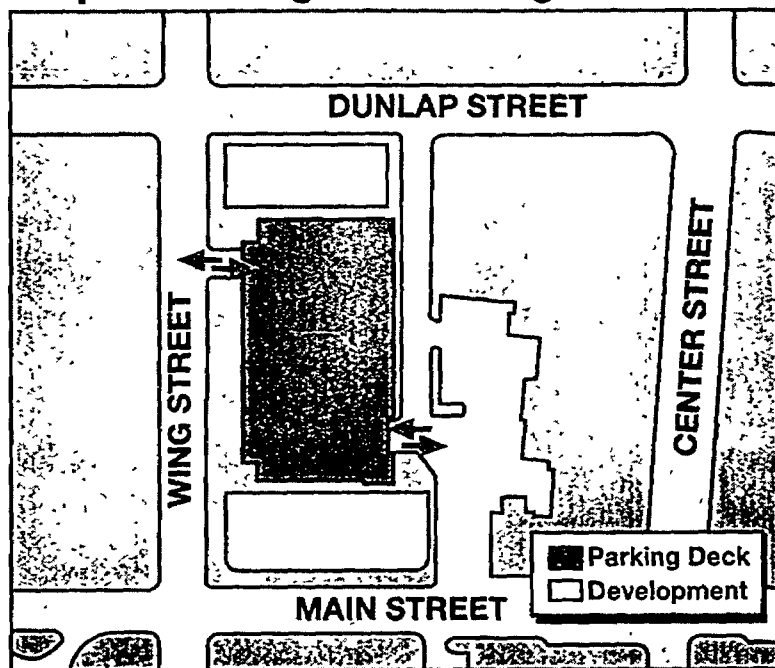
A couple of blocks away, the council vote means Edward's Catering — which has occupied the building at 116 E. Dunlap for more than 17 years — will have to relocate. The plan to

resurface and reconfigure the city parking lots, behind the Marquis Theater and bordered by Dunlap street, calls for demolition of building occupied by the catering business.

Council members concurred that there needs to be firm agreements on the projects proposed by Jim Long, and Don

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Proposed Wing St. Parking Structure



SOURCE: City of Northville

Northville's own 'White House'

First Baptist anchors Wing Street

By Grace Blum
SPECIAL WRITER

Looking for a church that strives to feed the entire family? Look no further, because First Baptist Church of Northville is the answer. "We're a family oriented church," said four-year senior pastor Jonathan Wilkes. "Once a quarter we do a family type of service. Its kind of wild on our family Sundays because you never know what will happen."

The church aims for the family as its target audience. Wilkes said the church is geared towards the family because so many attacks are made against the family and to the family in the world today. Maybe the motto of the church does the best explaining, "Where Everybody is Somebody and Jesus is Lord."

Tucked safe and sound into the neighborhood of Northville, the church welcomes visitors with its well-kept yard and white building that looks like something out of a movie. Established in 1835, the church built its present structure in 1850 and has been added on to two

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or three times since then.

"Sometime in the Sixties we added a wing with classrooms and offices, and in the Seventies we added onto the auditorium," Wilkes said.

The church's Sunday morning blended service encompasses both traditional hymns and praise choruses and is home to a large amount of young families and couples. To encourage the family atmosphere within the church, the Sunday school class, Faithweaver for Parents teaches parents the same Bible lesson that their children are

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville's First Baptist Church on Wing Street.

West Point accepts elite from Class of '03

Joe Lunn, Peter Kelley going to the United States Military Academy

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Two recent alumni of Northville High School were lauded early Monday morning by state government and school officials for their acceptance into the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Eighteen-year-old cadets Joseph Lunn and Peter Kelley gathered at Northville High School amid parents and sib-

lings to receive verbal commendation and certificates from state leaders in recognition of their achievement.

The celebratory gathering was attended by U.S. Representative Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia), State Senator Bruce Patterson (R-Canton) and State Representative John Stewart (R-Plymouth). Also in attendance

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Township opposes prison expansion

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Northville Township officials thought they had put to rest the concept of additional inmates at local prisons 15 years ago.

But an amendment to a 2002-2003 appropriations bill currently under consideration in the state Senate would transfer a 400-bed planned expansion of Camp Brighton to the Scott Correctional Facility grounds located at Beck and Five Mile roads.

The state Department of Corrections is characterizing the plan as a simple addition of another housing unit on the 35-acre site. Township officials are fighting mad at what they say is a breach of a 1988 consent judgment that prohibiting the expansion of prison facilities here.

"Very frankly, we felt a deal," said Township Manager Chip Snider. "If the threat becomes reality to the township, I will be asking the township board for the resources to levy a legal challenge to the construction."

Provision for the \$4.8 million expansion project at Scott is part of the spending bill being discussed at the Senate committee level, according to Kristin Rieber, communications director for Sen. Bruce Patterson (R-Canton).

"The township board is hopeful that Senator Patterson is able to dissolve the threat at the committee level," Snider said. "He is doing all he can at the state level for us."

The state department has economics on its side, according to corrections spokesperson Gail Madziar. In contrast to the Northville Township project, the Brighton expansion proposal would have cost taxpayers close to \$11 million, she said.

"They were looking at the infrastructure capability," Madziar said. Creating adequate waste

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Residents eyeing hospital's auction

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Homeowners whose backyards abut the south side of the former state psychiatric hospital site on Seven Mile Road are watching with keen interest as developers bid on the parcel.

They know change of the property use and appearance is inevitable. But Apple Hill and Northville Trails residents plan to continue conveying to Northville Township officials that they want their investment considered as plans are drawn for the new construction.

"Our first priority will be to work with the existing residents who were here first," Township Manager Chip Snider said Tuesday. The township was awaiting word on the results of bidding on the 422 acres between Northville and Haggerty roads that the state advertised for sale.

"Our interests in the sale of that land begins with the new owner," Snider said. "At that point, we control the zoning and the ordinances."

The deadline for bids on the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital property were due yesterday to the state Department of

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Engagements

Imsland-Noll

Jerry Imsland of Northville and Deborah Kemp of Taylor announce the engagement of their son, James L. Imsland, to Erin Noll, daughter of Deborah and Steven Noll of Janesville, Wis.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University and is employed by Quality First Contractors. The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of EMU and is employed by Quicken Loans.

A May 29 wedding is planned.



Imsland-Noll

A lot of fun with Art in the Sun



Photos by STEVE FECHT

Above: Laura Livermore, a fabric artist, won first place in the Northville Chamber of Commerce Art In The Sun juried art show Sunday, June 15, 2003. Livermore specializes in handpainted silks scarves and pillows.

Below: Eric Simmons won second place in the Northville Chamber of Commerce Art In The Sun juried art show Sunday, June 15, 2003. Simmons specializes in framed paper cutouts.



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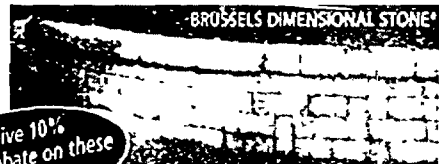
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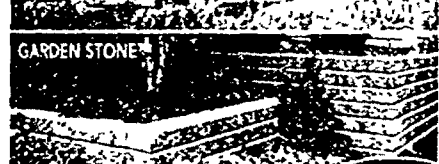
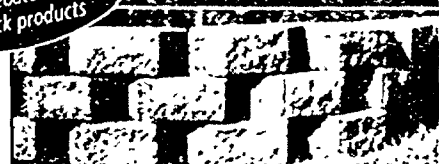
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On Campus

Northville resident, Carrie Wernholm was named to the Dean's List for Spring 2003 semester at Belmont University, Nashville, Tenn. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wernholm of Northville and is a 2001 grad-

uate of Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton.

Ashley Kneller of Northville has been named to the Dean's List for Spring 2003 at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa.

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Station progress on schedule

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

The tall tower taking shape at the new Six Mile Road fire station symbolizes the higher level of safety service that nearby township neighborhoods are about to experience.

Firefighters will be able to train with ladders at the site for extraction by roof access, explained Northville Township Fire Chief Bill Zhmendak. From a central location in the township, they will respond to rescue situations well-prepared and in a timely manner, he said.

"This is something quite exciting for us, something we've needed for quite some time," said Zhmendak, chief since 1994. The opening of the \$4.3 million facility is planned for April 2004.

Motorists recently traveling east of Beck Road endured days of impaired traffic and single-lane

access into Millennium Park as road crews cut curbs and widened lanes to allow for entry into the new station.

"The intent was to try to minimize the amount of disruption we were going to do with the Parks and Recreation people," the chief said. The proximity of the station eventually will mean added security for the park, more opportunity for the public to visit the department and faster response time for park emergencies.

"As least we would be close by to render first aid," he said.

Planning for the department's new digs during the last few months has been a time-consuming labor of love for the career firefighter. From his office in the township's current Seven Mile station, Zhmendak described with enthusiasm the strategic planning process that went into selecting the location for the new, larger station that will also

serve as training facility.

Planners looked at servicing the current 24,470 residents and the projected needs based on the township's continued growth. A central location within the 18 square miles of the department's responsibility was key, he said.

"For us to travel from here lights and sirens all the way to Haggerty is tremendous liability," he said. The sheer amount of traffic increases response time, he said.

"If I don't get there in a timely manner, the fire has gotten worse or the person has stopped breathing."

When not on a rescue run, a routine day at the department finds the on-duty personnel busy with ongoing training, vehicle preparedness, community education programs, and breaking in the new guys.

Earlier this month, the chief welcomed two new firefighters to complete staffing needs for 24-hour rotating shifts. The Township Board approved around-the-clock staffing in May 2000.

"We've cut our response time almost in half, which is how I base my success rate," the chief said. Best of all, he said, it was not a tragedy that forced the 15-firefighter full-time roster.

"We pro-actively planned," the chief said, within a set budget. "That's how we designed how we were going to protect the township."

Hugh Jordan of Redford and Ryan Greenlee of Dearborn Heights June 2 officially assumed their new duties. Both firefighters have experience and education beyond the minimal requirements, the chief said.

The addition of Jordan and Greenlee to the staff fills the five-bed capacity at the Seven Mile Road facility. The five-firefighter per shift regimen is on for 24 hours, off for

48 hours.

"I know the training is the same, no matter who makes the run," the chief said. "And I know there's someone there 24 hours a day."

Collective brainstorming among the group produced some of the features incorporated into the new facility.

"These are the folks who are going to live there 24 hours a day," the chief said. "Why would you not let them have input?"

From his start a year after the township fire department was formed in 1977 Zhmendak rose through the ranks to the top job. Complimenting the team attitude of his staff, he said he is proud to be part of the planning for the department's future.

"When the alarm goes off, they don't know where they're going, they just go."

The new location considered the proximity of high-run areas, the chief explained, such as shopping centers, senior citizen residences, and research and development facilities.

In addition to the training opportunity created by the tower height, the new facility will have vehicle stalls that better accommodate the



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

New Northville Township firefighter Hugh Jordan III joined the Seven Mile Road station on June 2nd. Previously he worked as a firefighter for the City of Northville.

newer rescue vehicles.

"We compiled a lot of information before we decided on the location," Zhmendak said.

"We're trying to build buildings that are going to last 30 years now," he said.

The open of the additional fire station will coincide with the open of the new township hall at the corner of Six Mile and Sheldon roads.

With the relocation of the administrative services, the township Police Department will take over the current Six Mile Road township hall.

"I'm excited about the department," Zhmendak said. "I'm excited to see where the future is taking us."

"I'm excited when I look at the future of Northville Township. Not only the fire department, but the township as a whole."



Photo by LYNNIE GARCIA

Transferred from Gross Pointe Park, Ryan Greenlee is a new firefighter to the Northville Township fire station.

A HISTORY

When Northville Township first formed a fire department in September 1977, officials purchased a 1966 fire truck from the City of Northville.

Township Fire Chief Bill Zhmendak, who joined the staff as a paid-on-call sergeant in 1978, recalled that fact and others as he talked about the future of his 15-full-time firefighter department. Prior to 1977, the city provided emergency service to the outlying area, he said.

The chief also collected the following information about the department:

- The first township fire station was on the Sheldon Road site of the former Wayne County Child Development Center. The township leased a fire station built in 1931 located on the grounds that today is the Northville Hills Golf Club.
- The Six Mile Road township fire station, east of Northville Road, was built in 1978.
- The first volunteer firefighters were paid \$7 per run.
- The township's first fire chief, Robert Toms, served from the department start in 1977 until he retired in 1991.

- Ricky Rosselle was the second chief from 1991-1994, succeeded by Zhmendak.
- The Seven Mile Road township fire station, east of Ridge Road, was built in 1987.
- The chief's position was full-time from the start. The first full-time firefighter, Guy Balok, was hired in 1989.

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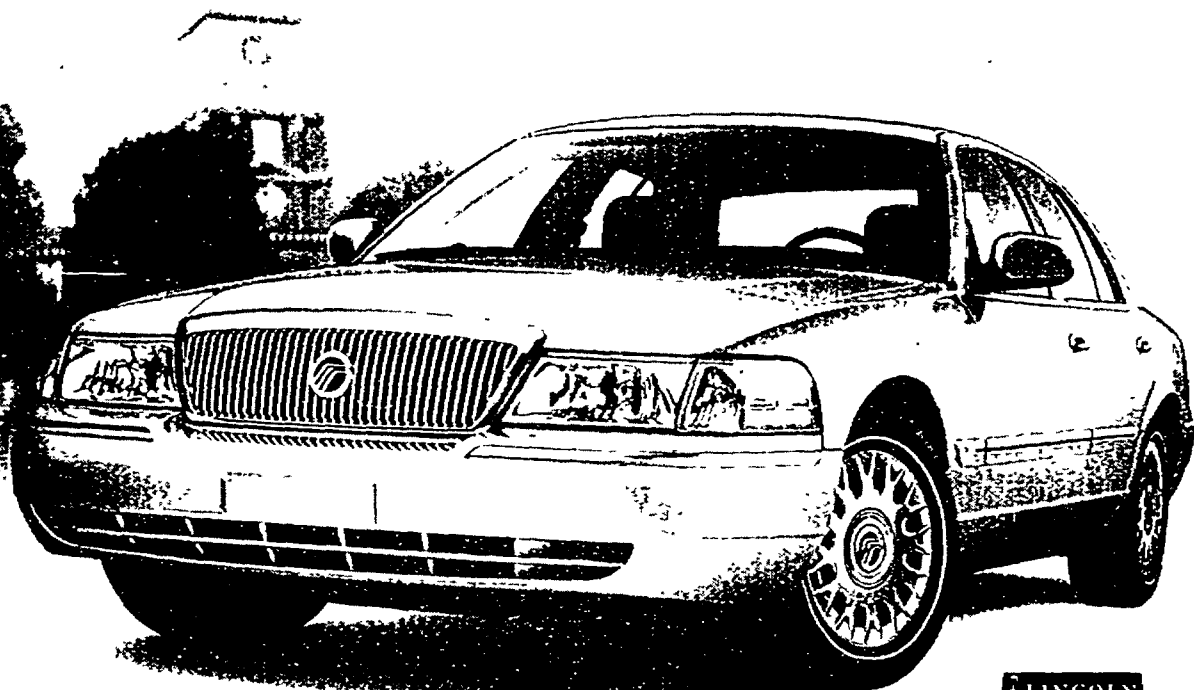
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Work continues Monday morning on Northville's newest elementary school: Ridge Wood Elementary.

District right on schedule with Ridge Wood School

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

This fall, a sixth elementary building will be added to an already expanding fleet of schools within the Northville school district.

Located near the southwest corner of Ridge and Six Mile Roads, Ridge Wood Elementary is slated to open its doors in late August.

And school district officials report building plans are at full throttle.

"We're on schedule," said David Bolitho, assistant superintendent of Northville schools. "Things are progressing nicely."

Bolitho said by early next week, work crews are slated to begin cleaning the school office area, early childhood section and the library shortly afterward.

Later, cleaning will commence in the early elementary and upper elementary wings.

"Everything is moving along nicely," said Bolitho. "I think we're in pretty good shape."

A dedication ceremony for Ridge Wood Elementary is slated to take place Sunday Aug. 24 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. A planned open house will allow for the

CEREMONY

A dedication ceremony for Ridge Wood Elementary is slated to take place Sunday Aug. 24 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. A planned open house will allow for the community to walk through and observe the new facility.

School will begin Monday, Aug. 25.

community to walk through and observe the new facility.

School will begin the following day.

"We're in process of finalizing the agenda," said Bolitho. "I think it will be pretty exciting."

In preparation for the launch of the district's newest building, a school mascot has also been nominated and approved. Students voted themselves to be known as the Ridge Wood Rockets.

Several other building projects are also taking place simultaneously within the district. Building additions are being constructed at Moraine Elementary School and Northville High School.

These projects were approved by voters in September 2001.

"Each [of the] schools started off with a design team and they worked for months for each one of the projects determining what we needed to do in terms of meeting the needs of the curriculum and also some of the students' individual needs," said Bolitho. In addition, he said, design team members considered the buildings' potential for recreational and community purposes.

Planning teams worked with an architect and a construction manager to develop the dynamics of the new additions, including establishing room sizes and color schemes.

Bolitho said parents, administrators, teachers—and in some cases students—assisted in the design process.

"We're pleased with the end product," he said.

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Let's do it again!

■ SKRUFF such a success, organizers planning another

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

In late May, Suburban Kids Rockin' Under Ford Field (SKRUFF) yielded such a high turnout, event organizers are planning a repeat concert performance Saturday, Sept. 6.

The premiere SKRUFF event featured musical performances by several student bands at Ford Field in Northville.

A similar format is expected to continue for the upcoming event.

Sue Taylor, special events coordinator for Northville Parks and Recreation, said, "I believe there will be some new bands and some of the favorites from the last concert."

In May, musical performances were given by five bands including Tony Flow, Redd Wahler, The Same Fate, This Dying Hour and Shadow Box.

Taylor said the event was well-received by the community and hopes the Sept. 6 show will feature even more pizzazz.

"The last one was fantastic," she said. "It was very cold but

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the kids had a great time. I remember one of the band members saying it was one of the best gigs they ever played. The audience was just so receptive."

"We're hoping for bigger, better and warmer."

A \$5 entrance fee will be charged at the gate. The event is expected to run from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Taylor said the impetus for SKRUFF emerged from a community dialogue session between various community organizations and students from the high school.

"[Students] expressed a

desire and a need for more events for them," said Taylor.

She said several community members, Northville Parks and Recreation, the Northville Chamber of Commerce, Northville Youth Assistance and a Northville township official came together with a few students from the high school to plan a musical event.

"We had no idea what to expect in terms of the response, but we were pleased enough and the kids were excited enough that we're doing it again just a few months later," said Taylor.

Along with the opportunity to hear local youths perform, food, drinks and merchandise will be available for sale.

If high school bands wish to be considered for participation in SKRUFF, contact Sue Taylor at (248) 349-0203 ext. 1411.

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Youth group car wash Saturday

The teen volunteers of the Northville Community Foundation are hosting a car wash this Saturday and again July 12.

The car washes will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 28 and July 12, at Amerman Elementary School, 847 Center Street. If it rains either date, the

event shifts to the following day, Sunday, June 29 or July 13.

The dozen ninth through 12th graders who comprise the Foundation's Youth Advisory Council have their eye on raising funds toward creating a teen center, as well as adding to their endowment fund. The cost

for the hand wash and dry is \$2 and/or a donation, said advisory council member Rachel Fields.

The teens plan in the next couple of months to present to municipal officials their concept for a center where students from all high schools in the district could gather for activities.

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Let freedom ring

Fun, celebration planned for Northville's Fourth of July event

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

A bagpipe band, the Detroit Tigers' mascot "Paws" and Polish dancers are the latest additions to next Friday's parade lineup.

Downtown Northville's Fourth of July celebration will commence with 100 voices leading a chorus of the National Anthem in front of City Hall on Main Street. Singing patriotic songs will be followed by bell ringing to mark the start of the 10 a.m. Independence Day event themed, "Let Freedom Ring."

The Northville Community Foundation, which for the fifth year is hosting the annual July 4 parade, will distribute 10,000 bells, said Shari Peters, Foundation executive director. The parade committee requested that everyone bring bells to the parade.

Adults and children in town for the parade will be able to join in Fourth of July fun before and after the event. Among the activities scheduled are:

A farm breakfast

The Northville Commandery No. 39 Knights Templar is hosting an all-you-can-eat breakfast before the parade at the Northville Masonic Center, 106 E. Main, above Genetti's. The Masons will be serving

from 6:30 a.m. through parade time pancakes, scrambled eggs, hash-brown potatoes, ham, orange juice, tea and coffee. More than 200 are expected; the cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

At the Senior Center

The Northville Senior Citizens Center, 215 W. Cady Street, will be the site for a couple of snacks as well as a place to watch the parade.

Volunteers will serve coffee and rolls starting at 8 a.m. A picnic lunch, including hot dogs, salads and chips, costs \$4.

Seniors are invited to set up lawn chairs at 9 a.m. before the roads close. Transportation to the center is available starting at 8 a.m. for \$2 each way. For information or to volunteer, call the center at 248-349-4140.

Ford Field Fun

Northville Parks and Recreation is hosting a post-parade celebration from noon to 2 p.m. billed as "wholesome American fun" on Ford Field at Dunlap and Hutton.

"We're looking forward to it," said Nichole Haskins, recreation supervisor. "We're planning for at least 100, but hoping for more."

Activities will include live entertainment from the Flying Aces Frisbee Team, old-fashioned sack races, face painting,

pie-eating contest, hole-in-one games, crafts, a moonwalk, refreshments, balloons and a vintage 1800s baseball game.

The 20 men who comprise the 1869 Eclipse Baseball Club challenged members of Northville Fire Department for a 2 p.m. contest. The Eclipse, outfitted in replicas of original costumes, play according to the general rules of the 1855-1870 era. On Saturday, July 5, the Eclipse will host at 1 p.m. on their home field the Actives, from Woodstock, Ont.

Old-fashioned enjoyment

The restored Victorian buildings at Mill Race Historical Village on Griswold between Eight Mile Road and Main Street will be open after the parade ends until 3 p.m., July 4.

Demonstrations on the grounds from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. include infantry reenactors and shooters, rug hookers, weavers, basket makers and blacksmiths. There is no charge for entrance to Mill Race, where other scheduled events include:

- 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. — balloon animals and games
- Noon — auction
- Noon to 2 p.m. — old-fashioned kids' games
- 12:30 to 1 p.m. — puppet show

Parade route

The Northville Police Department will start erecting barricades and detour traffic from the parade route at 9:30 a.m., according to Detective Sgt. Dave Fendeleit. Stakes with "No parking by police order" signs will be posted along the parade route.

"We do enforce that stringently," Fendeleit said. "Cars will be towed."

"Other than that, it's first-come, first-serve in legally posted areas."

An officer will be working traffic control at each intersection, the detective sergeant said. "Motorists need to have patience for detours and delays that are going to occur," the



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Our Lady of Victory's Father Jack Quinlan helps Christopher Bernard, 6, place a few paper flowers on OLV's entry for this year's Fourth of July parade in Northville. OLV's theme: The Liberty Bell.

officer said. "And beware of the pedestrian traffic."

He urged people heading to the parade or just passing through town to avoid the Sheldon Road and Seven Mile Road intersection as parade participants gather.

"The biggest predicament that we run into every year is traffic backed up on Sheldon road going northbound," Fendeleit said. "It becomes such a bottleneck, it's ridiculous."

The parade as in previous years will start and finish at Northville Downs, traveling north on Griswold, then west for several blocks on Main Street. The parade will turn south on Rogers, head east on

Cady before a jog south on Wing and finish on Fairbrook, crossing Center and returning to the racetrack parking lot.

The Foundation office, which is handling parade registration, reported several new entrants in addition to the antique cars, musical groups and 30 floats already scheduled. They include an equestrian team that recently performed for the Queen of England, the CabarFeigh bagpipers of Waterford, the Detroit Tigers' mascot that will escort local little leaguers, and the Polish National dancers.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is sponsoring the parade; Standard Federal Wealth Management is hosting the opening ceremonies.

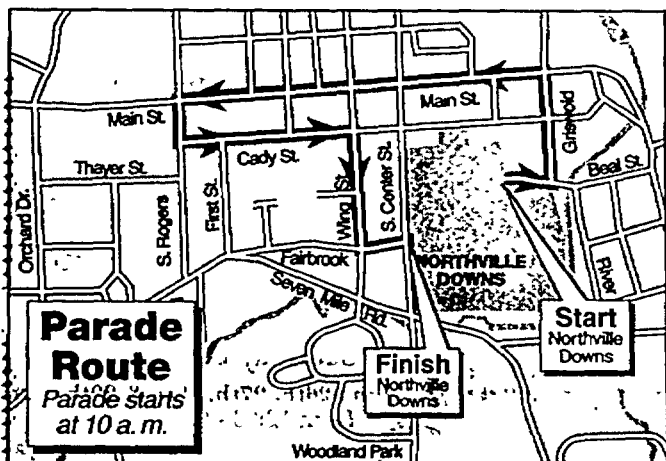
The parade will follow the same Main Street route as previous years.

Meijer for the third year will sponsor the bike parade. Pets also can be part of the parade.

People with an entry for the parade must pre-register, Peters said. Entries will not be accepted the day of the parade.

To register an entry, volunteer to work on the committee or ask a question, call parade headquarters at (248) 374-0200.

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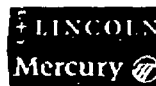
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Northville High School graduates Peter Kelley (far left) and Joseph Lunn are congratulated by State Senator Bruce Patterson for their acceptance into West Point Academy. Pictured in the background is U.S. Representative Thaddeus McCotter.

NHS sends two to USMA

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were members of the Northville Board of Education and Northville schools superintendent Edward Rezmierski.

Lunn and Kelley each graduated this month and said they're excited to be in the next step in their lives.

"I'm really excited," said Lunn. "I just thought the academy would fit me."

Phyllis Kelley, of her son's achievement, said "It's just a dream I wouldn't have chosen at 18."

Bill Kelley then added, "But I think it fits him." According to officials, Kelley—who graduated Summa Cum Laude, the highest possible rank—earned the Borg-Warner Scholarship in pursuit with the National Merit Scholarship Program. In addition, he earned an Army ROTC Scholarship.

Among other honors, Lunn, who graduated Magna Cum Laude, was a member of the National Honor Society and was a recipient of the "outstanding senior" award at Northville High School.

Each of the cadets were highly commended by the state government and Northville school officials in attendance.

Along with congratulating the parents, Stewart told the cadets, "Some of the best four years of your life are right in front of you."

Rezmierski told the assembled crowd that having two cadets accepted into the U.S. Military Academy had been unprecedented.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for the school district," said Rezmierski. "They represent us so well. We're proud of these young men and what it stands for."

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Something for everyone

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being taught, only on a more adult level.

"That way our families have something to discuss when they are at home together," said Wilkes.

And the church is growing. "We recently split the nursery between infants and two to three year olds," Wilkes said.

A wide assortment of Sunday school classes are offered, with a little something for everyone. Popular among the adults is the Insights for Living Class which is a traditional Sunday school Bible study that covers a broad range of topics.

Spiritual Encouragement for Ladies Alone is a Sunday school class that is for single women. It was started by a single lady who had a heart for other single ladies. The group contains 12-15 females and is a combination of divorced women, widows and women who have always been single. The class encourages the women to sit with visiting single ladies and make them feel welcome and comfortable.

"I've seen a lot of single women come into the church and sit by themselves. This group really tries to welcome those women and make them feel a part of the church," said Wilkes.

First Baptist Church is home to about 300 members and on an aver-

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age Sunday, the service attendance is 160. The church attempts to reach out to the Northville community by becoming involved in local events, such as the Fourth of July parade and a trick or treat party during the Halloween holiday in the church's parking lot. About two years ago, the church did a door-to-door survey to find out how it could better serve the community. The top two answers the survey provided were programs and activities for the youth and something more for the senior citizens of the community.

To keep the youth active within the church, monthly Afterglows are organized.

"It's just a time for them to get together after the service to goof around and have fun," Wilkes said. He also said youths can become involved in a number of different classes the church offers for youths of all ages.

Every Wednesday morning SAMS Club meets. This organization is for senior citizens and offers a service and prayer time. Trips for the group are organized every few months, such as the Tulip Festival in Holland Michigan and visiting Shipshawana. Pastor Wilkes mentioned that not only do the church's senior citizens attend the trips, but so do other senior citizens that live in Northville.

About half of church's congregation comes from outside the Northville community. Wilkes said this is because Baptists tend to shop around for a church that meets their needs.

"It's a warm, friendly, welcoming church. Maybe that's because we're not all from Northville. You don't feel like an outsider here because we have people from all over that come here," said Wilkes.

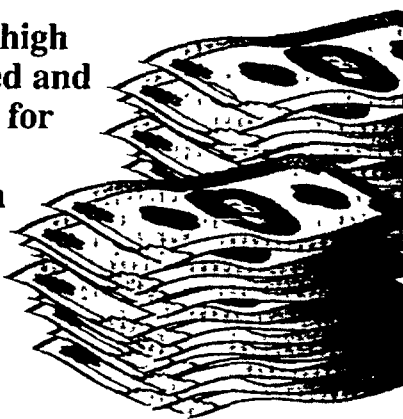
Wilkes described the congregation as a caring group of people that is concerned with others' personal needs and wants to make everyone feel a part of the church family.

"It's like a big family atmosphere here," said Wilkes.

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Foreign exchange students looking for host families

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Maria Paola Morales, Christiane Luke and Tim Buchholtz need a home.

The trio are exchange students from Europe and South America and are slated to arrive in the United States this August.

All the students will be attending high school in the area.

Morales, 17, is a resident of Ecuador. Luke and Buchholtz, both age 16, currently reside in Germany.

Lynne Elsesser, a local international exchange coordinator for the EF Education Foundation, said the students need host families willing to house them from August through June 2004.

"It's a very rewarding experience," she said. "It's having somebody from another country and it's sharing their lives with them and enjoying them as kids."

Elsesser said families are responsible for providing a room or bed for their student along with meals.

Students will have their own spending money as well as health and accident insurance.

Host families are also expected to treat the student as an addition to their household.

"This is like a family member, not a guest," said Elsesser. "They should be treated like your own kids and that's how they expect to be treated. They merge into the family as best as possible and become another family member."

Some of the students will also be involved in language camps which take place in July.

Elsesser said both the foreign students and local citizens will benefit from the

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exchange experience.

"Sometimes they forget how neat their own country is until they show it to someone else," she said. "It's nice to see things from another person's point of view."

In addition, Elsesser said Michigan youths will be able to learn what life is like in other parts of the globe.

"It builds friendships across the world and I think that's a wonderful thing to do," she said.

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This isn't your grandparents' church

By GRACE BLUM
SPECIAL WRITER

Live band. Contemporary. Casual. Bagels. Coffee.

"It's the kind of church that really takes people by surprise. The beliefs are traditional, but the presentation is modern," said Bob Shirock, senior pastor of Oak Pointe Church in Northville.

Several years ago, 60 adults and 30-40 children were sent out from Highland Park Baptist Church on a mission: They were to plant a non-denominational church in Northville. Over six years later, the church is now home to about 1,500 people.

The church met in the old Northville High School and began to rapidly grow. About three years ago, the congregation moved to the new high school in Northville and added more staff and programs.

"As the church grew, we started to add programs," said Shirock, who has been the senior pastor since the church started.

As for the church's name, the congregation wanted something with oak because many areas around Northville and Novi also have oak in their name. The congregation settled on Oak Pointe.

"It has a community feel. It's not a typical church name and it seemed to fit," Shirock said of the church's name.

On Sunday mornings, Oak Pointe offers two services, one at 9:30 a.m. and the other at 11 a.m. Over 1,000 individuals attend each Sunday. The services are extremely contemporary and casual, but the beliefs are very traditional and

evangelical.

"The services are a little more up-to-date and contemporary from what people are used to," said Shirock.

Oak Pointe is the type of church that appeals to people directly off the street. Shirock noticed that the community of Northville was not lacking much, so he wanted to provide a church that would meet the spiritual needs of its people.

"It's the kind of church where you can come as you are and we'll help you re-build your relationship with God. Our Sunday services are really designed for people who have given up on church or are disillusioned about church," Shirock said.

To attract people to the church, Oak Pointe advertises in newspapers and hands out flyers detailing some of the programs the church offers. Also, the church is very active in the community, participating in the Victorian Festival and Northville Night, a New Year's Eve party alternative for the entire family. On another note, the church attempts to offer quality programs and ministries for the entire family.

Small groups are also a big part of Oak Pointe. About 300-400 adults are involved with the

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- They believe in salvation by faith through grace
- They hold to the historic creeds of the church concerning God, creation and the afterlife
- Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
- Sunday school classes for all ages are offered at 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.
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church's small groups. Since each Sunday service has several hundreds of people, a small group is a way for people to break down and get to know one another. Eight to 16 people meet in the homes of church goers and discuss spiritual topics. Many of the groups go through a devotional program together.

Small groups were intended as a replacement for Sunday school and a way for people to build better relationships with other attendees.

"Small groups are a way for people to connect with others in their community," said Shirock.

Small groups became such a huge part of the church that Greg Moore was hired as Pastor of Cell Groups (also known as small groups). Moore is also on the Northville Youth Forum, attempting to contribute to the community as much as he can.

Besides small groups, Oak Pointe offers several Sunday school classes and ministries for all age groups. The church boasts that it has "something for everyone." A huge children's ministry is alive and thriving, as well as programs for the junior and senior high. Shirock noted that the children and

youth fall in love with their programs, and many parents are encouraged by this train of action.

In about a year, Oak Pointe hopes to be in a brand new church building and no longer depending on Northville High School to house its church services. The church has 27 acres and intends on constructing its new sanctuary on the corner of Ten Mile Road and Wixom Road.

"The attitude of the congregation is very friendly, very casual. Its barrier free and come as you are," Shirock said.

Two mini-series are starting up soon. The first will be "God's healing touch for life's painful wounds." It is a five week series that begins in July and runs through August. Both Sunday services will feature the mini-series.

The other mini-series is of the book, "The Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren. This will be a six week series that starts up in the fall.

"The whole congregation will get the book and read it and then we'll discuss and learn from it Sunday mornings," said Shirock.

Above anything else, Oak Pointe wants the community to know that it is a church that accepts and welcomes new comers just as they are. The pastoral staff and the congregation desperately want to help others establish a strong spiritual life and set them up-right on their Christian walk. The church's slogan is "We teach the Bible as it is, the people as they are."

"That's the best part, is seeing people's lives change," said Shirock with a smile.

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Parking deck going forward

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and Margene Buckhave that will flank the deck before the city moves forward. Taking into account the number of new spaces required by the proposed developments — Buckhave's two-and-a-half-story professional/residential building on Dunlap and Long's two-story retail/office building on Main — the city would net an increase of approximately 90 parking slots.

Money to help relocate Edward's Catering, business owner Mary Pearce, to acquire land at the Dunlap and Wing sites, and other financial factors still need to be ironed out. Council support of the deck concept and permission to hire professionals allows the DDA to get the ball rolling.

The architectural firm, Rich and Associates, Inc. of Southfield, and construction manager, George W. Auch Company of Pontiac, both have worked on Northville municipal projects in the past. While the former agreed to a lump sum fee of \$245,000 for design of the deck, the latter negotiated with the city a 3.5 percent construction management fee. City Manager Gary Word told the council.

Nicki Bateson, assistant city manager and finance director, described the plan to pay for the deck through issuance of 20-year limited tax obligation bonds. Bond payment would be made through the capture of tax increments within the DDA district, use of the parking fund, and payment of parking credits.

Current city ordinance allows developers within the central business district who are unable to provide on-site parking to buy parking credits. The cost of each credit is \$3,200 or \$4,500, depending on whether the business is new or if an expansion changes the building use by more than 50 percent.

It will be several months and public hearings before the city pursues a bond issue, Bateson responded to a question. The city will be able to pay the professional project planners the

council hired Monday with funds the DDA has been accumulating to go toward a project like this. The fund will total \$1.2 million by the end of the next fiscal year, Bateson said.

Hartshorne cited several reasons for his opposition to the concept that eventually was adopted. If the proposal were put on a ballot, he said, residents would feel ownership of the project.

The council was elected to make this type of decision, Mittman said. The councilman said he felt comfortable with the lengthy review process.

Ayers agreed, citing the data collection by the DDA and planning commission over two years. There still will be a lot of opportunity for public comment at upcoming hearings, she added.

"It's so many issues other than where would you rather have the deck, here or there."

Plus, the may or pro-tem said, the developers are local, with a commitment to the community.

"I'm not anti-development," Hartshorne said. "I'm against over-development, particularly at the north end of the site."

Acknowledging it would have been more expensive, Hartshorne said, there should have been more consideration of building two smaller decks. The construction of this 35-foot deck will change the cityscape indefinitely.

"I think it's more important to do it right than in a hurry," he said.

The approximate 30 spaces the reconfiguration of the Marquis lot will create will be gone in no time, he said, while it will be 20 years before the city will be able to afford to substantially increase the amount of parking.

"I just think it's the wrong thing to do."

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Friends of Maybury to begin program

On July 10, "The Trees of Maybury" will be the first program offered as volunteers pick up where state park employees left off in providing interpretive programs.

Park ranger Roger Dyjak, acting as a member of the Friends of Maybury State Park, will lead a hike into and discussion about the more than 30 species found in the nearly 1,000 acres of park.

Those interested in attending this first in the Thursday evening series are invited to meet at 7 p.m. at the farm demonstration building, entering off Eight Mile Road, west of Beck Road. On his off-duty night, Dyjak Thursdays through Aug. 28 will describe to park visitors different natural features of the park.

A subcommittee comprised of Friends vice president Cheri Mason-Pellic, with Jean Bemish, Edie McKnight, and secretary Art Greenlee also planned a series of Saturday morning presentations. Starting July 12, the 10 a.m. Saturday programs also will begin at the farm demonstration building.

The August schedule still is being finalized.

The Friends of Maybury July schedule follows:

• Thursday, July 10 — The Trees of Maybury. Trees play an important environmental, economic, historical and even political role in Michigan. As the story goes, the Republican Party was founded under a white oak tree in Jackson County, Michigan.

• Saturday, July 12 — Beekeeping. Longtime beekeeper Clayton Scholz will demonstrate the art of beekeeping and describe the honey-making and habits of bees.

• Thursday, July 17 — The History of Maybury. Since its

inception as a tuberculosis sanitarium to the present day state park, Maybury's history is as colorful as the fall forests. The park has played a vital role in the health of the Detroit area.

• Saturday, July 19 — Leaves, leaves, leaves. Bemish will tell a story about leaves, lead a search for leaves, and create a leaf print on fabric to take home.

• Thursday, July 24 — Summer Fun at Maybury.

• Saturday, July 26 — Classroom Critters. Paul McCormack will present live, wild animals and engage children in their history and care.

• Thursday, July 31 — Maybury's Summer Babies. From birds to turtles to trees, there will be all types of new life around the park.

Friends members put together this lineup in an attempt to keep alive the interpretive program that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources park employees previously provided. Cuts in funding from Lansing, combined with a February fire that destroyed the farm, forced the end of scheduling state-sponsored offerings to coincide with the close of the school year.

Funding of the voluntary organization comes exclusively from donations and annual membership fees: \$10, an individual; \$20, a family; \$100 to be a benefactor, and \$200 to be a lifetime member.

Key to the programs is providing them at no-cost, Pellic said, as they were in the past. Because there will be expenses associated with bringing in the speakers, as well as the refreshments, the group will be open to donations, Pellic said.

Support from those who attend the programs will determine the fate of interpretive programming.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE 2002 CONSUMERS ANNUAL REPORT ON WATER QUALITY

What is the purpose of this report?

Northville Public Works Department wants you to know that your tap water is safe to drink and that it meets or surpasses all 2002 Federal and State monitoring and reporting standards for quality and safety. This report shows the source of Northville's water, lists the results of water quality tests performed on Northville's water, and contains important information about water and your health.

Where does Northville's water come from?

We receive water from the Detroit River and Lake Huron. This water is treated by Detroit Water and Sewer Department (DWSD) at the Northeast and Springwells Water Treatment Plant and is delivered to Northville via 25 miles of water distribution lines. The DWSD services approximately 4.2 million people in 126 southeastern Michigan communities. Northville's water system is an older system that has undergone many changes in its history and includes a 500,000 gallon elevated water storage tank and an underground water tank.

Who is responsible for safe drinking water?

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of specific contaminants in water provided by public water systems. In turn, the City annually tests the water to ensure the regulations are being met. Additionally, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

What do you mean by "contaminants"?

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- **Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, which can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

NORTHEAST AND SPRINGWELLS WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Contaminant	Test Date	Units	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation Yes/No	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Inorganic Chemicals - Annual Monitoring at Plant Finished Water Tap								
Fluoride	8-21-02	ppm	4	4	1.1	n/a	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive, which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Disinfectant Residuals and Disinfection By-Products - Monitoring in Distribution System								
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	Feb-Nov 2002	ppb	n/a	80	17.6	8.9 — 27.4	NO	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAAs)	Feb-Nov 2002	ppb	n/a	60	13.3	6.0 — 19.0	NO	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Disinfectant (chlorine) Residual (ppm)	Jan-Dec 2002	ppm	MRDGL 4	MRDL 4	0.78	0.63 — 0.93	NO	Water additive used to control microbes

2002 Turbidity - Monitored Every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water Tap

Highest Single Measurement Cannot Exceed 1 NTU	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)	Violation Yes/No	Major Source in Drinking Water
0.13 NTU	100%	NO	Soil Runoff

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.

2002 Microbiological contaminants - Monthly Monitoring in Distribution System

Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Number Detected	Violation Yes/No	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	Presence of Coliform bacteria > 5% of monthly samples	In one month 0	NO	Naturally present in the environment
E. coli or Fecal Coliform Bacteria	0	A routine sample and a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal or E. coli positive	entire year 0	NO	Human waste and animal fecal waste.

2002 SPECIAL MONITORING

Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Source of Contamination
Sodium (ppm)	n/a	n/a	Not detected	Erosion of natural deposits

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. Monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants.

The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set by the State.

Symbol	Abbreviation	Definition / Explanation
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known expected risk to health
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology
ppb	Parts per billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram
ppm	Parts per million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Unit	Measures the cloudiness of water.
TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
n/a	Not applicable	
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants
MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants

Is the water tested for lead?

With the cooperation of several loyal Northville residents, the Northville Public Works Department has been collecting samples from homes with plumbing systems that may contribute lead to the household water supply. The results of this testing show that lead levels are below action level. However, if your home is older and you believe it could have a lead service line or has piping that had lead soldered joints, you can take the following precautions to minimize your exposure to lead that may have leached into your drinking water from your pipes:

* Anytime your water has not been used for more than six hours, run

your water for 30 to 60 seconds or until it feels colder.

* Always use cold water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula.

* Use faucets and plumbing material that are either lead free or will not leach unsafe levels of lead into your water.

Health Effects: Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning disabilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE LEAD AND COPPER TESTING

Contaminants	Test Date	Units	Health Goal MCLG	Action Level AL	90th Percentile Value*	Number of Samples Over AL	Violation Yes/No	Major source in Drinking Water
Lead	2002	ppb	0	15	0 ppb	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Copper	2002	ppm	1.3	1.3	209 ppb	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives

* The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL, additional requirements must be met.

Should I be concerned about drinking the City's water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. However, some people may be more vulnerable to the general population to the contaminants in the water. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental

(6-26-03 NR 66465)

Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

The Northville Department of Public Works will update this report annually and will keep you informed of any problems that may occur throughout the year, as they happen. Copies of this report are available at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. This report is not mass mailed to the residents.

The City of Northville invites public participation in decisions that affect drinking water quality. Please refer to the City's website, www.cityofnorthville.mi.us for meeting dates and agendas of the City Council. For more information about your water, or the contents of this report, contact the Public Works Department at (248) 449-9930. For more information about safe drinking water, visit the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at www.epa.gov/safewater.

WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY REQUEST FOR BIDS PAINTING OF ENCLOSED FLIGHT SCREW PUMPS

Western Townships Utilities Authority is requesting bids for the painting of the screw pump barrels at its Middle Rouge Sewage pump facility located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan. Further, all necessary labor, materials, equipment and maintenance are to be provided. Companies or individuals who desire a copy of the bid documents should contact:

Ms. Sandy Forest
Western Townships Utilities Authority
40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187
(734) 453-2793

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI. All submittals must be received by Tuesday, July 16, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. A public opening of the bids will immediately follow the closing at the Middle Rouge offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan.

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Who wants the first trip down the slide?

■ Community workers help construct a new playground at Moraine Elementary school

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Equipped with elbow grease and plenty of willpower, community members flocked to Moraine Elementary this past weekend to construct new school playground equipment.

Dana Mulder, a landscape architect and playground committee member, said approximately 40 workers participated in the construction project.

"One of the parents that owns an excavating company has already come in and done the site work for us," said Mulder, adding that that level of generosity has been a tremendous cost saver.

"We're able to spend the money that we have on playground equipment, rather than on site work," she said.

Supervisors from the company supplying the playground equipment were on hand Saturday, said Mulder.

She also said holes for the new equipment were dug by school district officials.

Local parents were in charge of bringing wrenches and assembling the equipment.

Mulder said Moraine students will have plenty of activity available in the new play area.

"We have a number of different things that are going on," she said.

Mulder explained the playground will feature a gymnastics cluster which includes a balance bar, a turning bar and a gathering shelter.

A large fitness cluster will have different connected stations featuring equipment to help with upper and lower body coordination. This will include monkey bars and a

glider.

"We're putting in new swings and we're especially excited about the Surge swings," Mulder said.

She explained Surge swings have a bungee type of effect due to springs that are built into the frame.

Stand alone pieces of play equipment will also be installed.

Mulder said all students will be able to benefit from the new area, including children with disabilities.

"The equipment will be organized around a circular berm and throughout the playground and around the berm will be an asphalt walk that will make the equipment wheelchair accessible," she said.

The new playground materials cost an estimated \$50,000, which will be paid for through district and school PTA funds.

According to Mulder, some of the old equipment had to come out for safety reasons and some pieces were displaced due to the new school addition. Mulder said she is looking forward to the project's completion.

"I think it's going to be neat," she said. "The kids are so excited about it. I've had the drawings at home and my kids are ready to get out there."

"We have a lot of parent participation in our school and I think that's what makes it a great school."

Lunch was provided to the volunteer workers.

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Photo by LYNNE GARCIA

Parent volunteers (from left to right) Lisa Samson, Mark Zurawski, Marie Samson and Sheila Horbath prep the new playground area behind Moraine Elementary.

Tunes on Tuesday fun for the entire family

The lineup of entertainment scheduled downtown could make Tuesdays the new favorite day of the week for moms with young children.

The Downtown Development Authority, Northville Parks and Recreation and the Central Business Association are co-sponsoring "Tunes on Tuesday," a series of musicians, magicians and merrymakers. The free performances run from 11 a.m. until noon in the Main Street bandshell near the clock.

"It's a whole variety of different activities," said Sue Taylor, recreation department special event planner. "We've got singing, we've got comedy and a little bit of theater."

"And all these performers come highly acclaimed."

The following acts are scheduled:

• July 1 — O.J. Anderson, with 30 years making people laugh with his "outrageous" comedy, he also has coached clowns for the Ringling Brothers circus.

• July 8 — Julie Austin and David Mosher, who produce sing-along, move-along children's music.

• July 15 — Matt Watroba, a popular folk musician and radio personality.

• July 22 — Chris Linn, who performs magical comedy.

• July 29 — Guy Louis and Chautauqua Express, billed as a movin' and groovin' type of guy.

• August 5 — Hat's Off by September Productions, a high-energy, interactive show.

For the June 24 kickoff concert, local merchants contributed coupons and other items for goodie bags distributed during the concert.

The concept behind the concerts is for families to enjoy a day downtown together, Taylor said.

"Many of the merchants are offering special incentives," she said. Parents can come to town for the entertainment, then stay for lunch and shopping.

"What a way to enjoy the day."

The first year of the series was very popular, Taylor said, so they expanded it by three shows this summer. The shows last year drew 100-150 children each week, she said.

"It generally is geared toward younger children, preschool through elementary school age," she said. However, she saw middle school age children enjoying some of the magic in particular, too.

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Board officials accept committee's final report

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

At the June 9 Northville Board of Education meeting, school board officials accepted the Grading Committee Final Report.

The committee's central goal from the Board of Education was to review the district's history and changes approved by the board to elementary, middle school and high school report cards and subsequent changes to improve grading processes and standards for K-12 students, the report stated.

According to the report, the District Grading Committee recommends grading procedures for the 2003-2004 school year as follows:

- Middle Schools and High School implement an "Extended 4-point" grading scale.

- Middle Schools implement a level-wide (6-8) grading matrix.

- High School pilots a level-wide (9-12) grading matrix which includes all general and honors courses.

- The grading committee also recommended the high school pilot an adjusted grading matrix for advanced placement courses that provides an internal weighting system in lieu of numerical factors or numerical multipliers (external grading system.)

In addition, the committee recommended studying the pros and cons of posting rank in class. By June 2004, the grading committee is slated to review and assess the recommendations.

At press time, final approval of the committee's report is pending a school board vote.

Northville Board of Education trustee, Joan Wadsworth, lauded the efforts of the grading committee.

"I think they did a lot of good work for us," she said.

MAKING THE GRADE

Pilot Grade Matrix for Middle School

A+	100
A	93-99
A-	90-92
B+	87-89
B	83-86
B-	80-82
C+	77-79
C	73-76
C-	70-72
D+	67-69
D	63-66
D-	60-62
E	0-59

2003-2004 Recommendation Extended 4-Point Scale (High School)

A/A+	4.0
A-	3.6667
B+	3.3333
B	3.0
B-	2.6667
C+	2.3333
C	2.0
C-	1.6667
D+	1.3333
D	1.0
D-	.6667
E	0

Northville High School 9-12 General/Honors Grading Matrix Pilot 2003-2004

A+	100+
A	93-100
A-	90-92
B+	87-89
B	83-86
B-	80-82
C+	77-79
C	73-76
C-	70-72
D+	67-69
D	63-66
D-	60-62
E	59

"I think we want to have some discussion on how to handle the honors courses. They've done very good work for us and we're grateful they've grappled with these

Issues."

Wadsworth said the school board instructed the committee to look at the district's grading policies from elementary to high school.

"They've come up with recommendations to enhance the consistency of our grading," she said. "We recognize a grading structure may influence a student's choice of classes and so we want a grading policy—that to the extent a grading policy is able—to encourage them to take challenging classes."

Wadsworth said the board agrees with the committee's recommendation to have a different grading scale for AP classes.

"They're much more difficult classes," she said. "We want [students] to take the most challenging courses that they can take. We want our grading system to encourage students to take the most challenging classes."

Wadsworth said a "weighted grade" system differs from the committee's recommendation for an altered grading system.

"The definition of weighted grades is something that goes above a 4.0," she said. "We're referring to it as a grading matrix. It's not a traditional weighting system."

"The reason to do some kind of a matrix system is simply to have students choose challenging classes. Grades may influence the choice of classes and we want to make sure kids are challenging themselves to the extent that they're able."

Phone calls to the grading committee were not returned by press time.

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Business briefs

July business workshops set

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars in July offered by the Oakland County Business Center.

"How to Start a Business" is a seminar for anyone thinking about going into business. Participants examine their entrepreneurial ideas and receive a list of pitfalls to avoid when starting a business.

The class runs from 9 a.m. to noon July 10. The cost is \$30 and includes the Starting a Business in Oakland County published by the Oakland County Planning & Economic Development Services.

"How to Write a Business Plan" is a workshop for small business owners who are developing a plan to serve as their roadmap to success. The class will take place from 9 a.m. to noon July 24 at the Oakland County complex. The fee is \$40 and includes all materials.

Both classes will be held at the Oakland County complex, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac. To register for either class, call (248) 858-0783.

Index predicts modest expansion for state

Comerica Bank's Advance Economic Barometer, the bank's

predictive index for the state's economy, registered 4.0 points in May, unchanged from April's revised 4.0, but far below the year-earlier level of 5.2, according to David Littmann, chief economist for the Detroit-based bank.

"The Advance Economic Barometer predicts expansion for the Michigan economy over the balance of 2003, but at a relatively modest pace compared with the national economy," Littmann said.

Michigan jobless rate increases

Michigan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in May edged upward over the month by one-tenth of a percentage point to 6.7 percent, according to John Palmer, deputy director for Workforce Programs, Michigan Department of Career Development.

Employment jumped to 40,000 to total 4,767,000. However, unemployment also increased by 11,000 to total 345,000. The state civilian labor force in May was 5,112,000.

Over the year, unemployment in the state increased by 33,000 or almost 11 percent. Nationwide, joblessness increased by almost 7 percent since May 2002.

May 2003 marked the 19th consecutive month that Michigan's

unemployment level was over 300,000 people. Prior to November 2001, the number of unemployed in the state had been under 300,000 since April 1994.

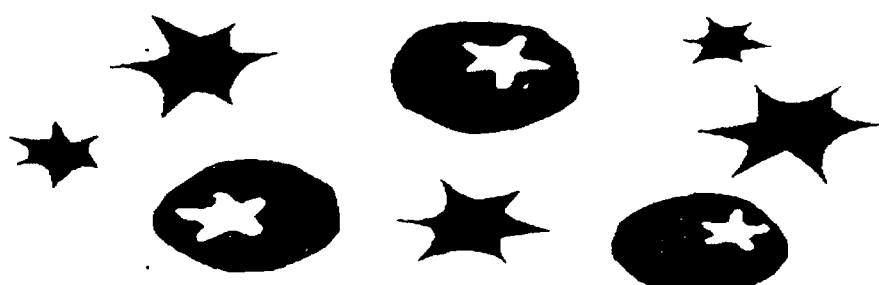
Credit Union Act moves to Senate

State-chartered credit unions have moved one step closer to broader fields of membership and the ability to provide same-day loans. Senate Bill 496, the Michigan Credit Union Act, was reported out of the Michigan Senate Banking and Financial Institutions Committee June 20 with bipartisan support.

The full Senate is expected to vote on the legislation before adjourning for summer recess. The measure will be considered this fall by the Michigan House of Representatives.

Introduced in May by Sen. Shirley Johnson, (R-Royal Oak), SB 496 would modernize the antiquated Michigan Credit Union Act, first written in 1925, by allowing greater flexibility for credit unions to expand their fields of membership. It would also permit credit unions to serve nonmembers with basic financial services, such as check cashing, wire transfers, money orders and traveler's checks.

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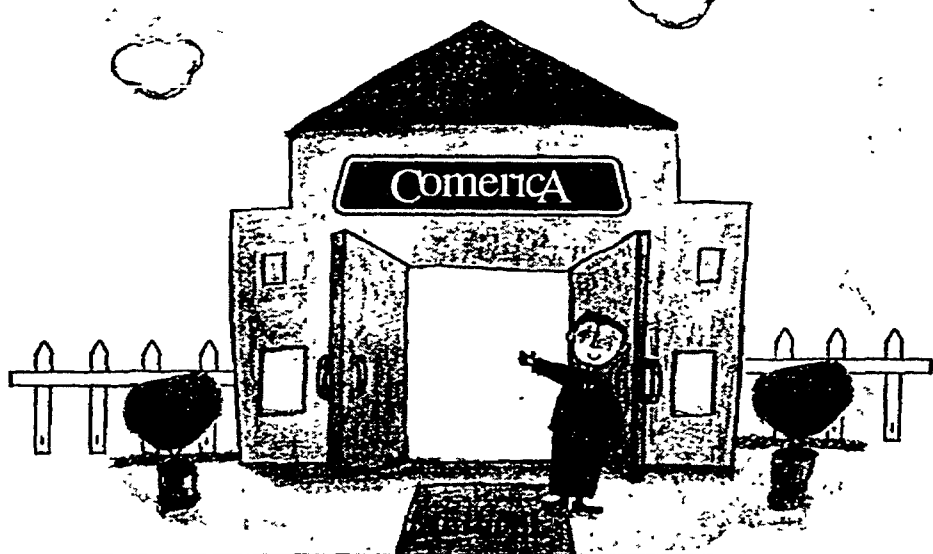
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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Parking deck a welcome addition

It's time for a collective look in the mirror to reflect on what downtown Northville has become.

Past and present city leaders for decades have pursued a vision that transformed a sleepy burg into a healthy, attractive community.

Where are you from? Northville, we say proudly.

The slow, steady transformation was underpinned by thoughtful, practical planning. For example, the creation of the Downtown Development Authority almost 30 years ago provides for core improvement with funds captured by business-property owners that in return, collectively, benefit.

That mechanism will kick in again with the city's recent approval of a plan to build a new parking structure on Wing Street between Main and Dunlap. Although Northville's parking "problem" sometimes seems more perceived than real, the addition of spaces in the heart of downtown can only increase the appeal of visiting and working in the city.

Taxes paid by downtown business-property owners in excess of a baseline cap established at the time of the DDA's origin pay for the authority's projects. Long after construction-period inconvenience, locals daily enjoy the brickscape, roads, benches, street lighting and other benefits of MainStreet '78, as well as the parking capacity created by the construction of decks in 1993.

City administrators, appointed and elected officials, and merchant representatives for many months have debated the merits of parking proposals and complementary development currently on the drawing board. The consensus at the close of the conversation was to

maintain the vision that brought us this far.

A city block of concrete that in essence is the backyard of a row of Center Street businesses on two sides will become an extension of Main and Dunlap streetscapes.

The view from the porches of Wing and Dunlap homes — now unobstructed across the city parking lot — will soon instead halt at the exterior facades of new buildings. This again is an opportunity for city planners to serve the community's long-term greater good by insisting on style and substance.

The commercial building planned facing Main Street on the site of the city's parking lot can serve to connect the final downtown blocks while providing an appropriate transition to the historical flavor of the residential neighborhood. Likewise, careful planning of the commercial/residential Dunlap Street building should complement the neighboring vintage church and houses.

And between those new developments, the city's multi-level structure will provide new parking.

The approximate \$6 million project has been characterized as "developer-driven." Well, those individuals are creating new housing, services and employment opportunities in the downtown. In turn, as they are located within the DDA tax increment financing district, they will contribute to the fund that will pay for the project.

That returns us to the mirror. A community that selected a progressive approach is reflected.

Additional services for community residents, convenience for visitors, attention to appearance, as well as practical planning remain a timeless, valuable vision for the city.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Raising money for a good cause

As a future fundraiser, Jean Bemish has invested nearly four months of effort into hooking this rug as a memorial to the farm destroyed by fire in February at the Maybury State Park. Two area children were among the those contributing to the collective design of the farm depiction. Although hooking the almost-finished rug has been a challenge, Bemish said, it has been a labor of love because of her hope to see the farm rebuilt at Maybury. Details on raffle planning will follow in future issues of the *Record*.

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LETTERS

Simkins far greater than most knew

Those of us who knew him personally recognize the recent passing of Northville attorney Charles "Nick" Simkins (Record Obituaries, June 19, 2003), as a far greater loss to our community than he tended to let us acknowledge.

In his profession as an attorney Nick garnered worldwide renown for his articles, lectures and participation in head injury cases and issues.

Here in the Northville community Nick's personal accomplishments were equally as impressive although frequently, at his own request, less well known.

My first such contact with Nick was shortly before a Christmas back in the late 1970's. At a local charitable organization we received a call from an employee at the now defunct 7-Mile hospital asking if we might provide any hats, gloves or scarves as Christmas gifts for the many patients who did not have participating family members.

By the end of that day we had visited each retail merchant in the City and collected a substantial number of the requested items as well as a large amount in cash donations from those stores which did not carry those items.

Because we were visiting only retail stores, not office or service businesses, we had not

called at Nick's legal office. Even so, the next mornings mail included a personal check from Nick more than doubling our ability to purchase additional Christmas items for the patients.

Later that afternoon I asked Nick how we could publicly acknowledge his substantial gift. His reply—no publicity necessary, "Just use the money for your project".

Nick's largesse was on-going and eclectic to say the least. Typically such as uniforms or equipment for a sports team, cupboards of food or payment of utility bills for a family in difficult times, even substantial support for our 4th of July Parade—and especially that team of miniature horses we all enjoyed so much.

Our community is the lesser for having lost Nick. For those of us who knew him our loss is greater because we knew him better. We won't forget him.

Ron F. Bodnar
Northville

Simkins deserved better

You should be ashamed of yourselves! Has the reporting staff for the Record become so removed from the pulse of the Northville

Community to miss an important news item?

We are referring to the death of Charles ("Nick") Simkins — a well known and respected lawyer of our community. Nick passed away suddenly almost two weeks ago and the Record could only muster an obituary in the June 19, 2003, edition!!

We happen to have known Nick as a fellow lawyer of the community and had the pleasure to work with him and some of his staff over the years. Not only was he and his staff consistently courteous and professional, but they were knowledgeable and competent. Nick was considered by many as one of the best closed-head injury attorneys— not a small feat for our little mid-western town.

We chuckled to ourselves years ago when we started our law firm that Northville had two husband and wife law firms—Simkins & Simkins and Kelly & Kelly.

Nick was a respected member of the Northville business community and his law practice contributed to the vibrant business environment. Nick's death was tragic and unexpected. Our community will miss his involvement and his tireless efforts to help curtail serious head trauma.

Shame on you Northville Record. Nick deserves better after serving this community for so many years.

John and Michele Kelly
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Court chose right path

At a time when common sense, let alone sanity, is in short supply in our public affairs, the Supreme Court's decision on the University of Michigan affirmative action admissions policy cases is welcome.

The Court ruled on Monday that universities may continue to use race as a factor in achieving a diverse student body. The 5-4 ruling applied to the U-M's law school admissions process, which uses a relatively unstructured system to achieve a "critical mass" of diverse students. But in a split decision, the Court also held, 6-3, that the method used by the U-M's undergraduate admissions — to assign an automatic 20 points to minorities out of a 150-



Phil Power

point index — was unconstitutional. Writing for the 5-4 majority opinion on the U-M's law school admissions case, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote: "Our conclusion that the law school has a compelling interest in a diverse student body is informed by our view that obtaining a diverse student body is at the heart of the law school's proper institutional mission."

The key issue in both opinions, surely the most important having to do with affirmative action and higher education in a generation, was whether the country has a "compelling interest" in promoting diverse student bodies at universities. In the 1978 Bakke decision, the Court ruled that race cannot be used to achieve a specific quota of races on campus, but that race could be used as a "plus" factor in granting college admission.

U-M President Mary Sue Coleman hailed the decision as "a tremendous victory for the University of Michigan, for all of higher education." She also said the University would modify its undergraduate admissions system to comport with the Court's ruling.

I can't say the Court's ruling was a surprise. To have flatly banned taking race into consideration in college admissions — an objective fervently wished by conservatives — would have thrown the entire higher education system in the country into turmoil and, very probably, would have resulted in the resegregation of college campuses. But the U-M's excessively mechanical point-based undergraduate admissions system has always seemed to me the triumph of administrative expediency over fairness.

I served as a member of the University's Board of Regents while the affirmative action cases were being mounted, so I have some understanding of both the moral and practical issues lurking behind all the legal language.

The basic practical issue for years has been how the university could possibly sort through the 25,081 admission applications (in this case, for the class of 2002) for the 5,186 undergraduate places. With a limited number of staff, the U-M admissions office has for years argued the only way to sift through this mass of applications is to award points for things like standardized test scores, grade point average, geography, athletic prowess and, of course, race.

When confronted with objections that the complex grids used to make admissions decisions looked pretty mechanistic and did not take individual potential into consideration, the office in essence argued it had no administrative choice. The university will now have to retool its admissions procedures to meet what everybody recognizes is still a nebulous standard as set out by the Court.

The law school, with a far smaller student body, considered 5,243 admissions for the 352 places in the class of 2005. The school's admissions process was much more individualistic and, if I may say, consciously vague and indefinite. Were the admissions officers seeking a specific quota of minority students? No, but they wanted more than a minimum number. What was that? Can't really say. OK. Deliberately obscure rules yielded a desirable outcome, at least in the minds of this Court.

Overall, I think the evidence is pretty clear that the system of college admission by affirmative action used by this country's elite universities over the past 25 years has produced exactly the objective intended: The mid and upper ranks of business, government and the

military are now populated by people of many different racial and ethnic backgrounds. And the country is far stronger for it.

On the down side, I am afraid that in sanctifying "diversity" as a compelling social objective, the Supreme Court has accepted the device of defining individuals by their racial or ethnic origin in order to achieve a desirable social objective rather than considering individuals by their own merits.

Plainly, a diverse society is far better than a segregated one. But a society that tolerates racial characterization as the price we pay for avoiding segregation is still a society that has a long way to go to achieve color-blind justice.

My sense of the Supreme Court's decisions is that the Justices recognized both points of view and sought to achieve an equilibrium of common sense. Both extreme liberals and ultra conservatives will be disappointed in its decisions — certain evidence the Court chose the right path.

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There's nothing wrong with challenge

So, how was your Northville Record this week? Notice anything different or anything out of place? I sure hope not.

The reason is a simple one: For only the third or fourth time since my arrival here in Northville, I was charged with the duty of paginating the entire A-section for the Record on top of my normal weekly duties as the sports writer.

I'm not complaining, mind you. Instead, I'm hoping that I've lived up to the task and passed with flying colors — or at least just passed.

It's nice to know that those in charge of this company know they can lean on me to produce quality content as well as take control and make it look good too. It helps that the Record has a staff of very energetic and enthusiastic reporters and photographers to work with, but I'm glad they trust me with this task nonetheless.

Taking on new responsibility or heading in a new direction is often an exciting thing to do, though it can prove to be quite difficult. In the

end, it's a job well done that makes it all worth, while, and a feeling of accomplishment that you take with you. For two Northville residents, the idea of taking on new responsibilities and new challenges is something that they've grown to look forward to — and they aren't afraid to step up to the plate either.

Peter Kelley and Joe Lunn will both be making the trek to the United States Military Academy at West Point at the end of the week to start the journey of becoming an officer in the United States military. I can't imagine what they are about to go through.

College, for me and many others, was a tough experience. Homework, papers and a social life took up plenty of my time. Now, take physical training, a pecking for the underclassmen to become accustomed to and anything from intramural to collegiate-level athletics and toss that all in there. What do you have? A lot more than I'd be able to handle.

I have to say that I am very proud of these two Northville grads for stepping up and reaching for their dreams. Getting accepted into the ranks of those at West Point is nothing to scoff at. It takes hard work, concentration and a burning desire to be a step above your peers. These two have managed to take that

Though my challenge seemed plenty tough to me when I first sat down and started writing this column, I've come to realize it pales in comparison to the task at hand for Kelley and Lunn.

step, and will no doubt be looking to continue to climb the ladder of success and respect as their college lives take them directly into careers.

Though my challenge seemed plenty tough to me when I first sat down and started writing this column, I've come to realize it pales in comparison to the task at hand for Kelley and Lunn. I would like to congratulate them for taking the first step on a hard road, and for being willing to do just that.

I wish both of these new cadets the best in their journey of becoming an officer in the United States Army. I know, as I'm sure many of you do, they'll represent Northville well as they be all that they can be.

And, I hope they pass every test with flying colors.

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What's next? Prairie dogs with SARS?

Is it just me or is everyone getting a bit weary of the constant influx of health crises in our society?

First it was West Nile Virus caused by mosquitoes, then SARS (Sudden Acute Respiratory Syndrome), and now the dreaded monkeypox.

What are the symptoms of monkeypox anyway? Do you start growing hair, make sounds like a monkey and have a tendency to constantly groom yourself?

In June, health officials in the U.S. identified dozens of cases of monkeypox in Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and New Jersey. People affected by the virus had direct or close contact with recently purchased pet prairie dogs.

Health officials believe these prairie dogs had exposure to a sick pet Gambian rat, native to parts of Africa.

Although monkeypox may be a serious threat for those who come into contact with pet prairie dogs, it's hardly something that keeps us up nights when other topics like unemployment and perhaps our plans for the Fourth of July weekend loom heavily on our minds.

And, while we're on the subject, who keeps prairie dogs as pets? A former neighbor of mine in Northville has an iguana. I wondered why she had a red light on in her apartment night after night until I learned it was a heat lamp for her reptile. But a prairie dog?

Let's face it, prairie dogs are officially considered pests — not pets — in some Western states. Several years ago, Farm Bureau suggested the rodents be renamed

"prairie rats" since they're not a member of the canine family and can hardly be compared with man's best friend.

It seems that unless you live in North Dakota, a prairie dog is not viewed as a normal pet. And, what do you do with a prairie dog? They're such hyperactive creatures — popping up out of their burrows for such a brief time before they're back underground.

You couldn't possibly catch one long enough to pet it. I can't envision a prairie dog sitting on your lap while you watch TV. Taking your pet prairie dog to the park on a leash would simply be out of the question.

This leads to another question. Since prairie dogs live mostly underground, how do you simulate this environment in your home? Do owners of pet prairie dogs keep these furry friends in boxes with holes cut out of the tops to simulate their natural habitat?

I'm getting an image of a pet prairie dog using a litter box. This is not normal behavior.

Why do humans find the need to domes-

ticate every animal on the planet — including an underground pack animal? And what type of pet stores offer prairie dogs for sale?

This type of activity seems at the worst illegal and at best immoral. That's one of the reasons the federal government recently banned the sale of prairie dogs as pets. Prairie dogs belong on the prairie with other prairie dogs (rats) — not with humans.

Recently, the threat of SARS caused people to cancel flights to the Far East and, closer to home, Toronto, because of reported cases of the illness.

This health scare cost the City of Toronto thousands of tourism dollars, not to mention the loss of dollars to the airlines in an already struggling industry. If you're looking for a good deal for a weekend trip, try booking a room in this Canadian city.

These alarmist health bulletins, unfortunately perpetuated by the national media, are indirectly hurting our economy by encouraging people to stay close to home.

Perhaps we need to take a closer look at how the media affects our behavior and not be intimidated by far-fetched scenarios that affect only a small percentage of people.

In the meantime, I'll never look at a monkey at the zoo or those cute little prairie dogs on TV quite the same.

And, I'll stick with my cat as a pet, thank you.

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Silver ID (identification) bracelets have been popular since the 1950's, when they likely became an offshoot of World War II military gear. While they originally showed up on guys' wrists, women began to appropriate their boyfriends' chunky silver bracelets as the quintessential sign of going steady. Today, designers also produce smaller silver ID bracelets in more delicate sizes, which are appropriate for wear by women whether or not they are going steady. In any case, the old rule of wear still pertains: Always wear your silver ID bracelet on the same wrist as your watch. As for engraving, it is traditional to use first names only. However, some wearers opt for initials or even a brief personal message.

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Ordinance amendment approved

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Planning commission members reluctantly gave their approval to an amendment of the Gateway East Ordinance June 11 so city council can get moving on the proposed plan for the Grand River Corridor in Novi.

The Downtown Gateway concept, which will now be called the Gateway East Ordinance if the city council approves the amendment, was developed in 1998 by the Master Plan & Zoning Committee as part of the Novi 2020 Master Plan update process. The committee believed the segment of Grand River west of Meadowbrook and east of downtown needed a development pattern not found elsewhere in the city.

