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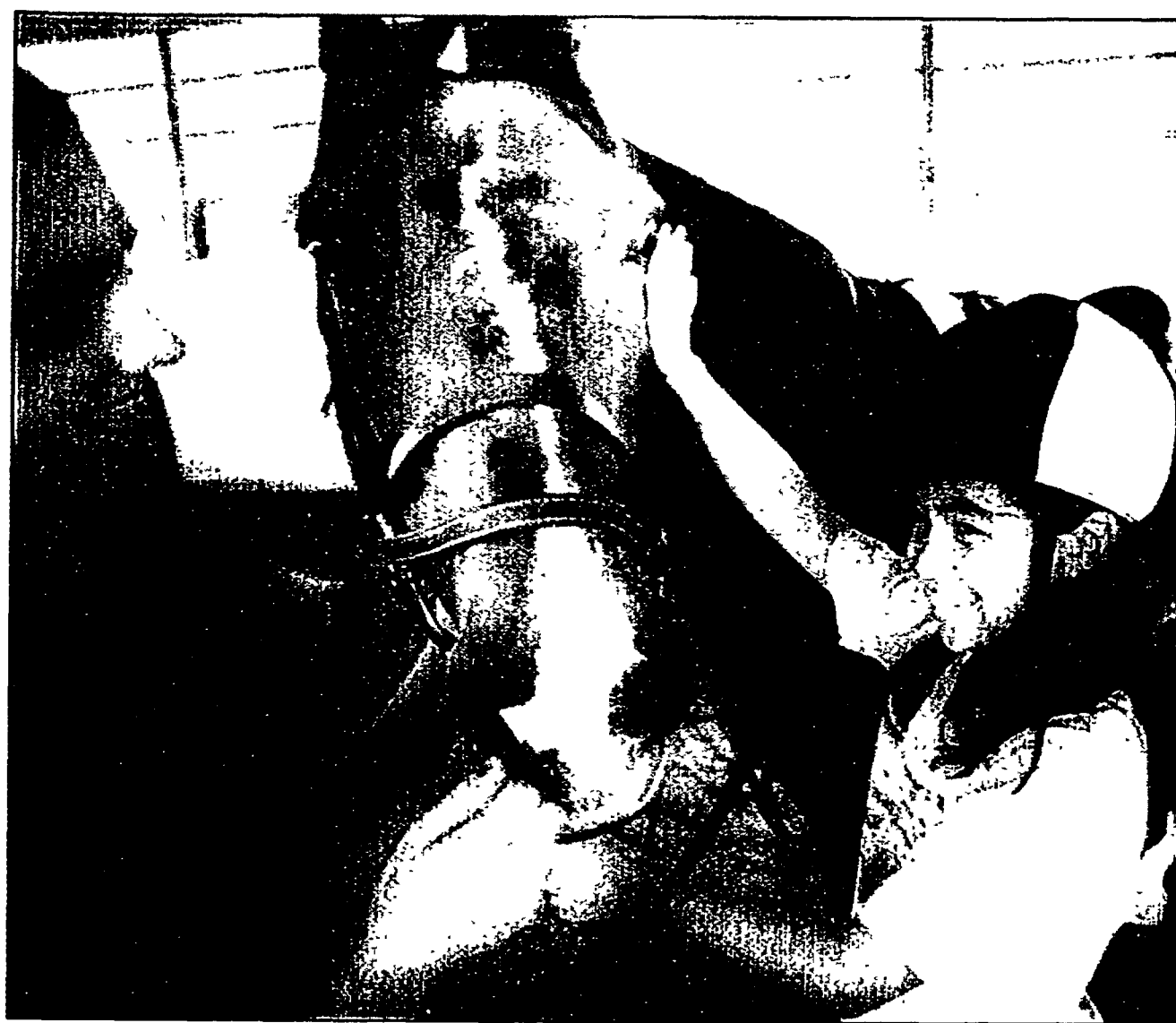


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Camper Mackenzie Murphy smiles as she gets some help with her horse "P.J." during last week's horsemanship camp at Showcase Stables in Salem Township. The week-long camp, run by the Northville Recreation Department, taught riders how to handle and care for horses. On this day, Wednesday, campers were introduced to trotting and basic ring etiquette.

AVOCADO NO MORE

Work begins on much-needed renovations to Allen Terrace

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Doorwalls will slide more easily, air will be a comfortable temperature, and the kitchens will be...not avocado.

The facelift for the Allen Terrace senior residence began last week with contractors measuring for kitchen countertop and cupboard replacements. Executing the renovation plan voters endorsed last November, the Northville city council Aug. 4 approved more than \$865,000 in construction contracts as recommended by the city's housing commission.

Seven companies will work on repairing plumbing and electrical systems, installing new heating and air conditioning units, replacing windows and doorwalls, covering floors, and fixing



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Joanne Inglis, director of Northville's Allen Terrace, shows a 'before' of a resident's kitchen area as it undergoes a planned renovation. Apartment units at Allen Terrace will get new kitchen cabinets and countertops.

the terrace. With crews identified by name badges starting work at the 25-year-old building, there is an air of excitement among the 110 residents, said housing director Joanne Inglis.

"Our cupboards are not in too good of shape," said Jean Pankow, an Allen Terrace resident 10 years. "They need to be replaced. And we have horrible countertops. Joanne has assured

us she will not put that green back in."

Inglis, director of the city's only independent-living facility for nearly four years, regularly sends progress reports to building residents. Fifteen men, 10 couples and 75 women, ages 57 to 96, call 401 High Street home.

"Our responsibility is to make sure the process is least disruptive as possible to the residents," Inglis said. The construction manager and architect worked with the Housing Commission to coordinate all aspects of the project, she said.

While kitchen renovations will displace residents for three days, Inglis said, installation of the new heating/cooling units, as well as the windows and doorwall, each will take a half day. The director set aside a vacant apartment for residents to occupy while crews work in their home.

Valerie Vig, of project manager J.S. Vig Construction, scheduled work to begin on the 12 apartments in the south wing. Crews will finish the six-month

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NPH site developer delays unveiling

Hospital site redevelopment still up in the air

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Cancellation of a Northville Township meeting tonight means residents wanting a look at plans to redevelop the former psychiatric hospital site will have to wait.

Grand/Sakwa of Farmington Hills, the developer with the \$76 million deal with the state to purchase 422 acres along Seven Mile Road, canceled all meetings scheduled with the township to discuss the property. Grand/Sakwa officials could not be reached for comment.

The two-sentence letter to the township from Grand/Sakwa also says, "This does not affect the schedule for the [planned use development] submittal of the [Detroit House of Corrections] property."

In addition to their plans to create a new hub of residential and commercial activity at the Seven Mile site, the developer also has an option to purchase from the city of Detroit the house of corrections property between Five Mile and Six Mile roads, east of Ridge Road.

Township Planner Jennifer Frey had worked up a meeting schedule at developer Gary Sakwa's request designed to expediently move the developer through the multi-step planning document submittal, review, and approval process related to the former hospital site. Tonight's special study session with the planning commission and township board was intended as the local leaders' introduction to the proposed conceptual land-use plan.

Subsequent presentations at a Sept. 9 planning commission public hearing and Sept. 18 regular board meeting likewise are scratched. Nothing has been rescheduled, Frey said.

"All he indicated is that he isn't ready to go forward at this time," she said. "I don't really have any other information. It was surprising to me."

Timing has been a critical element of the developer's purchase since the state's department of Management and Budget in May announced plans to accept bids for the property. Sept. 30 remains the state's deadline to close the sale so Governor Jennifer Granholm can count the multi-million-dollar proceeds toward her 2004 budget.

"As far as we're concerned, the due diligence period continues to run," budget department spokesperson Bridget Medina said Tuesday. "We still plan to com-

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Prison expansion plan irks many

By Brad Kadrich
STAFF WRITER

The state's Department of Corrections was caught just as much off-guard as Plymouth Township officials when the state legislature moved a proposed 400-bed expansion from Scott Correctional Facility in Northville to Western Wayne Correctional Facility in Plymouth Township.

Funding for the potential expansion is contained in Senate Bill 540, a supplemental appropriations bill that sets aside some \$3.6 million to build at Western Wayne. The bill was passed by the Senate July 17 and went through the House the same day.

In a letter to state and local offi-

"The Department of Corrections did not request this change, nor were we consulted prior to passage."

Patricia Caruso
Michigan Department of Corrections

cials representing the Plymouth and Northville areas, new DOC director Patricia Caruso said her department had expected the controversial expansion to go to Scott.

"Prior to passing the supplemental appropriations bill containing this provision, the legisla-

ture changed the location of this housing unit from Scott to the Western Wayne Correctional Facility," Caruso wrote. "The Department of Corrections did not request this change, nor were we consulted prior to passage."

That left Caruso in the same boat as Plymouth Township

Supervisor Steve Mann, who was angry that no one from the state called to consult him about the move. Both Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, and Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, have since spoken to Mann on that issue.

Department of Corrections spokesman Russ Marlan said his department would have gladly made such courtesy calls, had they known the change was being made.

"When we thought it was going to be at Scott, we had called state and local officials," Marlan said. "But when the legislature switched the funds to Western Wayne, we weren't consulted, so

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ABOUT SCOTT PRISON

■ The facility is located on 35 acres. Housing consists of 2 double-winged units, dayroom areas, laundry rooms and staff offices.

■ Security includes three 12-foot fences topped with razor-ribbon wire, gun towers, electronic perimeter detection systems, electrically-powered gates to isolate each wing in the housing units in case of a disturbance and cell doors equipped with high-security locks. A road surrounds the perimeter of the facility and is constantly surveyed and patrolled by armed staff.

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Sitting on bales of hay for a bench, the Midland River Hogs bench watches as a 'striker' heads to bat during last Sunday's game at Northville's Ford Field against the home team, the Northville Eclipse. Northville lost both sides of a double-header, 6-2 and 12-3.

SWINGERS



The ball comes flying off the bat of Eclipse batsman Steve "Anchor" Fecht as he hits an RBI single during last Sunday's home game against the Midland River Hogs.



Dressed in 1860's base ball garb, Northville Eclipse's Ken "Sluggo" Stoppa Sr. fires one to a Midland River Hogs 'striker' (or 'stricker') during last Sunday's game at Ford Field. In the 1860s a 'striker' was referred to as a 'stricker'.



Watched by Ed "Preacher" Flemming (an umpire) a Midland River Hogs 'striker' hits a pitch in front of Northville Eclipse 'behind' (catcher) Ken "Doc" Stoppa Jr.



Some of the bats available for the Northville Eclipse 'strikers' are lined up before Sunday's game. A number of these decorative bats were homemade by Eclipse's Wayne "Cashbox" Titus and Larry "Toad" Darling.

Photos by John Heider

48167 remains hot ZIP code for developers

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Road widening projects, the opening of a new school, more people just plain out walking around — there are many signs of growth in Northville Township.

And residents are about to experience 422 more acres of it.

Grand/Sakwa of Farmington Hills has a deal pending to purchase the Seven Mile Road property that was home for 50 years to a state psychiatric hospital. The partially wooded, rolling hills are destined by township ordinance to become a combination of offices, research and development buildings, residences, and open-space.

Tonight's joint meeting of the township board of trustees and planning commission with the developer was canceled. But the intent is for both bodies to be in on the process from the start, said Township Planner Jennifer Frey.

"It's [designed so that] — from the start — they're on the same page, with the same expectations," she said. "This has so much impact on the community."

The Seven Mile Road site is the latest strike in the Northville development gold mine that began with a rush a decade ago to capitalize on property purchases. While builders deposit proceeds from their sales agreements, the township collects new taxes, in part on properties previously exempt from tax rolls.

Local planners have processed

a steadily increasing number of projects during the last five to seven years, Frey said. Residential developments undergo four-step scrutiny, she explained, including preliminary and final site plan submission to the planning commission, and subsequent township board reviews.

"For half a township (17 square miles of the standard 36), we're very busy compared to the metro region," Frey said. Northville ranks high in the number of housing permits relative to neighboring communities, she said.

"Our numbers are not the highest, but in terms of volume, we've been steady over the last five years," she said.

The township public works department's "status of residential development" report remains a list of enticing adjectives, from cascades to ravines to woodlands. Department personnel have been hopping, issuing nearly 2,000 building permits through July of this year within 29 developments, albeit numerous phases in the same subdivision in some cases.

Permits for new residential structures, according to public works director Don Weaver, numbered 329 through last month. He contrasted that pace with 206 single-family homes constructed all year in Northville Township 10 years ago.

In 2002, single-family, multiple-family and commercial construction permits hit an all-time township high of 696. Weaver

Township Residential Building Permits Through July

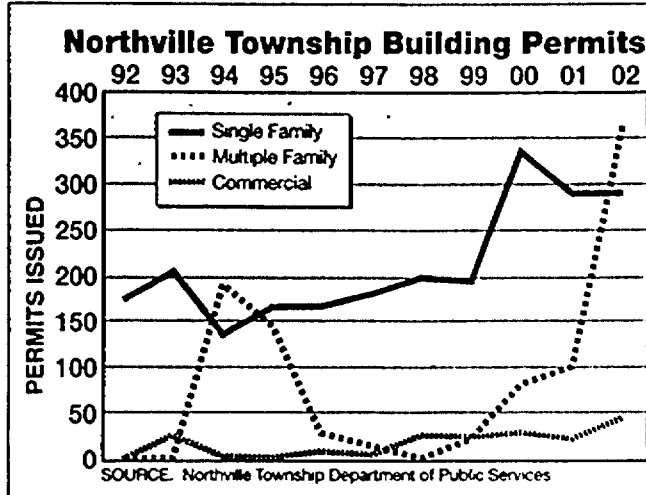
MONTH	PERMITS ISSUED
January	28
February	35
March	40
April	55
May	61
June	59
July	51
TOTAL	329

SOURCE: Northville Township Department of Public Services

attributed part of that jump to the addition of Steeplechase of Northville homes, and the latest Northville Ridge and Stonewater phases.

In August 2002, the township board adopted a planned-use-development ordinance to specifically address the inevitable sale of the state hospital property. Among the land-use suggestions are single-family, townhouse and senior independent living areas.

A recent example of another planned use development, the 465 acres in the Five to Six Mile/Beck to Sheldon area that Wayne County packaged for sale to developers, took 18 months to clear the combined planning



commission/trustee approval process, Frey said. The cooperative approach better represented township interests, she said.

The Grand/Sakwa name is familiar in the community for past projects: Parkstone, Brooklane Ridge, Springwater Park, Northville Ridge, and Northville Village Center at Six Mile and Haggerty roads.

In addition to the 400-plus acres along Seven Mile Road, the developer is at the ready to buy the Detroit House of Corrections property between Five and Six Mile roads, east of Ridge Road, Frey said. Those are the two biggest parcels left to be developed in the township, she said.

"They're huge projects," Frey said. "[The Detroit House of Corrections site] likely will be a mixture of residential." Once

development of those huge parcels proceeds, she said she expects the township will be asked to handle smaller-scale, fill-in projects.

The township planner estimated that the inquiries she fields are half from developers, half from residents. People ask about clearing activity behind their homes or the process for submitting a project to the planning commission, for example.

Julian Pool seven years ago moved into his home in the Maple Hill subdivision off Six Mile Road. He said he knew from the start redevelopment of the former hospital site, which borders his property, was inevitable.

"I never dreamed it would be completely removed," he said. Now, Pool and his neighbors are waiting anxiously to see what

develops behind the row of trees in their backyards.

More homes, more office buildings, more of everything will replace the largely vacant, dotted with institutional buildings, setting. It will be like the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty, and neighborhoods on Beck and Sheldon roads that Pool said he watched go from vacant to vibrant during his years in town.

"It has been absolutely incredible," he said. "I would have never imagined you could physically build that amount of homes in that amount of time."

Pulling out of Maple Hill onto Six Mile, seven out of 10 times you did not see an oncoming car, he recalled. "Now you may wait five to 10 minutes to get out."

Pool said he expects the residential development just north of his property will be similar to the type of homes recently built in the township, blended with commercial.

"We don't want a trailer park," Pool said. "This property is so prime, if somebody can afford a \$5,000 a month mortgage, can they put in \$5 million houses?"

Locals will know soon enough as public hearings are part of whatever the redevelopment scenario Grand/Sakwa planners decide to present.

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Younger set gets education all about safety

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

This summer, approximately 215 pre-kindergarten age children learned life-saving information as they completed Safety Town courses, organized through the Northville Parks and Recreation department.

"It went very well," said Pat Brown, recreation superintendent.

The Safety Town seminars — which were broken down into three two-week sessions — took place at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

The program commenced in late June and ended last week.

According to Northville Parks and Recreation officials, Safety Town is a national program that teaches children safety lessons through videos, art projects, games and guest speakers, including firefighters and police officers.

The seasonal program targets pre-kindergarten age students who will be entering kindergarten in the fall.

Along with videos and special visitors, students learned safety skills via an arrangement of simulated streets and edifices inside the gymnasium at St. Paul's Lutheran.

The program also received an anonymous donation to the tune of \$10,000, said Brown.

With that donation, organizers were able to purchase a Safety Town tarp measuring 44 x 44 feet that resembles a network of roads complete with sidewalks, crosswalks and turning lanes.

"It's huge," said Brown. "It took up half the gym floor out at St. Paul's."

On the tarp, Safety Town officials were able to place scaled down versions of authentic-looking traffic signs. Such signage included a traffic light, a railroad crossing light, eight stop signs, four yield signs, four crosswalks and two one-way signs. The traffic signs were able to be purchased on account of the donated funds.

By experiencing simulated city streets, children are taught the basics of safety, including stop-

ping for stop signs, lights and pedestrians, said Brown. Pedal-powered vehicles were also purchased for Safety Town participants to safely cruise through the artificial town.

Brown added that the mystery contributor's gift was warmly received.

"It was a blessing," she said. "It's a benefit to the community that will last for a long time to come."

"This will benefit many Northville children for many years and there is something to be said for that."

Safety Town sponsors include Timothy Kirk of Novi, the Northville Mother's Club and the Northville Kiwanis.

Brown said another key contributor to the program comes from the help of local teenagers.

"If we didn't have the teen volunteers, we probably wouldn't have Safety Town," she said. "We rely on a lot of them. It's a way for the teens to get involved."

Brown also said a few teenage volunteers attended Safety Town sessions during their early childhood and are now helping teach younger generations vital skills.

"It's a very good program for the children," she said. "It's just a complement of the safety they learn at home."

Brown said the curriculum instructs young students on how to be safe around water, fire and many other potential dangers.

Safety Town, she said, is nearing its 20th anniversary and shows no signs of slowing down.

"It's a really neat program," said Brown. "The line was long the first day."

For more information on Safety Town contact Pat Brown at (248) 349-0203 ext. 9949. Additional information on upcoming sessions will be available in January.

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Dude — his snacks sell big with city police



By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

First there was Super Man. Then came Spider Man. Now, there's a new super hero in town — SNACKDUDE.

Kris Longwish, a 37-year-old Novi resident with an extremely rare connective tissue disease, keeps hunger pangs at bay for citizens at area businesses with his own business, SNACKDUDE USA.

Confined to a wheelchair, Longwish undertook the project about a year ago with the help of his mother, Kari Schillinger, and stepfather, Eric Schillinger. He also has a part-time assistant.

"Mom does sales, marketing, public relations and banking. My stepdad does the computer invoices and inventory control," Longwish said.

Longwish and his mom deliver cardboard boxes of snacks, featuring the SNACKDUDE USA logo and a man in a speedy wheelchair prominently displayed on each box.

"I came up with the name," Longwish said.

"Kris wanted a logo that depicted him in action," said his mother.

His medical condition, Ehrls Danlos syndrome, was named after two physicians who discovered the disease in the late 1800s. The disease affects every cell in his body.

"I used to be a junk food junkie before I found out I was diabetic. Now I go right by it."

Kris "Snackdude" Longwish
Novi

"It's so rare that we've been to department heads from Henry Ford Hospital to University of Michigan over the years," said his mother. "We've never met a doctor who has seen a case of this other than Kris."

He just had major heart surgery in 2000 to repair a valve and has had about 20 surgeries, including eight major surgeries by the time he was 13.

He also has a double curve in his spine and is diabetic.

"I used to be a junk food junkie before I found out I was diabetic. Now I go right by it," he said.

Longwish's stepfather came up with the idea for the snack business, although it hasn't been too profitable yet.

"He did research on different businesses I might be able to do," Longwish noted.

His brother, Kelley Longwish, owns Wheel to Wheel, a group of precision racing designers in Warren. His workplace was his best client until recently when sales

climbed at the Northville Police Department.

"The Northville police are now my best customers," he said.

"They've been so gracious, open and eager to help him with his life," said his mother.

Longwish is looking for new clients, and needs businesses with at least 10 people.

"It takes that many people to make it worthwhile to leave a box," he said.

"We're trying to get clients close to home — in the Novi, Northville and Farmington Hills area," said his mother.

The boxes feature candy bars, cookies, buttered popcorn and kettle corn, honey-roasted peanuts, granola bars and trail mix. "Cheese and crackers are coming," he said.

He's also open to other business opportunities along with the snack business.

"And I want to take electric guitar lessons if I could find someone who could come to my home," Longwish said.

He loves music, and would even like to form a band and sing. "I've done about eight recordings," he said. He likes Christian music, ballads, American Indian music and Irish music.

And, he loves to meet celebrities, whether they be in the music business or sports figures.

"The person I want to meet the most is the wrestler Stephanie McMahon," Longwish said.

He also enjoys going to the beach at Kensington Metropark.

His mother said the snack business has been good for Longwish, and they hope to be able to keep it going.

"He likes meeting people and the opportunity to earn some money because it's very expensive to live independently as a handicapped person in our society. The resources just aren't there," she said.

"He wants to be an advocate for the disabled."

If your business would like to use the services of SNACKDUDE USA, please call Longwish, owner/president, at (248) 596-1050 after 1 p.m.

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Kris Longwish of Novi, a.k.a SNACKDUDE USA, with Northville Chief of Police Jim Petres, right, and Sgt. Mike Carlson, at the Northville Police Station. Longwish, who sells snacks to local businesses, says the police department is currently his best customer.

Alterations to city landmarks debated heavily

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

The Northville Planning Commission is guiding the transformation of an entire city block.

At the regular meeting last week, the commission gave mixed reviews to three three-story buildings that would change the city's skyline. Next month, those projects and another multi-story development are expected to be on the agenda.

Comments were favorable toward the initial presentation on the parking deck proposed for Wing Street between Main and Dunlap streets. Meanwhile, the commissioners voted to refer back to Don Moore, owner of D&D Bicycle at 121 Center, his plans for adding two floors to the single-story building. And in a 5-3 vote, they did not approve Jim Long's preliminary site plan for a commercial building that would front Main Street alongside the parking deck.

Bob and Margene Buckhave, who are planning a two-story professional/residential building on Dunlap, also are expected to face city planners in September. In presentations to city leaders, planners of the simultaneous projects have presented dotted outlines of the other developments to provide perspective during the reviews.

A lot of the discussion at the Downtown Development Authority's meeting Tuesday centered on the progress of the Main/Center/Wing/Dunlap development. The approximate \$6 million parking deck, to be paid for through the capture of tax increments within the downtown development district, is scheduled for October 2004 completion. The construction sequence of the projects to the north and south is not yet set.

At the Aug. 5 meeting, commissioners' comments on the renderings of Long's 120 West Main building ranged from complimentary "art deco" to hesitant "too industrial." None commented specifically on why they cast votes against preliminary site plan approval. Concerns raised included environmental conditions related to the former gas tanks at the site, height with respect to surrounding buildings, and flow of pedestrian traffic.

In the documents Long submitted to the city, he describes a \$2.3 million building. The 34,000-square-foot structure would replace the existing parking lot the city currently rents from the local businessman.

Occupants, not yet identified, would include a combination of commercial tenants of the first floor and offices on the second and third floors. Part of Long's plan

includes small public plazas on the north and east sides.

Mark Tucker of Garrison Company, who presented the D&D plan to the commission, described numerous visits to the Historic Commission as well as the planners. Height relative to other buildings along the Center block was a consensus concern of the preservationists, he said.

The project intent is to maintain the current store facade, Tucker explained, and build back and up to include almost 12,000 square feet. The first floor would remain the bicycle store; the second floor would be partially dental space, with the remainder of the building offices.

The extended rear of the building would be attractive to pedestrians exiting the parking deck behind, Tucker said. During their next planning commission appearance, the D&D team is hoping for preliminary and final site plan approval of the \$925,000 project.

Matt Jobin of the city's architect, Rich and Associates, described to the planning commission last week and Downtown Development Authority members Tuesday preliminary plans for the Wing Street parking deck. He described smoothing north-south traffic flow from the current jog behind the Center Street businesses.

The architect has worked with planners of the proposed adjacent buildings, considering pedestrian traffic, dumpster location, delivery points, and relative elevations. People walking and driving by the structure will see attractive facades on both east and west sides, Jobin said.

Renderings depict the appearance of many windows, architectural molding, two contrasting bricks to create the look of adjoining buildings, and two elevator towers. Planning commissioners complimented the structure's appearance, and offered a handful of suggestions regarding ease of traffic flow, and pedestrian access.

As part of Tuesday's discussion, downtown merchants talked about misconceptions circulating about the planned parking deck. Mayor Christopher Johnson said the structure would not be 65 feet tall and would not increase general taxes.

"It's really unfortunate that we're going to have to fight that misinformation," he said. The tax-increment financing used to help pay for projects such as the new parking deck helped make Northville's downtown what it is today, he said.

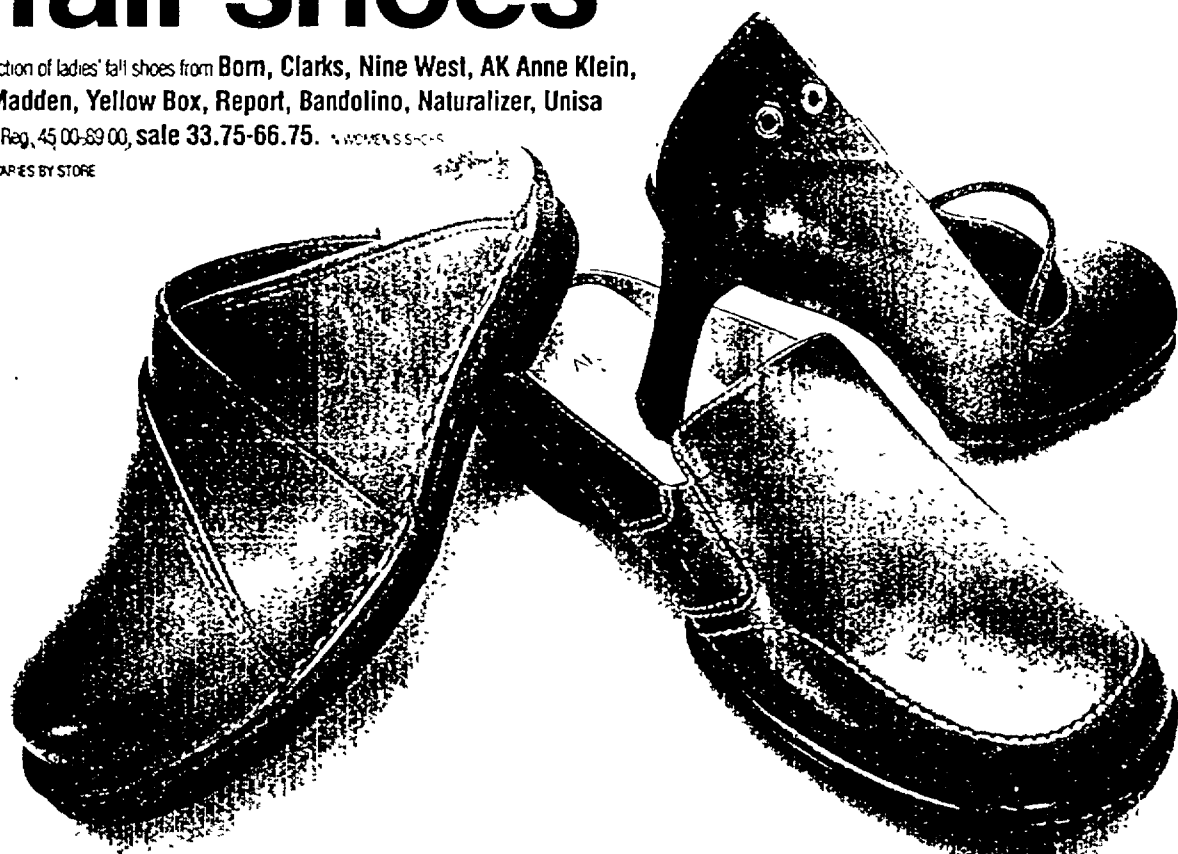
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A newborn transformed this township attorney

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Northville attorney Sandra Hughes O'Brien worked for corporate law firms in Bloomfield Hills when she first graduated from the Detroit College of Law. But when she became a wife and mother, her priorities changed.

So since January 2002 she has operated a private practice in her home off Six Mile Road just west of Haggerty, specializing in estate planning.

"As a first-time mother, I wanted to be there to see every baby milestone, whether it be the first time she walked or her first tooth. But, as a young attorney, I also felt a strong desire to practice law and keep up my skills," she said. "The obvious answer to my dilemma was to open my own law practice from home."

Now she's able to devote time to her and her husband Barrie's 2-year-old daughter, Faolan, and her law career.

"We do tag-team parenting," she said.

O'Brien likes the fact that she has control over her schedule.

"I don't have to keep track of billable hours like I did working for a law firm," she said. "My law practice is estate planning, which is paper-driven and mostly organizational in nature. There are no court hearings," she said.

She explained that estate planning is simply arranging for the orderly transfer of a person's assets following their death.

"The ideal estate plan minimizes taxes, expenses and delays and assures that your assets reach their intended heirs," she said.

These goals can be accomplished through wills, trusts, powers of attorney, marital agreements, deeds and other documents.

O'Brien said statistics show that more than half of those who should have a will don't.

"Everybody knows they should have one. A will is probably one of the most important documents you'll ever sign," she said.

The young attorney's theory is that many people don't have a will because they don't have time to see an attorney and can't afford one.

"I try to help alleviate these problems in my practice by providing flexible business hours and reasonable rates for my clients," O'Brien said. "Most of my clients see me at their convenience after 5 p.m., so they don't have to miss hours of work time. I've also put together a fee schedule that helps dispel the belief that attorneys are only for the wealthy." O'Brien also gives free consultations.

She explained that Michigan recognizes holographic, or hand-written, wills.

"Michigan allows you to have a hand-written will where all pertinent parts of the will are in the writer's handwriting. The document must also be signed and dated for it to be valid, but no



Northville attorney Sandra Hughes O'Brien has made motherhood her first priority.

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witnesses are needed," she said.

A holographic will can also include an attached document that provides a laundry list of tangible items the writer wants distributed to specific individuals or organizations.