The goal of the new zoning district is to encourage mixed-use development in Novi, including multiple-family residential, office, and limited commercial land uses.

The amendment would provide an optional tool with greater flexibility toward achieving objectives of the district by authorizing use of Planned Unit Development regulations. The Special Development Option was not part of the original ordinance.

This option would permit multiple family uses, higher density for mixed use buildings, increased nonresidential floor space and increased building height.

"This is not your typical zoning amendment," Toni Nagy, planning commission chairwoman, said at the June 11 meeting.

"This ordinance has a fairly long history and we're trying to plan a gateway to the downtown area," she said.

"This area could use a shot in the arm so that Grand River Avenue can become the jewel it can be."

Nagy noted that there is not a lot of development in this area, especially on the south side of Grand River Avenue.

"I'm willing to give the Gateway ordinance a chance," said Jonathan Brateman, a local developer. "It will create venues for more goods and services and an increase in the tax base for the city. I'm trying to think of the area as a whole. I think we have a chance to improve the Grand River corridor."

Joe Atto represents the interests of his brother, who owns property along Grand River Avenue in Novi.

"We want you to kill this ordi-

nance in its current form. We want a real ordinance that will give this city what it needs. We don't want a mandated development like Main Street," Atto said.

The idea of developing on-street parking on Grand River Avenue was also discussed.

"I'd like to see Novi look like Northville, Plymouth and Belleville," said commission member Larry Papp. "They have on-street parking."

"The city is really struggling. It's growing in all areas, but it really doesn't have an image. We are creating activity with the Gateway Ordinance, and I think it's a very good start," said commission member John Aydooulos.

"We really won't know if it will work until it's actually implemented. We want this area to be successful," Aydooulos said.

"We haven't had a common link with Main Street or the Novi Road corridor. But I don't know if we're ready to move forward on this after hearing comments from small businesses and developers," said commission member Tim Shroyer.

"I'm having a hard time visualizing this," said commission member Lynn Kocan. "There are a lot of things that need to be answered before the developers can be on board with this."

"I think this is a very good start and we should move on it," said commission member Lynne Paul. "This area needs to be developed in a positive manner."

Nagy has lived in Novi for 21 years.

"What we need to ask ourselves is, 'What do we want to be when we grow up?' I've been on the planning commission for three years," she said, "and I don't want Grand River to be chopped up. I'd like this to be part of the master plan for the Grand River corridor. But I'm not sure what we're aesthetically trying to achieve."

"I think it could be a mix of things, and that's one of the things that makes it attractive," said Rod Arroyo, AICP.

Commission member John Aydooulos said he would like to see the speed limit reduced on Grand River to encourage more motorists to stop and patronize local businesses.

"As it stands, we all have concerns. But we need to move forward on this," Nagy said.

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Weddings

Carney-Elssesser

Elizabeth Carney and James Elssesser were married June 28, 2002 in Tell City, Indiana.

The bride is the daughter of David and Carolyn Carney of Tell City, Indiana. She is a graduate of Tell City High School and a 2001 graduate of Purdue University in Art Education. She is currently employed by Elkhart Schools in Art and Cheerleading.

The groom is the son of William and Lynne Elssesser of Northville. He is a 1995 graduate of Northville High School and a 2000 high honors graduate of Purdue University in Engineering. He is currently employed by Bayer Corp., Elkhart, Indiana.

Chris Marold and Peter Anthony, both residents of Northville were groomsmen.



Carney-Elssesser

A reception was held at Owensboro, Kentucky. The couple honeymooned in Jamaica. They reside in Elkhart, Indiana.

Expansion faces opposition

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capacity would have been a large expense, she explained, while the Scott facility has the water and sewer capacity, as well as food services capability for the additional inmates.

The Scott facility, as of June 13, was home to 858 inmates, ranging from minimum to close-to-maximum security, Madziar said. The prison capacity is 894.

"Northville Township has been the institutional dumping ground of the state for too long," Snider said. "I think we've met our obligations to the state to provide help."

Currently, 33 percent of township property is owned by the state, Snider said. Past and present institutions have housed psychiatric inmates, tuberculosis patients, hundreds of felons, as well as the state police post.

"Our adverse reaction is not a reflection on the ability of the warden and her staff to provide safety to the township residents," Snider said. However, he said,

more felons housed in Northville Township means more friends of felons traversing the township on their way to visit them.

"What is the threat assessment. I'm not qualified to state that," he said.

Another concern the township manager described is that the shift of the expansion from Brighton to Northville feels like a backroom deal.

"Wouldn't it be nice for once, if the state involved us in the discussion?"

The addition should have a minimal impact on the community, Madziar said.

"They're just looking to add a housing unit there," she said. "They're not looking to expand the perimeter."

A December 2002 state law addresses just that topic, Madziar said. It says prisons are allowed to expand as long as they are within their security perimeter, she said.

Also supporting the state stance, she cited a 1997 appeals court decision that says the state Legislature dictates prison capacity,

"Northville Township has been the institutional dumping ground of the state for too long."

Chip Snider
Northville Township Manager

ty, not court rulings.

"It's pretty simple from our standpoint," she said. "We're just adding a housing unit."

"You have to weigh all the sides for everyone concerned," Madziar said. "There's no easy way to do that, unfortunately."

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Homeowners keeping tabs on land sale

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Management and Budget. Officials were expected to take a week to review offers.

"We haven't received any bids thus far, but that's not unusual," budget department spokesperson Bridget Medina said Tuesday afternoon. Most developers hand-deliver the offers the day of the bid deadline, she said.

Wednesday's cutoff date to bid was the second go-round in the process. Initially three bidders — Grand Sakwa of Farmington Hills, Pulte Homes of Royal Oak and REI of West Bloomfield — offered \$68.5 million, \$70 million and \$67 million, respectively. A hitch in the original bidding prompted the state to start the process over.

The department still expects to complete the sale by the end of September, DMB director Mitch Irwin said as he announced June 10 the plan to re-bid the property. After the state closes the bidding, an advisory panel comprised of private and public sector real estate and finance professionals once again was expected to start examining the offers submitted.

Months ago, Bill Gorsuch of Northville Trails, and Julian Pool, Richard Haas and Mark White of Maple Hill were among the homeowners who approached the township with concerns about potential development. Those two subdivisions, as well as Lakes of Northville, accessed from Six Mile Road entrances, are among the home sites that will be most affected by the Seven Mile development.

Some of the houses in their neighborhoods, ranging in value from \$300,000 to \$500,000, are only a few hundred yards away from the former hospital's liquid storage tanks and power plant, which services the hospital and the Hawthorne Center on Haggerty

Road.

"We said we wanted to keep our community separate," Haas described the group's presentation to the township. "We don't want them butting their houses right up against our community."

In addition to concerns about increased traffic, White said he fears the company that purchases the property will want to develop every inch of it.

"They're going to want to maximize their investment," White said. "They're going to want to utilize the space."

Armed with a copy of the PUD (Planned Use Development) map for the property drafted by township planners, the neighbors scrutinized how the proposed layout of office buildings, residential areas and commercial facilities would affect their investment. They said township officials have listened to their requests for consideration.

"I feel like their challenge is going to be enforcing it," Gorsuch said.

"We don't want them to just get the developers' side of the story. We want them to be aware of our side of the story."

Bill Gorsuch
Northville Trails

to-be-developed property. A bike path running the entire south end of the parcel was another key item, they said.

The neighborhood group plans to follow closely progress on the sale of the state property.

"I'm looking forward to seeing the developer's plans," Gorsuch said. The neighbors' curiosity was prolonged by the delay in the bidding process.

Earlier this month, a volunteer participating in Gov. Granholm's "executive-on-loan" program disclosed to the budget department that



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville Township Maple Hill subdivision residents Julian Pool, Richard Haas, Bill Gorsuch and Mark White are all concerned what the development slated for the state hospital grounds, just over the treeline in the background, will mean to their neighborhood.

he has an unrelated, outside business relationship with a consultant to one of the bidding companies, Irwin explained. While this business relationship was not material to the Northville sale, it could have created the appearance of a potential conflict of interest, he said.

The budget department planned to return earnest money to the companies that submitted bids during the original process. The three developers at that point had expressed an interest in bidding again, Irwin said.

Criteria in the state's invitation to bid included:

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How does your garden grow?

■ Plenty of beautiful gardens for people to see on the 10th-Annual Garden Walk slated for July 9

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Debra O'Connor laughs when she describes how her Banbury Court backyard garden has grown with her family.

Taking care of three small children at home, she dug into the hobby she had previously only sampled while in college. Now, her "passion" will be one of six stops on the Country Garden Club of Northville's 10th Annual Garden Walk July 9.

"It kind of got to be a joke because each year I would add a flower bed," said O'Connor, whose three children are now high school- and college-age. "It's a hobby. It's a passion."

"It's what I prefer to do with my time."

Tour-goers also will be invited from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to homes on Byrne, Seven Mile, Eight Mile, Shadbrook roads and Jonathon Court on the Wednesday event. Club members will serve refreshments at the Cady Inn at the Mill Race Historical Village on Griswold.

Visitors to the historic buildings will be able to experience an oriental theme in music, food and drink, and decor. Two women will play the 13-string instrument, the koto, a trademark of their native Japan.

"At the gardens, they usually do a little vignette," said Kathryn Novak, garden walk coordinator. "They'll have something set up if they want."

The \$10 tickets are available at Gardenviews, 202 W. Main Street, and Morrison's Antiques, 105 E. Main Street. The event each year sells out, so tickets likely will not be available the day of the tour, Novak said.

Earlier this week, the garden club member checked in with the six homeowners who agreed to be featured on this year's tour.

"They're on the way," she said. "The day of the walk, it

will be picture perfect."

The six gardens vary in size and character, she said.

"Everyone can feel like there's a garden they can do themselves," Novak said.

"It's not an 'oriental garden' walk," she added. That is just the theme of the Mill Race gathering.

The 35 members of the Country Garden Club field suggestions throughout the summer to prepare for selecting the sites for the subsequent year's walk, Novak explained. A couple of "garden detectives" then go and assess them, she said.

O'Connor came home to those visitors in her yard at this time last year.

"They said, 'my neighbor turned me in'," she recalled, laughing. A resident of the Six Mile Road Northville Commons subdivision for 12 years, O'Connor said she is proud of her garden's recent recognition by the National Wildlife Federation.

People attending the July 9 tour will see the sign that certifies her efforts to provide for animals food, water, cover and a place to raise young in her yard. She submitted to the national organization a map of her yard, as well as photos of the foliage.

"It really hit me, with all the new houses in Northville, this is something that really needs to be done," she said. As she was able to devote more attention to her hobby, she started purchasing additions more animal and butterfly friendly.

"They're just trying to get people interesting in planting plants," she said. "Put something in your yards that the critters can enjoy."

Following the map and garden address listing on the tickets, people are free to tour the gardens at their own pace, in the order they choose, Novak said. With a six-hour time span, they

might want to tour a couple of gardens, lunch in town, then resume the walk, she suggested.

Whenever they arrive at the Mill Race grounds, they will see vendor displays of garden-related wares, Novak said. Also, the Victorian-era homes will be open for tours with docents on hand.

"It's quite a full-day event," the planner said. Raffle tickets will be sold at the historic village for chances to win a statue donated by Gardenviews.

In addition to a variety of crafters, Massab Acres of Taylor will be at Mill Race with a selection of perennials for sale. The greenhouse staff in previous years also has taken orders for other items to bring to the Farmer's Market the following day.

The Garden Walk is the club's main fundraiser, Novak said. The group donates their proceeds to a variety of causes, including high school scholarships, the Northville Historical Society, Arbor Hospice, 4H, Parks and Recreation, Friends of the Rouge, and other environmental causes.

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A view from Deb O'Connor's garden, which will be one of the many gardens featured in the Tenth Annual Garden Walk tour on July 9.

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Amy Prentiss of Northville watches a high pitch go by. Later Prentiss would play a key role in the East All-Star victory.

East puts together tough softball game, tops West squad in Classic

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Bright blue skies, cool temperatures and a wind that made catching even a routine fly ball a task of its own were the conditions the Fourth-Annual HomeTown All-Star Softball Classic was played in.

The conditions, which could easily have been considered ideal compared to much of the regular season, helped play a part in the 7-3 victory HomeTown East pulled out over their West counterparts.

"It was a lot of fun," said Northville's Amy Prentiss, who won the hitting contest with 17 points prior to the start of the game. "It gave us a chance to play a final game before we go away to college."

The East team, coached by Novi's Sunny Jones, consisted of players from Milford, Lakeland, Novi and Northville while the West had girls from Brighton, Pinckney, Hartland, Howell, Fowlerville and South Lyon.

The two players from South Lyon, Janelle Osborne and Kasey Harmon, were penciled in to play for the East squad until a lack of West participants prompted their move.

"It was all in good fun," Osborne said. "The whole game was pretty worthwhile, so why not?"

Harmon agreed. "It was just nice to be able to play with other people from the KVC (Kensington Valley Conference)," Harmon told the *Livingston County Daily Press* and *Argus*. "In the KVC, you always want to beat who you're going up against. But this kind of game is different. This is a really nice bunch of girls."

The East victory evened out the record between the two squads at 2-2. The win came from intense teamwork and a

"I just ran over there and then threw the ball when she tried to score. It wasn't anything I planned out. I just did it without really thinking about it.."

Jessica Wolfe
East All-Star player

quick bond that formed between the players — and it didn't hurt to have some gritty performances across the board. One of the most notable was that of Amy Stewart, a Lakeland graduate, who went the distance and whiffed seven batters in the process.

"I didn't even know what the record was," Stewart said. "We're just here to get to know each other, and it was a lot of fun."

Lakeland had another notable performance, this one coming from Cristyn Cottone who slapped a two-RBI double in the bottom of the sixth inning to break a 2-2 tie between the teams.

"We were just goofing around, and this is a good way to go out," Cottone said.

With the game tied 2-2 heading into the sixth inning, the All-Star Classic was turning out to be a contest that mirrored many of the Kensington Valley Conference and Western Lakes Athletics Association matchups these girls had become accustomed to. Basically, they

were well aware that one side or the other was going to have to buckle under the pressure.

Luckily for the East All-Stars, their counterparts were the ones to go first.

Stewart gave up a walk to the West's Jessica Franks, of Fowlerville, before Kate Larson, also of Fowlerville, slapped out a double to put runners at second and third. The following batter smacked a hard grounder to Milford's Jessica Wolfe at first base, who quickly scooped the ball and met the runner on the baseline for the tag-out. A quick-thinking Wolfe then hunted down Franks and Larson, who were attempting to advance for the score. After pinning Larson down between the bases, Wolfe fired a hard throw to home where fellow Maverick Sheena Robinson tagged Franks out for the double play.

"I just ran over there and then threw the ball when she tried to score," Wolfe said. "It wasn't anything I planned out. I just did it without really thinking about it."

The following batter drove a grounder straight to Wolfe again, who snagged it and stepped on the bag to end the threat.

And that's the motivation the East needed. In the bottom of the inning, the East squad loaded the bases as Lakeland's Tami Janssens was hit by a pitch and advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by Robinson. Novi's Nicole Lewis took a walk to put runners at first and second before Maverick Cici Kaltz went down swinging for the second out of the inning. Prentiss loaded the bases after being hit by the pitch.

And then, Cottone slammed a single to center to drive in two runs to break the tie and take a 4-2 lead for the East before

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East can't come back in time for victory

By Stan Frank
SPORTS WRITER

Lightning struck well before last Wednesday's annual HomeTown Newspapers' East-West All-Star game was stopped with one inning remaining to be played.

In leading the West to a 10-7 win, Hartland's Sean Hoorelbeke and Craig Sutter and Howell's R.J. Southwell all tattooed towering home runs over the center-field fence.

The West, consisting of seniors from Brighton, Fowlerville, Hartland, Howell and Pinckney, posted its first victory in the history of the four-year event.

The East (Lakeland, Milford, Northville, Novi and South Lyon) cut into the West's lead with a pair of runs in the bottom of the eighth inning, but was prevented an attempt to complete a comeback when a bolt of lightning was seen skyward prior to the start of the final frame.

"We made a good run there at the end," East Manager Brad Farquhar of Lakeland said. "You never know, if we play that last inning, the way our bats got going there, maybe we come back."

West Manager Brian Morrison of Hartland disagreed.

"I'm confident that we would have held on that last inning," Morrison said afterward.

The game's first pitch was thrown by Milford's Ben Darga, the former two-time Kensington Valley Conference Player of the Year, whose senior season was cut short due to a knee injury.

Darga, a University of Detroit-Mercy recruit, rode to the mound on a pair of crutches and, admittedly, threw high to Northville catcher Scott McNeish.

"It was a terrible throw," Darga said with a laugh.

Darga, who had not thrown a baseball in seven weeks, was scheduled the following day to begin walking without crutches.

This season's KVC Player of the Year, Lakeland right-hander

Kyle Fedorka, took the hill for the East and promptly struck out the first two batters of the game.

The East missed a golden opportunity in its half of the first when Hartland lefty Matt Sattler escaped a bases-loaded jam by striking out consecutive batters.

The West scored three unearned runs in the second inning, a result of a pair of errors and a passed ball.

The East got one back in its half of the frame when Mike Slesinski singled off Sattler to drive in his Milford teammate Dan Merian. Slesinski went 2 for 2 in the game and was hit by a pitch.

After pitching a scoreless third inning, Milford southpaw Mark Westenberg tied the contest with a single off Pinckney's Jon McCracken, scoring Northville's Alex Richard and Roger Garfield, respectively.

Westenberg went 2 for 2 in the contest and played an unprecedented four positions — pitcher, center field, first base and catcher.

"I like to call myself an All-Star utility player," Westenberg said, only half-joking.

Westenberg ran into trouble when Southwell led off the fourth with the day's first home run.

Later in the inning, Hoorelbeke jacked a three-run shot to increase the West's lead to 7-3. Hoorelbeke's homer plated Sattler, who had walked and Pinckney's Jake Gardner, who had reached on an error.

South Lyon right-hander relieved Westenberg in the fifth and was touched by Southwell with a homer, which gave the West a commanding 8-3 lead.

"The ball was going out of the park today," West's Morrison said. "And thank the good Lord that it was on our side more than theirs."

The East squad scratched across a run in their half of the fifth after Lakeland's Brad Munson drew an errant throw

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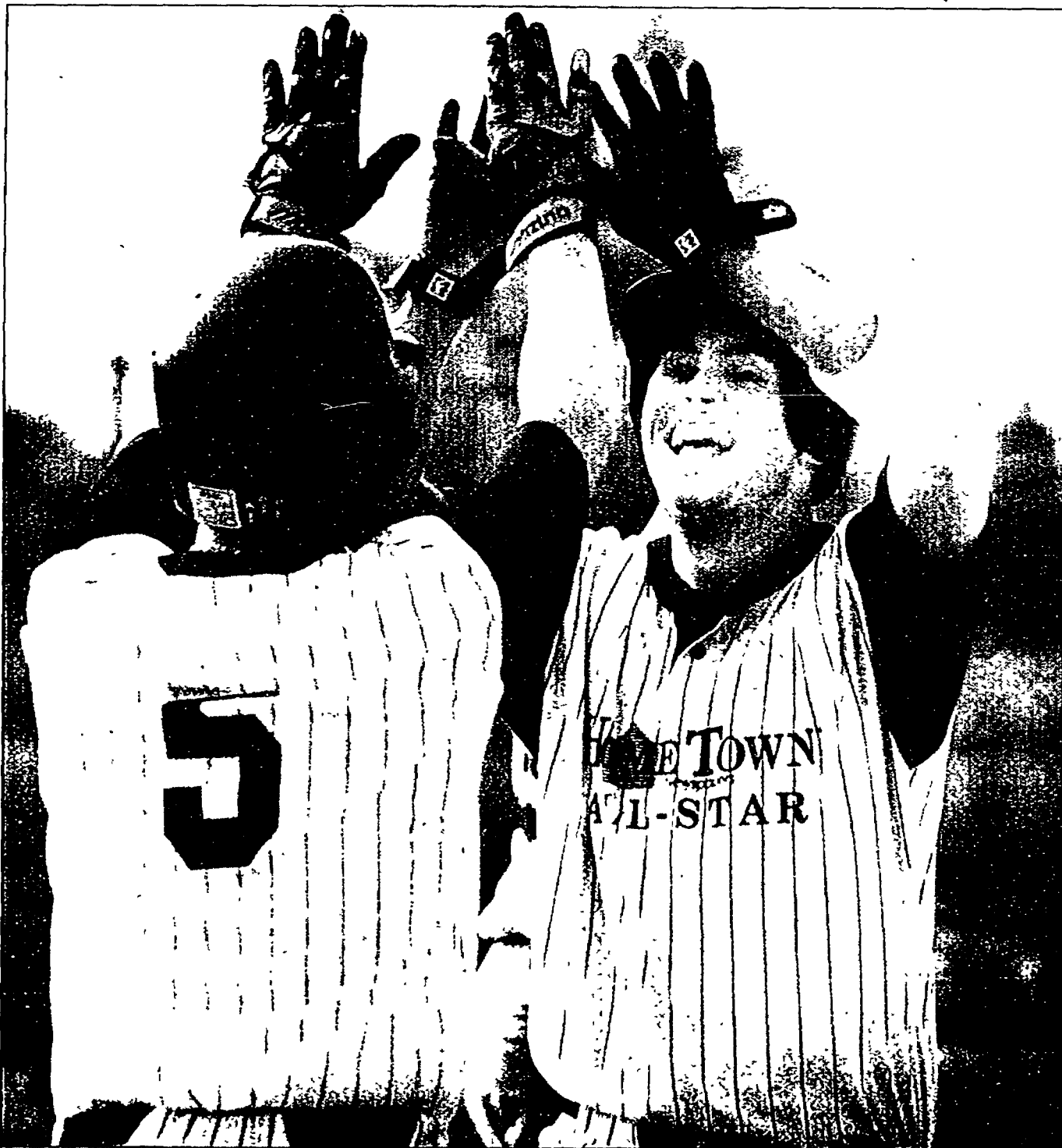


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Alex Richard gives Roger Garfield high five after scoring to tie the game at 3-3. The East squad went on to lose the contest 10-7 after the game was called due to lightning in the eighth inning.

Novi's Mitch Maier gets drafted

Stand-out taken first round by Royals

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Somewhere in town, there's a young fellow who sits down and watches the Detroit Tigers playing and dreams that one day he'll be taking to a Major League field.

At one point in time, that little boy was Novi's own Mitch Maier. Maier, a 2000 Novi High School graduate and former University of Toledo Rocket baseball player, found out recently that dreams do come true. In the first round of Major League Baseball's draft and pick number 30, the Kansas City Royals knew exactly who they wanted and Maier was that man.

"It's very exciting," said Maier, who was recently selected as a first-team All-American. "Just to get the opportunity to play professional baseball is a fantastic opportunity. It's something I've always dreamed of."

With the second-highest batting average in the United States at the time of the draft, Maier seemed like a sure thing for the Royals.

"Quite a few of us had the opportunity to see him," said Deric Laddner, the Senior Director of Scouting for the Royals. "He has one of the better bats in the country, and he's put the numbers up consistently over the past few years."

One thing that the Kansas City organization did note was that they hoped Maier's time in the minors would be a limited one.

"We see him as someone who can get through the organization quickly," Laddner said. "All he has to do is prove that he can do it, and his time in the minors will be a short one."

Maier was scheduled to report to the Royals' accelerated team in the Arizona Rookie League June 15. There, Maier will be introduced into the world of professional baseball.

"There, I'll be using a wood bat and getting the hang of the different pace of the game," Maier said.

GETTING NOTICED

Mitch Maier had plenty to draw notice to himself as a collegiate baseball player at the University of Toledo. His abilities brought him plenty of notice, as he was selected in the Major League Baseball Draft at pick number 30 by the Kansas City Royals.

His career batting average in college was a .414, which is the second-highest in the Mid-American Conference. The first-team 2003 All-American selection became the eighth Toledo Rocket in the past 10 years to be selected in the MLB draft and his pick at 30th is the highest ever in the history of the college.

This past season, Maier sported a .448 batting average, which was the second-best in the nation. He set school records in the single-season batting average, hits (87) and RBIs (61) while tying the record in doubles (16) and stolen bases (29). For career statistics, Maier set the Toledo records in hits (238), doubles (42), RBIs (147) and total bases (147). He's second in the books in runs scored (152) and tied for third in home runs with 26.

"Right now, I'm looking at just doing my best and learning all that I can."

Maier, who stands 6-foot-2 and weighs in at 195 pounds, was one of the first draftees to sign with his squad.

"They gave me a great offer and I couldn't turn it down," Maier said. "I'm very happy with it and very comfortable with it. I was ready to sign it and get going."

According to the Royals, Maier's contract includes a \$900,000 signing bonus and an invitation next spring to the major-league camp.

"It's all very exciting for me and my family," Maier said. "I wasn't expecting it to all work out this way, but I'm happy it did. This is something I'll never forget."

Laddner noted that drafting Maier was never a question of when or where.

"This wasn't a game of chess and there was no way we were going to wait for another round," he said. "This was the guy we wanted. The whole point of the draft is to ensure the future talent and the quality of play that individuals can give to a major league club."

"This young man has got the whole package. He has the talent and the tools to play professional baseball and has the make-up to build an organization around. We live and die by the draft, and we look to get players that we can develop from within. Mitch is the kind of player that we want in Kansas City."

Maier was invited to work-out with the Royals before their game against the San Francisco Giants June 13, where he had the opportunity to work with former All-Star catcher and current Royals manager Tony Pena. Maier was also in full Royals uniform and then sat in a luxury box with his family for the game.

Overall, Maier said it's not about where he might end up or what the future holds for him. It's about playing the game.

"It's just a great experience," Maier said. "I'm ready to head out and do what I do. I want to play and have a good time while I'm out there."

Being a native of Metro Detroit, Maier found himself a fan of the Detroit Tigers growing up. In turn, it gave him plenty of chances to watch American League Central teams — including the Royals.

"I'm very familiar with the Royals and what they've been able to accomplish over the years," Maier said. "I've seen

them play quite a few times growing up when we went to watch the Tigers. It's exciting to have them select me and I'm very open to the fact that I'll be playing for them."

Maier said he was excited about all of the possibilities that were before him — and, coincidentally, so are the Royals.

"This is what a scouting director lives and dies for," Laddner said. "It will be a lot of fun, and no doubt an experience that he will never forget. He'll get the chance to look back on all of this when he steps back onto a major-league field and when he signs that contract he'll understand where it all comes from. Getting back here is what he's about to start working for."

Since being drafted, there had been some rumors circulating that Maier might find himself in left field instead of behind the plate. But, Maier was quick to note that his preference is to be a catcher.

"Catcher is the position I love to play," he said. "I grew up playing behind the plate and that's where I want to be."

That doesn't mean he is open to change though.

"If, for some reason, catching doesn't work out and the Royals ask me to move to the outfield, it's not a point I would argue."

Laddner noted that Maier has the potential — now he just has to live up to it.

"If he goes out and starts off the way we think he will, he could advance through the organization very quickly," he said. "He's got the size, the strength and the attitude to play at this level."

And he's got the offensive ability to put it all together.

"He's a left-handed batter with power and the ability to run," Laddner said. "He's got the arm strength to be a catcher in this organization, but we're going to have to work on his throwing mechanics."



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Novi's own Mitch Maier, in full Toledo Rockets' catching gear, was recently selected as the 30th pick in the Major League Baseball draft by the Kansas City Royals.

And work isn't something Maier is afraid of. Coming through the high school program at Novi, he wasn't the best player through the first couple of years with the likes of A. J. Rowe on his squad — but he worked through it.

The summer after baseball was over with the Wildcats, Maier was eyeing the University of Michigan football program with some contact from Lloyd Carr inviting him. But, that's when the University of Toledo called him up — and now the rest is history. Hard work at bat and a lot of time put in during the off season

Maier playing to his ability with a lot more potential being seen by those around him.

"It's been such an exciting time," Maier said. "I had a good idea that I was going to get drafted, but to get picked in the first round was a surprise. I really couldn't have asked for it to work out any better."

And now, every little boy sitting there dreaming that one day they'll be able to get the nod into the world of professional baseball has someone to look to as a role model. Thanks to Mitch Maier, everyone knows that dreams do come true.

East takes victory in softball

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Novi's Shannon Shrader drew a walk to load the bags once again.

Moments later, Wolfe singled in a run before Stewart added to her already impressive day by cranking out a deep double to score two more runners to ice the East's scoring at 7-2.

The West, under the guidance of Brighton coach Pam Lee-Campbell, gave a good effort to come back and found Hartland's

Amber Gentry crossing the plate on a wild pitch before the East defense buckled down and snuffed out the flames of the rally.

Cottone ended the game going 2-for-3 with two RBIs, while Wolfe and Stewart went 2-for-3 with an RBI each. Prentiss went 1-for-1 on the day, as did fellow Mustang Allison Long, while Lakeland's Danielle Shamus went 1-for-2. Novi's Shrader and Lewis each reached base on walks.

Northville's Lindsay Tomasak for-2 and 0-for-1 respectively, and Candra Nabozny went 0-

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Lightning finds game called in eighth inning

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while attempting to cruise all the way from first to third on a single by Westenberg. Munson, who had also singled, hustled home to cut the West's lead to 8-4.

Northville right-hander Tyler Carter pitched impressively in the sixth inning, holding the West scoreless on one hit.

Carter's teammate Joe Zumstein did not fare as well, however. Zumstein, a soft-tossing lefty, surrendered a two-run double off the bat of Fowlerville's Bobby Browning, scoring Brighton's Rich Leach and Southwell.

"I was throwing some mean, hanging curves," said a light-hearted Zumstein afterward.

Northville's Scott McNeish, who caught the entire game for the East, led off the bottom of the seventh by blasting a solo shot to center, cutting the deficit

to 10-5.

Northville righty Roger Garfield pitched a perfect eighth inning, even snagging a bullet hit back to the mound to record the final out.

In the bottom half of the eighth, the East seemed primed for a comeback, closing the gap to 10-7 when Richard came home on a passed ball and Merian scored on Novi's Evan Rodriguez's single.

However, lightning was witnessed as the East squad was taking the field in the top of the ninth, cutting short any possibility of a comeback.

Despite the loss, Farquhar said afterward that the East squad was successful in achieving its main objective.

"It was a great time," Farquhar said. "The kids really enjoyed themselves and that's what is important."

The players agreed.

"It was fun in here," Zumstein said from the dugout. "It was fun hanging out with people from different teams."

Said Westenberg: "It was a lot of fun. I got to meet all the players from all the other schools that we've played before. A month ago they were my oppo-

nents, today they were my teammates. It was fun to get to know them."

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Novi's Darren Guffey scoops up a grounder during the Allstar game in South Lyon.

Matt Cornelius looking ahead to future in college, athletics

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

Each and every reader of this sports section should have at least one name down pat by now — Matt Cornelius.

The former senior, and current graduate, of Northville High School has been a staple in athletics since he first arrived on the scene four years ago. A determined player than found himself often hampered by unfortunate injury, Cornelius knew that the best way to win was to follow one path — never give up.

"I always wanted to keep playing," Cornelius said when asked about some of the big losses he suffered through his career. "You can't get anywhere without working hard and keeping your head up."

As a senior, Cornelius found himself in some rough waters through his favorite sports season of football. Once, Cornelius enjoyed playing the role of a primary player in the scheme of a very familiar running game that was former coach Darrel Schumacher's bread and butter. But, in his senior year Cornelius had to adjust to the role of a secondary option in the bigger, faster and stronger attacks that head coach Clint Alexander brought to Northville.

"It was a different game," Cornelius said. "The program has a lot of potential, and I think it can really go places. I was disappointed with the season as a whole, but I think it was a great year of learning and experience for the guys who will be back next year."

Cornelius is hoping he'll be back in pads next year too. His eyes are set on playing some football for the University of Miami, Ohio.

"I just thought the school was a great fit," he said. "It was one of the first places I visited, and I wasn't sure if all the schools were going to feel like that or not. In the end, Miami was the best place for me."

Cornelius has had the chance to talk to much of the coaching staff, which is encouraging him to walk on at the university, and he's hoping to find himself in a position that he hasn't played for a little while now.

"I'd like to be a safety," he said. "I played it up until my junior year, and then we were so injury stricken that I had to move to line-backer."

Cornelius, who stands at 6-foot-1 and currently weighs in at 220-pounds, is hoping to boost his weight by an extra 10-pounds before the walk-on date.

"I'd like to stay pretty trim and gain all of that weight through muscle," Cornelius said.

Currently, Cornelius is working out five days a week at Lifetime Fitness and adds a run in to his routine three times a week. Much of his workout is with friend and fellow graduate Marc Mueller, who is going to be playing football at Albion College.

"It's great to work out with one of my best friends," Cornelius said. "We push each other and it helps both of us out."

As a graduate, Cornelius found himself sitting on stage with the other officers in his class. For him, beyond receiving his high school diploma, Cornelius found gradua-

tion being something extra special. "It was extra special because I was able to introduce Mister Andrew Torok," Cornelius said. "He was a war veteran from the 1940s and I was given the opportunity to present him with an honorary diploma. You don't really get to do that normally, and it made this a very special moment for me."

Cornelius is an average graduate beyond that. He has a slew of activities he enjoys doing, like reading the newspaper, going on the Internet, watching ESPN and reading non-fiction. He also noted that he enjoys listening to a variety of music and watching scary movies. Out of everything though, Cornelius enjoys one thing the most.

"I enjoy hanging out with my girlfriend, Amanda Crawford," he said. "She's been my girlfriend for over two years. She's one of my best friends, and I know that no matter when I think about high school, she will always be in my favorite memories."

The duo met at the Northville Swim Club Teen Night Party.

"It was the summer of my freshman year," Cornelius remembered. "I wasn't sure what to make of her at first. She seemed like a really nice person, and I actually went to Homecoming with her my sophomore year. It was a good time."

"And then it happened. After four months of not really seeing much of one another, the two ran into each other at a church musical."

"We just hit it off," Cornelius said.

When he's not working out, hanging with his girlfriend or driving around in his champagne-colored Ford Taurus, Cornelius can be found enjoying something that all growing teens should enjoy.

"I love a nice, hearty steak," he said. "Filet mignon, rib-eye, porterhouse and every kind you can think of. I'm a carnivore."

And that carnivorous attitude is what has helped him succeed at the high school level and, hopefully, beyond.



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A fine crop of gardening books

Five publications provide plant knowledge, good reading

By Dan Verria

SACRAMENTO BEE

"Tabletop Gardens," by William Holt (Storey Books, \$27.50)

An extraordinary book on creating miniature indoor gardens for centerpieces, window sills, corners and any other area of the house. Author Rosemary McCreary and photographer William Holt present projects you'll want to tackle. A lavender garden, a child's fairy-tale garden, a fountain garden and seasonal gardens are but a few.

While these tiny gardens may look like works of art, McCreary doesn't ignore practical advice such as how to prevent water stains on tabletops.



"New Book of Herbs," by Jekka McVicar (DK Publishing, \$30)

A valuable addition to any herb-lover's library, Jekka McVicar's book includes just about everything you'd want to know about these unique plants: culinary, medicinal, ornamental and even home-cleaning uses for herbs.

Especially interesting are directions for mixing up furniture polish, upholstery shampoo, all-purpose surface cleaners and window cleaner by using homegrown herbs! McVicar also includes recipes using herb sauces, marinades, vinegars, butters, etc.

Her list of "top 100" herbs is illustrated with color photos and text on propagation, site selection, maintenance, harvesting and the uses of each herb.



"Architecture in the Garden," by James van Sweden (Random House, \$39.95)

Landscape architect James van Sweden chronicles how he tackled landscaping challenges for his clients. His professional advice may help the do-it-yourselfer.

Van Sweden emphasizes the "marriage" of home and garden by exploring terrain, hard-scape, angles and curves. And he doesn't mind dropping a name or two with lines like, "As I pulled up to Oprah Winfrey's front door for the first time..."

Color photos of professionally landscaped gardens are for the dreamers in the crowd and are sure to inspire a chorus of oohs and aahs.



"Fast Plants: Choosing & Growing Plants for Gardens in a Hurry," by Sue Fisher (Fireside Books, \$16)

Fast-growing plants for new landscapes and impatient gardeners. These "speedy species" include climbers, shrubs, conifers, perennials and others reputed to grow like weeds. The author, Sue Fisher, lives and gardens in England, but most of the plants are grown in the U.S. - California flannelbush, Mexican orange flower, rock rose, etc.

Growing tips and color photos of each plant are a big help.



"The Story of Gardening," by Penelope Hobhouse (DK Publishing, \$40)

If your interest in gardening runs deeper than this year's pepper crop, this is a coffee-table book for you.

Author Penelope Hobhouse, the grande dame of British horticulture, begins with the world's first gardeners in Mesopotamia, Egypt and ancient Persia, and finishes with the designers, gardeners and landscape architects who have shaped the present and will influence the future.



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If you have a spot that is rocky and where the grass won't grow, turn it into a safe and comfortable play area by removing the big rocks and covering it with soft, pesticide-free mulch or wood chips.

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Dramatically showcase a favorite postcard by centering it on a large mat board and framing it.

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Create a sensory garden that stimulates all five senses. Include plants that feel interesting to the touch, some that please your nose or those that offer a noise factor, such as seed-pods that rustle in the breeze.



The upper level of Camille Butrus' garden outbuilding is designed for sitting and enjoying the family's Italian water garden. The lower level is used for storage of lawn and garden equipment.

Outhouses are In

Buildings bring focal points, architecture to gardens

Story By Robin Clemow ■ Photos By Jan-Michael Stump ■ Scripps Howard News Service

Living rooms have couches. Bathrooms have toilets. Kitchens have ovens. And gardens? They have outbuildings.

"Every garden needs one," said garden designer Kewell Terry of J.K. Terry & Company in Homewood, Ala. "It's a way of bringing the architecture of the home into the garden."

Other designers agree. Whether a gazebo, a small potting shed or a well-designed storage building, an outbuilding unifies home and garden and serves both as an aesthetic aid and a space creator.

Those who want to add a structure to their garden can order a kit to install themselves in a weekend or hire a designer to draw something original and have it built by a professional.

Plan to spend \$25 per square foot, or more, depending on the extravagance of your project and whether you build it yourself.

Before beginning the project, designers recommend thinking about the architecture of the home and the utilitarian purpose of the outbuilding.

"People want a place to keep garden supplies," said garden designer Mary Zahl of Birmingham, Ala. "They want a place to store plants, sometimes in the winter. A lot of homes don't have garages or storage areas that are part of the house, so some of my clients want the additional storage."

All these, Zahl said, are great reasons to add an outbuilding to your garden. But she said they should come second to the aesthetic value of the world, they have outbuildings that are a focal point," she said.

Terry said a garden structure can act as an axis, its walls and corners creating imaginary lines on which to build the garden. A carefully placed structure can complement the lines in an already-established garden.

Outbuildings range from the simple to the extravagant.

Fred Murray of Mountain Brook, Ala., uses his simple but well-designed outbuilding as a garden shed.

"I use it to keep garden tools and fertilizer and stuff like that," he said of the building in the middle

of his gardens. Murray said he had the garden shed custom built to compliment the home but not duplicate it.

"It's just a cedar board and batten house with a shingle roof," he said. "All I used is some color to make it compatible."

Camille Butrus of Mountain Brook went a few steps further to make her garden house fit in with her stone home and complement her Italian water garden.

"My husband wanted a place for lawn mowers and that kind of thing," Butrus said. "Where he wanted to put it, I didn't want anything unattractive because it was in the garden."

Architect James Carter of Birmingham designed a two-story garden house for the Butrus home. The bottom floor opens like a small garage into the lower garden at the back of the house, while the upper floor is a shaded patio at the end of the Italian garden. A steep roof and stone archways make the entertaining spot/lawn garage a perfect match to the 1930s stone home.

Designers offered some additional ideas for outbuildings: an outdoor covered patio that includes a fireplace, a rectangular building divided unevenly to serve as lawn equipment storage and potting shed, a small garden shed with glass ceiling to act as a partial greenhouse, or buildings that mimic historic structures such as a well or spring house.

Terry said those who hire an architect or garden designer should expect to pay \$8,000 or more, even up to \$25,000 or \$30,000. The savvy do-it-yourselfer could put up a 10-foot square outbuilding, he said, for \$2,000 to \$2,500. Terry recommended using recycled materials such as windows, doors or light fixtures being discarded from a remodeling project.

Terry said those who choose to design their own or pick from prefabricated kits should consider using the same roofing material or pitch as the home, siding in the same color and style, and architectural accents such as a door, outside light or doorstep that matches the home.

"Try to pull some element out of the architecture of the home, and try to duplicate it so it doesn't look retrofitted," he said. "Picture the outbuilding as big furniture."



Fred Murray had his 9-foot by 9-foot cedarboard and batten garden shed built at his home about five years ago. The door seen here is actually an antique that used to be on another house - it still has the old address on it - but now is just decorative.



Sally and Peter Werthing use their garden shed for storage of lawn and garden equipment and a few children's toys, like the small tractor sitting next to the shed.

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Showing the door with kindness

By Staci Semrad
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Harold Siglar has been hiring and firing people for 25 years, all the while loathing the latter.

"You just hate to see somebody fail because they're not doing the things they need to do to be successful," says Siglar, chief executive officer of Abilene (Texas) Regional Medical Center.

Firing somebody is a dreaded task and could cause problems for a business unaware of the legal pitfalls to avoid, such as claims of discrimination or wrongful discharge.

"It just affects a lot of people when someone gets terminated," Siglar says, referring to the employee's family. "So you have to manage the dynamics of that and the human relations. ... You have to handle it with compassion."

The hardest part about firing someone is taking care to protect both the employee's and the employer's rights, employers say. The employer must abide by labor laws and the company's policies.

The best prevention is being cautious in the hiring process, setting clear expectations and giving consistent feedback on performance.

There is no "cookie-cutter" way to fire someone, says Abilene attorney Vianei Robinson, who specializes in employment law representing employers.

One of the greatest temptations for employers is to soften the blow by telling an employee he's being laid off when actually he's being fired for poor job performance, she says. That could be a problem if the employer hires someone else a few weeks later to perform the same job, she says.

"If there's ever a legal challenge, having to change the reason for termination is dangerous," she says.

Such a scenario could result in a discrimination case, Robinson says.

In Texas, an employer does not have to provide a reason for termination, she says. "You can terminate someone for a good reason, a bad reason or no reason," she says, "just not an illegal reason."

If the employer is going to fire someone for a job-related reason, that reason should be documented and the employee alerted before being fired so he'll know how to improve, Robinson says. If the employee doesn't improve, the employer should document that in the employee's file before firing the person, she says.

The employer should conduct the termination in person and as discreetly as possible with another member of management as a witness, Robinson suggests.

An employer may want to give to the employee a written statement explaining the reason for termination, she says. Robinson says employers should not refuse to explain why the person is fired because that could lead the employee to suspect illegal action.

In most terminations, employees are relieved of duties immediately, she says. Giving advance notice is not required by law, but the employer usually pays the employee for an additional two weeks of work, even though the employee is not there for it, she says.

Another concern employers have is unemployment claims because they can affect taxes a business pays, Robinson says.

Employees are not entitled to unemployment benefits if they're fired because of misconduct connected with work or if they voluntarily resign, she says. If employees are fired or laid off, they should get unemployment benefits, she says.

You're Fired!

The most common mistake fired employees make is waiting too long to take action, says Susan Hutchison, a Fort Worth, Texas, attorney who practices employment law, representing employees.

Each case is unique, but for most situations employees have from 30 to 300 days, she said. Generally speaking, employees who are fired should do the following in this order, she says:

- Follow the company's grievance procedures.
- File a claim for unemployment benefits with the state.
- If discrimination is suspected as a reason for termination, file a charge of discrimination with the state Commission on Human Rights.
- See an attorney about other violations of the law.
- Document efforts to obtain other employment.

"You can terminate someone for a good reason, a bad reason, or no reason, just not an illegal reason"

Vianei Robinson
Attorney specializing in
employment law



THE Writing's ON THE Wall

Story By Staci Semrad ■ Illustration By George Sterling ■ Scripps Howard News Service



he writing is often on the wall. However, people rarely think they will be fired and are stunned when it happens.

"Losing your job is one of the most stressful events that you can experience," says Susan Hutchison, a Fort Worth, Texas, attorney who practices employment law, representing employees.

Knowing what to do in case you're fired can ease the trauma of the experience. Following proper procedures, having documentation and filing for claims in a timely manner may prevent further frustrations.

What's hardest for people who are told they've lost their job is holding back the tears, says Claudia Clinton, an Abilene, Texas, attorney who also practices employment law, representing employees. It's best to try to avoid crying or otherwise losing their composure, she says. That means avoiding yelling at the employer.

Wade Agnew agrees. An employee of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, he says he's faced the ax at least eight times. "I've been fired because I need to be fired and I've been fired for just discipline actions and I've been fired for standing up for what's right," he says.

Respond "as calmly as possible," he advises. "... Smile if possible."

Hutchison advises people to get the reason for termination in writing from the employer. However, she says, the law does not require employers to give a written reason and companies are often reluctant to do so because they fear it could later implicate them in a lawsuit.

Attorneys also emphasize prevention. Resolving workplace problems can keep the ax suspended for a while.

If the employee suspects he's about to be fired, he should consult an attorney for damage control, Clinton says.

However, Hutchison says employees should first try to resolve the problem through the company's human resources department, where they should file a written statement.

"Down the road, if you get into litigation, the judge and jury are going to want to know what you did to try to fix the situation," she says. A written complaint is evidence of how bad the situation was at

the time, Hutchison says.

Clinton agrees, but says if the situation looks like it will not improve, the employee should do everything possible to leave on good terms. "Either leave with a good recommendation or leave with a big fat check in your hand."

Most clients who seek Clinton's counsel feel they were fired unfairly. "It's sad, but I have to tell them that there's no law that says your employer or your co-workers have to be nice to you," she says.

Although Texas employers don't have to have a good reason — or any reason — to fire someone, companies cannot discriminate against employees by firing them because of gender, religion, race, nationality, pregnancy or age, Clinton says.

"It's very difficult to prove discrimination unless it's absolutely blatant, and most people nowadays are smart enough not to be absolutely blatant in their discrimination," she says.

While discrimination happens, people are also fired for reasons not always prohibited by law. Those reasons often relate to their relationship with the boss, Clinton says.

Sometimes a supervisor will feel threatened by the talents of an employee and fire that person, Agnew says.

In other instances, someone who wants his co-worker's job will tell lies to smear that person's reputation, Clinton says, or a new supervisor will clean house and hire a new staff.

Another common scenario is when a company doesn't fire a person but makes him so miserable that he feels compelled to resign, Hutchison says. That could be illegal if either is found to be "intentional infliction of emotional distress" or retaliation against the employee for complaining about discrimination, she says.

The law also protects employees from being fired for refusing to take orders that involve doing something illegal, Clinton says.

Likewise, some states have "whistle-blower laws" that say if someone in a public entity reports an internal violation of the law, the whistleblower cannot be fired, Hutchison says.

People rarely think they will be fired and are stunned when it happens. Here's what to do when shown the door.

Inventor's twist on labels leads to patent payoffs

By Tim Moran
MODESTO BEE

Stephen Key estimates that 97 percent of patents never pay off. That's because people may have a clever idea, but they don't research whether there's a market for it before they go through the arduous patent process.

"You have to find out what sells first. Does it have sizzle? Does it have legs?" asks Key.

He heads up Stephen Key Design Inc. in Turlock, Calif., and he's put a product or two on the market.

His latest is a rotating label design he calls "Twist n Learn," or "Spinformation." It's essentially an outer label with a clear window in it that allows a consumer to twist it to reveal more text on a second label underneath.

The Twist n Learn has been used on items such as Rexall Sundown herbal products, Lawry's seasonings and Nescafé instant coffees.

The idea came to him after reading an article about the difficulty of getting enough information on pharmaceutical labels, Key said.

Previously Key had worked in toy design. He

had made a drinking cup with Disney characters that twisted in a similar manner, to mix and match different cartoon bodies and heads.

Used with text instead of cartoons, his rotating design allows drug and food manufacturers to get 75 percent more information on labels, Key said.

The pharmaceutical industry in particular has a challenge in getting all the required Food and Drug Administration information on labels as well as marketing messages, says Daphne Allen, editor of Pharmaceutical & Medical Packaging magazine.

The Twist n Learn design is one of several new label technologies aimed at getting more text on each product, Allen says.

Food products can use the device to include recipes and marketing information as well as the required FDA information, Key says.

Another of Key's products was Michael Jordan's Wall Ball, a toy hoop with a soft ball for indoor play. Key cobbled up a prototype of the toy, sent it to Jordan's licensing agent and got approval to have it manufactured and marketed.

"It was a very simple idea. We sold a million of them," Key says.

Key started his career selling stuffed animals at arts and crafts fairs in California.

"I made them during the week and took them out to sell on Saturdays and Sundays," Key says. "It's a very difficult way to make a living," he adds, but it helped him learn what is marketable and what is not.

From there, he went to work for a small toy company called Worlds of Wonder Inc. in Fremont, Calif. Key worked on the team that developed the Teddy Ruxpin toy, working with engineers to get the mechanical talking bear to look cuddly with all that hardware inside.

Worlds of Wonder, now Toy Liquidating Corp., grew to be the fifth biggest toy company in the world with sales of toys like Teddy Ruxpin and Laser Tag.

Key wanted to design his own products, however, and left to go into business for himself in 1989. He designed toys for Disney theme parks, came up with the Wall Ball and a dart novelty toy called Sweet Darts.

Key is now sharing his knowledge, speaking at colleges, inventors' guilds and seminars. He has launched a second business, Big Idea Guys, to help people through the process of taking an idea into production.

On the Web: www.inventright.net

Pop some corn and turn on the annual report

By Jeff Harrington
ST PETERSBURG TIMES

In this time of austerity, a lot of public companies prefer bare-bones annual reports. Some are forgoing the glossy updates altogether, simply referring shareholders to financial documents filed with regulators.

Then there's privately held Peoples Bank. The fast-growing Palm Harbor, Fla., bank opted this year to produce not just a splashy, color-filled annual report but a six-minute video to boot.

David Dunbar, chairman and chief executive of bank holding company Peoples Florida Banking Corp., said he ordered about 100 copies of the video as a marketing tool. To him, it's more cost-effective than some popular alternatives.



Stephen Key has found that it takes more than necessity to give birth to an invention — you need a market for the idea, too, by maintaining a child's curiosity and belief in their dreams.

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Home Brewing: This microbrew is made by you

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If you're a beer lover who has graduated from mass-produced beers to microbrews, then perhaps it's time you took the next step and started brewing beer in your own home.

It's a growing hobby that offers not only fun and personal satisfaction but a delicious potable product to share with friends.

Beer expert Michael Brown is a former assistant manager at the Flying Saucer Draught Emporium, which specializes in imported and microbrewed beers. Brown is now employed by Central Market HEB, a Texas gourmet grocery chain, where he serves as a wine steward and teaches a class about beer. Here he offers tips for those hoping to brew beer at home:

Local shops. The first step in home brewing, says Brown, is finding a local brewing supply shop with a friendly and knowledgeable staff. Be sure to ask lots of questions, and let them know your beer preference, your budget and how much time and space you want to devote to brewing.

Initial investment. A typical initial investment for a small homebrew setup is around \$100 for equipment and enough supplies to produce one batch of beer.

Buy glass. Brown recommends buying fermentation equipment made of glass, because it's easier to clean than equipment made of other materials, and cleanliness is always important when you're working out of your home.

Brews and batches. When brewing your own beer, you're the company owner, brewmaster and customer all rolled into one, so make whatever you like. A five-gallon batch will usually get you 2 1/2 to 3 cases of beer, so you'll have enough to store or to serve to friends at a homebrew party.

Results. Brown thinks there's nothing quite like handing your pals some of your home-brewed beer and hearing that it's the best beer that they've ever tasted. And the pride of making something yourself will taste almost as good as the beer you've created.

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Brew Your Own Magazine: byo.com

The Association of Brewers: Beer Town: www.beertown.org

Becoming a beer expert

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Enjoyed for centuries, beer is more popular than ever before, with breweries from Chile to China offering ales, lagers and stouts to an ever-thirsty global community.

If you've always stuck to one brand of beer, dipping a toe in the wider world, with its hundreds of distinctive flavors and colorful brand names, might seem intimidating. With a little help from a beer expert, however, you can learn all you need to know to become a sophisticated sultan of suds.

F. Paul Pacult of Wallkill, N.Y., is editor of the Spirit Journal newsletter and the author of "The Beer Essentials: The Spirit Journal Guide to Over 650 of the World's Beers." Here he offers his expert advice for developing a taste for great beer.

American lagers. For many beer drinkers, the standard American lagers — those mass-produced brands that keep sporting events on the air with their huge advertising budgets — are all there is to beer. But Pacult sees these mild beers as just the starting place. They're good beers, but not great beers, and the goal is to get your taste buds headed in a new direction.

Microbrews. The next step, according to Pacult, is trying out some lovingly crafted microbrews like Sam Adams and some gutsier small-batch lagers. Beers like this offer more character and a more concentrated flavor for a bolder taste.

British ales. Pacult considers these ales the best in the world. These include brands like Sam Smith's, Young's and Fullers. A bitter from Britain is a good compromise between the meaty, heavy beers of Europe and the lighter American beers. It's an enjoyable midpoint, and the place where Pacult suggests most beer drinkers go.

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Aging affects many areas of the body, especially a person's palate. Many times, getting older changes flavor perceptions and dulls one's senses.

The Aging Palate

Dimmed senses, medications threaten to extinguish joy of eating

Story By Marlene Parrish ■ Illustration By Anita Dufalla ■ PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

Like the old gray mare, we ain't what we used to be. As we age, our bodies change. Most of us aren't aware of it, but loss of flavor perception is not an unusual part of aging. As we get older, our senses of smell and taste begin to diminish. We hear ourselves and others saying, "Food just doesn't taste the way it used to."

It's not nostalgia. It's the "graying" of flavor.

There are plenty of things that ordinary people leading ordinary lives can do to respond to these changes as they age. But first we have to sort out the semantics. What we call flavor is a package that includes taste, smell, texture, temperature effects and irritants such as carbonation and spices.

Taste: Humans are born with about 10,000 taste buds. But not all of us are similarly endowed. Girls, on average, have more taste buds than boys. Young adults have roughly 250 taste buds in each papilla, those tiny bumps on your tongue, located not only there but all around the entire oral cavity. Tastes buds die and renew themselves, with a turnover rate of about 10 days.

But the number of taste buds begins to decrease around age 40 to 50 in women and 50 to 60 in men. By our mid-70s, we may have fewer than 100 taste buds per papilla.

That's why, as we get older, foods need to be more assertive to achieve the same level of taste that younger people experience in the same dish.

Taste and medications also are closely related. Older people may be taking three or more daily medications. This can be a critical factor, since more than 250 drugs may contribute to taste disorders. One of the ways in which these medications can affect taste and smell is by diminishing the production and changing the composition of saliva.

The aging mouth produces less saliva, and food that's not mixed with saliva cannot be tasted. Lesser amounts of saliva also make swallowing more difficult, digestion less efficient and dental problems more prevalent. The aging mouth's ability to feel the fattiness of foods also declines.

Medical problems and treatments such as chemotherapy and radiation also may prevent food from tasting good. Good flavor plays such an important role in eating, enjoying and digesting food properly that people who undergo these treatments may lose weight and their physical condition may deteriorate.

Taste is composed of five primary sensations: sweet, sour, salty, bitter and a recently acknowledged fifth flavor taste, umami. The overall taste of any food is a complex mixture of them.

Umami is a multi-dimensional, subtle taste that blends well with others. It has been called savory, and it is known to expand and round out flavors.

We taste it every time we go to an Italian restaurant. Parmesan cheese, other aged cheeses, mushrooms, toma-

toes, sun-dried tomatoes and protein-rich foods such as steak and seafood all have a very distinctive umami taste. So do seasonings such as MSG and soy sauce.

Smell: In contrast to the five tastes, humans can detect some 20,000 different odors and 20 different intensities.

Well, not everybody. A new study estimates that up to 62 percent of Americans over 53 have olfactory impairments such as anosmia (no sense of smell) or hyposmia (a greatly diminished sense of smell).

Odor loss isn't uniform and total taste loss is rare, but there are two separate thresholds — the ability to detect a taste (salty) and the ability to identify the food (anchovy).

Recent research draws attention to smell disorders in all age groups, often undetected by patients and overlooked by physicians. Tests showed the prevalence of smell loss among seniors to be much larger than previously appreciated. Causes vary, from genetics to viruses, chemical exposure, things such as Alzheimer's disease or head injuries.

This is how smell works. You bite a freshly cut raw onion. Its aroma is swiftly detected in two ways: directly through your nose, but also through the back of the mouth and up into the nose. There are about 5 million smell receptors located in a small patch of tissue the size of a postage stamp in the roof of each nasal cavity. Like taste receptors, these receptors are continually being renewed but have a longer turnover time of between 30 and 120 days.

The perception of onion odor then speeds along a path to the olfactory bulb, the place in the brain where smell is interpreted. As we age, the olfactory bulb "dims." With degenerative changes, it gets "moth-eaten," and our sense of smell declines.

Because of this degeneration, a 65-year-old may require 2 to 100 times more of an odor even to recognize it. A person over age 65 may require anywhere from 2 to 10 times the amount of taste enhancers — salt, pepper, condiments — to make a food "taste good."

The process: All of this tasting and smelling is going on throughout the oral and nasal cavities. The ability to appreciate the full flavor of a food depends on several things, but mostly on really good chewing.

Chewing starts the saliva flowing, and the enzymes in the saliva mix with the food to begin the digestive process. You won't taste anything unless it is initially liquid or mixed with saliva. The mixture of tastes in the saliva activates the taste receptors and sends information to the brain, which tells us what the food "tastes like."

It all comes down to this. No food is nutritious unless it is eaten, and most food won't be eaten unless it tastes good. When food no longer tastes or smells good to us, we don't enjoy it and won't eat much. Loss of flavor can skid us into a downward spiral, headed for poor nutrition and poor health.

Little kitchen helpers begin at early age

By Janet Zimmerman

THE PRESS-ENTERPRISE

In this age of fast food and fast-paced lives, Linda Rounds couldn't be happier that her 12-year-old son likes to cook.

Wes and she spend many evenings together in the kitchen of their Temecula, Calif., home, cooking tortillas, cutting up ingredients or fixing their favorite dish — chicken with linguine and spinach.

"You know where your kids are, you know what they're doing and it's good experience for them," said Rounds, a homemaker.

In 1999, 88 percent of children ages 6 to 17 were fixing meals, according to a national youth trends survey by Nickelodeon and Yankelovich Partners. According to the survey, 26 percent of 9- to 17-year-olds usually made meals for their family, up from 15 percent in 1995.

"Our family unit has changed so you don't have a mom at home cooking the meals. Kids are more involved in daily household activities because a lot of them are fending for themselves," said Joan Cirillo, author of "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Cooking With Kids."

Parents who don't want to bother with the guaranteed mess and chaos should know that the benefits of including children in the kitchen are numerous, experts say.

"Our family unit has changed so you don't have a mom at home cooking the meals."

Joan Cirillo, author

What's more, youngsters are more likely to eat what they make, said Kate Heyhoe, author of "Cooking With Kids for Dummies."

"Parents should involve their kids from the very start. As (children) watch someone else in the kitchen, even if they're very young, they learn by osmosis," she said.

That doesn't mean handing a 3-year-old a knife and a recipe card.

"A lot of times it's not the whole recipe, it's just a few tasks within it — measuring, getting items out of the cupboards, rinsing vegetables, using the salad spinner," Heyhoe said. "It's not just throwing the kids in the kitchen, it's the kid and the parent working together. It's family time."

Having children help with meals also allows parents to use quality time productively, said Heyhoe, who gives tips and recipes on her Web site, www.cookingwithkids.com.

Wes Rounds learned the basics at a class at Thornton Winery in Temecula, Calif., called Kids Can Cook. The class, for 8- to 13-year-olds, was two hours and cost \$28.

The chef from the winery's Cafe Champagne taught the youngsters how to make rollups, pizza, lemonade, frozen bananas and smoothies. They picked their own herbs, made a cookbook, decorated an apron and learned about food safety.

Wes first became interested in cooking three years ago, during a family vacation. His cousins — one a caterer and the other a chef at a five-star restaurant — put him to work in the kitchen.

"It runs in the family," he said.

FUNNY, FRUITY PIZZAS

1. 1/2 cup mozzarella cheese slices (one per child)

2. English muffins, sliced in half (one half per child)

3. 1/2 cup (an apple, banana, orange or seedless grapes)

4. Have the child wash the fruit, then cut the banana and orange and pluck grapes from their stems.

5. An adult should cut the fruit into small pieces and split the English muffins.

6. Have the child place a slice of cheese on each muffin.

7. An adult should toast the muffins until the cheese melts.

8. The child can top his or her muffin with the fruit.

Source: National Network for Child Nutrition, "Cooking With Children: in the Kitchen"

LEMON VELVET

1. 1/2 cup container lemon yogurt

2. 1/2 cup orange juice concentrate

3. 1/2 cup low-fat or powder milk

4. 1/2 cup vanilla

5. 1/2 cup cold water

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GROW & GLOW

By Lisa Kremer

TACOMA NEWS TRIBUNE

In tense times, some people work out their worries while working in the garden. Others head for the spa. You can do both — in the comfort of your own home.

We consulted herb experts at Windmill Gardens in Sumner, Wash., and the venerable "Rodale's Illustrated Encyclopedia of Herbs" to come up with recipes for several cleansing and refreshing spa products.

All of them use herbs you can grow in your own garden.

Most herbs need full sun to grow well and do best in well-draining soil, such as the side of a hill.

Lavender and rosemary, though, can grow just about anywhere, said Miki Wade, who buys herbs for Windmill Gardens. There are several varieties of lavender, but Lavender of Provence is best for sachets and beauty products, she said.

Mints should be grown in containers, such as a pot or whiskey barrel, so they don't take over other herbs.

And once they're planted, harvest your herbs any time.

"The more you use, the more you get," Wade said.

Many of our recipes use ingredients you can find in your home and herb garden. You may need a jar that can be sealed tightly.

Some recipes call for ingredients you might not usually shop for, such as sweet almond oil, lanolin, witch hazel and glycerin. They're often available at grocery stores and drugstores — ask a pharmacist for help finding them. All should be available at health food stores.

And in all these recipes, measurements are approximate. Experiment to discover quantities and combinations of herbs you like the best.

Herb Magic

These are herbs and plants make good ingredients for home spa products. Beyond their cleansing properties, pick the herbs you like for their scent:

For oily skin: calendula, lady's mantle, lavender, rose petals, sage.

For dry skin: chamomile, clover, mint, parsley or primrose.

As an astringent: chamomile, lady's mantle, mint, nasturtium, pansy, primrose, rose petals, rosemary, sage, violet, wintergreen berries.

To stimulate: bee balm, calendula, lavender, lemon verbena, mint, rosemary, sage, pansy leaves.

As an antiseptic: chamomile, purple cornflower, eucalyptus, marjoram, thyme.

To cleanse: chamomile, lady's mantle, parsley

For acne: ins, lavender, lemon balm, artemisa, sage

Herb water can be used as a skin toner and hair rinse or as an ingredient in other concoctions. Gather herbs early in the morning. Crush 1 ounce of herbs in a cup of water. Pour into a ceramic or enamel pot, add another cup of water, cover and bring to a boil. Simmer for a few minutes, then let cool. Strain, and store the water in the refrigerator.

FROM "RODALE'S ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPEDIA OF HERBS"

Cleansing Cream

1 ounce lanolin
1/2 ounce beeswax
3 or 4 ounces oil (almond, avocado or soybean)
1 ounce Herb Water (see recipe)
Use a double boiler to melt the lanolin and beeswax together. Add the oil slowly, combining thoroughly. Remove the mixture from heat and whisk in herb water. For a lotion, omit beeswax, use 2 ounces herb water and substitute cocoa butter for lanolin if desired. Almond oil will go rancid after a few days, so store cream in the refrigerator to prolong its life.

FROM "RODALE'S ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPEDIA OF HERBS"

Facial

Boil 1 quart water and pour over 1/4 cup dried herbs or 1 cup fresh herbs. Lean over the bowl and make a tent over your head with a towel to trap the steam. Stay there 10 minutes. When finished, rinse your face with warm, then cold water, and apply an astringent or herb water.

FROM "RODALE'S ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPEDIA OF HERBS"

Herb Vinegar

1 pint apple cider vinegar or white wine vinegar
1 cup herbs
Put in tightly sealed glass bottle on a sunny windowsill and shake vigorously daily for 2 to 3 weeks. Strain and rebottle. Use as a facial rinse to tighten pores and soften skin.

FROM "RODALE'S ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPEDIA OF HERBS"

Soothing Aftershave Lotion

2 cups witch hazel
2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
1 ounce dried lavender
1 ounce dried sage
Let mixture steep 1 week, shaking daily. Strain.

FROM "RODALE'S ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPEDIA OF HERBS"

Bath Salts

1/2 cup coarse salt
1/2 cup Epsom salt
1/2 cup baking soda
2 tablespoons sweet almond oil
Lavender, as desired
Combine first 4 ingredients and store in tightly sealed container. Use by scooping in a warm bath. Add lavender fresh from the garden, dried, or use lavender oil.

ADAPTED FROM REAL SIMPLE MAGAZINE

Reviving Aftershave Lotion

Fill a jar halfway with sage leaves and lavender, using 3 times as much sage as lavender. If desired, add a small amount of eucalyptus leaves or peppermint leaves.

Fill jar with rubbing alcohol. Let mixture steep two weeks, shaking every day. Strain, and add water to dilute to desired strength.

For dry skin, add 1 or 2 tablespoons glycerin or almond oil.

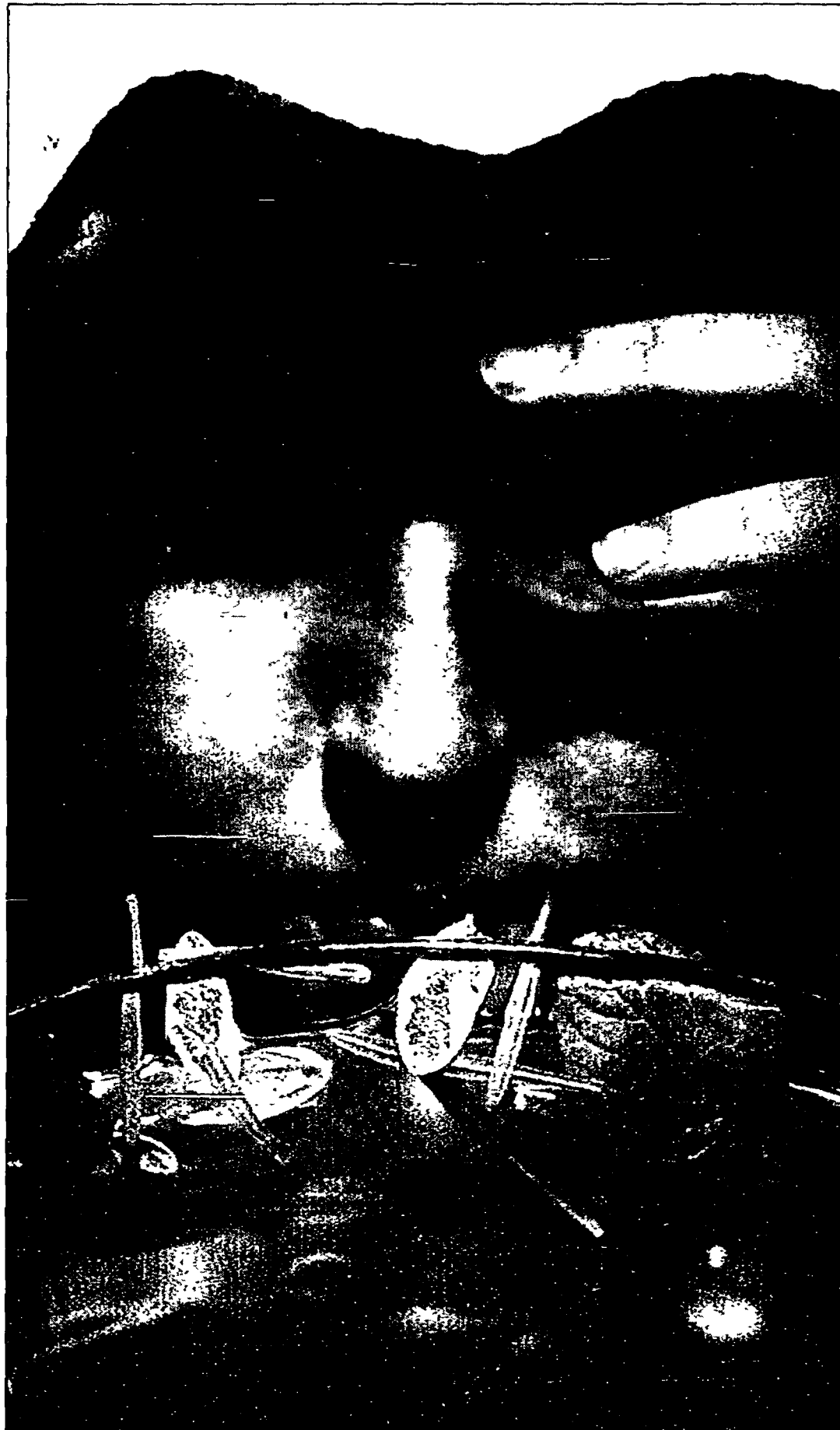
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Herb Bath

1 cup dry oatmeal
2 tablespoons fresh or dried herb, such as sage
Tie ingredients in cheesecloth and float in the bath.

Scented Heating Pad

4 cups uncooked rice
1/2 cup dried lavender
1 pair clean, long socks
Combine ingredients and pour into a sock. Knot the end, put into the other sock, knot again. (If you can sew, a fabric pouch is much more attractive.) Heat in microwave 90 seconds before each use.



Photos by Chris Goodenow/The News Tribune

Fresh lavender (skinny leaves), peppermint (large round leaves), and sage (variegated small leaves) can be combined with hot water to make a stimulating facial steam.

Help is on the way for married, sex-starved couples

By Mark Wolf

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Both of them are ready to hit the sheets, but only one of them wants to sleep. He's ready, but she's not willing. Or she's frisky but he's listless.

This "desire discrepancy" can wound and even cripple a relationship, says Michele Weiner Davis, a therapist and author of "The Sex-Starved Marriage: A Couple's Guide to Boosting Their Marriage Libido" (Simon & Schuster, \$24).

"A sex-starved marriage is when one spouse is longing for more sexual closeness and the other is too tired, too worried about the laundry not being done, the bills' being paid, thinking, 'What's the big deal, it's just sex,'" says Weiner Davis, author of the best-seller "Divorce Busting."

"What I finally learned is, it is a really big deal. It's about being loved, feeling close, feeling attractive. The low-desire spouse doesn't get it."

When couples are sex-starved, "they stop spending time together, don't sit next to each other on the couch when they're watching TV, don't hold hands," she says. "The relationship becomes icy, and the marriage is at risk for infidelity and divorce."

"The most common thing is, they're arguing about it all the time. She begins to feel he has a one-track mind. He begins to feel she's frigid or an ice queen. Whenever he approaches, she recoils and pushes him away."

Don't put much stock in the way gender roles were assigned in that paragraph, she says.

"The most incredible myth is that the woman always has lower sex drive, and that's absolutely, positively not so," she says. "Sex therapists tend to agree that low desire in women is a bigger problem, but men don't trail too far behind."

"With women it's sort of a joke; having a headache is as American as apple pie. But you don't hear guys going to the locker room saying they don't want to have sex."

"I want men to feel less shame about this. Women think it's because they're unattractive or they're doing something wrong, but low sexual desire isn't a woman's issue."

Couples who have a desire discrepancy need to talk about it, she says, which is difficult for many partners.

"It's amazing to me how couples can go for years and not talk about sex. They don't tell each other what they like, what they don't like, what feels good," she says.

Furthermore, they should take Nike's famous marketing slogan to heart and just do it.

"I'd be rich if I had a dollar for every time someone said to me, 'I really wasn't in the mood for sex when we got started, but once things got moving, it felt good and I got into it.' It takes a while to get revved up, but it's there. People have to give themselves permission," she says.

Lower-desire partners who actively start paying more attention to the sexual side of their relationships are frequently surprised at the positive changes in their partners' attitude toward them, the family and the relationship.

"This isn't rocket science. You're reaching out in a way that says something, and they want to be responsive," says Weiner Davis. "I call it the Great American Sex Challenge, and anyone who has a spouse who's overly critical, in a cave or not responsive should try it for two weeks and see what happens."

The person with the lower sex drive, Weiner Davis says, needs to take the partner's drive into consideration.

"They'll say, 'Get over it,' or, 'Take a cold shower.' What they're saying is, 'I don't care about your drive, but I expect you to be monogamous.' That's unfair, and I think it's one of the reasons for rampant infidelity, which isn't just about sex — it's about feeling wanted and appreciated."

Measuring up: Let household items be your guide

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL STAR TRIBUNE

What constitutes a portion? To avoid carting around measuring cups, spoons and food scales, here are handy ways to measure what's in front of you.

■ Personal Digital Assistant (PDA): A modern equivalent to 3 ounces of meat, fish or poultry. Other sources say to use the palm of your hand, but beware: The palm of a small woman's hand equals 3 ounces; a man's hand can be up to 6 ounces.

■ Light bulb: A bright idea for measuring 1 cup of raw vegetables (which is one serving).

■ Tennis ball: A serving this size will net 1 cup of potatoes, rice or pasta.

■ Baseball: A medium piece of fruit. A closed fist also nets the same result.

■ Dominoes: Pair two dominoes and you'll get what a 1 1/2-ounce serving of cheese looks like (or use the width of two fingers).

■ Nail polish bottle: A shiny example when measuring foods such as salad dressing and mayonnaise. A nail-polish bottle is equivalent to 2 tablespoons.

■ Quarter: A pool of this much margarine or oil equals 1 teaspoon.

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MONEY MATTERS

Weathering post-college unemployment

The national unemployment rate was 5.7 percent then, not much lower than it is now. This year's crop of new college grads will compete with unemployed seasoned professionals—victims of downsizing and corporate restructuring—for the same jobs. They're also leaving school saddled with student loan and credit card debt. According to a recent study by Nellie Mae, a national provider of higher education loans, the average undergraduate student loan debt is more than \$18,000, up 66 percent from 1997. Throw credit cards into the mix and grads are embarking on their professional lives almost \$20K in debt.

If you are weathering a post-college period of unemployment, consider employing these survival tips.

Craft a budget and live within your means. Track your spending for a month, paying particular attention to how much you fritter away on non-essential items like Starbucks coffees and tickets for sporting events. And then create a budget. List all sources of monthly income in one column and note your fixed expenses, like your rent and car payment, in another column. Allot yourself some spending money but be prepared to make some temporary but significant changes to your lifestyle until you secure a job.

Consolidate your student loans. You have until June 30, 2003 to consolidate your Federal Stafford student loans at a repayment rate of 4.06 percent—the lowest level in history. (The rate for Federal Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) is at 4.86.) Consolidation allows you to extend your repayment period well past the typical 10-year term for federal student loans thereby lowering your monthly payments. There's a drawback to consolidating your student loans: while you'll pay less every month, in the long run you'll pay thousands of dollars more in interest because you're extending the loan's life.

Always make minimum payments on your credit card bills. If you're having trouble making the payments, borrow money from your family to pay off the balance. To show them you're serious about paying the money back, draw up a contract that reflects how much you borrowed and when you expect to repay the debt, with interest.

Move back home with mom and dad. A temporary living arrangement with your parents could save you between \$500 and \$1,000 per month, depending on your geographic location. But don't think of it as a "free ride." Chances are your parents weren't expecting you to move back home after you finished college. Volunteer to pay a nominal amount for room and board and offer to help pay for some of the household expenses.

Consider graduate school very carefully. If you're considering enrolling in graduate school because you can't find a job that meets your preferences, you could be making a mistake. According to Nellie Mae, students who attend graduate school borrow, on average, an additional \$31,000 beyond their undergraduate loans. Your decision to attend grad school should be based on your desire to pursue a particular field of study or acquire skills for a particular profession. (For help with gauging whether graduate school is right for you, visit Nellie Mae's online Grad School Planning article at www.nelliemae.com, under "library, articles.")

Don't go without health insurance. If your parents provided health insurance for you while you were in school, you'll likely find yourself without it after you graduate. Most health insurance policies discontinue cover a student or reaches the age of 23 or 25. Consider buying a short-term policy. As long as you are healthy, you can save money by selecting a high deductible of \$1,000 or more.

Mary Davis manages public affairs for the Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL), a statewide trade association representing Michigan credit unions.



Correction:

In the June 12 edition, the business My Handyman was incorrectly identified as Mr. Handyman. Owner Dayn Benson's (pictured) business is located at 6760 Pontiac Trail in South Lyon. Visit them on the Web at www.myhandyman.com.

ADVERTORIAL



Photo by HAL GOULD

The families of South Lyon Gardens work to give your family beautiful choices to make your landscape project its best, from colorful plants and art to statuary and pond supplies.

South Lyon Gardens provides beauty for the home and garden

By Elizabeth Heer
SPECIAL WRITER

Homes and gardens can be beautified in one stop at South Lyon Gardens, where a homeowner can enjoy a journey of great possibilities. Begin your exploration in the garden shop where you'll find unique decorations for your garden and home — everything from rocking chairs, to garden statuary, bird feeders, fountains, candles, framed art, Amish furniture, to pond supplies — just a few items South Lyon Gardens carries. But don't forget the store is open year round, and the merchandise changes with the seasons. In October, South Lyon Gardens is a great place

to find pumpkins and hardy mums for fall decorating. And make a point to stop by at Christmas time and see their extensive line of décor for the holidays.

At the garden center, step outside and into a patio-like setting that could be your own dream backyard garden. Numerous perennials, annuals, shrubs, and trees line the two acres for you to relax and stroll around to shop for your garden needs. South Lyon Gardens offers more than just top-quality nursery stock. The landscaping team also offers free estimates and design services that can assist the homeowner in landscaping their entire yard as well as expert installation serv-

ices. Free delivery is provided for those who wish to do-it-yourself.

In the center of the nursery is a large pond stocked with huge Koi fish that are intriguing and relaxing to watch. If you want to install your own waterfall or pond, South Lyon Gardens can assist you, or do the whole job for you from start to finish, including providing the fish and the water plants for the pond. They sell Koi, Comets, and Shubunkin fish as well as a wide variety of plants for the water garden. Fish food, pumps, and numerous pond supplies are also available.

Owners Tom Bullock and Bill O'Connor have been partners since shortly after

O'Connor graduated from Michigan State University in 1976 with a degree in horticulture marketing. The partners have made landscaping new residences their specialty since that time. Now, with the purchase and move to their present location this past October, they plan to expand their business while specializing in the nursery portion.

"We plan to continue providing customers with free landscape design help and will be able to do entire landscaping projects at a customer's home from start to finish, or we can deliver all the materials for the homeowner to install it themselves, which can help reduce the costs," O'Connor said. If you can't find just the right plant, just ask the friendly staff.

"Any shrubs, trees, or perennials that we don't have in stock can be ordered and obtained in just a few days time," he added.

It's a family affair at South Lyon Gardens for the O'Connor and Bullock families. O'Connor and his wife are the parents of Billy and Lauren. Billy works on the landscape crew with other local high school graduates and college kids. Bullock and his wife, Marianne, have three children — Tyler, Patrick, and Abigail. Bullock's brother, Dennis, and Marianne's sister, Bridget, also work at the nursery. "All the members of both our families help out one way or another in keeping the garden center running," O'Connor added.

Bullock and O'Connor also serve on the board of directors for the South Lyon Area Chamber of Commerce. Since the move to their new location, both men look forward to the growth possibilities of their

DETAILS

South Lyon Gardens, a favorite mainstay along Pontiac Trail since 1993, is now located at 21130 Pontiac Trail, just north of Eight Mile Road. More than two acres of beauty and interest will beckon you to stop by and explore home accessories, garden art, ponds, perennials, annuals, trees, and shrubs. South Lyon Gardens is open Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call (248) 486-3735 for more information.

business, as well as continuing to grow with the South Lyon community in the coming years.

Mark your calendars now, O'Connor advises. South Lyon Gardens will be holding a Customer Appreciation Day and Barbecue on Saturday, July 12. Stop by, enjoy a hot dog — and save on all your purchases.

"We will have special sales and discounts that day as our way of saying thanks to all our great customers who have supported us over the years, and continue to support us," O'Connor said.

South Lyon Gardens is open seven days a week for your shopping convenience. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The garden center and store is located at 21130 Pontiac Trail, just north of Eight Mile. Call (248) 486-3735 for more information.



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Ever dreamed of a pond or fountain as a centerpiece to your garden? South Lyon Gardens shows you how and has everything you need to do it yourself. Or, they will install it for you.

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Adhesive hooks have the problem nailed

By Rose Bennett Gilbert
 Copley News Service

Q: I picked up an idea from a designer show house that I'd like to use in my own living room, but don't know how to "engineer" it at home. The designer had hung all kinds of things on the wall over the sofa — baskets with plants, a piece of San Blas embroidery, some antique doll furniture.

The trouble is, our walls are nice wood paneling that my husband won't think of putting a nail in. The only answer we can come up with is to stand a screen or a tall sheet of plywood behind the sofa and hang things from it. I collect miniature chairs and majolica. Any other ideas?

A: Clever you, both of your solutions sound viable, though the screen is probably the more attractive bet (unless you dress up the plywood's edges with ribbon or half-round wood molding).

Another idea, thanks to the inventive people who brought you such specialized stickies as Scotch Tape and Post-Its: 3M makes the smart black hooks that are doing all the work behind the scenes of the photo we show here.

Over the sofa, the self-sticking hooks hold the quartet of mini-chairs and a pair of buckets filled with dried hydrangeas. At the window, they support the ropes from which the curtains are swagged.

The idea is that the entire arrangement can be changed at will because 3M's "Command" adhesive lets go willingly when it's time for something new. No marred walls, never again a nail hole, the company promises. Check it out on their Web site: www.commandadhesive.com.

Q: Does your home decor need a stamp of approval?

A: Now you can have it, literally. The U.S. Postal Service this month introduces a series of custom-framed reproductions of original stamp art. Some is by favorite artists, such as Norman Rockwell and Peter Max. Others are reproductions of stamps commemorating historic events, such as the Statue of Liberty's 200th birthday



New, easy-stick hooks make hanging lightweight items simple.

and the Expo '74 Worlds Fair.

You can hang Uncle Sam's 22-cent image, a giant katydid from the 1999 "Insects & Spiders" series, or preview the "Holiday Music Makers" stamps coming out for Christmas 2003. Already, there are some 300 stamps to choose from, and you can have them in a huge selection of sizes, surface finishes, mat and frame colors, with or without the perforated edges and price of postage.

Prices vary from \$39.95 to \$500. Explore the options by computer at www.postalartgallery.com — and (no surprise) your artwork will be mailed directly to your door, along with the 203 billion other things the Postal Service

delivers every year.

We can expect even more such "home" deliveries, says Pamela York, manager of licensing for the Postal Service. Future plans call for stamp art on wallpapers and fabrics, rugs, bath accessories, anywhere you want to "go postal" (Pamela said we could say that).

Q: Interested in more ways to decorate by computer?

A: Visit the first-ever eBay Showhouse on line at www.ebay.com/showhouse. We went through it in real time this week, ogling the artistry of six top New York designers who decorated a 5,000-square-foot two-level penthouse on the chic side of town.

Led by Jamie Drake — hizzoner's personal decorator who not only does Mayor Michael Bloomberg's own homes, but also rehabilitated historic Gracie Mansion last year — the designers spent weeks shopping eBay themselves for the always interesting, sometimes eccentric, furnishings they used throughout the penthouse and (two) terraces.

Laura Bohn found an eight-foot palm, not to mention classic Donghia furniture for her children's bedroom. Christopher Coleman striped his bedroom's walls and '50s-vintage bedside tables with colored electrical tape in various widths.

Also known for colorful ideas, Drake drenched the living room in screaming pink and centered it with a flokati rug. Yes, be warned, flokati's coming back. Upstairs, Tiffany Dubin used two in a sitting room that virtually vibrated with the '50s-'60s wallpapers she'd collected.

Marian McEvoy, former editor of Elle Decor and House Beautiful, set an enormous white-painted table with e-finds, such as art deco silverware, and surrounded it with upholstered chairs, centered with traditional Suzani appliques from Uzbekistan. Never know what you'll find on eBay!

Designer Glenn Gissler came up with an impressive collection of artworks, including African masks and an authentic Matisse lithograph.

eBay funded the designers' shopping spree, and the whole thing will go back on sale Oct. 23-30 to benefit the Alpha Workshops in New York, a design studio where designers and artists with HIV hand-make highly original home furnishings, such as furniture, fabrics, wallpapers and accessories.

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Emerald ash borer is still hanging around the area

Q: I keep reading the stuff in the paper about Emerald Ash Borer. I have one big ash in front of my house. Should I wait until I see a problem? Or has the problem stopped where it was in other counties?

A: Do I have some bad news for you. Nothing has stopped with Emerald Ash Borer; it's actually moving faster. That's because more trees are loaded with beetles and more beetles are flying in more directions. More bad news:

Emerald Ash Borer is in Livingston County. These are the townships where it has been found: Hartland, Brighton, Green Oak, Oceola, Genoa, Hamburg and Howell. If you need convincing, take a little drive to the Livingston County West Complex at Grand River Avenue and Highlander Way. Look at the ash trees on the west side of Highlander Way in front of the Sheriff's Department. They are all dying from Emerald Ash Borer. Ash trees throughout the complex are in various states of damage. Even the ashes that appear to be healthy are probably infested. Trees with as little as ten to twenty percent damage cannot be saved. So, if you wait until you see damage, the cure will be a chainsaw. You need to make a decision about what you want to do with your tree, because, sooner or later, the Beetle of Death will come a-knocking. Guaranteed. Your choices are to do nothing or cut it down before the EAB appears or treat the tree with an insecticide. You can call a Certified Arborist to inject the tree. That is usually done in May or June. You can buy a homeowner product locally to treat the tree yourself. That is best done in late April. It is late now but it is possible that you may be spared for a few months or a year. The product is Bayer Advanced Garden Tree and Shrub Insect Control. It is a liquid that is mixed with water and applied to the root zone. It is done once a year and should be done once every year, because it is kind of late in the season, this year would be a gamble. So you might want to hope for good odds and do it anyway. Or, if the tree is small, you can spray the foliage, branches and trunk with liquid Sevin at the beginning of May, the beginning of June and the beginning of July. Spray it with a very good coat. Just remember, there is very little research currently about how well these products work. Emerald Ash Borer was only identified last July. So choose your path and stick with it.

Home
Grown

Gretchen Voyle



Q: I have a sweet little snowball bush that has curled leaves. When I uncured the leaves, they were filled with awful little dark insects. The leaves felt sticky. What are these?

A: The aphids have landed. Aphids are sucking insects. They suck the juices out of the plant and excrete a sticky liquid called honeydew. The leaves feel like a Post-it Note. Aphids are usually easy to kill. They get way harder to kill when they are wrapped up like a burrito in the leaves. You can use something like Insecticidal Soap that is purchased or liquid Sevin or many other products that are labeled for aphids. You need a pressurized sprayer. Do not use the hose-end things because they don't release the same amount of water and chemical consistently. Aim to spray into the ends of the rolled leaves to kill your pals. Be prepared to do it again because of the rolled leaves. Aphids rarely kill plants unless the plants are extremely small or in pathetic condition to begin with.

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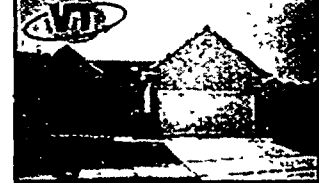
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SOUTH LYON - Charming ranch in adult community. Popular open floor plan. Large finished lower level has spare bedroom. Cathedral ceiling in living room, skylight in kitchen, oak cabinets, appliances. Master bedroom suite open to sunporch & deck.

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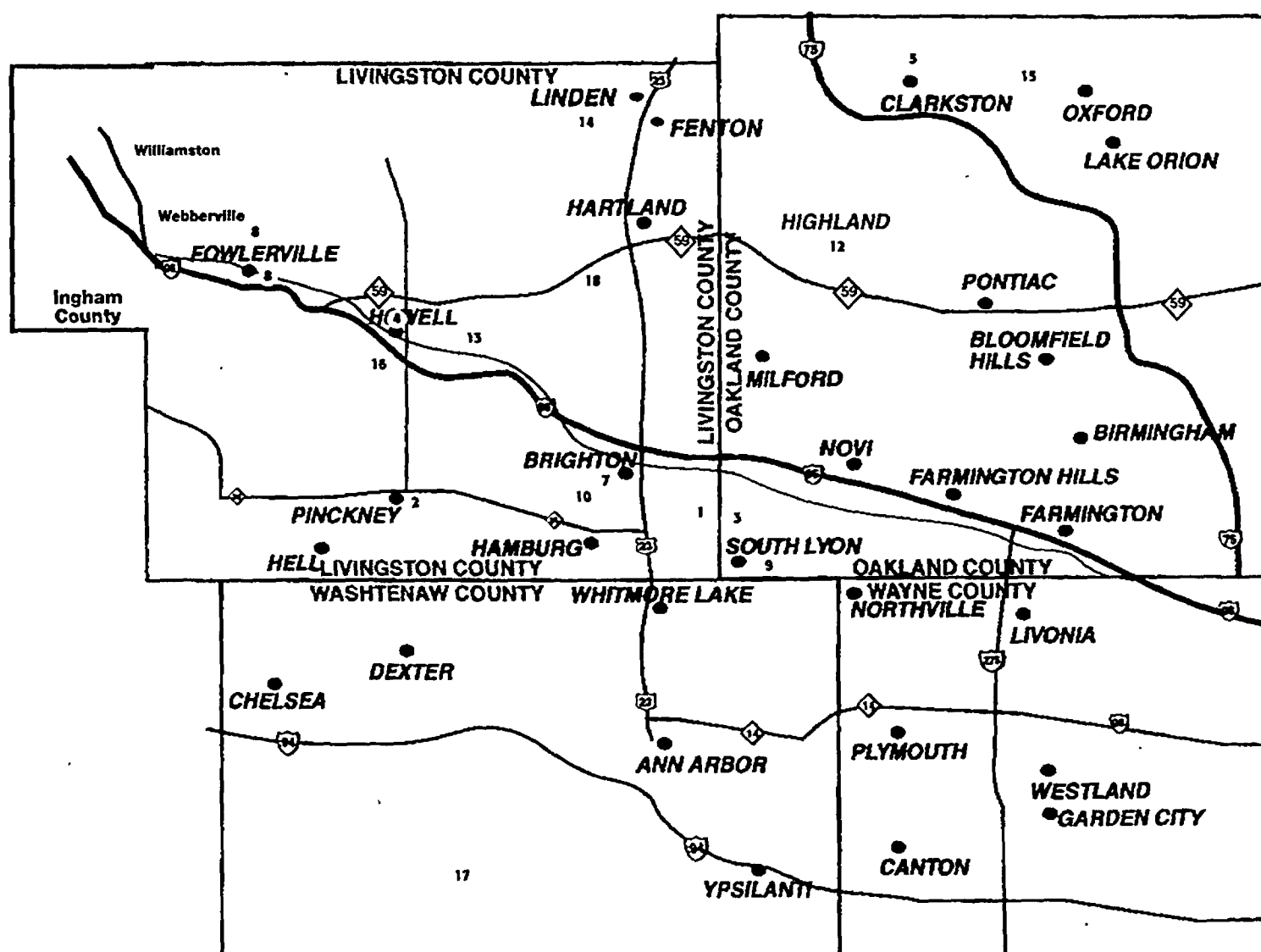
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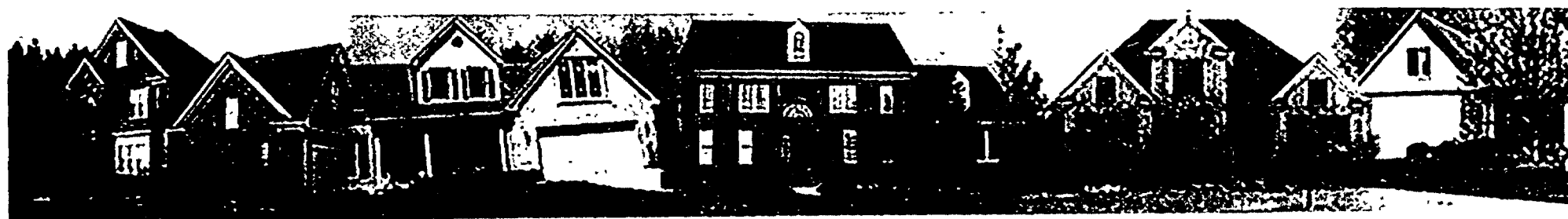
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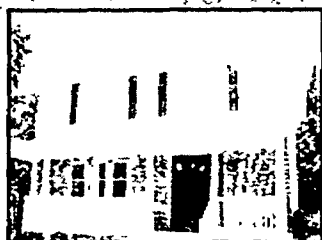
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 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM BRIGHTON AREA \$380,000 5387 Greenfield 4 BR, 3.5 BA. Elegant and stately Tudor, 3,500 sq ft. of quality just reduced from Pleasant Valley or Spencer Rd take Civer to Greenfield. MLS# 23009837 Host: Carl Vagnetti, Ext. 253	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM BRIGHTON AREA \$389,000 3288 Lakewood Shores Dr. 4-5 BR, 2.5 BA. Marvelous lake view contemporary Take Grand River to Dorro to Crooked Lake West (Right) to Northshore Sub. MLS# 23054769 Host: Carl Vagnetti, Ext. 253	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM BRIGHTON AREA \$419,900 4788 Windswept Dr. 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Price Reduced \$2,000. Best deal in Brighton! School! Nearly 2 ac. of woods on old estate. Weekly custom deck. Professionally finished w/ beautiful Maple cabinets in kit and tile high windows in GR. Easy 1-way access Home Warranty. Of Space between Pleasant Valley & Kensington Rds. Hostess: Cynthia Zimmerman, 810-923-5230	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM FENTON AREA \$279,900 9446 View Ct 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Beautifully maintained home, built in 2002 with lots of upgrades. Spacious open floor with cathedral ceiling and gas fireplace in great room. Minutes from US 23, White Lake Rd to ext East to Denon H3 South. MLS# 23060629 Hostess: Kelly McLean, Ext. 273	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM FOWLERVILLE AREA \$189,999 2124 Cedar Rd Home Warranty provided on this 3 bedroom, 1 bath historical schoolhouse! \$3,000 cash allowance for kitchen updates. Take Grand River West to Nicholson South to VanOrden West to Cedar South. MLS# 23023217 Hostess: Karl Corser, Ext. 688	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM GRAND BLANC AREA \$114,900 1161 Deer Creek Trail 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Like new 1.5 beautiful wooded backyard. Master on main floor Soaring ceilings in the Great Room. Close to xpress way Grand Blanc E to Fenton S. MLS# 23034702 Host: Kyle Hanchett, Ext. 385			
 OPEN HOUSE 1-3 PM HAMBURG AREA \$356,900 7684 Kilkenny Dr. 3 BR, 3.5 BA. 2nd Gen Sub. 2500 sq ft. of elegance and comfort. First floor master suite. Great Room with fireplace. Finished walkout with family room, study or fourth bedroom and full bath. Gorgeous setting M-36 to Hamburg Rd N. to Kilkenny Dr E Host: David Miller, Ext. 247	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM HARTLAND AREA \$198,000 11530 Island Ct 3 BR, 1 BA. 175 feet of LAKE FRONT on Handy Lake. Just step out back door of cottage to the patio & excellent fishing - All sports lake. US23 to M59 - E to Cundy - to Nonway to Broadview - turn left to Island Ct - turn right. MLS# 23049084 Host: Art Loveland, Ext. 255	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM HARTLAND AREA \$264,000 10430 Blaine Rd. Beautiful Colonial. Large lot, mature pines. Access to private, all sports Long Lake. Four bed, 2-1/2 bath, living, dining, family room, Highway near xway, East of 23, South of M-59. Hostess: Lisa Erhard, Ext. 684	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM HOWELL AREA \$124,900 620 Curzon Ct 2 BR, 2 BA. Beautiful, immaculate ground floor end unit. Sit in your screened in porch & look out at a private pond with plenty of wild life. Huge master bedroom, large bonus room for study or dining room. All appliances included. MLS# 23032464 Host: Tim Vogel, Ext. 239	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM HOWELL AREA \$174,500 611 S. Burkhardt 4 BR, 1 BA. Price reduced \$20,000 Don't slip over this one! Lovely and private yard and lots of sq footage for the growing family. Just down from the I-96 exchange and minutes from downtown Howell Home Warranty Off Burkhardt So. of Mason. N. of Norton. Hostess: Cynthia Zimmerman, 810-923-5230	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM HOWELL AREA \$174,900 964 Lucy 3 BR, 2 BA. South of Grand River, 1 block East of National Private Ranch on 1 acre. Private country setting. Vaulted ceilings and skylights in bedroom. Large kitchen, a must see! MLS# 23053022 Hostess: Cindy Steller, Ext. 644			
 OPEN HOUSE 12-4 PM HOWELL AREA \$189,900 217 N. Michigan 2 BR, 2 BA. Barne's Square Condominiums - Howell's newest downtown development! Spacious & quality construction with many options available. Grand River to North on Michigan 1 Block. MLS# 23039685 Hostess/Host: Linda Barnwell/John MacLeod, Ext. 316/327	 OPEN HOUSE 2-5 PM HOWELL AREA \$195,000 622 N. Court 4 BR, 2 BA. ATTENTION BUYERS: Looking for lots of space? Walking distance to downtown Howell near beach & park on All Sports Thompson Lake. Clean, renovated, 2800 square foot home w/large 2 car garage. Call 810-217-2670 for directions. MLS# 23022290 Host: Rob Schroder, Ext. 244	<div style="text-align: center;"> <p>michiangroup.com 6870 GRAND RIVER BRIGHTON (810) 227-4600 South Lyon - 248-437-5000 Fenton - 810-750-6543</p> <p>VOTED PEOPLE'S CHOICE #1 REAL ESTATE IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY</p> </div>						
 OPEN HOUSE 2-5 PM HOWELL AREA \$279,900 2501 Clivedon 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Like new 1-1/2 story design on 1.79 ac - out buildings allowed FP in Great Rm - 1st flr mstr - 2 bdr & loft up - wood frs volume ceilings - fam room & office in 1st flr. Pinckney Rd. to Coon Lk. - W to Tanager Lk. So Hostess: Nancy Thubbell, Ext. 217	 OPEN HOUSE 12-4 PM HOWELL AREA \$289,900 318 Granite 3 BR, 2 BA. New home under construction w/early Sept. completion. Paved roads, city sewer & water, Howell Schools, 1.5 miles to I-96. Ext 133, take left to Burkhardt Rd. South to Norton Rd. West to Sub or call 1-800-556-5252. MLS# 23041363 Hostess/Host: Linda Barnwell/John MacLeod, Ext. 316/327	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM MILFORD AREA \$279,900 1700 Lone Tree 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Renovated Farm home on 3 ac. Highland Twp. Huron Valley Schools. 2 ac. detached Hickory Ridge or Millford Rd. South to Lone Tree - between both roads, North side. MLS# 23004966 Host: Carl Vagnetti, Ext. 253	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM PINCKNEY AREA \$276,500 21925 Spearswood 3 BR, 2 BA. 1400 sq ft Ranch on 10 acres 3 acre split avail! Perched & surveyed, two 48x22 out buildings, just built, one w/concrete floor. Also, new 3 car garage. MLS# 23020978 Hostess: Dina Sabuda, Ext. 251	 OPEN HOUSE 2-5 PM SOUTH LYON AREA \$349,900 10961 Stony Pointe Dr. 4 BR, 42 LAYS, 4208 sq. ft. waterfront home in Hidden Lake w/finished w/2 additional kitchen, DR, wet bar, media center & more. US 23 South to Silver Lake East to Hidden Lake Sub turn left on Cascade & right on Stony Pointe Dr. MLS# 23061758 Hosts: Joe Perri/Joe Darwish, Ext. x339, x343	 OPEN HOUSE 1-4 PM WALLED LAKE AREA \$279,900 541 Alexander Immaculate Contemporary 1-1/2 story home with finished walkout leading up to a private wooded area. 3 BR, 2 BA and 2 1/2 BA. 1.96 to Beck Rd. North to Maple East just past Bensten, turn right on Tpa into High Point Sub. to Alexander. Hostess: Diane Curation, Ext. 370	 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY BRIGHTON AREA \$195,900 5127 Frome 3 BR, 2 BA. Rickett Rd., S of Lee Rd. turn E on L. on Somerset to Frome. Super Sharp Super Clean 1600 sq. ft. in-level. Ready to move in. Great decorating & landscaping. Approx 1/2 acre lot. MLS# 23036419 Elaine Hawkins, Ext. 250	 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY BRIGHTON AREA \$279,900 2113 Woodland Ravine 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Pine Rd to East Porte Blvd L on Ore Creek R. on Woodland Ravine. Gorgeous 1-1/2 story contemporary in wonderful Ravines of Woodland Sub. Spacious first floor master bedroom suite. Sharp decorating. Artistic landscaping. MLS# 23059263 Elaine Hawkins, Ext. 250	 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY GREGORY AREA \$349,900 1690 Weller Road 4 BR, 3.5 BA. West on Mason South on Bull Run East on Weller Or West on M-36 to North on Pinegrove to West on Wesson to North on Bull Run to East on Weller Rd. MLS# 23038173 Joe Perri/Joe Darwish, Ext. x339, x343
 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY HARTLAND AREA \$342,900 7260 Mack Rd. 5 BR, 2.5 BA. M-59, go North on Argentine Rd., L on Faucett, R on Mack, R on Poma. Fantastic Cape Cod w/indoor swimming pool!!! Wonderful entertaining year round pool 3 gorgeous, rolling & wooded acres! Paradise. MLS# 23032305 Elaine Hawkins, Ext. 250	 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY HOWELL AREA \$185,900 2375 Eads 3 BR, 2.5 BA. M-59 South to Booth to Eads. Darling Colonial in Howell. Oak kitchen with ceramic floors, formal dining rm. could use for office or den, full basement, first floor laundry & large deck. A lot of house for the money. MLS# 23035551 Elaine Hawkins, Ext. 250	 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY HOWELL AREA \$209,900 5339 Clyde Road 5 BR, 3.5 BA. What a buy, just 1/2 mile off paved road at 5339 Clyde Road, East of Argentine 3+/- acres, 1700 sq ft. Ranch w/full finished basement w/2 beds, 1 bath, Fam. Rm & tiled kit. Just reduced, totally fenced. MLS# 23031543 Ext. 324	 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY MILFORD AREA \$339,000 635 Millpointe Ct 3 BR, 3.5 BA. Decorators Condo in Village of Milford on the Huron River Dock & Boating available. Finished walkout lower level, Main St. North, left on Commerce, left on Peters, right on Milpointe. MLS# 23047981 Donna O'Hara, Ext. 270	<div style="text-align: center;"> <p>VOTED PEOPLE'S CHOICE RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE COMPANY FOR LIVINGSTON COUNTY - 2002</p> </div>				

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WESTLAND - Stop the Carl Tri-level w/neutral colors, open floor plan & cath ceilings, newer kitchen, ceramic bath, newer 5 bath, newer carpeting 2 car garage & shed, newer deck off doorwall. Close to elementary school & park. Home Warranty \$141,900 (54BUR) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Great curb appeal! Professionally renovated 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, finished basement w/bar, great room, dining room, master suite, maple kitchen, oak banister, 2 car heated garage, large covered porch, appliances & home protection plan \$288,000 (04JOY) 734-455-5600



DETROIT - Lovely starter home 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, updated vinyl sided ranch w/full basement, fireplace in living room, C/A, Florida room w/door to patio & large treed lot + garage \$116,500 (10RIV) 734-455-5600



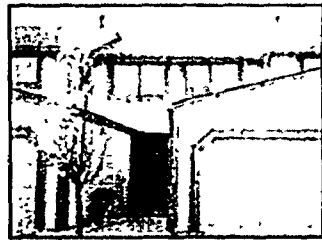
LYON TOWNSHIP - Prime 2+ wooded acres. 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch w/serene views, deer path, open floor plan & 3 season insulated sunroom. Above ground pool, concrete patio. Main bath w/jetted tub. Ceiling fans in all bedrooms, kitchen and 2 in family room. All kitchen appls stay \$269,900 (00CUR) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Beautiful townhouse. Tastefully decorated & wise upgrade choices in frp/c, skylighting & cathedral ceilings. Kitchen w/oak cabs. Bay windows, built-in appls & fin bsmt. Master bedroom w/walk-in closet & cathedral ceiling. Private patio & walk to pool & clubhouse \$133,900 (17SOU) 248-349-5600



NOVI - Beautiful ranch condo. 2 bedroom, 3 full bath w/2 fireplaces. Newer windows, hardwood flooring in foyer, kit & 1 bath, formal dining room, C/A, plus 6 ceiling fans. Garden windows in cozy family room. Large deck. Very private-like being in a treehouse. Plantation shutters in dining room \$209,500 (67CAN) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - Walk to Downtown Northville. Better than new 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Foyer opens to great room w/gas frp/c & marble surround. Newer kit w/custom cabs, flooring, counters & appls. Dining room used as study, 2 doorways to deck, newer master bath w/ceramic tile & more. \$217,000 (10CHA) 734-455-5600



GARDEN CITY - Welcome to your new home. Nothing left to do on this home but sit back and enjoy! Completely updated inside & out! Newer porch, driveway, windows, vinyl siding, beautiful kitchen w/newer cabinets & flooring + freshly painted. Must see! \$141,900 (16LAT) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Show like a model! Located on lg lot overlooking woods w/a 2 story foyer, side entry garage + many upgrades including 9' ceilings on 1st floor, gourmet kitchen w/42" maple cabs, hardwood floors & appls, large dining room, crown moldings, spacious deck & finished basement. \$344,900 (56SIN) 734-455-5600



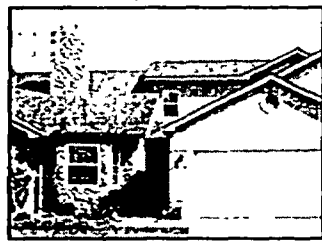
YPSILANTI - Nature surroundings. This beautiful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial is done in style. Premium cabinets, bay windows, professional inside & out. Landscaping is stunning. Sprinkler system and so much more to see. Peaceful living at its best. \$265,000 (88SUM) 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - This week's best buy. Transfer forces the sale of this totally updated 2 bedroom ranch. Newer white island kitchen and bath. Double lot w/possible split. 3 car garage, first floor laundry, newer Andersen windows, roof, furnace & C/A. What a great opportunity. \$142,900 (24ROO) 248-349-5600



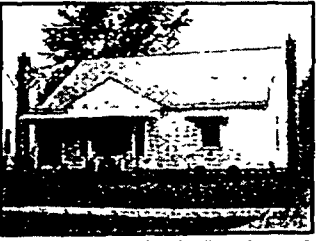
DEARBORN - Great family home. This 3 bedroom ranch has even more. Recent addition adds an office, bonus room - which can be used as a family room. Master bedroom w/walk-in jetted tub, 2 car garage. Beautiful backyard. Newer: roof, furnace, A/C, carpet. Close to x-ways & schools. \$179,900 (47DEA) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Fabulous pond view, 2 master suites w/full & 2 half baths, great finished basement w/daylight windows, 2 car attached garage, cathedral ceiling, loft overlooking great room, kitchen w/built-in desk. \$249,900 (21CHE) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Looking for a dream house? Spacious & bright 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath brick ranch, fireplace in living room & family room, partially finished basement, 2 car garage & sunroom w/skylights & carpet. \$192,900 (58LOU) 734-455-5600



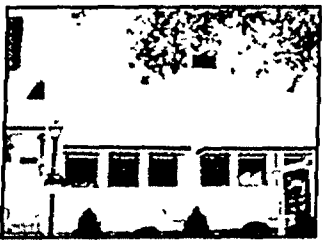
WAYNE - A growing family's dream. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on a large lot. Newer furnace, C/A, tear off, carpet, updated kitchen & FR addition. Large basement. Spacious master bedroom. Mechanics will die for this 2.5 car dream garage. Large fenced backyard w/deck. \$124,900 (50NIA) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Stunning condo. Spacious 1 story that offers incredible living w/door-wall to private patio. Huge master suite w/wall closet. Large utility room. Association dues includes water & gas. Patio overlooks treed and grassy courtyard. \$135,900 (05UNI) 248-349-5600



WYANDOTTE - Wonderful ranch. 3 bedroom ranch in Wyandotte w/large master bedroom & family room, full basement, newer kitchen, furnace, C/A & roof all approx 8 years old + appliances stay \$150,000 (27ELE) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN HGTS - Old world charm abounds. Beautifully updated. Refinished hwd floors, living room w/frp/c, oak kit, dining room, updated bath, 1st floor laundry, lg 80x135 lot, 2 car w/all screened-in room. Beautifully landscaped & flower beds. Basement. Walk to public & private schools. \$144,900 (69MAY) 734-455-5600

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HOWELL - Great home in wooded setting. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Large kitchen w/island. Large master bedroom w/double closets. Living room, family room w/fireplace. Short walk to Lake Chemung. Large deck, sprinker sys, daylight windows in basement. Nicely decorated. Move in condition. \$264,900 (08SHA) 248-349-5600



DEARBORN - Best Location in Dearborn. Close to everything private entry to this beautiful one bedroom condo w/closets galore. \$95,000 (00GAR) 734-455-5600



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



OAK PARK - Updated ranch. 2 bedroom, 1 bath home w/updated kitchen & bath, fresh paint t/o, C/A, vinyl windows, deck in fenced-in backyard. Open floor plan. Perfect starter in this move in condition home. A must see "Handicap Accessible" \$98,900 (41TRO) 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON - One of a kind - approx 10 acres. See it for yourself. Quality built t/o. 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath colonial w/open floor plan w/views from every window. Nice location siding to a pond. Long wood walk path to serene tree island. Nicely finished w/oak w/French doors \$568,000 (89DIX) 248-349-5600



WESTLAND - Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial w/finished basement. Awesome FR w/cathedral ceiling, fireplace & built-in oak bookcases. Oak cupboards in kitchen w/natural oak trim. Incredible deck overlooking a built-in pool - all equipment. Large lot w/sprinkler 2 car attached garage. \$209,900 (18GLE) 248-349-5600



WHITE LAKE - Beautiful lakefront home. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath contemporary on all sports Lake Neva. Great room & dining room overlooking deck, 2+ car heated garage. Hardwood, ceramic & carpeting on floors, oak trim t/o, C/A & nice landscaping. \$289,900 (32BIS) 248-349-5600



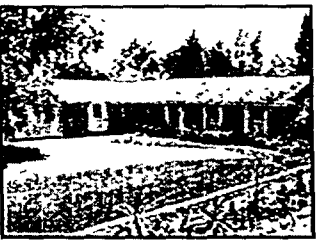
REDFORD - This is the one. Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath bungalow offering newer roof, furnace & C/A, updated kitchen & bath, family room w/fireplace, screened porch & 4 car heated garage. All sitting on 200 ft deep lot! \$147,500 (62GAY) 734-455-5600



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



FARMINGTON HILLS - Spacious colonial. Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home w/2 car attached garage, finished basement, hardwood floors in living room & dining room, bright kitchen w/breakfast area, 1st floor laundry + 1 year home warranty. \$244,900 (37WES) 734-455-5600



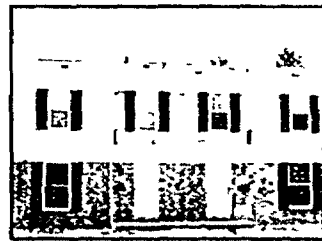
FARMINGTON HILLS - Here's your new home. Outstanding 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick ranch on almost a 1 acre lot w/pool. Offers a newer Grabbil cherry kitchen with Sub Zero refrig, Conan tops & sink. Updated baths & excellent floor plan. Beautiful gardens & much more. \$399,500 (51WEL) 248-349-5600



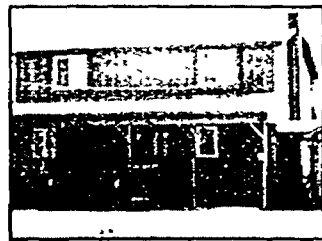
FARMINGTON HILLS - Attractive & updated 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch that is bright w/open plan & numerous updates. Total kitchen re-do including cabinets, flooring, sink & dishwasher. Full & 1/2 bath updated. Lighting updated t/o. Complete front yard recently resodded & landscaped. \$164,900 (36GLE) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - A cut above. Resort style living w/perfect waterfront views. 2 bedroom, 3.5 bath condo. Loft/study, 2 fireplaces, mirror wall, dining room/door to private deck. Finished walk-out lower level/door to terrace leads to dock. First floor laundry. Metabolous landscaping. \$392,900 (53BLU) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Move right in! Sharp 3 bedroom, 1.5 updated baths w/Conan counters & tub/shower. Hardwood floors thru-out & most appliances. \$139,000 (58HAR) 734-455-5600



GIBRALTAR - Live on the water! Large 3 bedroom colonial offers newer kitchen & both baths, 2 tier deck that leads to boat dock w/10 ton hoist. Lots of windows overlooking the canal. 2 car garage & close to schools & freeway. \$319,900 (45POI) 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE - Maybury State Park. 4 bedroom ranch that backs to state park. Walk-out basement, 2 car attached garage, large country kitchen, beautifully landscaped w/mature trees all sitting on a very serene 3 acre lot. \$599,000 (25WES) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Perfect. 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch w/newer vinyl windows t/o, ceramic floor in kitchen & breakfast room. Fresh & neutral interior. Finished basement w/family room, cedar closet, terrific storage & large workshop. Central vacuum system & 6 panel doors. Private fenced yard. \$214,800 (38TAV) 248-349-5600



DEARBORN - Why Rent? It's older, built to last & has classic inside beauty. Kitchen makes every square inch count. Freshly painted home w/newer vinyl windows & C/A. Basement/rec room or home office. 1 car garage, fenced yard. One year home warranty. \$133,900 (05GRI) 248-349-5600



GREEN OAK - Ranch Condo 3+ bedrooms, 2 baths, 55+ unit w/Pergo flooring in living room & front bedroom, being used as formal dining room. Kitchen has table space & newer dishwasher. Extra air in bedroom plus 3 ceiling fans. Florida room plus finished lower level. Freshly painted. \$129,900 (72NAN) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Located on premium lot! Charming 2 story condo overlooking scenic pond. Offers upgraded Pergo floor in kitchen, all kitchen appliances, fireplace in great room, finished basement w/drywall, recessed lights & carpeting. Also lovely deck for entertaining. \$179,900 (75HUN) 734-455-5600



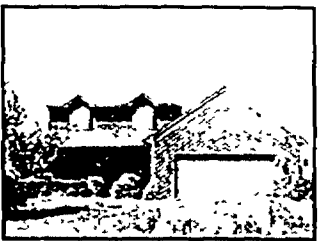
PLYMOUTH - Ready for you to move in! Spacious 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse with basement, 2 car attached garage, ceramic tile foyer, master bedroom w/walk-in closet, dressing area & bath, 2nd bedroom has full bath, living room w/fireplace. \$169,000 (15POI) 734-455-5600



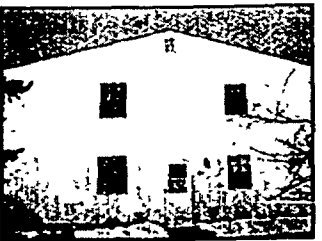
WAYNE - Cute bungalow. Great Wayne bungalow w/updated carpet, windows, furnace, C/A & roof. Remodeled kitchen, neutral decor t/o. Open floor plan. Must see! \$118,000 (89WIN) 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON - Welcome Home. Beautiful Amish 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick colonial offers spacious master bedroom w/water-oak bath. Great room has nat frp/c, cath ceilings & 9' doorwall to deck. Open kit w/oak cabs, walk-out lower level. Prof. landscaped. Incredible wooded private lot. \$319,900 (82PLU) 248-349-5600



LYON TOWNSHIP - Lyon Township Cape Cod. Charming 1990 cape cod on approx 1/2 acre fenced lot. 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, great room w/fieldstone fireplace, formal dining area, beautiful oak kit, FF master bedroom, FFL, partially finished rec room, 2 car garage & neutral decor. Very sharp. \$234,900 (51MAR) 248-349-5600



WALLED LAKE - Bonus Florida room. Upper 2 bedroom ranch condo in excellent location w/lots of updates. Newer kitchen & bath. Stove, refrigerator, washer & dryer all stay. Attached garage & large living room. Close to shopping & freeway. Pets are welcomed. Home warranty included. \$119,900 (52LAK) 248-349-5600

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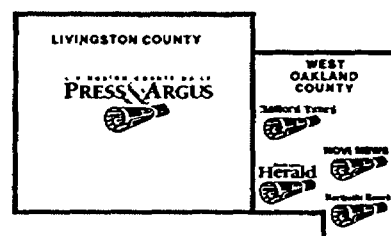
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50% SALE
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desk, club chairs, king &
California king size beds,
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B&G plates, Vectra On-Line
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43467 Scenic Ln, Northville
Take I-275 to 8 Mile Rd,
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Syna. (734) 981-1625

HOWELL 516 W Washington
Sat, 9-4 Furniture hard-
capped equip tools house-
hold goods

NORTHVILLE china crystal
ware kitchen ware furniture
personal items misc house-
hold Fri 6/27, Sat 6/28 9
2pm 45167 W 9 Mile

Garage Sales (7110)

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Beach Sub Sale

BRIGHTON Garage Sale 4591
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5 Everything must sell!

BRIGHTON 2 Families June
27-28 9 5pm 10870 Valley
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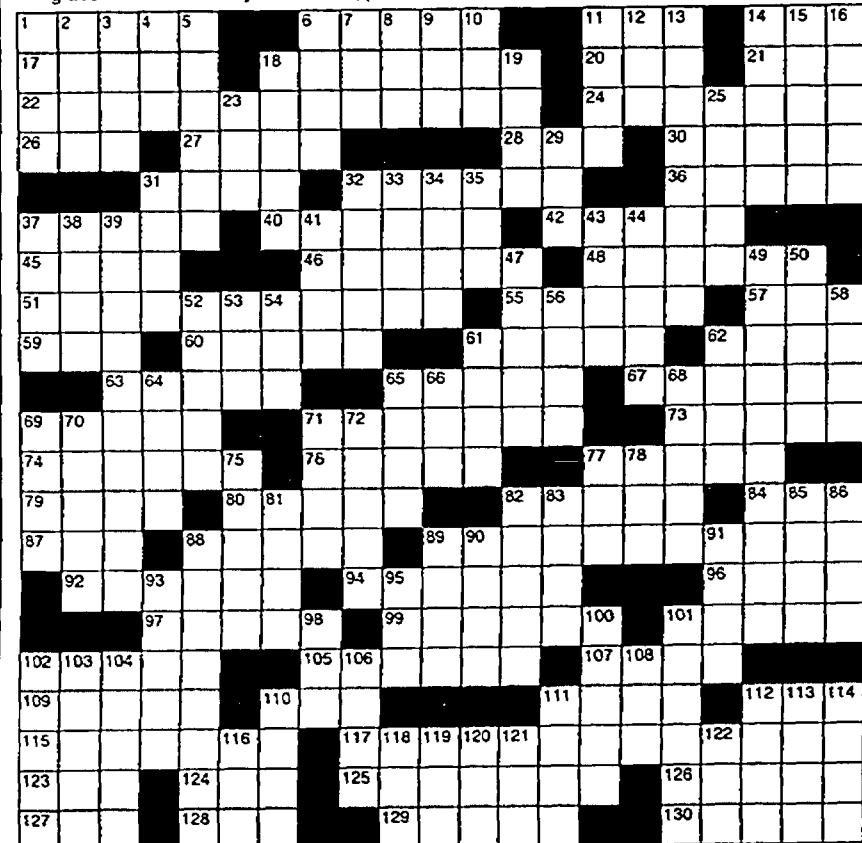
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Garage Sales

FENTON Lake Shannons Antical Community Garage Sale June 26-28 9-5 Faussett Old 23 Follow signs

FOWLerville Today's items & clothing and all clothes go! clubs misc 9052 N Nicholson Fri Sat, 9-4

LOOK

FOWLerville BIG BARN SALE! Over 4000 items!

Antiques & more! Call for recorded list June 28 & 29, 8-7pm 1-96 to exit 129 go 2 miles south follow signs to 9083 W Judd (517)223-0323

HARTLAND Garage Sale June 19-21 9-3 Misc items 1215 Larabee Lane off Bergrin

HARTLAND Thurs Fri Sat, 8am-4pm Large Garage Sale w/ lots of household items & LOTs for kids & men too! 1741 Hartland Woods Dr. off M-59

HARTLAND Remember that great garage sale you loved on Franklin (M) in Nov? Well it's moved to US22 & M59 Exit 67 off US22, go R then L at 1st light (Hartland Rd) Follow signs to Woodchuck N approx 1 mile. We are at 2742 N Mooninglow Ct Thurs Fri & Sat 10-4 pm

HOLLY Thurs, June 26 Fri June 27 9 to 4pm Furniture clothes small appliances and more 429 Sherwood Court

MILFORD 2 Family Garage Sale June 27-29, 9-5 2935 Rae Lynn off Duck Lake Rd between Commerce & Wom

MILFORD Sub Sale! Thurs Fri, Sat 9-6pm Burnick on the Park Milford & Buno Rd

MILFORD 3 Family! 1995 Regal boat trailer exercise equip tools TV Amigo, lots of stuff! June 27 & 28 9-1pm 537 W Huron (248) 685-2570

NEW HADSON Sub Sale Cobblestone Village off Pontiac Trl b'n Martindale & Kent Lk Fri Sat, 9-4

NORTHVILLE Multi family Household items, furniture, toys clothing June 26-28, 9-4 On Galway, Bedford Dr. N of 8 Mile, W of Center

Garage Sales

NORTHVILLE 20 yrs accumulation of wood furniture June 27 & 28 9-3 Corner of Randolph & High Cash only! Don't miss this one!

NORTHVILLE 4 family sale 43552 Galway baby clothes, etc Thurs - Sat 9-1pm N of 8, W off of Nov

NORTHVILLE June 27, 28 9 to 4pm 760 Grace S of Eight E of Center Antiques furniture & misc household

NOVI June 27-28 8-5, 29842 Pierre Dr. Chateau Estates Furniture, housewares misc

NOVI Multi-Family sale on Wellsley Ct Greenwood Oaks Sub 10 & Beck June 28 9-4

NOVI - Large variety of items kids clothes 24406 Nantucket off 10 Mile & Beck Rd (Greenwood Oaks sub) June 27 & 28, 9-4pm

NOVI - Woods of Nov, multi home 6/26-6/29 9:30-3pm N of 13 Mile, W of Nov Rd

NOVI - 5 family sale Antiques baby things maternity & other clothes - much more June 26-27-28 9-4pm 44304 Galway (N of 8 Mi, just E of Center)

NOVI - Thurs Fri, & Sat, 9-5 Furniture, appliances, household items baby items and more 44596 Marshfield Dr. between Nov Rd & Tah off 10 Mile in Jamestown Green Sub

NOVI - MENS, womens baby toddler, household misc dark room equipment Thurs, Fri, 9-4pm Sat, 9-2 10 Mile Rd E of Meadowbrook, Cranbrook N to 40307 Gufford

PINCKNEY 2 Family Sale Fri-10-4, Sat 10-3 3995 Monks Rd bin Cedar Lk Kelly Rds

SOUTH LYON Huge Sale! Lots of tools, etc Fri-Sat-Sun June 27-28-29 10854 Tuthill Rd (just off 9 Mi & Marshall Rds) 8am-4pm

SOUTH LYON Thurs-Sat 6/26-28 9-4pm Dining room set, wedding dress bikes, misc 10 Mile to Ponderosa, follow signs to 13261 Sumac Lane

SOUTH LYON 439 Reese, June 27 & 28 9-3pm Large Multi-Family antiques, 3 bedroom stels tools, sporting goods, household goods, building supplies, full sized for everyone! table. Something for

Garage Sales

SOUTH LYON June 26-27-28, 9-5 11853 Four Lakes Dr Household, tons of goodies

SOUTH LYON 7 Mile Pontiac Trail 8871 Salem Farms Dr. Toys, furniture, much more Thurs-Fri, 10-4 Cash sales

SOUTH LYON Household, tools antiques Fri-Sat, 9-5 12400 Wildoaks Circle, off Rushton, 1 Mile N of 10 Mile

SOUTH LYON - GIANT Sale at Kwanan Building Warren (off Lake) & 2nd St. All proceeds to benefit local woman suffering from cancer Sat. only, 9-4

SOUTH LYON - 3 Family Sale! Furniture, kids clothes, baby items, tools & truck 28553 Doboro 6/26-28, 9-3

SOUTH LYON 3 family garage sale Sat only June 28, 9am to 5pm Furniture, clothes, misc No early sales 270 Lyon Blvd. E of Pontiac Trail, off Ten Mile

SOUTH LYON Huge Multi-Family! Lots of great stuff! 59373 Ten Mile, bet Martindale & Griswold June 26-28, 9-5pm

WEBBERVILLE Large 5 Family Yard Sale, Fri-Sat, June 27-28, 9am-5pm, 4945 Frost Rd Sofa, loveseat, lamps, other household items Home decor items, toys, DVD player, stroller Coca Cola Christmas items Adult & children clothing Too much more to list

WEBBERVILLE Contractor/BUILDER Sale Fri-Sat, June 27-28, 9am-5pm 4945 Frost Lots of odds & ends Bathrooms, sinks, tops, Kerosene heaters, lights, wiring tools, electric supplies, trim lots more, can't list all!

WHITMORE LAKE Sub Sale! Shadowwood Farms off 6 Mile Thurs & Friday 9-4, Sat, 9-7

Moving Sales (7130)

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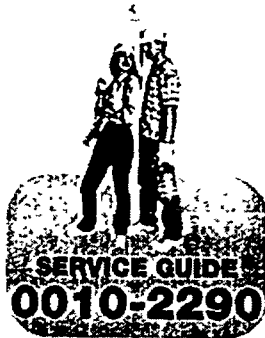
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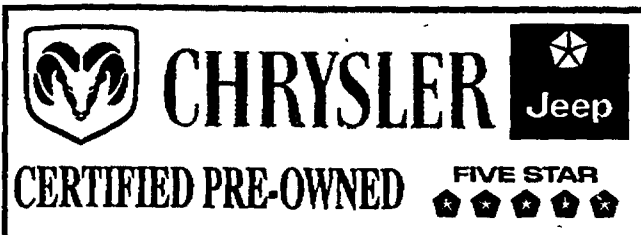
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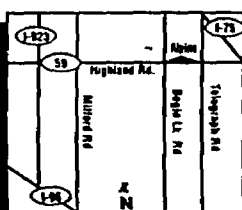
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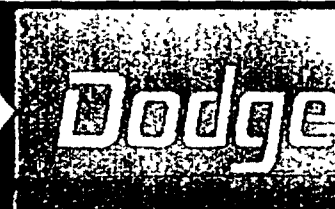
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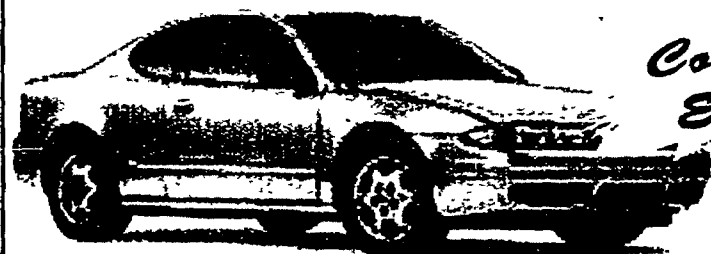
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GMS.....\$29,046⁷⁸ Retail.....\$30,296⁷⁸
GMS Lease.....\$371⁵⁸ Retail Lease.....\$398⁸⁶
 Total Due \$600.84 Total Due \$14.79

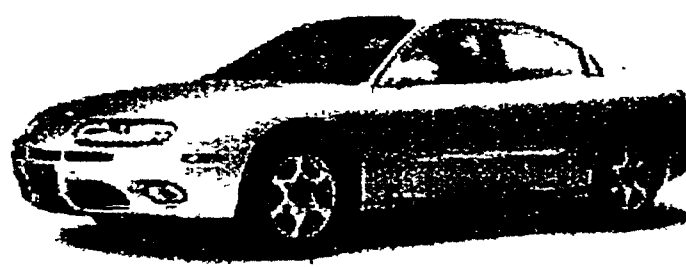
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GMS.....\$19,710³⁸ Retail.....\$20,960³⁸
GMS Lease.....\$284²⁹ Retail Lease.....\$311⁶⁰
 Total Due \$61.36 Total Due \$75.30

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GMS.....\$12,870⁰⁰ Retail.....\$13,800⁹⁰
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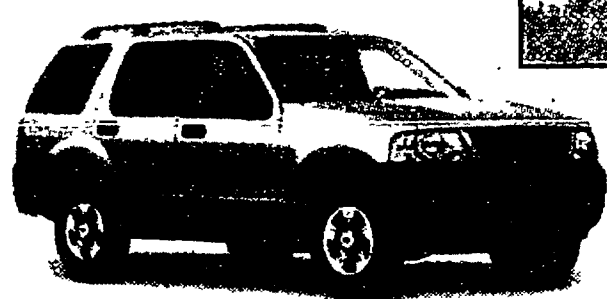
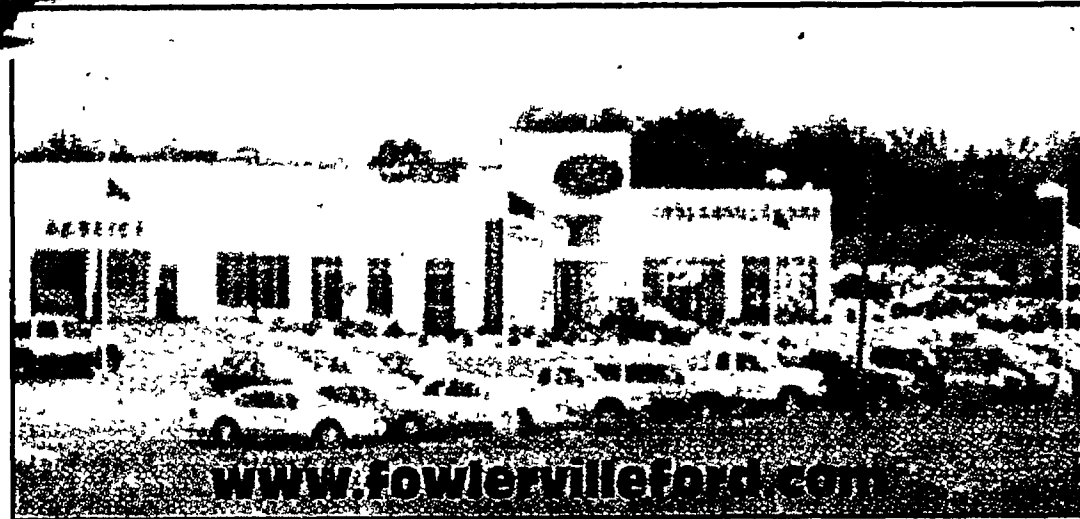
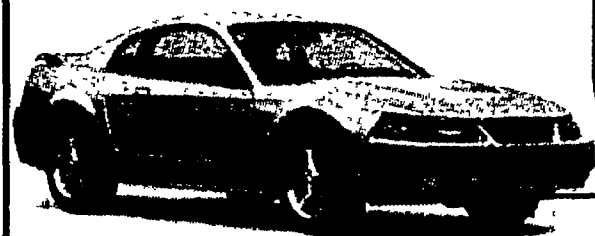


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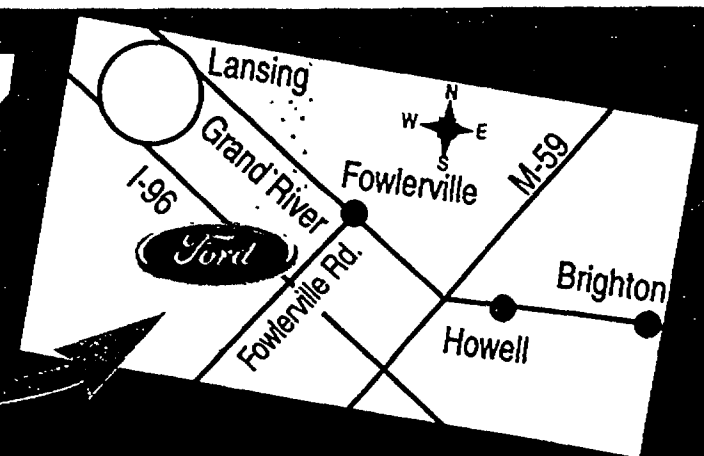
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Saturday, July 12

- All day NASA Exhibit
- 10 a.m. Michigan Dynamometer Lightweight Horse Pulls — Grandstand
- NOON Admission Gates Open (Limited Livestock)
- NOON Michigan Dynamometer Heavyweight Horse Pulls — Grandstand
- NOON Midway Opens — \$1 rides until 5 p.m.
- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
- 2 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 4 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 5 p.m. Gail DonAvan — Acoustic Musical Entertainment — Entertainment Stage
- 6 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 7:30 p.m. Jars of Clay with special guests Ten Shekel Shirt & Jeremy Camp, brought to you by 88.1 The Light & sponsored by Fowlerville United Brethren in Christ Church — Grandstand

Sunday, July 13 Family Discount Day

Sponsored by WHMI 93.5

- All day NASA Exhibit
- 9 a.m. Admission Gates Open (Limited Livestock)
- 9 a.m. Classic Car Show & Swap Meet sponsored by orthodontist: Dr. Samuel Daniels — Infield
- 9 a.m. Flea Market brought to you by Livingston Centre Historical Village sponsored by orthodontist: Dr. Samuel Daniels — Infield
- 10 a.m. Classic Car Show Judging — Infield
- NOON Queen Contest sponsored by First National Bank and Tanger Outlet Center at Kensington Valley — Finlan Gazebo
- NOON Midway Opens — \$16 Arm Band Good All Day
- NOON Chicken Barbecue brought to you by Unadilla Township Fire Department (\$6.00 per dinner) — Finlan Gazebo

- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
- NOON to 10 p.m. Premier Animal Attractions
- 1 p.m. Futurity Percheron Horse Show sponsored by Kern Road Veterinary Clinic — Show Ring
- 2 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 3 p.m. Rick Smith — Country Singer — Entertainment Stage
- 3:30 p.m. Classic Car Show Award Presentation — Infield
- 4 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 5 p.m. Austin Scott — Country Singer — Entertainment Stage
- 6 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 7 p.m. Famous Comedian Gallagher — Grandstand

Monday, July 14 Youth Group Day

Sponsored by Asahi/Thermofil

- All day NASA Exhibit
- 9 a.m. Admission Gates Open
- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
- NOON to 10 p.m. Premier Animal Attractions
- 2 p.m. Midway Opens — \$16 Arm Band Good All Day
- 2 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 3 p.m. All Livestock in Place
- 4 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 5 p.m. Chelsea Oaks — Country Singer — Entertainment Stage
- 6 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 8 p.m. Martina McBride with special guest Phil Vassar, brought to you by WITL and W4 Country — Grandstand

Tuesday, July 15 Senior Citizen's & Grandparent's Day

*Sponsored by WLNS Channel 6
Free Admission 62 & older 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
and Grandparents Free
with Grandchildren 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.*

DARE Day

Free Admission for children wearing a DARE T-shirt 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- All day NASA Exhibit
- All day Red Cross Traveling Museum
- 9 a.m. Admission Gates Open
- 11 a.m. Senior Citizen Activities — Finlan Gazebo
- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
- NOON to 10 p.m. Premier Animal Attractions
- 2 p.m. Midway Opens — \$16 Arm Band Good All Day
- 2 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 4 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 5 p.m. Alabar — Blues, Folk, Rock — Entertainment Stage
- 6 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 8 p.m. Alice Cooper, brought to you by 106.7 The Drive and 94.9 WMMQ — Grandstand

Wednesday, July 16 Kid's Day

*Sponsored by Big Boy Restaurants
Free Admission for Children
12 and under 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.*

- 9 a.m. Admission Gates Open
- 10 a.m. Kid's Day Activities — Finlan Gazebo
- 11 a.m. Midway Opens — \$8 Armband until 5 p.m.
- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
- NOON Pedal Pullers Contest — Finlan Gazebo
- NOON to 10 p.m. Premier Animal Attractions
- 2 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 4 p.m. Mister Lawrence — Children's Musical Entertainer — Entertainment Stage
- 4 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 5:30 p.m. Donna Lee Holman — Country Singer — Entertainment Stage
- 6 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 8 p.m. USA Demolition Derby sponsored by Cox Enterprises, Ltd. — Grandstand



Thursday, July 17 Ladies' Day

Free Admission for Ladies 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

- 9 a.m. Admission Gates Open
- 10 a.m. Ladies' Day Program — Finlan Gazebo
- NOON Homemaker of the Year Contest — Finlan Gazebo
- NOON Ladies' Day Luncheon — Finlan Gazebo
- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
- NOON to 10 p.m. Premier Animal Attractions
- 2 p.m. Midway Opens — \$16 Arm Band Good All Day
- 2 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 4 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 4:30 p.m. Sarah Lonore — Country Singer — Entertainment Stage
- 6 p.m. William Schadricks Country Band — Entertainment Stage
- 6 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 8 p.m. USA Demolition Figure Eight sponsored by Krug Ford Lincoln Mercury — Grandstand

Friday, July 18 Agricultural Day

Daycare and Special Needs Day

- 9 a.m. Admission Gates Open
- 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Farm Bureau Luncheon (members only) — Finlan Gazebo
- 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Special hours for Daycare and Special Needs Children. Daycare children — \$5 arm band and Special Needs ride FREE
- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
- NOON to 10 p.m. Premier Animal Attractions
- 2 p.m. Midway Opens — Regular priced rides
- 2 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 2 p.m. 4-H Large Market Auction — Livestock Arena
- 4 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 5 p.m. Tony Philips — Country Singer — Entertainment Stage

- 6 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 8 p.m. USA Demolition Figure Eight sponsored by Krug Ford Lincoln Mercury — Grandstand

Saturday, July 19 Veteran's/Government Day

Sponsored by WILX Channel 10
Free for Veterans 3-5 p.m.

- 9 a.m. Admission Gates Open
- 10 a.m. Antique Tractor Pulls brought to you by Webberville FFA Alumni — Grandstand
- NOON Midway Opens — \$12 Armband until 5 p.m.
- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
- NOON to 10 p.m. Premier Animal Attractions
- 2 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 3-5 p.m. Veteran's Day Display — Autorama Tent
- 3 p.m. Rick Smith — Country Singer — Entertainment Stage
- 4 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 5 p.m. 4-H Small Animal Auction — Livestock Arena
- 5 p.m. Amy Heard — Singer — Entertainment Stage
- 6 p.m. Barnyard Express Show — Autorama Tent
- 6:30 p.m. Boullis Racing sponsored by Fowlerville Ford — Grandstand

Sunday, July 20 Pay-One-Price Day

Sponsored by 100.7 WITL
\$21 Admission, Rides and Circus

- 9 a.m. Admission Gates Open
- NOON Midway Opens — Pay One Price Day
- NOON Bingo — Bingo Gazebo
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All dates and times subject to change.

- ☐ Parking: Free
- ☐ Fairgrounds admission: Gates open daily at 9 a.m. Adults \$5, Senior Citizens \$4, Children ages 6-12 \$2, Children 5 and under free
- ☐ Grandstand admission: Evening shows.
* Prices do not include service fees.
- July 12 ..\$16 GA*; \$18 Reserved*
.....\$20 Day of Show*
- July 13 ..\$20 Reserved/GA*
.....\$22 Day of Show*
- July 14 ..\$30 Reserved/GA*
.....\$32 Day of Show*
- July 15 ..\$20 Reserved/GA*
.....\$22 Day of Show*
- July 16 ..\$8 GA
- July 17 ..\$8 GA
- July 18 ..\$8 GA
- July 19 ..\$10 GA
- July 20 ..\$10 Per Show GA
- ☐ Midway times & prices:
- July 12 ..Noon to 5 p.m.
\$1 rides; 5 p.m. to close regular price
- July 13 ..Noon to close
\$16 Arm Band
- July 14 ..2 p.m. to close
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- July 15 ..2 p.m. to close
\$16 Arm Band
- July 16 ..11 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$8 Arm Band; 5 p.m. to close regular price
- July 17 ..2 p.m. to close
\$16 Arm Band
- July 18 ..2 p.m. to close
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- July 19 ..Noon to 5 p.m. \$12 Arm Band; 5 p.m. to close regular price
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The Fowlerville Agricultural Society and its board of directors proudly welcomes you to the 117th Fowlerville Fair. Our fair is the largest, continuously running, family event Livingston County has to offer its friends and neighbors. Not only is it the pride of Fowlerville and Livingston County but also is one of the top five fairs in the great state of Michigan.

Over the years, the board of directors has strived to continually improve the environment of the fair as well as enhance the many educational and entertainment events that are scheduled for all ages of the community. The board is tire-

less in its effort to maintain a fun-filled, clean, family atmosphere for you. With that, if you know or meet any members of the board, extend to them a hearty thank you for their volunteered effort and dedication to the Fowlerville Fair.