"This list, which should not

include real estate, securities or retirement plans, can be a separate document as long as it's mentioned in the will," O'Brien said.

However, unless one's estate is quite modest, O'Brien says an attorney should draft a will.

"There are tax and privacy issues," she said.

She likes to work with young families and said that the birth of a child is a good time to think about creating a will.

"If for no other reason, you need to assign a guardian for your child," O'Brien said. "There's no other document that can do that."

Besides wills, O'Brien also helps clients establish power of attorney for business and financial issues and power of attorney for health care in case a person becomes incapacitated through injury or illness.

If someone dies without a will, Michigan laws state where the person's property will go. The estate must also be evaluated in Probate Court, which can be a lengthy process. Probate is the legal process by which property owned by someone who has died is passed to his or her heirs.

"By establishing a revocable trust, which means you can change it at any time, you avoid Probate Court," O'Brien said. "All this means is that you transfer ownership of big-ticket items into a trust."

O'Brien said creating a will is normally an easy process.

"Once we're done with the signing conference, many of my clients say, 'I can't believe how

painless this was.' They can't believe they waited so long. And, they have the piece of mind that everything will run smoothly in the event of their death," O'Brien said.

She noted that a will should be reviewed every three to five years or following a major life change, such as a marriage, divorce, the birth of a child, a serious illness or an inheritance.

A native of Saugatuck who has lived in Northville for five years, O'Brien's glad she made the switch from a corporate setting to a home-based practice so she can spend more time with her daughter.

"I used to think law school was the biggest accomplishment in my life, but now I realize she's my biggest accomplishment," she said.

For more information about estate planning call O'Brien at (734) 420-2717, e-mail her at obrienlaw@comcast.net or visit her Web site at www.obrienlaw.org.

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 The developer has 75 days from the day the bids were due — June 25 — to conduct due diligence, performing environmental studies, looking at existing buildings, and performing other evaluations, prior to finalizing the deal with the state.
 "The onus is on them to do what they need to do to close, part of that is to work with the township," Medina said. Although, she said, the state does not have specific requirements in that regard.
 "We're not involved in any meetings with the township."
 Grand/Sakwa has had 15 to 30 people a day at the site, Frey reported, working within the mid-September due diligence deadline.
 "They've been doing a lot of work," she said, looking at trees, wetlands, utilities, environmental concerns. "But there's a lot of work

to do."
 "It's a huge area and it is developed all around it," Frey said. "You need to be sensitive to what is all around it."
 Planning for the property to change hands, township leaders last year adopted a planned use development ordinance for the state property, part of an overall vision for the Seven Mile Corridor.
 Renderings specify locations of office, research and development, residential and open-space land uses.
 The property is on the south side of Seven Mile Road, west of Haggerty, east of the state police post, and backing up to a handful of Six Mile Road-access residential developments.
 Bill Gorsuch of the Northville Trails Woods and Wetlands Association, said he will watch for rescheduling of the Grand/Sakwa

meeting. His home, like a string of residences in his development, Maple Hill and Lakes of Northville, line the woods along the south side of the state's property.
 "I was kind of looking forward to finding out what they had in mind there," Gorsuch said. "Now I guess we'll have to wait."
 Homeowners in the Six Mile and Seven Mile areas that will be affected by the new development complimented the township's efforts to keep them informed about the latest steps in the planning process. A July 29 letter from Frey's office describes what had been scheduled to occur at the Aug. 14, Sept. 9 and Sept. 18 meetings.
 "Jennifer Frey has been very gracious in maintaining communication with us and letting us know what the schedules are," said Maple Hill homeowner Julian

Pool.
 Township manager Chip Snider said, "I'm a little confused as to what to tell the staff. We were told to go full bore ahead. I don't think this is anything related to the bid conflict."
 Rock Construction Co. of Livonia, the highest bidder of the five companies that made offers on the property, has protested the bid award to Grand/Sakwa Northville Seven Mile. Jeffrey Cohen, Rock's chief operating officer, has said he is awaiting action by the state Administrative Board, which would ink a final deal, before determining his next course of action.
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LIBRARY LINES

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 The complete schedule of fall season storytimes is now available at the library. These programs include the TOT Storytime sessions for 2 and 3 year olds with caregivers, Storytimes for 4s and 5s, and Kids Club for first and second graders, all of which require pre-registration, which begins in September. In addition the library offers drop-in storytimes, including the monthly one for the very young, The Little Me Club, and Evening Storytimes for families.

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 The next meeting of the Northville District Library Board of Trustees will be on Aug. 28 at 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend these monthly meetings, which are typically scheduled on the fourth Thursday of the month.

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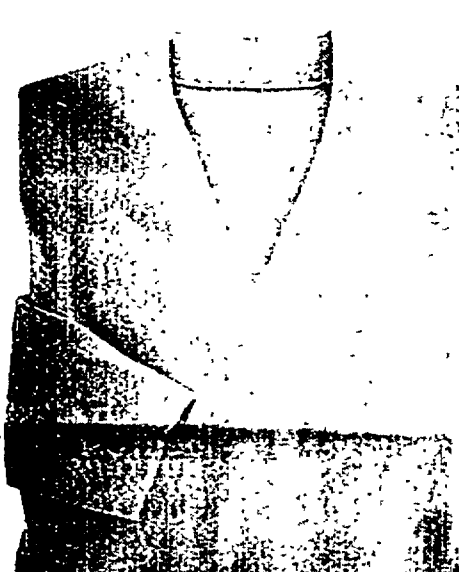
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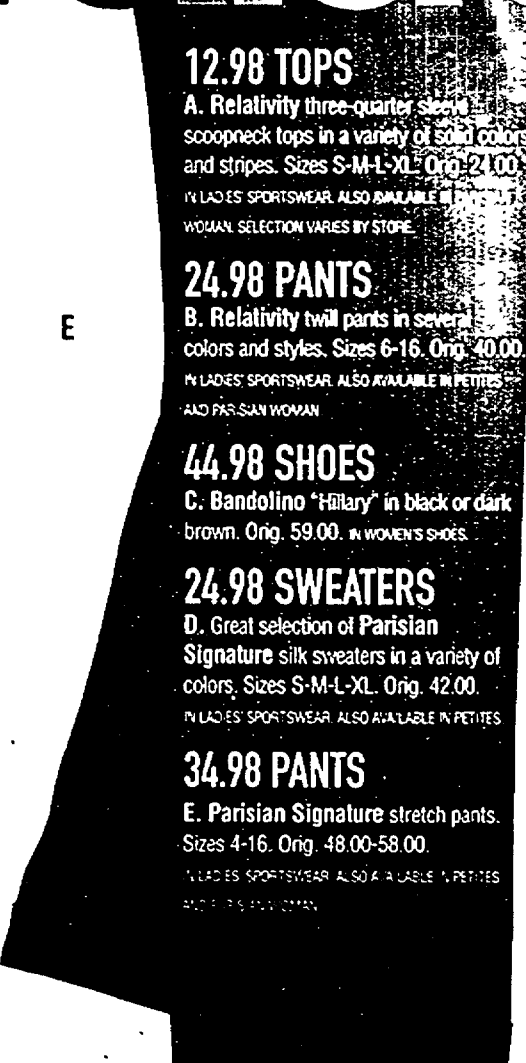
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During the Beck Road work, tentative plans called for installation of a small wedge of asphalt shifting traffic to the east and maintaining two-way traffic, Wolbrock said.

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Millennium Park enhancements get underway

By Maureen Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Yellow earth movers are pushing dirt toward future fields of green grass at Millennium Park on Six Mile Road.

That was quick action after two votes by the Northville Township Board July 31 to add many recreation opportunities for area residents as soon as next summer, and many more by 2005. Although the many more are still a maybe as funding sources to cover operational expenses created by additional facilities are yet to be identified.

Motorists who earlier this week passed the green and yellow "Millennium Park Expansion Coming Soon" sign between Beck and Sheldon roads saw the first step of land balancing. The \$230,000 in planned improvements include a 50-by-70-yard soccer field and a full one for the field displaced by the new fire station.

The playscape will be relocated to make room for 100 more parking spaces. Also, an extension of the bike path will connect subdivisions to the east and west of the park, including a bridge.

Homeowners on the eastern edge of Woodlands of Northville by 2004 may hear the spirit of competition from their backyards. The spirit of cooperation helped pay for the project with Friends of Parks and Recreation offering \$85,000 and the Northville Soccer Association contributing \$15,000 to the township's

share of \$130,000 generated by the land acquisition and park development millage.

Trustee Marv Gans, also Friends chair, volunteered for the role of liaison between the township and slate of sub-contractors scheduled to perform the work. The recreation enthusiast presented two funding scenarios to the board, proposing savings of more than \$200,000 with Plan "B". Based on Gans' recommendation, the resulting project omitted some paving and drainage included in the original estimate, as well as professional oversight fees Gans called "out of line."

Gans said his project estimate included a 4 percent allowance for Skanska of Farmington Hills, at work on Northville High School across Six Mile Road, to act as construction manager of the project.

Trustees discussed the implications of the "piecemeal" approach to the project, a departure from their usual bid package procedure. Informed that each aspect of the work fell under the township's \$20,000 bid limit requirement, they concurred on proceeding.

At the same meeting, the board sent the task of setting Northville Community Park priorities with a \$3 million price cap to a recreation subcommittee of trustees Gans, Dick Henningsen and Brad Werner. The board is expected to review their recommendations at the regular board meeting at 7:30 p.m., next Thursday, Aug. 21, at the Township Hall, 21500 Six Mile

"We're looking very critically at the impact that the immediate development will have on the operations budget."

Chip Snider
Northville Township supervisor

Road.

Landscape architectural firm M.C. Smith of East Grand Rapids July 17 presented to the board a comprehensive \$11.3 million park expansion plan, as well as several phasing options. The subject 80 acres borders the existing three baseball diamonds, four soccer fields and restroom/concession stand on Beck Road between Five Mile and Six Mile roads.

The total plan includes five full-size soccer fields and a practice/warm-up area, one lacrosse field, four ball diamonds, six sand volleyball courts, three basketball courts, a 1.4-mile path system, three playground and picnic areas, a skate park, fishing pond, 1,200-seat amphitheater, and parking for more than

600 cars.

A productive subcommittee meeting at the start of last week produced a consensus direction, Gans said. He planned to forward notes of the discussion to the township's consultant, Mike Smith.

"We think we have figured a way of modifying one of the plans he had given us," Gans said. "We wanted to include and exclude certain things."

If the trustees can agree on which amenities to include in this phase, Gans said, the work could be bid in December or January. That would allow construction to begin as early as next spring.

The trustees July 31 discussed at length how much to allocate toward this round of Community Park improvements. A combination of proceeds from the park development and land acquisition millage, money from the sale of Haggerty Road frontage to a developer, and savings from the projected cost of Millennium Park improvements tallied the spending cap on which the trustees agreed.

Discussion of adding facilities led to the question of funding ongoing maintenance and operation. As part of a shared-services agreement, city and township residents currently share the cost and use of parks and paths throughout the community.

Based on the shared-services formula, recreation spending is at its limit, said Township finance director Thelma

Kubitskey. If recreation expenses increase, additional funding will have to come from somewhere else, she said.

"We're looking very critically at the impact that the immediate development will have on the operations budget," said township manager Chip Snider. "That is a concern."

Parks and recreation director Traci Sincok in the past had been directed to increase user fees to cover higher program costs, Snider said.

"We've outgrown that model," he said. "We have to look at funding sources now, legitimate long-term funding."

Tom Swigart, recreation liaison for the Northville City Council, reported on Community Park planning at the Aug. 4 regular meeting. Because finite finances require phasing, how amenities are prioritized becomes more critical, he said.

"There are financial implications related to who does what," Swigart said. "It's turning into an I-pay, you-play situation."

"I know it's their park, but we're all part of the system," he said. "I hope they think about it carefully."

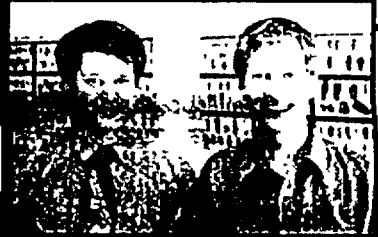
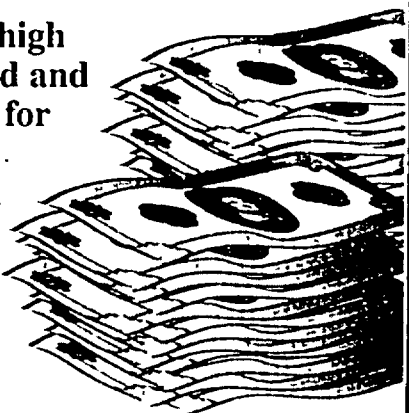
"I think there's data out there that's suggesting specific needs," the councilman continued. "I think some of that could still be processed."

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¡Ole! Resident assists students with English

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

Northville resident Donna Anderson recently journeyed to Spain through Global Volunteers in an effort to teach conversational English to middle school age students.

"It's a fun project," said Barbara DeGroot, media relations manager for Global Volunteers, a non-profit group based in St. Paul, Minn. The organization offers short-term volunteer opportunities in 19 nations worldwide.

DeGroot said the program enables young Spaniards to become more familiar with the English language and their American visitors.

"This is an opportunity for [the youths] to speak with native speakers," she said. "The kids really eat it up. They enjoy having the volunteers there."

DeGroot also said volunteers can teach language skills through a variety of applications, including games such as Bingo.

During Anderson's two-week visit to Rota, Spain—located on the south Atlantic coast — she also had the opportunity to mingle with the locals.

"Donna was able to interact with Spanish teachers and everyday people where she was working in the community," said DeGroot. "It's a wonderful cultural experience. You feel part of the community. It seems a bit more meaningful."

"You come home with some good memories and you're making a contribution as well. It's nice for [Spaniards] to meet regular folks from the United States instead of the Hollywood images or the politicians. It's really a wonderful way to travel and to meet the local people."

According to DeGroot, volunteers in Rota were assigned to different schools and worked approximately five hours per weekday alongside the local teacher, who translated when necessary.

She said students in Rota receive regular English instruc-



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Northville resident Donna Anderson helps teach conversational English to a Spanish student while in Rota, Spain.

tion, but teachers believe students benefit from exposure to native English speakers.

Anderson, a 66-year-old mother of six and grandmother of four, spoke highly of her trip overseas.

"It was a wonderful experience," she said. "I hope to do more of this kind of traveling."

"One of the things that made it especially wonderful was working in the community instead of just being a tourist. It is certainly something that I would like to repeat. I found it to be very good for me in the sense that I was learning about another culture. It was interesting to be in the Spanish schools. It would be nice if it could be longer than two weeks."

At the invitation of local host organizations, Global

Volunteers sends teams of volunteers year-round to sites worldwide, including the continental U.S. and Hawaii, to work on projects ranging from teaching English to assisting with health care to constructing community buildings, said DeGroot.

According to officials, the cost of Global Volunteers' 2-3 week international programs ranges from \$1,395 to \$2,995. Airfare is excluded. One-week USA programs cost \$750. The fee covers all meals, lodging and ground transportation in the host community, volunteer ori-

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entation materials, project expenses and the services of the team leader. All costs, including airfare, are tax-deductible for U.S. taxpayers.

Officials said 2-3 week programs are scheduled throughout the year to China, Cook Islands, Vietnam, India, Costa Rica, Jamaica, Ecuador, Mexico, Ghana, Tanzania, Romania, Greece, Poland, Hungary, Ireland and more.

For more information on Global Volunteers and their programs, call (800) 487-1074.

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The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Northville High School and a graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is employed as a registered dietician. The groom-elect is employed as a firefighter/paramedic for Sacramento, Calif. Fire Department.

WEDDINGS

Auralyn Ann Method and Cesar R. Benitez were married May 29. The couple exchanged vows during a private sunset ceremony on Ka'anapali Beach in Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii.

The bride is the daughter of Ann Method of Northville and Michael Method of Southern Pines, N.C. She is a 1992 graduate of Northville and a 1995 graduate of Michigan State University.

The groom is the son of Pedro and Stella Benitez of Chicago, Ill. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois, Champagne.

The couple resides in Paradise Valley, Ariz.



Method-Benitez

OBITUARIES

Harold Weeks

Harold Weeks of Redford died Aug. 7 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti. He was 68.

Mr. Weeks was born Aug. 31, 1934 in Northville. He had been employed as a welder for a foundry.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy S. Weeks of Redford; two sons, Stanley (Deborah) Weeks of Genoa Township and Todd Weeks of Grand Blanc; one daughter, Sandy (Ryan) Rogers of Livonia; one grandson, Steven R. Rogers of Livonia and two sisters, Irene (George) Newbegin, of Metamora and Luree Westfall of Northville.

A funeral service was held Aug. 9 at Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home of Farmington, which handled funeral arrangements. Rev. Larry Stevens officiated the service. Interment will be at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart or American Lung Association.

Wesley R. Henrikson, Sr.

Wesley Henrikson died Aug. 2. Survivors include one son, Wesley R. Jr. (Sally) Henrikson of Northville; one daughter, Gerry (Jim) Coen of Fairborn, Ohio; four grandchildren, Holly (Denis) Hayes of Lewisville, Texas, Suzanne (Alberto) Tapia of Oak Park, Andy Coen of Fairborn, Ohio and Carrie (Chris) Sullivan of Jersey City, N.J. and two great-grandchildren, Jack and Abby Hayes, Lewisville.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Clara, in 1994. Both were born in New Jersey, but settled in Shelby, Ohio, where they were both very active. The memorial mass and burial took place there.

The family asks that any memorials be made to Hospice of Dayton, 324 Wilmington Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45420.

Gennell G. Torok

Gennell Torok of Northville died Aug. 10 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. She was 79.

Ms. Torok was born April 8, 1924 in Bowling Green, Ohio to Lloyd Rood and Gertrude Gamo. She later married Andrew Torok, who survives her.

Ms. Torok relocated to Northville from Bowling Green in 1946. A graduate of Bowling Green High School, Ms. Torok was a homemaker and enjoyed cooking.

In addition to her husband, Ms. Torok is survived by her children, Andrea (Kevin) Goshorn of Farmington Hills and Gayle Torok of Northville; her siblings, Nola Shiels of Ohio, Norman Rood of Ohio, James Rood of Ohio and Stanley Rood of Florida; and her grandchildren, Chad, Caci, and Colby.

A funeral Mass for Ms. Torok was celebrated Aug. 13 at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church of Northville. Father Terrence Kerner officiated the service. Interment will be at Pinckney Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. Twelve Mile Road, Southfield, Mich. 48076; the American Diabetes Association, PO Box 2680, North Canton, Ohio, 44720; or Our Lady of Victory.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.

MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Village is an eleven-acre collection of 19th century buildings along the Mill Pond operated by the Northville Historical Society. The Village is open dawn to dusk seven days a week and is located on the west side of Griswold north of Main street in downtown Northville. The office, located at the Cady Inn, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Archives are open on Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by appointment. The 2nd Sunday in June through the 3rd Sunday in October the buildings are open from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. with docents (hosts/hostesses) in each to share the history of that building. For detailed information about special programs or renting the facilities call the office at (248) 348-1845.

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Date: September 9, 2003
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: Northville Township Civic Center
41600 Six Mile Road

A public hearing will be held on September 9, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. The Planning Commission will consider a Conceptual PUD plan for acreage on the south of 7 Mile Road, east of Haggerty Road, formerly the State of Michigan Psychiatric Hospital site.

The public is invited to attend this hearing and provide their comments and ask questions. Written comments regarding the development proposal will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

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Give us a clue about NPH site

There's a whole stretch of property on Seven Mile Road, west of Haggerty and east of Northville roads, that people drive by each day asking themselves, "I wonder what is going to happen to the old hospital?"

Like many residents whose property will be immediately and irreversibly impacted by whatever development occurs there, we too are watching with interest how Farmington Hills developer Grand/Sakwa handles our finite supply of local land.

Granted, evaluating potential property, potential wetlands, abandoned hospital buildings, and potentially environmentally unfriendly conditions on a piece of property that size is an enormous task. A comprehensive report to the township board a month after winning the bid seemed impossible to accomplish, particularly with Governor Jennifer Granholm's budget clock ticking in the background.

Apparently it was. So — when will we know? Three meetings scheduled with the township were canceled, not postponed until a later date.

With resident input, the township board had the foresight last year to prepare an ordinance that will guide how the property is developed now — how much commercial, how much residential, how much research and development, and so on. Some of those same residents, and

others now keyed to the process, want to make sure their voices are heard during these early phases, before the digging, the paving, and the no turning back.

A township official pointed out the Seven Mile Road property is one of two largest yet undeveloped parcels in the township. Soon to formally be in Grand/Sakwa's hands. The other prize piece, the former Detroit House of Corrections property, also appears headed Grand/Sakwa's way. These are additions to a long list of quality Grand / Sakwa development triumphs in this community.

Acquisition of the former hospital site was slightly muddled with the necessity to re-bid the parcel after the state initially put it up for sale. Even now, the high bidder in the second round is questioning the procedure.

The greatest service to Northville area residents — who live by, daily drive by, or are just interested in — the site of a long-standing landmark is to ensure the process is handled expediently and out in the open.

Township officials have gone out of their way to inform residents what is happening when.

We'll look forward to hearing from Grand/Sakwa their plans for continuing to responsibly develop our hometown, our precious Northville.

We'd appreciate sooner than later.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville Eclipse John "Barrister" Lang, left gets a lead early on in Sunday's game as Midland River Hog's 1st Base Tender Dirck "Roddy" Westbury tries to keep the runner close. The Eclipse and Hogs are part of a group of Vintage Base Ball clubs who occasionally scrimmage using their versions of 1860's terminology, dress and equipment.

LETTERS

Voters remember township-school fights

If you couldn't attend the board of education/Northville Township meeting last Thursday, you didn't miss much. It was canceled. Why? Just hazard a guess.

Evidently our educational administrators decided to rethink the issue of a stadium and declared that it was premature in requesting a study session. Is it perhaps because they are planning to ask for a 1 M Sinking Fund vote in November? Presenting this additional tax and a multimillion stadium tax would infuriate the generous taxpayers.

The [school] board's memory recall must be impaired. When it first proposed a new high school and the need for an enormous bond, it reassured the public that it was most satisfied with the Eight Mile athletic field for the high school use. The voters would not be burdened with constructing a new athletic field. We, the voters, took this at face value. Now the board is "tossing around" the idea that a new stadium is a necessity. The old one is too dilapidated, etc.

I'll toss some questions around. Why did the board sell property adjacent to the proposed high school? How much was realized by the sale? How was the money spent? Was there any relationship between board members and the developer? Whose idea was it to sell the property?

How did the township acquire the park acreage? Was it purchased or donated? If donated were there stipulations for its use? How would the township transfer ownership? Through a sale or switch?

What would be the estimated cost of a new 7,000-seat stadium? How does the board expect the money to be generated — millage or bond? Either way, the resident pays. Why is the Eight Mile facility no longer an option?

Would the [school] board be prepared for another lawsuit involving residents adjacent to the park? You won your last suit but antagonized many residents in the process. Would you chance another? The noise from attendance would be horrific. Traffic would be snarled. Many would park on subdivision streets. You cannot disguise an overpass. They are just plain ugly.

You can't celebrate a good relationship with the township. Presently you don't have one. We, the voters, remember.

Mary Braddock
Northville

lions. In Northville, Republicans condemn as seditious or unpatriotic any suggestion or removal of a President responsible for a deficit in the trillions.

Bent G. Boving
Northville

Opposition to war means peace later on

I am deeply concerned where our country is going and it is for this reason my husband and I have taken our message to the streets of Northville. Being 65 years old, having raised five children and having dealt in the business world, I feel I have the credibility and intellect to access the unfortunate road to war our country has taken.

I was and still am opposed to the war in Iraq. Saddened by the maiming and loss of lives for all involved in this pre-emptive war causes me to reflect on how it was presented to us by our President and his administration. To me it was a "highly motivated campaign of falsehoods" to sell war with Iraq.

Even though the whole world marched against this unjust war, we could not stop it. President Bush and his administration sold this bill of goods through terror, Sept. 11th and weapons of mass destruction.

Most of the American people trusted their President and believed what he said was true. Now, as we hold our peace signs on Eight Mile and Novi, we hope people will take notice, ask questions and demand honest answers of their President so our children and grandchildren will live in a more peaceful world.

Phyllis Clancy
Northville Township

UN is nothing but a paper tiger today

In the letter to the editor of Aug. 7 there are various statements that light needs to be shed upon. We need to understand the times that this organization — the United Nations — was founded. [Franklin] Roosevelt, [Winston] Churchill and to a lesser extent [Joseph] Stalin had to find something that all would agree upon. This agreement would become North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The NATO treaty would be the treaty that the UN charter would be based on. In this agreement the following concepts were agreed upon. That is, that each country would honor the others sovereignty and each country that would be occupied after the war would have the right to self-determination.

Roosevelt realized that by entering World

War II later that the casualties suffered by this country would be significantly less, our armed forces would lose about 405,000 as compared with the losses of Europe, Soviet Union and Japan. With lower losses this would guarantee that the United States would be greatest nation on Earth. But most importantly we would be able to control the UN. In 1945 when Germany defeat was assured, we still had the Imperial Japanese forces to contend with. We did not understand the capability of the atomic bomb, would it work, or would it start an uncontrolled chain reaction. At the second Yalta conference Roosevelt had to get assurance that the Soviets would invade Manchuria. With this invasion the Japanese forces would be split, thus they would be weakened. We had to promise that the Soviet borders would be protected in order for them to invade Manchuria. Roosevelt thought that the Soviets meant what would be the traditional borders, not eastern Europe. With that single promise eastern Europe would be denied the promise of sovereignty and self-determination. Even before the UN was started it was broke and beyond repair and its charter was not worth the paper it was written on.

Ms. [Irene] Piccone, you cannot even list one thing that UN has been successful at accomplishing. Has the UN been able to stop the faming in Africa? Has it been able to stop the senseless slaughter of Christians in the Sudan? Has it been able to stop the fighting in Chechnya? Did the UN stop Saddam from killing the Kurds or Marsh Arabs or using chemical weapons of mass destruction on its neighbor, Iran? Has the UN been able to stop North Korea from developing the atomic bomb that threatens most of Asia? Has the UN been able to change any countries domestic policies? Has the UN brought successful economic development to an area? Did the UN stop the attacks on America during that fateful September day? The answer is no to all of these questions.

The UN has been presented with a long list of problems for well over the past six decades and it has not solved any of them, so much for a "successfully" organization.

The fact is the UN wants to control every nation's right to self-determination and sovereignty. It is the desire of the UN and obviously your desire is that the United States and other countries are to surrender their sovereignty and self-determination. If that is your opinion, do you really want to do that? Do you really want a group of Third World countries (they can barely control their own countries) having control of our country? If that is so, that opinion is totally asinine. The majority of Americans and other people who hold freedom dear to their hearts are of the opinion that the UN cannot have this amount of power and control.

Ms. Piccone, perhaps you made the most absurd statement. The statement that the "UN is the last best hope for peace." It is not. In the letter written by Ms. [Mary] Braddock she makes the statement if peace is truly desired, let's "get on our knees and pray." This would be the best hope for peace. In

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Parallels between California, Northville

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OTHER OPINIONS

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Thursday, August 14, 2003

I find nothing exotic about it

Consider what the following things have in common: Japanese beetles, zebra mussels, AIDS, emerald ash borers, West Nile virus, spiny water fleas, purple loosestrife, gypsy moths, bighead carp, round eyed gobies.

They're all invasive species. In one way or another, each of these now infests our woods, waters or people. More importantly, each is an "exotic" in our Michigan environment. Each originated somewhere else in the world and was transported to our shores, where it encountered no natural enemies or predators and therefore spread very rapidly.



Phil Power

Some examples will illustrate the point. The Japanese beetle and the emerald ash borer arrived in the U.S. from Japan and China infesting wood pallets. Over the 50-odd years it has been in the U.S., the Japanese beetle has decimated the giant elm trees that used to be the pride of our streets, while the emerald ash borer in just a couple of years has killed an estimated 6 million ash trees in southeastern Michigan. Neither bug has any native natural enemies, which explains their prodigious and unchecked spread.

The AIDS virus originally looks to have jumped the species barrier from infected apes to man sometime back in the 1920s, when a West African bush meat hunter butchered his kill and nicked himself. Of course, AIDS is now a worldwide disease with no real cure yet in sight and millions dead and dying. The West Nile virus was once confined to the Nile River valley in Egypt. But mosquitoes carrying the virus

wound up in the US (probably on an airplane), where it was transmitted to birds and humans. As the HIV virus took root in other species, humans have no evolutionary protection against the disease, while native American birds are essentially defenseless against the West Nile virus.

Spiny water fleas (a sort of small, spiny shrimp) and round eyed gobies (a kind of small fish) both were passengers in the ballast water of freighters that came up the St. Lawrence Seaway into the Great Lakes. When the ships dumped their ballast into Duluth harbor, they also dumped pests that could wipe out the food stock for a whole range of native fish species. So far, neither species has any serious native predators; experts predict they will spread through the Great Lakes just like the Zebra mussel.

In a few cases, scientists have discovered biological control agents that differentially attack invasive species without damaging others.

The purple loosestrife, a wetland species that blooms in August, came originally to the U.S. as a decorative garden plant sold through nurseries. But it "escaped" the garden and spread invasively through wetlands, choking out native species. Researchers at Michigan State University and the Michigan Sea Grant are experimenting with a beetle, *Galerucella californiensis*, that feeds on loosestrife growing tips and leaves and nothing else. They've been releasing the beetles on test plots throughout Michigan for several seasons, so far effectively knocking back the loosestrife on 20,000 acres of wetlands with the long term promise of statewide control.

And the gypsy moth that migrated from its original areas of infestation in the Northeast to defoliate acre upon acre of Michigan oak trees appears to have been kept pretty much under control by aerial release of a bacterium that infects and kills the moth's ravenous larvae.

Recently, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has decided

to concentrate research on invasive species at its lab in Ann Arbor. The new National Center for Research on Aquatic Invasive Species will house the greatest concentration of scientists doing research on invasive species, especially on pests infesting the Great Lakes. That's a sign of progress but hardly grounds for optimism.

Successes against invasive species are few and far between. Certainly the spread of species from one part of the world to another will continue apace. Who knows what kind of Asian beetle will infect the next load of wood furniture made in Thailand or what American bacterium will turn up in automobiles manufactured in Michigan but sold in East Africa? International trade and travel will move goods and people — together with their invasive passengers — increasingly from one place to another.

In past centuries, various parts of the world were essentially isolated from each other, allowing unique assemblages of plants, animals and insects to establish local biological equilibriums with each other through the normal processes of evolutionary selection. But in an increasingly interconnected world, environments will no longer be able to evolve in isolation one from the other.