We feel we have put together another fantastic nine days for you. Wade Shows always puts forth an amazing effort for a clean and exciting array of rides, games, food and refreshments. The independent vendors also provide a wide variety of foods and commercial exhibits for your enjoyment and education.

The Livingston County 4-H Clubs, under the direction of the Michigan State Cooperative Extension Service, always improves on the previous year

with exceptional entries and dedication to their individual projects. The members of 4-H look forward to the Fowlerville Fair for the camaraderie, meeting new friends, renewing old friendships and the competition, and they continue to educate themselves to meet their individual goals. While doing all of this, they assist the Fowlerville Agricultural Society in promoting agriculture and rural life in Livingston County. Thank you for your efforts!

We believe our grandstand shows are second to none in the state. We strive to contract well-known, popular entertainment for you at an affordable price. In addition to the stage shows Saturday through Tuesday evenings, we have the

always popular USA Demolition Derby and USA Figure Eight Races on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. This year we brought back, after many years of absence, flat track motorcycle racing for Saturday night and last but not least, a great finale Sunday with pay-one-price, which includes not only admission and rides but also the George Hubler International Circus.

Thank you for being our guest. We hope your time with us was enjoyable and memorable and you will return soon. Peace be with you.

*Dennis Kreeger, president
Fowlerville
Agricultural Society
Fowlerville Fair*

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Tigers, baboons, grizzly bears, more visit the fair

Have you ever shook hands with a baboon? What about sitting with a tiger cub on your lap?

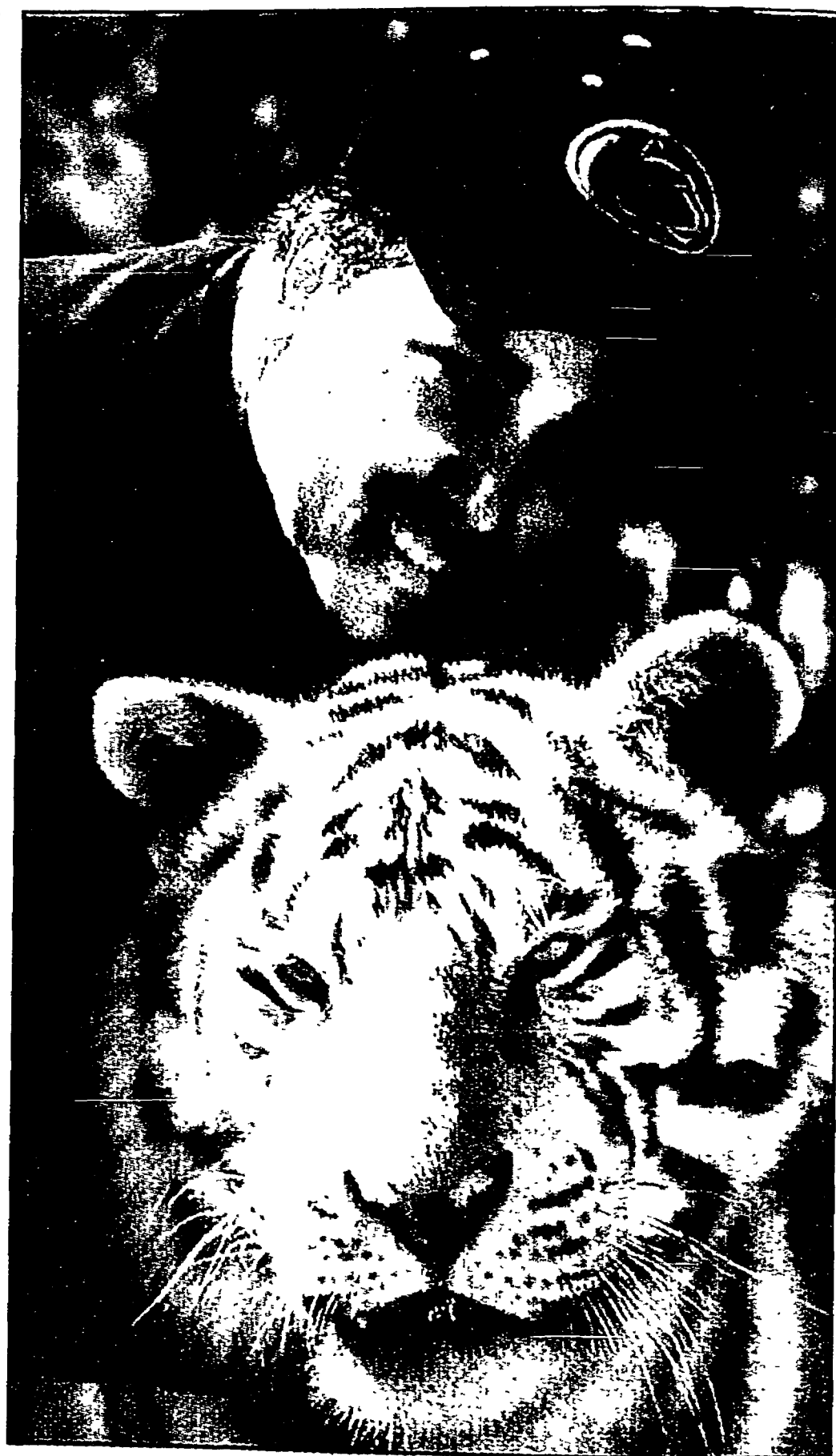
You can do all this and more at the Premier Animal Attractions exhibit during Livingston County's 2003 Fowlerville Fair.

Owned and operated by Michael Walker of Davisburg, Premier Animal Attractions has been bringing the largest of tigers and the smallest of lions to

people all over the country for over 20 years.

This year, the exotic animal display comes back to the Fowlerville Fair with more surprises than ever.

Many different animals will be joining Walker in this exciting display, including Saber, a giant white tiger; a baboon named Freddy and her boyfriend Tony; a baby grizzly bear named Tiny that really isn't so tiny; two baby tigers named Kita and Ra; a baby lion named Sid; and numerous other animals including lynxes and kangaroos.



Michael Walker, owner of Premier Animal Attractions, is also bringing one of only 200 white tigers in the world. Saber weighs in at over 750 pounds.

"We have a lot in store this year and we're really excited about it," Walker said.

Premier Animal Attractions also offers photographs of your loved ones with baby animals on their laps. These photographs come in various 8-by-10 packages and are professionally printed on Premier's new Kodak system.

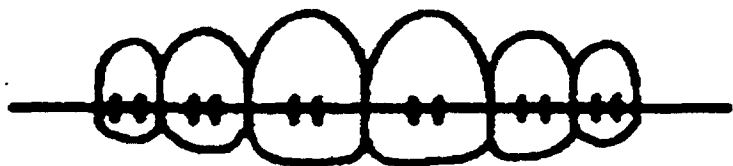
Walker and Premier Animal Attractions invite everyone to come visit the exciting animals during the 2003 fair.

They are located across from the historical village.

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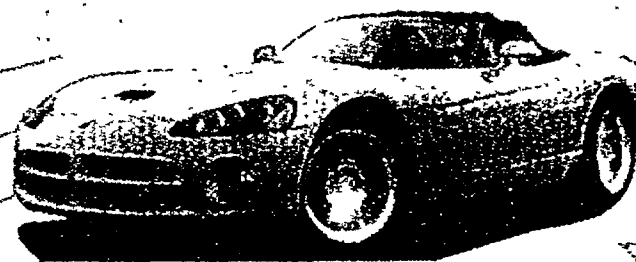
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117 years of family fun

Fair celebrates agriculture, technology, entertainment, carnival rides and more

By Stacy Anderson
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The first annual exhibition of the Fowlerville Agricultural Society made its debut in autumn of 1887. Nearly 5,000 people came from all over the county to partake in the harness racing, baseball games and livestock displays that made Fowlerville famous in no time.

On July 12, 2003, the Fowlerville Agricultural Society will once again stage Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair, featuring some of the same events as the fair of 1887 along with new entertainment that makes this year's event the best ever.

In the first years of the fair, tickets were sold for \$1 per family and ticket sales increased in the early 1900s to almost 1,300 tickets sold in one year. The fair was described as a place where past, present and future residents could come together and visit with friends and relatives in Fowlerville and the surrounding villages within a 50-mile radius.

The Fowlerville Fair always seemed to bring warmth and sunshine along with it, as early news stories thank the weatherman for bearing such wonderful weather from year to year.

A piece from the Livingston County Press described the 1913 fair as opening with "the best prospects which have ever shown for that excellent exposition," continuing with a thank you for the superior weather: "The weatherman seems to be smiling on the fair this year. The prospects look good and those who fail to go will be the losers."

Attractions and entertainment in the early days of the fair were agriculturally themed, but as the

"The weatherman seems to be smiling on the fair this year. The prospects look good and those who fail to go will be the losers."

— Promoting the 1913 Fair
Livingston County Press

years went by, modern marvels began to take the place of the displays of farming machinery.

"The tendency of modern so-called agricultural fairs seems to be for greater attractions along the line of matinee and midway features than for exhibits in agricultural products," recorded the LCP.

Even though agricultural aspects of the fair still remain a major portion of the attraction, live entertainment became paramount in the enjoyment of the fair. Acts along the midway began to include dancing girls, performing goats, an educated pony, fortune tellers, monkeys and some of the best performing dogs ever seen in the Fowlerville area. As years passed, events along the midway showcased a Flying Scooter and Octopus, Man Eating Fish Show and midget ponies for the crowd's enjoyment.

Carnival rides for children were unveiled in the early 1930s,

True love: Anything is possible at the fair

When Marie Huschke decided to go to the Fowlerville Fair of 1929, she had no idea what the fair had in store for her that year.

She had grown up in Fowlerville and the fair was a summer tradition. After working at Spag's Ice Cream Shop one day after school, she grabbed a girlfriend and headed off to the fair.

Deo Baker wasn't from Fowlerville but lived close by — right outside of Brighton. His uncle Robin Carr was well-known in and around Fowlerville for his dairy farming and had provided Deo with a job to earn some extra money. In that same summer that Marie visited the fair with her girlfriend, Deo decided he too would attend the summer festivities.

Deo and Marie happened to attend the 1929 Fowlerville Fair on the same day, at the same time, and when they met they instantly hit it off. They started dating and were married almost exactly a year later. They were married for 55 years and had 10 children.

Brenda Regentik, one of Deo and Marie's many grandchildren, married her husband in 1990 and moved back to the Fowlerville area in 1991.

"My grandmother was so happy that one of her 36 grandchildren was going back to her roots," Regentik said.



Submitted Photo

Marie Huschke and Deo Baker, pictured in 1954, met at the 1929 Fowlerville Fair.

"We live only 5 miles from where she grew up. She told us all about how she grew up here and how she met grandpa at the Fowlerville Fair."

Regentik now takes her two children to the fair. Both are involved in 4-H and enjoy the Demolition Derby and various concerts offered at the fair.

Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair is always a magical time for everyone in the area, and the summer of 1929 was no different. Deo and Marie found love that summer, proving anything is possible at the Fowlerville Fair.

featuring merry-go-rounds, a Ferris Wheel, a whip and swing seat device and "games of chance where boys could spend their extra fair pennies."

Thrill shows of car races and jumps were always the highlight of the fair, where one could watch a "'59 Ford sedan leap 85

feet through space!" These tournaments of thrills also showed "head-on dive-bomber crashes" and "death-defying destruction derbys" to wow the audience and leave children and adults breathless.

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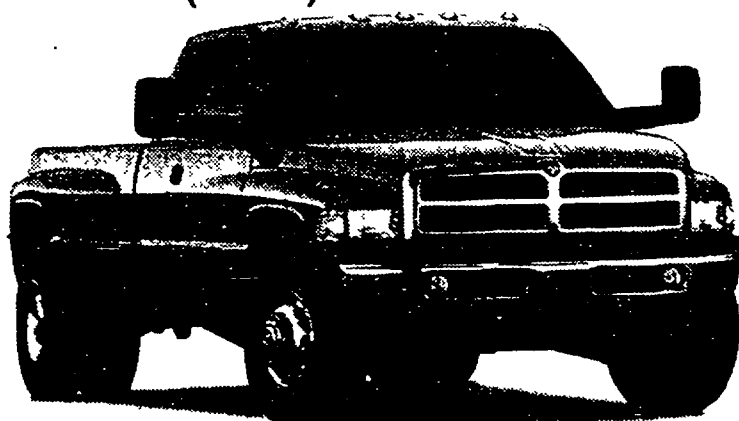


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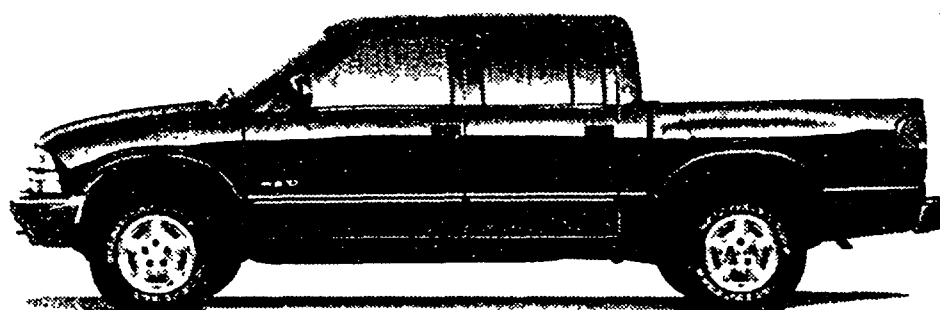


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Michigan Pedal Pullers return for more tractor fun

Get your tractor rolling at this year's fair.

The Michigan Pedal Pullers are returning and bringing all kinds of fun in the form of tiny tractors. Last year, Michigan Pedal Pullers welcomed over 100 children who raced on the tractors. Every child receives a participation ribbon. The child coming in first place in each race also receives a trophy. Four age-groups make up the races, including 3-4 year olds, 5-6 year olds, 7-8 year olds and 9-10 year olds. Boys and girls races are separate.

"Kids love it and adults love watching it," said Michigan Pedal Pullers owner Melissa Noll.

The races begin at noon, Wednesday, July 16, at the Finlan Gazebo and registration begins an hour before. There is no charge to compete, but children must be registered.

More information about Michigan Pedal Pullers is available

TRACTOR RACE

- ☐ Registration begins at 11 a.m, Wednesday, July 16, at the Finlan Gazebo.
- ☐ Michigan Pedal Pullers www.pedalpullers.com

on the Web site www.pedalpullers.com or by e-mailing owners Bob and Melissa Noll at MPP@pedalpullers.com.

Chad Hacker, 4, puts his people-power into the Pedal Pullers contest during last year's fair. Similar to the larger-scale tractor pulls, a weighted sleigh is dragged behind the kid-size tractors to give resistance as the kids take their turns trying for the greatest distance with the greatest weight.



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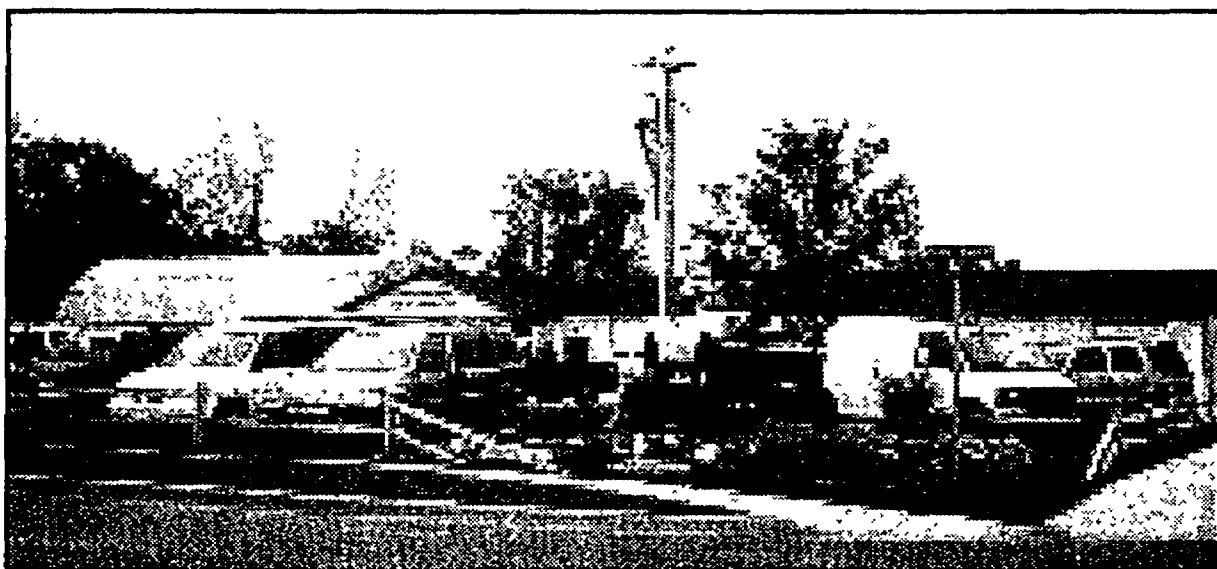
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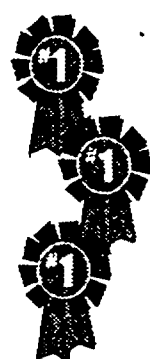


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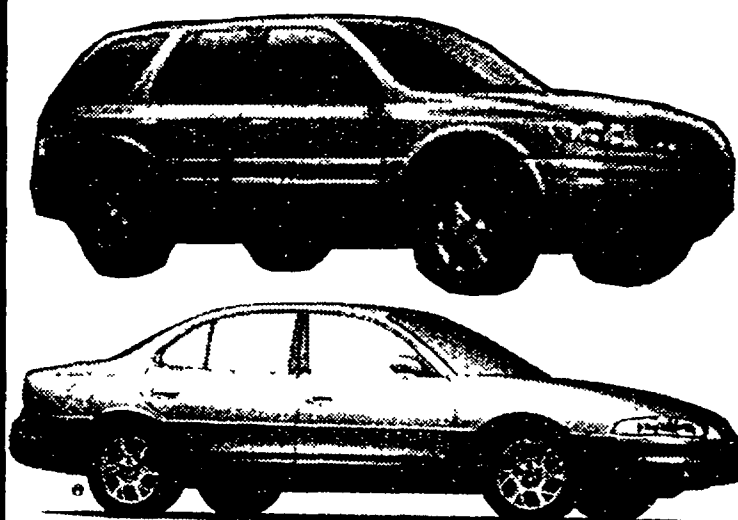
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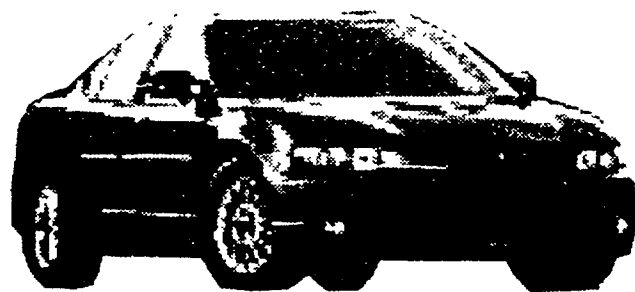
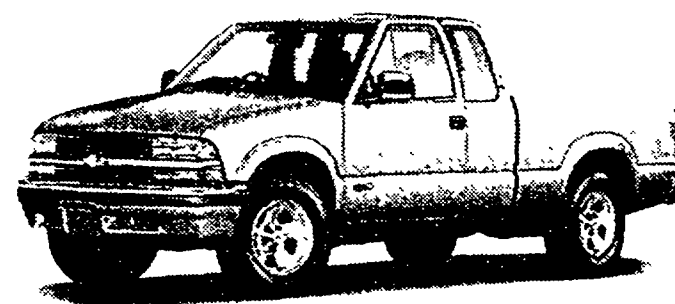
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It's out of this world

NASA brings space program to Fowlerville

Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair has always had spectacular events and entertainment, but this year is special.

The Benefits of Space on Tour exhibit, new to the fair this year, is perfect for children and adults alike.

This semitrailer exhibit, owned and operated by NASA's Johnson Space Center, focuses on technology transfer used in our everyday lives.

"The Benefits of Space on Tour exhibit clearly depicts the many ways in which technologies derived from the U.S. space program impact everyone's daily life," said Charlene Gilbert, Johnson Space Center's director of technology transfer and commercialization, in a press release.

The exhibit is split up into two sections.

The first is the Technology Hall of Fame, which features audio and video displays on space program spin-offs.

Next is the Surround-Sound Theater, where people can stop to watch a 10-minute video about the past, present and future of the space program.

This exhibit, supported by NASA's Johnson Space Center and available to everyone attending the fair, is located at the west entrance.

The exhibit will only be at the fair from July 12-15, so don't miss it.



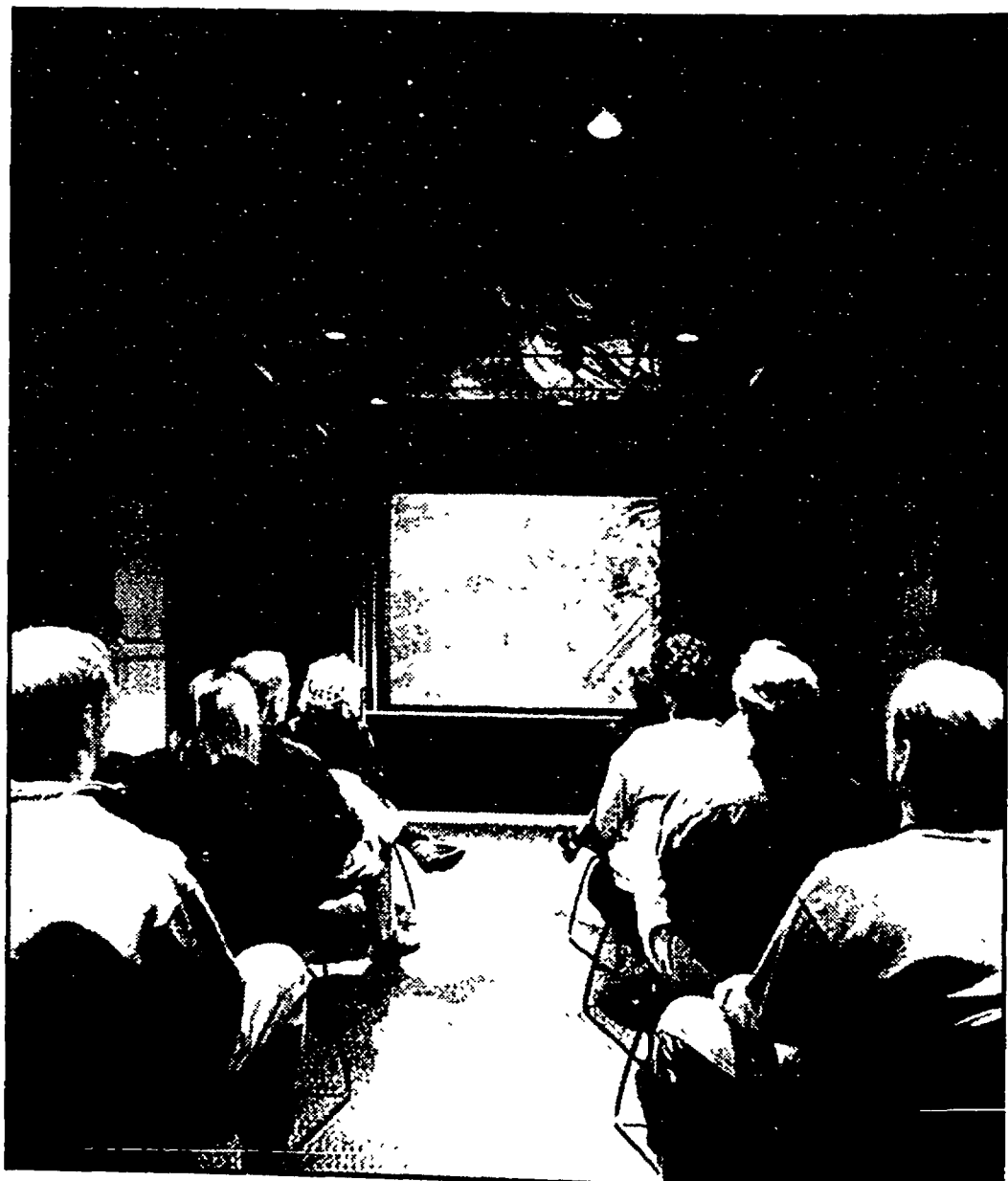
BENEFITS OF SPACE

☐ **When:** July 12-15

☐ **Where:** Located at the west entrance to the fair

☐ **Sponsored by:**
NASA's Johnson Space Center

Visitors to the fair can stop by The Benefits of Space on Tour exhibit at the west entrance of the fair. The exhibit includes the Technology Hall of Fame and the Surround-Sound Theater. Focusing on technologies derived from the space program in everyday life, the exhibit is sure to educate and entertain.



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Take the kids to the circus Sunday, July 20

Send in the clowns. This year's circus features all new magical entertainment for kids of all

ages and adults that are kids at heart.

The line-up for the 2003 George Hubler International Circus will amaze and enter-

tain.

Performers from around the world will grace the ring, including trained and performing animals, acrobatic marvels, juggling wizards, funny clowns and many other world famous circus performers.

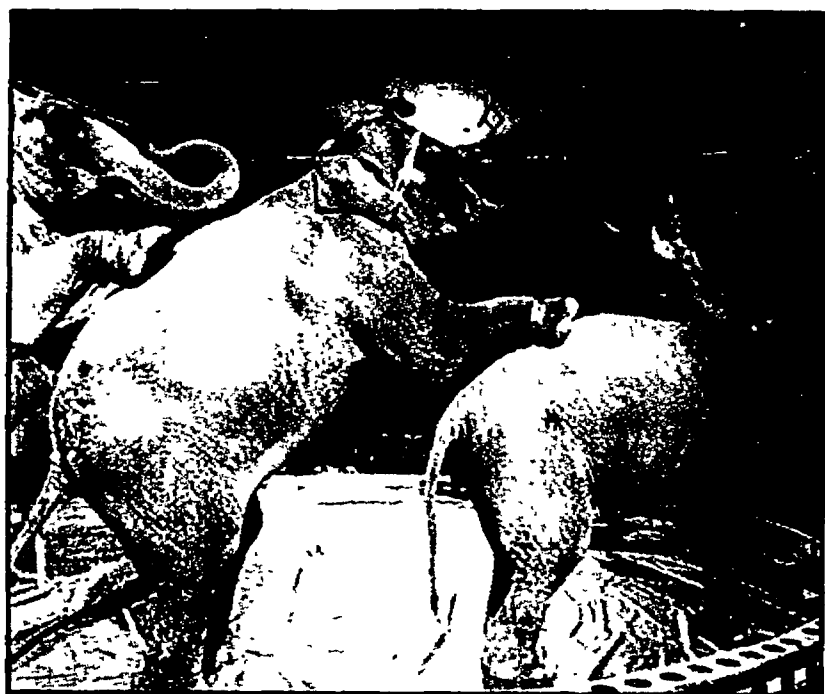
Bring the family to the grandstand and enjoy the marvels that only a circus can provide.

The George Hubler International Circus



Justino Zoppe amazes the crowd with his spectacular pyro-technics and stunts.

will appear at 2:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, July 20.



Photos courtesy of THE GEORGE HUBLER INTERNATIONAL CIRCUS

Elephants will perform during the circus.

THE CIRCUS

☐ **What:** The George Hubler International Circus

☐ **When:** 2:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, July 20.

☐ **Tickets:** \$10

☐ **Pay-One-Price Day:** \$21 includes fair admission, both circus shows and unlimited rides from noon to 5 p.m.

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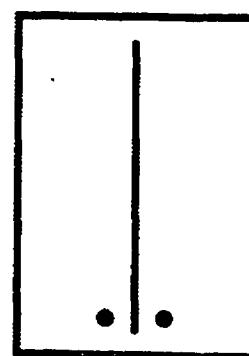
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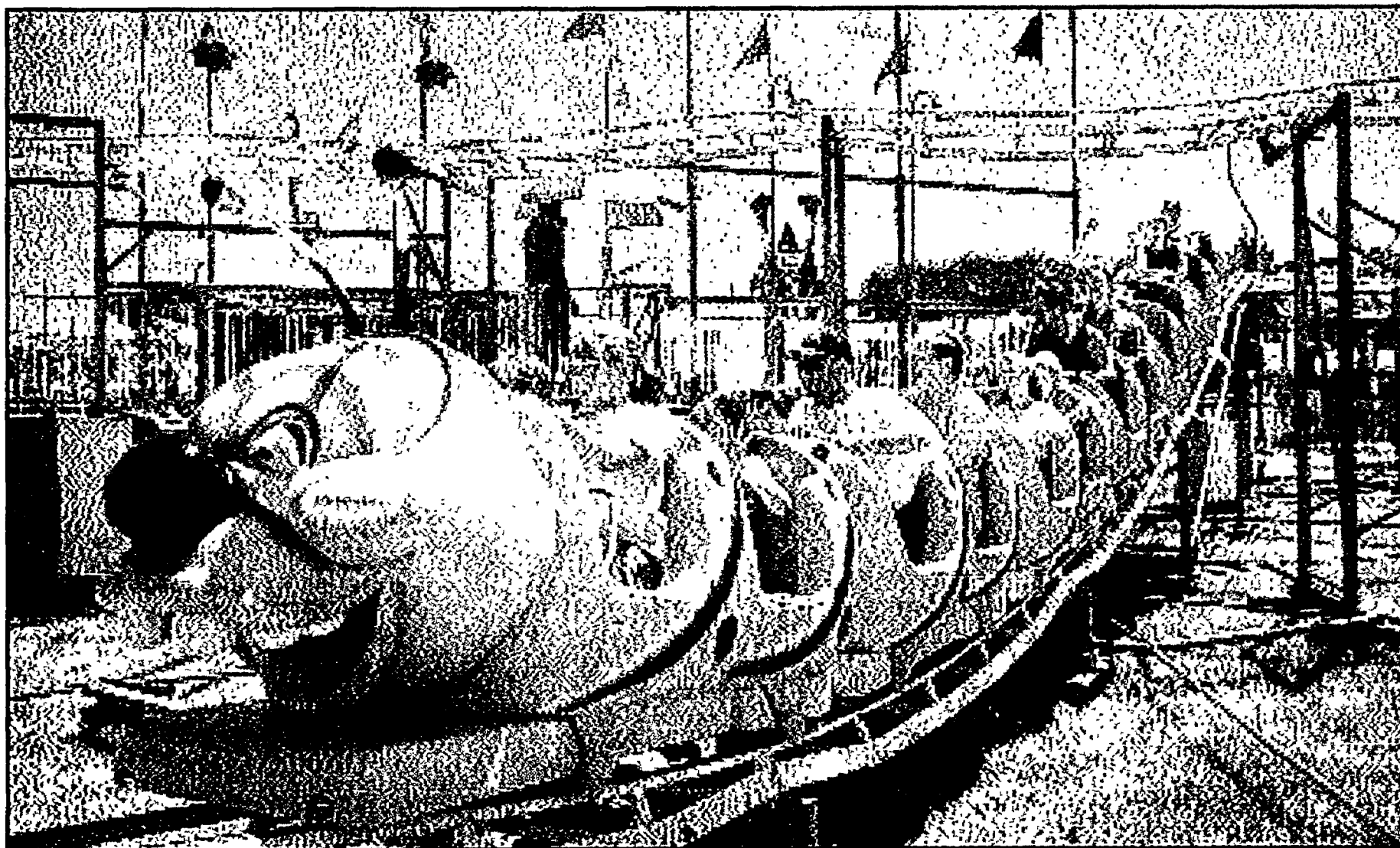


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Sponsored by First National Bank and Tanger Outlets at Kensington Valley, the competition is open to contestants 17-24 years of age who are residents of or employed in Livingston County.

The person selected to be the Fowlerville Fair Queen will help promote the fair and spend the following year making appearances at other special events, like parades, festivals and fairs. This year's queen will also win a \$500

shopping spree courtesy of Tanger Outlets at Kensington Valley.

Each contestant must submit an application along with a current, color 5-by-7 photo. Applications are due by July 10, 2003.

All contestants will be interviewed by a panel of judges, who will make their decision based on poise, personality and speaking ability and overall impression. Judging will take place at noon on Sunday, July 13, at the Finlan Gazebo.

Applications and complete rules are available online at www.fowlerville-fair.com or in

the fair office. Call (517) 223-8186 for more information.

Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair 2002 Queen Renelle Staebler will be turning over her reign to the new queen Sunday, July 13. Read about Renelle's experience as Queen on page 50. The competition is sponsored by First National Bank and Tanger Outlet Center at Kensington Valley.



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Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair Queen *Applications due July 10, 2003*

Enclose a current, color, 5-by-7 photo of yourself with the application, which will be returned after the fair. Contestants must be between 17-24 who are employed in or are residents of Livingston County. Judging will take place at noon, Sunday, July 13, 2003. Contestants will be judged on poise, personality, speaking ability and overall impression during an interview before a panel of judges. For more information, call (517) 223-8186.

Mail your application to:

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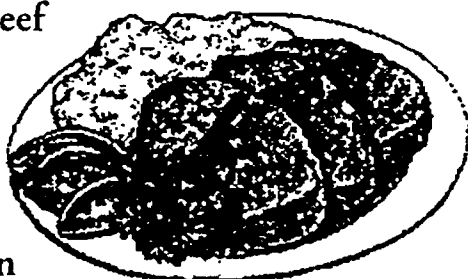
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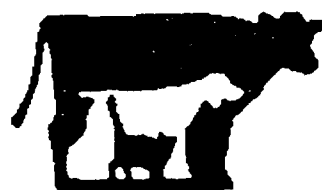
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Livingston County's 117th Annual Fowlerville Fair

Celebrate with 18th annual Ladies' Day tradition

Ladies' Day will be celebrating 18 years of a social gathering during Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair.

Every year is a great time to get together and enjoy friendship, entertainment, prizes and lunch. This year, Ladies' Day is July 17.

All ladies, 18 years of age and older, may enter the fair between 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., July 17, at no charge. Register at the Finlan Gazebo for prizes and receive your free goodie bag. Coffee and donuts will be furnished until 11 a.m. Lunch will be served at noon.

Once again, Ladies' Day will include a pie-baking contest. Ladies are asked to furnish any flavor pie they choose, except custard or cream pies. To enter, call the fair office at (517) 223-8186 and leave your name and the type of pie you will be

LADIES' DAY

- ☐ 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Thursday, July 17
- ☐ Free admission for ladies 18 and older.
- ☐ Pie-baking contest begins at 10 a.m.
- ☐ Lunch is served at noon.
- ☐ 2003 Homemaker of the Year announced.

entering. Pies should be at the fairground by 10 a.m., July 17, and will be judged before lunch. The top three pies will receive ribbons.

The announcement of the 2003 Homemaker of the Year will complete the program. Everyone who considers themselves a homemaker is invited to enter the homemaker compe-



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Tyrone Township's Crystal Tyll, the 2002 Fowlerville Fair Homemaker of the Year, is presented with roses by Lori Blough, the 2001 holder of that distinction. Apply for this year's honor with the application on page 52.

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fair office or go online to www.Fowlerville-Fair.com. The entry deadline is July 8, 2003.

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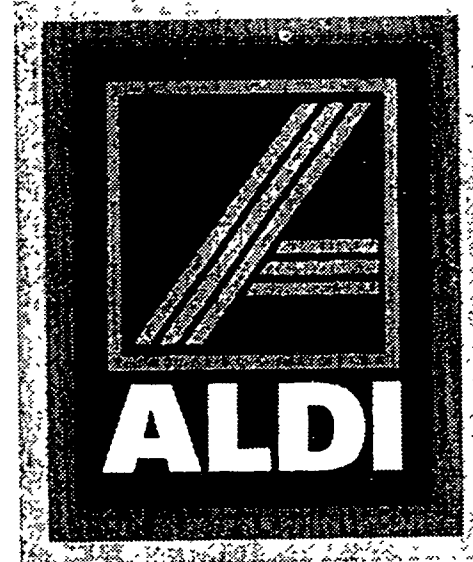
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Special days mean special deals

The 2003 Fowlerville Fair is all about making sure everyone has a reason to come to the fair.

This year, each day during the week will have a special theme so everyone has a special day to attend.

In addition to individual activities each day, certain exhibits and activities will run all week, free of charge, so there will be all kinds of fun festivities no matter what day you come.

Live musical entertainment can be enjoyed all week at the entertainment stage as well as the open class exhibit, where anyone can display their wares.

A NASA semi-trailer will be on hand to relate technology to everyday life July 12-15 and the Premier Animal Attractions exhibit will take your picture with a baby tiger on your lap from July 13-20.

In addition to all this, the popular Barnyard John comedy farm show "Barnyard Express," will run July 12-19.

Saturday, July 12

Carnival rides will be \$1 from noon to 5 p.m. Limited farm livestock will be on display and most of the fair's featured breed shows will be available.

Sunday, July 13

Family Discount Day

Sponsored by WHMI 93.5

A \$16 armband allows you to ride from noon until close. Get a discount coupon for \$4 off an armband purchase at Big Boy Restaurants and WHMI after July 7, while supplies last.

Monday, July 14

Youth Group Day

Sponsored by Asahi/Thermofil

Youth groups can register ahead of time for a reduced group gate rate by calling the office at (517) 223-8186. \$16 arm band good from 2 p.m. to close.

Tuesday, July 15

DARE, Senior Citizen's and Grandparent's Day

Sponsored by Channel 6 WLNS

This special day honors all grandparents as well as fairgoers who have participated in the Fowlerville Fair for generations.

Seniors 62 and older get into the fair free until 5 p.m., and grandparents with a paying grandchild also get in free between 2-5 p.m.

Also, free admission from 2-5 p.m. for any child wearing a DARE T-shirt. Kids should also visit the DARE trailer with their T-shirt to receive a discount coupon for the ride armband. \$16 arm band good all day.

FOWLerville FAIR DETAILS

Front gate admission tickets:

Everyday, unless noted otherwise, \$5 adults, \$4 senior citizens, \$2 kids 6-12 and kids 5 and under are free.

All events, listings, and prices are subject to date, time and cancellation without due notice. For complete details, call the fair office at (517) 223-8186 or visit www.Fowlerville-Fair.com.

Wednesday, July 16

Kid's Day

Sponsored by Big Boy Restaurants

Even though every day is kid's day, the fair has set aside Wednesday to honor the little ones. Admission is free for kids 12 and under from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Special kid activities — including traditional sawdust dig for money and free watermelon — begin at 10 a.m. at the Finlan Gazebo. The Pedal Pullers Miniature Tractor Pull begins at noon. Discounted ride tickets, featuring an \$8 arm band good for rides from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., is also available.

Thursday, July 17

Ladies' Day

Thursday is dedicated to the women in the community. Ladies' Day at the Fowlerville Fair holds many entertaining activities for all women aged 18 and over, who get in free until 1:30 p.m. Activities include entertainment, giveaways and crowning the Homemaker of the Year. The fun begins at 10 a.m. in the Finlan Gazebo and concludes with the Ladies' Day Luncheon at noon. An activities expo will be held from 3-5 p.m. in the Finlan Gazebo. Exhibits and demonstrations will also be held. A \$16 arm band is good for rides from 2 p.m. to close.

Friday, July 18

Agricultural/Daycare/ Special Needs Day

Special activities featuring agriculture takes place through afternoon followed by the large animal auction at 2 p.m.

The day begins at 11 a.m. for daycares and special needs groups. This time is set aside so these special groups can enjoy everything the fair has to offer while still getting the special attention they deserve. All rides open for these groups at 11 a.m. and run until 2 p.m.



Photo by GILLIS BENEDICT/DAILY PRESS & ARGUS

Faith Erwin, 3, of Cohoctah proudly examines her catch in the "Let's Go Fishing" game at last year's fair.

with special needs riding free and daycare groups can purchase a discounted arm band for \$5. At 2 pm the carnival opens to everyone with regular rates on all rides.

Saturday, July 19

Veteran's/Government Day

Sponsored by WILX Channel 10

Today, veterans are honored for the hard work and courage they displayed for our country. From 3-5 p.m., veterans receive free gate admission with proof of veteran status, such as cover, separation papers, American Legion card or other proof. A Veteran's Day display featuring memorabilia from all wars will be held in the Autorama Tent from 3-5 p.m. \$12 arm band good from noon to 5 p.m. and regular rates on rides from 5 p.m. to close.

Sunday, July 20

Pay-One-Price Day

What a deal! \$21 will buy each fair-goer admission to the fair, all day ride arm band and entrance to the George Hubler International Circus. Listen to WITL 100.7 to hear where you can get a discount coupon to the final day of the Fowlerville Fair.

Mark your calendars now for a fun-filled, action-packed week including animals, rides, food and so much more at the 117th Annual Fowlerville Fair.



Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair always fun

Continued from page 10

Another show that caused an exciting uproar with fair patrons was the Chicago Knockers of 1982. This all-girl mud wrestling troupe was said to provide more than just a show — involving the audience in their messy fun.

This group of girls was a hit and made headlines in the LCP more than once that year.

Baseball games, held almost every year of the fair in the early 1900s, pit villages against one another to find a champion.

In 1913, Howell, Pinckney, Stockbridge and Williamston

competed against one another until Stockbridge was announced the winner in 7-6 victory over Howell.

Unpredictable events can always occur and the Fowlerville Fair is no exception.

A headline in 1913 reads of a "Fatal Accident at the Fair," describing the death of David Kent, who was riding on the back of an automobile meant to take people to and from the fair when he lost his footing and fell off the back. He fractured his skull and died some time later.

Despite the rare occurrence of the unpredictable, the fair continued to attract the atten-

tion of families for miles.

Entertainment flourished, featuring big names in country and rock music, along with the best horse and car shows around.

Exhibits remained a large part of the fairs attractions, displaying livestock, farming machinery, arts and crafts and even bugs.

Mary Fabray entered insects into an entomology exhibit in 1965 — raising them herself with the help of larvae donations from her neighbors. Her insects were spectacular but "disappointment came when her Monarch Chrysalis became overheated and cooked just before it was

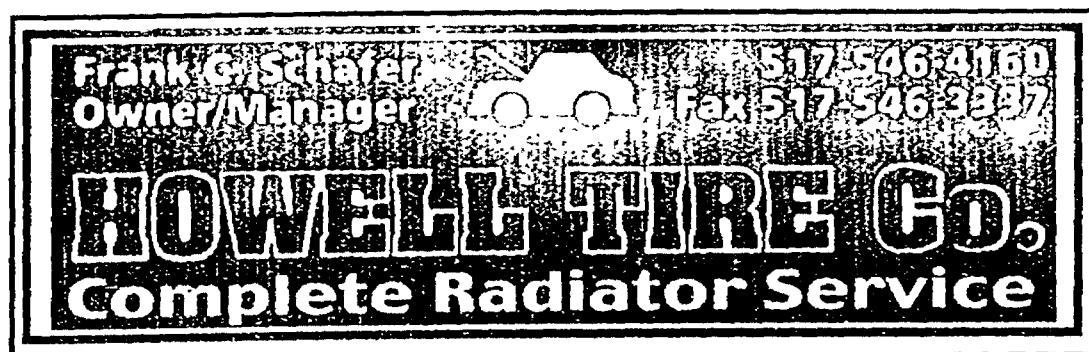
about to emerge."

In more recent times, new rides and attractions debut every year. The 2003 Fowlerville Fair features Michigan Dynamometer Horsepulling, the USA Demolition Derby, Figure Eight racing, Futurity Percheron Horse Show, local entertainment and big name stars like Martina McBride and Alice Cooper, the George Hubler International Circus, Premier Animal Attractions and many other sources of fun and entertainment for the entire family.

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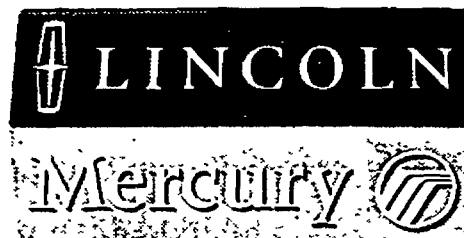
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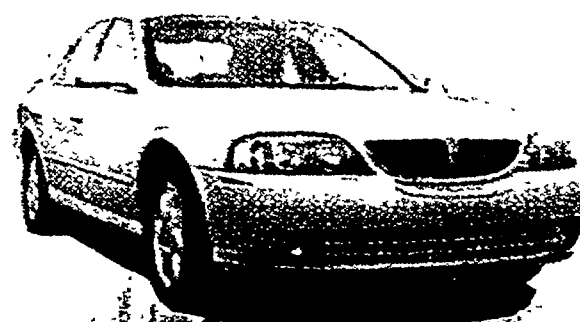
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Michigan Dynamometer Association brings a horsepulling event to Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair.

Trotting to the fair

Fair features variety of horse events

Michigan Dynamometer Association: Horsepulling

Horsepulling is a staple of the Fowlerville Fair and this year will be no exception.

The Michigan Dynamometer Association Inc. will once again bring their draft horses to the grandstand for lightweight — featuring teams weighing less than 3,200 pounds — and heavyweight — featuring teams weighing more than 3,200 pounds — pulling competitions.

People of all ages can enjoy this classically fun event beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 12 with the Draft Horse Lightweight Pulls.

The Draft Horse Heavyweight Pulls follow at noon.

Percheron Breeders Futurity Show

Sponsored by Kern Road Veterinary Clinic

Sunday, July 13, the Percheron Horse Association of Michigan, will arrive with selectively bred foals that will be shown among the top of the Percheron breed. The Percheron Breeders Futurity Show will be held in the Draft Horse Show Ring at 1 p.m.

Halter and Hitch Classes

Some of the horses participating in the Futurity Show will join other Percheron and Clydesdales for the halter and hitch classes on Monday, July 14, and Tuesday, July 15. The halter classes on Monday are for Percheron and Clydesdales of all ages. They're judged in age groups, producing a reserve and



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Jordan Fedore shows Gemstone to a judge during last year's Percheron Breeders Futurity Show.

grand champion of the entire show. The halter classes begin at 1 p.m. at the Horse Show Arena.

The hitch competition on Tuesday displays classes for youth, women and men, with a junior cart class for those under

16. The competition begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 15, in the Horse Show Arena.

Belgian horses are brought into town next, with halter classes Friday, July 18, and hitch competitions Saturday, July 19.

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The following free musical entertainment has been brought to the fair by Republic Bank — Fowlerville.

Most performances will take place on the entertainment stage at the north end of the Grandstand.

Opening Saturday, July 12, the fair begins with an acoustic musical entertainment by **Gail Donavan** from 5-7:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 13, the stage will feature "Adrian Q95 2003 Colgate Country Showdown Winner" **Rick Smith** from 3-4 p.m. and **Austin Scott** from 5-7:30 p.m.

Monday, July 14, country singer **Chelsee Oaks** will perform from 5-7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 15, during the Senior Day Activities at the Finlan Gazebo, singer and entertainer **Bill Keith** will perform a medley of memories. Senior Day Activities begin at 11 a.m. Blues, folk and rock will be performed by **Alabar** on the stage from 5-7 p.m.

For Kids' Day, Wednesday, July 16, children's musical entertainer **Mister Lawrence** will perform from 4-5 p.m. Country signer **Donna Lee Holman**, nominated for the 2003 Detroit Music Awards in five categories, will perform from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 17, country singer **Sarah Lonore** will perform from 4:30-5:45 p.m. **William Shadrack's Country Band** will be on from 6-7:30 p.m..



Back by popular demand for Friday, July 18, country singer **Tony Phillips** will perform from 5-7:30 p.m.

Closing out the free stage entertainment on Saturday, July 19, begins with "Adrian's Q95 2003 Colgate Country Showdown Winner" **Rick Smith** from 3-4 p.m. The evening is completed with singer **Amy Heard** from 5-7:30 p.m..

Additionally, balloon artist **Matt Mobley** and the band **Andes Cosmos** — providing traditional contemporary music from the Andes — will



Submitted Photos



Clockwise from top left, **Chelsee Oaks**, **Amy Heard**, **Tony Phillips** and **Sarah Lenore**, are just four of the acts performing on the entertainment stage. There is no charge to enjoy their music.

be featured throughout the week.

So, gather your family and friends, pick up a corn dog or elephant ear, sit back, relax and let them entertain you.

ENTERTAINMENT

Saturday, July 12

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Sunday, July 13

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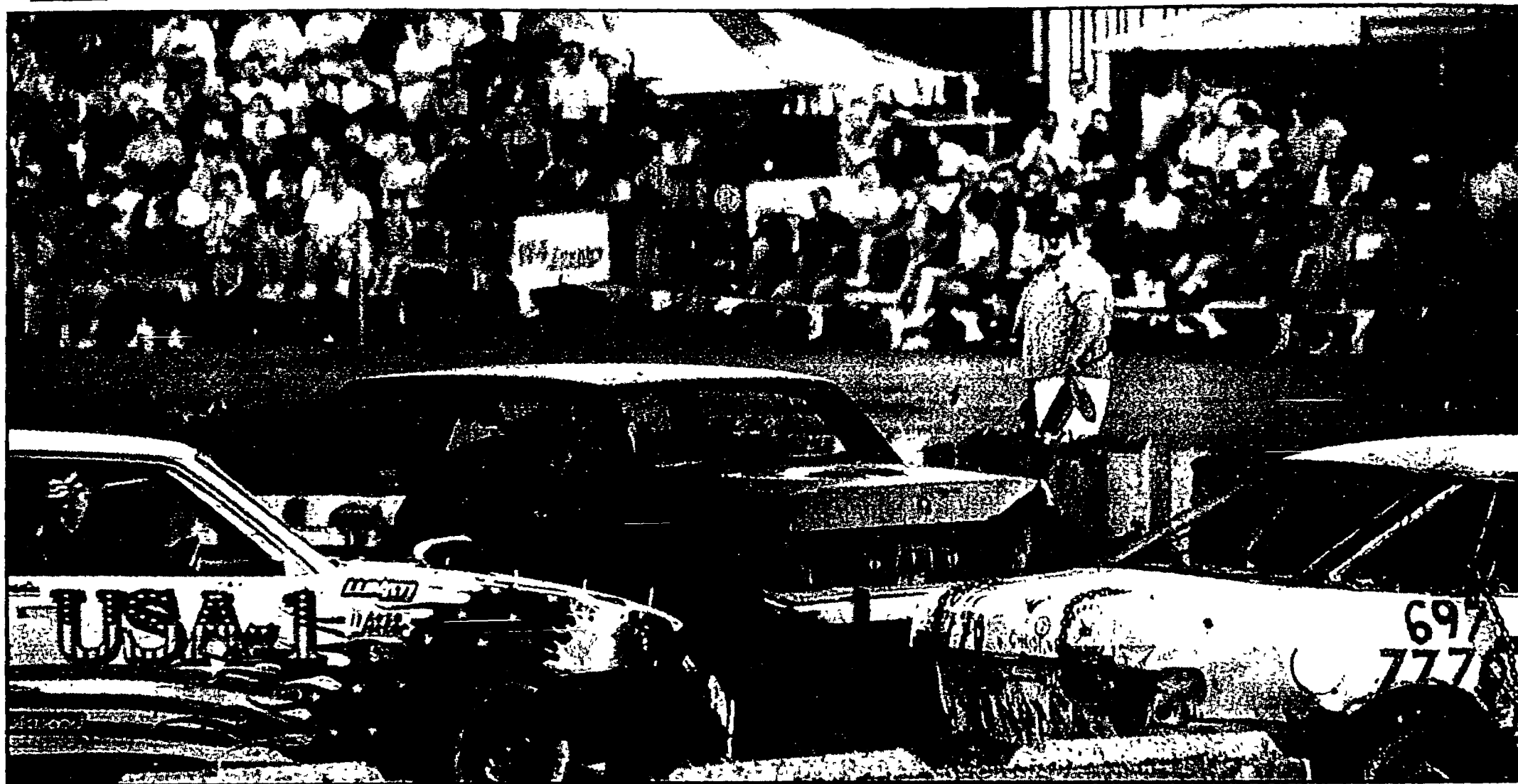


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The USA Figure Eight Derby is one of the most popular events during Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair.

Get your motor running

Demolition Derby offers smashing good time

The USA Demolition Derby is returning to the Fowlerville Fair, with the help of its sponsor Cox Enterprises LTD.

At 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 16, 60 drivers and 14 pick-up drivers will smash and crash their trucks in competition for \$1,800 in cash and prizes.

The competition begins with several heats of cars crashing and banging to be one of the best. A brief intermission toward the end will bring the pick-up truck derby. The evening will close with the best from the previous heats to bring a grand finale finish to a fantastic night of thrills and splendid wreckage.

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lighter vehicles, will create higher speeds and more risk for a metal-twisting crash.

Although it is relatively inexpensive to compete and sacrifice a figure eight derby car, it does require a large investment of courage. Since the cars can cross paths several times during one lap, frequently collisions are more likely to occur.

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The group meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of every month at the fair office, just inside the gate at the Fowlerville Fairgrounds. Work sessions are scheduled throughout the year — usually on Tuesday and Thursday. No experience is necessary to help. The public is welcome to attend any meetings. Many volunteers are needed to help with the maintenance of the buildings, fund-raising, staffing buildings, planning events, participating in parades, generating ideas and more. The village is open during the Fowlerville Fair, July 12-20 and during Fall Fest, Sept. 19-21. Additionally, help is needed to sell food during all events held at the fairgrounds throughout the year.

To join the Livingston Centre Historical Village: Send this form with \$25 to: The Fowlerville Agricultural Society, P.O. Box 372, Fowlerville, MI 48836. The membership is good for three years and includes membership to the Fowlerville Agricultural Society. Call the Fowlerville Fair office at (517) 223-8186 for more information or e-mail FowlervilleFair@Prodigy.net or visit www.Fowlerville-Fair.com.

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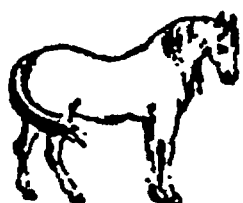
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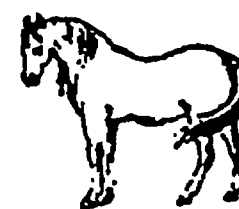


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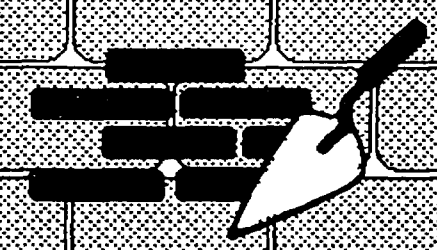
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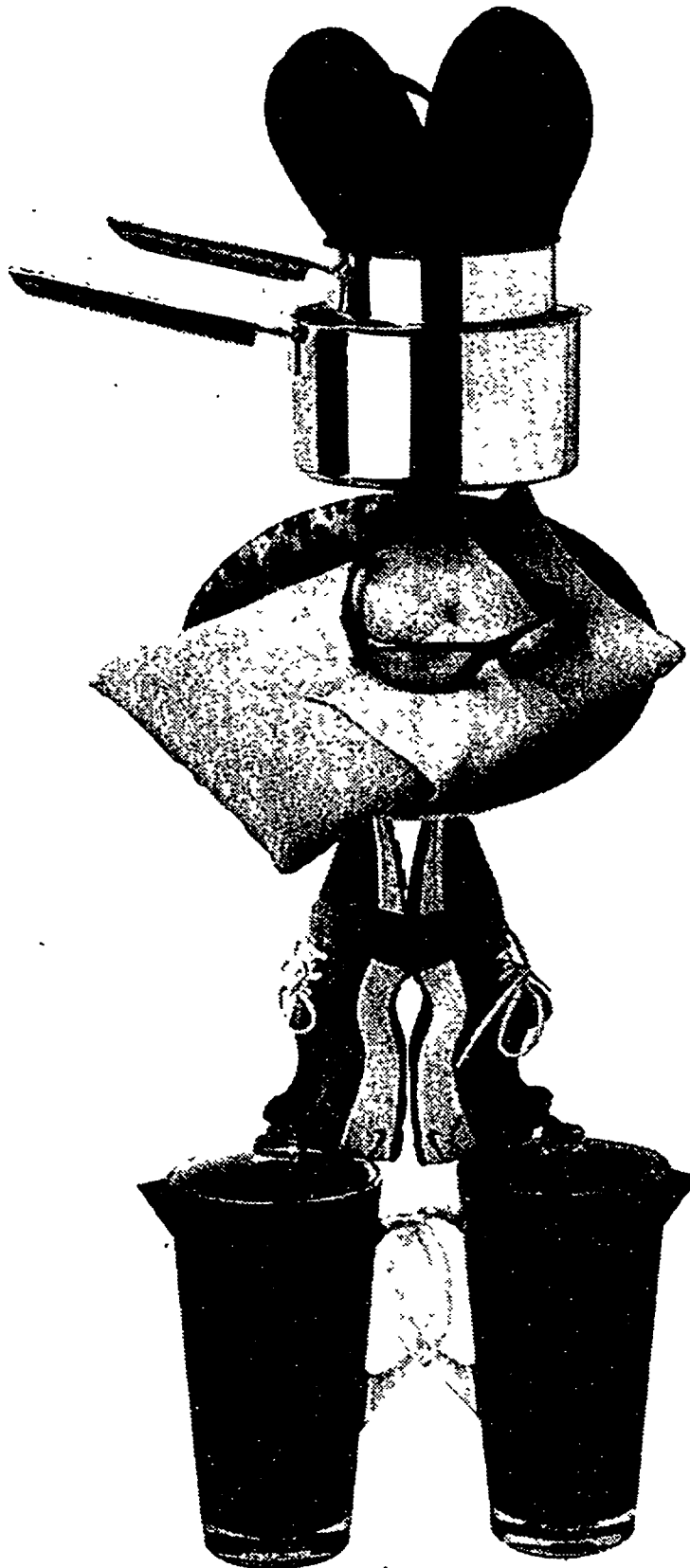
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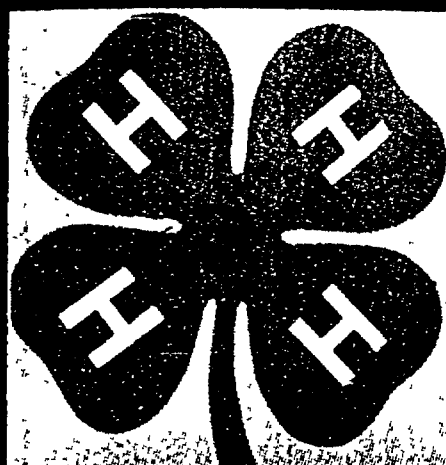
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Purchaser: Dr. Hedy Sarosi-Arnett
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Owner: Anna DeKoninck
Weight: 21.50 lbs.
Purchaser: C-W Horse Transportation
Price/lb.: \$7.50

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Owner: Rebecca Pasko
Weight: 6.50 lbs.
Purchaser: Dillman, Candidate for House Rep.
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Owner: Sara Bowling
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Purchaser: Matt Nichols & Sons Farm
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GRAND CHAMPION STEER

Owner: Matt Munsell Purchaser: Campbell Septic Service
Weight: 1280 lbs. Price/lb.: \$3.10

GRAND CHAMPION MARKET HOG

Owner: Bob Browning Purchaser: Harmon Real Estate
Weight: 260 lbs. Price/lb.: \$5.50

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER

Owner: Rick Krebs Purchaser: Woodshire Place
Weight: 1265 lbs. Price/lb.: \$1.50

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB

Owner: Melissa Johnson Purchaser: Meijer-Howell
Weight: 109 lbs. Price/lb.: \$3.00

GRAND CHAMPION PEN OF MARKET HOGS

Owner: Jordon Kennedy Purchaser: Ditch Witch of Michigan, Margaret Dunleavy, County Clerk
Weight: 262 and 269 lbs. Price/lb.: \$2.75

GRAND CHAMPION PEN OF MARKET LAMBS

Owner: Melissa Johnson Purchaser: Mugg & Bopps
Weight: 106 lbs. Price/lb.: \$2.00

GRAND CHAMPION DAIRY STEER

Owner: Allen Irani Purchaser: Fowlerville Vet. Clinic
Weight: 1420 lbs. Price/lb.: \$1.00

GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB

Owner: Melissa Fox Purchaser: Busch's ValuLand
Weight: 118 lbs. Price/lb.: \$5.50

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION DAIRY STEER

Owner: Ryan Kingsley Purchaser: Fowlerville Farm Services
Weight: 1330 lbs. Price/lb.: \$1.40

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET HOG

Owner: Zachary Kennedy Purchaser: Lloyd Miller & Sons
Weight: 248 lbs. Price/lb.: \$3.75

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Owner: Zachary Kennedy Purchaser: Livingston Feed and Seed
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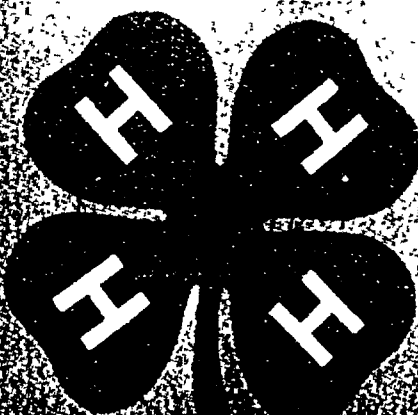
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Visit the Fowlerville Fair

Find out what 4-H has to offer the youth of Livingston County. See the many different 4-H projects exhibited by 4-H members from all over Livingston County. 4-H Building is open Sunday through Sunday of fair week from 10 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Enjoy a home cooked meal and support 4-H as your family dines in the 4-H Kitchen. Visit the 4-H barn areas, see the animals and watch 4-H members in action as they show their animals. Would you like more information on 4-H and how you can become a leader, contact MSU Extension Livingston County at 517-546-3950.

Fair 4-H Judging Schedule

Saturday, July 12

4-H Building closed for judging.
Dog Obedience/Fun Classes

Monday, July 14

Goat Show
Foods and Nutrition

Tuesday, July 15

Rabbit Show
Horticulture
Swine Show
English Horse Show

Wednesday, July 16

Sheep Show
Dog and Companion Pets



Abigail DeKoninck, Sarah M. Frank, Ben DeKoninck and Anna DeKoninck holding her 4-H turkey.

Thursday, July 17

Beef
Poultry
Western Horse Show
Tractor Contest

Friday, July 18

Dairy Show
Large Animal Auction
Gymkhana Horse Show

Saturday, July 19

Showmanship Sweepstakes
Small Animal Auction

Sunday, July 20

Achievement Program
4-H Building Closes 4 p.m.

For More Information Call 517-546-3950



Take a trip back in time

Livingston Centre Historical Village offers glimpse of yesterday

By Candy Parent
DAILY PRESS & ARGUS

Time travel may not be possible, but you can experience the next best thing with a visit to the Livingston Centre Historical Village.

Located on the Fowlerville Fairgrounds, the village is named for Howell's original name — Livingston Centre. It features buildings moved to the fairgrounds from around Livingston County.

The buildings were all donated to the village and moving expenses were paid for by a variety of fund-raisers, including selling refreshments during all events held at the fairgrounds, holding a flea market during the fair and other special events.

"All funds come from our fund-raising," said Kathy McFadden, vice chair of the Livingston Centre Historical Village.

Many of the village's original members attended the Coughran School as children and created the village to save the one-room school. Since the school closed in 1963, many of the members are older residents who work full time and have families, limiting the amount of time they can volunteer.

"It could be a community focal point if more people would come out, see the buildings, see the area we have, enjoy the atmosphere (and get involved)," said McFadden. "There are a lot of things we can do, but we need more volunteers and more community involvement."

The historical village is currently working to make the village more visible and to generate more interest in it.

The historical village has

many additional dreams for the village, but all of them require money and volunteers.

Some things on their wish list include: a general store to sell souvenirs from the village and fairgrounds; the creation of a town square complete with a gazebo and an antique lamp post; a train car; and turning the unused blacksmith shop into a bicycle shop — Fowlerville had the largest bicycle repair shop in Michigan at one time and a donor with many bike parts and accessories has already offered to donate them to the village.

McFadden also has a dream of someday opening a building and filling it with artifacts and pictures of Livingston County's buildings that were not rescued from demolition.

"To me it's a terrible thing that so many communities don't save their buildings," said McFadden. "They are torn down for progress, (but the history is lost)."

"We toss these ideas around," said McFadden. "As we build up our bank account, we'll be able to do one thing at a time."

For now, the group is concentrating on raising money and maintaining the buildings they already have. They are looking for a building expert who can tell them what material is on the ceiling of the cobbler shop and if it is safe to remove it.

"It's our smallest building and it needs the most work," said McFadden.

Plans to restore the original ceiling in the schoolhouse are also being made.

However, in general, the buildings are left as they are, with regular maintenance performed as needed.

During the Fowlerville Fair, each of the buildings will be open. Volunteers will be on

hand to answer questions about the buildings. LANTRAK will have model trains on display in the depot. Visitors may also see a weaver or woodcarver or be able to watch someone cooking, depending on when they visit.

The Livingston Centre Historical Village includes the following buildings:

☐ **The Future Farmers of America Barn** — constructed in 1880, moved from Conway Township in 1987.

☐ **The Coughran School** — a one-room schoolhouse built in 1882, was relocated from the corner of Chase Lake and Owosso roads northeast of Fowlerville. The Fowlerville Schools used it for early elementary school grades from 1953-1963. It was donated in 1988 by the Fryciak family.

☐ **Kirkland House** — originally located in the Gregory area, it was home to three generations of the Kirkland family who owned it for over 132 years. It was donated by George Kirkland III, and was moved to the fairgrounds in the fall of 1990.

☐ **Iosco Methodist Church, or Green Church** — was built in 1906 at Bull Run and Coon Lake roads and relocated in 1991. The church is still used as a community spiritual center and can be rented for weddings.

☐ **The Hartland Barber Shop** — operated in Hartland Township from 1910-1960s. It was donated by the Cannarat family, and moved in 1991.

☐ **Clinton Shoe Repair and Harness Shop** — Built in

HISTORICAL VILLAGE

☐ The Livingston Centre Historical Village is located at the north end of the Fowlerville Fairgrounds.

☐ Buildings are open for viewing throughout the fair.

☐ Guided tours are available from May 15 to Oct. 15 for a nominal fee. School groups are welcome. The church may be rented for small weddings.

☐ Volunteers and sponsors to carry on the restorations, maintenance and fund-raising involved in preserving the county's rich history are needed.

☐ For more information, or to become a member of the Livingston Centre Historical Village group, call (517) 223-8186.

1870, the building was moved from Putnam Township to the fairgrounds in 1992. It was donated by the Pinckney Library.

☐ **The Pere Marquette Depot** — was located near Fleming Street and Michigan Avenue in Howell. C&O purchased the railroad in 1947 and closed it in 1972. It was moved to the village in 1996 and is still under renovation.

Flat Track Motorcycle Race arrives at fair

The American Motorcyclist Association and Boulis Racing bring the exciting and fast-paced Flat Track Motorcycle Race to the 2003 Fowlerville Fair.

People 4-60 have been known to compete and people of any age enjoy watching this heart-racing event.

The race is a half-mile long and includes bike sizes ranging from 50 P.W. to 500.

"It's always a lot of fun," said Ethel Boulis of Boulis Racing.

The race will be held on Saturday, July 19. Registration begins at 4 p.m., practice at 5 p.m. and the race commences at 6:30 p.m. Passes are only \$10, so bring the kids and sign

FLAT TRACK RACE

- ☐ **When:** Saturday, July 19
- ☐ **Registration begins:** 4 p.m.; practice at 5 p.m. and the race at 6:30 p.m.
- ☐ **Passes:** \$10 each.
- ☐ **Brought to you by:** American Motorcyclist Association and Boulis Racing
- ☐ **Sponsored by:** Fowlerville Ford

everyone up for the Flat Track Racing Event at Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair.

Antique tractor pull thrills fans

Big mechanical beasts, long retired from the seasonal grind of chewing up rich, brown earth, have found a rebirth in the age-old tradition of antique tractor pulls.

For those who have never participated in a tractor pull, the Fowlerville Fair offers visitors a glimpse at this long-standing tradition. The authentic tractor pull gets is Saturday, July 19.

"We're putting it back into perspective of how the tractor pull started," said John Morris, one of the event organizers.

Tractors competing in the event will be hitched to a transfer sled, which transfers weight over the hitch. The driver who pulls the sled the farthest wins.

There are three categories for tractors to compete in: Antique (for tractors made before 1940), Farm Stock and Limited Open.

The limited open features "souped-up" antique farm trac-

TRACTOR PULL

- ☐ **Details:** 10 a.m., Saturday, July 19, in the Grandstand
- ☐ **Brought to you by:** Webberville FFA Alumni

tors, including tractors with their engine size doubled and horsepower tripled.

Morris is personally looking forward to watching the antique tractors.

"The modern are fun to watch, but it's neat to see the antique tractors still work," he said.

Ed Ellis and Jim Benjamin, also organizers of the event, are enthusiastic about all of the events at the tractor pull, which is sure to be one of the most popular events at the fair. For more information, contact Morris at (517) 223-8208 or the fair at (517) 223-8186.



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Livingston County's 117th Annual Fowlerville Fair

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See your favorite stars perform at the Fowlerville Fair

Livingston County may be a rural community, but Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair always books top entertainers.

Each year, the fair brings a variety of musical tastes to entertain people of all ages.

This year, Alice Cooper, Martina McBride and special guest Phil Vassar, Gallagher and Jars of Clay with Jeremy Camp and Ten Shekel Shirt perform during the Fowlerville Fair.



Submitted Photos

Christian Concert Night Saturday, July 12

Jars of Clay

Jars of Clay have established themselves in the past decade as a prominent Christian rock band and they have only strengthened that this year by adding an American Music Award nomination, Grammy Award, and two Dove Awards.

Jars of Clay's latest album, "Furthermore — From The Studio: From The Stage," is a double-disc project. One disc contains brand-new, acoustic-driven reworkings of classic Jars of Clay tunes, while the other disc endeavors to capture the energy found only in a live show.

"We find that our music connects with an audience when we're able to sit down and tell stories and perform in that stripped-down manner," vocalist Dan Hasletine says. "These are songs you can just take down to their basic elements, take out all the bells and whistles, and simply rely on the quality of the song. It's great to just go in and not worry about all the extra elements of a rock show, and play songs just like

we were sitting in a living room with friends."

But then there are times when you want all those extra elements that contribute to a high-octane performance. That's what's captured in a Jars of Clay concert.

Ten Shekel Shirt

For the guys in Ten Shekel Shirt, making music isn't about impressing people, rather it's about a desire to create an atmosphere where people feel the safety and the freedom to meet with God.

Their debut album, "Much," was released in 2001 and welcomed immediately in the music world, attracting attention with their singles, "Meet With Me" and "Ocean."

They are currently working on their sophomore album which is set to be released this summer.

Christian Rock band Jars of Clay, above, performs with Jeremy Camp, top left, and Ten Shekel Shirt, bottom left, Saturday, July 12, at the Fowlerville Fair.

Jeremy Camp

They say the best songs come from personal experience and newcomer Jeremy Camp's music certainly comes from a very personal place.

A unique brand of rock and progressive pop, his music was born out of a heart that's been broken and a faith that's been tested.