And so what's likely to happen? Hard to tell, of course, but I suspect we are on the way to seeing uniform, worldwide assemblages of plants, animals and insects gradually supplanting the diversity of species that now make one place different from another. And anybody who knows about the dangers inherent in monoculture — planting just one kind of potato, for example — knows full well how extraordinarily dangerous that would be.

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

Tales from the moving sale checkout

I spent last Thursday and Friday engaging in one of the great American traditions. The moving sale.

In fact, I'm writing this very column while sitting in a teak chair (sale price: \$5) and working on a folding table (sale price: \$7) while staring at a Nestle' Quik coffee mug with the magic disappearing Quik Bunny (sale price: 25 cents). My job is in manning the cash box.



Chris C. Davis

Go ahead and say what you will about lower interest rates and job creation to help jump start the U.S. providence, but I'm here to tell you that this is the gasoline that'll fuel our fiscal recovery.

Maybe you've heard the story about the woman who bought some garbage-looking splatter painting at a flea market for five bucks. Turns out that mess of color splotches was a Jackson Pollack original

that ended up nesting a cool quarter-million on resale.

This, of course, is the exception to the rule. Most of the time, buying a Quik Bunny mug for a quarter will get you a Quik Bunny mug worth a quarter.

It's funny what gets people's motors humming.

"Got any musical instruments?" a guy just asked me.

Nope — not a one to be found.

"How about tools? Got any tools?"

Uh, no.

"Guns?"

Hmmm...let me check on that one. And while I'm at it, let me make a quick call to the ATF.

In the two hours I've been running the dollars-and-cents portion of this micro-economy, I've had requests for everything from sheet music to the very laptop computer I'm using to hammer out this column.

Moving sales, garage sales, rummage sales, flea markets — call them what you want. For all intents and purposes, they're the free market equivalent of death row. Each item is barely clinging to life in the house, praying its liberator will come.

The liberator for an old artist's easel came moments ago. The woman, I learn, has a daughter who has a creative edge and found the \$3 price tag too tempting to

pass up.

Someone else just pulled up.

"I'm looking for old fishing lures."

"Sorry," I tell him. "Don't have any."

It's weird to think what's going to happen to all this stuff that used to be under one roof. Now these same items will be scattered to the ends of the earth, adopted by new families and given new fates in life. Maybe these things were just things, but they've been part of the family, too.

And this is the definitive dangerous moment in such sales: when sentiment begins building for an item that once brought as much interest as a used tissue...when thoughts start floating around like, "Oh, I couldn't possibly sell that!" ...at that point, the purpose of the sale — to get rid of stuff that was otherwise destined for the scrap heap — is lost.

So I'll have to get tough. I'll have to resist the temptation to remove the one-dollar price tag for the fishbowl that was once the home of Speedy The Goldfish...which, by the way, has just sold.

Fare thee well, new abode for thy aquatic denizen.

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GUEST COLUMN

Even good relationships have fights

Why do couples fight? This is a question asked in almost every personal and professional conversation that I have, either within or without the consulting room. The answer is quite simple, actually. The reason that couples fight is that a couple relationship is made up of two individuals; each individual sees things differently. We notice differences up to the point of starting our lives together and then somehow think that the differences will go away or don't



Paul Melrose

matter. At the Samaritan Counseling Center, our overnight weekend workshop for engaged couples, referred by area clergy, we spend an entire session on appreciating the fact that God has made each one of us differently. We explore these differences and suggest strategies for making them useful.

Think about it. Some of the differences might be that one party is a man and one a woman. One might be of one race and one of another. One might come from one part of the country and one another; one might come from a country overseas. One might

have experience in a family of multiple relationships through divorce. One might have lived in a family where a parent died. One might have grown up in a family where the original family was together for the entire time that person grew up. These differences are in addition to obvious differences, such as one is more emotional and one rational, one is loves to cook and the other loves to hunt. Our growing up years, which are kind of our schooling for how life works, particularly relationships, tells us the right way to do things; because, that is how I was taught to behave and that is what my parents and others told me was right. So, when I commit to a relationship, when we get married, we will do it my way. But there are two "my ways" and that is both the excitement and interest and also the hard work of the couple relationship.

Each party to a relationship knows both consciously and unconsciously how to do most things. Even if they think they don't know put one into a situation and they think of something. The joy can be that his emotions and her thoughts put together can present a whole picture of the issue. But if he needs to be less emotional and she needs to be more emotional how do we get the other to change. Let's take the same concept and apply it to another situation. How to raise the children. She might think that they need a month of grounding for an infraction. He might want them to publicly acknowledge within a situation a wrongdoing and spend money to replace an item. Both of these strategies have possibilities. How do we

decide?

The next truth about couplehood occurs. We have a conflict, either big or small it is a conflict. There is one whole book, which we use in our Samaritan Training Programs, and which I use with couples which tells a couple to expect to fight. That is, to expect disagreements, sometimes very strong, and to appreciate the importance of your point of view while at the same time understanding that the other person for the same reasons as you has an important point of view. Fighting does not mean that a couple will abuse each other physically, emotionally or any other way. It does mean that we need to listen to ourselves and our partner to discern what is the truth of both points of view that we need to make a decision about. Each person needs to feel values and heard in the discussion.

So expect difference. It is part of the beauty of the world in which we live. It opens up so many possibilities for making your life with your partner a wonderful and loving and fulfilling experience. Also, be prepared to work. It is worth the investment.

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Northville resident celebrates military service promotion

By Jennifer Norris
STAFF WRITER

The Asher family of Northville is celebrating the recent promotion and awaiting the safe return of Christopher Asher, 26, who is currently stationed overseas in Iraq.

Asher, who has been promoted to the rank of 1st Lieutenant in the Army, is in the Forward Support Battalion of the 4th Infantry.

His brother, Mathew Asher, who helps operate the family-owned Asher's Cigo — Northville's only full-serve gas station — said Christopher has been in Iraq since April.

Initial information estimated Christopher's homecoming to occur in September or October. However, Mathew said his brother's return trip may be delayed until April.

The apparent layover in Christopher's journey home has resulted in the postponement of his wedding to 23-year-old Candice Reeder of Canton.

Reeder said a May or June wedding is being planned.

"I'm just proud of him," she said,



Christopher Asher

adding that her thoughts constantly turn to Christopher's safety.

"I'm scared," she said. "I think my greatest fear is not hearing from him in awhile. It's hard knowing that he's over there and not knowing if he's OK."

Reeder and her fiancé met through a mutual history class at Eastern Michigan University.

After graduating from Northville

High School in 1995, Christopher later attended EMU and graduated from the ROTC program in 2001.

He was then briefly sent to Maryland and later Fort Hood, Texas before he left to serve overseas.

"He wasn't there all that long, when they gave orders to ship out to Kuwait," said Mathew.

Like Reeder, Mathew said he worries over Christopher's welfare, but is proud of his brother's contribution to America.

"It's good and it's bad," he said. "You're glad he's doing his part for his country, but at the same time you're nervous that something might happen. There's a lot of crazies there. You never know. It's difficult to tell who's a combatant and who isn't."

Although the Reeder and Asher households have not been officially united by matrimony at this point, Mathew said the fact that Christopher is serving in Iraq has brought the two families closer.

And both families are constantly sending e-mails, letters and care packages to Christopher.

"We just started sending Gatorade," said Mathew, adding that candy, baby wipes, toiletry items and even an X-Box video game system have been sent. "Whenever he writes a letter, we pass the letter around."

Mathew also said that while U.S. troops are serving, Americans need to show their benevolence toward them.

"Regardless of why we're there, we're there," he said. "We have to support our guys over there. I would like to see peace, but while we're there, we have to support our troops."

Mathew also said he had an important message for his brother.

"Keep your head down," he said. "That's always been a joke between us."

Reeder added, "Tell him I love him and come home soon and safe."

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IN SERVICE

Marine Corps Cpl. Aram Sahiner, son of Philipa A. Sahiner of Northville, recently returned from a four month deployment to the Arabian gulf while assigned to the Marine Corps Bulk Fuel Company "A", home based in Tucson, Ariz.

ON CAMPUS

Northville resident Adam Jones, recently completed United Leaders Institute for Political Service, an intensive eight-week fellowship program and political training academy.

Northville residents Nicole Allen, F. Banner, Heather Davis, Kristina Derro, Jessica Dong, Stephanie Dow, Abdul Elsaadi, Amanda Figon, Benjamin Finch, Michael Gallizzi, Sara Gerlica, Rebecca Gian, Megan Golani, Thomas Habitz, David Handley, Audrey Johnson, Jennifer Kaczmarek, Harrison Kephart, Westley King, Jennifer Kostrzewski, Jeffrey Kurszewski, Daren Lee, Ivana Malusev, Shannon McBride,

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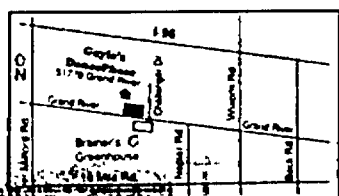
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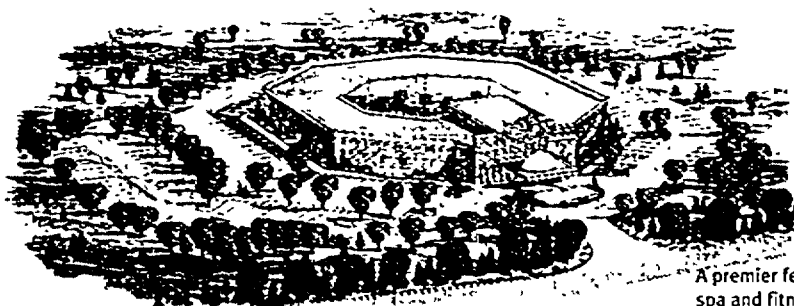
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Allen Terrace residents welcome renovations

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project in the 44-apartment west, then east, wings in January. Starting on the smaller scale south wing will impact the smallest number of units while crews dig into 25-year-old infrastructure, Inglis said.

"When you do renovation, you never know what you're going to find," she said. Since construction in 1978, the city has updated Allen Terrace several times, including a new roof, new appliances, a new emergency generator, a second elevator, and new carpet.

"The systems we're replacing now were original to the building," Inglis said.

Pankow, who worked for the City of Northville at the time Allen Terrace was constructed, said laughing that she did not know then she would end up living there. The residents realize that they cannot have all the features they would like in the city-owned building, she added.

Ruth Angell, a 16-year resident of Allen Terrace, has lived in Northville 77 of her 88 years. She said she is looking forward to her new cupboards.

Emily Jarvis, 92, moved to High Street from Dearborn 12

Complex looking for assistance during construction

There are a few local seniors who would love a plate of your pasta specialty, or just a hand packing pots and pans.

The 110 Allen Terrace residents will take turns temporarily being freed from kitchen duty while contractors install their new cupboards, counters, sink, faucets, floor, and disposal. The senior facility has lunch and breakfast covered, but housing director Joanne Inglis said she hopes to find a local business or two willing to donate dinners.

Residents willing to help out can donate an afternoon loading cupboard contents into cartons, she said. Everything in the kitchen must be moved out for the new cabinetry to move in.

Beginning mid-September, contractors will tackle four cooking areas at a time, working from the main to fourth floors with a November target completion date. Residents will return to solid-oak inset panels in place of the dated, pressed wood, laminate cupboards. And avocado green and

orange countertops will be gone.

Inglis will provide two weeks notice prior to the renovation to allow each resident time to pack. Last week, five people had returned the Housing Commission form to request assistance in moving kitchen items.

"Most people do have family and friends to help," Inglis said.

"We anticipate 50 percent of residents will go and stay with the family," she added.

Allen Terrace will set up a continental breakfast in the activity room for residents without a kitchen, Inglis said. The Wayne County Nutrition Program's "Meals on Wheels," will provide lunch. Eight residents at a time without a kitchen will be in need of dinner.

"The community is so supportive," Inglis said. "We thought this was one way we could reach out to the community and see if they could help out this one more time."

years ago.

"I really enjoy this place," Jarvis said. "Anything they do, I think we'll all appreciate it. If anybody complains, it will be the chronic complainers."

A housing commission survey of the residents revealed new kitchens as a top priority, Inglis said. The residents were prudent in their requests, she said.

Although they would like updated bathrooms, she said, they also were concerned about a rent increase. Rent rates, including utilities, are \$564 per month for a one-bedroom apartment, and \$950 for the two two-bedroom apartments.

Beginning mid-September, contractors will tackle four

the main to fourth floors with an early November target completion date. The new kitchens at nearly \$300,000 are second in project costs to the new heating/cooling system at approximately \$408,000.

"Dollar-wise, they are the most expensive," Inglis said. "The windows, doorwalls, the dollar amount might be smaller, but the

impact will be just as great." Broken seals make the glass panels hard to slide, she said.

Project costs are: windows and doorwalls, \$91,493; flooring in the kitchens and activity room, \$19,219; electrical in the kitchens and activity room, \$16,742; terrace replacement, \$13,000; plumbing, \$9,248, and activity room soffit, exterior wall and ceiling, \$8,700. In addition to the construction costs and bonding and professional fees, the renovation budget includes 6 percent of \$62,824 for contingency, and \$26,700 for allowances.

The many-windowed activity room on the main floor remained warm in last week's 80-degree temperatures, even after air conditioning. A new ventilation system will be one of many improvements for the area where residents share meals, entertainment, bingo and bunko.

"The hallways get stifling," Inglis said. Air conditioning the four floors of hallways is not part of this project, the director said, because it would have added \$100,000, plus operational costs. Hopefully, she said, the new doorwalls and new air make-up system in the attic will provide

some relief.

Rebuilding the original 1978 elevator and renovating the Allen Terrace parking lot are two other projects the \$1.36 million bond issue that voters approved was projected to cover. Both are scheduled for the spring, Inglis said. Based on cost estimates, the project has a shortfall between \$50,000 and \$85,000, the director told the council. Once the initial round of work is complete, the Housing Commission will be able to determine if additional financing is needed, she said.

There always is a waiting list for apartments in Allen Terrace, Inglis said. Once applicants meet the age-55 requirement, priority is assigned first to city residents, followed by parents and grandparents of Northville residents, then their parents and grandparents.

"But we accept applications from everybody," the director said. "We never have a problem filling our apartments."

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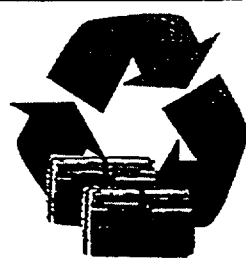
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Proposed prison expansion raises eyebrows

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we were unable to make that type of courtesy call."

Mann pointed out the township already provides services such as police and fire to the prison, which now houses some 925 inmates. Mann said he doesn't want to see Western Wayne expanded, but if it is going to be, he'd like assurances from the state that Plymouth Township will be compensated for it.

"They have to compensate us in some way for the additional drain on our resources," Mann said. "(And) it would have to be

done in an aesthetically pleasing manner that won't make the prison any more of an eyesore than it already is."

Mann is also concerned about sewer capacity at Western Wayne, which shares 0.3 cubic feet per second of sewer capacity with Scott Correctional Facility, which is situated across the street. Township engineer Michael Bailey sent a memo to Mann last week saying, in effect, that Western Wayne already exceeds capacity.

Mann also calls it "ironic" that the state would expand Western Wayne despite the

"[Any expansion] would have to be done in an aesthetically-pleasing manner that won't make the prison any more of an eyesore than it already is."

Sieve Mann
Plymouth Township supervisor

sewer overrun when new regulations were just placed on municipalities over the same issue late last year.

"It's ironic that the state

Department of Environmental Quality is breathing down the necks of municipalities about sewer over-runs and capacity," Mann said, "and then they'll

turn around and do this."

The expansion has been bandied about between the state's sites for female prisoners: Camp Brighton, near Pinckney; Scott; and Western Wayne. Camp Brighton was ruled out, oddly enough, because of sewer problems.

The legislature decided at the last minute to substitute Western Wayne instead of Scott, but the Wayne County area was preferable anyway, said David Newman, the legislative liaison to the Department of Corrections.

"That area is preferable because it's close to Hutzel

Women's Hospital in Detroit," Newman said.

DOC spokesman Marlan said now that the department knows the funds are earmarked for Western Wayne options can be explored.

"We're analyzing the feasibility of building it there," Marlan said. "We're also exploring other options, including renovating a vacant cell block at Western Wayne instead of adding brand new cell block."

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reviewing the letters that you have written in the past the message I get is this: man can change by himself if we were to give him enough money, or if we were to give into his wants and desires, these changes would not be for the better (in the 1930s-1940s this was tried with Hitler). The changes that man desires is the change of heart. This is change, a change that the UN, money and giving into cannot help.

In closing Ms. Piccone, what flag flies above your home? Is it the non-descript flag of the UN, which stands for nothing but tyranny? Or is the flag of the United States whose red stripes stand for the blood of heroes (past, present and future) who freely give of their lives so that we might enjoy our freedom and that others could enjoy the same freedom.

Dwight Wild
Northville

Sore losers can't accept Bush

I felt compelled to write in support of the letter to the editor from Dwight Wild in the July 31 *Northville Record*. Mr. Wild only frustrates himself in an effort to respond to the pathetic rantings of yet another letter from one who continues to write President Bush is in some way illegitimate because the Supreme Court made a decision which resulted in Bush's presidency. This person's contention that this decision was wrong is without specifics and totally devoid of merit. The clue to this is the mention in the letter writers quote that Bush is "unelected," which appears to be a dead giveaway of a sore loser. One would think that it would not even require a law degree to understand the authority of the Supreme Court in this instance.

Again, I appreciate Mr. Wild's efforts to clarify President Bush's position, but in this case it may only fall on deaf ears by one without the objective capacity to understand it.

Eugene E. Lawler
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Practice makes perfect

'Stangs bring new styles, technology to opening day



With helmets and cleats in hand, Northville High School varsity football players walk towards their first official practice of the 2003 season last Monday afternoon.

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

No more chalk dust, that's for sure.

Northville coach Clint Alexander pulled out the stops as he unloaded his latest device to help push his Mustangs football team to victory — it came in the form of a laptop computer.

The Dell computer, attached to a massive Zenith television, brought plays to life as Alexander flipped through his playbook and showed his squad the ins and outs of this season's bag of tricks.

"It's a handy program to have," Alexander said. "I worked all winter putting it together, and I think the guys are going to benefit from it."

And benefit they should. Looking at the play on paper is one thing, as is watching it play out while standing on the sidelines. But, to watch the play unfold through a bird's-eye view and having the ability to see each and every player's expected assignment is another.

"I think it is helping all of us out," Northville senior quarterback Mark Sorensen said. "We're all learning the plays

right down to what each other are supposed to be doing. That's why we're starting out working on audibles this year."

And work on them they are. During the initial meeting Monday — the first day of official practices across the state — Alexander was already pounding the audible calls into his players' heads. He has a system and he expects to use it.

"We have the ability to run all kinds of plays," Alexander noted. "Right now, we're working on the audibles because I want to be able to run them without any troubles when we take on Franklin (August 28)."

Sometimes, it's hard to get everyone on the same page, but Alexander has taken steps to rectify that situation.

"Each position has its own coach and each coach has complete control over the players in his position," Alexander said. "They stretch in their position-specific groups and they condition in their position-specific groups."

There will also be a few more polos on the sidelines this year as well. Last year, the Mustangs had seven coaches throughout the program from freshman ball through varsity — this year they

have 14 and are looking for two more.

"We can always use coaches," Alexander said.

The freshman squad is looking for an offensive line coach while the junior varsity squad needs a committed defensive coordinator to help stifle opposing offenses.

There are other changes the Mustangs are hoping to make this year — even off the field of play. During Friday night home games, Alexander is hoping to work with the American Legion to bring in a war veteran to be involved in the coin toss, the raising of the flag as well as other honors.

All-in-all, there's a whole new attitude about the Mustangs so far this season.

"You can feel it in the air," Sorensen said. "Each and every one of the guys out here want to play. We're working hard and have been working hard since the spring. We have a lot of potential, and I'm personally looking forward to seeing what this team can do."

Even the coaches have found new ways to bring out the best in their players. In the wide receivers grouping, there's a new drill in town. Wood planks

rise vertically out of cemented five-gallon buckets and line the practice pole-vault run. There, receivers stand on one side of the wooden planks and reach to the opposite side where the ball is thrown.

"Basically, it makes them catch with their hands," Alexander pointed out. "It's really a great drill."

This year, Alexander has a new goal to add to the others that may be brewing among the team. He wants to send as many players to college to play ball as he can, and that's a goal that is already starting to pan out.

Sorensen recently revealed that Harvard is attempting to recruit him, while the 6-foot-8, 330 pound Andrew Jaworski will no doubt find colleges scrambling to ink him. Linemen Taylor Lebeis and Matt Tanski are looking good on the front as well, and runningback Tim Downing will be looking to add to his numbers and his recruitability with some fancy footwork this year.

"Any time one of your athletes gets a college scholarship, you've done your job," Alexander said. "We have some good football players here, and it's going to show."

And now they have the mentality too. Last year, the Mustangs had a lot of athletes but not the football attitude Alexander was looking for. This year, that's a tune that has changed.

"Each and every one of my guys has their minds set on football right now," Offensive line coach Matt Laddach said. "They're learning the game inside and out and they are always wanting to learn more."

Laddach also noted that the coaches are learning too.

"I used to think I knew a lot about the game of football," he said. "This past summer, I learned more things about this game than I ever knew before. All of us are learning, and we're applying that to our coaching."

The Mustangs will be taking to the field to showcase some of their new plays and invite the public to their annual Black and Orange game Saturday at 9:45 a.m.

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Don't fret

Time sure does fly. It seems like just yesterday I was putting the finishing touches on the first year of Northville football under Clint Alexander and tying up the post-season run the Novi football squad had.

And, without giving me time to even breathe, fall sports is on us once again.

Though many of the readers out there will look at the paper this

week and nod knowingly at the football stories on the front page, others will no doubt find themselves saying that said sport is my favorite. Well, it is. I won't even try to deny it. But, in my defense, I was on vacation all last week and I really only had time to write a handful of stories when I returned — which happen to be football.

But, everyone else should have no fear. Next week, the preview sections are upon us. All the girls basketball, cross country, girls tennis, girls swimming, boys golf and boys soccer you can basically shake a stick at. Our annual fall preview section will be out in place of the regular sports section in both the Novi News and the Northville Record.

This year, I hope to surpass the preview sections of the past and produce a pretty nice product for all of the sports readers out there. That means that when you pick up the preview section a week from today, you think to yourself about how sharp it looks and the way it smoothly reads. Of course, that's my goal each and every week but nothing is quite as widely read as the preview section.

I know that once the schedules are out, the fans will take out their pens and circle the contests that they are hoping to hit this year. Well, though I'd love to be at each and every one of them with you, I can't be. It's a simple fact of life, and sometimes I do regret it. I love sports, or I wouldn't be doing this job from week to week.

Every year, my goal is to have better writing, better stories, better pictures and better coverage in the sports section compared to the year past. Sometimes I manage to do that, other times I don't. What I don't want to do is focus all of my energies on a single sport and find the other lacking because of it.

I am also well aware that many people don't see me at games. That doesn't mean that I haven't gone to any throughout the year or that there won't be any coverage. What that means is that I'm at another sporting event for the week as I am forced to adjust my schedule to fit everything I need to do into a full work week. I do appreciate all of the parents and fans that help me gather the information I need, and I appreciate all of the coaches for making that information not only accessible but easily translated into the written word as well.

I want everyone to know that they are free to come up and talk to me during a contest or give me a call or drop me an e-mail if they have any comments, questions or concerns or if they just want to say "hi." I try to make myself available to the readers and I do what I can to come up with the responses they are looking for.

I hope this relationship continues on such a path, as I do enjoy hearing the opinions of those who read my articles each week. Though my paycheck comes from an office that isn't in Northville and Novi, I do feel that the readers are my bosses. Basically, I want to be putting the things in the paper that you want to read — not just those that I want to write.

I hope everyone enjoys my articles through the fall. Let's hope that I have plenty to write about long after the regular season has come to a close. I like to think that our boys and girls are capable of doing anything they put their minds to — even if that means pounding the competition into dust and winning the state title in their respective sport.

Hey, I wouldn't mind writing about that this year and I'm sure you wouldn't mind reading about it.

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Bigger, faster and stronger

Linemen aren't going to get pushed around like last year

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

They say it has a lot to do with the "Drake Factor."

The Northville Mustangs football team finds itself in a little bit of a different boat compared to last year. Instead of having an offensive line that struggles to compete with the best teams in the Western Lakes Activities Association, they are looking to be one of the best offensive lines in their particular conference.

"It has a lot to do with Steve Mandregger," Northville offensive line coach Matt Laddach said of the strength coach for the high school. "I can't say enough about the guy. He's done so much for the program, and these kids are a lot bigger and a lot stronger than they were last year."

Mandregger, who is known as "Drake" by the coaching staff and the athletes who lift with him, has brought the line from a group of kids that found themselves being pushed around last year to a line that wants to do some pushing. They're not only doing the lifts

that help make them stronger players, but they are doing the lifts that are making them into solid foundations to build a football program around.

"I'm looking forward to knocking everyone on their butts," senior left guard Matt Tanski said. "I think we'll be ready for any team we play this year, and I think we're going to surprise a lot of people."

On the opposite end of the line from Tanski is fellow senior and right guard Taylor Lebeis has shown that he isn't afraid to surprise a few people. Last year, Lebeis was probably never thinking about just how strong he could be — this year he's squatted 515 pounds five times and won himself the first-place title at Walled Lake Western's weight lifting competition.

"I think we're a completely different line," Lebeis said. "This is the most potential I've seen out of any of the teams I've played on."

And Lebeis and Tanski should know. Both linemen have been members of the Mustang varsity squad since they were sophomores. Both players were quick to point out

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Matt Tanski
Senior left guard

a completely new addition to this year's offensive stability — senior Andrew Jaworski. The 6-foot-8, 330-pound offensive tackle wasn't able to take to the field last year due to knee surgery, but thanks to Mandregger's workouts and a burning desire to show just how

capable he is, Jaworski will be starting for the black and orange at right tackle.

"There's a brotherhood among the linemen," Jaworski said. "It has a lot to do with the weightlifting we've been doing, but it also has a lot to do with Coach (Clint) Alexander and Coach Laddach. They are committed to making us a better team, and we're committed to being better."

With the 250-pound Lebeis lining up at left guard and Jaworski weighing in at 330 next to him at tackle on starting quarterback Mark Sorensen's back side, the Mustangs are anticipating a lot less hits being applied to their gunslinger.

"We don't want any," Lebeis said. "Our goal this year is to not give up any sacks."

Lining up in the middle of the line will be the big-as-life form of senior Mike Subu while Tanski takes the role of right guard. At right tackle will be junior J.D. Gerblich.

"I think this is one of the biggest lines we've had in a long time," Tanski said. "We're capable of holding our ground and we're looking forward to proving it."

And without the Drake Factor being involved, would this have been the transformation the Mustangs would have undergone over a normal summer?

"No way," Head coach Clint Alexander said. "Mandregger has worked with these kids from day one, and each and every one of them are different players than the first time we took them onto the football field."

There have even been comments that Mandregger's lifting has helped keep injuries down and get injured players back to their top form. Even Jaworski found himself back on the field.

"It has everything to do with Drake," Jaworski said.

And that's why they say the Drake Factor has so much to do with the line they are and the line they are planning on becoming.

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Tyler Carter fit in great at Northville High

By Roger Garfield
SPECIAL WRITER

Tyler Tufts Carter was born on May 22, 1985 in Omaha, Nebraska. Growing up in St. Louis, Missouri, Carter played little league baseball in the sweltering humidity and developed into quite a stellar young athlete. At the age of 14, however, Carter and his family moved to Northville the summer prior to his freshman year of high school.

The move saddened Carter and his family at first. He and his brother, Zach, were both big parts of their community and schools. Carter attempted to acclimate himself with the high school scene quickly by joining the cross-country team. This proved to be a wise move.

Carter was a very team-oriented participant. His teammates took a quick liking to him, and this made the transition from St. Louis to Northville a bit easier. Carter went on to run on the team for all four years of high school. Under the tutelage of Chris Cronin, Carter enjoyed himself thoroughly by improving over the years and basking in the team camaraderie, especially at team dinners. Cronin's presence had a big impact on Carter both on and off the trail, and the impact of his teammates was tremendous as well.

"The team and coach (Cronin) were both very good for all of my four years," said Carter.

In the winters, Carter hit the pool as a member of the swim team. Zach Carter, a NHS graduate of '01, swam his first year at Northville, when Carter was a freshman. Carter, however, was hesitant to swim that first year, and did not join the team until he was a sophomore, and Zach a senior.

"The Speedos scared me away," he reasoned.

Eventually though, Carter caved in and joined the team with his older brother. He soon found that swimming was harder than he thought.

"It is the most physically demanding sport there is," states Carter.

He worked hard, and by the end of his first year, he was swimming freestyle on the team's top relay. Carter's forte in the water was always the 50 yard freestyle. After many early morning practices and hours of grueling laps, Carter made it to the state meet as a senior. He qualified in both the 200 free relay and the 200 medley relay, swimming anchor for each. That was quite an accomplishment for someone who had never swam competitively before his sophomore year. Perhaps it was the success of his brother Zach that convinced him to finally swim. Zach will be a junior at the College of Wooster in the fall. He swims on Wooster's team and is also a specialist in freestyle.

Spring was Carter's favorite time of year: baseball season. After a year on the junior varsity as a freshman where he played catcher, pitcher, and infield, Carter made the varsity squad as a tenth grader. He and Scott McNeish were the lone sophomores on the team, and they shared time behind the plate. Carter also pitched and played third base. As a junior, Carter became a star. He batted .321 and had 5 home runs on the season. In the district semi-final his junior year, Carter pitched against a star-studded Novi lineup and managed a win. It was a brilliant feat. Not feeling a big district win was enough, Carter went on to crack two homeruns in the district final versus South Lyon, bringing Northville its first district crown in two decades. The following weekend in the regional semi, Carter was on the hill again facing Saline. He pitched well, but Saline proved to be a bit too much. The Mustangs fell 5-4.

Carter came back his senior year excited. He was prepared to savor

what he thought would be his last year of organized baseball. The Mustangs had a stacked team with a lot of pitching depth and young talent. Carter began the season struggling a bit with the bat, but his pitching throughout the year was splendid. He led the team in innings, pitching 42.2, was second in strikeouts with 34, and had an ERA of 3.11. When district tournament time came, Carter once again was ready to perform.

He started the semi-final, this year against South Lyon, and he pitched wonderfully. The Mustangs cruised to a 6-2 win and faced Novi in the final. Seeking revenge, the Wildcats came out with a lot of intensity, but Northville was too much. The Mustangs won 7-5 and were back-to-back district champions.

A year prior, the Mustangs seemed satisfied with a district title. This year, they wanted to win the regional. In the semi-final, Carter and his mates went up against Adrian and pitching star Eric Theisen. Carter took the mound with a lot of confidence and energy. He pitched harder that day than he ever had before, hitting speeds of close to 90 MPH. The game was a classic pitcher's duel. Carter managed to hit a single off his opponent early in the game, and he came around to score a key run. Adrian bunted, scratched, and clawed their way to three runs, and in the 7th, they were up 3-2. Northville could not mount a rally, and lost for the second year in a row in the regional.

Carter had nothing to be ashamed of. He pitched possibly the greatest game of his career against an Adrian lineup full of big hitters. It was nothing short of a gem. Many college coaches noticed his pitching exploits from his senior year. Carter has chosen to attend the University of Michigan. He has been to some baseball camps there, and he will try to walk on to the team in the fall.

"I'm going to give it my best shot," says Carter.

Carter is the epitome of a great teammate. As a baseball captain his senior year, he had a very big influence on the underclassmen. His presence on the field and in the dugout will be missed greatly. In all of the sports Carter took part in, he never got caught up in individual success or personal glory. Carter wanted to have fun and succeed as part of a team. Carter is also a great son, brother, and friend.

His parents Steve and Kathy are from Cincinnati; Ohio. Sarah is the oldest daughter, recently graduating from Southwest Missouri State. Zach is 20, and Carter is 18. Their family enjoys spending time playing cards, dining, and laughing.

Carter is a valued friend by many. He and his friends partake in disc golf, concerts, cards, games, swimming, homerun derbies, and eating. Ribs are one of Carter's favorite delicacies. Able to put down a good slab or two on a healthy day, Ty loves to eat.

Dave, Matthews Band and O.A.R. are two of Carter's other loves. He has countless CDs of the bands' live shows and genuinely enjoys collecting and trading.

Carter will move into the University of Michigan at the end of August. He is considering studying English; his background in journalism is good, having worked for the Northville Record in the fall and winter. Many of Carter's friends will be joining him at U of M, but those attending elsewhere will miss him dearly. Carter is a character full of life, laughter, and love, and is ready for life's next chapter.

"I have spent four wonderful years here coming from ten equally wonderful years in St. Louis," Carter said.

Tyler Tufts Carter is prepared for many wonderful years ahead.



Roger Garfield (left) and Tyler Carter have had plenty of fun as teammates, friends and fellow sports-writing interns for the Novi News and the Northville Record.

Games more fun thanks to Garfield

By Tyler Carter
SPECIAL WRITER

On the fifteenth day of December in 1984, the man who would one day grow up to be a six foot four, two hundred pound NCAA basketball player was born. I was lucky enough to sit down with this young man just before he starts writing this new, collegiate chapter of his life.

Roger Louis Garfield, more commonly known to friends simply as "Rog", "Odie", or "Garfizzle", has most certainly left his mark on the schools and community of Northville. He is renowned amongst his peers for his athletic prowess, his unique and amiable character, and his unfailing sense of humor.

Roger's extensive basketball career began soon after he learned to walk. Year after year, he played in leagues and summer teams, all of which would prepare him for his high school career and beyond. His inaugural high school season was spent under the tutelage of Coach Cronin, to whom Roger now refers as his most influential coach and one who "drove me to become a better player". Roger describes his sophomore season as a year that he "loved seeing everyone get involved. There's nothing I love more than watching the success of my teammates." He enjoyed plenty of success that year, as the team finished with a healthy 18-2 record. In his junior year, Roger helped lead the Mustangs to an impressive season capped by a division title. The moment, however, that stands out in Roger's and many other Mustang basketball fans is one that occurred in a league game against Stevenson in the 2002-2003 season. Northville trailed by two with the game clock winding down when Roger fired a majestic pass to teammate Jeff Varley for a picture perfect alley-oop. After Varley had slammed down the thunderous dunk and sent the game to overtime, Roger explained that the two of them have a certain connection on the court. They call it the Jalen [Rose] - Tracy [McGrady] connection after Roger's and Jeff's favorite NBA stars. Roger spent his summers playing ball with players from Novi, and he developed great friendships off the court. Roger will be donning a Hornets jersey in the years to come, as he begins his college career at Kalamazoo College. He has spent part of this summer playing with the team and is "looking for a lot of

back-to-back" this year. With Roger's size and ability, there's no doubt that he has a legitimate shot at being a big part of the team as a freshman.

Roger's athletic aptitude does not end at basketball. The Northville baseball program was blessed with four years of Roger's play. The first time Roger and I played catch, at tryouts for the JV team in our freshman year, I knew I was playing with someone who loved the game. While he admits that basketball is his bread and butter sport, Roger was a major contribution to the varsity team as a junior and senior. Playing the role of an under-used crafty pitcher in his senior year, his numbers speak for themselves. He struck out ten his fourteen innings on the hill, notching himself a 2.44 ERA, the second best on the team. He also boasted a 2-0 record, relying on his deceptive fastball and devastating knuckle ball to make the opposition look foolish. When he wasn't pitching, Roger found himself juggling fly balls in the outfield and getting things done at the plate. Every year, his hitting improved, and he hit a total of four homeruns as a varsity Mustang, including a monster shot off Hamson's 92 mph-throwing Drew Stanton in the 2002 campaign. "High school baseball was a thrill just because I got to play with the same guys I'd been playing with my whole life," says Roger. Being part of the back to back district title teams was also a highlight in his sports career. The beautiful thing about Roger that you don't find in many high school athletes is his ability to overcome failure. Roger and I competed in a knockout competition in our junior and senior years. The interesting thing

about this competition is that it took place at the plate instead of on the mound. Both of us found that we had a unique ability to strike out numerous times over the course of a season. We harnessed this gift and turned it into a game. In the summer following our junior season, it took a valiant four-strikeout performance by me in the last game of the season to overcome his commanding lead and go home with more strikeouts than anyone else on the team. I hate to brag, but I also beat him in our senior year — by a lot.

As much as I could talk about Roger's monumental sports career, I feel that where he really shines is at the dinner table. I've never met another individual that appreciates food like Roger does. As I asked him about his years on the basketball team, the only interruption was him making his way to the freezer and pulling out a couple of frozen pizzas and asking with a smile "You prefer the 4-cheese or the supreme?" Later, as he heard the timer go off, indicating that a flawless 4-cheese pizza was ready, he broke into an ear to ear grin. He asks me, "Do you ever find yourself smiling when you sit down to eat, because I do a lot." Born in St. Louis and enjoying the luxury of Ted Drew's Frozen Custard, Roger's love for good food is no coincidence. As an avid fan of Skyline Chili and many other Midwestern delights, he is always up for a good meal. There aren't many people that can say they have spent nearly five hours at Asian Buffet in a single sitting, nor are there many that have tackled Glen Arbor's Monster Sundae...twice. Roger can, and he does so as he pulls chips and salsa out of the cabinet to cleanse his

palate after the pizza.

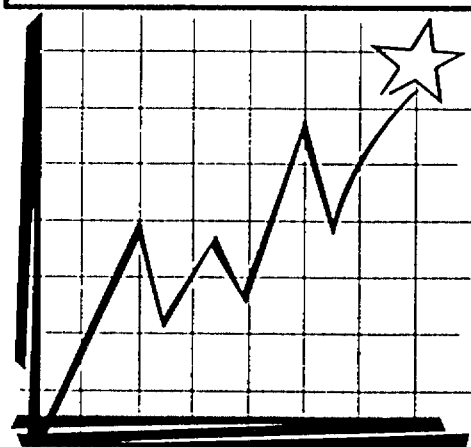
Along with his love for food, Roger also holds a special place in his heart for cinematography. I don't know that I've ever met anyone who is more familiar with actors and their work than Roger. While he is a fan of newer material such as Zoolander and Mr. Deeds, he still holds classics such as Home Alone and The Big Lebowski in high esteem. In a yearbook survey, Roger credits Kevin McCallister's wit and bravery as the inspiration that made him the person he is today.

Music has played an important role in Roger's life thus far. With a professional musician as an uncle and a father who owns CDs by over 2000 different artists, it would be amazing if it hadn't. After years of piano lessons, Roger is able to sit down and astound listeners with anything from classical pieces to pop. Roger was also a member of Backbeat, the elite group of young men that perform at Northville High School functions as well as private parties. Yes, ladies, he can tickle the ivories and sing.

Over the last four years, I have been lucky enough to build a strong friendship with Roger Garfield. We have enjoyed several baseball seasons together as well as numerous outings on both local and far away disc golfing adventures.

I can't get enough of Roger's smile and I absolutely love the way the big fella eats. As we both head off in different directions next year, I know I will not lose his friendship. To use his own expression, he is truly a class act. There is no doubt in my mind that he will find success in whatever endeavors he chooses to pursue.

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Travel baseball try out dates

The Northville Baseball and Softball Association has announced its 2004 travel team tryout schedule. Below, the age for the players, the name of the coach, the number to call and the times and location are listed. All numbers are 248 area code unless noted.

Note: cutoffs are your age as of 12/31/03 for girls and your age as of 7/31/04 for boys. Call the above coaches if you intend to try out.

Boys' Teams

10 year old A-team, coached by Mike Putman (347-0118) at 6 p.m. Sept. 5, noon Sept. 6 and noon Sept. 7 at Community Park #6; 10 year old B, coached by Todd Williams (305-7282) at 6 p.m. Sept. 5, noon Sept. 6 and noon September 7 at Henningsen; 11 year olds, coached by Scott Baldwin (348-1828) at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 5, 5 p.m. Sept. 6 and 4 p.m. Sept. 7, at Millenium Park; 12 year olds A team coached by Terry Mills (449-7425) at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 21 and Aug. 22 at Millenium Park; 12 year olds B team coached by Tom Close (348-7409) at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 21 and 22 at Millenium Park; 12 year olds coached by Mark Fisher (347-3619) at 6 p.m. Aug. 22, 10 a.m. August 23 and 6 p.m. August 24 at Fish Hatchery #1; 14 year olds A team coached by Dominick Mitchell (734-420-5755) at 6 p.m. Aug. 23 and 2 p.m. August 24 at Millenium Park; 14 year olds B team coached by Tom Close (348-7409) at 6 p.m. August 23 and 2 p.m. August 24 at Millenium Park; 15 year olds coached by Vince Marsico (734-464-6588), please call for information; 16 year olds coached by Carl Patterson (349-4973), please call for information; 18 year olds coached by Max Richt (380-9885), please call for information.

Girls' Teams

10 year olds coached by Scott Combs (347-8914), please call for information; 12 year olds coached by David Cooke (734-420-1042) at 3 p.m. Sept. 7, 6:30 p.m. Sept. 10 and 1 p.m. Sept. 14 at Community Park #6; 14 year olds coached by Mary Cicala (347-4598) at 2 p.m. Sept. 7, 6 p.m. Sept. 11 and 2 p.m. Sept. 14 at Henningsen Park; 16 year olds coached by Stacey Budeen (380-2712), please call for information.

Michigan Indians baseball try outs

The Michigan Indians U-16 and U-17 baseball travel teams will hold try outs for their 2004 season August 23 and 24. The try outs will be held at Massey Field at the intersection of Plymouth and Haggerty Roads and will be from noon-2 p.m. Aug. 23 and from 6-8 p.m. Aug. 24. The U-16 Michigan Indians will be the host team for the NABF World Series held in Northville. For more information,

please contact Carl Patterson at (248) 349-4973 or email miindians@comcast.net.

Michigan Athletics Baseball to hold try outs

The U-15 Michigan Athletics Baseball Club will hold try-outs for their 2004 team on Sunday August 24th at Northville Community park, field #5. Any player born after August 1, 1988 is eligible to try out. The Michigan A's typically play of schedule of 50-60 games including Little Caesar's League games, sox tournaments and one national World Series.

For information please contact Bill Jenney, abjenney@comcast.net or (248) 348-5857.

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Searching for records

Novi High School is currently looking for any information regarding a possible record for a single game, single season or a career dating back to the opening of the school. Records can be proven with old newspaper articles, end-of-season reports or scorebooks as documentation. Anyone with this information should contact the high school via mail by sending the documentation to: Novi High School, 24062 Taft Road, Novi, Michigan 48375. Attn: Julie Fisette, Athletic Records.

Open and Lap Swimming

The Recreation Center at Hillside Pool announces open and lap swimming during the spring on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30-8:30 p.m. and Friday 6-7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 3-4:30 p.m. The cost is \$3.00 per person, regardless of age. Please pay the lifeguard and bring correct change. Dates and times are subject to change. Cancellations will be posted on the Recreation Center doors.

Northville Broncos Tryouts

Tryouts for the 2004 Northville Broncos U-14 Boys' Travel Baseball Team will be held at Millenium Park, Field No. 7, August 23 and 24. The tryout will be from 6-8 p.m. on the 23 and from 2-5 p.m. on the 24. Attendance at both days is preferred. Any questions can be directed to Dominick Mitchell at (734) 420-5755.

ENTERTAINMENT

Sam Eggleston, (248) 349-1700, ext. 104

Thursday, August 14, 2003

Food For Thought

Recently, while roaming the Thursday Farmer's Market in downtown Milford, my husband, Tom, and I discovered a honey booth with jars and jars of the thick, golden liquid, displayed. The owners of the Apiary and several of their nine children were working away helping the throng of customers "buzzing" around their store. While making our purchase, I had an intriguing conversation with the mom, a mid-30s woman. I learned she home schools all of her children, runs a bee farm, teaches bee-keeping classes, raises ornamental and fruit bearing trees, and follows the local markets six days a week during the summer.

What got my initial attention were the jars with dark, pollen-filled combs suspended in a beautiful, amber-colored honey. We've all seen comb honey available in the supermarkets, nicely boxed, clean and pristine. Imagine the opposite. It was hard for me to take my eyes from the almost sci-fi looking mass floating in its personal outer space. In fact, I'm gazing into a jar that is sitting on my desk with the sun streaming through it as I write. Inspiration at its best!

Honey, by definition, is a sweet liquid produced by bees from flower nectar. The name comes from the Old English word hunig and is the first and most widespread of sweeteners used by man. For centuries, many people have held it in high esteem. The Old Testament describes the ideal land as one "flowing with milk and honey." Romans and Greeks referred to



Chef Mary Brady

honey as "food for the gods."

Honey has been used as a pharmaceutical for hundreds of years. Before refrigeration and reliable food sources, honey was used to kill the bacteria that grew on spoiling food. Some types of honey have an excellent ability to kill staph. This antibacterial ability comes from the physical makeup of honey including hydrogen peroxide, various alcohols, and ethereal oils, formic, lactic and vegetable acids, and from the hormones furnished by the bees themselves.

Another theory, which makes perfect sense to me, is that honey gathered from medicinal plants contains the healing propensity of said plants. There is documentation dating back to 401 B.C. that soldiers on one of Cyrus's expeditions behaved like madmen after eating honey, and then lay unconscious for 24 hours. Not many years later three squadrons of Pompey's troops died after eating honey trod to them by the natives, undoubtedly collected from poi-

sonous plants.

Honey is being rediscovered for its unique combination of nutritional and therapeutic benefits. The body assimilates it completely and easily. Unlike white sugar, the body does not store honey. Though it contains a minimum of 80 percent carbohydrates, they are in a form that is readily metabolized, providing a quick source of energy and an array of vitamins, minerals, antioxidants and amino acids.

Honey is also a revered cooking ingredient and can be substituted for the sugar in any recipe. The rule of thumb is to reduce the amount by 25 percent (e.g. 3/4 cup of honey for 1 cup of sugar) and reduce some other liquid ingredient as well by the same amount -25 percent. Honey is composed of 42 percent fructose or fruit sugar. This sugar is very hygroscopic (moisture absorbing) and keeps breads, cakes and cookies moist for a longer time.

There are three basic forms of honey: the comb, chunk and extracted. Comb honey comes straight from the hives. It is full of natural pollens, and many sufferers of allergies have experienced a marked improvement by chewing a spoonful during allergy season. Tom can attest to this first hand. After just a few days of eating the comb his symptoms disappeared.

The term "chunk" refers to honey with bits of the comb included and "extracted" is pure honey pressed from the comb. As with any other natural product the littlest amount of processing is preferred, maintaining the integrity and bouquet.

Store honey in a cool, dry place for up to a year. Comb or chunk honey six months.

Several hundred varieties of honey are sold throughout the United States and the flavors of such depend entirely on the location it is gathered. Orange blossom honey from Florida, manzanita from California, sage-blossom from Arizona, spearmint from Indiana and tupelo from the swamps of Georgia to site a few.

Americans consume over a pound of honey per person each year. The United States is one of the world's largest producers of honey. Figures gathered in 1998 state that there are 212,000 beekeepers tending nearly 4 million hives with a 221 million pound production.

One of our Brady family favorites is warm corn bread slathered with honey. I've shared an especially popular recipe that incorporates the use of summer's fresh corn and sage. Please take the time to seek out unpasteurized honey from your local bee farmers. In fact, my honey supplier offers bee-keeping classes in the spring, which follows the life cycle of the honeybee throughout the late summer extraction of the honey. Maybe, just maybe, it's time to go back to school!

Mary Brady is a certified executive chef and co-owner of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro in the Novi Town Center. If you have culinary questions or comments for chef Mary Brady, you can contact her via e-mail at djbistro@aol.com

SAVORY SAGE AND BUTTERMILK CORNBREAD

Ingredients:

1/2 cup yellow corn meal
1 cup flour
1/2 cup honey
3 t. baking soda
1/2 t. salt
3/4 cup buttermilk
1 egg well beaten
2 T. melted butter
Corn cut from 2 ears' leftover is great but if raw, blanch before adding into batter
2 T. finely chopped fresh sage or 1 1/2 t. dried

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Grease an 8" square cake pan or, 12 count muffin tin or an 8" cast iron skillet
2. Mix the dry ingredients in a bowl.
3. Add the beaten egg, honey, melted butter and the buttermilk.
4. Incorporate the corn and sage and pour into desired container.
5. Bake approximately 20 minutes or until a toothpick comes out dry. Cool and cut into squares or wedges. Serve with sweet butter and honey.

Recipe provided by chef Mary Brady of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro

THE PEQUOD

Ingredients:

5 ounces prepared tapanade (purchase in jars or make your favorite recipe)
2 quartered black figs (dried)
3 tablespoons Grainy mustard
Note: Process all of the ingredients until smooth.
Allow flavors to blend at least 12 hours. This will store for two weeks or longer

5 four-inch round sourdough rolls or cut baguette bread
Above tapanade
4 ounces mild goat's cheese, room temperature
8 ounces thinly sliced prosciutto - get the good stuff, imported only
2 1/2 cups baby greens - arugula is great or baby spinach or watercress (dad's fav!)

Directions:

1. Bring the tapanade to room temperature. Slice rolls or bread.
2. Divide tapanade over bottoms and cheese over tops spreading evenly.
3. Layer prosciutto slices over tapanade and then greens. Season with freshly ground pepper.
4. Cut into halves, wrap and store chilled up to four hours.
5. Bon Appetite!

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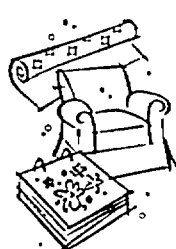
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'Open Range' doesn't have needed elements

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

To start off, I have to say that I'm not the biggest fan of westerns in the first place. So, if you are, you might want to skip this particular review altogether.

Growing up, I was basically stuck watching the old-time westerns that my dad, Mark, seems to oh-so love. I can't stand them, and that is no doubt weighing in on my thoughts of "Open Range."

"Open Range" is a new western directed by its star, Kevin Costner. Though I have to respect Costner for all of the chances he does take and the movies he does that no one else would probably even touch, Costner leaves me with a stale taste in my mouth after this one.

Taking place in the waning years of the Wild West, "Open Range" tells the story of a group of Free Grazers — men who run their herd through the open plains and let them feed where they will. Well, about this time is when those land-owners found free grazing to be a bit of a pain, and a lot of them decided to do something about it. "Open Range" focuses on one particular town and an irritated Scottish immigrant who doesn't like free grazers tearing up all the property he owns. So, he sends out his thugs, does some damage and kills a man, and then tries to scare off the rest.

And, you may have guessed, that's where the classic-style

western comes into play. You see, Costner plays a man named Charlie who is kind to women, nice to dogs and hates people who are mean to his friends. And what does Charlie do to people who he hates? Well, that's what he carries six-shooters at his hip for.

I have to say that out of the entire time I sat in the theater watching this movie, the best parts were about the last 15 or 20 minutes. And, the best scene and lines are given up in the previews that are on TV right now.

There are plenty of things lacking throughout the film, but the most notable is the story line for the first 3/4 of it. Don't get me wrong, there's plenty of story, but it's just stretched out and starts to slowly creep along before finally getting to the point.

According to my dad, this is the way westerns were done in the past and all of those people who grew up loving those ones will probably like this one too. I won't argue that, but I will say that those who don't like those kinds of movies will find nothing but a handful of things to enjoy in "Open Range."

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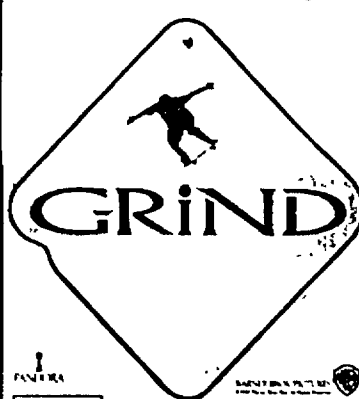


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'Tomb Raider' is a take it or leave it kind of movie

By Sam Eggleston
ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

If there's one thing I can say about "Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life," it's that I really couldn't decide if I liked the movie or not.

Yeah, for being a sequel, this flick happened to match its predecessor in more ways than one. Angelina Jolie, who was back as the ever-so-lovely Laura Croft, did a fine job once again as did most of the supporting cast. The effects were cool looking and the action scenes were well done. But, for some reason, I just couldn't get into it.

For starters, this movie is just a little longer than it should be. By the time the end rolls around, I was ready to hit the door in a full sprint — and I don't usually sprint unless something is chasing me and intends to eat me when it catches me.

Beyond the length, I just found myself shaking my head at some of the scenes. First of all, there are some "supernatural" elements to the movie that I just couldn't accept. Secondly, there are just some very, very ridiculous spots that I couldn't believe they put in there. For example: While diving off the coast of Greece to find the Luna Temple of Alexander the Great, Croft ends up coming face-to-face with a big shark that is ready to chomp her to pieces. Well, she winds up, smacks the fish in the nose and then rides him to the surface. For some reason, I just can't see that particular move ever working, and it's visually ridiculous in my mind.

But, there are good things about this film too. The story is intriguing, the action scenes keep you watching and the acting is well done with the exception of a handful of supporting members. For being a movie based on a video game, "Tomb Raider" manages to do everything you could really expect from it. Unfortunately for those who produced the film and released it, this wasn't a good year for movies that just do what you expect. With blockbusters like "Pirates of the Caribbean," "Finding Nemo" and "Spy Kids 3D" drawing the younger audiences away, "Tomb Raider" found itself quickly being sealed off and forgotten.

In the end, I have to say that this particular movie is the kind that I have to just shrug my shoulders at when asked how I



Angelina Jolie is back as Laura Croft in "Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life."

liked it. I didn't regret going to watch it, but I didn't go home and talk about it to anyone either. I just accepted that I spent eight bucks on a movie and managed to sit through it without getting too irritated.

For those out there who enjoyed the first installment of the "Tomb Raider" movies, you should enjoy this one too. It

manages to surpass the mark set by the first flick and does so without too much of a struggle. Those looking for a high-intensity action movie may want to skip out on this one and hit "S.W.A.T." instead, or a movie more similar to that. "Tomb Raider" doesn't have what it takes to keep action fans locked in, and those wanting other spe-

cific movie genres may be disappointed too — unless, of course, that genre is video-game movies.

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SCREEN BEAT

By Brian Renner
THE MOVIE INSIDER

Coming to theaters this weekend is "Uptown Girls" starring Britney Murphy as spoiled, freewheeling daughter of a celebrity musician, who is forced to get a job when her inheritance is stolen. She becomes nanny to precocious Ray Schleine (Dakota Fanning), an "eight-year-old going on forty." Molly and Ray are essentially alone in the world, but soon discover in the other a true friend. "Uptown Girls" is a MGM Pictures release and rated PG-13 for sexual content and language.

"Freddy vs. Jason", the ultimate battle of the evil forces, clash when silent stalker Jason Voorhees takes on dream master Freddy Krueger. The parents on Elm Street have found a way to keep nightmare-based slasher, Freddy Krueger away from their children: medicating them so they never dream. To put some fear back into the teens, Krueger sends the hockey-masked, Jason Voorhees up from hell to haunt their waking lives. The film stars Kelly Rowland, Monica Keena, Jason Ritter, and Christopher Marquette. "Freddy vs. Jason" is a New Line Cinema release and rated R for pervasive horror violence/gore, gruesome images, sexuality, drug use, and language.

Kevin Costner directs and stars in western drama "Open Range", about four cattle herders (Costner, Abraham Benrubi, Robert Duvall, Abraham Benrubi) who roam the countryside without owning a particular piece of land, living in the final years of the Wild West. Together they team up to rid a burgeoning remote town, Harmonville, from the ruthlessly evil rancher, Baxter (Michael Gambon), who has formed an "outlaw state", where he rules with scare tactics and brute force. "Open Range" is a Touchstone Pictures release and rated R for violence.

"Le Divorce" follows Isabel Walker (Kate Hudson), a film school dropout from California who travels to Paris to help her 8-month pregnant poet step-sister, Roxanne (Naomi Watts). She arrives just in time to see Roxy abandoned by her French painter husband (Melvil Poupaud) who's been cheating on her. Isabel soon finds herself

having an affair with her brother-in-law's 70-year-old uncle... this is a comedy of manners about two American sisters and the family of wealthy French men they become involved with. "Le Divorce" is a Fox Searchlight Pictures release and rated PG-13 for mature thematic elements and sexual content.

Written and directed by Tony Award winning actor Todd Graff, "Camp" is a hip, offbeat comedy that takes place at Camp Ovation - a place where talented young people can get away from their everyday lives and be themselves without apologies. Long summer days at Camp Ovation are filled with life lessons, romance, fast friendships, jealousies, and backstage antics. The film stars Daniel Letterle, Joanna Chilcoat, Robin De Jesus, and Tiffany Taylor. "Camp" is an IFC Films release and rated PG-13 for mature thematic elements regarding teen sexual issues, and some language.

Next week
Hip hop comedy "Marci X" (R), supernaturally-themed action/cop thriller "The Medallion" (PG-13), and teen-comedy "My Boss's Daughter" (PG-13).

Video and DVD
Drama "Amen" (R), martial arts action-adventure "Cradle 2 the Grave" (R), romantic thriller "He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not" (R), political satire "Head of State" (PG-13), old-school-style horror movie "House of 1000 Corpses" (R), thriller "The Hunted" (R), and kids-comedy "The Lizzie McGuire Movie" (PG).

DVD
"The Apocalypse" (R), "Babylon 5: The Complete Third Season" (6-DVD Set) (NR), "Carrie" (NR), "For Love or Money" (PG), "Helen of Troy" (NR), "National Geographic: Inside the White House" (NR), "P.S. Your Cat is Dead" (R), and "Will & Grace: Season One" (4-DVD Set) (NR).

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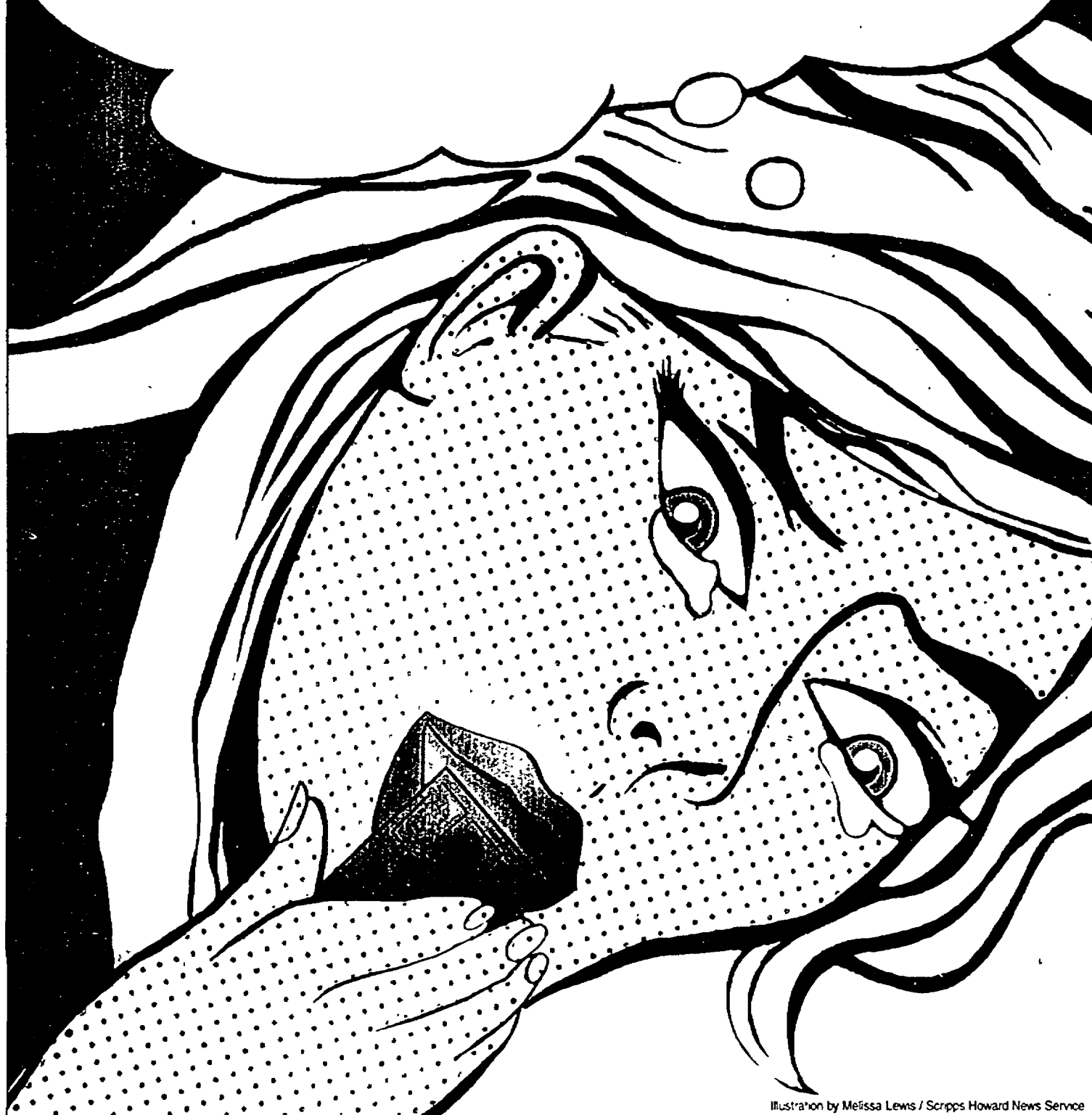


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FEEDING a NEED

Emotional eating can be a killer

By Jennifer Jones

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Most parents have done it.