Yet, despite all this 24-year-old has walked through — or maybe because of it — he's compelled to praise the God who has proven Himself faithful through it all and has a passion for telling others about Him through music.

JARS OF CLAY

- ☐ **When:** 7 p.m., Saturday, July 12
- ☐ **Tickets:** \$16 and \$18 in advance and \$20 day of show. Prices do not include service fees. Call (517) 223-8186 for tickets.
- ☐ **Groups:** 12 or more receive one complimentary ticket, until June 30
- ☐ **Brought to you by:** 88.1 The Light.
- ☐ **Sponsored by:** Fowlerville United Brethren in Christ Church

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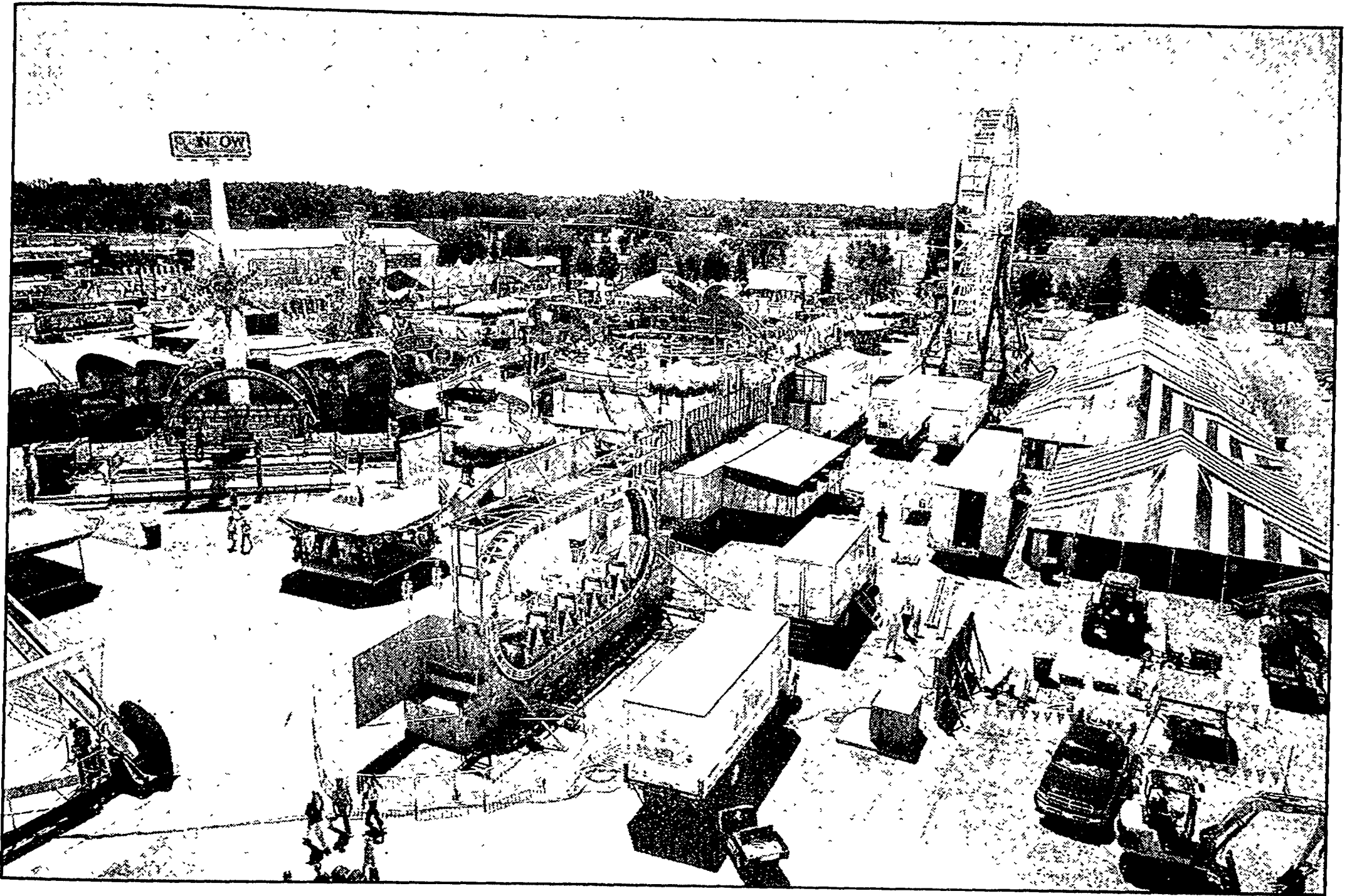


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Above, Livingston County's Fowlerville Fair offers games, concerts, exhibits, animals, racing, rides and fun for the entire family as shown here via a 65-foot lift by NES Equipment. At left, Henry Newton shares a nuzzle, and a smile, with one of his sister's alpine goats during the Fowlerville Fair.



2003 Exhibitor Program ...

Saturday, July 12

(Limited Livestock)

- 9 a.m. Guernsey Breed Show — Cattle Barn
- 9 a.m. Suffolk Sheep Show — Sheep Barn
- 9 a.m. Open Class Entries for Non-Livestock Exhibits — Under Grandstand
- Noon
- 9 a.m. Judging 4-H — *Animal Science, Photography, Creative Arts, Folk Art, Woodworking, Crafts, Ceramics, Folkpatterns, Safety & Emergency Preparedness, Leisure, Education & Sports, Electrical Science, Engines & Power, Computers, Rocketry, Clothing, Knitting, Crocheting, Needlecraft, Buymanship, Conservation, Entomology, Secretaries' Books, Treasurers' Books, Teen Leadership & Self-Determined Exhibits, 5-8-year-old Division. Exhibits will be judged by club. Club schedule is available at the Extension Office.*
- 3 p.m.
- 10 a.m. Michigan Dynamometer Lightweight Horse Pulling — Grandstand
- Noon All open art projects must be checked in
- Noon Michigan Dynamometer Heavyweight Horse Pulling — Grandstand
- 1 p.m. Judging Open Class Home Arts
- 3 p.m. Close of 4-H Judging
- 4 p.m. 4-H Dog Obedience & Fun Classes — Livestock Arena

Sunday, July 13

(Limited Livestock)

- Noon Sunday Check-In for all 4-H Poultry to 4 p.m.
- 1 p.m. Futurity Percheron Horse Show — Draft Horse Show Ring
- 3-Goat Health Check-In & Market
- 5:30 p.m. Goat Weigh-In
- 8 p.m. Goat Milk-Out — Goats will be checked

Monday, July 14

- 8 a.m. 4-H Goat Show — Livestock Arena
- 10 a.m. 4-H Judging Food Preparation & to Food Preservation Exhibits — 4-H Building
- 3 p.m.
- 1 p.m. Draft Horse Halter Class — Draft Horse Show Arena
- 3 p.m. All Livestock Must Be Checked In
- 3:30 p.m. Weighing of Market Livestock



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A dorset ewe lamb bleats loudly over the sound of Joe Showerman's buzzing shears as he prepares the animal for show at the Fowlerville Fair.

- 9 p.m. Market Record Books Due — 4-H Fair Office

Tuesday, July 15

- 8 a.m. 4-H Swine Show (Showmanship, Market, Breeding) — Livestock Arena
- 8 a.m. 4-H English Horse Show — Horse Show Arena
- 9 a.m. 4-H Rabbit Show — Small Animal Barn
- 10 a.m. Draft Horse Hitch Class — Draft Horse Show Arena
- 1 p.m. Judging 4-H — *Fruit, Flower, Vegetable, Scarecrow, Wheelbarrow, Vegetable Creation Exhibits — 4-H Building*
- 6 p.m. 4-H Special — Fun with 4-H Goats
- 8 p.m. 4-H Special — King and Queens — Contest Livestock Arena

Wednesday, July 16

- 8 a.m. 4-H Sheep Show (Showmanship & Market) — Livestock Arena followed by Breeding Classes in the Sheep Show Ring
- 1 p.m. 4-H Dog Show (Agility & Showmanship) — Livestock Arena
- 1 p.m. 4-H Pocket Pets, Companion Pets & Reptile Show — Small Animal Barn

EXHIBITOR DETAILS

- ☐ All times and dates are subject to change.
- ☐ For more information, contact the fair office at (517) 223-8186 or visit www.Fowlerville-Fair.com.

- 2 p.m. Judging Open Class Sheep Wool Class — Sheep & Swine Show Ring
- 5 p.m. 4-H Tractor Contest — Livestock Show Ring (following 4-H Dog Show)

Thursday, July 17

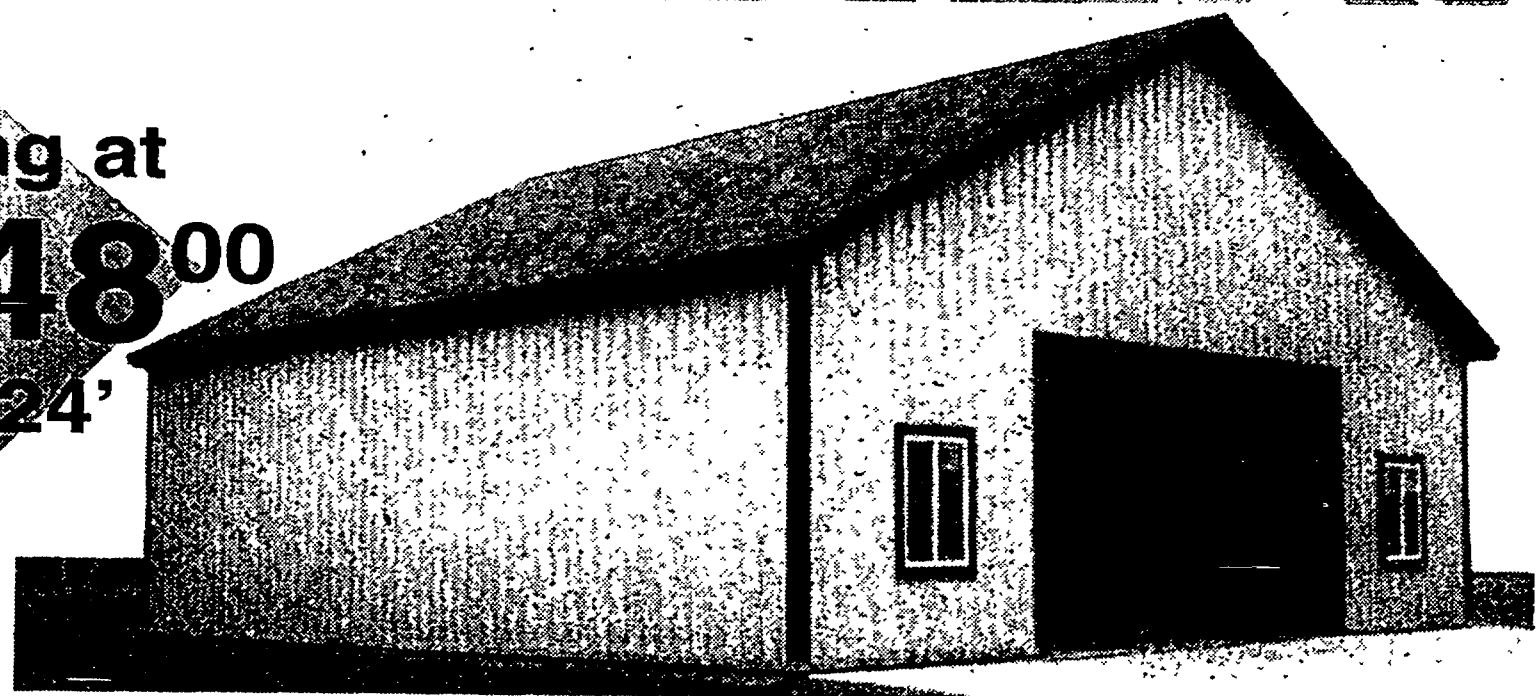
- 7:30 a.m. Milk-Out for Goats used in 4-H Goat Milking Contest
- 8 a.m. 4-H Western Horse Show — Horse Show Arena
- 9 a.m. 4-H Beef Show (Showmanship, Market & Breeding) — Livestock Arena
- 9 a.m. 4-H Poultry Show — Small Animal Barn
- 9 a.m. Judging Open Class Sheep Meat Class — Sheep & Swine Show Ring

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Period demonstrations, antique tractor pulls, amusement rides, horse-drawn wagons, an apple pie baking contest,

small flea market and several other activities of days-gone-by entertain the many visitors to this family-oriented event each year.

Additionally, gift baskets donated by Livingston County businesses will be auctioned off by an auctioneer.

Contact the fair office at (517) 223-8186 or via e-mail at FowlervilleFair@Prodigy.net for additional information.

To join the Livingston Centre Historical Village, see page 30.

**Last year's Fall Fest
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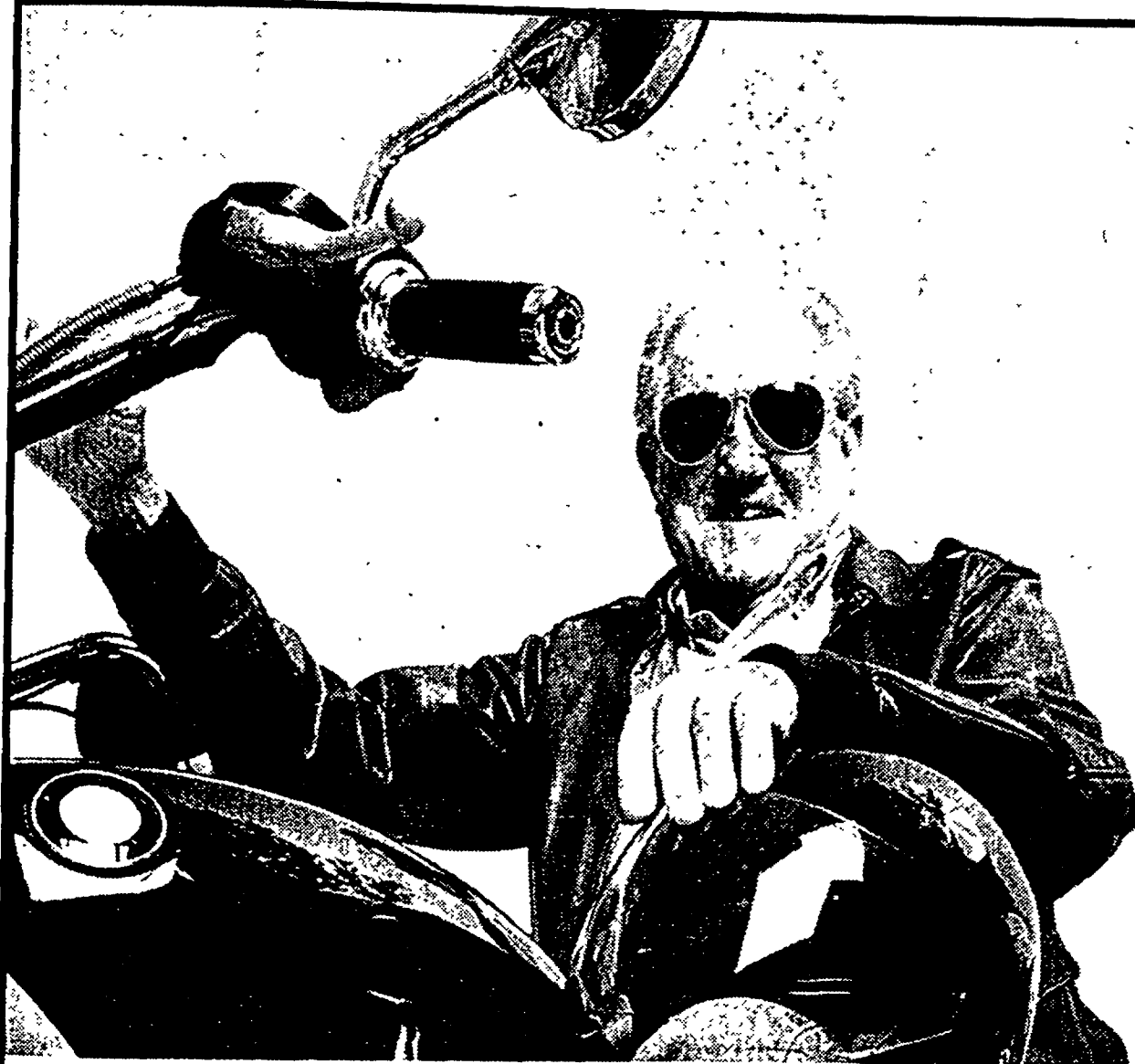
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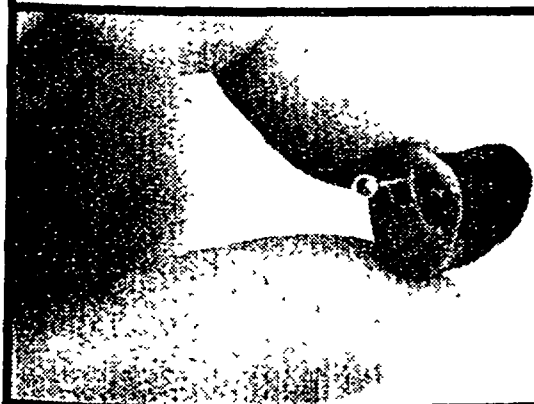
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Big acts entertain fair goers

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Comedy Night Sunday, July 13

Gallagher

Gallagher, famous for his "Sledge-O-Matic," is a true comedian in every sense of the word.

After numerous television specials, Gallagher is back on tour, performing more than 100 concerts every year.

He relates his wacky comedy to everyday life and uses anything from apples and oranges to Big Macs to make his jokes reach the audience.

He's so famous for smashing all kinds of food that people often come to his shows wearing raincoats

GALLAGHER

□ **When:** 7 p.m., July 13

□ **Tickets:** \$20 in advance and \$22 day of show. Prices do not include service fees. For ticket sales, call (517) 223-8186.

and hats, and often refer to the front row as "Death Row."

But regardless of the flying food bits, Gallagher connects with his audience through original, everyday comedy that anyone can relate to.

"I want people to look more closely at this country and their lives to see the humor and absurdity in it all," he said in a press release.



Country Night Monday, July 14

Martina McBride

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MARTINA MCBRIDE

□ **When:** 8 p.m., July 14

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effect on everyone who listens.

Her most recent album is one of greatest hits released in 2001.

Hits such as "My Baby Loves Me," "Concrete Angel," and "I Love You" are known to all her biggest fans and truly display what McBride has to offer.

Her tour through the United States stops in the largest auditoriums to the smallest county fairs before it winds down in October, reaching her entire audience far and wide.



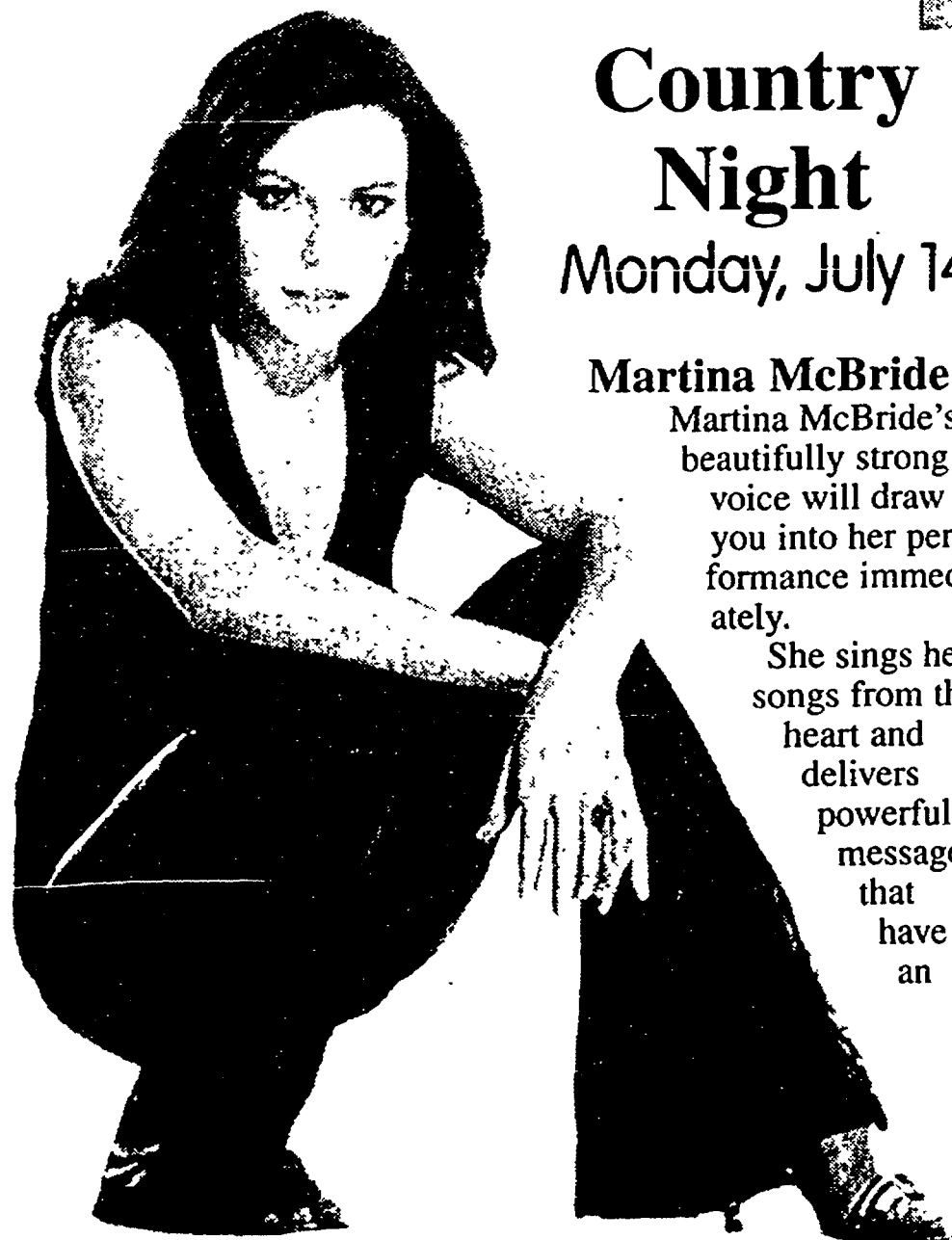
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Phil Vassar will perform with Martina McBride at this year's Fowlerville Fair.

Phil Vassar

Martina McBride's special guest, award-winning Phil Vassar, is a passionate country singer who knows how to perform songs that identify with his audience.

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2003 Exhibitor Program ...

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- 1 p.m. 4-H Demonstration — Public Speaking and Clowning Exhibits — 4H Building
- 6 p.m. 4-H Special — 4-H Goat Milking Contest — Small Animal Barn

Friday, July 18

- 8 a.m. 4-H Gymkhana Classes — Horse Show Arena
- 9 a.m. Judging Open & 4-H Dairy Class
- 10 a.m. 4-H Blocking & Trimming Contest
- Noon 4-H Special — Rooster Crowing Contest — Small Animal Barn
- 1 p.m. Draft Horse Halter Class — Horse Show Arena
- 2 p.m. 4-H Market Livestock Auction — Livestock Arena



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Hundreds gather on the last day of fair to cheer participating 4-H Club members while they receive awards.

Saturday, July 19

- 9 a.m. 4-H Special — Showmanship Sweepstakes (Junior, Intermediate

and Senior Winners from Dairy, Goats, Beef, Sheep, Swine & Horses, Poultry & Rabbits) — Livestock Arena and Sheep, Swine & Goat Arena

- 10 a.m. Draft Horse Hitch Class — Horse Show Arena
- 1 p.m. 4-H Special — Livestock & Dairy Judging Contest — Livestock Arena
- 5 p.m. 4-H Small Animal Auction — Livestock Arena

Sunday, July 20

- 1:30 p.m. 4-H Achievement Program — Livestock Arena
- 4 p.m. Release of all 4-H Animal & Non-Animal exhibits — 4-H Building
(open until 6 p.m. today and from 7-9 p.m. Monday, July 21)
- 6 p.m. Release of all open art exhibits

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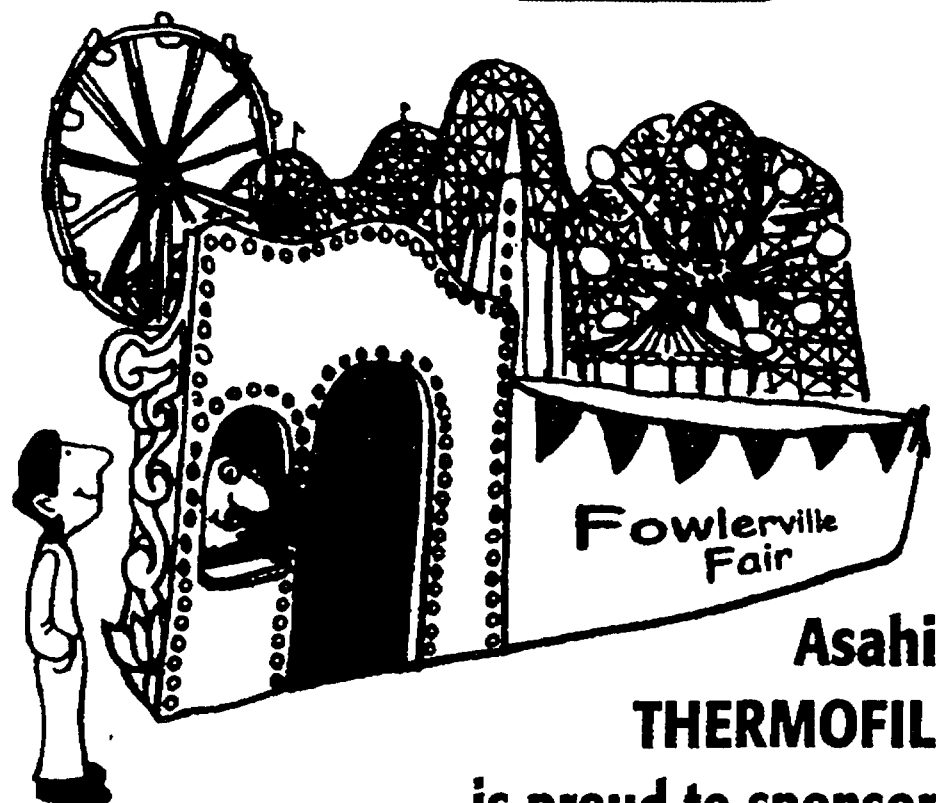


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Fabulous flea market of finds returns to fair

It's time for the Fowlerville Fair's 17th annual Outdoor Flea Market so clean out the attic, gather up those antiques and collectibles from the basement or finish working on that collection of hand-made crafts.

"It's just like a giant garage sale," said Kathy McFadden, co-chairperson for the Livingston Centre Historical Village.

The village has been the benefactor of the flea market for four years now.

There are at least 50 spaces available, McFadden said. Exhibitors display and sell a

variety of wares and items — everything from garage sale items, to handcrafted pieces, antiques and collectibles. Even pigmy goats have been known to be on display.

The flea market runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, July 13. Set up opens at 7 a.m. and exhibitors must be cleared out of the area by 5 p.m. because of

evening activities.

Booth size is 20-by-20. Booths rent for \$12 each. Registration is required — payments are not accepted at the gate. Checks are accepted for registration only until July 1 — only cash is accepted after that date.

Contact McFadden at (517) 223-0601 for more information.

"It's just like a giant garage sale."

—Kathy McFadden

Co-chairperson of the Livingston Centre Historical Village

FLEA MARKET

- ☐ **When:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, July 13
- ☐ **Where:** Race track infield at Fowlerville Fairgrounds
- ☐ **Sponsored by:** Dr. Samuel Daniels, orthodontist
- ☐ **Benefits:** The Livingston Centre Historical Village

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- ☐ Booth size 20-by-20.
- ☐ Rental is \$12.
- ☐ Bring your own tables, chairs, shade and food.
- ☐ Setup begins at 7 a.m.
- ☐ No car traffic in or out after 9 a.m.
- ☐ Must be completely gone by 5 p.m.
- ☐ Booth selection is first come, first serve.
- ☐ No refunds.
- ☐ Must register.
- ☐ No paying at the gate.
- ☐ Checks and cash accepted until July 1. After July 1, all payments must be in cash.
- ☐ Make checks out to: Livingston Centre Historical Village
- ☐ Send with registration form to:
Kathy McFadden/Fowlerville Fair
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- ☐ For information call Kathy McFadden at (517) 223-0601

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From the 2002 Fowlerville Fair Queen ...

Reflecting on my year as Fowlerville Fair Queen 2002, the first thing I remember is all the great memories of the fair.

It was one of the most memorable times of my life! From the day I was crowned until the very last day, I spent the majority of my time at the fair.

During the day, I had a lot of scheduled events, such as parades with the 4H Club around the fair, attending Women's Day, Kid's Day, participating in the eight-horse hitch, or watching the kids who worked so hard to raise desirable animals auction them off — just to name some of the events.

The night life was always fun — starting off by greeting our performers to the fair and having the hour to introduce their famously fun concerts. Then, there were always people at all the fair games and rides and it was always fun to try to win prizes, climb the wall or see the rides I enjoyed as a kid and knowing I was finally old enough to go on the adult rides.

When I was through with my fair duties, I would relax, look at booths and spend time shopping at the fair. I bought so many cute things and I can never resist good chocolate fudge!

One of my favorite times of the fair was meeting my family and friends. I could take my grandmothers around and show them the all of the art work and sewing on display, my grandpas loved looking at all the 4H animals, my mom and aunt enjoyed shopping with me, my brothers played all of the games and liked looking at the tractors, and my friends enjoyed attending the concerts with me.

It was a completely different experience being Queen, and the fair I had attended all of my life became a special place for me to be and I was so glad I could enjoy every aspect of the fair with the people who are close to me.

After the fair was over, I was into the experience of starting my first year of college at the

"The people of the fair make the experience, make the stories, and make the fair one of the best events of the summer."

—Renelle Staebler
2002 Fowlerville Fair Queen

University of Michigan, leaving home for the first time, and making new friends in my new life. I had no idea how being the Fowlerville Fair Queen would impact my new life.

One of the first weekends at school I had the Memorial Day parade in Howell. It was the first big event in my group of friends, and the morning of the parade I had a lot of extra help getting ready! It was a fun start to my new school life and to my beginning of being Queen after the fair.

Since then, I have enjoyed the parades and events I have been able to attend as Queen and I am excited for the events I still have left.

The first days of the Fowlerville Fair will be the end of my wonderful experience as Queen and I am excited that I will be the beginning of another Queen's amazing journey when I crown her.

When I think about every event I did as the Fowlerville Fair Queen 2002, I realize that even those experiences were great, some of my experiences just walking around the fair were just as incredible. Between the time of scheduled events I attended, I enjoyed my casual strolls at the fair and enjoying all of the fun events the fair had to offer.

One of my favorite stands at the fair was the tigers, and I would often stop by and see how



Photo by GILLIS BENEDICT/DAILY PRESS & ARGUS

Renelle Staebler had a wonderful and memorable experience as the 2002 Fowlerville Fair Queen.

they were. I would have my crown and sash on, and the reactions I would receive were picture perfect. More than once, a child would ask me what it was like to be Queen, I was always flattered to be asked to join a family picture, and as I enjoyed the fair events, I realized the magic of the fair is the people. Don't get me wrong, from the great concerts to the 4H Club that really impressed me, the events were always enjoyable.

But, ultimately the people are what make the fair. There is always a story behind a turkey being auctioned, or the horses at the show, or even the casual conversation with the people at the fair standing in line with me for those awesome fair lemonades! The people of the fair make the experience, make the stories, and make the fair one of the best

events of the summer.

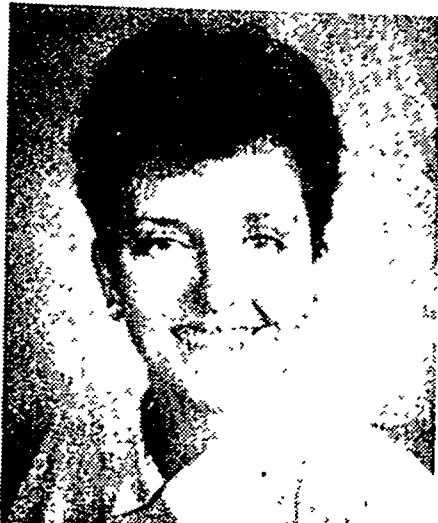
As Queen, I had the privilege of hearing these stories and being part of the fair in a way I had not thought of. It is the people who will leave the biggest impression on me, the people at the fair, visitors and participants both, who give the fair the friendly, fun, positive atmosphere it has.

In closing, I want to thank Tina, Tammy and Judy for all of their help, the fair committee and 4H Club, our sponsors First National Bank, BeeCharmer Flowers and Tanger Outlet Center, my family and friends for their support and all the people who volunteer, work, participate and attend the fair to make it the great annual community experience it is.

—Renelle Staebler
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Registration begins at 9 a.m. Sunday, July 13, as the gates to the fair open.

A \$10 entry fee is charged for each vehicle entered in the show and a \$15 fee is charged to each swap meet vendor.

Judging begins at 10 a.m. and runs until 2 p.m. Awards are

handed out at 2:30 p.m.

"There are 13 classifications of cars that can be entered in the show," said Linda Dancer, business manager for the Fowlerville Fair.

Hot rods, street rods, original or restored vehicles, trucks, Corvettes and Thunderbirds are just some of the categories of competition for classic cars post-1949, Dancer said.

"But I don't think there's ever been a car that we've turned away from entry," she added.

This is the show's 11th year. The past decade has seen a

steady increase in both car show entries as well as interest from the general public.

"Last year we had our best year in excess of 120 cars," Dancer said. "Each year we've been increasing a little bit, but it was really great last year. We expect it to be even better this year."

The annual swap meet runs in conjunction with the car show. Vendors line the fairground's racetrack to swap and sell car parts and automotive-related items. Entrance into the car show and swap meet for non-registered

CLASSIC CAR SHOW

☐ **Details:** 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Sunday, July 13, at the Fairground racetrack

☐ **Sponsored by:** Dr. Samuel Daniels, orthodontist

participants is \$1 per person.

For more information, call the Fowlerville Fair office at (517) 223-8186.

2003 Fairtime Classic Car Show & Swap Meet

Sunday, July 13, 2003

- ☐ Gates open at 9 a.m.
- ☐ Chicken barbecue begins at noon
- ☐ Dash plaques for first 125 cars registered
- ☐ Drawing for door prizes for participants
- ☐ Participant judging 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- ☐ Awards at 2:30 p.m.

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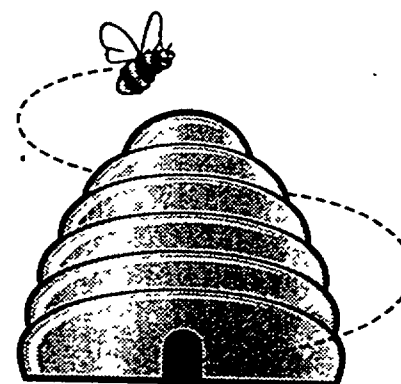
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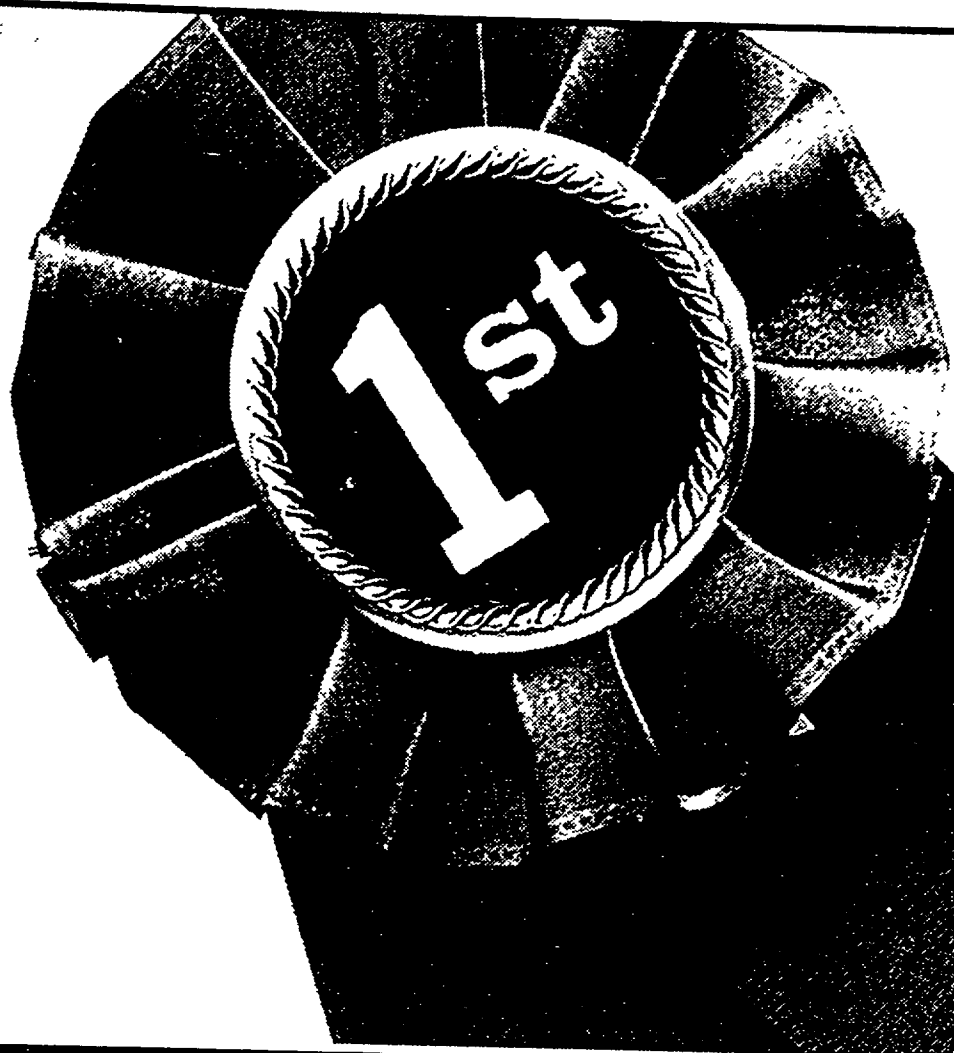
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Alice Cooper performs

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His most recent award came from the Academy of Country Music, who voted him Top New Male Artist in 2002.

His album "American Child," released in 2002, is a testament to his resounding country staying power.

He continues to tour around the country, with numerous stops in and around Michigan, hooking audiences with his passionate voice and modern music.

ALICE COOPER

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Tuesday, July 15

Alice Cooper

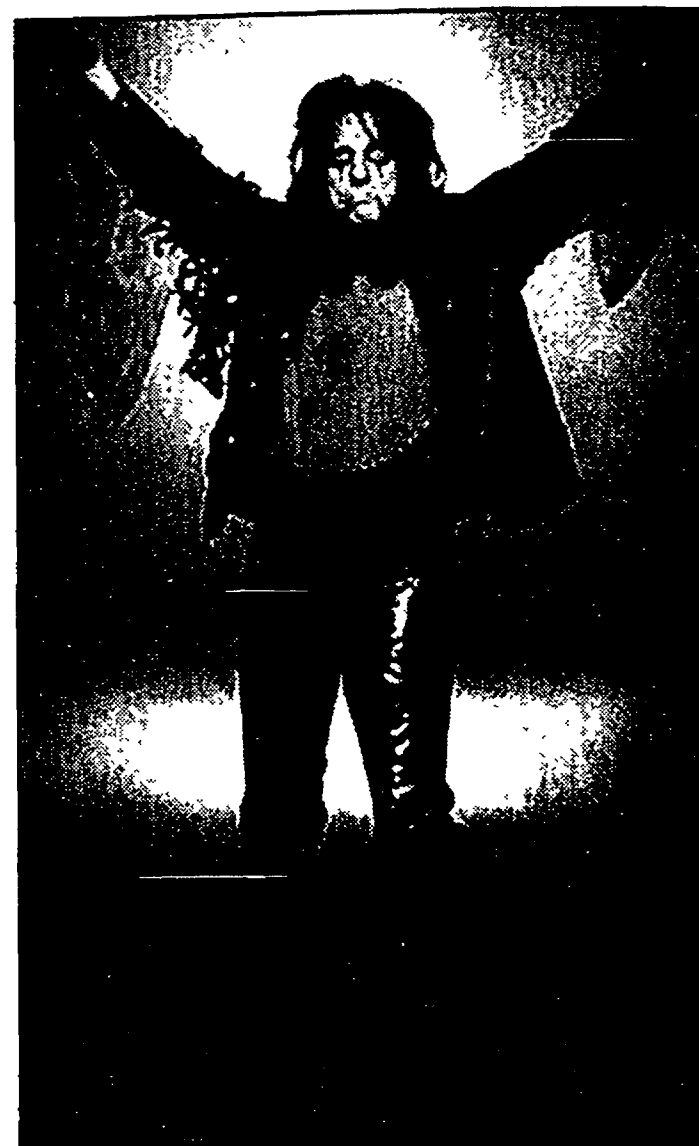
Alice Cooper, a Detroit native who emerged out of Arizona before returning to his home in the Motor City, is one of

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He's been thrilling audiences for over 30 years with his on-stage antics and rock 'n' roll attitude.

His 25th album, "Dragontown," was released last year and continues the hard rock trend that "Coop" is famous for.

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Alice Cooper will perform July 15.

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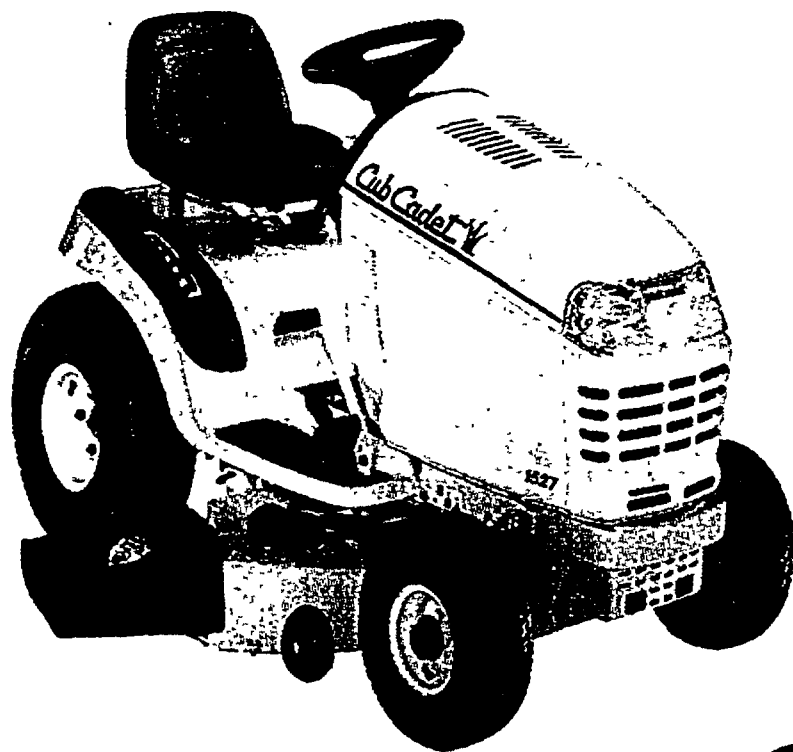







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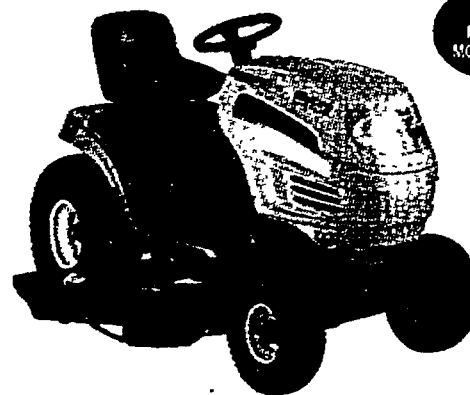


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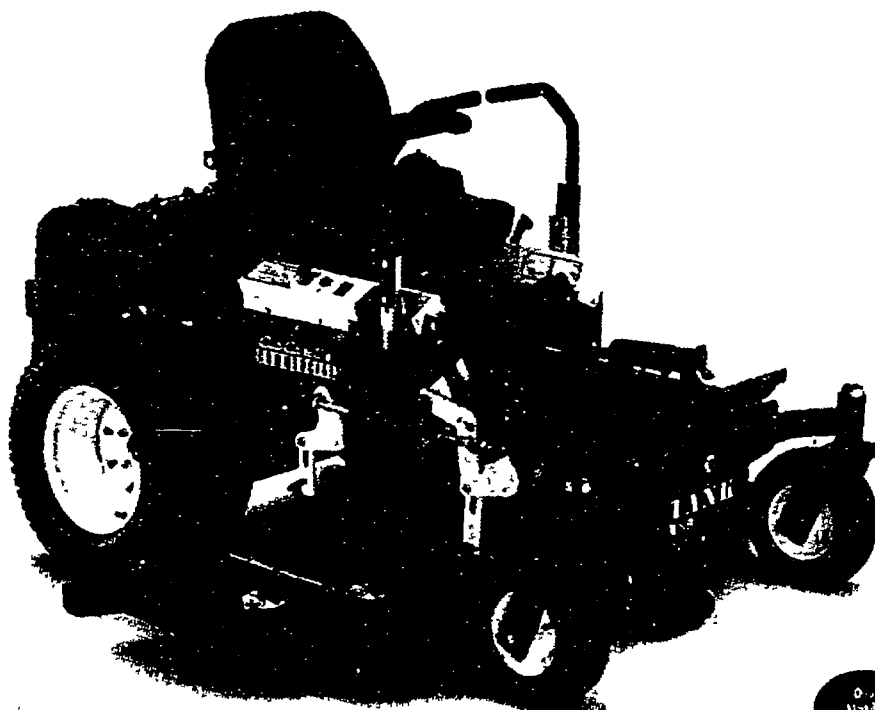


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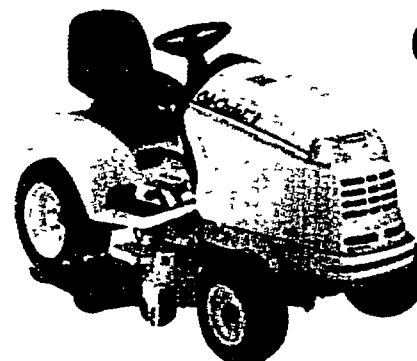
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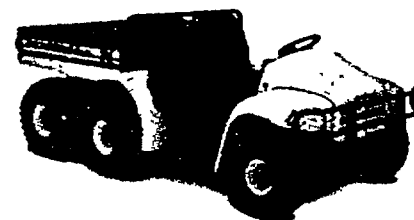


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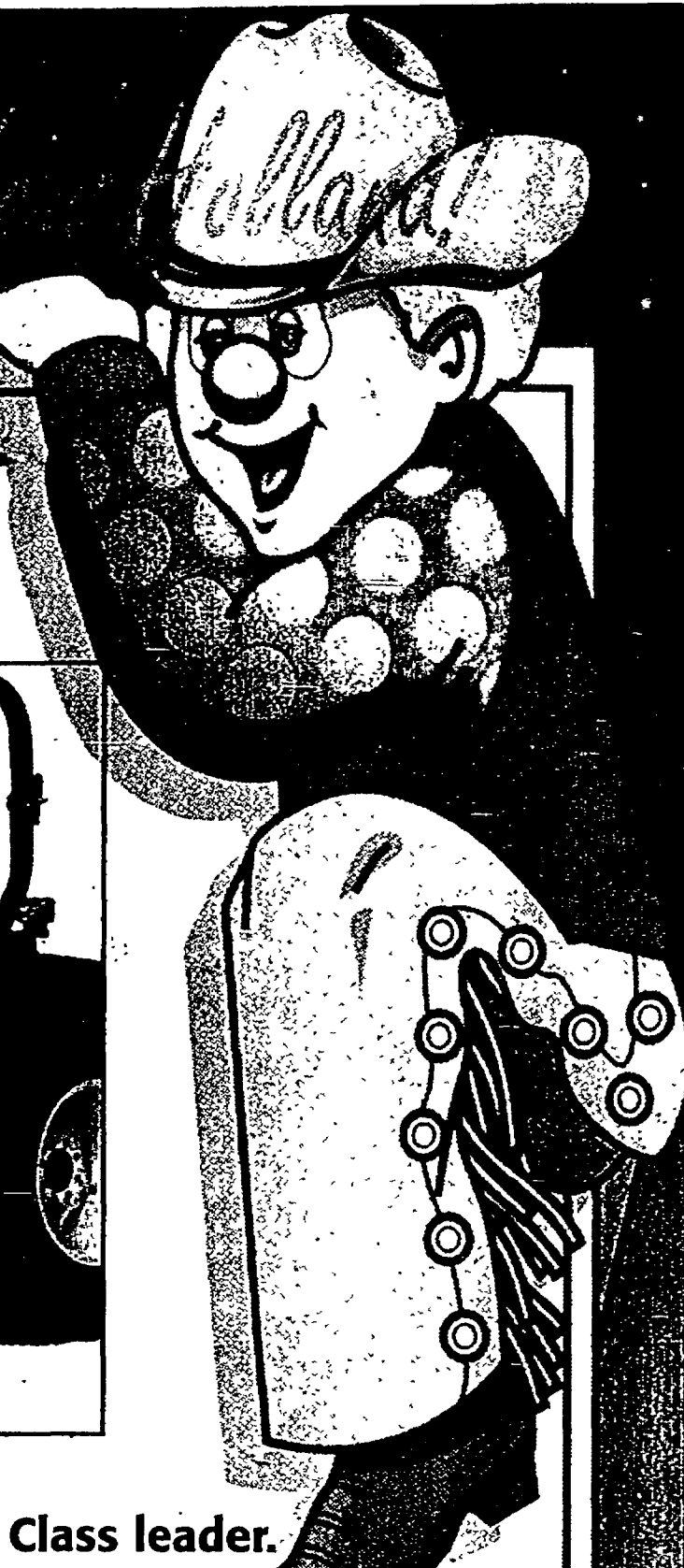
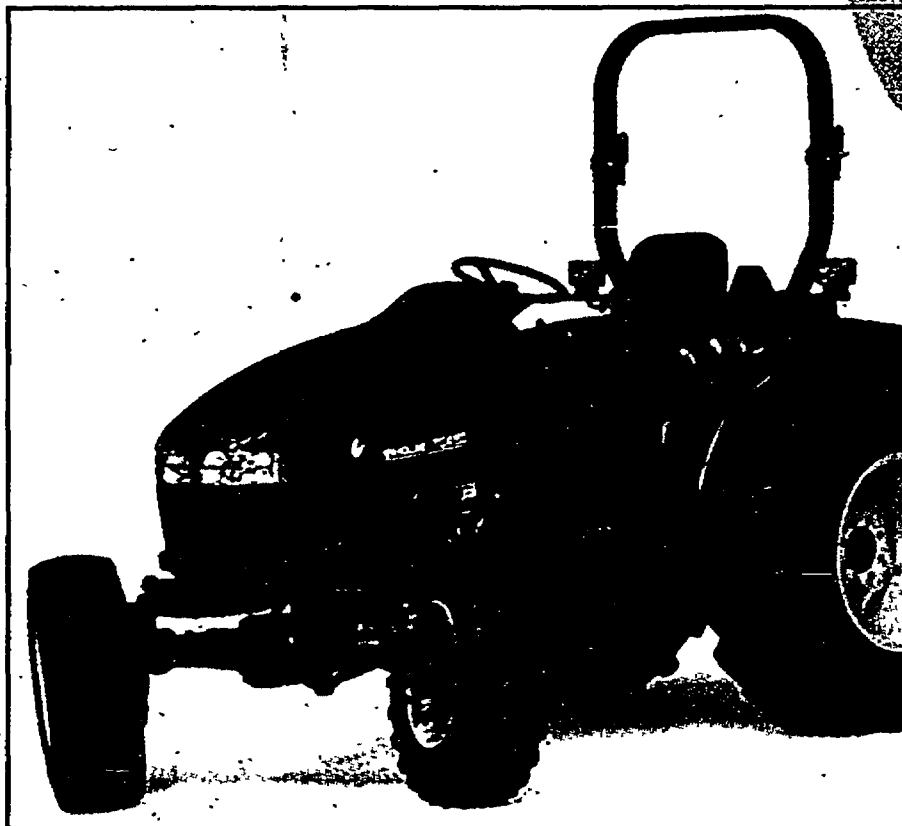
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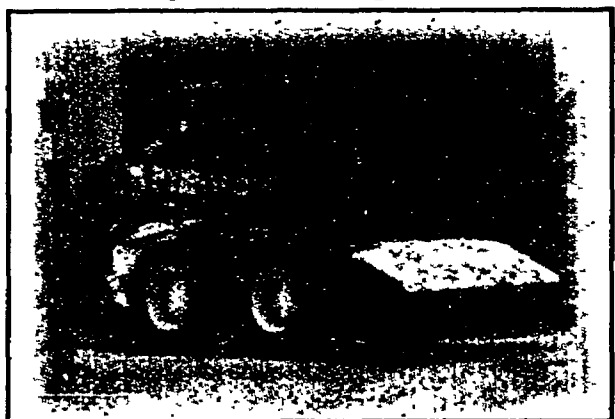
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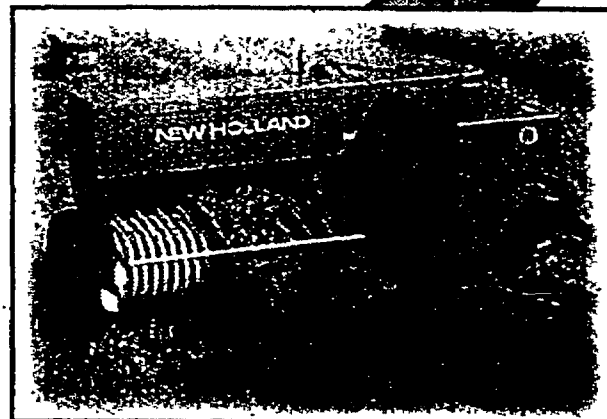
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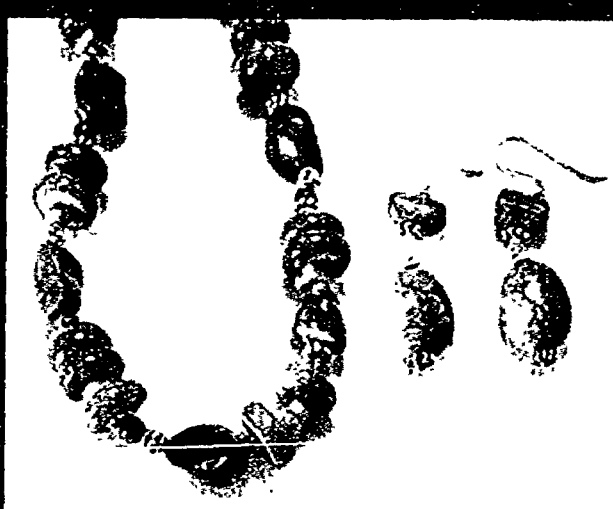
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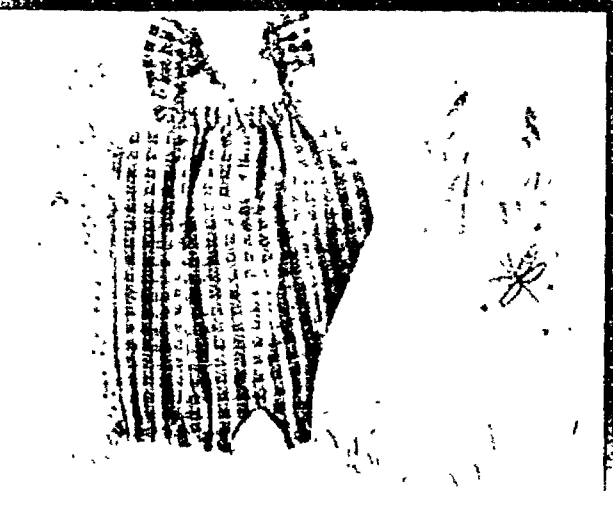
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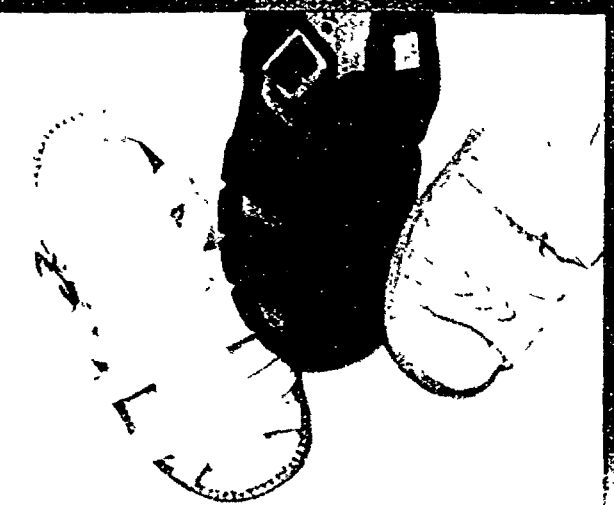
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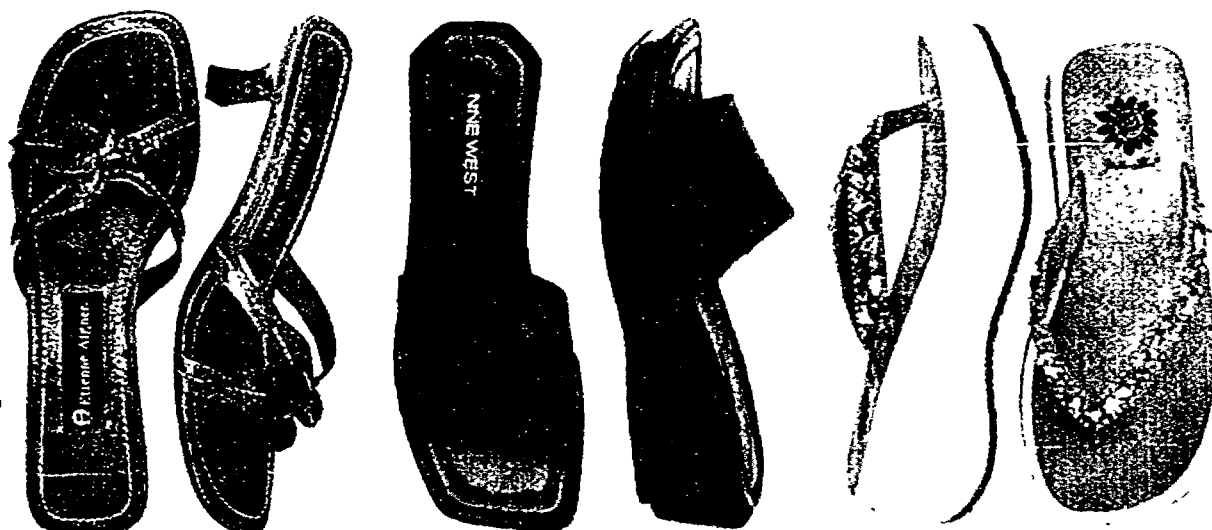
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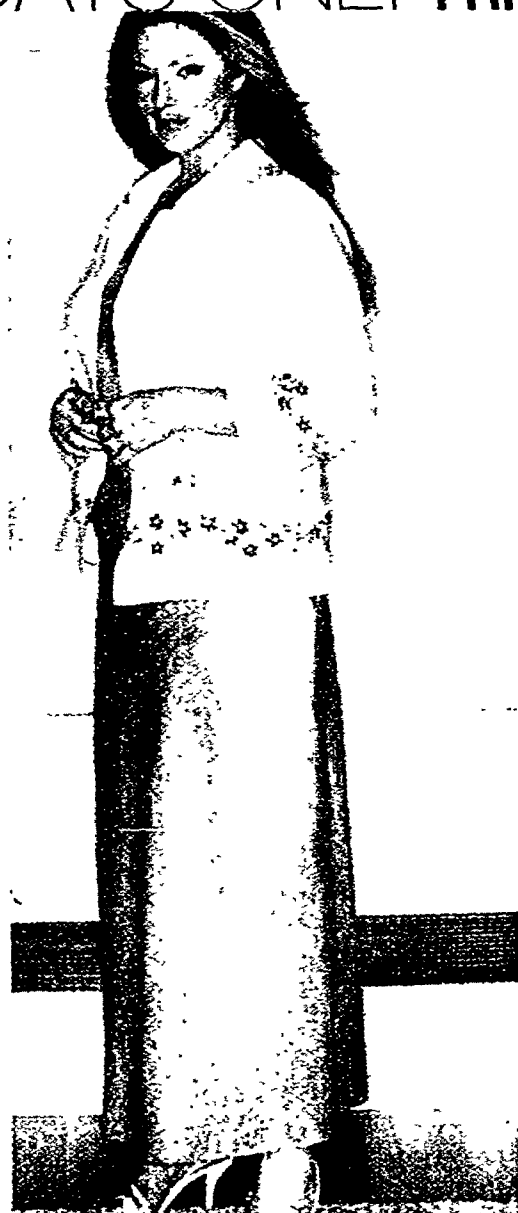
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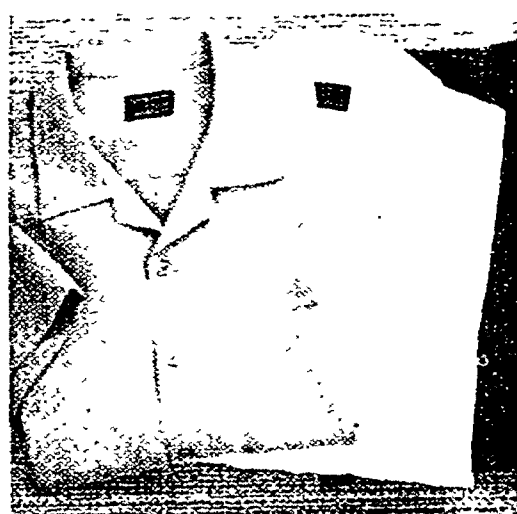
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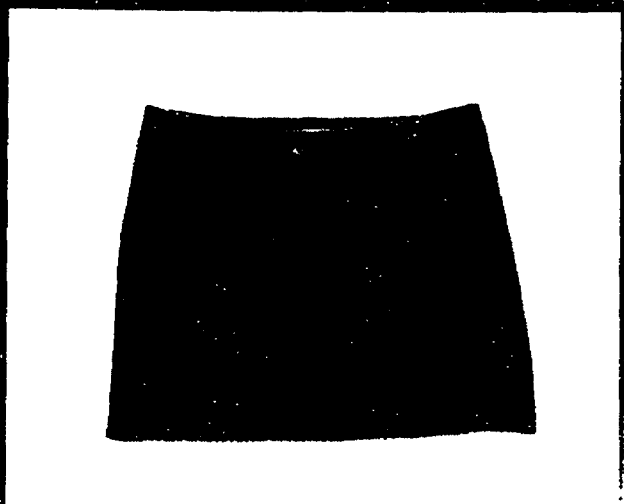
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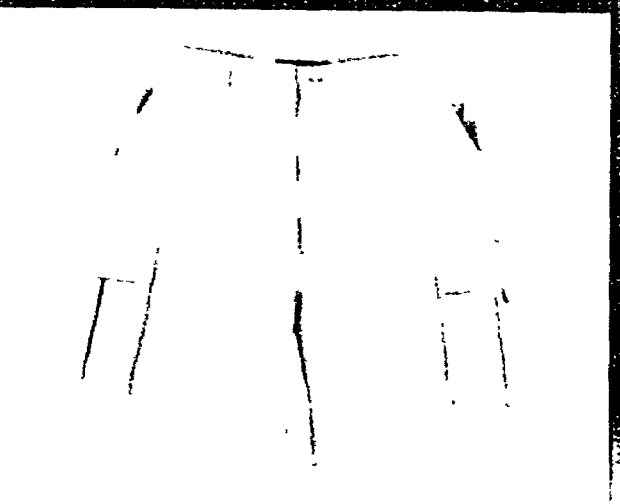
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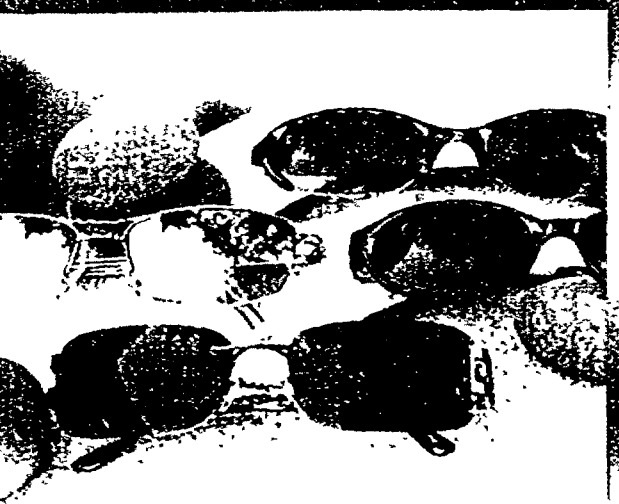
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PAINTING POINTERS Color yourself informed

When getting ready to redo a room, choosing a color can be hard enough, but choosing the right kind of paint is just as important.

Some prefer a water-based matte finish, others like something oil-based and glossy, and still others prefer a textured look.

At a home center, it's easy to get overwhelmed by aisle after aisle of paints and equipment. Following are some hints for navigating your way through paint options, courtesy of *Decorating Hints & Tips* by Julian Cassell and Peter Parham.

BRUSHING UP

No matter how many different varieties there are, they all fit into a number of broad categories. In general, water-based paints are the most popular because they're relatively easy to work with and dry quickly.

Flat latex paint is water-based and has a dull, matte finish. It is a popular option because it's user-friendly — easy to work with and low odor. Flat latex is suitable for all walls and ceilings, especially those freshly plastered, since it allows the plaster

to dry out thoroughly.

Vinyl flat latex is water-based, but it's easier to clean than traditional flat latex paint; it dries to a wipeable-matte finish. It's also more durable — suitable for all walls — since the paint's matte properties help to conceal surface imperfections.

Vinyl gloss latex paint is water-based and quick-drying. It dries to high sheen. The gloss finish makes washing easy, and makes the paint a good choice for kitchens and bathrooms. It also can be used for all walls and ceilings.

Store-brand flat latex is a paint created by most major paint stores and home-improvement stores — a brand exclusive to that store. This paint is an ideal choice for achieving a traditional flat paint finish on all interior surfaces.

Semigloss paint is oil-based and dries to a medium sheen. Although many brands are available, some have less of an odor and are more user friendly than others. This paint is suitable for high-wear areas.

Quick-drying semigloss is a water-based acrylic type of semigloss. Typically a low-odor item, it also is washable and dries to

a medium sheen. Some brands contain fungicides to fight mold and mildew buildup, making it another good choice for kitchens and bathrooms.

Textured paint is a water-based thick matte. It can be left plain or painted over. Textured paint is very durable and ideal for concealing surface imperfections and small cracks.

MEASURE TWICE

No matter which type of paint you choose, accuracy when estimating the amount you need will save you money.