Maybe it's a skinned knee or having been uninvited to a classmate's birthday party, but whatever has caused the crocodile tears will soon be forgotten with the help of an instant cure-all:

"How about a big fudge sundae with whipped cream and a cherry?"

With each bite, all the sadness melts away and the world is magically right again. Hurt feelings are forgotten. Nothing left in the end but a smeared, empty bowl.

As this scenario repeats itself, a correlation is made between uncomfortable emotions — anger, sadness, nervousness or fear — and food: if you eat you'll feel better.

"Many are self-medicating with food. They have underlying needs or urges that are satisfied by eating," said Dr. Marshall Meadors, a family physi-

cian at Primary Care Associates in Anderson, S.C., and Chief of Staff at Anderson Area Medical Center.

"Our society offers an abundance of user-friendly things such as fast food, things that comfort or satisfy a need or urge. In many cases, those things include fat, sugar and carbohydrates."

The practice of stifling emotions with comfort food follows many adults into overweight and obesity. It becomes second nature to reach for cookies or ice cream to make things better. In fact, it's gotten so easy to cover feelings with food that one might not be fully aware of being sad until the empty boxes and wrappers piled on the table point it out.

In the same way that many people turn to drugs or alcohol to help them through troubled times, millions of Americans depend on food to comfort them and take the pain away.

"The first feelings we feel as a new-

born infant are security and love as our mother is holding and feeding us in her arms. Throughout our lives, we often continue to seek this comfort in food," said Zora Mims, owner of Physicians Weight Loss Center in Anderson. "Since comfort is normally the emotion we are seeking, seldom do we crave broccoli or celery sticks. Sweets and salty treats seem to be the choices to fill the reward or pleasure void."

If the biggest reason for using food for comfort is depression, a vicious cycle develops, Mims said. "We eat because we are sad, the unhealthy excess weight makes us feel guilty and more depressed, so we reach for more comfort in the form of food and the number of extra pounds continues to grow," she said. "Whenever we are sad, lonely, upset, depressed or even celebrating something with friends, reaching for food seems to be the thing to do."

The first step in breaking this cycle is to recognize why you are turning to food. Perhaps it's not actual hunger

motivating us to eat, but a purely emotional trigger. Become aware of being en route to that bag of chips or cookies and ask yourself, Am I really hungry?"

"Try recording what you are feeling or thinking when the urge to snack hits. Realize that you have the ability to choose what and how much you are going to eat," Mims said. "When we face the real emotional issue without food, we are better able to solve the problems and break the cycle."

Constant depression and anxiety might indicate that professional help is needed in order to get to the root of the problem as opposed to hiding these feelings beneath layers of food.

"Underlying problems must be addressed before successfully treating obesity. If not, you're treating the symptom and not the problem," Meadors said.

"The way to deal with these emotions is not to view food as a friend," Mims said.

"It is a source of energy and nutrients necessary for a healthy life."

Basil, no stranger to cooks, picked as herb of the year

By Marty Meitus

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

A favorite with cooks and gardeners, basil is one of the few herbs that need no introduction.

Basil grows well in a container if it gets enough light, and you can simply cut it back if it gets too bushy.

Basil isn't the most "water-smart" plant, but few are as essential to so many cuisines, including Italian and Thai, and few have such an illustrious history.

Some sources say basil was laid on the chests of the dead in some cultures to help them arrive safely in paradise. It's said that basil was found in Christ's tomb after his resurrection, and the Egyptians believed it would open the gates of heaven when a person died.

Basil was first mentioned as a seasoning in 400 B.C. by a Greek physician-botanist, according to "Food" by Waverly Root. Many Greeks regarded basil as "a symbol of hatred," according to Ian Hemphill's "The Spice and Herb Bible," while others, namely the Italians, considered basil a sign of love.

It arrived in France during the Middle Ages, replacing such fine seasonings as "mallow and mosses," Root says. By the 16th century, it had reached England, but its popularity was short-lived, save for one dish, English turtle soup.

In recent times, basil has become a staple in American cooking, thanks to another cuisine: Italian.

Pesto, the mixture of basil, garlic, nuts, Parmesan cheese and oil, fueled the interest, so much so that

even Stouffer's jumped in with a frozen linguine and pesto in 1987, according to Sylvia Lovegren's "Fashionable Food." With the current interest in Thai food, basil has found another venue.

Different types of basil have different tastes, described as anise-like, clove-like, lemony or somewhere in between. The most common is Sweet Green, the large-leaf variety found at most grocery stores. Piccolo is a smaller-leaf basil with a mild flavor, while Magical Michael is a compact, attractive plant with intense flavor.

Peggy Morrison of the Denver Botanic Gardens Guild favors Mrs. Burns lemon basil, which is zesty than the more common lemon basil, and prefers Red Rubin over Opal basil because it holds its red color better when making basil vinegars.

BASIL CROSTINI

(Serves 4 to 6)

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 tablespoons fresh basil, sliced
2 teaspoons fresh marjoram, minced
Ciabatta bread or Italian bread, thinly sliced
1 to 2 Roma or other plum tomatoes, thinly sliced

Combine olive oil and herbs in a small bowl. Let sit at room temperature for an hour.

Place bread slices on a small cookie sheet. Spoon 2 teaspoons of oil-herb mixture onto each bread slice and top with a couple of tomato slices.

Place under broiler until edges of bread are browned. Serve immediately.

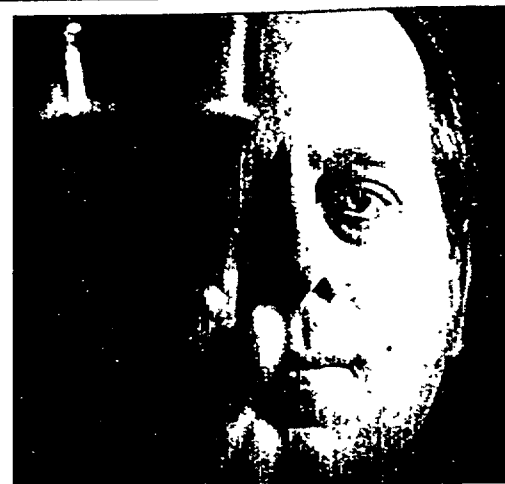


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"Really the hardest thing when you're judging is describing what you're tasting," said John Rhymes, a national level beer judge from Homewood, Ala. Rhymes judges the 26 main styles of beer and their sub-categories based on 5 factors on a 50 point scale: aroma, appearance, flavor, mouth feel and overall impression.

It's all in the eye of the beer holder

Judges find beauty in all aspects of beers

By Leigh Anne Monitor

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Frosty. Wet. Malt and yeast-packed. What more could one desire from a longneck or mug of beer?

The answer is: just about everything.

When a handful of Birmingham, Ala., beer aficionados judge beers in their spare time, they discern enough about the beverages to make even a chemist's head spin.

"When people think of beer, they think of that yellow fizzy stuff ...," said John Rhymes, 45, of Homewood, Ala., a national level beer judge.

Beer is much more than that, though, he said. Rhymes and others judge 14 beer qualities at competitions, noting beers from novices to professional brewers.

Using a small plastic cup, he will sip one to two ounces of beer at a competition. And he does swallow the beer (unlike wine tasting), noting how it goes down as a part of the judging process.

Beer Judging



Many competitions for these judges revolve around home brewing clubs, whose members want others to taste and try their new brews and tell them what they think of them.

In one small sip, judges can taste the hops, which gives a beer bitterness and aroma; malt, which gives it a sweetness; yeast, which can add a fruity flavor; and water, which can vary the ingredients' interaction, depending on minerals, Rhymes said.

"It's just like a hobby; you want to learn what you can," said fellow judge Tracy Hamilton, 44, of Hoover, Ala. He travels to beer competitions about once a year, which are held mainly by small brewing clubs.

Hamilton, Rhymes and others got involved with judging beers thanks to the Birmingham (Ala.) Brewmasters, a home brewing society, Hamilton said. They meet monthly at Alab-Brew, a local home brewing supply store.

"That's when I started studying," said Hamilton, a chemistry professor at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

"We had a study session where we talked about a style of beer and several examples (at each of several Brewmasters meetings, starting in fall 1998)."

Each meeting would also feature a different aspect of beer: hops, yeast and malt, for example, he said. Later came the grueling test to see if one knows those scuds enough to judge them.

A written and tasting exam from the Beer Judge Certification Program (www.bjcp.org), one of the few such programs in the country, takes about three hours. Potential judges write responses to 10 essay questions about beer and taste four unknown beers and write comments on them. Those comments are compared to those of higher-ranking beer judges.

A certified judge has to make a score of 70 on the exam; a national judge must score 80 or above.

Brewers can enter beer in 26 competition categories, from fruit beer to smoke-flavored beer to Belgian and French Ale. Each category includes its own qualities, which are spelled out in a thick information packet.

If it sounds like a lot of work, it is. But the process does have its rewards.

"I just enjoy drinking good, flavorful beer, which you get to do when you're a judge. Plus, you get to meet people from the other clubs," Hamilton said.

Rhymes said he, too, likes the socializing. "It's a community," he said. "We just have some very interesting people that are involved."

So, which beer is best?

Both Hamilton and Rhymes prefer the powerful Belgian beers, but Rhymes said they're all good beers.

As a judge, one is just whittling down the field a bit, Rhymes said.

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INCOME TAX CREDITS

Earned income credit can help needy workers

By Loretta Kalb
SACRAMENTO BEE

Wage earners who struggle to earn an adequate living can take advantage of a U.S. tax law that often gives money to workers.

In tax circles, the benefit created in 1975 is known as the earned income tax credit, a measure aimed at helping those who need it most.

"Some people actually get back more than what they paid in," said Jack Everett, a Roseville, Calif.-based financial planner. "Really, it's a negative income tax."

That's because credits, unlike ordinary deductions that reduce taxable income, are dollar-for-dollar offsets to bottom-line taxes owed.

Generally, the less you earn either on a job or as a self-employed individual, the larger your earned income tax credit. And the more children in your household, the larger your credit. The maximum credit exceeds \$4,000.

Last year, some 19 million workers used the credit to reduce their federal tax liability.

Discovering whether you qualify is not easy. IRS Publication 596, which helps people discern eligibility, is 53 pages.

Still, there are basic circumstances that dictate if you qualify — and the main one is your income.

Start by calculating both your adjusted gross income and earned income.

Adjusted gross income is the taxable income remaining after a few limited deductions, such as contributions to an individual retirement account. (If you use Form 1040A to file your taxes, this answer will be on Line 21.)

Earned income, on the other hand, is the compensation you received for working and includes wages and tips.

This amount can be derived by using an IRS worksheet.

Once you define these types of incomes, you'll see quickly if you qualify. Here are the limits for both:

- If you are married, filing jointly with more than one qualifying child, your adjusted gross income (and earned income) for 2002 must have been less than \$34,178. That limit is \$1,000 less for single parents of two or more children. (A young relative or foster child can be counted as qualified generally if you care for him or her as you would your own child for more than half the year.)

- Married joint filers with one child must have income of less than \$30,201. The limit is \$29,201 for a single parent of one.

- No children? A married couple aged 25 to 64 may receive a credit if the adjusted gross income last year was below \$12,060. For a single individual, the ceiling is \$11,060.

- The allowable credit is listed on IRS tables at the back of Publication 596. The maximum is \$4,140 for families with two or more qualifying children, \$2,506 for a family with one qualifying child and \$376 for an individual with no children.

- Once you've located your credit on the IRS table, the amount should be entered in your main tax form.

- For Form 1040A filers, that's Line 41. Finish that form to discover the amount of your tax liability or refund.

- If you know long before the year is over that you will qualify for the credit, you can receive part of the credit with your pay.

- The maximum advance credit is \$1,528.

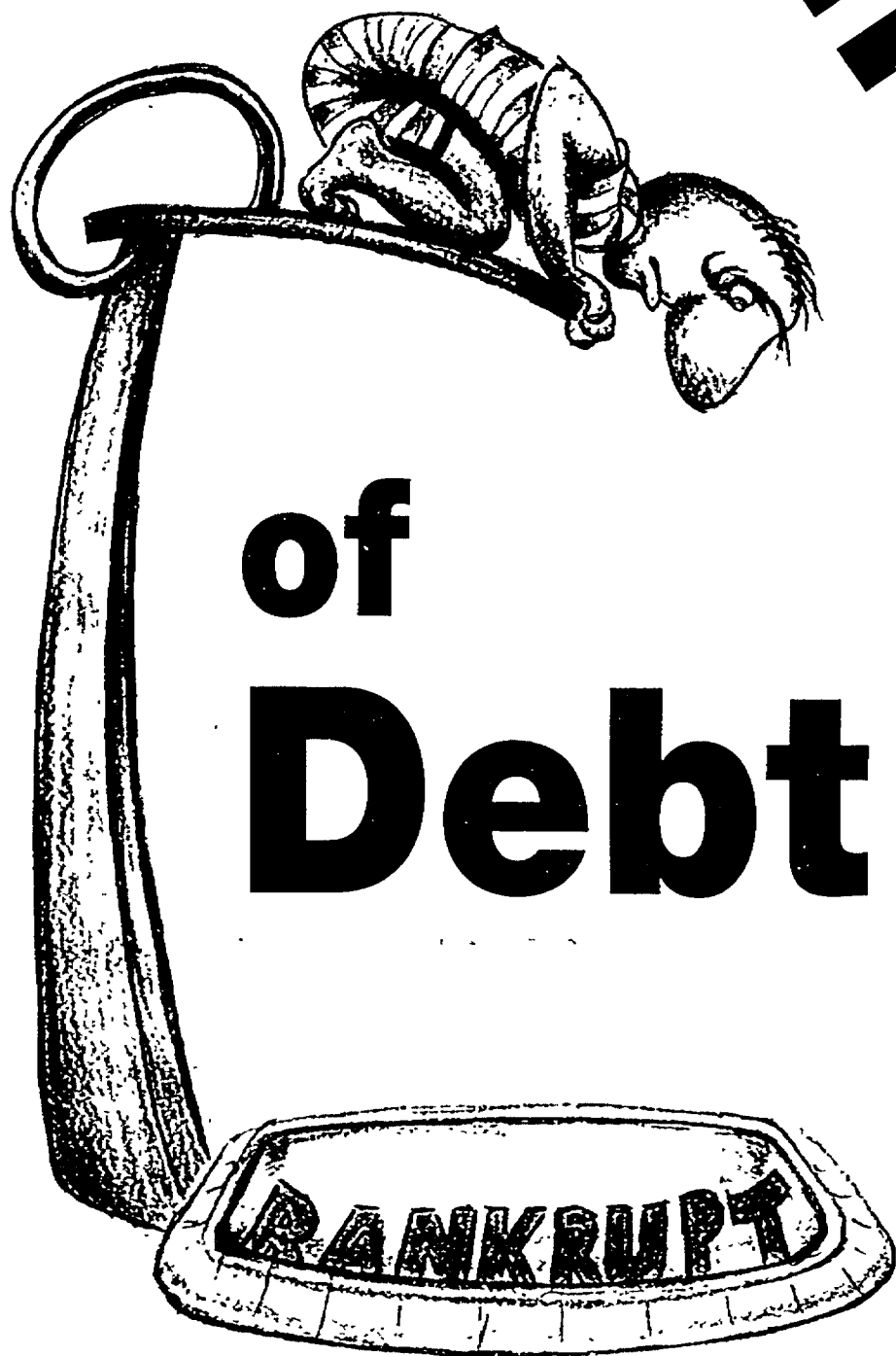
- If you qualify (Publication 596, page 30, can help you check), you can ask your employer for 2003 Form W-5, complete it and return it to your employer.

- For more on the credit, visit the IRS Web page, www.irs.gov/eitc.

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Maximum income for married, joint filers with one child

Depth of Debt



How to Avoid a Credit Crisis

Here are some tips to keep you from falling into deep debt problems:

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- If you need credit counseling, choose a reputable, certified and accredited agency that doesn't demand high upfront fees.
- Keep a savings cushion for emergencies.
- Organize a spending plan.
- Make sure your unsecured debt doesn't exceed 20 percent of your income.

(Source: Consumer Credit Counseling Service)

Credit binge faulted for rising bankruptcies, loan defaults and repos

By Nadia Gergis
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

In 1964, Sandra Miller married the man of her dreams, but that dream turned into a nightmare after she realized their finances were in disarray and the only way out of tremendous debt was filing for bankruptcy in 1996.

"Now I can't buy anything. I am done," said Miller, 62, of Fort Pierce, Fla. "I am just trying to keep a roof over my head and some food in my belly."

Miller isn't alone. Millions of people are struggling to keep financially afloat. As the already-fragile economy struggles to overcome a three-year stock market nosedive, millions of layoffs, corporate scandals and waning consumer confidence, an alarming trend has emerged from the 1990s, when consumers binged on easy credit.

Personal and business bankruptcies, mortgage foreclosures, consumer loan defaults and auto repossessions are all on the rise or showing signs of increasing, which is fueling a tide of economic uncertainty.

"The bubble was going to burst sometime," said Chris McCarty, survey director at the University of Florida's Center of Survey Research for Consumer Confidence. "With credit cards lowering their standards ... lower interest rates on homes and cars ... and people refinancing their homes for 125 percent of what they are worth, I could see this coming a mile away."

"We were at the top of our game in 1998 and 1999. Things were bound to crash."

"Things will get better when they stop getting worse," said Merle Dimbath, an economist and president of Dimbath Economics in Stuart, Fla. "There isn't a quick fix to this. It will be a slow process."

Along with the rise in bankruptcies, the number of foreclosures also is on the upswing. Home-loan defaults nationally reached a record in 2002.

"We expect to see delinquencies fall as the economy improves and generates jobs growth," said Doug Duncan, senior vice president and chief economist for the Mortgage Bankers Association of America. "But that won't be for some time."

Experts say the nation's mounting debt is reaching critical stages, because consumers have overextended themselves financially with second mortgages and refinancings. In addition, they say, creditors offering unsecured loans to high-risk consumers are contributing to the dire situation.

Some observers think aggressive marketing schemes and the lure of low-interest or no-interest big-ticket purchases such as automobiles, boats and furniture means consumers are digging themselves into an even deeper debt hole.

According to the Consumer Bankers Association, the delinquency rates on car loans reached an all-time high of 2.88 percent in 2001. The year before the figure was at 2.07 percent. For last year, the delinquency rate was at 2.19 percent.

"The last thing someone wants to lose is a mortgage on a house. The second thing people aren't going to want to lose is a car because their livelihood depends on getting to and from work," said Fritz Elmendorf, vice president of communications at Consumer Bankers Association.

"The 1990s were driven by consumption and a great deal of that came from borrowed money - almost half a trillion of that was borrowed money," said William Fruth, economist and president of Policom Corp., a Jupiter, Fla.-based economic research consulting firm. "Now we have realized we have overextended ourselves."

Many consumers have turned to credit counselors or debt management experts. In many such programs, debts are consolidated into one lump payment, credit cards are cut and a monthly budget is established to help consumers manage their money.

Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS), a non profit entity accredited by the National Foundation for Credit Counseling, offers a variety of personal money management solutions. The organization offers a debt management plan in which CCCS negotiates with creditors to reduce interest rates and lower or waive late fees and overlimit penalties.

"The average amount of debt we see is about \$17,000 to \$20,000. Some of our clients have about eight or nine credit cards," said Gay Watson, communications director at CCCS. "Depending on the amount of debt, we can get them on a program where they can be debt free in three years."

CCCS says it does not report its clients to credit-rating agencies, but some creditors might inform credit bureaus that a person has opted to go on a debt management program. This, some say, might taint a consumer's rating.

"Once something like that goes to the credit-reporting agencies, it stays on your record for seven to 10 years, and there are some loopholes that allow creditors to keep circumventing that information even after those seven years," said John Anastasio, a Stuart, Fla., bankruptcy attorney.

Veda Lamar, a consultant for the National Foundation for Credit Counseling, says consumers must be careful in choosing the right debt management program because some agencies lack the training and experience in consumer debt repair.

"Consumers have to make sure they are certified and accredited. Most of the new guys are not, causing even more problems for consumers," she said. Lamar also warns that consumers should be aware of any substantial upfront fees and fine print in the contracts.

Good business done right: Combining ethics and success still a possibility in the corporate world

By Jack Katzanek
THE (RIVERSIDE, CALIF) PRESS-ENTERPRISE

Win or else. That's the mantra spoken in a lot of corporate board rooms these days.

Michael Josephson says he hears it too often, because businesses today seem to want to do "well" but don't care whether they do "good."

Josephson has made the distinction between being merely successful, and being both successful and ethical, his life's work. An attorney and former law school professor, Josephson is founder and president of the Josephson Institute of Ethics and the Character Counts! Coalition, a partnership of more than 400 youth-serving organizations.

Josephson acknowledges we live in a litigious society, where the power of lawsuits and the fear of big settlements color corporate behavior. As an attorney, he says he once was a part of this, but becoming the father of five children helped transform him.

For example, every father who calls in sick when he isn't sick tells his kids this kind of dishonesty is acceptable.

"Human resources offices are the parents of the workplace," Josephson says. "You're really in the role of daddy and mommy."

These offices must do a better job of screening when they hire people, Josephson says. Right now, he says, a lot of companies are passing what he called "meatballs" from company to company, because no one is taking the time - or has the inclination - to inquire about applicants' character.

"Lawyers tell you to say nothing negative," Josephson says. "We're using the legal system as a crutch because we don't want the hassle. But the end result is the sexual harasser or the embezzler gets passed on from job to job."

Most companies seem to be stuck in defensive postures. Rather than doing the right thing, they're concerned with protecting the company and its image, Josephson says.

"They have cynical people with a public compliance mentality," Josephson says. "It's all about defending themselves."

Some employees and firms that practice bad ethics have no legal liability. For example, Jayson Blair, the reporter who has admitted he plagiarized and fabricated

while writing articles for the New York Times - and is now not only laughing about it but could profit from it - probably broke no laws.

But many companies actively condone breaking the law as long as they're not caught, Josephson says, and some insist on their innocence even after they are.

"It's win at any cost," Josephson says. "And if you're nasty, that's OK, as long as you hit your numbers."

Josephson says he worries about the next generation of workers. Surveys indicate a majority of high school students today cheat on exams and have been in a fight in the past year. Significant numbers of students say they'd lie to get a job, and admit to shoplifting in the past year. Those numbers have gotten worse in the last 10 years.

"Adults today are far more tolerant and passive, so classrooms become a breeding ground for scam," Josephson says. "If they're going to steal from a store, do you think they may steal from an employer, or overstate their hours, or lie on a resume? We're allowing a society to be created that's not based on merit, just cunning and wiles."

New credit cards aimed at teens who shop online

By Larisa Brass
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

If they're not chatting on cell phones, you'll likely find teens' fingers talking on the Internet.

Web technology has been quickly adopted by teens already familiar with computers and eager to stay in touch online.

A study last year by AOL found that of 6,700 teens, 81 percent between the ages of 12 and 17 use the Internet to e-mail friends or relatives, while 70 percent use it for instant messaging.

But retailers and credit-card companies are banking on teens' familiarity with the Web to draw them into shopping online as well.

Indeed, teens are increasingly getting online to make purchases, said Michael Wood, vice president of Teenage Research Unlimited.

A report produced by the group this year showed 44 percent of teens have bought something online.

In hopes of channeling that spending power, several credit-card companies have come out with pre-pay cards, allowing teenagers to pay without having to use their parents' credit cards.

Visa has introduced Visa Buxx, described as a "parent-controlled, reloadable payment card."

The product targets teens ages 13 to 17. The card can be used anywhere Visa cards are accepted. MasterCard and American Express have similar products as well.

Michael Wood, vice president of Teenage Research Unlimited in Illinois, said the No. 1 shopping site for teens is online auctioneer eBay, primarily because of its one-of-a-kind product offerings, such as out-of-stock sneakers and retro sports jerseys.

But he said kid-owned credit payment methods aren't as popular as one might think.

As parents have become more accustomed and less wary of online shopping, lending the credit card can be a simpler option, Wood said.

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Lynn Sullivan performs the ThermoCool treatment procedure at the Cosmetic Surgery and Skin Health Center in Wexford, Pa., places grid lines on the face of Doreen Kuss to mark where machine will go. The radio frequency energy has the effect of heating and thus tightening the collagen under the skin, which makes the skin more taut.

Photos by Andy Starnes/Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Facial Frequency

Non-surgical technique radios in on wrinkled skin

By Virginia Linn
PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

To Doreen Kuss, it's all about preventive maintenance. She's worked hard to keep her body fit and trim. Why not do the same with her face?

That would explain the series of surface laser treatments she's received. And the Botox injections around her eyes.

Kuss, 45, was in Dr. Suzan Obagi's Cosmetic Surgery & Skin Health Center in Marshall, Pa., recently to try one of the newest techniques on the market: the ThermoCool TC System. It aims to give the effect of a facelift without surgery.

The \$30,000 device uses radio frequency energy to heat the under layer of the skin while cooling the outer layer. The heat causes the collagen to contract, then gradually tighten, which lifts the skin. The full effect is usually seen in four to six months, although some patients notice an immediate lifting.

Studies in which collagen has been heated for other purposes have shown the effect can last two years or more, said Edward A. Ebbers, vice president of ThermoCool Inc., which developed the device.

"That's what makes this so exciting," Obagi said. "We had nothing (non-surgical) that could tighten the skin and lift it."

The whole process takes about three hours (a half-hour to an hour for the actual ThermoCool procedure) and patients can return to work afterward.

Cleared by the Food and Drug Administration in November 2002 for the area around the eyes, the technique is being used for full-face lifting, as well as lifting skin on the upper arms, abdominal area and breasts.

Unlike chemical peels or lasers that are applied directly to wrinkles, ThermoCool works by tightening skin next to wrinkles, Ebbers said.

Production of collagen, the connective tissue that makes up 75 percent of the skin, stops at about age 20, Obagi said. From that point, most people

lose 1 percent of their collagen each year. She suggests people start as early as age 25 on a preventive program to keep skin supple.

"I like the idea of being pre-emptive," said Kuss, an artist who lives in Mt. Lebanon, Pa. "You feel like you're ahead of the game."

The former college conditioning coach has two sons, ages 22 and 24. She said she's getting more

sure cannot be performed on people who have a history of seizures, have epilepsy or who have defibrillators or pacemakers.

In her office, Obagi has trained Lynn Sullivan, an aesthetician, to perform the procedure. The doctor marks locations on the patient's face where the device should be placed and calibrates the energy level.

Some patients have the procedure just on the brow area, which costs \$1,500. A full-face treatment, which Kuss received, costs \$2,500. These are not covered by insurance.

On a recent Thursday, Kuss was in the office about 9:30 a.m. getting an anesthetic cream applied to her face. An assistant then placed clear plastic wrap over some portions to speed numbing and to enhance penetration.

After an hour, Obagi injected 12 nerve blocks along the face to further anesthetize the area. Sullivan rubbed on oil and applied a pink-purple grid transparency to her face to help ensure uniform treatment and to avoid duplicating areas, which can cause blistering.

Sullivan kept the ThermoCool tip on each section of the skin for about five seconds. Kuss said she felt a warmth and "glowing sensation." There was more discomfort along the bone area than on fatty tissue.

"It's like someone holding something hot on my skin," she said. "There's a peaking."

The actual procedure took a little more than an hour. Afterward, her face was sensitive to the touch, but not in pain.

Kuss will return to the office in a month, and then again a few months later. "You have to be patient," the doctor said. "People peak four to six months later. That's when you'll get the best results."

ThermoCool is offered by 168 dermatologists and other cosmetic specialists.

On the Web: www.thermage.com



Sullivan applies the ThermoCool treatment to Kuss.

comments from people remarking that she doesn't look old enough to have grown children.

Obagi's ThermoCool patients have ranged from their mid 30s to late 60s, although optimal ages depend on each individual, she said. Because men have thicker skin, they may be better candidates at an older age.

She said it's critical that the procedure be done under a physician's supervision.

"There are still risks involved with this. Not every patient is a candidate," said Obagi, a dermatologist who received a fellowship in cosmetic surgery. "Not every patient is going to improve. If you select the wrong candidate, you will have a disappointed patient or have unwanted complications."

Risks include blistering of the skin, which can cause scarring, or transient numbness. The procedure

Yoga exercises keep mouth, cheek and brow toned

By Katy Buchanan
PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

Smiling Buddha. Mouth mobilizer. Sleeping yogi. Or how about a Jim Carrey?

Slightly sagging boomers without the wherewithal, or the desire, to spend large sums on medical intervention against their wrinkles now have an alternative.

It's called Fresh Face Yoga, a series of toning and strengthening exercises for the muscles of your face devised by Suzanne Kahley, a registered nurse who has been practicing yoga for 30 years.

Some of the names may sound a little goofy and, in fact, Kahley's Fresh Face workshops at Schoolhouse Yoga in Pittsburgh usually feature plenty of laughter as students twist and stretch their faces into unaccustomed positions.

But there's a practical, down-to-earth component to the classes: Improved circulation and muscle tone play a part in keeping wrinkles at bay, and the yoga exercises them-

selves foster a sense of well-being that helps inner beauty shine out.

"Yoga is designed to touch every muscle in your body," says Kahley, 51. "But what I realized was that it wasn't affecting my face."

Kahley researched facial exercises programs, including the popular Facercise series developed by author Carol Maggio, and selected from among them several to plug into the yoga concept.

After a year of practicing, Kahley began offering her workshops this year. Because some students may not have the flexibility to stretch their bodies into more demanding yoga poses, Kahley modifies them to fit individual ability.

So what is the Jim Carrey? Imagine trying to duplicate the rubber-faced actor's flashing grin, teeth bared and cheeks pulled in, and you get the idea.

The exercises are designed to cultivate a lasting sense of well-being and beauty.

"It's maximizing what nature gave us," says Kahley, without anything artificial about it.



Clockwise from left:

WIDE EYES: Eyes opened wide and eyebrows raised. Works the muscles around the eyes to help prevent eyelid droop.

SMILING BUDDHA: A close-mouthed smile, with the corners of the lips stretched as far back to the ears as possible. It tones muscles that lift your entire face.

SLEEPING YOGI: Works the muscles above and around the eyes as the upper lids are pressed down firmly on the lower lids, with the eyebrows raised.

LION: This exercise tones the smile muscles, the are under the chin and the front and the sides of the neck.

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Julie Beaver, left, tries to evade the tag by Leda Wagner during a "capture the ball" match as part of their "Urban Exercise" program in San Francisco, CA.

Easy does it

New twists on old playground games are healthy and fun

By Alison apRoberts
SACRAMENTO BEE

We're in the midst of a big, fat emergency. The evidence is piling up faster than the unwanted pounds of winter.