Calculate the surface areas of walls by multiplying the height of a room from the ceiling to the floor (or baseboard) by the entire length of the perimeter of the floor. Use the same dimensions to calculate the surface area of the ceiling. Do not subtract the areas of doors, windows and extras like molding, wall or window recesses, pillars and covered beams from your calculations. This way, you can be sure that you will have paint left over for touchups later on. Also, remember that most walls will require two coats of paint. ■

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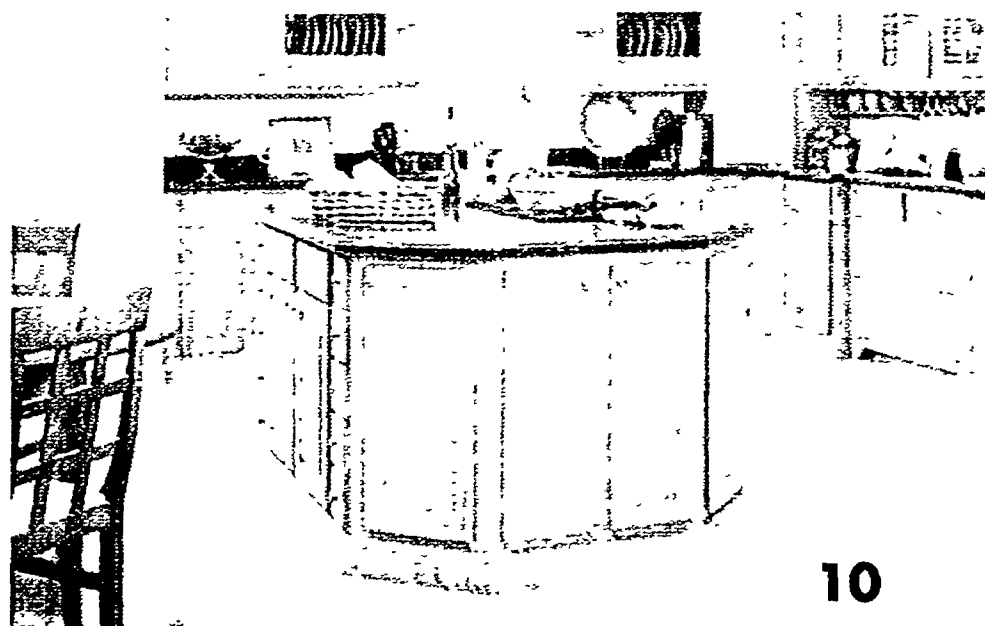
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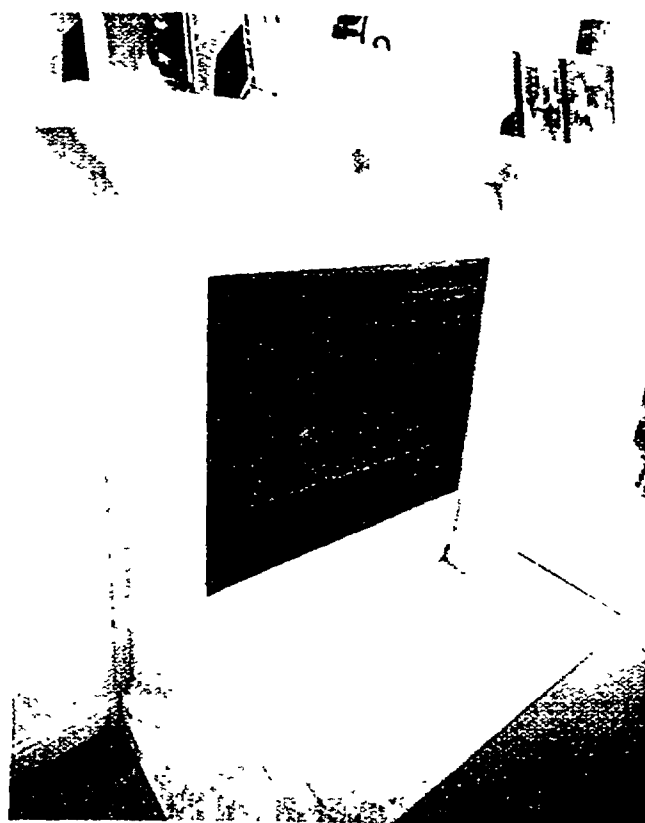


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BUILDER OF THE MONTH

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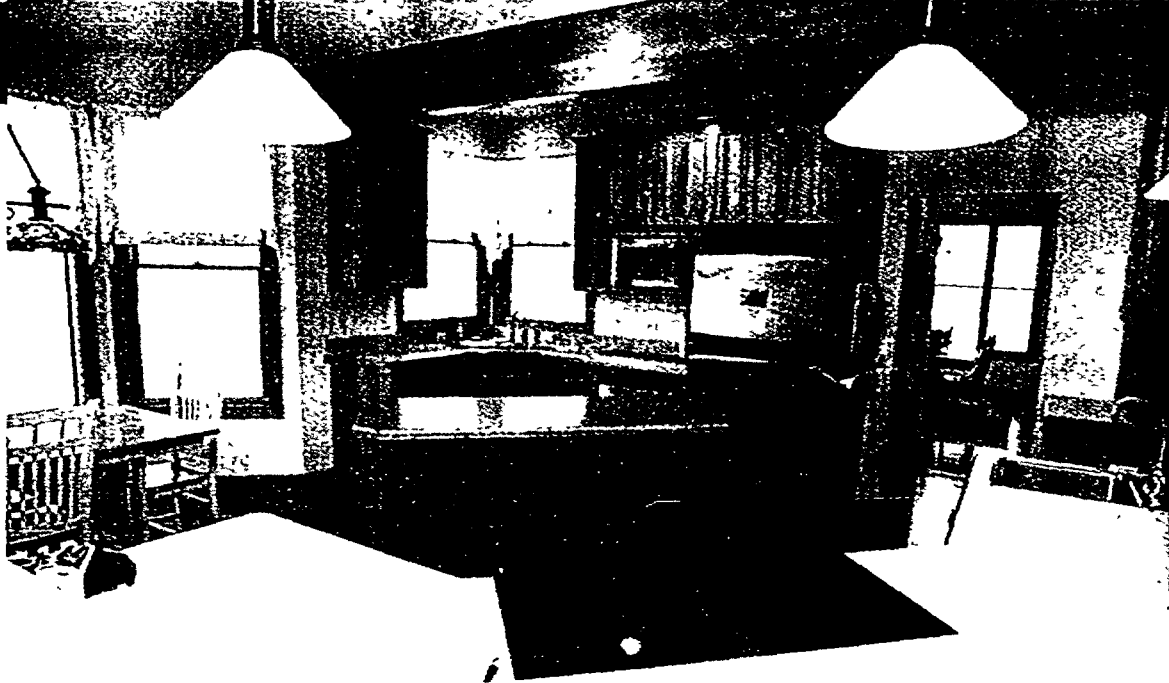
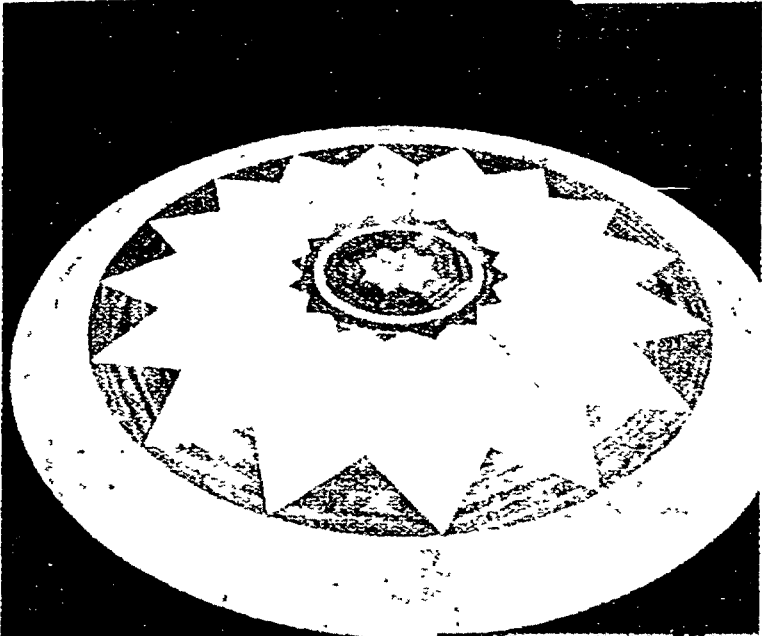
MAKING CONSTRUCTION A FAMILY AFFAIR
BY ALICE RHEIN



A trip to Las Vegas might mean gambling and glitzy shows for some, but for the husband-and-wife team of Nancy and Victor Elisabeth, it's the lure of the National Association of Home Builders convention, an annual event often held in the Nevada hot spot.

As owners of Pinckney-based Elisabeth Builders, Inc., the couple spends full days at the convention talking to manufacturers, researching new products, attending seminars, spotting trends and identifying what to incorporate into the homes they build and remodel.

Victor, a Certified Graduate Remodeler, began his building career 30 years ago doing remodels. In 1992, he and his wife decided to go into business together, partly out of convenience — they were raising four children — but mostly because it's something they both love.



"When I speak to students on career days, I tell them to find a job they are passionate about. You want to love what you do," says Nancy, who helped charter the Women's Council of Home Builders Association of Livingston County to heighten acceptance of women in the building trade. "Both of us love building homes. We enjoy what we do."

And it's likely that after the Lisabeths have completed a home project, they've established a friendship with the homeowner, too. "We like the 'awe' factor," says Victor. "We like to see customers get the house they want, and have them be in awe when they see it completed."

To reach that point, the Lisabeths work to get the plan

just right, before any of the construction begins. Victor has even built cardboard models for homeowners who needed something a bit more spatially concrete to demonstrate what the completed project would look like.

COMMUNICATION IS KEY

"We don't do tract housing; every project of ours is unique," says Victor, who is past-president of the Home Builders Association of Livingston County. "As far as the interior, we take it as far as the customer needs or wants us to."

Which means that the Lisabeths communicate a great deal with the homeowners to determine what

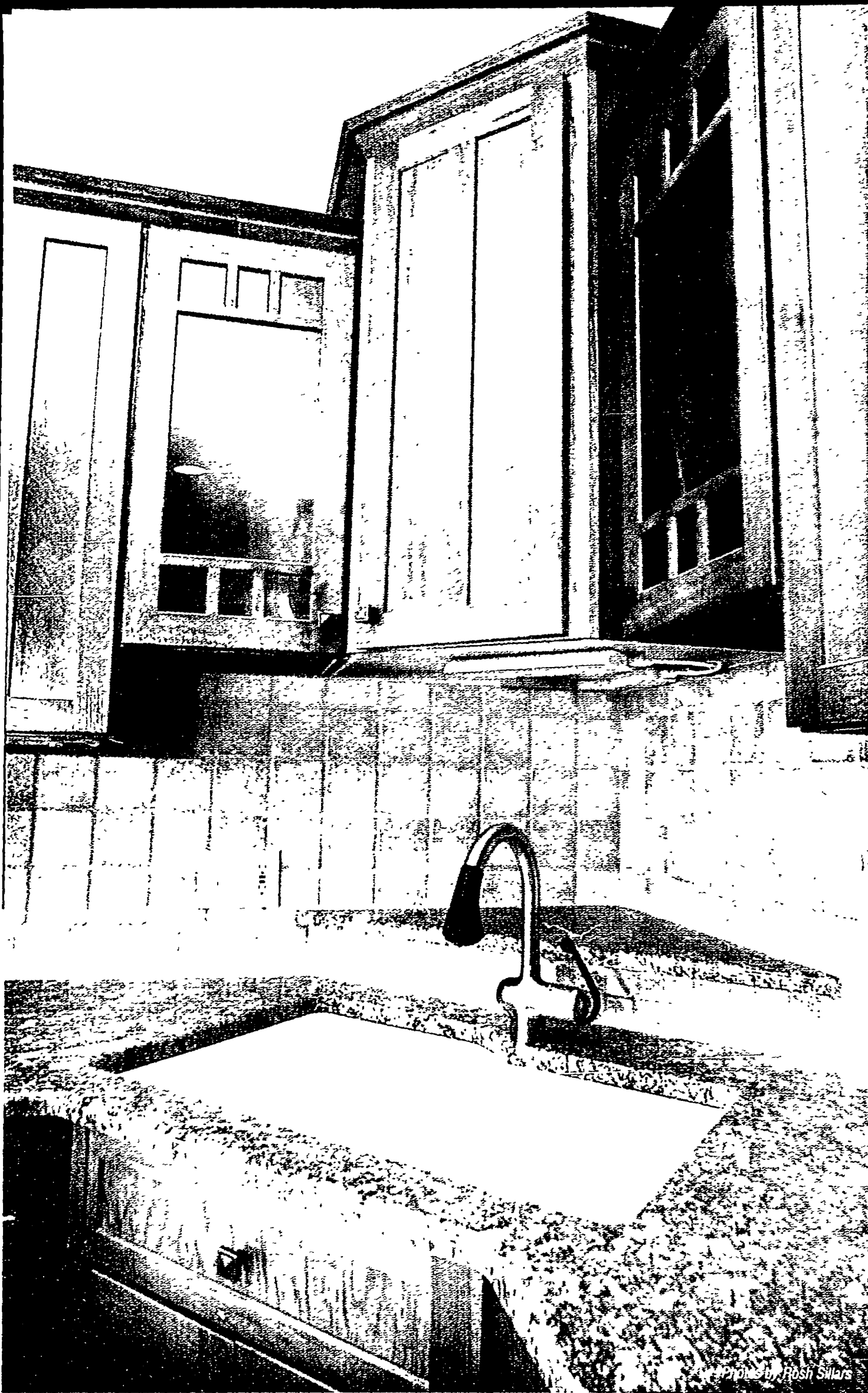
home accessories will fit their lifestyle.

The majority of the company's business is in Livingston and Washtenaw counties, but the Lisabeths are also working on a home in the Traverse City area, and have grown that effort into a new company, Grand Bay Builders.

The ranch home with a walk-out view of the East Bay has a driving range and media room in the basement, and a shop underneath each of the two garages.

"We're working with many different materials on this, like Spancrete concrete, so it's really been an education," says Victor.

The Lisabeths custom-build at a property owner's request, and usually have one spec home on display so



Victor and Nancy Lisabeth

buyers can get an up-close and personal look. They also do a great deal of remodeling. Anything from updating a master bedroom to adding a \$300,000 second floor is within their realm. New sewer lines in places like Pinckney and Hamburg Township have opened up even more opportunities for remodeling.

While many building companies prefer not to work with remodels for fear of "dealing with the unknown," as Victor calls it, the Lisabeths have always kept that as part of their business.

Since they offer both remodel and new home design in-house, a project's budget is kept on track from day one.

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT

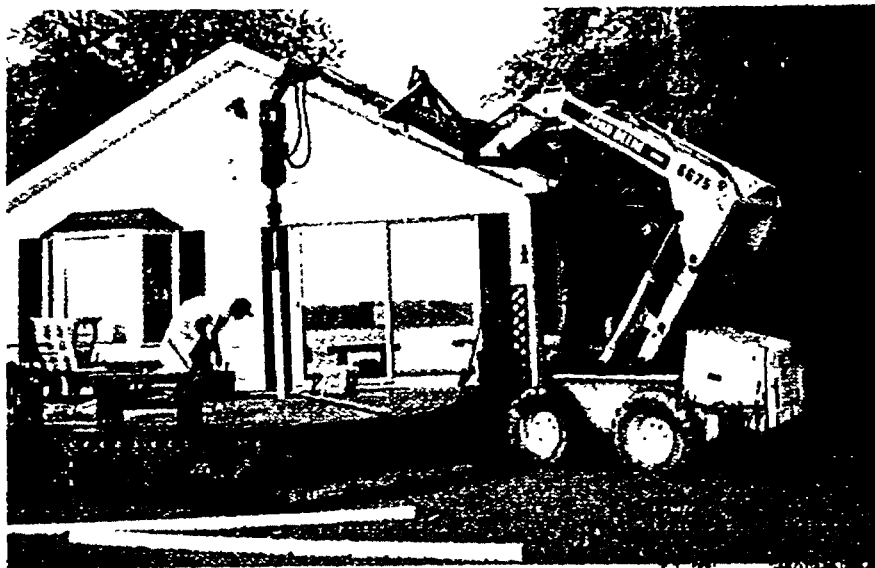
When lakefront homeowners look to expand up and out, Victor is very meticulous about completing a test boring to determine the strength of the original structure. Though it is often more difficult than building a new home, Victor has added helical piers under an existing

home to strengthen its foundation to accommodate a second level.

The foundation of the Lisabeths' new home business has been the participation in annual home showcase exhibits such as the Cavalcade of Homes.

Nancy says the secret to their home designs is that they don't try to overload them with every new product that comes along.

"We build new family homes that have a good floor plan and are affordable and realistic," she says. "Sometimes three and four years later, we get people who call and say



An extensive remodel of a Portage Lake home.

above: Before

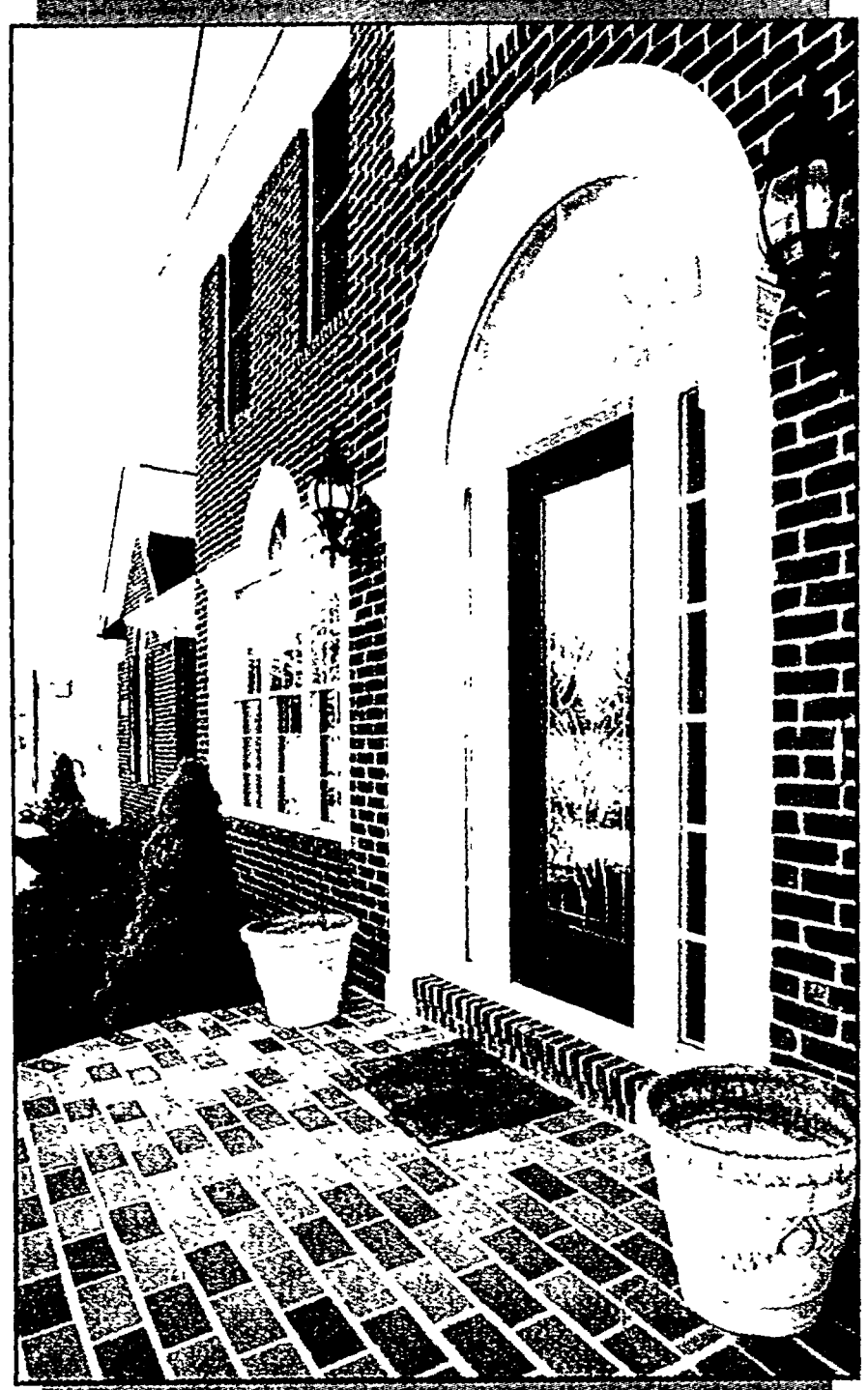
right: After



they remembered our model."

And once choosing the Lisabeths as their builder, customers soon find themselves on a first-name basis with the couple, known for taking a dream of the perfect home and then making it a reality. ■

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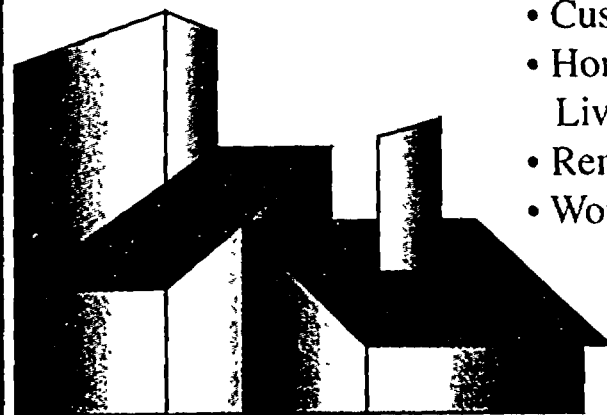


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BRICK PAVERS Attractive curb appeal

Chris Lamphear knows how to pave the way for a great first impression. As co-owner/general manager of American Paving Design, he can show homeowners just how to get that striking curb appeal used in upscale landscape designs, plus offer them a brief history lesson on his craft.

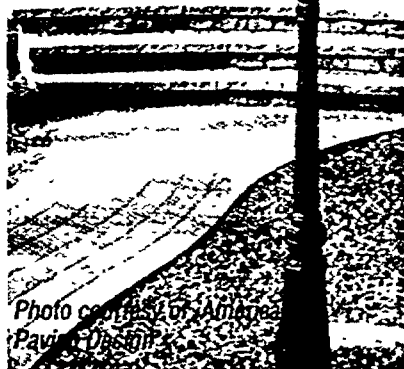
The past decade has seen the resurgence of brick pavers used for walkways, sidewalks, porches, patios and driveways — but Lamphear said they're really just cost-effective ancient and functional tools of the paving trade.

"Way back in Roman times, roads were built of segmental paving stones, and many of those roads still exist," he said. "In the Netherlands, the Dutch have used brick paving stones for centuries for their durability and flexibility. Much of their land settles significantly. Pavers have allowed them to pick the pavement up and lay it back down again."

After World War II, raw materials were hard to come by so paving bricks were made out of concrete, which paved the way for paver streets throughout Europe. The practice spread throughout Canada

and eventually traveled to the United States.

"Most people don't even know that the original roads throughout Detroit's



Corktown and near the Fox Theatre are actually pavers covered with asphalt. As the asphalt breaks off, 100-year-old paver roads still remain in great shape!" Lamphear said. "Lots of people believe that pavers are more for decoration than they are functional because they just don't realize the strength of them. They are being used for vehicular traffic and on airport taxiways, at the Port of Baltimore, and even as airplane parking in Hong Kong."

Lamphear estimates that within the past

BY MARILYN STEIN

10 years people started recognizing the pavers' original function and began utilizing them in their landscape plans; mainly for beautiful low-maintenance patios, but increasingly for driveways that greatly enhance a home's curb appeal.

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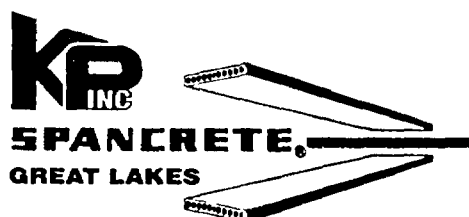
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ROOFING Metal has the mettle

BY JOYCE WISWELL

Once seen only in very wet areas like Hawaii, metal roofs are becoming increasingly common on homes across Michigan. Why? They're more durable, energy efficient and weather resistant — and come with a lifetime guarantee.

Best of all, the metal looks like anything but, resembling cedar shake, shingles, tiles or slate.

"These roofs are beautiful, and the neighbors don't even know they are metal," says Frank Farmer, president of American Roofs, Inc. The company has showrooms in Flushing and Lansing and installs metal roofs — mostly aluminum — exclusively across Michigan.

When Farmer calls his product "absolutely the last roof you'll ever need," he means it. His metal roofs come with a lifetime material and labor warranty — 50 years transferable if you sell your house. The roof's paint has a 50-year warranty and a 30-year no-fade guarantee, and homeowners can choose from a rainbow of colors.

Metal roofs were mainly used in

commercial building until the mid-1980s, Farmer says, when they began to come on strong for homes as well.

"Six percent of the total market is metal, and that has doubled in the past three years," Farmer says.

That's because the word is getting out on the durability and practicality of a metal roof. While it costs two and a half times more to install than a traditional shingle roof, a metal roof raises a house's value by 3 to 7 percent, Farmer says. And, because the metal roof reflects 34 percent of the sun's heat, cooling and heating bills are lowered accordingly.

American Roofs' product is wind-tested to 110 miles per hour, can handle eight inches of rain per hour and withstands Stage IV hail — defined as dropping two-inch steel balls from 20 feet high.

And, surprisingly enough, the roofs are not noisy at all.

"I've never had one complaint of sound," Farmer says.

So what's wrong with traditional shingle roofs? They only last 10 to 12 years, Farmer says, before the shingles begin to

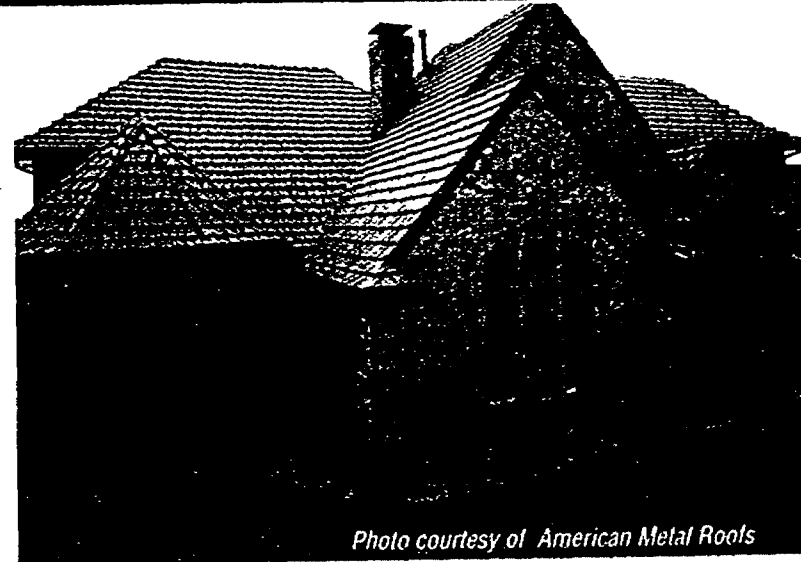


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crack, blister and wear out. If a home is not properly ventilated, a traditional roof can cause mold inside the attic, resulting in shingles that curl.

Don't wait for a leak to determine if your roof is in trouble. Farmer recommends that homeowners check their roof each spring. Be on the lookout for ice damage, cracking or blistering shingles, loss of granulation and/or nails popping up from shingles. Repairs can be done if the shingles are still pliable, but once they dry out, it's time for a new roof.

"The more shingles you pull, the more it cracks," Farmer says, "and it goes to the point where it's more cost effective to replace the whole roof."

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HARDWOOD FLOORS Your questions answered

Hardwood remains one of the most popular flooring options available today. However, there is much to consider. Here are answers to some of the most frequent flooring queries, courtesy of the experts at the American Hardwood Information Center.

Does sunlight lighten or darken a floor's color? Does it depend on the species, the stain or the finish?

The ultraviolet rays that can burn and age our skin will affect any organic material, including wood. That's why the finest art collections are kept in rooms without windows. Prolonged exposure to sunlight will change the color of virtually any wood floor, regardless of the stain or finish.

Some woods lighten when exposed to sunlight. Others, like cherry and oak, tend to darken.

The newest water-based urethane finishes seem to slow color changes more effectively than oil-based urethane finishes, which tend to turn the brownish-yellow color of amber. Some finishes even feature sunscreens to help block the penetration of ultraviolet rays, extending the time it will take the wood to change.

If you're especially concerned about your floor changing color, consider installing curtains or blinds that will limit exposure to sunlight. Windows also can be fitted with thin films of plastic that block ultraviolet rays.

Is a hardwood floor a good choice for someone with allergies or asthma?

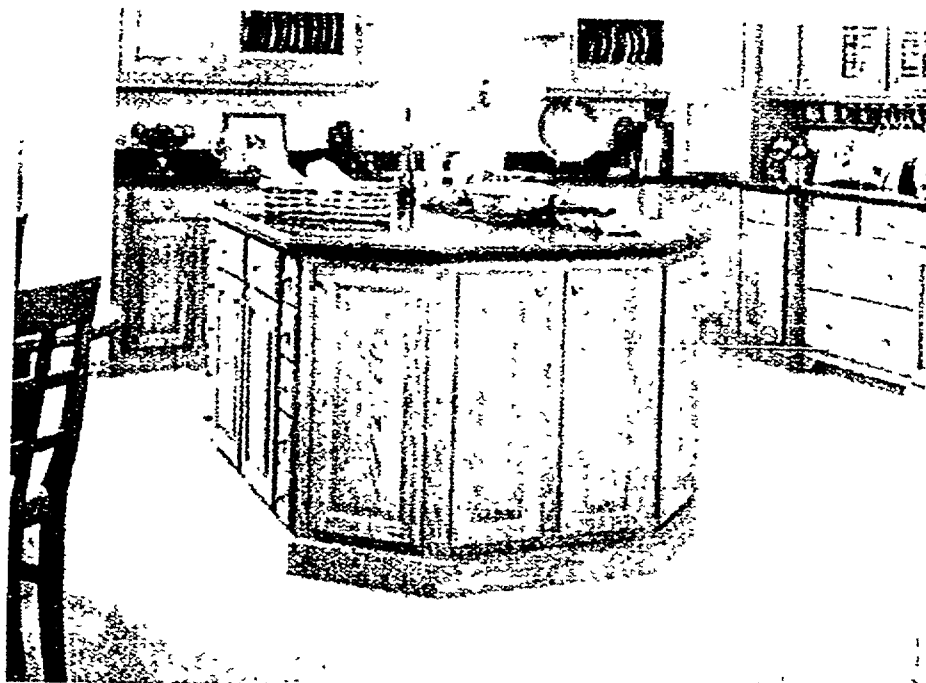
You bet. Allergists often recommend bare floors, which reduce the chance for animal dander, dust, pollen or molds to collect. Respiratory experts say as much as one-fifth of the U.S. population suffers breathing difficulties caused by allergies and asthma, often triggered by microscopic dust mites that colonize bedding, curtains and carpets. Bedding and curtains can be laundered, but because frequent vacuuming is often ineffective against dust mites in floor coverings, many immunologists and allergists suggest bringing hardwood floors out into the open.

If I have a urethane finish on my hard-

wood floor, can I use oil-based paint for stencils?

You can, but it may not be the best choice. Many professionals avoid working with oil-based paints because they are harder to clean up and take longer to dry. With water-based paints, smudges and spills can be wiped away easily with a damp cloth. Water-based paint can be applied over oil- or water-based urethane finishes.

For best results with opaque paints, consider first applying a white primer. Let



the paint dry thoroughly before applying at least two protective topcoats that are the same type of urethane as the base coats. Oil-based paints that are just the slightest bit wet will smear when you apply an oil-based urethane topcoat.

If you aren't sure whether your paint and urethanes are compatible, contact the manufacturers of your materials. Also, always test for compatibility by applying a little paint and finish on an extra board or in an inconspicuous spot such as a closet corner.

Are steam cleaners an effective way to keep wood floors clean?

Several steam-cleaners on the market are designed for use on hardwood floors. However, it's best to check with the manufacturer to find out if your cleaner is appropriate. Remember that water is wood's No. 1 enemy. If the finish is worn or scratched, steam could seep into your wood floors, eventually causing damage.

Keep in mind that experts say the best way to clean a wood floor is to wipe up any spills immediately with a soft, dry cloth.

Sweep floors regularly with a broom, dust mop or canister vacuum with special hardwood floor attachments. Do not use a vacuum with beater bars. They can dent your floor's finish.

If I buy a home with hardwood floors, how can I tell if they have a wax or urethane finish?

Urethane is one of the most popular finishes in use today. An easy way to determine if your floor has this type of finish is to apply a small amount of paint remover to the floor surface. If the finish bubbles up, it is most likely a urethane. You can also try scraping up a bit of the finish with a sharp blade (obviously in an area hidden from view). If you can scrape up a clear material, the finish is likely urethane.

The finish is probably wax if you can feel the wood grain when you run your hand over the floor surface. Another test is to select an inconspicuous area and try to smudge the floor surface with a fingertip, or scrape the surface with a fingernail or sharp instrument. If the floor smudges, but no clear material is scraped up, the finish is probably wax.

If you're not certain after trying these tests, contact a reputable floor refinisher. Professionals with years of experience easily can determine a floor's finish.

What are mineral spirits and boiled linseed oil, and how are they used? How about rottenstone and pumice?

Mineral spirits are used to thin or clean up oil-based paints, stains and finishes. They also can be used to remove wax buildup on furniture and floors. Boiled linseed oil is a yellowish drying oil that serves as a lubricant. (Do not boil linseed oil; it has already been boiled.)

Rottenstone is a fine, abrasive limestone powder. Pumice is an abrasive (harder than rottenstone) derived from volcanic glass. Either of these abrasives can be mixed with linseed oil and rubbed on furniture to remove stains and marks caused by moisture or heat.

For more information, visit www.hardwoodinfo.com. ■

'SPA-CIFICS' What's hot in hot tubs

BY AMY PARRENT

Ah, spas — relaxing, soothing, romantic, fun.

"The home spa is a quiet spot to get away from everyday things," says Keith Wingfield of Tradewind Spas in Utica and Novi. "It offers the chance to spend a few minutes without a newspaper or TV. It draws couples and families together; it's relationship enhancing."

"And," he adds, "there's a great ambience on a snowy night in December to be sitting in a spa."

A spa can be thought of as an investment in good health. Not only does it provide relief of tension, spa hydrotherapy is recommended for people with arthritis and rheumatism.

"We're not saying it will heal," Wingfield says, "but it offers health benefits as well as fun and enjoyment."

Relaxing in your own spa is definitely a stress-buster. And even though there are many models and options from which to choose, buying a spa shouldn't be nerve-racking. Simply remember a few guidelines while wading through the choices.

First, Wingfield emphasizes the impor-

tance of choosing a product from a manufacturer with established credentials and a reputable dealer.

As for the spa itself, he says, "Full foam filling the inner structure is very vital. Quality insulation means energy efficiency. This makes the spa economical and easy to use year-round."

Before buying a spa, make sure to take



the "wet test." Spend time in the water-filled model. (Tradewinds will even stay open after normal business hours to give shy customers more privacy.)

"That's important in making a selection," says Wingfield. "Experiencing the various sizes, shapes, seating arrange-

ments, how the plumbing and jetting locations relate to comfort."

Selected models include lounge seating that allows the user to completely recline. Certain models also contain a ridge to hold feet in place. Others come with an "arm-chair" containing jets at the hand and wrist, providing a kind of massage for people with carpal tunnel problems.

"Portable" spas are the most popular with Tradewinds customers.

"That doesn't mean you can just pick up and move them around," says Wingfield. "But it does mean that necessary plumbing and electric components are self-contained. So basically they stay in one place and are permanent, but you can take them if you move to a new home."

Tradewinds offers spas ranging in price from \$3,000 upward to \$12,000.

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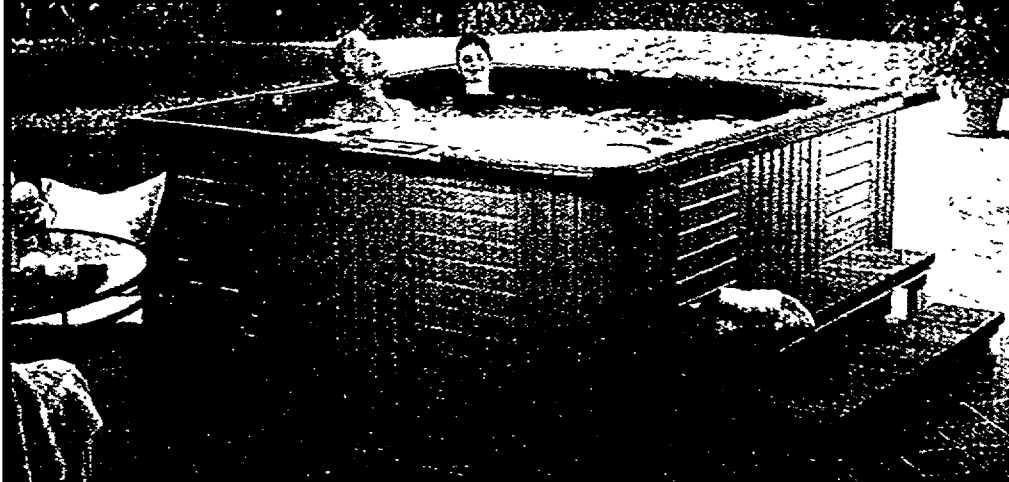
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GUTTERS Keep them utterly up-to-date

BY AMY PARRENT

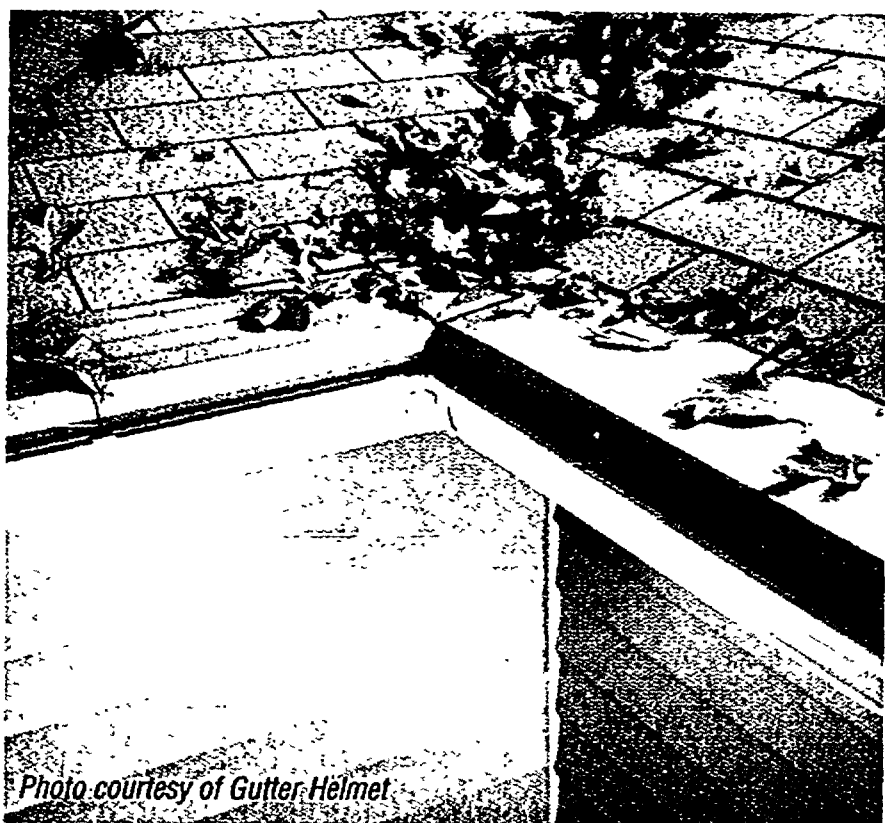


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Whether you call them eaves troughs, eaves spouts, rainspouts or gutters, those channels that carry rainwater away are important to your home's health.

Rainwater and melting snow and ice that don't drain properly can cause rotting to the underside of the roof, mildewed walls, damaged siding, and even cracked foundations and erosion of the soil next to the house.

Debris buildup — leaves and pine needles trapped in gutters — can lead to insect infestation and even fires.

There are thousands of variations on the basic roof gutter. In the U.S., the most common gutters are five- or six-inch "K-style" manufactured in painted aluminum.

Dan Shaw, president of Fowlerville-based Gutters Galore, says the basic difference is "a lot more options. For example, you can get seamless gutters, or gutters with larger downspouts." And, he says, "gutters are of much better quality due to thicker gauge, improved bracketing and fastening, and the addition of covers."

Homeowners have many choices when it comes to colors, too. Taupe and clay shades are favored, Shaw says, because they blend in. Gutter covers, or helmets, also add a finishing touch just like trim molding in the home's interior.

And those covers or helmets add to gutter life expectancy while decreasing the time spent on home upkeep.

Gutter helmets direct rainwater into a 3/8-inch horizontal opening in the gutter while preventing debris from clogging gutters up. The best helmets can handle 22 inches of rain per hour — twice as much rain as has ever been recorded.

David Bobby of Atlas Gutter Helmets in Brighton says one immediate concern to homeowners is the aesthetic problem of "zebra stripes" on gutters without covers.

In poorly draining gutters, standing water contains asphalt from shingles and tannic acid leached from leaves. "It festers," says Bobby, and the acid "chemically etches the finish."

Gutter helmets are a better system than the mesh screens sometimes used, he says. "Any product with vertical openings will fail. Leaves and needles catch in the little holes of a screen. Things will sprout. You still have to go up and clean it out."

By contrast, a gutter helmet blocks leaves while allowing water to flow freely in.

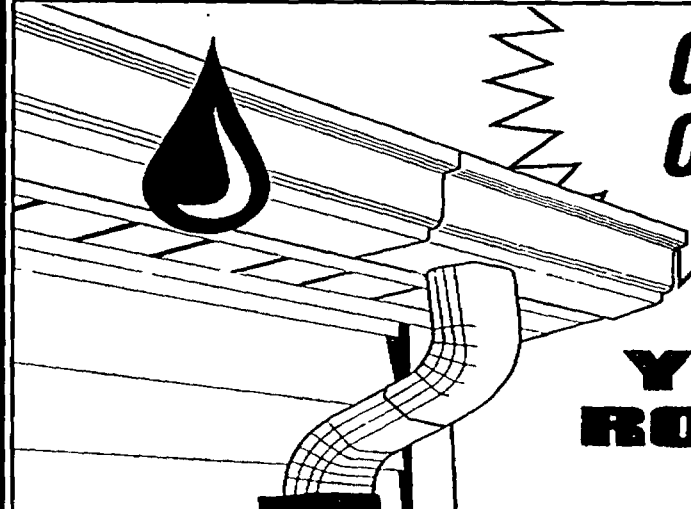
The weight of ice and snow in clogged gutters also can put pressure on the gutter and eventually loosen its spikes.

"By the time people realize they have a problem with gutters, it's generally an expensive problem," says Bobby. "With helmets, owners will never have spillover, stripes or mildew. They'll never have the standing water that attracts mosquitoes."

Prices for gutters vary widely, says Shaw. "Your 1,500-square-foot house and my 1,500-square-foot house would be completely different," he points out. Factors include the way the house is laid out and the number of stories.

The average installation cost for gutter helmets is \$1,500 to \$2,500 — "a good investment, a serious investment," says Bobby.

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PROFESSIONAL DESIGN Adding a new spin

Deciding to try a new look for your home may be the easiest part of any interior design project. However, one trip through your local home center and the hundreds of options available is often all it takes to leave you feeling more than a little overwhelmed. The truth is, the key to adding new life to a dull old room can be accomplished pretty simply with creative room rearranging and just a few accents and accessories.

Low-risk, low-budget and — if done correctly — high-impact room rearranging has been around for years, but the trend is enjoying renewed popularity as many families stay home more to entertain or just relax. To that, add a still-uncertain economy and there are plenty of people looking for less expensive ways to make their interiors look new and fresh.

"Room rearranging or 'house fluffing' has always been popular," says Carol Morrow of The Art Institute of Phoenix. "Our world is changing so quickly, and sometimes scarily so, that it is only natural that we'd want to maintain control of our most intimate spaces."

But how can simply rearranging furniture and accessories make a room look dramatically different? A whole different look for a room can be achieved by switching pieces from one room to another, re-hanging artwork or selecting different accessories.

"Personal items that speak to travel, or family heirlooms and personal collections such as Depression glass, when re-arranged, can give your room an entirely new perspective," says Kelly Spewock of the Interior Design faculty at The Art Institute of Pittsburgh. "And using what has meaning to you will let your interiors show off your personality."

A design expert can help you make the most of your options — and your budget. Consulting prices vary from \$200 to \$1,000 an hour. To find an expert, contact the Michigan chapter of American Society of Interior Designers at (248) 649-6770. They have the names of designers on hand who will take on smaller projects on smaller budgets.

While "house fluffing" has become increasingly popular, some designers still don't like the term. "'House fluffing' sounds too trite," says Marilynn Ward of The Art Institute of Seattle. "Even a room rearrangement, when done correctly, takes talent, experience and a good eye." ▲



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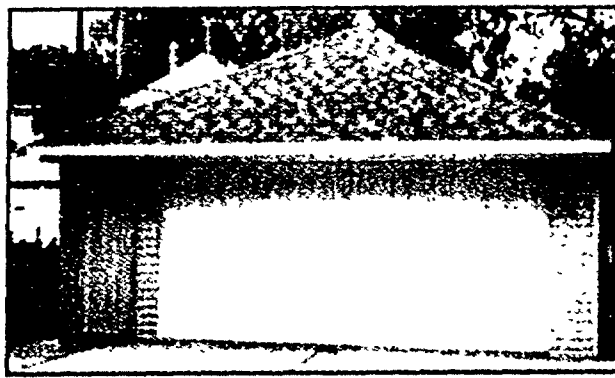
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SELECTING WINDOWS? Stay open to these ideas

From decisions on the type of window framing materials to reviewing manufacturer warranties, homeowners have lots of research to do when deciding which windows to place in their homes. Since the lifespan of windows is generally 20 years, it's worth the investment of time and effort before the home is constructed to make certain you select windows you can live with happily for a long time.

"Too many consumers simply agree with whatever window recommendation their builder makes — and that's a mistake," says one window contractor. "Builders may have their favorite brand of window they're familiar with, but that shouldn't mean a homeowner-to-be blindly goes along with the builder's suggestion. Windows are a huge investment and a vital part of the construction of any home."

Try these tips when it comes time to pick the windows for your new home:

- **Analyze your lifestyle.** If you want the easiest-to-maintain windows, select vinyl. If you love the look of wood windows but don't want the maintenance hassles of caring for them, consider wood-grain laminate over vinyl. Also, keep in mind tilt-in windows for easy cleaning of the glass.

- **Research manufacturers.** Select reputable nationwide companies that offer solid, comprehensive warranties. Make sure the warranty covers the window's frame, sash and insulating glass units.

- **Select windows meeting Energy Star guidelines** for where you live. Thicker glass, gas-filled units and double-paned windows will help cut down on heating and cooling costs from the first day you move into the home.

- **Consider glass options.** Just as you have choices on Low E or gas-filled glass to maximize energy efficiency in your home, you also have choices on the type of glass. Selections include clear, tempered, tinted (generally available in bronze or gray) or obscure glass.

- **Look at your geography.** If you live in an area prone to severe storms, near a golf course or in a noisy or high-traffic area, then impact-resistant glass is a smart investment. Windows with this glass are extremely difficult to penetrate, and the glass helps reduce noise infiltration by more than 40 percent. This glass is also a sensible way to enhance the security of a home and to reduce the penetration of damaging ultraviolet rays.

- **Review grid options.** Many builders suggest standard white colonial grid patterns. However, window manufacturers offer everything from bevel-cut glass to brass to dark zinc as grid options. Also look at grid styles to complement your home. A perimeter grid style ideally suits an arts-and-crafts or prairie-style home, whereas a no-grid style might be best for capturing mountain or lakefront views.

- **Consider privacy issues.** If your home is close to neighbors or if you want more privacy in the bathroom, ask your builder about acrylic block window inserts that obscure views into the home but allow in natural sunlight.

- **"Test drive" a window.** Before you have an entire house filled with a specific window, go to a dealer showroom or model home to take a closer look. Make certain the unit opens and closes easily. See if the hardware is easy to operate and makes you feel secure. Look for windows that you can easily imagine yourself operating for the next 20 years.

- **While you're test driving the window,** look carefully at the construction. Quality windows should not appear sloppy or carelessly made. Select window manufacturers that show pride in their construction.

- **Project into the future.** Forty-five-year-old homeowners will be in their 60s before their windows need to be replaced. While it may be easy to open double-hung windows now, easy-to-operate crank casement windows may be gentler on the body as it ages. ▲



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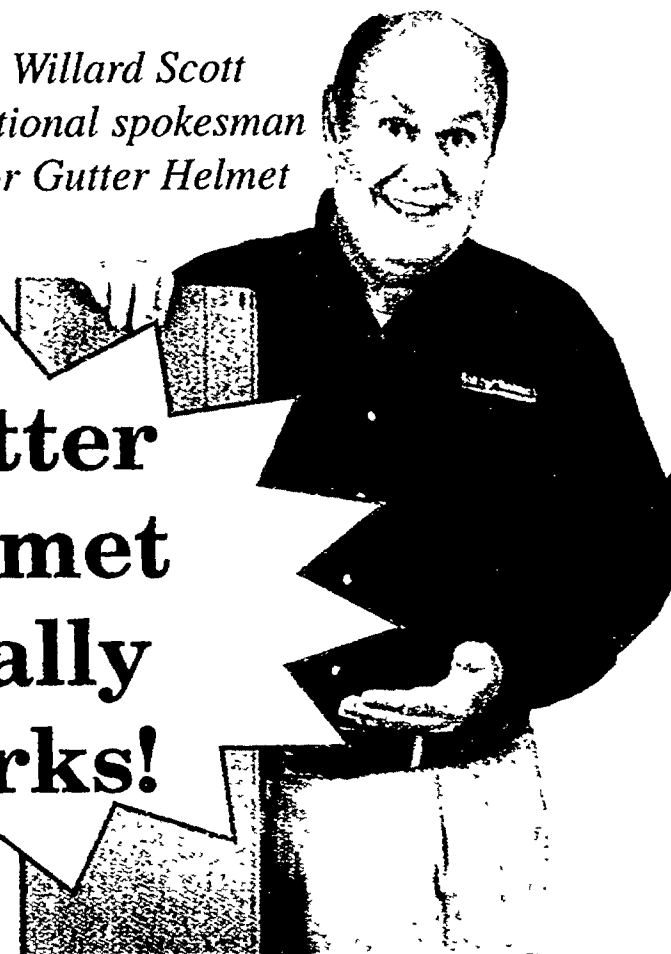
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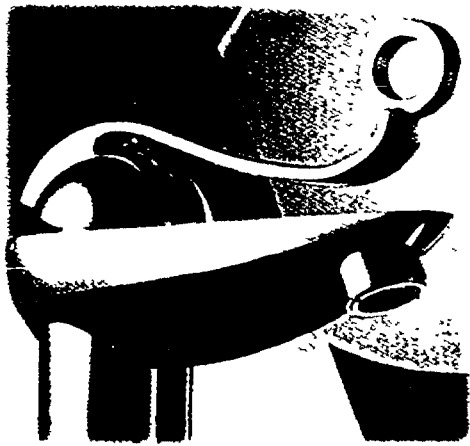
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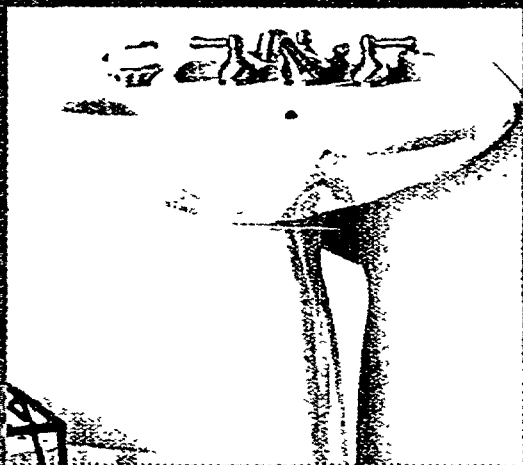
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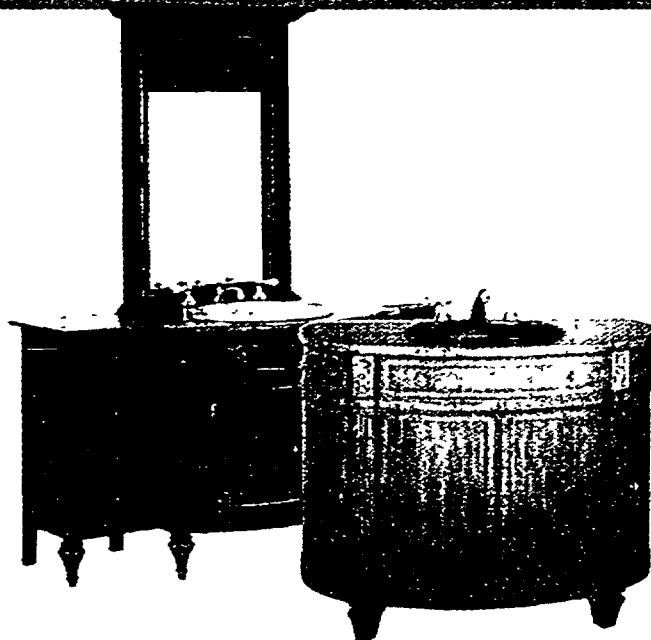
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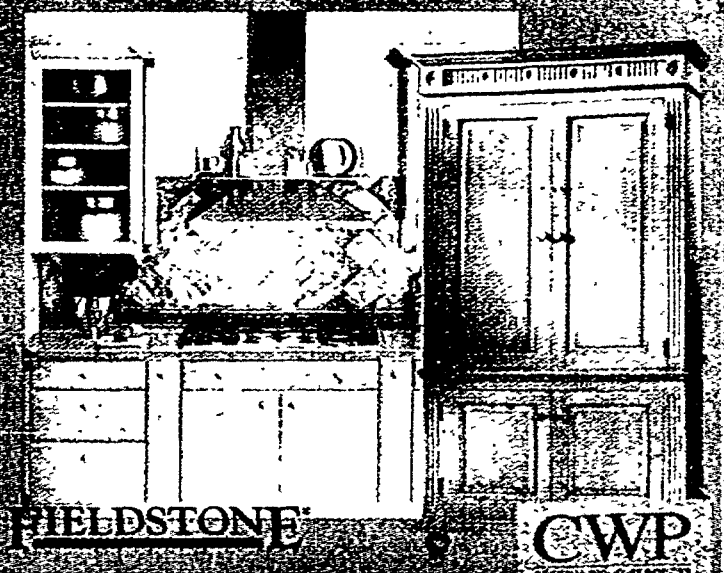
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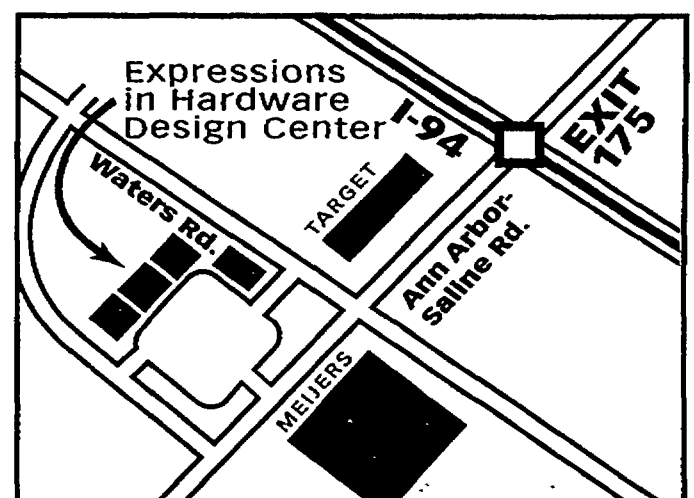
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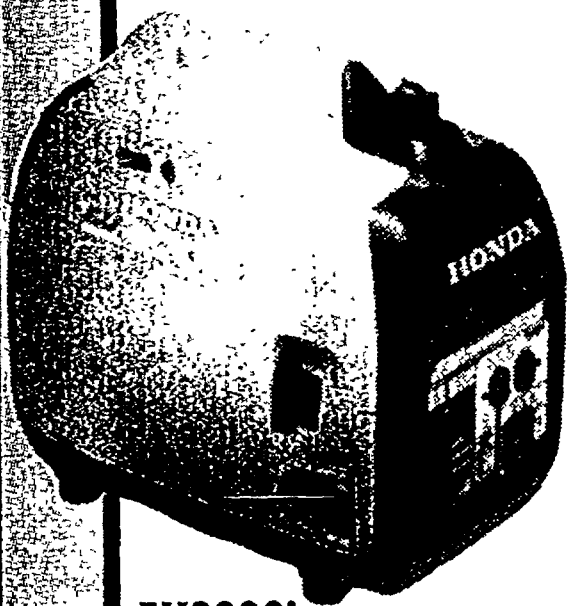
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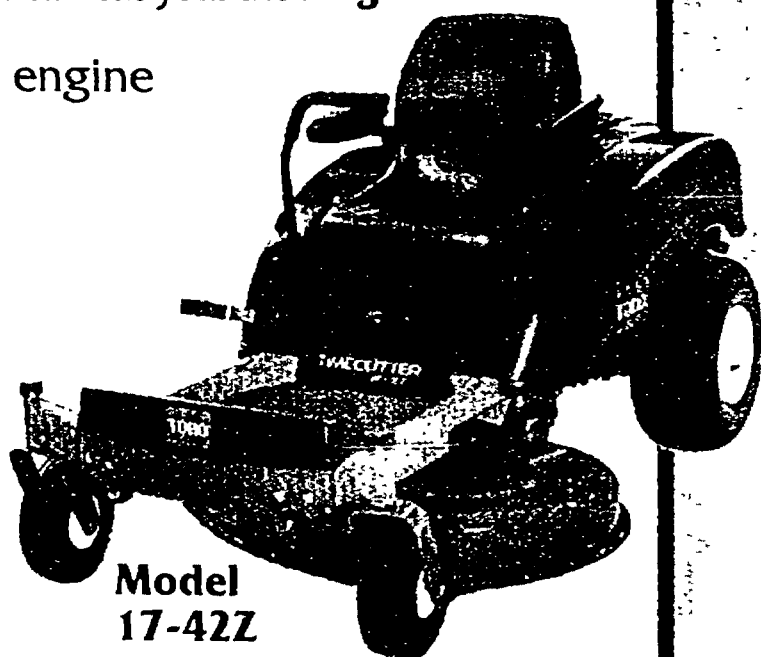
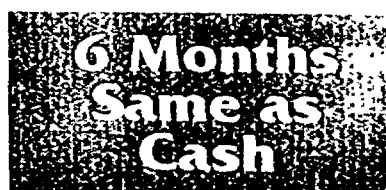
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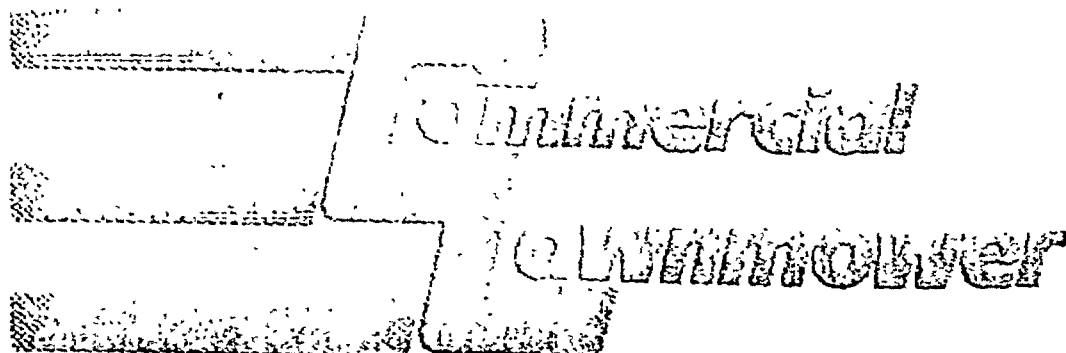
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Our history actually goes back much farther, to a time when Livonia was a farming community. In fact, Livonia Township was created way back in 1835. In the years since then, things certainly have changed! Fortunately, along the way, we had the good judgment and foresight to protect and preserve a part of our history at Greenmead Historical Village. Greenmead is our community treasure.

A new chapter to Livonia's history began with our incorporation as a city in 1950. In the years since then we have seen unprecedented industrial and residential growth. Yet, even though we are celebrating our 53rd birthday, we still maintain a friendly, hometown atmosphere. Spree is our time and yours to celebrate.

As Livonia has grown, so has Spree. In the '50s and '60s, Livonia had large tracts of vacant land. An annual show at the former DRC race-track at Schoolcraft and Middlebelt, with a carnival and fireworks, gave local builders the

opportunity to showcase their product.

In the mid '70s, the idea of an annual festival to celebrate the birthday of the city was adopted by the community at large. Spree was moved to its current location at Ford Field. Now, every year, we celebrate Livonia's birthday with a carnival, fireworks, good food and a growing list of special attractions for the whole family.

No matter what kind of entertainment you are looking for, you can find it at Spree. Once again, Livonia families can enjoy 50 fun-filled amusement rides planned for this year's celebration. Family Fun Day starts at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 28, with games, races, contests and clowns - including Kid's Comedy Magic



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Sunday, June 29, is dollar day, which is also a big hit with families. All rides will cost \$1 each from noon to 6 p.m. Taste of Livonia returns this year, from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 26, at the renovated Eddie Edgar Arena.

Other Spree family favorites include a classic car show and the Robinson Racing Pigs. The acrobats and jugglers of the Fantastic Elastic Extravaganza will give free performances throughout Spree week.

Musical performers at Spree 53 include Trilogy, Bill Peterson, Rhythm Society Orchestra, Straight Ahead, the Sheila Landis Quintet, Art of Fact, Classix and The Mike Wolverton Band. They will join returning favorites like Steve King and the Dittilies, the Jack Dalton Dixieland Band, and Bobby Lewis and the Crackerjack Band.

Of course, we always end Spree with a big bang – an electrifying 30-minute fireworks display Sunday evening at 10:15 p.m.

The Spree Board and Committee Members have spent the past year planning the best

Spree ever. They certainly deserve our special thanks. Their hard work and the tremendous efforts of many citizen volunteers make Spree one of the finest festivals in the state.

Spree is more than just a good time.

Since 1979, Spree has helped raise funds for the City of Livonia

and for many non-profit organizations in the community, contributing over \$650,000 for numerous projects and programs – including the annual Spree scholarships. Spree also pays for the super spectacular \$50,000 fireworks display. Don't miss it! As an added benefit, Spree provides the opportunity for numerous participating civic and community organizations (such as local PTA groups, the Rotary Club and area churches) to raise tens of thousands of dollars for their respective groups and projects.

To find out more about Spree – or to find out how you can get involved – please call the 24-hour hotline number, (734) 427-8190.

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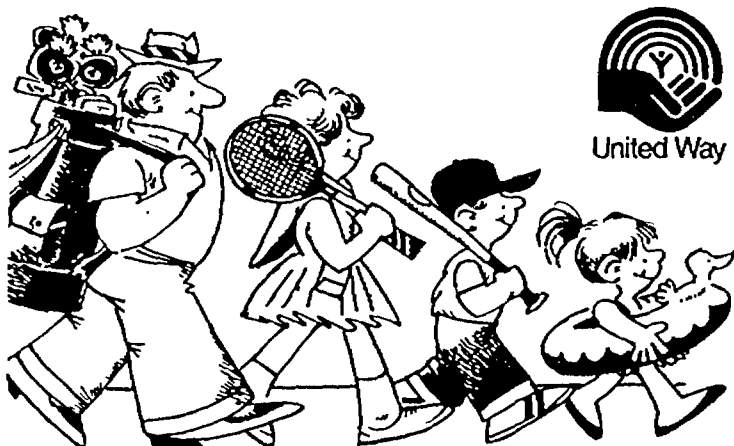


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Livonia's annual birthday bash continues to provide family entertainment from the very corny to quite extravagant, attracting everyone from toddlers to seniors.

The racing pigs, for example, might not be a high-brow event, but the one year Spree organizers decided to do away with the pigs, they were bombarded by callers who wanted to know what happened.

So, again this year half a dozen pigs will haul their poundage around a track, and sometimes over one another, in quest of an Oreo cookie.

For something a little more sophisticated, many residents will pay a nominal \$6 fee to mingle with family, friends, neighbors and complete strangers as they sample the best that more than 16 restaurants from Livonia and Northville have to offer.

By the time they've made it to every table in the Eddie Edgar Arena, from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 26, they're promised to have experienced a culinary extravaganza.

350 VOLUNTEERS, 1 GOAL

Birthday party fun ranges from carnival rides and fireworks to musical performances and a kids day. Spree takes over Ford Field at Lyndon and Farmington from Tuesday, June 24, through Sunday, June 29. The hours are 4-11 p.m., Tuesday; 2-11 p.m., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; and noon to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

"Come and enjoy yourselves," said Ken Rogman, this year's Spree president.

"It's a lot of work put on by a lot of people," Rogman said. "We hope it will be good family entertainment for the week."

More than 350 people gave of their time last year to make sure the citywide party is a success.

"If it wasn't for the Parks and Rec and public services, we couldn't put Spree on," said Rick Skaggs, Spree past president numerous times and first vice president this year. "It's a safe place for families to bring their kids."

There has never been a drive to make Spree bigger, Skaggs said.

"It's only our intention to get better," he added. "Sometimes you sit back and watch the faces of the kids on the rides and going to the clowns and that's reward in itself. My kids are all grown and have children, but I still go every year and enjoy it."



Kids find plenty of ways to enjoy the pre-fireworks activities Sunday night at Ford Field.

Last year, it is estimated that about 350,000 attended Spree.

KIDDIE LAND RETURNS

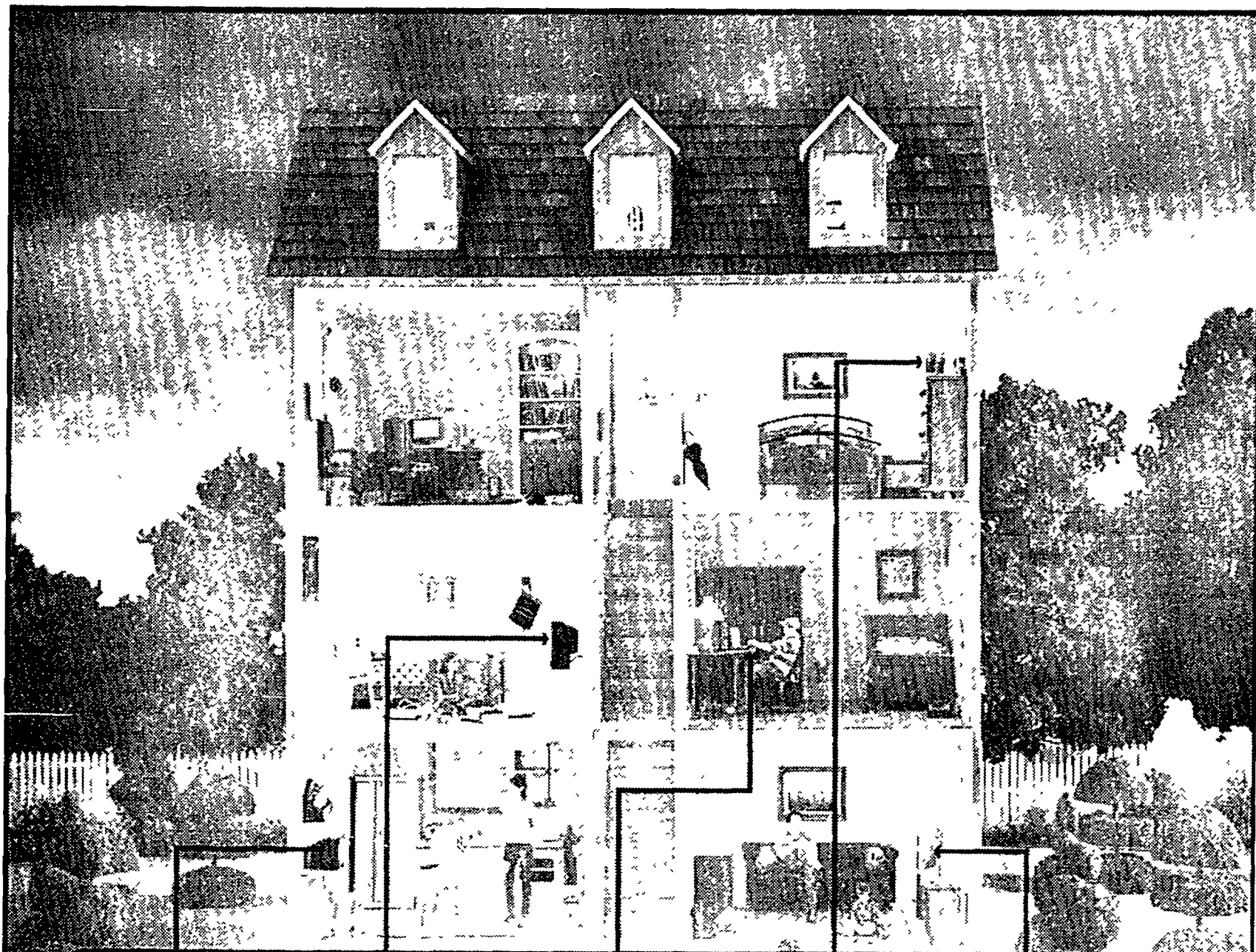
Infants and toddlers were treated to a new area last year, Kiddie Land, with tea cup rides, miniature-sized roller coasters and other rides that maintain the thrill without terrifying the very young and uninitiated. This new attraction was so well-received, Skaggs said, it will return this year.

"Our focus has been on the kids," Skaggs said.

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the senior citizen picnic from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 25, in Eddie Edgar Arena.

Spree planners seemed to have covered every base: Festival-goers can even have a religious experience during the Spree. Roman Catholic and Protestant services will be available Sunday morning on the main stage.

Other, secular entertainment ranges from a pie eating contest to a pancake breakfast and magic acts. And auto enthusiasts should mark their calendars for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 28, to reminisce about years gone by, take in the sights or show off their own wheels at the Classic Car Show.

A Child Identification program is being sponsored by Livonia police in the police trailer located at the Spree during various hours throughout the event.

The 20-member Livonia Anniversary Committee Inc. board of directors meets every



Last year, "Pee-Wee The Pig" performed the grand finale of each pig race by playing the piano and seeking approval of the audience.

two weeks beginning the week after Spree in order to get all the sponsors and entertainment lined up.

"It's very rewarding to see this thing come to fruition at the end of the year," Skaggs said, adding that once you get involved you find you want to keep coming back.

"There's a little carnival person in all of us," Skaggs added. "My wife says: 'You know, you don't have to stay there all day.'"

Parking is at Livonia City Hall and the Civic Center Library, with a shuttle service provided. Ride wrist bands, which were sold at a discount before June 21, will be sold for \$20 at Spree.

BIG BLASTS

The fireworks are the culmination of the event and are scheduled to go off at 10:15 p.m. Sunday, June 29.

"They're better every year, but as the city gets built up it's getting more difficult to shoot the bigger ones," Skaggs said.

Aside from the rides that range in thrill intensity, teenagers and adults will be attracted to events, like the Great Lakes Pro Wrestling, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 27, and more than 10 music acts performing every evening.

"It's so difficult to provide entertainment for teenagers and young people today and this gives them a place to go and enjoy themselves," Skaggs said.

For more details, contact the Spree hotline at (734) 427-8190.



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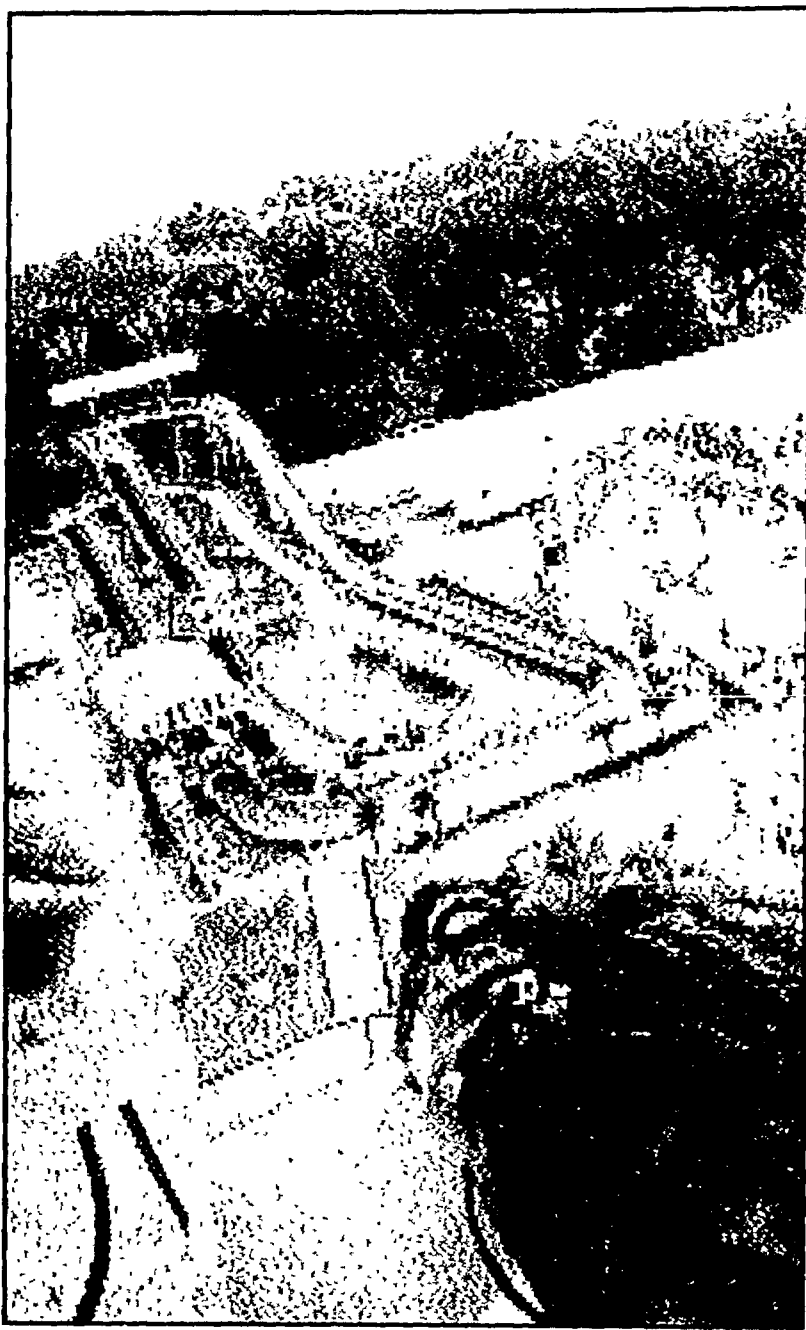
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BY M.B. DILLON
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"Just about everything is free, unless you buy a ride," said Ken Rogman, Spree president. "Admission and all the entertainment is free. There is no charge for parking or the shuttle service. We do everything we can, including Sunday Dollar Day," to make it affordable.