It seems that every week there's news of yet another finding about the hazards of obesity to weigh us down.

It's all simple arithmetic — calories in, calories out. Too many in, too few out and you have weight gain. You have to lose the couch-potato lifestyle to increase the calories-out part of the equation.

But what if you're allergic to spandex and the notion of regimented exercise?

Then the best strategy may be stealth exercise — a workout dressed up as something else, preferably fun. Here are a few easy suggestions.

■ Make a play date

You can tell right away that there's something odd about this workout session at a Boys & Girls Club in San Francisco. There's just way too much laughing. These 10 women aren't working out — they're playing. And that is precisely the point.

They're enrolled in a series of classes called Urban Recess. As the name suggests, it's modeled on the good old schoolyard break. The group tackles complicated games of tag and other standbys of childhood, some familiar, such as Simon says and hot potato, and some not so familiar, such as hurry up, steal the bacon and duck duck goose.

"You are looked at funny if you laugh in a gym," says Karin Schmidt, 32, the founder and instructor of Urban Recess. A former soccer player and fitness instructor, Schmidt started the program a little more than a year ago.

It's definitely exercise in disguise. "It's interval training, but a lot of them don't realize that's what they're getting until you explain it to them," Schmidt says.

The women in the class range in age from 21 to 62. They don't stand in the tiered ranks of the usual gym class but move into ever-changing formations — circles, lines, partnered in pairs or other groupings. They throw balls, run, shriek, collide and get red in the face.

"I've done yoga, pilates, weightlifting," says Leda Wagner, 31. "I love this because you don't feel like you're exercising."

(On the Web: www.urbanrecess.com)

■ Join in

There's no excuse for not finding a softball or soccer game somewhere on a field near you: If you want to try something a little more out of the ordinary, that's not too hard, either.

How about joining a kickball team? Yup, that game you played in grade school, where you kicked the heck out of that big round rubber ball. The World Adult Kickball Association was started in 1998 in the Washington, D.C., area by young adults who refused to outgrow the playground sport.

(On the Web: www.worldkickball.com)

■ Hit the mall

You can shop till you drop — some pounds, that is, if you keep moving.

Patricia Campbell logged more than 1,000 miles and lost 37 pounds since she started walking at Arden Fair mall in Sacramento, Calif., in 2001. "It has done wonderful things for me," she says. "It makes my doctor happy with me, too."

Campbell, 58, started out slow but now walks five miles in a little more than 90 minutes six days a week.

Campbell says it's not just weather she wants to avoid: "You don't have to worry about dogs and cats or car exhaust or, in some neighborhoods, chickens."

■ Take little steps

Roberto Quintana has a simple message: Just move it.

He knows of more ways to burn calories than you can shake a stick at (stick-shaking would burn a few calories) as a professor of exercise physiology at California State University, Sacramento.

"The best way to lose body fat and improve your health is just increasing your physical activity," Quintana says.

Just about everything counts, from ballroom dancing to moshing, from gardening to housework. And yes, sex (in case you were wondering).

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Photo by Ellen Jaskol/ Scripps Howard News Service
Interior designers John Moinzad and David Hintgen created simple, easy-to-maintain landscaping and lighting for the front of Alix Leadley's 1909-built bungalow in Colorado.

Unbungling a bungalow

By Betsy Lehnorff
SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

The interior was neglected and the grounds were a mess. But for \$125,000, Alix Leadley knew the old bungalow was a bargain in 1994. So she bought it.

But decorating was a challenge. Leadley would come through the front door and the place would feel disorganized, unsettled.

"Everything I did was pretty much an expensive mistake," Leadley says. One wall in the living room was maroon; the rest were white. The bathroom was cramped, the lawn was mostly dirt, and the outdated kitchen lacked sufficient counter space for cooking meals.

"No matter how much you cleaned this house, it still looked messy," she says. "I added a sun room on the back and it was just a big room with a cement floor — too cold to do anything. It ended up being the dog's room."

Three years ago, Leadley suffered a stroke, and there was no longer a question: The home needed remodeling to meet her needs. Today, she walks with hesitation and occasionally struggles to pronounce words. But her recovery inspired her to get her house in order, with the help of interior designers John Moinzad and David Hintgen of JMDH Interiors of Denver.

"Structurally, Leadley's house was built to last," Moinzad says. "It was very sound, so she wanted the interior to be timeless."

Inspecting the home, they saw Leadley had inherited some beautiful antiques, along with English prints of hunt scenes. They suggested she consider a European country style.

But first, they recommended practical renovations: re-roofing and re-stuccoing the outside of the house; replacing outdated wiring, plumbing, heating and cooling; and landscaping front and back. They also suggested excavating the basement to create a private apartment for her 21-year-old son, Alexander Leadley, who lives with her.

She agreed with their suggestions, giving them eight months to get everything done.

Today, in an old neighborhood overrun by look-alike mansions, Leadley's 1909 bungalow preserves the essence of the past, inside and out.

For all the floors, Moinzad and Hintgen put down bisque travertine stone with a semi-rough surface to keep footing secure. Over it they've placed rugs for warmth. In the event that Leadley needs a wheelchair, the rugs can be rolled up and stored.

In the living room, the two designers have created the illusion of a larger space by filling it with comfortable seating, tables and tall accessories. They also use natural colors like wheat and pale honey to make the space seem larger. For contrast, Leadley's antiques have been refinished in rich brown hues.

Decorative crown molding edges the ceiling to draw the eye up, and floor-to-ceiling drapery makes undersized windows look larger, fitting the room's grander scale.

A tall bookcase and a rustic mirror above the fireplace mantel add to the illusion.

At the center is a low table ringed with upholstered chairs and a sofa. Oriental rugs absorb echoes and traffic noise.

Beyond the living room is a walk-through kitchen with the feel of a luxury ocean liner galley. In the small space, cherry cabinets conceal tons of storage, eliminating clutter. Back splashes and appliances are easy-to-maintain stainless steel, and recessed lighting illuminates ample countertops.

A laundry room features a washer and dryer elevated above the floor so Leadley doesn't have to bend over to remove clothing. A nearby sunroom is filled with comfortable seating clusters. Roman shades rise to reveal a huge maple tree in the back yard. Raised flower beds border the rest of the yard, and pea gravel replaces the old lawn.

To provide Leadley with a greater sense of security, the designers also had an unobtrusive video camera installed at the front door. When the doorbell rings, Leadley has only to click on her television remote to see the visitor's image on the screen.

Although the renovation was expensive, Leadley says feeling more in charge makes it worthwhile.

"It's organized and it's clean, and I still have lots of space to put stuff," she says.

What does it feel like now when she comes in the front door?

"It feels like home," she says.



ECO-CLEAN

There are plenty of Earth-friendly choices out there to spruce up your home

Story By Andrea Todd ■ Photo Illustration by Brian Harris ■ Modesto Bee

I love Mother Earth. But I've always avoided eco-cleaning products because with labels that read "non-caustic, non-acid, phosphate-free, non-toxic," I wonder — does it work?

So I put such products to the test. First, the good news. The products, while they cost more, were not as expensive as I expected. And products that are biodegradable and non-toxic are easier on our planet and better to use around the house on a regular basis. Save the industrial cleaners for those intense, once-a-month cleanings.

Many eco-friendly products also smell better, and some people might feel more comfortable using them in a house shared with small children and pets.

The bad news: One clogged my drain, some do smell bad and you may have a hard time finding many of these on store shelves.

Here are some of the products and test results:

■ Drain openers

Earth-Friendly Products' Natural Enzymes Drain Opener Build Up Remover and Drain Maintainer (\$8.79, 2-pound container) turned out to be a drain-clogger. The directions read like a recipe: You have to mix the brew ahead of time and wait 24 hours for it to work. But at the 28-hour mark, the drain was clogged worse than ever. I used Liquid-Plumr to clear it (\$5.99, 32 ounces).

■ Glass cleaners

All cleaned the glass, but Seventh Generation Free & Clear Natural Glass & Surface Cleaner (\$4.25, 32 ounces) streaked. It's also the only one with a caution label (eye irritant). Mountain Green Natural Glass Cleaner Streak-Free with Vinegar (\$5.25, 32 ounces) was better at cleaning windows, but the vinegar smell was strong. It's hypoallergenic. EcoCover Natural Glass & Surface Cleaner (\$2.99, 16 ounces) was soapy and required a bit more rubbing to get it off glass, but cleaned the best. It

also cut through grease on marble, chrome and porcelain. I usually use Windex Glass Cleaner Wipes (25 wipes, \$2.99).

■ Toilet bowl cleaners

The winner was Seventh Generation Natural Toilet Bowl Cleaner (\$4.25, 32 ounces). It had a mint scent and was a good cleaning product. Earth Friendly Products boasted a "natural cedar scent" on its Non-Polluting Toilet Bowl Cleaner (\$3.55, 24 ounces), but it didn't smell as good or clean as well as the Lysol Toilet Bowl Cleaner I typically use (\$3.29, 32 ounces).

■ Bathroom cleaners

LifeTree's Fresh and Natural All-Purpose Bathroom Cleaner (\$3.49, 16 ounces) worked fine on the sink (a Soft-Scrub equivalent), but not as well on the tub or toilet. I was delighted to discover that good old Bon Ami (\$1.39, 14 ounces) qualifies as an eco-product. This powerful powder contains no chlorine, perfume or dyes that would blacken the tub. The label does warn it's an eye irritant. Heather's Oxygen Bleach Cleanser (\$3.25, 14 ounces) worked fine on the tub, but with a little more work — and I missed that Bon-Ami clean.

What to say about Seventh Generation Shower Cleaner (\$4.49, 32 ounces)? It's not Tilex. But it works like something in between the everyday shower cleaners and the toxic Tilex Mold & Mildew Remover (\$6.49, 32 ounces).

■ Laundry detergents

Seventh Generation Natural Laundry Detergent (\$8.49, 100 ounces) worked well, but Citra-Solv's Citra-Suds (\$5.25, 50 ounces) worked a bit better (it even got out a stubborn chocolate stain). Neither detergent worked as well on whites as my usual Arm & Hammer Free Liquid (\$4.79, 100 ounces), but using hot water and adding Country-Save Non-Chlorine Powder Bleach

(\$4.25, 40 ounces) to the wash helped with one white load (the bleach also worked as a good cleaning product when dissolved in water).

One nice touch: The whole house smelled like oranges while the machine was running (both Seventh Generation and Citra-Solv brands are citrus-scented), yet the "orange peel" smell didn't overpower my clothes once dried.

■ Dish soaps

Dish soaps are dish soaps, so if you're going to do dishes with them, you'll do well with the eco-products. They'll clean your dishes and won't skin your hands raw. If you prefer the anti-bacterial formulas, stick to non-eco-products.

I liked the apple-scented Bio-Pac (\$3.59, 22 ounces). It seemed to clean better than LifeTree's Dishwashing Soap (\$3.55, 16 ounces). (I usually grab the cheapest dish soap on the shelf, like Ivory — \$1.19, 17 ounces.)

■ Carpet freshener

We have one carpeted room in our house, and when I use our usual carpet freshener (Glade Rug Deodorant Powder, \$3.22, 32 ounces), you can smell it throughout the house. It's potent stuff and, frankly, I'm nervous about letting visiting newborn nieces and nephews — or my pets — roll around on the carpet. So it felt better to use ZeoFresh Carpet Deodorizer (\$5.35, 32 ounces). It promises that it works better than baking soda — and it does. It doesn't last as long as Glade, but I recommend it for non-smokers' homes (it won't cover up smoke smells).

■ Litter freshener

I also liked the ZeoFresh Litter Freshener (\$5.25, 32 ounces), which also worked a bit better than baking soda (what we normally use, \$2.10, 4 ounces) — and it's flushable. I'm nervous about using anything strong in the litter box, but I'd use this and alternate it with the baking soda.

New housewares aimed at keeping consumers happy

By Lynn Underwood

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL STAR TRIBUNE

One of the hot home products featured at the recent International Housewares Show in Chicago was a popcorn popper — the old-fashioned stovetop kind.

The annual expo gives retailers a chance to purchase some of the hundreds of new housewares that will appear in stores as early as spring — from kitchen electrics to cleaning tools.

But manufacturers appeared to be playing it safe. Instead of introducing products with bold colors and futuristic designs, the show featured many tried-and-true products with improved features.

Industry experts said consumers are still in stay-at-home mode. And that "cocoon boom" is one of the trends driving the innovation — or lack thereof — in housewares.

But, luckily for the industry, cocooning requires its own tools.

Homebodies want convenience, ease and speed. Products such as a coffeemaker that grinds beans and brews, a steam-cleaning mop and anyone-can-install organizers help keep us comfortable at home. And sushi makers, newfangled fondue sets and other home entertaining goods cater to the rise in casual dinner parties.

Easy-to-operate products that cut down on work time are expected to be some of the best sellers. Others include:

■ **Smart machines.** When consumers replace worn-out kitchen electrics, they will look for all "the bells and whistles," such as an upscale toaster that signals when the toast is done and a "smart" microwave that sets the cooking time for you.

■ **Let me entertain you.** Home entertaining is taking on a carnival atmosphere with soft-serve ice cream dispensers, snow cone and ice cream sandwich makers, Japanese-style table wok and updated fondue sets. For stay-at-home parties, a sunflower-shaped bundt pan dresses up a plain pan cake.

■ **Restaurant-style food.** New products let you recreate the restaurant experience at home with a blooming onion maker, sushi kits and a panini sandwich maker.

■ **Multi-function.** For quick-fixes and convenience, some kitchen electrics have more than one function, such as coffeemakers that also grind beans and combination blenders and food processors.

■ **Color my world.** No flash or splash this year — colors are soft, muted and comforting. In a slow economy, consumers stick with traditional hues — white, black and the newest, brushed chrome — especially in countertop electrics.

■ **On the go.** When we're not cocooning, we're on the go. So we want products that prepare fast food that can be easily transported. Among the "portable eating" category was a "wafflestix" baker, stay-or-go blender (screw on a cup, blend a drink and take it with you), a sandwich grill and a dual travel mug/coffeemaker.

■ **Fun and functional gadgets:** More gadgets to fill our kitchen cupboards include a garlic peeler-shaped like a garlic bulb, heart and teddy bear-shaped griddle molds, household storage clips with attached spoons and a splatter screen for frying foods.

■ **Healthful eating:** It's the annual resolution: to eat healthier. To help consumers keep it, there's the yogurt maker, electric fruit saver, rice cookers, new and improved juicers and indoor grills.

■ **Clean machines:** Cleaning tools and products have work-and-time-saving designs. Companies such as Quickie have updated their traditional mops, brooms and dusters to have multi-functions (Jet Sweep is a water-powered push broom) and soft-grip handles for aging baby boomers.

■ **De-clutterers:** Home organization products help you create combination rooms such as a laundry and craft room. Closet organizers are easier to install for the do-it-yourselfer. Storage cubes come in many colors.

■ GARDEN TIPS

Tires live on as mulch

By Guy Keeler

THE FRESNO BEE

You probably don't lie awake at night wondering what America should do with all its old tires.

But if you do, your answer could be as close as the nearest theme park or fast-food restaurant where rubber that once met the road now meets the playground.

The Rubberific Mulch Co. of St. Louis has found a way to turn old truck tires into a non-toxic mulch.

The material comes in a variety of earth tones and custom colors. It's five times heavier and lasts 10 years longer than conventional shredded wood mulches.

Rubberific Mulch resists color fading and doesn't rot or attract termites and other insects. It has been installed at Six Flags Great America in Chicago, Anheuser-Busch's Grant's Farm in St. Louis, country clubs throughout the nation and selected McDonald's restaurants.

According to the company, Rubberific Mulch costs \$1.10 a square foot compared to 42 cents a square foot for shredded wood mulch, but is less expensive ultimately because of its durability.

On the Web: www.rubberificmulch.com

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

DQ earns quality/purity award

Edward Watson, executive vice president of Operations for International Dairy Queen Inc. (IDQ), announced today that the Dairy Queen store at 22253 Pontiac Trail in South Lyon, has won a national Quality/Purity Award for maintaining outstanding standards of quality, service and cleanliness.

The Dairy Queen store is owned by Oakland Family Restaurants, Inc.

The Quality/Purity Award, presented to Nathan Hickling by American Dairy Queen Corporation, a subsidiary of IDQ, is awarded to stores who receive an outstanding rating on an evaluation conducted by corporate field personnel.

The evaluation covers more than 12 categories, including general restaurant appearance, product preparation and appearance, sanitation procedures, and customer service.

The DQ Store restaurant in South Lyon is one of more than 5,000 Dairy Queen outlets in all 50 states and 19 other countries

140 years of wool

Pendleton-Northville — a subsidiary of Pendleton Woolen Mills — will be participating in the company's 140-year anniversary by holding a week-long open house in Northville Aug. 25-30. A drawing for a \$140 Pendleton gift certificate, as well as other items, will be held during the occasion. Pendleton can be reached at (248) 596-9820.

Davidson recognized

John E. Davidson, general sales manager of QMP America, Livonia received the "Distinguished Service to Powder Metallurgy" award from the Metal Powder Industries Federation (MPIF) for his outstanding career achievements.

Established in 1968, the award was presented by MPIF President David Schaefer at the 2003 International Conference on Powder Metallurgy & Particulate Materials in Las Vegas, Nev. MPIF is the trade association for the North American metal powder and particulate materials producing and consuming industries.

The award recognizes professionals who have devoted a major part of their careers to one or more segments of the powder metallurgy (PM) industry and whose contributions and achievements deserve special recognition.

Davidson has been with AMP for 33 years. He has served on the MPIF Industry Development Board and is active in the Metal Powder Producers Association. He also chaired the Canadian Chapter of APMI International, the professional society for PM, from 1982-1983 and is a member of the MPIF Awards Committee and has helped organize MPIF activities at the annual SAE World Congress. He earned a B.S. degree in biology and chemistry from Acadia University. Davidson lives in Novi with his wife, Pauline.



J. Davidson

Northwest Industries changes name

Northville resident Mark Tithof has changed the name of his third-generation business — Northwest Industries — to Northpointe. Northpointe, a home remodeling company, will be opening a 35,000 square-foot facility in Commerce Township and is planning to open an 8,000 square-foot showroom of garage interiors, siding and windows in the spring of 2004. Northpointe can be reached on the Web at www.northpointeideacenter.com.

South Lyon's Walkup honored

Kenny Walkup of the South Lyon Family Pharmacy will be named as the University of Michigan, College of Pharmacy, Preceptor of the Year 2003.

Walkup was nominated by several students for providing an exceptional learning experience for the university's College of Pharmacy for a number of years. Walkup will receive his award on Oct. 17, during a luncheon program at the Annual Pharmacy Lectures.

The South Lyon Family Pharmacy is located at 116 N. Lafayette in downtown South Lyon.

ADVERTORIAL



Photo by HAL GOULD

Jim Seghi stands with the Hemker family after building a 1,600-square-foot addition to their Lyon Township home. Standing with Jim are Nicholas, 5, Caroline, 21 months, Brent and Natalie Hemker and Sophie, 3. Because the brick of their home is no longer made, Seghi helped the family choose a ledge stone that complements the existing exterior of their home. The addition stands above a full basement.

Consultation, design keys to Seghi's renovations

By Pam Zinkosky

A visit to Jim Seghi's New Hudson home and office reveals a lot about his renovation business. If you don't recognize Seghi's talent in his impeccably decorated kitchen, complete with skylights, marble counters and beautiful wood cabinets, you'll certainly see his passion for his work in the way he talks to customers.

In answering a call about a current job, Seghi relays from memory the details of a kitchen floor plan, reassuring his client that he knows the ins and outs of the design. "If a customer calls with a question, I usually either know the answer already or can get the answer in a short amount of time," said Seghi. "I can't stand it when a customer calls and isn't happy. It runs my night."

Seghi prides himself on the professional, personalized service that his small business, Jim Seghi

Renovations, has been giving customers since 1989. At that time, Seghi was in the restaurant business and decided to embark on a new career. He started with repair jobs and gradually worked his way up to remodeling and eventually additions.

Today, much of Seghi's work comes from growing families who've opted to renovate their homes rather than buying larger homes and moving. The Hemker family is a prime example. Brent and Natalie Hemker hired Seghi to build a 1,600-square-foot addition onto their New Hudson home to make room for their fourth child.

The addition includes a master suite and bathroom, another bathroom, a bedroom and a play room.

Seghi likes the idea of enabling people to stay in their communities rather than uprooting their families just to get some extra liv-

ing space. He admits additions can be expensive, but points out that selling a home and moving isn't cheap, either. And spacious, livable lots like those in New Hudson are hard to come by these days.

A 17-year New Hudson resident, Seghi's already built two additions onto his own house and says he never plans to move. "If I want something else in a house, I'll just build it here," he said.

As Seghi's business has grown, he's developed relationships with multiple contractors who provide the full range of remodeling services. Since most have worked for Seghi for at least seven years, he knows he can rely on them to get the job done. Nevertheless, he visits job sites almost every day to manage all the details — from getting the right materials to making sure the job's done on time.

In addition to planning and supervision, Seghi spends a good part of his time on consultation and design — services many of his competitors don't provide. Where other companies strive to simply sell a product and service, Seghi lends his expertise to ensure that customers get value out of their purchases.

During initial meetings, Seghi asks customers for a wish list and then discusses the possibilities, working toward a design that will best use the space they have. He emphasizes the importance of selecting designs that will keep up with current decorating trends and increase the value of the home. Many times, he also suggests the materials, colors and styles. Once customers decide he's the man for the job, he goes to the drawing board to create a

floor plan.

What happens if a customer wants something he doesn't agree with? "I don't force my opinion on anyone, but I have a responsibility to at least say what I think is best and why," he said. If a customer has a personal preference for something that won't necessarily increase the value of the home, that's fine, said Seghi.

Seghi also sees it as his responsibility to provide realistic timetables for the job's completion. "I won't tell customers what they want to hear about when a job will be done," he said. "I'd rather turn down business than not have a job done on time."

Before he starts a job, he provides the customer with a week-by-week plan — usually estimated on the conservative side — and talks about possible roadblocks.

"It's very important to educate the customer," says Seghi. "I'll sit down with a customer and tell them, 'There will be days when no one will show up,'" he said, explaining that jobs can be on hold while waiting for various permits. And sometimes, despite Seghi's scrupulous planning, unexpected problems arise. But when they do, Seghi is quick to remedy them.

Sometimes, Seghi finds himself remedying his competitors' mistakes — like the time a customer asked him to install some kitchen cupboards she purchased from another vendor. The cabinets didn't fit her kitchen because the vendor placed the order without taking any measurements, so Seghi had to start from the beginning.

Personal service, honesty and

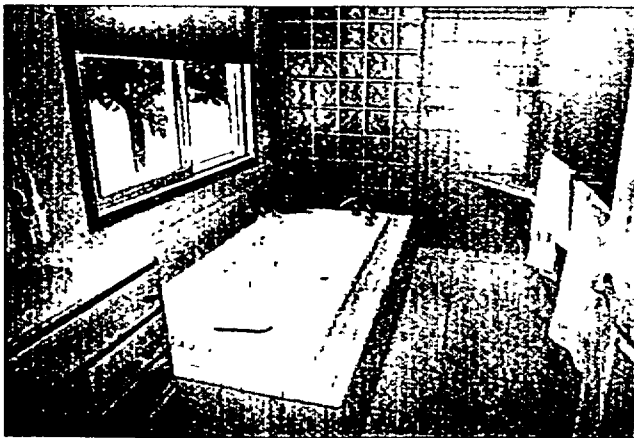
DETAILS

Contact Jim Seghi Renovations for the full spectrum of residential and commercial renovation projects.

Specializing in kitchens, baths, recreation rooms, finished basements, additions and ceramic tile, Jim Seghi draws on 14 years of experience to provide professional design services and installation. Choose from a wide variety of high-quality materials by manufacturers like Kohler, American Standard, Moen and Jacuzzi.

The business is located in New Hudson, but serves the entire Metro Detroit area. Contact Jim Seghi at (248) 437-2454 or visit www.jimseghirenovations.com to arrange for a free consultation and estimate.

pride in workmanship have helped Jim Seghi Renovations succeed over the past 14 years, with a 10-30 percent increase in business each year. Seghi says customers may be able to get cheaper bids, but those bids typically don't include the professional consultation, design and project management services his company provides, and sometimes they don't even include all the remodeling features the customer wants. "The cheapest bid is sometimes their most expensive mistake," said Seghi.

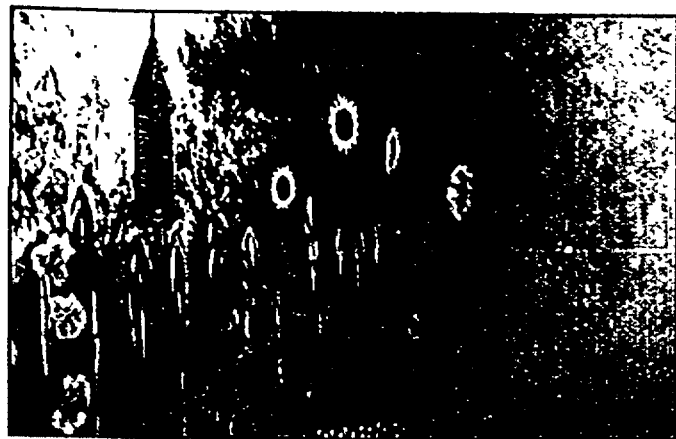


Inside the Hemker's new suite, a master bath offers a glass block shower, whirlpool tub and double sink.

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Adding new life

Local artist's murals add new dimensions to walls

By Annette Jaworski
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Patsy Clairmont doesn't need to hop on a jet to enjoy the ambience of Europe.

Instead, she just heads to her study for a little flavor of France.

A mural on her wall portrays a cozy village in Antibes, France. There, the author sits at her desk surrounded by her own "Rue de Clairmont." Artist and long time friend Carol Porter designed the mural, which was inspired by a postcard.

In total, Carol spent 38 hours bringing the little village to life in the Clairmont home. Carol says the project began with a few lines and just went from there, led by inspiration, like most of her art. The idea was to blend the mural with an existing desk.

"I felt like I could step right in it and have a bit of France," Clairmont said. "I need that in my work. It's like an escape."

Sure enough, it seems like you could smell the fresh bread baking at the bistro and touch the flower petals in the quaint village. After even further inspection, you see that Porter has added a personal touch. For example, the cat in the mural is named for a Michigan restaurant, whose name caught their fancy: "Three French Hens." And you'll

find the menu contains Patsy's favorites as well, such as Crème Brûlée, pate and brioche.

As an author, Patsy insisted upon a bookstore in the village. Other realistic details are the sheer curtains hanging in all the windows, and the dimension she added to the rocks which adds a realistic effect to the shadows.

The foyer area contains a simpler, but more dramatic mural, intended for Patsy's husband, Les. A native of northern Michigan, his favorite tree is the white birch, which doesn't fare well in this area. To make him feel at home, Patsy requested a white birch stretching skyward along the staircase wall. Here Carol paid close attention to the leafing, trying to accommodate the seasons. She chose a light sprinkling of leaves as a way to extend the season to portray spring or early fall. It also draws the color of the dining room into the scheme.

"When I do my murals or other things, I try to make it personal and put in a saying or flowers that they want. Anything to put a smile in their heart," Carol said.

Upstairs in the art room, Carol did a complete wraparound the walls. It's a cottage garden effect, full of Patsy's favorite things, such as her favorite flowers, some poppies and a bunch of hostas. A bird lover also, you find a birdhouse,



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Artist Carol Porter's European street scene beckons guests to enter a ground-floor residential office.

black capped chickadees, and bluebirds, which are prevalent around their home. A pathway leading into a garden adds intrigue to the mural, as though something deeper lies beyond the wall.

Since there are large landscape rocks outside, Carol pulled them into part of the mural. She also personalized the art by adding two bunnies, another favorite of Patsy's, nestling in the fresh green grass. Another interesting detail she'll soon add is an outdoor spout dripping water that will flow into the watering can. Carol also suggested they include a cardinal, not only a lovely bird, but the maiden name of Patsy's mother-in-law.

"These are the things that make it a home," she said.

She painted many other surprises throughout Patsy's home, including some with a more subtle touch. For example, a basket of paper whites looks real enough to touch on a shelf in the laundry room, keeping it fresh as a daisy. An impressionist bunch of flowers embellishes an arched entry to a hall off the kitchen.

Patsy's taste is elegant and defined, yet warm. She's a lady that

knows what she wants, so she and Carol consult each other for ideas on the projects. For those who aren't quite sure what might look best in their home, Carol has portfolios of ideas that she can show them.

Another piece of artwork brings home a little bit of Italy. Overlooking a simple table and chairs, the focal part of the room is a mural portraying a window view, with a scene overlooking a vineyard in Italy. The remainder of the wall is painted in a "distressed" brick look. The walls here were purposely left imperfect to give a worn and Old World look.

As lifelong friends, Patsy is more than happy to be a cheerleader for her friend Carol's talent, and believes she's been truly given a gift to share with others as well as one that's helped to build her confidence. Carol's work includes illustrations for children's books and illustrations for some of Patsy's inspirational books as well. She also participated in the recent Brighton Fair.

Carol Porter's skills are available by the hour including murals, borders, original art and artistic accents. Contact her at (517) 548-7728.

Grass rust, while alarming, looks worse than it is

Q: What happened to my grass? I have a patch of something growing on the grass that is orange and when I walk through it, it comes off on my shoes. It looks like it is on the outside of the grass blades. How do I make this go away?

A: Click your heels together and repeat after me, "There's no fungus like rust..." This will probably cause your neighbors to now believe all that weird stuff that they have heard about you. You have a grass fungus with the highly original name of rust. It looks just like its name. And it also looks way worse than what it is. It happens to grass that is green and growing well. Then you add warm temperatures, especially warm, humid nights and moisture. Bake well and there it is, all orange and dusty. There are several things you can do to get rid of it or discourage it until the weather changes. The best part is that all of them are cheap.

Fertilize regularly with small amounts of nitrogen fertilizer. Water it in. You can take a broom and brush the rust off the grass. You can hose it off during the day and have the grass be dry before night. The damage, which may be yellowing or browning, happens because the leaf blade cannot make chlorophyll for itself. The small amounts of nitrogen will boost the grass to grow beyond its problem. The broom or hose will remove the covering on the grass. Do this as soon as you see rust. Don't wait until it looks terrible. For regular readers: this is the famous fungus triangle. You need moisture, warm temperatures and the right host plant to make fungus succeed.

Q: I heard on public radio about an amazing fungus that will kill Emerald Ash Borer. They say it's new and effective. What is it?

A: Three words here: Save Your Money. This fungus is being pushed by the company that it is producing it. So how new can a fungus be? Not. This is a fungus that has been known to entomologists for decades. It belongs to the Boryaria family and kills some beetles. The best that can be expected is about thirty-percent mortality. That's pretty pathetic if you have ten thousand larvae feeding under the bark. So what can you do that makes more sense? In late April, use the Bayer Advanced Garden Tree and Shrub Insect Control mixed in water and applied to the soil. It is too late this year. Or if the tree is small, spray it thoroughly with liquid Sevin. This needs to be done once a month. These two methods only work if there are no Emerald Ash Borer larvae in the tree. If the tree has less than twenty-percent damage, you can try having the tree injected with Bidrin or Imicide by a professional arborist. It may or may not work. None of these treatments come with a guarantee and must be done annually. Anything with more than twenty-percent damage should be headed for the burn pile immediately. The number of counties that are quarantined has recently more than doubled. We started with Wayne, Oakland, Washtenaw, Macomb, Livingston and Monroe. It now includes Ingham, Lapeer, St. Clair, Shiawassee, Genesee, Jackson, Lenawee and Kent. There are suspect areas being investigated by Michigan Department of Agriculture in several other counties currently. This is big and this is bad. Do not take any firewood unless you know it isn't ash. Do not take wood chips unless you know it isn't ash. Check any white or green ash that you have purchased in the last three years for any signs of damage. If you don't know what to look for, call us and we will mail you information.

Gretchen Wyle, MSU Extension-Livingston County horticulture agent, can be reached at (517) 546-3950.

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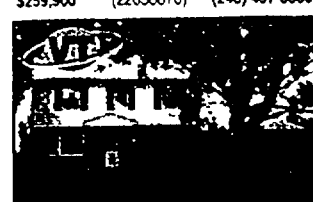
NOVI - A diamond in the rough! Generous room sizes, 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, maple/ceramic kitchen, dining room with fireplace, finished basement with rec room and full bath. Newer windows, turn and c/a. Refreshing pool, warranty. Super buy. Super price!

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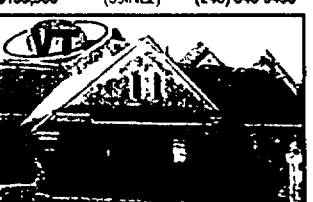
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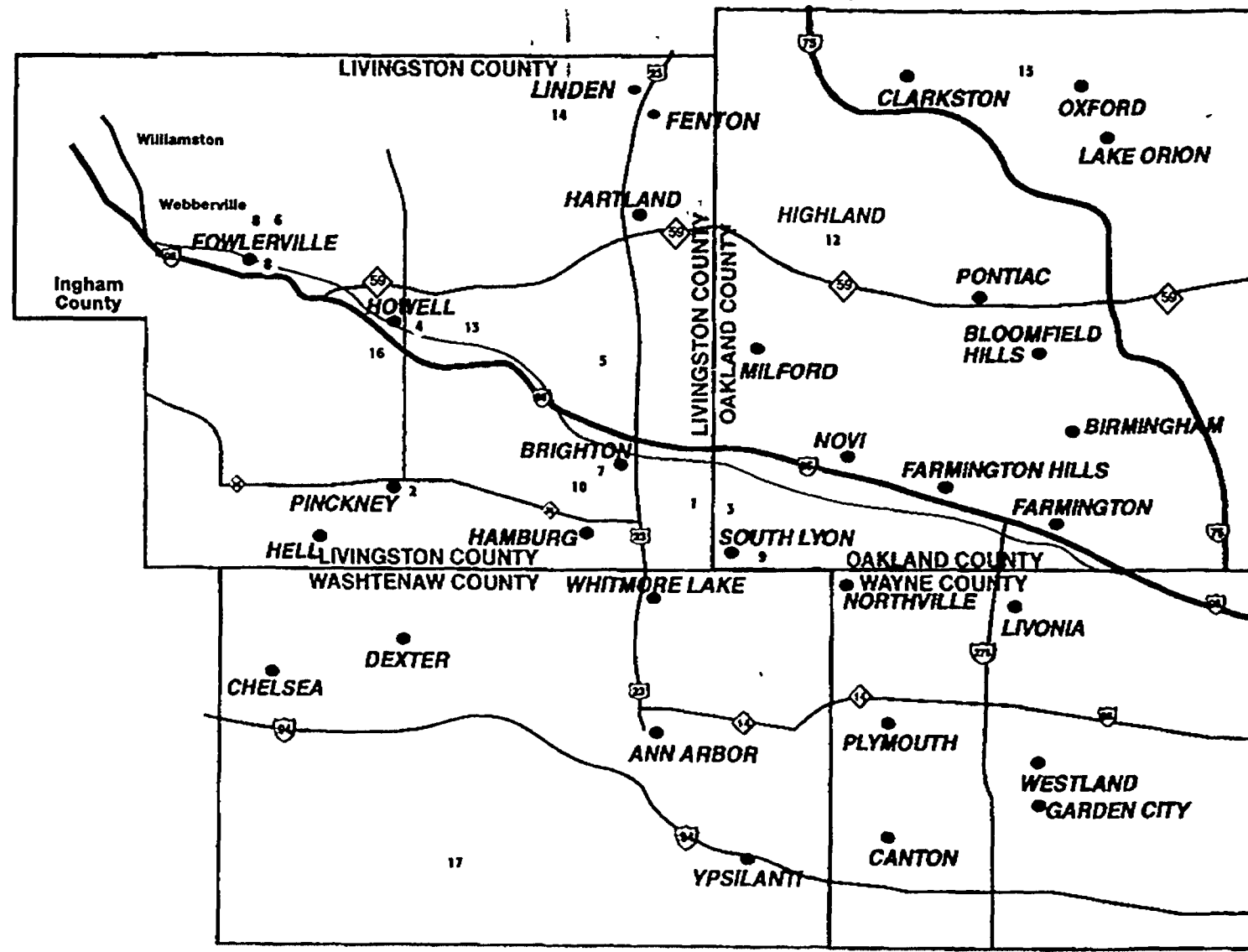
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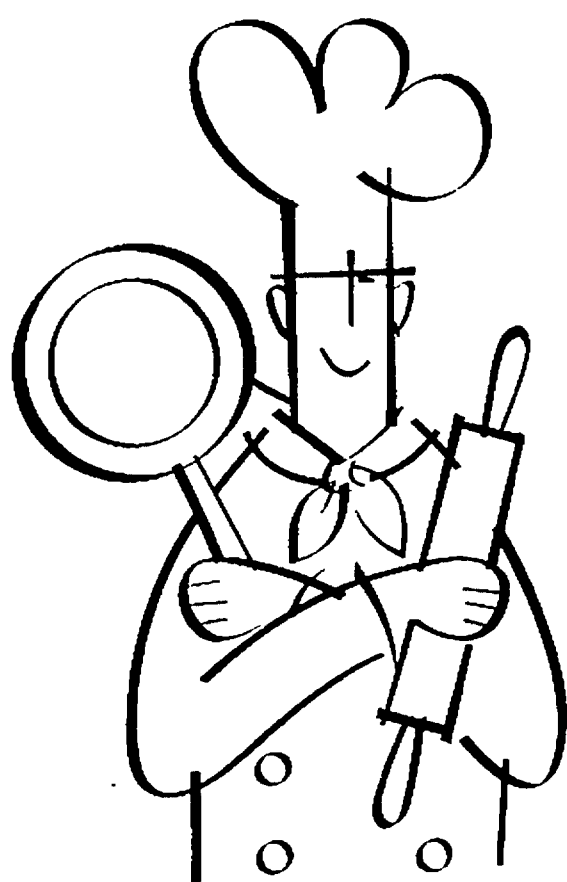
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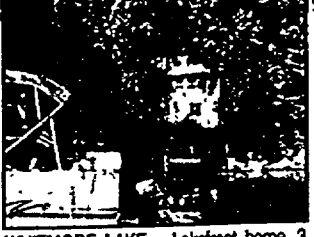
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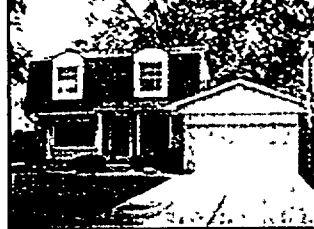
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LYONS - Country in the city Charming 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath offers 3 car attached garage, full basement, fireplace, family room, dining room, all sitting on approximately 3/4 acre lot. \$374,000 (74WAL) 734-455-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - Incredible house & lot. Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial in Colony Park. Updates include: newer windows & doorwall, granite kitchen, newer tile in baths, oak HW floors & newer decor V/O, finished LL & more. Private setting \$349,000 (310AK) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Updated Livonia colonial. 3 BR, 2.5 BA home w/newer windows, hickory kitchen, oak floor in kitchen & hall. Newer A/C, furnace, roof, garage door. Lovely master BR w/private bath. Lovely landscaping deck, sprinklers. Near Livonia Y & Frost Middle School. Outstanding. \$279,000 (17RIV) 248-349-5600



SOUTH LYON - Gorgeous custom built home. Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances, granite counters, butlers pantry & cherry cabs. Hardwood floors, limestone fireplace, custom window treatments, 9 ceilings & 2-story foyer. Formal DR, master suite, prof landscaped w/brick pavers \$309,900 (23SAD) 248-349-5600



REDFORD - Terrific broad front ranch. 3 bedroom bungalow w/finished basement, huge upstairs bedroom w/tons of storage. Major updating done includes: furnace, C/A, roof, windows & cement. \$126,900 (35WOR) 734-455-5600



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GREEN OAKS - A little bit of country. Large 4 bedroom, 2 bath raised ranch w/2 car attached garage, walk-out lower level, 2 fireplaces w/raised hearths, newer windows, ceramic tile in foyer, kitchen & bath, doorwall from master & dining room to 45 x 16 deck. \$199,724 (51SOM) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - PERFECT. 3 BR, 2 BA ranch w/newer vinyl windows T/O. Ceramic floor in kitchen & breakfast rm. Fresh & neutral interior. Finished basement w/family room, cedar closet, terrific storage & large workshop. Central vacuum system & 6 panel doors. Private fenced yard \$204,800 (38TAV) 248-349-5600



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TAYLOR - Great starter home Cute 2 bedroom ranch w/newer roofs, siding, furnace, driveway & sidewalk + 2 car garage w/workshop & shed in large fenced yard \$119,000 (36WIL) 734-455-5600



COMMERCE - Enjoy sweeping views. Wonderful 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial sitting on lovely Edgewood Park Golf Course. Updated windows, roof, furnace, C/A, appliances, brick paver patio, deck & extensive landscaping + 2 car attached garage & basement. \$319,900 (42EDG) 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE - Impeccable newer 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial is still under builders warranty. Awesome cherry cabs, granite counters, hwd flrs in kit, GR & entry 2-way fireplace in great room & office. Huge master suite w/walk-in closets, Jacuzzi spa & ceramic upgrade. Too many upgrades to list \$589,900 (21WHI) 248-349-5600



SOUTH LYON - Beautiful home on large lot. Immaculate 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial w/contemporary flair. Just painted both inside and out. Large bedrooms w/walk-in closets. Hardwood and ceramic floors. newer 20K deck. Park-like setting. Owners are being transferred \$399,900 (82HID) 248-349-5600



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PLYMOUTH - Nicely maintained colonial. Real nice home in Arbor Village sub. 3 BR, 1.5 BA, 2 car attached garage & basement. Large spacious rooms. Family room w/natural Fieldstone fireplace/skylight. Newer windows, some carpet & kitchen floor. Large fenced yard. 1 year home warranty \$204,900 (57RUS) 248-349-5600



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CANTON - Immaculate 3 BR, 2.5 BA colonial w/neutral colors. Newer carpeting. Super clean home. Stunning cedar deck w/lighting. Finished office in basement. Fireplace in family room. So many extras \$239,900 (27PAR) 248-349-5600



COMMERCE - Say hello to a good buy. Built in 2002. 3 BR, 2.5 BA cape cod w/fantastic master suite & whirlpool tub. Wall of windows to treed view. Full walk-out basement. 3 car side entry garage and much, much more. \$423,900 (49PHI) 248-349-5600



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WYANDOTTE - Wonderful ranch. 3 bedroom ranch in Wyandotte w/large master bedroom & family room, full basement, newer kitchen, furnace, C/A & roof all approximately 8 years old + appliances stay \$145,000 (27ELE) 734-455-5600



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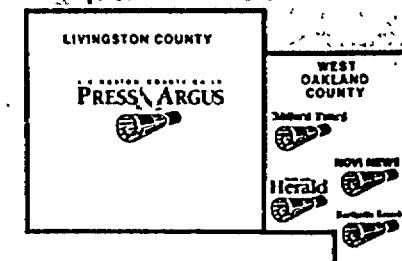
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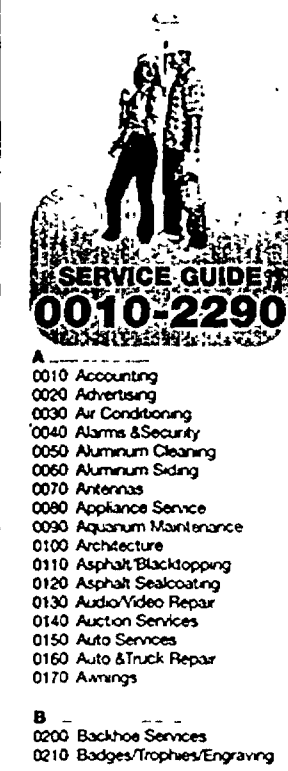
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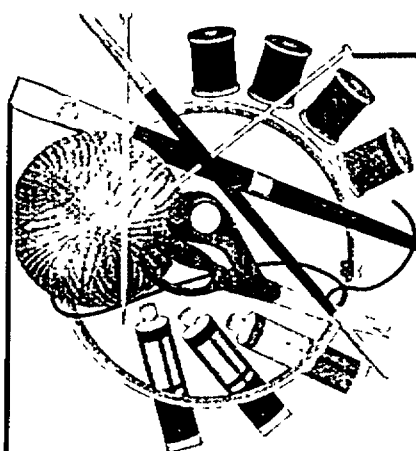
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AUCTION on Sept. 6, 2003, 8am. Northville Storage, 19320 Gerald Ave, Northville. Unit # 45, Cynthia White, masonry tools & equip. Unit # 35, Denise Jones, household items

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BRIGHTON Fri, Aug 15, 9-3 6601 Mountain Cr., Bauer & Brighton Rd

BRIGHTON - Oak Pointe Sub Remodeling Sale! Many household items, home accessories, artwork & furniture. Aug 15th-16th, 9-4pm 4405 Murfield Dr. No early birds

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COMMERCIAL Fri-Sat, Aug 15-16 9am-3pm Home decor, children's toys and books, beer signs, oak roll top desk and much more! 6070 Ford Rd (S of Cooley Lake Rd) E of Duck Lake Rd

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HIGHLAND, AUG. 14-17, 9am-6pm 1255 Essay Ln., off Fish Lk. Rd., 1 mile N of Clyde Rd.

HOWELL CONSOLIDATION SALE - Toddlers Toys Community Playthings cribs, Angels cots, chairs, wooden toys, Little Tikes, Evershades, & more 1025 Yorkshire Dr (Grand River & Highlander Way area) Sat Aug 16th 9-5pm

HOWELL Estate Sale Washer, waterbed, oriental art, dishes, misc. 8-14-16, 9-5 1024 Willow Lane, W Grand River S on to Sleaford, R on Willow Lane

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HOWELL 4391 Lily Dr. off Gully near Golf Club, Aug 14-15, 9-4 Lots of girl clothes

HOWELL Multi Family 229 Edgemont, off Oak Grove Rd Fri-Sat, 8am-7

MILFORD 924 Abbey Lane Fri, 8/16, Sat, 8/17, 9-5pm. Misc. stuff. Everything must go

MILFORD Aug 14-15, 8-5 Aug. 8-12, 822 Panorama Kids toys & misc

MILFORD 8/14-17, Thurs-Sun, 8-5pm Antiques & more! 4189 & 4018 Kingswood Ct. 196 Exr 155, N on Milford Rd 1 mi to Maple E on Maple 1/4 mile to 4169 Kingswood Court.

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MILFORD Sat, Aug 16, 9-4pm Sun, Aug 17, 11-3pm. Large collection of 140" scale tractors and accessories, John Deere snow-blower, toys, baby & kids items, household items, much more! 1057 Adams Rd, off Dawson Rd, betn Milford Rd & South Hill Rd

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MILFORD, 478 Heritage Toys, clothes, household appliances, entertainment center Aug 14, 15, 9am to 3pm Aug 16, 9am to Noon

NORTHVILLE Moving Sale 8-15 16, 9-5 8 M/Beck 20436/20439 Woodbend Furniture, elect. kids stuff

NORTHVILLE 119 Randolph Aug 15-16 9-4 Toys LPs clothes, antiques, tools more!

NORTHVILLE Garage/Moving Wide variety of items N of 8 Mile, W of Center Follow signs to 21699 Bedford Thurs-Sat, Aug 14-16

NORTHVILLE toys, clothes sports, weights, household. Aug 14-16 18632 Clairmont S of 7, W of Beck

NORTHVILLE 8/15 & 8/16, 9-4 45929 Northville, N of Main, E of Clement. Girls clothes 4-8, toys, bike rack, carport carrier, building supplies, antiques, toddler bed other kids items

NORTHVILLE MULTI-FAMILY Fri 8-15 & Sat 8-16, 9-5 Furniture, household, books, tons of stuff! 815 Scott (N of 7 Mi off Orchard 1/2 mi W of Sheldon)

Northville - Multi family sale 20216 Rippling Lane, S off 8 Mile, E/Silver Spring 9-2, 14th, 15th, & 16th

NOVI Sat, August 16 only Furniture, decorations toys, much more! 24296 Woodham W of Beck & N of 10 Mi

NOVI - Yorkshire Place @ 10 & Tait Drums, playhouse, side, furniture & more 24906 White Plains. Fri-Sat, 9-4

NOVI Aug 15, 9-4, Aug 16, 9-1 24544 Boarder Hill N of 10 Mi, b/n Meadowbrook & Hagerty Books, toys, Barbies, baby clothes, mattress, bakers rack, misc

NOVI, 8/14, 8/15 9 to 5, 8/16, 9 to Noon 21557 Ingram N of Eight Mile, off Meadowbrook. Misc. household

NOVI, MULTI-FAMILY Thurs thru Sat, 9am to 4pm Naples Dr, Roma Ridge Sub

PINCKNEY Aug 15-16, 8-5 650 Murel St., corner of Elizabeth Large items

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SOUTH LYON 10854 Tuttle Rd, Aug 15-17 & 22-24, 8-6 Everything must go, some antiques, misc. misc.

SOUTH LYON - Thurs-Sat, 9-4 837 Tacon Ct Furniture, maternity clothes, kid items, & misc. Eagle Point Sub, N side of 10 Mile, W of Marandale

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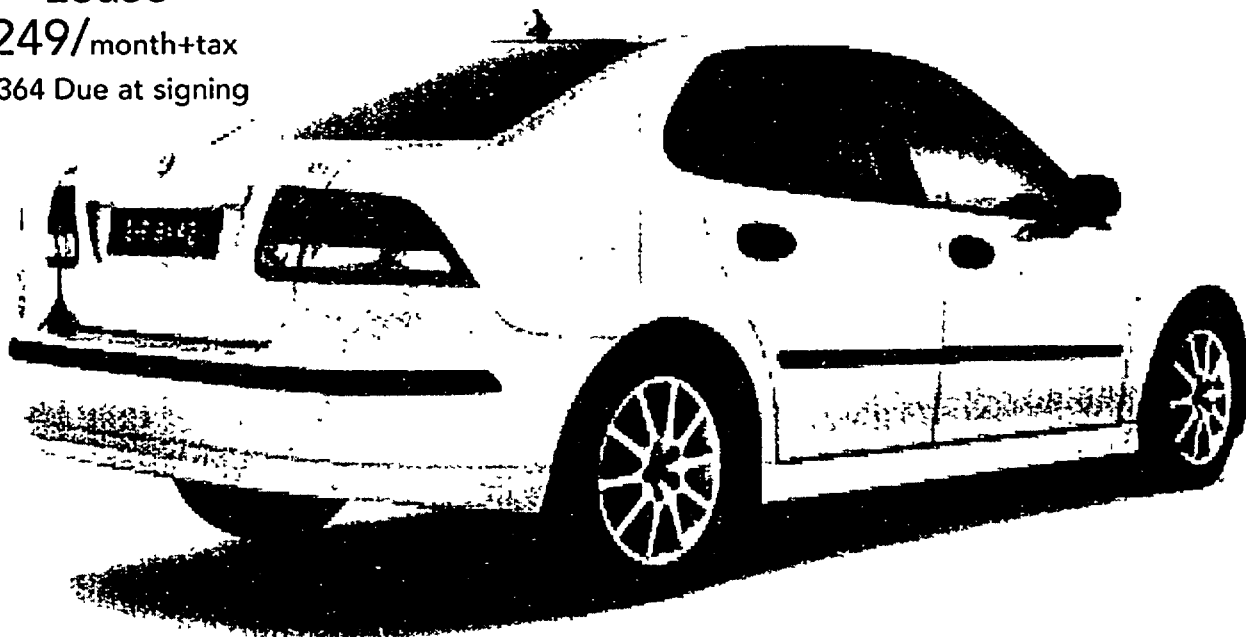
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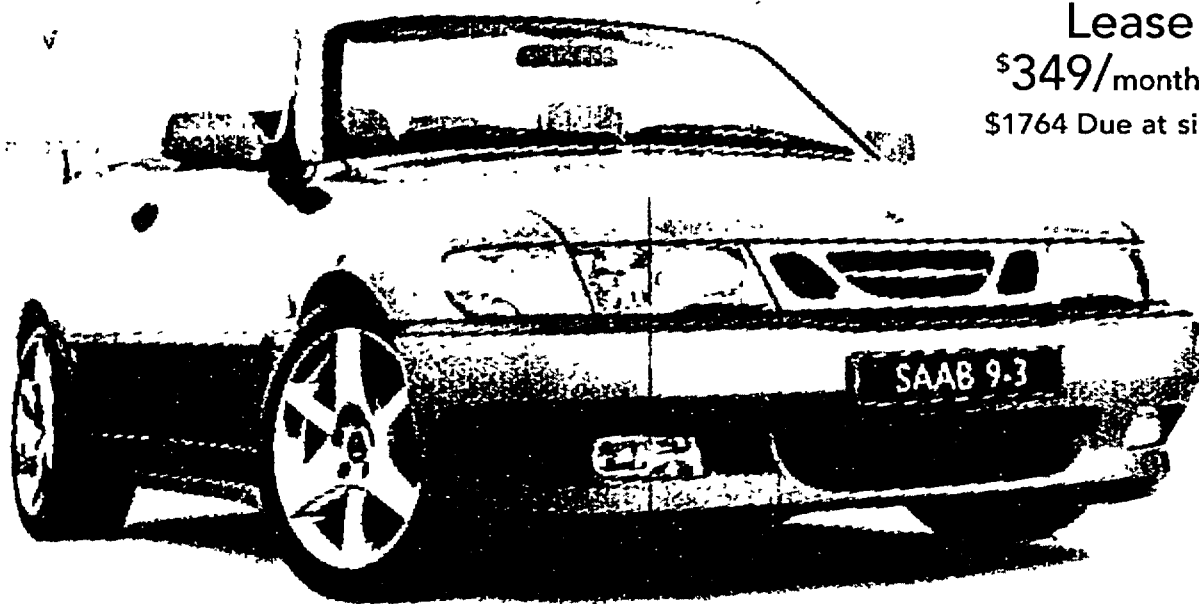


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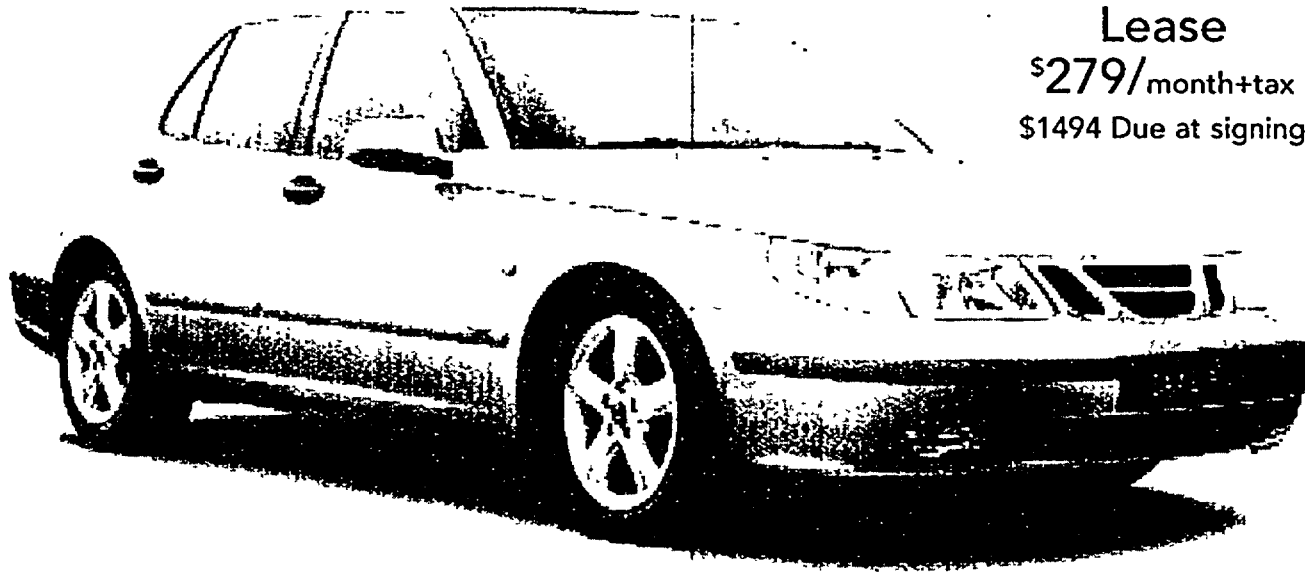


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Security
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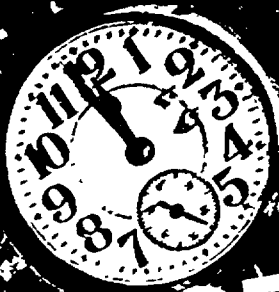
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See offer details and rate plans inside.