The Fantastic Elastic Extravaganza (acrobats and jugglers) will give free performances every day. Take in a little Great Lakes Pro Wrestling at 7:30 p.m. both Friday and Saturday, June 27-28, on Ford Field's ball diamond No. 2 at no charge.

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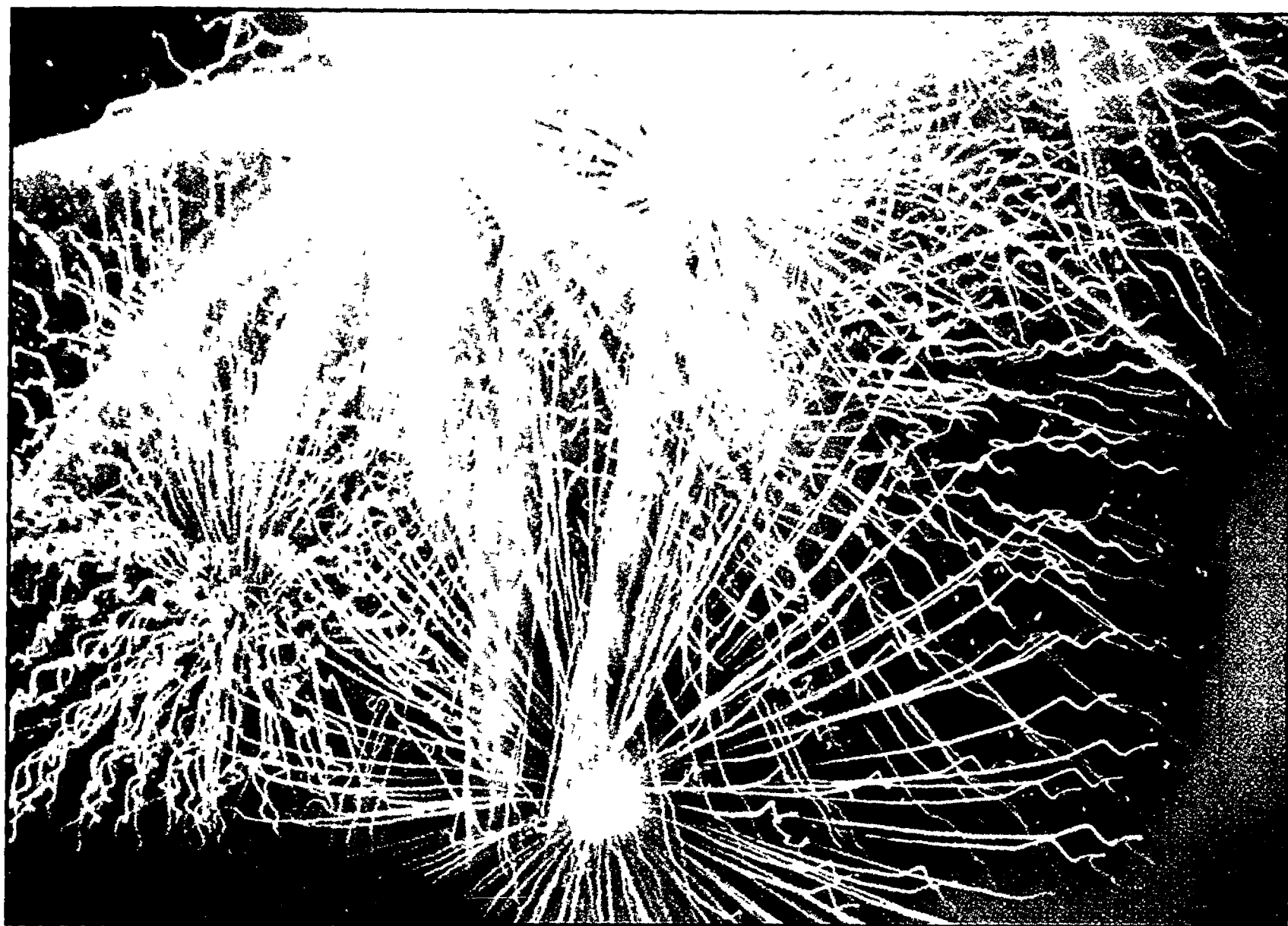
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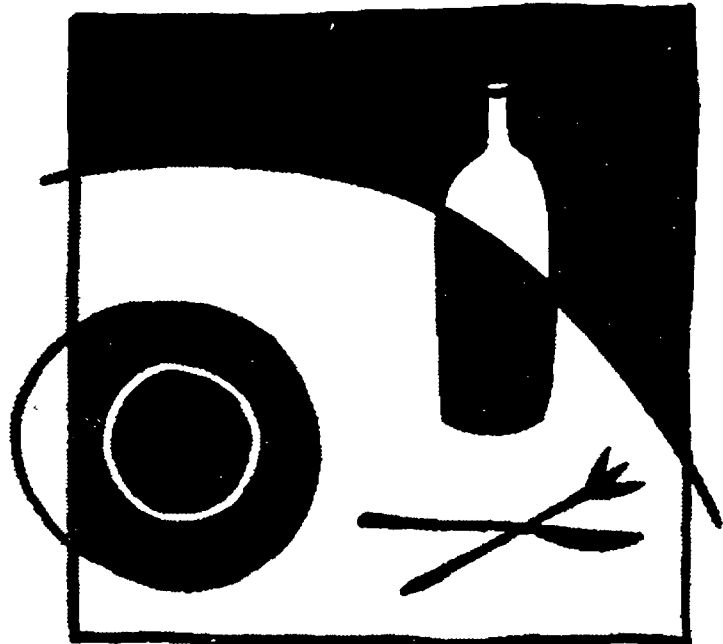
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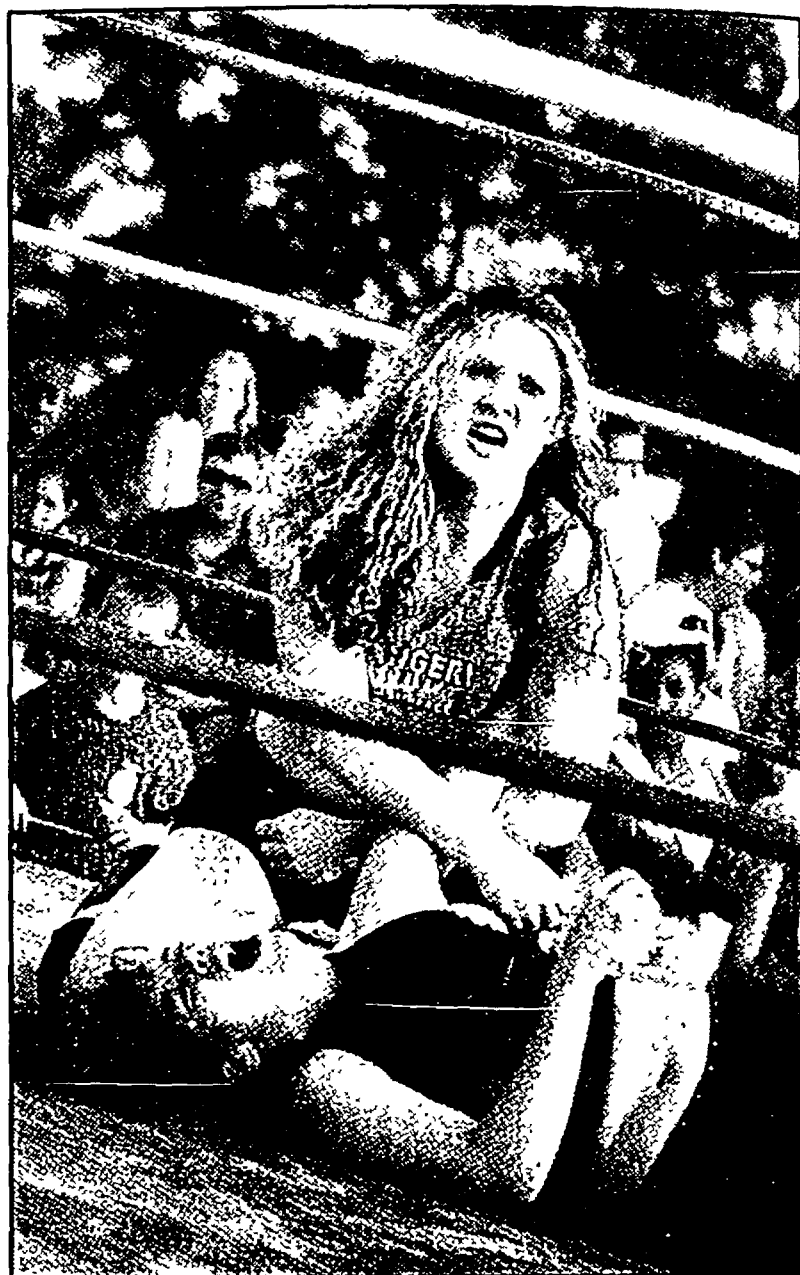
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DISCOUNTS

FROM PAGE 10

T. Clown and Dinky T. Clown on the loose on Spree grounds Wednesday through Sunday.

Free rides will be offered to handicapped children and adults from 2 p.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday, June 25, courtesy of Wade Shows. Anyone interested is asked to check in at the Wade Shows information booth. Neither Spree nor Wade personnel will be able to physically place anyone on the rides, however. "That has to be provided by the people themselves," said Rogman.

Discount ride coupons are offered on advertisements elsewhere in this special supplement.

And Rogman reminds readers not to forget the best freebie of all - the Grand Finale Fireworks, scheduled for 10:15 p.m., Sunday, June 29.

DOLLAR DAY DEALS

Among the most popular bargains is "Dollar Day," set for noon to 6 p.m., Sunday, June 29. Midway vendors will offer hot dogs, soda pop, popcorn and rides for \$1.

"We've got a tremendous amount of kiddie rides in a separate 'kiddie land,'" said Spree

organizer Dan Spurling. "We moved them away from the other rides onto a paved parking lot last year so little kids aren't running around among the adults and the big rides. That went over real well with parents on Dollar Day last year, so we will be doing that again."

PIZZA AND TRACTORS

Save some dough by feeding the family for a steal at Toarmina Pizza Night, beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 25, at Eddie Edgar Arena. "It's \$2 for all the pizza you can eat," said Spurling, Spree chairman of roads and grounds. "They'll have face painting and clowns in there, and old-fashioned, remote-control slot-car racing for the kids."

"We'll also have a the Kiddie Tractor Pull with prizes for kids aged 3 to 10. They're actual pedal-powered little tractors with a slide in the back. The kids will start pedaling and keep pedaling until they can't any more." Tractor pull action kicks off at 6 p.m. All activities are free.

The Spree Pancake Breakfast - featuring all the pancakes you can eat, sausage, fruit, juice, and coffee - is set for 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Sunday, June 29 at the Eddie Edgar Arena. Cost is \$4.

"It's a real popular thing. We had between 700 and 800 people last year," said Spurling, a Spree board member. "We bring in a company to do the pancakes. They have three or four big grills going and can flip cakes out pretty fast."

Another highlight of Spree - the Senior Citizen Picnic - takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wednesday, June 25, at the Eddie Edgar Arena. "It's a nice outing for seniors to come to and get a box lunch, and enjoy some entertainment, dancing, bingo and ice cream. They come together, mingle and have a good old time," said Spurling.

"It's fantastic," agreed Rogman. "We've had a packed house the last four years I know of. Senior citizens seem to really thrive on it and enjoy it."



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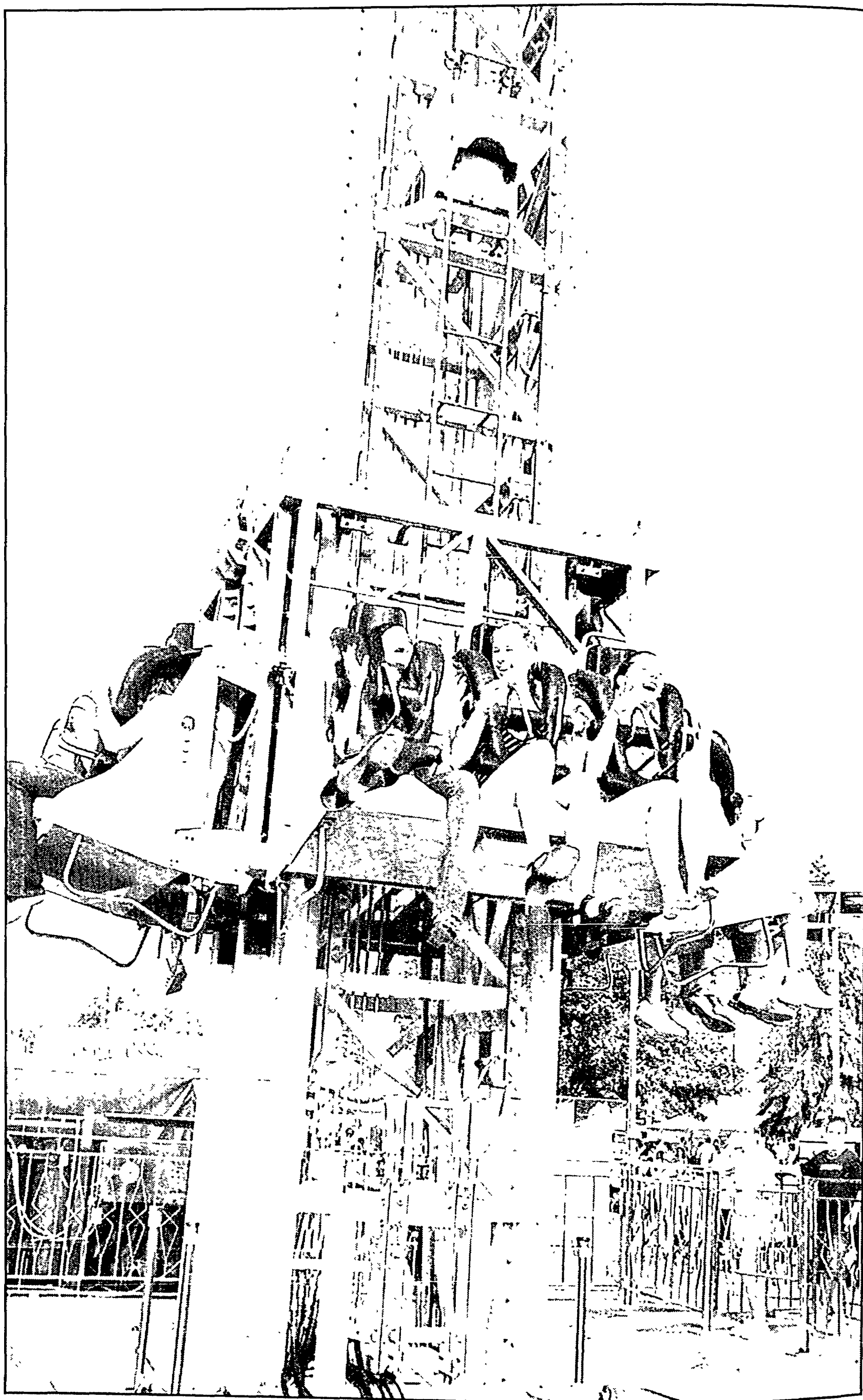
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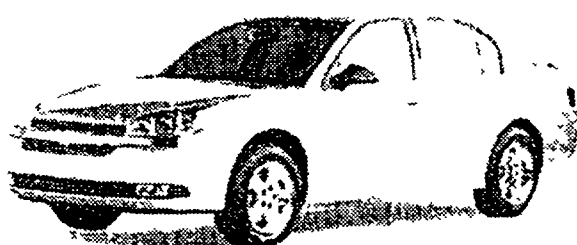
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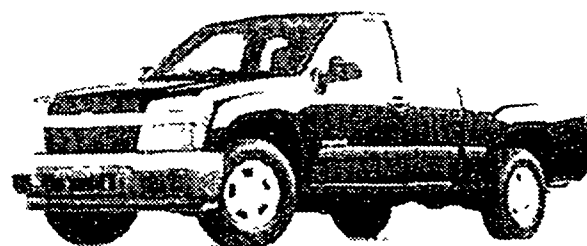
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Pre-sale ride bands fund nonprofit Spree, donations

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Spree pre-sale ride vouchers act like an insurance policy of sorts, since weather conditions can make or break the fund-raising aspect of an event like the Livonia Spree.

"Sometime during the five days there has to be two or three good days," explained Bill Fried, Spree secretary. "Thirty percent of the ride income comes in on Sunday night. If there's a bad day that day, it comes in as an average Spree."

Spree organizers figure on precipitation at least one or two days during Spree week. However, the pre-sale vouchers, selling for \$12 for all-day ride access, gives Spree organizers money in hand before the city's birthday party begins. "We have funded our own rain insurance with the pre-sale vouchers," Fried said.

"If it rains Friday, Saturday or Sunday it will hurt, but the philosophy is there is just so many dollars out there and if you get a rain date early in the week you can make it up."

It turns out that there was only one Sunday, the last day of Spree that culminates with fireworks, that the weather was so bad the display was rescheduled.

Last year, the pre-sale tickets brought in \$120,000 - 35 percent went to Spree organizers and 65 percent to Wade Shows, which operates the carnival.

Livonia Public Schools' PTAs were given \$1 for every pre-sale voucher sold. This year they will be given \$1.25 for each voucher. In total, PTA groups earned \$9,000 from Spree.

FirstStep, a longtime Spree benefactor, last year received \$1,000; Livonia Symphony got \$3,700; Livonia Foundation was given \$2,500 and for the first time; and the American Cancer Society was given Spree money, \$1,500.

Other Spree beneficiaries included \$6,000 for scholarships selected by the Livonia Youth Commission and \$1,682 for the Franklin pom-pom team, which earned their money taking dips in the Spree dunk tank. Another \$1,200 was given to the four high schools - Franklin, Stevenson, Churchill and Clarenceville - for year end parties.

Last year, the Spree committee also paid \$17,196 to the parks and recreation department and \$1,000 for the police reserve/explorer program.

Most Spree profits are made from ride sales, selling beverages and money from sponsors.

For the year running from October 2002 to

September 2003, the Spree is starting off with \$90,758.

"We're nonprofit and we don't intend to make money," explained Elizabeth Duggan, Spree treasurer.

"We intend to cover our costs," she said. "We have been fortunate enough that we have made money the last several years. We look at it as a birthday party for the city and we like to do everything we can to make it a special occasion."

One of the biggest costs is the fireworks presented by American Fireworks for \$54,000 this year.

"You can come to the Spree and not spend a dime if you can avoid the rides and food aisles," Fried said. "And you can still see the fireworks."

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Old-fashioned fun big draw of Family Day

BY M.B. DILLON
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There is only one place you'll find the Kraskas of Livonia on Spree Family Day — set for Saturday, June 28 — and that's Ford Field.

"We mark it off on our calendars every year," Michele Nicola-Kraska said. "It's become a ritual not only for my immediate family, but also for my two brothers, Kirk and Jim, who come from Beverly Hills and Redford with their fam-

events kick off at 1 p.m. with a kids parade," said Spurling, Spree chairman of roads and grounds. "Kids are welcome to use their own imagination to decorate their bikes or wagons, or they can just walk. They'll line up near the Eddie Edgar Arena and walk to the middle of Ford Field."

Lots of fun events follow, and there's no charge for any of them. "It's a day of fun for the whole family and it's totally free," said Spurling, a board member of Spree '53.

There'll be sack races, a bubblegum-blowing contest, face painting and a pool filled with peanuts where kids can dive for coins. Races, contests and games begin at 2 p.m. on the Spree grounds.

"We'll have a karate school and the police K-9 unit doing demonstrations," Spurling said. "There'll be a watermelon-eating contest and inflatables — blow-ups — that the kids can actually go in to burn off some energy. Last year it was a Titanic slide; we'll give them something different this year."

"There are gifts for everyone who shows up at Family Day," he added. "The gifts are from different sponsors from throughout the community, be it an ice cream cone at Han-D-Dip or something from Baskin Robbins. Everyone walks away with something."

Spurling predicts Family Day will draw 800-plus — from near and far. "We've had people come in from out-of-state who make plans to come back and visit relatives during Spree," he said.

What makes Family Day such a hit? "I think it's the idea of getting back to traditional fun that brings the whole family together, and away from the video games and TV," Spurling said. "Things like the sack races

and the watermelon-eating contest give families some time to spend together at an old-style get-together."

Like his wife Michele, Bob Kraska needs no convincing. "My son Jason will be 28 on June 26, and we always celebrated his birthday at the Spree when he and his sister Colleen were little," Kraska said. "The Spree has always been a very special thing for us. And it seems like you can never cover everything. We've had a great time every year running into things we didn't expect. There are always new things for everyone. It has become a local tradition."



Digging in is the key in the watermelon eating contest, part of Family Day on Saturday, June 28, during Spree '53.

ilies. We spend all day. The kids have fun on the rides and love to play the arcade games. They dance to the live band music and the fireworks are the best anywhere."

Joanne Kraska, 9, had a great time last year winning free bowling passes. "I ate the watermelon as fast as I could, and I won that contest," she said. "I did not have a stomach ache after that. It was good. Oh, man. It was delicious. I was ready to enter it a second time to see if I could eat any faster."

This will mark Dan Spurling's 12th year as a volunteer Spree organizer. "Our Family Day



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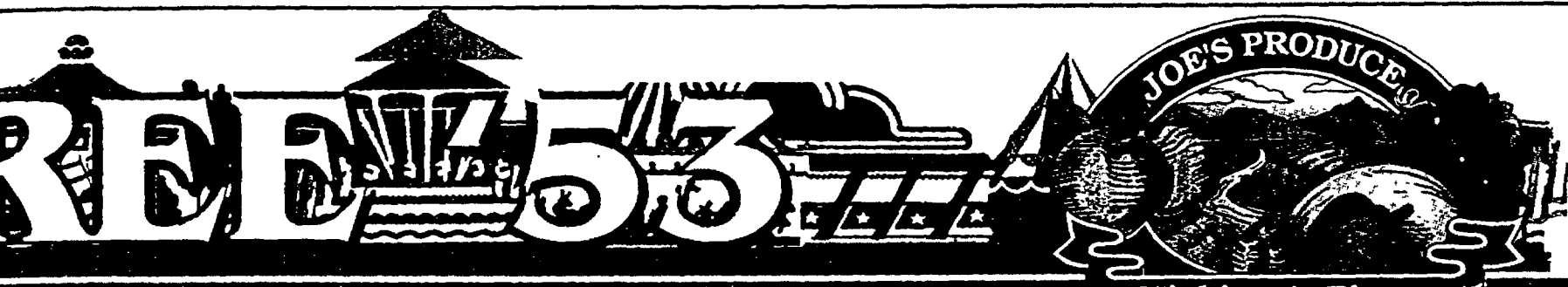
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SPREE & CARNIVAL

OPEN AT 2:00 p.m.

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7:00 - 11:00 p.m.

PEPSI STAGE

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7:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Spree Grounds Events

JASON HUDY COMEDY MAGIC

5:00 p.m.

ROBINSON RACING PIGS

2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00 & 9:00 p.m.

DINKY T. CLOWN &

ERNIE T. CLOWN

4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

GREAT LAKES PRO WRESTLING

Ball Diamond #2 - 7:30 p.m.

CHILD "ID" PROGRAM

Police Trailer

4:00 - 8:00 p.m.



SATURDAY, JUNE 28

SPREE & CARNIVAL

OPEN AT 12:00 Noon

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LABATT STAGE

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PEPSI STAGE

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Spree Grounds Events

JASON HUDY COMEDY MAGIC

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SPREE GROUNDS (South End)

7:00 to 11:00 p.m. Jack Dalton Trio (Dixieland)

Spree Grounds Events

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Local performers pack 'em in

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
CORRESPONDENT

Some of the musicians performing during the Spree have been making music in the area for years and going on stage in their own neighborhood adds a personal touch for them and the audiences.

Steve King & the Dittilies have performed at the Spree off and on more than 20 years.

"I enjoy it because it's like a reunion," explained King, a Livonia resident. "I always see people there who I graduated with (in 1972 from Bentley High School).

"There's some people that's the only time I see them all year."

The band has a summertime schedule that includes community events throughout the state.

"The Spree is more personal, because I know the audience on a first name basis," King added.

In fact, a couple of years ago, the band was given an official, even though it was somewhat tongue in cheek, proclamation as the official Band of Michigan.

"Steve King and his group are pretty well-received and that's why we have them back

"There's a little carnival person in all of us. My wife says: 'You know, you don't have to stay there all day.'"

Rich Skaggs

Spree, first vice president

almost every year," said Bob Sills, Spree board member.

The band will warm up for the fireworks show from 7-11 p.m. Sunday, June 29.

This will be the third year performing at the Spree for another popular local group,

Bobby Lewis and the Cracker Jack Band are scheduled from 7-11 p.m. Thursday, June 26. Many of their fans remember when they played classic rock and classic pop with songs ranging from Elton John to Chicago and the Temptations from 1970-1983 at Your Mustache Lounge in Dearborn.

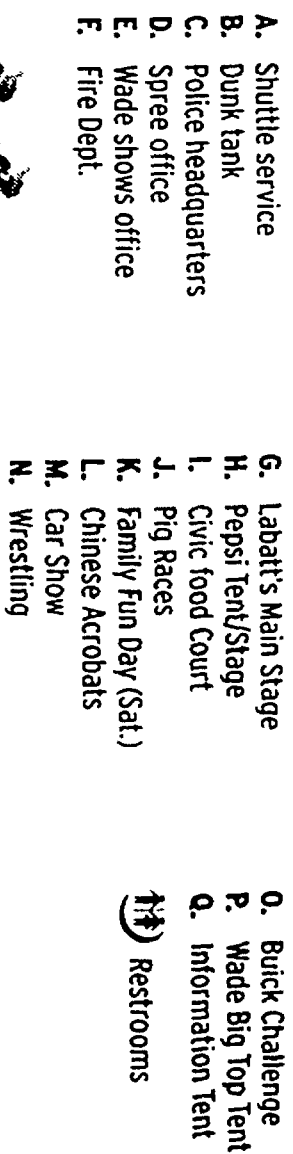
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PLEASE SEE **PERFORMERS, 25**



Getting the folks and kids up dancing is a goal of most bands on stage. Shown performing are Steve King and the Dittilies.

Tuesday, June 24 - Sunday, June 29



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PERFORMERS

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music that meant something to people that they forgot until we present it to them again," said Bobby Lewis, a Northville resident.

Quite often, Lewis said, big name stars who were performing in town would stop into Your Mustache to catch their act.

"There was a unique mystique about the place," said Lewis, adding that this will be the third year his band will perform at Spree.

The band travels the state performing in various summer concerts.

"Half of the people who show up are fans and the rest are people who have never seen us before and the mix of the two make a great audience," Lewis said.

Many of his band's fans from those early days now live in metro Detroit and have families of



Trilogy brings its popular sounds to Spree on June 25, featuring, from left, John Liddell, Gary "Bubba" Michaels, Lloyd Slaven, Tim Adkins and Terry Stafford.

their own. "At these festivals, we see a lot of people who used to come and see us at the lounge and they come here with their kids and they're turning their kids onto the band," Lewis said.

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Real 'fun run' also offers pancakes, massages

BY M.B. DILLON
CORRESPONDENT

How can you get a workout, enjoy a massage, and be served breakfast all in one spot? Visit Livonia Spree Freedom Run & Pancake Breakfast Sunday, June 29, sponsored by the Livonia Family YMCA, Livonia Spree '53 and St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

The mile run/walk begins at 8 a.m., followed by the 5K at 8:15 and the 10K at 8:45 a.m. All races begin at the Eddie Edgar Arena, at Lyndon and Stark.

Marathon runner Lisa Seymour says one of the best things about the Freedom Run is that the races are staggered, allowing runners to do all three.

"That's always been a plus, especially for people doing their long distance training," Seymour said. "You can do the mile to warm up, some speed work (the 3.1-mile race) and a nice 6.2-mile cool down."

"It's not a real competitive race," Seymour added. "It's billed as a fun run, and that's really what it is. It brings out a lot of first-timers and

people from the neighborhood who normally wouldn't do a run. It's a lot less intimidating than a big race."

Seymour, the tennis office manager/instructor at the Y, plans to work registration at the run before running all three races.

The Freedom Run has been staged for 50-plus years on and off. But the all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast is new. "Last year was the first time combining the run and breakfast, and it was a hit," said Ken Rogman, Spree president. "We probably fed about 200 runners."

Entry fee is \$18 afterward; students up to age 25 (with ID) pay \$10. Pancakes will be served at the Eddie Edgar Arena after the mile begins. Nonrunners can buy breakfast tickets for \$4.

Race-day registration is from 7-8:45 a.m. at Eddie Edgar Arena, where all three races begin.

Medals will go to the top three males and females in the 5K and 10K. "The mile is non-competitive. Each child who finishes it will get a little prize," said Joe Stachura, race director and wellness coordinator at the Y.

The courses are fast, flat and accurate, says Stachura. The mile will follow the pavement around Ford Field. "Usually for the 5K and 10K, we run down Stark to Schoolcraft and through the subdivision," said Stachura. "The longer race will go down to Farmington. We'll end up back at Eddie Edgar."

Jennifer Kennedy, media coordinator at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, said the hospital contributes both money and race-day volunteers.

"It's the second year we've been involved. We feel it is just a great community event and we enjoy supporting it," said Kennedy.

There'll be post-race massage for the runners as well as fruit and drinks. For more details, call the Y at (734) 261-2161.

"I guess you do certain things because you enjoy it. We have 20 members on the Spree board, and 10 on the committee. Everyone is a volunteer. A couple of volunteers who work the beer booth don't even live in the area. They stay in a hotel and pay their own expenses to come and work at Spree."

Ken Rogman, Spree president



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Other Spree performers, like Trilogy will take the stage at the local festival for the first time. The name of the five piece band was chosen, because the group plays three kinds of music - oldies, Motown and classic rock.

"We do anything from the '50s, '60s to some of the stuff from 2000," said John Liddell, a

Livonia resident and saxophone player.

"It's going to be a great opportunity," Liddell said.

The music committee works to bring some of the old time favorites, but members also like to bring in new blood. Spree board members often attend the



Jack Dalton

Festival and Events of Michigan Convention in spring and fall to listen to bands.

Spree Concert Corner is supported by Labatt Blue Light and Pepsi.

Other acts include Spirit of Country Dance Team and Simple Hero Tuesday, June 24; Rhythm Society Orchestra Thursday, June 26; Straight Ahead's jazz and Latin sounds and Sheila Landis Quintet playing jazz, blues and Latin on Friday, June 27; Art of Fact playing blues and rock and roll and the Mike Wolverton Band performing big band music on Saturday, June 28; and Intrigue, Classix and Jack Dalton Trio (Dixieland) Sunday, June 29.

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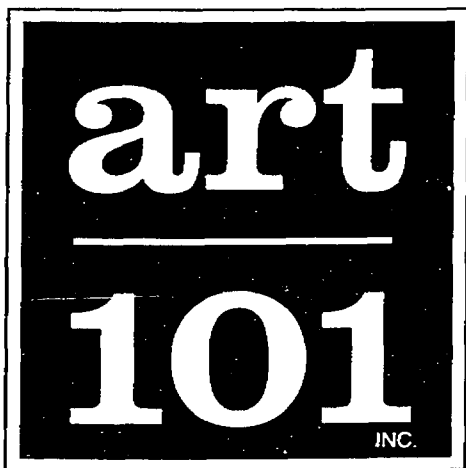
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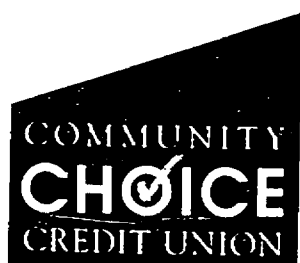
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A 16-course meal for \$6? It's Taste of Livonia

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
CORRESPONDENT

Imagine paying \$6 and getting a meal that's at least 16 courses.

Taste of Livonia runs from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 26, in Eddie Edgar Arena during Spree, offering ticket holders a chance to sample the best cooking from at least 14 Livonia restaurants and two Northville shops.

"By the time you get to 15 or 16 places, you've had dinner," explained Russ Smith, Taste of Livonia chairman and Spree board member. "It's one of those events that people look forward to."

He advises getting tickets in advance at Community Credit Union on Farmington Road just north of Five Mile or the Livonia Parks and Recreation offices.

"There are only 1,000 tickets and they go fast," Smith said, explaining that including invited guests the restaurants served about 1,200 people last year.

Restaurants included in the event are Zoup's and Starbucks in Northville and Buca 'di Beppo, Chi Chi's, East Side Mario's, Emmett's, Golden Lantern, Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches, Macaroni Grill, Outback Steakhouse, Panera Bread, Red Lobster, Rosa's Chophouse, Sand Trap, Tex-Mex Catering, Martinez, Joe's Produce, Buddy's Pizza, Costco and Max & Erma's in Livonia.

You can expect pretty much the same fare if you attended Taste of Livonia last year. There are a couple of different restaurants, however, added this time.

Ticket holders browse among the tables of food that have been set up in a circle allowing easy access for the diners to move onto the next offering.

As an added treat, many of the restaurants give away coupons, like a buy one get one free, a complimentary appetizer or a free dessert. It was a deal when you were getting a complete meal for the \$6 ticket price, but with the coupons thrown in your investment is suddenly paying dividends.

Taste Fest proceeds go to community service programs, like all the other money the city earns during Spree. Last year, Taste Fest earned \$6,000.

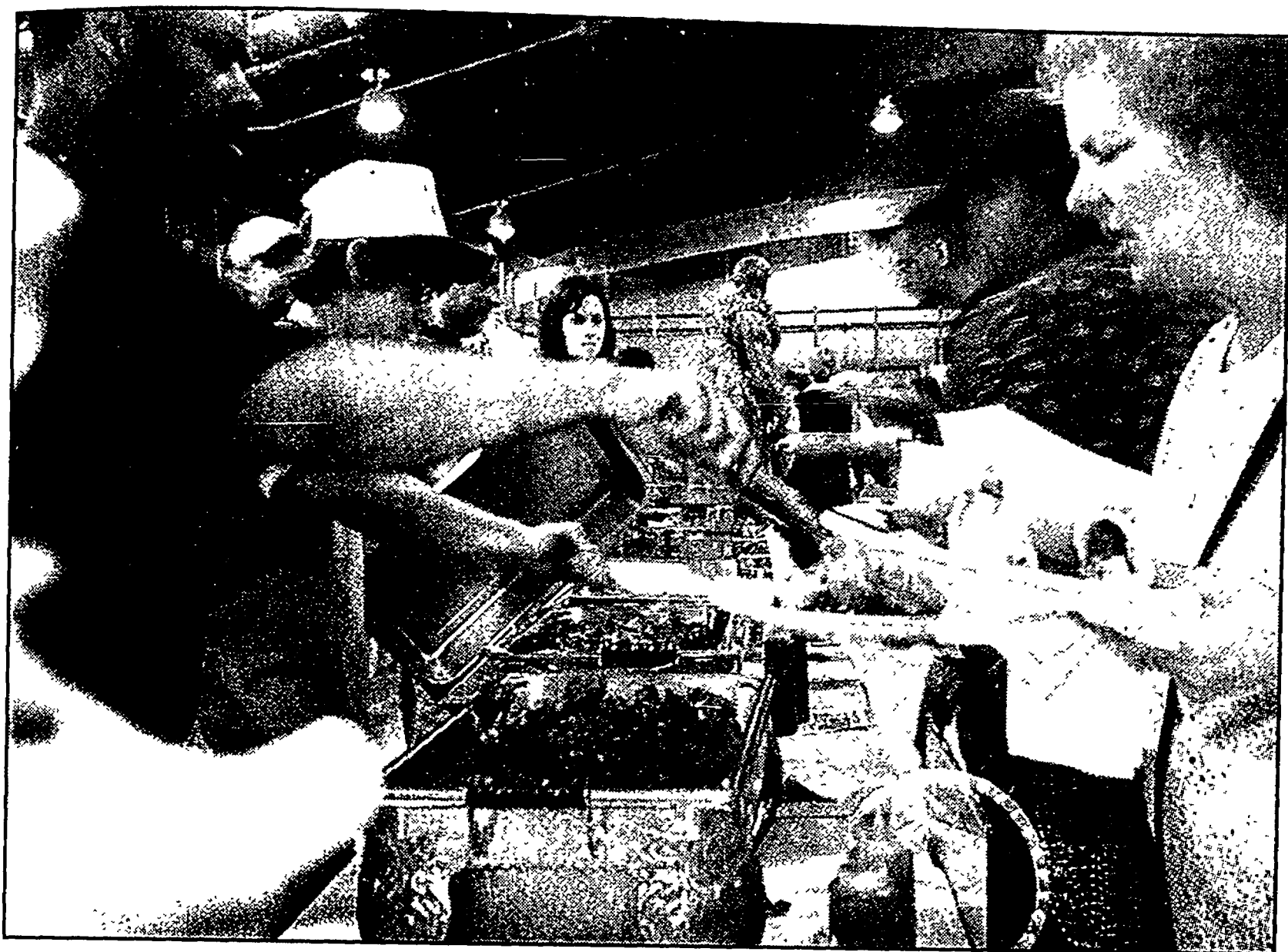
"One hundred percent of what we raise is given back to the community," Smith said. "No volunteer gets paid and no restaurant makes any money on the deal. It's one of those events that people look forward to. We rent the arena, but just about everything else is donated. Even the knives and forks, someone goes around and scrounges for them."

There's also a prize for the restaurant with the best-decorated table. City Treasurer Linda Grimsby has agreed to judge this contest. The winning restaurant is given a trophy that can be displayed for an entire year. Macaroni Grill won the best-decorated table last year.

"It's probably one of the best dinners out that anyone can get," Smith said. "It's exciting - you go in and there's 1,000 people walking around. Everyone is having a good time. It's really a low price for what you get. And when they come out they say, 'Oh. I'm full.'"

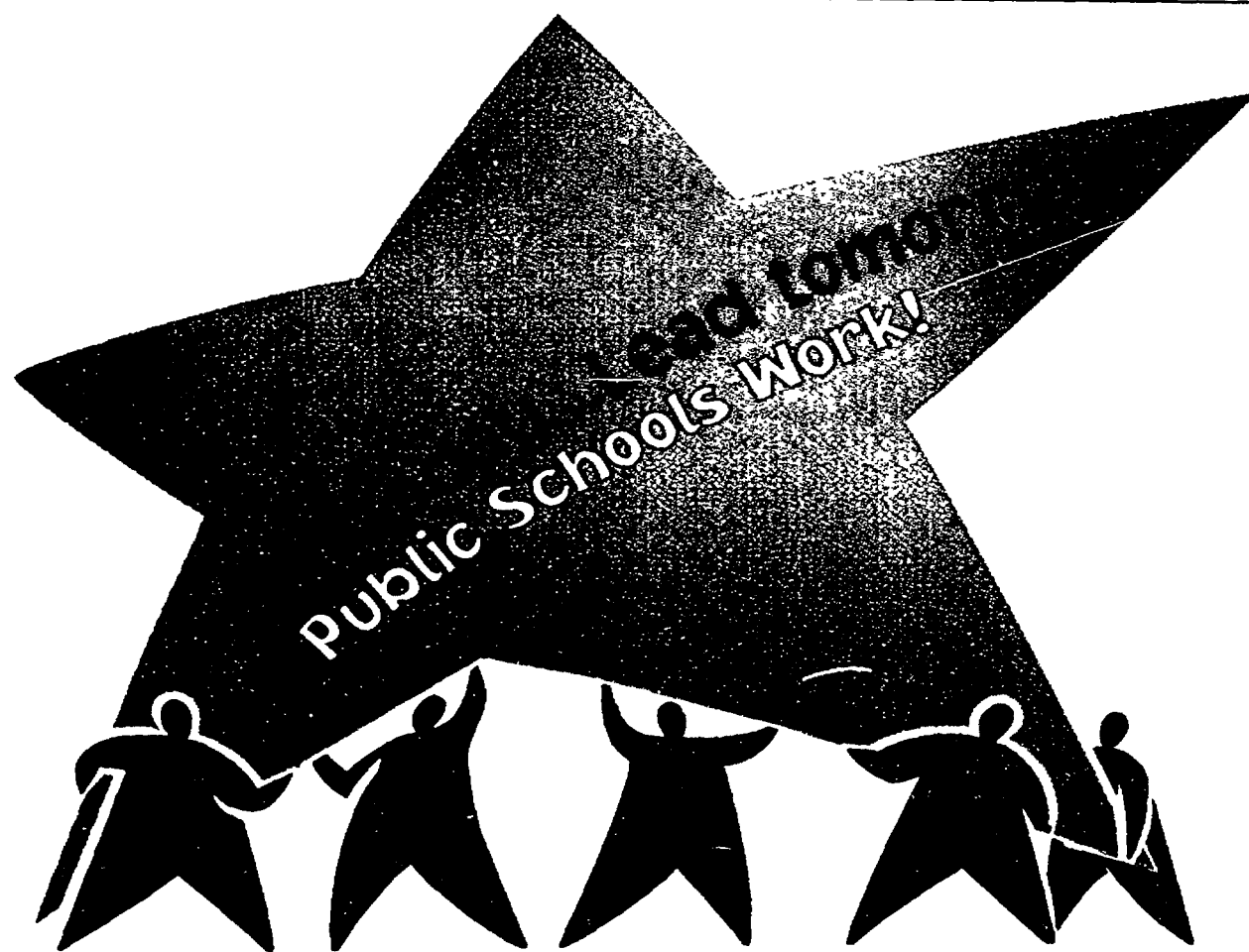


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Kids ready to slurp up the competition

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They should also be sure to wear some clothes they won't mind messing up a bit, since there's no telling how much of the sweet confection they'll get on them during the annual kid-vs.-pie competition.

The only requirements for the contest are that youngsters be 7 to 12 years old and that they fill out the registration form (also in this special supplement) and bring it to the Pepsi tent between 5 and 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 25.

The competition will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Judges from the Observer will choose prize winners in various age categories.

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PIE EATING CONTEST

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LIVONIA SPREE 53

The Pie Eating Contest, sponsored by the Livonia Observer, will begin at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 25.

Bring this form to the Pie Eating Contest in the Pepsi tent between 5 and 6 p.m. on the event day

Ages: 7 - 12

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REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND RESERVE BALANCE

For Year Ended September 30, 2002

Net Reserve Balance at September 30, 2001	\$74,971
INCOME*	
Carnival Income	\$193,005
Food & Beverage Sale	65,023
Supportership & Acknowledgement Income	32,325
Food Vendor Site Rental	3,956
Pizza Night & Pancake Breakfast	3,045
Taste of Livonia Income	4,884
Interest Income	2,054
Other Income	<u>1,976</u>
Gross Income	<u>306,070</u>
Total Net Reserve & Gross Income Available	\$381,041
OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Midway Operations & DPW/Police Billings	\$66,059
Insurance, License & Taxes	25,427
Board Operations & Meetings	22,902
Rentals & Maintenance	22,832
Advertising, Promotion & Supplies	<u>9,890</u>
Less: Total Operating Expenses	<u>146,110</u>
Net Reserve After Operating Expenses	\$234,931
PROGRAM EXPENSES:	
Free Fireworks	\$52,000
Free Entertainment	<u>47,195</u>
Less: Total Program Expenses	<u>98,195</u>
Net Reserve After Program Expenses	\$135,736
Community Donations (See Schedule)	<u>44,978</u>
Net Reserve Balance for Spree 53, Sept. 30, 2003	<u>\$ 90,756</u>

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNITY DONATIONS

For Year Ended September 30, 2001

COMMUNITY DONATIONS

City and City Organizations	
Parks & Recreation	\$17,196
Police Reserve/Explorer	1,000
Other City Donations	<u>200</u>
Total Donations to City	\$18,396
Livonia Community Organizations	
First Step	1,000
Livonia Symphony	3,700
Livonia Foundation	2,500
American Cancer Society	<u>1,500</u>
Total Donations to Livonia Community Organizations	\$8,700
Livonia Schools/Organizations	
PTA Groups	\$8,000
Scholarships (3)	6,000
School Graduation Parties	<u>1,200</u>
Total Donations to Livonia School Organizations	<u>17,882</u>
TOTAL COMMUNITY DONATIONS	<u>\$44,979</u>

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10/01/96-9/30/97	35,750	22,440	58,190
10/01/95-9/30/96	12,111	15,231	27,342
10/01/94-9/30/95	8,458	11,349	19,807
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Members of the Spree board include, from left, president Ken Rogman, Rich Skaggs, John D'arca and Bill Fried, whose leadership will bring Spree '53 to town June 24-29.



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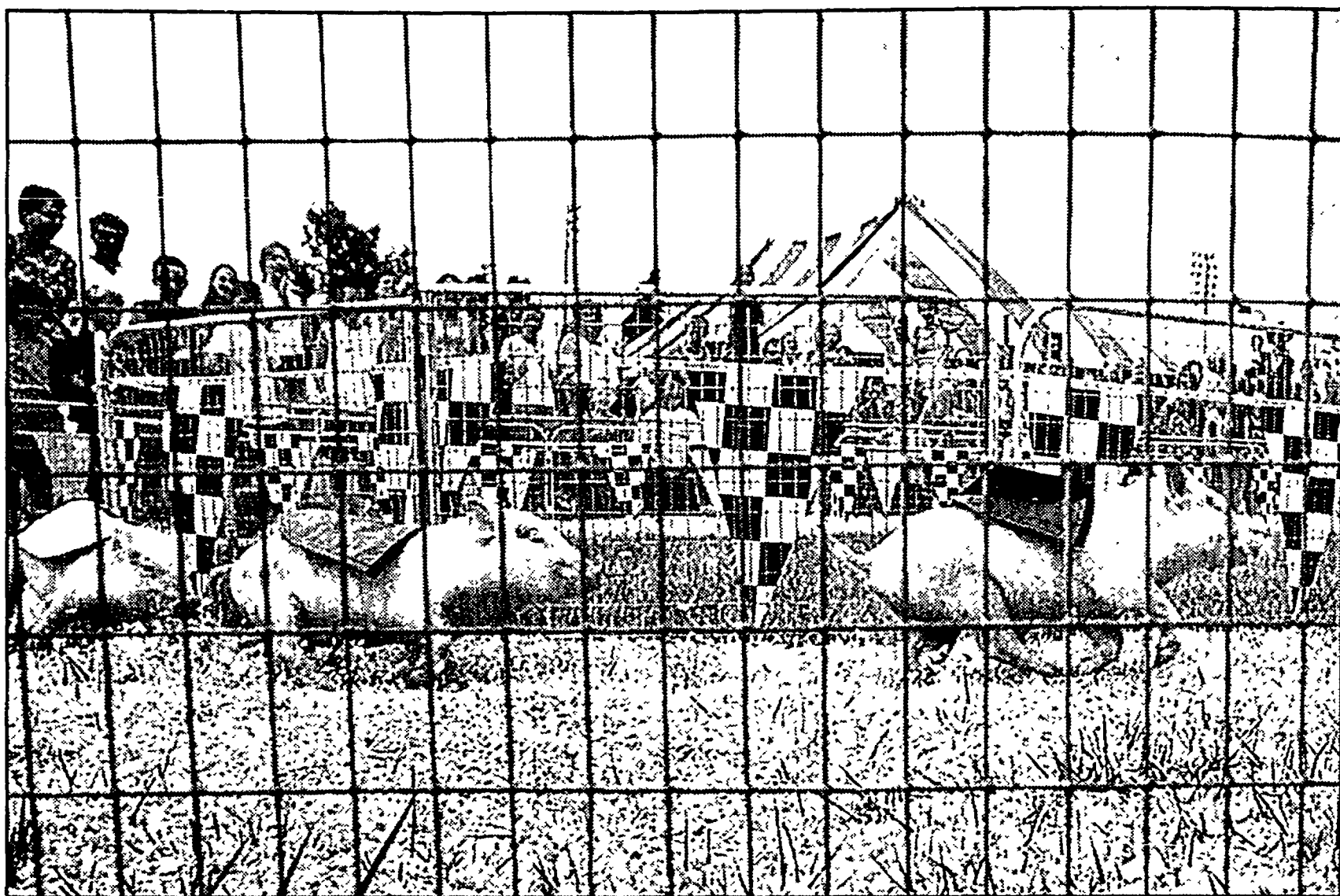
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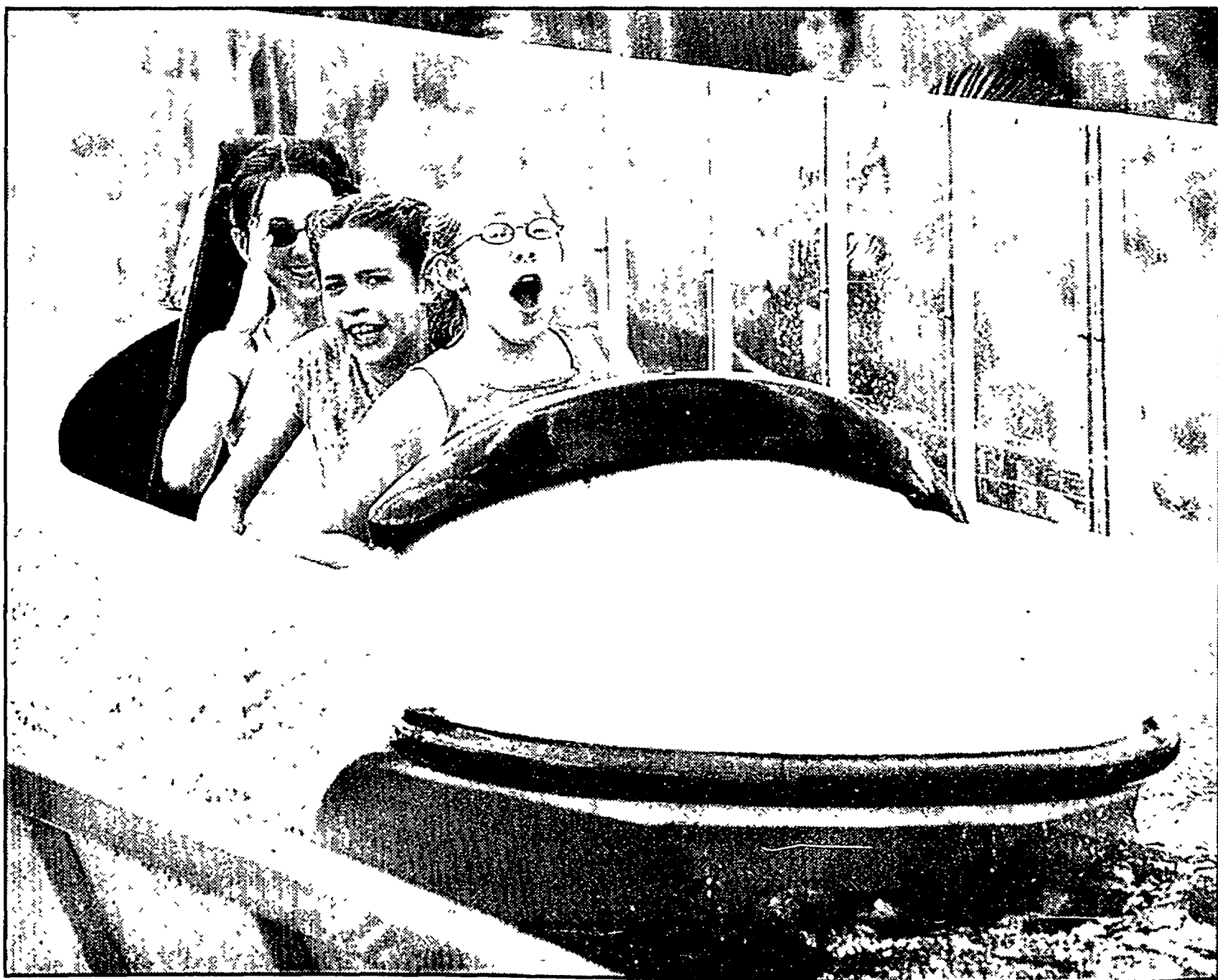
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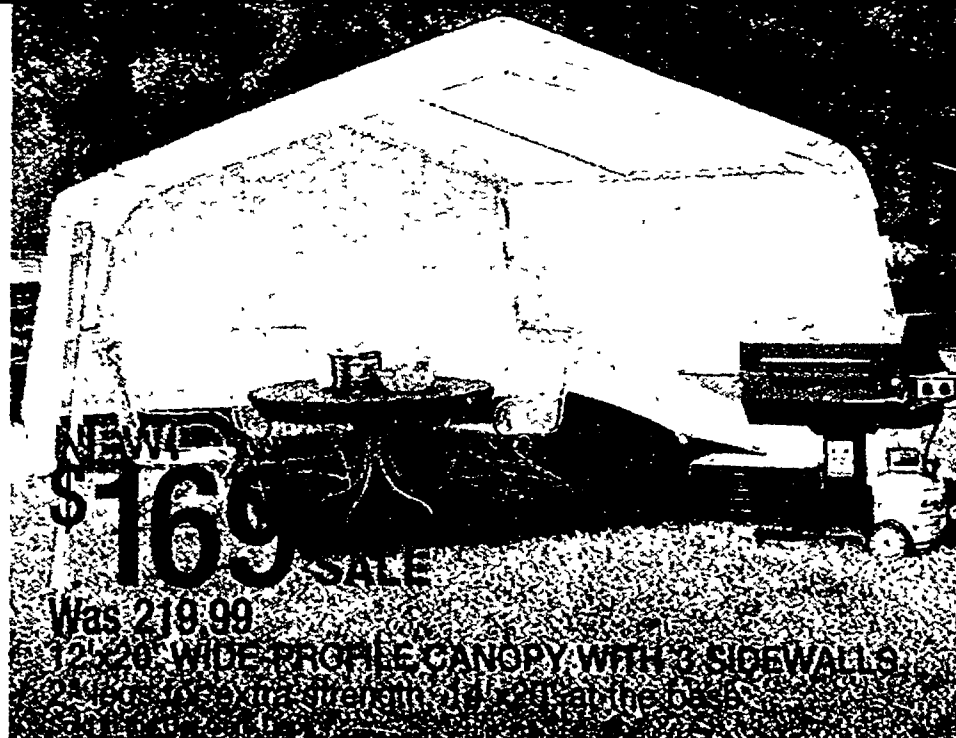
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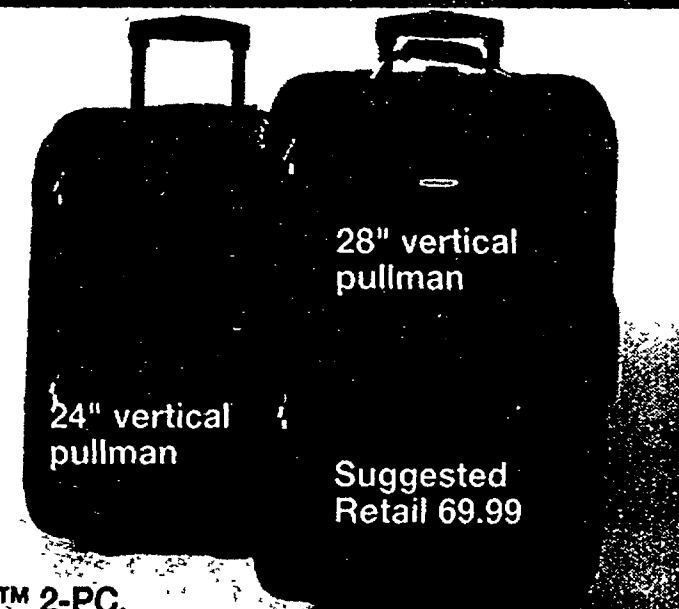


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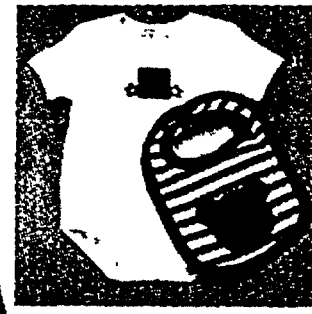
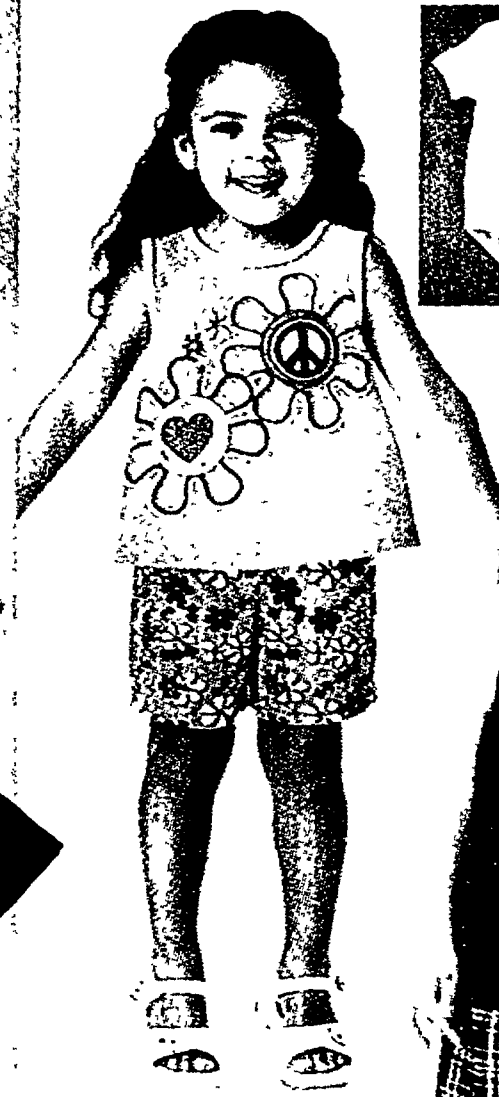
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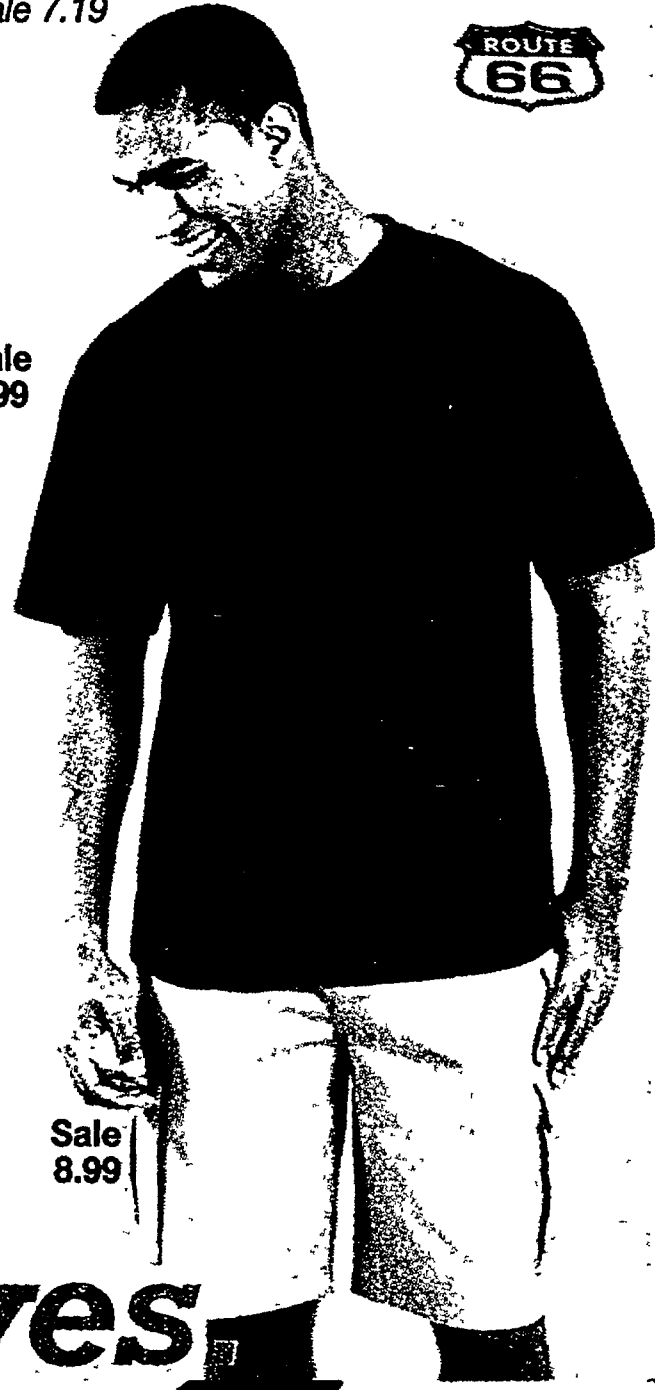


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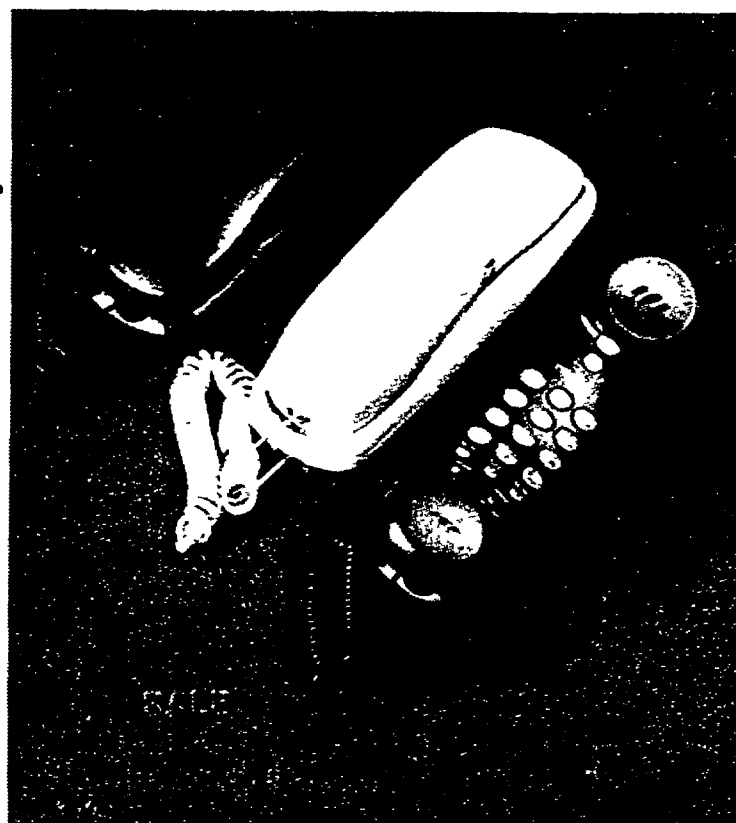
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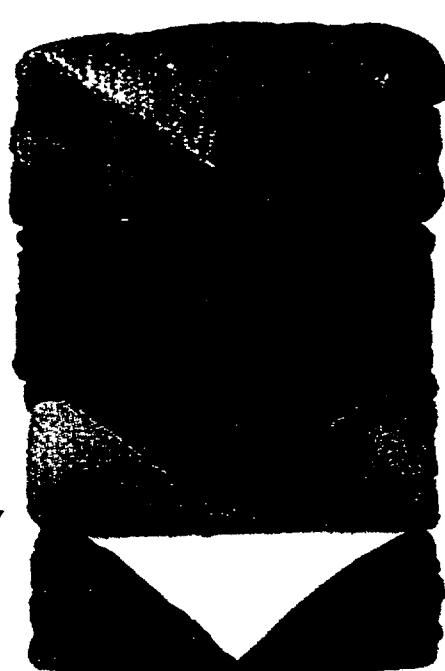


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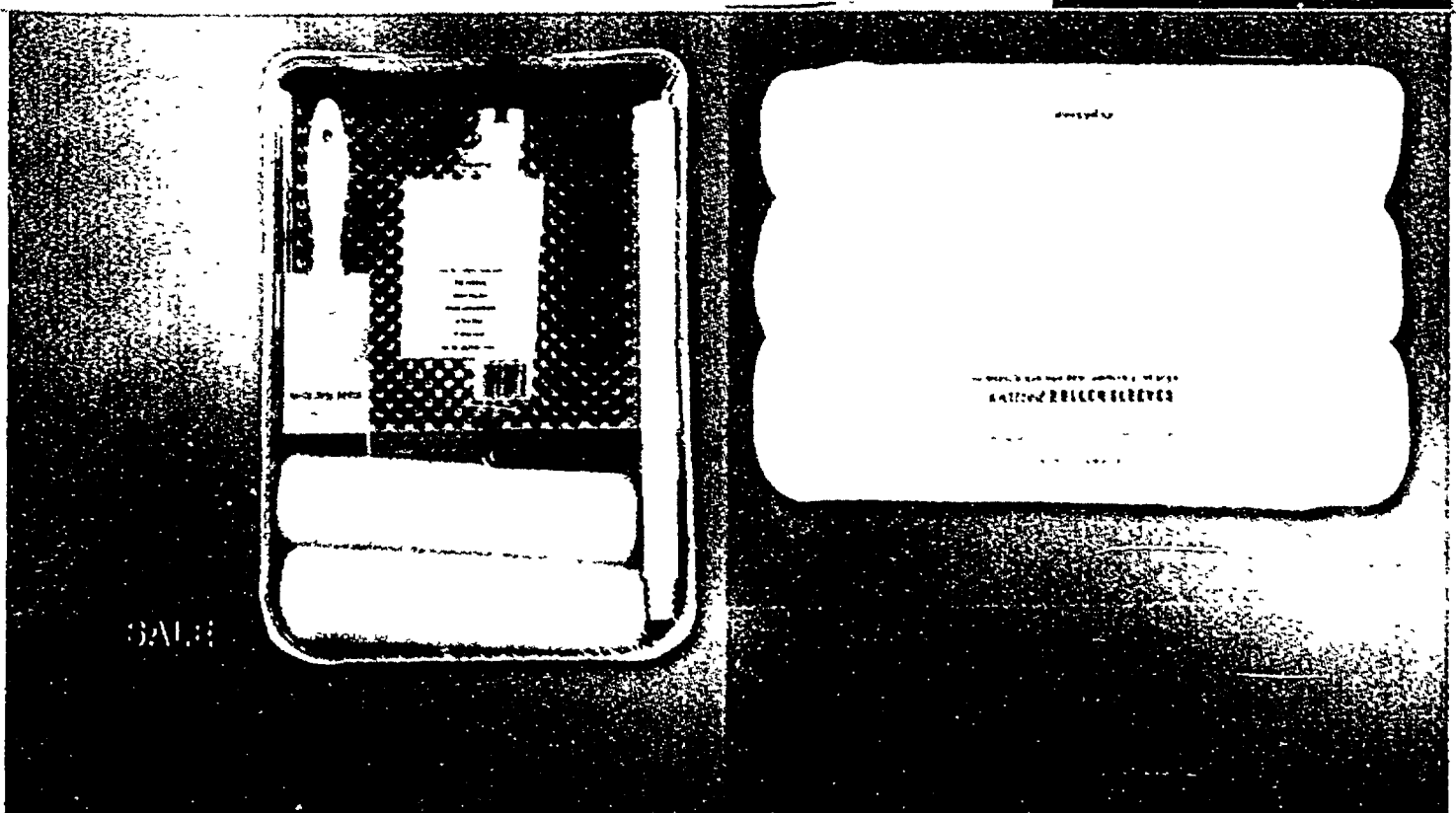
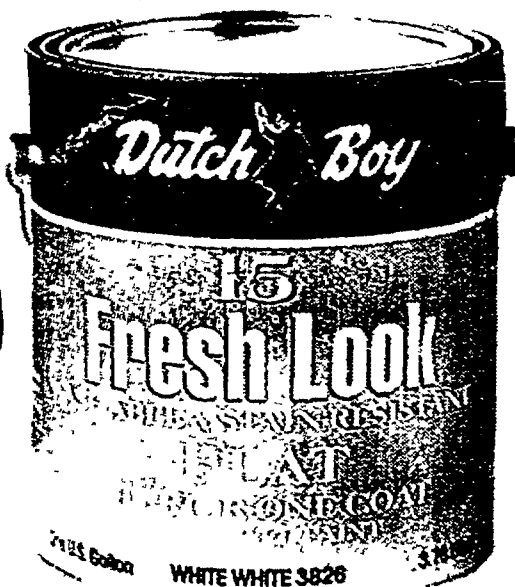
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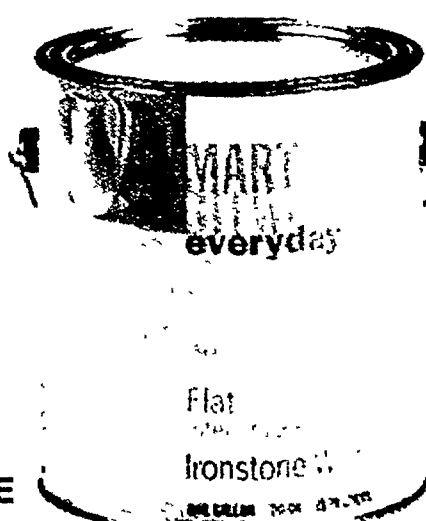
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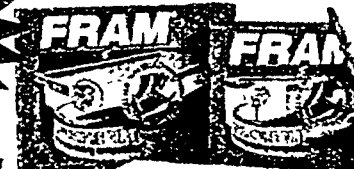
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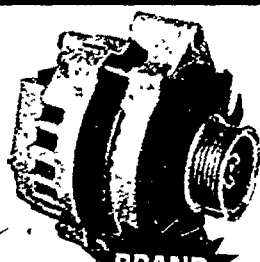


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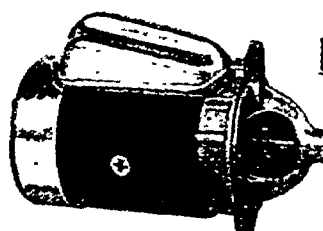
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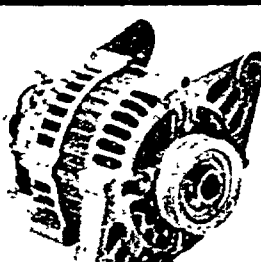


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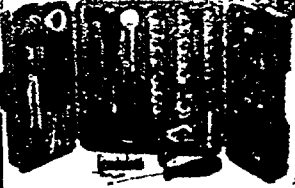
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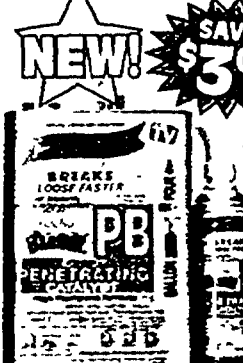
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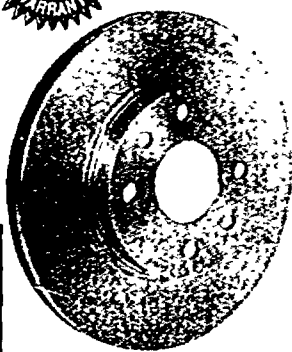


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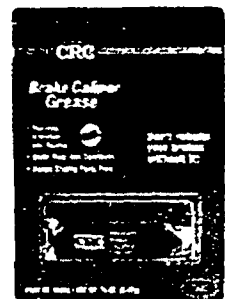
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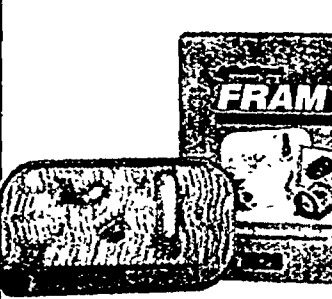


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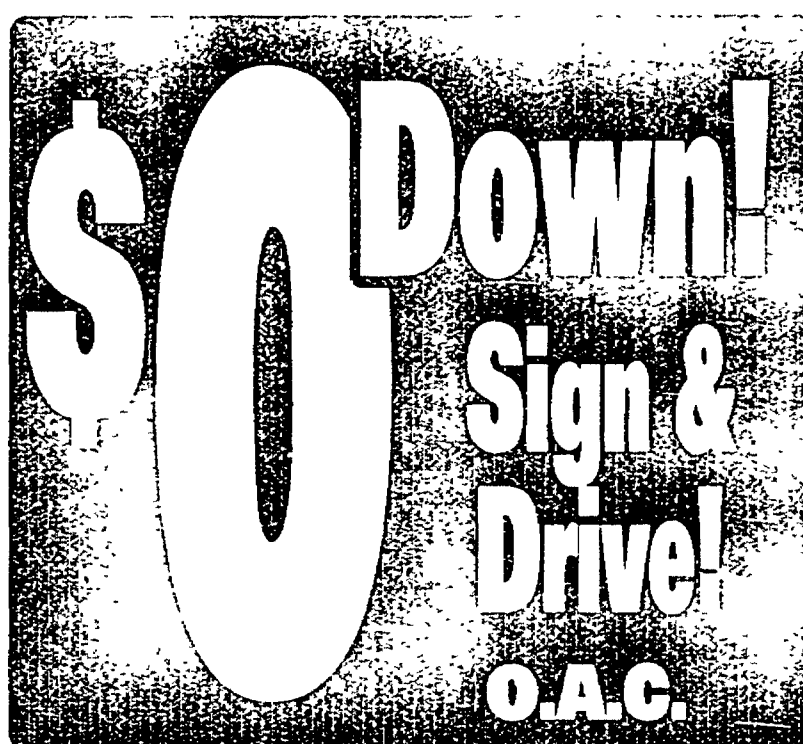
HOWELL, MI- This week a large number of bank repossessions, lease turn-ins, fleet vehicles and factory official cars will be liquidated in one of the largest used car events in Michigan history.