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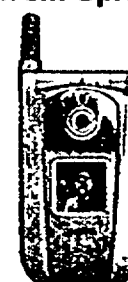


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Let's You Send Pictures and Attach a Voice/Text MessagePictureMail™
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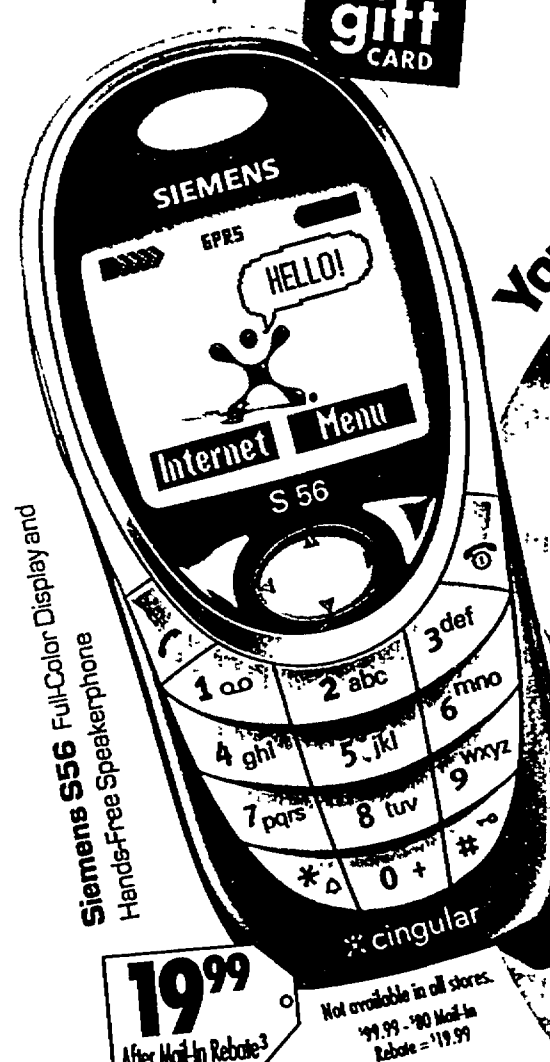
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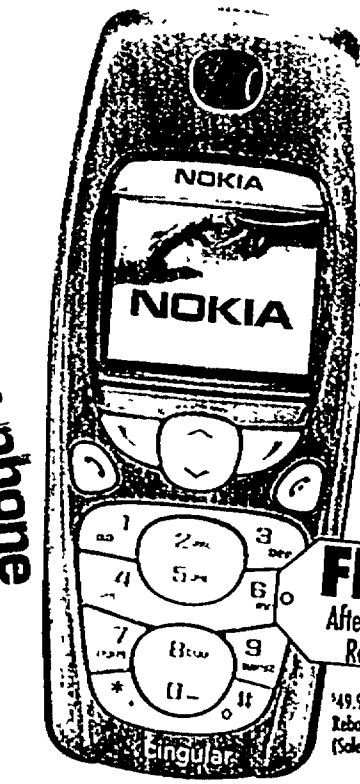
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S56 Earbud (BB381384)**24.99**
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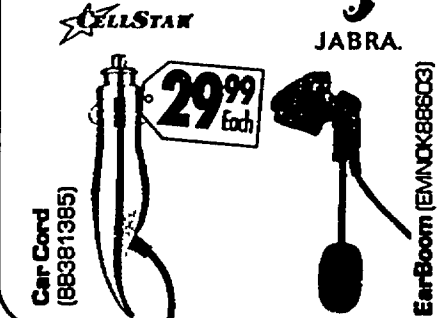
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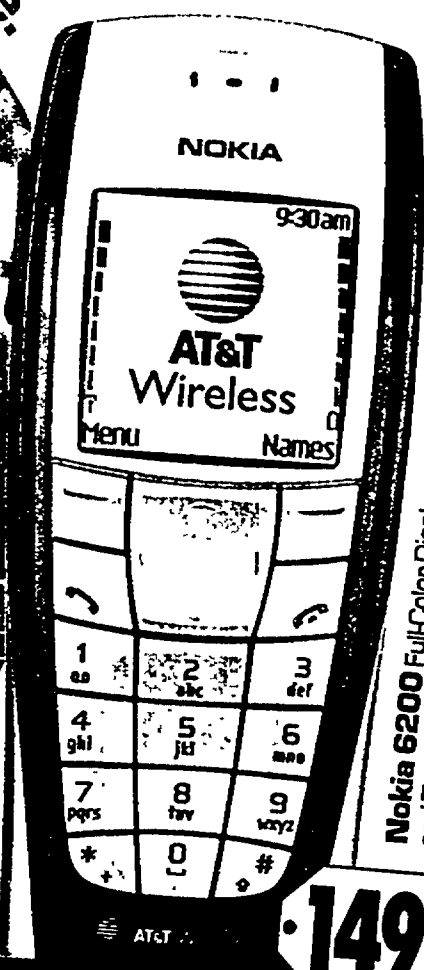
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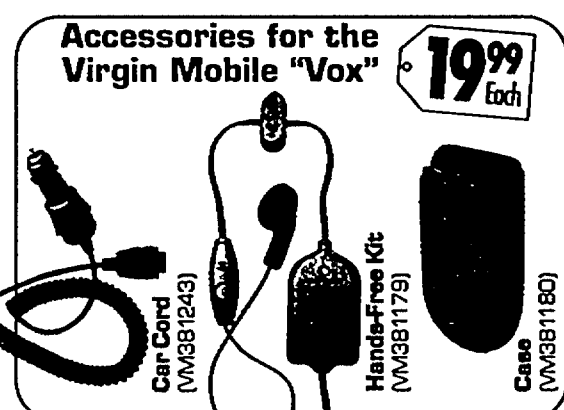
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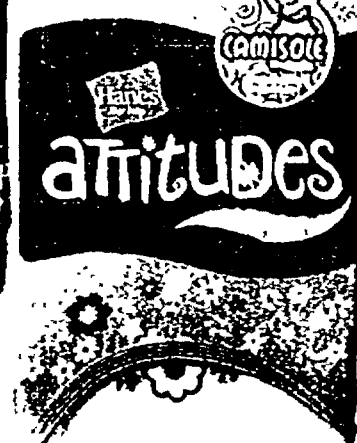
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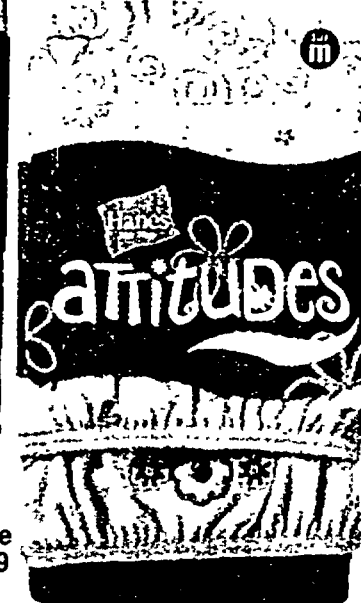
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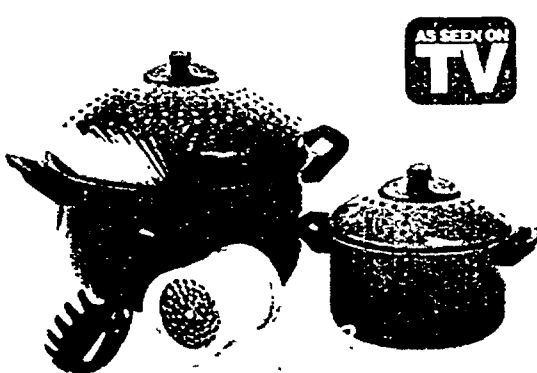
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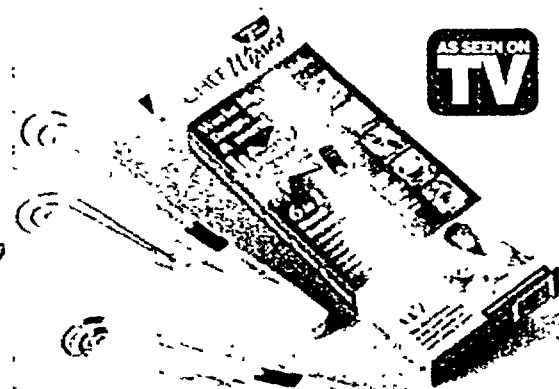
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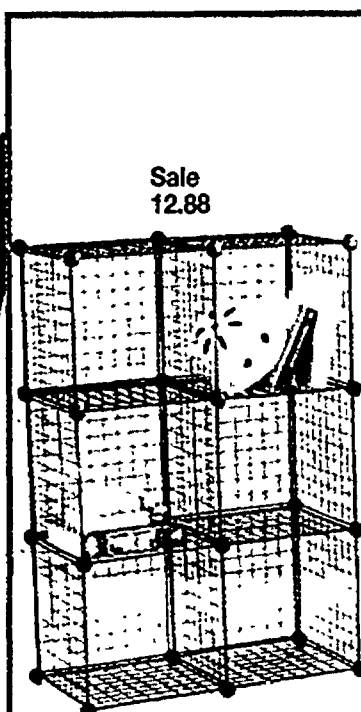
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WITH PREMIER BONUS SET

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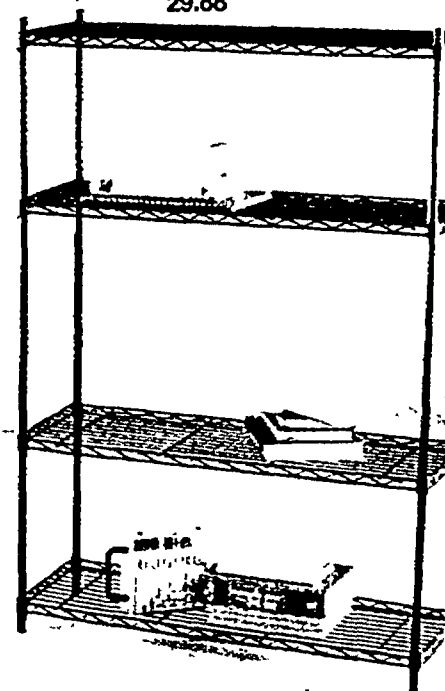
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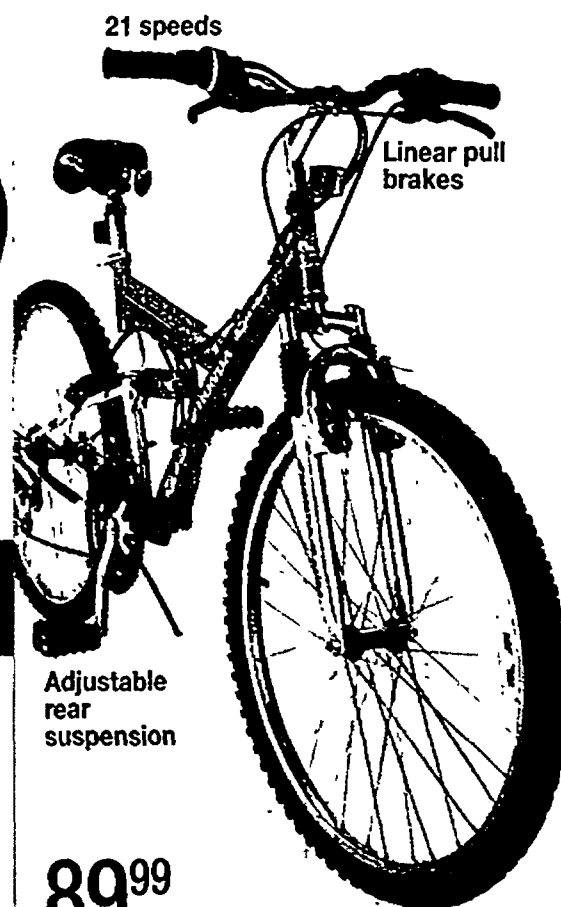
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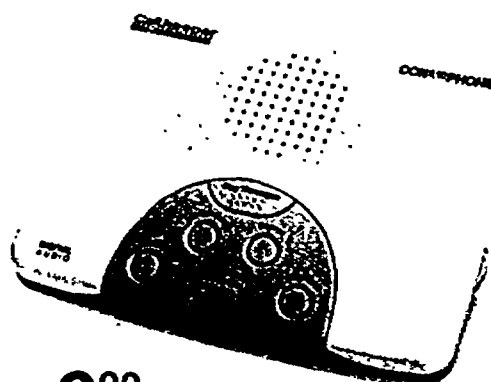


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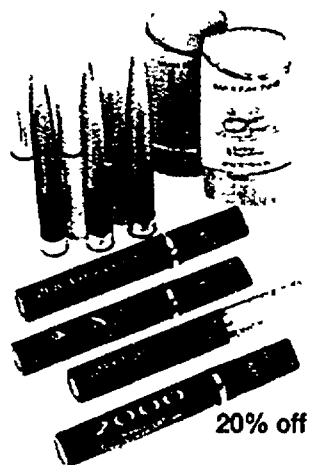
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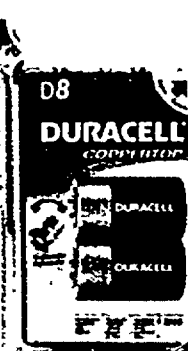
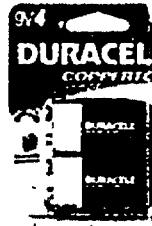
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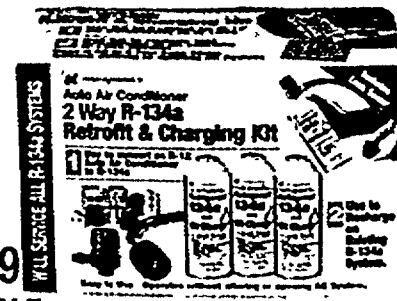
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Q My grandson loves to watch *SpongeBob Squarepants* on Nickelodeon. Who does the voice of Patrick, Spongebob's friend? His voice is so familiar it drives me crazy trying to figure it out.

—Anita F., Kentucky

You must have been a fan of the television show *Coach*. Bill Fagerbakke, who played assistant football coach Dauber on the series, provides the voice for Patrick Star on *Spongebob Squarepants*. The 45-year-old California native actually played college football himself, at the University of Idaho. He dreamed of playing pro football, but suffered a knee injury in his sophomore year. Not able to play, Fagerbakke took a friend's dare to try out for a school musical. He discovered he loved acting, switched his major to theater arts, and went on to a steady career as an actor. He got the part of Dauber in *Coach* just two years after completing his graduate studies at Southern Methodist University, and stayed on the show for nine years. He's done a lot of voice work on cartoons aside from *Spongebob*, including the movie *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. He and his wife Catherine have two children.



Buckingham, Fleetwood, Nicks, and McVie.

Q Fleetwood Mac is still great and I love listening to them. Who are the members of the group and are any of them married?

—Janice S., Texas

The current version of the popular and enduring group includes drummer Mick Fleetwood, bass player John McVie, singer Stevie Nicks, and guitarist Lindsey Buckingham, who reunited for *Say You Will*, released in April of this year on Reprise Records. The original Fleetwood Mac, which released the 1967 album by that name, consisted of Peter Green, Fleetwood, Jeremy Spencer, and McVie. Probably the group's most successful line-up was Fleetwood, Nicks, John and Christine McVie, and Buckingham. They recorded the phenomenally successful *Rumours* album, which sold more than 25 million copies. Retired keyboard player Christine McVie, now living in England, did not reunite with the group for this effort. She did go along for the ride on the 1997 reunion tour and concert album *The Dance*. As for marital status, you probably know the romantic breakup of Nicks and Buckingham provided material for *Rumours*, while Christine McVie and John McVie worked together for years after they divorced. Buckingham, Fleetwood, and John McVie are all married. Nicks is single. "Somehow we've always managed to stay in touch with the spirit of Fleetwood Mac," Fleetwood says. "Let's face it, we're not all just saying hello to each other, we're connected very deeply. It's been a seamless journey; it's just the logistics that sometimes need working out."

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Home of the Slinky

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The Slinky made its debut in November 1945, a few years after the late Richard James (then a young mechanical engineer) discovered the acrobatic antics of his now-famous device while onboard a World War II Navy vessel.

"He was out working on a trial run on a ship," his wife Betty recalls, "when a spring fell on the deck." When it slithered and gyrated across the floor, Richard had an inspiration, Betty recalls. "I could make it walk, he thought; then he came home and asked me what I thought."

Betty thought Richard's unique invention needed an equally unique name before it could spring to life. She spent hours combing the dictionary and eventually came up with a word that means "stealthy, sleek, and sinuous." In the meantime, Richard perfected the dynamics of winding 67 feet of steel into a compact toy that could bound down stair after stair fueled by nothing more than a gentle nudge, the assistance of gravity, and its own momentum. The couple christened their bouncing baby toy in 1945 at Gimbel's in Philadelphia, where pre-Christmas sales of the "amazing walking spring toy" surpassed all expectations.

"I called a friend and said, 'I'll give you a dollar if you'll buy one,'" Betty remembers. "But when we arrived at Gimbel's and rounded a corner, we saw a sea of raised arms with hands clutching dollar bills as people huddled around our toy counter display."



One of the most popular toys ever invented comes in various sizes and colors.

The rest is Slinky history. Since those early days, Slinky has starred in Hollywood productions such as *Demolition Man*, *Other People's Money*, *Hairspray*, and *Toy Story*, in which the Slinky Dog made a featured appearance. It's traveled into space with the astronauts and even saw service in Vietnam, where American soldiers tossed Slinkys into trees to create makeshift radio antennas.

Teachers also have found it useful as an educational tool, employing Slinky in the classroom to demonstrate wave properties, forces, and energy states. But whatever its unexpected uses, the Slinky remains one of the most popular toys ever invented, with more than 250 million sold worldwide in its several versions, including a plastic one. A survey conducted in the 1990s showed that 90 percent of Americans know what a slinky is.

Although the first Slinkys were manufactured in Philadelphia, the tightly coiled toy has become the particular pet of Hollidaysburg. In 1961, the town approached Betty with an offer she couldn't refuse: a gift of six acres—one for each of her children—to relocate the business she and her husband Richard had launched earlier, a business by then abandoned by Richard and struggling to stay afloat. Betty came—moving her family "back home" to set up the Slinky factory in Hollidaysburg (pop. 5,368), a few miles south of her Altoona birthplace—and Slinky has remained there ever since, thriving under Betty's guidance as head of the company.

Today, the Slinky remains absolutely loyal to its adopted hometown. And so does Betty, now in her 80s. A few years ago when she sold the company, it was on one condition: that Hollidaysburg remain "The Home of Slinky." Betty's oldest son, Richard T. "Tom" James II, in fact, works as a sales manager at Hollidaysburg's Slinky factory.

"I was the person who—at two—discovered that Slinky could walk down stairs," Tom muses, adding, "There's more art than science to making Slinkys."

He began working for the family enterprise in his early 20s and has, like his mother, been at home in Hollidaysburg—the seat of Blair County—ever since the James family sprang into town in the early 1960s. "There's a closeness here," Betty says. "I love it."

Around town, the feeling seems to be mutual. It's safe to say that, in Hollidaysburg, "everybody loves a Slinky." ☆

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MICHIGAN—In 1888, Clarence Hamilton, inventor and co-founder of Plymouth (pop. 9,022) Iron Windmill Co., introduced a metal air gun. Lewis Cass Hough, company president, tried it and exclaimed, "Boy, that's a daisy," which led to the founding of Daisy Manufacturing Co.

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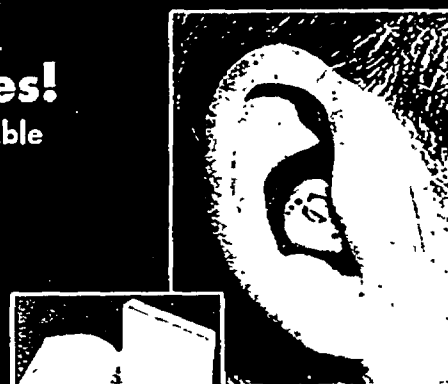
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"I like to take my lunch because it's something different and I get to pick the food," says Cindy Haddock, a sixth grader at Maryville Middle School, in Maryville, Mo.

Lunch is one of the things children like about school. It's a social time to talk to friends, and it's a time to get some of the important nutrition kids need. But it doesn't matter how nutritious a lunch is if your child isn't going to eat it. Following are some tips to help children get interested in what they eat for lunch.

Tips for planning lunches

- Keep in mind that kids only have about 20 minutes for lunch; they need something fast and easy.
- Don't send anything that's too messy, mushy, or smelly.
- Imitate the prepackaged lunches: send small portions of meat, cheese and crackers, cookies or pudding, and a drink.
- Don't send a whole piece of fruit. It's awkward to eat, especially if your child has braces, and often is too much to eat. Pare the fruit and cut it into wedges. Dip in lemon juice, if needed, to keep fruit from browning.

- To prevent spoiling, keep food cold by adding a freezer pack to the lunch box.
- Don't be concerned if your child wants the same lunch every day. Kids find this comforting and they don't get tired of the same old thing.

Tips for getting children involved

With a little planning, you can get kids involved in choices that are good for them and make lunch preparation a learning experience as well. When children help decide what they want to eat, and help make their own lunch, they're more likely to eat it.

- When reviewing the school lunch menu, children can circle the lunches they want to buy and plan to take a sack lunch the other days.
- While you are at the grocery store, talk about good nutrition with your children and guide their choices.
- Help your children get their lunch ready the night before. They can help in a number of ways such as:

1. spreading peanut butter and jelly on bread
2. mixing a salad
3. placing foods in reusable plastic containers
4. wiping counters after lunch is prepared

Another way to get children involved is to prepare a simple recipe. The following pasta salad (with variations) can be taken to school in a small container:

- 1 (8-oz.) package curly noodles, cooked and drained
- 1 cup diced celery
- 1/2 cup green pepper, diced



A squeeze of lemon juice keeps fresh fruit slices from browning.

2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese

1/2 cup Italian (oil and vinegar) dressing or mayonnaise

Children can help measure and mix all the ingredients. Chill the salad. Spoon a portion into a small container with a lid, such as a butter or margarine tub. Be sure to include a fork in the lunch box.

Variations:

1. Add a can of tuna for a main dish salad.

2. Add 1 cup sliced steamed zucchini and 1/4 cup sliced black olives, and cubes of mozzarella cheese.

A sandwich is not the only answer

Sandwiches are traditional for lunch, but there are many other possibilities. Try pasta salad, fruit and cheese, or veggie sticks and peanut butter. Some other ideas for terrific lunch box combinations: White, whole wheat, or rye bread, bagels, or rolls can be substituted for the crackers. Check off the ones you and your child would like to try:

- turkey, Swiss cheese, rye crackers
- ham, American cheese, sesame crackers
- beef, Cheddar cheese, wheat crackers
- chicken, Monterey jack cheese, tortilla chips
- strawberries/banana, cottage cheese, melba toast
- tuna fish, gouda cheese, saltine crackers
- carrot sticks, Muenster cheese, animal crackers
- peaches, cream cheese, graham crackers
- tossed green salad, Parmesan cheese, bread sticks
- apple slices, peanut butter, rice cakes

All you add is love

"When the girls were little I would put notes and surprises in the lunch boxes," says Mary Fran Stransky, mother of two. "When they got older, I stopped doing that because it embarrassed them."

Involvement encourages good eating.

You might add a note to you child's lunch. For younger children, write a note with simple illustrations such as a heart, rainbow, or flower. Making the sandwiches cute and appealing is another way to encourage good eating.

Stransky says of her daughter, "Megan doesn't like crust, so I have always used cookie cutters to cut and seal the sandwiches."

It doesn't take much time to make your child's lunch really special. It will mean so much to your youngster to see that you care.



After-school snacks

When your children get home from school, they may be "starving." Some children eat lunch at 10:30 a.m., so by 3 o'clock they're ready for a snack. Smart snacking doesn't make a child overweight—it all depends on what they choose to eat. The best snacks are low in salt, sugar, fat, and preservatives, and close to their natural state (not highly processed).

Some examples of healthy snacks are: sliced fruits, vegetables and dip, whole grain crackers, pretzels, rice cakes, pudding, gelatin with fruit, plain cookies, or cereal bars. Popcorn is a favorite snack. It tastes good, it's filling, high in fiber, and it can be low in calories if popped with an air popper and eaten plain. (Note: To prevent choking, children under the age of 4 should not eat popcorn.) ☆

Any Houts, freelance author, based this article on her cookbook, *Cooking Around the Calendar with Kids: Holiday and Seasonal Food & Fun* (Images Unlimited). For more information, check out www.snaptail.com.

Here is a favorite snack that combines the fresh crunch of celery, the smooth texture of peanut butter, and the chewy sweetness of raisins.

Ants on a Log

Children can rinse and dry celery branches. Fill hollowed part of celery with peanut butter. Top with "ants" (raisins). Cut "logs" crosswise into fourths. Variation: Kids love celery stuffed with cream cheese, too.

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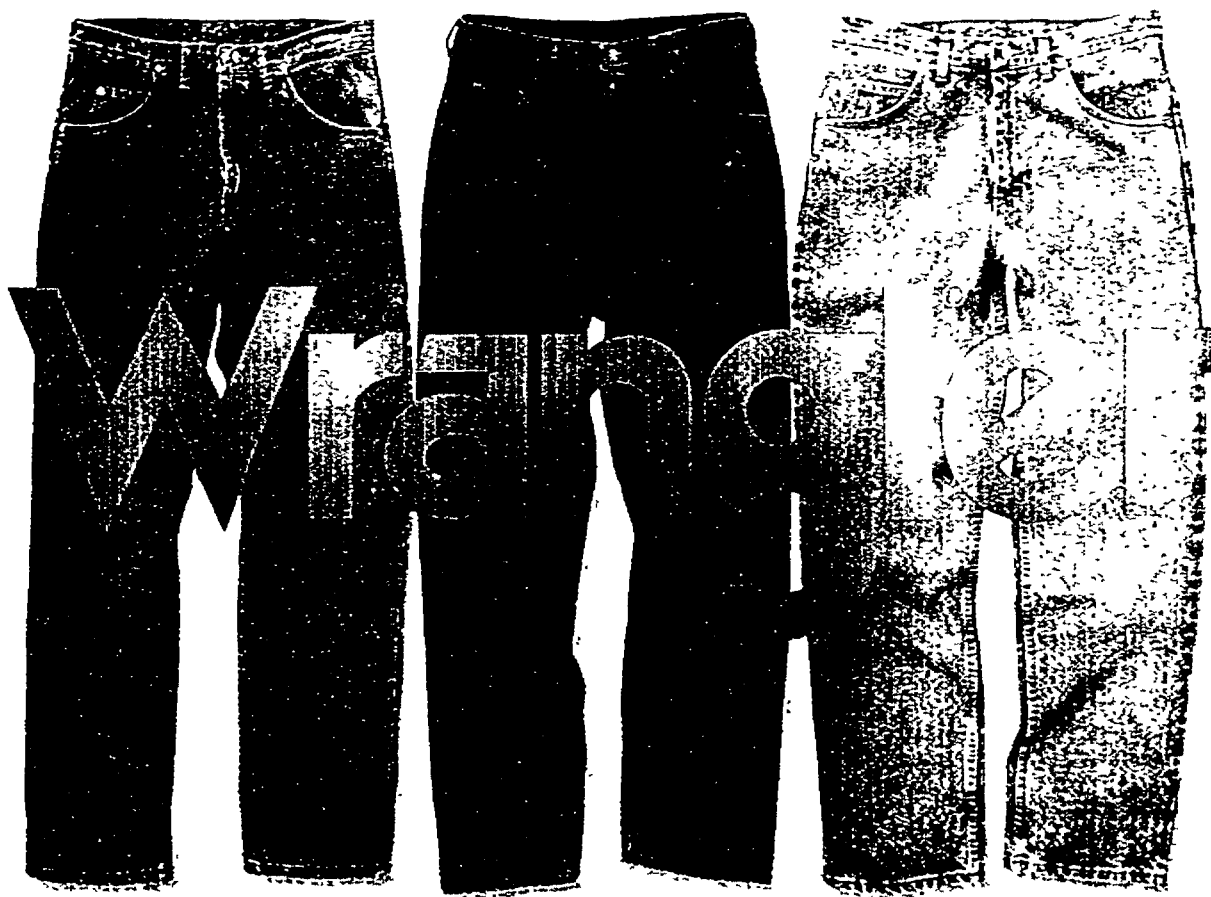
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Crossing Guard Granny

Waving her stop sign overhead, Leona Kennedy strides across four lanes of traffic and secures a path for students headed to Stapleton Elementary School.

"Where've you been, Dalton? You're late for school, honey," says Kennedy, who's been shepherding children across Hearnes Boulevard in Joplin, Mo., (pop. 45,504) for 47 years.

Kennedy, 82, grabs the 9-year-old boy's hand and hurries him across the busy street to the school's front door. She hugs him and assures him that he's not that late. "Bless his heart," she says.

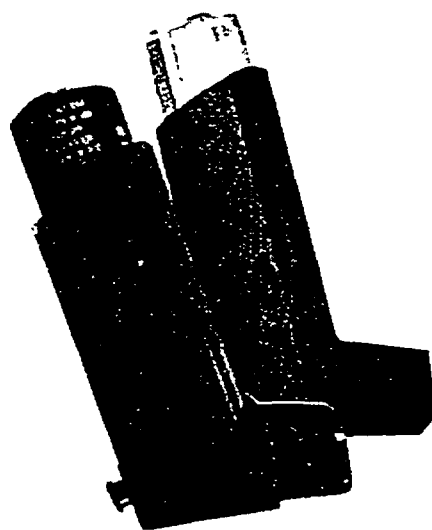
Over the decades, Kennedy, who lives one block from the school, has watched the neighborhood change. She witnessed construction of the present school building, watched as two lanes of traffic became four, and recalls when the traffic light was installed. She's outlasted seven principals and now mother hens a second generation across the street.

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Leona Kennedy shepherds students across busy Hearnes Boulevard.

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"She's like everybody's grandmother," Principal Marilyn Alley says. "She knows where everyone goes, she knows their families, and she's so concerned and caring. She comes to all the school functions."

Like most grandmothers, Kennedy remembers birthdays—hundreds of them through the years—and gives a dollar to each birthday boy or girl.

"Oh mercy, mercy, I just love these little kids," Kennedy says. "They keep me going. I get up, take my shower and drink my coffee, and know I need to get down here."

Kennedy took the job in 1956 so she could guarantee the safe crossing of her own two children, Wally and Sandy. At the time, the position paid \$1 an hour and required a uniform consisting of a white blouse, tie, navy skirt, and police cap.

Nowadays, the petite grandmother wears a bright orange patrol vest atop casual clothes, and except on Halloween maybe—when she dresses up as a hobo, a hound, or the Pink Panther—she continues to take her work seriously.

"She's really nice," says Drew Douthitt, 11. "She knows what activities we're all interested in. She asks me, 'How's school going? How's sports going?'"

Kennedy often lingers after the school bell to catch any stragglers. Once she waited while a student retrieved a show-and-tell project.

"Little ol' Mike Ernest was coming across the street and suddenly stopped. He said, 'Oh, I've got to go back home now. I forgot Mama's gallstones.'"

For 12 years, Veda Boyd Jones placed her three boys under Kennedy's wing. "She takes seriously the responsibility of keeping those kids safe, and they know it, and they do what she says," Jones says. "She makes every child feel special."

Former Stapleton students know exactly where to find Kennedy at 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

"One day one stopped and said, 'Mrs. Kennedy, you don't remember me, do you? I just wanted to let you know that I'm getting married in the morning.'"

"I said, 'Eddie Welch, I do remember you, but you've lost some of your freckles,' Leona says and laughs. "Oh, they grow up too fast. They'll stop down there and show me their new babies."

While most of her work is in full view with a whistle 'round her neck, other deeds are behind-the-scenes. Kennedy rounds up coats for kids. If a parent is in the hospital, she visits. She shares information on who's a reliable babysitter and who has a decent house for rent in the neighborhood.

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Marti Attoun is a frequent contributor to American Profile.

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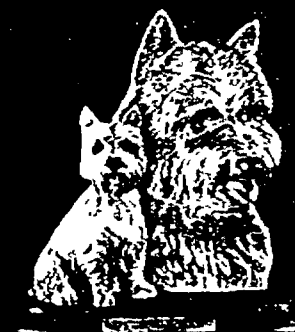
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Buying a Computer for College

As a computer buff, Ralph Bond has always been ahead of the curve in meeting his kids' technology needs.

But when his daughter headed off to the University of Oregon last year, even Bond—co-author of *The PC Dads' Guide to Becoming a Computer-Smart Parent* and consumer education manager at Intel Corp.—had to do some thinking about what kind of computer to send with her.

These days, more than 70 percent of all college and university students own computers, and choosing what to buy can be overwhelming. Answering a few questions can help make the process easier.

The first step, Bond says, is choosing between a laptop and a desktop computer. Most students pick the portable option, which lets them take notes in the library or study under a shady tree. Then find out if your child's school recommends an IBM-

type personal computer or the less-common Macintosh.

After that, it's time to decide how much computer you need. Bond recommends buying the most you can afford, particularly when it comes to the machine's processor and memory. That way, the computer is more likely to keep up with your child's needs right through graduation.

"Don't buy yesterday's technology," Bond says. "In the world of technology, it all changes so darned fast. Don't start two steps behind. Start at least where we are."

Here are some tips on how to decide what you need:

- Check with the school. Many universities give specific recommendations for student computing, and some departments also have requirements. As an architecture student, Bond's daughter needed graphics abilities that a math major might not want.

- Weigh online options. More and more campuses offer wireless networking, so with the right equipment your student can access the Internet without plugging in. Other schools may require a modem and telephone access. Again, the school should recommend the best option.

- Don't forget details. Carefully consider add-ons, which can include a space-saving flat-screen monitor and a printer (Bond prefers a laser printer, which costs more upfront, but saves on pricey ink cartridges). Some are mandatory, especially a good surge protector to ward off the effects of iffy dorm wiring (expect to pay about \$30). Also consider anti-virus software and insurance for theft protection (check your homeowner's policy and the school's coverage).

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Hannah Wolfson is a freelance writer in Orange City, Iowa.

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- 1 egg, beaten
- 3/4 cup each flour, plain bread crumbs

Slice chicken into steaks, place beneath wax paper and pound thin. Combine chicken and clam juice, add fresh garlic to taste, cover, and refrigerate for 36 hours. Drain chicken, dip in flour/bread crumb mixture, and fry quickly. Serve with lemon wedges, a sprig of parsley, and tartar sauce, if desired. Save the clam juice for homemade clam chowder using diced potatoes, celery, salt and pepper, and a can of baby clams. Add milk or fresh tomatoes and water.

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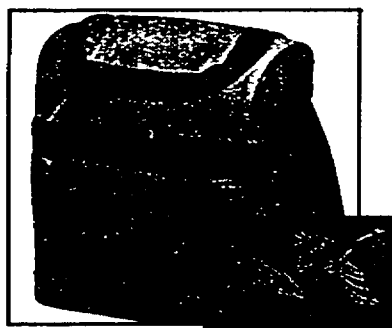
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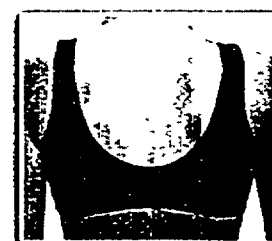
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