Champion Chevrolet will be the location for this event, at 5000 E. Grand River in Howell Exit 141 off I-96. A large number of trucks, cars, minivans, and sport utilities from numerous midwestern bank sources will be available for 5 days only.

Anyone can take advantage of the savings during this event, as financing will be available for all credit situations. Buyers simply select a vehicle, sign and drive with \$0 down.

Mr. Ken Kirchinger, the event finance director, says over \$12 million in credit will be available on the spot. And because the vehicles will be sold below Kelley Blue Book values, most buyers can obtain financing with little to no down payment.* Even those buyers with problem credit will have an opportunity to get on the spot credit approval. This is an incredible event for all buyers to get great prices and the best financing plans available.

The special event coordinator, Mr. David Gabel, says that "We will help everyone with this event. The banks, the finance companies, and most importantly the customers will benefit from the efforts at Champion Chevrolet. As a dealership, we would rather sell cars to the general public rather than wholesale them to dealers or at auction."



To make the event even more productive for the buyers, all the vehicles will be clearly marked with a price. And for the benefit of the buyer, all qualifying vehicles will be inspected and they will come with a warranty to protect the purchaser. All this effort by the dealer will make it very quick and easy to select a car at an affordable price and have warranty protection.

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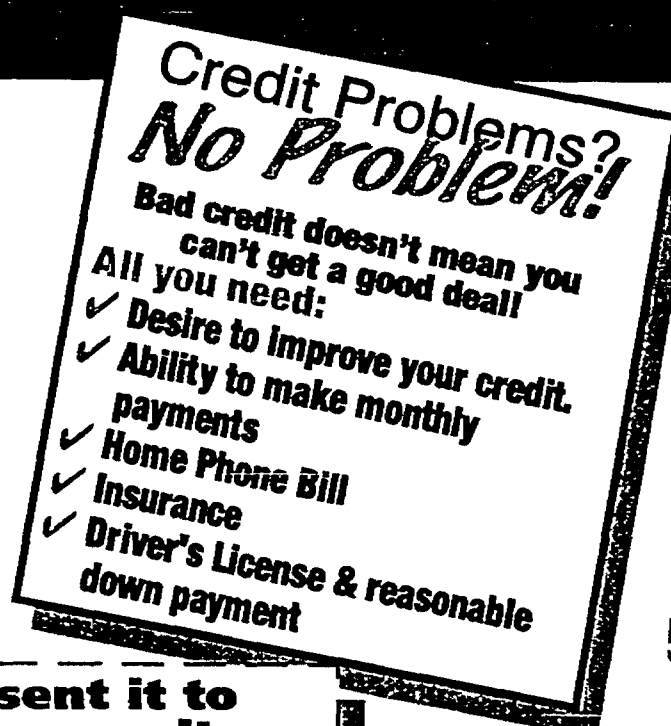
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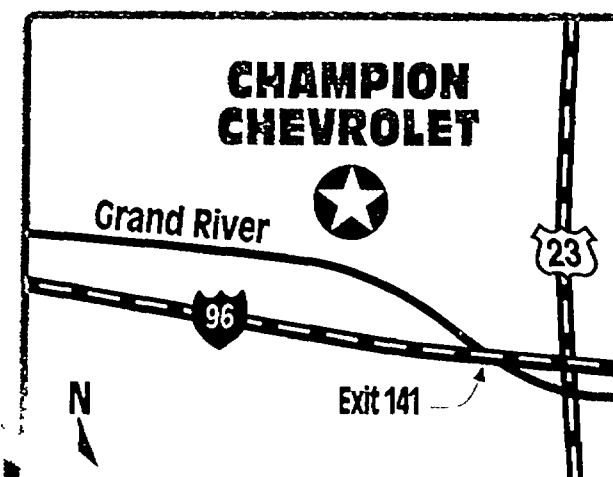
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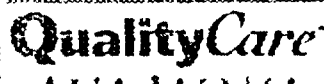
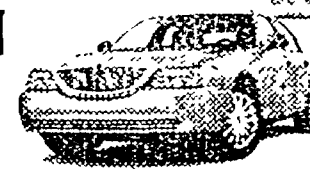
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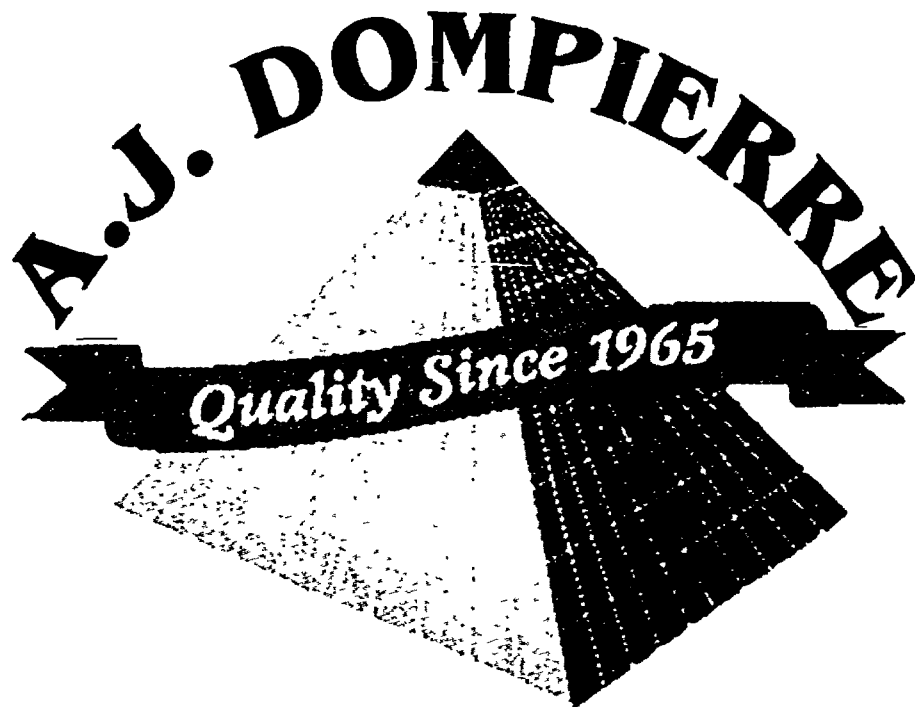
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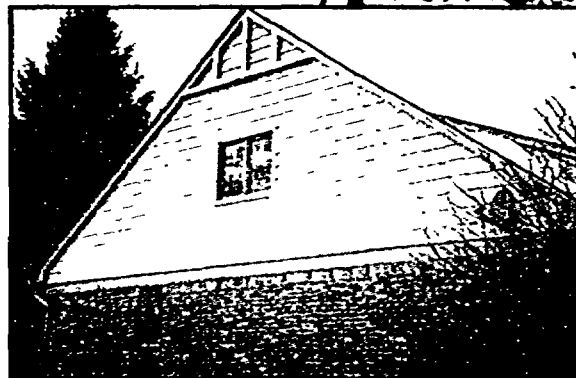
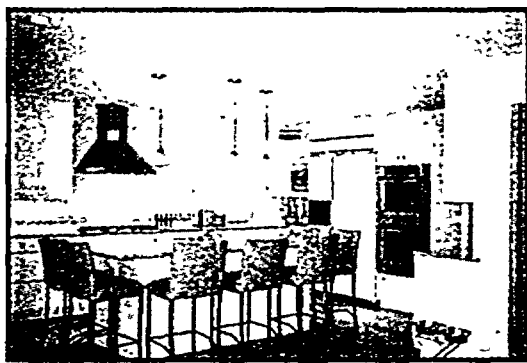


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Ask American Profile

Q Have Kix Brooks and Ronnie Dunn always sung together? If not, how did they become a duo?

—Lynn K., Kansas

Though the mega-successful country duo seem as if they've always been singing together, the truth is that each was pursuing a solo career before they met. In fact, each of the men had charted singles on their own in 1983. They were introduced by record label president Tim DuBois, who thought they might make a good team. Kix Brooks, 47, and Ronnie Dunn, 49, have since admitted that they didn't get along right away because they had such different approaches to performing. Anyone who's seen the pair onstage knows that's true. Dunn stands in front of his microphone and sings while Brooks runs around the stage with near-frantic energy. They worked it out though, and their styles now complement each other. Since teaming up, they've sold millions of albums and can't seem to stop winning awards. They write most of their own material together, and it's likely that each of them would agree that, in their case, two heads are better than one.



Dynamic country duo Brooks and Dunn.

became an obsession, and as a teenager he began studying in earnest, with that same local magician who wowed him at the Christmas party. By age 20, Burton won the Gold Medal for Excellence from the International Brotherhood of Magicians, a highly prestigious award in the world of magic. Before long he was appearing on *The Tonight Show* with Johnny Carson, delighting the magic-loving host with his sleight-of-hand. He's had his own TV specials and traveled around the world astounding audiences with his magic. Today, he performs regularly in Las Vegas at the Lance Burton room of the Monte Carlo Hotel and Casino. He's not married —saying that he is married to his work—and has a 21-year-old son.

Q I loved Kate Mulgrew as Capt. Kathryn Janeway in *Star Trek: Voyager*. But since *Voyager* I haven't seen her in anything else. What gives?

—Chelsa H., Utah

You can catch Kate Mulgrew in *Star Trek: Nemesis*, where she has a cameo role as Adm. Kathryn Janeway. Mulgrew made television history as the first featured woman captain in the *Star Trek* franchise. She spent much of last year campaigning for her husband, Tim Hagan, in his losing his race for governor of Ohio. Mulgrew's father, Tom Mulgrew, is a former Iowa Democratic Party chairman. Kate, 48, is an Iowa native who now lives in Cleveland, starring in a one-woman play that opens in March at the Promenade Theater in New York City. The play, *Tea at Five*, is based on the life of Katharine Hepburn. Mulgrew, who has two sons and a daughter, is best known for her television appearances. Besides her role as a starship captain, she appeared on the soap opera *Ryan's Hope* and in *Kate Columbus*. ★

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Q Can you give me some information about master magician Lance Burton? Is he married and does he have children?

—Cindy H., California

Lance Burton discovered magic as a 5-year-old in Louisville, Ky., when he attended a Christmas party that had a magician on hand for entertainment. Lance was amazed by all the tricks and immediately volunteered when the tuxedo-clad performer asked for help from someone in the audience. He started studying magic soon after, mastering all the tricks he could find in kids' magic kits and books. The interest



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IOWA—Aviator Eugene Ely made the first flight from a warship on Nov. 14, 1910, when he took off in a Curtiss airplane from a wooden platform on the cruiser, *USS Birmingham*. Ely was born in 1886 in Davenport.

KANSAS—A relic from the cattle-drive era, a pair of horns from a longhorn steer, spanning 7 feet, 2 inches, graces the lobby of the 1881 Stock Exchange Bank in Caldwell (pop. 1,284).

MICHIGAN—After rusting in an Alabama field for 30 years, the bus where African-American Rosa Parks made civil-rights history is permanently parked at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn. Parks' refusal to give up her seat to a white man led to the 1956 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that segregation is unconstitutional.

MINNESOTA—Grand Rapids' (pop. 7,764) most famous daughter is actress Judy Garland, who was born Frances Ethel Gumm in 1922. Baby Gumm performed at age 2 at Itasca Mercantile. Garland made 32 movies, including *The Wizard of Oz* in 1939.

MISSOURI—Held annually since 1866, the Moniteau County Fair in California (pop. 4,005) is believed to be the oldest continuous fair west of the Mississippi.

NEBRASKA—In 1887, settler George Rowley suggested his town be named Juanita after a popular Spanish love song, but the post office changed the spelling to Wauneta (pop. 625) to avoid mix-ups with Juniata (pop. 693).

NORTH DAKOTA—The Sheyenne River Valley State Scenic Byway near Valley City (pop. 6,826) became the state's first National Scenic Byway in June 2002.

OHIO—Legendary basketball coach Bobby Knight, who led Indiana University to three national championships and won his 800th game last March at Texas Tech University, was born in 1940 in Massillon (pop. 31,325) and graduated from Orrville (pop. 8,551) High School.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Many of the late 1800s downtown buildings in Dell Rapids (pop. 2,980) are built of rose-colored quartzite quarried here.

WISCONSIN—From 1906 to 1931, Kissel Motor Car Co. in Hartford (pop. 10,905) manufactured vehicles, including the upscale Goldbug speedster that was popular with celebrities of the day. ★

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Hometown Hero

by CANDI HELSETH
Photos by Roger Riveland

The Fireworks Master

When Bruce Rosten extended an open invitation to a fireworks show on his farm July 4, 1989, no one realized where it would lead.

"Word got out that I was shooting fireworks, and we had maybe 150 people—counting cars and dogs—show up," recalls Rosten, 56, who grew up on the farm three miles northwest of Wildrose, N.D. (pop. 129). "The next year more people showed up. It never occurred to me that it would keep on growing like it has."



Bruce Rosten loads an Italian-style shell into a canister.

In 1993, when Rosten's farm could no longer accommodate the growing crowds, he turned sponsorship of the event over to the Wildrose Lions Club. The club expanded the annual fireworks display into a community-wide celebration with three days of activities—a demolition derby, lawn mower races, antique car display, talent show, kids' games, flea market, golf tournament, and

street dances—culminating at dusk each July 4 with people spreading blankets on Wildrose's golf course.

Last year, to better serve the throngs of spectators, the show was moved to nearby Tioga (pop. 1,125) where community volunteers helped direct traffic and collect donations. Thousands of people spread blankets around the lake north of town and eagerly awaited the thunderous booms and dazzling array of aerial sparks.

In rapid succession, 750 pounds of explosives created a work of art on the sky's palette. The crowd cheered, oohed and aahed, and repeatedly erupted in spontaneous applause. For 25 minutes, nearly 2,000 shells and special effects illuminated the night and lit up the sky as far as 30 miles away. The finale featured more than 400 shells, which glistened in the lake below as they burst in the starry sky.

"The water adds a whole new visual effect," Rosten says. "You can see the reflection of the exploding shells and all the colors."

Rosten, a self-taught fireworks maker, has earned the title of Grand Master, the highest honor a shell builder can receive from the International Pyrotechnics Guild.

Making shells is an exacting profession requiring mathematic and scientific calculations, technical knowledge, and artistic expression, Rosten says. He

"What I do is both art and science."



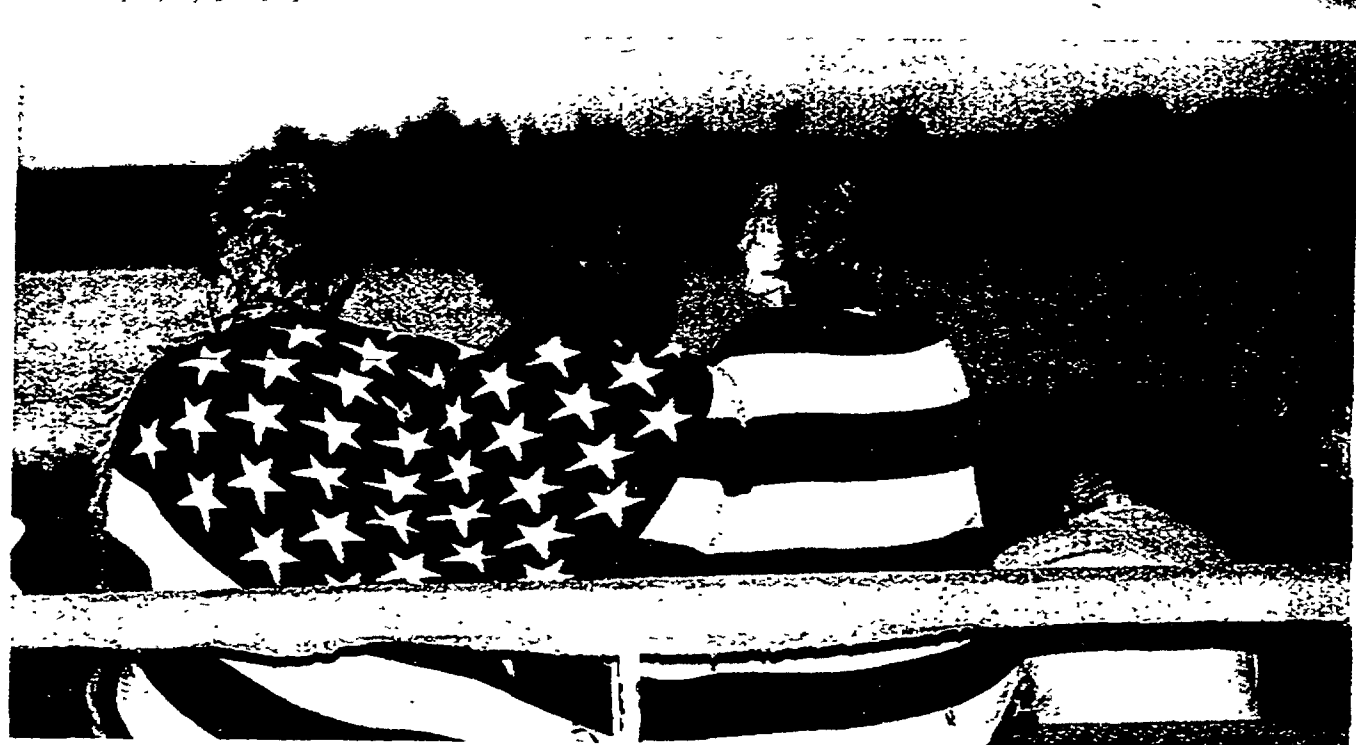
Fireworks—created from 750 pounds of explosives—light up the night sky over Tioga, N.D.

specializes in canister-style Italian shells, and prides himself on the timing of each explosion.

"What I do is both art and science," he explains. "The timing fuse is the heart of your shell, and if you don't do it right, the shell won't work. But I also love creating the design and seeing the final artistic effect."

Growing up, Rosten and his buddies spent long hours reading books on explosives and building their own fireworks. His parents discouraged his involvement when they realized the dangers, and Rosten only needs to look at his missing finger tip to be reminded of the inherent risks of his craft.

Then he put fireworks behind him in 1965 when he left Wildrose after high school graduation. He returned 20 years later to operate the family farm, and his



Thousands of spectators gather around the lake to watch the patriotic display.

interest in fireworks was rekindled when he gave a demonstration on explosives to fellow volunteer members of the Wildrose Fire Protection District.

"I remember that moment so clearly," he reflects. "It brought back a wealth of memories. It took me back to my youth, and I knew I wanted to start doing this again."

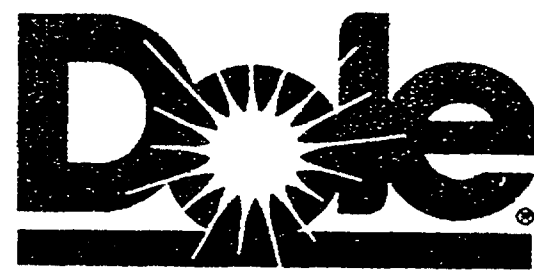
Rosten painstakingly loads shells in his workshop all winter while planning the sequence of explosions for next summer's show. He and his team of dedicated volunteers have a spectacular ground and aerial display planned this year to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, which spent the winter of 1804-05 in North Dakota.

Like a kid with a new toy, Rosten is excited about his new computerized firing system, which will allow shells to be launched faster than ever before. "We are going to be able to do some amazing things," he says. "I never thought it would go quite this far." ☆

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Out Menu

- Grill-roasted summer vegetables
- Grilled, marinated chicken breasts, pork tenderloin, or shrimp
- Chilled angel hair pasta with basil
- Warm fudge dipping sauce for fresh peaches, melon, and berries

*Choose one or several of these items. The recipes for each will serve 4 to 6 adults.

Summer Grilled Feast

by MARY CARTER

It's summertime, and the living is easy—or it should be when you're hosting a grilling party. It's high time that the person giving the party is set free to relax during the meal. Grill cookery, whether you choose charcoal or gas, lends itself to this concept. With a bit of planning, you can join your friends and family around the picnic table—as the following recipes allow you to do. So savor the fresh air, friendship, and these delicious foods.

Basic Meat and Fish Marinade

This is enough marinade to flavor and tenderize 2 small- to medium-sized pork tenderloins, 3 or 4 dozen large shrimp, or 6 to 8 chicken breasts.

After mixing, pour the marinade into a strong zip-lock plastic bag. Add the meat or fish and place (securely zipped) on a plate in the refrigerator. Marinate according to type of meat and personal taste. The meats can marinate overnight; shrimp needs only about an hour.

(All three dishes are delicious chilled or warm. The meal can be served from the refrigerator as easily as from the grill—especially on a hot day.)

Chicken breasts: These grill quickly. All poultry should reach an internal temperature of 170-175 degrees. Grill the marinated chicken over direct heat until just done. Resist the temptation to turn the chicken more than two or three times; too much turning seems to dry out the meat. The juice should be only slightly pink when testing for doneness. The breasts can be sliced into 1/2-inch thick pieces, fanned out on a platter, and drizzled with a bit of olive oil to keep them moist. Chicken is so tasty when paired with fresh tarragon or chopped fresh rosemary.

Mix together in a medium-sized bowl:

1/2 cup olive oil

1/2 cup red wine vinegar

4 cloves fresh garlic, chopped

1/4 cup well-chopped fresh summer herbs
(any favorite fresh herbs will do)

2 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard

Salt and pepper

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Planning Tips

1. Avoiding what one chef calls "hostess heat," is to do your work in advance.

2. Plan and write a menu at least two days ahead. Consider what's the best food in the market or at the produce stand, or what herbs are best in your garden.

3. Make a shopping list. Do you have enough plates, napkins, cups? (It's no sin to use paper.) What will you serve to drink? Do you need charcoal?

4. Shop the day before the party, and marinate the pork or chicken a day ahead. Chop the vegetables, fruits, and cube the pound cake; make the pasta dish and chill it; and be sure your table cloth is clean.

5. On the morning of party day, finish all cleaning, errands, and final cooking. Decide what music to play. Grill the meat in the earlier, cooler part of the day if it's going to be a scorcher. The same goes for the threat of rain. Have a plan B for bad weather.

6. Have dinnerware, serving pieces, and flowers arranged before midday. Drinks should be chilling by noon. Save the afternoon for arranging platters, double-checking the house and yard, and taking a shower early.

If you've done the bulk of your work in advance, it might be 90 degrees out, but you won't suffer from hostess heat.

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Pork tenderloins: After marinating, grill the pork in a medium/high grill with the lid on. Turn once or twice until the internal temperature of the meat reaches 150-160 degrees. Wait about 15 minutes before slicing into pieces about 1/2-inch thick, which can be fanned out on a plate, as with chicken. Drizzle a bit of olive oil over the meat just after grilling to retain moisture.

Try fresh mint as your herb in pork marinades. Fresh ginger and soy sauce also are delicious additions.

Shrimp: Remember that shrimp marinates for less time, and cooks more quickly, than our other choices. Place the shrimp on skewers or on a grill grid. Grill them over direct heat until the centers are cooked. This should take only several minutes on each side. Test for doneness by breaking one in half.



Angel Hair Pasta with Basil

Prepare 1 pound of pasta according to package instructions. Don't overcook. Rinse with cool water and drain. Mix with 1/3 cup olive oil, 3 cloves, well-minced fresh garlic, salt, and pepper. Toss in 1/2 cup fresh-chopped basil. Chill. Toss again just before serving. (This is also good with 1/2 cup toasted walnuts or grated cheese.)



Combine in a large bowl:

- 1 sweet onion, sliced into rings
- 2 cups zucchini or yellow squash, in 1/2-inch slices
- 1 cup eggplant, in 1-inch cubes
- 1 red sweet pepper, sliced into rings

Grill-toasted Summer Vegetables

Toss these with one 1 cup olive oil, salt and pepper, and 2 teaspoons dried oregano. Grill over direct heat in a grill basket, or on a grid until tender. Toss with grated Romano or Parmesan cheese if desired.

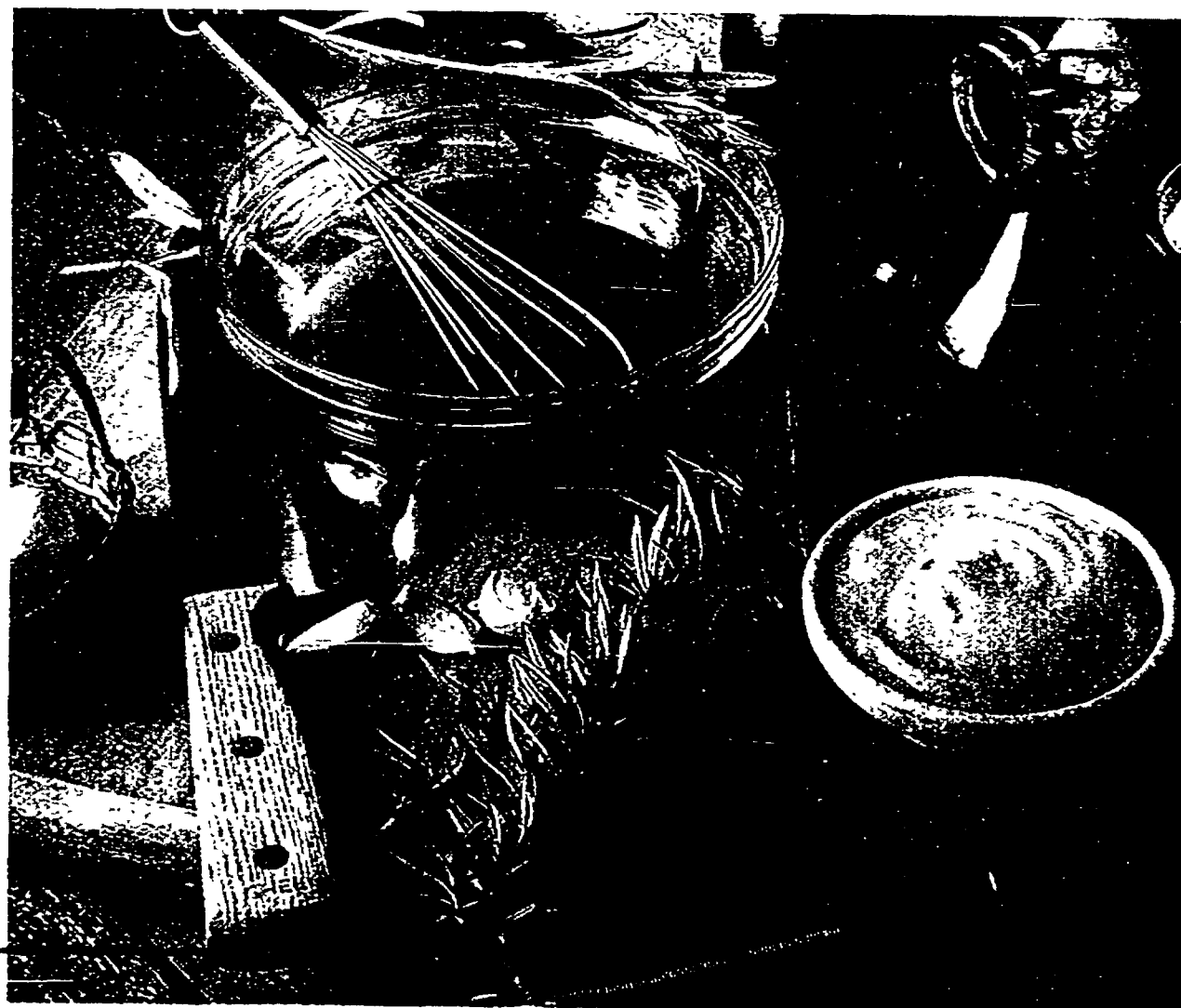


Warm Fudge Dipping Sauce

This should be the only cooking done during the party. You might want to test this the day before to be certain you have the knack of melting the chocolate without burning it. This can be done on the grill.

Melt 2 cups best quality chocolate chips with 1/3 cup half and half. Stir constantly over low heat in a heavy saucepan.

When chocolate mixture is smooth and velvety, remove it immediately from the heat. Pour the warm chocolate into a large bowl. Surround the chocolate sauce with pre-sliced fresh peaches, summer berries, melon cubes, and pound cake cubes. Place this platter in the center of your picnic table. Provide extra napkins with your dessert plates. This can create a delicious mess.



Seafood Grilling Guide

When grilling seafood, remember that it cooks quickly. Well-cooked fish fillets and steaks flake easily when tested with a fork. Shrimp, lobster, and scallops look opaque when they're ready.

Because fish is delicate, it benefits from being grilled in foil, in a Teflon-coated grill basket, or on a coated grill grid. The latter two items can be purchased anywhere grilling supplies are sold. Place fish fillets or kabobs on a well-greased basket or grid to avoid tearing or breaking seafood. ☆

Mary Carter is an avid cook and a food stylist for American Profile.

Family

Picnic Pleasures

by ZACH THOMAS

For a no-cost getaway that's relaxing, peaceful, sociable, free of life's worries, and entails a good meal to boot, consider the simple picnic. It requires little planning, and can be a break in the routine that you'll remember all year.

It might be lunch at a local park, morning coffee and rolls on a boat landing, or an early dinner by a stream. Or maybe just jump in the car with a backpacked meal and explore until you're hungry and find a nice spot to relax. The idea is to get away, relax, and talk or daydream, free of stress.

Picnic baskets were the thing once, but a backpack can be easier to carry and some are now designed especially for picnics—with compartments for food, thermoses, plates, flatware, all of it. To picnic in its simplest form, just throw together some sandwiches, cold drinks, napkins and such, and away you go. Or, your outing might involve a three-course meal on a day trip, stopping for an ice cream cone on the way home.

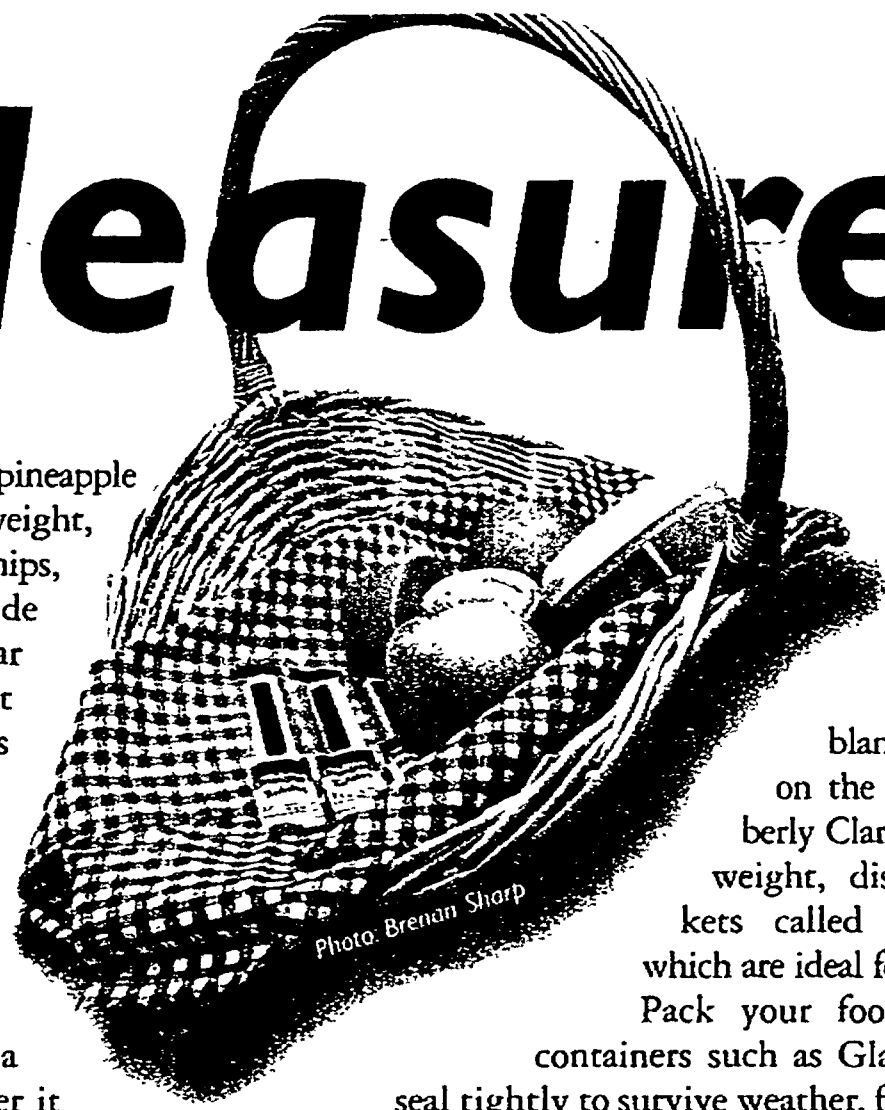
Either way, here are some tips to keep the picnic full of fun, not stress:

Food rules on a picnic, so bring the best. Avoid selections that are messy, spoil easily, or are best eaten hot. Chicken, beef, and cold cuts make great sandwiches. Fresh

fruit is a nice side dish (Dole now offers pineapple chunks, peaches, and tropical fruit in lightweight, unbreakable 24-oz. plastic jars). Crackers, chips, and nuts also make great snacks and side dishes, as do celery, carrots, or fresh sugar snap peas if they're in season. Salads wilt easily however, and mayonnaise spoils quickly in heat.

Bring plenty of cold water, soda, or juices. If you have no insulated pack for these, then bring one or two reuseable cold packs along to keep everything cold. If you plan a long drive before meal time, keep your food and drink in a cooler until you're ready to eat or transfer it to a backpack.

Bring along a simple aid kit to deal with sunburn, headaches, cuts, mosquitoes, insect bites, and the like. In the event of bee stings, bring along a sharp knife to scrape across the bite and pull the stinger out before the venom empties. A cold compress of baking soda and water also helps. Prepare for wet feet in a stream, or a sudden thundershower. Dry socks and plenty of napkins are worth having.



A paper tablecloth is a nice touch for a picnic table, or bring along a blanket to spread on the ground. Kimberly Clark makes lightweight, disposable blankets called Near Sheets, which are ideal for picnics.

Pack your foods in plastic containers such as Gladware, which seal tightly to survive weather, falls, and water better than aluminum foil or plastic wraps. Grapes, plums, and other soft or crunchable items can all go in these containers.

Finally, remember to bring out what you brought in. Take along one or two plastic bags for trash, which you can bring home or dump at the nearest garbage bin. ☆

Zack Thomas has taken his four children on many a picnic, and enjoyed each one.

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- 5 chiles, thinly sliced
- 3 scallions, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat grill to medium/high heat. Drain beans and reserve sauce.

Lay 6 tortillas flat on work surface, spray tops with cooking spray and flip over. Mix bean sauce and sour cream. On top half of each tortilla, spread 2-3 tablespoons of sour cream mixture, baked beans, cheese, chiles, scallions and cilantro. Fold empty, bottom portion of tortillas over ingredients.

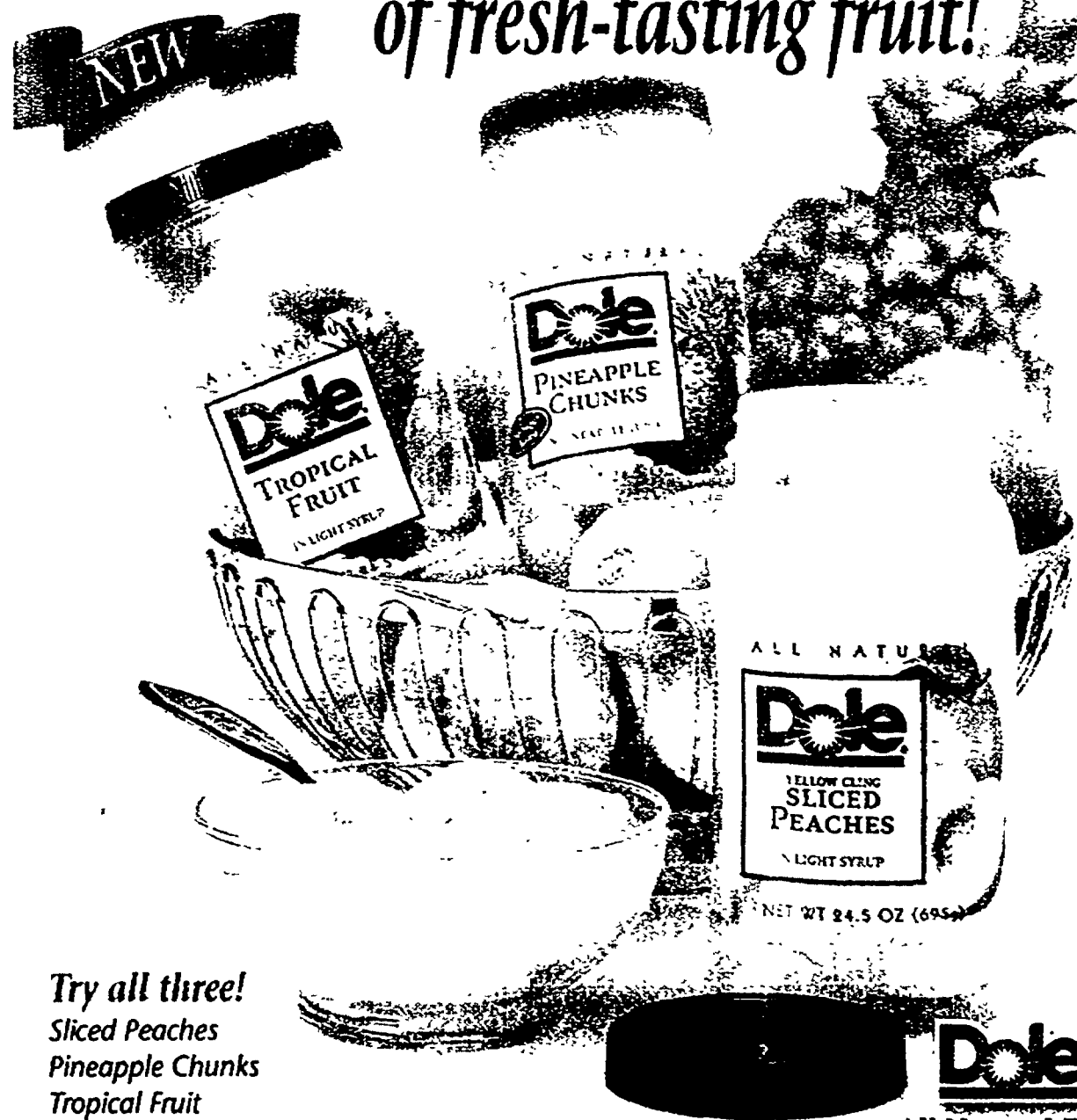
Arrange quesadillas on barbecue grate and grill until tortillas are browned on both sides and cheese is melted, about 1 to 2 minutes each side.

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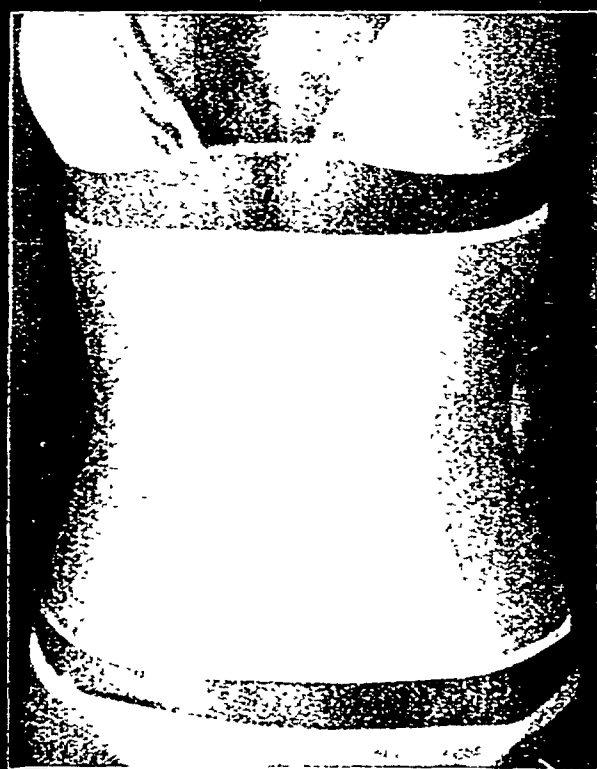
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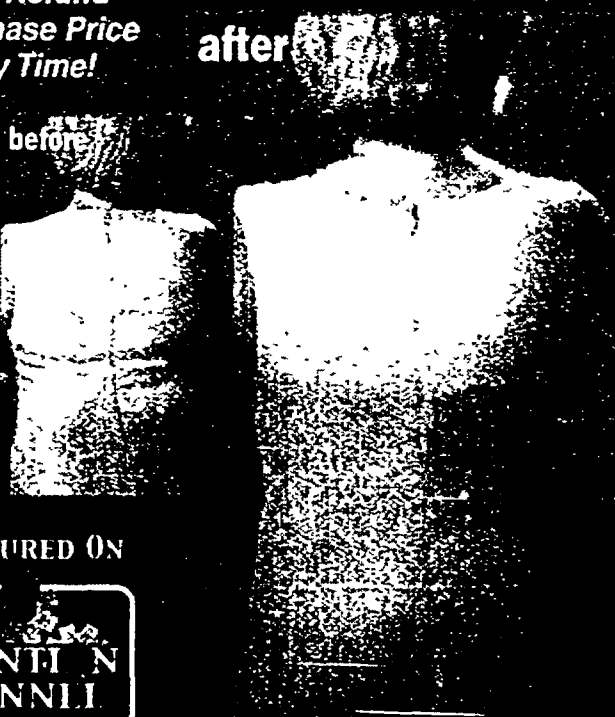
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Education

by ALAN ROSS

Teaching Good Citizenship

Runners will tell you that long distance workouts are a great time to solve problems. The mind seems especially open then and supplies a constant stream of thoughts and ideas. In the mid-1980s, while training for a grueling Ironman triathlon, a recurring theme kept interrupting the focus of Nick Homer's run: Who will love and take care of this country after we're gone?

The matter of responsible citizenship, of passing down the importance of what it is to be an American and the concept of civic duty, Homer feels, rests squarely upon his shoulders and the rest of his generation. His thoughts that day ultimately spawned a web-book, a nonprofit organization (Good Citizen), as well as a website—www.goodcitizen.org—all dedicated to achieving his goal.

"Each of us, as citizens, could do more for the greater good of all," says Homer, 58, a technology and management consultant from Irvine, Calif. "We're not doing the small things that, when done on a day-to-day basis, ensure that the country will continue to be strong, and thus, free."

Small deeds of ordinary citizens make big differences, as Homer sees it, since most of us will never become elected officials. The first challenge, he feels, is to be aware of our heritage as a country.

"Most citizens, and in particular our children, don't appreciate why and how we became a nation," Homer says. "We haven't taught our children about the basic principles and documents upon which the country was founded or of the individuals and events that played major roles in shaping the U.S.A."

Giving a youngster this knowledge, Homer believes, increases awareness and appreciation of the "enormous courage, loss of life, pain, mistakes, hard work, and risk that were required to form this country."

In his free-to-all web-book, *Who Will Love America?*, Homer identifies 100 "citizen actions" that will involve young Americans in the democratic process.

"Attend the naturalization ceremony of a new citizen," he suggests. "Hang the American flag and explain its significance to children. Read a book or rent a movie that shows the sacrifices of war and what people have done to escape oppression."

Other acts of good citizenship call for supporting people entrusted with the responsibility of keeping our nation free—elected officials, firemen, law enforcement and military personnel, judicial officials, and teachers—and expressing

Good Citizen Actions

- Befriend an elderly neighbor—invite them to dinner, bring over a dessert, or offer to take them shopping or on an outing.
- Donate blood.
- Interview your grandparents.
- Extend small courtesies to individuals of "difference."
- Give away things you don't use.
- Pick up a piece of trash each day.
- Attend a city council meeting, criminal trial, or school board meeting.
- Visit a war memorial.
- Visit an American Indian reservation.
- Serve on a jury if asked.
- Send a care package to a serviceman overseas.
- Participate in an organ donor program.
- Read the Constitution, Bill of Rights, and Declaration of Independence.
- Visit Washington, D.C., your state capital or county seat, and attend a legislative session.
- Volunteer in an election campaign.
- Take a car trip across the country.

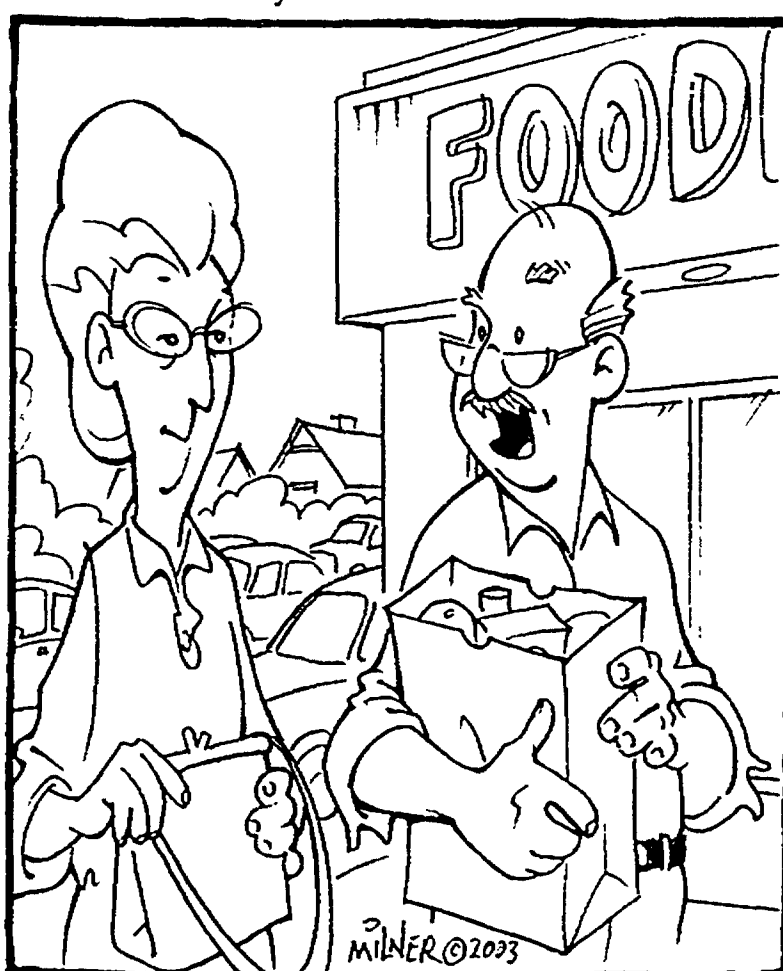
our opinion to those officials or to a broadcast station, publication, or company.

"There is no one right way to be a good citizen, no approved list of actions," adds Homer, who has made more than 30 appearances at schools and civic-service organizations on behalf of the project. "But once most of us have embedded citizen actions into our daily-weekly routine, the impact will create a beanstalk bigger than Jack's. And keep the country free." ☆

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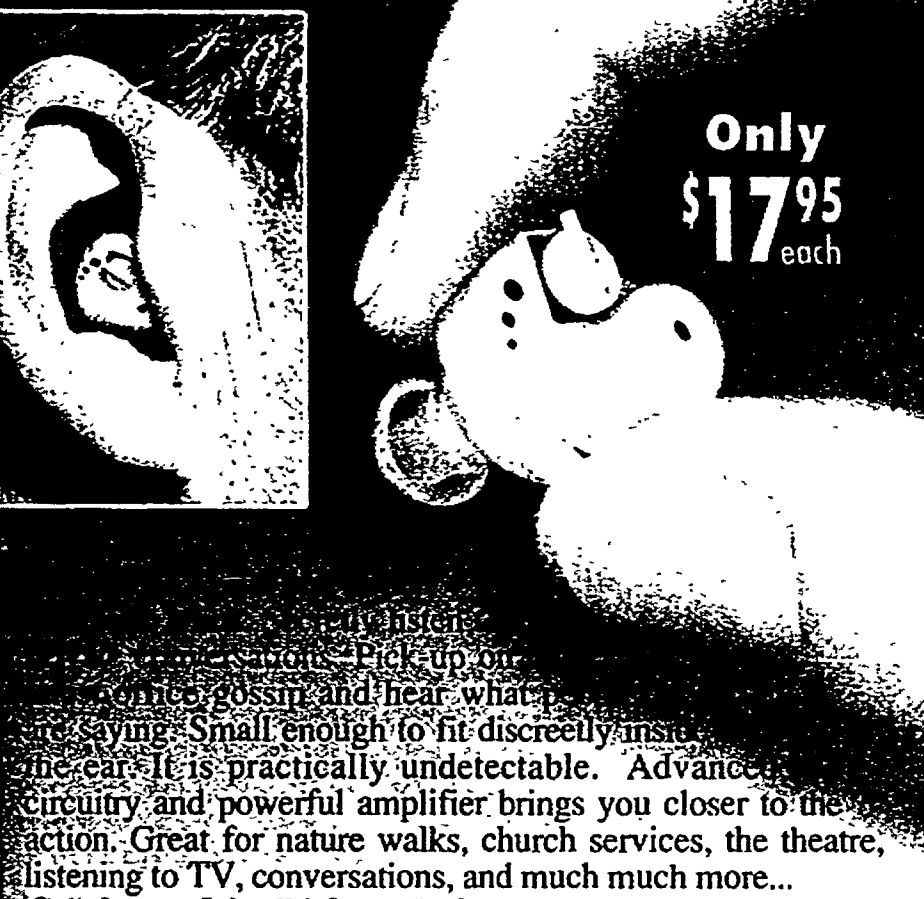
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Hometown Spotlight

A Cowboy Reunion

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Fred Dalby won't ever forget the summer of 1957 when he was determined to get home for the Texas Cowboy Reunion and rodeo. "We'd been in California," Dalby recalls. "We drove 1,300 miles straight to get back in time for the rodeo."

Dalby, 84, hasn't missed a reunion since the first one held July 4, 1930. Merchants in Stamford, Texas, decided the town needed a morale boost in the midst of the Great Depression and since Stamford was central to several large ranches, they hosted a rodeo in honor of the area's horseback heritage.

At that first three-day rodeo, 98 working cowboys competed in four events that drew 12,000 spectators. Today, hailed as the world's largest amateur rodeo, the reunion—now a four-day celebration held around July 4th—attracts more than 20,000 visitors to the town of 3,636 people. Some 700 rodeo amateurs and bona fide working cowboys compete for \$50,000 in prize money and \$15,000 worth of saddles, spurs, and belt buckles.

Photo: Randy Janoski



Don Welch, Fred Dalby, and Gary Mathis keep tradition alive at the rodeo arena.



Stamford's rodeo and railroad heritage are represented by a bucking bronc over steel rails.

Long-time residents like Don Welch, the rodeo events chairman, are deeply committed to the reunion. Every year, more than 100 local volunteers work hundreds of hours to put on the rodeo, a big parade, and other festivities.

"It's a tradition and a piece of our heritage that's slowly becoming extinct," Welch says. "All the effort we put into it helps keep it alive."

Though people still ranch around Stamford, not too many make a living as cowboys anymore. Some work in the oil industry or local businesses, while others commute to jobs in nearby Abilene. "Ranches are breaking up . . . Pickups have replaced wagons. There's not as many cowboys as there used to be. It's just too hard a life for not that much money," says Welch, a bull rider in his younger days.

The reunion always has been held west of town on 55 acres donated by the Swenson family, who've ranched near Stamford since the mid-1850s. At first, the rodeo was in a natural bowl area on the land. In 1937, residents built an arena and covered grandstands still in use today.

At a nearby stone bunkhouse built in 1935, members of the Oldtimers Association gather to reminisce and pay tribute to cowboys who've died in the last year. Membership in the association, which boasts the likes of humorist Will Rogers and philanthropist Amon Carter, is open to anyone 45 or older with a ranching background.

At the bunkhouse, the oldtimers maintain their own museum—open only during the reunion. It houses everything from hats, boots, guns, and spurs to a two-headed calf, all dating from the late 1800s to the early 1900s.

On the town square, the Cowboy Country Museum preserves local artifacts and family heirlooms, such as a wooden chuckwagon, household furnishings, and period clothing. Turn-of-the-century photographs of downtown Stamford show the same red brick streets and Greek Revival-style post office that are still in use today.

The reunion keeps former residents linked to the town.

"A lot of them haven't been here in years, but they have such wonderful memories and warm feelings that they are so supportive of anything we're working on," says Matilda Bolin, secretary for the Stamford Chamber of Commerce.

Dalby says the reunion grew on him. The retired cowboy leads the rodeo's grand entry every night on horseback, an honor he's held for many years.

"Whenever you do something all your life, you want to keep going." ☆

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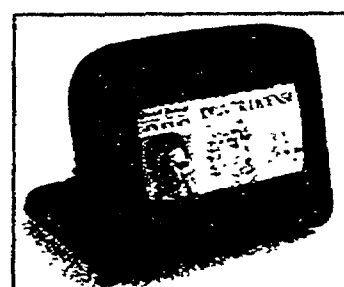
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Hometown Recipe

from JOE REIN

Tuna Chip Casserole

This recipe was handed down from my mother, who made it for us (5) kids. We used to beg for it, and would scrape the pot when it was gone. It's not too eye-appealing, but the more you eat, the more you want. ☆

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RECIPE: Tuna Chip Casserole



- 1 can drained tuna fish (packed in water, preferably)
- 1 can mushroom soup
- 1 6-oz. bag regular potato chips

Shredded cheddar cheese

Mix mushroom soup with 1/2 can water and 1/2 can milk in a large saucepan. Flake in drained tuna. Mix thoroughly while heating. Crunch bag of potato chips into bits, and mix into soup with tuna. Stir until all chips are soaked. Remove from heat and let sit a few minutes. Stir and serve. Garnish with shredded cheese. Green peas are a good complement to the casserole. Serves 2 or 3, but recipe can be doubled or tripled.

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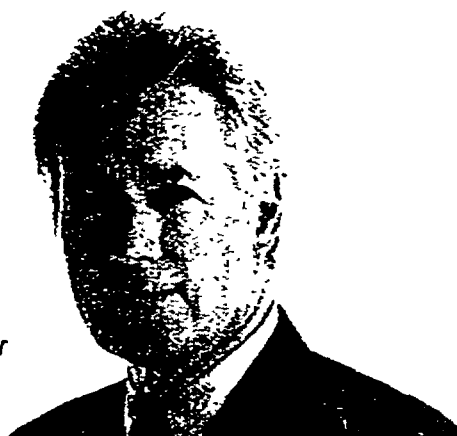
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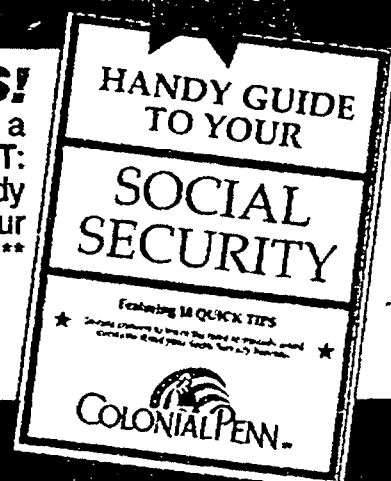
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Education

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Multiply Your Reading Pleasure with a Book Club

The book club Betty Kuhl joined nearly 30 years ago in Baker City, Ore., became an important part of her life and eventually inspired her to start a bookstore that her daughter now runs. "I think book clubs are made for small towns. With the long winters here, a lot of people have nothing to do," says Kuhl, who never dreamed her book club would last three decades.

Kuhl's club is an example of how readers can organize such groups to suit their needs, as well as their interests. Club members had little money, so they agreed to read any book by Willa Cather. That way, all members could get their reading material at the library instead of buying books.

"Most of our members are not very affluent, and we couldn't afford to buy a book each month," Kuhl says, adding that the book club still agrees on an author rather than a single book, a choice that can widen the discussions and lead to additional reading following the meetings.

Ellen Slezak, editor of *The Book Group Book*, suggests anyone starting a book club should check first with the local library. Many libraries have book groups that anyone can join, or if they do not, most librarians will have suggestions, books, or material on how to get started.

"Sometimes people will start out by going to a group at a library or a book store, then a few people from that group will peel off and start their own," Slezak says.

Or just start putting out feelers, she says. Talk to friends, co-workers, do an e-mail posting, and set up a meeting in a public place, or check out on-line book clubs, Slezak suggests.

Many libraries allow book groups to use their reading rooms for meetings, but Kuhl says members of her club found they enjoyed going to each other's home more.

Once six to 10 people have agreed to join and a meeting time has been set, Slezak cautions that picking the right book is important and deserves some thought.

"Picking a book that's too hard can mean no one will read it. Picking a book that's too easy means there is nothing to discuss," she says. "A book that everyone loves can be the death knell for discussion, since good discussion comes out of opposing viewpoints."

The organizer should do some research and come to the initial meeting with a handful of suggestions for the first book. "Read *The New York Times Book Review*, or call a librarian," Slezak suggests.

Some groups vote on choices, others rotate the choice among members. "Then the person who chooses the book becomes the leader and comes prepared with some background stuff—an author biography, book reviews, also maybe has sketched out a handful of questions," she says.

Kuhl has no doubt that she has benefited from nearly three decades as a member of a book club.

"A book club can broaden people's horizons," Kuhl says. "I've made some very good friends and sure have a much wider knowledge of books than I would have had." ☆

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BRIEF SUMMARY Before prescribing NEXIUM, please see full Prescribing Information. **INDICATIONS AND USAGE** NEXIUM is indicated for the short-term treatment (4 to 8 weeks) in the healing and symptomatic resolution of diagnostically confirmed erosive esophagitis. **CONTRAINDICATIONS** NEXIUM is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to any component of the formulation or to substituted benzimidazoles. **PRECAUTIONS** Symptomatic response to therapy with NEXIUM does not preclude the presence of gastric malignancy. Atrophic gastritis has been noted occasionally in gastric corpus biopsies from patients treated long-term with omeprazole, of which NEXIUM is an enantiomer. **Information for Patients** NEXIUM Delayed-Release Capsules should be taken at least one hour before meals. For patients who have difficulty swallowing capsules, one tablespoon of applesauce can be added to an empty bowl and the NEXIUM Delayed-Release Capsule can be opened, and the pellets carefully emptied onto the applesauce. The pellets should be mixed with the applesauce and then swallowed immediately. The applesauce used should not be hot and should be soft enough to be swallowed without chewing. The pellets should not be chewed or crushed. The pellet/applesauce mixture should not be stored for future use. Antacids may be used while taking NEXIUM. **Drug Interactions** Esomeprazole is extensively metabolized in the liver by CYP2C19 and CYP3A4. *In vitro* and *in vivo* studies have shown that esomeprazole is not likely to inhibit CYPs 1A2, 2A6, 2C9, 2D6, 2E1 and 3A4. No clinically relevant interactions with drugs metabolized by these CYP enzymes would be expected. Drug interaction studies have shown that esomeprazole does not have any clinically significant interactions with phenytoin, warfarin, quinidine, clarithromycin or amoxicillin. Esomeprazole may potentially interfere with CYP2C19, the major esomeprazole metabolizing enzyme. Coadministration of esomeprazole 30 mg and diazepam, a CYP2C19 substrate, resulted in a 45% decrease in clearance of diazepam. Increased plasma levels of diazepam were observed 12 hours after dosing and onwards. However, at that time, the plasma levels of diazepam were below the therapeutic interval, and thus this interaction is unlikely to be of clinical relevance. Esomeprazole inhibits gastric acid secretion. Therefore, esomeprazole may interfere with the absorption of drugs whose gastric pH is an important determinant of bioavailability (eg, ketoconazole, iron salts and digoxin). Coadministration of oral contraceptives, diazepam, phenytoin, or quinidine did not seem to change the pharmacokinetic profile of esomeprazole. **Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility** The carcinogenic potential of esomeprazole was assessed using omeprazole studies. In two 24-month oral carcinogenicity studies in rats, omeprazole at daily doses of 1.7, 3.4, 13.8, 44.0 and 140.8 mg/kg/day (about 0.7 to 57 times the human dose of 20 mg/day expressed on a body surface area basis) produced gastric ECL cell carcinoids in a dose-related manner in both male and female rats; the incidence of this effect was markedly higher in female rats, which had higher blood levels of omeprazole. Gastric carcinoids seldom occur in the untreated rat. In addition, ECL cell hyperplasia was present in all treated groups of both sexes. In one of these studies, female rats were treated with 13.8 mg omeprazole/kg/day (about 5.6 times the human dose on a body surface area basis) for 1 year, then followed for an additional year without the drug. No carcinoids were seen in these rats. An increased incidence of treatment-related ECL cell hyperplasia was observed at the end of 1 year (94% treated vs 10% controls). By the second year the difference between treated and control rats was much smaller (46% vs 26%) but still showed more hyperplasia in the treated group. Gastric adenocarcinoma was seen in one rat (2%). No similar tumor was seen in male or female rats treated for 2 years. For this strain of rat no similar tumor has been noted historically, but a finding involving only one tumor is difficult to interpret. A 78-week mouse carcinogenicity study of omeprazole did not show increased tumor occurrence, but the study was not conclusive. Esomeprazole was negative in the Ames mutation test, in the *in vivo* rat bone marrow cell chromosome aberration test, and the *in vivo* mouse micronucleus test. Esomeprazole, however, was positive in the *in vitro* human lymphocyte chromosome aberration test. Omeprazole was positive in the *in vitro* human lymphocyte chromosome aberration test, the *in vivo* mouse bone marrow cell chromosome aberration test, and the *in vivo* mouse micronucleus test. The potential effects of esomeprazole on fertility and reproductive performance were assessed using omeprazole studies. Omeprazole at oral doses up to 138 mg/kg/day in rats (about 56 times the human dose on a body surface area basis) was found to have no effect on reproductive performance of parental animals. **Pregnancy Teratogenic Effects.** **Pregnancy Category B**—Teratology studies have been performed in rats at oral doses up to 280 mg/kg/day (about 57 times the human dose on a body surface area basis) and in rabbits at oral doses up to 86 mg/kg/day (about 35 times the human dose on a body surface area basis) and have revealed no evidence of impaired fertility or harm to the fetus due to esomeprazole. There are, however, no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Because animal reproduction studies are not always predictive of human response, this drug should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed. Teratology studies conducted with omeprazole in rats at oral doses up to 138 mg/kg/day (about 56 times the human dose on a body surface area basis) and in rabbits at doses up to 69 mg/kg/day (about 56 times the human dose on a body surface area basis) did not disclose any evidence for a teratogenic potential of omeprazole. In rabbits, omeprazole in a dose range of 6.9 to 69.1 mg/kg/day (about 5.5 to 56 times the human dose on a body surface area basis) produced dose-related increases in embryo-fetal resorptions, and prenatally disruptions. In rats, dose-related embryo/fetal toxicity and postnatal developmental toxicity were observed in offspring resulting from parents treated with omeprazole at 13.8 to 138.0 mg/kg/day (about 5.6 to 56 times the human doses on a body surface area basis). There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Sporadic reports have been received of congenital abnormalities occurring in infants born to women who have received omeprazole during pregnancy. **Nursing Mothers** The excretion of esomeprazole in milk has not been studied. However, omeprazole concentrations have been measured in breast milk of a woman following oral administration of 20 mg. Because esomeprazole is likely to be excreted in human milk, because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants from esomeprazole, and because of the potential for tumorigenicity shown for omeprazole in rat carcinogenicity studies, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother. **Pediatric Use** Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established. **Geriatric Use** Of the total number of patients who received NEXIUM in clinical trials, 778 were 65 to 74 years of age and 124 patients were ≥ 75 years of age. No overall differences in safety and efficacy were observed between the elderly and younger individuals, and other reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses between the elderly and younger patients, but greater sensitivity of some older individuals cannot be ruled out. **ADVERSE REACTIONS** The safety of NEXIUM was evaluated in over 10,000 patients (aged 18-84 years) in clinical trials worldwide including over 7,400 patients in the United States and over 2,600 patients in Europe and Canada. Over 2,900 patients were treated in long-term studies for up to 6-12 months. In general, NEXIUM was well tolerated in both short- and long-term clinical trials. The safety in the treatment of healing of erosive esophagitis was assessed in four randomized comparative clinical trials, which included 1,240 patients on NEXIUM 20 mg, 2,434 patients on NEXIUM 40 mg, and 3,008 patients on omeprazole 20 mg daily. The most frequently occurring adverse events (≥ 1%) in all three groups was headache (5.5, 5.0, and 3.8, respectively) and diarrhea (no difference among the three groups). Nausea, flatulence, abdominal pain, constipation, and dry mouth occurred at similar rates among patients taking NEXIUM or omeprazole. Additional adverse events that were reported as possibly or probably related to NEXIUM with an incidence < 1% are listed below by body system: **Body as a Whole:** abdomen enlarged, allergic reaction, asthenia, back pain, chest pain, chest pain substernal, facial edema, peripheral edema, hot flushes, fatigue, fever, flu-like disorder, generalized edema, leg edema, malaise, pain, rigors; **Cardiovascular:** flushing, hypertension, tachycardia; **Endocrine:** goiter; **Gastrointestinal:** bowel irregularity, constipation aggravated, dyspepsia, dysphagia, dysplasia GI, epigastric pain, eructation, esophageal disorder, frequent stools, gastroenteritis, GI hemorrhage, GI symptoms not otherwise specified, hiccup, melena, mouth disorder, pharynx disorder, rectal disorder, serum gastrin increased, tongue disorder, tongue edema, ulcerative stomatitis, vomiting; **Hearing:** earache, tinnitus; **Hematologic:** anemia, anemia hypochromic, cervical lymphadenopathy, epistaxis, leukocytosis, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia; **Hepatic:** bilirubinemia, hepatic function abnormal, SGOT increased, SGPT increased; **Metabolic/Nutritional:** glycosuria, hyperuricemia, hyponatremia, increased alkaline phosphatase, thirst, vitamin B12 deficiency, weight increase, weight decrease; **Musculoskeletal:** arthralgia, arthritis aggravated, arthropathy, cramps, fibromyalgia syndrome, hernia, polymyalgia rheumatica; **Nervous System/Psychiatric:** anorexia, apathy, appetite increased, confusion, depression aggravated, dizziness, hypertension, nervousness, hyposthesia, impotence, insomnia, migraine, migraine aggravated, paresthesia, sleep disorder, somnolence, tremor, vertigo, visual field defect; **Reproductive:** dysmenorrhea, menstrual disorder, vaginitis; **Respiratory:** asthma aggravated, coughing, dyspnea, larynx edema, pharyngitis, rhinitis, sinusitis; **Skin and Appendages:** acne, angioedema, dermatitis, pruritus, pruritus ani, rash, rash erythematous, rash maculo-papular, skin inflammation, sweating increased, urticaria; **Special Senses:** otitis media, parosmia, taste loss, taste perversion; **Urogenital:** abnormal urine, albuminuria, cystitis, dysuria, fungal infection, hematuria, micturition frequency, monilia, genital monilia, polyuria; **Visual:** conjunctivitis, vision abnormal. Endoscopic findings that were reported as adverse events include duodenitis, esophagitis, esophageal stricture, esophageal ulceration, esophageal varices, gastric ulcer, gastritis, hernia, benign polyps or nodules, Barrett's esophagus, and mucosal discoloration. **Postmarketing Reports**—There have been spontaneous reports of adverse events with postmarketing use of esomeprazole. These reports have included rare cases of anaphylactic reaction. Other adverse events not observed with NEXIUM, but occurring with omeprazole can be found in the omeprazole package insert. **ADVERSE REACTIONS section OVERDOSE** A single oral dose of esomeprazole at 510 mg/kg (about 103 times the human dose on a body surface area basis), was lethal to rats. The major signs of acute toxicity were reduced motor activity, changes in respiratory frequency, tremor, ataxia, and intermittent clonic convulsions. There have been no reports of overdose with esomeprazole. Reports have been received of overdose with omeprazole in humans. Doses ranged up to 2,400 mg (120 times the usual recommended clinical dose). Manifestations were variable, but included confusion, drowsiness, blurred vision, tachycardia, nausea, diaphoresis, flushing, headache, dry mouth, and other adverse reactions similar to those seen in normal clinical experience (see omeprazole package insert-ADVERSE REACTIONS). No specific antidote for esomeprazole is known. Since esomeprazole is extensively protein bound, it is not expected to be removed by dialysis. In the event of overdose, treatment should be symptomatic and supportive. As with the management of any overdose, the possibility of multiple drug ingestion should be considered. For current information on treatment of any drug overdose, a certified Regional Poison Control Center should be contacted. Telephone numbers are listed in the Physicians' Desk Reference (PDR) or local telephone book.

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